



UTAH DAUGHTERS



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Dear Utah Daughters,

July is a month of celebration of our country's birth and of our great state of Utah. As I reflect on my blessings of being an American, I count amongst them the friendship of the Utah Daughters of the American Revolution.

The theme for the next few years will be "Every Member Counts". Utah is a small but mighty state of wonderful daughters who do great service as we follow our national motto "God, Home, and Country." I hope to meet each of you personally as I visit your chapter meetings and events.

All Utah Daughters are invited to attend our Utah State Society Workshop, Saturday, August 18, 2012. We have invited Ann Dillon, National Chairman Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission, to be our speaker. Her presentation will begin at 11:00am. Lunch will follow at \$10/person. Ann is also a candidate for 1st Vice President General on the Young Associates ticket for 2013-2016. The workshop will be held at the Salt Lake County

Complex, 2100 South State Street, North Building. Parking is available east of the building in the parking terrace.

Prior to Ann's presentation, there will be a USSDAR Board of Management Meeting at 9:00 am, immediately followed by State Officer and Chairman reports and handouts at 10:00 am. All chapter regents, directors and state chairmen need to attend at their designated times so we can accomplish the state's business.

The State Regent's Project is to "Honor Our American Heroes". Funds and donations in kind will be contributed to our Veteran's Facilities throughout our state, and to the new Fisher House in Salt Lake City. In addition to remembering our Veterans, I am asking each chapter to adopt active duty service members who are personally known to members of our chapters. We want to involve all Daughters in the state who may wish to contribute their part to this worthy endeavor. Remember, "Every Member Counts"!

President General, Merry Ann Wright, will be attending our USSDAR State Conference next April 26-27, 2013, at the Radisson Hotel. Please mark your calendar now and plan to attend.

In DAR friendship,
Shirley Nelson, Utah State Regent

Save These Dates!

August 18, Summer Workshop

December 8, Christmas Luncheon

**April 26-27, 2013, Utah State
Conference with President General
Merry Ann T. Wright**

Summer Workshop & Board of Management, August 18, 2012

9:00 AM—Board of Management (state officers, chapter regents, chapter directors)

10:00 AM—Summer Workshop (all above plus state chairmen)

11:00 AM—Chapter Development and Revitalization presentation by Ann Dillon (all members)

State Officers and chairmen, please bring 10 copies of your workshop report and have them available for distribution to each chapter's mailbox prior to the workshop. Chapter Regents, be sure to pick up your chapter's mail before you leave! Time will be limited and most information will be distributed in print only, to allow extra time for Ann Dillon's presentation.

Lunch will be provided; the cost is \$10.00. Please RSVP for lunch to Brenda Reeder at kyseeker@comcast.net or at 801-541-9309.

OUR FEATURED SPEAKER: ANN TURNER DILLON

Born and raised in Texas, Ann attended Texas Tech University and received a B.S. in Business Administration from the University of Northern Colorado. She is married with two daughters and six grandchildren. She lives in Arvada, Colorado where her interests include reading, genealogy and computers. She is a Christian and her favorite scripture is Galatians 2:20.

She joined the National Society as a junior member and served the Colorado State Society as organizing secretary, state vice regent and state regent. She was elected as a Vice President General in 1997 and served as Registrar General from 2001-2004. She is currently the National Chairman for the Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission.

She belongs to several other lineage societies, USD 1812 and Colonial Dames XVII Century as well as several professional genealogical organizations.



National Society Service:

Registrar General, 2001-2004
Vice President General, 1997-2000
National Board of Management 1995-2004
Chapter Development and Revitalization Commission
National Chairman
Volunteer Genealogists National Chairman
Patriot Index National Chairman
Executive Club, Treasurer
Vice Presidents General Club, Vice President
National Officers Club, Recording Secretary
National Officers Club, Southwestern Division
Director
State Vice Regents Club
National Chairmen's Association
National Vice Chairmen's Association
DAR Speakers Staff
Vice Chairman SW Division,
National Defense
Personnel Committee
Advisor, Volunteer Genealogists Committee
Advisory Committee, Tamasee DAR School

From the Chapters

Bear River – Joanne Jensen, Regent

The Bear River Chapter of the DAR, which covers Cache Valley from the Logan area to Preston, Idaho area, had an interesting and successful 2011-2012 year. Our May 2012 meeting was held in the Preston, Idaho Fire Station. Chapter member Maurine Ward was presented a state certificate for Women's Issues--Career--2011-2012 for her dynamic leadership in regional and local genealogy projects. Our guest speaker, William Auger, a veteran and life-long volunteer with the American Legion, provided a very interesting historical speech, wherein he discussed the responsibilities required of previous President's wives or hostesses. He was awarded the National DAR Award for Excellence in Community Service with a certificate and pin. Refreshments, provided by the Preston daughters, followed the meeting.

Our June 2012 Picnic was honored with the presence of State Regent Cindy Toone, who helped us dedicate three new trees at the Mendon City Park. The Boy Scouts reverently conducted a flag burning ceremony for the disposal of old flags. Cindy Toone installed the Bear River Chapter Officers for 2012-2013. We then had a potluck salad luncheon at the home of Marilyn Swedin.

Our 2012-2013 yearly schedule will begin in September at an Inn in Preston, Idaho. Our new State Regent, Shirley Nelson, will honor us with a short summary of the DAR 2012 Continental Congress in Washington, D.C. We then will take a walking tour to the Oneida Stake Academy, where Necia Seamons, chairman of the Oneida Stake Academy Foundation, will give us an update on the continuing restoration of this venerable historic school, which was established in 1890 to serve the large farming and ranching community of southern Idaho. The Bear River Chapter is honored to have been the sponsor for a DAR National \$9,720 grant, which was given to the Oneida Stake Foundation, for the preservation of the Bell Tower. The restoration of the Bell Tower will provide a tangible beacon of the historic heritage of this building to the community. After the tour, we will return to the bed and breakfast inn for a catered luncheon.

Sego Lily – Belinda Barking, Regent

Sego Lily Chapter met in May at the home of Melissa Moon. We retired several flags in a very moving flag

retirement ceremony, installed our new chapter officers, and enjoyed a potluck lunch. Chapter Regent Christine Schultz presented two JROTC awards, and presented our chapter award to our chapter (and state) American History Teacher, Siân Jones, at Mueller Park Jr High. We are proud of chapter member Melissa Moon, this year's Utah Outstanding Junior, who served at Continental Congress as a Chief Page, and of our Honorary Chapter Regent Cindy McCoid Toone, who has served our State Society so effectively as a State Regent and is now one of only 21 Vice Presidents General for the National Society! We thank Cindy for her service, past and future! We also acknowledge the death on July 9 of our former Chapter Regent (and State Treasurer) Anita Davis. Although Anita was inactive for many years before her death, our chapter was built on the service she provided in the early years of Sego Lily Chapter.



New Sego Lily Chapter Officers: l-r, Belinda Barking, Regent; Melissa Moon, Vice Regent; LiAnn Lee, Chaplain; Judy Barking, Recording Secretary; Christine Schultz, Registrar; Joan Johnston, Treasurer

Wasatch Range – Sybelle Blackham, Past Regent

Since State Conference in April, we have given a bronze ROTC medal and certificate to a deserving cadet at Provo High School and a certificate and bronze ROTC medal to a young female cadet at the Independence High School in Provo, Utah. It is always a privilege to present this DAR award to a female cadet. This is such a great program to train our future military leaders.

Wasatch Range Chapter was also able to participate in the Naturalization Ceremony in May at the Rose Wagner Theater in SLC. This is another amazing program. There were 195 candidates, representing 63 different countries that day. The reins were turned over to our new Regent at our pleasant outdoor meeting in May. The new leadership

consists of Carol Ann McPheeters, Regent; Lorena Norris, Vice Regent; Sallie Eddy, Secretary; Pam Fossum, Treasurer; Joan Van Duzer, Registrar; Arlene Andrus, Chaplain; LeAnn Eliason, Historian; Shirleen Howard, Librarian; and Sybelle Blackham, Director.

The most exciting event since Conference was that our 5th grade chapter winner; Tiffany Gallegos, won the National Award for the American History Essay Contest. We are all so thrilled for her.

Tiffany is pictured here with Lucy Peterson and Cindy Toone at the 2012 Utah State Conference.

We wish the new Officers much success and enjoyment as they start their two years with the WR Chapter. I have enjoyed my time and "Thank You" for being such a great group of daughters.

Sybelle Blackham, Past Regent



Brenda Reeder, Uintah Chapter, with President General Merry Ann T. Wright and Historian General Joan Hunter at gift acceptance ceremony.



Melissa Moon, Utah State Outstanding Junior, with President General Merry Ann T. Wright



State Regent Cindy Toone presenting American History Essay award to 5th Grade winner, Tiffany Gallegos, sponsored by Wasatch Range Chapter. Also pictured: Lucille Peterson, American History Chairman.

121st Continental Congress, 2012

Eleven Utah Daughters attended the Continental Congress NSDAR June 25-July 1, 2012 in Washington D.C. Our State Outstanding Junior, Melissa Moon, Sego Lily Chapter, served as Chief Page for the Marshals; Elizabeth Toone, Salt Lake Valley Chapter, served as personal page to outgoing State Regent Cindy McCoid Toone, as well as performing other paging duties. Vickie Fuller, Salt Lake Valley Chapter, served on a congress committee (doors). Judy Barking, Sego Lily Chapter, served on the Corridor Hostess Committee and sang in the DAR All-American Chorus. Glenette McCoid Louton, Salt Lake Valley Chapter, served as a Teller.



Installation of the State Regent 2012-2014. Pictured are State Vice Regent Judy Barking, State Regent Shirley W. Nelson, President General Merry Ann T. Wright, and Honorary State Regent Cindy M. Toone.



Utah Daughters at Golden West Tea, 2012



Our beautiful Honorary State Regent, Cindy M. Toone, being introduced at Continental Congress as a newly-elected Vice President General!

Trees, Trees, and More Trees!

Trees were planted through Utah by the Chapters and the State Society as part of the State Regent's Project of Cindy Toone to plant trees honoring our past State Regents.



Tree planting at the State Capitol grounds by the State Society. Back row: Jody Pratt, Debora DeDen, Kathryn Jenson, State Vice Regent Lorena Norris, Elaine Janeway, State Second Vice Regent Shirley Nelson. Front row: Honorary State Regent Patricia Fullerton, Honorary State Regent Elvira White, State Regent Cindy M. Toone, Honorary State Regent Janis McCoid.



Tree planting at the Veterans' Hospital in Salt Lake City. Pictured are Honorary State Regent Janis McCoid, State Regent Cindy M. Toone, Honorary State Regent Donna Severson, and Honorary State Regent Ellen Powley.

Utah Chapters planted trees throughout the state during 2011-2012 in honor of our past State Regents. (All Daughters are given their titles at the time of the tree planting.)



Uintah Chapter tree planting, with Brenda Reeder, Honorary State Regent Diane Tarbox, State Regent Cindy M. Toone, Honorary State Regent Janis McCoid, and Honorary State Regent Cindy Spencer.



Princess Timpanogos Chapter tree planting, with Second Vice Regent Shirley Nelson and State Regent Cindy M. Toone.



Golden Spike Chapter tree planting, with Honorary State Regent Mary Urie, Golden Spike Chapter Regent Lorilee Beazer, State Regent Cindy M. Toone, and Shirley Nelson.



Sego Lily Chapter tree planting, with Jody Pratt, Janice Welsh, Beth Marshall, Chapter Regent Christine Schultz, State Regent Cindy M. Toone, Judy Barking, Belinda Barking, and Debora DeDen.



Color Country Chapter tree planting, with Honorary State Regent Donna Severson, Chapter Regent Alta Thorpe, State Regent Cindy M. Toone, and Honorary State Regent Janis M. McCoid.



Bear River Chapter tree planting, with Winn Gardner, Chapter Regent Joanne Jensen, and State Regent Cindy M. Toone.



Salt Lake Valley chapter tree planting, with Patricia Moseman, Marilyn Kurt, Chapter Regent Vickie Fuller, State Regent Cindy M. Toone, Honorary State Regent Janis McCoid, Honorary State Regent Patricia Fullerton, Honorary State Regent Alice Astroth, and Olive O'Mara (a veteran of World War II who served in the Waves).

Note from the Editor

To view a color edition of this newsletter visit utahdar.org. Deadline for the Utah Daughters Newsletter winter edition is January 15. Forward your chapter member email addresses, send articles, photographs, and mailing labels to Judy Barking, Vice Regent by that date.

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