

The BAR Tab New Castle, Delaware February 2023



FEBRUARY 2023

The first 2-3 months of a new year are a little more hectic for chapter regents, state officers and national officers. These first few months are focused on the "CMR" or Chapter Master Report. The CMR is a visual measure of established chapter goals and achievements through DAR's Mission of historic preservation, education, and patriotism, along with membership for the calendar year January 1 – December 31.

They serve as planning guides for individual and chapter participation in the:

- committee activities
- programs
- service projects
- monetary contributions

Chapter Regents must complete the report by February 1. State officers then pick up the information to complete their reports by February 15. Division officers have until March 1, or a bit later depending on the committee. There are different reports that are also compiled to go to the State Regent.

A part of the CMR is the "CAA" or Chapter Achievement Awards. The *Chapter Achievement Awards (CAA)* recognize chapters for their exceptional work as it applies to all committees and all chapter sizes. With three award levels, the CAA highlights service, member retention, and active participation.

The Battell and Read Chapter attained 645 points which is great! It does help that we brought in 10 new members! Thank you ladies! I will send both the CMR and the CAA as separate attachments due to their size. I recommend scrolling through them to familiarize yourself with the goals and mission of Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism.



At the February 18 meeting, Honorary State Regent Ginger Trader presented "Dining in Early America -Analyze cooking and dining traditions in the American

home in the 18th and early 19th centuries."

She was assisted by State Vice Regent Carolyn Foxwell. It was a great presentation! Ginger brought molasses cookies based on a recipe from the kitchen of the 4th President of the United States, James Madison.





Rebecca baked a recipe from mountvernon.org called "Granny's Lazy Daisy Cake," and Laurie baked an old fashioned rum cake. Tea and coffee went along with our baked goodies.

Jackie Albaum presented the National Defender Minute titled "Patriotism in Your Purse." During World War II, bright red lipstick became a symbol of patriotism and an expression of strength and confidence, especially given Hitler's reported hatred of red lipstick and makeup. Spurred on by the U.S. Committee on Military-Industrial Production, which declared that cosmetics "are not just necessary, but also vital," cosmetic companies stepped up production of red lipstick. One such company, Elizabeth Arden, was approached by the Marine Corps to produce a lipstick for Women Marines. The result was "Montezuma Red" which matched the hat cord, scarf and sleeve chevrons of their uniform. "Victory Red" was the civilian version. Other companies joined in with lipsticks named Regimental Red, Fighting Red, Rocket Red, Patriot Red, and Grenadier Red. "It was patriotism you could carry in your purse," as Ilise S. Carter wrote in her book. The Red Menace: How Lipstick Changed the Face of American History.



Jackie handed out the old wax red lips to represent the red lipstick. Just another 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."

In DAR friendship,

Valarie Leary Organizing Regent

DAR Tartan Wristlets

To date 72 wristlets have been sold with 19 on hold awaiting payment.





There are approximately 80 remaining to be sold at the state conference and through other means. One way will be through a page on our website which is in progress. At the March meeting, there will be an inventory and financial update.

HISTORIC BOURBON TASTING

This event will take place on Monday, March 27, 2023, at 6 p.m. at Jessop's Tavern in Historic New Castle. 6 bourbons will be tasted and paired with delectable bites. \$50 per person, must be 21 or older. Seating is limited to 25. Consideration will be given to a second seating at 8 p.m. depending how fast the 6 p.m. seating sells.

James from Prestige is donating the bourbon (!), Justin is donating the glasses (!). Our share will depend upon the cost of food and service for the 90-minute event.

It is understood that not all members like bourbon and that many may not drink alcohol. Our only requirement for this event is to promote it. I will be attending along with my husband. See below for event and ticket links to share.

Event Link (includes ticket link)

Ticket link

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Rebecca DeVore



Conservation Communication! The Christina Watershed Cleanup will take place on April 22nd from 9 am to noon. The

DAR group will be meeting at the Hale Byrnes House, 606 Stanton Christiana Rd, Newark, DE 19713.

The Conservation Committee strongly encourages participation in a watershed

cleanup and we only have two large ones in Delaware. If you are interested in helping keep our water clean, please contact Rebecca or email the event coordinator Sarah O'Donnell (sarahlareod@gmail.com).

GENEALOGY COMMITTEE

Pam Derrickson and Jan Henion

The Genealogy Committee is meeting on Monday, February 27, 1 pm, at the New Castle Public Library. Please bring your laptop and DAR membership number. If you don't have a laptop, the library has a limited number that can be borrowed.

We plan to talk about the most inclusive days and times for future meetings. It is possible we could alternate afternoons and evenings to make it easier for everyone who wants to attend.

Our other goal is to brainstorm ideas for us as a committee. We've talked about holding several genealogy workshops at the library. We will assist research for pending and future chapter memberships.

In addition, we have some other ideas to consider at this meeting. If you have some thoughts, please share them with us.

A donation request letter template is being created to ask companies and retail stores for donations for clothing, such as pajama sets for female veterans, and unisex sweatshirts and sweat pants. Another option will be to seek monetary donations to purchase needed items.

NAME FOR THE NEWSLETTER:

The BAR Tab was the winner with a clear lead of 10 votes. Second place was The BAR

Bulletin with 6 votes. There were 15 total participants. Thank you!

SERVICE TO VETERANS Doris Duffy and Sherrye Eaton

Our chapter's goal is to focus on homeless, female veterans. We selected Eden Veterans' Refuge, in Smyrna, DE. Sherrye Eaton and I visited Lady Jackson's refuge on Thursday, March 2. We toured the house comprised of six bedrooms for the current 6 female veterans and all living areas were clean and in good condition. We proposed the organization solicit bids for the building repairs and renovations and submit a grant to the State of Delaware from a suggestion by Senator Nicole Poore, Chair of Veteran Services.

Corresponding Secretary, Jackie Albaum, contacted Lady Jackson, to present her idea of a kitchen gift shower to provide needed items.

Lady Jackson responded back stating her schedule has been busy getting some house repairs and hasn't had a chance yet to solicit bids for repairs/renovations.

At present, Lady Jackson plans to commit to soliciting bids. We will follow up in two weeks.

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WILMINGTON FLOWER MARKET/MAY MARKET

Both events have been placed on the "wait till next year" list.

PARTNERSHIP EVENT – Please mark your calendar to attend and SHARE!



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.

*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 received her national number on February 5.

Janet Rossiter's application has been verified and she will receive her national number on March 5!!

Welcome to PM Antoinette Maccari-Klingsberg!!

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.

MADONNA OF THE TRAIL

Debra Shetzler

Although Delaware is the First State, she houses no Madonna of the Trail. The closest Madonna currently resides in front of the old Post Office on Rockville Pike in Bethesda, Maryland. She was dedicated on April 18, 1929, facing East, on



the site of the 1st military road in America. After spending 3 years in storage, she was

moved and rededicated in 1986 to accommodate road widening and the construction of a subway stop. She was later restored in 1992. In 2001, residents of Cumberland, Maryland, argued that the Maryland Madonna ought to be relocated to their community, which served as the starting point for the 19th-century National Road (and gave the road its nickname of Cumberland Road). They argued that the statue was forgotten and out of place in Bethesda, which had become a bustling suburb of Washington, D.C. But Bethesda city leaders insisted on keeping the statue, which is featured on their city's logo.

Reference:

Cynthia Culver Prescott, "Pioneer Monuments in the American West: Explore Statues Honoring Early Settlers in the Old West," 20 February

2023, <u>https://pioneermonuments.net/highlighte</u> <u>d-monuments/madonna-of-the-trail/</u>

DAR LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Rebecca DeVore - Chair



Look how cute they are! This is an image of the graduation hat pin that will be awarded to the first five members to complete the Members Course. We currently have five members taking the

class. You are not one of the five, no worries, you can reach out to Gloria Lester at glesterdd@aol.com.

If you are interested in finding out more about what the Daughters of the American Revolution is all about, this course is for you. It only takes an hour or two a week to work on the classes. Please let me know if you have any questions or are interested in taking the course, you can reach me at radevore@ccps.org or (302) 563-4336.

For more info:

TODAY'S DAR BLOG



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February 27, 2023, 1 p.m.: The Genealogy Committee,1 pm, at the New Castle Public Library. Please bring your laptop and DAR membership number. If you don't have a laptop, the library has a limited number that can be borrowed.

March 11, 2023, 10 a.m.: Delaware State Society DAR Spring Conference **President General's Visit.** Wilmington, Delaware. Please see attached registration form.

March 18, 2023, 10:30 a.m.: Regular Chapter Meeting, Springtime Creates a Buzz! Presentation by Thomas Lunt, New Castle's resident beekeeper.

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

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

April 15, 2022, 10:30 a.m.: Joint meeting with the Delaware State Society USD1812. "Pigeon Run Cemetery" presented by George Widger

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

April 22, 2023, 9 a.m.: Christiana Watershed Cleanup. The DAR group will be meeting at the Hale Byrnes House, 606 Stanton Christiana Rd, Newark, DE

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 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

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.



INVITATION TO THE 114th SPRING STATE CONFERENCE

OF THE DELAWARE STATE SOCIETY NSDAR

Saturday, March 11, 2023

Registration 9:00 AM

Meeting 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

DuPont Country Club, 1001 Rockland Rd, Wilmington, DE 19803

EXCITING/FUN/ACTIVITIES

Our President General, Pamela Edwards Rouse Wright will be making her official visit to at our 114th Spring State Conference. Please come to the State Conference and meet her in person! For those that may not know, the speaker for this conference will be the President General. I would truly love to have a wonderful attendance at this meeting! Please come and share this day of fun and fellowship with your fellow Delaware Daughters. And remember to **bring your white gloves** for the receiving line.

MENU

Roasted Cauliflower and Spinach Bisque Grilled Chicken w Heirloom Tomato Salad or Vegetarian Lasagna Roulade (Vegetarian) Both Entrees Served with Seasonal Fresh Vegetables and Starch and Dinner Rolls

> Dessert - Chocolate Truffle Beverages Coffee and Tea

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Mail completed form and check for **\$50.00** payable to: DSSDAR by March 1, 2023

To: Robin Hughes, Conference Coordinator, 5317 Newman Ln, Middletown, DE 19709-6620

NAME: _____

EMAIL:

CHAPTER:

STATE OR CHAPTER OFFICER (FOR NAME BADGE): ______

I have my own badge and will bring it: Yes or No VOTING DELAGATE: Yes or No

Participation: In-Person or Zoom

ENTRÉE CHOICE: Grilled Chicken or Vegetarian Lasagna (Vegetarian)

Please let us know if there are any other special dietary requests: ______

OPTIONAL: Donations may be included for the State Regent's Project. Checks should be made out to the **DSSDAR**. Donors will be recognized in the State Conference Program.

Gold Support \$100 ______ Silver Support \$50 _____ Bronze Support \$25 _____

Madam Regent & chapter members, Thank you for your warm hospitality cluring my recent visit. I love your energy in service to this organization. You are a beautiful group of women that will ab great thing for your state and mational societie. Wishing you much success in all your projects. Thank you for the advalle over mitten and pot holding holder, Sparkling Jogether for Acol, Home & Country! Linger Trader