

LOS GATOS CHAPTER NSDAR



‘The Wall That Heals’

The closing ceremony is April 12, 2015 10:00 to 11:30 at Golden Gate National Cemetery, 1300 Sneath Lane, San Bruno, CA 94006

We are organizing a carpool for the closing ceremony of the Vietnam “Wall That Heals”. Please meet at the Los Gatos Lodge. We will depart from there by 8:30 am sharp. Look for an e-vite or contact Dana Baumgardner if you plan to ride or have questions. We are working with the organizers and will have a part in the closing ceremony. The Wall That Heals is a touring exhibition, featuring a half-scale replica of The Wall and a museum that takes the Memorial’s healing legacy to communities nationwide.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund is trying to collect photographs of all of the veterans listed on the wall. They would like people to bring photographs to the exhibit to be scanned.



Dear Daughters

We are honored that our Chapter will be part of the closing ceremony at the Golden Gate national Cemetery and lay a wreath in honor of all the Vietnam Veterans, but in particular to Timothy Michael Carroll and Lt. Col Gordon Lee Page. We hope that you and your friends and family can come and join in the ceremony.

The program last month, “Flying Tigers” by Ray Cosyn, historian was well received by all. Aylene Kuhn, PR Chair once again did a splendid job in notifying the press. We had coverage in the local papers and even in the Mercury News! Well done, Aylene.

Next months program on April 6 will be the highly esteemed Professor Emeritus from Stanford University, Martin Hellman to speak on “Avoiding Needless Wars”. He is considered the primary developer of the encryption methods used for secure digital transactions. He warned us that we shouldn’t put anything in an email that we wouldn’t want published in the New York Times! On his blog site “Defusing the Nuclear Threat” it is captioned *The Risk of a nuclear catastrophe is far greater than we think. Our ability to reduce that risk is far greater than we imagine.* Guests are welcome.

Yours in DAR service

Kim Worrall, Regent

Napa Country Iris Garden tour and lunch social April 25th 9 am

The Napa Country Iris Garden is only a 2 hour drive from Los Gatos. It is a beautiful destination in the spring with all of the flowers in bloom. You can wander through the flower beds, enjoy the grounds with your own bag lunch or purchased a lunch box ahead of time for \$10. We will leave April 25 from the Los Gatos Lodge by 9 am.

Look for the e-vite or contact Dana Baumgardner at 408.891.1326

Visit <http://www.napairis.com>



April Birthdays!

01	Gross, Rhonda
01	Koch, Kaitlyn
01	Koch, Michele
02	Tober, Lana
08	Lewis, Kay
13	Parks, Virginia
14	Hall, Sherry
18	Sims, Melissa
22	McBride, Mary
22	Taylor, Sandra
24	Alvord, Dorine
24	Dyer, Helen
24	Gentry, Trina
26	McCorkle, Sandra
29	Welch, Shaun



Welcome New Members!

Brookes Brown on the left- Brookes was born in NJ and raised in Palos Verdes Estates, CA. She graduated from Centenary College for Women in NJ. After college, she traveled abroad for almost a year, living in Saudi Arabia and Bangkok where she taught English.

She has held many jobs as Executive Assistant at companies such as Digital Equipment Corporation, TRW, and American Justice Institute. Currently she is a Personal Assistant, helping clients set up and manage offices and events.

Her volunteer activities include PTA and American Cancer Society, where she has held many posts, and received numerous service awards.

Barbara Richley center- Barbara was born in Royal Oak, MI, and moved to Los Gatos when she was almost two. She attended Leigh High School and graduated from San Jose State. She was a licensed stockbroker for over 20 years, working for both Charles Schwab and Smith Barney.

She enjoys reading, cooking, traveling, has been to almost every state in US, as well as exploring family history, she is descended from Thomas Rogers of the Mayflower. Her G-grandmother and g-aunt were DARs.

Diane Egli right-Diane was born in ND, but grew up in Seattle before coming to Los Gatos. She graduated from Los Gatos Grammar School, Los Gatos High School and San Jose State. She also has a Master's Degree in Music from Southern IL University. She has been a violinist and teacher.

She has 3 children and 2 grandchildren, one at Cal Poly and one at Prospect High. Diane is mostly involved with musical activities, she has part of a string quartet that plays for social and church events.

National Defense Minute

Rachel Goss, National Defense Chair

The motto of the United States Coast Guard is "Semper Paratus," which translated means "Always Ready," and it is an appropriate description of this multi-mission branch of the United States Armed Forces. During peacetime the Coast Guard operates as part of the Department of Homeland Security, and as part of the U.S. Navy under a declaration of war by Congress or if ordered by the President. The Coast Guard also serves as a federal law enforcement agency. Established January 28, 1915, present day Coast Guard missions include safeguarding the environment, emergency response and disaster recovery, search and rescue, accident investigation, recreational boating safety and law enforcement such as preventing drug smuggling and illegal immigration. The Coast Guard is responsible for counter terrorism and defense of our nation's harbors, ports and coastlines. Read more about the Coast Guard's rich history at <http://www.uscg.mil/>.

Sunshine Report-Dixie Parker, Chaplain

Our chapter has a prayer chain that is also part of a district prayer chain so please call me if you would like to have prayer for God's help with health, finances, grief, loneliness, or an unspoken request. Please also let me know of any illness or hardships our members are experiencing so I can reach out to them. Contact me at 408-629-9901 or email at Jimdix@earthlink.net.



DAR Good Citizen Award

Anna Perrone, granddaughter of our member Joan Perrone, was chosen by her high school to receive the DAR Good Citizens Award from Major Hugh Moss Chapter, Modesto, CA on February 14, 2015. Anna attends Oakdale High School, is a senior and is Student Body President. She also is on the basketball, track and cross country team. In the fall, she will be attending the University of Kansas, studying Strategic Communications. Congratulations!

Operation Veterans needs you!

We are in need of several helpers on our committee and also anyone who wants to help during a special month or more. Please make the time for our local veterans who we honor for their military service and sacrifice. Contact: Trina Gentry 408.578.3693

Our Newest Honorary Regent, Amy June Jorgensen!



State Regents Message-February 2015



Dear California Daughters,

March is Women's History Month, when the contributions of women to history and to contemporary society are highlighted and celebrated. For 2015, the month's theme is "Weaving the Stories of Women's Lives." As we celebrate the 125th anniversary of the founding of DAR, March is an opportune time to focus on one of DAR's Dazzling Daughters, the list of 120 DAR members who have

made significant and positive contributions to American or international culture, society, or history through diligent application of their unique talents and abilities.

Included with such notables as Caroline Scott Harrison and Susan B. Anthony is Frances E. Willard. She is considered one of the most prominent women of the 19th century. She was an educator, a crusader for women's suffrage, a reformer. After serving as president of Evanston College for Ladies, she left academia in 1874 to follow her passion of social reform, namely establishing the Women's Christian Temperance Union. She fought for other social issues—prison reform, orphan care, homelessness, and prostitution. Miss Willard supported labor's struggle for an 8-hour work day. She was incensed that women could not vote and crusaded mightily for women's rights.

In 1875, she was the first alumna initiate of my sorority, Alpha Phi, serving later as our International President. She was a charter member of DAR and remembered at the Memorial Service at the 7th Continental Congress after her death in 1898. She supported the creation of Memorial Continental Hall where "the heroines of our forebears were to be honored for the first time in history." In 1905 Miss Willard was the first woman to have a statue in Statuary Hall in the U.S. Capitol. Later she was featured on the 1940 5-cent stamp. She was a mentor to many.

Two rules were the topic of her writings and speeches: first, work according to your ideals and, second, focus your energies. Her life's story truly weaves an inspirational tapestry of a role model with an expansive vision of what women can do.

As we celebrate Women's History Month, join me as we Celebrate Service...to God, Home, and Country.

Carol Oakley Jackson
California State Regent



President General's Message - March 2015

Dear Daughters,

You are in for a treat with this fifth annual Women's History Month edition of *American Spirit* magazine! As we focus on the National Society's 125th anniversary this year, Tracy Robinson, NSDAR Director of Archives and History, shares information about the four amazing Founders of our Society. Two were from the North, two were from the South, and all four were strong women who shared a love of country and a tremendous vision. As you read about these dynamic women, please consider honoring a woman who has made a contribution or a difference in your area with the Women in American History Certificate available for purchase from The DAR Store. To learn more about this American History Committee program, visit www.dar.org/members/committees/national-committees/american-history/women-american-history.

In the Whatnot section, you will learn about the founding members' role in saving the tomb of Mary Ball Washington. At the first organizing meeting of the DAR, the ladies were incensed that the grave of George Washington's mother, which had been badly damaged during the Battle of Fredericksburg, was to be sold. The first resolution adopted at this organizing meeting pledged to support the completion of the monument. These determined women were successful and a special train carried the government dignitaries, members of the DAR, S.A.R. and the National Mary Washington Association to Fredericksburg, Va. The Marine Band played "Hail to the Chief" as President Grover Cleveland arrived to begin the grand dedication on May 10, 1894.

Alden O'Brien, DAR Museum Curator of Costume and Textiles, has written a fascinating article about several quilts featured in the current DAR Museum Exhibit, "Eye on Elegance: Early Quilts of Maryland and Virginia." Not only does our Museum have one of the country's largest and finest quilt collections, but we are also unique in that family history information accompanies many of our quilts. Alden shares ways in which research revealed new information about the families of these quilt makers.

The DAR officially formed October 11, 1890, and 125 years later we are reminded of the words of Founder Eugenia Washington, who said: "We want a Society founded on service." Chapters from coast to coast are encouraged to participate in the DAR National Day of Service on October 11, 2015, as we unite to demonstrate the combined impact of our DAR mission and show that the DAR is remains a Society founded on service.

Please visit the 125th Anniversary section of the DAR Website to view slideshows, videos and other information about our history: www.dar.org/celebrate125.

We hope you will join us in Washington, D.C., at the 124th Continental Congress, which will be held June 24–28, 2015. We will be looking back at our remarkable history and the almost 940,000 women who have built this Society into one of the largest patriotic lineage and service societies in the world. Celebrating America!

Lynn F. Young
President General

Constitutional Highlights- Diana Claussen

"George Washington and James Madison were the only presidents who signed the Constitution."

Los Gatos Chapter, DAR Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes March 2, 2015

The Los Gatos Chapter DAR meeting was called to order by Regent Kim Worrall at 11:29 a.m. on Monday, March 2, 2015 at the Los Gatos Lodge located at 50 Los Gatos-Saratoga Road, Los Gatos, California. Recording Secretary Paula Isaacs was present.

The DAR Opening Ritual was led by Regent Kim Worrall and Chaplain Dixie Parker.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Dixie Parker.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Barbara Yeaman.

The American Creed was led by Brookes Brown.

The Regent welcomed Honored Daughters – National Veterans Administration Volunteer Service Advisory Committee Deputy Representative, Kim Worrall, District 6 Registrar, Diana Claussen, District 6 American History Chair, Sandy McCorkle and Honorary Regent Anita Bell.

Beverly Baker, Membership Chairman introduced prospective members, Barbara Richley, Shirley Jo Cochran, Brown Chris Morris, June Stolz, Diane Suhr Egli and Pam Chesney.

There were several guests in attendance.

Quorum was present and MINUTES were approved as published.

TREASURER'S REPORT, was approved and filed.

Regent's comments

Our Chapter winner of the DAR Good Citizens award, Sabrina Chen from Saratoga High School has won at the State level.

Motion by Sue Fitzpatrick to approve Amy June Jorgenson as an Honorary Regent. Second by Dana Baumgardner. The Motion Passed.

We have been invited to a 1776 Memorabilia Tour with the SAR, This private tour of Alexander's Revolutionary collection includes 45 to 50 prints, etching, busts and historic flags. Cost is \$35.00 on April 11, 2015. Sign up sheet was circulated.

Paws for Purple Hearts is the beneficiary of a wine stroll at Santana Row on April 23, from 6 to 8p.m. 100 percent of the \$30 ticket will go to PPH.

Chaplains Report – Dixie Parker

Sunshine/Prayer Chain Report was given. Dixie also made the report for Operation Veterans.

New Members Welcome: Dixie swore in Barbara Richley, Brookes Brown, and Diane Suhr as new members. Janet Vogel read their biographies, Kim welcomed them and gave them their pins.

Wall that Heals – Dana Baumgardner made a motion to “take up to \$400.00 to buy a wreath for the “Wall That Heals” closing ceremony at Golden Gate cemetery in San Bruno”. Nancy Sowin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Janet Vogel introduced new members, Brookes Brown, Diane Suhr Egli, and Barbara Richley.

First Vice Regent Sue Fitzpatrick – Money from mini auction will be used to support the DAR museum.

Sue Fitzpatrick made a motion to take \$50 from our funds to supplement the \$150 to the American Indian Scholarship Fund. Kathy Earnshaw seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Librarian Report, given by Kim Worrall that our chapter will donate 20 books to Silicon Valley Reads book signing at the Almaden Library on March 13, at 3:30 pm.

Corresponding Secretary Barbara Naden read letters received. Letter filed.

Historical Preservation Committee- Joanna Herz- The committee is working with the historians, Bill Wulf and Paul Bernal, and the City of Campbell to complete the second adobe site with an interpretive sign to mark the spot of the home of Sebastian Peralta in Campbell. Paula Metz made a **Motion to work with the City of Campbell and all relevant entities to place an interpretive plaque for the adobe of Sebastian Peralta in the John D. Morgan Park in Campbell. Beverly Baker seconded it. Motion passed.**

Guest Speaker – Historian Ray Cosyn, talked about “Flying Tigers” these intrepid Americans who fought an air war pre WWII for freedom in China.

Continental Congress - Sue Fitzpatrick made a motion that we approve Lana Tober and Kim Worrall to be our Chapter representatives for Continental Congress June 24 – 28, 2015 in Washington D.C. Dana Baumgardner seconded it. Motioned passed.

The board is investigating a joint project with the Santa Clara Chapter. Two areas of interest are:

1. Mini genealogy workshop in the summer

2. Working with the Veterans Center in Downtown San Jose

Time of Adjournment 1:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Paula Clauss Isaacs

Wine Stroll Benefiting



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