

BATTELL AND READ CHAPTER NEW CASTLE, DELAWARE JANUARY 2023

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Many thanks to those who were able to attend our first 2023 chapter meeting on Saturday, January 21. There was SO much to introduce and/or talk about so I apologize for the length and the multiple topics, but it was necessary to get as much possible out on the table.



New Castle Court House Interpreter Blaise joined us during the opening of the meeting and looked "spiffy" in his new handmade coat to go

along with his outfit

representing a member of Delaware 1st regiment. He took the time to tell us about the history of the



jacket

the buttons as well as his involvement with the Delaware First Regiment and others.

Committee reports, old and new business followed and throughout

this newsletter you will read brief summaries of the many potential service ideas and activities. Please feel free to bring any questions to the various committee chairs or to myself. We ended the meeting with a holiday gift exchange and numerous goodies to eat.



Just a reminder that the President General, Pamela Rouse Wright, will be attending the March 11 state conference. The President General visits each state once in her 3-year term. And while I would encourage you to attend all state meetings and conferences, if you attend only ONE, please attend this one. Dress code is business dress, no jeans. White gloves are required if you want to shake hands as you go through the receiving line, otherwise, don't extend your hand, and just say "hello."

Also, if you would like to recognize a Vietnam Veteran who is a friend or family member **at the State Conference**, 1) please make sure they can attend (the ceremony will be before lunch so they need not stay all day); and 2) please let me know so I can advise Susan Stith, State Chair of Service to Veterans. If they would like to stay for lunch, the chapter will be paying their way.

In DAR friendship,

Valarie Leary Organizing Regent

FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Laurie, Denise, Cindy and myself will be meeting with Justin Day, proprietor of Jessop's Tavern and James Ormerod of Prestige-Ledroit Distributing Co. on Wednesday, January 25, to discuss a possible historic bourbon tasting event. More information to follow.

After viewing the right sided ribbon presentation in November, Deb (Shetzler) and Laurie contacted me about making right sided ribbons. Official DAR Tartan material was ordered from Scotland (along with matching ribbon) and we met to discuss options. A limited # of right sided ribbons will be made along with a couple of other items to determine interest. We cannot market DAR Tartan right side ribbons to Delaware Daughters, but there are other alternatives for marketing. Deb had a couple examples to show us.



Deb also designed and created a DAR Tartan wristlet that we all fell in

love with, and she will be making several of them. The material cost of the wristlet is \$2.71. These will be offered for sale to the chapter and at the March Spring Conference at a cost of \$15 each.

As of the writing of this newsletter, these were also promoted on the "Lineage Society Swag" Facebook page and on my personal Facebook page. 34 were sold and there is a pending list of approximately 40 NOT including those that will need to be made for the March Conference.

Nanette came up with an idea of cocktail jars (also used for tea), similar to those found at this website:

https://www.campcraftcocktails.com/.

It was thought that this would be a good idea for **Art on The Green in September**. She will be pricing out the ingredients to make our own.

We opted not to share the Debbie Duay Video at the conclusion of the meeting due to its length. This is a GREAT video, so please click <u>here</u> to view.

NAME FOR THE NEWSLETTER:

The newsletter needs a name. So far, the suggestions are as follows:

The BAR Tab The BAR Standard Review

Please submit your suggestion by Friday, February 10. We will vote electronically so as not to take time during the meeting.

WILMINGTON FLOWER MARKET/MAY MARKET

The Wilmington Flower Market would be an excellent opportunity for a Monarch Butterfly exhibit as well as sell seed bombs. Rebecca has been working on this however they are slow to respond and we would not be allowed to display membership information about the DAR. Rebecca is still talking with them in order to iron this out.

In the meantime, the Battell and Read Chapter has requested to have a table at <u>May Market in</u> <u>Historic New Castle.</u> This event takes place on May 5 and 6, with differing hours each day. This request is not yet confirmed due to vendor limitations.

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PARTNERSHIP EVENT



The Battell and Read Chapter will be partnering with the New Castle Court House Museum on Sunday, April 30, 2023 at 1 p.m. to welcome Dr. Patricia L. Maclay as she presents:

The Bicentennial Celebration of Lafayette's Farewell Tour to America (1824 – 1825)

Lafayette's Farewell Tour saw the 67-year-old last surviving major general of the American Revolution triumphantly return to the country he loved. Both Congress and President James Monroe had invited him with the hope that his visit might reignite patriotic fervor in a politically divided America, fast approaching its 50 th Anniversary.

Lafayette hoped to return to France with the story of a successful democracy. From August 15, 1824 to September 9, 1825, Lafayette covered over 6000 miles by carriage, stagecoach, canal barge, and steamboat, traveling to all 24 exiting states and "Washington City." Everywhere he went and with a renewed patriotism, Lafayette was met with adoration and accolades as the American hero he was.

This presentation will cover the details of Lafayette's Farewell Tour of America, how it will be celebrated in 2024 – 2025, and how everyone will have the opportunity to get involved.

At the young age of 17, Lafayette first fell in love with America. In 2024 – 2025, as we celebrate the Bicentennial of Lafayette's American Farewell Tour, let us fondly remember and celebrate this Hero of Two Worlds. Dr. Maclay is the immediate past Maryland State Historian and is now State Chair for the DAR Leadership Training Courses. She also serves as National Vice Chair for the DAR's commemoration of the Lafayette Farewell Tour, as well as is Vice Chair for Administration of the DAR Property Beautification and Hospitality Committee. Dr. Maclay serves as a DAR Museum Docent, Corresponding Docent, outreach educator, and is a past Regent of the Janet Montgomery Chapter.

Dr. Maclay is a lifetime member of the American Friends of Lafayette and is on both its Governing Board as well as the National Steering Committee for the Bicentennial Celebration of Lafayette's Farewell Tour scheduled for 2024 – 2025. Beside national presentations, she is involved with the planning the Lafayette Farewell Tour commemorative visit to Baltimore Fort McHenry as well as is on the planning committees for the Philadelphia, area and New York City.

Dr. Maclay is a board-certified Internist, Rheumatologist, and a medical lecturer with a focus on the relationship between stress and disease. She is known for her passionate desire to serve, and as the proud mother of two daughters. Sabrina is an attorney in the field of international not-for-profit law now working in Cairo, Egypt for global Junior Achievement, and Elysia is the Producer of Public Programs at the Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum in New York City and a NASA Solar System Ambassador

Dr. Maclay resides in Gaithersburg, MD.

This event will be promoted by the American Friends of Lafayette in the tri-state area, the Delaware State Society and other out of state chapters as well as by the local newspaper.

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*The chapter will be represented with a display table with membership information. All are welcome to attend (it's free!) and we will need 2-3 people at the table before and after the presentation.

APPLICATION / TRANSFER STATUS

Congratulations to Cindy Snyder who was finally verified!

Janet Rossiter's app is in review!

Do you have a friend or family member who may be interested? Please invite them to a meeting or activity. If they join before October 15, 2023, they are considered a Charter Member.

DAR LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Rebecca DeVore – Chair (**reprint from November but the information remains the same)

Are you a New Member to DAR or interested in learning more about the Daughters of the American Revolution?

Well, you are in LUCK! The DAR Leadership Training Committee is the place you need to visit for the Member Training Courses!

The courses provide an opportunity for members to learn more about DAR and how to become active and engaged participants in DAR at all levels — chapter, state, and national.

What are you interested in doing with your DAR chapter? What can you bring to the group? Explore the courses and how you can enrich your membership with your chapter. The courses have been designed to fit into anyone's busy schedule of work, family, and play, through mostly online self-directed learning. Currently, the following courses are available:

- **Members Course** Explore the many aspects of DAR and what it means to be a Daughter.
- **Committee Leaders Course** Learn what it takes to be a more effective committee leader, from the chapter level all the way up to national chair.
- New Horizons Course Build confidence and leadership skills as an aspiring or current DAR leader.

Please contact your Chapter AND State Coordinator before beginning any course.

Dr. Gloria Lester (glesteredd@aol.com) will provide you with a course syllabus, along with instructions and guidance on how to submit your worksheets for each of the modules.

For more info:

https://www.dar.org/members/committees/stan ding-committees/dar-leadershiptraining/member-training-courses



February 18, 2023, 10:30 a.m.: Regular Chapter Meeting; Honorary State Regent Ginger Trader: DAR Museum Outreach, State Chair Topic: DAR Museum Treasures and "left side" Pins

February 21, 2023, 6:30 p.m. "Irregulars" Meeting/Social

March 11, 2023: Delaware State Society DAR Spring Conference **President General's

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Visit.** Wilmington, Delaware. Please see attached registration form.

March 18, 2023: Regular Chapter Meeting, TBD

March 27, 2022, 6 p.m.: Fundraiser: Historic Bourbon Tasting, Jessop's Tavern

March 21, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: "Irregulars" Meeting/Social

April 15, 2022: Chapter Business Meeting and Basket Class (tentative)

April 18, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: "Irregulars" Meeting/Social

April 30, 2023, 1 p.m.: The Bicentennial Celebration of Lafayette's Farewell Tour to America, (1824 – 1825) in partnership with the New Castle Court House Museum

May 5 and 6, 2023: May Market in Historic New Castle (tentative)

May 20, 2022: A Day in Old New Castle

May 25, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: "Irregulars" Meeting/Social

June 14 or 17, 2022: Chapter Meeting/Social, TBD

June 28 - July 2, 2023: Continental Congress

July 15, 2023: Possible Chapter Picnic

September 16, 2023, 10:30 a.m.: Regular Chapter Meeting, TBA

September 19, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: Irregulars Meeting/Social

September 23, 2023, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Art on the Green

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October 21, 2023: Delaware State Fall Meeting. Maple Dale Country Club, Dover, Delaware. *The Fall Meeting falls on the date of our normally scheduled chapter meeting.

October 25, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: Irregulars Meeting

November 18, 2023, 10:30 a.m.: Regular Chapter Meeting, TBD

November 25, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: Irregulars Meeting/Social

December 2, 2023: Chapter Holiday Tea

April 27, 2024: Delaware State Conference, Smyrna, Delaware.

October 19, 2024: Delaware State Fall Meeting, Odessa, Delaware.

April 26, 2025: Delaware State Spring Conference, Lewes, Delaware.

The Battell and Read Chapter as well as the Delaware State Society DAR are on Facebook and Instagram!!



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Delaware State Society Public Facebook (share!)



Delaware State Society Instagram (share!)



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