



July 2016

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2016-2017

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Falls of the Rappahannock

Chapter NSDAR



Falls of the Rappahannock
Chapter, NSDAR
invites you to



Historic
Downtown
Fredericksburg

St. George's
Episcopal Church
905 Princess Anne Street
Fredericksburg, VA

Join Us for Tea
July 23, 2016 at One p.m.

The tea will be catered and served by the Rappahannock Colonial Heritage Society

Email myrawigDAR@gmail.com or Call 540-371-3906 for reservations
70 Briarwood Dr. Fredericksburg, VA 22405

Seating is limited \$30 per person

Pre-payment is required. Mail check to above address by July 9, 2016
A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the State Regent's Project

Ladies, I haven't heard from a good number of you as to whether you are coming to the tea or not. **Our "drop dead" date for me to hear from you is Sunday, July 17.** I have to let the Colonial Society know our numbers. Currently we have 37 coming but only 2 from our chapter. This is one of the easiest fundraisers we could have. Please let me hear from you.

There is no July meeting but I thought I would take this opportunity to pass on some things we learned at Continental Congress. The chapter was well represented by Alicia Hillmer, Venise Lewis, Jo Sanderson, Miranda Sanderson-Callard, Ginny Sanderson Pepe, Donna Sayre, and Myra Wiggins. If I missed anyone, please let me know. I think we all enjoyed it. So look inside for info on different topics and some pictures from various things.

CHAPTER CHAT

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

State Board of Management—Sat. July 16 in Bristol VA. The Call for this has already been emailed to the members.

District V Annual Meeting on Sat. August 13 at the Springfield Country Club. I just sent the Call out for this.

Fall Forum which will be Sept 16-18 in Roanoke. Hotel reservation & other information will soon be available on the VADAR Members Only Web site. I will send out information to everyone when I know more.

These meetings are very important as far as keeping up with what is going on in our neck of the woods. There is a lot of information disseminated at each of these meetings which will be helpful as the DAR year gets started up in the Fall. I highly encourage you to attend if you can.

DUES ARE DUE!

The \$3 increase in National dues was approved at Congress. Also approved was an increase in the amount we send to the President General's Project...from \$2 to \$2.50 per year. You have the option of paying it annually or paying \$7.50 at the beginning of the new administration (now). It is included in the Dues reminder later in the newsletter.



Installation of Officers for 2016-2017



We welcomed New Members Anne Kline and Elizabeth Ernst at the June meeting.

July



Alicia Hillmer	July 1
Peggy Neel	July 7
Betty DiRisio	July 8
Sandy Eastlick	July 11
Janeice Raiche	July 19
Sonja Johnson	July 21
Anne Kline	July 22
Deborah Stuhlman	July 25
Katie Brandon	July 29
Emily Broton	July 29
Martha Harding	July 29

Janeice Raiche and her husband have retired and moved to Florida. Her new address is 1100 S. Belcher Rd, #124, Largo FL 33771. We will miss you Janeice.

Donna Sayre has a new email. Please add it to your yearbooks. **DSayreDAR@gmail.com**

Falls of the Rappahannock Fundraiser Tea

July 23, 2016

1—3 pm

St. George's Episcopal Church

The invitation to the fundraiser tea we will be having in July is on the front page of the newsletter. **Please invite and encourage friends and family to come.** We currently have 37 reservations. We are hoping for 60-70 people to attend. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the State Regent's Project.

Although this is a fundraiser for our chapter, it is being catered by the Rappahannock Colonial Heritage Society. If chapter members, prospective members etc. wish to attend we will need to make a reservation just as other guests do. Please support us in this fundraising effort. I look forward to adding your name to our list. *Myra*

Reflections on the 2016 Virginia Luncheon at Continental Congress

As a new member of the Falls of the Rappahannock, I feel very privileged to have attended the 2016 VA luncheon at the Ronald Reagan Building in Washington, DC on June 16th. It was such a festive and patriotic atmosphere with the display of the colors and the recitation in unison of the American Creed. It was also a very humbling experience to be seated with over 1,000 elegantly dressed ladies from all over the country so passionate about patriotism and the preservation of American history for our future generations.



Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer, who provided the luncheon address was an eloquent speaker who provided a very moving account of her role in DAR over the years. At times she spoke like a storyteller keeping you glued to her next words. Her keynote address truly provided a unique perspective about her lengthy career as a flight attendant during the Vietnam War and how she was able to make such a difference in the lives of the unsuspecting and naive young men heading over to this new foreign land referred to as Vietnam. Her support for the families of these young men when their beloved sons were so suddenly returned home in caskets was very moving. Mindy Tidmore Kammeyer's role as a Daughter, really emphasized that even something that may seem like the most insignificant thing to us such as giving out flags at the airport or participating in a welcoming ceremony for returning vets, has the potential to greatly impact the lives of so many. Attending this luncheon reminded me of our duty to love, respect and cherish our country and most importantly to remember all that our patriots have sacrificed for us.



Venise Lewis

Falls of the Rappahannock Executive Board Meeting

Your new Executive Board will be meeting on August 7 to plan the coming year. Now is the time for you to be thinking about what committee you would like to serve on and also to let us know if there is something that YOU would like for us to do as a chapter. I have the Member Interest Surveys that were filled out at the New/Prospective Member tea and will be looking at those again to see what you have indicated. There are also several committees that weren't on that survey. They are State & District level committees. You would be the Chapter Chair for the committee, not a chair at the State or District level. I will add those to the Member Interest Survey so if you filled one out earlier, please take a look and see if you are interested in any of these committees.

Or, **is there a topic that you would like to see us address as a program?** If you want to hear about a particular subject and don't know someone to speak on the topic we will try to find someone. This is YOUR chapter. You can let Susan Harvin (srharvin@msn.com), Alicia Hillmer (alicia7183@msn.com) or me (myrawigDAR@gmail.com) know.

I must say that there were quite a number of responses to the Member Interest Survey and a wide range of interests. That is wonderful!! Thank you!!!

MEMBER INTEREST SURVEY

When we had the New / Prospective Member Tea in January, I handed out a Member Interest Survey. I am going to be emailing that to our local members soon. It outlines the various committees. I have included State & District level committees on the form I am emailing out. Those of you who have already given us your feedback, please take a look and see if you are interested in any of the committees that are listed as State & District level committees (see above).

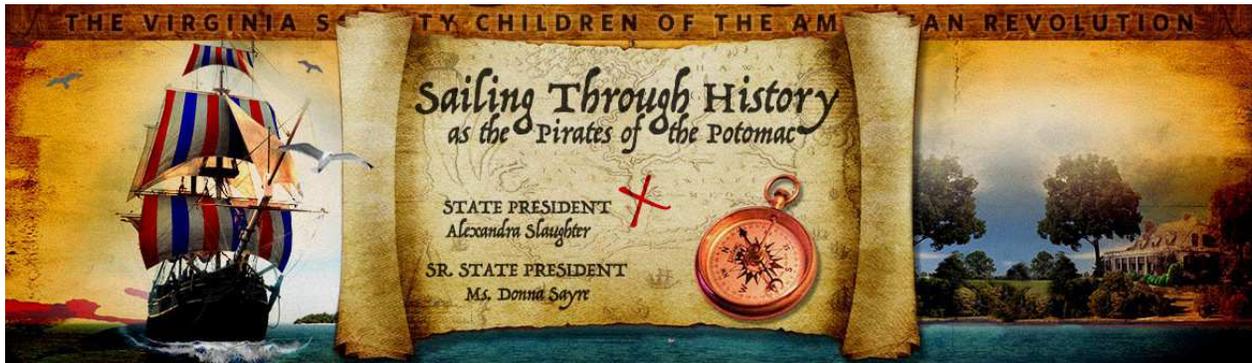
You can let me (myrawigDAR@gmail.com), Susan Harvin (srharvin@msn.com) or Alicia Hillmer (alicia7183@msn.com) know what committees you would be interested in serving on for the coming year. We will take that information to our Board meeting in August to help us plan our year.

Photo Permission Form

Alicia has been working on our new website & FaceBook page and with that comes the need for updating our photo permission form. For some this is a first time. I will attach the form to the email with the newsletter. It is a fillable PDF form. Please fill out, sign digitally (just type your name on the line), check off what we may use (name, email, photo with name, photo without name) and email back to me. Or print it, fill it in, sign and get it back to me. This will also serve as permission for the newsletter. I sent one out recently. This is a new one from National so please do a new one and get to me (Myra). Thanks



VIRGINIA SOCIETY CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



V.S.C.A.R. 1st State Workshop
July 30 at Rippon Lodge in Woodbridge VA

Virginia C.A.R. State President Alex Slaughter, has chosen for her project the restoration of the cemetery at Rippon Lodge in Prince William County. The first State Workshop will be held at Rippon Lodge on July 30. This is a fun event for everyone! There is a lot of work that goes into preparing skirts and other things to make it fun for the younger kids as well as more “seasoned” C.A.R. Senior Leaders. This is where information for the coming year is disseminated so bring your kids and come on out! It’s a great opportunity for them to make new friends. Email Donna Sayre if you have any questions - DSayreDAR@gmail.com

Celebrate America Hours are now Service to America Hours

Continue to keep track of your hours of meaningful volunteer service. The Dillon administration wants to continue to track the impact we are having on our communities.

Ideas for meaningful service:

- Donate blood
- Volunteer at an historic site
- Collect books and donate them to the local library or schools
- Volunteer at a 5K race that supporting worthy cause
- Welcome home active duty personnel
- Volunteer at a church, school or hospital

****Online Volunteer Opportunity**** Categorize documents for the Supporting Documentation Project

<http://www.dar.org/members/committees/special-committees/dar-genealogy-preservation/supporting-documentation-project>

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CELEBRATE AMERICA!

Daughters have logged **14,383,078 service hours** during the Young Administration (2013–2016)!! Way to go!

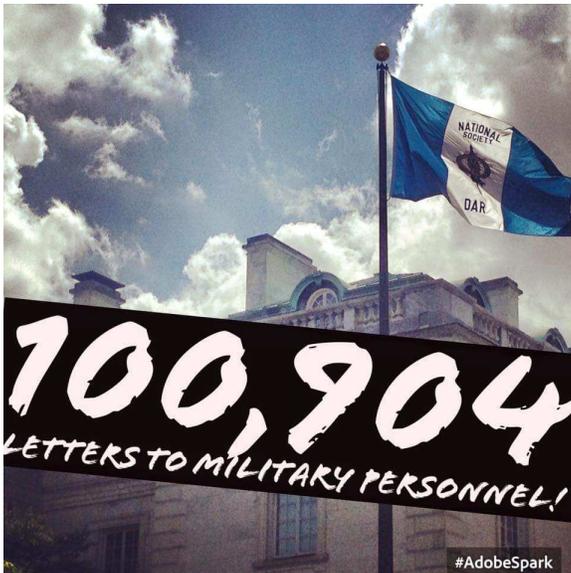
There are so many ways to be a blessing to the community. Give your Service to America and track those hours! To record your hours, go to <http://services.dar.org/members/committees/ServiceToAmerica/>. If you need help logging your hours, please contact Alicia Hillmer at 540-287-2787 or alicia7183@msn.com.

125th Continental Congress 2016



The chapter was well represented by Alicia Hillmer, Venise Lewis, Jo Sanderson, Miranda Sanderson-Callard, Ginny Sanderson Pepe, Donna Sayre, and Myra Wiggins. Here is a re-cap of some of the things we saw and did.

DAR GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ Attempt at Continental Congress Can We Set a Record in Patriotism?



Oh Yes!!! We can. We needed 10,000 letters to beat the current record at the time. As you can see from the picture, we made that and MANY times more!!

This is just phenomenal!!!!

Do you know a great teacher?

The Educational Resources Committee is working to create a vibrant resource for new and veteran teachers alike full of lesson plans relating to America, its history, government, heritage, genealogy, as well as related language and/or math topics. If you know a teacher who would be willing to submit a lesson plan, please send her to this page on DAR public website for more information and the resources she needs to submit a plan: <http://www.dar.org/national-society/education/dar-educational-resources> AH

2016-2017 Essay Contests

The American history contest is open to kids in 5th-8th grade. This year's topic is Celebrating a Century: America's National Parks.

The Christopher Columbus essay contest is open to kids in 9th-12 grades with a topic this year of Technology's Impact on the Voyage of Christopher Columbus. You can support the work of this committee by putting us in touch with kids who want to participate. Please let me know if you:

Have a child or grandchild in grades 5-12

Know of any homeschool group or child in grades 5-12

Have contacts at any schools, public or private, that teach grades 5-12

Send contact information to Alicia Hillmer at alicia7183@msn.com or 540-287-2787 or bring to a chapter meeting. AH

Hello Daughters! by Ann Dillon, President General

It was an honor to be installed as your new President General this morning. I would like to introduce myself and hope to meet as many of you as I can in these next three years during my term in office. The Dillon Executives installed with me join in expressing our sincere appreciation for the confidence you have placed in us, and we look forward to working with you to promote Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism. Meeting you during our travels is one of the most enjoyable aspects of serving as an executive officer.

Today's DAR Blog will continue as a means of sharing important information with our membership. In addition we plan to include topics of interest to you and provide an inside look at different aspects of our organization. The blog posts will be written by a variety of authors who are involved with the Society, including members and our professional staff. Following the blog will help you remain an informed and active member.

The look of the Today's DAR blog has changed, and I hope you enjoy this new design. If you subscribed to the blog in the past there is no need to re-subscribe, you will continue to receive the blog posts in your email. Encourage your fellow members who have not yet subscribed to do so at <http://blog.dar.org/subscribe-today>

I look forward to telling you more about the exciting things planned in this administration. For now, if you were unable to attend the installation ceremony this morning I want to share my remarks. This will give you a brief overview of some of our goals.

"Thank you. It has been a privilege to serve with the Young Administration. This Executive Committee has been extraordinary in its loyalty to one another and its friendship and support. I appreciate Mrs. Young's invitation to be part of the Celebrate America! team.

Your newly elected Executive Officers join me in expressing appreciation for the confidence you have placed in us to lead the National Society forward into the next quasiquicentennial. Each woman who has worn this wide blue sash or the executive sash has done so with a sense of gratitude, humility and trepidation, as well as awe and wonder in taking the next step to serve the National Society and America. Thank you. It is with pleasure that I announce Beverly Przybylski, PRP, of Oregon, has agreed to continue in service as the National Parliamentarian, pending approval by the National Board of Management.

It is with a grateful heart that I introduce the members of the Dillon Associates Campaign Team seated in the President General's section. Beth Clark-Urban has led the campaign, assisted by Linda Sandlin, Treasurer; Bridget Clark-Cooper, Sales Manager; Jennifer Minus, Congress Event Planner; Lori Cook, Sales Room Manager; Linda Hunt, Decorations; Mercy Carter-Lovick, Volunteer Scheduling; and Lisa Fox, Website Developer. We are also grateful for the state managers who blazed new territory with us by promoting our candidacy without the sale of campaign merchandise. If you have served as a state manager, would you please stand. Thank you.

My family is and has been incredible in their love and support of me through the years. Their care and encouragement has been invaluable. Seated in the President General's box are my husband, Bill; daughters, Susan Dalglish and Diane Glose; sons-in-law Scott Dalglish and Keith Glose, were unable to join us this year. Three of my grandchildren are here, Justin Glose, Sarah Dalglish, whose new member certificate will be the first I sign as President General, and Emily Dalglish. Three other grandsons, Kyle and Caden Glose and James Dalglish were unable to come this year. All of my family is very encouraging and supportive. My cousins Georgia Orr and Emily Orr are also in attendance. Thank you, family.

Finally gratitude is expressed to the Colorado State Society who gave me the encouragement, love and trust to start this journey. Those of you able to attend today and the many still in Colorado who are cheering for me have my sincere appreciation for your support and enthusiasm in seeing a Colorado Daughter elected to the Society's highest office. Would the Colorado Daughters please stand. Thank you.

This summer has included several graduations in my family and I cannot help but compare a graduation to the DAR's installation of new officers. There is an end, with wonderful fond memories, but there is also a time to Move Forward and it is a privilege to take this next step in service to America and to the Daughters of the American Revolution. Capable, strong executive officers have been assembled and installed with me. And, a team of exceptionally talented National Chairs has been appointed as we look forward to continuing many of the initiative started during previous administrations. Each Honorary President General on the Platform today has provided me a "step up." Each one has encourage me, given me opportunities and applauded my efforts while forgiving my errors. Each has been gracious and kind throughout the years and I am grateful.



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President General's Blog (con't)

This administration plans to continue Special Projects Grand, as well as the Celebrate America! Committee, to be renamed Service to America Committee. We want you to continue recording your volunteer hours, so we will again have a measurement of the way we impact our local communities. It is at the chapter level where we have the most ability to influence this nation for good and where most of the work of our organization is accomplished. I applaud you chapter regents who do so much and if there is any way your newly elected officers and appointed chairs can assist you, please contact us. Would all chapter regents please stand so we may recognize and applaud your contribution to the work of the National Society? Thank you. We again plan to celebrate our birthday on October 11 with a National Day of Service, so begin to plan ways you will involve all of your members in acts of service to our Nation.

We will ask the Executive Committee to institute a Community Classroom Committee. It is hope that this committee will demonstrate the support, love, care, and concern our members show to other areas of our communities and will consider schools in their neighborhoods in need of the encouragement. A committee of educators has been appointed that together can find ways to encourage teachers and students through notes of appreciation, offers of supplies, anything else this team can suggest that will support schools throughout the country!

An interesting aspect of our Society is its ongoing turnover of leadership. Recognizing the need for constant training, we will encourage states and chapters to begin preparing future leaders and developing a plan to transition new officers and committee chairs so the work of the organization is not interrupted every two to three years, and to prevent officers from becoming entrenched in tasks that need new vision to stay viable. With that in mind, the Membership Committee will begin a New Members Course to be administered at the state level and to provide a structured educational opportunity for new members and new members-at-heart to learn about the DAR and how they can become participating members at all level of the organization. More about these new programs may be found through the Membership Committee.

The National Board of Management will be asked to approve the President General's Project, and you will be asked to ratify their approval at the 126th Continental Congress. Contributions made to this project will be used to continue the restoration and maintenance of our historic complex of buildings and collections, as well as introduce initiatives that will promote the work of the Society and further public recognition of DAR's longstanding service and contributions to the Nation. We will continue to monitor the financial stability of the Society and will continue the promotion of the Guardian Trust Fund and established development programs along with prudent investment strategies.

The scripture for this administration is Jeremiah 6:16, "Stand at the Crossroads and look and ask for the ancient path. Ask where the good way is and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls." The Dillon Spirit of Service Arrow points away from our self in a westward direction in recognition of our many ancestors who expanded this nation from sea to shining sea. It also recognizes there are many paths for service through the various committees promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism. It also represents my personal belief that this nation stands at a crossroads desperately needing to look back to the path created by those who laid its foundations and to remember their sacrifice, their passion and their wisdom. American's greatness does not rest on military might, economic abundance, nor on anything but the gracious favor and care of a prevenient God. As we move forward in service to America, not know what lies ahead, may we continue to acknowledge and depend on His ever present protection and guidance. We ask for your prayers, for your newly elected officers, National, State and Chapter, but we also ask you to pray for this Nation, that she will remember the spirit of service and self-sacrifice of our patriot ancestors and will again find the Ancient Path. I sincerely believe that you and I are on a journey together; not knowing what lies ahead, but trusting the One who knows all things. Thank you."

I so look forward to working with you all over the next three years as we **Move Forward in Service to America!**



Ginnie passing the reins to Joy Surber, our new State Regent



A happy sailor showing off to Mom his letters from DAR.
Part of the letters sent for the Guinness World Record.



This was posted on a FaceBook page and I can't find it to give credit (mw)

Ginnie installed as Vice President General



L to R—Ginny Sanderson Pepe, Vicky Tyler (Jo's sister), Jo Sanderson, Miranda Sanderson-Callard

Mrs. Dillon, new President General





DUES NOTICE

Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter, NSDAR

Member: _____

X all additional
that you choose

- 2015-2016 Dues.....\$60.00
- PG Project donation ** 7.50
- DAR Magazine (optional)..... 18.00
- Chapter Nametag (optional)..... 5.00
- 2015-2016 Chapter Yearbook
optional hard copy.....2.00
- Donation to chapter (optional).... _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

** PG Project donation can be paid as \$2.50 over the 3 year term or all at once at any time during the term.

Return this form, with your check payable to Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter DAR (FOTR NSDAR), to:
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