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From the State Regent

Dear Daughters,

The 2009 year seems to be unusually fast paced. Utah has already put the 112th State and 118th Continental Congress behind her!

The April Utah State Conference was truly exceptional. State Second Vice Regent Christine Schultz must be commended on the flawless arrangement of the conference: from facility, to greetings from the Governor and Mayor, and everything imaginable in between. Your State Regent also appreciates Cindy Toone, Diane Tarbox, Pat Fullerton, and Ellen Powley for their extraordinary help and support.

During our State Conference, it was an honor to present Ellen Struble Lockwood with her sixty-five year membership certificate. Utah presented its second DAR Medal of Honor, supported the future Utah Women's Veteran Memorial, and heard from a

Utah National Guard Commander, recently returned from Afghanistan

This officer was delighted to represent Utah at the New Mexico and Arizona State Conferences in April, and Oklahoma's Centennial State Conference in May. All were wonderful experiences. The Oklahoma trip, however, included a visit from the President General and a trip to the hotel tornado shelter. Not that the New Mexico and Arizona State Conferences were not exciting...

June found this officer attending the Bald Eagle Chapter meeting in Escalante. First HODAR (Husband of DAR) Matt Spencer was kind enough to tag along and do all of the driving. Chapter Regent Jane Nelson-Comp presided, with a wonderful program on glasswork presented by Harriet Priska. Winifred Washburn, State Chaplain, was honored for her state service. All in attendance enjoyed a wonderful lunch and good company.

Continental Congress was held at our National Headquarters in Washington, DC, this month. Over three thousand members and guests attended this yearly event. A new "Class" of Vice Presidents General (Term 2009-2012) was elected, and the Class of 2006-2009 retired. A new Honorary Vice President General was selected. The Wright Administration, which will follow President General Linda Gist Calvin's Administration, was introduced. Utah was well-represented by your State Regent and her husband Matt; Honorary State Regent Pat Fullerton of Salt Lake Valley Chapter; State First Vice Regent Cindy Toone of Sego Lily Chapter; Sybelle Blackham, State Corresponding Secretary Helen Kennington, and Lorena Norris of Wasatch Range Chapter; and Marcia McGuire of Uintah Chapter. A huge "thank you" goes to those who attended.

This officer was honored to represent the Utah State Society and her Daughters at Continental Congress, and is delighted to be a member of this wonderful group. Your support has been palpable, and most appreciated. Thank you.

Cindy Spencer
Utah State Regent

Summer Workshop & Board of Management Meeting to be held August 15

at the Salt Lake County Complex, 2100 South State Street, Salt Lake City. Officers and State Chairmen will present their goals for the year. Please limit your presentation to 2 - 3 minutes and bring 10 copies of any handouts, one for each chapter.

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10:00 - Workshop - all members are invited

11:30 - 12:00 Lunch in the atrium

12:00 - Board of Management - board members only

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Enter the Complex from 2100 south and park in the public parking to the east of the buildings. Meetings will be held in the North Building in the Council Meeting Room. A sandwich lunch will be available at the complex in the atrium for a cost of \$6.

State Nominating Committee

Pat Fullerton Chairman - A new slate of officers will be elected at the USSDAR Conference in April 2010. Each chapter is to elect a delegate to serve on the state nominating committee at their September meeting. If you would like to be a member of this committee let your Chapter Regent know. The committee will meet during the fall and early winter in order to fill the slate by January 20, 2010, as required by our state bylaws.

Also at the September Chapter meetings we ask that each chapter propose names of two members to be considered for state office. Chapter Regents will have Resume Forms to be filled out by members who are interested in being on the slate.

I would like to encourage those Chapter Regents who will be going out of office in 2010 to fill out a Resume Form. We need your experience and enthusiasm on the State Board. We hope to have each chapter in the state represented on the proposed slate. Our state society has many capable and talented daughters. Let us know how you would like to serve.

From the Chapters



Bald Eagle Chapter members at Christmas Party 2008

Bald Eagle, Regent Jane Nelson-Comp -



State Chaplain Winnie Washburn will be moving to Monte Vista Grove Homes in Pasadena, California, in early August. She sends her love to all who made her membership in Utah so meaningful. She will be living in the Independent Living section and is really looking forward to doing more native plant gardening and studying at Fuller Seminary nearby.

Winnie Washburn

2889 San Pasqual St C-59

Pasadena, CA 91107

Winnie's daughter, Harriet Priska, will fill the position of State Chaplain when she is confirmed by the State Board in August. Harriet requests that all chapter Chaplains contact her with their email address

Hpriska@scintern.net

Harriet Priska

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Bear River, Regent Marilynne Wright -

On November 29, 2008, the Bear River Chapter placed wreaths on the graves of those who served our country in the military at the Mendon City Cemetery in Cache Valley. Participating were: Marilyn Swedin, Patty Atkinson, Marilynne Wright, Allen and Win Gardner, and Linda Croft. Over 20 Christmas wreaths were placed decorated and our Country's colors of red, white, and blue. As cold as it was, it was an honor to recognize those brave men and women who gave their lives to protect us.



Golden Spike, Regent Caryl Sparks -

On February 9, 2009 Gloria Myers, Chris Stegen, and Chapter Regent Caryl Sparks presented a letter of commitment to Terry Schow, Director of Veterans Affairs in Utah, indicating they would give \$5,000.00 to furnish a room in the George E. Wahlen Northern Utah Veterans Nursing Home, scheduled to be completed in November 2009. Furnishings were to include a fully equipped hospital bed, a dresser with lamp and a visitor's chair. They added enough funds to include a recliner and a 36" flat screen TV.

Golden Spike speakers this past year have included Rod Miller, author of "Bear River Massacre" and Mike Ramsdall, retired CIA agent and author of "A Road to Potevka".

We welcome new members Roxanne Nalder and Carol Ouellette.



Mary Moore & Lu Fischer place wreath at Lonaguint Cemetary



Constitution Week Proclamation signing

Princess Timpanogos, Regent Elaine

Janeway - We honored two chapter member birthdays this year; Honorary State Regent (1983-1986) Elvira White's birthday 92nd birthday was in June, she has been a member of DAR for 36 years, and Lucille Anderson celebrated her 92nd birthday in March, she has been a DAR member for 23 years.

For our March meeting we were privileged to have Assistant Minority Whip Carol Spackman Moss from the Utah House of Representatives as our speaker.

We look forward to our November meeting, Federal Court Judge Sam will speak about citizenship.

We were very happy to sponsor Craig P. Moyes owner of SME Steel and ONYX Construction honored this year at state conference with the DAR Medal of Honor.

Color Country, Regent KariAnn Christiansen -

New officers took over in May, during our annual casual sandwich luncheon, where Chapter Regent Mary Moore, gave her report on State Conference. We were pleased to have our American History Essay Chapter winner and her mother as our guests for the event. A silent auction was also held, funds raised go toward the Fisher House. As new officers and chairmen take over and begin their planning this summer, we look forward to a year full of work and play, ever aware of the good that can be spread through this organization. One of our goals is to help spread the good by raising funds to donate to a Freedom Shrine at the new Court House in St. George.



Color Country Chapter members take place in Veterans Day Parade.



Salt Lake Valley Chapter celebrates their 50th Birthday at the Lion House.

Salt Lake Valley, Regent Lucy Peterson -

The Salt Lake Valley Chapter has had a grand year celebrating our 50th anniversary. As a culmination, we gathered at the Lion House in March for a birthday luncheon. State Regent Cindy Spencer, reminded us what things were like back in 1959 and spoke to us about our DAR then and now. One thing we have done to honor our heritage of Revolutionary service is to render our own community service. We challenged ourselves to offer 50 hours of service each for our 50 years as a chapter. As of the luncheon, the hours given averaged 60 hours for each member participating. And we are still counting to the end of this year! In most cases these service hours were not an out-of-the-ordinary thing, but something our members do as an ongoing, selfless effort. We counted the hours this year. Hats off to the Salt Lake Valley DAR! I am honored to be counted amount them.



Honorary Chapter Regent Judy Barking presents Community Service Award to Joan Stolfus.

Sego Lily, Regent Belinda Barking -

Sego Lily Chapter held a spring tea in May at the home of Regent Belinda Barking before breaking for the summer. We also had the opportunity at the meeting to honor our community service award winner Joan Stolfus with a certificate, pin and gift basket. Joan made blankets for every bed in the new veteran's nursing home under construction in Ogden. She is now collecting hard bound books for their library.



Uintah Chapter Regent Joanne Brown - Flag Day Celebration

Uintah, Regent JoAnne Brown -

Programs and activities in February, March and April kept members busy doing good things and increasing in knowledge. In February, three downtown Challenger School students were declared Chapter American History Essay Contest winners. Two of the winners attended our chapter meeting and enlightened us with the reading of their essays. March brought Tai Chi instructor Carl Vance to our meeting; he taught us how to bring energy into our bodies and improve our balance.

Several chapter members were recognized at State Conference; Brenda Reeder and Virginia Nelson for their contributions to the NSDAR Library; Debbie Hoyt for first place in both the Membership Photo and Essay contests and Brenda Reeder, Nancy Longhurst, and State Regent Cindy Spencer for their use of computers in DAR work.

May, June, and July brought meetings and travel for our members. Wilma Wall, National Defense Chairman presented Good Citizenship Awards at Olympus Jr. High School and the Sandy Challenger School. Debbie Hoyt and Stephanie Weaver presented ROTC medals at Highland High School and the University of Utah. In June, we had our first chapter Flag Day Activity in several years. Chapter Regent JoAnne Brown and Boy Scout Troop #1834 under the direction of Assistant Scout Master, John Renouard, lead a beautiful and touching ceremony for the proper disposal of a flag.



Emily Urban, Sybelle Blackham, WR Chapter Regent Fay Goodson, Pam Fossum, Ramona Hansen, Deloris Niedfeldt, all from Wasatch Range Chapter, Honorary State Regent Pat Fullerton, and Cindy Toone all rode in the carriage at Freedom Festival Parade in Provo, July 4, 2009



Ellen Struble Lockwood, Wasatch Range Chapter

Wasatch Range, Regent Fay Goodson -

Ellen Struble Lockwood celebrated her 90th birthday March 4, 2009. She was born at Pleasantville, New York, graduated from Pleasantville High School and New York University with a BS and MA degrees in Music Education.

In August 1941 she married Wilbur D. Lockwood, Jr. at her home in Hawthorne, New York. April 15, 1944 Ellen joined the Mt. Pleasant Chapter DAR where she served as regent 1953-1956. She also served as New York State Chairman of American Music 1956-1956, Aqua Fria Chapter Vice Regent in Arizona. Ellen has been a member of the Wasatch Range Chapter for 13 years, where she has served as Chapter Registrar for 9 years. She also served the Utah State Society as Chaplain 2000-2002. She is an enthusiastic member of DAR, having given 65 years of dedicated service.

The Utah State Officers Club Cindy Toone - Club President

The re-organizing meeting of the Utah State Officers Club was held Thursday evening April 15, 2009 prior to State Conference at the Lion House. A wonderful time was had by all in attendance. Elections of the re-organizing board were held

Cindy Toone - President

Shirley Nelson - Secretary

Lu Fisher - Treasurer.

The next meeting will be held as a Christmas event, on December 5th or December 19th. All members are invited to attend this wonderful holiday tradition. Information will be available at the State Workshop.

The Cameo Club Harriet Priska - Club Secretary

The USSDAR Cameo Club was founded in 2004 with 50 Charter members. At the Utah State Conference in 2008 dues were changed to \$15 for lifetime membership. Thirty nine members have become lifetime members to date. Funds from the club (\$289.00) are earmarked for the Fisher House, expected to begin construction in 2010. Members voted to donate \$100.00 to the Women's Veterans Memorial, and a check was presented to Su Richardson, Utah Military Veterans Advisory Committee Chairman at the banquet, April 17th. Honorary State Regent Ellen Powley proposed a breakfast meeting at 8 AM Saturday morning of State Conference 2010.

In Memoriam

We were saddened to learn Zachary Mark Bushman, age 9, was tragically killed in a farm accident on July 7 at his grandfather's farm in Benson, Wyoming, where he was visiting. Marilyn Bushman is Zach's grandmother. Funeral services were held July 18 in Cheyenne. Condolences can be sent to:

Marilyn Bushman,
1625 East 400 South,
Pleasant Grove, UT 84062.

State Conference



Guests at State Conference were Nevada State Regent Anita K. Sheard, VPG Suzanne M. Heske, State Regent Cindy Spencer, Arizona State Regent Jo B. Andress.

State Conference was held at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel on Friday, April 17, and Saturday, April 18. Guests of the State Regent were Vice President General Suzanne Heske from New Mexico who spoke at the Friday Luncheon, Jo B. Andress, Arizona State Regent, and Anita K. Sheard, Nevada State Regent. Friday was filled with reports and bidding on the silent auction baskets, very popular again this year. Present at the Friday evening banquet was Su Richardson, Utah Military Veterans Advisory Committee Chairman who spoke on the Women's Veterans Memorial to be constructed at Fort Douglas.



Carol Howard, State Americanism Chairman, State Regent Cindy Spencer, Craig P. Moyes and Elaine Janeway Chapter Regent Princess Timpanogos.

The DAR Medal of Honor was awarded to Craig P. Moyes for his tremendous contribution of the restoration of the veteran's section of the Salt Lake Cemetery. Mr. Moyes, CEO of ONYX Construction, donated \$150,000 and 3 months hard labor by ONYX Construction to fix the dilapidated headstones. He was sponsored by the Princess Timpanogos Chapter. The DAR Medal of Honor is the highest award given by our National Society. It is given to an adult male or female who is a US citizen by birth, and has shown extraordinary qualities of leadership, trustworthiness, service and patriotism. The recipient must have made unusual and lasting contributions to our American heritage by truly giving of themselves to their community, state, country, and fellow men. DAR members are not eligible to receive this Honor. Elected or appointed government officials who are currently in office are also not eligible.



Lt. Col. Derek Tolman and wife Carolyn

The keynote speaker was Lt. Col. Derek Tolman, who has served on active duty with the Utah National Guard for more than 17 years, he currently serves as the Deputy Counter-drug Coordinator and Commander of the 142nd MI Battalion. He served in 2003 in Operation Iraqi Freedom and was mobilized following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in Louisiana. In 2008, he deployed as Commander of the 142nd MI Battalion in Afghanistan, and he brought all 265 soldiers safely home on February 27th of this year.



Ellen Struble Lockwood 65 year member with her daughter Past Recording Secretary General Dr. Ellen Powley

118th Continental Congress



State Regent Cindy Spencer, HODAR Matt Spencer, Honorary State Regent Pat Fullerton, First Vice Regent Cindy Toone in the Utah box Constitution Hall, Opening Night of Continental Congress, 2009.

Each State Regent addresses Continental Congress and must present their report within 2 minutes. A more detailed report is filed. State Regent Cindy Spencer gave the following report on Thursday evening.

Madame President General,

Texas Daughter Zia Calloway Lowe, Chapter Regent of Lost Pines Chapter, is kind enough to hold the Utah state flag.

The Utah State Society has embraced the theme, "Utah Re-members." The goals associated with the motto are two-fold: recruitment and retention of members, and remembrance of Utah veterans and active military personnel.

Utah has addressed the first goal of "Utah Re-members" by positive growth. Our state was delighted to welcome 31 new members since July. Utah's current membership is 381, distributed among nine chapters.

Fourteen membership workshops have taken place this year. Our chapters are participating in community parades, public Family History activities, civic functions, and commemorative events, all the while wearing Utah DAR pins and nametags to promote public awareness. Utah is actively seeking to recruit membership through engagement and visibility.

We apparently excel at membership retention. The State Society was privileged to present Ellen Struble Lockwood with her 65-year membership certificate.

Remembering our Utah Veterans and military personnel is our second, but equally important, goal.

The DAR Medal of Honor was presented to Craig P. Moyes for donating \$150,000 and three months labor from his construction company to fix dilapidated veterans' headstones in the Salt Lake Cemetery.

Daughters donated nearly one thousand dollars to the future Utah Military Women's Memorial.

Lt. Col. Derek Tolman was honored for bringing all 265 Utah soldiers home from Afghanistan under his command.

Madame President General, it is a pleasure to serve in your administration, and an honor to represent the exceptional Utah Daughters.

Cindy Spencer
State Regent

2009 National DAR Awards

Individual:

- **Deborah Hoyt (Uintah):**
 - a) NSDAR Membership Essay Contest, Runner-up
 - b) NSDAR Membership Essay Contest, Finalist for Southwest Division
- **Marilyn Bushman (Wasatch Range):** American Indians Committee- Outstanding Service as State Chairman
- **Kay Harris Christiansen (Salt Lake Valley):** Literacy Promotion Committee- First Place Outstanding Member, Southwestern Division
- **Mary P. Urie (Bald Eagle):** Seimes Technology Center Committee- Certificate of Appreciation for Utah Sate Chairman, 2008-2009, Southwestern Division
- **Jane Comp (Bald Eagle):**
 - a) Conservation Committee- Backyard Habitat Outstanding Conservation Activities
 - b) DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee- Outstanding Service
- **Winnie Washburn (Bald Eagle):** Conservation Committee- Backyard Habitat Outstanding Conservation Activities
- **Harriet Priska (Bald Eagle):** Conservation Committee- Best Report by a State Chairman
- **Alice Astroth (Salt Lake Valley):** DAR Genealogy Preservation Committee- Outstanding Service

Chapter:

- **Bald Eagle:**
 - a) Chap. Achievement Award Level 2
 - b) DAR Good Citizen Committee- chapter sponsoring ten or more schools
- **Bear River:** Chapter Achievement Award Level 2
- **Color Country:**
 - a) Chap. Achievement Award Level 1
 - b) DAR Project Patriot Committee- Support of Project Patriot
- **Golden Spike:** Chapter Achievement Award Level 2
- **Princess Timpanogos:**
 - a) Chap. Achievement Award Level 1
 - b) DAR Project Patriot Committee- Support of Project Patriot
- **Salt Lake Valley:**
 - a) Chap. Achievement Award Level 1
 - b) Seimes Technology Center Committee- Outstanding Service, Southwestern Division
- **Sego Lily:** Chapter Achievement Award Level 1
- **Uintah:** Chap. Achievement Award Level 1
- **Wasatch Range:** Chapter Achievement Award Level 1

State:

- **American Indians Committee:** Outstanding Support
- **Lineage Research Committee:** Most Lineage Research Lookup Volunteers, Category 5
- **Conservation Committee:** Best Report by a State Chairman
- **Volunteer Genealogist Committee:** Outstanding Work- presentation of workshops, Southwestern Division
- **Friends of the Library Committee:** First Place Library Book Donations for 2008, Category 5 membership, 104 donations

- **Constitution Week Committee:** Proclamation from State Governor
- **Volunteer Information Specialists Committee:** 100% State Web Site participation
Junior Membership Committee: 2nd place
Helen Pouch Memorial fund Contributions,
State with 1-20 chapters
- **Chapter Achievement Awards:** 100% reporting

Election Results

Vice Presidents General (Term 2009 - 2012)

Barbara Hensley Carpenter (MD)
Cynthia T. Stout (IN)
Shelby Dean Ward (AL)
Sue C. Bratton (FL)
Julie Farris Stuhlmacher (WI)
Bonnie Scales Glasgow (SC)
Faye Marie Wolf Vork (MN)

Vice President General for Life

Jane B. Evans (MO)



Utah Daughters at the Golden West Tea - Marcia MacGuire, State Regent Cindy Spencer, Honorary State Regent Pat Fullerton, First Vice Regent Cindy Toone, Corresponding Secretary Helen Kennington, Sybelle Blackham, and Lorena Norris.

The Wright Associates

Candidates for National Office, NSDAR, at the 119th Continental Congress, July 2010

President General - Merry Ann Thompson Wright (New York)
First Vice President General - Beverly Woodruff Jensen (North Dakota)
Chaplain General - Laura Marcella Reid (Georgia)
Recording Secretary General - Lynn Forney Young (Texas)
Corresponding Secretary General - Sally Napier Bueno (Missouri)
Organizing Secretary General - Jean Dixon Mann (Florida)
Treasurer General - Sarah Potts Voll (New Hampshire)
Registrar General - Patricia Eddy Carpenter (Kansas)

Historian General - Ann Arnold Hunter (Virginia)
Librarian General - Joan MacInnes Hunter (Oregon)
Curator General Beverly Dardene West (Wisconsin)
Reporter General - Jean Whatley Vaughan (Alabama)

Campaign material for "The Wright Associates" including jewelry, totes, note cards, and much more will be on sale at the August Workshop - Pat Fullerton, Utah State Campaign Manager.

From the Committee Chairmen



Children of the American Revolution

Emily Toone State Chairman - The Rocky Mountain Region meeting held in Albuquerque, New Mexico on June 22 & 23 was well attended by members and seniors of the region, including Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Montana, Utah and Wyoming. National President Emily Falkenstein with many of the national officers and chairmen traveled across the country again this year to share the goals of the national society. "Reflections of Independence" is the 2009-2010 theme. The National Project is to raise funds to aid in the restoration and preservation of the Historic Morris Island Lighthouse located at Folly Beach, Charleston, South Carolina. The Morris Island Lighthouse, or the "Old Charleston Light" as it is more affectionately called has welcomed ships entering Charleston for more than three centuries. It was one of only ten pre-revolutionary lighthouses in the colonies and one of two to survive the American Revolution. Due to many years of erosion and exposure to the elements, the entire foundation and physical structure of the Morris Island Lighthouse is in great disrepair and needs to be restored before it is too late. The lighthouse was originally built on Morris Island 2,700 feet offshore, but by 1938 over 1,600 feet of land surrounding the tower had been lost. Today the Morris Island Lighthouse is completely surrounded by water.

If you are interested in joining the fun and/or have a child or grandchild between the ages of birth and 22, contact:

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Conservation - 100 years

Harriet Priska State Chairman - In May of 1908, then-President Theodore Roosevelt held a Conference of Governors at the White House. The sole purpose of that national conference was, for the first time ever, to discuss our nations natural resources. As a result, President General Emily Nelson Ritchie McLean (1905-1909) created the Conservation Committee. One hundred years have passed since National Chairman Mrs. Amos G. Draper gave her first report to the 18th Continental Congress in 1909.

As we begin to celebrate our centennial of the Conservation Committee, we must take an inventory of our accomplishments and renew our pledge to continue our work of preserving our natural resources. Using this year's Master Questionnaire, chapter and states are asked to add the following information to their Conservation report so that we can have an accurate accounting of our work during the past 100 years.

- Is there a DAR forest in your state: if so what is it's location and acreage? Who owns the property? How was/is it funded?
- Are there any historic trees in your state that have been reported to NSDAR? A historic tree is a native tree reported to be the oldest in the area. If you know of any historic tree that has since been removed, please send that information and the date it was lost or removed.



- Report any conservations projects conducted by your chapter or state throughout its history.

Please share a Conservation minute at every meeting, recognize community members with the NSDAR Conservation Award, plant trees or maintain a beautification project. Each of us can make a difference by reducing how we impact our natural resources. We must purposely choose to use products that are reusable and ensure that those that are not reusable are recyclable.

American History Essay

Dorothy Williams State Chairman - At the annual State Conference in April, state winners of our 2008-2009 essay contests were announced and honored at the Saturday awards Luncheon. The winners were:

American History Essay Contest

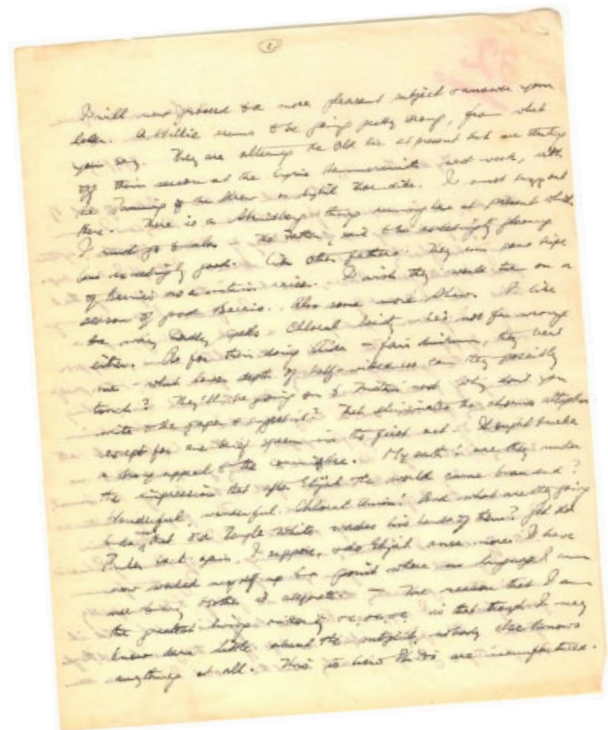
5th Grade: Dale Schlachter - Challenger School
(Princess Timanogos Chapter)

6th Grade: Olivia Howell - Bluffdale Elementary
(Salt Lake Valley Chapter)

7th Grade: Sara Kaye Munns - Fairfield Junior High
(Golden Spike Chapter)

8th Grade: Philip Solberg - Challenger School
(Princess Timpanogos Chapter)

Sara Kay Munns and Philip Soelberg also were South West Division winners.



Christopher Columbus Essay Contest

Heather Howell, 10th Grade, Riverton High School
(Salt Lake Valley Chapter)

A total of 252 students from 13 schools participated in the contests.

All chapters are encouraged to conduct an American History essay contest. All grade 5, 6, 7, and 8 students in public, private, or parochial school, or those who are home schooled are eligible. This contest is conducted without regard to race, religion, sex, or national origin.

The 2009-2010 topic should be one of particular interest to Utahns: "The completion of the First Transcontinental Railroad." Students are encouraged to describe how they would have felt on May 10, 1869,

when the golden spike was driven at Promontary Summit, Utah. They can pretend they are either a settler planning to use the train to travel to a new home in the West, an Irish or Chinese worker who helped build the line, or a Native American whose way of life was greatly affected by the railroad.

Chapter should contact their schools as early as possible about participating, so that the contest can be integrated into the curriculum. Additional information is available on the Members website members.dar.org or from state Chairman, Dorothy Williams 801.652.5418.

Junior American Citizen

Carolyn Bushman State Chairman - The JAC Committee had a great year. Congratulations to the following national winners:

Liberty Howell - 1st place - 1st grade poem
Liberty Howell - 3rd place - 1st grade stamp
Olivia Wilcox - 3rd place - 2nd grade poem
Kelton Hill - 2nd place - 2nd grade stamp
Kelton Hill - 3rd place - 2nd grade poem
Callie Howell - 1st place - 3rd grade stamp
Olivia Howell honorable mention 6th grade short story
Heather Howell - 1st place - 10th grade short story
Chelsea Howell - 2nd place - 12th grade stamp

The theme for 2009 2010 is "America, Land of the Free Home of the Brave". Chapters please encourage preschool through 12th grade students to participate. The categories are: poem, short story, community service, photo essay, poster, and stamp. Some of the categories can be individual or in groups. We have many talented youth in Utah so please help us showcase their talents. Questions about the JAC program? Contact Carolyn Bushman at 435-757-5642 or e-mail at cbushman@tooelesd.org.

Students at Wendover High School were fascinated to have Astronaut Sandra Magnus speak on graduation day, June 2. "I am honored to have become friends with Astronaut Mangus while working with the NASA program", said teacher Carolyn Bushman. "I was thrilled to have pictures and a WHS flag taken into outer space and fly 50,304,000 miles in 134 days in the International Space Station. Astronaut Magnus really inspired my students and I saw a lot of growth in them since she first visited five years ago." Carolyn has been named one of the Utah Air Force Associations Aerospace Chapter Teachers of the Year.

Genealogical Records

Rena Forinash State Chairman - My dream for the coming year is to have each chapter turn in records that can be sent to National to enlarge the holdings in the DAR Library. These records need to be previously unpublished. They can consist of family bibles, journals, etc. and should be copied and transcribed, then forwarded to me. If you have records - WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? - send them now... please, please, please.

Rena Forinash
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Logan, UT 94321-8203

"We are the genealogists:
Resistance is futile: You HAVE been assimilated."



Computer Corner

Brenda Reeder State Chairman - To receive email messages join the Utah DAR message group. Send a blank email message from your email account to this email address:

UtahDAR-subscribe@yahoogroups.com . You must be a member of the Utah State Society to join this message group, this is not a public site.

On the DAR Members Web Site you can subscribe to or renew your subscription to the American Spirit

Magazine; print off forms; download the DAR application/supplemental software; donate to NSDAR through the Wish List; shop at the DAR store Online; and much more. If you are a committee chairman read about your committee here and print off any necessary forms.

The DAR Members' Web Site was created to help you! Get on and explore!



From the Editor

Ladies, the Utah State Society is happy to present you with your copy of the summer Utah Daughters Newsletter. Each edition of the newsletter costs the State Society between \$400 and \$500 for printing and postage. We anticipate a great change for the next edition. Every member listed in the state directory with an email address will receive an electronic notification that the newsletter is available. We will post the Spring Edition of Utah Daughters on the website for you to print at your convenience. utahdar.org This has a potential of saving the State Society close to \$1000 per year. That money can be used elsewhere to further the goals of our society. Your comments are welcome. The deadline for articles and mailing labels for the next newsletter is February 15, 2010.

Fisher House Foundation

The Fisher House Foundation builds homes on and near active military and Veterans Affairs medical facilities. The houses provide free lodging for service members who must stay near a hospital for continuing treatment, as well as families visiting wounded loved ones.

The foundation was started in 1990 by Zack Fisher. When it was brought to Zack's attention that there was a shortage of affordable housing for injured service members and their families, he decided to put the program together. Zack Fisher built the first comfort homes with his own money. "Zack always believed that it was our obligation to give back to a nation that had been so great to us," said Ken Fisher of his late uncle Zack Fisher. "Zack always considered service members to be the greatest national treasure."

Today there are 36 Fisher House facilities in 16 states and one in Germany. After the houses are built, they are gifted to the U.S. government, which maintains them. Fisher said the foundation works closely with the military to determine where a new house should be built.

"The beauty part of the house is that the families will sit together, they'll eat together, it has become a support network in the house," Fisher said. "It's not just families having a place to sleep, it's getting together and supporting each other on a bad day and sharing the joy on a good day."

The VA Salt Lake City Health Care System, Salt Lake City, UT is listed as an "immediate recognized need" but has not yet been proffered.

Wreaths Across America

Wreaths Across America, a nonprofit 501-c3 organization, was formed as an extension of the Arlington Wreath Project. The Arlington Wreath program was started by Morrill Worcester (Worcester Wreath) in 1992 with the donation and laying of 5000 Christmas wreaths to Arlington National Cemetery. This became an annual journey for Mr. Worcester.

This was relatively obscure until 2005 when a photo of the stones adorned with wreaths and covered in snow circulated around the internet. The project received National attention. Thousand of requests poured in from all over the country from people wanting to emulate the Arlington project at their National and State cemeteries spurred the creation of "Wreaths Across America". Unable to donate thousand of wreaths to each state, Mr. Worcester conceived the idea of sending 7 wreaths (one for each branch of the military as well as POW/MIA). In 2006 with the help of the Civil Air Patrol and other civic organizations, over 150 locations held wreath laying ceremonies simultaneously. By 2007 the requests for more wreaths grew. The Worcester family established the non-profit group Wreaths Across America to further promote Veterans remembrance. The mission Remember, Honor and Teach characterized the project goals perfectly. By 2008 over 300 locations held wreath laying ceremonies in every state, Puerto Rico and 24 over seas cemeteries. Over 100,000 wreaths were placed on veterans graves. Over 60,000 volunteers participated.

The 2009 Wreaths Across America ceremonies will be held across the country on December 12, 2009 at Noon (EST). You can see some of the pictures and videos by visiting www.wreathsafteramerica.org. The Utah State Society DAR will be participating in the wreath laying at the Utah State Veterans Cemetery in Bluffdale on Saturday December 12, at 10:00 (MST).

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