



The BAR Tab

New Castle, Delaware

September 2023



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At the first meeting of the season, the [Battell and Read Chapter, NSDAR](#) inducted 2 new members, Lissa Hilsee and Jennifer Leary. Both ladies have been active with the chapter while waiting for their applications to be approved.



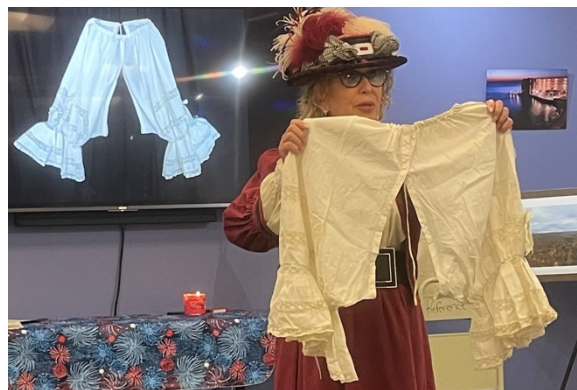
for symmetry projects and accommodations for fine motor skills.



Congratulations to Serviam Academy and Pleasantville Elementary!

The [Battell and Read Chapter, NSDAR](#) was honored to sponsor and present two grants: The DAR American Revolution Legacy Grant for \$2,500 was presented to the Serviam Girls Academy, and accepted by Cindy Olsavsky, Director of Development. The DAR is proud to support educational initiatives.

Following a brief business meeting, Karen Jessee presented a thoroughly enjoyable program: Bustles to Bras, a history of ladies' foundation garments, and the trends associated with them.



Niki Keenan, an instructor at Pleasantville Elementary, accepted the Junior Membership Classroom Grant in the amount of \$500. for the purchase of additional light tables to be used

The Monarch Migration Celebration event was held the same day at the Dupont Environmental Education Center. Representing our chapter was Rebecca DeVore, Vice Regent.



Due to weather, **Art on the Green** was postponed to Saturday, September 30. This, of course, threw a wrench into many schedules including my own.



Thanks to Lissa, Jenn, Denise, Janet, Laurie, and Sandy, as well as HODARS Mark Leary and Rob Rossiter for helping with set up and take down.



\$217 was raised from the sale of the oyster ornaments, necklaces, and milkweed seedballs plus donations.

Janet R. is donating the proceeds from the sale of the remaining ornaments to the chapter. Please see the chapter Facebook page for photos of more ornaments. They are \$15 each.



DAR after Dark on Tuesday, September 19 was a lot of fun as we learned to make No Sew Pumpkins:





Our next meeting is **Saturday October 14, 2023, 10:30 a.m. at the New Castle Library Community Room.** We will install our “new” officers, put together the small Hope Center kits (Day of Service project), discuss HundredX and celebrate our one year “Organizing Anniversary.” Also, we hope to have dates for Stockings for Soldiers.

We have been asked to assist with Spirit of Christmas, Saturday, December 9, and you will hear more at the chapter meeting.

See you there!

Valarie Leary
Organizing Regent

SERVICE TO AMERICA



As of September 30, 2023, we have **849** Service to America Hours logged for 2023, with the goal of **540** hours for the year.

***We are on the way to doubling our hours!
Let's do it!***

***DID YOU KNOW that the below activities
ALL count as Service to America hours:***

- Volunteering at local historical societies or associations
- Volunteering in schools, hospitals, and churches
- Volunteering with other lineage societies outside of DAR
- Transporting or sitting with those facing medical issues (non-family members)
- Service as a DAR chapter / C.A.R. senior society, state or national officer; committee chairman, vice chairman, co-chairman, committee member, etc. This includes all planning, communication, board meetings, and committee meetings.

If you need help logging hours, or are unsure if your hours count, please contact Valarie.

**That is 30 hours per member for the year and is also based on the # of members on January 1, 2023 which was 18.*

Log your **Service to America** hours [here!](#)



This is a bit of a slow start but I hope this will pick up in the next few weeks.

The order form (attached) has been updated with a good QR code and live link.

Remember \$5 of every wreath sponsored returns to the chapter! Our goal is 300 wreaths!

APPLICATION / TRANSFER STATUS

Congratulations to Antoinette Maccari-Klingsberg! Her app was an “easy” one that turned into a more challenging app! She will receive her national number on November 5 and be eligible to be inducted at the November meeting.

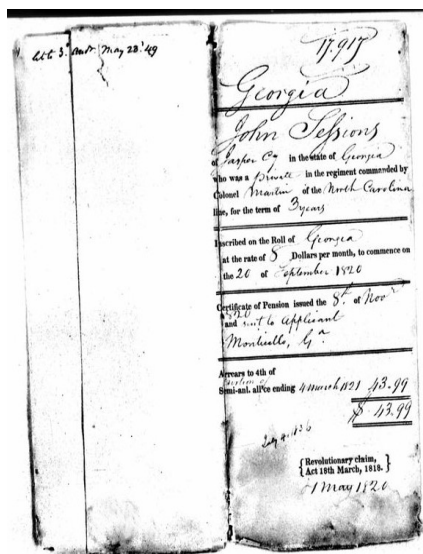
Sandra Clay’s app is at National and under “review.”

GENIE TIPS – MILITARY RECORDS

Sherry Eaton

Military Records – Pension Applications and Benefits

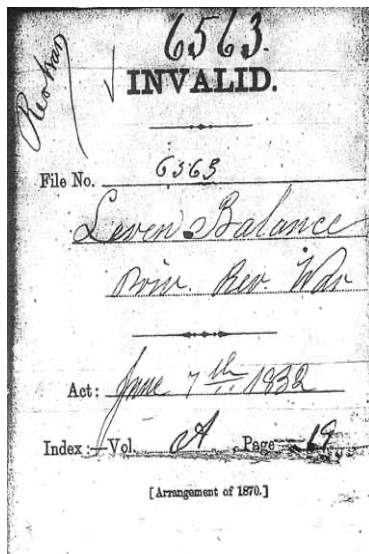
Military Records provide both historical and genealogical information about our direct ancestors. Service records and veteran’s benefits are two sources used in



genealogical research. Service records contain more historical material than genealogical information and include enlistment records, muster rolls, orders, reports, and commendations.

The most widely used military record are pension application files. They provide details of enlistment and discharge to provide eligibility for pension. Revolutionary War and Civil War

pension application files contain different documents and information.

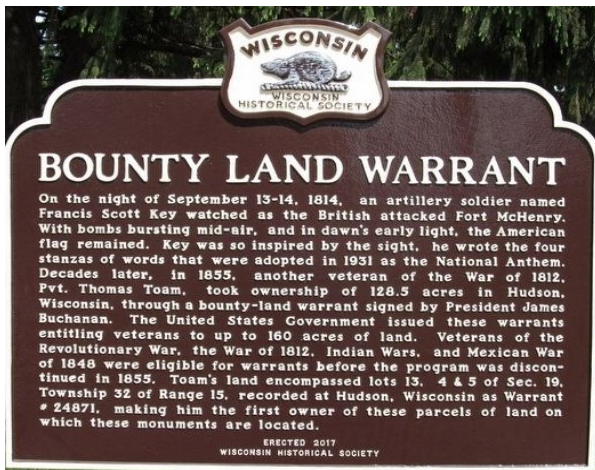
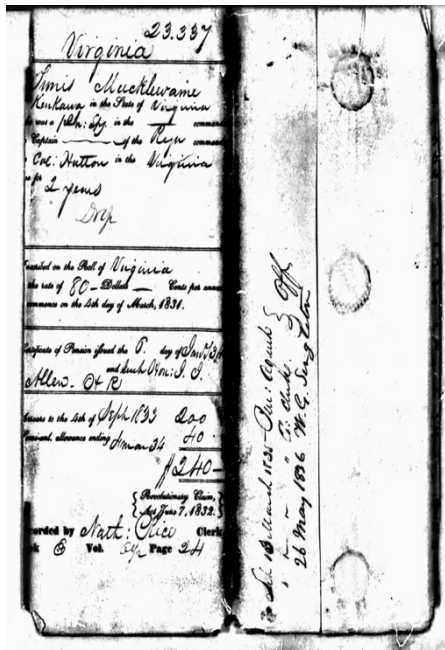


Revolutionary War veterans applied for benefits between 1776 – 1853, with all veterans being able to apply by 1832 with applications being made to the United States government. Those applications were initiated through the courts of the counties and towns the veteran

resided. The applications contained affidavits made by the veteran and his neighbors or associates to support his claim, summaries of his service, the military branch in which he/she served, the dates of service, the veterans date and place of birth, names of heirs, relationships with others who served with him, his movements after the war, and information about family bible records. Sometimes, torn pages from bible records are enclosed as evidence.

Civil War pension applications of veterans and their widows or minor children contain significantly more information than the older pension applications of the Revolutionary War. They are the best of the early military documents in terms of genealogical information they provide. Information found in Civil War applications are the name of the veteran, the unit in which they served, date/place of enlistment, date/place of birth, date/place of marriage, names/birthdates of children, wife’s maiden name, information of subsequent marriages, date/place of discharge, service-related physical disabilities, and the veteran’s residence since discharge from the service.

Other types of records that may be included are burial records, veteran's home information, military censuses, selective service registration, bounty land warrants, and military hospital records.



Through Daughters of the American Revolution, there is an Ancestor Database. It is a searchable database of every proven Revolutionary War patriot that a DAR application has been submitted. Each record contains current verified information about the patriot including: his/her dates of birth and death, spouse, location of residence, and a

description of the Revolutionary War service claimed for the ancestor. It also includes all DAR applications and supplementals that have been verified based on lineage descent from that ancestor.

Copies of DAR applications can be ordered for a fee on the DAR website. Most applications are four pages long and contain the lineage page, list of source citations, and Revolutionary War service.

HISTORY CORNER

Denise Dyson

On this day...



On Sept. 12, 1992, Astronaut Mae Carol Jemison became the first African-American woman to travel into space when she served as a mission specialist aboard the Space Shuttle *Endeavour*. Jemison joined NASA's astronaut

corps in 1987 and was selected to serve for the STS-47 mission, during which the *Endeavour* orbited the Earth for nearly eight days September 12–20, 1992.

Image courtesy NASA Image and Video Library, Photo ID S92-40463

Born in Alabama and raised in Chicago, Jemison graduated from Stanford University with degrees in chemical engineering as well as African and African-American studies. She then earned her medical degree from Cornell University. Jemison was a doctor for the Peace Corps in Liberia and Sierra Leone from 1983

until 1985 and worked as a general practitioner.

Jemison first applied to NASA's astronaut training program in October 1985, but NASA postponed selection of new candidates after the Space Shuttle *Challenger* disaster in 1986. Jemison reapplied in 1987 and was chosen out of roughly 2,000 applicants to be one of the 15 people in the NASA Astronaut Group 12, the first group selected following the destruction of *Challenger*. In 1989, she was selected to join the STS-47 crew as Mission Specialist 4 and was also designated Science Mission Specialist, a new astronaut role being tested by NASA to focus on scientific experiments.

Jemison flew her only space mission from September 12-20, 1992, as one of the seven-member crew aboard Space Shuttle *Endeavour*, on mission STS-47, a cooperative mission between the United States and Japan, as well as the 50th shuttle mission. Jemison logged 190 hours, 30 minutes, 23 seconds in space and orbited the earth 127 times. Throughout the eight day mission, she began communications on her shift with the salute "Hailing frequencies open", a quote from *Star Trek*.

Jemison left NASA in 1993 and founded a technology research company. She later formed a non-profit educational foundation and through the foundation is the principal of the 100 Year Starship project funded by DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency). Jemison also wrote several books for children and appeared on television several times, including in a 1993 episode of *Star Trek: The Next Generation*. (Jemison appeared as Lieutenant Palmer in "Second Chances", becoming the first real-life astronaut to appear on *Star Trek*.)

She holds several honorary doctorates and has been inducted into the National Women's Hall

of Fame and the International Space Hall of Fame.

[Wikipedia contributors, "Mae Jemison," *Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia*, [en.wikipedia.org/w/...](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/) (accessed September 12, 2023).]

What's a QUORUM? And why should I care??

Our by-laws state that a quorum is 50% + 1 of our membership. *We have 23 established members, and 12 is the quorum.*

A quorum is the minimum number of members that must be present at any of its meetings to make the proceedings of that meeting valid. A meeting quorum is required at our chapter meetings for the purpose of conducting and voting on new chapter business. Without it we can't make motions, change bylaws, initiate group projects, purchase items, donate money, and so forth. **Please plan to attend as many meetings as possible so we can meet the quorum needed to achieve our chapter goals.**



October 14, 2023, 10:30 a.m.:
Regular Chapter meeting.
Installation of "new" officers and completion of Hope Center Small Move Out Kits.

October 21, 2023: Delaware State Fall Meeting. Jonathan's Landing, Magnolia, Delaware *The Fall Meeting falls on the date of our normally scheduled chapter meeting. The alternate chapter meeting is above.

October 25, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: DAR after Dark

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

November 25, 2023, 6:30 p.m.: DAR After Dark Meeting/Social

December 2, 2023: Chapter Holiday Tea

December 9, 2023: Spirit of Christmas, New Castle, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

January 20, 2023; 10:30 a.m.; Regular Chapter Meeting

February 17, 2023; 10:30 a.m.: Regular Chapter Meeting

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

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.



WREATHS *across* AMERICA

2023 Wreath Sponsorship Order Form



Sponsored wreaths are placed on grave markers at state and national veterans' cemeteries, as well as at local and community cemeteries each December for National Wreaths Across America Day.

Your donation will ensure the placement of a veteran's wreath for one or more veterans laid to rest at the participating location of your choice.

All sponsored veteran wreaths are shipped directly to the location selected by the sponsor on this form. Wreaths are not shipped to individual wreath sponsors.

Please make checks payable to:
Wreaths Across America
 PO Box 249
 Columbia Falls, ME 04623

Call 877-385-9504 with any questions.
 Thank you for your sponsorship and joining us in
 our mission to Remember, Honor and Teach!

SPONSORSHIP TYPE	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Individual = 1 Wreath	\$17.00		
Family = 4 Wreaths	\$68.00		
Small Business = 10 Wreaths	\$170.00		
Corporate = 100 Wreaths	\$1,700.00		

For quicker processing and the convenience of paying with a credit card, debit card, Google Pay, or PayPal, veteran wreaths may be sponsored online by visiting:
[Wreaths Across America](https://www.wreathscrossamerica.com)

You should be the only one to enter your credit card information at checkout on the Wreaths Across America website. For your security, do not share this information with anyone else who offers to place an order for you.

If you prefer to pay with a check, please complete this form and mail it along with your check to Wreaths Across America at the address listed in the box above.

To split your donation between multiple groups and/or locations, please list the IDs and dollar amounts for each.

CHECK #		CHECK DATE		SPONSOR NAME FOR DISPLAY <i>If different than name on check.</i>	
GROUP ID(s)	DE0112P	DE0112P	DE0112P	EMAIL ADDRESS	
LOCATION ID(s)	DEVMBE (BEAR)			PHONE #	
DOLLAR AMOUNTS(s)				MAILING ADDRESS	

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Please note in memory/honor of requests do not place a wreath on a specific loved one's grave.

IN MEMORY OF REQUEST	The "In Memory Of" Name will be listed on the Wreaths Across America online Remember Wall, along with your personal message.	IN HONOR OF REQUEST	An email will be sent to your chosen recipient from Wreaths Across America letting them know of your donation of sponsored veteran wreaths in their honor.
NAME FOR MEMORY WALL POST		RECIPIENT NAME	
SPONSOR EMAIL ADDRESS		RECIPIENT EMAIL ADDRESS	
MESSAGE (optional)		MESSAGE (optional)	

Thank you for supporting our mission to REMEMBER, HONOR, and TEACH!