



**January 2019**

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# ***Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter NSDAR***



## **DNA & DAR**

We will take an introductory look at DNA testing: what types are available, the major companies that offer them, and how to choose what test and company is best for your needs. We will also look at the current DAR DNA policy in regards to applications and if it fits with any of your possible application needs

January 10th at 7pm

**DNA & DAR**

Speaker Elizabeth Ernst

Mary Washington House

1200 Charles Street

Hostess: Donna Sayre and Myra Wiggins

## Chapter Chat



**THANK YOU!**

I can't begin to tell you what a shock (surprise) I had when Trip (hubby) handed me a card that came in the mail a week or so ago. I recognized the address and thought "what is she up to now" in a sisterly way. But when I opened the envelope and looked at the card inside I gasped. Trip thought something was wrong. But I was happy to tell him that there was a gift card inside for me! I had no idea why I would be getting this much less in the noted amount.

Please accept my most humble thank you to those who contributed to this gift. I was, and continue to be, completely humbled and amazed that you were so kind and generous. For those of you out of town or who were not aware, the gift card is from chapter members who chose to donate whatever amount they desired for my work as Registrar in the chapter. I truly love what I do and am so happy when I am able to help someone in their DAR journey, whether for our chapter or another.

In DAR friendship

Myra

### HOSTESSES NEEDED!

March—need 1

May—need 2

### January dates to remember:

January 1 - New Years Day

January 5—National Bird Day

January 21—Martin Luther King Jr. Day

## SERVICE to AMERICA!

**Our Chapter hours donated total as of**

**December 31, 2018**

**2035**

**Please remember to log your hours!**

**[http://services.dar.org/members/committees/  
ServicetoAmerica/](http://services.dar.org/members/committees/ServicetoAmerica/)**

The Service to America! Committee encourages community service by **all** members on **all** levels as a means of honoring our heritage. You may now count your DAR hours!

## Chapter Chat, cont.

### Wanted:

### Stories, Photos, News and High Sea Adventures

This is YOUR Chapter Newsletter , please send stories, photos, news about your family/ancestors, and historical trips to the editor so that she can make this newsletter more about YOU!

Send all information to [sonja.k.johnson@gmail.com](mailto:sonja.k.johnson@gmail.com)

#### **Plan now to attend the February Meeting**

Learn CPR

Speaker: Sonja Johnson

February 14 7pm

Regester Chapel UMC

Hostess:

Amy Stromberg and Alicia  
Hillmer

Please bring the following to  
every meeting:

- Box tops
- Ink Cartridges
- Coupons
- Coke bottle caps





## Chapter December Meeting and Holiday Party



## President General's Message

January 2019

Dear Daughters,

I am not one to make resolutions because my best intentions always seem to succumb to temporary gratification. Perhaps you can identify with me. However, one goal keeps surfacing and needs to be met. That goal is to transition the next DAR administration successfully. Every office in the National Society is a volunteer position, and we all expect to be replaced in two or three years. As we enter 2019, join me in helping your replacement do the best job she can do. The National Society benefits when we work together.



You will be summarizing your accomplishments in the coming months. Thank you for the difference you are making in cities and towns across this nation and around the world. Your work is vital. Never underestimate the impact you have on so many people and organizations within your communities. And, remember to record your service hours on the Service to America Online Tally\* found on the DAR Members' Website under "Frequently Visited." Please note that any work completed in 2018 must be entered on the Service to America Online Tally by January 31, 2019, in order to be counted for 2018. Your service is important and can help us reach our goal of 19 million hours by June 2019.

As you recognize your Good Citizens and American History Essay Contest winners in February remember that these opportunities to recognize young people stay with them for a lifetime. I meet many people who only know the DAR through these awards. See if the school has a newsletter or yearbook where you could give these winners recognition among their peers.

This past year has been so successful, and with your help we have been able to accomplish a great many things, such as the restoration of the stage in Constitution Hall to its original design and the grand reopening of the DAR Museum Gallery. Your generosity during #GivingTuesday enabled us to purchase the Maria Hill Sampler, a unique needlework piece crafted by a young woman living in St. Augustine in 1793. Your donations also helped fund a new, dedicated entrance to the Kansas Chapel and helped renovate the C.A.R. Museum space. I invite you to take a look at the Today's DAR Blog\* at <https://blog.dar.org> to read about these accomplishments and other updates to our organization. Just imagine what we'll be able to accomplish during the first few months of 2019.

In many cultures, the New Year is started with a blessing. So I leave you with this ancient one, "May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace."

Ann Turner Dillon

President General



# Fredericksburg Events

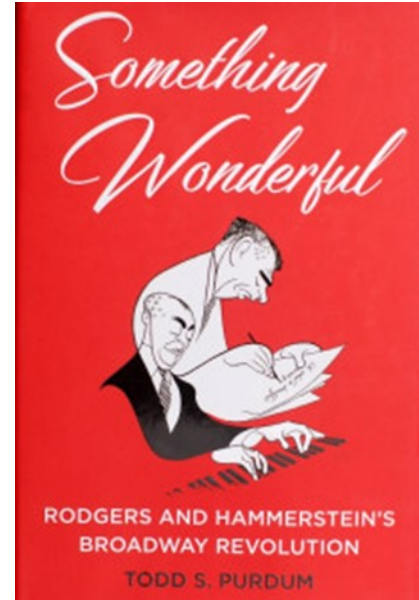
## Great Lives Series

Rodgers and Hammerstein

Lecture Date: January 15, 2019

As creators of classic Broadway musicals such as *Oklahoma!*, *Carousel*, *South Pacific*, *The King and I*, and *The Sound of Music*, Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II were at the forefront of the great age of songwriting. Pioneering the new art form of serious musical plays, their song and dance numbers served to advance the drama and reveal character, constituting a sharp break from the past and creating the template on which all future musicals would be built.

Though often distant from each other personally, the two men together became cultural icons whose work largely defined post-war America on stage, screen, television, and radio. Even now, decades later, their classic songs retain their popularity and emotional power.

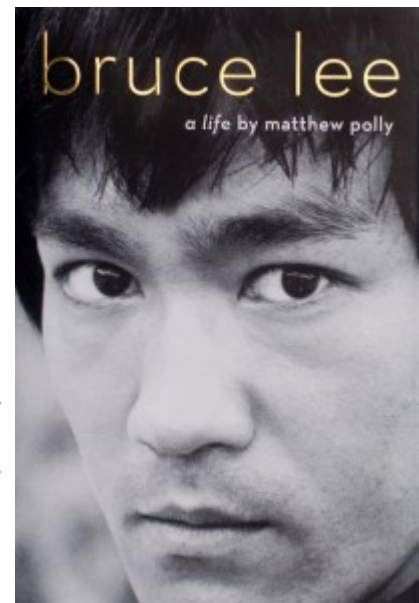


## Bruce Lee

Lecture Date: January 22, 2019

Bruce Lee died a month before the release of *Enter the Dragon* (1973), the movie which turned him into an international icon. His fame was almost entirely posthumous. Unlike James Dean or Marilyn Monroe, he lacked a well-defined celebrity persona. To satisfy fans ravenous for details about his life, dozens of special edition magazines and quickie biographies were cranked out, filled with fictionalized accounts of his heroic deeds. Many of these tall tales were cemented in the public's consciousness by the Hollywood biopic, *Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story* (1993).

Shockingly, no one had ever, until now, written a comprehensive biography of the most famous Asian-American in the world. Most of the information about Bruce was spread out across martial arts magazines, self-published memoirs, and low budget documentaries — few providing sourcing for their claims. The legend had become fact, so they printed the legend. Over the course of seven years and over a hundred interviews with family, friends, and colleagues, Matthew Polly set out to uncover the man buried beneath the legend. He reveals in a talk, based on his new book, the real Bruce Lee—his weaknesses, strengths, failures, and triumphs that made him an inspirational figure to millions of fans across the globe.



## DAR Museum Events

Museum Show & Tell

January 8, 2019

12:00-1:00

Want to get up close and personal with objects from the DAR Museum collection? The DAR Museum curators have each picked out 1 object from the collection to take out of its case so you can experience it without barriers. Some of these objects have a hidden secret, or moving parts that the curators will demonstrate. Don't miss this opportunity to explore the DAR Museum collection in a new way!



## DAR Featured Object

In 2004 the Food and Drug Administration approved the use of leeches for medical treatment, so jars like this one from the DAR Museum's collection could start becoming more commonplace. For thousands of years, leeches were used for bloodletting, a common medical procedure dating back as far as ancient Egypt. It was thought that too much bile in the bloodstream caused sicknesses and thus illnesses could be cured or averted by letting blood, often in very large quantities. Even George Washington received this popular treatment, which was thought to cure a wide variety of illnesses and even headaches, obesity and mental illness. The use of leeches peaked in the early 19th century, particularly in Europe, causing the species to almost go extinct.



This jar, which would have been found in an apothecary shop, dates between 1820 and 1840 and was possibly manufactured by Leeds Pottery in Yorkshire, England.

The use of leeches in treating sick patients has made a comeback in recent years, but not for bloodletting. Today leeches are used to draw excess blood from reattached limbs. The benefit of leech therapy isn't the amount of blood a leech can draw, though. Leeches can draw only about two teaspoons of blood before getting full. Instead, the powerful anti-clotting agent contained in leech saliva keeps blood flowing for hours.

## State Conference



It is that time of year again when we start looking for volunteers to staff the Exhibits Room at State Conference in March. This is a great opportunity for District V Daughters to serve.

Volunteers will greet members, help State Chairs distribute handouts in District mail bags, assist DAR Schools Committee with sales, and help with clean up on Saturday afternoon. Three volunteers per shift are needed on Friday and Saturday; two volunteers are needed on Thursday. The exhibits will be in the (TBA ~ to be announced room) Chapter Regents are welcome to volunteer just be sure it doesn't conflict with business sessions or your other duties.

All volunteers receive a certificate of recognition.

Please forward this to your members attending State Conference and ask interested volunteers to contact Susan Postle with their first and second choice of shifts, cell phone number, email and chapter. Susan's contact information is: [susanp.dar@gmail.com](mailto:susanp.dar@gmail.com) or (571) 228-8166.

### **Thursday, March 14 (Assist with set up)**

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

### **Friday, March 15**

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Closed During Memorial Service (2:00 to 3:30)

\*3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

(note: 3:00 pm or as soon as the Memorial Service ends)

### **Saturday, March 16**

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (Assist with Clean Up; will probably be finished by 5:00)





*Monument Terrace - Lynchburg*

*Please Hold the Date:*

*Lynchburg Chapter, NSDAR  
110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration*

*Sunday, April 7, 2019  
2-4 p.m.*

*Ploughcroft Tea Room  
1215 Commerce Street, Lynchburg, VA 24504*

*A Formal Invitation Will Be Forthcoming*

*Susan Reeves, Regent  
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