



NEW CASTLE AREA ORGANIZING CHAPTER NEWSLETTER JULY 2022

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First, thank you to everyone who attended on Saturday. I am so happy to have a face for every name!!

If you have friends or family that may be interested in joining us, feel free to send them my contact info or forward them this newsletter so they can see what we are about thus far.

Since access to the committee pages is limited to members only, if you have any questions about a particular committee, please let me know and I will get you more information. There are SO many committees and sub committees and we do NOT need to do them all. It's best to pick those in which a member or members have interest and go from there.

Our next "preliminary" meeting will be held Saturday, August 20, beginning at 10:30 a.m. These meeting will serve as DAR 101 sessions and help us get to know each other, our interests, and figure out how we want to operate as a chapter. As a reminder, we are collecting old but clean blankets, towels and sheets to donate to the Brandywine SPCA. I hope to have representatives at our meeting, but if not, I will welcome anyone who would like to accompany me to the SPCA after the meeting.

As discussed, the proposed chapter names were submitted on July 21, 2022 and now we wait (fingers crossed!).

Prospective members are encouraged to attend the upcoming DSSDAR State Meeting being held on Saturday, October 29, 2022 in Dover. More information will be forthcoming at the end of August.

I am so excited to continue to see this new chapter grow and plan for the future and all the great things we will be able to do together. I look forward to seeing you at the next meeting!

In DAR friendship,

Valarie Leary
Organizing Regent

FIRST PRELIMINARY MEETING!

The first "preliminary" meeting of the Organizing New Castle Chapter was held Saturday, July 23 at the New Castle Court House Museum. We had 12 people in attendance, and 1 person attending via Zoom ranging from prospective transfers, prospective members and a prospective



associate member (more information on what an associate member is at a future meeting).

We started with introductions, and each person shared something about themselves depending on the color of M & M they selected. It was quite interesting and I never knew Lissa could sing!

Briefly discussed was why a new chapter, the Lantern designation, what the DAR is, and isn't, as well as the meaning of prayer and scripture as part of the "ritual" in the DAR, and the recognition that not everyone shares the same faith and tradition.



Pictured: Valarie Leary, Cindy Snyder, Debbie Eller, Doris Duffy, Lisa Hilsee, Sandra Komenda, Susan Brook, Debbie Shetzler, Rebecca DeVore, Sherrye Eaton and Jackie Albaum. Attending via Zoom: Denise Dyson. Not pictured: Susan Stonesifer (who took the photo)

The focus of this meeting was the first installment of DAR 101 which was a high level overview of the over 40 plus committees which were created to help us provide service to our communities. Also reviewed were the numerous awards that we, as a chapter, can present! Handouts from the meeting are attached to this newsletter for those who were not able to attend.

We touched upon that as a new chapter we have no "institutional memory" or known "personality" and will be creating our own as we move forward. Also touched upon will be the need for fundraising as we will start with

nearly a zero balance. HAVE NO FEAR! This path has been trod by many other organizing chapters over the years.

After the meeting, some attendees took the tour of the New Castle Court House Museum and learned about the important of its history.



Constitution Week September 17 – 23, 2022

History of Constitution Week:

In 2022, we recognize the 67th anniversary of Constitution Week. NSDAR Past President General Gertrude S. Carraway was responsible for the annual designation of September 17-23 as Constitution Week. The DAR made its own resolution for Constitution Week, which was adopted on April 21, 1955.

Members of the United States Congress received the DAR resolution and on June 7, 1955, the resolution was discussed in the

Senate. The first resolution to observe Constitution Week was made on June 14, 1955, by Senator William F. Knowland of California. Following the passage of the resolution by both Houses of Congress, President Eisenhower issued his proclamation on August 19, 1955.

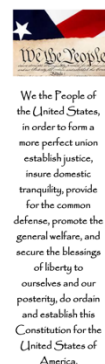
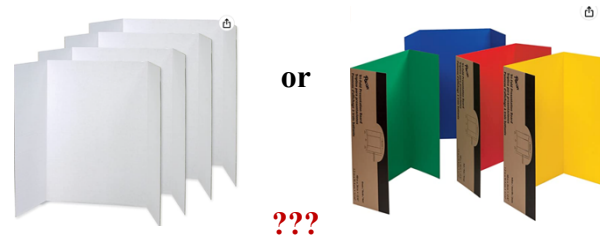
The first observance of Constitution Week was so successful that on January 5, 1956, Senator Knowland introduced a Senate Joint Resolution to have the President designate September 17-23 annually as Constitution Week. The resolution was adopted on July 23, 1956, and signed into Public Law 915 on August 2, 1956.

For his patriotic aid and interest, Senator Knowland received an Award of Commendation from the NSDAR Continental Congress in April 1956.

At our September 17 meeting, we will put together a tri-fold display for Constitution Week (arts and crafts anyone?). I have ordered the following posters to use but please bring paper, ribbon, stickers, or any other item you think might help to make it interesting!



I am ordering a set of tri-fold displays (use one now and save the rest for later). "Takeaways" such a pocket-sized Constitution booklets will be available and I will make bookmarks as well. If you have additional ideas, they are welcome!



Proclamations from the City and the State have been requested and can be displayed with the tri-fold. After the meeting we will take it to the New Castle Public Library located at 424 Delaware Street where it will be placed in the reading circle for patrons to view and pick up handouts. I have asked Julie Kirk (Librarian Extraordinaire!) to select some adult and children's books to add to the display.



I would like to begin to thank people who are helping us on our journey to organize:

Mary Alice Kelly (aka “Mak”)

Mak is our previous State Registrar and although is no longer in this position, she has been a great resource and help with the application process whether by text, phone call or in person. For example, on Monday July 24, we met in Dover to review all of the current applications...for 3 hours! Mak is a member of the Colonel David Hall Chapter in Lewes, Delaware.

Jennifer Horsley

Jennifer is the Colonel David Hall Chapter Vice Regent (Lewes, Delaware). She is also the co-chair with me for the State Public Relations and Social Media Committee. Jennifer has been instrumental in the research for the proposed names for our chapter and is just as eager as we are to find out the name. If you are on Facebook, I suggest that you like the [DSSDAR page](#). This is the public facing page for the state. Jennifer is responsible for the graphics, highlights and information on this page (among others).

Miscellaneous Announcements and Advertisements



DAR Magazine

Three Reasons to subscribe
to
Our DAR Magazine

1. Learn more about our history
2. Keep in touch with our fellow Daughters
3. Encourage new members to get involved

To subscribe: Call 1-866-327-6242 or online at <http://www.dar.org/natsociety/subscribe.cfm>

Once your membership has been approved, the American Spirit Magazine will be accompanied by the Daughters National Newsletter. This is a valuable resource allowing you to stay up-to-date with the NSDAR with everything from committee news (and ideas!) to newly verified Patriots!



Children of the American Revolution

Do you have any children or grandchildren who are under 22 and would like to participate in the Children of the American Revolution? A co-ed society for children under 22, the C.A.R. helps to encourage leadership amongst children while supporting the same ideals as the Daughters (and Sons) of the American Revolution. The contact for the C.A.R. is changing and I will have updated information on August 6.



August 20, 2022, 10:30 a.m. – DAR 101, P. 2: an overview of the DAR structure and officer positions and duties; review of committee interests and skills assessment, *collection of items for the Brandywine SPCA*. New Castle Court House Museum, 211 Delaware St., New Castle

September 10 and 11, 2022, Noon to 5 p.m. - Chautauqua*, “That’s Entertainment.” The event will feature music, historic theater, Shakespeare, vocal performances, speakers and an all women orchestra. The event will take place “on the Green” in New Castle (next

to and behind the Court House Museum). This is a free event. Invite your family and friends!**

September 17, 2022, 10:30 a.m. – DAR 101, P. 3; Bylaws (National provides a template), discussion of chapter dues, DAR from home, state meetings and Continental Congress. *Creation of the Constitution Week display, followed by set up at the New Castle Public Library.* New Castle Court House Museum, 211 Delaware St., New Castle (or we may more likely meet at the library).

October 15, 2022, 10:30 a.m. – Review of the Bylaws and announcement of officers. *Are we ready to organize? If so, let's plan the meeting!!* New Castle Court House Museum, 211 Delaware St., New Castle.

October 29, 2022 – Delaware State Society DAR Fall State Meeting. Dover Agricultural Museum, Dover, Delaware. More information once it's available. All are encouraged to attend.

November 19, 2022, 10:30 a.m. – Target date for Organizing Meeting

December 10, 2022, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.: Spirit of New Castle, a free holiday event in Historic New Castle with home tours, entertainment, etc. and a possible opportunity for fundraising (baking and crafts); more information to follow.

* Past and Present Chautauqua takes its name from a series of adult education programs first held at Lake Chautauqua, N.Y. during the late 19th century. Chautauquas spread throughout America in the late 19th and early 20th centuries bringing speakers, teachers, musicians, entertainers, preachers and specialists of the day to a wide cross-section of the nation's rural and small-town population.

**This is not a DAR event but it is an event with historical significance and it is being organized by Cindy Snyder, prospective organizing member and supervisor of the New Castle Court House Museum and The Green.

The Delaware State Society DAR is on Facebook and Instagram!!



Delaware State Society Public Facebook (share!)



Delaware State Society Instagram (share!)



Open to Delaware State Society Members only

DAR Committees

This Organizing Chapter Needs You & Values Your Expertise!



*The commitment to most of these is light but fulfilling!
If you do not wish to chair, simply pick a committee in which to serve!*

DAR Committees

The mission of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism.

To accomplish this mission, DAR has committees which are in divided according and are needed at the chapter level:

Historic Preservation Committees

America 250, American Heritage, Commemorative Events, DAR Museum Outreach, Genealogical Records & Historic Preservation, Patriot Records Project

Education

American History, American Indians, Community Classroom, Conservation, Constitution Week, DAR Library Outreach, DAR Magazine, DAR Scholarship, DAR Schools, DAR Tours, Junior American Citizens, Literacy Promotion, & Women's Issues

Genealogy

Lineage Research, Volunteer Genealogists, DAR Genealogy Preservation

Patriotism

Americanism, Children of the American Revolution, Community Service Awards, DAR Good Citizens, DAR Project Patriot, DAR Service for Veterans, National Defense, Service to America, & The Flag of the United States of America

Membership/Administrative/Special Committees

DAR Leadership Training, Insignia, Junior Membership, Membership, Volunteer Information Specialist, Financial Review, Budget, Program, President General's Project, Public Relations and Media

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEES:

America 250!

In 2026, our country will turn 250 years old! Let's get our chapter and our community excited about this with events and meetings that inspire us and provide great PR opportunities. Find ways to recognize our chapters patriots by highlighting a different patriot in our newsletter, at meetings, or on FB. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years and work closely with our PR committee.

American Heritage

Promotes preservation of American cultural traditions by encouraging members to enter the State and National contests in the following divisions: Arts, Crafts, Drama, Literature, and Music. The theme changes every year (in 2021, the theme was *Rise & Shine your Light on our House Beautiful*). This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

Commemorative Events

Promotes historic anniversaries to our membership and encourages members to participate in these celebrations and remembrances. Vietnam War veterans will be recognized 2022-25 as well as patriotic holidays such as Fourth of July, Memorial Day, and more! This committee could brainstorm and work with many other committees like DAR Service of Veterans, C.A.R., and American History. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

DAR Genealogy Preservation

Assists in preserving and indexing DAR records that include genealogical, organizational, and membership information.

DAR Museum Outreach

Educates our members about all the wonderful things and exhibits at the DAR Museum in DC. You could pick an item to discuss at a meeting, FB Post about an upcoming exhibit or organize a field trip for the chapter to go to DC or another museum. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

Genealogical Records

The GRC is a vital part of expanding the collection of original records in DAR's world-class library. The GRC has been serving all members of the DAR since 1913 and collected millions of records to assist daughters with their research. All the records are searchable in the Genealogical Research System under the GRC tab. Do you have a family bible? Do you have family papers that you would like to share? Do you enjoy visiting and mapping cemeteries? We are the committee for you! See our [Detailed Information page](#) for more information.

Historic Preservation

Oversees the awarding of DAR Historic Preservation Grants; the Historic Preservation Medal and Historic Preservation Recognition Award, as well as documenting historic sites and properties owned, maintained or operated by DAR chapters and state societies. This committee could also make

suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years and work with the America 250! Committee.

Patriotic Records Project

Assists in indexing records pertaining to the Revolutionary War (done through National)

Special Project Grants/Celebration Grants

It's time to **Celebrate Stars & Stripes Forever** as we prepare for our nation's 250th birthday and we want to help you make it possible! What better way to celebrate, inform your community about the founding of our nation and the Patriots that achieved American Independence, encourage the study of family history, and promote DAR membership than to provide your chapter or state society with a \$500 grant as a gift of this administration? See the grant instruction sheet, application, and after-action report which are all part of the NIP.

EDUCATION COMMITTEES:

American History

Promotes American history by honoring significant historical people, places, dates, and events. This committee is in charge of the America History Contest for grades 5-8 (theme for essay changes every year), the Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay Contest, and recognizes Women in American History by selecting a notable woman in the community to honor. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years and work some with Women's Issues Committee.

American Indians

Alerts members regarding the needs of Native American youth and supports and learns about the Native American Schools that DAR supports. You could also give an American Indian minute at as many meetings as you wish. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years and may work with the Community Classroom Committee.

DAR Leadership Training

Enroll or have taken the DAR Members Course, New Horizons, and/or Committee Leaders Course and help to encourage and guide others to take the courses as well.

Community Classroom

Current Teachers and past teachers would be perfect for this committee. This committee encourages Daughters to volunteer support to teachers and children in classrooms and schools in their own communities throughout the nation, as well as overseas. Included within this committee is Educational Resources which offers electronic lesson plans for DAR members and non-DAR members focusing on America, its history, government, heritage and genealogy, as well as related language and/or math topics. These lesson plans can be used for Girl and Boy Scouts and other children's groups. This committee could work with American Indian, DAR Schools, and C.A.R.

Conservation

Inspire your fellow Daughters to make good conservation choices! Educate members at meetings with a Conservation Minute. The National Committee web page has everything covered for you. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

Constitution Week

Help publicize Constitution Week September 17-24 by finding a place (store window, library, town hall) to set up a Constitution Week display for the week! There are posters available at the DAR Store *and* use your own creativity. Also, have a Constitution minute at any of meeting that you wish and lead the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America at our meetings. You would work with the PR Committee to maximize the exposure.

DAR Good Citizens

Promote dependability, service, leadership and patriotism among high school seniors by presenting a chapter award to a high school senior by contacting the local high schools and having each school send the chair their candidate. We would award each school's choice. Candidates should have the following:

- Dependability (truthfulness, honesty, punctuality, etc.
- Service (cooperation, helpfulness, responsibility, etc.
- Leadership (personality, self-control, initiative, etc.
- Patriotism (unselfish loyalty to American ideals

This committee should work with the PR Committee.

DAR Library Outreach

The goal is to promote and support not only our renowned DAR library but those libraries within our own states and local communities. One of the Wright Administration's named goals is "...to highlight historic preservation, education, and patriotism in unique, local, and impactful ways. All Daughters know the value of our beloved DAR Library; however, we also know the value of our local libraries. They often offer meeting spaces, computer facilities, house histories of our local communities, offer study spaces, and are a wealth of resources as well as a wealth of knowledge.

We need our members' help to support and nourish these important community resources. The DAR Library Outreach Committee's work will be a team effort. The team begins with our Division Vice Chairs, who will engage the State Librarians, and they will in turn strive to engage chapter librarians and members to discover, support, and promote our state and local libraries.

DAR Scholarship

Thousands of dollars are awarded through NSDAR for American history, political science, history, government, historic preservation, economics, music, nursing, medical and occupational therapy scholarships annually.

DAR Schools

Inform and enlighten our chapter about the 5 DAR Schools: Kate Duncan Smith, Berry College, Crossnore, Hillside, and Hindman. You can organize a drive to donate items for one of these schools. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

Junior American Citizens

Citizenship training program for boys and girls, kindergarten through high school. JAC Clubs are available to parochial, private, public and homeschooled students.

Literacy Promotion

Promotes adult literacy and involvement in literacy programs. Enlighten our chapter about the issue of literacy for both adults and children. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

Women's Issues

Educates members about current issues, such as health, career, finance, and family, that are important to today's women. This committee emphasizes how DAR can become an integral part of the lives of women of all ages. Encourage members to enter the National Women's Essay Contest. Issues can include health, career, family, and concerns of women veterans. This committee would also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years. A women's issue minute could be given at as many meetings as you could attend.

GENEALOGY COMMITTEES

Lineage Research

Those knowledgeable in genealogy assist prospective members and hold workshops.

Volunteer Genealogists

Promotes GEP training and serves as a Volunteer Field Genealogist or Volunteer Genealogist by assisting with local applications and Electronic Applications.

DAR Genealogy Preservation

Assists in preserving and indexing DAR records that include genealogical, organizational, and membership information.

PATRIOTISM COMMITTEES

Americanism

Promotes knowledge, loyalty and love of country for American citizens, whether naturalized or citizens by birth; awards the DAR Medal of Honor (for an American citizen by birth) and the DAR Americanism Medal for a naturalized American citizen who has had citizenship for at least 5 years. Activities can include assisting naturalization classes and ceremonies. This committee would also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.)

Do you have children or grandchildren (ages 0-22) who are or can be in C.A.R.? If so, this is the committee for you! This is an amazing committee that will provide you with a chance to do something with your children or grandchildren. Wonderful aunts and members with no children very much welcome as well to serve. Being involved in the C.A.R. will make you an even better DAR member.

Community Service Awards

The Community Service Awards Committee provides a unique opportunity for chapters and states to provide a non-competitive recognition to worthy individuals and organizations for outstanding voluntary service. Examples of previously recognized service include unpaid achievements in cultural, educational, humanitarian, patriotic, historical, citizenship, or environmental conservation endeavors. Our chapter may present a limit of two (2) awards per NSDAR year (January 1-December 31). Community Service Awards are for recognition of service activities outside of DAR, so DAR members are eligible as long as their service is not related to their DAR activities. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years

DAR Project Patriot

Let those currently serving know that we are thinking of them. Develop projects to send cards and care packages to our military. Support our State Project Patriot project and send items to our Nationally approved centers. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years

DAR Service for Veterans

As a member of the National Veterans Administration Voluntary Service Advisory Committee (VAVS), DAR has representatives in Veterans Administration (VA) Medical Centers. DAR members volunteer in VA facilities and in state- and community-based programs. Let's show our support for our veterans with community-based programs, donating gifts, cash, personal care items and hours of time in service to America's veterans. You will also be working on Wreaths Across America. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years and work with the Women's Issue Committee.

National Defense & ROTC Awards

This chair would read an article from the National Defender at every meeting. Other activities could include presenting Gold ROTC, Bronze JROTC, and Silver Outstanding Cadet medals; scheduling a chapter program on national defense; and presenting DAR Youth Citizenship and DAR Distinguished Citizen Medals. This committee could also make suggestions and find possible speakers for at least one of our meetings in the next 3 years.

Service to America

This Committee encourages members to provide meaningful community service in order to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism. You would encourage members to log their hours on line and offer to log in hours for members not comfortable with logging them on their own. The committee could organize and encourage members to celebrate the founding of our Society by participating in the National DAR Day of Service on or near October 11 (the Day DAR was founded).

The Flag of the United States of America

Lead the pledge at every meeting and give a short flag fact at some of our regular meetings. Find places that our chapter can distribute flags (including Braille flags), flag codes, certificates to places that are displaying the flag properly and other patriotic literature annually.

Wreaths Across America

Assist the State Chair in garnering support and sponsorship for wreaths. Participate in the laying of the wreaths at local veteran cemeteries.

MEMBERSHIP/ADMINISTRATIVE/SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Budget

The treasurer and three other members of the committee will prepare the budget and present it at our Annual Meeting.

DAR Magazine

Super easy committee. Simply subscribe and promote the subscription of the DAR Magazine. The number of subscriptions that we have as a chapter will be given to you to report the chapter. You will also work with PR Chair on an article about our chapter once a year to be sent to the National Magazine.

Financial Review

Per our by-laws, the two members of the committee will examine the treasurer's records at the close of the fiscal year and report at the annual meeting.

Insignia

Do you understand DAR pins? Wonderful! Be a resource to help your fellow members buy and arrange pins.

Junior Membership

A Junior is a DAR member 18 years of age through 35 years of age. She holds full DAR membership, and when qualified, may serve as an officer or committee chair at the chapter, state, and national levels. All chapters are encouraged to find ways to help junior members sparkle not only by recruiting Juniors to join your chapter but encouraging them to engage in chapter activities and in DAR service. Every State Regent appoints a Junior Membership Committee chair who works closely with the chapter Junior membership chairs within her state to recruit new Juniors, encourage Juniors to be active, potentially host a Junior "Event", and to raise money for the [Helen Pouch Memorial Fund](#).**

Membership

So many great opportunities for this committee!

Hostesses: We need hostesses for our regular meetings. Being a hostess would entail you and three other members bringing the snacks that are enjoyed before or after a meeting. You would also decorate the table and work with the other three members as to what you will be donating for the meeting. *Please note "hostesss" beside your name and daytime or nighttime for what type of meeting you could host.*

Hospitality: We need two members at each meeting to check in and greet members. *Please note "hospitality" beside your name and daytime or nighttime for what type of meeting for which you cover hospitality.*

Ambassadors: We are looking for members to be ambassadors for our new and prospective members helping them to be informed and welcome and have someone with whom to sit with at the meetings. *Please note “ambassador” by your name.*

Sunbeams: These are our ladies who bring sunshine to our members who are 90 years or older. Currently, we are covered on this, but in the coming years, we will have more members who will be turning 90. This is an extremely easy but fulfilling thing to do and we are looking to expand the program to our members who are ill, recovering from surgery, or have just had a baby. Are you interested? *Please note “sunbeam” by your name.*

President General’s Project: Stay tuned!

Programs

This committee will work with other committee chairs and plan the programs for each year.

Public Relations and Media

Help to publicize our chapter via press releases, posters, newsletter, social media, radio, and TV. Take photos! Let’s get the word out about the Organizing Chapter! You will work with all the various committees who provide opportunities for publicity for the chapter.

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Maintains our website, members section, Facebook and IG.

Awards/Contests Available from DAR

American Heritage

- Art & Sculpture
- Crafts
- Fiber Arts
- Literature & Drama
- Music
- Women in the Arts Recognition Award

American History

- American History Essay – Middle School
- Patriots of the American Revolution – High School
- Women in America History – DAR Members

Americanism

- DAR Medal of Honor – born in the U.S. High Criteria
- DAR Americanism Medal – Naturalized US Citizen for at least 5 years High Criteria

Commemorative Events

- There are several events too numerous to name here.

Community Service

- Community Service Award – a chapter may do 2 of these a year to an individual or group

Conservation

- NSDAR Conservation Medal – to individual or organization

DAR Good Citizens

- High School Seniors who exemplify dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism; Essay required

DAR Service for Veterans

- Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award – Non-DAR Member
- Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award
- Outstanding DAR Service For Veterans Award – DAR Member

Historic Preservation

- Historic Preservation medal is for an individual who over a period of time in establishing a historic district, preserving a local landmark, restoring or preserving objects of cultural significance, or establishing or participating in oral history projects, youth leadership and education as it pertains to historic preservation.
- Historic Preservation Recognition award/Certificates: recognizes individuals or groups who have saved or preserved history, including restoration of buildings, collections, significant objects, monuments, cemeteries and other important artifacts.
- Historic Preservation Contest – for a chapter completing a historic preservation project.

Junior American Citizens – K-12

- Art Contest
- Creative Writing Contest
- Community Service Contest – as a group

Literacy

- Outstanding Service of a DAR Member Contest/Certificate – one who raises awareness of literacy outside of their employment.

National Defense

- The DAR Gold ROTC medal is awarded to a college or university graduated being commissioned to one of the US Armed Forces (one medal per ROTC unit).
- The DAR Bronze JROTC medal is awarded to either a junior or senior student in a secondary school JROTC program or to a graduating junior college participant in a ROTC program
- The DAR Outstanding Cadet Silver medal is awarded to a student for exemplary participation in a non-ROTC military such as an affiliated cadet program funded by the school or privately, such as the Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program, National Defense Cadet Corps, Young Marines, California Wing Cadet Programs, Navy League Cadet Corps and Joint Military Cadets of America. One medal per year per cadet unit is awarded.
- The DAR Youth Citizenship medal is awarded to a boy or a girl in grades five through 12 (one medal per grade per school) who, in the judgment of the school faculty, best exemplifies the qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership and patriotism. The medal may also be awarded to youth in service and patriotic organizations.
- The DAR Distinguished Citizen medal is presented to an individual, 18 years of age or older, and groups that exemplify the qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership and patriotism. This medal may be awarded to emergency first responders, emergency health responders, active-duty military and veterans of the United States Armed Forces and citizens who have contributed to the defense, security, or freedom of the community, state or nation in an exceptional manner.

Flag of the United States

- Present flag certificates and your communities to individuals and/or groups who fly the flag continually and fly it correctly.

America 250!

The DAR America 250! Commendation is for recognition of non-member individuals and groups who have demonstrated extraordinary efforts to not only honor the men and women who achieved American independence, but also educate others about their service and sacrifice.

Juniors

- Outstanding Chapter Junior

Publicity

- Local media awards: Advance greater awareness of your chapters work and DAR's mission by recognizing a local member of the radio, TV, film, or print industry for outstanding work that promotes historic preservation, education or patriotism. There is no approval process required for these awards which can also serve as another tool for promoting your chapters presence within your community.

Chapter Skills Assessment

Name _____

How often do you check your email? _____

Occupation (or previous occupation if retired): _____

Do you have skills in the following areas? Please circle all that apply.

Web Design	Genealogical Records Research	Grant Writing
Graphic Design	Public Relations	Conference Planning
Legal	Newspaper Experience	Music (vocal, instrumental)
Paralegal	Writing	Organization
Accounting	Proofreading	Floral Design
QuickBooks	Powerpoint Presentations	Photography/Photoshop
Preparing Budgets	A/V	Food Service
Excel Spreadsheet Preparation	Sales/Merchandising	Other: (please describe below)
Investments	Public Speaking	
Insurance	Leadership	

For all areas circled please give brief explanation of experience.

For current members:

What is your favorite DAR Committee? _____

Please list DAR committees you have served and DAR offices held?

Is there a committee you are interested in serving but have not had the opportunity to serve in the past?

For current and prospective members:

Have you held offices in other organizations/clubs? Yes or No

If yes, please indicate the name of office and organization.

Is there any additional information that would be helpful for us to know about you?

Is there someone that you know that has a specific talent that DAR could utilize on the state or chapter level? If so please give us her name and skill set.