

**PROCEEDINGS**  
OF THE  
**GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY**  
OF THE  
**NATIONAL SOCIETY**  
OF THE  
**DAUGHTERS OF THE**  
**AMERICAN REVOLUTION**  
**2024-2025**

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**State Theme:**

*“Volunteer Hearts are Key to Historic Preservation, Education, and Patriotism.”*

**State Scripture:**

*“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”  
1 Thessalonians 5:11*

*“Rejoice always,”*

*1 Thessalonians 5:16*



"A people which takes no pride in the noble achievements.  
of remote ancestors will never achieve anything worthy  
to be remembered with pride by remote descendants." - Macaulay  
**Colonial Motto of Georgia:** NON SIBI SED ALIIS "Not for ourselves, but for others."

# DEDICATION

*In Memory of*

*Carolyn Grant Hanf*

This volume of the *Georgia State Proceedings*  
is lovingly dedicated  
by the Georgia Daughters  
in appreciation  
of her outstanding leadership  
and dedicated service  
to the Georgia State Society.

Carolyn joined the NSDAR in 1975. She was a member of the Fielding Lewis Chapter, Marietta, Georgia. She served as Georgia State Regent (1994-1996), Honorary State Regent, Vice President General (1996-1999), and Treasurer General (2001-2004). Carolyn also served for many years as the President General's Appointee to Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Board of Trustees and the Tamassee DAR School Board of Trustees.

Carolyn built a life based on her love of God and will be remembered for her dynamic personality and her enthusiastic dedication to service that benefited her family, her community and this nation.



**Carolyn Grant Hanf**  
State Regent 1994-1996

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**Elected in 2023 for Life**



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Pictured with State Regent Helen Robertson Powell



**STATE CHAIRS 2024-2025**  
Pictured with State Regent Helen Robertson Powell  
127<sup>th</sup> State Conference



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Pictured with State Regent Helen Robertson Powell, Coordinator of Districts  
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*(Never having served as State Regent)*

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4.	1898-1899	* Mrs. Porter King	Atlanta	Atlanta
5.	1899-1903	* Mrs. Robert Emory Park	Mary Hammond Washington	Macon
6.	1903-1905	* Mrs. Ira Yale Sage	Atlanta	Atlanta
7.	1905-1907	* Mrs. James A. Rounsaville	Xavier	Rome
8.	1907-1909	* Miss Anna Caroline Benning	Oglethorpe	Columbus
9.	1909-1910	* Mrs. P. W. Godfrey	Sergeant Newton	Covington
10.	1910-1912	* Mrs. John M. Graham	Fielding Lewis	Marietta
11.	1912-1914	* Mrs. Sheppard W. Foster	Atlanta	Atlanta
12.	1914-1916	* Mrs. Thaddeus C. Parker	Nathaniel Macon	Macon
13.	1916-1918	* Mrs. Howard H. McCall, Sr.	Atlanta	Atlanta
14.	1918-1920	* Mrs. James S. Wood	Savannah	Savannah
15.	1920-1922	* Mrs. Max E. Land	Fort Early	Cordele
16.	1922-1924	* Mrs. Charles Akerman	Mary Hammond Washington	Macon
17.	1924-1926	* Mrs. Julius Y. Talmadge	Elijah Clarke	Athens
18.	1926-1928	* Mrs. Herbert M. Franklin	Governor Jared Irwin	Sandersville
19.	1928-1930	* Mrs. Herbert Fay Gaffney	Oglethorpe	Columbus
20.	1930-1932	* Mrs. Bun Wylie	Atlanta	Atlanta
21.	1932-1934	* Mrs. Julian McCurry	Elijah Clarke	Athens
22.	1934-1936	* Mrs. John W. Daniel	Savannah	Savannah
23.	1936-1938	* Mrs. John S. Adams	John Laurens	Dublin
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25.	1940-1942	* Mrs. Thomas Coke Mell	Atlanta	Atlanta
26.	1942-1944	* Mrs. Stewart Colley	Arthur Fort	Grantville
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<b>COLONEL JOHN Mc INTOSH (67)</b> Janet Lynn Walkup Skelton	<b>3021GA</b>	<b>Conyers – NE</b>
<b>COLONEL WILLIAM CANDLER (184)</b> Terry Heath Hughes	<b>3022GA</b>	<b>Gainesville – NE</b>
<b>COLONEL WILLIAM FEW (17)</b> Andrea Clarice Sammons McCranie	<b>3023GA</b>	<b>Eastman – SE</b>
<b>COUNCIL OF SAFETY (51)</b> Gaynor Gillis Cheokas	<b>3025GA</b>	<b>Americus – SW</b>
<b>EARL OF CAMDEN (47)</b> Karen Antle Kerner	<b>3096GA</b>	<b>St. Marys – SE</b>
<b>EDMUND BURKE (40)</b> Jennifer Marie Mansell	<b>3027GA</b>	<b>Waynesboro – SE</b>
<b>ELIJAH CLARKE (130)</b> Lida Rice Waugh	<b>3028GA</b>	<b>Athens – NE</b>
<b>ELIZABETH "QUATIE" ROSS (23)</b> Karen Ruth Richter Leavengood	<b>3142GA</b>	<b>Lookout Mountain – NW</b>
<b>ETOWAH (50)</b> Rita Fay Terry Porter	<b>3030GA</b>	<b>Cartersville – NW</b>
<b>FAYETTE-STARR'S MILL (107)</b> Brenda Murphy Kendall	<b>3125GA</b>	<b>Peachtree City – SW</b>
<b>FIELDING LEWIS (292)</b> Karen Lumpkin Kivette	<b>3031GA</b>	<b>Marietta – NW</b>
<b>FORT FREDERICA (66)</b> Harriet Staley Lloyd	<b>3033GA</b>	<b>St. Simons Island – SE</b>

<b>FORT PEACHTREE (107)</b> Anne Woodruff Simms Goodgame	<b>3034GA</b>	<b>Atlanta – NW</b>
<b>GENERAL DANIEL NEWMAN (75)</b> Tammy Denise Hyder	<b>3115GA</b>	<b>Newnan – SW</b>
<b>GENERAL DANIEL STEWART (51)</b> Clare Beville Smyth Swinford	<b>3035GA</b>	<b>Perry – SE</b>
<b>GENERAL JAMES JACKSON (53)</b> Elizabeth LeFevre Hendrix	<b>3037GA</b>	<b>Valdosta – SW</b>
<b>GENERAL JOSIAH TATTNALL (24)</b> Donna Tootle Boyett	<b>3107GA</b>	<b>Reidsville – SE</b>
<b>GEORGE WALTON (108)</b> Julie Fleck Hobbs	<b>3038GA</b>	<b>Columbus – SW</b>
<b>GOVERNOR DAVID EMANUEL- ADAM BRINSON (64)</b> Kay Woods Lewis	<b>3002GA</b>	<b>Swainsboro – SE</b>
<b>GOVERNOR JARED IRWIN (55)</b> Dorothy Price Reynolds	<b>3041GA</b>	<b>Sandersville – SE</b>
<b>HANNAH CLARKE (26)</b> Jennifer Barron Wade	<b>3045GA</b>	<b>Quitman – SW</b>
<b>HAWKINSVILLE (43)</b> Mary Slade Ballard	<b>3046GA</b>	<b>Hawkinsville – SE</b>
<b>HENRY WALTON (104)</b> Dorothy Roberts Liddell Newton	<b>3048GA</b>	<b>Madison – NE</b>
<b>HIGHTOWER TRAIL (75)</b> Candace Reese Breeden	<b>3113GA</b>	<b>Canton – NW</b>
<b>JACOB BRASELTON (65)</b> Jerry Crenshaw Patterson	<b>3136GA</b>	<b>Braselton – NE</b>
<b>JAMES PITTMAN (21)</b> Brandy Sims Pethel	<b>3049GA</b>	<b>Commerce – NE</b>
<b>JAMES STEWART (32)</b> Pamela Ann Lyle	<b>3119GA</b>	<b>Franklin – SW</b>
<b>JAMES WALDROP (95)</b> Terri LeeAnn Parks Fopiano	<b>3129GA</b>	<b>Fayetteville – SW</b>
<b>JOHN BENNING (59)</b> Susan Laird Leimer	<b>3051GA</b>	<b>Moultrie – SW</b>
<b>JOHN BENSON (31)</b> Sara Hunt Lesseur	<b>3052GA</b>	<b>Hartwell – NE</b>

<b>JOHN CLARKE (15)</b> Pauline Thompson Myers	<b>3053GA</b>	<b>Social Circle – NE</b>
<b>JOHN FRANKLIN WREN (54)</b> Sharon Wimpy Fleming	<b>3055GA</b>	<b>Wrens – SE</b>
<b>JOHN HOUSTOUN (63)</b> Linda Moore Hallman	<b>3056GA</b>	<b>Thomaston – SW</b>
<b>JOHN LAURENS (69)</b> Aurelia Ramage Tippet	<b>3099GA</b>	<b>Dublin – SE</b>
<b>JOSEPH HABERSHAM (82)</b> Patricia Luann Wiley Miller	<b>3057GA</b>	<b>Atlanta – NW</b>
<b>KENNESAW MOUNTAIN (51)</b> Betsy Jane Wampler	<b>3137GA</b>	<b>Kennesaw – NW</b>
<b>KETTLE CREEK (38)</b> Nancy Allene Ray Sisson	<b>3100GA</b>	<b>Washington – NE</b>
<b>KING’S GAP (89)</b> Julia Stokes Keating	<b>3143GA</b>	<b>Pine Mountain – SW</b>
<b>La GRANGE (65)</b> Mary Kathren Moon Fogg	<b>3060GA</b>	<b>LaGrange – SW</b>
<b>LACHLAN Mc INTOSH (95)</b> Cheryl Nestler Odell	<b>3059GA</b>	<b>Savannah – SE</b>
<b>LAMAR-LAFAYETTE (24)</b> Susan Ansley Lindsey	<b>3061GA</b>	<b>Barnesville – SW</b>
<b>LEVI SAPP (19)</b> Wanda Gail Whitehurst Hughes	<b>3123GA</b>	<b>Adel – SW</b>
<b>LIBERTY HILL (44)</b> Darla Ann Valentini	<b>3139GA</b>	<b>Acworth – NW</b>
<b>LT. JAMES MONROE (30)</b> Denise Johnson Lundy Herring	<b>3121GA</b>	<b>Forsyth – SW</b>
<b>LYMAN HALL (36)</b> Teresa Marie Bronte Daniels	<b>3140GA</b>	<b>Waycross – SE</b>
<b>MARTHA STEWART BULLOCH (273)</b> Cynthia Willis Waskowsky	<b>3114GA</b>	<b>Roswell – NW</b>
<b>MARY HAMMOND WASHINGTON (109)</b> Elizabeth Taylor Newberry	<b>3064GA</b>	<b>Macon – SE</b>
<b>MATTHEW TALBOT (64)</b> Teresa Marcelle McElhannon Thompson	<b>3065GA</b>	<b>Monroe– NE</b>
<b>MINERAL SPRINGS (11)</b> Clarissa Evelyn Douberly Self	<b>3103GA</b>	<b>Waynesville –SE</b>

<b>NANCY HART (58)</b> Maggie Hutto Shiver	<b>3067GA</b>	<b>Milledgeville – SE</b>
<b>NATHANIEL ABNEY (17)</b> Lea Anne McNease Davis	<b>3068GA</b>	<b>Fitzgerald – SE</b>
<b>NATHANIEL MACON (68)</b> Renee Langford Sullivan	<b>3069GA</b>	<b>Macon – SE</b>
<b>OGLETHORPE (92)</b> Marsha Trump Newer	<b>3072GA</b>	<b>Columbus – SW</b>
<b>OLD HEROD (22)</b> Celia Jane Washburn	<b>3026GA</b>	<b>Dawson – SW</b>
<b>OLD NOONDAY (56)</b> Connie Byrd Soloway	<b>3133GA</b>	<b>Roswell – NW</b>
<b>OLD UNICOI TRAIL (54)</b> Barbara Kay Weaver	<b>3117GA</b>	<b>Blairsville – NE</b>
<b>OLIVER MORTON (78)</b> Linda Louise Powers Lancaster	<b>3073GA</b>	<b>Gray – SE</b>
<b>PATRIOTS OF LIBERTY (87)</b> Debra Harding Kielly	<b>3135GA</b>	<b>Alpharetta – NW</b>
<b>PETER EARLY (34)</b> Kimberly Anne Houston Orrick	<b>3076GA</b>	<b>Blakely – SW</b>
<b>PHILADELPHIA WINN (268)</b> Randi Davis Minor	<b>3111GA</b>	<b>Lawrenceville – NE</b>
<b>PULASKI (78)</b> Debra Wenner Frost	<b>3077GA</b>	<b>Griffin – SW</b>
<b>REVEREND JOHN ANDREW (86)</b> Laurie Luebbbers Traill	<b>3130GA</b>	<b>Watkinsville – NE</b>
<b>ROBERT LOUGHRIDGE (73)</b> Frances Harris McLellan McFarland	<b>3104GA</b>	<b>Chatsworth – NW</b>
<b>ROSWELL KING (49)</b> Milbrey Elizabeth Heard	<b>3110GA</b>	<b>Dunwoody – NW</b>
<b>SANDY SPRINGS (99)</b> Celia Hendry Mendez	<b>3128GA</b>	<b>Sandy Springs – NW</b>
<b>SAVANNAH (149)</b> Amy Jones Hatch	<b>3080GA</b>	<b>Savannah – SE</b>
<b>SEQUOYAH (143)</b> Suzanne Walker Harman	<b>3126GA</b>	<b>Jasper – NW</b>
<b>SERGEANT NEWTON (66)</b> Laura Lee Nichols	<b>3081GA</b>	<b>Covington – NE</b>

<b>ST. ANDREW'S PARISH (51)</b> Donna Lee Haselden Howell	<b>3079GA</b>	<b>Darien – SE</b>
<b>STALLINGS ISLAND (32)</b> Susan Price MacEwen	<b>3141GA</b>	<b>Evans – NE</b>
<b>STEPHEN HEARD (34)</b> Charlotte Edna Deringer	<b>3082GA</b>	<b>Elberton – NE</b>
<b>SUKEY HART (76)</b> Cynthia Darlyn Grantham Davis	<b>3112GA</b>	<b>Warner Robins – SE</b>
<b>SUNBURY (71)</b> Patricia Carter Lowrie	<b>3084GA</b>	<b>Winder – NE</b>
<b>SUWANEE CREEK (54)</b> Sheila Wright Crumrine	<b>3132GA</b>	<b>Suwanee – NE</b>
<b>SWEETWATER (59)</b> Lisa Elizabeth Wilson Meek	<b>3124GA</b>	<b>Douglasville – NW</b>
<b>TALLASSEE (28)</b> Barbara Louise Roger Fresh	<b>3085GA</b>	<b>Tifton – SW</b>
<b>THOMASVILLE (112)</b> Shelba Dawn Sellers	<b>3086GA</b>	<b>Thomasville – SW</b>
<b>THRONATEESKA (89)</b> Rebecca Ann Toole Anderson	<b>3087GA</b>	<b>Albany – SW</b>
<b>TOCCOA (22)</b> Elizabeth Williams Northcutt	<b>3088GA</b>	<b>Toccoa – NE</b>
<b>TOMOCHICHI (71)</b> Lynn Carol McCollum	<b>3089GA</b>	<b>Clarksville – NE</b>
<b>TRAHLYTA (51)</b> Mary Margaret Enriquez	<b>3127GA</b>	<b>Dahlonega – NE</b>
<b>VIDALIA (46)</b> Amanda Hopkins Betsill	<b>3090GA</b>	<b>Vidalia – SE</b>
<b>WILLIAM DAY (72)</b> Deborah Burns Kyle	<b>3118GA</b>	<b>Duluth – NE</b>
<b>WILLIAM MARSH (43)</b> Mary Rhyne Dykes	<b>3093GA</b>	<b>LaFayette – NW</b>
<b>WILLIAM Mc INTOSH (44)</b> Julia Ann Farrigan	<b>3092GA</b>	<b>Jackson – SW</b>
<b>XAVIER (153)</b> Cameron Floyd Abney	<b>3095GA</b>	<b>Rome – NW</b>

(Membership count as of January 1, 2024)

## Locations of Chapters

<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>CHAPTER NAME</b>
Acworth	December 5, 2017	Liberty Hill
Adel	December 6, 2004	Levi Sapp
Albany	June 2, 1909	Thronateeska
Alpharetta	December 6, 2015	Patriots of Liberty
Americus	October 20, 1908	Council of Safety
Athens	February 12, 1901	Elijah Clarke
Atlanta	April 15, 1891	Atlanta
Atlanta	December 21, 1948	Cherokee
Atlanta	December 11, 1964	Fort Peachtree
Atlanta	February 17, 1900	Joseph Habersham
Augusta	February 20, 1892	Augusta
Augusta	October 15, 1976	College Hill
Bainbridge	November 7, 1921	Bainbridge
Barnesville	April 14, 1928	Lamar-Lafayette
Baxley	June 9, 1972	Col Daniel Appling
Blairsville	October 17, 1997	Old Unicoi Trail
Blakely	June 14, 1912	Peter Early
Bogart	October 6, 2012	Apalachee
Braselton	February 5, 2017	Jacob Braselton
Brunswick	February 12, 1903	Brunswick
Canton	February 1, 1985	Hightower Trail
Carrollton	April 1, 1953	Abraham Baldwin
Cartersville	April 20, 1909	Etowah
Chatsworth	April 17, 1976	Robert Loughridge
Clarksville	June 5, 1909	Tomochichi
College Park	November 21, 1957	Captain Thomas Cobb
Columbus	July 4, 1901	George Walton
Columbus	December 11, 1892	Oglethorpe
Commerce	March 16, 1916	James Pittman
Conyers	October 11, 1921	Colonel John Mc Intosh
Covington	February 12, 1895	Sergeant Newton
Cumming	April 12, 2003	Chestatee River
Cuthbert	January 28, 1914	Benjamin Hawkins
Dallas	May 2, 1981	Captain Edward Hagin
Darien	January 26, 1956	St. Andrew's Parish
Dahlonega	October 9, 2004	Trahyta
Dawson	November 16, 1911	Old Herod
Decatur	November 29, 1912	Baron De Kalb
Douglasville	December 6, 2003	Sweetwater
Dublin	February 1, 1969	John Laurens
Duluth	October 10, 1998	William Day
Dunwoody	October 15, 1981	Roswell King
Eastman	April 13, 1913	Colonel William Few
Elberton	June 6, 1901	Stephen Heard
Ellijay	September 5, 2017	Captain James Kell
Evans	February 5, 2019	Stallings Island
Fayetteville	April 21, 2007	James Waldrop
Fitzgerald	July 19, 1911	Nathaniel Abney
Forsyth	December 7, 2002	Lt. James Monroe
Franklin	October 2, 2000	James Stewart
Gainesville	March 26, 1914	Colonel William Candler
Gray	February 22, 1922	Oliver Morton
Griffin	February 6, 1893	Pulaski
Hartwell	March 12, 1913	John Benson
Hawkinsville	April 17, 1920	Hawkinsville

Jackson	May 24, 1913	William Mc Intosh
Jasper	April 17, 2004	Sequoyah
Jesup	December 30, 1916	Altamaha
Jonesboro	June 8, 1973	Augustin Clayton
Kennesaw	May 5, 2017	Kennesaw Mountain
LaFayette	April 12, 1911	William Marsh
LaGrange	February 5, 1920	La Grange
Lawrenceville	April 19, 1982	Philadelphia Winn
Lookout Mountain	February 5, 2019	Elizabeth "Quatie" Ross
Macon	October 30, 1893	Mary Hammond Washington
Macon	January 14, 1905	Nathaniel Macon
Madison	March 2, 1910	Henry Walton
Marietta	January 18, 1950	Andrew Houser
Marietta	April 12, 1904	Fielding Lewis
McDonough	February 5, 2011	Andrew Mc Bride
Milledgeville	October 5, 1900	Nancy Hart
Monroe	January 23, 1914	Matthew Talbot
Moultrie	November 1, 1910	John Benning
Newnan	October 10, 1886	General Daniel Newnan
Peachtree City	December 6, 2003	Fayette-Starr's Mill
Perry	February 18, 1914	General Daniel Stewart
Pine Mountain	September 15, 2020	King's Gap
Quitman	April 18, 1908	Hannah Clarke
Reidsville	April 15, 1978	General Josiah Tattnall
Rome	July 15, 1891	Xavier
Roswell	April 18, 1986	Martha Stewart Bulloch
Roswell	June 25, 2012	Old Noonday
Saint Simons Island	April 16, 1960	Fort Frederica
Sandersville	November 12, 1910	Governor Jared Irwin
Sandy Springs	February 3, 2007	Sandy Springs
Savannah	April 18, 1925	Bonaventure
Savannah	May 2, 1901	Lachlan Mc Intosh
Savannah	April 15, 1892	Savannah
Social Circle	April 18, 1917	John Clarke
St. Marys	July 24, 1967	Earl of Camden
Statesboro	February 29, 1964	Archibald Bulloch
Suwanee	October 8, 2011	Suwanee Creek
Swainsboro/ Twin City	July 5, 2010	Governor David Emanuel - Adam Brinson
Sylvania	May 17, 1921	Brier Creek
Sylvester	November 4, 1921	Barnard Trail
Thomaston	March 25, 1911	John Houstoun
Thomasville	June 19, 1912	Thomasville
Thomson	April 12, 1930	Captain John Wilson
Tifton	January 24, 1962	Tallassee
Toccoa	October 21, 1923	Toccoa
Valdosta	December 8, 2001	Colonel Ebenezer Folsom
Valdosta	October 12, 1908	General James Jackson
Vidalia	April 14, 1928	Vidalia
Warner Robins	October 7, 1982	Sukey Hart
Washington	December 10, 1971	Kettle Creek
Watkinsville	June 25, 2007	Reverend John Andrew
Waycross	February 5, 2017	Lyman Hall
Waynesboro	February 2, 1925	Edmund Burke
Waynesville	June 7, 1974	Mineral Springs
Winder	April 25, 1921	Sunbury
Wrens	December 8, 1965	John Franklin Wren

## Organization of Chapters

Atlanta, Atlanta .....	April 15, 1891
Xavier, Rome .....	July 15, 1891
Augusta, Augusta .....	February 20, 1892
Savannah, Savannah .....	April 15, 1892
Athens, Athens (Disbanded 10-05-1910) .....	April 15, 1892
Oglethorpe, Columbus .....	December 11, 1892
Pulaski, Griffin .....	February 6, 1893
Mary Hammond Washington, Macon .....	October 30, 1893
Susannah Elliott, LaGrange (Disbanded 10-02-1902) .....	October 15, 1894
Thronateeska, Albany (Reorganized 06-02-1909) .....	January 5, 1895
Sergeant Newton, Covington .....	February 12, 1895
Francis Marion, Thomasville (Disbanded 04-17-1903) .....	February 14, 1895
Kettle Creek, Washington .....	September 11, 1895
(Disbanded 02-01-1941; Reorganized 12-10-1971)	
Piedmont Continental, Atlanta (Disbanded 02-09-1927) .....	January 27, 1898
John Adams Treutlen, Waynesboro (Disbanded 01-03-1909) .....	February 17, 1900
Joseph Habersham, Atlanta .....	February 17, 1900
Jonathan Bryan, Waycross (Disbanded 10-26-1938) .....	February 17, 1900
Thomas Jefferson, Atlanta (Disbanded 10-05-1910) .....	April 9, 1900
Nancy Hart, Milledgeville .....	October 5, 1900
Elijah Clarke, Athens .....	February 12, 1901
Lachlan Mc Intosh, Savannah .....	May 2, 1901
Stephen Heard, Elberton .....	June 6, 1901
George Walton, Columbus .....	July 4, 1901
Brunswick, Brunswick .....	February 12, 1903
Sarah Dickinson, Newnan (Disbanded 10-16-1957) .....	February 21, 1903
Stephen Hopkins, Marshallville (Disbanded 06-02-1954) .....	February 21, 1903
Shadrach Inman, Hepzibah (Disbanded 04-15-1916) .....	February 6, 1904
Fielding Lewis, Marietta .....	April 12, 1904
Nathaniel Macon, Macon .....	January 14, 1905
Sara McIntosh, Atlanta (Disbanded 11-02-1910) .....	November 1, 1905
Lyman Hall, Waycross (Disbanded 04-21-2007) .....	June 5, 1907
Governor Treutlen, Fort Valley	
(Merged with General Daniel Stewart 05-05-2022) .....	
Button Gwinnett, Columbus (Disbanded 04-14-2001) .....	October 7, 1907
Hannah Clarke, Quitman .....	March 13, 1908
Hannah Clarke, Quitman .....	April 18, 1908
General James Jackson, Valdosta .....	October 12, 1908
Council of Safety, Americus .....	October 20, 1908
Archibald Bulloch, Montezuma (Disbanded 02-01-1937) .....	February 3, 1908
Etowah, Cartersville .....	April 20, 1909
Thronateeska, Albany (Reorganized) .....	June 2, 1909
Tomochichi, Clarkesville .....	June 5, 1909
Sergeant Jasper, Monticello (Disbanded 10-15-1953) .....	February 22, 1910
Henry Walton, Madison .....	March 2, 1910
David Meriwether, Greenville (Disbanded 12-09-1934) .....	October 25, 1910
John Benning, Moultrie .....	November 1, 1910
Governor Jared Irwin, Sandersville .....	November 12, 1910
Stone Castle, Dawson (Automatically disbanded 06-04-1983) .....	March 21, 1911
John Houston, Thomaston .....	March 25, 1911
William Marsh, LaFayette .....	April 12, 1911
Nathaniel Abney, Fitzgerald .....	July 19, 1911
Old Herod, Dawson (Known as Dorothy Walton until 04-16-1983) .....	November 16, 1911

Governor Edward Tell, Thomaston (Disbanded 10-15-1930)	December 11, 1911
Governor John Milledge, Dalton (Disbanded 06-09-1967)	January 20, 1912
Peter Early, Blakely	June 14, 1912
Thomasville, Thomasville (Known as Ochlocknee until 1933)	June 19, 1912
Baron De Kalb, Decatur	November 29, 1912
(Location changed from Clarkston 02-01-1937)	
Lanahassee, Buena Vista (Disbanded 02-01-1937)	February 27, 1913
John Benson, Hartwell	March 12, 1913
Major General Samuel Elbert, Tennille (Disbanded 02-01-1944)	March 24, 1913
Colonel William Few, Eastman	April 13, 1913
William Mc Intosh, Jackson	May 24, 1913
James Monroe, Forsyth (Disbanded 02-01-1958)	July 4, 1913
Anawaqua, Fairburn (Disbanded 10-18-1919)	July 4, 1913
Matthew Talbot, Monroe	January 23, 1914
Samuel Reid, Eatonton (Disbanded 06-30-1938)	January 26, 1914
Benjamin Hawkins, Cuthbert	January 28, 1914
Noble Wymerly Jones, Shellman (Disbanded 10-6-2001)	January 29, 1914
General Daniel Stewart, Perry	February 18, 1914
Fort Early, Cordele (Disbanded 04-09-2011)	February 18, 1914
Colonel William Candler, Gainesville	March 26, 1914
McIntosh Reserve, Carrollton (Disbanded 10-17-1918)	April 1, 1914
John Laurens, Dublin	February 25, 1916
(Disbanded 10-15-1958; Reorganized 02-01-1969)	
James Pittman, Commerce	March 16, 1916
Altamaha, Jesup	December 30, 1916
Oconee, McRae (Disbanded 12-02-1995)	December 30, 1916
John Clarke, Social Circle	April 18, 1917
Chattahoochee, West Point (Disbanded 12-30-1933)	January 18, 1918
Hawthorne Trail, Pelham (Disbanded 04-05-1939)	February 9, 1918
La Grange, LaGrange	February 5, 1920
Colonel John Dooley, Vienna (Disbanded 08-02-1928)	April 17, 1920
Commodore Richard Dale, Albany (Merged with Thronateeska 06-05-2020)	April 17, 1920
Hawkinsville, Hawkinsville	April 17, 1920
Hancock, Sparta (Disbanded 02-03-1996)	April 17, 1920
Anna - Kanasta, Douglasville (Disbanded 12-30-1933)	March 29, 1921
Sunbury, Winder	April 25, 1921
Peter Coffee, Abbeville (Disbanded 12-30-1933)	May 10, 1921
Brier Creek, Sylvania	May 17, 1921
Cordele, Cordele (Disbanded 06-07-1922)	September 30, 1921
Colonel John Mc Intosh, Conyers	October 11, 1921
Barnard Trail, Sylvester (Known as Sylvester until 1928)	November 4, 1921
Bainbridge, Bainbridge	November 7, 1921
Burkhalter, Warrenton (Merged with Captain John Wilson 05-05-2024)	November 29, 1921
Elizabeth Marlow, Monticello (Disbanded 02-01-1968)	December 16, 1921
Oliver Morton, Gray	February 22, 1922
Old Marion, Jeffersonville (Disbanded 02-02-1933)	March 21, 1922
Cairo, Cairo (Disbanded 12-17-1968)	December 12, 1922
Toccoa, Toccoa	October 21, 1923
Oothcaloga, Adairsville (Disbanded 10-06-2012)	June 6, 1924
Fort Valley, Fort Valley (Disbanded 04-19-1948)	February 2, 1925
Edmund Burke, Waynesboro	February 2, 1925
Bonaventure, Savannah	April 18, 1925
Elizabeth Washington, Augusta (Disbanded 10-25-1939)	June 4, 1925
Jeffersonia Hawkins, Roberta (Disbanded 02-02-1933)	June 16, 1925
Roanoke, Richland	November 3, 1925
(Location changed from Lumpkin 01-31-1959; Disbanded 06-24-2013)	

Knox-Conway, Ashburn (Merged with Barnard Trail 08-05-2021).....	November 5, 1925
John Ball, Gordon .....	April 9, 1926
(Location changed from Irwinton 02-02-1990; Disbanded 10-9-1999)	
Arthur Fort, Granville (Disbanded 02-01-1955) .....	June 14, 1927
Camilla, Camilla (Disbanded 02-05-1936).....	July 12, 1927
Lamar-Lafayette, Barnesville.....	April 14, 1928
Vidalia, Vidalia .....	April 14, 1928
Captain John Wilson, Thomson .....	April 12, 1930
Adam Brinson, Twin City .....	April 12, 1930
(Location changed from Graymont-Summit 01-19-1955; Merged with Governor David Emanuel-Adam Brinson 07-05-2010)	
Governor David Emanuel, Swainsboro .....	May 26, 1931
(Location changed from Emanuel County 10-7-1956; Merged with Adam Brinson 07-05-2010)	
Elisha Walker, Wrightsville (Disbanded 02-01-1937) .....	February 2, 1935
General David Blackshear, Rochelle (Disbanded 10-8-2011).....	November 19, 1938
Governor George W. Towns, Talbotton (Disbanded 10-12-1991) .....	May 18, 1946
Governor George M. Troup, Hogansville (Disbanded 02-01-1951) .....	December 2, 1947
John Floyd, Homerville (Disbanded 06-24-2013).....	November 18, 1948
Cherokee, Atlanta .....	December 21, 1948
William Witcher, Cedartown (Disbanded 10-06-2012).....	June 3, 1949
Andrew Houser, Marietta.....	January 18, 1950
John Dooley, Lincolnton (Disbanded 10-16-1956).....	April 12, 1952
Abraham Baldwin, Carrollton.....	April 1, 1953
Major General John Twiggs, Jeffersonville (Disbanded 06-11-93) .....	August 18, 1955
Peachtree Trail, Marietta.....	October 21, 1955
(Location changed from Kennesaw 06-01-1962; Disbanded 10-17-68)	
Metter, Metter (Disbanded 10-08-2016) .....	December 15, 1955
St. Andrew's Parish, Darien.....	January 26, 1956
Hawthorne Trail, Camilla (Disbanded 02-06-1987).....	April 14, 1956
Captain Thomas Cobb, College Park.....	November 21, 1957
Fort Frederica, Saint Simons Island.....	April 16, 1960
Whitehall Inn, East Point.....	April 4, 1961
(Location changed from Atlanta 02-05-1982; Disbanded 10-10-1998)	
Tallassee, Tifton.....	January 24, 1962
Birdsville, Millen (Disbanded 04-14-2001) .....	January 7, 1964
Archibald Bulloch, Statesboro.....	February 29, 1964
Fort Peachtree, Atlanta .....	December 11, 1964
John Franklin Wren, Wrens .....	December 8, 1965
Earl of Camden, St. Marys .....	July 24, 1967
John Laurens, Dublin (Reorganized) .....	February 1, 1969
Ocmulgee, Warner Robins (Disbanded 06-11-1976) .....	February 1, 1969
Kettle Creek, Washington (Reorganized).....	December 10, 1971
Col Daniel Appling, Baxley.....	June 9, 1972
Augustin Clayton, Jonesboro.....	June 8, 1973
Mineral Springs, Waynesville .....	June 7, 1974
Lady Huntingdon, Oxford (Disbanded 10-07-2000) .....	April 17, 1976
Robert Loughridge, Chatsworth.....	April 17, 1976
College Hill, Augusta .....	October 15, 1976
General Josiah Tattnall, Reidsville.....	April 15, 1978
(Location changed from Claxton 07-01-2012)	
Chehaw, Putney (Merged with Thronateeska 03-05-2024).....	October 13, 1979
Captain Edward Hagin, Dallas .....	May 2, 1981
Roswell King, Dunwoody.....	October 15, 1981
Philadelphia Winn, Lawrenceville.....	April 19, 1982

Sukey Hart, Warner Robins .....	October 7, 1982
Hightower Trail, Canton.....	February 1, 1985
Martha Stewart Bulloch, Roswell .....	April 18, 1986
General Daniel Newnan, Newnan.....	October 10, 1986
Commodore Oliver Bowen, Douglas (Disbanded 03-05-2024).....	December 5, 1986
Old Unicoi Trail, Blairsville.....	October 17, 1997
William Day, Duluth.....	October 10, 1998
James Stewart, Franklin.....	October 7, 2000
Colonel Ebenezer Folsom, Valdosta.....	December 8, 2001
Lt. James Monroe, Forsyth.....	December 7, 2002
Chestatee River, Cumming.....	April 12, 2003
Fayette-Starr's Mill, Peachtree City.....	December 6, 2003
Levi Sapp, Adel.....	December 6, 2003
Sweetwater, Douglasville.....	December 6, 2003
Sequoyah, Jasper.....	April 17, 2004
Trahlyta, Dahlonega.....	October 9, 2004
Sandy Springs, Sandy Springs.....	February 3, 2007
James Waldrop, Fayetteville.....	April 21, 2007
Reverend John Andrew, Watkinsville.....	June 25, 2007
Governor David Emanuel - Adam Brinson, Swainsboro.....	July 5, 2010
Andrew McBride, McDonough.....	February 5, 2011
Suwanee Creek, Suwanee.....	October 8, 2011
Old Noonday, Marietta (Location changed from Roswell 2015).....	June 25, 2012
Apalachee, Bogart.....	October 6, 2012
Patriots of Liberty, Alpharetta.....	December 6, 2015
Jacob Braselton, Braselton.....	February 5, 2017
Lyman Hall, Waycross.....	February 5, 2017
Kennesaw Mountain, Kennesaw.....	May 5, 2017
Captain James Kell, Ellijay.....	September 5, 2017
Liberty Hill, Acworth.....	December 5, 2017
Elizabeth 'Quatie' Ross, Lookout Mountain.....	February 5, 2019
Stallings Island, Evans.....	February 5, 2019
King's Gap, Pine Mountain.....	September 15, 2020
Brand Settlement, Loganville (never confirmed; disbanded 09-20-22).....	December 15, 2021

# **Chapters by Districts 2024 - 2026**

**Coordinator of Districts: Carolyn Renee Gaspari Portell**

## **NORTHWEST**

**Abraham Baldwin** – Carrollton  
**Andrew Houser** – Marietta  
**Atlanta** – Atlanta  
**Baron De Kalb** – Decatur  
**Captain Edward Hagin** – Dallas  
**Captain James Kell** – Ellijay  
**Captain Thomas Cobb** – College Park  
**Cherokee** – Atlanta  
**Elizabeth “Quatie” Ross** – Lookout Mountain  
**Etowah** – Cartersville  
**Fielding Lewis** – Marietta  
**Fort Peachtree** – Atlanta  
**Hightower Trail** – Canton  
**Joseph Habersham** – Atlanta  
**Kennesaw Mountain** – Kennesaw  
**Liberty Hill** – Acworth  
**Martha Stewart Bulloch** – Roswell  
**Old Noonday** – Roswell  
**Patriots of Liberty** – Alpharetta  
**Robert Loughridge** – Chatsworth,  
**Roswell King** – Dunwoody  
**Sandy Springs** – Sandy Springs  
**Sequoyah** – Jasper  
**Sweetwater** – Douglasville  
**William Marsh** – LaFayette  
**Xavier** – Rome

## **NORTHEAST**

**Apalachee** – Bogart  
**Augusta** – Augusta  
**Captain John Wilson** – Thomson  
**Chestatee River** – Cumming  
**College Hill** – Augusta  
**Colonel John Mc Intosh** – Conyers  
**Colonel William Candler** – Gainesville  
**Elijah Clarke** – Athens  
**Henry Walton** – Madison  
**Jacob Braselton** – Braselton  
**James Pittman** – Commerce  
**John Benson** – Hartwell  
**John Clarke** – Social Circle  
**Kettle Creek** – Washington  
**Matthew Talbot** – Monroe  
**Old Unicoi Trail** – Blairsville  
**Philadelphia Winn** – Lawrenceville  
**Reverend John Andrew** – Watkinsville  
**Sergeant Newton** – Covington  
**Stallings Island** – Evans  
**Stephen Heard** – Elberton  
**Sunbury** – Winder,  
**Suwanee Creek** – Suwanee  
**Toccoa** – Toccoa Stephens  
**Tomochichi** – Clarkesville  
**Trahlyta** – Dahlonega  
**William Day** – Duluth

## **SOUTHWEST**

**Andrew Mc Bride** – McDonough  
**Augustin Clayton** – Jonesboro  
**Bainbridge** – Bainbridge  
**Barnard Trail** – Sylvester  
**Benjamin Hawkins** – Cuthbert  
**Colonel Ebenezer Folsom** – Valdosta  
**Council of Safety** – Americus  
**Fayette-Starr's Mill** – Peachtree City  
**General Daniel Newnan** – Newnan  
**General James Jackson** – Valdosta  
**George Walton** – Columbus  
**Hannah Clarke** – Quitman  
**James Stewart** – Franklin  
**James Waldrop** – Fayetteville  
**John Benning** – Moultrie  
**John Hustoun** – Thomaston  
**King's Gap** – Pine Mountain  
**La Grange** – LaGrange  
**Lamar-Lafayette** – Barnesville  
**Levi Sapp** – Adel  
**Lt. James Monroe** – Forsyth  
**Oglethorpe** – Columbus  
**Old Herod** – Dawson  
**Peter Early** – Blakely  
**Pulaski** – Griffin  
**Tallassee** – Tifton  
**Thomasville** – Thomasville  
**Thronateeska** – Albany  
**William Mc Intosh** – Jackson

## **SOUTHEAST**

**Altamaha** – Jesup  
**Archibald Bulloch** – Statesboro  
**Bonaventure** – Savannah  
**Brier Creek** – Sylvania  
**Brunswick** – Brunswick  
**Col Daniel Appling** – Baxley  
**Colonel William Few** – Eastman  
**Earl of Camden** – Saint Marys  
**Edmund Burke** – Waynesboro  
**Fort Frederica** – St. Simons Island  
**General Daniel Stewart** – Perry  
**General Josiah Tattnall** – Reidsville  
**Governor David Emanuel-Adam Brinson**  
– Swainsboro/Twin City  
**Governor Jared Irwin** – Sandersville  
**Hawkinsville** – Hawkinsville  
**John Franklin Wren** – Wrens  
**John Laurens** – Dublin  
**Lachlan Mc Intosh** – Savannah  
**Lyman Hall** – Waycross  
**Mary Hammond Washington** – Macon  
**Mineral Springs** – Waynesville  
**Nancy Hart** – Milledgeville  
**Nathaniel Abney** – Fitzgerald  
**Nathaniel Macon** – Macon  
**Oliver Morton** – Gray  
**St. Andrew's Parish** – Darien  
**Savannah** – Savannah  
**Sukey Hart** – Warner Robins  
**Vidalia** – Vidalia

# National Appointments from Georgia 2022-2025

## National Chairs, Standing Committees:

DAR Service for Veterans  
National Auditing  
Volunteer Information Specialists

Dana Bates Capaldi  
Paula Hannah Osborne  
Beverly Vaughan Baker

## National Vice Chairs:

American Heritage, Photography  
American History, Patriots of the American  
Revolution High School Essay Contest  
American History, Video Contest  
DAR Scholarship, William Robert Findley  
Graduate Chemistry Scholarship  
DAR School, Congress Event  
DAR Tours and Events  
Genealogical Records  
Insignia, Pin Review  
Junior Membership, Berry College  
Women's Issues, Senior Advocacy

Stephanie Kupecky Chasez  
Catherine "Cathy" Winslett Hyer  
Amy Pittman Lawson  
Kimberly Houston Orrick  
Cheryl Nestler Odell  
Nahali Ruth Croft  
Mary Kathleen "Kitty" Worrell Watters  
Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price  
Kathleen "Kathy" Zeles Marsh  
Cynthia Darlyn Grantham Davis

## National Vice Chairs, Southeast Division:

Chapter Development & Revitalization  
Commemorative Events  
Community Classroom  
DAR Service for Veterans

Teresa Bronte Daniels  
Lauren Baker McLeod  
Vanessa Michelle Watkins-Nutty  
Patricia Marianne Hein

## Congressional:

Memorial Service  
Congress Music  
President General's Reception Room,  
Advisor

Virginia Grace Lingelbach  
Jeane "Jeanie" Evans Joesbury  
Laura Marcella Reid

## Other Appointments:

Human Resources, Member  
Lineage Research, Member, Region IV  
Member of Commerce Committee, Member  
NSDAR Technology Planning Commission,  
Member  
Specialty Research,  
African American Research

Virginia Grace Lingelbach  
Rene Shows Hardin  
Kathy Zeles Marsh  
Beverly Vaughan Baker  
Nikki W. Sebastian

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**Augusta Representative:**  
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Dorothy "Dorrie" Platte

**Decatur Representative:**  
**Deputy:**

Rebecca "Becky" Miller Rostron  
Dorothy "Dee" Sherling Camerio

**Dublin Representative:**  
**Deputy:**

Harriett Jones Claxton  
Cherry Ramage Smith

# Georgia State Society, NSDAR, 2024-2026

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<b>America 250! Chair:</b>	Trisha “Trish” Holland Moseley
<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Kayla King Hudson
<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Marilynn Carol Simms Palmer
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Perrie Ashley Hixson Tucker
<b>Vice Chair SW:</b>	Judith “Judy” Allen Parker
<b>Vice Chair SE:</b>	Sandra H. Darby
<b>American Heritage Chair:</b>	Janet Pietrobono
<b>Vice Chair, Art and Sculpture:</b>	Lisa Mitcham Simpson
<b>Vice Chair, Literature and Drama, Music:</b>	Darlyn JaNell Davis
<b>Vice Chair, Fiber Arts:</b>	Sarah Swab
<b>Vice Chair, Crafts:</b>	Sarah Ameye Mazzarella
<b>Vice Chair, Women in the Arts Award:</b>	Sheila Wright Crumrine
<b>American History Chair:</b>	Deborah “Debbie” Garrett Bush
<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Tisha McMichael Johnstone
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Laura Lee Nichols
<b>Vice Chair SW:</b>	Michelle Gatian Andrews
<b>Vice Chair SE:</b>	Jane Grier Durden
<b>American Indians Chair:</b>	Susan Helton Gwaltney
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Rebecca <u>Susan</u> Elder Ryan
<b>Americanism Chair:</b>	Pamela Ann Lyle
<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Betsy Jane Wampler
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Rachel Maria Bianco Tribble
<b>Vice Chair SW:</b>	Rita Faye Knowles Wells
<b>Vice Chair SE:</b>	Beverlee “Bev” Reynolds Agut
<b>Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission</b>	
<b>Chair:</b>	Constance “Connie” Sasser Rifkind
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Virginia “Ginny” Soth Griffith
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Mary Ruth Mullins
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Mary Kathleen “Kitty” Watters
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Patricia M. Hein
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Pamela “Pam” Strother Downs
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Cynthia Darlyn Grantham Davis
<b>Children of the American Revolution Chair:</b>	Andrea Anglin Newton
<b>Commemorative Events Chair:</b>	Leslie Strickland Watkins

<b>Community Classroom:</b>	Tammy D. Hyder
<b>Community Service Awards Chair:</b>	Linda Underwood Easterwood
<b>Conservation Chair:</b>	Malone Kitchens Moore
<b>Constitution Week Chair:</b>	Melissa Bolton Tanner
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Julia Palma Robe Yokum
<b>Vice Chair (Capitol):</b>	Judith Clements Dyer
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Giselle Constance Alexander
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Amy Sprayberry Rambo
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Joan Mainzer Finch
<b>DAR DNA Network Chair:</b>	Cheryl Nestler Odell
<b>DAR Genealogy Preservation Chair:</b>	Mary King Givens
<b>DAR Good Citizen Chair:</b>	Brenda Baker King
<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Sharon Rennard Sowders
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Frances Cunningham Gipson
<b>Vice Chair SW:</b>	Charlotte Frances Brown
<b>Vice Chair SE:</b>	Kim Elizabeth Bryan
<b>DAR Leadership Training Chair:</b>	Patricia Anne Frederick Croft
<b>New Horizons Course State Coordinator:</b>	Karen Lumpkin Kivette
<b>Member Course State Coordinator:</b>	Mary Brown Turner
<b>Committee Leadership State Coordinator:</b>	Tania White Fontaine
<b>DAR Library Outreach Chair:</b>	R. Katherine Croft
<b>DAR Magazine Chair:</b>	Annette Bomar Hopgood
<b>DAR Museum Outreach Chair:</b>	Mary Louise Nelson Goehring
<b>Vice Chair, Georgia State Room:</b>	Caitlen Ann Parish Green
<b>Vice Chair, Correspondent Docents:</b>	Josephine "Jo" Bandy Hill
<b>Correspondent Docents:</b>	Mary Lou Nelson Goehring, Caitlen Ann Parish Greene, Jo Bandy Hill, Teresa Carswell Howard, Lydia Rainey McGill, Martha Ann Story, Kitty Worrell Watters
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<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Caron Josey Hobson
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Anne Allen Brown
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Stephanie Krupnick Johnson
<b>Vice Chair SE:</b>	Jill Clark Elias
<b>DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations Chair:</b>	Emily Six Tindall
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Lena Moring Wiley
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<b>Vice Chair, Veterans History Project:</b>	Gay Langston Solomon
<b>Vice Chair, Awards Judging</b>	Harriette Foster Hankinson
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<b>DAR Today Podcast:</b>	Valerie Renee Craft
<b>Flag of the United States of America, The, Chair:</b>	Lynn Baxter Jacques
<b>Franco-American Memorial Chair:</b>	Beverly "Bev" Vaughan Baker
<b>Genealogical Records Chair:</b>	Linda Killebrew Lopez
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Marie Harris Manning
<b>Historic Preservation Chair:</b>	Donna Land Bowlick
<b>Vice Chair, Medals and Recognition Award:</b>	Kathryn Ann Montgomery Baskin
<b>Vice Chair, Grants:</b>	Tara Sanders Kelsey
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<b>Vice Chair, Project Contest:</b>	Donna Land Bowlick
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<b>Junior American Citizens Chair:</b>	Amber Leigh McLean Witt
<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Peggy Danette Ware Ozment
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Kristine Helena White
<b>Vice Chair SE:</b>	Heather Stair Dickey
<b>Junior Membership Chair:</b>	Caitlen Parish Greene
<b>Vice Chair, Junior Shoppe-Product Management:</b>	Samantha Montgomery
<b>Vice Chair, Junior Shoppe-National Sales:</b>	Bethany Noel Anderson
<b>Vice Chair, Junior Shoppe-State Sales:</b>	Katherine Anne Fopiano
<b>Vice Chair, Outstanding Junior Contest:</b>	Carter Elizabeth Moore
<b>Vice Chair Classroom Grant:</b>	Rebecca Leann Urquhart
<b>Vice Chair, Special Events NW:</b>	Amber Leigh McLean Witt
<b>Vice Chair, Special Events NE:</b>	Whitney Burkhalter
<b>Vice Chair, Special Events SW:</b>	Margaret Elizabeth Fontaine
<b>Vice Chair, Special Events SE:</b>	Darlyn JaNell Davis
<b>Vice Chair, Junior Mentorship:</b>	Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price

<b>Lineage Research Chair:</b>	Pamela "Pam" Strother Downs
<b>Vice Chair NW:</b>	Jean McKenzie Maggs
<b>Vice Chair NE:</b>	Melissa "Missy" Minor Mitchell
<b>Vice Chair SW:</b>	Catherine "Cathy" Fussell Wells
<b>Vice Chair SE:</b>	Constance "Connie" Perry Page
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**Member, HSR:** Betty Brown Harrah

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<b>Vice Chair, Ads, Ribbons, Signs:</b>	Darla Ann Valentini
<b>Member, Ribbons:</b>	Lisa Kaye Hisey Cappetto
<b>Member, Ads:</b>	Linda Vaughn Anderson
<b>Member, Ads:</b>	Beverly Vaughan Baker
<b>Vice Chair, Decorations:</b>	Phyllis Hill King
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<b>Vice Chair, Door Hostesses:</b>	Michelle G. Andrews
<b>Vice Chair, Vendors:</b>	Charlotte Turner Berry
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<b>Advisor:</b>	Ann Benson Ameye
<b>State Events Treasurer:</b>	Andrea Berry Riddle
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<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Cynthia Ann Shelton Taleb
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Christine Weisiger Crowe
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## State Appointments to Meadow Garden Committees

<b>Meadow Garden Chair:</b>	O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle
<b>Vice Chair, Augusta Chapter Regent:</b>	Sue H. Pittman
<b>Vice Chair, College Hill Chapter Regent:</b>	Melissa Ransom Schwerzler
<b>Vice Chair, Stallings Island Regent:</b>	Susan Price MacEwen

### Sub-Committees:

<b>Volunteers Chair:</b>	F. Anne Hinton
<b>Patrons Chair:</b>	Sheila Wright Crumrine
<b>Development Chair:</b>	Jane Roszmann Mellor

## **DAR School Appointments**

*(School appointments are made by the individual schools and do not necessarily coincide with GSSDAR administrations.)*

### **KATE DUNCAN SMITH DAR SCHOOL**

<b>Board of Trustees, Members:</b>	Helen Robertson Powell Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price
<b>Development Committee:</b>	Mindy Kammeyer-Price, Chair Patricia "Pat" Bradford Joyce Ball Patton
<b>Endowment Committee, Members:</b>	Vicky Conn Frolich Rebecca "Becky" Miller Rostron Rebecca Malone West
<b>Programs and Promotions, Members:</b>	Betty Brown Harrah Shannon Cowles Logue Paula Hannah Osborne

### **HINDMAN SETTLEMENT SCHOOL**

<b>Advisory Board, Members:</b>	Mindy Kammeyer-Price Patricia Luann Wiley Miller
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# Georgia State Society DAR Meetings

## Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

**September 12, 2024**

The Executive Committee of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, met Thursday, September 12, 2024, in the Athens Room of the Atlanta Airport Marriott, Atlanta, Georgia. State Regent Helen Robertson Powell called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m., with State Recording Secretary Vanessa Watkins-Nutty present. Also present were Amy Pittman Lawson, First Vice Regent; Ann Benson Ameye, Second Vice Regent; Catherine "Cathy" Winslett Hyer, Chaplain; Scarlett Rene Gibson, Corresponding Secretary; Mary Ruth Mullins, Organizing Secretary; Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Treasurer; Virginia "Ginny" Soth Griffith, Registrar; Nancy Clark Coleman, Historian; and Marjorie Singley-Hall, Librarian, and Kathleen "Kathy" Zeles Marsh, Curator. Parliamentarian Judith "Judy" Richards Sherling was also present. A quorum was established.

Mrs. Powell welcomed the members of the Executive Committee, and it was noted that the minutes of the previous meeting were approved by the Proceedings Committee of the Harrah administration.

The State Chaplain offered the Invocation.

The State Regent announced that she is scheduled to attend National Board of Management in October and will return with pertinent information to share. Mrs. Powell informed the members that National now requires two non-personal email addresses for chapter websites and requested that the Executive Board members do what they can to assist VIS in reaching necessary chapters to maintain compliance with National Standards. The State Registrar's email address may be used as one of the addresses on file.

A new DAR Project Patriot opportunity is being planned and is expected to be approved at the October National Board of Management; please be on the lookout for more information once it has been approved.

Mrs. Powell gave an update on Meadow Garden; a certificate of occupancy for the Smokehouse/restrooms is close to being received once final inspections have occurred and will hopefully be operational soon. The Meadow Garden meeting attended by the State Regent in July and was held in the Signer's Room, details were included in the blog. The exterior of the 20-year old Heritage Education Center has been cleaned and refreshed with white paint for the first time in two decades; smoke detectors, emergency lights, and exit signs have been replaced and brought up to code; Meadow Garden Director Ransom Schwerzler is taking First Aid Training and there is now an AED device on site, and the Docents of the Day will also be taking First Aid Training. The two front doors and eight front shutters have been painted "Charleston Green", the porch floor repairs have been completed, and Landmark Preservation is working on the first period staircase. Planning for the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary is underway. Anne Hinton traveled to Crossnore and took the loom weaving course and took a spinning wheel up to have repairs made to it so that the weaving room in the cellar can be updated with hands-on exhibits. This is also part of the Porter Fleming Grant which will allow for the narrative and interpretive exhibits in that part of the house.

Mrs. Powell reminded the members of the Board to save the date for the Meadow Garden Open House on December 6 & 7 and expressed encouragement for Board members to attend at least one night.

Constitution Week is coming up and there are still some spaces available for the tour of the Old Capitol Building. Melissa Tanner will have a sign up sheet available at the Constitution Week Committee table on Saturday.

The State Regent provided a brief update on Fall Forum and is excited about new opportunities. There are 111 registered attendees for the book club meeting; the author has arrived and will be there and will be selling and autographing books. She will also be the speaker at Thursday's Genealogy Dinner, with 145 people registered to attend. There are over 400 people registered. Gratitude is expressed to Scarlett Gibson for her work on the program. There are a couple of corrections to be made to the printed program, but the online version is

up to date.

The State Regent encourages the Executive Board members to be out in the hallways when not attending or leading a session to talk with people and invite/encourage them to talk to the schools' representatives and Meadow Garden, and to answer questions, as needed. Members will be notified during the Friday and Saturday wrap up sessions that State Officers will be available in the pre-function area to answer questions.

Mrs. Powell discussed the directive from the Treasurer General regarding the need to purchase a license to sell raffle/voices; however, in Fulton County the cost and procedure to do so is exorbitant and so the decision was made to forego the raffle route to raise money for the State Regent's Projects. Instead, opportunity cards will be provided in each registration packet (no purchase necessary to participate). Additional opportunity cards are available by visiting the schools' tables and asking questions or making a purchase from them. Donations of any amount may also be made at the State Regent's Project table; if the donor reaches a certain level they will be offered more "opportunities". Five baskets each day will be chosen to participate in a silent auction benefitting the State Regent's Projects.

First Vice Regent Amy Lawson stated that the majority of her report will be given during the SBOM meeting, but she did state that, in addition to enjoying visiting chapters, there was a very good response to the Delegation Meeting held in Washington, D.C. during Continental Congress week and that the intention is to continue this meeting instead of hosting an outside event. Discussion was held on the topic of dates for the Delegation meeting.

Second Vice Regent Ann Ameye deferred the majority of her report but did discuss a few highlights. A trip to Rome, Georgia is being planned to visit Berry College on May 1 and 2, 2025, with two unique tours. At the Berry table during Fall Forum, there will be a sign announcing the tour with a QR code which will take members to an interest form. The form allows for a tentative headcount for each day; Thursday will be from 5:30PM to 7:30PM and will consist of a meet and greet with Gate Scholars and a walking tour of four surrounding buildings; cost is \$10.00. Friday's schedule will be from 9:00AM to 3:00PM and will include lunch and a tour; the cost is \$20.00. A DAR rate and room block has been negotiated with the Fairfield Hotel near Berry College, which will be shared with members in the upcoming blog. More detailed information about the tours will be available at the Berry table. Official registration will be opened in the spring.

Though our state society is not planning an official visit to Hindman this year, individuals and chapters are welcome to attend the 2024 Day at the Races on November 6, which has moved from Keeneland in Lexington to Churchill Downs in Louisville, KY. However, a Seed Shower for Hindman has been organized as one of the Service in Seconds projects at this Fall Forum. A sign in sheet will be available to log their chapter name so that the donation can be counted on the CMR.

Mrs. Ameye reported that all five schools will be represented this Fall Forum.

This officer thanked all with their assistance and sharing of files; the CIP will be updated with new dates.

Mrs. Ameye moved **the Executive Committee recommends that the State Board of Management approve and adopt as a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: for the Georgia State Society NSDAR, to support the Gate of Opportunity Scholarship program at Georgia's own Berry College by sponsoring student scholarship recipients at the cost of \$8,000.00 per scholar, per year. Combining our donations with student work and a matching grant allows student recipients to graduate debt free. The number of student recipients will be determined by the amount raised. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration.** Seconded by Mary Kuntz. **Motion passed.**

Chaplain Cathy Hyer emphasized the importance of Chapter Chaplains sending the GCP-01 Birthdays – 90 or Greater form by November 1. Equally important is the GCP-02, which is completed when a member's death has occurred. Chapter Chaplains should report the death on e-membership but also complete the GCP-02 and send to the State Chaplain. The GCP-02 is the only place the next of kin information is reported.

The Georgia State Society has lost 61 daughters since March 1, 2024. Sympathy cards

were mailed to only 18 of the families, due to a lack of forms being submitted. This officer has composed emails requesting prayers for 2 former state officers, and the daughters of the Sunbury Chapter, their community, and their families after the tragedy in Winder. She notified the Chaplain General who notified the President General, both of which lifted our sisters in prayer. The state society is looking into opportunities to honor and recognize the First Responders who were present during the tragedy in Winder.

She has spoken with daughters or their families recovering from illnesses or hospitalizations.

Recording Secretary, Vanessa Watkins-Nutty reported that the previous Recording Secretary Cathy Hyer has been working to complete the 2023-2024 Proceedings. Dr. Watkins-Nutty expresses gratitude to Mrs. Hyer for her support and encouragement and for also including this officer in the final editing process as a learning experience for the upcoming year.

Dr. Watkins-Nutty gave an update on a previously lost copy of the GSSDAR Proceedings book (1949-1950), for which there is currently no digital copy. After conversations with Nancy Coleman, Marjorie Singley-Hall, and our State Regent, Dr. Watkins-Nutty was able to reach out to Valerie Craft and Holly Croft who were both involved in the previous digitization process. Ms. Craft responded positively stating that she is willing and able to help get this newly found copy digitized and uploaded to the state website.

Corresponding Secretary Scarlett Gibson deferred much of her report and instead briefly discussed a few key points. This officer reported that after the last download of the Georgia Daughters listed in e-membership, there are over 7,000 for which we have e-mail addresses; there is anywhere between a 55% and 58% open rate, depending on if it is the blog or something else sent out. A digital copy of the blog is always sent to VIS to be put on the website. There were 213 preorders for the State Directory and extra copies were not ordered since there is no Literature table and the Fall Forum program was printed. This officer expressed appreciation to Judy Sherling for transporting the programs to the hotel; additional thanks is expressed to Cathy Hyer, past Corresponding Secretary, for her assistance and instruction. This officer thanked our State Regent Helen Powell, Honorary State Regent Meloye Brown, Second Vice-Regent Ann Ameye, and Parliamentarian Judith Sherling for their assistance in proofreading the program and directory.

Mrs. Gibson moved **the Executive Committee recommends that the State Board of Management approve and adopt as a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society NSDAR to support Honor Flight by raising awareness and financial contributions to sponsor 16 veterans, total not to exceed \$8,000.00. Georgia chapters will be encouraged to make donations, recruit veterans and guardian volunteers, and send notes of appreciation for mail call. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration.** Seconded by Amy Lawson. **Motion passed.**

Organizing Secretary Mary Mullins reported Since January 2024, two Georgia chapters disbanded (Chehaw and Commodore Oliver Bowen) and two merged into one (Burkhalter and Captain John Wilson), bringing the number of chapters in the Georgia State Society to 111. One chapter was on the verge of disbanding, and another is on the verge of being dissolved by DAR due to having less than twelve members. They do have several prospective members, and assistance has been offered to complete those applications. This officer has worked with the State Registrar, the Southeast District Director, and the Chapter Redevelopment and Revitalization Committee (CDRC) Chair in an attempt to stabilize these two chapters. There has been one inquiry into forming a new chapter. This officer will provide guidance as necessary when they are ready. This officer is planning genealogy workshops along with the State Registrar and CDRC Chair and is ready to assist any chapter in need. This officer attended the State Regent's Tea in Gainesville GA, installed officers at the Nancy Hart chapter in Milledgeville and presented a program to the Mary Hammond Washington Chapter in Macon. This officer also attended Cathedral of the Pines, a memorial service to America's War Dead, in New Hampshire. The GSSDAR Master Schools Division List is being updated and once revised and approved by our State Regent it will be uploaded to the State

website.

Ms. Mullins moved **the Executive Committee recommends that the State Board of Management approve and adopt as a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society NSDAR to adopt the conservation of a revolutionary war era cannon through the Coastal Heritage Society with the investment of \$15,000.00. Once conserved, the artifacts will be exhibited at Savannah History Museum, where they will help tell the story of our nation's founding for generations to come and deepen our understanding of our nation's fight for independence. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration.** Seconded by Marjorie Singley-Hall.  
**Motion passed.**

Treasurer Mary Kuntz announced the audit, and 990 tax filings were being prepared by Mersereau, Lazenby and Rockas, LLC, with the assistance of past State Treasurer Ann Ameye.

Mrs. Kuntz announced the CD at First State Bank of Blakely came due on August 31, 2024, and has been redeemed. Funds were added and a new CD was purchased at Colony Bank in Valdosta, GA for \$26,000 at a 4.15 annual percentage.

This report reflects balances as of September 10, 2024, as follows: **The Georgia State Society Account Summaries are as follows:** \$144,811.78 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$150,851.91 in the Checking account; \$132,146.54 in the Money Market; \$10,554.61 in the Savings Account; \$2,400.00 in the Other Assets (Hotel Deposit); \$440,764.84 in Total Liabilities & Equity. **The Meadow Garden Account Summaries are as follows:** \$97,154.09 in the Checking account; \$100.00 in Petty Cash; \$315,562.28 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$99,242.35 in UCB Money Market; \$184,788.84 in Regions Money Market/Savings; \$144,271.73 in Wells Fargo Savings; \$345,242.09 in Total Fixed Assets; \$1,186,361.38 in Total Liabilities & Equity.

Mrs. Kuntz presented the CD information balance sheet; all three accounts (two in GSS and one in Meadow Garden) with Ameris are set to come due in October 2024 and the three accounts (one with GSS and two in Meadow Garden) with Bank of the Ozarks are set to come due in January and February 2025.

Mrs. Kuntz presented the proposed budget 2025-2026 for discussion. Mrs. Kuntz asked Executive committee members to sign the Conflict-of-Interest Disclosure Statement and return it to her.

Registrar Ginny Griffith reported that membership and training is our focus. Georgia started 2024 with 7,973 members, in 114 chapters. As of September 7, 2024, 276 new member applications were approved, 80 members reinstated or transferred in from another state. However, 398 members were resigned, dropped, deceased, or transferred out of Georgia. The GSSDAR membership total is 7,927 as of September 14, 2024. There are 91 pending members, 20 pending/verified, and 7 six month notices. There are 47 pre-letters. Assistance is being provided to the chapters to help resolve these issues.

In February of this year 184 members were dropped for non-payment of dues. The Nancy Hart Chapter had 16, Apalachee had nine drops for non-payment. The other chapters had numbers that ranged from seven to one drops in their chapter.

There are 1,167 prospective members listed on the PMD. 618 were signed up through the website. The remaining 549 PMs were either shown as "chapter" entered or "State" entered. There are 38 of the PM's that were entered over five years ago. Only one shows "complete." The status on the majority of the 38 only show "contacted"; two of the 2019 & one 2017 PM's show "On Hold" as of 2023; 11 of the entries show "In Process."

Volunteer Genealogists are currently assisting eight Chapters with 12 applications. The latest chapter to have a Genie assigned was Mineral Springs. Their membership is currently at 10. The Chapter Development and Revitalization Committee is also involved with assisting Mineral Springs.

The Lineage Research Committee has been busy this year. During 2024 they have assisted 20 PMs, six applications have been approved. There are 13 requests for help pending. Two requests for specific help received after July 1, 2024, have already been resolved. The quick

resolution of the problems by Lineage Research Committee resulted in a written heartfelt thank you for the help and guidance that was provided by Pamela S. Downs, Chair of the committee. Additionally, the two applications have already been verified!

The State Midlevel Review Team (SMRT) that Mary Mullins, the then-State Registrar, 2022-2024, organized in December 2023 to assist ladies with their preparation of Supplementals has been a great success. The goal of the Team is to help the ladies submit supplementals to National that are well-prepared, follow Genealogy Guidelines and do not encounter resistance to approval. Since receiving their first supplemental for review on January 8, 2024, the Team has received 37 supplementals from either registrars or members. 28 have been reviewed and suggested corrections sent to the members; seven were returned needing further research and major changes. Six of the 28 reviewed have been submitted to National. One has been approved. It was for a 91-year-old mother, her supplemental was prioritized by the Staff and verified immediately. Currently the wait time for approval of Supplementals is two years. Results of the hard work that the five members of the SMRT Team have given is already starting to show in some of the Supplementals that are currently being submitted. Kudos to Mary Mullins for organizing SMRT, Kitty Watters for Chairing the Team, and Kudos to all the members of the Team past and present! Great job!

Discussions have been taking place between the different Lineage Research, Chapter Development & Revitalization, Volunteer Genealogist, and State Midlevel Review Team Committees to address the problems that are being seen with applications and supplementals and their preparations. From what is being seen it is apparent that they do not know how to use many of the training, guidelines and tools that National has provided for our use. We all feel that it would be beneficial for the members to have training sessions targeted to their specific needs, that the training be held local to them with the hope that we can reach and help more ladies with the Applications and Supplementals. The more the members know the better their Applications and Supplementals will be.

Historian Nancy Coleman was pleased to report that Georgia chapters are implementing a variety of projects to promote the historic preservation tenet of the Society's mission. Three chapters -- Philadelphia Winn, Sunbury and Colonel Ebenezer Folsom -- have received approval from the Office of Historian General to erect America 250 markers honoring Revolutionary War Patriots. John Benning and Sequoyah have been approved for commemorative markers to honor Revolutionary soldiers. Additional chapters are in various stages of compiling information to submit request of markers. Chapters are also working on applications for Outstanding Teacher of American History which are due on October 15. This officer has consulted and advised chapters on the process of marking the graves of Revolutionary War patriots, spouses and real daughters as well as member graves. She was also honored to attend the State Regent's Tea in Gainesville. At Fall Forum, the officer will participate in the Contests workshop promoting the Outstanding Teacher of American History Award and the Historian/Chaplain workshop promoting the various markers available for chapters. This officer also encourages members to participate in the Historian General's project to transcribe cards describing DAR markers located across the country.

Mrs. Coleman moved that **the Executive Committee recommends that the State Board of Management approve and adopt as a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society NSDAR to fund implementation of the Plan for Historic Restoration and Preservation of Meadow Garden, which was prepared by Landmark Preservation LLC, and approved by the Meadow Garden Board. Projects will be initiated based on the current assessment of priorities and funds available. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration.** Seconded by Cathy Hyer. **Motion passed.**

Librarian Marjorie Singley-Hall stated that National reports that 98 books have been donated to the DAR Library by Georgia daughters since the beginning of the Powell Administration. Of these books, ten were donated in honor of individuals and eight were donated in memory of loved ones. There are currently no Georgia related books on the DAR Wish List. This officer is encouraging chapters to donate to the DAR Library in addition to promoting and assisting their local libraries and creating chapter book clubs. During Fall Forum, we will begin our first

Georgia State DAR Book Club and are looking forward to having the author at the book club meeting. This officer has worked with genealogical libraries across the state to facilitate upcoming tours of four of the leading genealogical libraries for Georgia daughters throughout the Powell Administration.

Mrs. Singley-Hall moved **the Executive Committee recommends to the State Board of Management that \$500 be donated to the NSDAR Library in honor of Georgia State Regent, Helen Robertson Powell, for the purchase of books for the Georgia collection. The check will be sent after January 1, 2025, for use that year.** Seconded by Scarlett Gibson. **Motion Passed.**

State Curator Kathy Marsh reported the property belonging to the Georgia State Society, has been transferred from the previous State Curator. The inventory list has been reviewed and updated to reflect recent additions. All property has been accounted for and in good working order for use at Fall Forum. Table tent cards have been prepared as directed by the State Seating Chair.

Parliamentarian Judy Sherling reported two recommendations for review are being made to local chapters in their annual review of chapter bylaws. The first concerns the proper use of the words "chair or chairs" for committee leaders. Chapters will be encouraged to review wording for titles on the members-only National website under Resources. The second change concerns the correct name of the corporation for the Georgia State Society. Chapters will be directed to Section 1 of the state's updated bylaws on the members-only Georgia State Society website. Leaders from three chapters have contacted this parliamentarian thus far for assistance in revising the chapter bylaws. One additional question received by this parliamentarian involved the inclusion of succession plans following the loss of a chapter regent or club president. This was in response to the loss of Brenda Jessel, president of the Cameo Society. It will be the recommendation of this state parliamentarian that the club or chapter follow the model bylaws for chapters in wording either the appropriate section of the chapter's bylaws or standing rules. Chapter regents will be reminded of the November 1 deadline for submission of the most current bylaws during the upcoming State Board of Management.

Chaplain Cathy Hyer provided the benediction.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Approved March 20, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

### **Called Meeting October 21, 2024**

The Executive Committee of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, met Monday, October 21, 2024, via Zoom. State Regent Helen Robertson Powell called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m., with State Recording Secretary Vanessa Watkins-Nutty present. Also present were Amy Lawson, First Vice Regent; Ann Ameye, Second Vice Regent; Cathy Hyer, Chaplain; Scarlett Gibson, Corresponding Secretary; Mary Mullins, Organizing Secretary; Mary Kuntz, Treasurer; Nancy Coleman, Historian; and Kathy Marsh, Curator.

Mrs. Powell thanked everyone for meeting on short notice. Dr. Watkins-Nutty called the roll. A quorum was established.

Mrs. Powell read the call. The first item to discuss is an opportunity from the Kettle Creek Battle Association (KCBA) to co-sponsor an America 250 Patriot Marker at the Kettle Creek Battlefield location. The KCBA has decided that only one marker commemorating the 250th anniversary shall be placed, in lieu of multiple markers by different organizations, and is requesting that the DAR, SAR, C.A.R., and KCBA share the cost equally to purchase the marker. The cost would be \$655.00 per organization. A few points were brought up for discussion: correction of the name of our organization on the plaque, interest in the project, and application of a \$500.00 Celebration Grant by the state society to supplement the cost. Discussion was held.

Ms. Mullins moved that the Georgia State Society, NSDAR donate funds not to exceed \$700.00 to the Kettle Creek Battlefield Association towards the purchase of a commemorative marker and to apply for the \$500.00 Celebration Grant to assist with costs. Should the grant not be approved, the total amount of funds shall be designated from the State Dues Unallocated Money Market account. Seconded by Marjorie Singley-Hall. **Motion passed.**

The second item to discuss was how best to support our Georgia Daughters affected by Hurricane Helene. Mrs. Powell has been in contact with other state regents whose members have experienced similar disasters and received information on a gift card collection and distribution program, which was shared with the board members. Discussion was held on how best to assist the affected Georgia Daughters, as well as parameters of any proposed project/program.

Mrs. Hyer moved that the Georgia State Society, NSDAR create a program to collect gift cards in small denominations to be sent to our First Vice Regent and distributed equitably to Daughters who had structural damage to their primary residence in counties recognized by GEMA as having been affected by Hurricane Helene. Seconded by Mary Kuntz. **Motion passed.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Approved March 20, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

### March 20, 2025

The Executive Committee of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, met Thursday, March 20, 2025, at Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, Augusta, Georgia. State Regent Helen Robertson Powell called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m., with State Recording Secretary Vanessa Michelle Watkins-Nutty present. Also present were Amy Pittman Lawson, First Vice Regent; Ann Benson Ameye, Second Vice Regent; Catherine "Cathy" Winslett Hyer, Chaplain; Scarlett Rene Gibson, Corresponding Secretary; Mary Ruth Mullins, Organizing Secretary; Mary Sheperd Kuntz, Treasurer; Virginia "Ginny" Soth Griffith, Registrar; Nancy Clark Coleman, Historian; and Marjorie Singley-Hall, Librarian. Kathleen "Kathy" Zeles Marsh, Curator was excused. Parliamentarian Judith "Judy" Richards Sherling was also present.

The minutes of the September 12, 2024, and October 21, 2024, meetings were distributed via email and corrected. The minutes were approved as corrected.

The State Chaplain offered the Invocation, and Mrs. Powell welcomed the members of the Executive Committee.

State Regent Powell provided an update from the National Society. The National Executive Committee has recommended an increase in dues, based on an increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), to be voted on during Continental Congress this summer.

Since this is the last year of the Wright Administration, the National leadership has been working hard to ensure the transition of administration is as smooth as possible. The National website should go live with all the new information the day after the new administration is installed. Amy Lawson has been tapped as the campaign manager of Georgia for the Storage Administration.

Mrs. Powell informed those in attendance that some chapters around the country wanted to add a vote to change current admission policies; the suggestion was brought to the National Board and did not pass as a recommendation so it will not be on the ballot for this Continental Congress. On February 8, 2024, the President General released a statement regarding the National Board action.

A new, alternative ritual has been posted on the Chaplain General's pages; this is not a requirement but offers an optional choice for chapters.

Concerning historic markers, NSDAR has decided that a QR code may not be put on an official DAR marker. The logic is that QR codes are current technology but, in the future, it may not be a viable form of technology. An option is to create a separate marker or plaque near the official DAR marker that has the QR code.

During Continental Congress, First Vice Regent Amy Lawson has planned the Tuesday night Georgia Delegation meeting. Also, Tuesday afternoon the American Heritage winners will receive their certificates; Georgia has four placing entries so far, which were detailed in the State Regent's blog. Tondee's Tavern will be in the museum rooms showcase on Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. Mrs. Powell checked on the progress of the Tondee's Tavern renovations while in Washington, D.C. in February; it is not finished yet but should hopefully be completed by June.

The State Regent provided updates on Meadow Garden; on the back of the house, the old docent's kitchen and bathrooms constructed during the Lingelbach administration have been removed. The older, but unknown era, cabinetry in the back kitchen has been removed and will be refurbished and used in the Heritage Educational Center. Additional repairs have been made on the front porch to fix damage from the sprinkler system and the floor has been repainted in anticipation of the Open House on Friday, March 21, 2025. A railing has been fabricated offsite and should be installed between the two levels of the porch by Friday. There are 278 people signed up to attend the Meadow Garden Open House on Friday, so Director Ransom Schwerzler and Volunteers Chair Anne Hinton have planned to have additional tables out on the grounds so that there are more activities available for visitors; a timed ticket will be made available so that not all visitors are attempting to enter the house at the same time.

There was a wildlife issue under the house at Meadow Garden and a wildlife expert was brought in and the possums have been evacuated from the area and contamination under the house has been cleaned out; repairs to the insulation and steps to "critter-proof" the area have been made. The mold issue in the Heritage Education Center has been taken care of by cleaning out the venting for the air conditioning and bleaching and repainting the ceiling. Mrs. Powell expressed gratitude to Meadow Garden Director Ransom Schwerzler and encouraged Daughters to thank Mrs. Schwerzler for her endless hours, great ideas, and organization.

Mrs. Powell provided an update on the status of the State Regent's projects. The commitment for the Preservationist level of the Revolutionary War era cannon has been paid off; this is a total of \$15,000 in the first eight months of the administration. During the Opening Night program of State Conference, a short video on the restoration and conservation of the cannons will be presented to those in attendance. The exhibition will open in 2026 and Mrs. Powell encourages all to attend.

The Lachlan McIntosh chapter was approved for a historic marker, and it is scheduled to be placed on October 9, 2025, in conjunction with the Siege of Savannah festivities along with America 250! and the Wreaths Across America van.

A check has been written for the Gate of Opportunity Scholarship at Berry College and will be presented by Ann Ameye during the Education Luncheon.

Enough money was raised to fund the Honor Flight; the original plan was to spread the funds among the four hubs in Georgia, however the only hub which has been interacting with the state society is the one in middle Georgia. This hub is the most active, well organized, and takes veterans from all over the state. A consensus was agreed upon to focus on this hub. No motion to amend is necessary as the original motion did not specify which location(s) would be receiving funds.

A new opportunity has been presented to the Georgia State Society; Mrs. Powell was contacted by Chaplain General Virginia Lingelbach because the Wright Administration would like to present a President General's Medallion to Chuck Leavell for his music and his conservation efforts. The award was previously unable to be presented due to Mr. Leavell's schedule, but he is now available to attend Continental Congress to accept the award. Mr. Leavell and his wife are Georgia residents, and the Georgia State Society's opportunity is to reimburse Mr. Leavell for his airfare to Washington, D.C. for his travel to attend and accept the award.

**Ms. Lawson moved that the Georgia State Society, NSDAR reimburse Chuck Leavell, recipient of the President General's Medallion at Continental Congress on June 25, 2025, in Washington, D.C., for his airfare, cost not to exceed \$1,800.00. Funds to be taken from State Dues Unallocated Money Market Account. Seconded by Ann Ameye. Motion passed.**

In the interest of time, Mrs. Powell deferred her new business until after officer reports.

First Vice Regent Amy Pittman Lawson deferred most of her report until the business meeting. Ms. Lawson was happy to facilitate the gift card drive for Hurricane Helene relief and did receive some thank you notes from affected Daughters. Over \$4,500 was received in small increment gift cards and distributed. The Georgia Delegation meeting will be held June 24, 2025, from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Russell/Hart/Cannon room at the JW Marriott in Washington, D.C. Ms. Lawson did a little research and discovered that the first Georgia Delegation meeting was held in 1910 and then held off and on throughout the years. Ms. Lawson plans to pull an excerpt from the 1910 meeting (found in the Proceedings) and share them with the Georgia Daughters during the 2025 meeting.

Second Vice Regent Ann Benson Ameye deferred the majority of her report to the business session on Saturday. Mrs. Ameye advised that the registration for the two unique tours at Berry College is underway. Gratitude was expressed to Corresponding Secretary Scarlett Gibson for developing a digital registration that tracks the number of available slots and closes the registration once the maximum number is reached. The evening reception with tour of the Ford Buildings is limited to 70 attendees, and the campus tour with luncheon is limited to 150 members and guests. The room block at Fairfield Inn and Suites in Rome will close on March 31. Registration for the tours on May 1 and 2 ends on April 15, 2025. The event was advertised at Fall Forum, in the State Regent's blog, on the state website, and the state members' Facebook page. A special QR code was developed for both the digital registration and the room block. Further details were available in print version at the Berry College display table at the state conference.

Chaplain Cathy Winslett Hyer deferred most of her report to the business meeting but informed the board that there are 246 Daughters on the spreadsheet for 90+ birthdays, thirteen of which are over 100 years old. Mrs. Hyer has mailed 171 birthday greetings since the beginning of the Powell Administration and sympathy cards are mailed if the GCP-02 is received, as this is the only place the chaplain can obtain next of kin information. Additionally, as Daughters pass away, information is posted on the website. 139 Georgia Daughters have passed away since the beginning of the Powell Administration.

Recording Secretary Vanessa Watkins-Nutty took minutes at all business meetings of the State Board of Management, State Executive Committee sessions, and Fall Forum. She recorded all officer, committee, and chapter reports and awards received by her for inclusion in the Proceedings. Dr. Watkins-Nutty also reported that the recently discovered 1949-1950 Proceedings has been scanned and is now digitally available on the Georgia Archives website. Dr. Watkins-Nutty spoke with the Thronateeska chapter registrar and the physical book was donated to the Evelyn Sears Waite Collection of the Georgia Proceedings housed in the Stribling Room at the George Walton Heritage Center of Meadow Garden. Gratitude was expressed to past state recording secretaries for their continued assistance and guidance.

Corresponding Secretary Scarlett Gibson deferred her report to the business session of the state conference however Mrs. Gibson recently attended a Zoom meeting for state corresponding secretaries hosted by the Corresponding Secretary General during which a discussion was held on the publication and usage of members' national numbers. The National Society does not encourage the publication of any member's national number in yearbooks or directories and Mrs. Gibson introduced a discussion regarding the removal of the numbers in our state directory. The rationale was: should a digital copy of our directory be downloaded and passed along or obtained by a non-member, the information in it can then be used, allowing anyone to log onto the Members Only portion of the National Website. Discussion was held.

**Mrs. Gibson moved that the State Society not publish National Numbers in the printed State Directory. Seconded by Cathy Hyer. Motion Failed.**

Organizing Secretary Mary Ruth Mullins reported The Powell Administration began with 111 chapters. This officer attended the State Regent's Tea at Colonel William Candler Chapter as well as events at Thronateeska, Nancy Hart, Mary Hammond Washington, Atlanta, Tomochichi, George Walton, Etowah, John Houstoun, Sergeant Newton and La Grange Chapters. She led an Officer's Forum at Fall Forum and attended the Genealogical Research

Institute at DAR headquarters. The Georgia School Assignment List continues to be adjusted as needed. As part of Georgia's Chapter Development and Revitalization Committee, this officer has worked to identify and help chapters in need of support. This officer attended the Cathedral in the Pines in New Hampshire, a parade in Milledgeville, GA for Constitution Week, the posthumous presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to a Civil Air Patrol female, KDS Centennial celebration, the Founders Medal presentation in Athens, GA and Wreaths Across America Ceremony at the Georgia State Capitol. This officer also participated in genealogy workshops for King's Gap, Suwanee Creek, and Etowah chapters. No new chapters have formed, and no chapters have merged. This officer looks forward to visiting more chapters and encouraging growth.

Treasurer Mary Shepherd Kuntz distributed copies of GSS and Meadow Garden Financials. Mrs. Kuntz announced the audit, and 990 tax filings prepared by Mersereau, Lazenby and Rockas, LLC., have been completed.

This report reflects balances as of March 15, 2025, as follows: **The Georgia State Society Account Summaries are as follows:** \$147,937.40 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$226,307.84 in the Checking account; \$128,261.75 in the Money Market; \$65,557.64 in the Savings Account; \$2,400.00 in the Other Assets (Hotel Deposit); \$570,464.63 in Total Liabilities & Equity. **The Meadow Garden Account Summaries are as follows:** \$180,566.76 in the Checking account; \$100.00 in Petty Cash; \$314,375.59 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$85,894.23 in UCB Money Market; \$155,159.73 in Regions Money Market/Savings; \$115,033.24 in Wells Fargo Savings; \$313,433.04 in Total Fixed Assets; \$1,164,562.59 in Total Liabilities & Equity.

Mrs. Kuntz announced the four CDs at Bank OZK came due and were reinvested, as well as the three Ameris CDs. Mrs. Kuntz stated the GSS proposed budget 2025-2026 was presented at Fall Forum's SBOM and will be presented by Finance Chair Betty Harrah at the Business Session for a vote. Mrs. Kuntz thanked Ann Ameye and Helen Powell for their invaluable assistance to her during her first year as treasurer.

Registrar Ginny Soth Griffith reported that Georgia ended 2024 with 7,894 members in 111 chapters. On 3 Jan 2025 there were 82 pending new member applications for the state of Georgia and 12 pending but verified. Currently there are 27 AIR (Additional Information Required) letters that need to be resolved, with 8 of them in the six-month category. There are 5 pre-letters that need to be resolved. There have been 200 members dropped for non-payment of their dues by 1 Feb 2025. The current statistics for the society are: 32 deceased, one resignation, 8 reinstatements, 23 transfers out of a chapter (14 left the state of Georgia,) 20 transfers in (11 new to Georgia).

The Lineage Research Committee has been busy and are especially proud that 50 chapters now have Lineage Research Chairs, and the state now has 151 Lineage Research Committee members within the chapters. 28 Chapters conducted in-house research workshops training 492 people. The state committee was asked to assist with 24 applications. Currently ten applications have been verified and 12 are pending. Two other requests were for specific research help and were completed. The committee has also been presenting training workshops throughout the state.

The Supplemental Midlevel Review Team has been busy. During the first year of their existence, they received 40 supplementals for review. Seven of the supplementals were returned with suggestions for further research and work on the supplemental. The remaining 33 supplementals were reviewed by the team and constructive comments were prepared and sent to the members. The team's goal is to help Georgia Daughters submit supplementals that will be quickly and easily verified by Staff Genealogists at National. The team was also asked to review two pending member applications that had AIR letters. The State Genealogy teams worked together and both applications have been approved; one in Nov 2024, the other in Feb 2025. Both ladies are 90+ years of age.

Historian Nancy Clark Coleman deferred most of her report to the business meeting, but Mrs. Coleman did announce that there were seven nominees for the Outstanding Teacher of American History Award. The award will be presented to Danielle Kaiser, nominated by the Philadelphia Winn chapter; this is the second year in a row the Philadelphia Winn chapter has

had the winning nominee. She reported that there are many chapters placing or planning to place historic markers, especially due to the upcoming America 250! celebration, however Mrs. Coleman reports that she recently learned that several chapters have been placing markers that were not officially approved by NSDAR. Mrs. Coleman clarified that, according to the Historian General's office, any marker labeled with a chapter name and/or NSDAR, regardless of whether it includes a depiction of the insignia, must be approved through the appropriate channels. Additionally, the digital marker database is live online, however any markers placed within the last 20 years still need to be merged with the older index card database.

Librarian Marjorie Singley-Hall reports that 38 books were donated by 19 Georgia chapters to the DAR Library. Nine chapters conducted programs on the DAR Library.

Twenty-two chapters made donations to the DAR Friends of the Library with a total amount donated of \$2,191.00. Seven Chapters made a donation to the Friends of Seimes with a total amount donated of \$560.00. Twenty Georgia chapters have formed chapter book clubs. Seven chapters celebrated the 75th DAR Library Jubilee. This officer formed the Georgia State Society Book Club. The first meeting was at Fall Forum 2024 with 104 attendees. The second meeting is scheduled for State Conference 2025 with 110 daughters registered to attend. This officer also conducted the first of four genealogy library tours at the Switzer Library in Marietta, Georgia. There was a morning tour and an afternoon tour with a total of 45 daughters attending. Plans are underway for the second tour in the Spring of 2025 in the NE District at the Hargett Library at the University of Georgia and two additional tours during the Powell administration, one in the SE District and one in the SW District. This officer attended Continental Congress and especially enjoyed the program celebrating the 75th DAR Library Jubilee. It has been an honor to serve in the Powell administration.

Parliamentarian Judy Richards Sherling deferred the majority of her report to the business meeting. Mrs. Sherling announced that of the 111 Georgia chapters, 109 chapters submitted their bylaws, with 105 on time and four submitted late.

Following the conclusion of the State Officers' reports, State Regent Powell introduced new business for discussion. Mrs. Powell expressed an interest in adding additional, and more general, items to the State Regent's Projects. Topics for discussion included: celebrate America's semiquincentennial, including the objectives of NSDAR's America 250!; provide support to other projects which advance the goals and objectives of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution; and create a grant program to fund chapter projects within a specific focus. Discussion was held on each topic and ultimately tabled until a later date following the receipt of information at the upcoming Continental Congress.

Approved July 7, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

# **Fall Forum Minutes**

## **September 12-14, 2024**

### **SIXTH FALL FORUM**

#### **Georgia State Society of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution**

**Atlanta Airport Marriott,  
4711 Best Rd  
Atlanta, Georgia**

#### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS, SEPTEMBER 12**

**State Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Meadow Garden Board,  
Bylaws Committee, Chapter Officers Roundtable, Genealogy Program,  
Service in Seconds, Book Club, GEP Green Cord Ceremony & Casual Dinner**

#### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS, SEPTEMBER 13**

**Breakfast at Tiffany's: State Outstanding Junior Celebration & DAR DNA  
Network Program, GSSDAR Workshops, Learn Over Lunch Program,  
Service in Seconds, Chapters' Emporium,  
Loyalists, Liberty, & Leadership Banquet**

#### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS, SEPTEMBER 14**

**State Board of Management, GSSDAR Workshops, Learn Over Lunch  
Program, Committee Open Exchange,  
Constitution Celebration Banquet**

Workshops of the Georgia State Society were held at the Atlanta Airport Marriott in Atlanta, Georgia, on Friday, September 13, 2024, and Saturday, September 14, 2024.

Workshops began at 7:30 a.m. on Friday with registration, exhibits, and sales. The general assembly was held at 9:30 a.m. on Friday with State Regent Helen Powell presiding. Following the Invocation and Patriotic exercises, she welcomed those attending. State and national leaders were recognized, as well as representatives from the DAR Schools. The agenda of the day was reviewed, followed by three training forums from 10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. A "Learn Over Lunch" program was provided from 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Two additional training forums were available concurrently from 2:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Members and guests were encouraged to participate in the onsite service projects, the Chapters' Emporium, and to visit vendors.

Workshops began at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday with registration, exhibits, and sales. No morning general assembly was held following the State Board of Management meeting to allow for a quicker transition to the morning workshops. A training forum was held from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. followed by a "Learn Over Lunch" program from 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Two sets of two concurrent forums were held from 2:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Members and guests were encouraged to participate in the onsite service projects, the Committee Open Exchange, and to visit vendors.

In the closing general assemblies, the State Regent recognized the members essential to the functioning of the workshops and made announcements. The workshops ended with the "Opportunity Basket Fling," with donations supporting the State Regent's Projects. Total registration for Fall Forum was 408.

Special appreciation is extended to Cheryl Odell, State Events Chair; Renee Gaspari Portell, Coordinator of Districts; Jennifer Anderson, Northwest District Director; Mary Grainger

Harper, Northeast District Director; Kim Orrick, Southwest District Director; Sheila Burtz, Southeast District Director; Andrea Riddle, Events Treasurer; Tara Kelsey, Registration Committee Co-Chair; for their outstanding leadership and attention to detail in planning and coordinating the workshops.

# State Board of Management Minutes

September 14, 2024

The State Board of Management of the Georgia State Society, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, met on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at the Atlanta Airport Marriott, Atlanta, Georgia, with State Regent Helen Powell presiding and State Recording Secretary Vanessa Watkins-Nutty present at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 8:37 a.m. The Invocation was given by Cathy Winslett Hyer, State Chaplain. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mindy Kammeyer-Price, Past Reporter General. The American's Creed was led by Renee Gaspari Portell, Coordinator of Districts. The Preamble to the Constitution was led by Melissa Bolton Tanner, State Chair, Constitution Week. The National Anthem was led by Jeanie Evans Joesbury, accompanied by Ramona Lord, State Co-Chairs, Music. The Pledge to the Georgia Flag was led by Bridget Hester Conner, State Chair, Georgia Day.

The State Regent thanked Cheryl Odell, State Events Chair, Renee Portell, Coordinator of Districts, and the District Directors, Jennifer Anderson, Northwest, Mary Harper, Northeast, Kim Orrick, Southwest, and Sheila Burtz, Southeast for their efforts toward the success of this Board of Management meeting. Gratitude was also expressed to Andrea Riddle, State Events Treasurer; Tara Kelsey and Mei-Ling Konstantynowicz, Registration Committee Co-Chairs; Jane Bentley and Becky West, Credentials Committee Co-Chairs for their dedication and hard work in bringing the Fall Forum to fruition. Appreciation was also expressed to Bryanna Meredith for donating the Goodie Bags. The State Regent introduced and expressed gratitude to her Personal Page, Caitlen Green.

State Regent Helen Robertson Powell recognized National Officers in attendance: Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General; Betty Brown Harrah, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent; Joyce Ball Patton, Honorary Vice President General, Honorary State Regent.

State First Vice Regent Amy Pittman Lawson recognized distinguished Georgia Daughters in attendance: Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General; Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Brown Harrah, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent; Joyce Ball Patton, Honorary Vice President General, Honorary State Regent; Melodye G. Brown, Honorary State Regent; O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Honorary State Regent; Mindy Kammeyer-Price, Past Reporter General. The State Regent asked State Corresponding Secretary Scarlett Gibson to send notes of regret to the Honorary State Regents not in attendance.

Mrs. Powell recognized the state officers individually: First Vice Regent, Amy Pittman Lawson; Second Vice Regent, Ann Benson Ameye; Chaplain, Cathy Winslett Hyer; Recording Secretary, Vanessa Watkins-Nutty; Corresponding Secretary, Scarlett Rene Gibson; Organizing Secretary, Mary Ruth Mullins; Treasurer, Mary Shepherd Kuntz; Registrar, Virginia "Ginny" Soth Griffith; Historian, Nancy Clark Coleman; Librarian, Marjorie Singley-Hall; Curator, Kathy Zeles Marsh. State Parliamentarian Judy Richards Sherling was also presented.

The following Georgia Daughters in attendance with national appointments were recognized: National Chairs: Volunteer Information Specialists, Beverly Baker. National Vice Chairs: American History, Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest, Cathy Hyer; American History, Video Contest, Amy Lawson; DAR Scholarship, William Robert Findley Graduate Chemistry Scholarship, Kimberly Orrick; DAR School, Congress Event, Cheryl Odell; Genealogical Records, Kitty Watters; Insignia, Pin Review, Mindy Kammeyer-Price; Junior Membership, Berry College Representative, Kathy Marsh; Women's Issues, Senior Advocacy, Cynthia D. Davis. Southeastern Division Chairs: Community Classroom, Vanessa Watkins-Nutty; DAR Service to Veterans, Patricia Hein. Congressional Committees: Memorial Service, Virginia Grace Lingelbach; Congress Music, Jeanie Joesbury. Other Appointments: Human Resources Committee, Member, Virginia Grace Lingelbach; Commerce Committee, Member, Kathy Marsh, NSDAR Technology Planning Commission,

Member, Beverly Baker; Insignia Volunteers (IVs), Anita Bianconi, Cynthia D. Davis, Terri Fopiano, and Ginger Gidden-Weinzierl.

Mrs. Powell also recognized the Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service Representatives and Deputies in attendance.

The following members in attendance holding DAR School appointments were acknowledged: Kate Duncan Smith DAR School: Board of Trustees – Members, Mindy Kammeyer-Price and Helen Powell; Development Committee-Members, Pat Bradford, Mindy Kammeyer-Price, and Joyce Patton; Programs and Promotions Committee- Members, Betty Harrah and Shannon Logue; 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, Cheryl Odell, Chair, and Mindy Kammeyer-Price, Member. Hindman Settlement School appointees, Mindy Kammeyer-Price and Patricia Luann Miller.

The State Regent recognized members of the Tellers Committee in attendance and thanked them for their service: Carol Goff Russell, Chair; Jerry Patterson and Susie Morrison, Vice Chairs; and Ex-Officio member Judy Sherling.

The State Regent recognized members of the Timekeepers Committee in attendance and thanked them for their service: Judy York, Chair; Stacey Orr and Nancy Christensen, Vice Chairs.

The State Recording Secretary read Article VIII, Sections 1 - 6 of the Bylaws pertaining to the State Board of Management.

Mrs. Hyer gave the Blessing for Breakfast and breakfast was served.

Mrs. Powell recognized State Co-Chair of Credentials, Jane Bentley.

Mrs. Bentley, Co-Chair of the Credentials Committee, gave the first credentials report. As of 8:15 a.m., Mrs. Bentley reported the following attendance: 2 National Officers, 1 Honorary Vice President General, 12 State Officers, 3 Honorary State Regents and Past National Officers, 45 Chapter Regents or voting Vice-Regents. Total Voting Strength, without duplication: 63. Also represented without duplication were: 1 Parliamentarian, 372 Chapter Members, 35 guests. Total registration without duplication: 408. Total Chapters represented: 53. Mrs. Bentley **moved the adoption of the first credentials report. Adopted.** A quorum was established. Mrs. Bentley recognized and thanked the Credentials Committee.

Mrs. Virginia Lingelbach, understanding that the report was given without duplication, requested that it be noted that five Honorary State Regents are in attendance, with two reported elsewhere.

There being no objection, it was stated that the Proceedings Committee would review and approve the minutes of this State Board of Management meeting.

First Vice Regent Lawson took the chair while the State Regent gave her report.

The State Regent expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve the Georgia Daughters and expressed appreciation for the enthusiasm of the members and state officers as we transitioned to a new administration. She stated it was a thrill to be sashed at Continental Congress and attend the National Board of Management as Georgia State Regent.

Mrs. Powell reported that July began with the boom of cannons by the Skunk Brigade as Historic Meadow Garden welcomed 365 guests who signed in to celebrate Independence Day with tours, hands-on children's activities, music, and the reading of the Declaration of Independence. Wonderful docents, musicians, volunteers and SAR members brought the numbers up to record-setting attendance of more than 400 on site.

The Colonel William Candler Chapter, home chapter of the State Regent, hosted a delightful tea in Gainesville. Well over the anticipated 300 Daughters and guests attended from across the state on July 13<sup>th</sup>. The beautiful flowers, delicious refreshments, lovely harp music, and smiling faces added to a sparkling celebration of DAR friendship. The American's Creed scarves were unveiled and well received. The border of the patriotic red, white and blue design features the chapter name and location of each of Georgia's 111 chapters.

Meetings of the Finance Committee and the Meadow Garden Board were held on July 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> in the Signers Room at Meadow Garden. While together in Augusta, the State Regent, State Treasurer Mary Kuntz, Honorary State Regent Betty Harrah, and Past State Treasurer Ann Ameye updated bank signature cards for GSS accounts with four financial institutions.

While in Salt Lake City participating in the DAR/Family Search Library Week in August, the State Regent attended the Utah State Society Sparkle Luncheon honoring Utah State Regent Hollie Gilleland. It was a treat to meet Daughters from across the country and learn of their connections to Georgia through ancestors or family members in Georgia Chapters.

A tea to celebrate The Poppy Lady, DAR member Moina Michaels, and welcoming new members was hosted by the Elijah Clarke Chapter in Athens. Five area chapters were represented, and the gathering provided an opportunity to highlight plans and projects for the Powell administration.

Communication is Key and this officer has worked with the State Corresponding Secretary to create 11 weekly blogs to keep members informed and connected. The state directory has current contact information, so members may reach committee chairs, chapter regents, and state leadership. Appreciation is extended to Scarlett Gibson for her creativity and technical skills.

The VIS Committee has invested hours of work updating the GSS website with new CIPs, new photos for the Powell administration and then migrating the GSS and Meadow Garden websites to a new server. Hopefully, all the chapter websites will be back online soon and updated to reflect the newest requirements from National. Currently four are back. Grateful appreciation is expressed to Anne Hinton, Ransom Schwerzler, Bev Baker, and all those with technology skills who helped with this process. Chapters are now required by National to have two non-personal email addresses attached to their chapter websites.

Georgia Daughters should be proud of the fantastic progress being accomplished at Meadow Garden. In addition to the fascinating tours offered by Meadow Garden Director Ransom Schwerzler and fabulous docents, the construction of the Smokehouse/Restrooms is nearing completion as the final connections and inspections are scheduled.

The exterior of the 20-year-old Heritage Education Center building has been cleaned and refreshed with white paint. Smoke detectors, emergency lights, and exit signs have been replaced and brought up to code. The Meadow Garden Director is completing first aid training. The two front doors and eight shutters on the historic house have received a fresh coat of historically accurate dark green paint. Porch floor repairs have been completed on the Historic House. Landmark Preservation completed prep work and painting of the First Period staircase. Discussions are underway for Meadow Garden to play a pivotal role in the Augusta area plans for America 250. A new Meadow Garden Christmas ornament plus a lapel pin have been designed and should be arriving at the gift shop any day now. Volunteer Chair Ann Hinton traveled to Crossnore for a week-long weaving class and repairs have been made to the loom and spinning wheels as interpretive elements are added to the cellar weaving room and kitchen, including hands-on educational activities and additional signage to better tell the story of the enslaved at Meadow Garden who did difficult work without pay to maintain the household.

Save the date for Christmas Open House on December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Plan now to come enjoy the authentic Christmas decorations, holiday music, and learn how the season was celebrated during different periods of American history.

Led by the Meadow Garden Committee State Chair, OB McCorkle, the Strategic Plan has been revisited and updated with progress toward stated goals. This State Regent expresses sincere appreciation to the dedicated members of the Meadow Garden Board and all the wonderful volunteers for their many hours of work.

September promises to be full with Constitution Week Events across the state. Constitution Week State Chair, Melissa Tanner, and her committee have planned a patriotic evening tonight and arranged a docent-led tour of the Old Capitol Building in Milledgeville next week. Thank you, Georgia Daughters, for each proclamation, display and celebration planned in your community.

The Master Report will be due January 15, 2025, again this year in Georgia, so start working on it now as you complete events and reports. The CMR is now live on the National website.

The State Regent expressed gratitude for the tremendous response and support of her projects. Last night's speakers at the Loyalists, Liberty, and Leadership Banquet shared inspiring information about the Revolutionary War era cannon conservation and how Georgia

Daughters can support veterans through Honor Flight. Today's Learn Over Lunch Workshop will highlight information about projects supporting the DAR mission of education.

It is a great honor and privilege to represent the Georgia State Society and you, the Georgia Daughters. I appreciate each of you and all you do to make our State Society successful. Please continue to serve in your communities and be engaged in the state-sponsored efforts. Your Volunteer Hearts are Key to Historic Preservation, Education, and Patriotism.

First Vice Regent Amy Lawson reported this officer participated in meetings of the Finance Committee and Meadow Garden Board, serving as Recording Secretary; prepared Courtesy Resolutions for State Events; and attended all meetings of the Bylaws Committee. Since July, this officer was honored to attend Continental Congress and be installed as Georgia State First Vice Regent. Due to overwhelmingly positive feedback, this officer intends to coordinate another delegation meeting to be held in Washington, D.C., during Continental Congress in 2025.

This officer proofed the Proceedings as a member of that committee and assisted the Coordinator of Districts with the annual update of the Chapter Officer's Calendar. It was a pleasure to participate in the Independence Day Celebration at Meadow Garden, attend the beautiful tea honoring State Regent Helen Robertson Powell, and join chapters throughout the state for meetings, luncheons, and other events. A full calendar is planned for the coming months, and this officer is looking forward to visiting with Georgia Daughters.

Grateful appreciation is extended for the many invitations from chapters. Thank you, Madame Regent, for the opportunity to serve during your administration.

State Second Vice Regent Ann Ameye reported that it is a special joy to serve in the dual role of State Second Vice Regent and State Chair of the DAR School Committee, as well as devoting time for the current audit process and serving as the State Events Advisor. Planning this year began early by visiting Berry College and the host hotel in Rome with Honorary State Regent Melodye Brown to arrange a tour open to Georgia Daughters. It is with great pleasure to announce that we will have two unique tours, next spring, on May 1 and 2, 2025. Full details are available at the Berry table and will be published later this month, in the Monday blog.

Though the term is still new, this officer has enjoyed traveling to multiple locations: Washington, D.C. for Continental Congress; Gainesville, Ga, for the State Regent's Tea, and Augusta for meetings of the Georgia State Society Finance Committee and Meadow Garden Board, among others. Upcoming events include visiting Kate Duncan Smith DAR School in Grant, Alabama, for the 100<sup>th</sup> Dedication Day activities, including the 1920s themed Gala Event on October 3, 2024. Though our state society is not planning an official visit to Hindman this year, individuals and chapters are welcome to attend the 2024 Day at the Races on November 6<sup>th</sup>, which has moved from Keeneland in Lexington to Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky. However, this officer has worked with Service to America State Chair Terri Fopiano to organize a Seed Shower for Hindman as one of the Service in Seconds projects at this Fall Forum. The collection of organic and heirloom seeds and canning supplies supports Hindman's educational Foodways Program.

This officer is pleased to announce the special projects at each of the DAR Schools. New for KDS is the Hydroponics and Action in Agriculture program. We will continue supporting the Gate of Opportunity Scholarship at Berry College; the donor's portion of the scholarship, which includes room and board, has increased to \$8,000.00 for the next academic year. We will continue the tradition of supporting the Testing Incentive Program at Williams Academy for Crossnore in NC, the Dyslexia Program for Hindman, and the Georgia DAR Scholarship Award for Hillside School in MA. Though travel to all DAR Schools in the same year is not practical for most Georgia Daughters, we are fortunate to have representatives from each school at this Fall Forum. Please be sure to visit these reps at their tables. Later this afternoon, this officer will facilitate the program portion of the Learn Over Lunch; it will focus on education featuring presentations from the State Chairs of the Community Classroom Committee, Literacy Promotion Committee, and the DAR School Committee.

Special thanks to the ladies who held this position previously through the past five administrations, from the most recent Amy Pittman Lawson through Melodye G. Brown, who have generously shared their files and materials. Madam State Regent, thank you for the

opportunity to build upon the legacy of these Daughters in your administration.

State Chaplain Cathy Winslett Hyer has the privilege to lift the Georgia State Society, NSDAR in prayer every day. Since taking office after Continental Congress this officer has mailed 42 birthday greetings to Georgia daughters aged 90 and above. She asks all Chapter Chaplains to email her the GCP-01 Birthdays – 90 or Greater form by November 1. The GCP-01 is the only way this officer can obtain the age of Georgia Daughters. The year of the daughter's birth is not listed on e-Membership. This information is kept at the chapter level.

The Georgia State Society has lost 61 daughters since March 1, 2024. Sympathy cards were mailed to only 18 of the families. At the passing of a Georgia Daughter, the Chapter Chaplain has two forms she needs to complete. The first is the GCP-02 and the second is online on e-Membership. This GCP-02 is the only place the next of kin and their address is reported. This officer cannot send condolences to the family unless the chapter submits this form. The families appreciate that the Georgia State Society acknowledges the work and contributions of their wife, mother, or daughter. This officer has composed emails requesting prayers for two former state officers, and the Daughters of the Sunbury Chapter, their community, and their families after the tragedy in Winder. She notified the Chaplain General who notified the President General, both of which lifted our sisters in prayer.

She has spoken with daughters or their families recovering from illnesses or hospitalizations.

She has written 18 prayers for Fall Forum events and State Board of Management. She created the PowerPoint presentation for the Chaplain/Historian Forum.

This officer would like to extend her heartfelt gratitude to our Chaplain General, and the immediate past State Chaplain, Kay Ragan for her kind and patient training. Madam State Regent, it is a pleasure to serve in your administration.

Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary, extends gratitude to the past State Recording Secretaries for their expertise and patience in answering all her questions during this time of transition.

Dr. Watkins-Nutty asked First Vice-Regent Amy Lawson to take the Chair and presented recommendations from the Executive Committee.

**The Executive Committee recommends the State Board of Management approve and adopt as a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society NSDAR to adopt the conservation of a revolutionary war era cannon through the Coastal Heritage Society with the investment of \$15,000.00. Once conserved the artifacts will be exhibited at the Savannah History Museum, where they will help tell the story of our nation's founding for generations to come and deepen our understanding of our nation's fight for independence. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.**

**The Executive Committee recommends the State Board of Management approve and adopt as a State Project, selected by the State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society NSDAR to fund implementation of the Plan for Historic Restoration and Preservation of Meadow Garden, which was prepared by Landmark Preservation LLC, and approved by the Meadow Garden Board. Projects will be initiated based on the current assessment of priorities and funds available. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.**

**The Executive Committee recommends the State Board of Management approve and adopt as a State Project, selected by the State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society, NSDAR to support Honor Flight by raising awareness and financial contributions to sponsor 16 veterans, total not to exceed \$8,000.00. Georgia chapters will be encouraged to make donations, recruit veterans and guardian volunteers, and send notes of appreciation for mail call. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.**

**The Executive Committee recommends the State Board of Management approve and**

adopt as a State Project, selected by the State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: for the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, to support the Gate of Opportunity Scholarship program at Georgia's own Berry College by sponsoring student scholarship recipients at the cost of \$8,000.00 per scholar, per year. Combining our donations with student work and a matching grant allows student recipients to graduate debt free. The number of student recipients will be determined by the amount raised. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.

The Executive Committee recommends to the State Board of Management that \$500 be donated to the NSDAR Library in honor of the Georgia State Regent, Helen Robertson Powell, for the purchase of books for the Georgia collection. The check to be sent after January 1, 2025, for use that year. Adopted.

State Corresponding Secretary, Scarlett Rene Gibson has enjoyed the many opportunities to serve the Georgia Daughters since taking office. She creates a weekly blog distributed via email on Monday mornings at 8:30 a.m. The State Regent provides the information for each blog and this officer adds necessary links and artwork. Once a month, she downloads the current email addresses from e-Membership to be used as the basis for distributing the blog. This officer encourages Daughters to make sure their information is up to date so there is not a lag in receiving important information from the State Society. The blog reaches 6,942 Georgia Daughters with current emails and has a 58 percent open rate. A digital copy of the blog is then sent to the VIS committee to post to the GSSDAR Members Only website. This officer updated the state officer email addresses with the change of administration. Each Georgia Daughter is encouraged to update the name of the new state officers in their records. She also sent over 330 invitations to serve in the Powell Administration and managed the responses. The 2024-2025 State Directory has been created and printed. In addition to the 213 pre-orders, a digital copy may be found on the Members Only site. The digital version of the Directory is always kept up to date when changes are brought to her attention. This officer created the online registration form for Fall Forum and the Fall Forum program. Work has started on the GSS-05 for later distribution and a digital copy can be found on the GSSDAR members' site. This officer continues to mail relevant information to all Honorary State Regents and contacts those unable to attend events. This officer would like to thank our State Regent Helen Powell, Honorary State Regent Melodye Brown, Second Vice-Regent Ann Ameye, and Parliamentarian Judith Sherling for their assistance in proofreading the program and directory. Special thanks is extended to Chaplain Cathy Hyer for her time, effort and guidance in formatting the program and assisting with artwork. Madam State Regent, it is an honor to serve with a volunteer heart. Thank you for the opportunity.

State Organizing Secretary Mary Ruth Mullins reported the Georgia State Society currently has 111 chapters. This officer visited two of them since July, including installing the officers of the Nancy Hart Chapter in Milledgeville and presenting a program to the Mary Hammond Washington Chapter in Macon. This officer is working with the State Registrar and the Chapter Development and Revitalization Committee Chair to bring workshops to various chapters in the state. There has been one inquiry about forming a new chapter in the future. This officer attended the State Regent's Tea in Gainesville, GA hosted by the Colonel William Candler Chapter. This officer also attended Cathedral of the Pines, a memorial service to America's War Dead, in New Hampshire. The Georgia School Assignment List is being updated as needed. Madame State Regent it is a pleasure serve the Georgia Daughters in your administration.

State Treasurer Mary Kuntz distributed the financial reports to all voters. This report reflects balances as of September 10, 2024. **The Georgia State Society Account Summaries are as follows:** \$144,811.78 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$150,851.91 in the Checking account; \$132,146.54 in the Money Market; \$10,554.61 in the Savings Account; \$2,400.00 in the Other Assets (Hotel Deposit); \$440,764.84 in Total Liabilities & Equity. **The Meadow Garden Account Summaries are as follows:** \$97,154.09 in the Checking account; \$100.00 in Petty Cash; \$315,562.28 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$99,242.35 in UCB Money Market; \$184,788.84 in Regions Money Market/Savings; \$144,271.73 in Wells Fargo Savings;

\$345,242.09 in Total Fixed Assets; \$1,186,361.58 in Total Liabilities & Equity.

This officer has worked with Past State Treasurer Ann Ameye and the Audit, and 990 tax return are being prepared by Mersereau, Lazenby and Rockas, LCC. This officer has updated all forms and instructions, which are currently on the Georgia Members' Only website. The GTR-01 is due by November 1<sup>st</sup>, and dues are to be paid by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please remember to submit new member's dues who are approved prior to and including September 5<sup>th</sup>. National dues, Chapter Achievement Award, and the President General's Project donations are paid through the Direct Online Payment option or by remitting a check to the office of Organizing Secretary General on form OSG-1003. The Power Point presentation created for the Treasurer's workshop at Fall Forum will be uploaded to the state website.

Special thanks are extended to Meadow Garden Patron Chair Sheila Crumrine for agreeing to receive the GTR-02 and 06 and to process them, to Corresponding Secretary Scarlett Gibson for her assistance with the Power Point presentation and to VIS Chair Anne Hinton for making that presentation and all forms available to the Chapter Treasurers and the membership. This State Treasurer is forever grateful to Past State Treasurers Betty Harrah, Helen Powell, Kay Ragan, and Ann Ameye; as well as Past and Current Finance Chairs Kay Ragan and Betty Harrah for sharing their knowledge and continued support. Madam State Regent it is a pleasure to serve in your administration.

State Registrar Ginny Soth Griffith reported there were 7,973 Georgia Daughters as of January 1, 2024, in 114 chapters. Since September 7, 2024, 276 new member applications were approved; 80 members transferred into Georgia or reinstated. However, 398 members were resigned, dropped, deceased, or transferred out of Georgia. The GSSDAR membership total as of September 14, 2024, was 7,927. For a net loss of 46, to date this year. During this reporting period three Georgia chapters were disbanded or merged with other chapters, bringing the total Georgia chapters to 111. As of September 14, 2024, Georgia has 91 pending members, 20 pending/verified, and 7 six month notices. An increase in interest to join DAR is anticipated as the nation's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday approaches. Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Georgia Daughters during the Powell Administration.

State Historian Nancy Clark Coleman reminded all Georgia chapters that nominations for 2025 Outstanding Teacher of American History contest must be postmarked by October 15. Links to all forms and instructions can be found on the State Historian's CIP page on the State Society website. Each chapter is encouraged to sponsor an applicant to honor teachers who demonstrate excellence teaching and inspiring students in the study of American History; the first place reward has been increased to \$1,250.00.

Notices of approved commemorative historical and America 250 Patriots Markers continue to be received from the office of the Historian General. Mrs. Coleman looks forward to attending as many dedication ceremonies as possible and receiving the chapter reports and photographs detailing the dedication ceremonies. Patriot and Member grave markings are also being planned by chapters across the state. Daughters were reminded that chapter regents are now authorized to approve the purchase of DAR Insignia grave markers for DAR members.

Georgia daughters were encouraged to participate in the Historian General's Marker Card Project. Over 177,000 index cards stored in the Office of Historian General have been digitized and are ready to be transcribed. These cards contain a treasure trove of information, that once transcribed, will be a valuable resource for chapters and state societies. Transcribing the cards is simple and can be at home at any time by anyone with an internet connection. Members can sign up on the Historian General's website.

Mrs. Coleman thanks Georgia Daughters, for their hard work and dedication to recognizing and commemorating our nation's history! State Regent Powell was thanked for the opportunity to serve the State Society in this capacity.

State Librarian Marjorie Singley-Hall reported attending Continental Congress and, while there, was honored to attend the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the DAR Library. Mrs. Singley-Hall encouraged all daughters to learn about our wonderful library at [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org) and explore all our DAR Library has to offer. During the Powell Administration, National reports that 98 books have been donated by Georgia daughters to the DAR Library. Of these books,

10 were donated in honor of individuals, and 8 were donated in memory of loved ones. Georgia Chapters are encouraged to form Chapter Book Clubs. At Fall Forum, the Georgia State Book Club was officially launched, which will meet bi-annually at State Conference and Fall Forum. In addition, during the Powell Administration, tours of 4 genealogical libraries throughout the state will be sponsored to give Georgia daughters an opportunity to learn about local and state genealogy resources. It has been an honor to serve in the Powell administration.

State Curator Kathleen "Kathy" Zeles Marsh reported that the property belonging to the Georgia State Society, including the flags, banners, and gonfalon, has been transferred from the previous State Curator. The inventory list has been reviewed and updated to reflect recent additions. All property has been accounted for and is in excellent and functioning condition. Table tent cards were prepared and placed for Fall Forum as directed by the State Seating Chair. Sincere appreciation is given to State First Vice Regent, Amy Lawson, for her assistance in the careful storage, transport, and refurbishment of the State Society's large lighted insignia.

State Parliamentarian Judith "Judy" Richards Sherling reviewed the changes made to the state bylaws during the 2024 Georgia State Society annual convention and changes made to the national bylaws during the 133rd Continental Congress. Two recommendations are being made to local chapters in their annual review of chapter bylaws. The first concerns the proper use of the words "chair or chairs" for committee leaders. Suggested wording for titles may be found on the members-only National website under Resources. The second change concerns the correct name of the corporation for the Georgia State Society. The correct corporation listings can be found on the members-only Georgia State Society website in Section I of the current state Bylaws. All chapters are asked to submit a current set of bylaws to this State Parliamentarian by Friday, November 1, 2024 to achieve Honor Roll requirements. Should assistance be desired, chapter regents or bylaws chairs should contact this State Parliamentarian as early as possible. It is an honor to serve in the Powell Administration.

The State Regent thanked the State Officers and State Parliamentarian and called for reports from the following State Standing Committees:

Bylaws Chair, Melodye G. Brown announced that the State Bylaws Committee had no report.

Finance Chair, Betty Brown Harrah, announced that The Finance Committee of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, met on Thursday, July 18, 2024, to prepare the 2025-2026 budget and discuss financial plans. As required by the State Bylaws, Article XI, Section 2, (b), the proposed allocation of state dues and budget has been presented on the last page of the Treasurer's handout at this meeting. Subsequently, the proposed 2025-2026 budget will be published in the State Regent's Call to Conference and presented for a vote at the 127th State Conference. The yearly audit of the financial statements has begun. Appreciation is expressed to the members of this committee, Amy Lawson, Ann Ameye, Mary Kuntz, Candace Breeden, Valerie Fried, and Linda Williams.

Proceedings Chair, Cathy Hyer, reported the 2023-2024 Proceedings are in production. The first 107 pages should be submitted to the printer by the end of next week. The print date of the Proceedings will be determined when we receive the audit report. Litho Press, in Macon, has asked that we hold the pages that come after the audit report until the audit report is received to ensure that pages are numbered correctly.

Because attendees either heard from State Chairs at the Workshops Friday and Saturday or had the opportunity to visit committee tables in the Committee Exchange room, State Regent Powell stated the State Chair reports will be filed.

State Events Chair Cheryl Odell reported a total of 480 registered participants. Mrs. Odell stated that she has enjoyed and hopes Daughters have enjoyed the new events at this year's Fall Forum. Mrs. Odell congratulated the DAR Leadership course graduates. Special thanks were extended to State Regent Helen Powell for her leadership and vision, which was essential to making the event a success. Mrs. Odell also extended gratitude to the State Officers and the State Events Committee for their attention to detail and efforts in planning Fall Forum. Special thanks were expressed to committee advisor Ann Ameye. Mrs. Odell

expressed good wishes for the remainder of the Fall Forum weekend and the Constitution Dinner.

Registration Co-Chair Tara Kelsey reported that the registration report, as of 10:05 a.m. is as follows: 408 registered, 249 attendees on Thursday, 96 attendees on Friday, and 20 attendees for today, for a total of 365 attendees. Mrs. Kelsey introduced the committee and recognized their hard work: Vice Chairs Kathryn Baskin, Rita Porter and Connie Soloway, and Co-Chair Mei Ling Konstantynowicz.

State Regent Powell requested that, in the interest of time, the Courtesy Resolutions be filed. First State Vice Regent Amy Lawson asked that the Second State Vice Regent, Ann Ameye, take the chair for the presentation of the final Courtesy Resolution.

The State Regent gave a few announcements and then heard a request from Jane Bentley, Co-Chair of Credentials to amend the Credentials report.

Mrs. Bentley clarified that there are actually five Honorary State Regents present with three reported elsewhere.

Mrs. Bentley **moved the adoption of the amended credentials report. Adopted.**

The State Chaplain gave the Benediction, after which the State Regent adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Approved June 30, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

# Courtesy Resolutions

## GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY, NSDAR

### 6th GEORGIA FALL FORUM

### SEPTEMBER 12-14, 2024

**RESOLVED**, that the members of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, in attendance at the Sixth Annual Fall Forum express grateful appreciation to the State Regent, Helen Robertson Powell, in the first year of her administration, for her capable leadership of the state society and extensive planning to assure a successful Fall Forum, including multiple workshops and volunteer opportunities promoting Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism, as well as successful events, including the Loyalists, Liberty, and Leadership Banquet, State Board of Management, and the Constitution Celebration Banquet; and

**RESOLVED**, that the members of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, in attendance at the Sixth Annual Fall Forum held at the Atlanta Airport Marriott, College Park, Georgia, September 12 – 14, 2024, express grateful appreciation to Mary Ruth Mullins, State Organizing Secretary, Constance “Connie” Sasser Rifkind, Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission (CDRC) State Chair, and Carolyn “Renee” Gaspari Portell, Coordinator of Districts, for their planning and coordination of the Chapter Officers Roundtable on Thursday, September 12; to Laura W. Carter, Med, MLIS, SLIS, past Director of the Georgia Genealogical Society Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR), for her knowledgeable presentation during the Genealogy Program; to Terri Parks Fopiano, Service to America State Chair, for her coordination of multiple service projects during Service in Seconds; to Marjorie Singley-Hall, State Librarian, for facilitating a Book Club meeting; and to author and DAR member Karen A. Chase for her discussion on her published work, *Carrying Independence*, during the Book Club, and her informative presentation titled “Finding Eliza: Proving a Female Patriot” during the Thursday Dinner; and,

**RESOLVED**, that sincere appreciation be expressed to Cheryl Nestler Odell, State Events Chair, for her many months of detailed planning for Fall Forum; to Andrea Berry Riddle, State Events Treasurer, to Carolyn “Renee” Gaspari Portell, Coordinator of Districts, to the District Directors, Jennifer Price Anderson, Northwest; Mary Grainger Harper, Northeast; Kimberly “Kim” Houston Orrick, Southwest; Sheila Carruth Burtz, Southeast; for their planning and execution of the events at Fall Forum; and to all who worked to plan and execute informative Workshops, a successful State Board of Management, and the many events of Fall Forum; and,

**RESOLVED**, that gratitude be extended to Alexis K. Harper, Georgia Junior Club President, and Caitlen Parish Green, Junior Membership State Chair, for their fun and engaging Breakfast at Tiffany’s to inform the membership of projects and opportunities to support Georgia Juniors. Sincere congratulations are expressed to Georgia’s 2024 Outstanding Junior Caitlen Parish Green. Additional thanks are expressed to Cheryl Nestler Odell, DNA Network State Chair, for her knowledgeable presentation.

**RESOLVED**, that appreciation be expressed to Catherine Duffy, Content and Curation Director for the Coastal Heritage Society in Savannah, and to Bill Sirmon, representing Middle Georgia Honor Flight, for their informative presentations during the Loyalists, Liberty, and Leadership Banquet on Friday evening, September 13; to Patricia Frederick Croft, DAR Leadership Training State Chair and State Coordinators Mary Brown Turner, Tania White Fontaine, and Karen Lumpkin Kivette, for the Graduation Ceremony conducted; and

**RESOLVED**, that special thanks be extended to Melissa Bolton Tanner, State Constitution Week Chair, and her committee members for planning and execution of the Constitution Celebration Banquet held Saturday evening, September 14, and to MG John F. King, USA, Retired, Georgia Insurance and Fire Safety Commissioner, for his informative address entitled “Defending our Freedoms: A Legacy of Service and Patriotism”; to Jeanie Evans Joesbury and Ramona Harrison Lord, Music Co-Chairs, and members of the State Chorus for their beautiful music; to the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard, Thomas L. Jacques, Commander, for presenting the Colors at the Constitution Celebration Banquet; and

**RESOLVED**, sincere appreciation be expressed to Phyllis Hill King, State Vice Chair of Events, Decorations, for the lovely table arrangements and decorations that inspired and added beauty to the Fall Forum events; and

**RESOLVED**, that special thanks be extended to HODAR Dwight Dover for volunteering his time and talents to provide a photographic record of events surrounding Fall Forum; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that appreciation be expressed for the many courtesies extended by the management and staff of the Atlanta Airport Marriott, College Park, Georgia.

## Fall Forum Committees

<b>State Chair, State Events</b>	Cheryl Nestler Odell
<b>State Events Advisor</b>	Ann Benson Ameye
<b>State Events Treasurer</b>	Andrea Berry Riddle
<b>Constitution Celebration</b>	Melissa Bolton Tanner, Chair
<b>Credentials</b>	Jane Edwards Bentley, Co-Chair Rebecca “Becky” Malone West, Co-Chair
<b>Decorations</b>	Phyllis Hill King, Vice Chair
<b>Door Hostesses</b>	Michelle G. Andrews, Vice Chair
<b>Genealogy</b>	Virginia “Ginny” Soth Griffith
<b>Music</b>	Jeanie Evans Joesbury, Co-Chair Ramona Harrison Lord, Co-Chair
<b>Pages</b>	Nancy Collins Tims, Chair
<b>Program</b>	Scarlett Rene Gibson
<b>Registration</b>	Tara Sanders Kelsey, Co-Chair Mei-Ling Konstantynowicz, Co-Chair
<b>Seating</b>	Andrea Berry Riddle, Chair Kathy Zeles Marsh
<b>Signs</b>	Darla Wolfe Valentini, Vice Chair Beverly Vaughan Baker
<b>Vendors</b>	Charlotte Turner Berry, Vice Chair
<b>Welcome Bags</b>	Bryanna Odell Meredith

# **State Conference Minutes**

**March 20-23, 2025**

## **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH STATE CONFERENCE**

**Georgia State Society of the National Society  
Daughters of the American Revolution**

**Augusta Marriott at the Conference Center  
Augusta, Georgia**

### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS, Thursday, March 20, 2025**

**State Executive Committee, Meadow Garden Board,  
Finance Committee, Georgia Junior Club,  
Book Club, DAR 101,  
Presentation: Genealogy Seminar**

### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS, Friday, March 21, 2025**

**Memorial Service, State Officers Club,  
Chapter Regents Club, Georgia Cameo Club,  
Georgia State Pages,  
Meadow Garden Open House,  
Opening Night Banquet & Ceremonies**

### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS, Saturday, March 22, 2025**

**Georgia State Chairmen Club, Morning Business Session, Voting,  
DAR School and Youth Luncheon, Afternoon Business Session,  
Awards and Recognition Banquet**

### **OPENING NIGHT BANQUET & CEREMONIES**

**Friday, March 21, 2025**

The Opening Banquet of the 127th State Conference of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, was held in the Oglethorpe Ballroom, Augusta Marriott at the Conference Center, Augusta, Georgia, at 7:05 p.m., Friday, March 21, 2025. The Processional included SAR Color Guard, DAR Banner, Pages, Page to the State Officers, State Officers, Pages for Visiting State Regents, Visiting State Regents, Page to Honorary State Regents and Past National Officers, Honorary State Regents and Past National Officers, Page to the Vice President General, Vice President General, Page to the Chaplain General, Chaplain General, Pages to the State Regent, and State Regent.

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. The Invocation was given by the State Chaplain, Cathy Winslett Hyer.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Laura Marcella Reid, Honorary State Regent, Past Chaplain General. The American's Creed was led by Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General. The Preamble to the United States Constitution was led by OB Wilhoit McCorkle, Honorary State Regent. The National Anthem was led by Jeanie Evans Joesbury, accompanied by Ramona Lord State Co-Chairs, Music. The Pledge to the Georgia Flag was led by Melodye G. Brown, Honorary State Regent. The Colors were posted, and the Color Guard and Pages retired.

Mrs. Powell recognized the Georgia Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard, under the direction of Color Guard Commander Scott Collins. Mrs. Powell expressed thanks to the Color Guard and Commander Collins and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation.

The State Regent introduced Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State

Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General. Mrs. Lingelbach brought greetings from the National Society.

Mrs. Powell introduced Ken Johnston, an interpretive historian and the keynote speaker.

Amy Pittman Lawson, First Vice Regent, presented the Honorary State Regents: Laura Marcella Reid, Honorary State Regent, Past Chaplain General; Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General; Meloye G. Brown, Honorary State Regent; O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Honorary State Regent; Betty Brown Harrah, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent, and Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer, Past Reporter General. Ms. Lawson thanked these ladies for their love and support of the State and National Societies.

State Regent Powell introduced the visiting State Regents: Malinda Williams, Alabama State Regent, Sarah Steinke, Iowa State Regent, and Lindsey Taylor Groves, Wyoming State Regent, each of whom brought greetings. Regrettably, Christina Ramos, California State Regent was ill and unable to travel; Mrs. Powell read greetings sent by Mrs. Ramos.

Mrs. Powell introduced the State Officers: Amy Pittman Lawson, State First Vice Regent; Ann Benson Ameye, State Second Vice Regent; Catherine "Cathy" Winslett Hyer, State Chaplain; Vanessa Michelle Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary; Scarlett Rene Gibson, State Corresponding Secretary; Mary Ruth Mullins, State Organizing Secretary; Mary Shepherd Kuntz, State Treasurer; Virginia "Ginny" Soth Griffith, State Registrar; Nancy Clark Coleman, State Historian; Marjorie Singley-Hall, State Librarian; and Kathy Zeles Marsh, State Curator, who was excused. Judith "Judy" Richards Sherling, State Parliamentarian, was introduced.

The State Regent presented her Personal Pages: Caitlen Ann Parish Green and Rebecca Jordan Urquhart. The State Regent expressed appreciation to her Pages for their efficient and dedicated service.

The State Regent then recognized her home chapter, the Colonel William Candler chapter, and thanked them for their continued support.

Bruce Hyer, special guest of State Chaplain Cathy Hyer, was introduced and recognized for his assistance with videos and technology.

Representatives from the DAR Schools were introduced: Jason Hodges, Development Director of Kate Duncan Smith DAR School; Scott Breithaupt, Associate Vice President of Advancement at Berry College; Jennifer Beard, Advancement Coordinator at Berry College, and Jenny Lozano, Gate Scholar; Michelle Scott, Director of Annual Giving, Avery Campus, of the Crossnore Communities for Children; Will Anderson, Executive Director of Hindman Settlement School; Rich Meyer, Director of Alumni and DAR Relations at Hillside School.

The Blessing for the meal was offered by State Chaplain Cathy Winslett Hyer, and dinner was served.

The State Regent introduced Lily Wright, State President, Georgia Society Children of the American Revolution. Miss. Wright brought greetings, and thanked Georgia Daughters for their support. The State Regent presented a check to Miss. Wright in the amount of \$2000.00 for her state project. Mrs. Powell asked all members who transferred membership from C.A.R. to DAR to stand and be recognized.

Rev. Bill Floyd, President of the Georgia State Society Sons of the American Revolution brought greetings on behalf of the SAR. Mr. Floyd presented the State Regent with a 250<sup>th</sup> Gold Medal, along with a certificate of appreciation, for the continued efforts and support. Monetary gifts in support of the State Regent's Project and Meadow Garden were also presented. Mr. Floyd also presented a 250<sup>th</sup> Gold Medal to Lynn Jacques, President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the SAR. All members of the Sons of the American Revolution were asked to stand. Mr. Tom Jacques, President of the Nathaneal Greene Chapter, Sons of the Revolution, was introduced and brought greetings. All members of the Sons of the Revolution were asked to stand.

Leaders of other patriotic and heritage organizations, seated in the reserved section, were presented as a group.

The State Regent welcomed Tammy Clemons, National Vice Chair of Development, Past Vice President General, and Honorary Alabama State Regent.

Mr. K. Ken Johnston, the keynote speaker, was introduced. Mr. Johnston presented his program "Patrick Henry: Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death!", an interpretive presentation of the Patrick Henry's experience at the Second Virginia Convention on March 23, 1775.

Terese Steinbach, State Chair, DAR Service for Veterans, presented the committee's 2024 award winners: Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award, Dr. John T. Mauldin, nominated by Sequoyah Chapter, Suzanne Harman, Regent. Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award, William Orr, nominated by the Abraham Baldwin Chapter, Joan Finch, Regent. Mr. Orr was unable to attend the evening; the award was accepted on his behalf by his mother, Mrs. Stacy Orr, member of the Abraham Baldwin Chapter.

Mrs. Powell congratulated the recipients and thanked them for their service.

The State Regent announced that, through the generous donations and support of the Georgia Daughters, the Georgia State Society has fully funded the \$15,000.00 commitment to sponsor the conservation of one of the 19 Revolutionary War era cannons pulled from the Savannah River. Catherine Duffy of the Coastal Heritage Museum sent a video about the discovery and conservation of the cannons to be shared with the Georgia Daughters. The video was presented.

Donna Bowlick, State Chair, and Tara Kelsey, Vice Chair of Historic Preservation, presented the Historic Preservation Medal to Susan Ethridge Chaisson, nominated by the James Pittman Chapter, Brandy Pethel, Regent.

The State Regent presented the Hannah White Arnett Silver Medal to Mr. Tom Jacques, a member of both the Sons of the American Revolution and Sons of the Revolution, for his unselfish devotion, tireless efforts, and assistance to the DAR.

The State Regent recognized all members who joined as a Junior and presented Caitlen Ann Parish Green, State Chair, Junior Membership, who recognized Carter Moore, Vice Chair of Junior Membership, Outstanding Junior Contest, who was unable to be in attendance. Mrs. Green acknowledged Past State Outstanding Juniors and announced the Chapter Outstanding Juniors. Mrs. Green then presented 2025 State Outstanding Junior Runner-Up Amber Witt of the Fielding Lewis Chapter, and 2025 State Outstanding Junior Rebecca Urquhart of the Suwanee Creek Chapter. Georgia Junior Club President, Alexis Harper, announced that the Georgia Junior Club made a donation to the Friends of Junior Membership Fund in Mrs. Urquhart's name and purchased the Friends of Junior Membership pin for her. Roswell King Chapter Regent, Milbrey Heard, announced that the Roswell King Chapter would pay for Mrs. Urquhart's lifetime dues to the Outstanding Junior Club and presented Mrs. Urquhart with the Outstanding Junior Club pin. The State Regent congratulated all the Outstanding Juniors.

Conference Chair Cheryl Odell, her committee and other volunteers were recognized and thanked for their hard work and excellent attention to detail: Ann Benson Ameye, Advisor; Andrea Berry Riddle, Events Treasurer and Seating; Tara Lynn Sanders Kelsey and Mei-Ling Konstantynowicz, Registration Co-Chairs; Jane Edwards Bentley and Rebecca "Becky" Malone West, Credentials Co-Chairs; Renee Gaspari Portell, Coordinator of Districts; District Directors, Jennifer Price Anderson, NW; Mary Grainger Harper, NE; Kimberly Houston Orrick, SW; Sheila Carruth Burtz, SE; Phyllis Hill King, Table Decorations and flowers; Nancy Collins Tims, Pages Chair and Alanna Fopiano Drummond, Vice Chair Pages; Ramona Harrison Lord and Jeanie Evans Joesbury, Music Co-Chairs; Catherine "Cathy" Winslett Hyer, Memorial Service; Dawn Villanueva Levy, Processional Chair; Scarlett Rene Gibson, Conference Program; Charlotte Turner Berry, Vendors; Beverly Vaughan Baker, Linda Vaughan Anderson, & Darla Wolfe Valentini, Program Advertising and Signage; Lisa Kaye Hisey Cappetto, Ribbons; Michelle G. Andrews, Door Hostesses; Terri Fopiano, Transportation of Guests; Bryanna Odell Meredith, Welcome Bags.

Mrs. Tims introduced the State Conference Pages, who were thanked by both the State Regent and members for all they do to keep the conference running smoothly.

After brief announcements and the Benediction, given by the State Chaplain, the State Conference was recessed at 9:48 p.m.

Approved June 30, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

## MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

March 22, 2025

The 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, reconvened on Saturday, March 22, 2025, in the Lamar Room, Augusta Marriott at the Conference Center, Augusta, Georgia.

State Regent Helen Robertson Powell called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. The Invocation was given by Cathy Winslett Hyer, State Chaplain.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Lynn Baxter Jacques, State Chair of The Flag of the United States of America. The American's Creed was led by Pamela Ann Lyle, State Chair, Americanism. The Preamble to the Constitution was led by Rita Ann Parker, State Chair, National Defense. The National Anthem was led by Jeanie Evans Joesbury, accompanied by Ramona Harrison Lord, State Co-Chairs, Music. The Pledge to the Georgia Flag was led by Bridget Hester Conner, State Chair, Georgia Day. The Colors were posted, and the Color Guard and Pages retired.

The State Regent presented State Conference Chair, Cheryl Odell who brought greetings.

Mrs. Powell introduced Georgia Daughters serving as National Officers in attendance: Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General and Betty Brown Harrah, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent.

Amy Pittman Lawson, State First Vice Regent, introduced the Honorary State Regents and Past National Officers present: Laura Marcella Reid, Honorary State Regent, Past Chaplain General; Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General; Melodye G. Brown, Honorary State Regent; O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Honorary State Regent; Betty Brown Harrah, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent; and Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer, Past Reporter General.

The State Regent requested Ms. Reid to bring greetings on behalf of the Honorary State Regents. Ms. Reid expressed thanks to the State Regent and gave best wishes for the State Conference and the administration. The State Regent asked the Corresponding Secretary to send notes to the Honorary State Regents unable to attend.

Mrs. Powell recognized the State Officers and State Parliamentarian as a group. Georgia Daughters receiving National Appointments were recognized as a group. All members holding National Appointments as Chairs, Vice Chairs, Southeastern Division Vice Chairs, or members of Congressional Committees, other National Appointments, and VAVS Representatives and Deputies were also asked to stand and be greeted.

Rebecca "Becky" Malone West, State Co-Chair Credentials, gave the first Credentials report as of 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 22, 2025: In attendance were: 1 National Executive Officer, 1 National Officer, 0 Honorary National Officers, 11 State Officers, 3 Past National Officers (1 reported elsewhere), 5 Honorary State Regents (3 reported elsewhere), and 190 Chapter delegates. Total voting strength was 207 delegates. Also present were: 1 State Parliamentarian. 84 total chapters represented. Mrs. West **moved the adoption of the first Credentials report. Adopted.** The chair declared a quorum was established.

Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary, presented the Standing Rules of the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference and **moved the adoption of the Standing Rules as printed in the Conference Program. Adopted.**

Scarlett Rene Gibson, State Corresponding Secretary, presented the Conference Program, **and moved the adoption of the Program as printed to become the order of business for the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference. Adopted.**

There being no objection, the State Regent asked that the minutes of the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference be approved by the Proceedings Committee.

State Regent Powell introduced the Timekeepers: Judy Jackman York, State Chair; Stacey Rebekah Lee Orr and Nancy Kirk Christensen, Vice Chairs.

Ms. Lawson, First Vice Regent, took the chair while the State Regent made a report. Mrs. Powell's complete report will be found in the Reports of State Officers. Mrs. Powell expressed appreciation for the honor and privilege of representing the Georgia State Society and the

Georgia Daughters. First Vice Regent Lawson thanked Mrs. Powell for her hard work and dedication as the "Master Key" of the society. State Regent Powell received a standing ovation.

The State Officers reported on their offices and any committees: Amy Pittman Lawson, First Vice Regent; Ann Benson Ameye, Second Vice Regent; and Cathy Winslett Hyer, Chaplain.

Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, Recording Secretary, brought recommendations from the Executive Committee, requiring no second:

By the direction of the Executive Committee, **Dr. Watkins-Nutty moved the Georgia State Society NSDAR reimburse Chuck Leavell, recipient of the President General's Medallion at Continental Congress on June 25, 2025, in Washington, D.C., for his airfare, cost not to exceed \$1,800.00. Funds to be taken from the State Dues Unallocated Money Market account. Adopted.**

First Vice Regent Lawson took the Chair. Dr. Watkins-Nutty continued with the recommendations.

By the direction of the Executive Committee, **Dr. Watkins-Nutty moved the State Conference ratify the motion adopted at the State Board of Management on September 14, 2024 to approve and adopt a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society NSDAR to adopt the conservation of a revolutionary war era cannon through the Coastal Heritage Society with the donation of \$15,000.00 at the Preservationist Level. Once conserved the artifacts will be exhibited at the Savannah History Museum, where they will help tell the story of our nation's founding for generations to come and deepen our understanding of our nation's fight for independence. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.**

By the direction of the Executive Committee, **Dr. Watkins-Nutty moved the State Conference ratify the motion adopted at the State Board of Management on September 14, 2024 to approve and adopt a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society NSDAR to fund implementation of the Plan for Historic Restoration and Preservation of Meadow Garden, which was prepared by Landmark Preservation LLC, and approved by the Meadow Garden Board. Projects will be initiated based on the current assessment of priorities and funds available. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.**

By direction of the Executive Committee, **Dr. Watkins-Nutty moved the State Conference ratify the motion adopted at the State Board of Management on September 14, 2024 to approve and adopt a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: For the Georgia State Society, NSDAR to support Honor Flight by raising awareness and financial contributions to sponsor 16 veterans, total not to exceed \$8,000.00. Georgia chapters will be encouraged to make donations, recruit veterans and guardian volunteers, and send notes of appreciation for mail call. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.**

By direction of the Executive Committee, **Dr. Watkins-Nutty moved that the State Conference ratify the motion adopted at the State Board of Management on September 14, 2024 to approve and adopt a State Project, selected by State Regent Helen Robertson Powell: for the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, to support the Gate of Opportunity Scholarship program at Georgia's own Berry College by sponsoring student scholarship recipients at the cost of \$8,000.00 per scholar, per year. Combining our donations with student work and a matching grant allows student recipients to graduate debt free. The number of student recipients will be determined by the amount raised. Any excess funds will be applied to the Capital Improvement Fund of Meadow Garden at the end of the administration. Adopted.**

The State Regent resumed the chair.

The State Officer reporting continued: Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, Recording Secretary; Scarlett Rene Gibson, Corresponding Secretary; Mary Ruth Mullins, Organizing Secretary;

and Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Treasurer.

Betty Brown Harrah, State Chair, Finance Committee, presented the proposed 2025-2026 budget, which was previously presented at State Board of Management on September 14, 2024. Mrs. Harrah, by direction of the Finance Committee, **moved the adoption of the 2025-2026 budget. Adopted.**

The State Regent thanked Mrs. Harrah and the Finance Committee. Mrs. Harrah introduced the members: Amy Pittman Lawson, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Ann Ameye, Candace Breeden, Valerie Fried, and Linda Williams.

State Officers continued to give their reports: Virginia "Ginny" Soth Griffith, Registrar; Nancy Clark Coleman, Historian; and Marjorie Singley-Hall, Librarian. Judith "Judy" Richards Sherling, Parliamentarian, reported.

State Chairs of NATIONAL COMMITTEES reported: America 250!, Trisha "Trish" Holland Moseley; American Heritage, Janet Pietrobono; Americanism, Pamela Ann Lyle; Chapter Development & Revitalization, Constance "Connie" Sasser Rifkind; Children of the American Revolution, Andrea Anglin Newton; Commemorative Events, Leslie Strickland Watkins; Community Service Awards, Linda Underwood Easterwood; Conservation, Malone Kitchens Moore; Constitution Week; Melissa Bolton Tanner; DAR DNA Network, Cheryl Nestler Odell; DAR Library Outreach, R. Katherine Croft; DAR Magazine, Annette Bomar Hopgood; DAR Museum Outreach, Mary Louise Nelson Goehring; DAR Project Patriot, Jill Clark Elias, Vice Chair; DAR SAR/S.R. Relations, Emily Six Tindall; DAR Scholarship, Robin Redfern Towns; DAR Service for Veterans, Terese Davis Steinbach; The Flag of the United States of America, Lynn Baxter Jaques; Genealogical Records, Linda Killebrew Lopez; Historic Preservation, Donna Land Bowlick; Insignia, Cameron Floyd Abney; Junior American Citizens, Peggy Danette Ozment, Vice Chair; Junior Membership, Caitlen Parish Green; Lineage Research, Pamela Strother Downs; Literacy Promotion, Mary "Penny" White Walker; National Defense, Rita Ann Parker; Patriot Records Project; Charlotta Louise Dunkin; President General's Project, Virginia "Ginger" Gidden-Weinzierl; Public Relations & Media, Celine Evans, Vice Chair; Service to America, Terri Parks Fopiano; Specialty Research, Caroline Grace Chapman; State Application Team, Constance "Connie" Sasser Rifkind; SMRT (Smart Team), Mary Kathleen "Kitty" Watters; Units Overseas, Anita Pietrobono Bianconi; Volunteer Genealogists, Cynthia Darlyn Grantham Davis; Volunteer Information Specialists, Alexis Harper, Co-Chair; Women's Issues, Marquita Grantham Crews

After brief announcements, the meeting was recessed at 11:25 a.m. for the Education Luncheon.

Approved June 30, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

### **DAR EDUCATION LUNCHEON March 22, 2025**

The DAR Education Luncheon was held in the Oglethorpe Ballroom, Augusta Marriott at the Conference Center, Augusta, Georgia at 12:00 p.m., Saturday, March 22, 2025, Ann Benson Ameye, State Second Vice Regent, presided.

The Second Vice Regent welcomed everyone and presented State Regent, Helen Robertson Powell, who serves as a member of the Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Board of Trustees. The attendees greeted the State Regent with a standing ovation.

The Second Vice Regent introduced special guests seated at the head table and reserved sections, award presenters, and Daughters with DAR School Appointments:

Virginia Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, and Past Corresponding Secretary General; Betty Brown Harrah, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent, and member of the Kate Duncan Smith Programs and Promotions Committee.

SCHOOLS REPRESENTATIVES: Jason Hodges, Director of Development, Kate Duncan Smith DAR School; Scott Breithaupt, Assistant Vice President for Advancement, Berry College; Jennifer Beard, Advancement Coordinator for Berry College; Jenny Lozano, Georgia State Gate Scholar; Eric Jensen, Cameo Gate Scholar; Allie Arnold, Berry student, Iowa

Daughter, and associate member of the Xavier chapter in Rome, Georgia; Michelle Scott, Director of Annual Giving, Avery, Campus, Crossnore Communities for Children; Rich Meyer, Director of Alumni and DAR Relations from Hillside School; Will Anderson, Executive Director from Hindman Settlement School.

AWARDS PRESENTERS: Nancy Coleman, State Historian; Debbie Bush, State Chair, American History committee; Brenda King, State Chair, DAR Good Citizens.

DAR SCHOOL APPOINTEES: Cathy Hyer, State Chaplain, National Vice Chair of American History, Patriots of the Revolution High School Essay; Amy Lawson, State First Vice Regent, National Vice Chair of American History, Video Contest; Cheryl Odell, National Vice Chair of DAR School, Congress Event, and Chair of the Kate Duncan Smith 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee; Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary, Southeast Division Vice Chair, Community Classroom; Mindy Kammeyer-Price, Past Reporter General, elected member of the Kate Duncan Smith Board of Trustees and Development Committee, Member of the Kate Duncan Smith 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary committee, and past National School Chair; Malinda Williams, Alabama State Regent, member of the Kate Duncan Smith Board of Trustees Executive Committee, Co-Chair of the Kate Duncan Smith Endowment Committee, member of the Kate Duncan Smith 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala; Patricia Haynes Bradford, Member of the Kate Duncan Smith Development Committee; Becky West, Member of the Kate Duncan Smith Endowment Committee; Luann Miller, regent, Joseph Habersham chapter, member of the Hindman School Advisory Board.

Mrs. Ameye also recognized recently deceased member Mrs. Carolyn Grant Hanf, Honorary State Regent, Past Treasurer General, a President General's Appointee to the Kate Duncan Smith Board of Trustees for three terms, and member of the Kate Duncan Smith Endowment Committee, and reflected on her much appreciated and missed mentorship.

Mrs. Ameye then asked the Honorary State Regents not previously introduced, Melodye Brown and OB McCorkle, to be recognized. Mrs. Ameye introduced visiting State Regents Sarah Steinke, Iowa, and Lindsey Taylor Groves, Wyoming. Mrs. Ameye asked the remaining State Officers, State Parliamentarian, Coordinator of Districts, and District Directors to stand as a group and be greeted.

Representatives from Children of the American Revolution were also recognized: Noah Tindall, State President-elect of the Georgia State Society; Randy Tindall, Senior State President; and Emily Tindall, Georgia State Chair of DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations.

The Blessing was given by State Chaplain Cathy Hyer. Following lunch, Mrs. Ameye introduced State Historian Nancy Coleman to present the State Outstanding Teacher of American History award. Mrs. Coleman shared information about the contest, thanked the members of the judges committee, and then introduced the winner, Ms. Danielle Roberson Kaiser of Brookwood High School in Snellville, Georgia. Ms. Kaiser was sponsored by the Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Regent, Randi Minor and Chapter Historian Charlotte Weber. She was presented with a certificate, pin, and \$1,250 monetary award.

Debbie Bush, State Chair, American History, next introduced the state winners of the American History essay contest, the Patriots essay contest, and the new American History Video contest, which were chosen out of almost 2,000 submitted student submissions. The topic of the American History essay contest was "Enjoying a New Kind of Tea Party." The 5th Grade American History essay winner was Amelia Atterberry, accompanied by her parents Boyd and Rebekah Atterberry. She was sponsored by Peter Early Chapter, Kim Orrick, Regent. The 6th Grade American History essay winner was Max Greene. Present with Max were his parents, Alania and Jeremy Greene. He was sponsored by the Archibald Bulloch Chapter, Martha Tannerr, Regent. The 7th Grade winner was Dheer Mehrotra. Dheer and his family were unable to attend. He was sponsored by Apalachee Chapter, Vera Tucker, Regent. The 8th Grade essay winner was Townson Rickenbaker. Present with Townson were her parents, Ken and Kristin. She was sponsored by the Sequoyah chapter, Suzanne Harman, Regent. The first American History Video contest winner was Noelin Chaney. Present with Noelin were his parents David and Lonnie Chaney. He was sponsored by the Thomasville Chapter, Shelba Sellers, Regent. Noelin also won first place in the Southeast Division contest. The Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest winner was Sanjana

Diddige, sponsored by the Chestatee River Chapter, Perrie Tucker, Regent. Sanjana was accompanied by her parents: Padmaja Yamajala & Naveen Diddige, along with her younger brother Akkil. Sanjana also won first place in the Southeast Division contest.

Brenda King, State Chair, DAR Good Citizens, announced the Georgia State DAR Good Citizens Scholarship Contest District winners: Allison Wills, Northeast District winner, sponsored by the Chestatee River Chapter; Kylie Thurman, Northwest District winner, sponsored by the William Marsh Chapter; Elikem Cato, Southeast District winner, sponsored by the Archibald Bulloch Chapter; and Alexandra Greenfield, Southwest District winner, sponsored by the George Walton and Oglethorpe Chapters. Mrs. King then introduced Alexandra Greenfield, as the state winner; she was accompanied by her parents Tom and Tracy Greenfield.

Greetings were brought by DAR school representatives. Jason Hodges, Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, gave remarks and was presented a check for \$4,964.75 toward the Hydroponics and Action in Agriculture program at Kate Duncan Smith DAR School.

Scott Breithaupt, Berry College, gave remarks and was presented a check for \$8,000.00 to sponsor the Gate of Opportunity Scholarship.

Michelle Scott, Crossnore Communities for Children, gave remarks and was presented a check for \$1,505.00 for Testing Incentive Program at Williams Academy.

Rich Meyer, Hillside School, gave remarks and was presented a check for \$1,451.00 for the Georgia DAR Scholarship Award to be presented during Hillside's annual DAR Day in May.

Will Anderson, Hindman Settlement School, gave remarks and was presented a check for \$2,208.00 towards the Dyslexia Program.

Mrs. Ameye spoke briefly about the Junior American Citizen Committee, its mission, and its contest. Mrs. Ameye announced, on behalf of State Chair Amber Witt, that 69 of Georgia's state winners became first place winners at National.

Mrs. Ameye then recognized the vice chairs of the DAR School Committee.

Mrs. Ameye recognized 86 chapters receiving the Hightower Award (see "State Awards"). Appreciation was expressed to Kay Hightower and family.

The Second Vice Regent thanked individuals and chapters for supporting the DAR Schools.

Mrs. Ameye expressed appreciation to Amy Lawson and the DAR School Committee of the Harrah administration for the heart themed centerpieces. She then thanked her committee members and other volunteers who helped with planning, decoration, A/V, and door hostesses at the event. She announced that the Senior Awards Day & Graduation at Kate Duncan Smith School is May 15, 2025, that registration for the Berry College visit on May 1-2, 2025 is open, and that the National Education Luncheon will be held Friday, June 27, 2025, at the 134<sup>th</sup> Continental Congress.

The meeting was recessed at 1:47 p.m.

Approved June 30, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent

Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

## **AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION**

**March 22, 2025**

The 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, reconvened on Saturday, March 25, 2023, in the Lamar Ballroom, Augusta Marriott at the Conference Center, Augusta, Georgia.

State Regent Helen Powell called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

The State Regent reminded attendees to silence cell phones and that all voters should have their voter ribbons visible.

Becky West, Credentials Co-Chair, acknowledged that the credentials report printed on page 39 of the conference program was different than the printed reporting page in possession of the Credentials committee; therefore Mrs. West gave an updated Credentials report as of 11:30 a.m., Saturday, March 22, 2025: In attendance were: 1 National Executive Officer, 1 National Officer, 0 Honorary National Officers, 11 State Officers, 3 Past National Officers (1 reported elsewhere), 5 Honorary State Regents (3 reported elsewhere), 71 Chapter Regents

and Vice Regents, 119 other chapter delegates, for a total voting strength of 207. Also present were: 1 State Parliamentarian. 84 total chapters represented. Mrs. West clarified that this break down does not affect or change the total number of delegates at the conference. Mrs. West introduced the members of the committee: co-chair Jane Bentley, Catherine Jiminez, Susan Lindsey, Jane St Clair, and Sharon Sowders. Mrs. West **moved the adoption of the final Credentials report. Adopted.**

Mei-Ling Konstantynowicz, Registration Co-Chair, gave a Registration report as of 2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 22, 2025: 577 total registration. 82 guests and 383 members have picked up registration packets. Many registration packets were not yet picked up at the time, with some registered only for Saturday's evening banquet. Mrs. Konstantynowicz thanked the Registration committee for their hard work.

Mrs. Powell introduced the Tellers committee: Chair Carol Goff Russell, Vice Chairs Martha Middlebrooks Knight, Jerry Chrenshaw Patterson, and Susan "Sue" Ann Morrison. Mrs. Powell thanked the Tellers for their willingness and dedication to serve.

The State Regent made several time-sensitive announcements prior to continuing with the business meeting.

Melodye G. Brown, Chair, Bylaws, reported. Ms. Brown expressed appreciation to the following members of the Bylaws Committee for their willingness and capability to serve: State Regent Helen Powell, State First Vice Regent Amy Lawson, Mary King Givens Gardner, Teresa Meadows Bartlett, Pam Dover, Caitlen Green, and State Parliamentarian Judy Sherling.

State Regent Powell expressed appreciation to Ms. Brown and the Bylaws Committee.

Cathy Winslett Hyer, Chair, Proceedings, reported.

State Chairs of STATE COMMITTEES reported. Georgia Day, Bridget Hester Conner reported.

State Treasurer Mary Kuntz responded to a question posed by member Connie Page during the morning session, in regards to a negative number on the Meadow Garden Profits and Loss sheets. The response stated that money was collected for capital improvements at Meadow Garden during the Harrah administration and it was paid out during the Powell administration. The number shows as a negative because the state society's financial books are closed and the end of an administration and newly opened at the start of a new administration.

O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Meadow Garden Chair reported and thanked the approximately 250 Daughters and guests for attending the Meadow Garden Open House on Friday. Mrs. McCorkle recognized the Meadow Garden Director Ransom Schwerzler and Meadow Garden Volunteers Chair Anne Hinton for their dedication to the historic property. The Meadow Garden Chair then **moved to adopt the proposed changes to the Meadow Garden Standing Rules. Adopted.**

Reports of STATE COMMITTEES continued: Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price, NSDAR 50 Year Club and Cheryl Nestler Odell, State Events.

Ms. Lawson brought forth the Courtesy Resolutions of the 127<sup>th</sup> Georgia State Conference. The Courtesy Resolutions were **adopted**. Ms. Lawson requested Second Vice Regent Ameye take the Chair to read a Resolution expressing appreciation to State Regent Powell. The Resolution was **adopted**. Mrs. Powell resumed the Chair.

Following announcements, the benediction was given by Mrs. Hyer. The meeting concluded at 3:01 p.m. and the Conference was in recess until 7:00 p.m.

Approved June 30, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION BANQUET**

**March 22, 2025**

The Awards and Recognition Banquet was held in the Oglethorpe Ballroom, Augusta Marriott at the Conference Center, Augusta, Georgia, at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, March 22, 2025. Amy Pittman Lawson, State First Vice Regent, presided. The Invocation was given by the State Chaplain, Cathy Winslett Hyer.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Renee Gaspari Portell, Coordinator of Districts and Honorary Regent, Bonaventure Chapter. The American's Creed was led by Mary Grainger harper, Northeast District Director and Honorary Regent, Chestatee River Chapter. The Preamble to the Constitution was led by Kimberly "Kim" Houston Orrick, Southwest District Director and Past Regent, Peter Early Chapter. The National Anthem was led by Jeanie Evans Joesbury accompanied by Ramona Harrison Lord, State Co-Chairs, Music. The Pledge to the Georgia Flag was led by Sheila Carruth Burtz, Southeast District Director and Regent, Bonaventure Chapter.

Ms. Lawson presented State Regent Helen Robertson Powell to applause and a standing ovation. First Vice Regent Lawson next introduced National Executive Officer Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary General; National Officer Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Brown Harrah, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent; and Honorary State Regents and Past National Officers (not previously introduced): Laura Marcella Reid, Honorary State Regent, Past Chaplain General; Meloye G. Brown, Honorary State Regent; O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Honorary State Regent; and Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price, Past Reporter General.

Three visiting State Regents were recognized: Malinda Williams, State Regent of Alabama; Sarah Steinke, State Regent of Iowa; and Lindsey Taylor Groves, State Regent of Wyoming.

The State Officers and State Parliamentarian were recognized as a group. Ms. Lawson introduced her special guests: family members Sonny Pittman, Sue Pittman, and Lottie Lawson. The First Vice Regent also expressed appreciation to Dwight Dover for his photography work.

Mrs. Hyer gave the blessing.

Following dinner, the Georgia State Chorus performed, led by Jeanie Evans Joesbury and accompanied by pianist Romona Harrison Lord, State Co-Chairs, Music.

Mrs. Powell congratulated the chapters on their many accomplishments over the year, and introduced Renee Gaspari Portell, Coordinator of Districts. Mrs. Portell reported and introduced the District Directors: Mary Grainger Harper, Northeast; Kimberly Houston Orrick, Southwest; Sheila Anne Burtz, Southeast; and Jennifer Price Anderson, Northwest, who was absent due to an emergency. Ms. Lawson recognized Mrs. Portell and the District Directors for their leadership and efforts in support of the chapters.

The State First Vice Regent advised Daughters to see their conference program for a complete list of chapters, and their regents, who received the Hightower award, Chapter Achievement Award, or Honor Roll. She then asked attendees to join her in recognizing chapters celebrating anniversaries. The chapter regents and members were asked to stand and be recognized: Joseph Habersham (organized February 17, 1900), celebrated 125 years of service, Luann Miller, Regent; Edmund Burke (organized February 2, 1925), celebrated 100 years of service, Jennifer Mansell, Regent; Andrew Houser (organized January 18, 1950), celebrated 75 years of service, Shelly Bourgeois, Regent; and Mineral Springs (organized June 1, 1974), celebrated 50 years of service, Clarissa Self, Regent.

Kay Griffin Ragan, State Chair Master Reports, was unable to attend. Ms. Lawson read Mrs. Ragan's report and presented the CAA winners. Ms. Lawson recognized: First Place Winners are Chapters Under 50: Liberty Hill, Chapters 51-100: Lachlan Mc Intosh, Chapters 101-150: Sequoyah, and Chapters over 151: Fielding Lewis. Second Place Winners are Chapters under 50: Colonel Ebenezer Folsom, Chapters 51-100: Suwanee Creek, Chapters 101-150: Chestatee River, and Chapters over 151 was a tie: College Hill and Xavier. Third Place Winners are Chapters under 50: Stallings Island, Chapters 51-100: William Day, Chapters 101-150: Fort Peachtree, and Chapters over 151: Philadelphia Winn.

Ms. Lawson asked Teresa Meadows Bartlett, State Chair, State Honor Roll, to present the State Honor Roll winners. Mrs. Bartlett asked all regents of chapters who met the requirements of State Honor Roll to stand. 74 chapters achieved State Honor Roll in 2024.

Patricia Hein, State Chair of Membership, was introduced. Mrs. Hein presented the State Membership Awards. Fifteen chapters increased membership by 10% or Higher. Those chapters are Captain John Wilson (34%), John Benson (23%), Mineral Springs (21%), Toccoa (19%), Thronateeska (19%), Old Unicoi Trail (19%), Lachlan Mc Intosh (14%), Suwanee

Creek (13%), Bonaventure (13%), Matthew Talbot (12%), Lamar-Lafayette (11%), Edmund Burke (11%), Savannah (10%), Patriots of Liberty (10%), and Liberty Hill (10%).

Most New Members by Application: Sequoyah Chapter, Suzanne Harman, Regent, 1<sup>st</sup>; Savannah Chapter, Amy Jones Hatch, Regent, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Patriots of Liberty Chapter, Debra Harding Kielly, Regent, 3<sup>rd</sup>. The GSSNSDAR Membership Eagle Award, given to the chapter with the greatest percentage increase in membership by application, was awarded to: John Benson Chapter, Regent Sara Lesseur and Registrar Janet Bridges. Second place was awarded to Mineral Springs Chapter and third place was awarded to Patriots of Liberty Chapter. Mrs. Hein then recognized members who had noteworthy anniversaries in 2024 (50 years or more).

State First Vice Regent Lawson introduced Cynthia Grantham Davis, State Chair of Volunteer Genealogists, to present the State Volunteer Genealogist of the Year. Mrs. Davis announced that Constance "Connie" Sasser Rifkind was awarded the 2025 State Volunteer Genealogist of the Year.

Mary Brown Turner, President of the Chapter Regents Club, was next called on to give remarks and introduce the winner of the 2025 Outstanding Chapter Regent Contest. Scarlett Rene Gibson, General Daniel Newnan Chapter, was named the Outstanding Chapter Regent. Pamela Stanford Dover, Hightower Trail Chapter was Runner-Up. Mrs. Powell joined Mrs. Turner in congratulations. Mrs. Turner also presented a check for \$800.00 from the Chapter Regents Club to State Regent Helen Robertson Powell, to be split equally between each of the four State Regent's Projects.

State First Vice Regent Lawson welcomed Colonel Leon F. "Lee" Ellis, USAF, Retired, who presented an informative and engaging program entitled, "Loving, Learning, and Leading with Honor".

Virginia "Ginger" Gidden-Weinzierl, State Chair President General's project was introduced and recognized the chapters that reached 100% participation in the President General's Project.

Patricia Frederick Croft, State Chair, DAR Leadership Training Committee, was asked to come forward and conduct the Member, New Horizons, and Committee Leader Course Graduation Ceremony. Mary Turner, Members Course State Coordinator; Tania Fontaine, Committee Leaders State Coordinator; and Karen Kivette, New Horizons State Coordinator, joined Mrs. Croft to present the graduation certificates and honor cords.

The Member Course graduates in attendance were Chestatee River, Natalie Trawick Leggio; Fielding Lewis, Anita Mashburn; Lachlan Mc Intosh, Mei-Ling Konstantynowicz; Liberty Hill, Darla Valentini; Old Unicoi Trail, Barbara Weaver; Philadelphia Winn, Lydia McGill; Sandy Springs, Sharon Sowders; Stallings Island, Valorie Hock; Sukey Hart, Margot Johnston; Suwanee Creek, Carol Knap, Amanda McKinnon, Sara Richardson, Terese Davis Steinbach; and Thomasville, Charlotte Brown.

The Committee Leaders Course graduates in attendance were Abraham Baldwin, Stacey Orr; Etowah, Stefani Hilligoss Patton, Rita Porter; Hightower Trail, Denise Leak; Kettle Creek, Kathryn Anderson; Lachlan Mc Intosh, Mei-Ling Konstantynowicz; Liberty Hill, Betty Westbrook; Sequoyah, Debra Peal; Stallings Island, Amy Lawson; Tomochichi, Lynn McCollum; and William Day, Victoria Clark.

The New Horizon Leadership graduates, and Triple Crown Winners, in attendance were Atlanta, Jane Bronner, Christine Mackay; Chestatee River, Virginia Davis; Fayette-Starr's Mill, Barbara Swafford; Fielding Lewis, Melissa Tanner; Hightower Trail, Denise Leak; Lachlan Mc Intosh, Jill Elias, Suzanne Sanborn; Liberty Hill, Melinda Allen; and Suwanee Creek, Amy Koon.

Mrs. Croft recognized 13 chapters that reached the Twinkling Stars Level of graduates: Atlanta, Bonaventure, Colonel William Candler, Fayette-Starr's Mill, General Daniel Newnan, Hightower Trail, James Waldrop, Liberty Hill, Martha Stewart Bulloch, Patriots of Liberty, Stallings Island, Sukey Hart, and Suwanee Creek Chapters. Three chapters obtained the Shooting Stars level of graduates: Kennesaw Mountain, Lachlan Mc Intosh, and Philadelphia Winn Chapters. Three chapters obtained the North Stars level of graduates: Chestatee River, Fielding Lewis, and Sequoyah. The Georgia State Society Executive Board obtained a Sparkler Award for their DAR Leadership participation.

There being no further business, announcements were made and the Chaplain, Mrs. Hyer, gave the Benediction, after which the members joined hands to sing "God Bless America" State Regent Powell declared the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Approved June 30, 2025

Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent  
Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary



*Memorial Service*  
*for*  
*Georgia State Society*  
*National Society*  
*Daughters of the American Revolution*

WHO HAVE ENTERED INTO ETERNAL LIFE  
MARCH 2024–FEBRUARY 2025

Helen Robertson Powell  
*State Regent*

Catherine “Cathy” Winslett Hyer  
*State Chaplain*

10:00 a.m.  
Friday, March 21, 2025  
Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center  
Augusta, Georgia

# Memorial Service

FOR DAUGHTERS OF THE GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY,  
NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
WHO HAVE ENTERED INTO ETERNAL LIFE, MARCH 2024 - FEBRUARY 2025

## Order of Service

Theme: Everlasting Life

*“For God so loved the world, that he gave His only son,  
that whoever believes in Him shall not perish,  
but have eternal life.” – John 3:16*

**Prelude: “Apres Un Reve”** ..... Ramona Harrison Lord, Pianist  
*Gabriel Fauré* ..... State Co-Chair, Music

**Processional: “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”** ..... Ramona Harrison Lord, Pianist  
*Martin Luther*

*Please stand for Processional and remain standing through the Call to Remembrance.*

**Call to Remembrance**..... Helen Robertson Powell  
State Regent

*Please be seated.*

**Reading of the First Lesson**..... Mary Elizabeth “Betty” Brown Harrah  
*Ecclesiastes 3:1-4* ..... Vice President General  
Honorary State Regent

**Reading of the Second Lesson**..... Melodye G. Brown  
*Luke 10:25-28* ..... Honorary State Regent

**Prayer** ..... Catherine Winslett Hyer  
State Chaplain

**Music: “It is Well”**..... GSSDAR State Chorus  
*Horatio Gates Spafford* ..... Jeanie Evans Joesbury  
Ramona Harrison Lord, Pianist  
State Co-Chairs, Music

### Lighting of the Memorial Candles

**Candle Pages**  
*Cindy Foster Grace*  
*Phyllis Hill King*

**Memorial Roll Call of Chapters** ..... State Chaplain

**Flower Pages**  
*Sheila Wright Crumrine*  
*Renee Gaspari Portell*

*Please stand when the names of your chapter members and beloved friends are read.*

**Tributes**

***Carolyn Grant Hanf***

Treasurer General 2001-2004, Vice President General 1996-1999,  
State Regent 1994-1996, First Vice Regent 1992-1994, Second Vice Regent 1990-1992,  
State Registrar 1998-1990, State Recording Secretary 1986-1988,  
State Treasurer 1984-1986, State Curator 1982-1984

**Tribute** ..... Virginia Grace Lingelbach  
Chaplain General  
Honorary State Regent  
Past Corresponding Secretary General

**Placing of the Orchid**.....O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle  
Honorary State Regent

***Barbara Blakely Chastain***

Vice President General 2010-2013, State Regent 2008-2010,  
State First Vice Regent 2006-2008, State Second Vice Regent 2004-2006,  
State Recording Secretary 1992-1994, State Corresponding Secretary 1990-1992,  
State Librarian 1988-1990

**Tribute** ..... Laura Marcelle Reid  
Honorary State Regent  
Past Chaplain General

**Placing of the Orchid** .....O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle  
Honorary State Regent

***Brenda Davison Jessel***

National Chair 2022-2024, State Registrar 2016-2018,  
State Recording Secretary 2015-2016, State Librarian 2014-2015,  
State Chaplain 2012-2014, State Corresponding Secretary 2010-2012

**Tribute** ..... Scarlett Rene Gibson  
State Corresponding Secretary

**Placing of the Rose**..... Renee Gaspari Portell  
Flower Page

**Music: "To God Be the Glory"** ..... GSSDAR State Chorus  
*Fanny Crosby*  
Jeanie Evans Joesbury  
Ramona Harrison Lord, Pianist  
State Co-Chairs, Music

**Prayer and Benediction** ..... State Chaplain

**Extinguishing of Memorial Candles** ..... Candle Pages

**Recessional: "Festive Trumpet Tune"** ..... Ramona Harrison Lord, Pianist  
*David German*

*The Assembly is requested to remain in place until the platform is cleared  
and Honorary State Regents and State Officers have recessed.*

# *In Memoriam*

## **ALTAMAHA**

Caroline Thomas Bosbyshell

April 16, 2024

Johnnie Eleanor Hodge Hayes

November 16, 2024

Vivian Geraldine Phillips Bohannon

December 13, 2024

## **ANDREW HOUSER**

Alma Joanna O'Rear Warren

January 4, 2025

Margaret Armbrister Worsham

February 4, 2025

## **APALACHEE**

Hazel Wheeler Everett

July 17, 2024

## **ARCHIBALD BULLOCH**

Jennie Fay Morgan

March 17, 2024

Betty Jean Barr Merck

March 7, 2024

Julianne Temples Miller

September 11, 2024

Margaret Kate Collins Skinner

October 15, 2024

## **ATLANTA**

Ivy Stephenson Gunter

October 1, 2024

Diana Lynn Gierhart Fallon

June 16, 2024

Edith Gwendolyn Holden Skelton

November 2, 2024

Katie Lou Mahone Lindquist

January 8, 2025

## **AUGUSTA**

Marquin Livingston Conklin Barrett

August 10, 2024

Mary Imogene Singley Holley

February 8, 2025

## **AUGUSTIN CLAYTON**

Gayle White Fox

August 11, 2024

Linda Gail Bailey Johnson

September 23, 2024

Paula Raye Reed Kurjack

October 10, 2024

## **BAINBRIDGE**

Helen Morris Trulock Pettyjohn

April 26, 2024

Patricia Spooner Shoemaker

September 28, 2024

## **BARNARD TRAIL**

Dorothy Lucinda Davidson Hudson

November 30, 2024

Rita Loyala Burke Jones

December 4, 2024

Josie Carolyn Nelms Sams

August 22, 2024

Margaret Davis Harris

March 25, 2024

Imogene Wilson Watson

November 15, 2024

## **BARON DE KALB**

Gail Baker Cook

October 6, 2024

## **BONAVENTURE**

Betty Ray Hendricks Hohnerlein

February 17, 2025

<b>BRUNSWICK</b> Marsha Jones Certain	April 18, 2024
<b>CAPTAIN EDWARD HAGIN</b> Marjorie Lynn Stowe Harburn	May 1, 2024
<b>CAPTAIN JAMES KELL</b> Sylvia Elaine Johnson	May 1, 2024
<b>CAPTAIN JOHN WILSON</b> Marjorie Hart Johnson Virginia Bowen White Terrie Louise Shelton Gribanow Harriette VanNess Philen Reeves	February 28, 2025 August 2, 2024 February 14, 2025 February 9, 2025
<b>CHEROKEE</b> Edith Alwyne Smith Burnette	August 1, 2024
<b>CHESTATEE RIVER</b> Pauline Agnes Pirkle	August 1, 2024
<b>COL DANIEL APPLING</b> Mary Ellen Johnson O'Berry	January 25, 2025
<b>COLLEGE HILL</b> Susan Caroline Wylds Hardwick Mary Louise Jurga West	March 19, 2024 March 19, 2024
<b>COLONEL EBENEZER FOLSOM</b> Ruth Eberle Horning Stonestreet Margaret Bratten Fleming	October 22, 2024 January 28, 2025
<b>COLONEL JOHN MCINTOSH</b> Dianne Andrews Passmore Deborah Glenn Gammon Ford Rebecca Collier Bateman Sara Frances Brown Hall Patricia Byrd Carter Rogers	October 18, 2024 August 11, 2024 June 28, 2024 March 22, 2024 September 13, 2024
<b>COLONEL WILLIAM CANDLER</b> Gale Johnson Farlow Anita Katherine Robertson Haynes Nancy Gay Glennon Baumgardner	June 27, 2024 March 26, 2024 January 17, 2025
<b>COUNCIL OF SAFETY</b> Nancy Carolyn Kaylor Miller Joe Anne Beard Moore Claudia Elizabeth "Betty" Sims Patterson	September 18, 2024 August 16, 2024 July 1, 2024
<b>EARL OF CAMDEN</b> Mary Carole Wynn Linker	September 6, 2024
<b>EDMUND BURKE</b> Eugenia Chandler Braswell	October 31, 2024

<b>ELIJAH CLARKE</b> Mary Delois Williams Gainey Georgiana Storey Sumner Susan Taylor Pike	December 31, 2024 March 14, 2024 September 9, 2024
<b>ETOWAH</b> Malinda Ruth Bonner Muse Aitken	May 15, 2024
<b>FIELDING LEWIS</b> Carolyn Grant Hanf	January 17, 2025
<b>FORT FREDERICA</b> Rebecca Acree Lott Ida Mayo Younger	September 25, 2024 August 19, 2024
<b>FORT PEACHTREE</b> Barbara Blakely Chastain	May 19, 2024
<b>GENERAL DANIEL NEWNAN</b> Nancy Galloway McLean Brenda Davison Jessel	October 11, 2024 July 15, 2024
<b>GENERAL DANIEL STEWART</b> Betty Lou Martin Tehero Caroline Brady Tilley Ann Norris Strickland	March 31, 2024 May 28, 2024 January 22, 2025
<b>GENERAL JOSIAH TATTNALL</b> Rita Sue Chambers	February 18, 2025
<b>GEORGE WALTON</b> Katherine DeLay Davis Mewbourne Samie Louise Klose Lott Sara Jacqueline Gnann Weaver Cora Loma Greene Denney	November 23, 2024 December 23, 2023 March 31, 2024 August 24, 2024
<b>GOVERNOR DAVID EMANUEL-ADAM BRINSON</b> Lynda Cowart Talmadge Rebecca Hill Daniels	May 15, 2024 August 14, 2024
<b>GOVERNOR JARED IRWIN</b> Linda Jolene Cook Gladin	August 12, 2024
<b>HANNAH CLARKE</b> Nannie Elizabeth Register Lawson	June 4, 2024
<b>HAWKINSVILLE</b> Angela Lynn Hansen Tennell Nancy Paula Jones Horton	October 15, 2024 February 5, 2025
<b>JACOB BRASELTON</b> Laura Ann Abney Davis Jane Cofer	May 24, 2024 November 2, 2024

<b>JAMES WALDROP</b> Kame Rachel Simonds King Barbara Jean Redwine Allen	January 20, 2025 February 6, 2025
<b>JOHN HOUSTON</b> Sandra Diane Franklin Herring	June 2, 2024
<b>JOHN LAURENS</b> Ariel Douglas Gray Mary Frances Harrison Newsome	September 7, 2024 September 25, 2024
<b>JOSEPH HABERSHAM</b> Kay Every Bomgardner	January 19, 2025
<b>KENNESAW MOUNTAIN</b> Dianne Young Brissey	April 16, 2024
<b>KING'S GAP</b> Janice Marie Coston Steele Loretta May Cornell Mulcahey	September 16, 2024 September 2, 2024
<b>LA GRANGE</b> Carolyn Joanne Underwood Crowe Eve Leah McClatchey Saunders	September 17, 2024 October 14, 2024
<b>LACHLAN MCINTOSH</b> Dorothy Landsberg Fones Jacquylen Annette Page Jones Barthelmess Mary Louise Cleland Becton Glenda Grenfell Sears	February 29, 2024 April 6, 2024 December 26, 2024 January 18, 2025
<b>LT. JAMES MONROE</b> Mary Elsie Starr Mullis	August 25, 2024
<b>MARTHA STEWART BULLOCH</b> Rachel Diane Waters Siders Bethann Gillette Larson Catherine Brooks Brock Catherine Darlene Huggins High	October 9, 2024 July 25, 2024 September 9, 2024 January 31, 2024
<b>MARY HAMMOND WASHINGTON</b> Florabelle Bloodworth Mellard Louise Hill Burkhalter	April 2, 2024 October 24, 2024
<b>MEMBER AT LARGE</b> Carolyn Joyce Hayes McCannon	April 30, 2024
<b>MINERAL SPRINGS</b> Sandra Wiggins Mitchell Barbara Wiggins Logue	February 24, 2024 September 15, 2024
<b>NATHANIEL MACON</b> Nancy Elizabeth Wilson Thompson Martha Marie Schell O'Neal Kathleen Phydian Johnston Ramsey	January 28, 2025 April 7, 2024 June 26, 2024

<b>OGLETHORPE</b> Marilyn Virginia McEathern House Kathleen McKagen Summerford	February 16, 2025 November 11, 2024
<b>OLD NOONDAY</b> Dolores Darlene Salvant Laughran	June 13, 2024
<b>OLIVER MORTON</b> Frances M. Gordon Williams Margaret Joyce Chapman Conn-Folendore Della Sue Chaffin Morgan	March 12, 2024 January 1, 2025 January 31, 2025
<b>PETER EARLY</b> Martha Irene Pritchett Moore	August 5, 2024
<b>PHILADELPHIA WINN</b> Susan Coward Gerard Helen Louise Bramlett Dalton Maxine Chiles Johnston Virginia Kline McIntosh	March 23, 2024 July 26, 2024 July 12, 2024 February 12, 2025
<b>PULASKI</b> Janet Lorene Rife Fulton	May 18, 2024
<b>ROBERT LOUGHRIDGE</b> Patricia Louise Chandler Burns	January 1, 2025
<b>SANDY SPRINGS</b> Nancy Candler Nutter	September 20, 2024
<b>SAVANNAH</b> Sue Herrin Linda Susan East Delano	July 31, 2024 June 29, 2024
<b>SERGEANT NEWTON</b> Lucy Lee Oglesby Peterson	May 19, 2024
<b>ST. ANDREWS PARRISH</b> Adrienne Kim Childs Seay	December 27, 2024
<b>STALLINGS ISLAND</b> Rebecca Bostick	November 2, 2024
<b>SUKEY HART</b> Lois McMinn Tucker	June 6, 2024
<b>SWEETWATER</b> Lora Michelle Edge Lykins Marcia Jean Tindall Atkins	June 3, 2024 October 22, 2024
<b>THOMASVILLE</b> Janet Elizabeth Barwick Burt Janet Kirkland Thompson	November 23, 2023 April 23, 2024

**THRONATEESKA**

**Dorothy Elaine Ward Majors  
Ann Talley Crimmins  
Jeanetta Irene Parker Sharp  
Jane Carlisle Miller Calhoun**

**November 9, 2024  
August 29, 2024  
September 14, 2024  
May 8, 2024**

**TOMOCHICHI**

**Rosalyn Wyleen Hulsey Brown**

**March 27, 2024**

**VIDALIA**

**Marilyn Braddy Coker**

**September 30, 2024**

**WILLIAM MCINTOSH**

**Gail Gordon East**

**March 30, 2024**

**XAVIER**

**Sue Richardson Smith Hartley**

**January 12, 2025**

# Memorial Service Committee

## **STATE CHAPLAIN**

Catherine Winslett Hyer

## **PIANIST**

Ramona Harrison Lord

## **CHORUS DIRECTOR**

Jeanie Evans Joesbury

## **READERS**

Betty Brown Harrah, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent  
Melody G. Brown, Honorary State Regent

## **TRIBUTES**

Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, Past Corresponding Secretary  
General  
Laura Marcella Reid, Honorary State Regent, Past Chaplain General  
Scarlett Rene Gibson, State Corresponding Secretary

## **PRESENTATION OF ORCHID**

O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Honorary State Regent

## **FLOWER PAGES**

Sheila Wright Crumrine  
Renee Gaspari Portell

## **CANDLE PAGES**

Lucinda "Cindy" Foster Grace  
Phyllis Hill King

## **STATE CHAIR, PROTOCOL**

Joyce Ball Patton

## **STATE EVENTS CHAIR**

Cheryl Nestler Odell

## **STATE CHAIR, PROCESSIONAL**

Dawn Villanueva Levy

## **STATE CHAIR, SEATING**

Andrea Berry Riddle

## **STATE CHAIR, PAGES**

Nancy Collins Tims

## **DOOR PAGES**

Christian "Christie" Boulden Holmes  
Amanda McGaha McKinnon  
Catherine "Cathy" Derst Miller  
Stacey Rebekah Lee Orr

## **PLATFORM PAGES**

Alanna Fopiano Drummond  
Charlotte "Lottie" Alena Lawson

**GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY, NSDAR**  
**127<sup>th</sup> GEORGIA STATE CONFERENCE**  
**MARCH 20-23, 2025**

**RESOLVED** that the members of the Georgia State Society of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, in attendance at the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference held at the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, Augusta, Georgia, March 22-23, 2025, express grateful appreciation to the State Regent, Helen Robertson Powell, for her volunteer heart and efficient leadership, to ensure the success of the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference; and,

**RESOLVED**, that the members of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR express grateful appreciation to the distinguished guests who honored the Georgia State Society with their presence at this State Conference: Malinda Williams, State Regent Alabama, Sarah Steinke, State Regent Iowa, and Lindsey Taylor Groves, State Regent Wyoming; and,

**RESOLVED**, that sincere appreciation be expressed to Pamela S Downs, Lineage Research State Chair for sharing her knowledge of genealogy through her presentation *Navigating DAR Proofs, Bumps, and Roadblocks* on Thursday afternoon, March 20, 2025; and,

**RESOLVED**, that a special thank you be extended to Erick D. Montgomery, Executive Director, Historic Augusta Incorporated and past president of the Augusta Genealogical Society, who gave an informative address on *Using Artificial Intelligence to Further Your Genealogical Research* on Thursday afternoon, March 20, 2025; and,

**RESOLVED**, that enthusiastic gratitude be expressed to interpretive historian and performer, K. Ken Johnston, for his portrayal of Patrick Henry during his program entitled *Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death!* on Friday evening, March 21, 2025; and

**RESOLVED**, that sincere appreciation be expressed to, author, speaker, and consultant, Colonel Leon F. "Lee" Ellis, USAF, Retired, for his encouraging address, *Loving, Learning, and Leading With Honor*, on Saturday evening, March 22, 2025; and,

**RESOLVED**, that special thanks be extended to the State Events Chair Cheryl Nestler Odell, State Events Advisor Ann Benson Ameye, State Events Treasurer Andrea Berry Riddle, and to all State Events Committee members who have worked together for the success and enjoyment of the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference; to Phyllis Hill King, who worked with the Moments in Time Florist for the lovely floral table arrangements and decorations that adorned and added beauty to the events at State Conference; and,

**RESOLVED**, that special thanks be extended to State Music Co-Chairs, Jeanie Evans Joesbury, choral director, and Ramona Harrison Lord, pianist, for their leadership and beautiful performances throughout the State Conference, and to the enthusiastic Georgia State Chorus, which performed during the Memorial Service on Friday morning, March 21, 2025, and on Saturday evening, March 22, 2025, of State Conference; and,

**RESOLVED**, that special thanks be given to the Coordinator of Districts Renee Gaspari Portell, Northwest District Director Jennifer Price Anderson, Northeast District Director Mary Grainger Harper, Southwest District Director Kimberly "Kim" Houston Orrick, and Southeast District Director Sheila Carruth Burtz, for their many efforts with all the events at this State Conference, and,

**RESOLVED**, that sincere gratitude be expressed to HODAR Dwight Dover for volunteering his time and talent to provide a photographic record of events surrounding the State Conference; and,

**RESOLVED**, that special appreciation be expressed to the Georgia Society Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard, Scott Collins, Commander, for presenting the Colors on Opening Night; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the members of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, express appreciation for the courtesies extended by the management and staff of the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, Augusta, Georgia, throughout the State Conference.

## State Conference Committees

<b>State Chair, State Events</b>	Cheryl Nestler Odell
<b>Conference Advisor</b>	Ann Benson Ameye
<b>State Events Treasurer</b>	Andrea Berry Riddle
<b>Credentials</b>	Jane Edwards Bentley Rebecca "Becky" Malone West
<b>Decorations</b>	Phyllis Hill King
<b>District Directors</b>	Renee Gaspari Portell, Coordinator Jennifer Price Anderson, Northwest Mary Grainger Harper, Northeast Kimberly Houston Orrick, Southwest Sheila Carruth Burtz, Southeast
<b>Door Hostesses</b>	Michelle G. Andrews
<b>Memorial Service</b>	Catherine "Cathy" Winslett Hyer
<b>Music</b>	Ramona Harrison Lord Jeanie Evans Joesbury
<b>Pages</b>	Nancy Collins Tims
<b>Processional</b>	Dawn Villanueva Levy
<b>Program</b>	Scarlett Rene Gibson
<b>Program Ads</b>	Darla Wolfe Valentini Linda Vaughan Anderson Beverly Vaughan Baker
<b>Registration</b>	Tara Lynn Sanders Kelsey Mei-Ling Konstantynowicz
<b>Ribbons</b>	Lisa Kaye Hisey Cappetto
<b>Seating</b>	Andrea Berry Riddle Randi Davis Minor
<b>Signs</b>	Darla Wolfe Valentini
<b>Vendors</b>	Charlotte Turner Berry
<b>Welcome Bags</b>	Bryanna Odell Meredith

# *134<sup>th</sup> Continental Congress*

## **Georgia Delegation Meeting**

**June 24, 2025**

Georgia Daughters attending the 134th Continental Congress met for the annual Georgia Delegation Meeting on June 24, 2025, from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Russell, Hart and Cannon Rooms at the J.W. Marriott, Washington, D.C. Following a brief social period, State First Vice Regent Amy Pittman Lawson greeted attendees and provided updates on Continental Congress happenings and upcoming events. State Regent Helen Robertson Powell was introduced and brought greetings. Chaplain General, Past Corresponding Secretary General, and Honorary State Regent Virginia Grace Lingelbach; Vice President General and Honorary State Regent Betty Brown Harrah; Honorary Vice President General and Honorary State Regent Joyce Ball Patton; Honorary State Regent and Past Chaplain General Laura Marcella Reid; and Past Reporter General Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer each offered tips for success at Congress, briefly outlined their current and past roles, and shared favorite memories. Georgia State Officers, Georgia Pages, and members attending Congress for the first time were recognized. Ms. Lawson provided interesting information about the first Georgia Delegation Meeting, held on April 18, 1910, at 8:30 p.m. at Ebbit House, Washington, D.C. A total of fifteen members attended the first assembly, during which State Officers were elected, the dedication of the Oglethorpe Bust in the Pennsylvania Foyer of Memorial Continental Hall was announced, and the Song of the Revolution was performed. Following an informative question and answer period, the delegation moved to the lobby area for a large group photo.

The following 58 Daughters attended, representing 32 chapters: Ginger Gidden and Joyce Patton, Atlanta; Renee Portell, Bonaventure; Caroline Chapman, Captain Thomas Cobb; Christine Dahl, Mary Harper, and Perrie Tucker, Chestatee River; Mary Kuntz, Colonel Ebenezer Folsom; Sue Duncan, Colonel John Wilson; Terry Hughes, Helen Powell, Cheryl Ray and Rachel Schwab, Margaret Whalen, Colonel William Candler; Belinda Savadge, Elijah Clarke; Christy Davis, Alice Flynn, Stephani Patton, and Rita Porter, Etowah; Mindy Kammeyer, Fayette-Starr's Mill; Ann Ameye, Caron Hobson, Linda Lopez, Andrea Riddle, and Melissa Tanner, Fielding Lewis; Scarlett Gibson, General Daniel Newnan; Mary Lou Goehring, Jacob Braselton; Janet Herring and Louann Miller, Joseph Habersham; Betty Harrah, James Waldrop; Mary Mullins and Teresa Chapman, Kings Gap; Cheryl Odell, Lachlan McIntosh; Patricia Hein, Liberty Hill; Kim Waskowsky and Cynthia Waskowsky, Martha Stewart Bulloch; Sandy Bell and Barbara Wallace, Old Unicoi Trail; Clarissa Bull, Patriots of Liberty; Caitlen Green, Randi Minor, Connie Rifkind, Emily Tindall, and Kitty Watters, Philadelphia Winn; Kathleen Marsh, Roswell King; Sharon Sowders, Sandy Springs; Laura Reid, Savannah; Anita Bianconi, Sergeant Newton; Amy Lawson, Stallings Island; Marquita Crews, Cynthia Davis, and Virginia Lingelbach, Sukey Hart; Sheila Crumrine, Gayle Bricker-Stockinger, and Sandra Tomey, Suwanee Creek; Tori Clark and Veatra Cruz, William Day; and Mary Beth Dykes, William Marsh.

# Congress Awards

## America 250!

Candace Breeden, SE Division, Outstanding American 250! Event in 2024; Trish Moseley, SE Division, Fantastic State Chair; Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Outstanding Service

## American Heritage

Valerie Craft, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Art & Sculpture – Multi Media, Third Place  
Margaret Whalen, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Art & Sculpture - Other, Second Place  
Martha Ruppert, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Art & Sculpture - Pastel, Third Place  
Jan Courter, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Art & Sculpture - Watercolor, Second Place  
Mary Frankiewicz, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Fiber Arts – Quilt, Art Quilt, Second Place  
Joyce Goodbread, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Fiber Arts – Quilt Art Quilt, Second Place  
Martha Ruppert, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Fiber Arts – Quilt Art Quilt, Second Place  
Mary Frankiewicz, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Fiber Arts – Hand Quilted Wall Hanging, Second Place  
Emily Adams, Stallings Island Chapter, Jewelry – Constructed, Honorable Mention  
Suzanne Harman, Sequoyah Chapter, Literature & Drama – Drama, First Place  
Martha Trimbach, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Music – Instrumental, Other, Third Place  
Pamela Dover, Hightower Trail Chapter, National Vice Chair, Literature & Drama 2022-2024  
Stephanie Chasez, Liberty Hill Chapter, National Vice Chair, Photography 2022-2023  
Georgia, Highest Percentage of Chapter Participation, States with Over 100 Chapters, First Place  
Georgia, Most Programs, First Place, Southeastern Division  
Georgia, Highest Percentage of Chapter Participation, Third Place, Southeastern Division

## American History

Dheer Mehrotra, sponsor: Apalachee Chapter, American History Essay Contest – Seventh Grade, First Place  
Sanjana Diddige, sponsor: Chestatee River Chapter, Patriots of the American Revolution Essay Contest, First Place  
Noelin Chaney, sponsor: Thomasville Chapter, American History Video Contest – Ninth/Tenth Grade, Second Place  
Amy Lawson, Stallings Island Chapter, American History Video Contest, Outstanding National Vice Chair  
Cathy Hyer, Suwanee Creek Chapter, Patriots of the American Revolution DAR Essay, Outstanding National Vice Chair  
Debbie Bush, William Day Chapter, Outstanding State Chairman with Sparkling Service  
Susan Gwaltney, Tomochichi Chapter, Outstanding State Chairman during the Wright Administration  
Archibald Bulloch Chapter, Outstanding Program on American History  
John Benning Chapter, Outstanding Program on American History

## American Indians

Rachael Schwab, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Outstanding Individual, Southeastern Division  
Perrie Hilton Tucker, Chestatee River Chapter, Outstanding Individual, Southeastern Division  
Scarlett Moyer, Etowah Chapter, Outstanding Individual, Southeastern Division  
Susan Gwaltney, Outstanding State Chair, Southeastern Division  
Mary Fiko, Captain James Kell Chapter, Outstanding Chapter Chair, Southeastern Division  
Sequoyah Chapter, Outstanding Chapter, Southeastern Division  
Fielding Lewis Chapter, Outstanding Chapter, Southeastern Division  
Colonel William Candler Chapter, Outstanding Chapter, Southeastern Division  
Georgia State Society, Let Your Spirit Sparkle  
Perrie Tucker, Chestatee River Chapter, Chemawa Care Quilts  
Joyce Goodbread, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Chemawa Care Quilts  
Mary Frankiewicz, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Chemawa Care Quilts

## Auditing

Paula Osborne, Chestatee River Chapter, Exceptional Service as a National Chair

**C.A.R.**  
**SPARKLE Award**

Fielding Lewis Chapter, Outstanding C.A.R. Supporter, Southeastern Division  
Betty Harrah, Georgia State Regent, Outstanding C.A.R. Supporter, Southeastern Division  
Nancy Tims, Sparkling C.A.R. Leader, Southeastern Division  
Catherine Jiminez, Sparkling C.A.R. Leader, Southeastern Division  
Sukey Hart Chapter, Outstanding C.A.R. Supporter, Southeastern Division  
Helen Powell, Georgia State Regent, Outstanding C.A.R. Supporter, Southeastern Division  
Andrea Anglin Newton, State Chairman C.A.R.

**Commemorative Events**

Lauren McLeod, Outstanding Division Vice Chair, Southeastern Division  
Leslie Strickland Watkins, Outstanding Service- State Chair  
Sequoyah Chapter, 50th Anniversary of the NASA Space Shuttle Program, Second Place - National Winner, Southeastern Division  
John Benning Chapter, 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War- Best Single Chapter Event, Third Place – National Winner, Southeastern Division  
Fayette-Starr's Mill Chapter, 125th Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corps, Second Place - National Winner, Southeastern Division  
Virginia Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Best Executive Liaison, Southeastern Division

**Commerce**

Kathy Marsh, Roswell King Chapter, Outstanding Service as a committee member

**Community Classroom**

Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, Chestatee River Chapter, Outstanding Service as Division Vice Chair, Southeastern Division  
Nancy Tims, Chestatee River Chapter, Outstanding Service as State Chair, Southeastern Division

**Constitution Week**

Anne Stimson and Margaret Whalen, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Outstanding Chapter Report – First Place, as chapter Co-Chairmen  
Colonel William Candler Chapter, Outstanding Chapter Report – Exceptional Work with Schools  
Reverend John Andrew Chapter, Outstanding High-Profile Community Constitution Week Program  
Reverend John Andrew Chapter, Exceptional Program to Involve the Junior American Citizens  
Kayla Hudson, Captain James Kell Chapter, Outstanding Work to Involve Home School Students  
Melissa Tanner, Outstanding Work to Promote the Constitution in Georgia, as State Chairman  
Melissa Tanner, State Chairman, Exceptional Efforts to Highlight Georgia Daughters and Constitution Week  
Georgia State Society, Impressive Number of Chapters Including the Preamble in their Opening Ritual  
Georgia State Society, 91% of State Chapters Reported Saying the Preamble/Sharing a Constitution Minute at Chapter Meetings  
Georgia State Society, 100% Chapter Participation in Celebrating Our Constitution  
Janice Miller, Fielding Lewis Chapter, Outstanding Chapter New Committee Chair  
Michelle Miller, Fielding Lewis Chapter, Outstanding Chapter New Committee Chair  
Georgia State Society, Outstanding Fall Forum Honoring Our Constitution, Southeastern Division  
Georgia State Society, 96% of Chapters Celebrated with Preamble and/or Constitution Week Minutes

**DAR DNA Network**

Cheryl Odell, Outstanding Service as State Chair

**DAR Genealogy Preservation**

Christine MacKay, Atlanta Chapter, Top Twenty Indexer – Historian General's Marker Card Project

Joan Roark, Henry Walton Chapter, Outstanding Service – Descendants Project  
Barbara Foerst, Sequoyah Chapter, Outstanding Service – Supporting Documentation Project  
Barbara Foerst, Sequoyah Chapter, Outstanding Service as a Certifier - Supporting Documentation Project

### **DAR Good Citizens**

Alexandra Greenfield, Scholarship Essay Contest, First Place- State Winner

#### ***Glimmer Award***

Andrew McBride Chapter, Augusta Chapter, Benjamin Hawkins Chapter, Captain James Kell Chapter, Chestatee River Chapter, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Council of Safety Chapter, Fielding Lewis Chapter, George Walton Chapter, Hannah Clarke Chapter, William Marsh Chapter

#### ***Sparkle Award***

Malone Moore, George Walton Chapter

#### ***Shining Star Award***

Brenda Baker King, Outstanding State Chair

### **DAR Leadership Training Committee**

Mary Brown Turner, State Members Course Coordinator  
Tania Fontaine, Sate Committee Leaders Course Coordinator  
Patricia Croft, State New Horizons Course Coordinator  
Georgia State Society, State Level Training Award- Sparklers

#### ***Chapter Level Training Twinkling Stars***

Atlanta Chapter, Bonaventure Chapter, Chestatee River Chapter, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Fayette-Starr's Mill Chapter, Fieldling Lewis Chapter, General Daniel Newnan Chapter, Hightower Trail Chapter, James Waldrop Chapter, Kennesaw Mountain Chapter, Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter, Liberty Hill Chapter, Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, Patriots of Liberty Chapter, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Sequoyah Chapter, Stallings Island Chapter, Sukey Hart Chapter, Suwanee Creek Chapter

#### ***Chapter Level Training Shooting Stars***

Chestatee River Chapter, Fielding Lewis Chapter, Kennesaw Mountain Chapter, Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Sequoyah Chapter

#### ***Chapter Level Training North Stars***

Chestatee River Chapter, Fielding Lewis Chapter, Sequoyah Chapter

### **DAR Library Outreach**

Marjorie Singley-Hall, Outstanding Service, State Librarian  
Katherine Croft, Outstanding Service  
Heather Dickey, Outstanding Service

### **DAR Magazine**

Chestatee River Chapter, Best DAR Magazine Promotion at Meetings, First Place, Southeastern Division  
College Hill Chapter, Unique Way to Promote DAR Magazine, Second place, Southeastern Division  
Fielding Lewis Chapter, Unique Way to Promote DAR Magazine  
James Waldrop Chapter, Most Inventive Way to Promote DAR Magazine, First Place, Southeastern Division

### **DAR Project Patriot**

Dana Capaldi, Fayette-Starr's Mill Chapter, National Chair, With Heartfelt Gratitude for your Service to Our Country- We Salute You!  
Tania Fontaine, Outstanding State Chair 2024  
Jill Elias, Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter, Special Recognition – Donation Drive for Operation Deploy Your Dress- Georgia Locations  
Sueleen Fowler, Pulaski Chapter, Creative Display of Patriotism- Scarecrow, Special Recognition  
Debbie Frost, Pulaski Chapter, Creative Display of Patriotism- Scarecrow, Special Recognition  
Jan Moffett, Pulaski Chapter, Creation of DAR Poster for Display, Special Recognition  
Janis Scobee, Sukey Hart Chapter, USO Reception- U.S. Embassy Warsaw for Local Military and Families, Special Recognition

Chestatee River Chapter, Best in State – Treat the Troops  
Etowah Chapter, Exceptional Support to the Military 2024  
Fielding Lewis Chapter, Best Project in Division 2024, Second Place, Southeast Division  
Fielding Lewis Chapter, Best Overall State Report, Second Place  
Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, Best Overall State Report, First Place  
Patriots of Liberty Chapter, Best Project in Division, Third Place, Southeast Division  
Pulaski Chapter, Outstanding Support to the Military  
Georgia State Society, Each State Sparkles- 2024 Supporting Fort Moore's Battle Buddy Resource Center

### **DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations**

Emily A. Tindall, Outstanding Service as a State Chair

### **DAR Scholarship**

Diana Dozier Collins, Peter Early Chapter, Outstanding Service, National Commendation as a National Scholarship Reviewer  
Julia Ann Farrigan, William Mc Intosh Chapter, Outstanding Service, National Commendation as a National Scholarship Reviewer  
Kimberly Orrick, Peter Early Chapter, Outstanding Service, National Commendation as a National Vice Chair  
Robin Towns, Apalachee Chapter, Outstanding Service, National Commendation, Above and Beyond Support of DAR Scholarships  
Altamaha Chapter, Outstanding Support, Most Scholarship Funds Awarded  
Council of Safety, Outstanding Support, Most Scholarship Funds Awarded  
Georgia State Society, Most Chapter Scholarships Awarded, Third Place  
Georgia State Society, Most State Scholarships Awarded, First Place

### **DAR School**

Cheryl Odell, Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter, Outstanding National Vice Chair

### **DAR Service for Veterans**

Apalachee Chapter, Outstanding Achievement- Wreaths Across America, Southeastern Division  
Atlanta Chapter, Outstanding Service- Meals for Veterans with PTSD, Southeastern Division  
Sequoyah Chapter, Outstanding Service- World War II Veterans and Rosie the Riveter, Southeastern Division  
Patricia Hein, Liberty Hill Chapter, Outstanding Service as Southeastern Division Vice Chair  
Georgia State Society, Outstanding Service- Honor Flight  
Georgia State Society, 100% Honorary Partner Distinction Vietnam War Commemoration- Vietnam Veterans of American

### **Genealogical Records**

Bonnie Baker, Liberty Hill Chapter, Number of Entries Entered, National Winner- Second Place  
Georgia State Society, Outstanding Volume Submission  
Pulaski Chapter, Outstanding Volume Submission  
Philadelphia Winn, Outstanding Volume Submission

### **Historic Preservation**

Chestatee River Chapter, 2024 Historic Preservation Contest, Southeastern Division Winner- Third Place  
Donna Bowlick, Excellence in Committee Leadership by a State Chair

### **Insignia**

#### ***Outstanding Insignia Program***

Cameron Abney- Xavier Chapter, Anita Adams- Captain James Kell Chapter, Ann Ameye- Fielding Lewis Chapter, Patricia Hein- Liberty Hill Chapter, Shannon Logue

#### ***Outstanding Insignia Display***

Cynthia Davis- Sukey Hart Chapter

## ***Outstanding Service***

Cameron Abney- State Chair

Insignia Volunteers: Anita Bianconi, Charlotte Christian, Cynthia Davis, Terri Fopiano, Virginia Gidden-Weinzierl

Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer, National Vice Chair- Pin Review

### ***Outstanding Promotion of DAR Insignia***

Randi Minor, Philadelphia Winn Chapter

## **Junior American Citizens**

### ***Group Community Service, Second Grade,***

#### ***First Place, National Winner***

Addison Loizzo, Annalise Waldroup, Eliza Jackson, Isabella Boccagna, Madeline Witt, Millie Banks, Olivia Drgan, Piper Guy, Symphony Dillard, Zoey May

### ***Group Community Service, Fifth Grade,***

#### ***First Place, National Winner***

Maalula Alshammas, Ava Biagini, Emilee Corley, Stephen Elkin, Carter Hardman, Olivia Hester, River Holden, Liam Howard, Amelia Howland, Austin Jenkins, Shaylin Lapalme, Avery Lee, Mathen McDonnell, Ethan Moon, Jaxson Sharits, Remi Shelnutt, Izzy Smith

### ***Group Community Service, Eighth Grade,***

#### ***Second Place, National Winner***

Brian Cauley, Benjamin Bailey, Holten Dennard

### ***Group Community Service Mixed Twelfth Grade,***

#### ***First Place, National Winner***

Abigail Mize, Jacob Miller, Madison Pettyjohn

#### ***Art Banner Kindergarten, Second Place, National Winner***

Chloe Paige, Chrisma Courtney, Olive Reiman, Sophia Ford, Warner Thurston

#### ***Art Banner First Grade, First Place, National Winner***

Addison Belflowers, Brinley Belflowers, Dylan Tallman, Fisher Strickland, Turner Hubbard, Charlie Collier, Dani Nicolas, Evelyn Diaz, Oliver Bartlett, Santiago Perales

#### ***Art Banner Second Grade, First Place, National Winner***

Jackson Carlton, Kolby Barrow, Pierce Shaver, Stone Hanbury, Willow Howard

#### ***Art Banner Second Grade, Second Place, National Winner***

Alfedo Godina, Arabella Collins, Esvin Alvarado, Maggie Edwards

#### ***Art Banner Third Grade, First Place, National Winner***

Andrew Wild, Kenrick Bradshaw, McCoy Ketchum, Oliver Brown, Sam Beaty, Anthony Lopez, Jade Villanueva, Mark Rush, Zyon Holton

#### ***Art Banner Fourth Grade, Third Place, National Winner***

Anthony Ruiz-Garcia, Braxtin Wilkie, Layton Jones, Zander Noland

#### ***Art Banner Sixth Grade, Second Place, National Winner***

Ayden McLaurin, Colton Cooper, Erik Hancock, John Knuckles, Milo Lindsey

**Art Digital Fifth Grade, First Place National Winner:** Anna Shiver

**Art Digital Sixth Grade, First Place National Winner:** Gunner Parker

**Art Photo Essay Second Grade, First Place National Winner:** Clara Williamson

**Art Photo Essay Third Grade, First Place National Winner:** John Ross Vick, Cyrus Marsh

**Art Poster Second Grade, First Place National Winner:** Kolby Barrow

**Art Poster Fourth Grade, First Place National Winner:** Bhumi Patel, Luis Castaneda Navaro

**Art Poster Sixth Grade, First Place National Winner:** Ella Roberts

**Art Poster Sixth Grade, Second Place National Winner:** Mackenzie Fallin

**Art Poster Seventh Grade, First Place National Winner:** Lyra McLain

**Art Poster Ninth Grade, Second Place National Winner:** Graci Johnson

**Art Poster Tenth Grade, Second Place National Winner:** Wren Smith

**Art Poster Twelfth Grade, Third Place National Winner:** Sophia Welch

**Art Stamp First Grade, Second Place National Winner:** Logan Grace

**Art Stamp Second Grade, Second Place National Winner:** Kolby Barrow

**Art Stamp Third Grade, Second Place National Winner:** Jude Ellis

**Art Stamp Third Grade, Third Place National Winner:** Carter Cook

**Art Stamp Fourth Grade, Second Place National Winner:** Quinn Davis

**Art Stamp Fifth Grade, First Place National Winner:** Emma Ellis

**Art Stamp Seventh Grade, First Place National Winner:** Landon Reed

**Art Stamp Eleventh Grade, First Place National Winner:** Sarah Helvie

**Art Stamp Twelfth Grade, First Place National Winner:** Cas Davis

## **Junior Membership**

Rebecca Leeann Jordan Urquhart, State Winner, Outstanding Junior Membership Contest

## **Lineage Research**

Annie Renee Hardin, Joseph Habersham Chapter, Regional Specialist Region IV, Outstanding Service

Virginia Griffith, Fort Fredericka Chapter, as State Registrar, Outstanding Service

Pamela Downs, Fielding Lewis Chapter, as State Lineage Research Chair, Outstanding Service

Pamela Downs, Fielding Lewis Chapter, Outstanding Service, Southeastern Division

## **Literacy Promotion**

Laura Miller, Abraham Baldwin Chapter, SE Division Outstanding Service, Second Place

Philadelphia Winn Chapter, National Outstanding Service, Honorable Mention

Philadelphia Winn Chapter, SE Division Outstanding Service, First Place

Georgia State Society, National Outstanding Service, Honorable Mention

Georgia State Society, SE Division Outstanding Service, Third Place

Georgia State Society, SE Division Tutoring Adults and Children, Second Place

## **Master Reports**

Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter, Chapter Achievement Awards (51-100 Members), Second Place National Winner

Sequoyah Chapter, Chapter Achievement Awards (101-150 Members), Second Place National Winner

Chestatee River Chapter, Chapter Achievement Awards (101-150 Members), Third Place National Winner

## **Membership**

### ***Zero Drops or Resignations***

Bainbridge Chapter, Bonaventure Chapter, Colonel William Few Chapter, Commodore Oliver Bowen Chapter, Edmund Burke Chapter, Fort Peachtree Chapter, General Josiah Tattnall Chapter, Hannah Clarke Chapter, James Pittman Chapter, John Clarke Chapter, John Franklin Wren Chapter, John Houstoun Chapter, Lamar-Lafayette Chapter, Levi Sapp Chapter, Mineral Springs Chapter, Nathaniel Abney Chapter, Robert Loughridge Chapter, Suwanee Creek Chapter, Toccoa Chapter, William Mc Intosh Chapter

### ***Retention Awards***

Fielding Lewis Chapter, Best Retention Activity, Southeastern Division, Chapters with more than 150 members

### ***Sparkle More in '24 Award***

Altamaha Chapter, Andrew Mc Bride Chapter, Bainbridge Chapter, Brier Creek Chapter, Captain Edward Hagin Chapter, Captain James Kell Chapter, Captain Thomas Cobb Chapter, Chestatee River Chapter, College Hill Chapter, Colonel Ebenezer Folsom Chapter, Council of Safety Chapter, Earl of Camden Chapter, Edmund Burke Chapter, Fayette-Starr's Mill Chapter, General Daniel Stewart Chapter, Henry Walton Chapter, Jacob Braselton Chapter, John Benning Chapter, John Benson Chapter, Joseph Habersham Chapter, King's Gap Chapter, Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter, Lyman Hall Chapter, Mineral Springs Chapter, Nathaniel Macon Chapter, Old Unicoi Trail Chapter, Oliver Morton Chapter, Patriots of Liberty Chapter, Pulaski Chapter, Reverend John Andrew Chapter, Robert Loughridge Chapter, Sandy Springs Chapter, Savannah Chapter, Sequoyah Chapter, Sunbury Chapter, Suwanee Creek Chapter, Thronateeska Chapter, Toccoa Chapter, Vidalia Chapter, William Day Chapter, William Marsh Chapter, William Mc Intosh Chapter,

### ***Discover Treasured Gems Award***

Abraham Baldwin Chapter, Atlanta Chapter, Augusta Chapter, Baron De Kalb Chapter, Bonaventure Chapter, Captain James Kell Chapter, Cherokee Chapter, Chestatee River Chapter, College Hill Chapter, Colonel Ebenezer Folsom Chapter, Colonel William Candler Chapter, Earl of Camden Chapter, Edmund Burke Chapter, Fayette-Starr's Mill Chapter, Fielding Lewis Chapter, General James Jackson Chapter, Henry Walton Chapter, John Benning Chapter, John Benson Chapter, Joseph Habersham Chapter, Kennesaw Mountain Chapter, King's Gap Chapter, Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter, Lyman Hall Chapter, Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, Mary Hammond Washington Chapter, Matthew Talbot Chapter, Mineral Springs

Chapter, Oglethorpe Chapter, Old Unicoi Trail Chapter, Patriots of Liberty Chapter, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Reverend John Andrew Chapter, Sandy Springs Chapter, Savannah Chapter, Sequoyah Chapter, Sukey Hart Chapter, Sunbury Chapter, Suwanee Creek Chapter, Sweetwater Chapter, Thronateeska Chapter, Toccoa Chapter, William Day Chapter, William Marsh Chapter, Xavier Chapter

### **Pages**

Kathleen Zeles Marsh, Roswell King Chapter, 16 Years of Service

### **Patriot Records Project**

#### ***Outstanding Service as a Certifier***

Rebecca Carlson, Trahlyta Chapter

#### ***Outstanding Service as a Volunteer***

Deborah Kyle, William Day Chapter; Cherry Monroe, St. Andrews Parish Chapter; Norma Reeves, Fielding Lewis Chapter; Patricia Walker, John Laurens Chapter; Paula Walsh, Matthew Talbot Chapter; Betty Westbrook, Liberty Hill Chapter

### **Public Relations and Media**

Georgia State Society, recognized as a State with 90-99% of Chapters with at least 1 Member on the Daughters Online Community

Kennesaw Mountain Chapter, Chapter with the Most Members on the Daughters Online Community by Amount (50 Members or Less), First Place (tie) National Winner

Suwanee Creek Chapter, Chapter with the Highest Percentage of Members on the Daughters Online Community (51-100 Members), Third Place National Winner

Kennesaw Mountain Chapter, Georgia Chapter with the Highest Percentage of Members on the Daughters Online Community

Old Unicoi Trail Chapter, Outstanding Chapter Newsletter, Third Place Southeastern Division

Old Unicoi Trail Chapter, Best Chapter Brochure, Honorable Mention Southeastern Division

Philadelphia Winn, Outstanding Print Coverage, Honorable Mention Southeastern Division

Sequoyah Chapter, Outstanding Electronic Coverage, Second Place Southeastern Division

Patriots of Liberty Chapter, Best Commemorative or Community Event, Third Place Southeastern Division

Patriots of Liberty Chapter, Best America 250 Coverage, First Place (tie) Southeastern Division

Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Best American 250 Coverage, First Place (tie) Southeastern Division

Old Unicoi Trail Chapter, America 250 Coverage in Newsletter, Second Place Southeastern Division

Georgia State Society, Best Promotion of DOC by Chapters, Third Place Southeastern Division

Old Unicoi Trail Chapter, Promotion of DOC in Chapter Newsletter, "Way to Go!" Southeastern Division

Georgia State Society, Best State Society Social Media, Third Place (tie) Southeastern Division

Georgia State Society, Best PR and Media State Report, Third Place Southeastern Division

### **Service to America**

Georgia State Society, Outstanding Achievement in Exceeding Service to America Hours Goal

Georgia State Society, 100% Chapter Participation in Logging Service to America Hours

James Stewart Chapter, Outstanding Service in Seconds Project, Honorable Mention

Terri Fopiano, Outstanding Service as a State Chair

### **Specialty Research**

Nikki Sebastian, Atlanta Chapter, Outstanding Support as a member

Caroline Chapman, Captain Thomas Cobb Chapter, Outstanding Service as a State Chair

Kathleen Marsh, Roswell King Chapter, Outstanding Service as State Chair

### **The Flag of the United States of America**

Helen Powell, as State Regent, Exemplary Flag Grant Program Support, National Award

General Daniel Newnan Chapter, Chapter with Most Flags Distributed by Division, First Place Southeastern Division

Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Chapter with Most DAR Flag Codes Distributed, Second Place Southeastern Division  
 Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Chapter with Most Flags Retired, Second Place Southeastern Division  
 Chestatee River Chapter, Chapter with Most Flag Retirement Ceremonies, Second Place Southeastern Division  
 Sue Gilbert, Martha Stewart Bulloch, Outstanding Chapter Chair  
 Lynn Jacques, Best State Chair Report, Second Place Southeastern Division  
 Georgia State Society, State with Most Flags Distributed by Division, First Place Southeastern Division  
 Georgia State Society, Most Creative State Program Using Technology, Second Place Southeastern Division  
 Georgia State Society, State with Most Flags Retired, Second Place Southeastern Division  
 Georgia State Society, State with Most Flag Retirement Ceremonies, First Place Southeastern Division

### **Volunteer Information Specialists**

Beverly J. Baker, Liberty Hill Chapter, Exceptional Service as a National Chair  
 F. Anne Hinton, College Hill Chapter, VIS Volunteer of the Year, Southeastern Division  
 Patricia Hein, Liberty Hill Chapter, Facebook Educational Spotlights- Celebrating Lafayette Bicentennial, Southeastern Division  
 Patricia Hein, Liberty Hill Chapter, Excellence in Chapter Communications- Through Outreach on Facebook, Southeastern Division  
 Judy York, William Day Chapter, Outstanding Service to NSDAR National Website Approval  
 Patricia Hein, Liberty Hill Chapter, Stellar Service in System Documentation – eMembership Chapter Leader

### ***Outstanding Use of Technology, Southeastern Division***

Kelly Meigs, Abraham Baldwin Chapter; Anne Franklin, Andrew Mc Bride Chapter; Nancy Marsh, Apalachee Chapter; Dr. Beverly Roberts, Augusta Chapter; Tamra Mikell, Bonaventure Chapter; Geneen Gibson, Bonaventure Chapter; Elaine Lester, Bonaventure Chapter; Shelia Moore, Bonaventure Chapter; Shelia Burtz, Bonaventure Chapter; Jennifer Anderson, Captain James Kell Chapter; Lori Hudson, Captain James Kell Chapter; Danette Ozment, Captain James Kell Chapter; Diana McFall, Chestatee River Chapter; Virginia "Ginny" Davis, Chestatee River Chapter; Karen Bennett, College Hill Chapter; Daphne Wright, Colonel Ebenezer Folsom Chapter; Missy Mitchell, Colonel William Candler Chapter; Terry Hughes, Colonel William Candler Chapter; Nanette Moreira, Earl of Camden Chapter; Jean Memory, Elijah Clarke Chapter; Brenda Salvadge, Elijah Clarke Chapter; Whitney Burkhalter, Elijah Clarke Chapter; Jennifer Dyer, Elizabeth 'Quatie' Ross Chapter; Michelle Workman, Elizabeth 'Quatie' Ross Chapter; Judy Hall, Elizabeth 'Quatie' Ross Chapter; Vicki Guth, Elizabeth 'Quatie' Ross Chapter; Elizabeth Watanabe, Etowah Chapter; Celine Evans, Fielding Lewis Chapter; Caroline Baker-Corrado, Fort Frederica Chapter; Rebecca Brown, Fort Peachtree Chapter; Virginia Ferguson, Fort Peachtree Chapter; Eunice Smith, Fort Peachtree Chapter; Caroline Walz, General Daniel Newnan Chapter; Mary Long, General Daniel Newnan Chapter; Beth Hendris, General James Jackson Chapter; Malone Moore, George Walton Chapter; Gloria Johnson, George Walton Chapter; Paula Neely, John Benning Chapter; Janet Bridges, John Benson Chapter; Andrea Baghail, John Franklin Wren Chapter; Becky Francosky, Kennesaw Mountain Chapter; Shannon Johnson, La Grange Chapter; Christine Scull, Liberty Hill Chapter; Patricia Hein, Liberty Hill Chapter; Lise Dixon, Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter; Dianne Brown, Nathaniel Abney Chapter; Valerie Fried, Nathaniel Macon Chapter; Renee Sullivan, Nathaniel Macon Chapter; Christy Hiatt, Old Noontday Chapter; Vicki Gardocki, Patriots of Liberty Chapter; Lynda Bush, Patriots of Liberty Chapter; Catherine Bleekrode, Patriots of Liberty Chapter; Caitlen Green, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Valerie Craft, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Randi Minor, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Lynn Jacques, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Mary Martin, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Joyce Goodbread, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Barbara Parish, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Bobbie Tkacik, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Jan Moffett, Pulaski Chapter; Ruth Pendergrass, Reverend John Andrew Chapter; Carolyn Fore, Sandy Springs Chapter; Sherry McBeath, Savannah Chapter; Alexis Harper, Stallings Island Chapter; Darlyn Davis, Sukey Hart Chapter; Judy Ann Eicher, Sunbury Chapter; Amy Koon, Suwanee Creek Chapter; Donna Bowlick, Suwanee Creek Chapter; Michelle Norfleet, Sweetwater Chapter; Sue Carlton, Sweetwater Chapter; Nancy McLendon, Sweetwater Chapter; Jerilyn Hyndman, Tomochichi Chapter; Jan Hogan, William Mc Intosh Chapter; Judy York, William Day Chapter

### **Volunteer Genealogists**

Patricia Croft, Stallings Island Chapter, Outstanding Service - State Co-Chair, Southeastern Division

Cynthia Davis, Sukey Hart Chapter, Outstanding Service - State Co-Chair, Southeastern Division

### ***Congress Balcony Volunteer***

Rebecca Carlson, Trahlyta Chapter; Caroline Chapman, Captain Thomas Cobb Chapter; Patricia Croft, Stallings Island Chapter; Donna Loudermilk, Patriots of Liberty Chapter; Cheryl Odell, Lachlan Mc Intosh Chapter; Constance Rifkind, Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Kitty Watters, Philadelphia Winn Chapter

### ***Outstanding Service Virtual Support***

Cynthia Davis, Sukey Hart Chapter; Christine Crowe, Patriots of Liberty Chapter; Mary Long, General Daniel Newnan Chapter; Lynda Welch, Philadelphia Winn Chapter

### **Women's Issues**

Virginia Lingelbach, Outstanding Service as Executive Liaison

Cynthia Davis, Sukey Hart Chapter, Outstanding Service as National Vice Chair

Marquita Crews, Outstanding Service as a State Chair

Perrie Tucker, Chestatee River Chapter, Women's Issues Essay Contest – Career "Harvesting Hope for Women of All Ages and Walks of Life", Third Place Southeastern Division Winner, First Place State Winner

Teresa Roby, Fielding Lewis Chapter, Women's Issues Essay Contest – Mental Health "Grief", Second Place Southeastern Division Winner, First Place State Winner

Mary Norris, Augusta Chapter, Women's Issues Essay Contest – Physical Health "The Lost Two Years", Third Place Southeastern Division Winner, First Place State Winner

Archibald Bulloch Chapter, Women's Issues Program – Family "Shining a Light on Human Trafficking", First Place Southeastern Division Winner and First Place State Winner

Fayette-Starr's Mill Chapter, Women's Issues Program- Mental Health "Flying Change Equine Therapy", Second Place National Winner, First Place Southeastern Division Winner, and First Place State Winner

Chestatee River Chapter, Women's Issues Project – Career "Jesse's House", First Place National Winner, First Place Southeastern Division Winner, First Place State Winner

Sequoyah Chapter, Women's Issues Project – Mental Health "Ruth's House", Third Place National Winner, First Place Southeastern Division Winner, First Place State Winner

Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter, Women's Issues Project – Financial Literacy "Drake Hosue Closet for Single Mothers", Honorable Mention National Award, First Place Southeastern Division Winner, First Place State Winner

# Reports of State Officers

## STATE REGENT – Helen Robertson Powell

It is a joy to welcome you to the 127<sup>th</sup> State Conference of the Georgia State Society. The State Regent was grateful for your enthusiastic attendance at State Conference. Georgia Daughters, you have shared your volunteer hearts by generously giving of your time and talents, which are key to our DAR mission of promoting historic preservation, education, and patriotism. After being installed as State Regent 37 weeks ago, each day has been a land of opportunities, heavy with computer work, and travel time in the car and the air. Trips to the State Capitol for Constitution Week Proclamation and Wreaths Across America under the gold dome, plus many trips to Meadow Garden in Augusta, including one as the delivery van safely transporting a donated antique trunk. While attending three National Board of Management meetings in Washington, D.C., and the Alabama State Conference in Auburn earlier this month, your Regent has frequently boasted about how amazing and capable the Georgia Daughters truly are ... and how very proud she is of all of you.

This officer represented the state society in Yorktown, Virginia, in October for the Dedication of the DAR Pathway of the Patriots in celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of our nation. But, by far, the most important and enjoyable duty of this officer has been visiting the chapters. To date, she has visited chapters across the state. Thank you, Georgia Daughters, for your gracious hospitality and warm welcome at each of these events. This State Regent has traversed the state many times to give programs, install new officers, mark graves, celebrate chapter birthdays, lay wreaths, bring greetings, enjoy wonderful refreshments, tour historic properties, hear outstanding reports, and even stop and snap a few photos. She wishes she could name everyone who has welcomed her with smiles and who have brought her so many reasons to “rejoice always”. If she has not been able to attend your chapter meeting or special event yet, please invite her, there are still 15 months left in this administration and she loves to drive. Our membership is at almost 8,000 members and 111 chapters.

Our Fall Forum in September was well attended. Members participated in two days of workshop sessions, genealogy sessions, our first State Book Club, first Chapter Emporium, Constitution Week Dinner, and the State Board of Management meeting. Every effort was made to share new ideas and inspire Daughters while learning, accomplishing multiple Service in Seconds projects, and growing DAR Friendships. Our VIS Committee has accomplished the mammoth task of switching to a new server and updating website links and contact information for all chapters. Please visit the state website often, the “Go To” central location for resources and updates to and connect you to what’s happening in the Georgia State Society. Your State Regent is also honored to serve on the board of Kate Duncan Smith DAR School. While attending the KDS 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration, donations from the Georgia Daughters for the KDS totaling in excess of \$65,000, were dedicated by this Officer at the school’s Dedication Day last fall. Ladies, this Regent is so honored that you, the members, have given to the State Regents Projects at Berry College for the Gate of Opportunity Scholarship, which will be presented later today at the Education Luncheon.

Your love for the Children of the American Revolution has been demonstrated by your contributions to C.A.R. A check for \$2,000 was presented Friday evening during the Opening Night Banquet. Your support of our Georgia Juniors is evidenced by your attendance at their Fall Forum event, Breakfast at Tiffany’s, and the BINGO Night Fundraiser, held on Thursday night of this conference. Last night, it was this State Regent’s honor to present Georgia’s “Outstanding Junior” her pin. Georgia Juniors donated \$3,192.25 in December to the Helen Pouch Fund which gives support to our DAR Schools.

Key goals of this Administration were to establish two Historic Preservation projects as the State Regent’s Projects. Our new project is to sponsor the conservation of one of the Revolutionary Era Cannons pulled from the mud and muck of the Savannah River in 2022. When restored, the collection of discovered artifacts will be used to expand the Loyalists and

Liberty Exhibit at the Savannah History Museum and better tell the story of Georgia's role in the struggle for American Independence. In the first nine months of this Administration, the Georgia Daughters donated enough to fulfill our \$15,000 Preservationist level commitment. Thank you, Georgia Daughters! Mission Accomplished! The second project is to continue to make progress on the ten-year plan for the restoration and preservation of uniquely historic Meadow Garden, in Augusta. Georgia Daughters are fortunate to own and maintain the home of George Walton, one of Georgia's three signers, one of the youngest signers of the Declaration of Independence. You continue to generously support the ongoing renovations and learn more about the physical construction of the house and the stories of the people who lived there. Successful events were held at Meadow Garden on Independence Day and in December. Our public relations efforts in print, broadcast, and social media continue to increase awareness of the property, and attendance has steadily been increasing toward pre-pandemic levels. Many of you toured the property on Friday afternoon, and you will hear about the work in more detail when the State Chair, O.B. McCorkle, reports. Again, thank you, Georgia Daughters, and special appreciation to Meadow Garden Director Ransom Schwerzler for her organizational skills and passion for sharing the stories about the property, the life of George Walton, and the women who saved this unique treasure. Your Meadow Garden Board is enthusiastic about the future and welcomes your suggestions, ideas, and your return visits to our historic property.

Please listen to your state officers and state chairs as they report. Take notes. They have worked hard, given generously, and traveled extensively through the state to achieve the goals and objectives of this Administration. Our Finance Chair and our State Treasurer have seen to it that our State Society remains financially stable and strong. Required tax returns and financial audits have been completed and you will hear more about this during the officer reports. Our State Corresponding Secretary has invested many hours preparing the weekly blogs, state directory, and conference program while maintaining extensive contact databases. Your compliments for the quality, timeliness, and content of our communications are appreciated.

100% of Georgia Chapters completed the Master Reports on time. Your chapter reports were wonderful! They reflect chapter involvement with your local communities, both in your community classrooms and with our DAR Schools, for our veterans and active duty military, America 250!, historic preservation, and touch every area of our DAR objectives. The State Regent wishes there were time to recognize each one of you individually. You have encouraged and supported our projects with your volunteer hearts for service, your financial support, and your prayers. It is an honor to serve as the State Regent and to represent you, the Georgia Daughters. Thank you for this opportunity and your many kindnesses as we work together in support of God, Home, and Country.

## State Regent's Calendar 2024-2025

*(The State Regent's calendar addresses only her official meetings and visits. It does not reflect the day-to-day business of the office of State Regent, nor does it include her personal obligations).*

**June 30** – Installed as State Regent and attended NBOM luncheon and meeting. Flew home from DC.

**July 4** – Traveled to Augusta for Independence Day Celebration at Historic Meadow Garden.  
July 13 – Bank signature changes, United Community Bank, Gainesville. State Regent's Tea at the First Baptist Church of Gainesville.

**July 18** – Bank signature changes – Evans & Augusta. Finance Committee meeting at Meadow Garden.

**July 19** – Meadow Garden Board meeting in Signers' Room of Historic Meadow Garden in Augusta.

**August 1** – Fall Forum Pre-Conference meeting, Atlanta Airport Marriott.

**August 4** – Flight to Salt Lake City, Utah for DAR Family Search Library Week

**August 8** – Attended Utah State Society Sparkle Luncheon honoring State Regent Hollie

Gilliland

**August 10** – Traveled home

**August 15** – Traveled to Atlanta to pick up DAR Literature table remaining supplies

**August 17** – Attended Elijah Clarke Chapter's tea honoring Moina Michaels and brought greetings.

**August 25** – Attended Memorial Service for Brenda Jessel, past state officer

**September 11-15** Fall Forum, Atlanta Airport Marriott, Atlanta, GA.

**September 16** – Constitution Week Proclamation photo with Governor Brian Kemp, State Capitol

**September 17** – Traveled to Savannah. Toured Coastal Heritage Museum Revolutionary War exhibit.

**September 18** – Constitution Week Luncheon with Lachlan McIntosh, Savannah, and Bonaventure Chapters. Brought Greetings and presented Constitution Week Program.

**September 20** – Toured Old Capitol building in Milledgeville to celebrate Constitution Week.

**September 21** – Presented program for Atlanta Chapter.

**October 2-4** – Traveled to KDS for 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Brought greetings and dedicated funds to the school.

**October 9-12** – Traveled to DC for NBM. Attended training, 2 luncheons, 2 dinners, Wreath Laying, tour and National Board of Management meeting.

**October 14** – CDRC Zoom

**October 17** – Brought greetings and presented program for William McIntosh Chapter in Jackson, GA.

**October 17-20** – Traveled to Virginia for Battle of Yorktown commemorations and Dedication of DAR Pathway of the Patriots.

**October 20** – Brought greetings and presented program for Philadelphia Winn Chapter, Lawrenceville.

**October 21** – Executive Committee Zoom

**October 24** – Brought greetings and presented program to Henry Walton Chapter in Madison, GA.

**October 26** – Attended Edenton Tea Party hosted by Tomochichi Chapter, Clarkesville. Brought greetings.

**October 27** – Submitted America 250 Celebration Grant application.

**November 2** – Presented wreath and brought greetings at Grave Marker dedication for Issac Horton & Enoch Benson in Sugar Hill, GA.

**November 3** – Sequoyah Chapter Indigenous People of Georgia marker dedication. Brought greetings. Mount Oglethorpe.

**November 4** – Google Meeting with Scarlett Gibson, Mary Kuntz and AC Rockett regarding Simple Give migration to Amplify.

**November 6** – Travel to Sylvester. Dinner with Barnard Trail Chapter Regent and Past Regents.

**November 7** – Brought Greetings and presented program at luncheon for Thronateeska Chapter, Albany.

**November 8** – Site visit & hotel tour with Cheryl Odell for possible state event venue –Westin Gwinnett.

**November 10** – Suwanee Veterans Memorial Ceremony – brought greetings. Suwanee Town Park.

**November 11** – Traveled to Valdosta for America 250 Patriot Marker Dedication by Ebenezer Folsom Chapter. Brought greetings.

**November 12** – Brought greetings and presented program for Council of Safety Chapter in Americus.

**November 14** – Brought greetings and shared information about State Regent Projects with Peter Early Chapter in Colquitt, GA.

**November 15** – Traveled to Moultrie.

**November 16** – Brought greetings for John Benning Chapter's Moultrie Marker Dedication on grounds of Colquitt County Courthouse. Attended luncheon and shared information on

State Regent's Projects.

**November 17** – Brought greetings and presented five Eugenia Washington DAR Founders Medals to UGA students at Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority House in Athens, GA.

**November 19** – Attended Philadelphia Winn Chapter's America 250! Marker Dedication and brought greetings. Lawrenceville City Hall, Lawrenceville, GA.

**November 20** – Participated in tour of Georgia Room in Switzer Library organized by State Librarian Marjorie Singley-Hall. Marietta, GA

**November 21** – Meadow Garden Board Zoom meeting.

**November 22** – Traveled to Townsend, GA with Colonel William Candler Chapter Regent Terry Hughes and her husband, SAR Color Guard member Sid Hughes for 4 Patriot Grave Marking. Presented GSS wreath and brought greetings.

**November 23** – Presented GSS Wreath and brought greetings for the "Come and Take It" Seige of Fort Morris commemoration. Midway, GA. Traveled home to Gainesville.

**December 2** – Drove to Monroe and picked up antique trunk donated to Meadow Garden by DAR member Ann Story.

**December 3** – Drove to Augusta to deliver donated antique trunk and quilts to Meadow Garden.

**December 6** – Traveled to Georgia State Capitol for Wreaths Across America Statehouse Kick Off. Brought Greetings and closing remarks. Drove to Historic Meadow Garden in Augusta for Christmas Candle Tours. Served as docent in the dining room/bedroom.

**December 15** – Brought Greetings and presented GSS wreath for Grave Marker Ceremony for Patriot John Tate sponsored by Sequoyah Chapter. Tate, Georgia. Then drove to Woodstock for Junior Membership Peppermint gathering at home of State Second Vice Regent Ann Ameye.

December 16 – Sunbury, Jacob Braselton, and Matthew Talbot Chapters recognized heroes of September 4, 2024, shooting at Apalachee High School. Three Eugenia Washington DAR Founders medals and 25 DAR Distinguished Citizen medals were presented. Brought greetings and assisted in medal presentations during the ceremony at Historic Barrow County Courthouse. Winder, GA.

**December 17** – State Conference planning Zoom

**December 19** – Brought greetings for Joint Christmas Luncheon of Colonel William Candler DAR and Lyman Hall SAR. Gainesville, GA. Zoom meeting with State Events Chair, State Events Advisor and Evergreen Hotel staff.

**January 24**—State Conference planning Zoom

**January 25**—Attended Cameo Society Luncheon in Braselton

**January 26**—Attended visitation and funeral for Honorary State Regent and Past Treasurer General Carolyn Grant Hanf in Marietta

**January 29**—Zoom meeting with Lee Ellis and his assistant preparing speaker for State Conference

**January 31**—Brought greetings for Georgia Society SAR Awards Banquet at Hilton Atlanta NE in Peachtree Corners

**February 1**—Brought greetings for Georgia Day Luncheon hosted by Hightower Trail in Canton

**February 3**—Meadow Garden Zoom Board meeting

**February 5-8**—Traveled to Washington, D.C. for NBOM. Attended training, two dinners, two luncheons, excursion and National Board of Management Meeting.

**February 12**—Attended Georgia Day Luncheon at The Burge in Newton County hosted by the Sergeant Newton Chapter

**February 15**—Brought greetings and presented program for Georgia Day Luncheon hosted by Apalachee, Jacob Braselton, James Pittman, Trahlyta, Philadelphia Winn and Sunbury chapters at the Braselton City Center

**February 19**—Brought greetings and presented program for Joseph Habersham Chapter's 125<sup>th</sup> Birthday Luncheon at Capital City Club in Atlanta

**February 20**—Traveled to Thomasville. Dinner with Chapter Regent Shelba Sellers.

**February 21**—Brought greetings for Arbor Day Celebration and Liberty Tree Presentation

by Thomasville Chapter at the Thomasville Garden Center followed by lunch with several DAR chapter members. Returned to Gainesville.

**February 22**—Traveled to Elberton and presented program for luncheon hosted by Stephen Heard and John Benson chapters. Returned to Gainesville and brought greetings for the Commemoration of the 293<sup>rd</sup> Birthday of President George Washington sponsored by the Colonel William Candler, NSDAR and Lyman Hall Chapter, GASSAR.

**February 23**—Traveled to Winder. Brought greetings for Sunbury Chapter's Patriot Marker Dedication at Watson Hall.

**February 24**—Meadow Garden Board Zoom meeting and presentation by Noah Tindall, C.A.R.

**March 6-9**—Attended Alabama DAR State Conference in Auburn as guest of State Regent Malinda Williams.

**March 16**—Zoom meeting Meadow Garden

**March 19-22**—Attended GSSDAR State Conference at Augusta Marriott in Augusta. Participated in Pre-conference, Executive Board, Finance, and Meadow Garden meetings. Junior Bingo Fundraiser Dinner, Cameo Society breakfast, Memorial Service, State Officers Club and Chapter Regents Club luncheons, Meadow Garden tour, Opening Night Banquet, State Committee Chair Breakfast, Business Sessions, Education Luncheon, and Recognition Banquet.

**March 23**—Brought greetings for 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LaFayette's Farewell Tour's arrival in Augusta at Jesse Norman Amphitheater on Savannah River. Attended luncheon at Joseph Lamar House and unveiling of Pomeroy Plaque at Augusta City Hall. Welcomed General Lafayette (portrayed by Charles Wissinger) and guests to Meadow Garden.

**March 24**—Drove home from state conference in Augusta.

**March 25**—Traveled to Milledgeville, Georgia.

**March 26**—Attended Milledgeville Lafayette Day activities. Brought greetings at luncheon. Offered toast to LaFayette at the ball at Rose Hill in his honor that evening.

**March 27**—Drove home to Gainesville.

**March 28**—Traveled to Macon to attend parade and program honoring 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LaFayette's visit of Farewell Tour. Brought greetings at luncheon. Attended unveiling and dedication of America 250 Patriot Marker by Nathaniel Macon Chapter, NSDAR at Rose Hill Cemetery. Drove home.

**April 5**—Attended Button Gwinnett SAR Chapter luncheon in Snellville. Drove to Watkinsville to attend tea at Briarwood Baptist given by Elijah Clarke, John Clarke, Reverend John Andrew, and Matthew Talbot Chapters. Brought greetings and presented program.

**April 12**—Presented program for Chestatee River Chapter Spring Luncheon at the Polo Fields in Cumming.

**April 13-16**—Flew to Boston, Massachusetts to Celebrate Boston with DAR. Participated in Welcome Reception, Bus Tour, Breakfast, Wreath Laying at Lexington and Concord, visits to museum and inn and evening banquet. Traveled home.

**April 17**—Attended Tea at Fayetteville Presbyterian Church given in honor of State Regent by Andrew McBride, Augustin Clayton, Fayette-Starr's Mill, General Daniel Newnan, James Waldrop, and Pulaski chapters. Shared updates from National and information about State Regent's Projects.

**April 18**—Drove to Saint Simons Island. Attended Open Boat Reception aboard the Tall Ship Lynx.

**April 19**—Attended Frederica Naval Action Anniversary Commemoration at Saint Simons Island Casino Pier Village. Brought greetings from the Georgia State Society and presented wreath. Walked in parade. Drove home to Gainesville.

**April 22**—DAR Zoom meeting

**April 24**—Met with hotel staff at Evergreen Lakeside Resort at Stone Mountain, State Events Chair Cheryl Odell, First Vice Regent Amy Lawson, and State Events Advisor Ann Ameye to tour property and finalize contract for state conference 2026.

**April 26**—Presented program for joint tea honoring state regent with Captain James Kell, Etowah, Hightower Trail, Kennesaw Mountain, and Liberty Hill chapters at Canton First

Methodist Church.

**May 1-2**—Joined Georgia Daughters at Berry College in Rome for reception, campus tours and lunch.

**May 3**—Installed chapter officers for William Day at luncheon in Duluth.

**May 4-7**—Flew to Washington, D.C. and participated in DAR Genealogy Research Institute

**May 10**—Installed Xavier Chapter officers at luncheon in Rome.

**May 14**—Drove to Barnesville and presented program at luncheon with James Monroe, John Houston, and Lamar-Lafayette chapters. Then drove to Guntersville, Alabama for reception.

**May 15-16**—Presented scholarship awards at Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Awards Day, attended luncheon, and campus tour. Attended KDS high school graduation. Drove home to Gainesville.

**May 17**—Brought greetings for America 250! Patriot marker dedication by Reverend John Andrew Chapter in Watkinsville.

**May 19**—Zoom meeting on State License Plate design

**May 21**—Presented program on administration vision, achievements, and installed chapter officers for the Fielding Lewis Chapter at the Marietta County Club.

**May 22**—Participated in group tour organized for GSS by State Librarian Marjorie Singley-Hall.

of Hargett Library on the Athens campus of the University of Georgia.

**June 9**—Brought greetings for Chestatee River chapter's America 250 Patriot Marker Dedication at the Cumming Veterans Memorial at City Center followed by reception and lunch.

**June 11**—Drove to Darien and had dinner with Southeast District Director Sheila Burtz and local chapter members.

**June 12**—Presented program at Flag Day Luncheon hosted by the St. Andrew Parish Chapter at The Oaks at the River with members of the Brunswick, Earl of Camden, and Fort Frederica chapters attending. Drove to Tybee Island, enjoyed hospitality in the home of Coordinator of Districts Renee Portell, dinner, and tour of the area.

**June 13**—Toured Historic Fort Pulaski, then traveled to the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum in Pooler for Tea honoring 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Bonaventure Chapter. Brought greetings, presented 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary ribbon, and conducted new member welcome. Drove home to Gainesville.

**June 14**—Attended 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Gwinnett County Flag Day Ceremony in Lawrenceville at VFW Post 5255.

**June 22—29**—Flew to Washington, DC for Continental Congress. Monday attended Daughters Tribute Wreath Laying Ceremony, National Board of Management Meeting and lunch. National Officers Club Meeting and NOC Annual Banquet. Tuesday State Regents Club Annual Meeting and Brunch, President General's Plaque Dedication and President General's Portrait Dedication, California Congressional Tea, American Heritage Awards Presentation, and Georgia Delegation Meeting. Wednesday Mississippi Alabama Southern Sunrise Breakfast, Patriotism Luncheon, Georgia Room DAR Museum Period Showcase, and Opening Night Ceremony. Thursday Morning Business Session, Historic Preservation Luncheon and Education Awards Night Ceremony. Friday Morning Business Session, State Vice Regents Club Annual Meeting and Luncheon, Commemorative Events Committee Awards Ceremony, Celebration of DAR Philanthropy, Sparkle in Service Committee Showcase. Reported for State of Georgia during Saturday Morning Business Session and attended Junior Membership Luncheon, Sustaining Supporter Pop-Up Lounge, National Defense Night Ceremony, and Congress Reception. Sunday attended Memorial Service, Tribute to the Founders and Wreath Laying, Business Session and Installation Ceremony, National Board of Management Illumination Luncheon and National Board of Management Meeting. Traveled home Sunday afternoon.

### **STATE FIRST VICE REGENT – Amy Pittman Lawson**

This officer participated in all meetings of the Finance Committee and Meadow Garden Board, serving as Recording Secretary, as well as serving on the Proceedings Committee. This officer was happy to facilitate a gift card drive on behalf of the Georgia State Officers benefitting Georgia Daughters impacted by Hurricane Helene. Over \$4,500 in small-increment gift cards was collected and distributed to grateful Daughters. Appreciation is expressed to all members and chapters that contributed to the worthy campaign. It was this officer's pleasure to represent the Georgia State Society during the Kettle Creek and Briar Creek commemorative events, as well as join chapters throughout the state for 250th Anniversary celebrations, grave markings, meetings, luncheons, and other events. A full calendar is planned for the coming months, and this officer is looking forward to visiting with Daughters around the state. Grateful appreciation is extended for the many invitations from chapters. The 2025 Georgia Delegation Meeting during Continental Congress in Washington, D.C., will be held Tuesday, June 24, from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Russell/Hart/Cannon room at the JW Marriott. Thank you, Madame State Regent, for the opportunity to serve during your administration.

### **STATE SECOND VICE REGENT – Ann Benson Ameye**

Georgia Daughters continue to inspire through their volunteer efforts and generous hearts. This officer is proud that chapters maintain the tradition of earning the prestigious Hightower Award. Though the past calendar year has seen its share of economic difficulties, chapter support of all the Georgia Special Projects at the schools and the national Friends of the DAR Schools fund is substantial; even when the force of a hurricane made life on the East Coast difficult, Daughters stepped up to assist those at Crossnore by providing much-needed support. (See DAR School/Awards reports.) As State Second Vice Regent, it has been a pleasure to visit with chapters for commemorative events at the state capitol and around the state, to attend special medal celebrations for heroines and first responders, and to bring greetings on behalf of the State Regent at the multi-chapter America 250! Marking in Tyrone, Georgia, as well as the Georgia C.A.R. State conference in Roswell, Georgia. It is an honor to have representatives from all five DAR approved schools attend our Fall Forum in Atlanta and this State Conference in Augusta. Most of all, it is a privilege to be part of this key component of the DAR mission: education!

### **STATE CHAPLAIN – Catherine “Cathy” Winslett Hyer**

Since July of 2024, this officer had the privilege of praying every day for all Georgia Daughters. She answered questions regarding the GCP-01 90th Birthdays and Greater Form, the GCP-02 Deceased Daughters Report, and the National Birthday-Necrology Report. Presently the 90+ Birthday spreadsheet lists 246 Daughters, 13 of which are over 100 years old. This officer mailed 171 birthday greetings since the beginning of the Powell administration. Sympathy cards were mailed to the next of kin if Chapter Chaplains provided the information. The Chaplain's Corner on the Georgia State Society website has been updated monthly. This list was also emailed to the Honorary State Regents and Past National Executive Officers. Between March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025, 139 Georgia daughters passed away. This officer had the privilege to bring the invocation and benediction at several ceremonies: two honoring local heroes with the Eugenia Washington Founders Medal for Heroism, a Veterans Day Ceremony, the Wreaths Across America Ceremony at the Georgia State Capital, and an America 250! Marker Dedication. She has presented her program, "God's Best Outcome" to two chapters.

### **STATE RECORDING SECRETARY – Vanessa Michelle Watkins-Nutty**

This officer took minutes at the business meetings of State Board of Management, State Executive Committee sessions, and Fall Forum. This officer recorded all officer, committee and chapter reports and awards received by her for inclusion in the Proceedings. The 2023-2024 Proceedings have been completed and printed; members are encouraged to visit the table of the District Directors to pick up their copies, if previously requested. The 1949-1950

Proceedings was previously missing from the state society's collection but a copy was recently discovered and donated by a member of the Thronateeska chapter. The book has been scanned and is available digitally on the GSSDAR Digital Archives site. The physical book has been donated to Evelyn Sears Waite Collection of the Georgia Proceedings housed in the Stribling Room at the Heritage Center of Meadow Garden. Appreciation was expressed to Elaine Gurley, Nancy Coleman, Kay Reagan, Valerie Craft, Donna Bowlick, and the VIS committee for their assistance in this meaningful project. This officer enjoyed the opportunity to attend several chapter event and commemorations, as invited. Gratitude is expressed to past recording secretaries for their continued guidance and appreciation is expressed to the Personal Page to the State Officers, Lottie Lawson, for her assistance while this officer presented motions. Madame State Regent, it is a pleasure to serve during this administration.

### **STATE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Scarlett Rene Gibson**

This officer has worked with State Regent Powell each week to compose and send the informative blog to all Georgia Daughters with an email listed in eMembership. This officer accomplished the following since taking office in July; sent 261 email invitations to Georgia Daughters inviting them to serve in the Powell administration; updated the State Regent's Products order form in SimpleGive, now Amplify, for online orders; created the invitation to the State Regent's Tea and distributed as requested; updated the email distribution list in Constant Contact to make sure all emails were valid and working; updated and distributed the GSS-05 form; created the State Directory and arranged printing; kept the State Directory updated with changes, and uploaded to members-only website regularly; updated the registration forms in SimpleGive for 2024 Fall Forum and redesigned the 2025 State Conference form; created the Program for Fall Forum and State Conference and arranged printing; worked with Darla Valentini to incorporate Program Ads for the 2025 State Conference Program; and sent notes to Honorary State Regents unable to attend GSS functions. This officer attended Continental Congress, GSS Fall Forum 2024, GSS State Conference 2025. It is a distinct pleasure to serve in the Powell administration.

### **STATE ORGANIZING SECRETARY – Mary Ruth Mullins**

The Powell Administration began with 111 chapters. This officer attended the State Regent's Tea at Colonel William Candler Chapter as well as events at Thronateeska, Nancy Hart, Mary Hammond Washington, Atlanta, Tomochichi, George Walton, Etowah, John Houston, Sargeant Newton and LaGrange Chapters. She led a Regent's Forum at Fall Forum and attended the Genealogical Research Institute at DAR headquarters. The Georgia School Assignment List has been adjusted as needed. As part of Georgia's Chapter Development and Revitalization Committee, this officer has worked to identify and help chapters in need of support. This officer attended the Cathedral in the Pines in New Hampshire, a parade in Milledgeville, GA for Constitution Week, the posthumous presentation of the Congressional Gold Medal to a Civil Air Patrol female, KDS Centennial celebration, the Founders Medal presentation in Athens, GA and Wreaths Across America Ceremony at the Georgia State Capitol. This officer also participated in genealogy workshops for King's Gap, Suwanee Creek, and Etowah chapters. No new chapters have formed, and no chapters have merged. However, there have been inquiries regarding the possibility of both. This officer looks forward to visiting more chapters and encouraging growth.

### **STATE TREASURER – Mary Shepherd Kuntz**

Financial Records of GSSNSDAR are maintained in Intuit QuickBooks Online. Checking, money market and CD accounts were reconciled and balanced. New terms were established for matured CDs. Meadow Garden and Georgia State Society budgets and financial statements were prepared and provided for Executive Board, Finance Committee, SBOM, Meadow Garden and State Conference meetings. Audit reports were prepared and sent to appropriate members and CPA for filing 990 returns. Credentials payments, Honor Roll, Hightower Award and DAR Magazine Co-Op Ad donations with reports were sent to State Chairs. All report forms for Chapters and Clubs, and Treasurer's Instructions were updated,

and training at Fall Forum was provided. Mrs. Kuntz hosted Zoom meetings for Executive and Meadow Garden Boards and planned two training sessions for Chapter Treasurers in 2025. She ensured chapters paid PGP, CAA and National dues online and through the mail; accepted and processed payments for dues, State Conference ads, State Regent's Projects, DAR schools and recognized schools; and attended State Conference, Continental Congress, State Regent's tea, Fall Forum and toured Meadow Garden three times.

This report reflects balances as of March 15, 2025, as follows: **The Georgia State Society Account Summaries are as follows:** \$147,937.40 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$226,307.84 in the Checking account; \$128,261.75 in the Money Market; \$65,557.64 in the Savings Account; \$2,400.00 in the Other Assets (Hotel Deposit); \$570,464.63 in Total Liabilities & Equity. **The Meadow Garden Account Summaries are as follows:** \$180,566.76 in the Checking account; \$100.00 in Petty Cash; \$314,375.59 invested in Certificates of Deposit; \$85,894.23 in UCB Money Market; \$155,159.73 in Regions Money Market/Savings; \$115,033.24 in Wells Fargo Savings; \$313,433.04 in Total Fixed Assets; \$1,164,562.59 in Total Liabilities & Equity.

Special thank-you is extended to Meadow Garden Patron Chair Sheila Crumrine for her work with the chapters. Sincere thank-yous to Ann Ameye, Kay Ragan, Betty Harrah and Helen Powell for unwavering support and guidance. Madam State Regent, it is an honor and a pleasure to serve in your administration.

### **STATE REGISTRAR – Virginia “Ginny” Soth Griffith**

On January 1, 2024, 7,973 members were in 114 chapters. The State Society now has 111 chapters and 7,894 members, including 111 Life Members. Four hundred forty-three new members were approved in 2024; 94.5% were approved without a Pre-Letter or AIR. During 2024, 133 members died, 190 dropped, 254 resigned, 79 former members re-instated, 153 transferred out of a chapter (only 79 left Georgia), and 129 transferred in (55 New to Georgia). The SMRT team created in the Harrah administration continues to assist members in the preparation of well-prepared supplementals. This officer is extremely grateful to the SMRT, CDRC, Volunteer Genies, and the Lineage Research Teams who have worked tirelessly assisting with completing applications, training and guidance on changes membership issues. Members have received emails updating them on the revised membership application that was implemented in January 2025. This officer assisted the AZ State Registrar with her genealogy project, participated in a Supplemental paper party in Savannah, attended Continental Congress, Fall Forum, the GA State House for the Constitution Day proclamation, Constitution Day luncheon, and marked the grave of a chartering member of Fort Frederica who was a WWI nurse.

### **STATE HISTORIAN – Nancy Clark Coleman**

This state officer attended State Conference, Continental Congress and Fall Forum. This officer also attended several markings and commemorations across the state. Georgia chapters enthusiastically promoted the historic preservation mission of NSDAR through numerous and diverse endeavors. Seven chapters reported marking members' graves. Three chapters commemorated historical sites, people and events with NSDAR approved markers. Five chapters applied for America 250 markers and four applied for "Revolutionary America 1775-1783" markers. Seven chapters marked graves of Revolutionary War soldiers, their spouses, and Real Daughters. Forty-one American History medals were presented. Additionally, 36 Georgia chapters honored "Our Patriots" by presenting programs on patriots and significant events of the American history. Chapters participated in wreath laying ceremonies, partnering with SAR and C.A.R., to commemorate significant Revolutionary War battles across the state and by planting Liberty Trees. Four chapters recognized Dazzling Daughters, and two chapters nominated members for Dazzling Daughters. Nineteen chapters worked on archiving and managing chapter records. The State Society digitized a missing year of the State Proceedings. Seven chapters nominated teachers for the Outstanding Teacher of American History Award. The 2024 award was presented to Danielle Kaiser at the 2025 state conference.

### **STATE LIBRARIAN – Marjorie Singley-Hall**

State Librarian Marjorie Singley-Hall reports that 38 books were donated by 19 Georgia chapters to the DAR Library. Nine chapters conducted programs on the DAR Library. Twenty-two chapters made donations to the DAR Friends of the Library with a total amount donated of \$2,191.00. Seven Chapters made a donation to the Friends of Seimes with a total amount donated of \$560.00. Twenty Georgia chapters have formed chapter book clubs. Seven chapters celebrated the 75th DAR Library Jubilee. This officer formed the Georgia State Society Book Club. The first meeting was at Fall Forum 2024 with 104 attendees. The second meeting is scheduled for State Conference 2025. This officer also conducted the first of four genealogy library tours at the Switzer Library in Marietta, Georgia. There was a morning tour and an afternoon tour with a total of 45 daughters attending. Plans are underway for the second tour in the Spring of 2025 in the NE District and two additional tours during the Powell administration, one in the SE District and one in the SW District. This officer attended Continental Congress and especially enjoyed the program celebrating the 75th DAR Library Jubilee. It has been an honor to serve.

### **STATE CURATOR – Kathleen “Kathy” Zeles Marsh**

The property belonging to the Georgia State Society is in excellent and functioning condition. Table tent cards were prepared as directed by the State Seating Chair. Sincere appreciation to the following ladies for assisting in this officer's role while she was unable to attend due to having her baby. Randi Minor, chapter regent of the Philadelphia Winn Chapter, for printing and prepping all the tent cards for the different events. Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, State Recording Secretary, for transporting all the items needed for State Conference; flags, pull-up banners, teller's supplies, and the ballot box, and Amy Lawson, State First Vice Regent, for her assistance in the careful storage, and transport of the State Society's large lighted insignia.

### **STATE PARLIAMENTARIAN – Judith “Judy” Richards Sherling**

A total of 109 of the state's 111 chapters submitted their bylaws electronically to the State Parliamentarian with 105 chapters submitting bylaws by November 1, 2024, to qualify for the bylaws requirement for the 2025 State Honor Roll. These bylaws were reviewed for compliance with the National Model for Chapter Bylaws, as well as compliance with GSSDAR bylaws. Copies of all chapter bylaws have been stored electronically. Worked with several chapter regents to amend bylaws and to advise on parliamentary procedure. Attended a special awards presentation at the University of Georgia for five students receiving the Eugenia Washington Award for Heroism. Attended Fall Forum where a presentation was given explaining parliamentary procedure and bylaws requirements. Attended to parliamentary duties during State Board of Management.

**Georgia State Society of the National Society  
of the Daughters of the American Revolution**

**Financial Statements  
Year Ended June 30, 2025**

**With  
Independent Auditor's Report**

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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Board of Directors  
Georgia State Society of the National Society  
of the Daughters of the American Revolution  
Atlanta, Georgia

### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### ***Opinion***

We have audited the financial statements of Georgia State Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution ("Georgia State Society, NSDAR") (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2025, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows, for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Georgia State Society, NSDAR as of June 30, 2025, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

#### ***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Georgia State Society, NSDAR, and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### ***Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting***

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1, and for determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Georgia State Society, NSDAR's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

### ***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Georgia State Society, NSDAR's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Georgia State Society, NSDAR's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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Certified Public Accountants  
Suwanee, Georgia  
February 9, 2026

GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE  
 DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
 June 30, 2025

ASSETS

	2025
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 812,583
Certificates of deposit	466,023
Total current assets	1,278,606
<b>PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, net</b>	387,207
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	\$ 1,665,813

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Total liabilities	\$ -
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Without donor restrictions	
Undesignated - expendable	684,319
Board designated	126,285
Net invested in property and equipment	387,207
Total net assets without donor restrictions	1,197,811
Net assets with donor restrictions	468,002
Total net assets	1,665,813
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	\$ 1,665,813

GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE  
 DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
 Year Ended June 30, 2025

	2025		Total
	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	
<b>REVENUE AND OTHER SUPPORT</b>			
Donations - National Society	\$ 4,940	\$ -	\$ 4,940
Donations - State Chapters	149,714	25,839	175,553
Donations - Meadow Garden	62,450	22,887	85,337
Membership dues revenue	125,561	-	125,561
Conference revenue	175,132	-	175,132
Interest income	10,352	16,751	27,103
Sales	6,363	-	6,363
Total revenue and other support	<u>534,512</u>	<u>65,477</u>	<u>599,989</u>
Net assets released from restrictions:			
Satisfaction of program restrictions	<u>137,953</u>	<u>(137,953)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenue	<u>672,465</u>	<u>(72,476)</u>	<u>599,989</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Program services	317,159	-	317,159
Management and general	178,349	-	178,349
Total expenses	<u>495,508</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>495,508</u>
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	176,957	(72,476)	104,481
NET ASSETS, Beginning of year	<u>1,020,854</u>	<u>540,478</u>	<u>1,561,332</u>
NET ASSETS, End of year	<u>\$ 1,197,811</u>	<u>\$ 468,002</u>	<u>\$ 1,665,813</u>

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GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE  
 DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
 STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
 Year Ended June 30, 2025

	2025		
	Program Services	Management & General	Total
Payroll and payroll taxes	\$ -	\$ 42,941	\$ 42,941
Annual fee	-	55	55
Awards	14,362	-	14,362
Conferences	136,217	-	136,217
Depreciation	-	37,330	37,330
Donations to other organizations	55,859	-	55,859
Insurance	-	17,744	17,744
Miscellaneous	5,855	14,408	20,263
Office supplies	-	1,758	1,758
Other meetings	55,279	417	55,696
Postage	78	-	78
Printing and publications	6,934	-	6,934
Professional fees	-	14,245	14,245
Purchases	30,388	-	30,388
Repairs and maintenance	4,687	33,137	37,824
Security	-	1,780	1,780
Taxes and licenses	-	534	534
State Regent's travel	7,500	-	7,500
Utilities	-	14,000	14,000
	<u>\$ 317,159</u>	<u>\$ 178,349</u>	<u>\$ 495,508</u>
Total expenses	<u>\$ 317,159</u>	<u>\$ 178,349</u>	<u>\$ 495,508</u>

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GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE  
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 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
 Year Ended June 30, 2025

	2025
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Change in net assets	\$ 104,481
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	37,330
Decrease in prepaid expenses	2,400
Net cash provided by operating activities	144,211
 <b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Purchase of fixed assets	(111,104)
Purchase of investments in certificates of deposit	(10,861)
Net cash used by investing activities	(121,965)
 <b>NET INCREASE IN CASH</b>	 22,246
 Cash and cash equivalents, Beginning of year	 790,337
 Cash and cash equivalents, End of year	 \$ 812,583

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GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE  
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
Year Ended June 30, 2025

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

*Nature of Organization and Activities*

The Georgia State Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (the "Organization") is a volunteer women's service organization created to promote patriotism, preserve American history and secure America's future through better education for children.

*Basis of Presentation*

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles, which requires the Organization to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to the following net asset classifications:

Net assets without donor restrictions are net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Organization.

Net assets with donor restrictions are net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature and will be met by actions of the Organization or with the passage of time. Net assets in this class include contributions and gifts for restricted purposes. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated that the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

*Basis of Accounting*

The accompanying financial statements are presented on the modified cash basis of accounting.

*Cash and cash equivalents*

Cash includes all monies in banks, cash in a brokerage account, and deposits in transit. Accounts maintained by banks are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. At June 30, 2025, there were no deposits in excess of federally insured limits. Management believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash, although its balance has, at times, exceeded federally insured limits.

*Property and Equipment*

Items capitalized as property and equipment are stated at cost or, if donated, at fair market value on the date of donation. The Organization generally capitalizes and reports property and equipment acquisitions in excess of \$750. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred, and additions and improvements that significantly extend the lives of assets are capitalized at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, ranging from 5 to 27.5 years. For the year ended June 30, 2025, depreciation expense of \$37,330 was recorded.

The Organization does not capitalize collections or historical treasures, including Meadow Garden. In conformity with industry practice, museum artifacts and records purchased or donated are not recorded

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

*Property and Equipment (continued)*

as assets in the accompanying statement of financial position. Even though not reflected in the financial statements, the Organization's collections represent one of its most valuable assets.

Purchases of collection items are reported as decreases in net assets without donor restrictions or as decreases in net assets with donor restrictions if the assets used to purchase the items were restricted by donors. Meadow Garden and its contents are historical treasures and are insured for approximately \$2,200,000.

*Support, Revenue, and Reclassifications*

Contributions and revenues are generally recognized when cash is received.

Gifts of cash and other assets are reported as support with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated amounts. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

*Functional Expenses*

The costs of providing programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of activities. Costs incurred are reported according to the function (program and supporting services) which they benefit. Salaries and benefits are allocated to functions based on personnel time and responsibilities. Other costs are recorded directly according to their function when incurred.

*Income Taxes*

The Organization is exempt from federal and state income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and the Georgia Revenue and Taxation Code, though subject to tax on income unrelated to its exempt purpose, unless that income is specifically excluded by the Code. The Organization has not recognized any liability for unrecognized tax benefits, as it has no known uncertain tax positions that would subject it to any material income tax exposure.

*Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Membership Dues*

Membership dues are recognized when received.

*Certificates of Deposit*

Certificates of deposit are reported at cash value plus any credited interest. Interest is reported as interest income in the statement of activities. See Note 7 for further discussion.

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**NOTE 2: NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS**

Net assets with donor restrictions, contributions, and reclassifications were as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2024	Restricted Contributions	Releases	Balance June 30, 2025
Capital Investment Funds	\$ 397,369	\$ 29,457	\$ (110,299)	\$ 316,527
Georgia C.A.R.	-	2,009	(2,009)	-
Georgia Room	26,755	2,148	-	28,903
Hightower Memorial Awards	28,691	2,332	(870)	30,153
McCall Genealogical Library	17,908	894	-	18,802
State Library	14,042	2,171	(500)	15,713
Alae Risse Barron Leitch	50,000	2,468	(2,468)	50,000
Berry College	-	7,438	(6,855)	583
Crossnore Special Projects	-	2,038	(1,505)	533
Helen Pouch Contributions	-	4	-	4
Hindman Special Projects	-	3,066	(2,008)	1,058
KDS DAR School	-	5,498	(4,965)	533
Hillside School	-	1,554	(1,451)	103
Interpretation Grant	5,619	-	(4,523)	1,096
Public Relations Grant	94	4,400	(500)	3,994
Total	<u>\$ 540,478</u>	<u>\$ 65,477</u>	<u>\$ (137,953)</u>	<u>\$ 468,002</u>

**NOTE 3: BOARD DESIGNATED NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS**

Board-designated net assets without donor restrictions as of June 30, 2025, consist of the following:

	<u>2025</u>
Georgia Cameo Society	\$ 20,949
State Chairmen Club	5,992
Chapter Regent's Club	5,710
Friends of Pages	4,408
Junior Club	10,009
Junior Membership	11,145
Junior Shoppe	17,700
Pages Club	5,725
State Officers Club	4,501
State Regent's Project	40,146
Total board designated	<u>\$ 126,285</u>

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**NOTE 4: AVAILABILITY AND LIQUIDITY**

	2025
Financial assets at year-end:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 812,583
Certificates of deposit	466,023
Total financial assets	1,278,606
Less amounts not available to be used within one year:	
Net assets with donor-imposed restrictions	(468,002)
Financial assets available to meet general expenditures over the next twelve months	\$ 810,604

The Organization regularly monitors liquidity required to meet operating needs and other commitments. In addition to financial assets available to meet general expenditures over the next twelve months, the Organization anticipates collecting sufficient revenue to cover general expenditures that are not funded by donor-restricted sources.

**NOTE 5: PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT**

Property and equipment consist of the following as of June 30:

	2025
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 19,415
Leasehold improvements	721,794
Construction in progress	70,712
Total property and equipment	811,921
Less accumulated depreciation	(424,714)
Net property and equipment	\$ 387,207

**NOTE 6: AFFILIATES**

The Organization collects membership dues and donations from its local Georgia Chapters for the Organization and the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

**NOTE 7: CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT**

At June 30, 2025, the Organization was invested in several certificates of deposit that totaled \$466,023. The certificates of deposit are made of twelve and thirteen-month terms with varying maturity dates and fixed interest rates ranging from 3.25% to 4.40%.

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**NOTE 8: RECLASSIFICATIONS**

Beginning-of-year net asset amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year presentation. Total changes in net assets were not affected.

**NOTE 9: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Organization has evaluated subsequent events through February 9, 2026, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Management is not aware of any other material subsequent events that require disclosure in the financial statements.

**GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NSDAR  
MEADOW GARDEN FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
JUNE 30, 2025**

ASSETS

Current Assets:	
Checking Accounts & Petty Cash	\$ 154,657.27
Money Market Accounts	86,358.41
Certificates of Deposit	316,690.58
Savings-MM	244,219.33
Total	\$ 801,925.59
Property, Plant and Equipment:	
Heritage Education Building	\$ 17,925.10
Heritage Education Furniture and Fixtures	126,123.87
Meadow Garden Improvements	595,670.12
Equipment	1,489.94
Construction in Progress	70,712.00
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(424,713.99)
Total	\$ 387,207.04
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,189,132.63</b>

	CHECKING	MONEY MARKET	CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	SAVINGS-MM	OTHER ASSETS	TOTAL
990 Filing	\$ -	\$ 525.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 525.00
Annual Audit	-	6,600.00	-	-	-	6,600.00
Administrative and Maintenance	45,466.74	25,243.05	-	-	-	70,709.79
Alae Risse Baron Leitch	-	-	50,000.00	-	-	50,000.00
Capital Investments - Fund #1	-	-	106,730.33	-	-	106,730.33
Capital Investments - Fund #2	-	-	101,839.16	-	-	101,839.16
Furnishings/Stoneware CD	-	-	58,121.09	-	-	58,121.09
Gift Shop	14,571.59	-	-	-	-	14,571.59
Furnishings	6,970.14	12,948.88	-	-	-	19,919.02
Landscaping	14,481.92	7,486.92	-	-	-	21,968.84
Property, Plant and Equipment	-	-	-	-	387,207.04	387,207.04
Heritage Education Center	2,431.88	-	-	-	-	2,431.88
Capital Inv./Improvements	28,231.19	33,554.56	-	244,219.33	-	306,005.08
State Regent's Project	37,203.98	-	-	-	-	37,203.98
Petty Cash	100.00	-	-	-	-	100.00
Interpretation Grant	1,206.05	-	-	-	-	1,206.05
Public Relations Grant	3,993.78	-	-	-	-	3,993.78
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 154,657.27</b>	<b>\$ 86,358.41</b>	<b>\$ 316,690.58</b>	<b>\$ 244,219.33</b>	<b>\$ 387,207.04</b>	<b>\$ 1,189,132.63</b>

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**GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NSDAR  
MEADOW GARDEN FUNDS  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025**

	Fund Balances 7/1/2024	Received From Chapters	Other Income	Interest Income	Total Income	Less Expenditures	Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	Transfers	Fund Balances 6/30/2025
990 Filing *	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)	\$ 525.00	\$ 525.00
Annual Audit *	6,300.00	-	-	-	-	6,300.00	\$ (6,300.00)	6,600.00	\$ 6,600.00
Administrative & Maintenance *	102,716.92	2,942.50	82,439.95	17.22	\$ 85,399.67	120,897.43	\$ (35,497.76)	4,317.47	\$ 71,536.63
Alae Risse Baron Leitch CD	50,000.00	-	-	2,467.52	\$ 2,467.52	-	\$ 2,467.52	(2,467.52)	\$ 50,000.00
Capital Investments CDs	205,246.62	-	-	9,473.87	\$ 9,473.87	-	\$ 9,473.87	(6,151.00)	\$ 208,569.49
Furnishings/Stoneware CD	58,121.09	-	-	2,868.30	\$ 2,868.30	-	\$ 2,868.30	(2,868.30)	\$ 58,121.09
Furnishings *	19,446.76	135.00	468.00	21.86	\$ 624.86	152.60	\$ 472.26	-	\$ 19,919.02
Gift Shop	10,490.43	-	11,859.19	-	\$ 11,859.19	8,494.66	\$ 3,364.53	(0.10)	\$ 13,854.86
Landscaping *	24,258.90	85.00	1,476.56	12.67	\$ 1,574.23	3,864.29	\$ (2,290.06)	-	\$ 21,968.84
Property, Plant, and Equip.	313,433.04	-	111,104.00	-	\$ 111,104.00	37,330.00	\$ 73,774.00	-	\$ 387,207.04
Heritage Education Center	2,481.97	260.00	567.75	-	\$ 827.75	877.84	\$ (50.09)	-	\$ 2,431.88
Capital Investment/Improvements *	397,369.01	10,657.50	7,829.00	448.30	\$ 18,934.80	110,383.18	\$ (91,448.38)	84.45	\$ 306,005.08
State Regent's Project	-	28,784.50	8,760.50	-	\$ 37,545.00	301.02	\$ 37,243.98	(40.00)	\$ 37,203.98
Petty Cash	100.00	-	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	\$ 100.00
Interpretation Grant	5,618.91	-	-	-	\$ -	4,522.97	\$ (4,522.97)	-	\$ 1,095.94
Public Relations Grant	93.78	-	4,400.00	-	\$ 4,400.00	500.00	\$ 3,900.00	-	\$ 3,993.78
Total	\$ 1,196,177.43	\$ 42,864.50	\$ 228,904.95	\$ 15,309.74	\$ 287,079.19	\$ 294,123.99	\$ (7,044.80)	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,189,132.63

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\* Includes MM/Savings Balance

**GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NSDAR  
GENERAL FUNDS  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025**

	Fund Balances 7/1/2024	Received From Chapters	Other Income	Interest Income	Total Revenue	Less Expenditures	Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	Transfers	Fund Balance 6/30/2025
<b>National Funds - Restricted</b>									
State Funds - Restricted	\$ -	\$ 4,440.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 4,940.00	\$ 4,940.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Berry College Special Projects	-	7,236.25	200.00	-	\$ 7,436.25	8,000.00	\$ (563.75)	1,144.75	563.00
Chapler Regent's Club	5,242.75	-	9,425.00	-	\$ 9,425.00	1,329.78	\$ 8,095.22	(7,627.49)	5,710.48
Conservation Committee	-	-	169.06	-	\$ 169.06	-	\$ 169.06	-	169.06
Crossnore School Special Projects	-	2,038.00	-	-	\$ 2,038.00	1,505.00	\$ 533.00	-	533.00
Disaster Relief	-	-	1,662.00	-	\$ 1,662.00	1,662.00	\$ -	-	-
Friends of Pages	1,024.50	265.00	4,100.00	-	\$ 4,385.00	-	\$ 4,385.00	(981.00)	4,406.50
Georgia Carriage Society	16,048.08	-	13,113.00	-	\$ 13,113.00	2,510.13	\$ 10,602.87	(5,702.99)	20,947.96
Georgia C.A.R.	-	2,008.50	-	-	\$ 2,008.50	2,000.00	\$ 8.50	(16.26)	(7.76)
Georgia Event-Continental Congress	-	-	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	-
Georgia Room **	26,755.26	30.00	-	2,117.98	\$ 2,147.98	-	\$ 2,147.98	-	28,903.24
Helen Pouch Contributions	-	-	3.50	-	\$ 3.50	-	\$ 3.50	-	3.50
Highower Memorial Awards **	28,691.00	-	870.00	1,462.29	\$ 2,332.29	870.00	\$ 1,462.29	-	30,153.29
Hillside School	-	1,554.00	-	-	\$ 1,554.00	1,451.00	\$ 103.00	-	103.00
Hideman School Special Projects	-	3,066.00	-	-	\$ 3,066.00	2,208.00	\$ 858.00	200.00	1,058.00
Junior Club	10,199.92	-	12,826.00	-	\$ 12,826.00	603.47	\$ 12,222.53	(12,413.74)	10,098.71
Junior Membership	6,537.00	-	6,010.00	-	\$ 6,010.00	1,526.57	\$ 4,483.43	123.76	11,145.19
Junior Shoppe	13,954.67	-	8,698.50	-	\$ 8,698.50	4,954.01	\$ 3,744.49	-	17,706.16
KOS DNR School Special Projects	17,908.20	5,497.75	79.50	789.43	\$ 5,497.75	4,964.75	\$ 533.00	-	533.00
McCall Genealogical Library **	-	25.00	-	-	\$ 25.00	-	\$ 25.00	-	25.00
Page Club	3,116.64	-	2,722.59	-	\$ 2,722.59	6.63	\$ 2,715.96	(108.13)	5,724.47
State Charman Club	5,783.47	-	4,395.00	-	\$ 4,395.00	500.00	\$ 3,895.00	(3,645.82)	5,992.65
State Library *	14,041.56	1,731.00	-	440.22	\$ 2,171.22	500.00	\$ 1,671.22	-	15,712.78
State Officers Club	4,628.47	-	1,733.10	-	\$ 1,733.10	777.22	\$ 955.88	(1,083.51)	4,500.84
State Regent's Project *	-	19,283.00	62,939.00	-	\$ 82,222.00	40,932.86	\$ 41,289.14	(1,143.04)	40,146.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>153,931.52</b>	<b>42,736.50</b>	<b>128,907.25</b>	<b>4,809.92</b>	<b>\$ 176,453.67</b>	<b>76,300.12</b>	<b>\$ 100,153.55</b>	<b>(31,253.47)</b>	<b>222,831.60</b>
<b>State Funds - Unrestricted</b>									
990 Filing *	500.00	-	-	-	\$ -	500.00	\$ (500.00)	525.00	525.00
Annual Audit *	6,300.00	-	-	-	\$ -	6,300.00	\$ (6,300.00)	6,600.00	6,600.00
Constitution Week Event	-	-	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	-	-
FF/Workshops/BOM/Constitution Event	-	-	84,105.09	-	\$ 84,105.09	81,472.27	\$ 2,632.82	5,000.00	7,632.82
Other State Events	-	-	1,747.00	-	\$ 1,747.00	1,694.73	\$ 52.27	-	52.27
Hold/Event Contingency Reserve	7,600.00	-	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	2,400.00	10,000.00
Hold/Event Deposits	2,400.00	-	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	(2,400.00)	-
Reserve for Contingencies *	-	-	-	-	\$ -	-	\$ -	5,000.00	5,000.00
State Conference	194,420.93	-	77,566.93	-	\$ 92,526.93	110,853.41	\$ (18,326.48)	36,262.72	17,936.24
State Dues -Unalloc/Gen Savings **	123,545.00	3,257.00	3,257.00	6,983.61	\$ 13,743.61	10,197.04	\$ 3,546.57	(2,134.25)	206,101.65
<b>Total</b>	<b>211,220.93</b>	<b>140,505.00</b>	<b>166,676.02</b>	<b>6,983.61</b>	<b>\$ 314,164.63</b>	<b>302,971.05</b>	<b>\$ 11,193.58</b>	<b>31,253.47</b>	<b>253,647.96</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 365,152.45</b>	<b>\$ 187,681.50</b>	<b>\$ 296,083.27</b>	<b>\$ 11,793.53</b>	<b>\$ 490,558.30</b>	<b>\$ 384,031.17</b>	<b>\$ 111,527.13</b>	<b>(0.00)</b>	<b>476,679.56</b>

\* Includes CD Balance \*\* Includes MM/Savings Balance

**GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NSDAR  
GENERAL FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS  
JUNE 30, 2025**

ASSETS

Current Assets:		
Checking Accounts	\$	172,525.10
Money Market Accounts		154,821.14
Certificates of Deposit		149,333.34
Other Assets		-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u><u>476,679.58</u></u>

FUND BALANCES

	CHECKING	MONEY MARKET/SAVINGS	CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT	Other Assets	TOTAL
National Funds, Restricted	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State Funds, Restricted					
Berry College Special Projects	\$ 583.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 583.00
Chapter Regents Club	5,710.48	-	-	-	5,710.48
Crossnore Special Projects	533.00	-	-	-	533.00
Friends of Pages	4,408.50	-	-	-	4,408.50
Georgia C.A.R.	(7.76)	-	-	-	(7.76)
Georgia Cameo Society	20,947.96	-	-	-	20,947.96
Georgia Conservation Committee	169.06	-	-	-	169.06
Georgia Room	30.00	2,069.63	26,803.61	-	28,903.24
Helen Pouch Memorial Contribution	3.50	-	-	-	3.50
Hightower Memorial Awards	-	2,900.46	27,252.83	-	30,153.29
Hillside School Special Projects	103.00	-	-	-	103.00
Hindman Special Projects	1,058.00	-	-	-	1,058.00
Junior Club	10,008.71	-	-	-	10,008.71
Junior Membership	11,145.19	-	-	-	11,145.19
Junior Shoppe	17,700.16	-	-	-	17,700.16
KDS School Special Projects	533.00	-	-	-	533.00
McCall Genealogical	104.50	5,997.22	12,700.41	-	18,802.13
Page Club	5,724.47	-	-	-	5,724.47
State Library	1,231.00	14,481.78	-	-	15,712.78
State Chairmen Club	5,992.65	-	-	-	5,992.65
State Officers Club	4,500.84	-	-	-	4,500.84
State Regent's Project	40,146.40	-	-	-	40,146.40
Total	<u>\$ 130,625.66</u>	<u>\$ 25,449.09</u>	<u>\$ 66,756.85</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 222,831.60</u>
State Funds, Unrestricted					
990 Filing	\$ -	\$ 525.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 525.00
Annual Audit	-	6,600.00	-	-	6,600.00
Fall Forum	7,632.82	-	-	-	7,632.82
Hotel/Event Contingency Reserve	-	10,000.00	-	-	10,000.00
Other State Events	52.27	-	-	-	52.27
Reserve for Contingencies	-	5,000.00	-	-	5,000.00
State Conference	17,936.24	-	-	-	17,936.24
State Dues - Unallocated/General Savings	16,278.11	107,247.05	82,576.49	-	206,101.65
Total	<u>\$ 41,899.44</u>	<u>\$ 129,372.05</u>	<u>\$ 82,576.49</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 253,847.98</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$ 172,525.10</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 154,821.14</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 149,333.34</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 476,679.58</u></u>

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CHAPTER	DUES STATE	CONFERENCE FEES	FUNDS STATE	FUNDS NATIONAL	SUBTOTAL	MEADOW GARDEN	TOTAL
Abraham Baldwin	\$ 1,248.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 367.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,800.00
Altamaha	912.00	45.00	321.00	40.00	\$ 1,318.00	200.00	\$ 1,518.00
Andrew Houser	880.00	45.00	422.00	40.00	\$ 1,387.00	350.00	\$ 1,737.00
Andrew McBride	1,024.00	45.00	360.00	40.00	\$ 1,469.00	100.00	\$ 1,569.00
Apalachee	1,520.00	45.00	482.00	40.00	\$ 2,087.00	125.00	\$ 2,212.00
Archibald Bulloch	1,328.00	45.00	265.00	40.00	\$ 1,678.00	100.00	\$ 1,778.00
Atlanta	3,312.00	75.00	3,622.00	40.00	\$ 7,049.00	2,050.00	\$ 9,099.00
Augusta	2,192.00	60.00	373.00	40.00	\$ 2,665.00	1,686.00	\$ 4,351.00
Augustin Clayton	816.00	45.00	1,186.00	40.00	\$ 2,087.00	125.00	\$ 2,212.00
Bainbridge	528.00	30.00	168.00	40.00	\$ 766.00	100.00	\$ 866.00
Barnard Trail	976.00	45.00	280.00	40.00	\$ 1,341.00	1,150.00	\$ 2,491.00
Baron DeKalb	1,568.00	45.00	331.00	40.00	\$ 1,984.00	850.00	\$ 2,834.00
Benjamin Hawkins	384.00	30.00	71.00	40.00	\$ 525.00	100.00	\$ 625.00
Bonaventure	926.00	45.00	199.00	40.00	\$ 1,210.00	100.00	\$ 1,310.00
Brier Creek	832.00	45.00	229.00	40.00	\$ 1,146.00	150.00	\$ 1,296.00
Brunswick	704.00	30.00	193.00	40.00	\$ 967.00	120.00	\$ 1,087.00
Captain Edward Hagin	320.00	15.00	233.00	40.00	\$ 608.00	300.00	\$ 908.00
Captain James Kell	1,136.00	45.00	1,060.00	40.00	\$ 2,281.00	100.00	\$ 2,381.00
Captain John Wilson	1,088.00	45.00	171.00	40.00	\$ 1,344.00	570.00	\$ 1,914.00
Captain Thomas Cobb	240.00	15.00	94.00	40.00	\$ 389.00	200.00	\$ 589.00
Cherokee	1,584.00	60.00	434.00	40.00	\$ 2,118.00	170.00	\$ 2,288.00
Chestate River	2,064.00	60.00	807.00	40.00	\$ 2,971.00	975.00	\$ 3,946.00
Col. Daniel Appling	208.00	15.00	29.00	40.00	\$ 292.00	200.00	\$ 492.00
College Hill	2,560.00	75.00	598.00	40.00	\$ 3,273.00	2,735.00	\$ 6,008.00
Colonel Ebenezer Folsom	880.00	45.00	435.00	40.00	\$ 1,400.00	100.00	\$ 1,500.00
Colonel John McIntosh	848.00	45.00	166.00	40.00	\$ 1,099.00	150.00	\$ 1,249.00
Colonel William Candler	2,800.00	75.00	718.00	40.00	\$ 3,633.00	260.00	\$ 3,893.00
Colonel William Few	272.00	15.00	62.00	40.00	\$ 389.00	100.00	\$ 489.00
Council of Safety	816.00	30.00	104.00	40.00	\$ 990.00	100.00	\$ 1,090.00
Earl of Camden	816.00	30.00	167.00	40.00	\$ 1,053.00	250.00	\$ 1,303.00
Edmund Burke	640.00	30.00	100.00	40.00	\$ 810.00	200.00	\$ 1,010.00
Elijah Clarke	1,984.00	60.00	775.00	40.00	\$ 2,859.00	610.00	\$ 3,469.00
Elizabeth "Quatie" Ross	352.00	30.00	49.00	40.00	\$ 471.00	100.00	\$ 571.00
Etowah	752.00	30.00	675.00	40.00	\$ 1,497.00	100.00	\$ 1,597.00
Fayette-Starr's Mill	1,872.00	60.00	399.00	40.00	\$ 2,371.00	150.00	\$ 2,521.00
Fielding Lewis	4,592.00	105.00	2,824.00	40.00	\$ 7,561.00	955.00	\$ 8,516.00
Fort Frederica	1,071.00	45.00	474.00	40.00	\$ 1,630.00	150.00	\$ 1,780.00
Fort Peachtree	1,696.00	60.00	514.00	40.00	\$ 2,310.00	100.00	\$ 2,410.00
General Daniel Newnan	1,120.00	45.00	515.00	40.00	\$ 1,720.00	175.00	\$ 1,895.00
General Daniel Stewart	672.00	30.00	116.00	40.00	\$ 858.00	150.00	\$ 1,008.00
General James Jackson	896.00	45.00	877.00	40.00	\$ 1,858.00	750.00	\$ 2,608.00
General Josiah Tattnall	352.00	30.00	99.00	40.00	\$ 521.00	100.00	\$ 621.00
George Walton	1,664.00	60.00	546.00	40.00	\$ 2,310.00	150.00	\$ 2,460.00
Governor David Emanuel	1,024.00	45.00	410.00	40.00	\$ 1,519.00	100.00	\$ 1,619.00
Governor Jared Irwin	864.00	45.00	211.00	40.00	\$ 1,160.00	150.00	\$ 1,310.00
Hannah Clarke	400.00	30.00	285.00	40.00	\$ 755.00	50.00	\$ 805.00
Hawkinsville	624.00	30.00	295.00	40.00	\$ 989.00	100.00	\$ 1,089.00
Henry Walton	1,808.00	60.00	989.00	40.00	\$ 2,897.00	425.00	\$ 3,322.00
Hightower Trail	1,120.00	45.00	970.00	40.00	\$ 2,175.00	100.00	\$ 2,275.00
Jacob Braselton	800.00	30.00	115.00	40.00	\$ 985.00	125.00	\$ 1,110.00
James Pittman	352.00	30.00	102.00	40.00	\$ 524.00	55.00	\$ 579.00
James Stewart	479.00	15.00	139.00	40.00	\$ 673.00	50.00	\$ 723.00
James Waldrop	1,488.00	45.00	780.00	40.00	\$ 2,353.00	870.00	\$ 3,223.00
John Benning	1,008.00	45.00	294.00	40.00	\$ 1,387.00	220.00	\$ 1,607.00
John Benson	640.00	30.00	406.00	40.00	\$ 1,116.00	135.00	\$ 1,251.00
John Clarke	240.00	15.00	55.00	40.00	\$ 350.00	-	\$ 350.00

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CHAPTER	DUES	CONFERENCE	FUNDS	FUNDS	SUBTOTAL	MEADOW	TOTAL
	STATE	FEES	STATE	NATIONAL		GARDEN	
John Franklin Wren	\$ 944.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 181.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 1,210.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,310.00
John Houstoun	912.00	45.00	415.50	40.00	\$ 1,412.50	165.00	\$ 1,577.50
John Laurens	816.00	30.00	202.50	40.00	\$ 1,088.50	150.00	\$ 1,238.50
Joseph Habersham	1,248.00	45.00	417.00	40.00	\$ 1,750.00	1,100.00	\$ 2,850.00
Kennesaw Mountain	640.00	30.00	487.00	40.00	\$ 1,197.00	100.00	\$ 1,297.00
Kettle Creek	528.00	30.00	183.00	40.00	\$ 781.00	100.00	\$ 881.00
King's Gap	1,504.00	45.00	408.00	40.00	\$ 1,997.00	100.00	\$ 2,097.00
Lachlan McIntosh	1,792.00	60.00	495.00	40.00	\$ 2,387.00	250.00	\$ 2,637.00
LaGrange	1,024.00	45.00	655.00	40.00	\$ 1,764.00	100.00	\$ 1,864.00
Lamar-LaFayette	448.00	30.00	321.00	40.00	\$ 839.00	450.00	\$ 1,289.00
Levi Sapp	288.00	15.00	65.00	40.00	\$ 408.00	50.00	\$ 458.00
Liberty Hill	816.00	30.00	965.00	40.00	\$ 1,851.00	275.00	\$ 2,126.00
Lt. James Monroe	416.00	30.00	119.00	40.00	\$ 605.00	160.00	\$ 765.00
Lyman Hall	624.00	30.00	102.00	40.00	\$ 796.00	50.00	\$ 846.00
Martha Stewart Bulloch	4,080.00	105.00	1,595.00	40.00	\$ 5,820.00	1,564.00	\$ 7,384.00
Mary Hammond Washington	1,728.00	60.00	353.00	40.00	\$ 2,181.00	150.00	\$ 2,331.00
Matthew Talbot	1,120.00	45.00	187.00	40.00	\$ 1,392.00	6,360.00	\$ 7,752.00
Mineral Springs	240.00	15.00	74.00	40.00	\$ 369.00	50.00	\$ 419.00
Nancy Hart	752.00	30.00	141.00	40.00	\$ 963.00	100.00	\$ 1,063.00
Nathaniel Abney	272.00	15.00	96.00	40.00	\$ 423.00	50.00	\$ 473.00
Nathaniel Macon	960.00	45.00	188.00	40.00	\$ 1,233.00	100.00	\$ 1,333.00
Oglethorpe	1,472.00	45.00	299.00	40.00	\$ 1,856.00	100.00	\$ 1,956.00
Old Herod	272.00	30.00	73.00	40.00	\$ 415.00	50.00	\$ 465.00
Old Noonday	768.00	30.00	319.00	40.00	\$ 1,157.00	225.00	\$ 1,382.00
Old Unicoi Trail	1,024.00	45.00	394.00	40.00	\$ 1,503.00	700.00	\$ 2,203.00
Oliver Morton	1,120.00	45.00	176.00	40.00	\$ 1,381.00	100.00	\$ 1,481.00
Patriots of Liberty	1,632.00	45.00	300.00	40.00	\$ 2,017.00	100.00	\$ 2,117.00
Peter Early	544.00	30.00	359.00	40.00	\$ 973.00	100.00	\$ 1,073.00
Philadelphia Winn	4,000.00	90.00	1,201.00	40.00	\$ 5,331.00	823.50	\$ 6,154.50
Pulaski	1,216.00	45.00	1,385.00	40.00	\$ 2,686.00	667.00	\$ 3,353.00
Reverend John Andrew	1,312.00	45.00	404.00	40.00	\$ 1,801.00	193.00	\$ 1,994.00
Robert Loughridge	1,232.00	45.00	338.00	40.00	\$ 1,655.00	100.00	\$ 1,755.00
Roswell King	768.00	30.00	430.00	40.00	\$ 1,268.00	175.00	\$ 1,443.00
Sandy Springs	1,664.00	45.00	3,232.50	40.00	\$ 4,981.50	325.00	\$ 5,306.50
Savannah	2,544.00	60.00	374.00	40.00	\$ 3,018.00	150.00	\$ 3,168.00
Sequoyah	2,576.00	60.00	997.00	40.00	\$ 3,673.00	320.00	\$ 3,993.00
Sergeant Newton	944.00	45.00	222.00	40.00	\$ 1,251.00	100.00	\$ 1,351.00
St. Andrew's Parish	784.00	30.00	306.00	40.00	\$ 1,160.00	200.00	\$ 1,360.00
Stallings Island	528.00	30.00	129.00	40.00	\$ 727.00	50.00	\$ 777.00
Stephen Heard	512.00	30.00	102.00	40.00	\$ 684.00	50.00	\$ 734.00
Sukey Hart	1,341.00	45.00	297.00	40.00	\$ 1,723.00	225.00	\$ 1,948.00
Sunbury	1,152.00	45.00	2,977.00	40.00	\$ 4,214.00	200.00	\$ 4,414.00
Suwanee Creek	1,056.00	45.00	390.00	40.00	\$ 1,531.00	650.00	\$ 2,181.00
Sweetwater	976.00	45.00	549.00	40.00	\$ 1,610.00	100.00	\$ 1,710.00
Tallassee	432.00	30.00	111.00	40.00	\$ 613.00	50.00	\$ 663.00
Thomasville	1,632.00	60.00	362.00	40.00	\$ 2,094.00	565.00	\$ 2,659.00
Thronateska	1,712.00	45.00	563.00	40.00	\$ 2,360.00	586.00	\$ 2,946.00
Toccoa	416.00	30.00	59.00	40.00	\$ 545.00	50.00	\$ 595.00
Tomochichi	944.00	45.00	267.00	40.00	\$ 1,296.00	200.00	\$ 1,496.00
Trahlyta	752.00	30.00	108.00	40.00	\$ 930.00	1,100.00	\$ 2,030.00
Vidalia	736.00	45.00	109.00	40.00	\$ 930.00	100.00	\$ 1,030.00
William Day	1,072.00	45.00	370.00	40.00	\$ 1,527.00	2,850.00	\$ 4,377.00
William Marsh	608.00	30.00	126.00	40.00	\$ 804.00	100.00	\$ 904.00
William McIntosh	768.00	30.00	270.00	40.00	\$ 1,108.00	250.00	\$ 1,358.00
Xavier	2,592.00	75.00	807.00	40.00	\$ 3,514.00	100.00	\$ 3,614.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 125,545.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,680.00</b>	<b>\$ 53,016.50</b>	<b>\$ 4,440.00</b>	<b>\$ 187,681.50</b>	<b>\$ 42,864.50</b>	<b>\$ 230,546.00</b>

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# GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY, NSDAR

## BUDGET 2025-2026

DUES based on \$16.00 annual dues from 7,950 members for a total of **\$127,200.00**

**\*PER CAPITA:**

Friends of DAR Schools (\$.20)	\$ 1,590.00
McCall Genealogical Fund (\$.01)	79.50
Meadow Garden Maintenance Fund (\$9.00)	<u>71,550.00</u>

**\$73,219.50**

**EXPENSES:**

Administrative and Operating Funds	\$2,380.50
(Directory, literature, bank fees, certificates, postage, office supplies, corporate filing fee, Hightower certificates, awards, HSR pin)	
State Regent's Travel	7,500.00
Chaplain	500.00
Treasurer (includes Intuit QuickBooks)	1,200.00
Audit	7,000.00
990 Tax Preparation	600.00
State Members Courses	500.00
State DAR Education Commission	500.00
Awards:	
American History Essay (4 Grades @ \$250 ea.)	1,000.00
American History Video Contest (4 winners @\$250 ea.)	1,000.00
E Pluribus Unum (9-12; 1 state winner)	250.00
**DAR Good Citizen (4 Districts @ \$250 ea.)	1,000.00
Outstanding Junior Pin	200.00
Outstanding Teacher, American History	1,250.00
Outstanding Veteran Volunteer	750.00
Patriots of the American Revolution Essay	250.00
State Contingency Fund (New Administration)	5,000.00
Fidelity Bond	300.00
D & O Liability	800.00
Fall Forum (Workshops, State Board of Mgt)	5,000.00
State Conference	5,000.00
Proceedings	6,000.00
Volunteer Information Specialists	<u>6,000.00</u>

**\$53,980.50**

**Total**

**\$127,200.00**

\*State Bylaws, Article X FINANCES. Section 1.(c)

\*\*DAR Good Citizen State Winner (Additional \$500 from NSDAR)

# MEADOW GARDEN

## OPERATING BUDGET

### 2025-2026

**INCOME:**

Per Capita	\$ 71,550.00
(Based on \$9.00 Annual GSS Per Capita from 7,950 Members)	
Interest from CDs	10,000.00
Tours & Public Donations & MG Pin Donations-A&M	8,000.00
Patrons: GTR02/GTR06	42,000.00
Gift Shop Sales	9,000.00
Amplify	<u>20,000.00</u>

**TOTAL INCOME:**

**\$160,550.00**

**EXPENSES:**

Gift Shop:	
Purchases	7,500.00
Square Fees	500.00
Administrative/Maintenance:	
Telephone & Internet	1,750.00
Waste/Richmond Co. Tax Comm.	400.00
Electricity	12,000.00
Water	2,500.00
Pest Service	500.00
Termite Service	510.00
Annual Maintenance Inspection	
990 Tax Return Prep.	525.00
Audit	6,600.00
Insurance	18,000.00
Lawn Service	10,000.00
Miscellaneous	894.00
Office Supplies	1,000.00
Contract Labor	12,600.00
Payroll	44,000.00
Employer Payroll Taxes & Filing Fees	3,366.00
Employer Payroll Tax Processing Fees	800.00
Repair/Maintenance	8,400.00
Security	1,200.00
Organizations/Affiliations	1,000.00
Cleaning - Exterior	500.00
QuickBooks Online	650.00
Cleaning – Interior & Supplies	500.00
Director Continuing Education	600.00
Director Travel	100.00
Backflow Testing	500.00
Events	2,500.00
Safe Deposit Box	170.00
Advertising/Public Relations/Outreach	10,000.00
Collections Management	1,500.00
Health & Safety	1,000.00
Patron & Other Expenses/Fees:	
Furnishings	900.00
Capital Inv./ Improvement	285.00
A&M (Patron Ribbons/Cards/Postage, Amplify)	1,000.00
Landscaping	5,000.00
HEC	1,000.00
State Regent's Project	<u>300.00</u>

**TOTAL EXPENSES:**

**\$160,550.00**

## **National Committees: Reports of State Chairs**

### **AMERICA 250! – Trisha “Trish” Holland Moseley**

Georgia Daughters were busy celebrating America250! in 2024! Outstanding chapter activities included Hightower Trail's puppet show about our Flag, Etowah's 1776 Patriots in the Square where children were able to sew stars on a flag with Betsy Ross and sign the Constitution with Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson, and Martha Stewart Bulloch had comprehensive year-round events. A total of fifteen America250! markers have been approved for Georgia. Twenty-two Celebrations Grants were awarded to chapters and the State Society, bringing our state total to 48. Throughout the year, Georgia Daughters celebrated Liberty Tree plantings, parades and booths, donations of books to public libraries and schools, newspaper articles, historical markers, and billboards reminding everyone of the upcoming semiquicentennial. The Tomochichi chapter paid homage to the brave women responsible for the Edenton Tea Party. America250! Christmas trees were showcased in town squares across our state and wonderfully researched Patriot Minutes appeared in newspapers and chapter newsletters. In April, Governor Kemp signed SB369 which allowed for the creation of an America250! license plate which will be available January 1, 2026. There is a new Georgia website, [georgia250.com](http://georgia250.com) which will begin to showcase state activities. Outstanding America250! Project Awards: Hightower Trail, Etowah, Martha Stewart Bulloch.

### **AMERICAN HERITAGE – Janet Pietrobono**

The Georgia State Chapters gave 111 programs and two Women in the Arts award in 2024. Thirty hopeful creatives have entered this year's contest. Many programs were presented, including hands on learning to make baskets, and works in clay. Programs on Patriotic Music and Sewing During the Colonial Era. Many quilts were made, that found their way to veteran's, hurricane victims in North Carolina, Chemawah Indian School, and cartoon caricature adorned quilts for children. Hats and blankets were knitted or crocheted for the homeless, or newborns overseas, and the tiniest of hats to hospitals for preemies. A special nod to the Mary Hammond Chapter, that was gifted a vase that was once in the house of their patron for whom the chapter was named. They learned about the clay vase, the style and craft of that time period. Now having completed its provenance to ensure its' authenticity, this historical artifact is being presented to the Washington Library on its 100th anniversary.

### **AMERICAN HISTORY – Deborah “Debbie” Garrett Bush**

Historic preservation, education, and patriotism were delivered in a beautiful package from our Georgia daughters during the 2024 year. Members were busy throughout the state as they sang, danced, performed, laid wreaths, cleaned tombstones, and a myriad of other activities that sparked a fire in their communities.

There was a variety of topics for the programs given at the chapter level. When the daughters were not meeting or planning the work, they had the opportunity to explore what was in their own backyard. Basket weaving was perfected art of the natives of North America, so why not learn how to basket weave? Learning how to make pottery like in colonial times was a project of one of the chapters. Chapters all over the state recognized Georgia Day. John Benning hosted an event memorializing the lives of 62 young pilots who lost their lives in fatal air crashes while training during WWII. Georgia daughters are proud of the women who have come before us or who are in our midst. Chapters honored 24 Women in American History in 2024. There were 196 schools participating in the essay contests. Winners will receive certificates, medals, and monetary awards at the education luncheon.

### **AMERICAN INDIANS – Susan Helton Gwaltney**

Georgia Chapters donated money to American Indian scholarships, Indian Schools, Friends of American Indians, books and computer drives. 15 quilts were donated to Chemawa School, Indian minutes, many programs, proclamations. Mt.Oglethorp Marker and Bench Dedication.

## **AMERICANISM – Pamela Ann Lyle**

There is no doubt that Georgia Daughters show how they adhere to the American's Creed and show their love of country as they promote and celebrate patriotism. In each corner of the state, members gathered to march in parades, work with our future young citizens, attend commemorations, honor veterans, and much more. 100% of chapters reported recitation of the American's Creed and the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America. 29 chapters reported participation in naturalization ceremonies or receptions with a total of 43 members. 68 chapters reported patriotic songs being sung in their meeting. Sequoyah was recommended to National for the best overall Americanism Program because of their diversity in subject matter. Atlanta was recommended for best Americanism Event because of the creativity and preparation for a large naturalization event. Best effort was given to James Stewart for sponsoring the only Medal of Honor recipient, Ronnie Durell Langley, in our state during the year and building relationships with the school, county officials, and other local publications. Unfortunately, many chapters reported that Naturalization ceremonies were unavailable, but they found numerous ways to connect with their citizens.

## **CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT AND REVITALIZATION COMMISSION**

### **– Constance “Connie” Sasser Rifkind**

The CDRC worked throughout 2024 to support Georgia chapters. Our first goal was to assist chapters in adding new members. As a result, we offered to present genealogy workshops in their communities to attract new prospective members. During the year, we presented six genealogy workshops throughout the state. We have additional workshops scheduled for 2025. Our second goal was to encourage chapters to retain existing members. This Chair personally followed up with regents whose chapters had unpaid members, offering to contact those unpaid members. Those chapters with zero unpaid members will receive a “No Daughter Left Behind” certificate from the CDRC at State Conference. In addition, we presented a DAR 101 workshop and spoke about DAR 101 to a chapter meeting to encourage daughters' service and improve retention. Our final goal was to assist chapters with internal issues or challenges. We met with several chapters and spoke via telephone to others, listening to chapter officers as well as sharing information and providing other forms of support. This Chair made a presentation to Chapter Regents at the Georgia State Society Fall Forum sharing helpful information to encourage chapter development and revitalization.

## **CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION – Andrea Anglin Newton**

See G.S.S.C.A.R. Society Report

## **COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS – Leslie Strickland Watkins**

Chapters commemorated historic events including Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Patriots Day, Constitution Week, Vietnam Veterans Day, and Veterans Day. They celebrated 80th Anniversary of D-Day, NASA Space Shuttle 50th Anniversary, 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party, and 125th Anniversary of DAR Hospital Corps. 43 chapters observed the 50th Commemoration of the Vietnam War and 21 participated in Wreaths Across America. Chapters celebrated the 200th Anniversary of Lafayette's Farewell Tour and Georgia Day, participated in U.S. Flag retirement ceremonies, commemorated American Revolution battles, attended Patriot grave markings, and honored fallen heroes. Liberty Trees were dedicated, America 250! Markers were installed, and Victory Gardens planted. Pearl Harbor and D-Day were observed as was the National Day of Prayer. History months were recognized for Native Americans, Blacks, and Women. Best Cumulative Report-John Benning, 2nd-Sequoyah, 3rd-Captain James Kell. Individual Event Reports: 50th Anniversary of Vietnam War, Moultrie Marker Dedication, Wreaths Across America-John Benning; Constitution Week, Independence Day, Flag Day, Patriot Greve Marking, DAR Bench Marker, 50th Anniversary of the NASA Space Shuttle Program-Sequoyah; 125th Anniversary, DAR Hospital Corps-Fayette-Starr's Mill; 80th Anniversary D-Day, Vietnam Veterans Day-Captain James Kell; Georgia Day, Veterans Day-Sukey Hart.

### **COMMUNITY CLASSROOM – Tammy D. Hyder**

Chapters have been busy this past year with community classroom activities. The chair encouraged the chapters at the school luncheon at the Fall Forum to seek out ways to work with schools in their communities. Activities by the chapters have included: adopting classrooms by providing snacks and supplies, endorsing teachers for grants, supplying pocket Constitutions to students, developing Constitution Week Poster contests, a variety of Constitution activities, honoring the 50th anniversary of the Space Shuttle Program by providing classroom sessions for fifth grade students, participating in Read Across America to more than 5,000 Georgia students, donating books to schools, providing snacks for teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week, judging Veteran's Day Door decorating contests, promoting Veteran's Days and Wreaths Across America by enlisting the help of JROTC groups, providing food for Backpack Buddies, presenting copies of George Washington: The First President to first grade teachers, recognizing student essays in fifth grade and high school, providing scholarships to essay winners, celebrating Junior American Citizens at chapter meetings, delivering flags and flag fact flyers to Boys and Girls clubs and to County Parks and Recreation Departments, and providing much needed toiletry items to students in middle schools.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS – Linda Underwood Easterwood**

Chapters were encouraged to "Go For Two" by presenting two awards per calendar year (Jan- Dec). Community Service Awards are a wonderful way to get DAR recognized in your community by presenting an award at a local event. Nominees can be a local individual or a group who provides unpaid service benefiting others.

Seventeen Community Service Awards were presented in 2024 by thirteen chapters. Four chapters presented two awards in the calendar year: Abraham Baldwin, Captain James Kell, Sergeant Newton, and Trahlyta.

Award recipients were thanked for service through a variety of avenues in their communities: Habitat for Humanity, Genealogy and Library Research, Master Gardeners of UGA, Historic preservation through Museum development, Organizing community Festivals, Veteran services. Remember there is no competition for this award and the Chapters can present two per calendar year. GO FOR TWO!

### **CONSERVATION – Malone Kitchens Moore**

Georgia DAR had 96 Chapters give at least a partial Conservation Chair report with 12 sending additional reports. Georgia totals were 215 Conservation Projects, 471 Conservation minutes, 173 members participating in Arbor Day, 505 members having pollinator gardens, 39 having Never Forget Gardens, 20 members visiting a DAR Forest, and 296 participating in Community Cleanups and 4 Conservation Medals. Chapters participated in the SE Pollinator Count, Arbor Day Activities, River Clean ups, set up Eco Groups, cleaned cemeteries, fed nesting blue birds, and recycled, did Bee Keeping, visited the DAR Forest in Georgia and Liberty Tree Plantings. This State Chair worked to educate Georgia about Conservation. At Fall Forum, Georgia members were treated to a Service in Seconds Room in which members could learn about various activities. This State Chair discussed the Georgia DAR Forest which is located near Clarkesville, GA, and had a recycling center. This chair also posted about various conservation days such as America Recycling days, the Southeastern Pollinator Count and Bat Week.

### **CONSTITUTION WEEK – Melissa Bolton Tanner**

The Constitution Week celebrations began at Fall Forum, September 11–14, 2024, at the Atlanta Airport Marriott Hotel in Atlanta. Service in Seconds had almost 300 bells rung by 75 chapters! The Constitution Week Committee displayed and sold items at the Committee Open Exchange to encourage ideas and activities. Keynote speaker Commissioner John King, Major General Retired spoke on "Defending Our Freedoms: A Legacy of Service and Patriotism". The GASSAR Color Guard presented the colors, and greetings were brought by State Regent Helen Powell, GASSAR President Edward P Rigel Jr., C.A.R. Senior State

President Randy Tindall, and C.A.R. State President Lily Wright. Chapters across the state rang bells, placed displays, presented programs, made kits for schools, and had media coverage on radio, television, newspapers, and billboards! In February and on September 17, 2024, the Georgia State Society returned to the Capitol to have their photo taken with Governor Brian Kemp and First Lady Marty Kemp with proclamations. On Tuesday September 20, 2024, the Constitution Week Committee planned a tour of the Historic Old Capitol Building in Milledgeville where daughters in period dress assisted attendees in signing a large Constitution. The event ended with the Georgia Military College Constitution Week parade.



**DAR DNA Network – Cheryl Nestler Odell**

Since the DAR DNA Network Committee was established as an approved national committee in 2023, DNA continues to be explored as a possible tool for prospective members. In the past year alone, 100% or 111 chapters diligently completed the CMR, showcasing the dedication and engagement of our members across the nation. Over 250 Georgia Daughters actively participated in workshops and programs on DNA. Three applications were successfully approved using DNA evidence, 120 daughters submitted their DNA results to the NSDAR DNA project at Family Tree DNA, underscoring the invaluable role of genetic

testing in our genealogical pursuits. Additionally, four chapters organized DNA programs, and another 16 members completed the GEP-4 DNA program in 2024. This chair is particularly grateful for the opportunity to have presented another DAR DNA Network Committee workshop at Fall Forum. As we reflect on our achievements, let us continue to embrace innovation, education, and collaboration in our quest to preserve and honor our rich heritage. Together, we will continue to advance the mission of the Daughters of the American Revolution, leaving a legacy for generations to come.

#### **DAR GENEALOGY PRESERVATION – Mary King Givens**

A total of 39 daughters, representing 26 Georgia chapters, participated in DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee projects in 2024. In the Historian General's Marker Card Project, 34 daughters indexed 10,453 cards. Barbara Foerst from Sequoyah served as a certifier for the Supporting Documentation Project with 4371 documents, and four daughters transcribed 3664 applications for the Descendants Project. All members benefit greatly from the work of these volunteers that provide much needed access to these records.

#### **DAR GOOD CITIZENS – Brenda Baker King**

This chair participated in monthly SE Division Good Citizens Committee conference calls; coordinated activities between GA Chapters, District Vice Chairs, school contacts, parents, and winners; recruited essay contest judges; performed a detailed analysis of the CMR Report submitted by GA Chapters to determine which chapters and individuals participated in the Good Citizens Committee Contest and merited an award or certificate; created, printed, and distributed 108 awards and certificates to participating chapters and outstanding individuals; delivered an oral committee report at the 126th Georgia State Society Conference Business Meeting; prepared an award certificate for the State Essay Winner to recognize the sparkling qualities of good citizenship in her home, school, and community; presented the DAR Good Citizens Certificate and Pin, together with State Regent Betty Brown Harrah, to the DAR Good Citizens Essay Contest State Winner Holly Mattson and congratulated her co-sponsors the Oglethorpe and George Walton Chapters at the Education Luncheon; offered a learning panel via Zoom to chapter regents and committee chairs on the Committee's goals and procedures; continued education at the Sixth Annual Fall Forum Scholarship Workshop and in the Education Room to promote committee goals and encourage chapter involvement. "Volunteer Hearts are Key".

#### **DAR LEADERSHIP TRAINING – Patricia Frederick Croft, Chair;**

**Mary Brown Turner, Member Course, State Coordinator;**

**Tania White Fontaine, Committee Leaders Course, State Coordinator;**

**Karen Kivette, New Horizons Course, State Coordinator**

The DAR Leadership Training courses provide an opportunity for members to learn more about DAR and how to become active and engaged participants in DAR at all levels. In 2024, 64 GA daughters completed the Members Course, 47 completed the Committee Leaders Course, and 27 completed the New Horizons Course. A certificate and honor cord for each level was presented to graduates at Fall Forum or State Conference. A triple crown pin was presented to those graduates who have completed all three courses. The Wright administration has established National Awards to recognize chapters and states who meet graduation percentages. Twinkling Stars include Atlanta, Bonaventure, Colonel William Candler, Fayette-Starr's Mill, General Daniel Newman, James Waldrop, Liberty Hill, Martha Stewart Bulloch, Patriots of Liberty, Stallings Island, Sukey Hart, and Suwanee Creek Chapters. Shooting Star Chapters are Kennesaw Mountain, Lachlan McIntosh and Philadelphia Winn. North Star Chapters are Chestatee River, Fielding Lewis and Sequoyah. In addition, the Georgia State Society Executive Board has earned the Sparkler Level for DAR Leadership Training participation.

### **DAR LIBRARY OUTREACH – R. Katherine Croft**

This chair is happy to announce that we have a total of 109 Daughters attending the 127<sup>th</sup> Georgia State Conference Book Club. Georgia Daughters donated over 30 books to the NSDAR Library during the Powell Administration, including donations to local libraries in honor of deceased members. This Chair also supported the NSDAR Library Outreach Committee by presenting Presentation ideas on how to get their volunteer heart involved at the 2024 GSSNSDAR Fall Forum.

### **DAR MAGAZINE– Annette Bomar Hopgood**

In 2024 seventeen Georgia Chapters had With the Chapters articles published in the NSDAR Daughters Newsletter: Atlanta, Augusta, Barnard Trail, Chestatee River, Colonel William Candler, Fielding Lewis, James Pittman, John Benning, Kennesaw Mountain, Lachlan McIntosh, Oglethorpe, Old Unicoi Trail, Reverend John Andrew, Sequoyah, Sukey Hart, Sunbury and William Day. Georgia had the 2nd highest number of With the Chapters articles of all State Societies. By membership size category the following Chapters had the largest percentages of subscriptions to the American Spirit Magazine: Kennesaw Mountain (0-50) at 65.8%; Kings Gap (51-100) at 67.4%; Lachlan McIntosh (101-150) at 48.6% and Philadelphia Winn (151+) at 39%. Each received a recognition banner.

### **DAR MUSEUM OUTREACH – Mary Louise Nelson Goehring**

The State Museum Outreach Docent spoke about the importance of having a Museum Outreach Program at the Fall Conference. She encouraged members to use the State Directory to locate Museum Outreach and request a program. Two new Museum Outreach Docents completed online training. Shared some speaking engagements with the new docents in the fall to meet minimum requirements. Docents are taking their programs into schools and other Lineage societies. Total programs given 28; 14 DAR, four Schools and 10 Lineage societies/community groups. Three docents attended the training at Continental Congress. Some chapters requested PEP trunks; docents gave these to the schools. Docents were encouraged to become part of the Zoom talks and Tuesday talks for the new Materials. Four docents who did not give a program; the goal is to help them have 2 programs. Chapters are adding Museum Information to their newsletters and conducting a Museum Minute during meetings. Many have donated to Adopt-a-Book, Friends and Museum Keeper. Awards and certificates given: Service to schools- Caitlen Green, Service to DAR Chapters and State Societies- Christine MacKay, Service to Community groups and Organizations- Elizabeth Walker.

### **DAR PROJECT PATRIOT – Tania White Fontaine**

69 chapters reported activity for active-duty military members in 2024. A total of 5,339 packages and 8,793 cards were sent to locations such as Afghanistan, Syria, Saudia Arabia, Germany and Guam as well as various installations stateside for all branches of the armed forces. 1,556 of these packages were sent to women military members. 24,593 coupons were sent and monetary donations totaled were \$52,278.61 between National, State and Chapter projects. Over 100 Georgia Daughters participated in a Service in Seconds event at Fall Forum by writing cards for service members. National projects included Remember Everyone Deployed (RED) on Fridays, Operation Fill the Stockings and Overseas Military Baby Blanket Project. State projects included support for The Battle Buddy Resource Center at Fort Moore, GA and Operation Deploy Your Dress and Fort Moore and Fort Stewart locations in Georgia. Chapters joined with the USO for various projects at the Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, participation in "Treat the Troops", organized an Amazon Wish List for the Battle Buddy Resource Center and Martin Army Community Hospital and organized a sendoff parade for a deploying National Guard unit. This chair presented information at Fall Forum and created the DAR Project Patriot BINGO game.

### **DAR/SAR/S.R. – Emily Six Tindall**

90 of 111 DAR chapters reported activity with SAR/S.R. 69 DAR chapters participated in local, state, and national activities. 386 joint activities were reported with 260 historic preservation and education events, 122 grave markings, 34 historic markings, 42 parades, and 17 flag retirements. The most attended events by Daughters were the Heroes of the Hornets' Nest, Battle of Kettle Creek, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, Fort Morris Come and Take It, and Wreaths Across America. Additional events hosted or attended by Georgia Daughters and SAR/S.R. members included America 250! Markers, Bicentennial of Lafayette's Tour, Liberty Tree plantings, George Washington's Birthday, Brier Creek, Frederica Naval Action, Yorktown, Meadow Garden, Georgia Day, Cowpens, Battle of Blue Licks, 250th Fairfax Resolves, Independence Day, Constitution Week, SAR BOM and chapter meetings, SAR State Conference, and SAR National Congress. The Siege of Augusta was canceled due to the destruction of Hurricane Helene. 41 DAR referrals became approved SAR/S.R. members. 14 SAR referrals became approved DAR members.

### **DAR SCHOLARSHIP – Robin R. Towns**

Twenty-two chapters contributed a combined scholarship total of \$21,345 for 34 students. Awards for greatest amount donated, First Place (tie): Altamaha (\$3,000) and Council of Safety (\$3,000), Second Place: Sandy Springs (\$2,000); Third Place: John Benson (\$1,500). Eleven chapters donated more than \$1,000. Eleven chapters donated \$100 - \$999. Thirty-six chapters provided public information concerning DAR Scholarships. State scholarships and loans totaled \$82,042.19, serving 23 students. Georgia Cameo Society donated \$7,500 to the Catherine Grace Taylor Gate of Opportunity Scholarship at Berry College. Outstanding Report Award, First Place: Reverend John Andrew; Second Place: Old Unicoi Trail; Third Place: James Waldrop. Assets held at educational institutions total \$717,155.09.

### **GSSNSDAR & Chapter Funds Held at GA Colleges, Fiscal Year 2024**

#### **GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY**

#### **Hazelle Tuthill History Scholarship**

Established 2012 Savannah Chapter

Fund Balance \$ 23,773

Gains: \$2,629.05 Fees: (\$249.87)

\$ 467.50 Rachael Brown (Spring 2024)

\$ 492.50 Matthew Roesch (Fall 2024) **Total Award: \$960.00**

Total GSU Funds: \$25,192.18

#### **BERRY COLLEGE**

#### **DAR Gate of Opportunity Scholarship**

Award: Jennifer Lozano \$7,500.00 + Matching gift \$9,375

**Total award: \$18,875**

Award: Miriana Hernandez \$7,500.00 + Matching gift \$9,375

**Total award: \$18,875**

#### **Catherine Grace Taylor DAR Gate of Opportunity Scholarship**

Award: Erik Jensen \$7,500.00 + Matching gift \$9,375

**Total award: \$18,875**

#### **Edna De Lamar Kendrick Scholarship**

Established 1964 GSSNSDAR

Fund Balance - \$96,185.92

Award: Colton Simmer \$2,050 Spring 2024; \$2,050 Fall 2024

**Total Award: \$4,100**

#### **Janet M. Merritt Scholarship**

Established 1967 GSSNSDAR

Fund Balance - \$50,360.81

Award: Claire Scout Aulenbach- \$1,000 Spring 2024; \$1,000 Fall 2024

**Total Award: \$2,000**

**GSSNSDAR Student Teaching Award for Community Service Est. 2007 GSSNSDAR**

Fund Balance, \$28,535.03

\$250 Madeline Rose Cammarota- Spring 2024

**Total Award: \$250**

**Total Berry Funds - \$175,081.76**

GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

**GSSNSDAR Fannie Trammell Scholarship Fund**

Established 1940 GSSNSDAR

Fund Balance \$ 82,089.15

Contributions \$9,900/35

**Total awarded** \$3,195.00

Incorporates the former Callie C. Bell,  
Lizzie Bridges, & Grace Beatty Watson,  
Funds (Hawkinsville) merged 2015

MIDDLE GEORGIA COLLEGE FOUNDATION

**GSSNSDAR Lydia Napier Jelks Scholarship**

Established 1982 Hawkinsville Chapter

Transferred to GSSNSDAR 2016

Fund balance: \$ 7,254.20

Gains: \$963.31

**Total awarded:** \$250 William C. Evans

Total MGC Funds: \$7,891.97

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

**DAR Georgia Memorial Scholarship Fund**

Established 1923 GSSNSDAR

Fund Balance \$132,880.71

Award: \$4,037.65 Mamie Sevier

**Elijah Clarke DAR Scholarship Fund**

Established 1941 Elijah Clarke Chapter

Fund Balance \$45,687.73

Award: \$597.00 Mamie Sevier

**Elijah Clarke/John Houston Richmond Walton McCurry**

**DAR Scholarship Fund**

Established 1941 Clarke/Houston Chap

Fund Balance \$31,117.53

Award: \$674.57 Mamie Sevier

**May E. Talmadge DAR Scholarship Fund**

Established 1940 GSSNSDAR

Fund Balance - \$96,108.41

**Total awarded:** Mamie Sevier \$1,574.00

**Total UGA funds** \$ 305,794.38

VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

**Claude Davis Ingram DAR Loan Fund**

Established 1916 GSSNSDAR

Fund Balance \$97,336.74

**Total loaned:** \$6,278.97 in short term loans to 5 recipients

### **DAR SCHOOL – Ann Benson Ameye**

In 2024, Georgia Daughters gave their time, talent, and treasure to support DAR Schools in various ways. All 111 chapters marked the CMR complete, and seven chapters submitted additional materials to this chair. Chapters educated members about DAR Schools by providing informative programs at chapter meetings, DAR 101 classes, and minutes each month through reports, newsletters, and social media. Inspired members tutored dyslexic students at Hindman and served on its advisory board, assisted Berry's museum curator at Oak Hill, adopted classrooms at KDS, served on its committees, and walked in its 5k. Many traveled to celebrate KDS' 100th Anniversary festivities in Grant, AL, and Hindman Day at the Races at Churchill Downs in Louisville, KY. The Seed Shower at Fall Forum collected organic and heirloom seeds plus canning supplies from 35 chapters for Hindman's Foodways program. Three deserving students received \$22,500 in Gate of Opportunity Scholarships at Berry College, including one sponsored by the Cameo Society. Crossnore received donations from multiple chapters for its Hurricane Helene Relief effort. The Hightower Award was spotlighted during the Fall Forum Learn over Lunch program, and 88 chapters achieved this prestigious recognition along with \$10 and a certificate. Well done, ladies!

### **DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS – Terese Davis Steinbach**

Georgia Daughters are dedicated to our veterans, illustrated by 34 thousand miles traveled to support veteran activities. 63 Chapters, including 30 registered sponsorship groups, sponsored 10,374 wreaths for Wreaths across America. Apalachee Chapter sponsored 2000 wreaths. Kick off for Wreaths across America took place at the Georgia State Capitol with 60+ attendees. As a State Regent project, 17 Honor flight missions were supported by Georgia daughters, including donations of 75+ lap blankets, 1000+ note cards for mail call and other donations. Sukey Hart Chapter sponsored 8 flights. Ceremonies to recognize World War II veterans included recognition of women in our state, two 'Rosie the Riveters' and one army nurse. Over 80 veterans of the Vietnam War were recognized at commemorative ceremonies across the state. 27 Veteran History interviews took place with Captain James Kell facilitating 9 interviews. Georgia daughters volunteered over 13 thousand hours across 1835 volunteers, supported by 455 youth volunteers contributing 2403 hours to our veterans. Outstanding Veterans Volunteer award was presented to Dr. Mauldin, nominated by Sequoyah Chapter. Outstanding Youth Volunteer award was presented to William Orr, nominated by Abraham Baldwin Chapter.

### **DAR TODAY PODCAST– Valerie Renee Craft**

The DAR Today Podcast is a new National Committee introduced by the Wright Administration. The goal of the podcast is to inform Daughters and the public with information about who the DAR is and what we do. In 2024, the podcast changed from a monthly podcast to a weekly podcast, with the goal of providing more accessible content in shorter segments. Content includes spotlights on National Executive Officers, explorations of committees, overviews of historic and commemorative events, and calls for listeners to submit content. The State Chair posts to the GA State NSDAR Facebook Group to encourage Chapters and Daughters to listen to each episode and participate by submitting ideas and responses to calls for feedback. Chapters are encouraged to highlight the podcast with their members and within their community. The DAR Today Podcast is a great resource for education and promotion, and all Daughters are encouraged to listen in!

### **THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA – Lynn Baxter Jacques**

The Chair is happy to report that although only seven chapters participated in the National Replacement Flag Chapter Grant Program, they were told by the DVC that Georgia did very well with this grant opportunity, especially when compared with the other SE Division states. After the program ended, several additional chapters purchased flags on their own to replace tattered flags, including those that sadly did not survive the powerful winds of a hurricane.

### **FRANCO-AMERICAN MEMORIAL – Beverly “Bev” Vaughan Baker**

Georgia chapters actively participated in the Franco-American Memorial Committee's commemoration of Lafayette's Bicentennial Tour. They honored his legacy through themed luncheons, meetings, and festivals that highlighted his contributions to the American Revolution. Events featured French-inspired cuisine, music, and themed desserts, while members created historical scrolls and handcrafted favors. Chapters decorated Christmas trees with ornaments depicting Lafayette, his wife Adrienne, James Armistead Lafayette and other French-related items like a fleur-de-lis. They also educated the public about his 1824–1825 visit through presentations, reports, newsletters, and videos. This State Chair commends the James Waldrop Chapter for their outstanding efforts in hosting the 17th annual Marquis de Lafayette Dinner. More than just a dinner, the event included an extensive Lafayette-related display at the Fayette Historical Society. Among the exhibits were six seven-foot panels detailing Lafayette's life and legacy, along with a tour map featuring a movable stagecoach that traced his 6,000-mile farewell tour across America. As each stop on his journey was commemorated, the stagecoach was moved along the route, bringing history to life. Georgia chapters made a dedicated effort to celebrate Lafayette's bicentennial, ensuring his remarkable contributions remain honored and remembered.  
First Place for Best Report: James Waldrop Chapter.

### **GENEALOGICAL RECORDS – Linda Killebrew Lopez**

In 2024, Georgia Daughters submitted 3 GRC volumes, a total of 630 pages. Bible Records, Family Registry and Autobiography – Philadelphia Winn, 206 pages. Cemetery Records, Bible Records, and other Family Documents – collection of records from multiple chapters – 293 pages. Liberty Chapel Church Registers: 1883, 1887, 1891, 1895 – 131 pages – Sara Jane Overstreet, Pulaski. Twenty-five Georgia daughters submitted records, compiled and formatted submissions, and indexed completed volumes. Submissions included family Bibles, genealogical family papers and records, Church registries, obituaries, and an autobiography - rich in details about births, deaths and marriages. Publicity included a display at Fall Forum, presentations for chapters and write-ups for the weekly State Regent's Blog. Kitty Watters, Philadelphia Winn, scheduled a Bible scanning day for her New Horizons capstone project. Sara Jane Overstreet (Pulaski) submitted a volume of Liberty Chapel church registries. A close working relationship has developed with the Georgia Room at the Switzer Public Library. The Kennesaw City Cemetery Volume (2023) was presented to the Georgia Room at a statewide library tour. Two Georgia Daughters participated in Step 2 Indexing in 2024: Bonnie Baker, Liberty Hill, indexed 19,332 names and Jan Hogan, William McIntosh, indexed 4,986 names

### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION – Donna Land Bowlick**

The Historic Preservation Committee is pleased to present the work of the Georgia Daughters. 99 DAR programs were presented in Georgia Chapters. 35 programs were for public audiences. Nine grants were sponsored for other organizations and 3 received funding. Two grants were submitted for Chapter Projects. One medal was presented by the Robert Loughridge Chapter. One recognition award was presented by the Abraham Baldwin Chapter. Six Excellence in Historic Preservation Certificates and Medals were presented. Two project contests entries were received – Apalachee and Chestatee River. Six sites and Properties Forms were received. Ten chapters submitted additional reports to the State Chair.

### **INSIGNIA – Cameron Floyd Abney**

Georgia Daughters are proudly sparkling in service, displaying their dedication through their official ribbons. During Fall Forum 2024, an engaging oral and visual presentation on the Do's and Don'ts of Wearing Official Insignia was featured in the DAR 101 session. Additionally, two articles were submitted for the State Regent's blog—one highlighting newly available pins and another promoting the upcoming Insignia Pop-Up Shop at the 2025 State Conference. Insignia education extended beyond Fall Forum, with programs presented at three Georgia chapter meetings. Inquiries regarding the proper wear of the official DAR

Insignia in public settings and the proper order of pins on the official ribbon were received and thoughtfully addressed. In further dedication to leadership and service, this state chair successfully completed the Committee Leaders Course and attended the graduation ceremony at Fall Forum 2024. Georgia Daughters continue to honor tradition, uphold protocol, and wear their DAR Insignia with pride!

**JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS – Amber McLean Witt**

The Junior American Citizens (JAC) Committee had a productive year in 2024, working to engage students across the state in patriotic education and creative expression. At Fall Forum, the committee presented contest opportunities, ensuring widespread awareness among chapters. Additionally, each chapter received direct communication outlining contest details, and a blog post further promoted participation. These efforts resulted in a remarkable response, with over 100 contest entries submitted statewide. The submissions showcased students’ enthusiasm and creativity in expressing American heritage and values. The committee diligently reviewed entries, recognizing outstanding work and encouraging future participation. Through these initiatives, the JAC Committee successfully fostered civic engagement and historical appreciation among young participants. The committee looks forward to building on this momentum in the coming year.

**JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP – Caitlen Ann Parish Green**

Georgia Juniors celebrated adding 44 new members in 2024 with Lachlan Mc Intosh, Matthew Talbot and Sunbury Chapters leading the way. We were grateful to our 104 daughters who helped to sparkle in 2024 by participating in the National 5K to raise money for the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund. Three Georgia Chapters Sponsored teachers to receive \$500 classroom grants via the Classroom Grant Award. This year the 55th State Outstanding Junior, Caitlen Green, was recognized along with one State Runner- Up, Rebecca Bryan, and 26 Chapter Outstanding Juniors. This Chair continued to challenge Georgia Chapters to recognize a Chapter Outstanding Junior and to help their juniors find their place in DAR. The Junior Membership Committee hosted an event for Juniors that was filled with fellowship and learning at the Battery Atlanta during the 2024 State Conference. We were excited to see our Juniors participating across all levels of leadership with two serving as National Vice Chairs, three as State Chairs, 27 Chapter Officers, and 50 Chapter Chairs. This Chair is grateful for all the support from Georgia Daughters, especially the Junior Membership Vice Chairs and the officers and members of the Georgia Junior Club.

**GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OUTSTANDING JUNIORS**

2025	Rebecca Urquhart.....	Suwanee Creek
2024	Caitlen Ann Green.....	Philadelphia Winn
2023	Kathleen “Kathy” Zeles Marsh.....	Roswell King
	National Runner-Up	
2022	Carter Elizabeth Moore.....	George Walton
2021	Alyson Carol Shields.....	Colonel William Candler
2020	Vanessa Michelle Watkins-Nutty.....	William Day
	National Finalist	
2019	Stephani McIntosh Roohani.....	College Hill
2018	Rebecca Katherine Croft.....	Augusta
2017	Stephanie Kupecky Chasez.....	Fielding Lewis
2016	Amy Pittman Lawson.....	Augusta
	National Finalist	
2015	Renee Gaspari Portell.....	Bonaventure
2014	Mary Ann Hawthorne.....	Joseph Habersham
2013	Brittany Dorr Elwell.....	Joseph Habersham
2012	Karen Buck Sokol.....	Suwanee Creek
2011	Kate Sievert Cook.....	Oglethorpe

2010	No Contest	
2009	Dawn Villanueva Levy.....	Roswell King National Finalist
2008	No Contest	
2007	Amy Reece Keeney (Mrs. Salyer L.) .....	Atlanta
2006	Ashley Towns Carter (Mrs. Christopher W.) .....	Elijah Clarke
2005	Danette Flynn Wren (Mrs. Tony C., Jr.).....	John Franklin Wren
2004	O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle (Mrs. Christopher S.).....	Burkhalter National Runner-Up
2003	Victoria Holley Richards (Mrs. Kevin I.) .....	John Franklin Wren
2002	No Contest	
2001	No Contest	
2000	Deborah Wall Kumpitsch (Mrs. Richard C.).....	Joseph Habersham
1999	Jan Wren Best (Mrs. Guy W.) .....	John Franklin Wren
1998	Donna Raye Johnson (Miss).....	Baron DeKalb
1997	Andrea Sammons McCranie (Mrs. W. Daniel II) .....	Colonel William Few Southeastern Division Winner
1996	Denise Beall Fritze (Mrs. James L.).....	Mary Hammond Washington Southeastern Division Winner
1995	Peggy Swann Usry (Mrs.) .....	Peter Early
1994	Claudia Campbell Wiltshire (Mrs.).....	Joseph Habersham
1993	Candace Williams Davis .....	Philadelphia Winn
1992	Alline Lusk Kent (Mrs. Ronald D.) .....	Sukey Hart Southeastern Division Winner
1991	Janet Eubank Dickerson (Mrs. Charles) .....	Cherokee
1990	No Contest	
1989	Karen Mitchell Allmond (Mrs. Donald) .....	John Franklin Wren
1988	Elizabeth Frazier Stone (Miss) .....	John Franklin Wren
1987	Angelynne Thompson Tracy *Mrs. Edward M.).....	General Josiah Tattnall Southeastern Division Winner
1986	Mary McBride Daniel (Mrs. Buxton L.).....	General Josiah Tattnall Southeastern Division Winner National Outstanding Junior Winner
1985	JoAnn Eileen Moore (Miss).....	John Laurens
1984	Gwendolyn Sue Edenfield (Miss) .....	Earl of Camden
1983	Ester Davis Deen (Mrs. R. H., Jr.) .....	John Floyd Southeastern Division Winner
1982	Susan Aul Burnett (Mrs. Thomas R.).....	Cherokee
1981	Candace Roberts Brown (Mrs. Wade E.).....	John Floyd
1980	Donna Oesterreicher Kemp (Mrs. William T., Jr.).....	Button Gwinnett
1979	Gladys Rose Purvis Shuman (Mrs. Ned L.) .....	Vidalia Southeastern Division Winner
1978	Harriette Foster Hankinson (Mrs. Donald D.).....	Captain Thomas Cobb
1977	Marjorie Boyd Larkin (Mrs. Robert F.) .....	Governor David Emanuel
1976	Mary Elizabeth Langford Phillips (Mrs. Leo L. Jr.).....	Hawkinsville Southeastern Division Winner National Outstanding Junior Winner
1975	Sarah Jeanette Joiner Frey (Mrs. John Raymond).....	Hawthorne Trail
1974	Pam Maxwell Boyette (Mrs. M. Heyward).....	General Daniel Stewart
1973	Jane Ham (Mrs. James L.).....	Button Gwinnett
1972	Martha Evans Green (Mrs. Leon).....	General Daniel Stewart
1971	Sandra Smisson Tolleson (Mrs. Mel).....	General Daniel Stewart
1970	Marjorie Young Fox (Mrs. Jonathan W.) .....	Stone Castle
1969	Kay Dyal Miller (Mrs. Fred A., Jr.) .....	Colonel William Few

1968	Ethelynn McMillan Stuckey (Mrs. William S., Jr.).....	Colonel William Few
1967	Louise Murphy Swann (Mrs. Lewis H., Jr.) .....	Fort Peachtree
1966	No Contest	
1965	Nina Durrett Childs (Mrs. Dauphin Vesro, Jr.)..	Mary Hammond Washington
1964	Ethel Ann Davis Sewell (Mrs. William G.).....	Cherokee Southeastern Division Winner
1963	Florence Margaret Crook (Miss).....	Cherokee
1962	Contest Announcement	

**LINEAGE RESEARCH – Pamela “Pam” Strother Downs**

One of the Georgia State Lineage Research Committee Chair’s initiatives this year was to encourage and assist chapters with establishing Lineage Research Committees. To that end, we have offered recruiting materials, a Chapter Lineage Research Committee Handbook and a workshop, “Preparing DAR Applications,” which is being presented at strategic locations around the state so that every chapter has an opportunity to participate. In 2024, two workshops were presented that included eight chapters and trained 52 women. More have been presented and are scheduled in 2025. We are especially proud that 50 chapters now have Lineage Research Chairs with 151 Lineage Research Committee members. 28 chapters conducted in-house lineage research workshops training 492 people. The State Lineage Research Committee was asked to assist with 24 applications by either reviewing the application before submission, helping do research for problem lineages, help locate needed resources and help clear AIRs. To date, ten applications have been verified and 12 are pending. The other two requests were for specific research help and were completed.

**LITERACY PROMOTION**

**– Elizabeth “Betty” Tinning Dixon and Mary “Penny” White Walker**

Education begets Inspiration. Georgia Daughters were certainly inspired to Serve. The Literacy Promotion Committee hosted a Service in Seconds: Books for the Fly-brary, event at Fall Forum and over 1,600 were collected and delivered to the airport. Georgia Daughters worked very hard to enrich the lives of children and adults: 463 Daughters volunteered in literacy programs and logged in 6,305 hours. Volunteering: tutoring children in a Monday Math Program, facilitating a Memoire Writing class at ninety-seven years young, teaching ESL classes, hosting a podcast, and adopting a library at an assisted-living community where 25 veterans reside.

Daughters collected 10,913 books that were distributed in local communities and beyond. Daughters donated \$9,462.04 for literacy projects. Recipients include: Hindman School’s book-vending machines, The Hillside School, Little Free Libraries, the Little Readers project, and American History literature for fifth graders.

30 chapters sponsored or refilled 75 Little Free Libraries which are located at schools, in parks, churches, a drugstore, residential communities and a cancer-center waiting room.

Daughters formed 38 Community Partnerships and shared 35 literacy programs with community groups.

**MASTER REPORTS – Kay Griffin Ragan**

The Master Reports are visual measurements of established chapter goals and achievements through DAR’s Mission of historic preservation, education, and patriotism, along with membership for the calendar year January – December. The Chapter Master Report is a yearly reporting tool that allows National and State Chairs to recognize deserving chapter members’ outstanding service. The Chapter Achievement Award is a contest to recognize chapters for their exceptional work as it applies to all committees and all chapter sizes, using a point system to show how the chapter fulfilled the goals set by the National organization. All 111 chapters reported in 2024. Congratulations Georgia Daughters! The winners of the Chapter Achievement Awards are as follows: First Place Winners for chapters under 50 members Liberty Hill, chapters 51-100 Lachlan McIntosh, chapters 101-150 Sequoyah, and chapters 151 and above Fielding Lewis. Second Place Winners are chapters

under 50 Colonel Ebenezer Folsom, chapters 51-100 Suwanee Creek, chapters 101-150 Chestatee River, and chapters 151 and above resulted in a tie between College Hill and Xavier. Third Place Winners are chapters under 50 Stallings Island, chapters 51-100 William Day, chapters 101-150 Fort Peachtree and chapters 151 and above Philadelphia Winn.

### **MEMBERSHIP – Patricia M. Hein**

The State Membership Committee's mission is to support the NSDAR goals through recruitment, engagement, and retention. On January 1, 2025, the Georgia State Society DAR (GSSDAR) had 7,894 members, of which 441 are Junior members. In 2024, the Georgia State Society attained 443 new members by application and reinstated 79 former members. Unfortunately, Georgia had 254 members resign and 190 members drop. GSSDAR has 111 chapters. Only 13 chapters have fewer than 26 members and no chapters have fewer than 14 members. This is a great improvement from the previous year. In 2024, the State Membership Committee received 421 referrals from the NSDAR Prospective Member Database interest form. The Sequoyah Chapter had the largest number of new members by application with 28. The John Benson Chapter had the greatest percentage increase in membership by application with 22.5%. There were 53 chapters with zero dropped members and 71 chapters with less than 2% dropped members. In 2024, 15 chapters increased their membership by at least 10%. 45 chapters brought in four or more new members by application or reinstatement, and 42 chapters brought in one more member by application in 2024 than they did in 2023 – 27 chapters did both.

### **NATIONAL DEFENSE – Rita Ann Parker**

Sixty-two of the 111 Georgia chapters presented at least one program dedicated to National Defense. Eighty-seven chapters devoted at least three minutes to a National Defense report at every regular meeting. Ninety-one chapters used National Defender articles for their three-minute reports. Seventy-four chapters presented National Defense medals. Nineteen Gold ROTC medals were presented to a college or university graduate being commissioned to one of the U.S. Armed Services. One hundred eighty-four JROTC Bronze medals were presented to a high school or junior college graduating cadet. Twenty-nine silver Outstanding Cadet medals were presented to students participating in non-ROTC, military affiliated programs. Distinguished Citizen medals were presented to twenty-nine individuals 18 years or older who fulfilled the qualifications of service, courage, leadership, honor, and patriotism. One hundred five students in grades 5 through 11 were presented Youth Leadership medals. \$11, 439 was contributed to ROTC and Cadet Award programs. Outstanding chapter report certificates were awarded to Etowah, Liberty Hill, Old Noonday, and Old Unicoi Trail for submitting additional reports in addition to what was reported on the Chapter Master Report. First place for Outstanding National Defense report was awarded to Sunbury for additional report of their Apalachee High School awards ceremony.

### **PATRIOT RECORDS PROJECT – Charlotte “Chotts” Louise Dunkin**

In 2024, 40 Georgia Daughters from 26 chapters participated in the Patriot Records Project by entering 210,334 names and processing 49,124 documents. Cherry Monroe from St Andrews Parish was the 'Outstanding Volunteer of the Year' with 61,539 names indexed and 14,488 documents processed. Along with Cherry Monroe, five volunteers are recognized as 'Outstanding Contributors' for indexing 10,000+ names, including Paula Walsh (Matthew Talbot), Patricia Walker (John Laurens), Betty Westbrook (Liberty Hill), Norma Reeves (Fielding Lewis), and Deborah Kyle (William Day). Most indexed names by chapter were, 1st) St Andrews Parish (61,539), 2nd) Matthew Talbot (35,796), 3rd) John Laurens (16,957). The chapters with the most members indexing were Philadelphia Winn, Sukey Hart, Kennesaw Mountain, and Martha Stewart Bulloch with 3 members each. In addition to indexing names, 51 Daughters supported this committee in special projects. This State Chair was excited to meet with attendees at the Annual Fall Forum Committee Open Exchange in September to share information about the Patriot Records Project.

PATRIOT RECORDS PROJECT: 40 members indexed Patriot Records; 210,334 names indexed by members; 51 members supported special projects; 2,735 hours spent indexing Patriot Records.

### **PRESIDENT GENERAL'S PROJECT – Ginger Gidden-Weinzierl**

The President General's Project continued to give Georgia daughters the opportunity to SPARKLE as we celebrated Stars and Stripes Forever and supported the missions and efforts of the National Society. The Georgia State Society did just that by increasing the sustaining supporter member count by 19 for a total of 450 daughters now giving monthly to our great society. Georgia daughters have embraced SERVICE & FRIENDSHIP as 99% of Georgia chapters achieved 100% participation this year. Georgia fully met and exceeded our commitment to the President General's Project by achieving 113% of the GSSDAR goal! The President General's Project table was a great success during State Conference. Madame State Regent, it has been a pleasure to serve in the Powell Administration.

### **PROTOCOL – Joyce Ball Patton**

It has been a pleasure answering questions and advising Chapters, Chairman and the State Conference Committees during the Powell Administration. Members are encouraged to review the details before any event you may be planning or attending. Our members are expected to use proper protocol at all DAR activities, just remember good manners and correct conduct go hand and hand. Georgia Daughters are perfect examples of Southern Ladies who use gracious manners and sweet southern hospitality.

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MEDIA**

#### **– Kimberly Maine Manhood and Donna Odum Loudermilk**

All chapters reported. Chapters reporting newsletters, 76; members only website/social media, 70; brochures, 55; media awards, 5; print coverage, 76; broadcast coverage, 23; chapters with public Facebook pages, 50; chapters with Instagram, 9; chapter using other social media, 2; chapters using video communication with members, 15; commemorative or community event publicity, 73.

Co-chairs presented training at Fall Forum. Chapters placed monthly meeting notices in their local newspaper as well as longer articles about DAR events. Several chapters used hard copy newspapers as well as online editions to publish their news and meeting information expanding their reach to community and prospective members. Chapters have become more comfortable with Facebook, so a few are branching out into YouTube, Twitter, and Instagram. Chapter brochures, posters, and displays in businesses were used for events and to publicize chapters.

### **SERVICE TO AMERICA! – Terri Parks Fopiano**

This chair started Powell Administration brainstorming and planning, attended Fall Forum and hosted the Service in Seconds event involving many State Committees. DAR Schools collected seed packets and canning lids for KDS. Conservation: recycling; Constitution Week: Bells Across America; Project Patriot: Tunnels to Towers banner, Middle Georgia honor Flight, book collection for "Fly-brary" at Atlanta airport; State Pages: wrote thank-you notes to Pages. How-to log hours hand-out. Our room was abuzz with Daughters coming participating in all the activities, creating interest in on-going projects and informing Daughters about Service to America. In addition, promoted the Service to America Facebook page, the on-line Daughters Online Community (DOC) on national web site.

This chair encouraged Daughters to purchase Service to America Insignia pin and wear it ad wrote several entries for State Regent's weekly blog. She joined the State Speaker Staff and spoke whenever, wherever to encourage daughters to learn/ understand why we log our hours! She promoted committee on local level in newsletters, Facebook posts, more; Called several chapter Regents coaching them on what counts and how to meet chapter minimum. Made calls/texts encouraging chapters to finish strong. Georgia obtained 100% goal with all chapters participating: exceeding our state goal!

### **SPECIALTY RESEARCH – Caroline Grace Chapman**

The Specialty Research Committee focuses on six areas of Specialty Research: African American, Dutch, French, French Canadian, Jewish, Native American, and Spanish. By expanding avenues for membership, locating documentation, and assisting with applications, working to ensure DAR reflects the full scope of those who contributed to American independence. This state chair had the privilege of assisting a prospective member in tracing her lineage to a patriot within one of these Specialty Research categories. Through extensive research, an ancestor was located along with documentation, reinforcing the importance of Specialty Research in identifying lesser-known patriots. This research process required reviewing historical records, utilizing DAR databases, and cross-referencing available resources to establish the necessary lineage connections. As Specialty Research continues to grow, this state chair looks forward to supporting members in their journey of discovery and increasing awareness of these often-overlooked contributions to American Independence.

### **UNITS OVERSEAS –Anita Pietrobono Bianconi**

Joining Units Overseas is one of the fun ways to interact with fellow daughters living outside the USA. The DAR is represented by 18 Chapters in 11 countries. This Chair has given a Chapter program on the benefits of becoming an Associate member; manned a table at 2024 Fall Forum, handing out information/forms for each of the UO Chapters and answering questions. This Committee publishes a newsletter on the National DAR Website twice yearly where one can see the wonderful things being done by our chapters abroad to promote Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism.

### **VOLUNTEER GENEALOGISTS – Cynthia Grantham Davis**

Twelve Volunteer Genealogists were assigned to 12 chapters assisting with registrar training, review of new genealogy guidelines, prospective member applications, supplementals, and AIRs. This resulted in 30 applications approved with a few still in process. Chapter members were encouraged to take the Genealogy Education Program courses. Two workshops were presented by the VG Chair Cynthia Davis. Volunteer Field Genealogists attended workshops, presented 48 Genealogy classes for various chapters throughout the state including an SAR group. Fifty-seven Georgia daughters assisted members in other chapters and 600 members in the state have attended genealogy workshops. GA State Society has 279 Volunteer Genealogists. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Vice Chairs: Brenda Bush, Teresa Daniels, Christine Doerschner, Nina Fort, Annie Gunnin, Kathleen Hadfield, Marie Harris Manning, Cathy McLendon, Sarah Jane Overstreet, Brandy Pethel, Suzanne Sanborn and Pamela Tucker.

### **VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SPECIALISTS –**

#### **F. Anne Hinton and Alexis K. Harper**

The Georgia State Society has 111 chapters and 7,902 members. All chapters completed the CMR before the February 1 deadline. In July, we transitioned to a new web hosting service to enhance security and provide better technical support. This change affected all state-maintained websites and rendered any associated redirects to the chapter-maintained pages unavailable. By December, we had all the sites back online, including chapter websites, and worked with State Officers, Committee Chairs, and Club Presidents to update their CIPs. We post weekly BLOG messages from the State Regent and maintain a busy Events calendar. At the Fall Forum, VIS presented presentations on the work of the VIS Committee and collected non-personal email addresses from the chapters to update the NSDAR chapter locator website. We recognized 72 Georgia Daughters nominated by 31 chapters for their outstanding use of technology, creative use of social media to connect with members, and the growing use of online payment for dues. The best chapter report is awarded to the Patriots of Liberty. This year's State VIS Volunteer of the Year award winner is F. Anne Hinton of the College Hill Chapter.

## **WOMEN'S ISSUES – Marquita Crews**

Women's Issues for 2024 produced a wide range of activities. Thirty-nine Georgia Chapters participated in the 2023-2024 National Focus, "Celebrating and Caring for Women". Seventy-six chapters facilitated various programs, projects or both; and recognized ladies and other organizations within their communities. Early last year, encouraged by past Chair, Bridget Conner, every Women's Issues category; Career, Family, Mental Health, and Physical Health, received an essay entry. Several essay judges relayed high regards for each. Augusta, Chestatee River, Fielding Lewis, Hawkinsville, Martha Stewart Bulloch, and Oglethorpe are to be commended for their essays. Oglethorpe submitted a VOW Grant package in support of the Sallie Nelson Veteran Women's Home. Also, Oglethorpe member, Faye Wells, placed First at the State Level and at the Southeastern Division with her essay, "From Retired to Re-hired". Sukey Hart member, Cynthia Davis, placed First at the State Level and received an Honorable Mention for the Southeastern Division with her essay, "A Life Well Lived". This Chair continues to encouraging members with the anticipation that that all 111 chapters will reach new heights of participation in Women's Issues.

## **State Standing Committees: Reports of State Chairs**

### **BYLAWS – Melodye G. Brown**

No proposed amendments to the State Bylaws were received prior to State Board of Management, nor were amendments presented by the Executive Board, Meadow Garden Board, or any State Standing Committees prior to the deadline, so the scheduled meetings of the Bylaws Committee at Fall Forum and State Conference were unnecessary. Appreciation is extended to the members of this committee for their willingness and ability to serve.

### **FINANCE- Betty Brown Harrah**

The Finance Committee met on July 18, 2024, with Betty Harrah, Chair, presiding. All committee members were present, including Amy Lawson, Ann Ameye, Mary Kuntz, Candace Breeden, Valerie Fried and Linda Williams. Because of the increase of state dues of \$1.00 at the 2024 State Conference, the 2024-2025 budget was amended and approved to reflect the increase. The 2025-2026 Budget was drafted and presented at the State Board of Management meeting on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at the Atlanta Airport Marriott, Atlanta, GA.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

#### **July 18, 2024**

The Finance Committee of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, met on Thursday, July 18, 2024, in the Signers Room of Meadow Garden in Augusta, Georgia. Committee Chair Mary Elizabeth "Betty" Brown Harrah called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Additional voting members in attendance were Amy Pittman Lawson, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Ann Benson Ameye, Candace Reese Breeden, Valerie Ellis Fried, and Linda Wood Williams. Ex-Officio member State Regent Helen Robertson Powell was present.

Mrs. Harrah welcomed those attending, gave the invocation, and declared a quorum present. Mrs. Harrah reminded members that the Finance Committee is for Georgia State Society's financial operations only and is separate from Meadow Garden. The previous Finance Committee approved the minutes of the last meeting during the Harrah Administration; they were submitted for publication in the 2023-2024 Proceedings.

Mary Kuntz, State Treasurer, presented two Financial Reports. The Georgia State Society Account Summaries covering the Harrah Administration during the period July 1, 2023, through June 29, 2024, were: Certificates of Deposit \$141,795.12; Checking Account \$209,405.25; Money Market Accounts \$118,534.73; \$10,559.75 Savings Account; Total

Bank Accounts \$480,294.85; Total Other Assets \$2,400.00; Total Liabilities and Equity \$482,694.85. The Georgia State Society Account Summaries covering the Powell Administration during the period July 1, 2024, through July 16, 2024, were Certificates of Deposit \$141,795.12; Checking Account \$75,159.85; Money Market Accounts \$133,862.08; \$10,553.75 Savings Account; Total Bank Accounts \$361,370.80; Total Other Assets \$2,400.00; Total Liabilities and Equity \$363,770.80.

Ann Ameye, Past State Treasurer, gave a transition update stating that after all GSS Unrestricted Funds were moved to GSS State Dues Unallocated checking, one-half was transferred to GSS State Dues Unallocated Money Market, and one-half was transferred to Meadow Garden's Admin. & Maintenance Money Market. GSS Restricted funds for the Georgia Room at NSDAR Fund, McCall Genealogical Fund, and State Library Fund were moved to their respective Money Market accounts. Georgia State Society, State Regent's Project funds, and Meadow Garden, State Regent's Project funds were transferred to Meadow Garden's Capital Investment & Improvement Savings. The Powell Administration began with \$10,000.00 from the Contingency Reserve Funds. Club funds remain in their individual checking accounts.

The 2023-2024 fiscal year Audit is scheduled to begin on August 1 per our contract with the auditors, Mersereau, Lazenby & Rockas, LLC (MLR).

Mrs. Harrah asked the Finance Committee to consider increasing the number of pages purchased by the Georgia State Society to be published in the Daughters Newsletter November/December issue. Extra pages are needed to recognize Chaplain General Virginia Grace Lingelbach, Vice President General Betty Brown Harrah, Honorary Vice President General Joyce Ball Patton, Past Vice President General Barbara Blakely Chastain, and Honorary State Regent Rose Elyea Bell. **Valerie Fried moved that the Georgia State Society purchase additional pages for the November/December issue of the Daughters Newsletter, not to exceed \$2,080.00, funds to be taken from the State Dues Unallocated Money Market Account.** Candace Breeden seconded. **Motion approved unanimously.**

Mrs. Harrah announced that the 2024-2025 GSSDAR Operating Budget required amending to adjust for the \$1.00 per capita dues increase per the Bylaw Amendments approved at the 2024 State Conference. Mrs. Kuntz noted the \$1.00 per capita increase was slightly offset by a decrease in overall membership. A line item was added to recognize four state winners of the new NSDAR American History Video Contest. Additional adjustments were made to balance the budget. **Mrs. Lawson moved that the 2024-2025 Georgia State Society, NSDAR Operating Budget, approved at the 2024 State Conference, be amended as discussed.** Linda Williams seconded. **Motion approved unanimously.**

Mrs. Kuntz opened discussion on the proposed Operating Budget for 2025-2026, which will be presented to the State Board of Management by Finance Committee Chair Mrs. Harrah on September 14, 2024. Adjustments were made to balance the budget. Mrs. Breeden moved that the proposed 2025-2026 Georgia State Society, NSDAR Operating Budget, to be presented at the 2024 State Board of Management, be approved as discussed. Linda Williams seconded. **Motion approved unanimously.**

The Finance Committee discussed current bank account balances, laddering CDs, exploring rates, and possible investment strategies to ensure we remain good stewards of the GSSDAR finances.

Our next Finance Committee meeting will be on Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Fall Forum in Atlanta, Georgia.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Approved as distributed September 12, 2024

Betty Brown Harrah, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### September 12, 2024

The Finance Committee of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, met on Thursday, September 12, 2024, in the Athens Room of the Atlanta Airport Marriott, Atlanta, GA. Committee Chair Elizabeth "Betty" Brown Harrah called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Additional voting members in attendance were Amy Pittman Lawson, Mary Shepherd Kuntz,

Ann Benson Ameye, Candace Reese Breeden, Valerie Ellis Fried, and Linda Wood Williams. Ex-Officio member State Regent Helen Robertson Powell was also present.

Mrs. Harrah welcomed those attending, gave the invocation, and declared a quorum present.

The Finance Committee approved the minutes of the July 18, 2024 meeting as distributed.

Mary Kuntz, State Treasurer, announced that all members of the Finance Committee had signed a Conflict of Interest Form. Mrs. Kuntz presented the financial report. **The Georgia State Society Account Summaries** during the period July 1, 2024, through September 10, 2024, were: Certificates of Deposit \$144,811.78; Checking Account \$150,851.91; Money Market Accounts \$132,146.54; Savings Account \$10,554.61. Total Bank Accounts \$438,364.84; Other Assets (Hotel Deposit) \$2,400.00; Total Liabilities and Equity \$440,764.84.

Mrs. Kuntz presented the Amended Approved Operating Budget, approved on July 18, 2024. The budget will be presented by Committee Chair Harrah during State Board of Management on Saturday, September 14, 2024. Mrs. Kuntz updated the Committee on all current CDs held by the Georgia State Society. Mrs. Kuntz expressed sincere appreciation to Mrs. Harrah, Mrs. Powell, and Mrs. Ameye for their continued support and guidance.

Ann Ameye, Past State Treasurer, stated that the 2023-2024 fiscal year audit is progressing appropriately. The auditors, Mersereau, Lazenby & Rockas, LLC (MLR), require the use of Suralink as a depository for all files. The technology is easy-to-use and working well.

Mrs. Harrah announced that no recommendations have come from the Executive Committee.

The Finance Committee discussed current federal interest rates and possibly laddering upcoming CDs as an investment strategy. Mrs. Kuntz will be contacting the banks for additional information.

Our next Finance Committee meeting will be on Thursday, March 20, 2025, 10:45 a.m., at State Conference in Augusta, Georgia.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Approved as distributed March 20, 2025.

Betty Brown Harrah, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### **March 20, 2025**

The Finance Committee of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, met on Thursday, March 20, 2025, in the Heathcote Room of the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, Augusta, GA. Committee Chair Elizabeth "Betty" Brown Harrah called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. Additional voting members in attendance were Amy Pittman Lawson, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Ann Benson Ameye, Candace Reese Breeden, Valerie Ellis Fried, and Linda Wood Williams. Ex-Officio member State Regent Helen Robertson Powell was also present.

Mrs. Harrah welcomed those attending, gave the invocation, and declared a quorum present.

The Finance Committee approved the minutes of the September 12, 2024 meeting as presented.

Mary Kuntz, State Treasurer, presented the financial report. The **Georgia State Society Account Summaries** during the period July 1, 2024, through March 15, 2025, were: Certificates of Deposit \$147,937.40; Checking Account \$226,307.84; Money Market Accounts \$128,261.75; Savings Account \$65,557.64. Total Bank Accounts \$568,064.63; Other Assets (Hotel Deposit) \$2,400.00; Total Liabilities and Equity \$570,464.63.

Mrs. Kuntz presented the GSSDAR Proposed Budget 2025-2026, based on \$16.00 annual dues from 7,950 members for a total of \$127,200.00. The budget was presented by Committee Chair Harrah during the State Board of Management on Saturday, September 14, 2024, and will be presented by Mrs. Harrah for a vote during the Business Session on Saturday, March 22, 2025.

Mrs. Kuntz updated the Committee on all current CDs held by the Georgia State Society,

including those at Ameris, Colony Bank, and Bank of OZK.

Mrs. Powell announced that State Events Chair Cheryl Odell was able to secure a \$1,800.00 grant from the Augusta Convention and Visitors Bureau to help defray the costs of State Conference.

Ann Ameye, Past State Treasurer, stated that the 2023-2024 fiscal year audit has been completed by Mersereau, Lazenby & Rockas, LLC (MLR). The final version of the audit has been included in the GSSDAR Proceedings for publication. The 2023-2024 fiscal year 990 tax form for tax-exempt organizations has also been completed and filed.

Mrs. Harrah announced that no recommendations have come from the Executive Committee.

The Committee briefly discussed investment strategies for upcoming maturing CD's.

Our next Finance Committee meeting will be on Thursday, August 21, 2025, 10:45 a.m., at Fall Forum in Atlanta, Georgia.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Approved as presented August 21, 2025.

Betty Brown Harrah, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

## **State Committees: Reports of State Chairs**

### **CREDENTIALS – Jane Edwards Bentley and Rebecca Malone West**

The Credentials Committee is responsible for determining the eligibility of GSSDAR members attending State meetings to serve as voters. The Committee also determines in which capacity each eligible voter will be serving. Committee members are also responsible for issuing voter ribbons to eligible voters. Members serving on this committee are Catherine Jimenez, Susan Lindsey, Sharon Sowders, and Jane St. Clair.

### **DAR STATE SPEAKERS STAFF – Mary Hamilton Williams**

Members of the State Speakers Staff provided programs to DAR chapters around the state, as well as speaking to SAR chapters, historical societies, and civic groups. Daughters offered 115 different topics in the areas of Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism. Information about Georgia State Society DAR Museum Correspondent Docents was also included in the program book to provide a wider range of possible topics and speakers.

### **DISTRICTS: COORDINATOR OF DISTRICTS – Carolyn Renee Gaspari Portell**

This Coordinator is excited to work with an excellent team of District Directors who advised, helped, and encouraged GSSDAR Chapter Regents. This report details some of what Georgia Daughters did throughout 2024 to serve God, Home, and Country, celebrate patriotism, promote education and preserve history: Georgia Daughters organized events including chapter anniversaries, naturalization ceremonies, flag retirements, and proclamation presentations. Observed Memorial Day, D-Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Constitution Week, Veterans Day, DAR Day of Service, Day of prayer. Participated in parades, distributed flags/poppies and patriotic literature; supported and toured historic homes, served as docents, sponsored grave markings, cleaned tombstones, hosted and attended events commemorating, Lafayette, and America 250! Planted pollinator gardens and Liberty Trees, helped with disaster relief and clean-up. Gave museum outreach programs at Meadow Garden. Generously supported their communities as well as active duty military and veterans, and first responders with donations of gift cards, food, quilts, and care packages, funding service animals for veterans, and specific items to military women. Attended unclaimed veterans internments, honored Gold Star families/heroes, supported Honor Flight, and Wreaths Across America. Supported local literacy centers, USO and little free libraries, book clubs, DAR schools, DAR contests, tutoring programs, presented ROTC/JROTC awards.

### **NORTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR – Jennifer Lee Price Anderson**

Twenty-six Northwest Chapters were “key” to historic preservation, education, and patriotism, recording 115,181.25 STA Hours, adding 449 members, completing 50 Leadership and 56 GEP Courses! Their volunteer hearts sparkled as they secured proclamations, distributed flags/poppies, commemorated anniversaries, naturalization ceremonies, flag retirements, Georgia Day, Presidents’ Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Patriots’ Day, Constitution Week, American Indian Heritage Month, Lafayette’s Farewell Tour, Boston and Edenton Tea Parties, U.S. Army and Navy 250th, KDS 100th, Vietnam War’s 50th, and D-Day’s 80th. They honored Gold Star Heroes and veterans through Honor Flights, Quilts of Valor, the Vietnam Traveling Wall, VA programs, and LOC-VHP interviews. They supported Wreaths Across America, first responders, food pantries, women’s shelters, and active-duty military. They promoted education with patriot coloring books, PowerPoints, skits, Little Free Libraries, local/DAR, American Indian Schools, ESL programs, American History Essays, JAC, ROTC, CAP Awards, and Teacher Appreciation. Chapters preserved history by dedicating Patriot and Historic markers, cleaning tombstones, honoring distinguished citizens, touring/decorating/serving in historic homes, and digitizing records. They planted Liberty Trees and pollinator gardens, laid wreaths with SAR/S.R./C.A.R., and donated to hurricane relief. They participated in NSDAR’s Flag Grant Program, Junior Firefly 5Ks, and DAR Day of Prayer/Service. 100% submitted CMR/GSS-05 reports on time.

### **NORTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR – Mary Leigh Grainger Harper**

Twenty-seven Northeast Chapters are active in service! Northeast Chapters exceeded their Service to America goal recording 71,445 hours, welcomed 119 new members, completed 55 Leadership Training and 54 GEP Courses in 2024. Chapters are excited to celebrate America 250! by designing service projects, placing commemorative markers, and planting Liberty Trees. Chapters recognized citizens awarding eight Eugenia Washington Medals of Heroism, 35 Distinguished Citizen Awards, ROTC/JROTC, Youth Citizenship, Good Citizens, Women in American History, Women in Arts, and Historic Preservation Awards. In the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, Daughters participated with food pantry/clothing drives, cleaned damaged cemeteries and sent generous donations. Ladies attended naturalization ceremonies; celebrated Constitution Week with proclamations, programs, displays, and classroom kits; participated in parades, Flag Day events, flag retirements; and commemorated Georgia Day and National Day of Prayer. Wreaths Across America-chapters placed over 3000 wreaths. Daughters honored Patriots with wreath presentations and marker dedications. Numerous cards, packages, and gifts were provided to active military, veterans, first-responders, and health/women/girls organizations. Education was promoted with essay contests, grants and scholarships. Daughters participated with SAR Traveling-Trunk programs, living-history events, “Little-Libraries,” classroom volunteers, bookfairs, teacher appreciation activities and paid off lunch balances. Daughters restored numerous properties/cemeteries, digitized/preserved documents, and supported Meadow Garden.

### **SOUTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR – Kimberly “Kim: Houston Orrick**

Twenty-nine Southwest chapters were the “KEY” to the working diligently during the past year to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism. 100% submitted their CMR and GSS-05 reports on time. Seventy-nine new members were welcomed by 1716 district members. Chapters dedicated America 250! Patriot markers and marked Revolutionary soldiers’ graves; remembered Lafayette’s Anniversary; received Constitution Week proclamations; celebrated American History Essay winners with scholarships and teas; presented 80 DAR Good Citizens Awards, honored individuals with Excellence in History awards and Women in American History awards; presented ROTC and JROTC awards at colleges and high schools; stocked Little Free Libraries and donated books to schools and libraries; supported Wreaths Across America; delivered baked goods to first responders; participated in book clubs; distributed patriotic literature in communities and schools; planted Liberty trees; hosted welcome receptions for new citizens following Naturalization

Ceremonies; supported Meadow Garden, DAR and Indian Schools and State Regent's project through donations; placed flags in cemeteries for veterans and performed flag retirement ceremonies; presented wreaths at grave markings; logged 83,311.75 hours for Service to America, delivered 1,534 cards and 648 packages to veterans; and assisted with Honor Flights. Regents and members attended State Conference, Fall Forum, and Continental Congress.

### **SOUTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR – Sheila Anne Carruth Burtz**

The new year and new opportunity to serve as Southeast District Director has been an exciting time. The Southeast District is a challenging district due to the geography of the State and district. This year, I have attended multiple events as District Director including revitalization meetings, (2) constitution luncheons, genealogy workshops, and chapter executive board meetings. It has been a pleasure to get to know and work with all Regents for each chapter. A Southeast District private Facebook page has been developed to enable each chapter to share their upcoming events and chat. As a District Director, I have been prompting and helping lead group workshops for the Leadership Training Courses. 51 members have graduated from at least one of the leadership training classes. Zoom groups are continuing with more graduates coming. In 2025, we will continue to promote the training course through online workshops. There are 3 chapters that are currently working to build membership to avoid dropping below minimum requirements; Mineral Springs, Col Daniel Appling and Col William Few. Additional visits to chapter meetings and coordination of State Regent to visit chapters will be the goal for the balance of 2025 and 2026 before the change in administration.

### **GEORGIA DAY – Bridget Hester Conner**

Georgia Day 2024 reports were received from chapters including Archibald Bulloch, in Statesboro, GA and Sunbury in Winder, GA. Archibald Bulloch submitted a wonderful folder with pictures of the luncheon they hosted. Sunbury also hosted a luncheon with several other chapters. These two chapters were awarded Excellence in Reporting.

### **GEORGIA STATE PAGES – Nancy Collins Tims**

This year Georgia members paged at Continental Congress, Georgia State Conference, and Fall Forum. Continental Congress Pages: Merry Gray Caylor, Caroline Chapman, Katherine Croft, Darlyn Davis, Céline Evans, Alanna Drummond, Caitlen Green, Kathy Marsh, Iris McCrum, Carter Moore, Vanessa Watkins-Nutty, and Morgan Wise. State Conference Pages: Bethany Anderson, Rebecca Bryan, Merry Gray Caylor, Caroline Chapman, Veatra Cruz, Darlyn Davis, Alanna Drummond, Katie Anne Fopiano, Caitlen Green, Alexis Harper, Rebecca Jordan, Lottie Lawson, Iris McCrum, Lauren Maggs, Samantha Montgomery, Chloe Parks, Eden Pethel, Rebecca Urquhart, and Amber Witt. Fall Forum Pages: Bethany Anderson, Rebecca Bryan, Caroline Chapman, Katherine Croft, Alanna Drummond, Katie Anne Fopiano, Maggie Fontaine, Caitlen Green, Alexis Harper, and Samantha Montgomery. Thank you to all the women who donated their time and talent to page for the Georgia State Society.

### **MUSIC – Ramona Lord and Jeanne Evans Joesbury**

It is with great joy for these Co-Chairs to report that the Georgia DAR State Chorus has been very active during the past year. Led by Director Jeanie Joesbury and pianist Ramona Lord, twenty five choristers were involved for both the Fall Forum in Atlanta and the Georgia State DAR Conference in April, 2025. The chorus sang many patriotic songs at both venues. We were pleased to honor our visiting State Regents at the State Convention by singing their respective state songs and sing at the Memorial Service for our State Conference in Augusta in 2025. It was also an honor to lead the Star Spangled Banner at the Lafayette Farewell Tour in Augusta, GA in conjunction with the DAR State Conference. Many of our Georgia choristers also performed in the DAR All American Chorus at Continental Congress in DC in June, 2024. It has been a great honor for this Co-Chair to serve on the DAR National Music

Committee since 2022, and as the Director of the National DAR All American Chorus from 2023-2025.

### **NSDAR 50-YEAR CLUB – Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price**

This club chair is proud to report six new members in the Georgia 50 Year Member Club. She is in the process of coordinating with the National Membership chair to determine the exact number of members in Georgia. Special recognition goes to Feilding Lewis Chapter for honoring three of their chapter members with membership in the club. One of these members joined DAR in 1961! Chapters, you can also honor long time members with membership in our club. Simply check your member roster. If any members have a national number of under 575,000, they probably qualify for membership! The club dues are only \$10.00 paid once! A form is online and sent to this chair. Thank you, Madam State Regent, for appointing me to follow the one and only Honorary State Regent, Edwina Beal, who dedicated many years to this special club.

### **PROCEEDINGS – Catherine “Cathy” Winslett Hyer**

If a member opted in on the GSS-05 or their invitation to serve as a State Chair to receive a printed copy of the Proceedings please visit the District Directors table and pick up your copy before you leave.

### **REGISTRATION**

#### **Tara Lynn Sanders Kelsey and Mei-Ling Green Konstantynowicz**

The Registration Committee efficiently managed the Georgia State Conference's registration process, ensuring attendees' seamless experience. Prior to the event, the committee designed and produced name tags, incorporating event stickers and table assignments as provided by the State Events Treasurer. Name tags were carefully formatted to maintain consistency, ensuring proper identification of attendees, including national and state officers. Each attendee received a welcome packet in a labeled manila envelope, which included event materials and, if applicable, ribbon assignments coordinated with the Ribbons Committee. The committee collaborated with the Credentials team to organize registration logistics, determine check-in procedures, and prepare necessary signage.

During the conference, the Registration Committee staffed the registration desk, assisting attendees with check-in, distributing packets, and addressing inquiries. Volunteers were scheduled in shifts to maintain efficiency, ensuring all attendees had access to their materials. A comprehensive registration list was maintained for accuracy, and additional supplies, such as blank name tags and event stickers, were readily available.

Through detailed preparation, teamwork, and dedication, the Registration Committee facilitated an organized and welcoming registration process, contributing to the event's overall success.

#### **STATE APPLICATION TEAM (SAT) – Constance “Connie” Sasser Rifkind**

The State Application Team consisted of 18 members willing to volunteer their time to complete new applications referred to our State by National. Using their outstanding research skills, team members worked with 55 Prospective Members to complete their applications from January 2024 to December 2024. Of the 55 Prospective Members who responded with the requested documentation, 35 applications were completed and sent to 19 Chapter Registrars. Unfortunately, many individuals who complete the form at National never responded to our State Membership Chair, who received them first. After this Chair received the information from those who did respond, documents for the first few generations were requested. Unfortunately, again, many never responded with the requested documents. The SAT members completed applications for responsive prospective members and then this Chair reviewed and forwarded the completed applications to the prospective members' chapters of choice. This Chair presented information about the SAT at the State Fall Forum and encouraged chapter members to welcome and encourage those prospective members referred to them.

### **SMRT (Smart Team) – Mary Kathleen “Kitty” Watters**

The Supplemental Midlevel Review Team [SMRT] was established in January 2024. The Team is comprised of five experienced volunteer genealogists who are knowledgeable and well-trained in the DAR Genealogy Guidelines. In its first year, the Team was sent forty supplementals by Georgia Daughters. Every fact in every application was checked in painstaking detail, and many hours were spent on each. Suggestions were carefully explained in emailed “Comments.” Seven were returned to members for further research. Sixteen of the reviewed supplemental applications have been submitted to National. In December, one was verified for a 91-year-old member who was prioritized because of her age. Although reviewing the applications of Pending Members is outside the original mission of the SMRTeam, the Team was asked to work on responses to the AIR letters of two Pending Members. This was part of an all-out effort of our State genealogy teams to help get those difficult applications verified as quickly as possible. Consequently, both were verified. The SMRTeam is dedicated to helping Georgia Daughters to submit supplementals that will be quickly and easily verified by DAR’s staff genealogists. This is part of DAR’s efforts to lower the wait time necessary to have a member’s supplemental approved.

### **STATE EVENTS – Cheryl Nestler Odell**

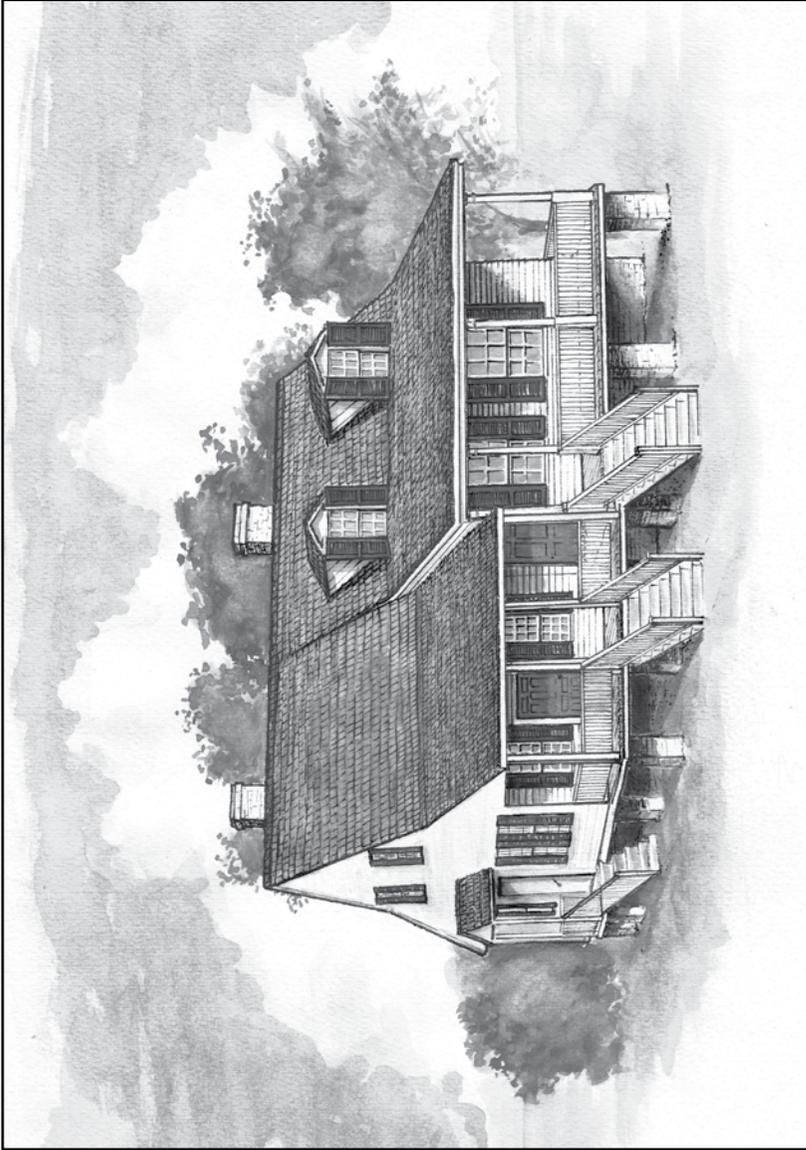
In September 2024, 410+ members and guests gathered for Fall Forum at the Atlanta Airport Marriott. Highlights: genealogy session led by Laura Carter; author Karen Chase presented on her book *Chasing Independence*; Catherine Duffy, Director of the Coastal Heritage Museum delivered an inspiring talk on the restoration of Revolutionary War cannons recovered from the Savannah River; Bill Sirmon of Middle Georgia Honor Flight; DAR Leadership Training graduation; State Board of Management convened. Major General John F. King delivered an inspirational Constitution Celebration address. In March 2025, 600+ members and guests attended the 127th State Conference in Augusta. Genealogy presentations were offered by Pamela Downs, State Chair of Lineage Research, and Erick Montgomery, Executive Director of Historic Augusta. A Memorial Service honored departed Daughters; Opening Night featured a stirring performance by Ken Johnston as Patrick Henry, commemorating the 250th anniversary of the iconic “Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death” speech. The Awards Recognition Banquet keynote speaker Colonel Leon F. “Lee” Ellis, Jr., USAF (Ret.), Vietnam POW, delivered a powerful message on “Loving, Learning, Leading with Honor.” Sincere thanks to all committee members for their devoted DAR service, cherished friendship, and countless hours of dedication that made these events a success.

### **STATE HONOR ROLL – Teresa Meadows Bartlett**

The purpose of the State Honor Roll Committee is to recognize chapters that have successfully accomplished the DAR goals of History, Education and Patriotism, as well as membership development for the reporting year. Of the 111 chapters, 108 submitted the State Honor Roll information as part of the 2024 Chapter Annual Georgia State Report Form GSS-05. Seventy-four chapters met all the requirements for Honor Roll. Chapters receiving the honor can be found in the conference program and the 2024-2025 Proceedings under State Awards.

### **TIMEKEEPERS – Judy Jackman York**

The Timekeepers job is to keep time for the speakers at State Conference and State Board of Management.



**MEADOW GARDEN**

**Home of George Walton, Signer of the Declaration of Independence.  
Owned and maintained by the Georgia State Society, NSDAR.**

# *Meadow Garden*

## **MEADOW GARDEN – O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle**

While enduring Hurricane Helene and still navigating road construction on 13th Street in Augusta, Meadow Garden reached a record number of almost 2000 visitors for 2024! The construction of the restroom facility was completed and will be operational in 2025 once final permits are received. Augusta University student Cassidy Balckwell interned at Meadow Garden for 120 hours assisting with inventory of the collection. Meadow Garden was awarded an Augusta CVB grant to underwrite the cost of voiceovers on the Walter Edgar Journal Podcast and banner ads on the podcast webpage. A grant from the Porter Fleming Foundation was also received to create a new interpretation with hands-on activities in the cellar weaving room and winter kitchen. Several period-appropriate pieces of furniture and items were received; Georgia Chapters graciously donated copies of several books listed in Thomas Walton's library. The Security Policy, Abuse and Harassment Policy and Collection Management Policy were created and approved. The Independence Day celebration had record attendance of over 400 people on property throughout the day. Other improvements included many new Meadow Garden branded items in the gift shop, new signage, new mailbox, upgraded more locks, pruned trees, cleaned of the ductwork, and held several volunteer trainings.

## **MEADOW GARDEN VOLUNTEERS – F. Anne Hinton**

Over the past year, Meadow Garden had 30 volunteers log about 600 hours with almost 2000 visitors to the historic house. We had 225 students for field trips so far this school year. Attendance at special events like the 4th of July and the December Candlelight Tour of Meadow Garden continues to grow. However, despite this growth in the number of visitors, the number of volunteers has dropped. Our initiative to start regular Meadow Garden volunteer training sessions from 2 to 4 on Mondays has been successful. Four new individuals have expressed interest in volunteering regularly, a promising sign for the future of our volunteer program. Meadow Garden received a grant to create hands-on educational exhibits in the cellar's weaving room and winter kitchen. With that in mind, two of the collection's spinning wheels were identified and repaired sufficiently to demonstrate 18th century spinning techniques. During the summer, this chair spent a week in Crossnore, North Carolina, taking a weaving class to determine what is needed to repair the almost 200-year-old loom. The loom repair is still ongoing.

## **MEADOW GARDEN PATRONS – Sheila Wright Crumrine**

**Meadow Garden Patrons:** Alexis Harper; Alison D. Wise; Allyson R. Moyer; Alyssandra Steinbach; Amanda Betsill; Amy Koon; Andrea Newton; Andrea Riddle; Anita Bianconi; Anita Davis; Anne Elizabeth Shade McKinney; Anne Sarris; Anne Turner; Annette Hopgood; Audrey Wylie; Ava Sheffield; Barbara Forest; Barbara Lane; Barbara Logue; Barbara Smith; Barbara Thomas Harvey; Barbara Tornow; Barbara Weaver; Beatrice Coker; Becky Anderson; Bertie Mangham; Bessie Lee; Beth Hall; Beth Jones; Betty Harrah; Betty Westbrook; Beverly Redd; Beverly Roberts; Billie Trussell; Brenda Harris; Camille Woodruff; Candace Brown; Carol Goff Russell; Carol Knap; Carol Lamer; Carol M. Irwin; Carole Procter; Carolyn Moore; Catharine Buie; Catherine Derst Miller; Catherine F. Harrell; Catherine Jimenez; Celestea Sharp; Charla Collings; Charlotta Dunkin; Charlotte Williams; Cherry Monroe; Cheryl Herring; Cheryl Hunt Clements; Chloe Staney; Christine Doerschner; Christine Napier; Christine O'Sullivan; Cindy Caronell; Clare Newcomer; Connie Solosway; Constance Grimaude; Courtenay Miller Dufour; Cynthia House; Cynthia Robinson Starling; Cynthia Simmons; Daphne G Wright; Darla Valentinti; Deborah Brown; Deborah Hopkins; Delois Gainey; Diane Griffin; Donna Farr; Donna Kirkland; Donna L Owens; Dot Mears; Eileen Zito; Elaine Neal; Elizabeth Campbell; Elizabeth Courtenay Miller; Elizabeth Jordan; Elizabeth Lynam; Elizabeth St. Jean; Elizabeth Wainwright; Elseon Lawson; Emily Ford; Emily Sue Carlton; Emily Temple; Emily Tibdall; Evelyn Lamar; Floye Ann Spencer Luke;

Frances Wilkinson; Francis Edwards Davis; Francis Gipson; Frankie Rush Nevins; Gail Cook; Gail Jennings; Gail Wolfe; Gayle Bankhead; Gena Moorhead; Gloria Louise Jones Johnson; Gloria Scarabelli; Gwendolyn Bledsoe Henderson; Helen Williams Moran; Holly Bailey Hall; Holly Croft; Iris Harris; Jane Heard; Jane Markheim; Janet Gunther; Janet Pietrobono; Janice Johnson Manos; Jean Dukes; Jeane Joesbury; Jeannie Disney; Jennifer L. Anderson; Jerry Bryson; Jerry R. West; Jo Ann Bates; Jo Davis; Joan M Finch; Joann H. Smith; JoAnn Smith, Joanne Suma, Joni Ingram, Joyce Reynolds; Joyce Tillman; Judith Thomas; Judy Carter; Judy Gibson; Judy Sullivan; Julia Ann Farrigan; Julia Keating; Julia Key; Julia Little; Julia Teplis; Julia Tucker; Julia Vagovic; Julie Berry; Julie Cone; Julie Prine; Kaitlin Crumrine; Karen Heiss; Karen Holbrook; Karen Kivette; Karen Stafford; Katherine Durden; Kathleen Willoughby; Kathryn Baskin; Kelda J. Williams; Kembra Smith; Kim Payne; Kristy Macdonald; Laura Hill; Laura Irwin; Laura M Reid; Leah Heard; Lee Camp; Lee Dunn; Leona Meriwether Benkoski; Leslie Ann Strickland Watkins; Linda Carr; Linda Kay Burch; Lisa Meek; Lucinda Grace; Lydia McGill; Lynda Blanchard; Mae Ora O'Shields; Maggie Harper; Maggie Shriver; Marcia Lamar; Marcia W Swetmon; Margaret K. Johnson; Margaret Pecht; Marilyn Bryan; Marion Mohney; Marjorie Singley-Hall; Marsha Christy; Martha M Wells; Mary Beth Larkey; Mary E. Nielsen; Mary G. Harper; Mary Gene Lee; Mary Mullins; Mary Norris; Mary Williams; Mary Yawn; Maxine Maloney; Mayme Walsh; Melissa Henchrick; Melodye G. Brown; Melody K. Porter; Micheola Geigel; Mickie Cook; Milbrey Heard; Miranda Paige Dooley; Miriam Machida; Molly McCarty; Montez Hammack; Montrew Johnson; Myra Emelyn T Hunter; Nairia Gaddy; Nancy Breme; Nancy McDermott; Neil & Curtis Johnson; Nida Kay Hogan Reynolds; P. Luann Wiley Miller; Pam Tucker; Pamela Ann Lyle; Pamela Dover; Pamela Mathews; Pamela Uros; Pamela Wigington; Patricia Colbert; Patricia Farren; Patricia Lewis; Patsy Ray; Pauline Thompson Myers; Peggy Freeman; Perrie Tucker; Polly Ballance; Priscilla Doster; Rebecca Bonin; Rebecca Jane Reese; Rebecca Urquhart; Rita Parker; Rosemary Horton; Ryan Hirschey; Sara Burns; Sara Hogue; Sara Salsbury; Scarlett Gibson; Shannon Logue; Sharon Corsiglia; Sharon Griffith; Sharon Tiller; Shirley Tyner; Stephanie H Patton; Stephanie Collet; Susan Bess; Susan deCamp Conger; Susan Dozier; Susan Hall Luckie; Suzan VandeVelde; Suzanne Harman; Sylvia Nolde; Tammy Holley; Taylor Slocumb; Teresa Atchison; Terese Steinbach; Valerie Farris; Vanessa Watkins-Nutty; Victoria Conn Frolich; Victoria Hoffman; Virginia Flanagan; Virginia Gorday; Virginia Harrell; Virginia Huckabay; Virginia N. Jaehnig; Virginia Nicholson; Wendy Pruitt; Whitney Pickett; Willette Owens; Zella Fuller; **Chapter Patrons:** Abraham Baldwin Chapter; Altamaha Chapter; Andrew McBride Chapter; Archibald Bulloch Chapter; Augustin Clayton Chapter; Bainbridge Chapter; Baron DeKalb Chapter; Benjamin Hawkins Chapter; Bonaventure Chapter; Brier Creek Chapter; Captain Edward Hagin Chapter; Captain James Kell Chapter; Cherokee Chapter; Colonel Daniel Appling Chapter; Colonel Ebenezer Folsom Chapter; Council of Safety Chapter; Edmund Burke Chapter; Elizabeth Quatie Ross Chapter; Etowah Chapter; Fort Frederica Chapter; Fort Peachtree Chapter; General Daniel Newnam Chapter; General Josiah Tattnall Chapter; George Walton Chapter; Governor David Emanuel - Adam Brinson Chapter; GSS State Officers Club; Hawkinsville Chapter; John Benning Chapter; John Franklin Wren Chapter; John Houston Chapter; Kettle Creek Chapter; Lachlan McIntosh Chapter; LaGrange Chapter; Lt. James Monroe Chapter; Mary Hammond Washington Chapter; Nathan Macon Chapter; Oglethorpe Chapter; Old Unicoi Trail Chapter; Oliver Morton Chapter; Patriots of Liberty Chapter; Peter Early Chapter; Reverend John Andrew Chapter; Roswell King Chapter; Sequoyah Chapter; St. Andrews Parish Chapter; Sukey Hart Chapter; Thomasville Chapter; Trahlyta Chapter; William Marsh Chapter; William McIntosh Chapter; Xavier Chapter; **1900 Society:** Ann A Brown; Annette McEachin; Apalachee Chapter; Auvis Paradise; Barnard Trail Chapter; Bethany Anderson; Beverly Baker; Brenda Kendall; Candace Breeden; Captain Thomas Cobb Chapter; Catherine McAdams; Cathy Hyer; College Hill Chapter; Colonel John McIntosh Chapter; Colonel William Candler Chapter; Cynthia Davis; Donna Lackey; Dorthy Shaw; Earl of Camden Chapter; Elijah Clarke Chapter; Erreca White; General Daniel Stewart Chapter; Governor Jared Irwin Chapter; GSS C.A.R.; Henry Walton Chapter; Hightower Trail Chapter; Hilda Shipp; Jacob Braselton Chapter; Jane Malaier Reese; Janice Yahres; John Laurens Chapter;

Joyce Ball Patton; Julia Prince; Kay Brown; Kennesaw Mountain Chapter; Kimberly Orrick; Laura Lee Nicols; Liberty Hill Chapter; Lynda Bush; Lynn Jacques; Lynn Mcollum; Margaret Thrash; Martha P. Adkinson; Mary E. Long; Mary Nimsgern; Mary S. Bennet; Melanie Ford; Michele Andrews; Nancy Christensen; Nancy Tims; Old Noonday Chapter; Pamela Matthews; Patricia Croft; Pauline T. Myers; Philadelphia Winn Chapter; Rachel Tribble; Robert Loughridge Chapter; Rogena M Moorehead; Ruby A Craft; Sandy Springs Chapter; Savannah Chapter; Sunbury Chapter; Tella Cunningham; Terri Fopiano; Tomochichi Chapter; Valerie Craft; Vidalia Chapter; **Sons and Daughters of Liberty:** Amy Pittman Lawson; Ann Ameye; Annette B Hopgood; Augusta Chapter; Bonnie Pennington; Connie Riffkind; Debra Denard; Donna Loudermilk; F. Anne Hinton; Fielding Lewis Chapter; GSS Chapter Regents Club; GSS SAR; Helen R. Powell; Karen Holly; Katherine Croft; Kay G. Ragan; Kitty Watters; Margaret Caughman; Martha Stewart Bulloch Chapter; Mary B. Turner; Mary L. Simpson; Matthew Talbot Chapter; Monie Moody; Nancy White; OB McCorkle; Phyllis King; Pulaski Chapter; Ransom Schwerzler; Sandra Dillard; **Octavia's Legacy:** Brenda Bartholomew; Deborah Powell; Ginger Gidden-Weinzierl; James Waldrop Chapter; Janie G. Seglund; Julie M Mann; Linda Absher; Patricia Strickland; Sheila Crumrine; Sue Pittman; Susan Chirone; **The George Walton Society:** Atlanta Chapter, Mary King Givens; Jane Roszmann Mellor, Mary Kuntz, Vivian Beasley; **Meadow Garden Preservation Society:** Deen Day Sanders; Joseph Habersham Chapter; **In-Kind:** Ann Story; Garden City Strummers; Mary Norris; Patricia Artimovich.

Thank you, named and anonymous Patrons, for your continued generosity. Your stewardship is a lasting legacy to the Georgia State Society and our beloved Uniquely Historic Meadow Garden.

### **MEADOW GARDEN DEVELOPMENT – Jane Roszmann Mellor**

This Chair has been honored to serve on the Meadow Garden Board and has participated in two in-person meetings, three Zoom videoconferences, the 2024 Independence Day and 2024 Christmas open houses; she has contacted the DAR National Office of Development for Patriotic Legacy and contacted Georgia attorneys for their help with estate planning for Georgia Daughters. As always, developing relationships with potential donors outside of DAR is an ongoing work.

## **Meadow Garden Board Minutes**

### **July 19, 2024**

The Meadow Garden Board met on Friday, July 19, 2024, in the Signers Room at Meadow Garden in Augusta, Georgia. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. Other voting members present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Amy Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Jane Roszmann Mellor, Sheila Wright Crumrine, F. Anne Hinton, and Melodye G. Brown. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler.

Mrs. Powell gave the invocation, and Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. There were no corrections or additions to the June 21, 2024, Meadow Garden Board Minutes; the minutes were approved as distributed.

Treasurer Mrs. Kuntz presented the financial report. The **Meadow Garden Account Summaries** covering the period July 1, 2024, through July 16, 2024: Certificates of Deposit \$313,367.71; Checking Account \$112,391.63; Petty Cash \$100.00; Money Market Accounts \$311,917.60; Savings Account \$144,259.96; Total Current Assets \$882,036.90; Total Fixed Assets \$345,242.09; Total Liabilities and Equity \$1,227,278.99.33.

Meadow Garden Director Mrs. Schwerzler directed members to her weekly email updates and recapped the successful Independence Day event on July 4, 2024. 365 guests visited the house and grounds. Including volunteers and musicians, over 400 people were in attendance. Meadow Garden State Committee Chair Mrs. McCorkle announced it was the

largest Independence Day event we've hosted. Mrs. Schwerzler recommended honoring the following groups as Patrons-in-Kind to recognize their volunteer contributions during the event: the Garden City Strummers, the Sweet Adelines, and the Skunk Brigade. Additional ideas were discussed for next year's celebration, including the purchase of a PA system, tents, and hand-held fans. Mrs. Schwerzler gave an update on the Smoke House restrooms, which is in the final phases of construction. A certificate of occupancy is expected soon; the building will then be added to the current security monitoring system. Meadow Garden was chosen to receive The Porter Fleming Organization Grant, awarded by the Trustees of the Academy of Richmond County. The \$7,969.00 grant will be used to add interpretive elements to the cellar, including hands-on educational activities and additional signage. The kitchen will feature information on enslaved men and women living on the property during our period of focus and highlight our existing mission statement and commitment to equality. Mrs. Schwerzler reported attending the downtown director's meeting, where initial planning ideas were discussed for the United States Semiquincentennial, including 250 Years of Military Service in Augusta. It's anticipated that the Georgia State Society and Meadow Garden will play a large role in the 2026 events. Mrs. Powell thanked Mrs. Schwerzler.

Mrs. McCorkle praised Mrs. Schwerzler for a job well done, specifically for organizing the Independence Day event, managing ongoing construction on the grounds, handling daily maintenance, researching and updating policies, successfully applying for grants, and preparing for the upcoming 250th Anniversary celebrations.

Mrs. McCorkle and Mrs. Schwerzler discussed possible changes to our current list of paid memberships in organizations and affiliations. It was agreed that membership in the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) be dropped. Patron Chair Mrs. Crumrine moved **that the Meadow Garden Board approve a Tier 3 Membership to the American Alliance of Museums (AAM) at a cost of \$195.00 based on the staff size of one (1); with funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Organizations/Affiliations.** State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton moved **that the Meadow Garden Board approve non-profit membership in the Augusta Historical Society at an annual cost of \$50.00; with funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Organizations/Affiliations.** Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. Schwerzler presented quotes received for painting the Heritage Education Center and sections of the historic house. After discussion, Honorary State Regent Mrs. Brown moved **that the Meadow Garden Board accept the proposal from Latin House Painting for preparation and painting of the exterior of the Heritage Education Center (HEC), as well as painting the two front doors and eight front shutters on the historic house, cost not to exceed \$12,500.00; with funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance Checking – Repair and Maintenance.** Mrs. McCorkle seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. McCorkle discussed possible motions to be brought forward during Fall Forum in September, including mold remediation in the HEC. Bids will be gathered for cleaning the air ducts and removing mold on the ceiling of the Stribling Room; these proposals could be for both or either cleaning project.

Patron Chair Mrs. Crumrine reported the following Meadow Garden Patron totals for 2023: Meadow Garden Preservation Society – \$5,000 giving level – 2 individuals, 1 chapter; George Walton Society – \$1,000 giving level – 5 individuals, 1 chapter; Octavia's Legacy – \$500 giving level – 14 individuals, 2 chapters; Sons and Daughters of Liberty – \$250 giving level – 26 individuals, 8 chapters, Chapter Regents Club; The 1900 Society – \$120 giving level – 34 individuals, 23 chapters; Patron – \$100 giving level for chapter, \$50 giving level for individuals – 267 individuals, 51 chapters, State Officers Club, The Cameo Society; Outside Groups – \$250 from Stevens Creek Church, \$250 from SAR. Charter Preservationists totaled 93 Georgia Daughters. At State Conference, 314 individuals and 86 chapters received Patron certificates; 93 individuals received Charter Preservationist certificates. 134 Meadow Garden Patrons and 66 Charter Preservationists were in

attendance and received the corresponding ribbon for display. Mrs. Schwerzler has updated the Donor Wall on the Meadow Garden website. Mrs. Crumrine reported 108 recurring gifts are being processed monthly through SimpleGive. Patrons are being tracked and recorded via a Google Drive spreadsheet. Monthly reports are sent to the State Regent and State Treasurer. Mrs. Crumrine will be available at Fall Forum, and a bookmark is being developed to encourage donations. The Board discussed options to help defray the cost of printing the Meadow Garden certificates to be presented at the 2025 State Conference. The GTR-02 and GTR-06 will now be sent directly to the Meadow Garden Patrons Chair. The information will be forwarded, as needed, to the State Treasurer. This change should increase efficiency.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton reported that interpretation and additional training are needed to prepare volunteers to lead tours in the cellar. A volunteer training day will be held before fall field trips begin, date TBD. New volunteers are needed; Ms. Hinton asked the Board to spread the word. Suggestions were made for volunteer recruitment resources. Mrs. Hinton reported that 24 members signed-in as volunteers during the Independence Day celebration. It was also recommended to schedule tours, such as presenting tours hourly, to support our current staff.

Mrs. McCorkle gave a blessing. The Board recessed for lunch and a Strategic Planning Review and Update at 12:44 p.m.

The Board Meeting resumed at 2:30 p.m.

Mrs. Kuntz presented the proposed 2024-2025 Meadow Garden budget. Adjustments were made based on input. Mrs. Kuntz moved **to accept the 2024-2025 Meadow Garden Proposed Operating Budget as amended**. Mrs. McCorkle seconded. Motion **adopted** unanimously.

Mrs. McCorkle presented several ongoing capital projects and future proposals with Landmark Preservation, LLC for discussion.

Mrs. McCorkle moved **to approve the Landmark Preservation, LLC change order #2145-1 (CO-1) dated July 18, 2024, to provide additional services pertinent to Mechanical & Electrical (M&E) Design per Constantine Engineering due to required alterations to electrical service for newly constructed restroom building and main house electrical system replacement for a firm-fixed fee of \$3,500.00, inclusive of all required materials, labor, and equipment, except as otherwise noted in the proposal. Base Contract Amount: \$22,500.00; Change Order: \$3,500.00; New Contract Amount: \$26,000.00. Funds to be taken from Capital Investment and Improvement Savings**. Seconded by Mrs. Crumrine. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Ms. Brown moved **to approve the Landmark Preservation, LLC proposal #2426 Cellar Plaster/Exterior Stucco dated July 18, 2024, to apply plaster to the cellar walls and replace the existing exterior stucco, excluding the brick porch piers. Landmark will complete the scope of work described above for a firm-fixed fee of \$117,070.50, inclusive of all required materials, labor, and equipment, except as otherwise noted in the proposal. Funds to be taken from Capital Investment and Improvement Savings**. Seconded by Mrs. Crumrine. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. Mellor moved **to approve the Landmark Preservation, LLC proposal #2420 dated July 17, 2024, to investigate and remove material in First Period SW elevation portion (back) of the house. These removal and investigations are to inform the approach to be taken during the upcoming back porch and roof restoration of the back of the First Period house. Landmark will complete the scope of work described above for a firm-fixed fee of \$32,020.18, inclusive of all required materials, labor, and equipment, except as otherwise noted in the proposal. Funds to be taken from Capital Investment and Improvement Money Market**. Seconded by Ms. Hinton. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. McCorkle moved **to approve the Landmark Preservation, LLC proposal #2421 dated July 17, 2024, to reconstruct the window openings on the north elevations of the Best Room and Bedchamber; produce and install graphic images behind each window depicting a pastoral landscape emulating a possible viewshed of the north side of the Waltons' residency; and install discreet backlighting as required to simulate natural**

**light. Landmark will complete the scope of work described above for a firm-fixed fee of \$45,875.50, inclusive of all required materials, labor, and equipment, except as otherwise noted in the proposal. Funds to be taken from Capital Investment and Improvement Money Market.** Seconded by Ms. Brown. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 12, 2024, 1:00 p.m., at Fall Forum in Atlanta, Georgia.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Approved as presented September 12, 2024.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### **September 12, 2024**

The Meadow Garden Board met on Thursday, September 12, 2024, in the Athens Room at the Atlanta Airport Marriott, Atlanta, Georgia. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Other voting members present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Susan Price MacEwen (via phone), Amy Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Jane Roszmann Mellor, Sheila Wright Crumrine, F. Anne Hinton, and Melodye G. Brown. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler and invited guest Greg Jacobs, Managing Partner of Landmark Preservation, LLC.

Mrs. Powell gave the invocation, and Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. There were no corrections or additions to the July 19, 2024, Meadow Garden Board Minutes; the minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer Mrs. Kuntz presented the financial report. The **Meadow Garden Account Summaries** covering the period July 1, 2024, through September 10, 2024: Certificates of Deposit \$315,562.28; Checking Account \$97,154.09; Petty Cash \$100.00; Money Market Accounts \$284,031.19; Savings Account \$144,271.73; Total Current Assets \$841,119.29; Total Fixed Assets \$345,242.09; Total Liabilities and Equity \$1,186,361.38.

Meadow Garden Director Mrs. Schwerzler participated in meetings with local historic stakeholders at the Augusta CVB to discuss local plans for America 250 celebrations. As the home of one of the signers of the Declaration, Meadow Garden is expected to play a pivotal role in the plans. Additional meetings will be held as the event draws closer.

Work continues on the new interpretation in the cellar. The tables for the interactive displays and weaving supplies have been ordered. Storyboards for the activities and the artwork for the signage are underway.

Christmas at Meadow Garden is planned for Friday, December 6, and Saturday, December 7, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Each room on the main floor will be decorated to commemorate a time of war when many were captive or in conflict, remembering those at home. The Best Room will have traditional revolutionary-era decorations. The dining room will be decorated for the early federal period of the War of 1812. The Augusta Room will have poppies and other remembrances of World War I, and the Signers Room will harken back to World War II. Publicity for the event will begin on November 1.

The historic house and grounds are getting ready for the upcoming events. The Smokehouse Restroom is in the final stages of electrical work. Georgia Power will soon connect the new power lines. Once the electrical work is complete, all areas will have a final inspection, and the building will receive a certificate of occupancy.

The HEC looks wonderful after a fresh coat of paint. The historic house's front doors and front shutters have been painted with the deep green that was found during the historic paint analysis. Mrs. Schwerzler announced that Meadow Garden is ready to greet many new visitors. Mrs. Powell thanked Mrs. Schwerzler.

Meadow Garden State Chair Mrs. McCorkle presented multiple motions for consideration. Mrs. McCorkle moved that **the Meadow Garden Board make the following organizations and individuals Patrons-in-Kind for their efforts in the successful Independence Day at Meadow Garden event: the Sons of the American Revolution Skunk Brigade for their Color Guard and black powder rifle and cannon salutes; the Garden City Strummers for providing patriotic music; the Sweet Adelaides for singing the National Anthem**

and other patriotic selections; and Kevin de L'Aigle, descendant of John Walton, for proclaiming the Declaration of Independence for the event. State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton moved **that the Meadow Garden Board approve obtaining the following books from the inventory and Appraisal of Thomas Walton dating from 1803 or earlier for accession into the Meadow Garden Collection: Commentaries on the Laws of England, 4 Volumes, William Blackstone, c. 1773; Lectures on Rhetoric and Belles Lettres, Hugh Blair, c. 1796; An Essay on Crimes and Punishments, Cesare Bonesana, Marchese di Beccaria, c. 1788 (donated by the Henry Walton Chapter); Reports of Cases Argued and Ruled at Nisi Prius, in the Courts of King's Bench and Common Pleas, 2 Volumes, Isaac Espinasse, c. 1802; The Principles of Moral and Political Philosophy, William Paley, c. 1803 (to be donated by the Chestatee River Chapter); and The Nature and Causes of The Wealth of Nations, 3 Volumes, Adam Smith, c. 1802.** Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. Ameye moved **that the Meadow Garden Board accept a painted wooden trunk, which has been offered by Martha Ann Story, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, for accession into the Meadow Garden Collection.** Mrs. Hinton seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Honorary State Regent Mrs. Brown moved that **the Meadow Garden Board accept the estimate from Dependable Remediation to remove the mold from the Stribling Room ceiling in the Heritage Education Center for an estimated cost of \$2,500.00, and not to exceed \$2,700.00. Funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Repairs and Maintenance – Money Market Account.** Patrons Chair Mrs. Crumrine seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. Brown moved that **the Meadow Garden Board accept the estimate from Carolina Conditions to clean the ductwork in the Stribling Room ceiling in the Heritage Education Center for an estimated cost of \$2,659.00, and not to exceed \$2,900.00. Funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Repairs and Maintenance – Money Market Account.** Mrs. Crumrine seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. McCorkle introduced Mr. Jacobs to discuss potential next steps for Meadow Garden. Options presented to the board were broken down into four proposed phases. Phase I includes mechanical and electrical design; roof, kitchen, bathroom and porch removal and investigation; best room and bedroom window exhibit; cellar plaster and exterior stucco; third period chimney reconstruction; cedar shingle procurement for second period roof; cedar shingle procurement for third period roof; and mechanical equipment procurement. Phase II addresses the third period roof and dormers, as well as the bedroom floor reinforcement. Phase III involves the mechanical and electrical installation. Phase IV would fund the reconstruction phase following the roof, kitchen, bathroom and porch removal. Mr. Jacobs educated the Board regarding multiple scenarios and options for moving forward with the strategic plan in a logical and cost-effective manner.

Development Chair Mrs. Mellor stressed that development is about cultivating relationships. Mrs. Mellor discussed the importance of financial goal setting and asked that recommendations be given for Georgia Daughters with experience in grant writing. Meadow Garden tour prices, COVID relief funds, financial estate planning, the Georgia Heritage Program, increasing membership of Friends of Meadow Garden, and adopting spaces within the historic house museum were all recommended as potential new sources of funding. Mrs. Mellor noted that "your passion has to be greater than your fear" when seeking additional sources of support.

Patron Chair Mrs. Crumrine has been added to the State Speakers Staff and is available for presentations to chapters. A display board and 500 Make a Difference Today patron support cards have been printed and are available at Fall Forum. Mrs. Crumrine sends monthly reports to the State Regent, Treasurer and Meadow Garden Director with summaries of donations and SimpleGive reports. Thank you notes are sent monthly on Meadow Garden stationary. Mrs. Crumrine will now begin processing the GTR-02 and GTR-06 forms. Plans are underway for 2025, including distributing certificates, recognizing all Meadow Garden

Patrons at State Conference, and organizing a private tour and small gift for top donors in Augusta, GA.

Mrs. Crumrine **moved to purchase a color laser printer, with replacement supplies and ink, for use at Meadow Garden for a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00. Funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Office Supplies.** Augusta Chapter Regent Mrs. Pittman seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton reported that a school group of 33 students recently toured the house with 3 volunteers assisting. New volunteers are needed; Ms. Hinton asked the Board to spread the word. A volunteer planning day is planned for October 12, 2024, and Mrs. Hinton reported an ongoing search for additional volunteers from outside sources.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Approved as presented November 21, 2024.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### November 21, 2024

The Meadow Garden Board met on Thursday, November 21, 2024, via the Zoom Meeting application. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Other voting members virtually present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Amy Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Jane Roszmann Mellor, F. Anne Hinton, and Melodye G. Brown. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler.

Mrs. Powell gave the invocation, and State First Vice Regent Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. The September 12, 2024, Meadow Garden Board Minutes were approved as distributed.

Honorary State Regent Ms. Brown moved **that the Meadow Garden Board accept the estimate from Environmental Life Plantings for modification to heads and nozzles of the existing irrigation system, to repair and relocate two irrigation heads, and to install a new WiFi sensor controller, for an estimated cost of \$1475.00 to \$1665.00, and not to exceed \$1800.00. Funds to be taken from Landscaping – Checking.** Volunteer Chair Ms. Hinton seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye moved **that the Meadow Garden Board accept the estimate from Environmental Life Plantings for relocation of approximately five plantings by the access path, to include fresh soil amendments, fresh strawing on the transplants, and soil replacement to level the plantings as needed; hardwood mulch for a new path; removal of vines on the back fence behind the new facility; and debris disposal, for an overall estimated cost of \$575.00, and not to exceed \$650.00. Funds to be taken from Landscaping – Checking.** Meadow Garden State Chair Mrs. McCorkle seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The Board discussed the unusually large number of pages that the Georgia State Society was obligated to purchase this year for the Daughters Newsletter. In order to reduce the financial burden on the State Society, Mrs. McCorkle moved **that the Meadow Garden Board reimburse the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, for the cost of one full-page ad, featuring Meadow Garden, in the November/December 2024 issue of the Daughters Newsletter, at a cost of \$660.00. Funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Advertising/Public Relations.** Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Approved as distributed January 29, 2025.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### January 29, 2025

The Meadow Garden Board met on Thursday, January 29, 2025, via the Zoom Meeting application. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Other voting members virtually present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Susan Price MacEwen, Amy

Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Sheila Wright Crumrine, F. Anne Hinton, and Melody G. Brown. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler.

State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye gave the invocation, and State First Vice Regent Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. The November 21, 2024, Meadow Garden Board Minutes were approved as distributed.

Meadow Garden State Chair Mrs. McCorkle moved that **the Meadow Garden Board accept the scope of work, Project #2504, from Landmark Preservation LLC (Landmark) for finishing the north walls of the Bedchamber and Best Room. Landmark will remove remaining wood wainscoting, partially infill/frame the existing doors, install wire or wood lath (as appropriate) to all wall surfaces, apply a two-coat plaster system, apply lime paint or milk (casein) paint to plaster surfaces, and install new, historically accurate baseboards and chair rail. The finishing will be completed for a firm-fixed fee of \$23,149.50. Funds to be taken from Capital Investment – Money Market Account.** Honorary State Regent Ms. Brown seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton moved that **the Meadow Garden Board accept the quote, #q3649, from Plunkett Heating & Air Conditioning Co. for repairing the Compressor Service Valve (Suction Side) on the Carrier HVAC unit, for an overall estimated cost of \$1,415.00. Funds to be taken from Admin & Maintenance – Money Market Account – Repairs & Maintenance.** State Treasurer Mrs. Kuntz seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The Board discussed plans for the Meadow Garden Georgia State Conference Open House, to be held Friday, March 21, 2025, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. All those registered for the Conference will be invited to attend. The event will be free of cost and tours will be given in an open house format with guests touring the rooms at their own pace. All Board members enthusiastically signed up to fill volunteer positions during the event.

The next Meadow Garden Board meeting will be held via the Zoom Meeting application on Monday, February 3, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Approved as distributed February 3, 2025.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### **February 3, 2025**

The Meadow Garden Board met on Monday, February 3, 2025, via the Zoom Meeting application. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Other voting members virtually present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Susan Price MacEwen, Amy Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Jane Roszmann Mellor, F. Anne Hinton, and Melody G. Brown. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler.

State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye gave the invocation, and State First Vice Regent Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. The January 29, 2025, Meadow Garden Board Minutes were approved as distributed.

State Treasurer Mrs. Kuntz moved that **the Meadow Garden Board recommend to the State Board of Management amending Meadow Garden Standing Rule Article II, Operations, Section VIII, Patrons, Item 3, by deleting “The State Treasurer will report all donations to the Patrons Chair” and replacing with “The Patrons Chair will report all donations to the State Treasurer.”** This recommendation is made to improve the efficiency of reporting the funds received and provide a system of checks and balances. Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton moved that **the Meadow Garden Board accept the scope of work, Project #2503, from Landmark Preservation LLC (Landmark) for disassembling the glass-front cabinetry in the kitchen addition at Meadow Garden and re-installation of the cabinetry in the Heritage Education Center (HEC), to include a new base, tongue-and-groove back, new right end cap, and new top cap. Landmark**

will also relocate the single upper cabinet, adjacent to the kitchen sink, to the bathroom in the HEC. Priming and painting of the cabinetry is excluded from the scope. Landmark will complete the scope of work for a firm-fixed fee of \$1,271.60. Funds to be taken from Capital Investment – Money Market Account. Honorary State Regent Ms. Brown seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The Board discussed a 2025-2026 GSSNSCAR State Project Proposal, submitted by Noah A. Tindall, on December 1, 2024. If elected as State President, Mr. Tindall would like to include purchasing outdoor storyboards for Meadow Garden during the first phase of his state project. After discussion, it was decided to invite Mr. Tindall and his parents to attend the next Meadow Garden Board meeting to answer members' questions regarding any future collaboration before voting on the proposal.

Mrs. Ameye moved that **the Meadow Garden Board accept the quote, Proposal No. 01312025-1, from Final Trace Wildlife Solutions LLC (Final Trace) for varmint removal from the crawl space of the historic home. The quote includes vapor barrier removal and replacement, removal of the chicken wire mesh, removal of the contaminated insulation, installing new insulation, installing new 1/4" X 1/4" mesh to keep rodents out, and rodent removal. The work will be completed for an estimated fee of \$2942.49, which includes a 10% historic site discount, and not to exceed \$3000.00. Funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Money Market Account – Repair and Maintenance.** Ms. Brown seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The next Meadow Garden Board meeting will be held via the Zoom Meeting application on Monday, February 24, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Approved as distributed February 24, 2025.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### **February 24, 2025**

The Meadow Garden Board met on Monday, February 24, 2025, via the Zoom Meeting application. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Other voting members virtually present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Amy Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Jane Roszmann Mellor, Sheila Wright Crumrine, F. Anne Hinton, and Melody G. Brown. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler.

State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye gave the invocation, and State First Vice Regent Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. The February 3, 2025, Meadow Garden Board Minutes were approved as distributed.

Mrs. Schwerzler expressed dissatisfaction with the quote she received for replanting the herb garden. She intends to collect additional quotes for the work and report back to the Board.

The Board discussed amending the Meadow Garden Standing Rules to align with the current GTR-02 form by adding Article VIII, PATRONS, Item 1, letter "f. State Regent's Project". The motion will be proposed and voted on during the next meeting.

Three invited guests joined the meeting. Noah Tindall, candidate for GSSNSCAR State President 2025-2026, and his parents, Randy Tindall, GSSNSCAR Senior State President 2024-2025, and Emily Tindall.

Mr. Tindall shared a well-received proposal for the 2025-2026 GSSNSCAR State Project. Historical education is one of his passions, and if elected, the goal of Mr. Tindall's State Project will be to satisfy this desire for knowledge while also honoring our Revolutionary War patriots and inspiring future patriots to rise up to be significant contributors to our nation's brighter future.

Phase I of the project proposal includes outdoor storyboards for Meadow Garden. Current tours, given by docents, cover the history of the house, and what took place on the grounds. However, the history given about George Walton covers only a small portion of his lifetime. The proposed storyboards would help tell George Walton's story while encouraging visitors

to discover their own history and leave their own legacy.

There is not enough space inside the historic home to handle a significant number of tour attendees at one time, e.g. during school field trips. With the addition of storyboards as fourth "attraction," the total number of students and chaperones can be raised to 60-65.

The storyboards will be constructed to complement the Meadow Garden environment. The first board would present George Walton's life prior to the American Revolution. The second board would discuss George Walton's military career during the American Revolution. And the last board would talk about George Walton's life after the American Revolution, including his government contributions.

After the presentation, Mr. Tindall answered questions from the Board, including inquiries about the appearance, placement on the grounds, and overall cost of the storyboards. The funds raised during Mr. Tindall's administration will be given as a designated donation for the storyboards; the Meadow Garden Board will then be responsible for the creative design, informational content, purchase and installation.

Mrs. Powell thanked him and his parents for the excellent presentation and for attending the meeting.

Ms. Lawson moved that **the Meadow Garden Board accept the proposal outlining the generous donation of three storyboards to be installed on the grounds at Meadow Garden that will display facts pertaining to George Walton's life (1) prior to, (2) during, and (3) after the American Revolution. If elected as 2025-2026 GSSNSCAR State President, Mr. Noah Tindall intends to collect funds to purchase the storyboards during his GSSNSCAR State Project - Phase I.** Meadow Garden Chair Mrs. McCorkle seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The next Meadow Garden Board meeting will be held in Augusta, GA, at the Augusta Marriott on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 12:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Approved as distributed March 20, 2025.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### March 20, 2025

The Meadow Garden Board met on Thursday, March 20, 2025, in the Heathcote Room at the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center, Augusta, Georgia. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Other voting members present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Susan Price MacEwen, Amy Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Sheila Wright Crumrine, F. Anne Hinton, Melodye G. Brown (via Zoom), and Laura Marcella Reid. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler.

Mrs. Ameye gave the invocation, and State First Vice Regent Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. There were no corrections or additions to the February 24, 2025, Meadow Garden Board Minutes; the minutes were approved as presented.

Ms. Lawson moved that **the Meadow Garden Board amend the motion passed February 3, 2025, by striking "Article II, Operations, Section VIII, Patrons, Item 3" and replacing with "Article VIII, PATRONS, Item 3." The motion would then read that the Meadow Garden Board recommend to the State Board of Management amending Meadow Garden Standing Rule Article VIII, Item 3, by deleting "The State Treasurer will report all donations to the Patrons Chair" and replacing with "The Patrons Chair will report all donations to the State Treasurer."** State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

State Treasurer Mrs. Kuntz presented the financial report. The **Meadow Garden Account Summaries** covering the period July 1, 2024, through March 15, 2025: Certificates of Deposit \$314,375.59; Checking Account \$180,566.76; Petty Cash \$100.00; Money Market Accounts \$ 241,053.96; Savings Account \$115,033.24; Total Current Assets \$851,129.55; Total Fixed Assets \$313,433.04; Total Liabilities and Equity \$1,164,562.59.

Meadow Garden Director Mrs. Schwerzler reported that the historic house and grounds

were prepared to host the Historic Meadow Garden Open House and Tours on Friday, March 21, 2025, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., including reinforcements to the front porch to ensure safety. The porch has been freshly painted, and the sprinklers repaired. A bi-weekly schedule has been created for sprinkler maintenance. Investigative removals are underway in the docent kitchen. The crawl space continues to be cleaned and weather-proofed; critters have been removed from the area.

Non-period plaster has been removed from the outside of the foundation. The only remaining step to complete the exterior foundation repair is an application of very fine sand, which has been ordered. There has been noticeable improvement in how the house reacts to moisture; the condensation is no longer getting trapped between two layers of impermeable material and breaking down the bricks. The moisture can now escape through the lime mortar on the external side. It was requested that Mrs. Schwerzler make inquiries regarding the color of the mortar, specifically the feasibility of keeping the natural state as opposed to using a whitewash.

The Smokehouse Restroom is operational, and will be available for the upcoming Open House, but still lacks power and hot water. Mrs. Schwerzler announced that despite these small delays, Meadow Garden is ready to greet many guests. Over \$2,600.00 of merchandise has been pre-ordered through the gift shop; items are packaged and ready to be picked up during the event. Mrs. Schwerzler briefly updated the Board on expectations and crowd control measures.

Mrs. Schwerzler attended a meeting organized by the Augusta Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) to discuss the America 250 celebrations in Augusta. Plans are underway for a large event. Mrs. Schwerzler also attended a productive meeting with area historic site directors to exchange ideas, including working together to host lectures, place markers, and better connect the community with local history. Monthly meetings are planned, and these meetings provide a great opportunity to work together with Historic Augusta, the Augusta Museum of History, the Morris Museum of Art, the Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History, and additional venues to connect us with America 250 and expand our reach through collaborations with our neighbors.

Mrs. Schwerzler gave a publicity update. Meadow Garden participates annually in the CVB Tourism Grant Program, administered by Destination Augusta. Due to an unusually large award this year, Mrs. Schwerzler was able to increase our publicity, including digital advertising in the Journal of the American Revolution, Augusta Magazine – Masters Edition, and the Augusta Press, as well as boosting social media posts.

Mrs. Schwerzler moved that **the Meadow Garden Board approve renewing Meadow Garden's sponsorship of Historic Augusta, Inc. at the 2025 Partners in Preservation Foundation Level at a cost of \$2,000.00. Funds to be taken from Admin and Maintenance – Advertising and Public Relations.** Mrs. Kuntz seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Patron Chair Mrs. Crumrine moved to **recognize the following members as 2024 Patrons-in-Kind for their donations to Meadow Garden: Martha Ann Story, Philadelphia Winn Chapter, for the donation of an 18th Century trunk to be used in the weaving room and two antique quilts; Mary Norris, Augusta Chapter, for playing the flute and fife during the 2024 Christmas Candlelight Tour; and Tonia Lynn Phillips Terwilliger, Governor David Emanuel-Adam Brinson Chapter, for donating décor and decorative elements.** Honorary State Regent Ms. Reid seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Mrs. Crumrine provided a report listing 2024 Charter Preservationists, individual and chapter Patrons by donation level, tax letter confirmations, and gift acknowledgements.

In 2024, 92 total members contributed monthly and earned the title of Charter Preservationist. Of those, 49 are attending State Conference and will receive a ribbon at check-in, as well as a thank you bag. There were 436 total Patrons for 2024 - 346 Daughters and 86 Chapters. Of the 346 Daughters, 108 are attending State Conference. 46 tax letters were mailed to Patrons contributing over \$250.00. All Patrons will receive a printed certificate in their chapter packet and a ribbon at check-in. Daughters that have qualified to purchase a

pin will receive a note inviting them to do so. Daughters that have purchased a pin will receive a pearl inside their chapter packet. Mrs. Kuntz thanked Mrs. Crumrine for her hard work and dedication.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton reported that in 2024, Meadow Garden had 30 volunteers that logged 600 hours and almost 2000 visitors touring the historic home. 225 students have taken field trips to the property. Attendance at special events, such as Independence Day and the Christmas Candlelight Tour, continued to grow. New volunteers are needed; Ms. Hinton asked the Board to spread the word. Volunteer training sessions are held on Mondays from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. A QR code has been created that enables volunteers to easily enter their hours. This will help to keep a more accurate account of our volunteers' time. Repairs to the loom are ongoing and hands-on activities are planned for the cellar during the Open House.

State Committee Chair Mrs. McCorkle deferred the majority of her report to the business meeting on Saturday, March 22, 2025. She complimented Mrs. Schwerzler and the Meadow Garden Board for an exciting and successful year.

Mrs. McCorkle moved to **amend Article VIII, PATRONS, Item 1 by adding letter "f. State Regents Project" to allow donor recognition for contributions to that category.** Mrs. Kuntz seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Approved as corrected June 18, 2025.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

### June 18, 2025

The Meadow Garden Board met on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, via the Zoom Meeting application. Helen Robertson Powell, State Regent and Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Other voting members present were O.B. Wilhoit McCorkle, Sue Hawkes Pittman, Ransom Bennett Schwerzler, Susan Price MacEwen, Amy Pittman Lawson, Ann Benson Ameye, Mary Shepherd Kuntz, Sheila Wright Crumrine, F. Anne Hinton, and Melodye G. Brown. Also present was Ex-officio member Meadow Garden Director Ransom Bennett Schwerzler.

Mrs. Powell gave the invocation, and State First Vice Regent Ms. Lawson called the roll. A quorum was established. There were two corrections to the March 20, 2025, Meadow Garden Board Minutes; the minutes were approved as corrected.

Volunteers Chair Ms. Hinton moved **the Meadow Garden Board approve payment of Invoice 1906-5, from Landmark Preservation LLC (Landmark), for porch repairs. Landmark has completed the scope of work for a firm-fixed fee of \$4,559.71. Funds to be taken from Capital Investment - Money Market Account.** Honorary State Regent Ms. Brown seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Patrons Chair Mrs. Crumrine moved **the Meadow Garden Board approve the publication of a full-page ad in the June-July 2025 issue of Augusta Magazine. This ad, with a cost of \$1,200.00, will be fully funded by the 2025 Destination Augusta Tourism Marketing Grant.** State Second Vice Regent Mrs. Ameye seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Meadow Garden State Chair Mrs. McCorkle moved **the Meadow Garden Board approve the publication of an ad on the Journal of the American Revolution website, allthingsliberty.com, which has one (1) million visitors each month. This one (1) year ad, with a cost of \$150.00 for the first month and \$100.00 for each additional month, for a total of \$1,250.00, will be fully funded by the 2025 Destination Augusta Tourism Marketing Grant.** Ms. Brown seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

Ms. Brown moved **the Meadow Garden Board approve the publication of an ad in the Augusta Experience Guide. The guide is distributed at the Augusta Convention and Visitors Bureau and at Visitors Centers throughout Georgia. This issue will be available through next summer (2026) during the 250th Anniversary. This is a one (1) year ad, with a nonprofit rate of \$1,900.00. Funds to be taken from Admin & Maintenance - Advertising & Public Relations.** Ms. Hinton seconded. Motion **approved**

unanimously.

Mrs. Schwerzler presented a proposal for an herb garden received from Bedford Gardens, Augusta, GA, including a blueprint design and options for plants, terracotta pots, etc. She explained that her husband, Martin Schwerzler, is available until July 7, and will handle the preparation and planting work. The total cost is estimated to be between \$500 and \$600 for plants, with additional expenses for pots or other containers. The Board discussed the importance of keeping the design period appropriate and within budget.

Ms. Brown moved **the Meadow Garden Board approve the plan for an herb garden in the area directly in front of the Smokehouse Restroom, with plants and designs by Bedford Gardens. Soil and supplies will be purchased separately. The preparation and planting will be done by volunteers. Funds not to exceed \$2000.00 and taken from Landscaping Money Market.** Ms. Hinton seconded. Motion **approved** unanimously.

State Treasurer Mrs. Kuntz informed the Board that the AED annual equipment management contract will be increasing to \$199.99 for the upcoming year.

The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Approved as presented July 11, 2025.

Helen Robertson Powell, Chair  
Amy Pittman Lawson, Secretary

# Standing Rules for Meadow Garden

## I. MEADOW GARDEN BOARD

1. The governing body of a Historic Site, in this instance the Meadow Garden Board, serves the public interest as it relates to Meadow Garden, and must consider itself accountable to the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, as well as to Meadow Garden; members should not attempt to act in their individual capacities, but all actions should be taken as a Board, Committee, or otherwise in conformance with the Standing Rules, the Act of Incorporation, or Bylaws of the Georgia State Society.
2. The Meadow Garden Board shall be composed of the three (3) Trustees as named in the Deed from the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, conveying Meadow Garden to the Georgia State Society; namely the State Regent, the State First Vice Regent and the State Chair of Meadow Garden who is appointed by the State Regent. The other members of the Board are the State Second Vice Regent, the State Treasurer, the Chapter Regents of the Augusta Chapter, the College Hill Chapter, and the Stallings Island Chapter, those chapters being located in the Richmond and Columbia Counties, who shall serve as Vice Chairs to the State Chair of Meadow Garden; two Honorary State Regents and three chairs of Meadow Garden Committees (Volunteers, Patrons, and Development), as appointed by the State Regent.
3. No Georgia Daughter shall serve in the same Meadow Garden Chair more than three (3) consecutive terms.
4. The State Regent shall serve as the Chair of the Meadow Garden Board, and the State First Vice Regent shall serve as Secretary of the Meadow Garden Board.
5. The Meadow Garden Director shall serve as ex-officio member of the Meadow Garden Board, being given the privilege of the floor without a vote.
6. The Meadow Garden Board shall meet a minimum of three (3) times each year; namely, preceding State Board of Management meeting, preceding annual State Conference and following Continental Congress, and at such other times as deemed necessary by the Chair of the Meadow Garden Board. At least one (1) meeting of the Board shall be held at Meadow Garden each year.
7. Meetings may be conducted by electronic means so all long as members can simultaneously hear each other and participate. Electronic mail (email) shall not be used to conduct meetings; however, in matters that require urgency and when a meeting is not critical to a decision, a vote may be conducted by electronic mail (email).
8. The Meadow Garden Board shall have jurisdiction over the operation, maintenance and work of Meadow Garden and shall be the authority for Meadow Garden as long as such authority is not in conflict with the Bylaws of the Georgia State Society, the Act of Incorporation for the Georgia State Society, and/or directions which from time to time may be approved by action of the Georgia State Society assembled at its annual State Conference.
9. The Meadow Garden Board shall supervise the placing of all insurance to cover the grounds and the Historic House and its contents, including the fine arts, with accredited companies, coverage to include fire, theft, and liability.
10. Seven (7) voting members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.
11. Minutes shall be kept of each meeting and a copy shall be sent to each member and printed verbatim in the State Proceedings.
12. All expenses for maintenance, operation and purchases of furnishings and plantings shall be authorized by the State Regent, as Chair of the Board, and paid by the State Treasurer. Expenditures exceeding \$1000.00, must have the majority approval of the Board.
13. These rules will be binding on the actions of the Board in their operation of Meadow Garden. They may be changed by the following procedure: Members of the Board must have written notification of proposed changes two weeks prior to the next meeting of the Board; a two-thirds vote of the Board and approval of the State Conference are necessary to effect a change.

14. The State Regent shall appoint a Meadow Garden Advisory Board, which would act in an advisory capacity only and be composed of no more than fifteen (15) members representing various areas of expertise.

## **II. OPERATIONS**

1. Everyone entering Meadow Garden will be requested to sign the Register.
2. No more than fifteen (15) with each Docent are to be on tour in the house at a given time. Excess of this number may wait in the reception room or in the garden. The Director has the authority to enforce the Meadow Garden rules at all times.
3. There will be no tobacco products, vaping or smoking on Meadow Garden property.
4. No type of weapons, long guns and/or firearms are permitted on the property without advance permission from the Board. Advance permission shall not be necessary for members of Sons of the American Revolution chapter(s) who are on the property with the Board's knowledge and who are carrying weapons or non-functioning firearms solely for ceremonial purposes. This restriction shall not apply to any person employed, or formerly employed, in a capacity which is permitted by law to carry weapons and/or firearms.
5. Refreshments for special events on the property and in the Historic House may be allowed at the discretion of the Meadow Garden Board.
6. Tour visitors will be asked to pay a fee as set by the Board.
7. A Meadow Garden Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) will be maintained by the Director and digital copies of this information will be in the possession of the State Regent and Meadow Garden State Chair.
8. The State Regent, State First Vice Regent and the Director by the direction of one of the two above, are authorized to have new keys made for Meadow Garden. There shall be two (2) complete sets of keys to Meadow Garden to be in the possession of the State Regent and the Director. A detailed listing of the key assignments shall be found in the Meadow Garden SOP.

## **III. DIRECTOR**

1. The purpose of this position is to lead and oversee the public programs and activities, as well as the operation, maintenance, and restoration efforts at Meadow Garden, the historic farm-home of George Walton, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, in Augusta, Georgia. The property is owned by the Georgia State Society, NSDAR. Primary responsibilities will involve providing leadership and direction to staff/volunteers and overseeing all aspects of Meadow Garden's operations, including the planning, preparation and implementation of programs related to Meadow Garden's mission in accordance and alignment with the policies and objectives established by the Georgia State Society Bylaws and the Meadow Garden Standing Rules.
2. This position is a full-time salaried position, exempt from overtime.
3. At a minimum, work hours are Monday through Friday, from 8:00am until 4:00pm.
4. A detailed listing of position duties, work hours, salary, vacation, and sick time is defined in the Meadow Garden Director Position Description and the Meadow Garden Director Employment Agreement, which are located in the State Treasurer records and a copy is also filed in the Meadow Garden SOP.

## **IV. VOLUNTEERS**

1. Volunteers shall be well screened and trained. They serve under the direct supervision of the Volunteer Chair and /or the Director.
2. Duties of the volunteers shall include acting as tour guides and other assignments determined by the Volunteer Chair and/or the Director. No volunteer work at or for Meadow Garden shall be done except under the direct guidance of the Director.

## **V. FURNISHINGS**

1. Meadow Garden's period of significance is 1791-1835.
2. Refer to the Collections Management Policy which shall be found in the Meadow Garden Standard Operating Procedure maintained by the Director.

3. All items donated to Meadow Garden shall be accepted with the written condition that they become the property of Meadow Garden and may be used, replaced or sold at the discretion of the Meadow Garden Board only.
4. All items purchased or donated will be added to the Fine Arts insurance policy. Said policy will be reviewed and updated a minimum of once per administration or if there is major addition to the collection. Major additions to furnishings will be added immediately.

## **VI. LANDSCAPING**

1. Work on the grounds will be under the sole direction of the Meadow Garden Board and the Director.

## **VII. GIFT SHOP**

1. Donated items may or may not be accepted at the discretion of the Director.
2. Profit from the Gift Shop shall be accounted for within the State Treasurer's books, with a percentage being transferred at the discretion of the Board at the end of the fiscal year and placed in the Maintenance Account if deemed necessary.

## **VIII. PATRONS**

1. Donors to the following categories are eligible to be recognized:
  - a. Capital Investment
  - b. Furnishings
  - c. Maintenance
  - d. Landscape
  - e. Heritage Education
  - f. State Regent's Project
2. Giving categories and levels for annual contributions by calendar year:
 

a. \$50	Patron
b. \$100	Chapter Patron
c. \$120	The 1900 Society
d. \$250	Sons and Daughters of Liberty
e. \$500	Octavia's Legacy
f. \$1,000	George Walton Society
g. \$5,000	Meadow Garden Preservation Society

This information will be publicized in appropriate places as determined by the Meadow Garden Board.

3. The Patrons Chair will report all donations to the State Treasurer.
4. Starting in 2021, the Meadow Garden Patrons will be recognized by calendar year on the Donor Wall of the Historic Meadow Garden website ([www.historicmeadowgarden.org/donor-wall](http://www.historicmeadowgarden.org/donor-wall)). Patrons may also be listed in the State Proceedings.
5. In-Kind Patrons approved by the Meadow Garden Board shall also be recognized on the Donor Wall for outstanding and/or unusual gifts of time, talents, or expertise toward the betterment of Meadow Garden.
6. Any patron level honorarium shall list individuals or groups honored by a donation on the Donor Wall.
7. Any patron level memorials shall list the name of the individual memorialized on the Donor Wall.

## **IX. PLAQUES & MARKERS**

1. Plaques/Markers may be placed at Meadow Garden only at the discretion of the Board, and the request meets the following criteria: Substantial service and/or contributions that secured the property and the heritage of the Georgia State Society.
2. Such plaques will be permanently displayed at Meadow Garden and a record of the honoree's service and/or contribution will be recorded in the Meadow Garden minutes.
3. Plaques shall not be attached to walls, doors or furnishings of the Historic House.

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Amended: April 2005

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Amended: March 2008  
Amended: March 2014

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Amended: March 2024  
Amended: March 2025

# Chapter Reports

## ABRAHAM BALDWIN – CARROLLTON

Joan M Finch, Regent

### State Honor Roll

The Abraham Baldwin Chapter played bingo with veterans at Trinka Davis assisted living, purchased and decorated Christmas trees for veterans, gave certificates, medals & pins, sent packages to serving military, participated in Heritage Days at Bremen Academy, presented Good Citizen & History Essays awards. Attended scholarship awards at UWG, Attended Regent Helen Powell's tea & presented three JROTC medals. Participated with the Sons of the American Revolution Fourth of July parade, picnic, Christmas dinner, and their awards ceremony.

### Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon

## ALTAMAHA – JESSUP

Jan Bennett Galloni Hediger, Regent

The Altamaha Chapter had a successful and productive 108th year serving the communities of Wayne, Liberty and Long Counties. We welcomed a new member and sadly, lost 3 members, one of which had over 60 years of service as a Altamaha Chapter NSDAR member. This year our Chapter: Presented 7 Good Citizens awards; 4 JROTC medals; 1 American History medal. Awarded: Annual Altamaha DAR Georgia Gordon and Marjorie Gordon Hamrick Scholarships to 3 graduate students. Participated: Constitution Week; Veteran's Day; Flag Day; Arbor and Earth Day; NSDAR Days of Prayer and Service; Georgia Day; American Indian Month; all other commemorative events; Domestic Violence Awareness Month; Women's History Month; Altamaha SAR events, meetings and workshops. Donated money and goods: Shane's Crib - Women and Children Support and Rehabilitation Center; Wayne County First Responders; Animal Refuge Foundation (ARF); area Literacy and Classroom Needs projects; Veterans Organizations;

### Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon

## ANDREW HOUSER – MARIETTA

Valerie Rochelle "Shelley" Bourgeois, Regent

### State Honor Roll

In 2024, Andrew Houser kicked off our Chapter's 75th Anniversary with special events, trips, and projects. Chapter members engaged in a variety of projects that allowed us to send postcards to all living Medal of Honor recipients and distribute goodie bags with patriot materials and candy for Wheeler High School JROTC cadets. The Chapter supported National-level projects and contests. We participated in the NSDAR flag grant program which allowed us to present and raise a new flag at a local church. We also honored a Chapter-level Good Citizen Award winner and presented them with a Chapter scholarship. Our Chapter members rang bells in honor of Constitution Day and participated in Wreaths Across America by marking graves in advance of wreath laying day, as well as laying wreaths. Chapter members enjoyed trips to the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Berry College, where we presented a donation to the Gates Scholarship. The Chapter continued our book club, celebrated the 200th anniversary of Lafayette's tour with monthly meeting minutes, and had a wonderful time celebrating 75 years of our Chapter's service to the Daughters of the American Revolution!

### Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon

## ANDREW Mc BRIDE – McDONOUGH

Helen B. Busbin, Regent

### State Honor Roll

Chapter gained two new members. We had a LaFayette Luncheon with his favorite dishes that he enjoyed during his Farewell Tour. We had a DAR LaFayette Speaker. We donated 33 'LaFayette & Washington' books to Henry County Elementary Schools/Little Free Libraries. We donated \$500.00 to Wreaths Across America. We recognized 14 Good

### Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon

Citizens. We gave a \$1500.00 scholarship to a Mercer University student. We support the DAR and Indian Schools and continue to support a local school. We supply several 'Little Free Libraries.' Several members attended the State Conference and Fall Forum. We delivered treats to 23 fire/police stations on 9-11. We presented seven JROTC certificates/medals. We donated \$500.00 to Freedom Flight. We placed posters/pamphlets in all Henry County libraries during Constitution Week. We donated numerous crochet blankets to 'Rachel's Gift.' Members participated in marking graves with flags in the McDonough City Cemetery on Veteran's Day. Two members placed a wreath at the Elijah Clark Park in observance of the Battle of Kettle Creek. We maintain visibility within our community by participating in the County-wide Memorial Day Ceremony and Veterans Day Service at Heritage Park. We adopted a Veteran at Christmas. We support several local Veterans groups and a museum.

**APALACHEE – BOGART**  
**Vera Ellen Doumas Tucker, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

140 American History Essays, catered awards luncheon, four District Level, one first place National winner. Meadow Garden Docent Croft presentation on George Walton Home. Navaho Code Talkers Report. SAR award was received at George Washington Dinner. Eight Daughters attended co-sponsored State Regents Tea, by Henry Walton Chapter; attended State Regent's Tea by William Candler DAR Chapter. Georgia Day ceremonies observed. Chapter Librarian placed wreath at Veterans Memorial on Memorial Day, Parliamentarian on Veterans Day. Flowers planted at Chapter memorial of Hundredth Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Fall Forum. Project Patriot Chair mailed 1,363 coupons to service bases. Prize awarded to Daughter giving most coupons. Appreciation from service bases. Sunshine Committee outreach. Member retention. Wreaths Across America program more than 50 people attending memorial at Mars Hill Baptist Church, over 100 volunteers placing 2,000 wreaths at eight cemeteries. Magazine "Stroll Five Points" featured Apalachee Chapter and the Athens Banner-Herald reported work spearheading local wreath program. Service Veterans and National Defense Chairs delivered gift boxes Chapter members wrapped, half with items for female veterans. \$1,500.00 donated to Veterans. Educational Scholarship created, new budget line items supporting grave markings and Apalachee Chapter Museum Room.

**ARCHIBALD BULLOCH – STATESBORO**  
**Martha Ann Tanner, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The chapter welcomed 1 new member. Twenty-four American History displays placed in schools or public displays. Three times local spot announcements when we supported American Legion on Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Weekly newspapers reported Veterans Day and Memorial Day events. Meetings are included in the events section of the newspaper. Five schools participated in American History Essay Contest. 126 students participated. Four Certificates of Award and four bronze medals. Participated in one Naturalization Ceremony for 42 new citizens, which was held in Statesboro for the first time in many years. Presented flags, welcome package and served refreshments. Patriot events were covered by television, radio, newspaper and on-line. We have three on-going conservation projects. Some members are patrons of Boro Recycling, a local business. Collected and delivered grocery bags and egg cartons to local Food Bank for reuse. After Christmas, members took trees to be chipped and recycled for mulch. Obtained five proclamations for "Constitution Week." Local mayor and representatives visited with us for pictures. Participated with SAR on two joint activities. Retired over 100 flags. Donated 292 books, and \$2275.00 to literacy. Three "Little Library" sites. Provided relief to victims of two severe hurricanes.

**ATLANTA – ATLANTA**  
**Alison DeForest Wise, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Atlanta Chapter gained seven new members. 19 total Junior members, one dual CAR. Daughters attended Continental Congress, State Conference, Fall Forum. Juniors paged at State Conference and Continental Congress. Awarded \$500 Good Citizen Scholarship. Awarded 12 JROTC medals. America 250: highlighted patriots on our tree and newsletter. Presented wreaths at two Memorial Day Ceremonies and SAR events. Served veterans nine SHARE dinners. Donated to DAR Home Front. Sent four packages, 250 cards to active military. Hosted a reception at a Naturalization Ceremony. Constitution Week: hosted State Regent's Chapter Tea, rang bells, Proclamation from City of Atlanta. Cleaned graves at Smyrna Memorial Cemetery. Created a book club. National Day of Service: 14 Daughters spent 42 hours cleaning graves at Harmony Grove Cemetery. Donated \$2500 to Buckhead Heritage Society to assist with historical marker at Harmony Grove. Hosted a luncheon assisting the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1118 fill out Honor Flight applications. Donated to VA Hospital: Valentine bags, signed cards, 35 Christmas stockings with toiletries, items for the Veteran Women's Baby Shower. Wreaths Across America: sponsored 88 wreaths, attended kickoff at the State Capitol, laid wreaths on Veterans' graves. Chapter field trips to historic Bulloch Hall and the Governor's Mansion.

**AUGUSTA – AUGUSTA**

**Sue H. Pittman, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The Augusta Chapter gained five new members by application, two transferees and one reinstatement. We held our annual Constitution Day ceremony honoring Col. William Few. We rang bells and had library displays in two area libraries promoting Constitution Week. We participated in numerous SAR events including Kettle Creek, Heroes of the Hornets' Nest, Battle of Brier Creek, Kings Mountain and Cowpens. We gave a Women in History Award to Commander Susan Still Kilrain, astronaut and pilot for two space shuttles. We continued working at the Peter Crawford Cemetery on restoring the grave so the ledger can be placed. Following the devastation of Hurricane Helene, members helped others in food distribution and clothing drives. It caused much damage to the cemetery and limited internet access for the entire month. In November, we signed and delivered cards for veterans and donated money for activities at the VA Hospital. We had an article published in the Daughter's Magazine about decorating the Augusta Room at Meadow Garden for Christmas. We continue to use CheddarUp for online payments for dues and meals. We produced monthly newsletters and celebrated our chapter's 132rd anniversary. We helped pay dues for daughters in need through donations.

**AUGUSTIN CLAYTON – JONESBORO**

**Rowena Atkins Wasson, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

Augustin Clayton meets from September through May and listed below were our activities: Monthly Snacks donated to the local Fire Station, collection and distribution of candy for a Fall Festival for the community and held at First Baptist Church of Jonesboro, and the last donation for Operation Home Front. Members participated in a monthly Book Club. Also, we donated to Wreaths Across America. During Constitution Week, we had a program and then rang the Bells. We gather prior to the meeting for coffee and snacks for a fellowship time. In lieu of having a Christmas party, we brought sack lunches and donated our twenty dollars to the FBC of Jonesboro's food pantry. We were able to donate \$260.00. At each meeting, we have one to two minutes for National Defense, Indians, Lafayette, and Constitution. Our programs have been Race to Liberty, Christmas Storytellers, Women Suffrage, Monuments in Washington, Midnight of Paul Revere, Huguenots, 50 year retrospect of Augustin Clayton, State Regent's Meadow Garden Program and Rosie The Riveter.

**BAINBRIDGE – BAINBRIDGE**  
**Mary Christine Hunter, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Bainbridge has had another successful year. Attendance has increased at monthly meetings along with enthusiasm and interest. Indian Minutes, National Defense and Flag Minute Reports were at each meeting. Our chapter welcomed three new members, two transfers with six pending. One Flag Certificate presented to retired Veteran. Awards luncheon was held for Good Citizen and American History Essay winners along with parents at the Bainbridge Country Club. Food was donated for Thanksgiving and Easter luncheons to the Rescue Mission for homeless veterans. Backpacks, blankets and socks were donated for homeless women veterans. Two books were donated to the local library. Chapter was honored to be co-host with Thronateeska Chapter to welcome the State Regent. Two members attended State Conference in Atlanta. This Regent appreciates the work accomplished by all members and is looking forward to the New Year.

**BARNARD TRAIL – SYLVESTER**  
**Kathy Daughtery Hamilton, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Chapter did not increase in membership this past year, but have six prospective members in the works. Chapter had a loss of three members due to death. Chapter Recognized American History Essay Winners and families, as well as DAR Good Citizen and JROTC Medal Recipients. Chapter programs for the year centered around Women's Health, Conservation, Constitution, Historical Events, American History. Honored Patriots in the Memorial Day Parade, attended the Veterans Day Program, POW/MIA Program. Delegates attended State Conference, Fall Forum and Continental Congress. Members read to children at our local Library, Chapter participated in feeding children in our local school program call "brown bag" and provided nutritional food for these bags for ages PK to High school. Chapter donated six packs of lids, 10 packs of lids and rings, 23 seed packets for Hindman School seed project. Chapter placed flags on graves of deceased members from Flag Day thru Independence Day. Chapter donated books for reading program placed at Airports for children to enjoy reading while traveling. Chapter honored two members for Outstanding Community Service and installed new officers. Chapter completed renovation to our Chapter historical house, by removing outdated bathrooms, replacing flooring to match the period of the house.

**BARON De KALB – DECATUR**  
**Lee W. Thornton Camp, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The Baron De Kalb Chapter has enjoyed a one hundred- and twelve-year history of service. Current members strive to follow the example set by our founding and past members. Chapters members have donated \$2700 worth of goods and shipped them to Andersen Air Force Base on the island of Guam. We have donated over five hundred books to Little Free Libraries and charitable organizations. Chapter members participated in Historic preservation efforts at Johns Homestead Park in Tucker. Johns Homestead was settled by the son of a Revolutionary War Patriot between 1829 and 1832 and the family farmed the land until the 1980's. Our Day of Service project donated and delivered goods to five police and fire stations. Monetary donations were made to the Atlanta VA Healthcare System's Women's Veterans Program and the DeKalb History Center. Two students were honored with Good Citizen Awards and four students were honored with JROTC medals. Brockett Elementary school staff were given bags of snacks for teacher appreciation week. Chapter members participated in a service project at the Decatur Cooperative Ministry to help clean up damage caused by Hurricane Helene. The Decatur Cooperative Ministry's (DCM) runs an emergency shelter for families facing homelessness.

## **BENJAMIN HAWKINS – CUTHBERT**

**Patricia Ann Orr Barnett, Regent**

### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Proclamations by local mayors for Constitution Week, Vietnam War, media coverage of each. Tutored at homeschools, college, and STEM school. Donated to local food bank. Cards to WWII veterans, DAR sisters 100th birthday. Two wreaths placed Wreaths Across America. Newspaper coverage chapter programs. Daughters assisted elderly with medical transportation, grocery shopping, assembled Christmas goodie bags for shut-ins, shoeboxes for Navajo reservation, volunteered at rural history museum. Purchased, placed flags at over 400 veterans' graves. Donated American History books to STEM school, donated books to residential family drug rehabilitation center, donated over 200 books to libraries. Established/maintain Little Free Library, donated seeds to Hindman School. Participated Great Southeast Pollinator Census, pollinator/vegetable gardens, controlled burns, tree planting, and wildlife conservation. Conducted Memorial and Veterans Day Service with luncheon. Awarded Excellence in American History, Good Citizen, Community Service, Women in American History. Information and recruitment booth at two festivals. Donated to establish local community park. Committee "Minutes", DAR rituals each meeting. Co-sponsored ceremonies: flag retirement, Constitution Week, State Regent visit luncheon, donated to her projects. Applied to host American Battlefield Trust Traveling Exhibit. Co-hosted free Rosalynn Carter Institute Workshop and luncheon for Caregivers of Family Members with Dementia. Visited SARS Thigpen Trail Chapter.

## **BONAVENTURE – SAVANNAH**

**Sheila Anne Carruth Burtz, Regent**

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The Bonaventure Chapter Regent is proud to report an outstanding 2024. Our chapter's membership has grown by 14% through new members and transfers. We welcomed the new Powell Administration with excitement. All hit the ground running to establish schedules and events to help promote God, Home and County. This year we hosted a genealogy workshop, made donations to our local community classroom, 4th of July commemoration, participated in Constitution Luncheon with local chapters, attended the Constitution Week celebration in Milledgeville, GA at the Old Capitol Building, attended area reenactments and was a donor and participates to Wreaths Across America at The National Cemetery in Glennville, GA and the Bonaventure Cemetery. A member participated in the American Heritage contest and placed 3rd nationally. Members joined together to kick off the first Chapter Emporium during Fall Forum to raise approximately \$550.00 for chapter projects. Chapter was awarded a \$500.00 American 250! grant to be used in the celebration and promoting of America 250! The Bonaventure Chapter was represented by several members at both State Conference 2024 and Fall Forum 2024. This Regent is proud to report that the chapter is healthy and vibrant with several prospective members and a full 2025 schedule.

## **BRIER CREEK – SYLVANIA**

**Caroline S. Pope, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

The Brier Creek Chapter had a wonderful year. Daughters started the year with a conservation program on Georgia's trees, recognized the local Brier Creek Battlefield history essay winners, and had a fabulous program on the History of the Georgia Plates. The Chapter received the America250! Grant. The grant was used to purchase pavers at the new battlefield memorial site. The summer months were not idle, with many tours of the chapter-owned historic Dell-Goodall House given. Chapter Daughters participated in many Veterans Day events in the community. The Service to America project donated books to the local Christian school this year. The Chapter was fortunate to participate with the Chestatee River, Elijah Clarke, and Reverend John Andrew Chapters in recognizing the five young ladies at the University of Georgia with the Eugenia Washington Heroism Award. The Brier Creek

Daughters ended the year with a Christmas Tea in the restored historic theater in downtown Sylvania, where many reminisced about going as a child.

**BRUNSWICK – BRUNSWICK**  
**Patricia Ann Allen McVeigh, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The Brunswick Chapter supported local veterans by attending the welcome home celebration for the May Honor Flight. The daughters also provided gifts for 19 veterans at Christmas. Members also donated gift cards to Berry College (DAR Schools). Our chapter co-hosted a Naturalization Ceremony with refreshments at the federal courthouse where the Regent welcomed the 31 new US citizens. The chapter was represented at both the State Conference and Fall Forum. Chapter members played a key role as host for the SAR annual Frederica Naval Action Day event. Members also supported the SAR in other events including SAR chapter meetings, annual picnic, grave markings, and Fort Morris Memorial Ceremony. Members participated in Wreaths Across America with one member in the role of site coordinator for the local cemetery. Conservation projects included participation in the Great Southeast Pollinator Census, and Christmas light recycling. Outstanding cadet medals were presented to JROTC and Civil Air Patrol cadets. Students were recognized in the American Essay Contest and as DAR Good Citizens. Members are good civic citizens and exceeded the chapter volunteer goals for Service to America.

**CAPTAIN EDWARD HAGIN – DALLAS**  
**Keisha Nicole Brown, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

Throughout 2024, the chapter was committed to community service and strengthening connections among its members. They celebrated member anniversaries, added a "Member's Highlight" section to the newsletter, and worked on fostering engagement within the group. The chapter's outreach included food donations to local pantries, participating in National Library Week by donating supplies, and contributing to Wreaths Across America. They also hung Constitution Week posters in government buildings and local churches to raise awareness. The chapter tabled at Hearts for Heroes, distributing American flags and flag codes, and made a donation to a local women's shelter in honor of International Day to End Violence Against Women. In addition, the chapter hosted "First Fridays," open genealogy workshops for the public, allowing attendees to explore their family histories. The chapter donated over 200 Constitution Booklets to a local high school and presented JROTC awards to deserving students. Their participation in DAR Day of Service highlighted their ongoing commitment to service, while their regular meetings included readings on women's issues, the flag, and American history. Overall, the chapter's activities this year reflected a strong dedication to service, education, and engagement, making a positive impact on both their community and the DAR mission.

**CAPTAIN JAMES KELL – ELLIJAY**  
**Peggy Danette Ware Ozment, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Two Community Service, Women in American History, Good Citizen, CAP Scholarships, Essay, and JAC Awards; \$2,000 Hurricane Relief, \$500 State Regent's Project, \$1,000 Vietnam Traveling Wall, \$650 Honor Flight, \$750 Active Military, 57 Wreaths Across America; Independence Day, Veteran's Day, Memorial Day, Vietnam Traveling Wall Honor Line, Vietnam War Veterans Commemoration; 80th Anniversary of D-Day; 2 School Constitution Week plays with SAR, 27 posters, 9 proclamations, 725 armbands, Constitution Week Speaker Judge Wheeler, Ringing of the Bells, Manor Lake Assisted Living program; America 250 Home School program; Decorated Historic Tabor House for Christmas; Honored 31 Gold Star Veterans; 9 LOC VHP interviews, preserved Bible records; Attended Continental Congress, State Conference, Fall Forum, Georgia Day Luncheon, State Regents Tea, KDS 100th Anniversary; John Tate, Rose Cemetery, Indigenous People dedications, unclaimed

veteran's funeral; Celebrated Flag Day, distributing flags and Flag Code books; 205 flags and Flag Fact Sheets to Boys & Girls Club and Summer Camp; Flag Retirement Ceremony; Library Appreciation Day, donated 2 books; Lafayette Christmas Tree; 6,230 Service to America hours, DAR Day of Service. Awarded 3rd place National Vietnam War Veterans Day Commemoration; Outstanding Programs in American History; Flag of the United States of America: Southeastern Division: Outstanding Participation.

### **CAPTAIN JOHN WILSON – THOMSON**

**Jeanie Evans Joesbury, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

Our chapter has been working on an America 250! Project by planting a Victory Tree in Thomson's historic cemetery. We used the \$500 Celebration Grant awarded to the Chapter in 2023 for this project. We participated with SAR by serving as Auxiliary Members and one member sang the Star-Spangled Banner for the SAR Wreath Laying at the Elijah Clark State Park. We provide ongoing support to Wreaths Across America by hosting a website to sell wreaths and a member attended the state DAR kickoff at the Georgia Capitol. Historic Meadow Garden is also supported. The American History Essay Contest was completed at a local elementary school. Constitution Week was celebrated with a Proclamation from our mayor, attendance at the State DAR celebration at the Georgia Governor's Mansion, and a display at our local library. We presented Historical Preservation Awards to three outstanding candidates. A local cadet was given the outstanding JROTC Award. The Chapter was represented at Spring Conference, Fall Forum, and Continental Congress.

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

### **CAPTAIN THOMAS COBB – COLLEGE PARK**

**Katherine Elaine Durden, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

Through the diligence of our members, we have maintained our membership levels and added a new member. We currently have two Juniors, with a new one anticipated to join as soon as she turns 18 next year. Our chapter was excited to have representatives at both Spring Conference and Fall Forum. The Chapter Officers Roundtable at Fall Forum was extremely helpful for our new Chapter Regent. During our monthly meetings, we enjoyed presentations from our members on such varied topics as the Constitution, West Point, and Insignia. We also bestowed Good Citizens awards on seventh and eighth grade students at Woodward Academy. The true highlight of our year has been creating a relationship with the Veteran Administration Center for Development and Civic Engagement. In December we donated holiday cards to veterans at the clinic, and the staff inspired us to apply for and win a Stars and Stripes- America 250! grant. Our project includes sharing commemorative cups, treats, and information about George Walton and Meadow Garden with veterans at a nearby clinic. These will be shared during the Veterans Administration Salute To Veterans in February 2025.

#### **Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

### **CHEROKEE – ATLANTA**

**Alice Elizabeth Benton, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

This year we supported Wreaths Across America and placed wreaths in the cemetery. We had a speaker come from the Navy (pilot from Vietnam) and Mindy's son, another military pilot. We had a celebration of KDS and meeting for 100th anniversary. We had a speaker talk about the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation, a speaker talk about decorating the White House during the Trump Administration (first term), and a speaker from the Cherokee Nation, Eastern Band of Cherokees (Bo Taylor). We gave medals to ROTCS and good citizenship awards. Every meeting we gave money towards groups that support patriotism, soldiers, historic preservation, etc. we gave socks for soldiers and money to a middle school in South Atlanta. It was a great year and we enjoyed our lunch meetings!

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

**CHESTATEE RIVER – CUMMING**  
**Perrie Ashley Hixon Tucker, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Chestatee River serving God, Home and Country, exceeded STA with 5,238 hours. Our historic preservation continues at the Sherrill house and gardens, providing maintenance workdays and \$800.00 in donations including pollinators. Gifted an antique book to Meadow Garden. Cleaned 24 gravestones and placed 22 flags on veteran's graves. Over 7,600 Patriots were indexed. Supported education, with \$500.00 to Blessings-in-a-Backpack, supported the girls living at Jesse's House with care packages, and enrichment activities. Participated in the new teacher orientation by passing out lesson plans, contest information and grant details. Provided teacher breakfast for 160. Awarded eight Good Citizens with prize packages totaling 3,200.00. Four quilts went to Chemawa. Created a Constitution Week display at an elementary school. Through patriotism, honored a female WWII WASP pilot with Distinguished Citizen and Women in History. Awarded five UGA women with Founder's Medal for Heroism. Packed 760 care boxes for active military, attended many commemorative events, placed three wreaths, donated 115 wreaths for WAA, placed 96. Provided 40 Christmas gifts for veterans, desserts for the VFW, presented three flag certificates, flag retirement, JROTC and Outstanding Cadet medals. Membership increased by 17. Leadership graduates attended Fall Forum and State Conference. Visted homebound members at Christmastime.

**COL DANIEL APPLING – BAXLEY**  
**Stephanie Anne Tillman, Regent**

The Col Daniel Appling Chapter had difficulty last year with illnesses of officers and because of illnesses we had the resignations of officers. However, officers for the chapter changed at the end of 2024. We are excited to have our first Membership recruitment on Feb 8 and look forward to meeting with Georgia State Officers at that time and also the prospect of new DAR members. Our goals are to continue to support our Veterans as we did last year with "Wreaths Across America" and provide Christmas items for them. As well as, Good Citizens Program and involvement with constitution week in the Appling County schools. As a chapter we are working on strategies that will help the chapter grow such as more community involvement and visibility. Highlighting Col Daniel Appling and the Revolutionary war weekly in our local newspaper and creating our own Facebook page are two examples. We will be meeting soon to discuss the 250 year anniversary of our nation. And plan to join the community in the parade and other activities.

**COLLEGE HILL – AUGUSTA**  
**Melissa Ransom Schwerzler, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

College Hill Daughters' hearts were key to service in 2024. In the wake of Hurricane Helene, College Hill collected donations for the Golden Harvest Food Bank for those affected by the storm. Daughters packed donations to bring holiday cheer to veterans at the VA and did Service in Seconds as they wrote cards to veterans and active-duty service members. College Hill presented 5 Bronze JROTC Medals. Our historic preservation committee cared for the Bugg Cemetery, which includes graves of Revolutionary soldiers. The chapter was so inspired by a program by Will Anderson from Hindman that they offered a \$2,500.00 scholarship to the Hindman Dyslexia program. A highlight was our April Meeting at Meadow Garden followed by a Boat Tour of the Augusta Canal National Heritage Area. The chapter also enjoyed programs on Presidents and the American Flag, Lafayette's Tour, and Our Rights and the Constitution by Judge Barry Fleming. College Daughters recorded 4,886 volunteer hours. Many gave their time and talents at Meadow Garden; others volunteered with churches, schools, literacy programs, historic groups, cancer support, and so much more. College Hill was excited to welcome 10 new members as we proudly support historic preservation, education, and patriotism.

## **COLONEL EBENEZER FOLSOM – VALDOSTA**

**Daphne Greene Wright, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

We welcomed seven new members. Attended Genealogy Workshop in Quitman. Georgia Day Story Boards in local restaurant. American History Essay winner and Vietnam Veterans recognized at March meeting. JROTC/ROTC medals to two local schools and university. Quilt and dog toys were made for veterans. Flags on veteran's graves. Headstone cleaning two local cemeteries. Constitution Week included distribution of 375 flags and 225 Constitution Week kits to students. Program at Scintilla Charter Academy as George Washington and Betsy Ross on Constitution, Constitutional Convention and Flag of USA. Assisted in clean-up after Hurricane Helene. Honored veterans with America 250 Patriot Marker Dedication attended by over 50 people and Valdosta Mayor, Lowndes County Chairman, State Regent, NSDAR Vice President General and SAR member. Sponsored WAA. Eleven members laid wreaths at Andersonville National Cemetery and Spanish American War veterans graves at Sunset Hill Cemetery. Donated over \$500 of warm clothes, puzzles, pencils, books and candy, and 130 Christmas cards to nursing homes this year. Programs on George Washington, Service Dogs, pollinator baths and gardens, Flag of the USA, Constitution, Edenton Tea Party, Lafayette's Tour of Georgia. This Regent and Daughters attended State Regent's tea, State Conference and Fall Forum. 3,277 Service to America hours.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **COLONEL JOHN Mc INTOSH – CONYERS**

**Janet Walkup Skelton, Regent**

### **Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

At each Chapter meeting, the DAR ritual, Preamble to the US Constitution, President's General Message, and National Defenders were given. Two ROTC Cadets, from Heritage and Rockdale High School, were awarded DAR Outstanding Cadet Medals and a donation of \$100 was made to each school program. Members attended Winter Tea in Madison to honor State Regent, Members gave programs on Stamps for the Wounded, Navaho Talkers and Women in Revolutionary War. Chapter members attended the Georgia Day luncheon at Burge Plantation and presented a wreath at the Walk of Heros' Memorial Day Program. Donated \$500 to the Carl Vinson VA Medical Center in Dublin, GA.

## **COLONEL WILLIAM CANDLER – GAINESVILLE**

**Terry Heath Hughes, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Celebrated Chapter's 110th Anniversary! Member Recognition: Helen Powell, Georgia State Regent; Penny Walker, State Co-Chair Literacy Promotion; Melissa Mitchell, NE District Vice Chair Lineage Research. Margaret Whalen, American Heritage National 1st Place-Crafts-Dolls; Helen Martin, Georgia 1st Place-Historic Dress. Members completed Leadership Training Courses (5) and GEP (4). Attended State Conference, Continental Congress, Fall Forum, SAR/DAR Holiday Luncheon with Lyman Hall SAR, Naturalization Ceremonies (2). GA Chapter events commemorating Indigenous People of Georgia; Edenton Tea Party; Constitution Week – Milledgeville; Flag Retirements; Trahyta 20th Anniversary. Grave markings (17) and commemorations. Battles: Cowpens; Hornet's Nest/Kettle Creek; Blue Licks; Fort Morris. Events: George Washington Birthday (Gainesville, GA); Vietnam Veterans Day; 9/11 Observance; Wreaths Across America - Georgia Capital, and local ceremony. Proclamations: Gainesville City Council, Constitution Week; Hall County Commissioners: Georgia Day, National Family Literacy Day, National American Indian Heritage Month. Hosted State Regent's Tea, 400 attended. Awards given: Good Citizens (7), Youth Leadership (8), Junior American Citizen (18). JROTC (4); ROTC Gold Medal and \$500 chapter scholarship to UNG Cadet Corps, Outstanding Female Cadet, Eve Harris. Literacy Champions (2); Women in American History (1) Display at community three-day event promoting historic preservation, education, patriotism – 75,000 attended. Restored 1928 DAR Andrew Jackson Historical Marker.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

**COLONEL WILLIAM FEW – EASTMAN**  
**Andrea Clarice Sammons McCranie, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

The Colonel William Few Chapter has had a very busy year maintaining, and adding to, the Flags on Parade project that was begun in 2020. The project has grown to over 450 flags with names of Veterans from our community. Flag distribution continues to be at the heartbeat of the chapter as our members promote patriotism among the youth of our schools and county. The Chapter participated in the Memorial Day ceremony held at Veterans Park and distributed flags at the Independence Day fireworks display. It was our pleasure to join the Eastman Lions Club for a Constitution Week luncheon in September. Our Oconee Judicial Circuit Judge, Howard Kaufold, was the guest speaker and shared many interesting items of information about the Constitution and the Signers. The Chapter honored 2 of our longstanding members at the December meeting. Mrs. Gwen Henderson, for 72 years of service and Mrs. Betty Harrington for 52 years of service received metals and certificates for their dedication to promoting God, Home and Country.

**COUNCIL OF SAFETY – AMERICUS**  
**Gaynor Gillis Cheokas, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The Council of Safety Chapter ordered wreaths for the Wreaths for Across America project and members participated in the placement and participated in Memorial Day with a wreath laying at Andersonville National Cemetery. Interesting programs included historic trails in the north Georgia region, the history of the Council of Safety, Colonial Christmas, Colonial Medicine, Visitors to Americus and Plains, Georgia Historical Records and Archives, and Women of Andersonville. The Medal of Honor was posthumously presented to Mrs. Rosalyn Smith Carter during our February meeting. There were 2 articles in the local newspaper, a local TV news program spotlight, celebrated Constitution Week with daily radio readings and school readings on morning announcements, a library display, and business marquees. We awarded 4, \$1,000.00 scholarships to high school seniors and one ROTC medal. State Regent Helen Powell was honored at a luncheon meeting and presented an Honorary Chapter Regent pin to Lisa Simpson. Members recorded volunteer hours during National Service Day by cleaning cemetery headstones and markers, meeting the chapter goal of 1 hour per member. Additional members are partnering with 2 other chapters on a marker relocation. Added several new members and 2 transfer members. Literacy was a focus of several members.

**EARL OF CAMDEN – ST. MARYS**  
**Karen Antle Kerner, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

We began the year with a program "Trail of Tears". History Essay Contest winners one 5th, and one 7th grade student, one high school student. Our chapter celebrated Georgia Day at the Georgia Welcome Center. Held meeting and program about Kinlaw Rosenwald School. Gwendolyn Edenfield attended State Conference, and Fall Forum. Nanette Moreira and Karen Kerner attended Continental Congress. Awarded one Good Citizenship, 11 Youth Leadership, one JROTC medal/certificate. Presented Nurses DAR Hospital Corps pin. OUR new Officers, Nanette Moreira turned over to Karen Kerner Regent. Our Chapter hosted the Flag Day Luncheon: four chapters participated. Our Constitution Week Committee did an outstanding job again this year. They obtained two proclamations, 19 displays in schools, libraries and welcome centers. New electronic sign advertising Constitution Week on highway 40. Enjoyed program from National Park Ranger. DAR day of service, cleaning tombstones at Oak Grove Cemetery. We took in four New Members. The Chapter recognized four members for their Membership Anniversary Woman Veteran program, donations made. Attendees enjoyed Christmas luncheon. Participated in community Tinsel Trail fundraiser for Camden House. Participated in Wreaths cross America. Increased Service to America hours by 60%.

**EDMUND BURKE – WAYNESBORO**  
**Jennifer Marie Mansell, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

Edmund Burke Chapter experienced a significant growth in membership resulting in a 12.5% increase in addition to consistently increasing meeting attendance by over 100% year over year. We quickly outgrew our original meeting location. Members enjoyed the first in-person outing post covid and a personal tour of the Augusta Museum of History. The trip climaxed with lunch at a small local business on Broad Street several blocks from many historical sites. We were honored to host a meeting with a local non-profit to learn about their service/therapy dog program and how that impacts our community civilian and veteran population. Constitution Week was observed via an official proclamation by our local government accompanying a banner and display at the city museum and Burke County Library respectively. Members planted conservation gardens propagating heirloom crops, as well as butterfly and pollinator gardens to create a sustainable food source similar to what our founding fathers would have experienced. Plans for additional trips were thwarted by a direct hit from Hurricane Helene. The chapter supported members following the devastating aftermath many awoke to in September. Despite challenges, we entertained veterans with live music and hand signed Christmas cards at the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home.

**ELIJAH CLARKE – ATHENS**  
**Lida Rice Waugh, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

In 2024 Elijah Clarke celebrated the work of women contributing significantly to society. At February's Heroes of the Hornets Nest DAR/SAR gathering, Honorary Regent Claire Newcomer was recognized for her many years coordinating this annual event. Agricultural Extension Professor Laura Mey gave an informative March presentation on planting a pollinator garden for environmental protection. Andrea Fischer, UGA State Botanical Gardens, curated an April tour of the Colonial gardens, highlighting the impact of early cash crops such as rice and indigo on Southern Colonial economies. Educator/veterans advocate Moira Michael was celebrated at an August tea; her WWI Red Cross work compelled her to begin the Armistice Day poppy program to support disabled veterans. Julia Garrett's October program on the Women Codebreakers of WWII, emphasized her mother's involvement in this vital defense work. On 17 November Briar Creek, Chestatee River, Elijah Clarke, and Rev John Andrew chapters honored five UGA women-Eleanor Cart, Kaitlyn Iannace, Clarke Jones, Jane McArdle, and Molly McCollum- with the Eugenia Washington Medal for Heroism, after rescuing a mother and her two sons from their wrecked vehicle, March 2024. In November Ellen Nelson presented an inspiring program on planning and constructing a Quilt of Valor, individualized for each recipient.

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

**ELIZABETH QUATIE ROSS – LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN**  
**Jennifer Beasley, Regent**

Elizabeth Quatie Ross Chapter, NSDAR was very proud of our two annual programs: First was our chapter sponsored 4th of July Parade. We decorated a "Lady Liberty" float featuring a handmade paper mâché Statue of Liberty and our members dressed as Lady Liberty. We threw candy to children along the parade route. We also coordinated a Veterans float with a local Girl Scout Troop. We coordinated a community 4th of July event at the Town Commons where the parade concluded. We secured funding assistance from the local town government in order to decorate a main tent area with picnic tables and sound system, contact and recruit vendors to sell food and beverages, and present awards in our contest for best parade vehicles. The EQR chapter concurrently sponsored a 4th of July pie contest, with awards for adult and children's categories. Second was our Chapter sponsored Veteran's Day Tea at the local Senior Living Facility, Thrive. We provided assembled seniors with a presentation of awards to the veterans among them (8). We also provided a plate full

**Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

of treats and lemonade to all in attendance. It was a lovely celebration of our veterans, and the various seniors in attendance appreciated the program.

## **ETOWAH – CARTERSVILLE**

**Rita Terry Porter, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Etowah Chapter Awarded 5 Good Citizen, 3 JROTC Awards, and 1 scholarship. Donated to JROTC in memory of veteran, donated 101 flags. Donated women's shelter care kits. For Constitution Week: billboards and Flag lined streets, radio/newspaper interviews, 14 CW kits, poster contest in schools and on billboards, minutes, spirit week and presented programs in character for schools, patriotic library displays, Proclamation signing with Commissioner and Mayor, dressed in colonial attire downtown and passed out 500+ pocket Constitutions. America250 Patriots on Square. Delivered Baby blankets and snacks to Ft Moore 3X. Participated in National Day of Prayer, Great Pollinator/Bird Count, Georgia Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, 4th of July Parade, Veteran's Day, Tomb of Unknown Soldier, Missing Man Table, Flag Retirement Ceremony, Women's Issues, Conservation, Native American Month, Wreaths Across America. Planted Never-Forget Gardens. Donated books, supplies, food to schools for backpack buddies. Donated to Juniors, C.A.R. Meadow Garden Patron, PG Restoration Projects. Volunteered at Food Pantry. Made visits and provided needed items to Veterans in the nursing home. Donated to Veteran PTSD program Homeless Vets. Attended State Conference and Fall Forum. Expanded our Chapter newsletter. Welcomed 1 new member and 2 new associates this year.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **FAYETTE-STARR'S MILL – PEACHTREE CITY**

**Brenda Murphy Kendall, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Daughters enjoyed programs on Community Safety, Colonial Period Dress, Georgia CAR, Equine Therapy, Paul Revere, and the Vietnam War. Fayette-Starr's Mill and James Waldrop Chapters placed and dedicated America 250 Patriot Marker in Tyrone, GA. Honored veterans and widows at chapter meeting and senior living facilities. Commemorated the 125th Anniversary of the DAR Hospital Corp by saluting nurses at 11 local schools. Attended Continental Congress, GSSDAR State Conference and Fall Forum. Participated in 4th of July Parade, distributed 600 flags. Celebrated Constitution Week with displays at public library and six schools, with Mayoral Proclamation. Rang 'Bells Across America' and attended Constitution Week dinner at Fall Forum. Attended Marquis de Lafayette birthday dinner. With local SAR dedicated a Liberty Tree in Tyrone. Presented Women in American History Award. Participated in Day of Service providing 135 items with a value of \$225 to Fayette Samaritans. Supported Fayette Pregnancy Center with outfit and toy for 32 infants. Mailed 3267 coupons to military posts. Sponsored 55 wreaths for Wreaths Across America and participated in the Tyrone wreath ceremony. Attended Heroes of the Hornet's Nest and 245th Battle of Kettle Creek. Attended the KDS DAR School 100th Anniversary Celebration. Provided a new member orientation class.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **FIELDING LEWIS – MARIETTA**

**Karen Lumpkin Kivette, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Awards: Presented- Women In American History (four), JROTC-seven, Silver Outstanding Cadet-one, Good Citizens-five, Outstanding Teacher of American History. Received- NSDAR: Blue Ribbon, Twinkling/Shooting/North Stars, American Heritage-1st place, JAC-1st place, SE Commemorative Events-2nd place, State:1st place CAA. Conservation: Liberty Tree Planting-three, Earth Day packages-100, Woolsey grave cleaning, Pollinator Census, Seed Packet donations. Patriotism: Project Patriot care packages-200, Holiday Cards-400, lunches-100, pocket flags-200, Partnership with USO, Dog Tag Memorial USA Flag, Veterans Day Parade, We Care, Honor Flight-\$1000, Socks4Soldiers. 7lbs condiments, 1000+ packages silverware, VECTR Breakfast, Red/White/Blue BBQ, Patriot

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

spotlights/minutes. Ceremonies/Field Trips: Chief Vann House, New Echota, Bulloch Hall, Alabama Poppy Project, Memorial Day, Wreaths-Across- America, Rev-War Grave marking. Events: Chapter Meetings-nine, DAR AFTER DARK, DARling Awards, DAR 101, Book Club, 120thAnniversary Garden Party, Paper Party-two, Ringing-of-the-Bells, Constitution Week School Packets-38, Flag Day Program, Bible Records-46, Remember the Ladies 5k, Trunk Show, Walk to Continental Congress. Attendees: State Conference-34/Pages-3, Continental Congress-9/Pages-1, Fall Forum-26. Proclamations: Constitution Week-three, American Indians-one. Communication: Regent Roundup, Virtual Vision Quest, Facebook pages-three, website, Instagram, X. C.A.R: Pop-Tabs, Liberty Tree Planting. Wishlist/Donations: DAR Schools, CHOA, Chemo-caps, The Poppy Lady-20, Make-A-Wish-\$800. Scholarships: Julia Crumbley Howell Memorial-\$500, Indian Youth Camp-\$250, KDS-\$500. New Members-11, Sustaining Supporters-37, Sunshine recipients-30, Service to America hours-24,607.

## **FORT FREDERICA – ST. SIMONS ISLAND**

**Harriet Irene Staley Lloyd, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Presented American History Contest Awards to 12 elementary and middle-school students. Provided hospitality for Patriots Day welcome reception with SAR. Participated in Patriots Day Celebration as part of the program, marched in parade, handed out American flags. Held new member ceremony, recognized transferred members, held memorial ceremony, Observed National Day of Prayer. Attended Flag Day luncheon. Hosted Constitution Week Luncheon and participated in trash clean-ups. Hosted Great Pollinator Count in community garden. Provided supplies for Chimewa Indian School. Supported Wreaths Across America and laid wreaths. Collected Socks for Soldiers and delivered them to the Veterans Medical Center in Decatur, GA.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **FORT PEACHTREE – ATLANTA**

**Anne S. Goodgame, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Fort Peachtree Chapter members love to serve. These Daughters have generous hearts and give freely of their time and money. When a member volunteers to lead a project, she puts her full energy into it. Our military veterans were the recipients of our services this past year. Fort Peachtree purchased a new coffee cart for the Atlanta VA medical Center and provided Christmas Stockings stuffed with needed items for the patients there. In addition to giving to those who have already served our country, Fort Peachtree provided an abundance of requested care package items for a servicewoman who is currently deployed aboard the USS Winston S. Churchill. Our chapter readily displays patriotism. These activities included fun gatherings for Chapter Daughters to socialize and to grow in friendship while also performing the labor of sorting, packing, stuffing, and delivering. At one meeting, our Chapter Treasurer was highlighted for founding Relay Exchange, a non-profit that equips mother to help daughters develop into confident leaders through skill-building and spiritual growth. Her presentation helped build our friendships, as we grew in our knowledge of each other. We were inspired by her example to serve our community.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **GENERAL DANIEL NEWMAN – NEWMAN**

**Tammy D. Hyder, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

This year our chapter was able to provide pocket Constitutions to over 1900 students in fourth grade. We participated in the Naturalization Ceremony providing new citizens with gift bags and a reception. We planted over 12,000 flags and were able to place over 1,000 Wreaths for Wreaths Across America. We also shared supplies with Backpack Buddies and helped middle school students with toiletry items. We also provided lunch for the nurses at the VA clinic in Newnan during nurses' appreciation week. Members worked in schools helping students with reading and tutoring. Members logged over 10,000 hours by helping veteran's in their homes, leading in the faith based community, working with senior citizens,

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

volunteering with the Coweta County genealogical society, meeting with WAA sponsors, writing thank you notes, working with CAR, working with the local VFW and American Legion for WAA, setting up pollinator gardens, attending Fall Forum, serving as Docents at the Governor's mansion, and working in the area of historic preservation with Minnesota, Oglethorpe University and Sudbury Historical Society, planting flags for Memorial Day on Veteran's graves and continuing their reading for the Revolutionary Readers Book Club.

### **GENERAL DANIEL STEWART – PERRY**

**Clare Smith Swinford, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Our General Daniel Stewart Chapter supported DAR schools with cash donations & through Publix Partners. Continued work with NSDAR Community Partners. Donated books to local libraries & literacy programs, & school supplies to schools. Donations made to Meadow Garden; State Regent's Project, Operation Homefront; Indian Youth of America; Museum of Aviation; Andersonville National Cemetery; NC Hurricane victims; Carl Vinson VA Hospital; Veterans organizations & The HALO Group, an Adult Special Needs Work Initiative. Awarded scholarship to DAR Good Citizens Essay chapter winner; Bronze Medal, \$50, and certificate to JROTC cadet. Attended State Conference & Fall Forum. Hosted State Regent for officers' installation. Sponsored a Constitution Week Proclamation. Participated in Earth Day, Great Pollinator Event, Jr. Master Gardeners, recycling, Wreaths Across America, National Day of Prayer, Community Classroom, cemetery preservation, Memorial and Veterans Day events. Members donated to veterans' homes & other organizations to support veterans; served as church, community, animal shelter & museum volunteers; distributed American flags & lapel pins; tutored students; shared lesson plans; and wrote letters to active duty military & veterans. Continued quarterly chapter electronic newsletter, maintained public & private Facebook pages. Programs included Women's History & Service, Historic Preservation, Honor Flight & Veterans. Another successful year!

### **GENERAL JAMES JACKSON – VALDOSTA**

**Elizabeth LeFevre Hendrix, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Opening Ritual and President General's message each meeting. Programs on Courtship in Colonial America, Georgia Day, Constitution trivia and bell ringing, Edenton Tea Party, Local family reflects on impact of losing a family member at the age of 21 in Vietnam, Update on restoration efforts at Lowndes County Historical Society and Museum. Regent and Chaplain attended Fall Forum, Regent and two members attended Col. William Moultrie Marker Dedication, Four members attended Lowndes County Patriot Marker Dedication on Veterans Day, after Hurricane Helene many members volunteered in churches, neighborhoods providing clean up, meals for Day of Service, books collected at chapter meetings and donated to local library, caps, scarves, lap blankets are crocheted by members for donation at the Veterans Hospital in Lake City, FL, one member drives her classic car with the DAR logo in parades, four members are on the board of the Lowndes County Historical Society and Museum, four members in the Withlacoochee Quilters Guild created four unique quilts for the Chemawa Indian School, donations are made to speakers to the DAR school of their choice or Meadow Garden, participated in the seed shower for Hindman School, many members volunteer at soup kitchens and food pantries.

### **GENERAL JOSIAH TATTNALL – REIDSVILLE**

**Donna Tootle Boyett, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

We awarded two local high school seniors with the DAR Good Citizen Award and held a reception for the awardees and their families. We observed Constitution Week with displays at schools and libraries. We sponsored a Ringing of the Bell Ceremony in the county park. For our day of service project, we collected funds to purchase gift cards, which we carried to

the local VA hospital and sponsored a day of bingo for the veterans. Eight members of our group participated in the Siege of Fort Morris laying of wreaths ceremony.

### **GEORGE WALTON – COLUMBUS**

**Julie Fleck Hobbs, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

With Oglethorpe, honored DAR Good Citizens Essay winners. One chapter winner ended up being state winner. Held reception and honored our chapter's American History winners with metals, certificates, and cash awards. Received Constitution Week proclamation. Supported Lucy Spell Raiford Society, C.A.R. both financially and with three active senior leaders. They all attended Georgia State C.A.R. Conference at Berry College. Marked the grave of Sarah McCants, wife of Revolutionary War Soldier, John McCants, on April 28, 2024. Participated with Wreaths Across America at Ft. Moore & Ft. Mitchell. Raised almost three hundred dollars for the Library Fund and purchased five books for the Genealogy Department at the Columbus Library. The American Story, 100 True Tales from American History presented Aaron Cohn Middle School media center on Georgia Day. Donated over 200 books to Literacy Alliance. For America 250! seven different ancestors of our members were researched. Oglethorpe, Coweta Falls SAR, and Lucy Spell Raiford CAR decorated Christmas tree together and added America 250! ornaments. Honored Veterans with cards and gifts, presented our wreath at many events, honored ten local businesses with flag day certificates, sent birthday cards to our over 90 year old members, presented at JROTC and SROTC.

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

### **GOVERNOR DAVID EMANUEL-ADAM BRINSON – SWAINSBORO**

**Kay Woods Lewis, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Decorated the tables for the State Regent's visit, Statesboro. Presented six Anniversary Certificates, one 65 years. Good Citizenship Awards and Good Citizen Award. \$1,000 scholarship Award to Good Citizen. Was awarded America 250 Grant. Provide Veterans Coffee once monthly. Constitution Week celebrated at Emanuel County Courthouse. Library display case decorated for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. American Indian program. Combined colonial musical program with SAR. National defense, flag, and conservation minutes, Arlington Ladies program. Field trip to historic plantation. Donated books to Sunshine House, Police toys chest, National DAR Library, high school libraries. Donated books to elementary and grammar schools

### **GOVERNOR JARED IRWIN – SANDERSVILLE**

**Dorothy Price Reynolds, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

Our Chapter members worked hard this year to expand our current programs such as Wreaths Across America. We promoted America 250 With a float in the Kaolin Parade. We are partnering with our local SAR Chapter to purchase a monument with all Washington County Rev War Soldiers names. Accomplishments: 1. Grew Wreath Ceremony to distribute 800 wreaths for veterans graves across the county. 2. Grave marking service for Sandra Avant's ancestor. 3. Citizenship and Essay Contests in all our schools. 4. Initiated a joint project with our local SAR to purchase and place a monument with all Washington County Patriots' names.

### **HANNAH CLARKE – QUITMAN**

**Jennifer Barron Wade, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

Chapter hosted DAR genealogy workshop. Twenty-six people from different DAR chapters attended. Newspaper coverage, Picture Mayor signing Constitution Week Proclamation and new officers being sworn in. January chapter recognized Mental Health month. February observed Heart healthy and hypertension awareness. March meeting National Kidney month

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

and Women's history Month. In April we observed Arbor Day by recycling and planting pollinator gardens and trees. May for Memorial Day and Military Appreciation Month. Chapter installed new officers. Independence Day table display at the courthouse. Members rode a golf cart for the parade. Patriotic bracelets, beads and fans were given to the public. American flags distributed. Prospective members. Constitution Week we made ninety-eight bags for elementary students. The bags contained bookmarks with the preamble, flags, and USA bracelets Chapter rang the Bells on the Courthouse on Constitution Day. Patriots Day 9-11 chapter prepared cookie trays for our first responders. October members donated \$400 toys and candy to children. DAR Day of Service, chapter donated \$2,100 to the people of Eastern Tennessee. November Native American Heritage a collection of \$100 for the American Indian Scholarship. Veterans Day 1 member in France with the President General. Members attended the Veterans Day ceremony.

## **HAWKINSVILLE – HAWKINSVILLE**

**Mary Jane Slade Ballard, Regent**

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Luncheon for first and second place American History essay winners, parents, teachers, administrators. Awarded participation certificates in six schools, 19 medals and certificates in two school systems, JROTC medals and awards in two additional school systems. Donated to Carl Vinson VA Volunteer Services, Pets for Vets, local river preservation, conservation projects. Contributed to Wreaths Across America and Honor Flight, program on education and state legislature. Participated in wreath ceremony at local veterans' park on Veterans Day. Supported classroom for severely disabled children. Donated to all DAR schools and supported schools, Meadow Garden, Helen Pouch Fund, Indian Youth of America, state C.A.R., state regent's library fund. Supported Juniors and President General's project with pin purchases and donations. Donated three hand-made quilts to Quilts of Valor. Membership in overseas units. Participants in Victory Garden projects involving children. Represented at State Conference, contributed to State Conference program. Distributed printed and electronic chapter yearbook. Special programs: Constitution, Veterans, Georgia Day, Women's Issues. Contributed article to DAR magazine. Exceeded goal for volunteer hours. Memorial service for one daughter. Received America 250 grant for placing Revolutionary Period books in two school system media centers. Entered Women's Issues essay contest.

## **HENRY WALTON – MADISON**

**Dorothy Roberts Liddell Newton, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Hosted Tea in honor of GSSDAR State Regent "Betty" Harrah serving state dignitaries and 50 guests. 35 members toured Old Governor's mansion in Milledgeville. Five members attended Burge Club Georgia Day Luncheon. Four members attended State Conference. Chapter purchased "1788 An Essay on Crimes and Punishments", \$250, a gift to Meadow Garden. Volume owned by Thomas Walton, son of George Walton. Good Citizen Scholar high schooler awarded \$500. \$250 awarded to Civil Air Patrol Cadet. Member introduced Chapter Patriot Map. Four members attended Fall Forum. For Constitution Day a member read a book about the US Constitution, distributed flags and bells to a class. Service to America is a high priority. Honor Flight Thank you notes are being written. Gift cards were collected and mailed to State DAR for Hurricane Helene relief. America250! Grant awarded to Chapter. Meeting with the city to discuss a banner and proclamation in 2025. October Day of Service was spent cleaning, weeding, and prepping Madison Memorial Garden. October meeting welcomed State Regent Helen Powell and Mary G. Harper, NE District Director. Purchased a "gift tag" for a city holiday banner with NSDAR holiday message. 20 members toured Washington, GA Historical Museum and Robert Tombs Home.

**HIGHTOWER TRAIL – CANTON**  
**Candace Reese Breeden, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Programs: NASA Presentation, Georgia Day, American History Essay, Cherokee County History Center, Pins and Protocol, Constitution Trivia, Children's Literacy, American Indian Removal. Officers and new members installed. 2,624 Service to America hours. Fifteen JROTC Awards at seven high schools. Twelve "Trails" Newsletters. Red, White and Blue BBQ sponsorship. Constitution Week Bell Ringing at Old State Capitol and Veterans Memorial Park. Three Proclamations and three library displays for Constitution Week. Woodstock Independence Day Parade. American History Essay Contest. Patriot Records Indexing. Project Patriot Coupons six pounds/\$7,500. Puppet show on American Flag. Attended: State Regent's Tea, State Conference, Fall Forum, Blue and Gold Star Memorial Dedication, 100th Anniversary KDS Dedication, 80th Anniversary of D-Day, Woodstock Memorial Day Event, Vietnam Veterans Day events, Flag Retirement Ceremony, Edenton Tea Party event, three patriot grave markings, two America 250! Marker ceremonies, nine Cherokee SAR meetings. Held Fallen Five Ceremony, presented flag lesson to nine Kindergarten Classes, held Flag Replacement Ceremony. Collected 1,600 books for literacy programs, distributed birthday boxes to foster girls, Wreaths Across America at State Capitol and Macedonia Memorial Park. Three Members course and two committee course graduates. Hosted 93 guests at Georgia Day Luncheon. Four "Service in Seconds" projects. Honored First Responders.

**JACOB BRASELTON – BRASELTON**  
**Jerry Crenshaw Patterson, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Jacob Braselton Chapter engaged in numerous patriotic, education, and community services activities throughout the year by attending wreath-laying ceremonies statewide, presented school trunk shows on the Constitution, American Revolution, and both World Wars. The chapter honored Good Citizens Outstanding Teachers, and Students of American History while distributing flags at schools, veteran events, festivals and presenting Flag Certificates. Flags were respectfully collected and retired. Displays and books were provided for Constitution Week, Literacy Promotion, American Indian and Georgia Day with items donated to schools year-round. Memorial Day, Flag Day and Veterans Day were observed by placing flags to honor service members. The chapter supported Little Libraries, hosted Georgia Day with four other chapters, hosted Veterans' Day commemorations in five communities, sent monthly postcards to veterans alongside quarterly socials in four locations. A Constitution Week proclamation was secured. The members supported a Day of Service with a BBQ fundraiser for military personnel and volunteered with military support groups. Recruited new members during paper parties and social engagements. Festivals promoted America 250! Celebration, and over 200 Christmas greetings were sent to deployed military. Additionally, the chapter collected shoes for an overseas project, exemplifying its commitment to community service and honoring America's heritage.

**JAMES PITTMAN – COMMERCE**  
**Brandy Sims Pethel, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

We started 2024 with 21 members and added 1 new member. During the year, the G.S.S.C.A.R. State President presented a program on C.A.R., members visited the Nancy Hart house, a new slate of officers was installed at the annual meeting, Beverly Vaughn Baker gave a program on LaFayette's Return, Mary Lou Goehring gave a DAR Museum Docent program, and Cameron Abney gave an Insignia program. Our chapter presented student awards in Banks and Jackson County Schools and Commerce and Jefferson Schools including 4 bronze JROTC medals, 5 Good Citizen pins, and Junior American Citizen Art certificates (including 2 National Winners). The chapter members sponsored or attended a genealogy workshop, Georgia Day, Battle of Kettle Creek Commemoration, George

Washington's Birthday, Georgia DAR State Conference, Lyman Hall's 300th Birthday, N.C.S.A.R. National Convention, several tea parties with local chapters, Flag Day ceremonies, Fourth of July Parade in colonial costume, C.A.R. Regional Meeting, GSSCAR State Workshop, Georgia State DAR Fall Forum, helped with a grave marking in Commerce, GA, and participated in Wreaths Across America.

**JAMES STEWART – FRANKLIN**  
**Pamela Ann Lyle, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

James Stewart was represented at Fall Forum, BOM and State Conference. A Flag Retirement Box was funded by chapter and constructed by local high school for dedication in August. One Excellence in Historic Preservation medal was awarded to Heard County Historical Society. Veterans were honored at Hardee's during National Military Appreciation Month in May. The chapter applied and received a flag from the Stars and Stripes Flag Replacement Grant in October. Four Youth Citizenship Awards were awarded at three schools, and the DAR Good Citizen Award recipient was awarded at the local high school. Paperwork for the DAR Medal of Honor was completed for Durell Langley and was awarded at State Conference. The Bronze Hannah White Arnett Medal was given to Mike Campbell of the Casimir Pulaski Chapter, SAR. The Braves Patrol of Centralhatchee Elementary received second place at national for Best Community Service Project. A Liberty Tree was planted at the Veterans Park in Centralhatchee with help from the Braves Patrol, the SAR, and chapter members. DAR Day of Service helped the Glenn Methodist Church, circa 1825, with detailed cleaning of the sanctuary. Americanism certificates given to Tracey Hunt and Centralhatchee Elementary School. One book donated to DAR Library.

**JAMES WALDROP – FAYETTEVILLE**  
**Terri LeeAnn Parks Fopiano, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

James Waldrop exemplified pillars of NSDAR through Patriotism, Historic Preservation, and Education. Eight Sustaining Supporters, magazine campaign, Co-op Ads - article submitted, National Day of Prayer, Betty Harrah, voted National VP General, hosted traveling Lafayette panels, tripled Service to America goal, many added Insignia to ribbons. Five attended Continental Congress. Retained membership, added Junior! Eight attended Fall Forum, Five Meadow Garden patrons, Constitution Week, Georgia Day, six state appointments, sixteen attend State Conference. Support Juniors, Pages, Crossnore, Cameo Club. America 250! Marker & Dedication Day, Liberty Tree with SAR, goodies for Firemen on 9/11, Bells Across America, Teacher of American History, plus Essay Contest. DAR Day of Service, honoring Veterans - presenting Quilts of Valor, Indian Heritage Day and monthly articles, Arbor Day & Victory Gardens, JROTC, Project Patriot, monthly Conservation and Earth Day, DAR Hospital Corps and Helen Denton, Flag Day, Let Freedom Ring, Lafayette Dinner with SAR, Commemorative Events monthly, D-Day Video and display, and CHaRM recycling program. Community Classroom, supporting our teachers, Outstanding Junior, birthday cards mailed to all, Meadow Garden visits, perpetual maintenance - patriots gravesite. Supporter -Southern Conservation Trust and Battlefield Trust. Cards monthly- shut-ins. Regent worked multiple Insignia Pop-Ups. Met reporting deadlines, audit, By-Laws.

**JOHN BENNING – MOUTRIE**  
**Susan Laird Leimer, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Attended State Conference and Fall Forum/BOM. Coordinated project to place historic memorial marker for towns namesake and American Revolution hero, General William Moultrie; hosted dedication ceremony. Welcomed State Regent Helen Powell with luncheon. Hosted county-wide Independence Day Celebration presenting one Community Service Award. Observed 50th Commemoration of Vietnam War Presented 12 Quilts of Valor. Welcomed seven new members. Presented Outstanding Veterans Volunteer Award.

Sponsored 732 wreaths for Wreaths Across America; coordinated wreath ceremony with all Vietnam veterans. Sponsored flag retirement ceremony with "Betsy Ross" and friends for Flag Day; honored Patriot ancestors; presented two flag certificates. Participated in 80th Anniversary of D-Day program. Presented Excellence in Historic Preservation Award to Gin Creek Farms and to Tarol Hunter. Presented two Women in American History certificates. Sponsored Taps at Sunset for Memorial Day and placed flags on veterans graves in cemetery. Held observances for Constitution Week and Veterans Day. Presented JROTC medal and scholarship. Presented American History medal and scholarship. Presented Good Citizen and Youth Citizen Awards. One Committee Leaders Course and one New Horizon Course graduates. Wrote and mailed 100 Veterans Day cards. Commemorated Georgia Day. Collaborated with SAR and C.A.R. Organized Colquitt County America 250 board.

### **JOHN BENSON – HARTWELL**

**Sara Hunt Lesseur, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

This past year our chapter strived to meet State and National goals in history, education and patriotism. Each meeting we read a school moment, American Indian and magazine. Read the President's General's message National Defense and State Regent's blog. We participated in commemorative events with DAR and SAR, and observed Georgia Day. Our Mayor signed a proclamation for Constitution Week. Assist our American Legion. Presented a wreath at our Veterans Day program and in their parade. We participated in our Flag Day and National Day of Prayer. We honored JROTC, Good Citizen, Youth and Elementary schools. We attended Fall Forum and State Conference. We hosted a 250th anniversary Boston Tea Party with our State Regent as our guest. We have a patriotic program and give out flags. We honor our first responders and Vietnam veterans. Place Wreaths Across America. Welcomed ten new members. We have a great chapter and members who serve God, Home and Country.

### **JOHN CLARKE – SOCIAL CIRCLE**

**Pauline Thompson Myers, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Canned goods were delivered to local food pantry. On Law Enforcement Day snacks and water were delivered to local police department. A Georgia Day Observance was held with guests from local DAR chapters and city officials. One member attended State Conference. A wreath was presented at a Memorial Day Observance. Service to America hours were added and two wreaths were sponsored for Wreaths Across America. An America 250! Celebration Grant was approved for the cleaning of a local cemetery where an American Revolutionary soldier is buried. A prospective member application was approved. Constitution, Conservation, Women's Issues, DAR Schools, Flag and Indian Minutes presented at monthly meetings. Joined with another local lineage organization for a First Annual Christmas Luncheon and then delivered toys collected for Operation Toy Soldier. Celebrated the 103rd birthday of a chapter member.

### **JOHN FRANKLIN WREN – WRENS**

**Sharon Wimpy Fleming, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Our chapter membership increased in 2024 with three transfers, one reinstatement, and two Oaths of Membership. Georgia Day was observed in February with all in attendance receiving Georgia products as favors, and Valentines were delivered to the veterans at the Georgia War Veterans Home in Augusta. Our chapter's newest young mom was showered in March with diapers for her soon-to-arrive twins, and in April, our most recent junior member was honored with a bridal tea. One of our members hosted us in her lovely barn for our May meeting where a potluck lunch was enjoyed by all and officers for the 2024-2026 term were

installed. In September, bags of snacks were prepared and distributed to county first responders. Also, Constitution packets were presented to fourth grade students in the four county elementary schools, an entertaining program on the Constitution was enjoyed at our meeting, and the town bell was rung by members at 4:00 on September 17th to commemorate the Constitution's signing. In November, members placed 130 flags on veterans' graves in Wrens Memorial Cemetery and Keysville and held a Veterans Day luncheon which was attended by 34 local veterans and 17 spouses on Veterans Day.

### **JOHN HOUSTOUN – THOMASTON**

**Linda Moore Hallman, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

The John Houston Chapter has been serving the DAR for 114 years with sixty elderly members. Seven of these members are Fifty Years members. The chapter is working on twenty one soldiers that have not been recognized. Working on an Indian historical marker and two Indian trail markers. Mayor JD Stallings signed a Proclamation for American Indian Heritage Month. We had Indian minutes at every meeting. Veterans have met at our 1830's Pettigrew White Stamp House and given their accounts of WWII which are now on a recorder at the locale archives. Our chapter gave \$250 + for coats and jackets to the local VA Hospital for all veterans. We joined the James Monroe Chapter for Veterans Day Program on the square to honor all veterans. DAR School minutes are shared at every meeting along with collecting Box Tops. Christmas music was enjoyed by all from Kings Gap. We have a public and private Facebook page. Members of the chapter showed up for their regents at the City Council Meeting when asking permission to place a DAR marker in the City Cemetery. Even if we are showing a little wear, we have worked relentlessly to meet all our DAR requirements.

### **JOHN LAURENS – DUBLIN**

**Aurelia Ramage Tippett, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

In 2024, John Lauren Chapter members supported the DAR Essay and Good Citizen Programs and a Chapter Scholarship program. The Daughters also supported American Veterans at the Carl Vinson VA Hospital through cards for Christmas, Valentine's Day, Veterans' Day, Memorial Day, and July 4th, as well as sponsoring the annual Veteran's Day Program at the VA, a Christmas party for veterans and their families, and monthly Bingo games, participating in a Fall Festival at the VA, donating monthly to the Food Pantry food, hygiene, clothing, and baby items. We sponsored a community blood drive, provided a flag to a school, and donated member-created, standards-based patriotic lesson plans to local elementary/middle school teachers. We mourned lost daughters with a program, laid a wreath at Thomas McCall's grave for the organization of a USD 1812 Chapter. We were recognized by Keep Dublin-Laurens Beautiful for our volunteer clean-up of a local park. Our area mayors recognized American Indians via proclamation. We presented public Genealogy workshops at our regional library. Members have indexed and transcribed historical records for both DAR and the FamilySearch organization. Our members promoted Education, Historic Preservation, and Patriotism.

### **JOSEPH HABERSHAM – ATLANTA**

**Patricia Luann Wiley Miller, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Joseph Habersham Chapter presented nine programs. Awards Presented: ROTC Medal, Saber and KDS Scholarship. Awards Received: 100% PG Participation, CAA Outstanding Military Support, Project Patriot, Project Mail Call, Service to America. Attended: Continental Congress, State Conference presenting \$5,000 for State Regent's Project/Meadow Garden, Fall Forum, SBOM, Hindman Day at the Races, Hindman Advisory Board, KDS Awards Day, KDS 100th Celebration, Old Governor's Mansion Tour, Eugenia Washington Medal Ceremony. Service to Veterans: Wreaths Across America, 141 cards to Military/Veterans & Honor Flight, Project Patriot/Operation Homefront, Project Mail Call, Marietta National

Cemetery Memorial Day/wreath-laying, Revolutionary Soldier Tate wreath-laying, 50th Vietnam Memorial, Veterans Day/Atlanta History Center. Community Service: cleaned historical markers, food/clothing for women's shelters, Bell Ringing, Georgia Day Displays, Women issues/VAVS Baby Shower, First Ladies, Getting to Know my Patriot presentations, National Day of Prayer & Service, Hindman book/seed packets donations, planted gardens/trees, pollinator/bird counters, birthday cards/ill members, Birthday Bash quarterly, SAR Liberty Tree planting, Bulloch Hall, American Indian Fund, school supplies/lesson plans, Flag Displays, Naturalization ceremony. Juniors Firefly 5K, Auction baskets. Daughters Served: 5 State level committees, 2 National level committees. 10 Newsletters/email communication, Facebook. 4,400 Service Hours, 8 GEP classes, 10 Sustaining Supporters, Heritage Club, 1890 Circle.

### **KENNESAW MOUNTAIN – KENNESAW**

**Betsy Jane Wampler, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

In 2024, the Kennesaw Mountain chapter took pride in representing DAR in preservation, service, and patriotism. Members educated the public at the Bells Across America, Halloween Festival, and Wreaths Across America events. We packed over 61 boxes and sent 500 cards and many coupons for military personnel serving abroad. To honor veterans, we assisted in a luncheon for the Kennesaw veterans by greeting arrivals and serving meals. We volunteered at the UMC We Care Fair, where over 1,100 veterans were assisted. We recognized and honored Vietnam Veterans and remembered those who are gone. Our members have donated items to hurricane victims, homeless, and low-income veterans. Our Wreaths Across America event honored those who have served and are serving in each branch of the military. We placed 138 wreaths on graves, where we also placed flags twice a year and poppies once a year. In January, we recovered the wreaths from the 2023 ceremony and had them recycled to feed goats. For DAR's National Day of Service Project, KMNSDAR cooperated with CJC GASSAR in their biannual Old Allatoona Cemetery Cleanup Project.

### **KETTLE CREEK – WASHINGTON**

**Nancy Allene Ray Sisson, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Kettle Creek had 5 regular meetings with programs on Sarah Hillhouse Porter, Good Citizens, DAR schools, Veterans, and Mary Willis Library. Attended two joint meetings with Washington Wilkes SAR - a summer social and a Christmas music program. Took a field trip to the Purification Heritage Center in Sharon. Celebrated Revolutionary Days and the anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Creek by attending activities in Lincoln and Wilkes counties. Laid wreaths at the grave of Elijah Clarke at Elijah Clarke State Park and at the Kettle Creek Battlefield. Cosponsored with Washington Wilkes SAR a Living History exhibit. Took part in a memorial service on Sunday at the Church of the Mediator. Attended grave marking service for Patriot Reverend Silas Mercer at Phillips Mill Church. Honored Good Citizens from Wilkes and Oglethorpe counties, two Outstanding AFJROTC Cadets from Greene County, and a DAR Youth Citizen from Oglethorpe Middle. Presented 6 Citizenship Awards at Washington-Wilkes Middle. Collected and donated items for Veterans at Georgia War Veterans home and residents of area nursing homes and toys for local kids. Displayed 7 bulletin boards at a local school. Attended the funeral service for Kettle Creek Daughter Sue Lance.

### **KING'S GAP – PINE MOUNTAIN**

**Julia Fletcher Stokes Keating, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

King's Gap started the year with 91 members and ended the year with 89 members. Our chapter donated \$1,000 in books on the American Revolution to our library on January 27. This was money received for America250!. We went on a field trip to Berry College on February 22. On April 22 we held an art show to honor Vietnam veterans and their families.

On September 5 our chapter participated in a Naturalization Ceremony and Reception with 3 other chapters. The chapter joined forces with a local organization and held an Italian dinner for 90+ military and first responders and their families on October 10. In December our chapter and two civic groups hosted a Christmas Party. Unwrapped toys and money were collected at the party for the less advantaged children and senior adults. Over 450 people attended the party, and we collected a large box truck full of toys and at least \$6,000. We participated in Wreaths Across America. Chapter GSSDAR support includes State Organizing Secretary. Two members attended Continental Congress and four attended Fall Forum. We have an ensemble of 11 members (The DARlings) who sing at DAR events, nursing homes and churches. They sang at eighteen events.

**La GRANGE – LaGRANGE**  
**Mary Kathren Moon Fogg, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

La Grange Chapter continues to support and act as docents at historic Bellevue, antebellum home of Senator Benjamin Harvey Hill. Seven meetings were conducted and two awards receptions. Meetings open with Ritual, President General's message and National Defense report. Four members attended State Conference in March. JROTC awards were delivered to two high schools in May. Youth Good Citizen awards were awarded to students from eleven elementary schools at a reception in December. Independence Day was celebrated with members participating in a Patriotic Boat Parade. Veterans Day was commemorated with members placing flags on veterans' graves at Shadowlawn cemetery. Members assisted the BPOE with a luncheon for veterans on Veterans Day. Members attended a Veterans Memorial Service at the Troup County Government Center. American History Essay winners and their families were honored with a reception in November. Ninety two essays were submitted. Three voting members attended portions of Continental Congress virtually. Four members attended Fall forum. Members completed GEP and Members training.

**LACHLAN Mc INTOSH – SAVANNAH**  
**Cheryl Nestler Odell, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

In 2024, Lachlan McIntosh daughters celebrated remarkable achievements. Membership grew by an impressive 16%, surpassing 100 members for the first time in 123 years! Our magazine subscriptions also saw a significant increase, rising to 57%. We proudly elected our first Outstanding Junior and honored seven active past chapter regents with the title of Honorary Regents. Two Hannah Arnett Bronze Medals were awarded to members of the Edward Telfair SAR Chapter. Our chapter was honored to host State Regent Helen Powell as the guest of honor at the annual Constitution Luncheon, attended by members from seven other Southeastern District chapters. In September, our members supported the Literacy Promotion Committee by donating hundreds of books to the Savannah/Hilton Head Airport Fly-brary. Members attended Naturalization ceremonies and received Constitution Day Proclamations. Members enjoyed a personal tour of the Savannah History Museum to view the Savannah River Cannon Restoration Project to support our State Regent. In our second year of participation, the Bonaventure Cemetery Wreaths Across America initiative placed 1,500 wreaths, a significant increase from the previous year's 247 wreaths. Chapter GSSDAR support includes State Events Chair and four committee vice chairs. We look forward to even greater success in the year ahead.

**LAMAR-LAFAYETTE – BARNESVILLE**  
**Susan Ansley Lindsey, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Lamar-Lafayette Chapter endeavors to promote the DAR objectives of Patriotism, Historical Preservation, and Education. A chapter newsletter was developed and features a Chapter Regent message, the President General's Message, National Defense article and DAR School Minute, chapter news and announcements. In an effort to have members who are

employed attend meetings, some meetings were held on a Saturday and some on the regular 3rd Wednesday. Attendance averages 50%. Membership increased by 10% with 3 new members. Regent attended State Conference and Fall Forum. JROTC Bronze Medal was awarded, and three Good Citizen Awards were presented. Activities included: observing Constitution Week with posters, large window display and speaker, observing Day of Service with a project, distributing flags at Veterans Day Memorial Service, hosting a Christmas Carol Sing-along at local assisted living facility, maintaining a butterfly garden at Johnstonville Community Club, and promoting literacy through donations to Ferst Foundation for 108 books for preschool children. Programs included members bringing Old Recipes and Remedies, conserving bats in Georgia, a reception for award honorees, and history of Thanksgiving through the ages. A Genealogy Workshop was held and brought one new member application and several prospective members.

### **LEVI SAPP – ADEL**

**W. Gail Whitehurst Hughes, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

The Chapter has 20 members. We gained one reinstatement, three associates, two prospective members. Our main interest is in helping and honoring veterans. Moved a veterans monument from the old hospital to the veterans park. Placed flowers on veterans graves. Donation to the Vietnam Veterans. Veterans graves were memorized on Veterans Day by placing an American flag on each grave. Had three veterans names engraved on a bench at the Veterans Park. Hosted a program on Veterans Day, Flag Day, Georgia Day and U. S. Constitution Week. Messages were sent to schools about national holidays in Cook County GA. Three members fly the American Flag. Retired 150 flags. Gave one fire station and two cemeteries a flagpole and flag. Supported the Boys and Girls Club. Had a Christmas luncheon for members. Placed books in the return/drop boxes in the city of Adel, GA Had a DAR Good Citizen Luncheon. We support nine schools for the contest. Donated sweatpants and T-shirts to the Lake City Veterans home. Got words engraved on the old school bell at Cook Primary School in Adel, GA Got insurance on the building for WoodmenLife. Local members have accomplished a great deal this year.

### **LIBERTY HILL – ACWORTH**

**Darla Ann Valentini, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The Liberty Hill Chapter Recognized members of the community by presenting a flag certificate, two bronze JROTC medals. We worked and added the Liberty Hill Cemetery to the Wreaths Across America official website, partnered with the city of Acworth obtaining records of veterans laid to rest in the cemetery, researched and identified additional 300 veterans buried there, organized a WAA ceremony with the city of Acworth to lay wreaths. We attended community Memorial Day, Veterans Day, Rang Bells. We designed an America 250! Pull-up and trifold brochure to promote America's 250th anniversary on Veterans Day, our yard sale and public display during meetings. Received proclamations from the Mayor of Acworth for Georgia Day and Constitution Week. Donated food, cold weather clothing, supplies to veterans, homeless, and tornado victims. Donated to Cobb Veterans Memorial and Save Acworth Historical Society. Attended three Naturalization ceremonies. Members represented the chapter at Fall Forum, State Conference, Continental Congress. Seven members serve in committees at the state and national level. Members pinned Vietnam Veterans and received recognition by National Defense as top performer, entered 19,332 names for the GRC Indexing project, 15,901 names for the Patriot Records Project and logged 3,877.75 Service to America hours.

**LT. JAMES MONROE – FORSYTH**  
**Denise Johnson Lundy Herring, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

Chapter members promoted DAR missions with Memorial Day participation laying wreaths, honoring three Georgia soldiers killed in Jordan, placing a flag on the grave of C.C. Hudson, KIA Vietnam, participating in Veterans Day. We held our Veterans Appreciation event gifting attendees with a goody bag containing gift cards and more while serving dips/chips, sandwiches and desserts. Supported Honor Flights with cards for mail call and participating in Welcome Home Celebrations. Care packages sent Georgia National Guard unit overseas twice. The chapter was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from VVA-Chapter 946. Members placed the United States flag and military service flags on the for Memorial Day, Flag Day, July 4th and Veterans Day. Presented 4 Outstanding Cadet awards. Our Day of Service supported the dog shelter collecting needed supplies. We celebrated Georgia Day with snacks of peanut butter cookies, peach cobbler, honey roasted pecans and Coca Cola with a conservation program on local birds. Constitution Week was observed with a display at the history museum. We donated six patriotic children's books to the library. The chapter collected relief supplies for hurricane victims in GA and NC. Members participated in National Day of Prayer.

**LYMAN HALL – WAYCROSS**  
**Teresa Bronte Daniels, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Lyman Hall Chapter, serving 6 rural counties in Southeast Georgia, gained 5 new members by application in 2024. The chapter has 41 members, 8 Juniors, and 3 associate members. Three Juniors serve as Chapter Officers. Chapter members donated books and participated in literacy programs, promoted conservation by growing pollinator gardens, provided financial assistance and support to area veterans, supported Wreaths Across America and Honor Flight, distributed pamphlets to promote patriotic education, participated with SAR in the Patriots Day Celebration and Fort Morris Reenactment, and celebrated "Our Patriots" with a special memorial service. Good Citizenship Medals were awarded to 3 graduating seniors in Ware, Pierce, and Bacon counties. Members provided food, supplies, and financial assistance to the victims of Hurricane Helene locally and in North Carolina. The Chapter Regent, a State Volunteer Genealogist, conducted 2 workshops and assisted prospective members with lineage research. As CDRC Division Vice Chair, she provided training and resources to enhance chapter growth and development in the seven states of the Southeastern Division. Attended 2024 Georgia State Conference in person and Continental Congress online.

**MARTHA STEWART BULLOCH – ROSWELL**  
**Cynthia Willis Waskowsky, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Martha Stewart Bulloch welcomed ten new members, honored members with 345 DAR years of service, volunteered 11,130 Service to America hours, indexed 4,120 Patriot records. Two naturalizations, presented 218 flag pins. Displayed National Flag Day banner on Historic Roswell Square. Flags and wreaths on veteran graves at four cemeteries. Supported MSB C.A.R. with leadership, finances. Two JROTC and one Civil Air Patrol medal. Supported DAR schools financially, five members attended 100th KDS anniversary. Supplied 17 schools and two libraries with Constitution materials. Held and attended bell ringings. Planted America 250! Patriot tree with SAR, newsletter articles honored "Our Patriots." Sent 906 "Troopons." Day of Service - sent 360 handmade cards to Camp Pendleton and Camp Atterbury. Honored Vietnam veterans for 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War, awarded Top Performer by the Department of Defense. Supported VA clinic with 70 Christmas stockings, refreshments twice, women veterans baby shower, Stars for Veterans, socks for homeless veterans, WE CARE vets fair. Decorated bedroom for Historic Bulloch Hall Christmas tours. Collected plastic and alkaline batteries to recycle. River cleanup. Joined SAR, C.A.R. societies

commemorations: Battle of Kettle Creek/Hornet's Nest, Memorial Day/Roswell Remembers, flag retirement, Constitution Week. Three wreaths presented.

### **MARY HAMMOND WASHINGTON – MACON**

**Elizabeth Taylor Newberry, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Mary Hammond Washington Chapter had a busy and productive year! January, a program on Black Heroes of the American Revolution and February we learned about Georgia before Oglethorpe. March we were honored to be able to participate and help with the grave marking of our President General's and Chaplin General's common ancestor. Two members attended Continental Congress. September Mary Mullins did a program on animals in the military. Becky West spoke in October about the last battle of the American Revolution. November, Janice Thiese presented a program on Gold Star Military Families. We have both Gold Star and Blue Star members. December, we had a tea and donated toys to Kids Yule Love. We continue to support Veteran's Elementary and the school loves to see us on campus. Wreath Across America has become a community event and was started by our Chapter. Membership dropped by 3.7% due to the passing of aged members and older members entering memory care or Hospice. Our Chapter celebrated 136 years! We are grateful to be part of the DAR and hope to be able to continue to meet goals in preservation of our history.

### **MATTHEW TALBOT – MONROE**

**Teresa McElhannon Thompson, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Matthew Talbot Chapter supported active military families, local veterans donating clothing, personal care items, and toys, serving meals for American Legion veterans. Constitution Week activities included displays at libraries, local businesses, newspaper photos with articles and ringing bells. Visited local school with members dressed in period costume and provided program for Constitution Week. Donated patriotic books to elementary schools, and sponsored DAR Youth Citizenship Awards in middle and high schools. Chapter received America 260 grant for planting of Liberty Tree, promoted America 250 through our traveling Patriot Profile tree. Hosted two genealogy workshops for community. Sponsored Wreaths Across America. Maintain American flag donation boxes. Flags collected are donated to American Legion for retirement. Continued financial support Meadow Garden and DAR schools. Monthly newsletters with DAR updates, calendar dates, Sunshine News, Minutes (Indian, Conservation, DAR Schools and Flag), women in history, historical articles and stories. Co-hosted State Regent Tea. Recognized school for Teacher Appreciation Week. Maintains social media sites. Chapter donated snacks and baked items to sixteen First Responder stations on DAR Day of Service and did the same for the Walton County Sheriff's Office in honor of Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. Promoted chapter and America 250 in Christmas parade.

### **MINERAL SPRINGS – WAYNESVILLE**

**Clarissa "Rissa" Douberly Self, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

This year has been a very hard year for our chapter. With the loss of Sandra Wiggins, Marion Manning and my mom Barbara Logue. But this year we have 3 new members to report and also 2 reinstatements. Our goal is to get the other 3 prospects instated. Also to get more of our old members reinstated. To help our school system in Brantley County with school supplies and any items needed to start school. Also, we are going to get candy to all the schools for their Halloween Bash. We are also looking at ways to raise money to help our chapter so we can do more for our county. We have a new member who does a lot of fund raising. So, I am going to ask her to help us get things going on raising money for our chapter. We also would like to get a book drive for Fort Stewart children. And do some school supplies for Ft Stewart USO and Hunter Airfield. Also, we are going to help some kids at a local church to go to Camp. So we are going to sponsor one.

## **NANCY HART – MILLEDGEVILLE**

**Maggie Hutto Shiver, Regent**

Our chapter worked hard this past year and participated in many observances of commemorative events. Many members participated in the annual Veteran's Day celebrations at the GA War Veteran's home. We celebrated Constitution Week with a special program in September by passing out several hundred flags, Constitution bookmarks, and flag bookmarks to every school in our county. We are members of the Vietnam War Commemorative Partners and gave a Nutcracker performance for them at the GA War Veteran's Home. We took 35 members of the GC Nutcracker to dance for them at the home. We celebrated Georgia Day in Milledgeville, for about 20 people. Dianne Mathis spoke about Georgia Plates from Sandersville, GA. Many Nancy Hart members, spouses, guests, and John Milledge SAR members, and other community members were present. After the celebration the members and guests, went to Ft. Wilkinson, and laid several wreaths in honor of the day. After the event a large photo was in the Union Recorder newspaper from the day. We also visited our property Nancy Hart Park on Washington Street and laid a wreath at our Women of History Bench. We awarded our Annual Scholarship to a local student for their college future.

## **NATHANIEL ABNEY – FITZGERALD**

**Lea Anne McNease Davis, Regent**

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Nathaniel Abney is small in size, but we have big hearts. We have seventeen members with eight ladies at most meetings. Fifteen men and women veterans received patriotic bags of candy, socks, and personal items. Christmas snacks and cards were provided for soldiers at Fort Carson. A book was donated to the DAR Library. DAR schools, National Defense, and American Indian minutes were shared at each meeting, CIS received \$25 to buy books to give to a class. A \$250 American History Scholarship was given to a senior who plans to teach history. Two silver American History medals and certificates, a bronze ROTC medal and certificate, a Citizenship medal and certificate and a Good Citizen medal and certificate were presented to students. A \$40 co-op ad was featured in the DAR magazine. Bottle caps and tissue rolls were collected for STEAM classes. Nine newspaper articles were written. Two 90th birthdays were celebrated. Hurricane Helene supplies were collected and sent to North Carolina.

## **NATHANIEL MACON – MACON**

**Renee Langford Sullivan, Ph.D., Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Members of the Nathaniel Macon Chapter were very busy during 2024 meeting the organizational objectives: patriotism, historical preservation, and education. We sent letters to Governor Kemp encouraging him to establish an America 250 committee in Georgia. We sent cards and attended the birthday party of a 100-year-old WWII Veteran. We recognized holidays, birthdays, and paid tribute to our founding fathers and mothers monthly in our chapter meetings, newsletters, and on our chapter Facebook page, including some Native American women. We conducted two Veterans Day and Flag Retirement services in January and November and hosted a Veteran's Day luncheon. We raised funds, secured permission for placement, and ordered our America 250 marker. Maintained existing and planted new pollinator gardens. Attended Kettle Creek and laid a wreath during the memorial service. We celebrated a member's 70th year of CAR/DAR membership, visited monuments and markers in South Carolina, Virginia, North Carolina, and Georgia. We donated school supplies to a teacher and food items to a food pantry. We honored our ancestors in our newsletters and shared some of their stories in our meetings. We welcomed three new members, and we signed cards and greeted Vietnam and other Veterans on their return Honor Flights.

## **OGLETHORPE – COLUMBUS**

**Marsha Trump Newer, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Historic Oglethorpe Chapter celebrated 132 years. Installed new officers. Honored Junior Isabelle King. New members, reinstatements, and transfers added. Women's Issue Essay: Faye Wells won state, second Southeast Division. Good Citizens contest: Hosted tea, awarded cash and \$500 scholarship. Local winner won state contest. Outreach through newsletters, phone calls, cards, visits, Facebook. Memorial service remembered Katherine McKinstry and Mary Jo Hay. Celebrated Veterans at Thrive; canned goods to Battle Buddy Resource Center; evening attire to Operation Deploy your Dress at Fort Moore. Applied for VOW grant. Conservation Project: pollinator gardens. Community Classroom sponsored school supply drive to support Oglethorpe teachers and homeless population. Goody bags Teacher Appreciation Week. Laid wreaths: Kettle Creek, Parkhill, Elijah Clarke. Donated to Wreaths Across America. Represented at Fall Forum, State Conference, SAR Christmas Social, Kettle Creek. Presented ROTC medals to college and JROTC medals to high school winners. Received Constitution Week Proclamation; honored at Naturalization Ceremony. Collaborated on Tree for Uptown Tree Trail promoting DAR, SAR, and C.A.R. Book club met five times. Service to America: 3703.5 hours. Donated books. Planning for Lafayette Celebration Fort Mitchell. Learned about army helicopters' names, Long-leaf pine, Honor Flight, historical samplers, Lost Columbus, Summerville, NORAD Santa Tracker, Chief McIntosh.

## **OLD HEROD – DAWSON**

**Celia Jane Washburn, Regent**

The following are programs presented during our meetings: Women's Heart Health, Martha Washington's Life and Service as America's First Lady, U.S. Flag Retirement Ceremony, attendance at Thronateeska Constitution Week Luncheon in Albany, GA, American Indians, attendance at Council of Safety Luncheon in Americus, GA, and Good Citizens Luncheon in Dawson, GA. Lynne Malone passed out a certificate, a lapel pin, and a monetary gift to each of three students, representing three schools. The students read their Good Citizen essays on the 5th of December. Lynne Malone and Jane Washburn attended the JROTC program and passed out awards to three students on the 25th of April at Lee County High School. In October, Joyce Barfield and Jane Washburn presented a certificate to Mr. Jimmy Coxwell for being a Purple Heart recipient during the Korean War and to Mike Barry for being a Purple Heart Recipient during the Vietnam War. Proclamations for Georgia Day, Constitution Week, and for National American Indian Heritage Month were signed by local attorney, T. Gamble.

## **OLD NOONDAY – ROSWELL**

**Connie Byrd Soloway, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Old Noonday chapter sparkled in 2024 by organizing two Naturalization Ceremonies and including many local DAR/SAR chapters: plus presenting the presiding judge with a Certificate of Appreciation and gifting the new citizens with copies of the Constitution, the flag code, and flag lapel pins plus letters of congratulations written by our chapter members. We supported Wreaths Across America and Meadow Garden, including a daytrip there; veterans overseas through packing care boxes at Project Mail Call on the DAR Day of Service, and DAR/local schools through book and craft item donations and giving Georgia Day presentations. Our members presented 42 pages to Genealogy Records Committee; indexed 5000+ names for Patriot Records Project; marched in the Marietta July 4th parade; participated in a local river cleanup day and served as docents at our historic society's holiday tour of homes. We implemented a monthly Senior Veteran of the Month program using the DAR Veterans Service blog to identify a veteran celebrating a 100th birthday and signing cards at our chapter meeting to shower that month's veteran with notes of appreciation. Our programs included: historic preservation, conservation, DAR101; Colonial Christmas; Native Americans, Patriot Day, Lafayette's farewell tour, Huguenot genealogy.

## **OLD UNICOI TRAIL – BLAIRSVILLE**

**Barbara Kay Weaver, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

The Old Unicoi Trail Chapter, while focusing on community Genealogy presentations, we experienced tremendous growth with 11 new members, reinstatements and transfers. Constitution week: distributed 750 pocket constitutions, and bellringing at two locations. Members heard programs on the Honor Flight, a Orton-Gillingham literacy promotion program by a grandmother who used her pet dog to enhance learning, program on Mountain Life by a local author, tribute to John Philp Sousa" Stars and Stripes Forever, and Textile Heritage given by a Georgia DAR daughter. Other items for meetings included DAR schools, National Defense, Flag moment and the America's Creed. Members and friends took part in National Day of Service cleaning headstones preparing them for WAA; participating in several cultural events: basket making, pottery painting and enjoying Gibbs Gardens; recognized a 40 year membership of a founding daughter, 25 Vietnam veterans with DAR Coins. Community Service awards were given to city of Hiawassee for their Daffodil Project, awarded three Community Service and one Grant-in-aid to local Seniors, a National Defense Youth Leadership medal awarded to the 152nd North GA Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol. Veterans received socks, cards, and attended several Veterans Day events. We celebrated America 250! with local SAR.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **OLIVER MORTON – GRAY**

**Linda Louise Powers Lancaster, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Activities for the year of 2024. January – Speaker on Healey Family of Jones County. They were an Irish American and African American family with the mother being born into slavery. The children at that time followed the mother's heritage and so the family was always at risk. The father sent the children to the north for their education as they approached the age to do so. The family had many hardships but through it all managed to keep their faith. February - Local historian that spoke to us about Jones County's Historical Markers. March – Presentation by Dr. Katherine England about women's issues. April - Awards Ceremony for American History Essay Winners and Good Citizen with reception for the families. May – Met incoming Honor Flight and welcomed Veterans home. June, July, August – no meetings. September – Commemoration of Constitution Week with ringing of the bells. October – Member of board for Honor Flight presented slide show and explained program in depth. November – Participated in celebration of Veterans Day. Had display of Oliver Morton History in celebration of America 250. December – Participated with Wreaths Across America at local cemetery.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **PATRIOTS OF LIBERTY – ALPHARETTA**

**Debra Jean Harding Kielly, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Patriots of Liberty Chapter's two most important events were to install and hold an unveiling ceremony for our 30"x30" America250! Patriots Marker at Johns Creek Veterans Memorial Walk, complete with a reception for the VIPs who attended. Our other massive effort was for Wreaths Across America, sponsoring 10 local cemeteries, purchasing 647 wreaths, honoring over 300 veterans locally and sending the remaining wreaths to national cemeteries. Our chapter's team leaders held meaningful, patriotic ceremonies and collectively we had 150 volunteers participating. For literacy promotion, we stock our own Little Free Library year-round. We also donated 60 books for HeartBound Ministries to help incarcerated parents connect with their children through reading. Additionally, we held an American Red Cross blood drive; helped 20 female veterans in a drive through baby shower; adopted and honored a WWII female pilot and 25 other veterans; gave out 360 flags and flag items; gave out 160 pocket constitutions, sent donations to Hurricane Helene victims, sent 647 care packages and 420 cards to our troops; gave 250 cards and tokens of appreciation to veterans; attended

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

or initiated 12 commemorative events; and donated and planted flowers at Alpharetta American Legion; and donated food and clothing to homeless veterans.

**PETER EARLY – BLAKELY**  
**Kimberly “Kim” Houston Orrick, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Peter Early Chapter's membership increased by 3% (one new application and three transfer ins). We lost two by resignation and one by death. Programs at the chapter meetings included State Regent Visit, Veterans Day Speaker, DAR Good Citizens and history essay winners' recognition, Early County Museum speaker, State Conference Review, Genealogy Speaker, Constitution Week Speaker, Honor Flight Program & Appreciation Cards for Veterans, and Historic Preservation Speaker. Daughters participated in the Thronateeska Chapter's Constitution luncheon, Thomasville Chapter Christmas luncheon, and Constitution Week Proclamation by County Commissioners. For the DAR National Day of Service, daughters wrote appreciation notes for Honor Flight Veterans. Our goal for Service to America hours was surpassed by 520 hours. One DAR leadership training course was completed, and the chapter was represented at the State Conference and Fall Forum. 32% of our daughters subscribe to the magazine. A private and public Facebook page and chapter newsletter were maintained. Chapter activities were also publicized in the local newspaper. Birthday cards were also sent to all daughters. Chapter Regent Kim Orrick serves as SW District Director, Georgia State Membership Chair and Vice Chair and DAR Scholarship Committee National Vice Chair for the William Robert Findley Graduate Chemistry Scholarship.

**PHILADELPHIA WINN – LAWRENCEVILLE**  
**Randi Davis Minor, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Daughters doubled Service to America hours goal. Participated in 37 commemorative events. Provided snacks/refreshments for veterans/guests at Veterans Day/Memorial Day/WAA ceremonies. Made quilts/blankets, mailed greeting cards, games, hygiene items, clothing to veterans/military families. Made notebook covers, NICU blankets, laptop pads for hospital/schools. DAR Day of Service, donated over \$1,000 in classroom supplies to first-year teacher. Wreaths Across America Ceremony, laid 624 wreaths at two cemeteries. America250! Patriot Christmas tree for "Festival of Trees" at city theater. Held in-person and virtual bellringing for Constitution Week. Gave away 1454 books to promote literacy in community. 3121 names indexed by members for Patriot Records Project. Donated \$560/participated in Breast Cancer 5k. Placed America250! memorial marker in city park with proclamation. Hosted chapter basket fling and holiday bazaar for fundraising. Replaced flag using Flag Replacement Chapter Grant. Six History Essay Contest participants with three winners. Awarded OTAH who also won state award. 11 DAR Good Citizen essay contest winners. Attended State Conference, Continental Congress, State Regent's Tea, GRI, and Fall Forum. Attended SAR and C.A.R. chapter-state-national events. "Flamingle" summer event for prospective/new members. Hosted monthly Prayer Group and Book Club meetings via Zoom. 16 Junior members; awarded Outstanding Junior, who also won state award.

**PULASKI – GRIFFIN**  
**Debra Jean Wenner Frost, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Began year collecting and donating hats/gloves for local underprivileged students. We added 2 new members and lost a couple. We invited Augustin Clayton Chapter to watch Rosie the Riveter. We placed posters purchased from DAR in store windows around Griffin and rang bells to celebrate Constitution Week. Jan Moffett decorated display case on view to the public through the month of September. Military Troop Deployment Send-off, 85 packages distributed to servicemen & women & lined street in Griffin for community sendoff - made front page. Combined efforts with John Houston Chapter. Scarecrow in UGA Memorial

Gardens on display free for month of October. Regent, Debbie Frost published a book on her family history. Photos and Book in Newspaper. 4 Books donated, 1 at DAR Library. July 4 parade. Sarah Jane Overstreet is crocheting blankets for military newborns overseas. 3 other women in chapter have joined to assist. Regent, Debbie Frost is saving the honeybee by setting out swarm traps and catch swarms. Our America 250 project is cleaning up and restoring Allen Family Cemetery. Cemetery contains Revolutionary soldier, Drewry Allen. Debby Daniel-Bryant is heading the project. We voted Judy Parker as Honorary Regent and Outstanding Regent.

**REVEREND JOHN ANDREW – WATKINSVILLE**

**Laurie Luebbers Traill, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

This chapter gained three new members; two members passed away. One member had grave marked by chapter. Members attended both State Conference and Fall Forum. Two members completed members course. Awarded: nine Distinguished Citizen Medals; five Youth Citizenship Medals; one Good Citizen; six Excellence in History; Co-awarded five Eugenia Washington National Heroism Medals. Celebrated National Award Winner for Fiber Arts. Book Club met monthly. American Heritage Chapter Cookbook progressing. Field Trip to Kettle Creek Battlefield, wreath laid. C.A.R. and JAC active monthly meetings. Hosted Genealogy Supplemental Workshop. Placed 100 flags veterans' graves and laid wreaths for Memorial and Veterans Day. Hosted July fourth public event and membership drive. Over \$10,000 items and gift cards donated to student veterans, veterans, and their families this year. Hosted Women Veterans Dinner. Hosted public Constitution Week events with JAC, proclamation, bell ringing, contests, banners, musket fire. Educated 3 schools on DAR Scholarships. \$500 scholarship awarded to student veteran. \$200 community classroom for lunch balances. \$104 Project Patriot Fort Mitchell supplies. DAR Day of Service saw \$3000 items, \$2000 donated to Georgia Hurricane Helene victims. Formed chapter Lineage Research Committee. America 250! Patriot Memorial Plaza and Marker plans progressing, Celebration grant received.

**ROBERT LOUGHRIDGE – CHATSWORTH**

**Frances Harris McLellan McFarland, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

In 2024, the Robert Loughridge Chapter hit the road running with a Prospective Member Tea, invited 124 ladies to tell the invitees what DAR is all about and how we taught school children about the Constitution, sent personal supplies to our military families in Japan, gave Good Citizen Awards and scholarship money to outstanding high school seniors, treated institutional bound veterans to treats, cards, auto rides, recorded 3000+ volunteer hours, learned that the NWGA. Cherokees, did not go on the Trail of Tears, became US citizens and settled in N.C., celebrated Georgia Day, did Heritage projects, planted Pollinator gardens, gave books to the students and schools, celebrated George's birthday with the SAR, adopted female veteran with a Christmas party with gifts, hosted 800+ American flags on military holidays, served an Edenton Tea, taught children to swim, gave JROTC and Civil Air Patrol Cadet metals, attended state conference, sent quilts to NC hurricane victims, published in Stars and Stripes Newsletter. obtained two Constitution Proclamations and one Indian Proclamation, had programs on cancer, applications and supplementals, managing your money in retirement, and how to join and become one of us, a DAR sister.

**ROSWELL KING – DUNWOODY**

**Milbrey Elizabeth Heard, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Roswell King welcomed three new members, one by application and two transfers (one of whom is a Junior) and ended 2024 with 47 members. At the end of the year, two Junior members were serving as Chapter Officers. Our members attended State Conference, Continental Congress, and Fall Forum. The highlight of the State Conference was our

immediate past Regent, Kathy Marsh, being elected and installed as State Curator! At State Conference, Regent Milbrey Heard also had the pleasure of presenting this year's Georgia Outstanding Junior with the OJ Club pin and payment of her annual OJ Club dues. Chapter meeting programs covered two Commemorative Events—the Boston and Edenton Tea Parties and the American Citizenship Act. Other programs covered Patriot Day, Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, CAR State and National programs, women's finances and Colonial era spies. We participated in a Liberty Tree dedication with the Martha Stewart Bulloch DAR Chapter and the Piedmont SAR Chapter, marched in the Independence Day parade in Dunwoody with the Mount Vernon SAR Chapter, sponsored wreaths and volunteered at Wreaths Across America at Marietta National Cemetery. Chapter members logged 1,444 Service to America hours, ending the year at 98 percent of our goal.

## **SANDY SPRINGS – SANDY SPRINGS**

**Celia Handry Mendez, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Education: Awarded three individual \$1000 scholarship awards from the Lyn Brackey Fund, sent a total of \$2500 of excess chapter funds to the five DAR schools, and donated \$500 donation to Crossnore Community Schools to help after Hurricane Helene. Chapter Business: In April, we observed the induction of a new Regent, new slate of officers, and new Junior member. Four members attended the State Conference and helped with the event. Awarded a certificate for the Georgia DAR Honor Roll. Three members attended Fall Forum. Historical Preservation: Received a Certificate of Participation from the Boston Tea Party Museum for our donation of shipped tea used during the 250th Anniversary of the Boston Tea Party in 2023. Genealogy: Chair Juliana Hughes was recognized by the Georgia DAR with a Certificate of Appreciation for her work with our chapter to help register family Bibles. Veterans: Currently raising funds for Honor Flight for a presentation to them in Spring, 2025. For Veterans Day we partnered with the Mount Vernon Chapter SAR to participate in the Veterans Day Memorial Service in Sandy Springs. Service To America: We created a contest to encourage members to log in their hours and successfully exceeded our chapter goal.

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

## **SAVANNAH – SAVANNAH**

**Amy Jones Hatch, Regent**

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Our chapter hosted a flag day luncheon to honor our flag. We held a memorial service for daughters we had lost. We participated with the other two chapters on 4th of July laying a wreath at the tomb of Button Gwinnett. We jointly hosted a Constitution luncheon with two local chapters where our State Regent spoke. We laid 10 Wreaths at Glennville Veterans Cemetery for Wreaths Across America. Our chapter raised funds to support military families in Guam. We hosted our State Representative, Anne Allen Westbrook, to speak to our members of women's issues in Georgia. We hosted Lucy Brannen and Catharine Varnadoe who spoke about the work their grandmothers achieved in creating the Savannah Historic Foundation. We received a flag grant for the Tiny Home Project in Savannah which serves homeless veterans. Marched in the Siege of Savannah along with other organizations such as SAR and C.A.R.

## **SEQUOYAH – JASPER**

**Suzanne Sullivan Walker Harman, Regent**

### **State Honor Roll**

Sequoyah Daughters attended State Conference, Fall Forum, Continental Congress, Georgia Day Luncheon, Hornet's Nest/Kettle Creek. Held dedication ceremonies with SAR and C.A.R. for DAR Markers for Patriot Grave and Bench Markers in honor of American Indians. Proclamations for Patriots, Veterans, American Indians, Literacy and Constitution. Celebrated birthdays for WWII Army Nurse and Rosie. Donated 230 books. Held Flag Day party for Veterans and School Constitution Week Poster contest. Donated replacement flag. Won 1st place in Independence Day Parade. Delivered 42 baby caps to VA. Presented nine

### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Quilts of Valor. Placed Missing Man Table for Memorial Day, Veterans Day. Laid wreaths for Vietnam Remembrance Day, Memorial Day, Veterans Day; nine Grave Markings. Purchased 185 Wreaths for WAA. Docents for Kirby Cabin Living Museum with over 1500 guests, including 600 students. Presented Good Citizen and Community Service Award. Decorated two Patriot Christmas trees and three County Library displays (DAR, Independence and Constitution). National Day of Service: served desserts to N GA Vets; delivered desserts to First Responders and County Commissioners. Delivered Toys for Tots. Collected gift cards and items for Hurricane victims. Raised over \$12000 for Women's Rehab facility. 29 New Members. Graduated two Member, four Committee, three New Horizon, three GEP.

### **SERGEANT NEWTON – COVINGTON**

**Laura Lee Nichols, Regent**

#### **State Honor Roll**

In 2024, members attended Fall Forum, State Conference, and Continental Congress. Gained three new members and one transfer. Members participated in the Great Southeast Pollinator Census. Continued working with a JAC group at a local church. Helped maintain two free libraries. Members cleaned tombstones at local church cemetery. Received permission to mark two Revolutionary War patriots' graves. Currently collecting information on six additional unmarked Revolutionary War patriots' graves in the Covington area. Provided help at a local elementary school in the library, assisted with the school book fair, and put up bulletin boards. Delivered appreciation snacks to a school resource officer and three local fire stations. Honored two local citizens with the Community Service Award. Members also supported active military and local veterans through various activities including sending cards. Honored three local WWII veterans. Had a commemorative Vietnam war flag flown on the city square on Vietnam Veterans Day. Participated in Wreaths Across America through sponsoring wreaths as well as the actual wreath laying activities. Attended commemorative ceremonies such as Battle of Kettle Creek and Memorial Day. Had mayor sign American Indian Heritage Month proclamation. Two members completed DAR member training courses.

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

### **St. ANDREW'S PARISH – DARIEN**

**Donna Haselden Howell, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

St. Andrews Parish Chapter welcomed three new members, including one junior. Sadly, we lost two members to death. Awarded a certificate, medal, American flag, and gift card to winners of Good Citizen Contest and Patriots of the American Revolution Essay Contest; event was covered by the local paper. Donated to the Carl Vinson VA Medical Center in Dublin. Maintained a Revolutionary-era cemetery in which several patriots are buried; helped the SAR clean another such cemetery and mark four Patriot graves. Members participated in and donated to a local program providing books for underprivileged children. Member Jean Wilsterman was awarded first place for Literacy Promotion in the state and the Southeastern Division for her work on this project. Members logged 1,880 hours of Service to America. Treasurer Cherry Monroe processed 61,539 names and 14,488 documents for the Patriot Records Project. Celebrated Flag Day and Constitution Day with chapters in the district. Our mayor signed a Constitution Week proclamation, which was covered by the local paper. Presented wreaths at Patriot's Day at St. Simon's Island, "Come and Take It!" commemoration at Fort Morris, and Patriot grave markings. One member completed two GEP classes, and another completed four.

### **STALLINGS ISLAND – EVANS**

**Susan Price MacEwen, Regent**

#### **Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

During the year 2024, the Stallings Island Chapter NSDAR lost a valuable member and Regent, Becky Bostic who was an invaluable leader and veteran. She is greatly missed by all. Our chapter continued to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism through

member events and programs. Our chapter participated in the 7th Cavalry's of the US Army Birthday Celebration World-wide simulcast from the Twiggs Family Cemetery and completed a clean-up day at the cemetery. We also helped clean up debris from Hurricane Helene at the cemetery and in our community. We hosted a paper party for interested prospectives and supplementals. For Constitution Week, we attended the ceremony in Augusta. Our chapter participated by purchasing and laying wreaths at Harlem Georgia Memorial Cemetery. 100% of our members paid dues on time. Some members completed trainings. We continued to use an electronic newsletter and utilized our private social media account to post information about relevant National and State news, chapter meetings, socials, and events. At chapter meetings we read the President Generals Message, articles from the National Defender, gave an American Indian, Junior Member News, Conservation and Historical Preservation Minutes. Our Chaplain gave sunshine reports and sent out birthday cards to all members.

**STEPHEN HEARD – ELBERTON**  
**Charlotte Edna Deringer, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Stephen Heard Chapter DAR hosted the State Regent for a Boston tea party celebration, which highlighted the State Regent's goals and concerns throughout her administration. We put on our annual presentation at the Nancy Hart cabin for the second graders. This event includes: 1) A story from Nancy Hart about her encounters with the Tories, that took place 250 years ago. 2) A presentation of artifacts from the revolutionary war time. 3) A look into tools used during revolutionary war to plant gardens, how seeds are planted and grown. The children can plant seeds in the garden on the Nancy Hart property, and they also plant a seed to take home in their milk carton. 4) They make a birdfeeder out of pinecones, peanut butter, and birdseed to take home with them as well. This event takes place over two to three days depending on how many children are in the second grade that year. We had a lovely presentation on the American Constitution, and we got a proclamation from the mayor for Constitution week. We had a presentation on the DAR museum in Washington, D.C. Represented three \$500 scholarship shares this year for a total of \$1500.

**SUKEY HART – WARNER ROBINS**  
**Cynthia Darlyn Grantham Davis, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Sukey Hart Chapter co-hosted Veterans breakfast with The Assembly (203 in attendance), giftbags with handmade patriotic quilt squares, challenge coins, homemade cookies. JAC members created 150 cards for veterans. Completed the Sweet Land of Liberty Veteran Remembrance Garden with commemorative marker dedication. Flag Replacement program; presented U.S. American flag to Huntingdon Village. Supported Honor flights: monetary donations, lap blankets, Chick-fil-a gift cards. Participated in Georgia Day, Read Across America, "Veterans in our Neighborhood" book drive, "Kids in Our City" after School program, the GSS Service in Seconds, UGA Pollinator Count, KDS Birthday Bash 5K, Junior Membership Virtual 5K Remember the Ladies, Texas border patrol gifts. Members attended the KDS 100th birthday party, Siege of Ft. Morris, Ft. Frederica Naval Action, Battle of Kettle Creek, Ft. Hawkins Veterans Salute, Wreaths Across America in Andersonville. Multi chapter grave-marking for President General and Chaplain General's Patriot John Glover, wife Sarah Paschall. Hosted Constitution Luncheon, Constitution library displays and book donations to schools. Purchased book for DAR library. One Founders Medal and WIARA presented to recipients. Five Leadership Course graduates. Regent Cynthia Davis and Junior member Darlyn Davis presented chapter wreath at Tomb of the Unknown Soldier while at Continental Congress.

**SUNBURY – WINDER**  
**Patricia Carter Lowrie, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Sunbury organized a Heroes Celebration for the emergency personnel and law enforcement in response to local school shooting. Three Eugenia Washington Award for Heroism and 25 Distinguished Citizen awards were distributed. This event made the local news coverage on Fox. Veterans Day was a big event - honoring our local veterans and awarding 8 Quilts of Valor. This event made the front page of our local newspaper. Vietnam Veterans Day included a luncheon, speaker and Quilts of Valor. Sunbury's Chapter House renovation was completed and celebrated with an Open House in which the State Regent and other state officers attended. One member attended the 80th Anniversary of D-Day in Normandy and reported her trip to the Chapter. For the Day of Service, members delivered 12 baskets of "grab and go" snacks for school personnel and police departments one month after the shooting at Apalachee High School. Constitution Week was celebrated with a huge display in our local Museum and bells were rung by Sunbury members. This has been an active year which has brought in new members and another junior member.

**SUWANEE CREEK – SUWANEE**  
**Shelia Wright Crumrine, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Suwanee Creek Chapter was recognized at Continental Congress, receiving a National Third Place award for Historic Preservation for the Island Ford Project, which identified 74 graves in the main cemetery and 25 graves in the area known as the slave grave area via ground penetrating radar. 24 Veterans graves were identified. The church's 228 historic documents (1832-1917) were transcribed. The chapter was awarded the 2024 Preservation Hall of Fame Award from the Gwinnett Historical Restoration & Preservation Board. Constitution Week saw the chapter distribute 2,330 kits! 1,475 student kits at nine schools which is 54 classrooms and eight media center displays, 800 kits at Suwanee Festival, 800 American Flags, and 105 Constitution booklets distributed! November saw the dedication of the Suwanee Veterans Memorial with State Regent Helen Powell attending. Local Veterans were an integral part of the Memorial Committee & ceremony. In terms of new members and Community Outreach, the chapter hosted a booth at the Suwanee Arts Festival in April, Suwanee Fest in September, and Sugar Rush in October. Currently we have 28 perspective members from these events. Wreaths Across America was hosted at two locations, with over 200 wreaths laid and eight community groups taking part.

**SWEETWATER – DOUGLASVILLE**  
**Lisa Elizabeth Wilson Meek, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Sweetwater Chapter took part in Project Mail Call by donating items and packing boxes shipped to military overseas. We awarded our 2024 Distinguished Citizen Award to Lt. Joseph Pounds. Members participated in the Great Backyard Bird Count and Southwest Pollinator Census. We handed out water and supplies at Veteran Appreciation events. We attended Memorial Day and 9/11 ceremonies. Georgia Day, Flag Day, and Constitution Day displays decorated our local library. Proclamations were granted for Georgia Day, Constitution Day, and Indian Heritage Month. We marched in Douglas County's Veterans Day Parade. We chose a local resident and member of Jimmy Carter's Peanut Brigade, Dot Padgett, as our Woman in History. Our patriotic Christmas tree was displayed at Douglas County's history museum. Another Christmas tree was raffled at the Sheriff's Benefit. The winner was a past recipient of our chapter's JROTC Award. Members volunteered with the USO as National Guard returned from tour and active-duty military passed through Hartsfield-Jackson Airport on holiday leave. Wreaths Across America wreaths were placed at Canton National Cemetery. Members attended both State Conference and Fall Forum. Sweetwater Book Club continues year-round reading historical fiction. And, we proudly added nine new Daughters in 2024!

**TALLASSEE – TIFTON**  
**Barbara “Bobby” Rogers Fresh, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

Tallassee Chapter had a very productive year. For Georgia Day, members presented a Georgia flag to the Tift County Emergency Management Services. At our March meeting we presented one DAR Good Citizen award, one JROTC award, and one Youth Citizenship award to students at Tift County High School. We supported Crossnore School by sending thrift. To celebrate Constitution Week, Tallassee sponsored a program with the Student Council at Tift County High School, at which time students signed a Proclamation. We also signed a Constitution Week Proclamation with Tifton Mayor Julie Smith. At 4:00 members rang church bells signifying the actual time the Constitution was signed. A Constitution banner sponsored by Tallassee Chapter hung over Main Street. A total of sixty Constitution posters were placed in either schools or government buildings. Members attended Memorial and Veterans Day services. Our Veteran's Appreciation Program was held at Maple Court, which is an assisted living facility. We presented 7 framed certificates to the Veterans living there and 16 American flags were given to the Veterans and the residents. Tallassee co-hosted the State Regent's tea in Albany honoring State Regent Helen Powell. Tallassee Chapter also supported National and State projects.

**THOMASVILLE – THOMASVILLE**  
**Shelba Dawn Sellers, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

In January, we listened to award-winning student essays. In February, we heard a presentation on the Federal Reserve System. In March we heard from Thomas University Vice -President Stephen Ferguson on military recruiting through football, the top form of recruiting in the country right now. In April, our State Representative spoke on President Eisenhower. In April, we gave four Good Citizens and three JROTC awards. In May we learned about colonial food customs from Museum Docent and State Speaker Mary Lou Goehring. In June Regent and Vice-regent attended and co-hosted Flag Day ceremony in Albany. Regent, Past Regent, and Registrar attended Fall Forum. In October Dr. Ingram appeared as Marquis De Lafayette. In November, Theresa Brown presented a program on historic Metcalfe, Georgia followed by a chapter visit to the Revolutionary War Cemetery. Regent and Past Regent attended Peter Early Chapter luncheon and Chapter meeting and met State Regent in November. In November, Regent, Vice- regent, and chapter members attended John Benning Marker dedication in Moultrie, Georgia. Regent, Vice-regent and two members judged hundreds of JAC art contest awards. Chapter hosted December Christmas luncheon and invited Southwest District Director.

**THRONATEESKA – ALBANY**  
**Gail Thompson Wolfe, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

Celebrated Thronateeska Chapter's 115th Anniversary, memorialized 2 members, honored past Regents, welcomed new members, gave 2 DAR Scholarships, held fundraiser for preservation of our clubhouse, listed as a DAR Historic Site, and for scholarships, had programs on Insignia, Flag Day, Georgia Day, Georgia History, rang the bells in celebration of Constitution Week, awarded Citizenship awards, supported Wreaths Across America, celebrated Day of Service to America by donating over \$600 in gift cards and filling gift bags for Veterans, with toiletries, socks ,throws, etc. Members attended Fall Forum and State Conference, as well as Continental Congress, ramped up recruiting of new members.

**TOCCOA – TOCCOA**  
**Elizabeth “Bette” Williams Northcutt, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

The Toccoa Chapter welcomed three new members by application, one of which is a Junior, and one new member by transfer. Toccoa Chapter was a co-host at a Georgia Day luncheon

in Braselton with a program on Berry College. Six of our members attended. Three of our members attended the State Regent's Tea in Gainesville. A JROTC medal was presented to an outstanding cadet at Stephens County High School. A wreath was placed at the Community Veterans Day Observance. Constitution Week was observed with a poster and information available at the local library and the President General's press release was published in The Toccoa Record. Members volunteered at Pioneer Day held at Travelers Rest State Historic Site for our Day of Service. We also decorated the dining room for the Christmas Open House. Fall Forum and State Conference were both attended by two members.

**TOMOCHICHI – CLARKESVILLE**  
**Lynn Carol McCollum, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

We started 2024 with 71 members. We had a productive year. We participated in grave markings. Several members were present for the Trahlyta Chapters anniversary party. We filled 52 gift bags and handed them out to some of our local veterans. We participated in Constitution Week with a wonderful program by Dr Tony Frye and then we handed out posters and materials to several different places such as schools, libraries, the rec dept, Sunday school classes, Historical societies. We presented Youth Citizen and Good Citizen Awards. For the National Day of Service, we cleaned the Eppes Sisters graves at a local cemetery- they are related to Thomas Jefferson. In October for America!250, we had the Edenton Tea Party, several State chairs along with the State Regent were present, along with several chapters being represented. We wrapped up the year by designating a cemetery and sponsoring 25 wreaths for Wreaths Across America, in the Old Clarkesville Cemetery, we had the White County JROTC accompany us.

**TRAHLYTA – DAHLONEGA**  
**Mary Margaret Enriquez, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

The Trahlyta Chapter celebrated its 20th anniversary with a special presentation on Meadow Garden, followed by a delightful reception. Throughout 2024, members engaged in enriching programs while supporting local causes through volunteering and fundraising. Members served over 100 individuals with special needs at their annual party, prepared and distributed Constitution Week packets to 300 third graders and 50 homeschool students, and proudly participated in the Veterans Day parade. The chapter retired over 150 American flags, organized a reception for the Quilts of Valor Ceremony, and sent care packages to active-duty servicemen overseas. A highlight of the year was a memorable tour at a historic, still-operational gold mine, where members learned its history, impact on the community, and panned for gold. The chapter had the privilege of presenting baskets of snacks to local first responders, donated by members. Additional efforts included attending a wreath-laying ceremony in honor of President George Washington's birthday, making donations to Wreaths Across America, Lumpkin County Interfaith Ministries, Connectability, and Family Connection, and packing Christmas gift bags for the VA hospital. Members beautified a cemetery entrance by cleaning and planting. The chapter contributed to bringing The Wall That Heals to the community, volunteering during its display.

**VIDALIA – VIDALIA**  
**Amanda Hopkins Betsill, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – White Ribbon**

The Vidalia Chapter actively promoted patriotism and education throughout 2024. In February, a Good Citizen Award was presented. The chapter recognized an outstanding JROTC Cadet with a medal at the May meeting. National Defense messages were shared at every meeting. The chapter demonstrated its commitment to local education by donating school supplies to a teacher; this act of community support was featured in the local newspaper. A highlight of the year was the November meeting, where new members

Reddick, Neesmith, and Thompson were inducted. Mr. Bobby George presented an engaging program on women's contributions to the American Revolution. The chapter received a \$500 grant to promote literacy and liberty. We held a book drive focusing on the American Revolution in the South, with donations benefiting local libraries. The chapter is exploring the formation of Library Outreach, Community Classroom, and Literacy Promotion committees to further its community impact.

**WILLIAM DAY – DULUTH**  
**Deborah “Debbie” Burns Kyle, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

William Day continued to be an active, engaged chapter throughout 2024. Chapter members participated in service projects including indexing names for Patriot Records Project, placing flags on graves of veterans, laying wreaths upon many graves including Yorktown, VA. We placed 121 wreaths at the Duluth Cemetery for Wreaths Across America inviting participation by the scouts as well as the JROTC. We continue to donate needed items to Treat the Troops. Chapter members baked cookies and Christmas treats and delivered them to 31 Gwinnett County fire stations on Christmas Day, 2024. We presented 2 certificates and medals to Women in the Arts. Our tree at the SE Train Museum featured Lafayette and his help to us in the Revolutionary War. We made small cloth dolls for Gwinnett police to have on hand for child victims they rescue; additionally, we made port pillows for chemotherapy patients. We began a book club open to the community. William Day is a service chapter, and we have a great time serving!

**WILLIAM MARSH – LAFAYETTE**  
**Mary Beth Rhyne Marks, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Red Ribbon**

The William Marsh chapter has had a good year in 2024! New members have joined! It seems to have brought renewed interest to our group. Which has increased attendance and has stirred some excitement about programs and “field trips!” Our favorite event this year was a luncheon and trip to a nearby military museum. Best attendance yet! Member Rita Parker and her husband Mike, shared secrets and tips on cleaning grave markers. We utilized our new skills for our Day of Service by cleaning family markers in the LaFayette City Cemetery. No one wanted to risk our training run on non-family ones! It was a successful and rewarding experience for us and we will do it again! Inability to utilize online communication is difficult for most of the members. Currently there are only two who are fluent in usage which makes communication, registrations, and online anything difficult for the chapter. Any suggestions? Registrar Rita Parker has been so impactful in her position, new members! Treasurer Mary Gilbreath has tough health issues and is struggling. She has been a rock but needs help, bless her. Incredibly, we have four going to State Conference and all's well!

**WILLIAM Mc INTOSH – JACKSON**  
**Julia Ann Farrigan, Regent**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

We have enjoyed a very successful year, added 5 new members and lost only one to death. All our local schools participated in the essay contest, and we had a district winner. Purchased medals and certificates which were presented at the Board of Education Meeting. One winner read his essay at our March meeting. We flew 15 chapter owned American flags at the historic courthouse on National holidays. Received a proclamation from the Mayor for Constitution week and provided a 12 foot display for the county library. School note, Constitution sidelights, Indian Minutes and flag facts are included in our Monthly newsletter. 12 members received certificates for, 10, 25, 30, 40 and 50 years of society membership. 34 veteran bags were filled and distributed to veterans at a care facility on Valentines Day. We saluted a community member for Excellence in Community Service. Celebrated Georgia Day with a Saturday Luncheon. Welcomed our State Regent to the

chapter for a program. Supported Project Patriot with donations and Project Homefront. Donated books to our county library as suggested by DAR. Signed cards for veterans.

**XAVIER – ROME**  
**Cameron Floyd Abney, Regent**

**State Honor Roll**

**Chapter Achievement – Blue Ribbon**

Xavier Chapter began the year welcoming State Regent, Betty Harrah, for an official visit and to give the Oath of Membership to five new members. Xavier welcomed 11 new members by application and five members by reinstatement. We were successful in recruiting Chapter Angels to sponsor a subscription to American Spirit Magazine for each new member. Guest speakers presented programs on State Regent's Project, Elder Abuse, Navajo Code Talkers, our chapter's first Regent, Meadow Garden, Kate Duncan School, Georgia Constitution Signers, a Revolutionary War spy, and the Moravian Missionaries to the Cherokee. Activities of our members throughout the year were: supporting literacy with a book sale; welcoming over 100 new citizens at two Naturalization ceremonies; participating in the Junior Membership Remember the Ladies 5K; ringing bells on Constitution Day; cleaning grave markers; honoring our Veterans in a wreath laying ceremony; commemorating the Boston and Edenton Tea Parties and the 80th anniversary of D-Day; promoting Historic Preservation at Chieftains Museum; and preparing care packages for active service members. Our chapter celebrated DAR Good Citizens and presented Youth Citizenship Awards throughout our local schools. Members exceeded our Service to America goal and had attendees at Fall Forum, State Conference, and Continental Congress.

# Bylaws

## GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### Article I NAME

The name of this corporation shall be "The Georgia State Society of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, Inc.", hereinafter referred to as the Georgia State Society, the State Society, the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, and/or GSSNSDAR.

### Article II OBJECTS

The objects of this Society shall be to promote the objects of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, hereinafter referred to as the National Society.

(1) To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence by the acquisition and protection of historical spots and the erection of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the revolution and the publication of its results; by the preservation of documents and relics and of the records of the individual services of revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and by the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries.

(2) To carry out the injunction of Washington in his farewell address to the American people, "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge," thus developing an enlightened public opinion, and affording to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens.

(3) To cherish, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.

### Article III MEMBERS

**Section 1.** Membership. The membership of the state society shall consist of the chapters in good standing of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in the state of Georgia.

**Section 2.** New Chapters. The corresponding secretary or other state officer shall enroll a chapter newly confirmed by the National Society as a member of the Georgia State Society upon receipt of the following information from the chapter: name of the chapter; the date of its organization; the names of its officers and of its members.

### Article IV OFFICERS

**Section 1.** Officers. The elected officers of the Georgia State Society shall be a regent, first vice regent, second vice regent, chaplain, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, organizing secretary, treasurer, registrar, historian, librarian, and curator.

**Section 2.** (a) To be eligible for state office, a member shall hold and have held membership in a chapter or chapters within the Georgia State Society for at least 5 years prior to her election and have served a full term as chapter officer or state chair.

No member shall be eligible to the same state office for two (2) successive terms. A member having served more than one half of a term in a state office shall be deemed to have served a full term.

(b) No two state officers shall be members of the same chapter.

(c) To be eligible for the office of State Regent, a member shall have served a full term either as State First Vice Regent or as State Second Vice Regent or served in each of these two offices of the Georgia Society.

(d) To be eligible for the office of State First Vice Regent or for the office of State Second Vice Regent, a member shall have served a full term either as State Recording Secretary or as State Treasurer of the Georgia State Society and shall have served a full term as a Chapter Regent of a chapter in the Georgia State Society.

**Section 3.** In recognition of valuable service to the Georgia State Society, a State Regent, at the expiration of her term of office, may be elected Honorary State Regent for life by a majority vote of the State Conference.

## **Article V**

### **NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Section 1.** (a) A candidate for state office shall request the endorsement of her chapter, taken by a vote at a regular meeting of the chapter held between September and December preceding the State Conference at which state elections are held. The endorsement, signed by the Chapter Recording Secretary, shall include the office the candidate seeks and shall be received by the State Regent with the candidate's statement of intent to be a candidate prior to any announcement or campaigning by the candidate and/or her supporters. The candidate to be endorsed shall be a member of the chapter which endorses her for at least one year.

(b) A candidate for State Regent who wishes to present a slate of officers shall send to the State Regent in one packet the chapter endorsements and the statements of intent for each of her selected candidates. If received by the State Regent no later than December 1, these candidates shall be listed as a slate in the State Regent's Call to State Conference.

(c) Candidates wishing to run independently of a slate, whose chapter endorsements and statements of intent are received by the State Regent no later than December 1 shall be listed as independent candidates in the State Regent's Call to State Conference.

(d) A candidate whose chapter endorsement and statement of intent have been properly received by the State Regent may choose to announce her candidacy separate from the State Regent's Call to State Conference. Such a chapter endorsement and statement of intent shall be received by the State Regent at least thirty (30) days prior to the opening of the State Conference at which the election is to take place.

(e) A candidate who does not meet the requirements of these Bylaws shall be declared disqualified and ineligible for consideration for state office.

(f) A chapter shall endorse no more than one chapter member for state office per election.

(g) In the event of the death, incapacitation or withdrawal of a candidate prior to the election, a replacement shall be made with notification in writing to the State Regent and accompanied by the chapter endorsement and statement of intent as directed by these Bylaws.

**Section 2.** Nominations of candidates for all state offices shall be made at a designated meeting of the State Conference.

**Section 3.** The officers of the Georgia State Society shall be elected biennially at the State Conference. A majority vote shall elect. If there is only one candidate for an office, election shall be by voice vote. For any contested positions, the vote shall be by ballot. Independent candidates shall be listed on the ballot in a separate column from those candidates presented as a slate.

**Section 4.** The officers of the Georgia State Society shall hold office for two (2) years or until their successors are elected. The term of office shall begin no earlier than at the close of the Continental Congress at which the regent and vice regent are confirmed.

**Section 5.** (a) If the office of state regent becomes vacant, the state vice regent shall become state regent automatically provided she has been confirmed as state vice regent. State Second Vice Regent shall become State First Vice Regent subject to confirmation by the National Board of Management or by the Continental Congress. Vacancies in other state offices shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee. Action of the Executive Committee shall be ratified at the next State Board of Management meeting or State Conference, whichever shall come first.

(b) Any state officer who is absent from the state for a continuous period of six (6) months

or longer shall automatically relinquish her position as a state officer.

**Section 6.** Upon the election of the State Regent and State First Vice Regent, a certified statement of their election, signed by the presiding officer and the State Recording Secretary shall be sent immediately to the Organizing Secretary General.

**Section 7.** (a) A candidate for the office of Vice President General shall be endorsed by a majority of the members of the State Conference present and voting by ballot.

(b) The Continental Congress for this election shall be designated in the motion for endorsement and the endorsement shall not be made more than eighteen (18) months in advance of the Continental Congress so designated.

(c) The endorsement shall be certified by the candidate and by the State Recording Secretary and sent with the candidate's name and address to the Recording Secretary General to be received by the first day of the month preceding the designated Continental Congress.

## **Article VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

**Section 1.** The officers of the Georgia State Society shall perform the duties prescribed in this article, and parliamentary authority adopted by the Society, and such others as the State Board of Management and the National Society may require.

**Section 2.** The State Regent shall:

(a) be the chief executive officer and the official spokesman for the State Society;

(b) have general supervision of the affairs of the State Society;

(c) preside at all meetings of the State Conference, State Board of Management and the Executive Committee;

(d) appoint a State Chair for the work of each of the authorized National Committees, and such other committees as may be necessary to carry on the work of the State Society;

(e) be ex-officio a member of all committees;

(f) appoint a Parliamentarian who shall act as advisor in matters pertaining to parliamentary procedure and who shall, at the request of the State Regent, attend any meeting;

(g) sign all contracts and agreements made in the name of the Georgia State Society with the recorded approval of the Executive Committee and the State Board of Management or the State Conference as directed by these Bylaws;

(h) be bonded and have the authority to draw upon funds of the State Society with the approval of the Finance Committee;

(i) recommend to the Finance Committee a Certified Public Accountant who shall be approved by the Finance Committee.

**Section 3.** The State First Vice Regent shall:

(a) perform the duties of the office of State Regent in the absence or inability of the State Regent;

(b) fill a vacancy in the office of State Regent;

(c) Perform such duties as may be requested by the State Regent;

(d) serve on those committees as designated by these Bylaws and as directed by the State Regent;

(e) Prepare the courtesy resolutions for business meetings of the Georgia State Society.

**Section 4.** The State Second Vice Regent shall:

(a) perform the duties of the office of State First Vice Regent in the absence or inability of the State First Vice Regent;

(b) fill a vacancy in the office of State First Vice Regent;

(c) perform such duties as may be requested by the State Regent;

(d) serve on committees as directed by the State Regent.

**Section 5.** The State Chaplain shall:

(a) open all meetings of the State Conference and the State Board of Management with scripture reading and prayer;

(b) preside at the Memorial Service during State Conference and conduct such other

religious services as may be required;

(c) be custodian of state properties pertaining to the duties of this office;

(d) be responsible for IN MEMORIAM pages in the Proceedings.

**Section 6.** The State Recording Secretary shall:

(a) record the proceedings of the meetings of the State Conference, the State Board of Management and the Executive Committee;

(b) compile and have printed the book of Proceedings of the State Conference under the supervision of the State Regent and the Proceedings Committee;

(c) submit to the appropriate National officers, the endorsement for Vice President General and the election of the State Regent and State First Vice Regent by the first day of the month preceding the month of Continental Congress of the year in which said balloting was held.

**Section 7.** The State Corresponding Secretary shall:

(a) At the direction of the State Regent, conduct email, postal correspondence and produce publications on behalf of the Georgia State Society;

(b) With guidance of the State Regent and State Conference Chair, prepare the State Conference Program and arrange for printing. Present the Program at the State Conference;

(c) Prepare the State Directory and maintain updates for inclusion in the Georgia State Society website; and provide directory information to the Recording Secretary for the Annual Proceedings;

(d) Give notice of meetings of the State Conference, State Board of Management and Executive Committee;

(e) Receive annual chapter reports via online forms and distribute the results electronically to the appropriate state chairs and officers;

(f) Provide content to VIS from State Regent's official correspondence to be posted on the Georgia State Society website;

(g) Create event registration forms using online system, compile and distribute registration information;

(h) Create and maintain distribution lists for Georgia State Society communications.

**Section 8.** The State Organizing Secretary shall:

(a) assist the State Regent in the preliminary work of organizing new chapters;

(b) assist chapters in conjunction with appropriate state officers and chairmen in revitalization.

**Section 9.** The State Treasurer shall:

(a) be bonded;

(b) be the custodian of the funds of the State Society, placing them in institutions insured by the Federal Government, the amount in any one institution not to exceed the maximum amount of insurance. Place Certificates of Deposit after receiving written approval on rate and term from the State Regent and State Chair of the Finance Committee;

(c) receive the state dues and delegate fees from the chapters and receive all sums contributed by the chapters and others for state and national projects, disbursing monthly to the Treasurer General all funds designated for special projects. Receive State Conference registration fees and events funds from the State Conference and Events Treasurer. Disburse other funds only when authorized by the State Regent in writing;

(d) upon receipt of verified expenses paid by the State Regent for travel and hotel, reimburse the State Regent for these expenses up to the amount approved in the budget for the State Regent's expenses;

(e) keep an account of all sums received or disbursed by using accounting software and keep receipt/copies for all transactions;

(f) prepare a report for the State Board of Management and for the State Conference ten (10) days in advance of each meeting for distribution at the meetings;

(g) be a member of the Finance Committee, the Meadow Garden Board, and ex-officio member of the Credentials Committee;

(h) prepare reports for the Proceedings Book, Executive Committee Meetings, Meadow Garden Board Meetings, and, as needed to State Officers, State Chairs, and Clubs;

(i) monitor chapter filings with the Internal Revenue Service due the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of the chapters fiscal year.

(j) All financial transactions should be recorded, and all accounts reconciled for an annual audit within 31 days of the close of the State Society's fiscal year, said audit by a Certified Public Accounting (CPA) firm shall be performed and delivered according to the time frame contracted with the CPA firm;

(k) arrange preparation of both federal and state tax returns by a Certified Public Accountant; filings are due the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of the fiscal year;

(l) provide copies of audit and tax returns to the Treasurer General;

(m) keep State Treasurer Instructions and Chapter Treasurers instructions current;

(n) retain or destroy records according to their schedule provided by the Treasurer General.

**Section 10.** The State Registrar shall:

(a) when requested, assist applicants for membership in the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution prove eligibility and shall give desired assistance to Chapter Registrars;

(b) report on membership changes, by application, transfers, reinstatements and resignations at State Conference;

(c) communicate with Chapter Registrars changes in procedures from the National Society;

(d) review e-membership chapter reports and identify problems within chapters and offer assistance;

(e) in conjunction with the Membership Committee, communicate with Chapter Registrars concerning the Prospective Member Database (PMD).

**Section 11.** The State Historian shall:

(a) be in charge, within the state, of historical research and historical projects of the National Society under the direction of the Historian General as well as those authorized by the Georgia State Society;

(b) keep a record of the marking of historical spots and Revolutionary Soldiers' graves within the state;

(c) prepare reports as requested by the Reporter General;

(d) promote the study of American history, state and county history and historical research in relation to the American Revolution and the founding of our state and counties;

(e) Facilitate the NSDAR Outstanding Teacher of American History contest.

**Section 12.** The State Librarian shall:

(a) serve as liaison between the Librarian General and the Georgia Chapters and disseminate general information on the NSDAR Library;

(b) cooperate with the director of the Georgia Department of Archives and History, making the needs of the Archives known to the chapters;

(c) collect such books as may be of historical and genealogical value to the Daughters of the American Revolution, placing them wherever accepted in such libraries and Archives as may be chosen by the State Board of Management;

(d) solicit, with the approval of the Executive Committee, contributions from the chapters for purchase of such books as requested by the office of the Librarian General, and/or the various libraries in Georgia which the State Society approves;

(e) receive gifts of books and other printed material from the chapters to be donated to the approved libraries and Archives;

(f) maintain a constant supply of bookplates to the NSDAR Library, the Georgia Department of Archives and History and for purchase by the chapters.

**Section 13.** The State Curator shall: be custodian of the State portable properties and shall have them properly stored and made ready for use at state meetings.

**Section 14.** All officers will keep a Procedure Book of Instructions, helpful suggestions and recommendations to be turned over to the new officers to facilitate their responsibilities,

thus providing a continuity of DAR work.

## **Article VII STATE CONFERENCE**

### **Section 1.** State Conference:

a) The annual meeting of the Georgia State Society shall be known as the State Conference. It shall be for the purpose of:

- (1) receiving reports of officers, committees and Chapter Regents;
- (2) electing officers biennially;
- (3) promoting programs in furtherance of the objects of the Society;
- (4) any other business that may arise:
  - i. annual budget shall be adopted,
  - ii. all projects of the State Society requiring funding shall be voted upon at State Conference or ratified by members at State Conference if previously voted upon by the State Board of Management,
  - iii. no project extending beyond the term of the presiding officer may be accepted at any meeting other than by vote at State Conference.

(b) The State Conference shall be held between February 1 and April 10 but shall not convene during Holy Week.

(c) The State Regent shall fix the time and place of meetings;

(d) The State Regent shall send notice of the time and place of meeting and credentials form to the chapters not less than sixty (60) days before the time of the State Conference.

**Section 2.** Voting Members. The voting members for State Conference and special called meetings of the State Conference shall be:

a) the elected state officers as provided in these bylaws;

b) the national officers and honorary national officers whose membership is within the state;

c) the chapter regent or in her absence the first vice regent or her alternate;

d) the elected delegates or in their absence the elected alternates of each chapter of the state, with the number of delegates being the same as the number entitled to representation at the Continental Congress or special meeting of the National Society as defined in the Bylaws of the National Society;

e) the Honorary State Regents of the State Society, and past national officers whose membership is within the state and whose service as a national officer was as a member of the Georgia Society.

**Section 3.** Only a chapter member in good standing whose credentials have been completed in accordance with the instructions of the State Regent and the State Credentials Chair for the State Conference and in accordance with the Standing Rules of the National Society shall be eligible to represent her chapter at state and national meetings.

**Section 4.** A member shall have belonged to a chapter not less than one year before she is eligible to serve as a delegate or alternate from the chapter, except in the case of the Regent or Vice Regent of a chapter organized and confirmed no later than January 5.

**Section 5.** A member holding two or more offices, each carrying a vote at an annual State Conference, shall be limited to vote only in one of the offices held by said member.

**Section 6.** Each member of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution who is a member in good standing of any chapter in the state of Georgia shall have the privilege of attending the annual State Conference, provided they are registered to attend.

**Section 7.** At the opening of the annual State Conference the privilege of the floor and the right to speak shall be accorded to the State Chairs and State Vice Chairs, the Coordinator of Districts and District Directors. They may not vote unless they are duly registered as voters of the State Conference.

**Section 8.** Special meetings of the State Conference may be called by the State Regent or the Executive Committee. Fifteen (15) days' notice of the time and place shall be given. The business to be transacted at any special meeting shall be limited to that mentioned in

the call.

**Section 9.** One hundred (100) voting members, representing not less than thirty-five (35) chapters, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the State Conference.

**Section 10.** Proxy voting. There shall be no proxy voting at any state meeting.

**Section 11.** Electronic Participation. Provision may be allowed for members who are unable to attend in person to participate by electronic means. Participation, if available, will be subject to any limitations established in special rules of order or standing rules adopted to govern such participation, and at reasonable expense to the state. Electronic mail (email) shall not be used to conduct meetings or to hold a vote.

**Section 12.** Emergency Electronic Platform Meetings. In the event of a state or nationally declared catastrophic event where in person gathering is not possible, prohibited or discouraged, the Executive Committee by majority vote, may authorize a virtual platform meeting of the state society. The meeting will be subject to all rules adopted by the Executive Committee. These rules shall supersede any conflicting rules in the parliamentary authority but may not otherwise conflict with rules or decisions of the Society. A secure, anonymous vote conducted through the designated voting platform shall be deemed a ballot vote, fulfilling any requirement in the bylaws or rules that a vote be by ballot.

**Section 13.** Notice. Unless members indicate otherwise to the regent and/or the corresponding secretary, in writing, all communication required in these bylaws, including meeting notices, may be sent using electronic measures, including email.

## Article VIII

### STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

**Section 1.** The state officers, the national officers and honorary national officers whose membership is within the state, the Honorary State Regents, past national officers whose membership is within the state and whose service as a national officer was as a member of the Georgia Society, and the Regents, or in their absence, the Vice Regents of the chapters of the state, shall constitute the State Board of Management, and have the right to vote.

**Section 2.** The State Board of Management shall hold a regular meeting between annual meetings. It may meet whenever called by the State Regent. A minimum of thirty (30) days' notice shall be given as to the time and place of any such meeting.

**Section 3.** Fifty (50) members, representing not less than thirty-five (35) chapters, shall constitute a quorum of the State Board of Management.

**Section 4.** The State Board of Management shall have all power and authority over the affairs of the Georgia State Society between annual meetings, except that of changing or modifying any action taken by the State Conference or as proscribed by these Bylaws.

**Section 5** All members in good standing of the Georgia State Society may attend the meeting of the State Board of Management, provided they are registered to attend. The State Chairs and State Vice Chairs, the Coordinator of Districts and District Directors shall be granted the privilege of the floor and the right to speak, but shall not vote.

**Section 6.** Proxy voting. There shall be no proxy voting.

**Section 7.** Electronic Participation. Provision may be allowed for voting members who are unable to attend in person to participate by electronic means, so long as all voting members can simultaneously hear each other and participate, subject to any limitations established in special rules of order or standing rules adopted to govern such participation, and at reasonable expense to the state. Electronic mail (email) shall not be used to conduct meetings.

**Section 8.** Notice. Unless members indicate otherwise to the regent and/or the corresponding secretary, in writing, all communication required in these bylaws, including meeting notices, may be sent using electronic measures, including email.

## Article IX

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**Section 1.** The officers of the Georgia State Society shall constitute the Executive Committee.

**Section 2.** The Parliamentarian, at the request of the State Regent, shall attend the meetings, but may not vote.

**Section 3.** This Executive Committee shall:

(a) perform such duties of the State Board of Management between its meetings as may from time to time seem expedient;

(b) meet at the call of the State Regent, or upon written request of three (3) members of the committee;

(c) vote by teleconference, email or fax, if necessary;

(d) receive and make recommendations for projects requiring expenditure of funds outside routine expenditures to be considered by the State Conference. This includes the State Regent's Projects within the State of Georgia, at the National Society, and at the DAR-approved schools.

(e) make a complete report at each meeting of the State Board of Management.

**Section 4.** Provision may be allowed for members who are unable to attend in person to participate by electronic means, so long as all members can simultaneously hear each other and participate, subject to any limitations established in special rules of order or standing rules adopted to govern such participation, and at reasonable expense to the state. Electronic mail (email) shall not be used to conduct meetings.

**Section 5.** Decisions of the Executive Committee shall be acted upon at the next meeting of the State Board of Management or at State Conference, whichever shall come first.

**Section 6.** Quorum. Seven members of the executive committee shall constitute a quorum.

**Section 7.** Proxy voting. There shall be no proxy voting.

**Section 8.** Notice. Unless members indicate otherwise to the regent and/or the corresponding secretary, in writing, all communication required in these bylaws, including meeting notices, may be sent using electronic measures, including email.

**Section 9.** Email Voting. In matters that require urgency and when a meeting is not critical to a decision, and with the written permission of a majority of members, a vote may be conducted by electronic mail (email) which must be ratified at the next meeting.

## **Article X FINANCES**

**Section 1.** (a) The fiscal year of the Georgia State Society shall be July 1 through the last day of June.

(b) The annual budget, prepared by the Finance Committee, shall cover the fiscal year and be prepared on the basis of dues payable for the calendar year beginning December first preceding.

(c) The Finance Committee shall propose the per capita amount and distribution according to the annual membership count. The per capita amount and distribution shall be indicated on the budget presented annually. Funds to be included in the per capita designations shall be Friends of DAR Schools, McCall Genealogical Fund and Meadow Garden.

**Section 2.** (a) Annual Dues. The annual state dues for each chapter shall be \$16.00 per member which shall be sent by the chapter treasurer and shall be postmarked no later than December 1. A chapter whose dues have not been paid by December 1 shall be notified by the state treasurer that the chapter shall not be entitled to representation at the state conference.

(b) In the second year of every administration, at the time of the annual budget preparation, the Finance Committee shall consider the adjustment of the dues to the nearest dollar by the amount of the cumulative change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) from the date of the last dues increase to the end of the first fiscal year of said administration. Upon recommendation of the Finance Committee to the Bylaws Committee, the State Conference shall vote upon the adjustment of the dues. The State Conference may authorize a dues adjustment above the CPI if warranted.

**Section 3.** (a) Each chapter shall send to the State Treasurer, with the state dues, a conference registration fee of \$15.00 for each voter to which the chapter is entitled under these Bylaws. This fee to be paid whether chapter is represented or not.

(b) Honorary State Regents, Past National Officers whose membership is within the state and whose service as a national officer was as a member of the Georgia Society, and State Officers shall pay a conference fee of \$15.00 at the time of registration or shall include the conference registration fee in the payment for Conference meal reservations.

(c) Other members of the Georgia State Society who are not duly elected voters from their respective chapters shall pay a conference fee of \$10.00 at the time of registration or shall include the conference registration fee in the payment for Conference meal reservations.

(d) The State Society shall charge a fee to off-set the cost of hosting state/district meetings, and payment of this fee shall serve as registration for the event.

**Section 4.** New Chapters. (a) Newly organized chapters shall pay state dues within 60 days after the date of confirmation. (b) The state dues of new chapters organized between December 1 and June 30 will be allocated to the current year. The state dues of new chapters organized after July 1 will be allocated to the upcoming year.

**Section 5.** (a) The State Treasurer and the State Regent and such others entrusted with funds of the Georgia State Society as may be designated by the State Board of Management shall be bonded. (See Article VI, Sections 2 and 9);

(b) The State Treasurer with the approval of the State Regent and the State Chair of the Finance Committee shall place the funds of the Georgia State Society in financial institutions insured by the Federal Government, the amount in any one institution not to exceed the maximum amount of insurance coverage;

(c) The placement of restricted savings funds and investment funds of the Georgia State Society shall be placed to the credit of the Georgia State Society by the State Treasurer under the direction of the Finance Committee. Monies may be invested in U. S. Treasury obligations or other interest bearing obligations of federally insured financial institutions;

(b) All financial transactions should be recorded, and all accounts reconciled within 31 days of the end of the State Society fiscal year for audit by a Certified Public Accounting (CPA) firm and access given to the CPA firm as requested;

(c) Should the State Treasurer be incapacitated, the State Regent, after consultation with the Chair of the Finance Committee and with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall appoint an Acting State Treasurer to serve until such time as the State Treasurer is able to resume her duties or a new State Treasurer is appointed and ratified as stated in Article V, Section 5 (a).

**Section 6.** The expenses incurred by the State Regent in the performance of duty shall be paid each year from the State Dues Fund:

(a) Seven thousand, five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00) shall be taken each fiscal year to defray her necessary travel expenses.

(b) In the second year of every administration, at the time of the annual budget preparation, the Finance Committee shall consider the adjustment of the budgeted amount for the State Regent's travel expenses to the nearest one hundred dollars by the amount of the cumulative change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) from the date of the last increase in the budgeted amount to the end of the first fiscal year of said administration. Upon recommendation of the Finance Committee to the Bylaws Committee, the State Conference shall vote upon the adjustment of the budgeted amount for the State Regent's travel expenses. The State Conference may authorize an adjustment above the CPI if warranted.

(c) Necessary administrative expenses of the State Regent, as budgeted, shall be paid or reimbursed by the State Treasurer who shall keep all receipts of these expenses. No expenses exceeding the budgeted amount shall be paid or reimbursed by the State Treasurer.

**Section 7.** At the close of the books annually, \$5,000.00 shall be kept in the General Fund as a "Reserve for Contingencies Fund" so that at the end of each administration a total of \$10,000.00 will be reserved. This money is to be used to pay for the Proceedings of

the previous administration and to pay initial operating costs of the new administration.

## **Article XI COMMITTEES**

**Section 1.** The Honorary State Regents of the Georgia State Society, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution shall function as an advisory committee to the State Regent and to the Georgia State Society.

**Section 2.** The State Regent shall appoint the following standing committees:

(a) **Bylaws:** This committee shall be composed of one (1) Honorary State Regent, the State First Vice Regent and one (1) member from each of the districts; each of the members representing the districts shall not be serving on any other State Standing Committee. The State Parliamentarian shall serve as an advisory member of the committee. The State Regent shall appoint the chair of the committee.

(b) **Finance:** This committee shall be composed of seven (7) members to include the State First Vice Regent, the State Treasurer, the immediate past State Treasurer, one (1) Honorary State Regent, one (1) active chapter regent, and two (2) active chapter members from different districts, neither of whom shall be an Honorary State Regent nor a State Officer nor a chapter regent nor from the same district as the appointed active chapter regent. From these seven (7) members the State Regent shall appoint the chair of the committee. This committee shall also serve as a Budget Committee to recommend to the State Board of Management the allocation of the State Dues Fund. This committee shall have charge of all investments of the Georgia State Society's funds.

(c) **Proceedings:** This committee shall be composed of the State Recording Secretary, the immediate past State Recording Secretary, the State First Vice Regent, and one (1) Honorary State Regent. The State Regent shall appoint the chair of the committee.

**Section 3.** The State Regent shall appoint such other committees, standing or special, as the State Conference shall authorize and actions of the State Board of Management and of the National Society shall require. The appointments shall be concurrent with the term of the State Regent making the appointments and shall terminate with the end of the administration.

**Section 4.** Additional appointments may be made to any of the committees and vacancies shall be filled by the State Regent with timely notification to the membership.

**Section 5.** The duties of committees shall be such as these Bylaws, the State Conference, the State Board of Management or the National Society shall prescribe.

**Section 6.** All chairs will keep a Procedure Book of instructions, helpful suggestions and recommendations to be turned over to the new chairs to facilitate their responsibilities, thus providing a continuity of DAR work.

**Section 7.** Quorum. A quorum of each committee shall be a majority of the committee members.

**Section 8.** Proxy voting. There shall be no proxy voting.

**Section 9.** Meetings. Provision may be allowed for committee members who are unable to attend in person to participate by electronic means, so long as all committee members can simultaneously hear each other and participate, subject to any limitations established in special rules of order or standing rules adopted to govern such participation, and at reasonable expense to the state or committee. Electronic mail (email) shall not be used to conduct meetings.

**Section 10.** Notice. Unless committee members indicate otherwise to the chair, in writing, all communication required in these bylaws, including meeting notices, may be sent using electronic measures, including email.

**Section 11.** Email Voting. In matters that require urgency and when a meeting is not critical to a decision, and with the written permission of a majority of committee members, a vote may be conducted by electronic mail (email) which must be ratified at the next meeting.

## **Article XII CHAPTERS**

**Section 1.** Chapter elections shall be held no later than April 1 in the year of chapter elections. Chapter Regents shall report to the Organizing Secretary General names and addresses of officers, date of election and date of taking office.

**Section 2.** Chapter Regents shall send a report of the year's work to the State Corresponding Secretary, at the time designated by the State Regent, using the online form provided for this purpose.

## **Article XIII DISTRICTS**

**Section 1.** The State Regent-elect shall divide the state into a minimum of four districts, using logic and geography to determine boundaries.

**Section 2.** Workshop(s) shall be held annually, the location(s) shall be strategically chosen to be convenient to the Georgia chapter members.

**Section 3.** The State Regent shall appoint a Coordinator of Districts who shall have served a full two-year term as a District Director, and who is not serving as a chapter regent during her term as Coordinator of Districts. She shall work with the State Regent and the District Directors in coordinating the workshop(s) and the State Regent's official chapter visits in each district; and shall offer guidance to the District Directors.

**Section 4.** The State Regent shall appoint a District Director to serve in each district. She shall have served a full two-year term as a chapter regent within the district she serves as Director. She shall work with the hostess chapter(s) in planning the workshop(s) and shall work with the State Regent in planning her official visits to the chapters within her district and may accompany the State Regent on these official visits.

## **Article XIV MEADOW GARDEN**

Meadow Garden, property owned by the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, shall be operated as follows:

(a) The governing body shall be the Board of Trustees composed of the following members: the State Regent, the State First Vice Regent and the Meadow Garden Chair who shall be appointed by the State Regent;

(b) The Meadow Garden Board shall be composed of the following members: the State Regent who shall serve as Board Chair; the State First Vice Regent who shall serve as Secretary; the State Chair of Meadow Garden; the Regents of the Augusta, College Hill, and Stallings Island Chapters; the State Second Vice Regent, the State Treasurer; two (2) Honorary State Regents and the chairs of the three (3) committees appointed by the State Regent: Volunteers, Patrons, and Development. The Director shall be an ex-officio member of the Meadow Garden Board, being given the privilege of the floor without a vote.

(c) The Meadow Garden Director shall be a full-time salaried position. The Director shall report to the Meadow Garden State Chair, State Regent, and Meadow Garden Board. Primary responsibilities will involve providing leadership and direction to staff/volunteers and overseeing all aspects of Meadow Garden's maintenance, restoration, and operations, including the planning, preparation, and implementation of programs related to Meadow Garden's mission in accordance and alignment with the policies and objectives established by these Bylaws and the Meadow Garden Standing Rules. The Director shall be an ex-officio member of the Meadow Garden Board, being given the privilege of the floor without a vote.

(d) The Meadow Garden Board shall operate with Standing Rules approved by the State Conference.

**Article XV  
PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

**Section 1.** The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern this organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the bylaws, standing rules, or rulings of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, these bylaws, or any special rules of order the organization may adopt.

**Section 2.** The State Conference may, by a two-thirds vote, adopt such additional rules of order as it may deem advisable for any meeting of the Conference, provided they are not in conflict with the State and National Bylaws.

**Article XVI  
AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS**

**Section 1.** The Bylaws of the Georgia State Society may be amended at any annual State Conference, provided the proposed amendments shall have been submitted to the State Regent, the State Parliamentarian, and the State Bylaws Chair at least two weeks prior to the State Board of Management. The proposed amendments should include the date of the proposal with the rationale and the name of the proposer. The Executive Committee, any State Standing Committee, and the Meadow Garden Board may submit a proposed amendment by the same procedure at any time at least 90 days prior to State Conference.

**Section 2.** The Bylaws Committee shall forward to the State Regent proposed amendments duly submitted, provided the subject matter is suitable for inclusion in the Bylaws and the proposal is in proper form, and if found not to be suitable subject matter, may reject the proposal, or if not in proper form, may revise, return it to the proposer for redrafting, or take such action as is deemed in order. At least sixty (60) days prior to State Conference, with her message carrying the Call to Conference, the State Regent shall send to each chapter a copy of any such proposed amendment(s) forwarded by the Bylaws Committee.

**Section 3.** Unless otherwise provided prior to its adoption or in motion to adopt, an amendment to these Bylaws shall take effect at the close of the State Conference at which it is so adopted.

**Section 4.** Mandatory Amendments. Any amendment to the bylaws of the National Society shall become the law of the state without further notice.

**Article XVII  
DISSOLUTION**

Although the period of duration of the state organization is perpetual, if for any reason the state organization is to be dissolved or otherwise terminated, no part of the property of the state organization or any of the proceeds shall be distributed to or inure to the benefit of any of the officers or members of the state organization. Upon the dissolution of the state organization, assets shall be distributed by the Board of Management and/or the Executive Committee to and only to the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the local United States District Court, exclusively to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated within the meaning of section 501(c)(3), with purposes and objectives consistent with those of the state organization.

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## State Conferences

The first State Conference was called by Mrs. S. B. C. Morgan, State Regent, and was held at the Atlanta Exposition in 1895. The Annual Conference began in 1899. In that year, a Conference for the purpose of effecting a State organization was called by Mrs. Robert Emory Park, State Regent, and was held in Atlanta, May 23-24, 1899. Bylaws were adopted, and State officers elected. The succeeding Conferences were numbered from this Conference, until the Conference of 1909 adopted a motion, offered by Mrs. Mallory Taylor, "that the first State Conference in 1895 be recognized and the next Annual Conference, instead of being the twelfth, shall be the thirteenth." (Minutes, p. 21) No Conference was held in 1911, the time of meeting having been changed from the Fall to the first part of the year by the Conference in 1910, which adopted a recommendation by the Executive Board (made on the motion of Mrs. P. W. Godfrey) "that the State Conference be carried over from November 1910 to 1912, prior to Congress in 1912," and amended by Miss Ruby Felder Ray of Atlanta "that we have Conference in the Spring not to interfere with Lent." (Minutes, page 211).

The dates and places of meeting and the numerical designations of the Conferences after the First Annual Conference (1899) were: (2) Atlanta, November 27-28, 1900; (3) Augusta, November 21-22, 1901; (4) Savannah, November 13-14-15, 1902; (5) Atlanta, November 5-6-7, 1903; (6) Athens, November 9-10-11, 1904; (7) Macon, November 16-17-18, 1905; (8) Columbus, November 21-22-23, 1906; (9) Rome, October 23-24-25, 1907; (10) Covington, November 4-5-6, 1908; (11) Brunswick, November 10-11-12, 1909. Changes in Conference number are so as to count from Conference of 1895: (13) Savannah, November 22-23, 1910; (14) Marietta, April 9-10-11, 1912; (15) Augusta, March 25-26-27-28, 1913; (16) Macon, February 16-17-18-19, 1914; (17) Atlanta, February 8-9-10-11-12, 1915; (18) Columbus, February 22-23-24-25, 1916; (19) Quitman, February 13-14-15-16, 1917; (20) Athens, April 3-4-5, 1918; (21) Albany, April 1-2-3, 1919; (22) Moultrie, April 6-7-8, 1920; (23) Dalton, April 5-6-7, 1921; (24) Valdosta, April 4-5-6, 1922; (25) Atlanta, April 3-4-5, 1923; (26) Savannah, March 11-12-13, 1924; (27) Columbus, March 31-April 1-2, 1925; (28) Americus, March 16-17-18, 1926 (29) Thomaston, April 5-6-7, 1927; (30) Augusta, March 27-28-29, 1928; (31) Brunswick, March 12-13-14, 1929; (32) Newnan, March 25-26-27, 1930; (33) Macon, March 24-25-26, 1931; (34) Waycross, March 29-30-31, 1932; (35) Atlanta, March 15-16-17, 1933; (36) Albany, March 19-20-21, 1934; (37) Athens, March 20-21-22, 1935; (38) Savannah, March 10-11-12, 1936; (39) Swainsboro, March 22-23-24, 1937; (40) Columbus, March 21-22-23, 1938; (41) Atlanta, March 15-16-17, 1939; (42) Augusta, February 29-March 1-2, 1940 (43) Griffin, March 26-27-28, 1941; (44) Macon, March 23-24-25, 1942; (45) Atlanta, March 23-24-25, 1943; (46) Atlanta, March 22-23-24, 1944; (47) No Conference held in 1945. (48) Atlanta, March 6-7-8, 1946; (49) Atlanta, April 23-24-25, 1947; (50) Savannah, March 30-31, 1948; (51) Augusta, March 2-3-4, 1949; (52) Macon, March 22-23-24, 1950; (53) Albany, March 8-9-10, 1951; (54) Atlanta, March 18-19-20, 1952; (55) Savannah, March 11-12-13, 1953; (56) Atlanta, March 10-11-12, 1954; (57) Augusta, March 9-10-11, 1955; (58) Atlanta, March 1-2-3, 1956; (59) Savannah, March 11-12-13, 1957; (60) Athens, March 11-12-13, 1958; (61) Atlanta, March 12-13-14, 1959; (62) Savannah, March 24-25-26, 1960; (63) Albany, March 6-7-8, 1961; (64) Atlanta, March 15-16-17, 1962; (65) Columbus, March 14-15-16, 1963; (66) Jekyll Island, March 15-16-17, 1964; (67) Augusta, March 18-19-20, 1965; (68) Atlanta, March 17-18-19, 1966; (69) Macon, March 9-10-11, 1967; (70) Savannah, March 5-6-7, 1968; (71) Augusta, March 20-21-22, 1969; (72) Atlanta, March 12-13-14, 1970; (73) Macon, March 18-19-20, 1971; (74) Columbus, March 23-24-25, 1972; (75) Savannah, March 6-7-8, 1973; (76) Atlanta, March 7-8-9, 1974; (77) Athens, March 13-14-15, 1975; (78) Macon, March 16-17-18, 1976; (79) Augusta, March 8-9-10, 1977; (80) Rome, March 16-17-18, 1978; (81) Atlanta, March 13-14-15, 1979; (82) Savannah, March 11-12-13, 1980; (83) Albany, March 12-13-14, 1981; (84) Atlanta, March 18-19-20, 1982; (85) Columbus, March 10-11-12, 1983; (86) Savannah, March 8-9-10, 1984; (87) Atlanta, March 7-8-9, 1985; (88) Macon, March 13-14-15, 1986; (89) Atlanta, March 12-13-14, 1987; (90) Augusta, March 10-11-12, 1988; (91) Albany, March 9-10-11, 1989; (92) Jekyll Island, March 15-16-17, 1990; (93) College Park, March 22-23,

1991; (94) Macon, March 9-10-11, 1992; (95) Columbus; March 4-5-6, 1993; (96) Athens, March 10-11-12, 1994; (97) Atlanta (Marietta), March 9-10-11, 1995; (98) Augusta, March 14-15-16, 1996; (99) Jekyll Island, March 6-7-8, 1997; (100) Savannah, March 4-5-6, 1998; (101) Macon, March 5-6-7, 1999; (102) Macon, March 3-4-5, 2000; (103) Augusta, March 2-3-4, 2001; (104) Athens, March 8-9-10, 2002; (105) Atlanta, March 27-28-29-30, 2003; (106) Peachtree City, March 25-26-27-28, 2004; (107) Marietta, March 30-April 1, 2, 3, 2005; (108) Augusta, March 23-26, 2006; (109) Savannah, March 11-14, 2007; (110) Athens, March 27-30, 2008; (111) Atlanta, March 26-29, 2009; (112) Peachtree City, March 25-28, 2010; (113) Augusta, April 28-May 1, 2011; (114) Augusta, May 2-5, 2012; (115) Atlanta, March 14-17, 2013; (116) Stone Mountain, March 13-16, 2014; (117) Stone Mountain, April 30-May 3, 2015; (118) Augusta, March 11-13, 2016; (119) Stone Mountain, March 8-12, 2017; (120) Atlanta, April 4-8, 2018; (121) Stone Mountain, March 21-24, 2019; (122) April 18, 2020, Special Emergency Meeting and Electronic Vote (planned event for Stone Mountain, March 26-29, 2020, canceled due to COVID-19 Pandemic); (123) Stone Mountain, March 18-21, 2021; (124) Stone Mountain, March 17-20, 2022; (125) Stone Mountain, March 24-26, 2023; (126) Atlanta, March 21-24, 2024; (127) Augusta, March 19-23, 2025

# Items of Information

## **ANNUAL STATE SOCIETY CONTRIBUTION TO THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S PROJECT**

The Georgia State Society will contribute to the President General's Project, the amount equal to the Benefactor Level, such funds to be debited from the GSS State Dues Unallocated Money Market Account, and the gift to be made the first year of the State Regent's term.

## **AWARDS**

All Chapters competing for awards must send reports to the respective chairs by the listed due dates. See the "Chapter Officers' Calendar" for a compilation of dates or the Individual Chair's Instructions in the CIP (Chapter Information Packet). Both documents are posted on-line on the Georgia Members Website. All reports for awards are based on membership confirmed by the National Society. The reporting year is January 1 - December 31.

## **BYLAWS**

Chapter Bylaws MUST NOT conflict with the National or State Bylaws, and a current copy is to be filed with the State Parliamentarian. Proposed Amendments to the State Bylaws shall include the date of the Proposal with the Rationale and name of the Proposer and shall be sent to the State Regent, the State Parliamentarian, and the State Chair of the Bylaws Committee at least two (2) weeks prior to the GSSDAR State Board of Management meeting. *Proceedings* amended 2017-2018.

## **CHANGE OF NAME AND/OR ADDRESS**

Notice of change of name and/or address of members shall be promptly reported to the Organizing Secretary General on the Membership Change Form or by eMembership; also notify the State Regent, State Corresponding Secretary, and State Registrar by the Chapter Registrar.

## **CHAPTER ELECTIONS**

Chapter elections are to be held before April 1. Names of officers shall be promptly entered via eMembership-Chapter Officer Updates by the outgoing chapter regent. The full name of chapter officers shall be given, along with her address, zip code, telephone number, and email. In accordance with the National Bylaws, a Chapter Regent may not serve for more than six consecutive years.

## **CHAPTER REPRESENTATION AT STATE AND NATIONAL MEETINGS**

At the State Board of Management, a chapter is represented by the Chapter Regent or in her absence by the First Vice Regent. All members in good standing of the Georgia State Society may attend the State Board of Management but shall not vote.

The voting representation of each chapter at State Conference and Continental Congress shall be based upon the number of members whose dues for the current year have been received in the Office of the Treasurer General by December 1. Membership 12-19: Regent only; 20-49: Regent + 1 delegate = 2 votes; 50-99: Regent + 2 delegates = 3 votes; 100-149: Regent + 3 delegates = 4 votes; 150-199: Regent + 4 delegates = 5 votes; 200-249: Regent + 5 delegates = 6 votes; 250-299: Regent + 6 delegates = 7 votes. Chapters with membership of 300 and over will have an additional delegate for each additional 50 members exceeding 299.

## **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

On or before December 1, each chapter shall send to the State Treasurer the state dues and a Conference Registration fee of \$15.00 per each delegate to which the

chapter is entitled under the Bylaws. This fee is to be paid whether represented or not and is derived by recommendation of the Finance Committee to the Executive Committee. This is a requirement stated in the Georgia State Bylaws, Article X, Section 3 (a).

State Officers and Honorary State Regents shall pay the Conference Registration Fee of \$15.00 at the time of registration. Other members of the Georgia State Society, who are not duly elected voters from their respective chapters, shall pay a Conference Registration Fee of \$10.00 at the time of registration.

### **DAR MAGAZINE**

The deadline for chapter contributions to the Georgia co-op ads, sent to the State Treasurer, is November 1. The payment is included with the chapter check on Form GTR-01.

### **DAR SCHOOL**

Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, 6077 Main Street, Grant, AL 35747-8333.

### **DAR-APPROVED SCHOOLS**

Berry College, Inc., 2277 Martha Berry Hwy. NW, Mount Berry, GA 30149-5018; Crossnore Communities for Children, P.O. Box 249, Crossnore, NC 28616-0249; Hillside School, Inc., 404 Robin Hill Road, Marlborough, MA 01752-1099; Hindman Settlement School, P.O. Box 844, Hindman, KY 41822-0844.

### **DATE FOR ANNUAL AUDIT**

The Georgia State Society Fiscal Year is July 1 to June 30. State Bylaws, Article X, Section 1 (a). The State Treasurer should prepare the books for an annual audit within fifteen (15) days of the close of the State Society's fiscal year. Bylaw Article VI, Section 9 (j).

### **DEADLINES**

State Officers and Chairs welcome chapter reports when completed. Deadline dates are given to ensure conformity for inclusion in reports to National Officers. Per National Society Bylaws, the deadline date is determined by the United States Postal Service or other carrier, showing cancellation date and not by the date reports are received.

### **DECEASED MEMBERS**

Deaths shall be reported promptly via eMembership and to the State Chaplain via the GCP-02 form, by Chapter leadership. A complete list of deceased members' full name and date of death shall be furnished to the State Chaplain prior to the State Conference in order that they may be recorded correctly for the Conference Memorial Service and for State Proceedings.

### **DUES**

Before December 1, the Chapter Treasurer sends to the State Treasurer state dues of \$16.00 per member. State dues shall immediately be paid on all new members accepted at the monthly National Board of Management meeting, which is the 5th of every month. Before December 1, the Chapter Treasurer sends to the office of the Organizing Secretary General, a check payable to Treasurer General NSDAR, or pays by Electronic Direct Payment through eMembership, National Dues for each member except Life Members, with check made payable to the Treasurer General NSDAR.

### **INFORMATION FOR CHAPTER REGENTS**

All correspondence received by Chapter Regents relating to the work of the Society shall be distributed to the corresponding Chapter officer or chair and brought to the attention of the members at a chapter meeting.

### **INFORMATION FOR STATE OFFICERS AND STATE CHAIRS**

State Officers and State Chairs shall send to the State Regent and the State Treasurer a copy of any correspondence to chapters.

## MEADOW GARDEN

Meadow Garden is located in Richmond County at this address: 1320 Independence Drive, Augusta, Georgia, 30901-1038; website: <http://historicmeadowgarden.org>; email: [director@historicmeadowgarden.org](mailto:director@historicmeadowgarden.org); telephone: (706) 724-4174. The Deed to Meadow Garden from the National Society, DAR, is secured in the GSSDAR Safe Deposit Box (See "Items of Information: Safe Deposit Box"). A copy can be found in the Meadow Garden files in the Stribling Room at Meadow Garden and is also recorded in the Richmond County Courthouse, Augusta, Georgia.

## NOMINATIONS

The following resolution which applies to the announcement of the candidacy for State Regent appears in the Proceedings of the 20th State Conference, 1918:

**RESOLVED**, that it is the judgment of the Executive Board that announcements for State Regent should not be made earlier than three months prior to the meeting of the Conference and they shall be furnished to the press for publication.

## PROCEDURE BOOK OF INSTRUCTIONS FOR STATE OFFICERS AND STATE CHAIRS

**"RESOLVED**, that all Officers and State Chairs keep a Procedure Book of instructions and helpful suggestions and recommendations to be turned over to the new Officers and Chairs to facilitate their responsibilities thus providing a continuing continuity of DAR work, and that such Procedure Books, with all other data and items pertaining to the office or chairmanship, be so distributed no later than May 15 following the election of new State Officers." *Proceedings* 1959-60, amended 2001.

## REPORTS FOR PROCEEDINGS

Reports of State Officers, Chapter Regents, Coordinator of Districts, District Directors, and State Chairs must be **200 words or less**. **Please see the State Recording Secretary's letter in the Chapter Information Packet (CIP) for detailed instructions**. Chapter Regents should exclude NSDAR Chapter Achievement Award and State Honor Roll, as these will be added when confirmed. Your name should be consistent with the lists of Chapter Regents and State Chairs as found in this *Proceedings*. Winners of awards and awards to be offered shall each be listed separately and identified with the title of the committee and the award. **Chapter reports** should be sent as part of the GSS-05 Chapter Annual Report Form to the Corresponding Secretary by **February 1**. The deadline for **State Officer and State Chair reports** and list of awards (if any) should be sent as part of the GRS-01 Georgia Leadership Reporting Form to the Recording Secretary by **March 1**.

## PROCEEDINGS DISTRIBUTION

Two copies to the State Regent and two copies to the State Recording Secretary. One copy each to the following: Honorary State Regents; State Officers; upcoming State Events chair or each co- chair; members of the Proceedings Committee; Chapter Regents, State Chairs and Vice Chairs as requested. In addition, the following copies are provided: one copy to the National Parliamentarian, NSDAR, 1776 D Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006-5303; one copy to the auditor upon request; one copy to the Hightower family; one copy to the Evelyn Sears Waite Collection of the Georgia Proceedings housed in the Stribling Room at the George Walton Heritage Center of Meadow Garden; and one copy to the family of a deceased member to whose memory the Proceedings is dedicated. Extra copies may be sold for the cost of printing per book rounded up to the nearest dollar, payable to Georgia State Society, NSDAR, per the Executive Committee Minutes March 21, 2024. The current digital copy of the Proceedings will be available on the GSSDAR Members' Website as soon as practicable.

All copies of the *Proceedings* prior to the administration of the immediate past State Regent, which are in the possession of the State Recording Secretary, are to be sold for

\$1.00 each by the DAR Literature Committee. *Proceedings* 2009-2010, Executive Board, pages 60-61.

For security and retrieval purposes, a current electronic backup of the *Proceedings* under construction shall be kept by the State Recording Secretary and one member of the Proceedings Committee. A backup shall be sent by the State Recording Secretary at a minimum of once per month.

### **PROCEEDINGS DISPOSAL**

All copies of the *Proceedings* prior to the administration of the immediate past State Regent, which are in the possession of the State Recording Secretary and/or DAR Literature Committee, shall be properly disposed of by those in possession. Prior to disposal, the Recording Secretary shall be responsible for ensuring a copy of each *Proceedings* issue to be disposed of has been placed in the Waite Collection in the Stribling Room at Meadow Garden.

*Proceedings* 2010-2011, Executive Committee, October 29, 2010.

### **RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIES FUND**

**NEW ADMINISTRATION RESERVE:** At the close of the books annually, \$5,000.00 shall be kept in the General Fund, so that at the end of each administration a total of \$10,000.00 will be reserved. This money is to be used to pay for the *Proceedings* of the previous administration and to pay initial operating costs of the new administration. *Proceedings* 2003-2004, Bylaws: Article X, Finance, Section 7.

**RESOLVED:** that such available funds over and above said \$10,000.00 be designated as one half to Meadow Garden Maintenance Money Market account, to be transferred to one of the certificates of deposit at such time as a certificate is renewed; and the remaining one half to be deposited to the Georgia State Society General Fund money market account. *Proceedings* 2001-2002, Resolution page 86.

This transaction is to be handled by May 30 every two years, before the auditors close out the books of the administration.

**STATE EVENTS CONTINGENCY FUND:** It is moved that the State Events Contingency Fund for State Events be \$10,000.00. These funds are to secure anticipated deposits for State Events and are to be replaced from state fund income reimbursing the fund yearly for the amount used.

**RESOLVED:** that the resolution entitled "State Events Contingency Fund" be amended by striking \$5,000.00 and inserting \$10,000.00. These funds are to secure anticipated deposits for State Events and are to be replaced from state fund income, reimbursing the fund yearly for the amount used. To establish the \$10,000.00, the additional \$5,000.00 shall come from the general checking account.

*Proceedings* 2009-2010, amended 2012.

### **SAFE DEPOSIT BOX**

A safe deposit box (#M10-632) was leased at Truist Bank, 801 Broad Street, Augusta, Georgia, on August 30, 2023. The renewal fee will auto-draft annually on August 30. Two keys are in possession of the signers, the State Regent and the State Treasurer. The box contains: the GSS Articles of Incorporation (January 2, 1962) and related documents, as well as the Meadow Garden deed/indenture papers and related property documents.

### **STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT REGISTRATION**

The Georgia State Society may charge a registration fee to off-set the cost of hosting any state meetings.

## **SYMBOL OF THE ADMINISTRATION**

The symbol  
for the Powell Administration  
is a Key



## **WEBSITES**

**Public website for the Georgia State Society**

<http://georgiastatedar.org>

**Private member website for the Georgia State Society**

<http://members.georgiastatedar.org>

Password: gadaughter

**Photographs made at state events by our state volunteer team may be found at:**

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/gssdar/albums>

**Public website for Meadow Garden**

[www.historicmeadowgarden.org](http://www.historicmeadowgarden.org)

## Master Reports & Chapter Achievement Awards (CAA)

The Master Reports are visual measures 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. The reports serve as planning guides for individual and chapter participation in committee activities, programs, service projects, and monetary contributions.

The Master Report is not a contest. It is a yearly reporting tool that allows National and State Chairs to recognize deserving chapter members' outstanding service. The report must be submitted electronically each year.

The Chapter Achievement Awards (CAA) is to recognize chapters for their exceptional work as it applies to all committees and all chapter sizes. The amended point structure measures multiple benchmarks highlighting member involvement with the goal to encourage healthy sustainable chapters while promoting member retention and active participation. The CAA must be submitted electronically each year.

For more information, refer to the Master Reports Committee section in the Chapter Information Packet (CIP) on the GSSDAR website, and the Master Reports Committee section in the National Information Packet (NIP) on the NSDAR Website for full information.

## Georgia State Honor Roll

The mission of the State Honor Roll Committee is to recognize chapters that have successfully accomplished the DAR goals of History, Education, and Patriotism, as well as membership development for the reporting year. For information on the Georgia State Honor Roll, refer to the State Honor Roll Committee section in the Chapter Information Packet (CIP) on the GSSDAR website. The requirements for State Honor Roll are to meet the following criteria according to each respective instruction and deadline associated with each criterion as found on the Chapter Annual Georgia State Society Report Form GSS-05 and Georgia Treasurer Report Forms GTR-01 and GTR-02.

- Contributions to State Regent's Project (\$1 member suggested), Georgia C.A.R., State Library Fund, DAR Magazine Co-Op Ad
- Chapter Representation at any portion of 2025 Fall Forum and State Conference
- Chapter Patron or Individual Patron(s) for Meadow Garden
- Submission of Chapter Bylaws to the State Parliamentarian
- Submission of State Dues and Conference Fees
- Submission of IRS acceptance for Filing of Form 990N (or 990 or 990EZ) to State Treasurer
- Submission of *Annual Financial Report Form GTR-04* to State Treasurer
- Submission of *Annual Audit Letter Form GTR-11*
- Submission of *Chapter Treasurer's Annual Report & Remittance Form GTR-01*
- Completion of the *NSDAR Chapter Master Report (CMR)* online
- Submission of *Annual Georgia State Society Report Form GSS-05* to State Corresponding Secretary

# HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS OF THE GEORGIA DAR

Published by the Lucy Cook Peel Memorial Fund

**Membership Roll and Register of Ancestors, Georgia Society, DAR**, compiled by Mrs. James N. Brawner as Consulting Registrar and published in 1946. (Supply exhausted.)

**Supplement to Membership Roll and Register of Ancestors, Georgia Society, DAR**, compiled by Mrs. Carter Shepherd, Sr. State Consulting Registrar, and published in 1956. (Supply exhausted.)

**Supplement to Membership Roll and Register of Ancestors, Georgia Society, DAR**, compiled by Mrs. Claude E. Fitts, State Consulting Registrar, and published in 1966. (Supply exhausted.)

**Membership Roll and Register of Ancestors, Georgia Society, NSDAR**, compiled by Mrs. Raiferd L. Drew, State Registrar, and published in 1976. (Supply exhausted.)

**Membership Roll and Register of Ancestors, Georgia Society, NSDAR**, compiled by Mrs. Gordon W. Kilgore, State Registrar, and published in 1986. (Supply exhausted.)

**Membership Roll and Register of Ancestors, Georgia Society, NSDAR**, compiled by Mrs. James W. Forsyth, State Registrar, and published in 1996. (Supply exhausted.)

**Membership Roll and Register of Ancestors, Georgia Society, NSDAR**, compiled by Jacqueline Lawrence Keller, State Registrar, and published in 2006.. (supply exhausted.)

**The History of the Georgia State Society, 1899-1981**, compiled by Mrs. Leonard G. De Lamar, Honorary State Regent, with the assistance of Mrs. Jerido Ward, State Historian, and published in 1981. (Supply exhausted.)

**The History of the Georgia State Society, 1981-1991**, compiled by Mrs. Leonard G. De Lamar, Honorary State Regent and State Chairman, with the assistance of Mrs. James F. Forsyth, State Historian, and published in 1991. (Supply exhausted.)

## MEMORIALS

**The Emily Hendree Park Memorial** - A bookshelf placed at Constitution Hall in memory of Mrs. Robert Emory Park (Emily Hendree Park), past Vice President General and Honorary State Regent.

**The Lucy Cook Peel Memorial** - Books of Historical Collections were published by the State DAR in memory of Mrs. William Lawson Peel (Lucy Cook Peel), past Vice President General. Additional books are to be published on an ongoing basis.

**The Augusta Strong Graham Memorial** - In 1926, bound copies of a complete set of the Proceedings of the Georgia DAR were presented to the Georgia DAR by Mr. John M. Graham in memory of his wife and were placed in the Library of the State Capitol, Atlanta, Georgia, to be known as the Augusta Strong Graham Collection of *Proceedings*. Mrs. Graham, an Honorary State Regent, served 1910-1912.

**The Richmond Walton McCurry Memorial Forest** - Georgia's Golden Jubilee Project in 1940, one hundred acres of the Cherokee National Forest were planted in pine trees and named in honor of Richmond Walton (Mrs. Julian) McCurry, Honorary State Regent and past Vice President General

## BERRY COLLEGE ENDOWMENT

**The Georgia DAR Scholarship at Berry College** - (endowment principal in amount of \$21,646.66) Scholarship was established honoring Mrs. Samuel M. Merritt, State Regent. For Berry College Agreement, see 1963-1964 State *Proceedings*.

**The Edna De Lamar Kendrick Endowment Scholarship Fund at Berry College** - (endowment principal in amount of \$45,919.16) Scholarship was endowed honoring the 1962-1964 State Regent, Mrs. Thomas Knox Kendrick (Edna De Lamar Kendrick). For Berry College Agreement, see 1964-1965 State *Proceedings*.

**Georgia State Society, Daughters of the American Revolution Student Teaching Award for Community Service**, Established at Berry College, 2007-2008 State *Proceedings*.

## KATE DUNCAN SMITH SCHOLARSHIPS AND ENDOWMENTS

**The Joseph Habersham Chapter NSDAR Scholarship Fund** - (\$5,100.00, not endowed) Established at Kate Duncan Smith DAR School in 2003, this annual scholarship honors Alae Risse Leitch, Honorary State Regent and Past Historian General.

**The Georgia State Society NSDAR Scholarship Fund** - (endowment principal in amount of \$10,005.91) Established at Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, this annual scholarship was endowed in 2009. See 2008-2009 State *Proceedings*.

# DAR LIBRARY BOOK DONATIONS

by Georgia State Society Chapters during the Powell Administration

(in order of Donation)

1. The Germans of Maryland During the Colonial Period. From the Atlanta Chapter.
2. Stewart County, Tennessee Marriage Records, 1881 – 1910. From the Atlanta Chapter.
3. Papers of the Pike County Historical and Genealogy Society, Troy, Alabama Cemetery census, Part III. From the Joseph Habersham Chapter.
4. Smith Family History and Genealogy. From the Joseph Habersham Chapter.
5. Stewart County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, 1819 – 1828. From the Joseph Habersham Chapter.
6. John Paul Barringer Family of Cabarrus County, North Carolina and its Connection with: The Chariker Family of Graham County, North Carolina, and York County, South Carolina, volume 1. From the Patriots of Liberty Chapter.
7. What Lies Beneath Colorado. From Terry Hughes of the Colonel William Candler Chapter.
8. Genealogy of the Families Depaepe and DePaepe. From the Colonel William Candler Chapter.
9. Virginia Soldiers of 1776, vol 1. From Terry Hughes of the Colonel William Candler Chapter.
10. Kentucky Land Warrants. From the Colonel William Candler Chapter.
11. Thurston Genealogies, 1635 – 1892. From the Sukey Hart Chapter.
12. Virginia Soldiers of 1776, vol.3. From the Governor David Emanuel Adam Brinson Chapter.
13. The Wallace Family Heritage Book. From Melinda Allan in honor of Linda Ann Wallace McFate, Liberty Hill Chapter.
14. Adoptions and Name Changes, State of Oregon. From the Philadelphia Winn Chapter.
15. Colonial Intimacies: Interethnic Kinship, Sexuality and Marriage in Southern California 1769 – 1885. From the Philadelphia Winn Chapter.
16. Guardian Bonds of Richmond County, Georgia, Ordinary Court Records 1830 – 1900. From the Philadelphia Winn Chapter.
17. William McIntosh and Maria Caldwell – Family Genealogy. From the Philadelphia Winn Chapter.
18. The Dew Line. From Charlotta Dunkin in memory of Leota Hackman Geigel. From the Fayette-Starr's Mill Chapter.
19. Fur Trade Families of Quebec Jean Nicolet, volume 2. From the Suwanee Creek Chapter.
20. Fur Trade Family Quebec, vol. 8. In honor of Dr. Bessie Davis. From the Nathaniel Abney Chapter.
21. Gunsmiths and Allied Craftsmen of Virginia. From the Jacob Braselton Chapter.
22. A Clemens Family of German Origin. The Family History. From the James Pittman Chapter.
23. Watson-King Family History. In memory of Julia Folsom Saint. From the James Stewart Chapter.

# *State Awards*

## **Winners of 2025 State Awards**

*(also see 134<sup>th</sup> Continental Congress Awards, page 97)*

### **STATE OFFICER AWARDS**

#### **STATE HISTORIAN**

**Outstanding Teacher of American History Award:** Danielle Kaiser, sponsored by Philadelphia Winn Chapter

### **COMMITTEE CHAIR AWARDS**

#### **AMERICA 250!**

**Certificate of Award** to Etowah, Hightower Trail, and Martha Stewart Bulloch chapters for **Outstanding America250! Projects**.

#### **AMERICAN HISTORY**

**Outstanding Chapter Report** (Traveling Silver Tray): Old Unicoi Trail Chapter and Archibald Bulloch; **American History Essay winners:** 5th grade- Amelia Atterbury, 6th grade - Max Greene, 7th grade -Dheer Mehrotra, 8th grade- Townson Richenbaker. **Patriots Essay (high school):** Sajana Diddige. **American History Video contest:** Noelin Chaney, 10<sup>th</sup> grade (SE Division Winner).

#### **AMERICAN INDIAN**

**Outstanding Chapters:** 1st Place Sequoyah, 2nd Place Fielding Lewis, 3rd Place Colonel William Candler; **Outstanding Individuals:** 1st Place Rachael Schwab, Colonel William Candler, 2nd Place Perrie Tucker, Chestatee River, 3rd Place Scarlett Moyer, Etowah; **Outstanding Chapter Chair:** Mary Filko, Captain James Kell; **American Indian Minutes:** 1st Place Stallings Island 12 minutes, 2nd Place 11 minutes, 3rd Place Tie 10 minutes Atlanta, John Laurens, and Reverend John Andrew; **Outstanding Special Project :** Mt Oglethorpe Bench Marker

#### **CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT & REVITALIZATION (CDRC)**

**"No Daughter Left Behind" certificates** awarded to 50 chapters with no unpaid members.

#### **COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS**

**Best Cumulative Report-** John Benning, 2nd-Sequoyah, 3rd-Captain James Kell. **Individual Event Reports:** **50th Anniversary of Vietnam War, Moultrie Marker Dedication, Wreaths Across America-**John Benning; **Constitution Week, Independence Day, Flag Day, Patriot Greve Marking, DAR Bench Marker, 50th Anniversary of the NASA Space Shuttle Program-**Sequoyah; **125th Anniversary, DAR Hospital Corps-**Fayette-Starr's Mill; **80th Anniversary D-Day, Vietnam Veterans Day-**Captain James Kell; **Georgia Day, Veterans Day-**Sukey Hart.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS**

Thirteen chapters presented seventeen awards to volunteers in their communities.

#### **CONSERVATION**

**Best Conservation Report-** 1<sup>st</sup>: James Waldrop; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Martha Stewart Bulloch; 3<sup>rd</sup>: Chestatee River. **Best Conservation Project-** Large Chapter: Fielding Lewis; Medium Chapter:

Pulaski; Small Chapter: Liberty Hill. **Chapter with most Pollinator Gardens-** Kings Gap; **Chapter with most Never Forget Gardens-** Earl of Camden. **Chapter with most members visiting a DAR Forest-** Pulaski and Tomochichi (tie).

### CONSTITUTION WEEK

**OUTSTANDING CHAPTER REPORT:** 1. Colonel William Candler 2. Reverend John Andrew 3. Fayette-Starr's Mill **CHAPTER WITH THE MOST GROUPS THAT RANG BELLS:** 1. Captain James Kell 2. Elijah Clark 3. Matthew Talbot **CHAPTER WITH THE MOST CONSTITUTION WEEK EVENTS:** 1. Sequoyah 2. Fielding Lewis 3. Colonel William Candler **CHAPTER WITH THE MOST CONSTITUTION WEEK KITS DISTRIBUTED:** 1. Suwanee Creek 2. General Josiah Tattnall 3. (Tie) Colonel Ebenezer Folsom and Trahlyta **CHAPTER WITH THE MOST SCHOOL AND LIBRARY DISPLAYS:** 1. Colonel William Candler 2. Suwanee Creek 3. Tallassee **CHAPTER WITH THE MOST PRINT COVERAGE AND/OR BROADCAST MINUTES:** 1. Sequoyah 2. Fielding Lewis 3. Colonel William Candler **OUTSTANDING CONSTITUTION WEEK PARTICIPATION:** 1. Fielding Lewis 2. Sequoyah 3. Colonel William Candler **PRESENTATION OF A CHAPTER PROGRAM ON THE CONSTITUTION AND BILL OF RIGHTS:** 1. Martha Stewart Bulloch 2. Sweetwater 3. College Hill

### DAR DNA NETWORK

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION: Use OF DNA For Prospective Member's Application:** Fort Frederica, Governor David Emanuel-Adam Brinson, and Roswell King. **CERTIFICATES of APPRECIATION: Holding Chapter Workshop or Program:** Colonel Ebenezer Folsom, Lachlan McIntosh, Old Noonday, and Stallings Island. **Chapters With the Most Members Attending DNA Programs or Workshops:** Colonel William Candler, Lachlan McIntosh, Philadelphia Winn, and William Day.

### DAR GOOD CITIZEN

75 Georgia Chapters received a certificate: **Supporting the DAR Good Citizen Committee.**

### DAR MAGAZINE

**Largest Percentage of Subscriptions (by membership size):** 0-50 members: Kennesaw Mountain 65.8%; 51-100 members: King's Gap 67.4%; 101-150 members: Lachlan Mc Intosh 48.6%; 151+ members: Philadelphia Winn 39%

### DAR MUSEUM OUTREACH

**Service to Schools:** Caitlen Green; **Service to DAR Chapters and State Societies:** Christine MacKay; **Service to Community Groups and Organizations:** Elizabeth Walker

### DAR/SAR/S.R. RELATIONS

**Most Active Members:** Community–Barbara Weaver, Old Unicoi Trail; State–Ransom Schwerzler, College Hill. **Most Active Chapters:** Community–Patriots of Liberty; State–Sequoyah; National–Philadelphia Winn. **Most SAR Finder Forms:** Philadelphia Winn. **Best Event with DAR/SAR/JAC:** James Stewart.

### DAR SCHOOL

**Greatest dollar amount donation to Friends of DAR Schools:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Archibald Bulloch; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fielding Lewis; 3<sup>rd</sup> – John Benson. **Greatest per capita donation to Friends of DAR Schools:** 1<sup>st</sup> - Archibald Bulloch; 2<sup>nd</sup> – John Benson; 3<sup>rd</sup> – La Grange. **Greatest per dollar amount donation for Georgia Special Projects:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Pulaski; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Martha Stewart Bulloch. **Greatest per capita total donation for Georgia Special Projects:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Pulaski; 3<sup>rd</sup> – John Benson. **Greatest per dollar amount donation for Georgia Special Project at KDS:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Henry Walton; 3<sup>rd</sup> – General Daniel Newnan. **Greatest per capita donation for Georgia Special Project at KDS:** 1<sup>st</sup> –

Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Old Noontday; 3<sup>rd</sup> – General Daniel Newnan. **Greatest per dollar amount donation for Georgia Special Project at Berry:** (tie) 1<sup>st</sup> – Pulaski; 1<sup>st</sup> – Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Henry Walton; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sequoyah. **Greatest per capita donation for Georgia Special Project at Berry:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Pulaski; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sandy Springs; 3<sup>rd</sup> – John Benson. **Honorable Mention – Outstanding support of Berry by Sponsoring Gate of Opportunity Scholarship:** Cameo Society. **Greatest per capita donation for Georgia Special Project at Crossnore:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – La Grange; 3<sup>rd</sup> – John Benson. **Greatest per capita donation for Georgia Special Project at Hillside:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Andrew Houser; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Lamar-Lafayette. **Greatest per capita donation for Georgia Special Project at Hindman:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Sandy Springs; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Hannah Clarke; 3<sup>rd</sup> – James Pittman. **Outstanding Support for Hurricane Helene Relief at Hindman:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Thomasville; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Old Noontday; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sandy Springs. **Outstanding Report:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Liberty Hill; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fayette-Starr’s Mill; **Honorable Mentions** – Cherokee, College Hill, Etowah, Fielding Lewis, Joseph Habersham, Lachlan Mc Intosh, Martha Stewart Bulloch, Old Noontday, Old Unicoi Trail, Reverend John Andrew, Sergeant Newton, Sukey Hart. **Best Informational Packet:** Fielding Lewis. **Best Innovative Fundraiser:** Chestatee River.

### HIGHTOWER DAR SCHOOL AWARD

Altamaha	Hightower Trail	St. Andrew’s Parish
Andrew Houser	James Pittman	Sandy Springs
Andrew Mc Bride	James Stewart	Sequoyah
Archibald Bulloch	James Waldrop	Sergeant Newton
Atlanta	John Benson	Stallings Island
Augusta	John Clarke	Stephen Heard
Augustin Clayton	John Franklin Wren	Sukey Hart
Bainbridge	John Hustoun	Sunbury
Barnard Trail	Joseph Habersham	Suwanee Creek
Baron De Kalb	Kennesaw Mountain	Sweetwater
Benjamin Hawkins	Kettle Creek	Thomasville
Bonaventure	King’s Gap	Toccoa
Brier Creek	La Grange	Tomochichi
Brunswick	Lachlan Mc Intosh	Trahyta
Captain James Kell	Lamar-Lafayette	William Day
Captain John Wilson	Levi Sapp	William Marsh
Cherokee	Liberty Hill	William Mc Intosh
Chestatee River	Lt. James Monroe	Xavier
College Hill	Lyman Hall	
Colonel Ebenezer Folsom	Martha Stewart Bulloch	
Earl of Camden	Mary Hammond Washington	
Edmund Burke	Nancy Hart	
Elijah Clark	Nathaniel Abney	
Etowah	Nathaniel Macon	
Fayette-Starr’s Mill	Oglethorpe	
Fielding Lewis	Old Herod	
Fort Frederica	Old Noontday	
General Daniel Newnan	Old Unicoi Trail	
General Daniel Stewart	Patriots of Liberty	
George Walton	Philadelphia Winn	
Gov. David Emmanuel-	Peter Early	
Adam Brinson	Pulaski	
Governor Jared Irwin	Reverend John Andrew	
Hannah Clarke	Robert Loughridge	
Hawkinsville	Roswell King	

## **HIGHTOWER DAR SCHOOL AWARD REQUIREMENTS**

Ten dollars (\$10.00) is awarded to each chapter meeting the following requirements: Chapter made contributions for Georgia special projects at Kate Duncan Smith DAR School AND Berry College totaling a minimum of \$1.00 per member (count on January 1) on Chapter Treasurer's Annual Report & Remittance Form (GTR-01) to the State Treasurer by November 1, each year AND have one full program OR a two-minute spot on DAR Schools at each chapter meeting.

### **DAR PROJECT PATRIOT**

**Outstand Report** 1st Place- Martha Stewart Bullock Chapter, 2nd Place- Fielding Lewis Chapter. **Best Project in State**- Fielding Lewis Chapter. **Best Event in State**- Chestatee River Chapter, **Outstanding Support to the Military**- Etowah Chapter, **Special Recognition**- Pulaski Chapter, **Special Recognition**- Patriots of Liberty Chapter, **Most Packages Sent**- Mary Hammond Washington Chapter, **Most Coupons Sent**- Hightower Chapter, **Most Donations Made**- Etowah Chapter, **Most Creative Event to Support the Troops**- Pulaski Chapter, **Best Per-Capita Contributions**- Etowah Chapter, **Outstanding Chapter Member**- Janis Scobee- Sukey Hart Chapter, **Outstanding Chapter Member**- Jill Elias- Lachlan McIntosh Chapter, **Outstanding Chapter Member**- Debbie Frost- Pulaski Chapter, **Outstanding Chapter Member** Sueleen Fowler- Pulaski Chapter, **Outstanding Chapter Member**- Jan Moffett- Pulaski Chapter.

### **DAR SERVICE FOR VETERANS**

**Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award:** Dr. John T. Mauldin (nominated by Sequoyah);  
**Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award:** William Orr (nominated by Abraham Baldwin)

### **FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE**

**Certificates of Patriotic Participation in the Flag Replacement Grant Program:** Jacob Braselton, James Stewart, John Benning, Philadelphia Winn, Savannah, Sergeant Newton, Sukey Hart; **Certificate of Appreciation for CMR Reports submitted:** Captain James Kell - Best report, Martha Stewart Bulloch - Best Joint Activities with organizations, Chestatee River - Providing Recognition for Proper Treatment of the Flag, Etowah - Outstanding Support of Youth Programs, Fielding Lewis - Most Creative Flag Project, James Stewart - Most Creative Project for Flag Retirement, Liberty Hill - Outstanding support of Naturalization Ceremonies, Old Unicoi Trail - Best Promoting Flag at the Community Level, Sequoyah - Best American Flag Photos

### **FRANCO-AMERICAN MEMORIAL**

**Best Report:** James Waldrop

### **GEORGIA DAY**

**Excellence in Reporting:** Archibald Bulloch, Statesboro, GA and Sunbury, Winder, GA.

### **GENEALOGICAL RECORDS**

**Most Pages Submitted by Chapter:** Philadelphia Winn, 204 pages; Pulaski, 149 pages; Captain James Kell, 55 pages; **Most Pages Submitted by Individual:** Sara Jane Overstreet, 122 pages; Denise Phillips, 103 pages; Kitty Watters, 70 pages; **Special Project Awards:** **Bible Scanning Project**- Philadelphia Winn, Kitty Watters, organizer; **Liberty Chapel church registries**- Sara Jane Overstreet.

### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

The Georgia State Society Historic Preservation Committee will present certificates to Chapters for Excellence in Historic Preservation as follows:

Community Involvement: 29; Document Preservation: 7; Memorial Installation: 7; Site Restoration & Preservation: 30

## JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS

**All first place state winners submitted to Region for further judging.**

**Art Contest (Stamp, Poster, Banner, Digital, photo essay):** 99 First Place, 20 Second Place, 5 Third Place; **Creative Expression (Graphic Novel, Poem, Short Story):** 17 First Place, 2 Second Place; **Community Service:** 51 First Place

## JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

**2025 State Outstanding Junior:** Rebecca Urquhart, Suwanee Creek; **2025 State Outstanding Junior Runner-Up:** Amber Witt, Fielding Lewis; **2025 Chapter Outstanding Juniors:** Apalachee: Kimberly Wooten; Atlanta: Morgan Wise; Baron De Kalb: Bethany Hollenbeck; Captain James Kell: Bethany Anderson; Captain Thomas Cobb: Caroline Chapman; Chestatee River, Tasia Brynes; College Hill, College Hill; Fielding **Lewis:** Amber Witt; George Walton: Margaret "Maggie" Fontaine; Hightower Trail: Greson Elise Dover; Jacob Braselton: Stephanie Harms; James Pittman, Abigail Marie Dunn; James Stewart: Chelsea Mae Goode; James Waldrop: Alanna Fopiano Drummond; Kennesaw Mountain: Samantha Montgomery; King's Gap: Elizabeth Lopez; Lachlan Mc Intosh, Bryanna Odell Meredith; Oglethorpe: Isabelle King; Patriots of Liberty: Catherine Hope Wardach; Philadelphia Winn: Stevi Greene; Roswell King: Lauren Maggs; Savannah: Mary Carroll Hatch; Savannah, Mary Carroll Hatch; Sequoyah: Rebecca Trotter; Sukey Hart: Darlyn JaNell Davis; Suwanee Creek: Rebecca Urquhart; William Day: Sidney Barton Rooks York

## LINEAGE RESEARCH

**Best Chapter Report-Small (0-50):** Colonel Ebenezer Folsom, **Best Chapter Report-Medium (51-150):** Mary Hammond Washington, **Best Chapter Report-Large (151+):** Fielding Lewis. **Lineage Research Special Recognition:** Old Unicoi Trail and Suwanee Creek; **Exemplary Individual Lineage Research:** Linda Killebrew Lopez, Fielding Lewis; **Excellence in Innovative Lineage Research:** Suwanee Creek

## MASTER REPORTS

**First Place Blue Ribbon Winners for chapters under 50 members:** Liberty Hill; **Chapters 51-100:** Lachlan McIntosh, **Chapters 101-150:** Sequoyah, and **Chapters 151 and above:** Fielding Lewis. **Second Place Winners for chapters under 50:** Colonel Ebenezer Folsom, **Chapters 51-100:** Suwanee Creek, **chapters 101-150:** Chestatee River, and **Chapters 151 and above:** resulted in a tie between College Hill and Xavier. **Third Place Winners are chapters under 50:** Stallings Island, **Chapters 51-100:** William Day, **Chapters 101-150:** Fort Peachtree and **Chapters 151 and above:** Philadelphia Winn.

## MEMBERSHIP

The chapters with the **Most New Members By Application** are: 1<sup>st</sup> - Sequoyah Chapter (28), 2<sup>nd</sup> - Patriots of Liberty Chapter (19), and 3<sup>rd</sup> - Savannah Chapter (18) The **GSSDAR Membership Eagle Award** is awarded to the **established chapter** with the greatest percentage increase in membership by application. 1<sup>st</sup> - John Benson Chapter (22.5%), 2<sup>nd</sup> - Mineral Springs Chapter (21.4%), 3<sup>rd</sup> - Patriots of Liberty Chapter (19.6%).

## NATIONAL DEFENSE

**1st Place 2024 Outstanding National Defense Report:** Sunbury Chapter; **Outstanding National Defense Report:** Etowah Chapter; **Outstanding National Defense Report:** Liberty Hill Chapter; **Outstanding National Defense Report:** Old Noonday Chapter; **Outstanding National Defense Report:** Old Unicoi Trail Chapter

## PUBLIC RECORDS PROJECT

**Outstanding Volunteer of the Year:** Cherry Monroe, Saint Andrew's Parish (indexed 61,539 names); **Outstanding Contributors:** Paula Walsh, Matthew Talbot (indexed 35,796 names); Patricia Walker, John Laurens (indexed 16,957 names); Betty Westbrook, Liberty Hill (indexed

15,901 names); Norma Reeves, Fielding Lewis (indexed 11,276 names); Deborah Kyle, William Day (indexed 10,419 names).

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MEDIA**

**Best Social Media Presence**, Archibald Bulloch; **Best Print Coverage**, Philadelphia Winn; **Best Electronic Media Coverage**, Sequoyah; **Best Brochure**, Old Unicoi Trail; **Best Newsletter**, Old Unicoi Trail; **Best Commemorative/Community Event Coverage**, Patriots of Liberty

### **SERVICE TO AMERICA**

**Most Hours Reported:** 1st place: Old Unicoi Trail, Barbara Weaver, regent; 2nd place: Fielding Lewis, Karen Kivette, regent; 3rd place: Patriots of Liberty, Debra Kielly, regent; Honorable Mention: Sandy Springs, Celia Mendez, regent.

### **STATE HONOR ROLL**

Abraham Baldwin, Andrew Houser, Andrew McBride, Apalachee, Archibald Bulloch, Atlanta, Augusta, Augustin Clayton, Barnard Trail, Baron DeKalb, Brier Creek, Brunswick, Captain James Kell, Captain John Wilson, Captain Thomas Cobb, Cherokee, Chestatee River, College Hill, Colonel Ebenezer Folsom, Colonel William Candler, Council of Safety, Edmund Burke, Elijah Clarke, Etowah, Fayette-Starr's Mill, Fielding Lewis, Fort Frederica, Fort Peachtree, General Daniel Newnan, George Walton, Hannah Clarke, Henry Walton, Hightower Trail, Jacob Braselton, James Stewart, James Waldrop, John Benning, Joseph Habersham, King's Gap, La Grange, Lachlan McIntosh, Lamar-Lafayette, Liberty Hill, Lyman Hall, Martha Stewart Bulloch, Mary Hammond Washington, Nathaniel Macon, Oglethorpe, Old Noonday, Old Unicoi Trail, Oliver Morton, Patriots of Liberty, Peter Early, Philadelphia Winn, Pulaski, Reverend John Andrew, Roswell King, Sandy Springs, Sequoyah, Sergeant Newton, Stephen Heard, Sukey Hart, Sunbury, Suwanee Creek, Sweetwater, Thomasville, Thronateeska, Toccoa, Tomochichi, Trahlyta, Vidalia, William Day, William Marsh, Xavier.

### **WOMEN'S ISSUES**

**Best Women's Issues Cumulative Report, Large Chapter:** Sequoyah Chapter;  
**Honorable Mention Cumulative Report, Large Chapter:** Chestatee River Chapter  
**Best Women's Issues Cumulative Report, Small Chapter:** Etowah Chapter

## **2025 State Awards Offered**

Please review the State Officer and State Chair Letters of Information in the Chapter Information Packet (CIP) or on GSSDAR Members' Website for all contests and awards offered.

# 2025-2026 Schedule of Meetings

For information on the activities and deadlines by month, please see the Chapter Regents Calendar on the Georgia Members-only website.  
<http://members.georgiastatedar.org> Password: gadaughter

## 2025

National Board of Management Meeting	February 8
GSSDAR Executive Committee Meeting	March 20
Meadow Garden Board Meeting	March 20
127 <sup>th</sup> GSS State Conference	March 20-23
Lafayette's Anniversary Tour – Augusta	March 23
Berry College Tour	May 1-2
National Board of Management	June 23
134 <sup>th</sup> Continental Congress	June 23-29
GSSDAR Executive Committee Meeting	August 21
Meadow Garden Board Meeting	August 21
7 <sup>th</sup> Fall Forum (SBOM, Workshops, CW Dinner)	August 21 – August 23

## 2026

National Board of Management Meeting	February 7
GSSDAR Executive Committee Meeting	March 19
Meadow Garden Board Meeting	March 19
128 <sup>th</sup> GSS State Conference	March 19-22
National Board of Management	June 28
135 <sup>th</sup> Continental Congress	June 24 – June 28
GSS Executive Committee Meeting	To Be Announced
Meadow Garden Board Meeting	To Be Announced
8 <sup>th</sup> Fall Forum (SBOM, District Workshops, CW Dinner)	To Be Announced

## CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

2025 – June 25-29

2026 – June 24-28

## STATE CONFERENCE

2025 – March 20-23

2026 – March 19-22

## FALL FORUM

2025 – August 21-23

2026 – August 20-22

# Calendar of Information

## NATIONAL THEME:

“Celebrate Stars and Stripes Forever”

## STATE THEME:

“Volunteer Hearts are Key to Historic Preservation, Education, and Patriotism.”

## STATE SCRIPTURE:

“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.” 1

Thessalonians 5:11

“Rejoice always.” 1 Thessalonians 5:16

## 2025-2026 Days to Observe

Patriot Day .....	September 11
Citizenship Day (Constitution Day).....	September 17
Constitution Week .....	September 17-23

### Anniversary of Founding of the National Society

<b>Daughters of the American Revolution .....</b>	<b>October 11</b>
NSDAR Day of Service.....	October 11
NSDAR Day of Prayer .....	October 12
Columbus Day.....	2nd Monday of Oct
Veterans Day.....	November 11
National American Indian Heritage Day .....	Day after Thanksgiving
Bill of Rights Day.....	December 15
Georgia Day.....	February 12
Washington’s Birthday.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday in February
Georgia Arbor Day .....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of February
American’s Creed Day.....	April 13
Battle of Lexington/Patriots Day.....	April 19
National Day of Prayer .....	May 7
Armed Forces Day .....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in May
Memorial Day.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday in May
Flag Day .....	June 14
Independence Day .....	July 4

Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year’s Day, Easter

## AUGUST 2025

Aug 1.....	Historic Preservation Grant Applications accepted Aug 1-Oct 31
Aug 6.....	Deadline for Fall Forum hotel reservation
Aug 6.....	Deadline for Fall Forum registration
Aug 21-23.....	Fall Forum, Atlanta Airport Marriott, College Park, GA (Fall Forum includes Meetings of Executive Board, State Standing Committees, Meadow Garden Board, Genealogy Forum, Workshop sessions, Thursday Banquet, State Board of Management, and the Constitution Dinner.)

**Chapter Planning:** Chapter Information Packet (CIP) is available online. Confirm chapter Programs and Presenters. Contact local schools about the DAR Awards and Contests (DAR Good Citizen, JROTC/ROTC, Essay & Video Contests, etc.). Hold Chapter Finance Committee Meeting to create Chapter Budget. Finalize 2025-2026 Yearbook for publication. Reconcile member name, address, and contact info using e-Membership. Chapter Master Report is available online by the end of the month.

## SEPTEMBER 2025

Sept 1 ..... Suggested Dues Deadline for Chapter members  
Sept 17..... Citizenship Day and Constitution Day  
Sept 17-23..... Constitution Week  
Sept 11..... Deadline for Fall Forum Registration

**Chapter Planning:** Present Chapter Budget for Chapter approval. Distribute current Chapter Yearbook to members whose dues have been paid. Order School Contest Award Supplies as needed such as JROTC medals/certificates; American History Essay & Video Contest certificates; Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay certificates; DAR Good Citizen pins/certificates and wallet cards from DAR Store directly; etc.

## OCTOBER 2025

Oct 2-3..... Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Dedication Day Activities  
Oct 11..... NSDAR Day of Service  
Oct 12..... NSDAR Day of Prayer  
Oct 15..... Deadline: Outstanding Teacher of American History Appl due to State Historian  
Oct 16..... Hindman Day at the Races  
Oct 26..... Deadline: Sign up for Chapter Direct Payment to meet the Dec. 01 dues deadline  
Oct 30..... Deadline: Nominate and endorse 2025 Chapter Outstanding Junior before Oct 31  
Oct 31..... Deadline: State Outstanding Junior Contest Application due to State Junior Membership Vice Chair  
Oct 31..... Deadline for Historic Preservation Grant Application

**Chapter Planning:** Contact interested Junior members about Paging at State Conference and Continental Congress. Order upcoming Membership Anniversary Certificates from National; present on a timely basis. Nominate the Outstanding Teacher of American History Award and the Outstanding Junior Member. Complete and send all GTR forms and all other contests and applications that are due on November 1.

## NOVEMBER 2025

Nov 1 ..... Deadline: Georgia Co-op Ad Payment (GTR-01) due to State Treasurer  
Nov 1 ..... Deadline: GTR-01 due to State Treasurer  
Nov 1 ..... Deadline: GTR-02 due to State Treasurer  
Nov 1 ..... Deadline: Current Chapter Bylaws due electronically to State Parliamentarian  
Nov 1 ..... Deadline: Genealogical Records submissions for award due to the State Chair  
Nov 1 ..... Chapter Chaplain completes and sends her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday Forms to State Chaplain  
Nov 11 ..... Veteran's Day and 101<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Interment of Unknown Soldier in DC  
Nov 15 ..... Finalize Chapter's National Dues Invoice  
Nov 28 ..... National American Indian Heritage Day

**Chapter Planning:** Elect Delegates/Alternates to State Conference according to the Chapter Bylaws. Make preparations to pay State Dues, Conference Fees, and National Dues by December 1. Members whose dues are not paid by December 1 are considered delinquent.

## DECEMBER 2025

Dec 1 ..... Deadline: GTR-03 State Dues and Conference Fees due to State Treasurer  
Dec 1 ..... Deadline: National Dues to the Treasurer General, NSDAR  
Dec 1 ..... Deadline: National Chapter Achievement Award Section 8 Invoice  
Dec 1 ..... Deadline: President General's Project 100% Chapter Participation Invoice

- Dec 1 .....Deadline: American History Essay & Video Contest chapter winners due to District Vice Chair
- Dec 1 .....Deadline: DAR Good Citizens Scholarship Contest chapter winners due to District Vice Chair
- Dec 5-6 .....Meadow Garden Christmas Open House
- Dec 13 ..... National Wreaths Across America Day
- Dec 15 .....Deadline: DAR Good Citizens Scholarship Contest chapter winners due to District Vice Chair
- Dec 15 ..... Deadline: NSDAR Excellence in American History Book Award due to Historian General
- Dec 15 .....Deadline: NSDAR Excellence in American History Children’s Book Award due to Historian General
- Dec 15 .....Bill of Rights Day
- Dec 31.....Deadline: for electing Chapter Outstanding Regent

**Chapter Planning:** Consider a Holiday Chapter Field Trip to a Historic Property. Work on completing CMR due to State Jan 15.

### JANUARY 2026

- Jan 1.....Deadline: JAC Contest 1<sup>st</sup> Place winners due to State Chair
- Jan 2 .....American Heritage entries may be sent via email from January 2, 2026 – February 15, 2026 to appropriate National Chairs Vice Chair (except Fiber Arts)
- Jan 5.....Deadline: Literacy Program Contest entry due to State Chair
- Jan 15..... Deadline: 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Vietnam War Commem. Events due to State Chair
- Jan 15.....Deadline: Constitution Week Poster Contest due to State Chair
- Jan 31.....Deadline: Historic Preservation Contest Appl due to State Chair
- Jan 31.....Deadline: Applications for American Indian Scholarship

**Chapter Planning:** Elect Delegates/Alternates to Continental Congress according to the Chapter Bylaws (deadline to submit is April 15, 2026). Elect a Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of chapter officers to be nominated at a future meeting (in election years only) according to Chapter Bylaws. Complete the CMR online in E-Membership. Order Past Regent Pin or Honorary Regent Pin in election years if allowed in Chapter Bylaws.

### FEBRUARY 2026

- Feb 1..... Deadline: GSS-05 (includes Honor Roll, Hightower, & Credentials) to be completed online
- Feb 1.....Deadline: American Heritage Fiber Arts entries due to State Chair
- Feb 1 ...Deadline: State Conference Program ads due to Conference Committee Vice Chair
- Feb 1 .....Deadline: Public Relations and Media Awards
- Feb 1 .....Deadline: Outstanding Chapter Regent application
- Feb 12 .....Georgia Day
- Feb 13.....Heroes of Hornet’s Nest Ceremony Lincolnton, GA
- Feb 14 ..... Kettle Creek Celebration, Washington, GA
- Feb 15.....Deadline: American Heritage Contest (except for Fiber Arts) entries emailed to appropriate National Vice Chair
- Feb 16 .....Presidents Day
- Feb 20 .....Georgia’s Arbor Day

**Chapter Planning:** All members whose dues have not been received at NSDAR by Feb 28 will be dropped.

## MARCH 2026

March First Weekend.....	Brier Creek Celebration, Sylvania, GA
Mar 19-22 .....	128 <sup>th</sup> Georgia Society State Conference Evergreen Lakeside Resort, Stone Mountain, Georgia
Mar 19 .....	Committee Meetings; Genealogy Workshops
Mar 20.....	Memorial Service; Opening Night
Mar 21 .....	Business Sessions, DAR School Luncheon; Awards & Recognition Banquet

**Chapter Planning:** In an election year, election of chapter officers should be held no later than March regardless of month in which officers are installed. Send changes in chapter officers to the Office of Organizing Secretary General, or update on eMembership, before the April 1 deadline. Elect Delegates/Alternates to Continental Congress if not done in a previous month (election must take place before Apr 1, 2026).

## APRIL 2026

Apr 1.....	Chapter Officer Updates due to Organizing Secretary General
Apr 13.....	American's Creed Day
Apr 15.....	Deadline: Continental Congress Credentials completed online
Apr 15.....	Individual registration for Continental Congress is via the Congress Website

**Chapter Planning:** Annual audit of financial accounts.

## MAY 2026

May 7.....	National Day of Prayer
May 13 -14.....	Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Awards Day & Graduation
May 15.....	Deadline: Electronically file IRS Form 990 (or 990 or 990EZ) and send copy to State Treasurer
May 16.....	Armed Forces Day
May 25.....	Memorial Day
May 31.....	Deadline: GTR-04 Annual Financial Report Form due to State Treasurer
May 31.....	Deadline: GTR-11 Chapter Audit Committee Letter due to State Treasurer

**Chapter Planning:** Install chapter officers (on election years only) according to Chapter Bylaws. Check e-Membership to make sure Chapter Officers have been updated. Outgoing Officers Annual Reports.

## JUNE-JULY 2026

**Chapter Planning:** Hold Executive Board Planning Meeting. Plan Yearbooks. Chapter Regents should check National Information Packet (NIP) for updates. Begin planning regular meeting programs. Begin editing the Chapter Yearbook. Update Chapter Property Agreements. In election year, regents appoint chapter committee chairs. Plan an official visit for the State Regent.

**Chapter Treasurers:** Send 1<sup>st</sup> notices of dues to members after Congress.

**State Officer's** terms officially begin AFTER Continental Congress (in even years).

Jun 14 .....	Flag Day
Jun 24-28.....	135 <sup>th</sup> Continental Congress (Washington, D.C.) and send copy to State Treasurer
Jul 4 .....	Independence Day

# Georgia State Officers Club

## NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### OFFICERS 2024-2026

<b>President</b> .....	<b>Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price</b>
<b>First Vice President</b> .....	<b>Melodye G. Brown</b>
<b>Second Vice President</b> .....	<b>Kay Ragan</b>
<b>Third Vice President</b> .....	<b>Harriett Hankinson</b>
<b>Chaplain</b> .....	<b>Shannon Logue</b>
<b>Recording Secretary</b> .....	<b>Beverly Baker</b>
<b>Corresponding Secretary</b> .....	<b>Kitty Watters</b>
<b>Treasurer</b> .....	<b>Teresa Floyd Bartlett</b>
<b>Historian</b> .....	<b>Amy Nation</b>
<b>Auditor</b> .....	<b>Kate Cook</b>
<b>Parliamentarian</b> .....	<b>O.B. McCorkle</b>

The 95th Annual Meeting of the Georgia State Officers Club, Georgia State Society, NSDAR, was held on Friday, March 21, 2025, at the Augusta Marriott and Convention Center. President Mindy Kammeyer-Price called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. with 35 in attendance (31 members, and 4 guests). Active membership total is 60. The Invocation was offered by Chaplain pro-tem Cathy Miller. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Teresa Floyd Bartlett.

Parliamentarian OB McCorkle read the State Officers Club's Standing Rule Number One. Treasurer Teresa Bartlett was asked to collect any fines.

The President welcomed club members and guests. The President presented those seated at the head table: Virginia Lingelbach, Chaplain General, Honorary State Regent, and Past Corresponding General; Betty Harrah, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent; Melodye Brown, State Officers Club First Vice President and Honorary State Regent; Cathy Miller, State Officers Club Chaplain pro-tem; Kay Ragan, State Officers Club Second Vice President; and OB McCorkle, State Officers Club Parliamentarian and Honorary State Regent.

The Honorary Presidents of the Georgia State Officers Club, who were in attendance, were introduced: Linda Harvey, Julia Farrigan, Martha Knight, and Laura Reid. Corresponding Secretary Kitty Watters was asked to send notes to the Club's Honorary Presidents who were unable to join us.

The President presented the 2024-2026 officers of the Georgia State Officers Club: First Vice President Melodye Brown, Second Vice President Kay Ragan, Corresponding Secretary Kitty Watters, Treasurer Teresa Bartlett, and Parliamentarian OB McCorkle. Those officers not in attendance: Third Vice President Harriette Hankinson, Chaplain Shannon Logue, Historian Amy Nation, and Auditor Kate Cook. Thanks were expressed to Chaplain pro-tem Cathy Miller and Recording Secretary pro-tem Scarlett Gibson.

The President welcomed the newest Georgia State Officers Club member: Scarlett Gibson, State Corresponding Secretary; Mary Kuntz, State Treasurer; Virginia "Ginny" Griffith, State Registrar; Nancy Coleman, State Historian; and Marjorie Singley-Hall, State Librarian. Kathleen "Kathy" Marsh, State Curator, was unable to attend, but was welcomed.

The President welcomed special guest, State Events Chair Cheryl Odell, who was commended for her hard work in preparation for this year's conference and wished every success for a wonderful State Conference.

Georgia State Regent Helen Powell arrived with the special guests of the 127th State Conference. The members of the Georgia State Officers Club stood to greet them.

The President presented Helen Powell and asked if she would introduce the special conference guests: Malinda Williams, State Regent of Alabama; Sarah Steinke, State Regent of Iowa; and Lindsey Taylor Groves, State Regent of Wyoming. State Regent Helen Powell brought greetings. The President welcomed them and told them there was a gift at their seat which was a small token of appreciation for their joining us today.

The President introduced Virginia Lingelbach who gave a wonderful program detailing her favorite memories and experiences in her service as a National Officer.

Chaplain pro-tem Cathy Miller offered the Blessing and Lunch was served.

The meeting resumed after lunch. A beautiful Memorial Service was organized and conducted by Chaplain pro-tem Cathy Miller. A tribute and friendship moments were shared by Virginia Lingelbach for Carolyn Hanf, Past Treasurer General and Honorary State Regent, National Number 594529, a member of Fielding Lewis Chapter, August 25, 1934 – January 17, 2025. A tribute and friendship moments were shared by Laura Reid for Barbara Chastain, Honorary State Regent, National Number 669743, a member of Fort Peachtree Chapter, November 16, 1940 – May 19, 2024. A tribute and friendship moments were shared by Scarlett Gibson for Brenda Davison Jessel, National Number 624317, a member of General Daniel Newnan Chapter, October 1, 1931 – July 15, 2024.

The Business Session of the Annual Meeting opened with Recording Secretary pro-tem Scarlett Gibson reporting the minutes of the 2024 State Officers Club Annual Meeting were approved by an appointed committee of three: Martha Knight, Charlotte Christian and Debbie Powell. The approved minutes are printed in the 2023-2024 Proceedings of the Georgia State Society, NSDAR. The President thanked the three members who consented to approve the minutes of the 2025 State Officers Club Annual Meeting. Without objection and with their consent, Robin Towns, Carol Russell, and Paula Osborn were appointed to approve the minutes of the 2025 State Officers Club Annual Meeting.

Treasurer Teresa Bartlett gave the financial report. As of March 22, 2025, there is a balance of \$4,544.99. The balance will remain the same until deposits for the luncheon have been made and expenses for the luncheon have been paid.

Auditor Kate Cook was not in attendance and the report was tabled.

President Mindy Kammeyer-Price stated in the first year of a new State Officers Club administration, it is tradition to honor the Georgia State Regent by making a donation to a project of her choice. She has chosen the Guardian Trust Fund. **Betty Harrah made the following motion:** "I move to donate \$100.00 to the Guardian Trust Fund in honor of Helen Robertson Powell, Georgia State Regent, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution." **The motion was seconded and adopted.**

The Georgia State Officers Club Bylaws, Article VI, Officers, Election, Section 1. states: "At the first meeting of an administration, a nominating committee of five (5) shall be elected by nomination from the floor. At the next annual meeting, this committee shall nominate a candidate for each office." A majority of the votes cast shall elect. Of the five (5) nominees, the first nominee shall serve as Chair until the first meeting when the committee members shall elect a Nominating Committee Chair. **Melodye Brown made a motion to elect the following nominees to serve on the Georgia State Officers Club Nominating Committee: Linda Harvey, Mary Mullins, Marjorie Singley-Hall, Mary Kuntz and Scarlett Gibson. The motion was seconded and was adopted.**

The President announced the distribution of door prizes provided by the officers of the State Officers Club. State Regent Helen Powell and Vice President General Betty Harrah were asked to draw tickets and prizes were distributed. The President thanked the Club Officers for their assistance in preparation for this Annual Meeting and Luncheon, and for generously providing the fun and wonderful door prizes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25pm following the Benediction by the Chaplain pro-tem Cathy Miller.

Mindy Kammeyer-Price, President  
Scarlett Gibson, Recording Secretary, Pro-tem

# Georgia Chapter Regents Club

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### OFFICERS 2024-2026

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Vice President/President Elect.....	Lynn Baxter Jacques
Chaplain.....	Tara Lynn Sanders Kelsey
Recording Secretary.....	Virginia "Ginny" Soth Griffith
Treasurer.....	Malone Kitchens Moore
Parliamentarian.....	Linda Gillies Hartung

### ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Business meeting of the Chapter Regents Club was called to order by President Mary Brown Turner at 12:00 Noon on March 21, 2025, at the Augusta Marriott Convention Center, Augusta, GA. All club officers were in attendance. President Turner welcomed all attendees and thanked them for attending the luncheon.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Tara Kelsey. The pledge to the Flag of the United States was led by Patricia Hein, the 2021 Overall Outstanding Chapter Regent and Membership Chair. The American's Creed was led by Rita Ann Parker, National Defense State Chair. The pledge to the Georgia Flag was led by Ransom Schwerzler, Historic Meadow Garden Director. President Turner introduced the Chapter Regents club officers; the guest speaker, Jean Eaton Gay the 2024 OCR; Daughters serving at State & National positions; the GA State Society DAR District Directors; and Georgia Daughters who are leaders of other hereditary organizations.

State Regent Helen Powell visited the luncheon and brought greetings. She introduced visiting State Regents, Malinda Williams of Alabama, Sarah Steinke of Iowa, and Lindsey Taylor Groves of Wyoming.

The Memorial service for Chapter Regent Club members who passed since our last business meeting in March 2024 was conducted by Chaplain Tara Sanders Kelsey. The club members were: Barbara Blakely Chastain, Carolyn Grant Hanf, Marjorie Lynn Stove Harburn, Diane Mildred Passmore, Ann Norris Strickland, Mary Ellen Johnson O'Berry, Sara Frances Brown Hall, and Sandra Wiggins Mitchell.

The speaker, Jean Eaton Gay, the 2024 Outstanding Chapter Regent was introduced by President Turner. She presented her program titled "Planting Seeds for Chapter Success."

Chaplain Tara Kelsey gave the blessing for lunch. The business portion of the meeting followed the meal.

A quorum was declared present by the chair and officers gave their reports. Secretary Ginny Griffith reported the minutes of the March 2024 meeting have been printed in the Proceedings of the Georgia State Society NSDAR 2023-2024. The minutes were approved as published. The Treasurer's Report was given by Malone Moore. The report was filed and the accounts submitted for audit.

President Turner declared there was no unfinished business and moved to new business. Secretary Ginny Griffith presented the recommendation as follows from the Executive Board: **The board recommended that the Georgia Chapter Regents Club pledge a total of \$800 to be given to the four State Regent's Projects as follows: \$200 – Gate of Opportunity Scholarship at Berry College; \$200 Meadow Garden; \$200 Honor Flight; and \$200 to the Restoration of the Revolutionary War Cannon in Savannah in honor of State Regent Helen Powell. The recommendation was adopted.**

Secretary Griffith read from the Chapter Regent's Club Bylaws Article V, Nomination and Election of Officers. President Turner requested Vice President Lynn Jacques to present the slate for the Nominating Committee. Pam Dover, NW District, Chair; Mary Mullins, SW District; Ransom Schwerzler, NE District and Sheila Burtz, Alternate. Vice President/President Elect Jacques moved that the slate of members presented for the

nominating committee be elected. The slate was elected.

Vice President/President Elect Lynn Jacques presented the 2025 Outstanding Chapter Regent Scarlett Rene Gibson.

President Turner thanked the ladies that contributed to the table decorations, the memorial service flower page and Dwight Dover our very favorite photographer. She announced that the next meeting of the club will be held in 2026 prior to the opening of State Conference.

There being no further business, Chaplain Kelsey gave the Benediction and the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 P.M.

Mary Brown Turner, President  
Virginia S. Griffith, Secretary

### GEORGIA STATE SOCIETY OUTSTANDING CHAPTER REGENTS

2024	Scarlett Renee Gibson	General Daniel Newnan
2023	Amy Bolin Nation	Etowah
2022	Patricia "Tricia" Bridges Massey	Apalachee
2021	Patricia M. Hein (Small Chapter, Overall Winner)	Liberty Hill
2021	Nancy Clark Coleman (Large Chapter)	John Benning
2020	Carla Brown (Chapters 60 and under)	James Stewart
2020	Kitty Watters (Chapters over 60, Overall Winner)	Philadelphia Winn
2019	Catherine "Cathy" Winslett Hyer (co-winner)	Suwanee Creek
2019	Jan Johnson Manos (co-winner)	Henry Walton
2018	Lydia Rainey McGill	Philadelphia Winn
2017	Loriann White	Hightower Trail
2016	Donna Lynne Owens	Martha Stewart Bulloch
2015	Paulette Massey Levin	Fort Peachtree
2014	Bonnell Wheeler Lashley (Mrs. Eugene)	Apalachee
2013	Nancy McElderry Parks (Mrs. Robert)	Augusta
2012	Jo An Johnson Chewning (Mrs. Walker)	William Day
2011	Marcelaine Crockett Fletcher (Mrs. Robert)	Col. William Candler
2010	Julia Brooks Prince (Mrs. Wendell)	Thronateeska
2009	Jane Joyner Hampton (Mrs. W. Charles)	Lt. James Monroe
2008	Rebecca Malone West (Mrs. David P.)	Augustin Clayton
2007	E. Lynn Brackey (Mrs.)	Fort Peachtree
2006	Barbara Bolen Florence (Mrs. William R.)	Augustin Clayton
2005	Robin Redfearn Towns (Mrs. Robert F.)	Elijah Clarke
2004	Betty Brown Harrah (Mrs. Ronald D.)	Augustin Clayton
2003	Therry Nash Deal, Ph.D. (Mrs. J. R.)	Nancy Hart
2002	Joyce Ball Patton (Mrs. Raymond I.)	Augustin Clayton
2001	Sally McGlaun Baldwin (Mrs. C. Lewis Baldwin)	Roanoke
2000	Camille Redfern Baxter (Mrs. Weston D.)	Cherokee
1999	Jean Cole Manker (Mrs. David S.)	Martha Stewart Bulloch
1998	Lucille Sharp (Mrs. T. O.)	Augustin Clayton
1997	Barbara Norland Lee (Mrs. Robert J.)	Fort Peachtree
1996	Mary Elizabeth King Jackson (Mrs. Inman D., Jr.)	Hightower Trail
1995	Mrs. Richard D. Simpson	Oglethorpe
1994	Andrea Sammons McCranie (Mrs. William D.)	Colonel William Few
1993	Marilyn Herndon Vance (Mrs. Robert B., Sr.)	Joseph Habersham
1992	Linda Overstreet Harvey (Mrs. James A., Jr.)	Atlanta
1991	Phyllis Malone Porter (Mrs. Everett E., Jr.)	Hightower Trail
1990	Lynn Grice Walshak	Archibald Bulloch
1989	Shelby Alderman Whitson (Mrs. Theodore C.)	Fort Peachtree
1988	Denise Guerin Rice (Mrs. Richard D.)	Baron DeKalb
1987	Mrs. Chester L. Saunders	Colonel William Few
1986	Kate Nipper Kezer (Mrs. Charles H.)	Hawkinsville
1985	Dorothy Corn Hoff (Mrs. Enver B., Sr.)	Fort Peachtree
1984	Mrs. H. Zack Smith	Archibald Bulloch
1983	Award criteria announced	

# Georgia State Chairmen Club

## NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### OFFICERS 2024-2026

President.....	Jane Grier Durden
Vice President.....	R. Katherine Croft
Secretary.....	Cynthia Waskowsky
Treasurer.....	Bridget Conner
Chaplain.....	Phyllis King
Parliamentarian .....	Terri Fopiano

### ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Breakfast Meeting of the Georgia State Chairmen Club (SCC), Georgia State Society NSDAR, was held Saturday, March 21, 2025, at the Augusta Marriott and Convention Center. President Jane Durden presided. Mrs. Durden called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Chaplain Phyllis King gave the invocation and blessing. President Durden instructed guests of the procedure for going through the serving line.

Following breakfast, President Durden welcomed members and guests and introduced Vice President General and Honorary State Regent Betty Brown Harrah, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. President Durden introduced Georgia State Regent Helen Robertson Powell, who brought greetings. The following visiting State Regents were introduced: Malinda Williams, Alabama; Sarah Steinke, Iowa; and Lindsey Taylor Groves, Wyoming. State Chairmen Club Vice President Katherine Croft extended a welcome to our Georgia Honorary State Regents in attendance. Also introduced were the State Society Executive Board members. Ms. Croft recognized the Pages in attendance and thanked State Events Chair Cheryl Odell and her committee for their planning and organizing of the State Conference. The State Chairmen Club conference committee members were thanked for helping to make the breakfast a success.

President Jane Durden introduced the officers of the SCC and thanked them for their service, as well as the SCC Parliamentarian.

President Durden reflected on the theme for this year's breakfast – the Bicentennial of Lafayette's Farewell Tour. Just as with Lafayette volunteering to join the Continental Army, our State Regent reminds us of the importance of volunteer hearts. Lafayette's service proved invaluable just as our volunteer hearts are vital for historic preservation, education, and patriotism.

A quorum was declared. Secretary Cynthia Waskowsky was asked to read the minutes of the 2024 SCC meeting. Ms. Waskowsky stated the minutes were emailed to all members prior to the meeting. President Durden asked for corrections; hearing none a motion to accept the minutes was voted on favorably and the minutes were filed. Secretary Waskowsky reported correspondence from State Regent Harrah for the gift made by SCC to the State Regent's project at the 2024 annual meeting.

Treasurer Bridget Connor reported a balance of \$3,924.00 as of March 21, 2025. The accounts will be submitted for audit to the State Treasurer. Secretary Waskowsky read the recommendation from the Executive Board recommending the club make a gift of \$500 to the State Regent's project; the recommendation was approved. The President and the Treasurer presented the check to the State Regent.

New Business – Secretary Waskowsky read Bylaws, Article V, Section 2 on electing a Nominating Committee for the election of officers for the 2026-2028 term. Nominating committee members are Ransom Schwerzler, Mary Williams, Markita Crews, and Pamela Lyle.

Secretary Waskowsky reported on the funds received from the sale of voices for the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of General Lafayette's Farewell Tour gift basket and State Regent Harrah drew the winning name.

President Durden encouraged those who are not yet members to join. The next SCC meeting will be at the 128th Georgia State Conference to be held in 2026. Phyllis King offered the benediction.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 a.m.

Jane Durden, President  
Cynthia Waskowsky, Secretary

**Georgia State Junior Club**  
**NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

**OFFICERS 2024-2025**

President .....Alexis K. Harper  
Vice President ..... Caitlen Ann Parish Green  
Recording Secretary.....Darlyn Davis  
Treasurer .....Rebecca Urquhart

The Georgia Junior Club met for its annual meeting Thursday, March 20, 2025, in the Augusta Marriott in Augusta Georgia, during the 125th Georgia State Conference.

President Alexis Harper, called the meeting to order at 7:30P.M. She asked for a treasurer’s report to be given. Rebecca Urquhart gave the Treasurer’s report stating that the Junior Club account has a balance of \$18,015.37.

There was no unfinished business. Rebecca Urquhart introduced the first item of new business. She motioned **that the Georgia Junior Club donate \$100 to the Friends of Junior Membership fund, on behalf of our 2025 State Outstanding Junior, and purchase the Friends of Junior Membership Pin for them.** Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer-Price seconded, and upon a vote in the affirmative the motion was **adopted.**

Alexis Harper introduced the next item of new business. She explained the history behind nominating Honorary Juniors and introduced all who have been named in the past. An Honorary Junior may be anyone who gives outstanding support to the Junior Membership via donations, support at events and fundraisers, among other qualities. Caitlen Green then announced Nellie Lou Caylor as the 2025 Honorary Junior. The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Alexis K. Harper, President  
Darlyn Davis, Recording Secretary

**Georgia DAR Page Club**  
**NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

**OFFICERS 2024-2026**

President.....Carter Moore  
Vice President .....Alanna Fopiano Drummond  
Recording Secretary .....Amber Witt  
Treasurer .....Samantha Montgomery

**ANNUAL MEETING**

The Georgia State Page Club met for its annual meeting on March 21st in the Hamilton Room at the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center in Augusta, GA during the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, 127th Georgia State Conference. Immediately following the Page Orientation, Alanna Fopiano Drummond, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm. The minutes from the 2024 annual meeting were approved and submitted for the proceedings. The treasurer's report was given by Samantha Montgomery; new funds were raised in a total of \$2,418.59 from our Jacket/Sweatshirt Fundraiser. The report was filed, and members were asked to pay their annual dues if they had not already done so. There was no old business. There were 2 items of new business. First, Amber Witt made a proposal to earmark funds from the recent Page Club Jacket/Sweatshirt Sale Fundraiser to pay for 2 hotel rooms at the Georgia State Conference in 2026 specifically for Pages. The motion was made by Amber Witt and seconded by Samantha Montgomery. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative, and the motion was adopted. The second item of new business was presented by Alanna Fopiano Drummond, to donate items from the Page closet to the Service in Seconds: Operation Deploy Your Dress, hosted by Jill Elias, VC SE District Project Patriot. The motion was moved by Alanna Fopiano and seconded by Amber Witt. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative, and the motion was adopted. The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 pm.

Carter Moore, President  
Amber Witt, Recording Secretary

# Georgia State Society

## NATIONAL SOCIETY CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

### GEORGIA C.A.R. STATE OFFICERS AND SENIOR STATE OFFICERS 2024-2025

President.....	Lily Wright/Randy Tindall
First Vice President.....	Noah Tindall/Carissa Bull
Second Vice President.....	Hunter Newton/Brandy Pethel
Chaplain.....	Taylor Newton/Andrea Newton
Recording Secretary.....	Eden Pethel/Tisha Johnstone
Organizing Secretary.....	Kholson Bull/Kathy Marsh
Corresponding Secretary.....	Isaac Long/Stephanie Perez
Treasurer.....	Piper Wright/Gordon Woodard
Registrar.....	Nick Hamrick/Catherine Long
Historian.....	Haley Hart/Anna Hart
Librarian.....	Jantsan Bull/Emil Decker
Curator.....	Rayleigh Pangle/Julie Hobbs

During 2024-2025 the Georgia State Society Children of the American Revolution State President's Project was "Save Our Shores." The goal of this project was to raise \$5,000 to become a sponsor of the 2025 Rivers Alive Annual Statewide Cleanup. Georgia Daughters supported the Society and this project in many ways. Nine Georgia Daughters, including this State Chair, served as Senior State Officers, 16 served as Senior State Chairmen, and 8 served as Senior Society Presidents. Two Georgia Daughters served as Senior National Officers and three as Senior National Chairmen. Georgia DAR Chapters reported: 15 had a program presented by C.A.R. members, 24 included articles about C.A.R. in their newsletters, and 42 provided financial support to C.A.R. Georgia Daughters supported C.A.R. members at many different events, including three C.A.R. State meetings (State Conference, Summer Workshop, and Fall Meeting), two National meetings (National Convention and South Central/Southeastern Region), Kettle Creek, Fort Morris, Fort Frederica, Wreaths Across America, Constitution Week, and many service projects. Gratitude is expressed to the Georgia Daughters for supporting the members and promoting the goals of the Georgia State Society C.A.R.

### HONORARY STATE PRESIDENTS

Josephine Bone, Milledgeville (Sukey Hart)	1935-1936
Sarah Handley, LaGrange (LaGrange)	1936-1937
Elizabeth Chandler, Milledgeville (Sukey Hart)	1937-1938
Rosa Lee Jones, Macon (Benjamin Hawkins)	1938-1939
Lindsey P. Henderson, Jr., Savannah, (Colonel Henry Lee)	1939-1941
Mary Alice McDonald, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	1941-1942
Anne Wallace, Madison (Benjamin Fitzpatrick)	1942-1945
Rachel Mallory, LaGrange (LaGrange)	1945-1948
Margaret Ford, Atlanta (Habersham)	1948-1949
Carter Maddox, Rochelle (General David Blackshear)	1949-1950
Bruce Shaeffer, Jr., Toccoa (Currehee)	1950-1951
Jane Robinson, Rochelle (General David Blackshear)	1951-1952
Harriett Wadsworth, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	1952-1953
Caroline Edwards, Savannah (Colonel Henry Lee)	1953-1954
Ellen Peniston, Atlanta (Habersham)	1954-1955
John Corbett, Pearson (Charles Griffis)	1955-1956
Olivia Jean Wright, Toccoa (Currehee)	1956-1957
William H. Christian, III, Atlanta (Dolly Madison)	1957-1958
Lynda Worely, Macon (Benjamin Hawkins)	1958-1959
Alling Jones, Milledgeville (Sukey Hart)	1959-1960
Candice Alexander, Atlanta (Habersham)	1960-1961
Somers Miller, Savannah (Colonel Henry Lee)	1961-1962
Lynn Beall, Moultrie (Lt. George Calvert)	1962-1963

Durwood Thomas Pye, III, Atlanta (Habersham)	1963-1964
Janice Childs, Gary (Benjamin Hawkins)	1964-1965
Jerome Brown Doster, Rochelle (General David Blackshear)	1965-1966
Irene Nichols, Atlanta (Habersham)	1966-1967
Ralph Hamilton Lankford, Jr., Lyons (Altamaha)	1967-1968
William DeCarr Simms, Jr., Waycross (Winona)	1968-1969
Thomas Scott Key, Atlanta (Cherokee Rose)	1969-1970
Laura Marcella Reid, Vidalia (Altamaha)	1970-1971
Lewis Blake Smyth, Jr., Perry (Commodore Perry)	1971-1972
Jacob Elijah Varn, Jr., Waycross (Winona)	1972-1973
Catherine Courtenay Derst, Savannah (Colonel Henry Lee)	1973-1974
Marion Stuart Dantzler, Macon (Benjamin Hawkins)	1974-1975
Francis Malvin Pruet, Waycross (Winona)	1975-1976
Harland Franklin Fling, Savannah (Colonel Henry Lee)	1976-1977
Carol King Russell Lincoln, Waverly (Brunswick)	1977-1978
Herbert Miller, St. Simons Island (Fort Frederica)	1978-1979
Angela Patrice Wade, Savannah (Colonel Henry Lee)	1979-1980
Lynn Willingham, St. Simons Island (Fort Frederica)	1980-1981
Ann Adams, Statesboro (Martha Stewart Bulloch)	1981-1982
Keith Nolan Carter, Blackshear (Winona)	1951-1952
Robert Weathersby Moore, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	1983-1984
Karen Frances Youngner, St. Simons Island (Fort Frederica)	1984-1985
Jana Lynn Rowell, Blackshear (Winona)	1985-1986
Charles S. Tait, IV, Brunswick (Brunswick)	1986-1987
Lisa Dawn Sapp, Cochran (Uchee Trail)	1987-1988
John Ethan Boyes, Atlanta (Cherokee Rose)	1988-1989
Alida Jane Stancil, Buford (Allen Howard)	1989-1990
Jay Lyles, Cochran (Uchee Trail)	1990-1991
William C. Hurst, Waycross (Winona)	1991-1992
Amy Louise Richardson, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	1992-1993
Adelaide Davis McCullough, Roswell (The Glass Brothers)	1993-1994
Jeffrey Paul Johnson, Rochelle (General David Blackshear)	1994-1995
Clare Irene Richardson, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	1995-1996
Emily Elizabeth Stancil, Buford (Allen Howard)	1996-1997
Andrew Dorsey Stancil, Buford (Allen Howard)	1997-1998
Sarah Spence Cooksey, Atlanta (The Glass Brothers)	1998-1999
Sarah Kinsley Belew, Cartersville (Abraham Musik)	1999-2000
Paige Lee Rohe, Dunwoody (Sons and Daughters of Liberty)	2000-2001
Thomas Jackson, Woodstock (Sons and Daughters of Liberty)	2001-2002
Charles Eason Hall, Jr., Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	2002-2003
Meredith Murrell Baker, Lovejoy (Button Gwinnett)	2003-2004
Martha Charlotte Lincoln, Atlanta (Allen Howard)	2004-2005
Sydney Wynn McRee, Milledgeville (Sukey Hart)	2005-2006
Arthur Eugene Hall, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	2006-2007
Sarah Anne Dorney, Fayetteville (Button Gwinnett)	2007-2008
Carter Elizabeth Moore, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	2008-2009
Daniel James Dorney, Fayetteville (Button Gwinnett)	2009-2010
James Edward Clinton Moore, Athens (Count d'Estaing)	2010-2011
Erin Catherine Moore, Columbus (Lucy Spell Raiford)	2011-2012
Lily Elizabeth Garnett, Forsyth (Liberty Tree)	2012-2013
Amberlee Ann Allmond, Savannah (Bonaventure)	2013-2014
Robert Walker Chewning, Jr. Lawrenceville, (Allen Howard)	2014-2015
Mary Abigail Garnett, Forsyth (Liberty Tree)	2015-2016
Rachel Marie Fitzgerald, Roswell (Martha Stewart Bulloch)	2016-2017
Zachary Paul Frederick, Madison (Benjamin Fitzpatrick)	2017-2018
Audrey Faith Frederick, Madison (Benjamin Fitzpatrick)	2018-2019
David Jimenez, Roswell (Martha Stewart Bulloch)	2019-2020
Micah Kilgore, Watkinsville-Bogart (William Daniel)	2020-2021
William Jackson Tims, Roswell (Martha Stewart Bulloch)	2021-2022
Hope Elizabeth Frederick, Madison (Benjamin Fitzpatrick)	2022-2023
Joy Victoria Frederick, Madison (Benjamin Fitzpatrick)	2023-2024
Lily Elizabeth Wright, Roswell (Martha Stewart Bulloch)	2024-2025

# *Social Organizations*

## **Georgia Cameo Society**

### **Officers 2023-2025**

President.....	Cynthia D. Davis
Vice President.....	Katherine Croft
Chaplain.....	Ann Ameye
Recording Secretary .....	Darlyn Davis
Treasurer .....	Mary Lou Goehring
Registrar .....	Laura Lee Nichols
Historian.....	Terri Fopiano

### **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 21, 2025**

The Georgia Cameo Society met for the Cameo Breakfast and Annual Meeting on Friday, March 21, 2025, in the Oglethorpe Ballroom of the Augusta Marriott at the Convention Center in Augusta, Georgia, during the Georgia State Society, NSDAR, 127<sup>th</sup> Georgia State Conference.

President Cynthia D. Davis opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m. with a greeting followed by a breakfast blessing given by the Cameo Society Chaplain, Ann Ameye. President Davis thanked those in attendance: Madam State Regent Helen Robertson Powell and her state officers; the Vice President General 2024-2027 and Honorary State Regent Betty Brown Harrah; Alabama State Regent Malinda Williams; Wyoming State Regent Lindsey Taylor Groves; and the pages accompanying our state regent and visiting state regents. Madam State Regent Helen Powell brought greetings.

On behalf of the Georgia Cameo Society, President Davis presented a \$2,500.00 donation for the State Regent Cannon project in the State Regent's honor and a donation of \$1,000.00 towards the State Regent's Honor Flight project in memory of past President Brenda Davison Jessel.

Chaplain Ann Ameye, assisted by Page Bethany Anderson, conducted a memorial service for Lora Michelle Edge Lykins and past Cameo Society President Brenda Davison Jessel along with a special tribute to Brenda Davison Jessel.

All Reports were emailed prior to State Conference with printed versions at each table; Mary Lou Goehring, Treasurer, presented her report for March 15, 2025 with a balance of \$14,618.94.

State Regent Helen Robertson Powell installed the 2025-2027 officers: President Cynthia D. Davis, Vice President Katherine Croft, Recording Secretary Darlyn Davis, Treasurer Mary Lou Goehring, Chaplain Laura Lee Nichols, Registrar Terri Fopiano, and Historian Alanna Drummond.

President Cynthia D. Davis thanked everyone in attendance and announced plans for the creation of a Georgia Cameo Society brooch. In addition, the Cameo Society Pledge was introduced.

Chaplain Laura Lee Nichols closed the meeting with a benediction.

Cynthia D. Davis, President  
Darlyn Davis, Recording Secretary

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