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"Our Heritage is the Key to Our Future"
Administration theme for 1995-1998

"Providing Education"
Administration mini theme for 1996-1997

"Trails to a Second Century"
KSDAR Centennial Administration Theme

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DEDICATION

As the Kansas Society, Daughters
of the American Revolution,
begins the second year of its
Centennial Administration,
This volume is dedicated
to all **TEACHERS**
who have
PROVIDED EDUCATION
and inspiration
and most especially to
our **PARENTS**
who were our first teachers.



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I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

THE AMERICAN'S CREED

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a Republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

THE DAUGHTERS' PLEDGE

We, the Daughters of the American Revolution, who find rest under thy folds, do pledge our lives, our hearts and our sacred honor to love and protect thee, our country and the liberty of the American people forever.

THE KANSAS CREED

I believe in the State of Kansas as the highest exponent of what a commonwealth should be. Revering her venerable past and glorying in the promise of her future, as she pulls in the Nation's Trace for Freedom, Justice and Equality, through travail to the stars.

I promise to defend her against all enemies, to obey and support her laws and institutions, including the Constitution of the United States of America upon which they are founded; and to ever be a useful, honorable and patriotic citizen.

Louisa Cook Don-Carlos—1936

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STATE REGENT' SCHEDULE

August 1, 1996 to April 25, 1997

1996

August 20	To Topeka to sign Constitution Week Proclamation with Gov. Graves
August 23	To Pawnee Indian Village, meet with Ruth Keys Clark to coordinate arrangements for September 21, 1996
August 24	K.S.C.A.R. Meeting in Council Grove
September 14	Chapter visit with General Edward Hand, Ottawa
September 15	Meet Historian General, NSDAR at KCI, transport to MODAR SFT event
September 15	Executive Committee Meeting, Fort Leavenworth
September 16	State Board of Management Meeting, Riverfront Community Center, Leavenworth
September 16	Northeast District Meeting, Leavenworth
September 17	Southeast District Meeting, Council Grove
September 18	Northwest District Meeting, Lyon
September 19	KSDAR Pilgrimage, Fort Larned
September 20	Southwest District Meeting, Dodge City
September 21	Pawnee Indian Village Day, Republic County
September 22	Return Historian General, NSDAR, to KCI
September 27	Santa Fe Trail Rededication at Lost Springs
October 9	NSDAR Board of Management Meeting, Washington, DC
October 11	National Chairmen's Forum, Washington, DC
October 12	National Board of Management, Washington, DC
October 13-20	New England Tour/Hillside School
October 25	Visit to Randolph Loving Chapter, Wichita
October 25	Centennial Tea with Eunice Sterling Chapter, Wichita Country Club
October 26	Centennial Event with Betty Washington Chapter, Lawrence
November 2	Visit to Sarah Steward Chapter, Smith Center
November 4	Visit to Smoky Hill Chapter, Ellsworth
November 5	Supervising Judge on Election Board
November 7	Visit to Jonathan Gilbert Chapter, Hays Country Club
November 7	Visit to Good-Land Chapter
November 11	Visit to William Wilson Chapter, Garden City

November 12	Visit to Byrd Prewitt Chapter, Ulysses
November 13	Dedication of SFT marker, New Mexico State Society, Las Vegas, NM
November 16	Visit to Samuel Linscott Chapter, Holton
November 18	Visit Desire Tobey Sears Chapter, Mankato
November 19	Visit to Kanza Chapter, Stafford
November 20	Visit to Peleg Gorton Chapter, Winfield
December 8	Visit to Betty Bonney Chapter, Arkansas City
December 9	Visit to Little Osage Trail Chapter, Derby
December 14	Visit to Arthur Barrett Chapter, Marysville
December 23	Speaker at Lions Club, Smith County

1997

January 4	Executive Committee Meeting, Wichita
January 11	Visit to Four Winds Chapter
January 11	Visit to General Edward Hand Chapter, Ottawa
February 1-3	National Board of Management Meeting, Washington DC
February 21	Visit to Molly Foster Berry Chapter, Fort Scott
February 21	Visit to Oceanus Hopkins Chapter, Pittsburg
February 22	Visit to Neodesha Chapter, Fredonia
March 8	Visit to Polly Ogden Chapter, Manhattan
March 8	Speaker at Jackson County Historical Society, Annual Banquet, Holton
March 12	DCW State Meeting, Wichita
March 12	Colonial Dames XVII Century State Meeting, Wichita
March 13	Executive Committee Meeting, Wichita
March 13-15	KSDAR State Conference, Wichita
March 16-18	Colorado State Conference, Denver
March 19-22	Arizona State Conference, Mesa
March 25-27	Utah State Conference, Salt Lake City
April 3-5	Nebraska State Conference, North Platte
April 13-18	Continental Congress, Washington DC
April 25	Visit to Martha Vail Chapter, Kingman

MINUTES

FALL BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

**Riverfront Community Center
Leavenworth, Kansas**

**Monday
September 16, 1996**

The Fall Board of Management of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened at 9:04 a.m., Monday, September 16, 1996 at the Riverfront Community Center , Leavenworth, Kansas with Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, presiding.

Mrs. Albert Hagemann, State Chaplain, gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent. The American's Creed was led by Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary; followed by the first stanza of the National Anthem led by Mrs. Robert Neubert, State Reporter.

Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, welcomed all those present. She stated that the meeting of the Kansas Daughters is special for many reasons--it brings us all together to rekindle friendships, to learn of the programs set forth by the National Society, to hear of the work of our Kansas Society and to inspire us all as we start a new year and celebrate the Centennial of our Kansas Society. *The meeting was also the beginning of a historic tour along the Santa Fe Trail in Kansas, as all Districts were visited.* Distinguished guests were recognized: Mrs. Robert P. Rehl, Historian General; Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General, and Honorary State Regent; Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Honorary State Regent; Mrs. Billy P. Compton, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General; Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General; and Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General. She then introduced the State Officers: Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent; Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain; Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary; Mrs. Alec S. Odevseff, State Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez, State Organizing Secretary; Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, State Treasurer; Mrs. Ray Bendorf, State Registrar; Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian; Mrs. Wayne Cope, State Librarian; and Mrs. Robert M. Neubert, State Reporter. Mrs. Traffas then recognized Mrs. Harold N. Ottaway, State Parliamentarian.

The State Regent recognized the following National Appointments: National Chairman, Continental Congress, Mrs. Richard C. McGehee; National Chairman, Congress Awards, Mrs. Richard D. Standrich; and the following National Vice Chairman, South Central Division: Mrs. W. Ward Marrs, Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship; Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Constitution Week; Mrs. James N. Shirley, DAR Service for Veteran-Patients; Mrs. Robert E. Schweiger, Chapter Achievement Award; Mrs. Charles A. Theis, Insignia; and Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Literacy Challenge. Mrs. Marrs was not present.

Mrs. John D. Afton, Recording Secretary, read Article IX, Section 1 of the State Bylaws.

The chapters represented by their Regent or Vice Regent for roll call were as follows: Abilene, Arthur Barrett, Atchison, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Isabella Weldin, James Ross, John Haupt, Little Arkansas, Marais des Cygnes, Mission Hills, Nathan Edson, Olathe, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Randolph Loving, Sagamore, Shawnee Mission, Tomahawk, Topeka, Wichita, and Wyandot. One National Officer, eleven State Officers and representatives of twenty-five chapters were present. The chair declared a quorum and the meeting proceeded.

Mrs. Traffas appointed Mrs. F. Stephen Warner, Northeast District; Mrs. G. D. Spafford, Northwest District; and Mrs. E. Randal Nelson, Southwest District, to the committee to approve the minutes of the 1996 Fall Board of Management meeting.

The minutes of the March 30, 1996 Spring Board of Management were printed in the Annual Report and Proceedings. There were no corrections so the minutes were approved as printed. Mrs. Traffas gave the State Regent's report, followed by reports of the State Officers.

Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary, read the report of actions of the Executive Committee meeting of September 15, 1996, followed by the reading of the recommendations of the Executive Committee and moved the adoption of each.

Recommendation #1

"That the action of the Executive Committee in placing the 175th Anniversary Santa Fe Trail marker in Rice County by the Kansas Society be ratified. The cost and installation were provided by a Kansas Daughter." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation #2

"That a Junior Club be officially recognized and have the rights and privileges of the Kansas Society's other clubs." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation #3

"That the action of the Executive Committee in commissioning the reproduction of the Cordry book, "Marking the Santa Fe Trail" at a cost of approximately \$350.00, plus tax, be ratified." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation #4

"That the chapters of the Southwest District contribute \$15.00 to the State Conference Treasurer for use in decorations, table favors, hospitality, and door prizes for the 99th State Conference." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation #5

"That the Kansas Society establish a Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund for markers placed by the Kansas Society. The funds shall be placed in an interest bearing reserve account." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation #6

"That members contributing \$25.00 or more to the Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund will receive a complimentary copy of the 1996 printing of *Marking the Santa Fe Trail* by Mrs. T. A. Cordry." The recommendation was adopted.

The floor was opened to nominations for the position of Chairman of the State Nominating Committee. Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark nominated Mrs. David J. Stone and Mrs. Robert Schweiger nominated Mrs. Richard C. McGehee. Mrs. McGehee requested that her name be withdrawn. Mrs. Schweiger regretfully agreed to the withdrawal. Mrs. David J. Stone was elected as the Chairman of the State Nominating Committee.

The benediction was given by Mrs. Hagemann, State Chaplain, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

The following State Chairmen of National and State Committees present and reporting were: Mrs. Larry Overmiller, American Heritage; Mrs. John Mowen, American Indians; Mrs. Kenneth Rice, DAR Scholarship; Mrs. Dennis Owens, C.A.R.; Mrs. Oliver I. West, National Defense; Mrs. Murray D. Lull and Mrs. Laurence Hagen, Genealogical Records; Mrs. Kenneth Fager, DAR School; Mrs. Gus Ramirez, Membership; Mrs. Rick Bullock, Jr. Membership; Elizabeth Ann Roark, DAR Magazine; Mrs. Richard Hartzler, DAR Good Citizens; Mrs. David J. Stone, Chapter Achievement Award; Mrs. Arthur Liestman, DAR Service for Veteran-Patients; Mrs. Leon A. Torkelson, Literacy Challenge; Mrs. Robert Schweiger, Lineage Research; Mrs. Kenneth Rice, Kansas DAR Scholarship; Mrs. Wayne Cope, KSDAR Library; Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, KSDAR Centennial Celebration; Mrs. Richard D. Standrich, KSDAR Centennial Events; Mrs. Kevin Smith, 1997 State Conference Chairman; Mrs. Frank Huffman, Conference Marshal; Mrs. G. D. Spafford, Kansas Chapel; Mrs. Kim Clair, State Regent's Project; and Mrs. James Shirley, Leavenworth VAVS Representative. Mrs. Robert Schweiger reported for Laurie Schweiger, The Flag of the United States of America.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Corrine L. Afton
State Recording Secretary

Minutes Approved by:
Mrs. F. Stephen Warner
Mrs. G. D. Spafford
Mrs. E. Randal Nelson

FALL TOUR 1996

A goodly number of Kansas Daughters, Mrs. Robert P. Rehl, Historian General, NSDAR; and Jane Mallinson, NSDAR Representative on the Santa Fe National Historic Advisory Council joined Missouri Daughters in Kansas City, MO on September 15, 1996 for the rededication of a Santa Fe Trail marker in Schumacher Park at 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Rehl was the speaker for the historic occasion which was part of the celebration of the 175th observance of the Santa Fe Trail.

Following the re-dedication, Kansas State Officers traveled to historic Ft. Leavenworth for an overnight stay in Hoge Hall. The regular fall Executive Committee Meeting was held later that evening.

On Monday morning, September 16, 1996 the Board of Management Meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. in the Riverfront Community Center following coffee and registration at 8:00 a.m. A lovely luncheon was provided at noon with Atchison and Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapters of the Northeast District as hosts. The Northeast District Meeting with Mrs. G. M. Ramirez, District Director, presiding was held in the afternoon. After the meeting, those who were going on the Santa Fe Trail Bus Trip departed for the parking lot of the Wal-Mart Store in Leavenworth.

Down the Santa Fe Trail - 1996

The feel of excitement was in the air as thirty-two Kansas Daughters, one National Officer and one HODAR boarded the wagon train for a trip to Topeka and points beyond. Loading baggage and supplies took some time but eventually everything was situated and Ben, the driver, yelled, "Wagons Ho!" Little did we realize the coming week was to be the most fun-filled, action-packed and rip-roaring week on the Santa Fe Trail for all of us.

Our trail bosses had spent much time in preparation for the trip. Mrs. Traffas distributed copies of history about many of the spots we visited and she recited much of the history as we rode along. She had a repertoire of songs that were sung which added much to the enjoyment. Mrs. Ruth Clark had prepared a booklet of pencil and paper games and brought along numerous items to make our trip enjoyable such as novels on video, sewing kit, stapler, paper towels, handi-wipes, magnifying glass and t.p., to mention a few. A neat system of "passport out" when leaving the wagon train and "passport in" when returning helped determine if everyone was aboard. Trail boss Kim Clair was not able to make the trip but had made arrangements before we left in regard to overnight camping places and chow halls. The trip was enhanced by the efforts of all three of them and we certainly appreciated their care and concern for our comfort. Ben, our driver, was a good sport and handled those horses very well.

We arrived in Topeka before sunset at Furr's Cafeteria for our first meal. We stayed all night at the Liberty Inn and were up and ready to "roll" the next morning by 7:00 a.m., bound for Council Grove. The Council Oak

Chapter members with Mrs. Rick Sellers, Regent, were gracious hosts. Mrs. Ralph French, Jr., District Director, was in charge of the Southeast District Meeting. Following a delicious luncheon and "Tales of a Wagonmaster" by Graham Newcomer, everyone gathered at the Madonna of the Trail Statue for a ceremony. Mrs. Rick Sellers made the following narration.

The Madonna of the Trail Statue

As a traveler comes over the Santa Fe Trail at night, from the east or west, a beautiful monument, appearing more as a mirage than a reality, looms as a tribute to the past and a promise to the future of the Santa Fe Trail.

In 1928, this "Madonna of the Trail" was placed here by the Daughters of the American Revolution, to mark the National Old Trails of which the Santa Fe Trail is a part. They chose for their monument, a pioneer mother, as a symbol of the conquering the wilderness and establishing permanent homes.

Preservation of the old, covered wagon trails began in Missouri, about 1909. A group of women formed a committee which secured state funds to locate the original Santa Fe Trail in Missouri and mark it permanently with boulders and monuments. Little did they realize the magnitude of that first step toward a nationwide memorial to their foremother.

In 1911, the NSDAR established the Old Trails Road Committee to institute a great national memorial highway with monuments from coast to coast. A year later, the National Old Trails Road Association was established. Judge Harry S. Truman was appointed president of the Association. The DAR first planned to erect 5,050 sign posts or markers but found this to be duplication and very expensive (\$30,000). So at the thirty-third Continental Congress which assembled in 1924, resolved that all these plans be discontinued, and that the Old Trails Road would be marked with twelve large statues, one in each of the twelve states through which the Old Trail Road passes.

Mrs. John Moss, National DAR Commission Chairman, recommended a design by St. Louis sculptor August Leimbach. His finished model was named "Madonna of the Trail" by the DAR National Committee, and depicts the hardy woman of covered wagon days. Each statue is of heroic but dignified proportions, ten feet high on a six-foot base, all resting on a concrete foundation which stands two feet above the ground. The entire monument is eighteen feet high and weighs twenty tons. Missouri granite is used as an aggregate in the Algnite statue, lending the monument a warm, pink shade.

The twelve monuments were all poured in the same mold. Upon completion they were shipped to their respective sites and erected with local cooperation. The figures cost \$1000 each, the total \$12000 being borne by the DAR chapters of all forty-eight states. Each chapter receiving a memorial assumed expenses for the freight, mounting, and dedication ceremonies.

In Kansas, nine cities petitioned to be reviewed by the committee for the city that received the statue. The seven committee members met at the Hotel

Muehlbach, Kansas City, MO on Thursday, September 29, 1927 and toured the nine cities. Council Grove was chosen as the most important and worthy place in Kansas for the erection of the monument. The Council Oak Chapter was just a young chapter of less than two years, when all this excitement was happening, and in chapter minutes of October 1927 the chapter received a letter of congratulations on the approval of the site of the Madonna Statue, and that "she" would arrive in September. The town had to prepare a site-AND to raise the funds!

The old campground where the freighters and trailsmen gathered and organized their long caravans of wagons and pack animals and elected their train bosses for the journey west, seemed to be the perfect site. The whole town got into the project. The old campground needed work, and the fill dirt needed was hauled by means of contests between two town teams, who were competing to bring in the most dirt in the shortest time. Ladies served lemonade to the teams. They had Benefit Bridge and raised \$30.52. They made costumes for an operetta entitled, "The Quest of the Pink Parasol" and raised \$50.00. A member, Lillian Brigham, was commissioned to make the inscription of the local history that appears on the north side of the base of the statue.

The day finally arrived for the "uncrating" of the Madonna and the placing of her on the prepared base. The whole affair was festive for the dedication. There was a parade that featured historical figures of the Santa Fe Trail, a long whiskers contest, ice cream feed, cute baby contest, a ball game, a picnic, a wild west show and more.

This park is maintained by the City of Council Grove. The Council Oak Chapter oversees the park, and has donated several items, including the flag pole, concrete benches and several plantings of trees. The park is considered "the DAR Park" and the civic groups and city always ask our permission and feedback of any improvements or changes in the park.

The old campground is now known as Madonna Park. The ground with the Post Office Oak at one edge and the beautiful "Madonna of the-Trail" standing in the center is a tribute to the enterprising adventures and merchants of yesterday and a solemn reminder for us today that all progress in our civilization is the result of the faith and hope of a free people.

--by Jody Sellers

Down the Santa Fe Trail, continued.

Upon departing from Council Grove with Colleen Anderson as guide, we drove to the Diamond Spring and Lost Spring for a short stop to view the markers. It was a little tricky at Diamond Spring for our driver, Ben, but he got those horses under control and we were on our way to McPherson. Our evening meal was served by Sirloin Stockade and we camped all night September 17, 1996 at the Best Western Holiday Manor.

The next morning, September 18, 1996, we were up early and off to

Lyons but one of the wagons got lost due to a wrong turn. We finally made connections and all arrived in Lyons where the members of the Stone Corral Chapter, with Mrs. Gerald Nixon, Regent, greeted us warmly and served a nice luncheon. Mrs. Martin Robl, District Director, chaired the Northwest District Meeting. After the meeting we toured the Rice County Museum and drove to Ralph's Ruts to dedicate a new marker in observance of the 175th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail. We then drove to Plum Buttes to view the marker that had been returned to its original site on the Bayer Farm. Our next stop was in Ellinwood where members of the Jeremiah Howard Chapter greeted us warmly and served refreshments. On our way to Larned, we stopped at Pawnee Rock and were able to walk around on top, view the statue and think of past history that happened at the spot.

The next morning, September 19, Dr. David Clapsaddle joined our wagon train to give us a guided tour of Larned before going to the Trail Center for the Pilgrimage. Many of the Daughters wore prairie costumes to the Fort Larned National Historic Site. Refreshments were served in the Officer's Quarters and the tour of the fort and grounds was led by a uniformed Lieutenant in 1860's military dress. The noon luncheon of whole roasted pig with apple in mouth was provided by the Fort Larned Chapter, Mrs. Robert Williams, Regent, and Margaret Corbet, Chair; Kanza Chapter, Mrs. G. L. Scholes, Regent; and Jeremiah Howard Chapter, Mrs. Alvin Klein, Regent. We enjoyed group singing with autoharp accompaniment and a slide show of historic houses in Kansas.

The group departed that afternoon for Dodge City where we visited Front Street and Boot Hill and lightened our purses. After the evening meal, some travelers took a trip to the KSDAR Library and others crawled in their bunk early that night.

On September 20, the Southwest District Meeting was held in Dodge City with Dodge City Chapter, Mrs. Ralph Oringderff, Regent, as hostess. Mrs. Wayne Cope, District Director was in charge of the meeting. Bat Masterson made an appearance and presented Deputy Marshal badges to the Historian General and State Regent. Ben, the driver, informed them that their powers were null and void after leaving city limits so they hurriedly made some arrests. From Dodge City, we traveled to Great Bend, stopping to water the horses, then on to Brookville where we dined in style. After dinner, we journeyed on to Salina for our last night of camping. The next morning we drove to the Pawnee Indian Village in Republic County.

A beautiful day dawned on the Kansas prairie on Saturday, September 21, 1996, providing a colorful stage for the ceremony and the singing of, *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies* and *God Bless America*.

A very interesting tour of the museum led by Mr. Richard Gould, Site Curator for the Kansas State Historical Society was enjoyed by the group. The culture of the Pawnee Indians was depicted in a natural setting.

Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, presided during the Rededication as a Color Guard of Boy Scouts from Belleville lowered the Spanish Flag and raised the Flag of the United States of America. A lovely red, white and blue

wreath with live sunflowers was placed at the monument. The invocation was led by Mrs. Albert Hagemann, State Chaplain; and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Howard Walker, State Vice Regent. Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary, led the American's Creed; and Mrs. Gus Ramirez, State Organizing Secretary, led in the singing of the National Anthem. Mr. Richard Gould gave opening remarks, followed by a presentation by Mrs. Robert Rehl, Historian General, NSDAR.

Remarks by Mrs. Robert P. Rehl

On October 1, 1890, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was founded with three objectives: Historic preservation, promotion of education, and patriotic endeavor. These three objective still prevail today and throughout the past 106 years, daughters, chapters and states have put up monuments to historic places and have placed markers on the graves of Revolutionary Soldiers and their wives and daughters.

Only a few years after its founding, Daughters of Missouri, Kansas, Colorado and New Mexico began erecting some 200 markers commemorating the Santa Fe Trail. As late as 1994 the Oklahoma DAR placed two more markers on the Cimarron Route.

The history of the placement of this marker which we are rededicating today has been a very interesting one for me to study and I should like to share some of that history with you.

The original dedication in 1906 took four days. Wednesday was Women's Day. The DAR was represented by Mrs. Albert H. Horton representing Mrs. Donald McLean, President General. Mrs. Horton said, "It seems eminently fitting that the Daughters of the American Revolution should assist in the first centennial celebration in Kansas not only because we belong to a patriotic society, but because it was a woman who first conceived the idea of preserving this spot from oblivion and whose untiring efforts created an interest which has resulted in the erection of a beautiful monument upon the site of the Old Pawnee village and the assembling here today of so many patriotic Kansans.

At the laying of the cornerstone of the Pike monument on July 4, 1901, Margaret Hill McCarter quoted George Elliott in her address, saying, "There has been no great people without possessions and the man who thinks himself too wise to be moved by them, to anything but contempt is like the puddle that was proud of standing alone while the river rushed by." She spoke of being so proud to be a Kansas woman, to represent in her own humble fashion the women of her state. She said that this day was one that the historian must mark with a white stone and for the honor of it she would rather have a part upon this program than on that of any other celebration in all Kansas history. These women were truly proud of their Kansas history.

It was interesting to me that Mrs. McCarter was born in the little town of Carthage, Indiana only 4 miles from the little town of Knightstown where I

grew up although we were of a different generation. I as Historian General am proud to be speaking here today on this historic occasion where we are rededicating what has gone before us 90 years ago.

This all began with Elizabeth Agamonta Johnson, Mrs. George, who was born in New York City in 1853. She was educated at the Baird Street Public School, New Brunswick, New Jersey and later a student at the convent of the Sacred Heart in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. From 1867 to 1873 she lived at Brookfield, Missouri. Her husband, George, was also born in New York. He later settled on White Rock Creek in Republic County in February 1869 where he and Elizabeth lived after their marriage. Mrs. Johnson became interested in Pike's Pawnee village in 1874. That year she had returned to Brookfield to visit her father. When she told her father where she lived, he replied that he did not know where Republic County was and asked her for the latitude and longitude, which was the way he had learned geography, but Mrs. Johnson did not know what he was talking about so she got an atlas and showed him where she lived. Her father sat and thought for awhile and then said, "If I am not mistaken that is near where Pike encountered the Pawnee village where the Spanish flag was flying and took it down and put up the stars and stripes." Have you ever heard anything about it in that part of the country? Elizabeth told him she had not and then her father told her of the travels of Lt. Pike.

Mrs. Johnson went home with the intent of looking for the village. She spent much time looking the country over, but could find out nothing at all. A band of Otoe Indians came to that part of the country and she asked them if they knew about the site of any village around but they wouldn't tell her anything. In the spring of 1875 some neighbors wanted to go fishing in the Republic River about three miles from the Johnson home. Elizabeth went along. They came to a place with little embankments which had been around wigwams and streets which were laid out as orderly as in any city. Always thinking about the lost village, she began working on the theory that this was indeed the Pawnee village where Pike had raised the flag. Mrs. Johnson read Pike's journals and was fully convinced that this was the place even though Nebraska claimed that it was near Red Cloud. She was often laughed at for her preoccupation with the village. She several times prevented the land from being plowed up. Finally her husband told her to buy the acreage. By using the journals and the earthworks and natural mounds and slopes as described in Pike's journal she convinced authorities in both Kansas and Nebraska that this was the site. Nebraska relinquished the claim and the Johnsons purchased the quarter that contained the site for \$1300. They later deeded the land to the State of Kansas in 1899. The Kansas legislature enacted legislation making an appropriation for fencing and suitable marking the said premises, and placing the same under the care and control of the Kansas State Historical Society. This was approved unanimously by both houses of the legislature on February 14, 1901.

Mrs. Johnson was thwarted in her efforts by Dr. Elliott Coues, a member of the National Academy of Sciences who said she had failed in every

attempt to locate the precise site of the Pawnee village. He was using a map by Gregg of 1844. Gregg had never been to the Republic river and his calculations were incorrect as were the latitudinal findings of Pike himself. In January 1896 the Kansas State Historical Society appointed a commission to investigate the question of the identity of the village. After much study of the Pawnee Republic Historical Society which was the inception of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, a committee of this society explored the Republican River and found no evidence of any other Indian encampment to correspond with Pike's description. In view of all the facts in the case the commissions of the Kansas State Historical Society reported their opinion that the site on Section 3, township 2 south, range 5 west in Republic County, Kansas is the site of the village of the Pawnee Republic at which Lt. Pike on the part of the United States, induced the Indians to haul down the Spanish flag and fly in its stead the stars and stripes. After the Pawnee Republic Historical Society had produced this evidence and had communicated its information to Dr. Elliott Coues at the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC that gentleman was quick to appreciate the importance of the discoveries made and to write to members and officials of his hearty acceptance of the correct place, and so Elizabeth Johnson's dream culminated in this glorious marker. I hope you have enjoyed this little bit of Kansas history. Thank you.

Remarks by Dr. Ramon Powers

Mrs. Traffas, Mrs. Rehl, Mrs. Hagemann, other members of the Daughters of the American Revolution, friends and supporters of the Pawnee Indian Village State Historic Site, thank you for inviting me to appear at this rededication ceremony here at the monument memorializing Zebulon Pike.

The Pawnee Indian Village State Historic Site is one of sixteen sites around the state administered by the Kansas State Historical Society. Richard Gould, our excellent curator, has welcomed you. I, also, welcome you.

We welcome the members of the DAR who are here today (compatriots-- I am a member of the Sons of the American Revolution) as partners in the business of preserving and promoting history. Many of the DAR members have just participated in a tour of Santa Fe Trail sites over the past few days. They have observed markers along the Trail that were placed by members of their organization, in cooperation with the Kansas State Historical Society, during the first decade of this century.

We are here today to commemorate a marker that the state of Kansas placed at this site at about the same time as the Santa Fe Trail markers were installed. I want to speak today briefly about the marker here at the Pawnee Indian Village Site. I, also, want to emphasize our responsibility for preserving history and finding meaning in our past. Our common goals can lead to future collaborative efforts.

On September 29, 1806, one hundred and ninety years ago, the explorer Captain Zebulon Montgomery Pike visited a Pawnee Indian village in this

area and hoisted the American flag over the village, thereby replacing the Spanish flag that had flown there previously.

Elizabeth Johnson, who lived in the area in the 1890s, acquired this site, and she and her husband donated it to the state in 1901. On September 29, 1896, a large crowd celebrated the 90th anniversary of the Pike flag raising.

The present monument was unveiled on September 30, 1901; and five years later on the centennial anniversary of Pike's visit, a four-day program was held. The first day was designated Woman's Day, the second Historical Day, the third Grand Army Day, and the fourth Pike's Day. The State Superintendent of Education directed that every public school in the state devote an hour to the story of Pike and the flag. (The first director of the Kansas State Historical Society was involved in efforts to tie the Pike visit to this site.)

Controversy between Nebraska and Kansas over the exact location of the Pike visit persisted for many years. Smithsonian archeologist and Kansan Waldo Wedel asserted that the Nebraska claim was superior and subsequently historian Donald Jackson, in his edition of Pike's journals, confirmed the Nebraska claim. Theo Sanborn (president of the Kansas State Historical Society in 1972), in an article on the controversy, suggests that: *Of significant importance... was the fact that Kansas had an authentic Pawnee village site which, thanks to the early interest of Mrs. Johnson, had never been disturbed by the plow. It had been violated to some degree over the years by people digging in the remains but nevertheless had suffered no major damage. The same cannot be said of the Nebraska site, which had been virtually obliterated by plowing. So, whether or not the Kansas village was the one visited by Pike, it is the only preserved Pawnee village so far discovered in all the Central Plains, and it has great potential for archeological study.*

The site was preserved because it represented an important facet of American history involving the expansion of United States control over the continent. Although the precise justification for the acquisition of the site might be altered by subsequent evidence, the site was preserved and its preservation is the most important factor, as Sanborn asserted.

Why do we commemorate places and events in our past? What are we seeking to do when we place markers and plaques at locations where important activities took place? What in the past are we seeking to remember, and why do we remind ourselves in this way?

With the exception of Indian peoples, Americans usually do not classify their lands and properties as sacred. Holy lands are identified as those connected with religious centers: Jerusalem, Rome, and Mecca. However, we Americans do not place the same value on all spaces; we do regard some locations as having strong symbolic power. Plymouth Rock and Jamestown are but two examples of places with great value in our culture; they are our New World sacred spaces.

By placing monuments or other identifying markers at certain locations, we create a patriotic landscape. Battlefields are a usual place for sacred

patriotic space where memories have a transforming power. Here, we believed that we had found the place where a major explorer raised a flag in the West symbolizing the expansion of American control of the region. In fact, the Pawnee village was a Indian or Native American landscape that had its own unrecognized power in our past. The excavations of the Pawnee lodge form the basis for the interpretation of Pawnee Indian presence in this place, it is sacred space for Indians. The power of this landscape was enhanced even more when members of the Pawnee Indian tribe of Oklahoma gave the Society a sacred bundle, which we have on display here at the site.

The Pike monument is part of our patriotic landscape that gives power and meaning to the language of nation building in the early part of the nineteenth century. This monument is a way of separating sacred space from the surrounding secular space.

Pike's monument stands as the symbol that can be expanded to incorporate both veneration of American expansion and veneration of the Pawnee Indian presence and experience in America.

There have been other landscapes where the meaning of the place has changed with the changes in our understanding of history. What was once called Custer Battlefield in Montana is now the Little Big Horn Battlefield National Historic Site operated by the National Park Service. The battle site was appropriated by Americans as a monument to Custer and his troopers who were killed in the famous fight on the Little Bighorn June 25, 1876. Monuments to Custer and his men were erected as early as 1879; in fact, the monuments at the site eventually became shrines to Custer and his men. The National Park Service eventually altered its presentation to incorporate the role of the Native Americans in the battle and in the history of the American West. An Indian monument will soon be erected on the battle site.

(Americans are not the only people to struggle with the issue of monuments or statues whose meaning changes over time. My wife is from Sweden, and when we visit Stockholm we often pass by the statue of Charles XII, the most famous Swedish king in history, who extended Swedish rule well into Europe. I read a biography of Charles XII and came away enamored by the character of this noble leader. I then asked my wife to tell me how Swedes view Charles XII. She stated that most Swedes no longer feel pride in the famous king because his continuous warfare in Europe nearly bankrupted the country and bled the countryside of its young men. [It was not a political or partisan assessment, but a realistic view of what a king had done to his people for the glory of his rule.]

Although the story of particular events can change over time based on new evidence and new ways of looking at old evidence, I believe that history is our only guide to the future, and we have a responsibility to collect, preserve, and interpret that history as best we can. We will miss the mark at times, but if we focus on the important parts, we will not be disappointed.

The DAR markings of the Santa Fe Trail assist in memorializing the great highway of commerce that extended across what is now Kansas, but was then Indian Country. That commerce was first dominated by Hispanic

traders, and later by others who carried on the exchange of goods between our western frontier and the newly independent Mexico. That trail had a negative impact on many tribes in the central plains.

Let me suggest that the problem with our history, especially Kansas history, is that our young people need more exposure to that history and an appreciation of our sacred places. The young should know about Kansas and its history and their role in the unfolding of that history. They also need to develop a sense of place; a feeling of belonging to a place, we will also begin to develop special feelings about certain community and public places that we may regard as our "sacred" spaces that we share with others.

We need all Kansans, young and old, to know more about our communities and the diverse state we live in. We should know more about other regions within our state and the differences between the rural and urban experiences. We need to maintain our heritage by preserving those places that we value--that can include the preservation of buildings and landscapes.

I would hope that the Kansas State Historical Society might work with the DAR and other organizations to support programs that foster pride in our communities, in our state, and our country. We should collaborate to develop an appreciation of our diversity and an understanding of our common need for each other. We are involved in the interdependent web of being, which we share with everyone else.

The Society is developing a more extensive "Heritage Marker Program" to assist communities in identifying their important places, events, activities, or people who have been important to that community. We see the need for more extensive educational materials on Kansas heritage in classrooms throughout the state. We have many other suggestions about ways you think we can work together to promote Kansas history and our American heritage.

As an aside, we need to take pride in the earliest human history of this region. Historian Elliott West recently wrote: *In terms of human history, Bob Dole's Kansas is far older than Thomas Jefferson's Virginia or John Winthrop's Massachusetts. Where we sit and stand today, in fact, may well have been some of the first American soil ever touched by human beings--something that Kansans might take both interest and pride in.*

Thank you, again, for inviting me here today.

The rededication concluded with a prayer by Mrs. Albert Hagemann, State Chaplain.

The group was served refreshments from the tailgate of the chuck wagon by members of the Desire Tobey Sears Chapter, Mrs. Jimmy Dooley, Regent.

We left Republic County, joining the wagon train for the return trip. We drove to Salina where we stopped for lunch at Russell's. Some Daughters left the wagon train at Salina while others departed at Topeka, Council Grove and finally, the end of the trail at Fort Leavenworth.

Those attending were Corrine Afton, Mary L. Aikins, Betty Bendorf, Peggy Boggs, John Boggs, Mary D. Boyd, Denise Bullock, Patricia Carpenter, Ruth Clark, Kathryn Compton, Sammy Cope, Shirley Coupal, Thyra Fager, Roberta Hagemann, Esther M. Jarvis, Jean Lightner, Connie Lull, Jean Mitchell, Jean E. Mowen, Helen Neubert, Dorothy A. Newton, Leslie Odevseff, Donna J. Overmiller, Barbara J. Plummer, Jean Ramirez, Jane Rehl, Alvera C. Reynolds, Ann Roark, Lucy Roark, Mary Gayle Samuel, Peggy Spafford, Emily Jane Stoll, Patricia Traffas, and Alice Walker. All agreed that the trip was a great success!

Friendship among fellow travelers was deepened through the shared experience on the trail, even, in the rain. Reliving history at the place it originally happened was very effective stimulus to renew our pride in and appreciation for our Kansas heritage. The knowledge we gained through the experience made us feel better qualified to meet the challenge of **Trails to a Second Century**.

PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 13, 1997

Registration was opened at noon in the Lobby of the Airport Hilton and closed at 5:30 p.m. An Executive Committee Meeting was held at noon in the Premier Room. The Junior Bazaar opened at noon in Consulate 3 and closed at 4:30 p.m.

A workshop was held in the Multi-Media Theater at 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. with several State Officers presenting information. Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, State Treasurer, discussed remittance forms and state dues. Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian, instructed those present on how to clean DAR Santa Fe Trail Markers and made suggestions for repainting the letters on the markers. Mrs. Ray Bendorf, State Registrar, discussed a folder for chapter registrars that she had prepared for distribution. Mrs. Alec S. Odevseff, State Corresponding Secretary, requested that items for the Fall packet be sent as soon as possible. Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary, announced that 1995-1996 and 1994-1995 copies of the Annual Report and Proceedings were available for purchase. Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, announced that thirty pins for a \$50.00 donation to President General's Project, plus \$35.00 for the Caldwell Pin were available from Mrs. Jimmy Dooley, State Insignia Chairman, to anyone wishing to make a contribution.

Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman, DAR School Committee talked about DAR Schools. She mentioned the Friends of DAR Schools Pin that can be had for a donation of \$100 and Boy and Girl Pins, \$20 each or both for \$35. She gave interesting facts about each school and the students.

Mr. Mike Mullins, Executive Director, Hindman Settlement School, Hindman, Kentucky gave an interesting presentation about the students and activities at the school.

Dr. Charles Edmonds, High School Principal, Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, Grant, Alabama told about the school which was founded in 1922/1924. The school has 1,095 students in day school and 400 in high school.

Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra, Corresponding Secretary General, NSDAR made a few remarks.

An All-Member Supper was held at 5:30 p.m. in Consulate 1 and 2. After members had finished eating, the Chapter Regents Club Meeting was held in Consulate and 1 and the State Chairmens Club Meeting was held in Consulate 2.

The State Board of Management Meeting began at 8:00 p.m. in Salon IV of the Airport Hilton. The minutes of the meeting were recorded and have been printed in the Annual Report and Proceedings for your reference.

DAR SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Friday, March 1997

The DAR School Breakfast began at 8:00 a.m. with Mrs. Kenneth Fager, State DAR School Chairman, presiding. The table grace was led by Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain.

Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, read letters from Joseph H. Mitchell, Crossnore School; Mr. McGowan, Headmaster, Hillside School, H. Dean Bair, Tamassee School and a letter from Berry College.

Speakers for the occasion in the following order were: Dr. Charles Edmonds, High School Principal, Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, Grant, Alabama who told us that in the last three years, every high school senior graduated. Mr. Mike Mullins, Executive Director, Hindman Settlement School, Hindman, Kentucky said they speak English and "hillbilly" at his school. Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman DAR School Committee talked about the other four schools. She mentioned an old Berry School joke about how to butcher a hog. Kill hog, boil water, shave hog—don't want hog with five o'clock shadow! Much information was given about the schools, their good points and their needs as well as the funnies we've dared to repeat. A drawing for DAR School items was conducted by Mrs. Creedon. The benediction was given by Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain.

1997
NINETY-Ninth
ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE
KANSAS SOCIETY

Daughters of the American Revolution

March 13-15, 1997
Airport Hilton
Wichita, Kansas

“Our Heritage is the Key to Our Future”

National theme for 1995-1998

Mini-theme for 1996-1997: Providing Education

“Trails to a Second Century”

KSDAR Centennial Administration Theme

CONFERENCE RULES

1. All members shall be registered before entering the business meetings. Proper identification badges shall be worn at all business meetings, with blue ribbon for delegates and red ribbon for alternates.
2. All meetings shall begin at the hour announced.
3. Any business unfinished at the time of recess shall be resumed at the next business session.
4. No one is to be seated during reports, speeches, or musical numbers.
5. Only registered Delegates and other voting members of the State Conference shall be entitled to make motions, debate, and vote. State Committee Chairmen and District Directors who are not elected Delegates shall have the privilege to speak without vote.
6. All main motions shall be written and signed by the maker and seconder and sent to the Recording Secretary before action is taken. The maker of the motion shall rise and state her name and that of her chapter.
7. All resolutions shall have been in the hands of the Resolutions Committee before the State Conference. The date shall have been determined and announced by the Resolutions Committee Chairman.
8. No member shall speak in debate more than once to the same question on the same day, or longer than two minutes any time, except by the consent of the assembly.
9. Members who appear on the program or who are making reports shall occupy the front seats. Accredited delegates to the State Conference shall occupy seats together at the front of the room at all business meetings.
10. Only the chair is to be addressed in making reports.
11. Two timekeepers shall be appointed by the chair. Reports of State Officers and Committee Chairmen shall be limited to four minutes, and reports of District Directors and Chapter Regents to two minutes. The speakers shall conform with the ruling of the timekeepers.
12. Announcements must have the approval of the State Regent.
13. A copy of every report for the printed Proceedings of the State Conference shall be typed, ready for printing, and sent to the State Recording Secretary before the report is read at the Conference.
14. If the Officer, Chapter Regent or Chapter Vice Regent, Chairman or Appointee is not present, her report shall not be read and shall be filed for printing in the official Proceedings of the State Conference unless otherwise ordered.
15. Any Chairman or individual having a table display or exhibit shall attend to the removal of all material at the close of the Conference.
16. All necessary communications shall be delivered by the Pages.
17. Members shall refrain from smoking in the session room.
18. Registration shall close at 12:00 noon, Saturday, March 15, 1997.
19. The current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised" will govern all parliamentary action not covered by the Society Bylaws and Rules.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Conference Chairman	Mrs. Kevin Smith
Conference Treasurer	Mrs. Charles Brewer
Credentials Committee Chairman	Mrs. Doran Cole
Conference Marshals	Mrs. Frank Huffman
	Mrs. Doug Kocher
House	Mrs. James Tolbert
	Mrs. Arthur L. Small
Literature	Mrs. Warren Coupal
Decorations	Mrs. Kevin Smith
Conference Pianists	Mrs. William Reel
	Mrs. Max W. Billinger, Jr.
	Mrs. Arthur Liestman
Hospitality	Mrs. Charles Brewer
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CONFERENCE PAGES

Mrs. Robert Carlson, Chairman

Mary K. Afton	Isabella Weldin
Kimbley A. Bushman Clair	Capt. Jesse Leavenworth
Lisa Cole (Mrs. Doran)	Eunice Sterling
Janice Marie Davis	Neodesha
Rebecca Fisher	Neodesha
Leesa Hettenbach (Mrs. Tod)	Abilene
Margaret Sue Hollingsworth	Topeka
Amanda Hoyt	Topeka
Gayla Hoyt	Topeka
Julie Huffman	Arthur Barrett
Lisa Huffman	Arthur Barrett
Nina Huffman	Arthur Barrett
Laurie Hull	Prairie Rose
Kelli Kelland	Major Elijah Hyde
Lesa Killingsworth (Mrs. Timothy)	Little Osage Trail
Tiffany Lewis	Eunice Sterling
Tena Luongo (Mrs. Keith)	Sarah Steward
Mary Theda Owens	Tomahawk Society, C.A.R.
Laurie Schweiger	Prairie Rose
Jessica Smith	Nathan Edson
Mary A. Traffas	Sarah Steward
Ladonna Weltmer (Mrs. Michael)	Sarah Steward
Rebecca Wempe (Mrs. Patrick)	Topeka
Kathryn A. West (Mrs. Oliver I., Jr.)	Capt. Jesse Leavenworth
Julia Van DeWille (Mrs. Hugo)	Three Trails West
Robynn Tolbert	Prairie Flint Hills
Brenda Picknell	Prairie Flint Hills
Sandra Freidhof	Sagamore

PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Thursday, March 13, 1997

- 12:00-5:30 p.m.** Registration – Lobby
- 12:00 Noon** Executive Committee Meeting – Premier Room
- 12:00-8:00 p.m.** Junior Bazaar – Consulate 3
- 2:30-4:30 p.m.** Workshops – Multi-Media Theater
- 4:30 p.m.** Fall Tour Planning – Multi-Media Theater
- 5:30 p.m.** All-Member Supper – Consulate 1 & 2
- 6:30-7:30 p.m.** Chapter Regents' Club Meeting – Consulate 1
- 6:30-7:30 p.m.** State Chairmen's Club Meeting – Consulate 2
- 8:00 p.m.** STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING–Salon IV
- InvocationMrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain
- The Pledge of Allegiance to the
Flag of the United States of America..Laurie Schweiger, State Chairman
- The American's Creed.....Mrs. Ray Bendorf, State Registrar
- The National AnthemMrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General,
Honorary State Regent
- Reports
- Recommendations from the
Executive CommitteeMrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary
- Announcements
- Adjournment

Friday, March 14, 1997

- 8:00 a.m.-**
4:00 p.m. Registration – Lobby
- 7:00 a.m.** Page Instructions – Consulate 1
- 8:00 a.m.-**
6:00 p.m. Junior Bazaar – Consulate 3
- 8:00 a.m.** DAR School Breakfast – Salon I & II
Mrs. Kenneth Fager, State DAR School Chairman presiding
- Table GraceMrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State

Chaplain

Letters from DAR Schools

Speakers:.....Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman,
DAR School Committee
Dr. Charles Edmonds, High School Principal,
Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, Grant, Alabama
Mr. Mike Mullins, Executive Director,
Hindman Settlement School, Hindman, Kentucky

Gift PresentationsKSDAR Members

Drawings for DAR School Items.....Mrs. Richard O. Creedon,
National Chairman, DAR School Committee

BenedictionMrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain

9:15 a.m. Pictures, Conference Guests – Consulate I

– CONFERENCE PROGRAM –

9:30 a.m. CONFERENCE OPENING – Salon III & IV

ProcessionalConference Pianists

Color Guard.....ROTC, Northwest High School, Wichita
Lt. Col. Ray Yenchesky

Call to OrderMrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent

InvocationMrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain

The Pledge of Allegiance to the
Flag of the United States of America.....Laurie Schweiger, State Chairman

The American's Creed..Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Honorary State Regent

The National Anthem (first stanza)Mrs. Larry Overmiller, State Chairman
American Heritage Committee

Letter of Greeting .Mrs. Charles Keil Kemper, President General, NSDAR

GreetingsTom Winters, Sedgwick County Commissioner
Mrs. Wayne M. Cope, Southwest District Director
Mrs. Kevin Smith, State Conference Chairman

Response.....Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent
*(doors opened briefly)

Presentation of State Officers, National Officers, Honorary State Regents,
Guests, State Parliamentarian, and National Appointees

Report of Credentials CommitteeMrs. Doran Cole, State Chairman

- State Conference RulesMrs. Harold N. Ottaway, State Parliamentarian
- Presentation of the Conference Program.....Mrs. Kevin Smith,
State Conference Chairman
- *(doors opened briefly)
- Appointment of TimekeepersMrs. Harry N. Carpenter, State Treasurer
and Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez, State Organizing Secretary
- Appointment of Committee to approve the Minutes.
- Reports of State Officers
- *(doors opened briefly)
- Recommendations of the State
Board of Management.....Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary
- 11:45 a.m.** Pictures: Chapter Regents/District Directors – Consulate I
- 11:55 a.m.** Pictures: State Officers – Consulate I
- 12:00 p.m.** CHAPTER REGENT’S LUNCHEON – Salon I & II
“Show and Tell” – Centennial Event
Mrs. Howard R. Walker, KSDAR Vice Regent presiding

Presentation of District Directors

Presentation of Chapter Regents

NORTHEAST DISTRICT

Arthur Barrett	Mrs. Dan Musil
Atchison.....	Mrs. Leon Torkelson
Betty Washington	Mrs. Earl Slapar
Captain Jesse Leavenworth.....	Kim Bushman Clair
James Ross.....	Mrs. Philip Barbour
John Haupt	Mrs. R.J. Swenson
Mission Hills	Mrs. James Masson
Olathe.....	Mrs. Clyde E. Smith
Prairie Flint Hills.....	Mrs. Floyd V. Palmer
Prairie Rose	Mrs. Robert Schweiger
Quivira Crossing.....	Mrs. Mark Gittemeier
Sagamore	Mrs. James S. Surman
Samuel Linscott	Mrs. Nathan J. Bolts
Shawnee Mission.....	Mrs. Raymond L. Beedle
Tomahawk	Mrs. William Wingfield
Topeka	Mrs. John M. Boggs, Jr.
Three Trails West.....	Mrs. Hugo H. VanDeWille
Wyandot.....	Mrs. Harold M. Frazier

NORTHWEST DISTRICT

Abilene	Mrs. Bill Lightner
Courtney-Spalding	Connie Hull

Desire Tobey Sears.....	Mrs. Jimmy Dooley
Fort Larned.....	Mrs. Robert Williams
Good Land.....	Mrs. Arthur Howard
Jeremiah Howard.....	Mrs. Alvin Klein
John Athey.....	Mrs. Robert Lewis
Jonathan Gilbert.....	Mrs. C.W. Lamer
Lois Warner.....	Mrs. James White
Major Elijah Hyde.....	Mrs. Gary Eichman
Mary Wade Strother.....	Mona Cunningham
Nathan Edson.....	Shirley S. Coupal
Newton.....	Mrs. Gayle Prater
Polly Ogden.....	Mrs. James Lindquist
Sarah Steward.....	Mrs. Phyllis Bell
Smoky Hill.....	Mrs. Loren Reber
Stone Corral.....	Mrs. Gerald Nixon

Music(Lyrics printed in the Conference rogram)

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT

Betty Bonney.....	Verna Stuteville
Cofachique.....	Mrs. Eugene Miller
Council Oak.....	Mrs. Rick Sellers
Emporia.....	Mrs. Raymond A. Luthi
Esther Lowrey.....	Mrs. Earl Kirchoff
Four Winds.....	Mrs. Vernon Carr
General Edward Hand.....	Mrs. Carroll Kirkpatrick
Isabella Weldin.....	Mrs. John D. Afton
Jane Dean Coffey.....	Mrs. Earl C. Garrett
Marais des Cygnes.....	Elizabeth Ann Roark
Molly Foster Berry.....	Mrs. Claude Mitchell
Neodesha.....	Mrs. Bobby Campbell
Oceanus Hopkins.....	Mrs. Charles E. Smith
Peleg Gorton.....	Mrs. Albert Utt
Susannah French Putney.....	Mrs. Forrest Jacobs

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Byrd Prewitt.....	Mrs. Eugene Shore
Cimarron River Valley.....	Mrs. Gene Sharp
Dodge City.....	Mrs. Ralph E. Oringderff
Eunice Sterling.....	Mrs. Larry E. Ream
Flores del Sol.....	Mrs. Gerald Camacho
Kanza.....	Mrs. G.L. Scholes
Little Arkansas.....	Mrs. Kaye Stanley
Little Osage Trail.....	Mrs. John Pair
Martha Loving Ferrell.....	Mrs. Samuel Parzybok
Martha Vail.....	Mrs. R.L. Davis
Randolph Loving.....	Mrs. E. Randel Nelson

Uvedale.....Margaret Ramsdale
 WichitaMrs. M.A. Aikins
 William Wilson.....Mrs. Milton Thomas

Presentation of Outstanding Junior MemberMrs. Rick Bullock,
 State Chairman, Junior Membership Committee

2:45-5:00 p.m. BUSINESS MEETING – SALON III & IV

ResolutionsMrs. Glen E. Mayden, State Chairman

Reports of State Chairmen of National Committees,
 State Committees, and State Appointees

AnnouncementsMrs. Kevin Smith, Conference Chairman

BenedictionMrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain

6:15 p.m. Pictures: Pages – Consulate 2

6:30 p.m. Pictures: District Directors

6:45 p.m. Pictures: Honorary State Regents, State Officers, Guests

7:00 p.m. BANQUET – Salon I, II & III

ProcessionalConference Pianists

Color GuardSons of the American Revolution in Colonial Uniform

InvocationMrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
 of the United States of America.....Laurie Schweiger, State Chairman

The American's CreedMrs. Billy P. Compton, Honorary State Regent
 Past Vice President General

The National Anthem.....Mrs. Larry Overmiller, State Chairman,
 American Heritage Committee

Introductions

Presentation of Guests from

Lineage Societies in KansasMrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent

Speaker.....Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra,
 Corresponding Secretary General, NSDAR

Music....."SPIRIT"

AnnouncementsMrs. Kevin Smith, Conference Chairman

BenedictionMrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain

Retiring of the Colors

Recessional

10:00 p.m. Junior Club – Salon IV

Saturday, March 15, 1997

8:00 a.m.-

11:00 a.m. Registration – Lobby

8:00 a.m.-

9:15 a.m. State Officer's Club Breakfast – Salon I

8:00 a.m.-

11:00 a.m. Junior Bazaar – Consulate 3

8:00 a.m.-

2:00 p.m. Photographer – Consulate 2

9:30 a.m.

MEMORIAL SERVICE – Salon III & IV

PreludeMrs. Richard L. Bullock

Lighting of Memorial CandlesMemorial Pages

Processional

(Assembly please stand until after the Call to Remembrance)

Call to Remembrance: State Chaplain

"Let us now with quiet and grateful hearts remember before God those who have entered into eternal life. They have left our earthly companionship, but they still live within our hearts."

Assembly

"We remember our departed friends with love. Their dedicated lives inspire us to renew our loyalty to God, Home and Country.."

Scripture: Psalm 23 and Psalm 121Mrs. Vincent Traffas

Prayer.....Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann

Vocal Duet.....Mrs. Richard L. Bullock and Mrs. Dennis Owens

MeditationMrs. Albert R. Hagemann

Tribute to a Past State OfficerMrs. Jacob P. Farney
Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr.

Tribute to a Past State OfficerMrs. Edward J. Gutsch
Mrs. Kenneth Anderson

Memorial Roll CallMrs. Albert R. Hagemann
Mrs. Ray Bendorf

(Members will please stand as their Chapter is announced and remain standing until names of departed members have been read.)

Prayer of Benediction.....Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann

Extinguishing of Memorial Candles.....Memorial Pages

RecessionalMrs. Richard L. Bullock
 (Assembly please remain seated until officers and
 honored guests have been escorted)

MEMORIAL ROLL 1996-1997

Abilene

720035 Carlson, Bertha Milleson 6-18-96

Arthur Barrett

563750 Gaston, Gloria Ousdahl 5-12-96

643564 Gauby, Pauline Elizabeth 4-11-96

546397 Deibert, Lillian Cottrell 11-13-96

Atchison

523234 Shaffer, Mildred Lynn 6-96

Betty Bonney

620851 Spears, Lenora Faye McGill 12-31-95

505171 Swaim, Helen Palmer 8-14-96

453499 Woods, Oletha Regina Chadwell 8-16-96

Betty Washington

570466 Wolfe, Betty Maxine 5-27-96

714817 Smith, Zona Ellen Dart 6-18-96

458202 Ryther, Marjorie Willeford 10-3-96

Captain Jesse Leavenworth

281437 Davis, Esther Irene Rebman 3-12-96

309531 Cory, Carrie Louise 4-18-96

Cimarron River Valley

636868 Penny, Ella Blanche Kennedy 5-5-96

Council Oak

621316 Gutsch, Helen Sharp 11-11-96

Courtney Spalding

491800 Herndon, Geneva Bell 6-5-96

Dodge City

282163 Guthrie, Gersilda 4-29-96

694129 Tucker, Fern Lucile Heiland 5-15-96

607906 Helzer, Bessie Brown 10-05-96

Emporia

571427 Meder, Ruth Dunham 3-4-96

569656 Currier, Louise Spencer 6-4-96

403110 Tripp, Doris Jones 6-25-96

564266 Knoepfel, Betty Jean Pierce 7-23-96

Eunice Sterling

459206	Blackwell, Ruth Pearman	2-07-96
679734	Bernstorf, Barbara Catherine	12-13-96
657563	Coplin, Alma Louise Thomas	11-24-96

Isabella Weldin

735346	Brown, Jessie Berger	6-13-96
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Jane Dean Coffey

383846	Martin, Josephine	
402407	Devine, Beulah M.	1-8-97

John Athey

385852	Eastlack, Florence Yale	10-11-96
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John Haupt

391505	MacNeil, Sarah E. Shirer	5-22-96
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Kanza 6-033-KS

328849	Smith, Irma Cool	3-31-96
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Marais des Cygnes

626285	Alpert, Opal Hahn	4-8-96
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Martha Loving Ferrell

688143	Lupton, Josephine Velette Dyer	7-22-96
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Martha Vail

461091	Parker, Ethel Marie Gilyeat	7-13-96
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Mary Wade Strother

737787	Moore, Alice Suzanne McAdams	3-12-96
631073	Yost, Louise Davidson	12-1-96
392256	Henry, Faye Bruce	1-6-97

Mission Hills

514022	Johnson, Mary Elliott	9-22-96
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Molly Foster Berry

286572	Hughes, Leah Drake	6-17-96
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Neodesha

583962	Geiser, Lennie Belle Vandever	10-10-96
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Newton

322154	Kelso, Doris Ramey	7-4-96
552756	Hornbaker, Margaret L.	11-21-96

Olathe

576793	Brunk, Dorothy Agnes Finnell	6-4-96
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Polly Ogden

647616	Williamson, Dorothy Marguerite	12-13-96
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Prairie Rose

680039 Peters, Barbara Lientz 4-22-96

Randolph Loving

372441 McCreedy, Helen Gunther 7-5-96

361283 Adamek, Mildred Atkisson 10-11-96

Sagamore

718188 Conley, Colleen Blanche 9-18-96

Shawnee Mission

369946 Grayson, Irene Slagle 11-11-96

672348 Schwakopf, Dorothy Lampman 1-13-97

Smoky Hill

319957 Maze, Pauline Shaw 11-28-96

753114 Herzog, Mabel Paulson 1-2-97

Susannah French Putney

375596 King, Margaret Louise 8-30-96

642395 Peffley, Edwina Jean McIntosh 10-31-96

Tomahawk

551141 Farney, Shirley E. Gibson 4-6-96

571106 Hobson, Dorothy Townsend 4-29-96

571741 Hare, Mildred Hollenback 5-10-96

458232 Gault, Marian 11-8-96

Topeka

621394 Parman, Arlene Mohler 8-08-96

583965 Mellenbruch, Victoria 11-19-96

Uvedale

491828 Prosch, Rubye Towle 5-14-96

547205 Holmes, Ruth O'Hara 10-30-96

William Wilson

605844 Farrell, Bessye Lee Bryan 10-4-96

Wyandot

695111 Proctor, Louise Manning 9-6-96

63336 Whipple, Ruth Drummond 3-17-96

622248 McSpaden, Betty Proctor 4-22-96

10:15 a.m.	BUSINESS MEETING – Salon III & IV
12:00 Noon	YOUTH AWARDS LUNCHEON with THE CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION Salon I & II
Invocation	Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain
The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.....	Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian
The American's Creed	Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General
The National Anthem (first stanza)	Mrs. Larry Overmiller, State Chairman American Heritage Committee
Introductions	
Music	"Ex-Citations!"
Presentation of Youth Awards:	
American History.....	Mrs. Milton Thomas, State Chairman
DAR Good Citizen	Mrs. Richard B. Hartzler, State Chairman
DAR Scholarship	Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice, State Chairman
Junior American Citizens	Mrs. Charley Shoemake, State Chairman
Outstanding Teacher of American History	Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian
Invitation to 1998 State Conference	Mrs. Martin J. Robl, Northwest District Director
Appreciation to Conference Committee	Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent
The Daughter's Pledge	Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General
Announcements	Pictures immediately following Consulate 2
Blest Be The Tie That Binds	State Conference Pianists
Benediction	Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain
Adjournment of the Ninety-Ninth	Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent State Conference
Recessional	Conference Pianist

MINUTES

Spring Board of Management

Wichita Airport Hilton

Thursday, March 13, 1997

The Spring Board of Management meeting of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened at 8:15 p.m., Thursday, March 13, 1997 in Salon IV of the Wichita Airport Hilton, with the State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas presiding.

The State Regent called the meeting to order. The invocation was offered by the State Chaplain, Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann; the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Laurie Schweiger, State Chairman of the Flag of the United States. The American's Creed was led by Mrs. Ray Bendorf, State Registrar, followed by the first stanza of the National Anthem led by Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent.

The State Regent extended a welcome to the assembly for the historic meeting during the Centennial year for the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Honored guests were introduced: Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent; Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Honorary State Regent; Mrs. Billy P. Compton, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General; Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General; and Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General.

Mrs. Traffas presented the State Officers: State Vice Regent, Mrs. Howard R. Walker; State Chaplain, Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann; State Recording Secretary, Mrs. John D. Afton; State Organizing Secretary, Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez; State Treasurer, Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter; State Registrar, Mrs. Ray Bendorf; State Historian, Shirley S. Coupal; State Librarian, Mrs. Wayne Cope; and State Reporter, Mrs. Robert M. Neubert. Mrs. Traffas also presented Mrs. Harold N. Ottaway, State Parliamentarian. Mrs. Alec S. Odevseff, State Corresponding Secretary, was not present.

Mrs. Traffas recognized the National Appointees: National Chairman, Continental Congress, Mrs. Richard C. McGehee; South Central Division National Vice Chairman Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship Committee and National Vice Chairman Credentials Committee, Mrs. W. Ward Marrs; South Central Division, National Chairman, Constitution Week, Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark; South Central Division, National Vice Chairman, DAR Service for Veteran-Patients Committee, Mrs. James N. Shirley; South Central Division, National Vice Chairman, Chapter Achievement Awards Committee, Mrs. Robert E. Schweiger; South Central Division, National Vice Chairman, Insignia Committee, Mrs. Charles Theis; South Central Division, National Vice Chairman, Literacy Challenge Committee, Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. John D. Afton, read Article IX, Section 1 of the State Bylaws. She called the roll with the following chapters being represented by either the Regent or Vice Regent: Abilene, Arthur Barrett, Atchison, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Desire Tobey Sears, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Fort Larned, General Edward Hand, Isabella Weldin, John Haupt, Kanza, Major Elijah Hyde, Marais des Cygnes, Martha Loving Ferrell, Mission Hills, Nathan Edson, Neodesha, Oceanus Hopkins, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Randolph Loving, Sagamore, Sarah Steward, Shawnee Mission, and William Wilson.

There were ten State Officers, one Vice President General, and representatives of twenty-seven chapters present. A quorum was declared and the meeting proceeded.

Mrs. Traffas appointed Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, Mrs. G. L. Scholes, and Ann Roark to approve the minutes of the 1997 Kansas Society Spring Board of Management Meeting.

The reading of the minutes of the September 16, 1996 Fall Board of Management meeting was waived as they were approved by a committee composed of Mrs. F. Stephen Warner, Mrs. G. D. Spafford and Mrs. E. Randal Nelson.

The State Regent deferred her official report until the State Conference convened. **Announcements:**

Those attending the 106th Continental Congress may purchase tickets for the Golden West Tea from Mrs. Afton at a cost of \$26.00.

Those attending the 106th Continental Congress will want to see the DAR Museum exhibit, **Women Bound for the West**. Kansas has been given credit for their contributions and assistance with the popular exhibit.

There will be a meeting on Saturday immediately following adjournment, for those going to the 106th Continental Congress.

The Conference Photographer is Bart Karesh. His studio will be in Consulate II throughout the Conference. Members wishing individual or chapter pictures may contact him.

If you are a Life Member of NSDAR, please visit with the State Treasurer.

NSDAR launched a new credit card program in January 1997. If you are a Kansas Daughter who wishes to participate—see the State Treasurer.

Thirty pins are available from Mrs. Dooley, State Chairman of Insignia, for contributions of \$50.00 or more to the President General's Project. With an additional \$35.00 and one check for \$85.00, you may receive the pin at this conference.

The KSDAR Centennial Quilt was displayed in Consulate III along with the Junior Bazaar. Voices for the quilt are \$2.00 each or three for \$5.00 to be sold to DAR members only. One lucky winner's name will be drawn at the 100th State Conference in 1998.

New chairs needed for Constitution Hall are \$500.00 each. The Eunice Sterling Chapter donated that amount for one chair. The KSDAR Centennial Committee recommended the purchase of four additional chairs with proceeds from the sale of Centennial items.

It was a pleasure for the State Regent to announce that Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra, Corresponding Secretary General, NSDAR, Past Curator General and Honorary State Regent of Mexico; Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman DAR School Committee; Dr. Charles Edmonds, High School Principal Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, Grant, Alabama; and Mr. Mike Mullins, Executive Director Hindman Settlement School in Kentucky were guests at State Conference.

The members of the State Nominating Committee were announced as follows: Mrs. David J. Stone, Chairman; Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice, Northeast District; Mrs. Gary Eichman, Northwest District; Mrs. Ralph French, Southeast District and Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, Southwest District.

The State Officers were called on to make brief comments.

Mrs. John D. Afton read the following recommendations from the Executive Committee and moved the adoption of each:

Recommendation No. 1

"That the action of the Executive Committee in placing the 175th Anniversary Santa Fe Trail Marker in Rice County by the Kansas Society be ratified. The cost and installation were provided by a Kansas Daughter." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 2

"That the Kansas Society give \$100.00 to WIMSA to commemorate the four nurses of Kansas who served in the Spanish American War. Funds to be used from the Centennial Fund." The recommendation was adopted. The four nurses who served from Kansas are: #172 Victoria A. Tullis, #173 Lenna Dolorus Wilson, #174 Julia Emma Woods and #175 Sylvia Call.

Recommendation No. 3

"That the Finance Committee recommended that the amount of \$2,000.00, the cost of four chairs needed in the Kansas Box in Constitution Hall be paid out of the Kansas Centennial Celebration Reserve Fund." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 4

"That the proposed budget for 1997 approved by the Executive Committee on January 4, 1997 be amended to show increase in Library Insurance from \$287.00 to \$293.00." The amended recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 5

"That a contribution of \$200.00 be made to the Registrar General's Project by the Kansas Society. Funds to be provided from the credit balance of the Volunteer Genealogist Workshop (\$657.36) held in 1995." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 6

"That a Standing Rule be established to read as follows: to assist with the courtesy and facility expenses of hosting the Kansas Society's Fall State Board of Management meeting, a sum not to exceed \$75.00 shall be allotted from General Funds to the host chapter committee. The allotted sum shall be recommended by the State Vice Regent, with the approval of the State Regent." The amended recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 7

"Standing Rule Number 5: Thirty dollars shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent at Continental Congress; and thirty dollars shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent-elect; arrangements shall be made by the State Treasurer." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 8

A motion to allow the State Recording Secretary to add the name of a new chapter to the Northeast District reads: "Standing Rule #33: The chapters in the Northeast District are: Arthur Barrett, Atchison, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Levenworth, James Ross, John Haupt, Mission Hills, Olathe, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Sagamore, Samuel Linscott, Shawnee Mission, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, Topeka and Wyandot." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 9

"That the Kansas Society allow the Santa Fe Trail Association to contribute \$15.00 per Cordry Book for resale to their members at a profit to their association." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 10

"That a plaque be purchased or secured to place in the KSDAR Library for mounting engraved plates naming monetary donations to Library of amounts \$100.00 or more." The recommendation was adopted.

The State Recording Secretary read the following announcement: A change to the Procedures for Chapter Regents of Host Chapters in Planning Annual District Meetings. Under Registration Fee, paragraph C, sentence 1, strike out **beverages, and**, so that the sentence will read, **The refreshments served during the welcoming coffee**. Insert as paragraph D, the following: **If necessary, up to and including 50 cents may be added to the price of the luncheon to cover the cost of the morning beverages**. Reletter present paragraph D as E.

Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter reported for the Finance Committee and announced the other members of the committee as follows: Mrs. Howard R. Walker, Mrs. John D. Afton, Mrs. Robert Neubert, and Shirley S. Coupal.

Mrs. Traffas announced that the Proposed Amendments to the Standing Rules, that were distributed in January 1997 to each Chapter Regent, would

be voted upon on Saturday morning, March 15. Members of the Bylaws Committee are Mrs. Larry D. Ream, chairman; Mrs. Robert Kline, Mrs. Ronnie Svaty, and Mrs. Cecil O'Brate.

Mrs. Traffas thanked all who attended the meeting and the officers who reported.

The benediction was given by Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann. The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Corrine L. Afton (Mrs. John D.)
State Recording Secretary

Committee for Approval:
Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter
Mrs. G. L. Scholes
Ann Roark

NINETY-NINTH STATE CONFERENCE

Morning Meeting Minutes Friday, March 14, 1997

The Ninety-ninth State Conference of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened at 9:30 a.m., Friday, March 14, 1997, in Salon III & IV of the Wichita Airport Hilton, with the State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, presiding.

The Colors were advanced by the ROTC Color Guard of Northwest High School in Wichita. They were under the leadership of Col. Ray Yenchesky. The Pages escorted the State Officers and honored guests in the processional.

The State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by the State Chaplain, Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Laurie Schweiger, State Chairman. The American's Creed was led by Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Honorary State Regent. The assembly sang the first stanza of the National Anthem, led by Mrs. Larry Overmiller, State Chairman, American Heritage Committee. The Colors were posted and the Color Guard retired. Mrs. Traffas expressed her appreciation to the ROTC Color Guard.

Mrs. Traffas read a letter from the President General, NSDAR, Mrs. Charles Keil Kemper, reminding us of the mini theme for 1996-1997, "Providing Education." Mrs. Kemper stated that our children must learn patriotism and love of country if they are to honor and protect America. We, the Daughters of the American Revolution, hold the key to provide such an education. If we open the doors of opportunity our key will always be shiny.

The Pages retired.

Mr. Tom Winters, Sedgwick County Commissioner, brought greetings to the members. He paid tribute to Mrs. Mary Rieckenberg, his mother-in-law, who was present and who has exemplified to his family the importance of God, Home and Country.

Mrs. Wayne Cope, Southwest District Director, extended a warm welcome to all the Daughters and guests.

Mrs. Kevin Smith, Conference Chairman, extended greetings to all attendees and the response was given by Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent.

Mrs. Traffas announced that letters of appreciation will be sent to the Northwest High School ROTC Color Guard, Col. Ray Yenchesky, Sedgwick County Commissioner Tom Winters and Mrs. Kemper.

Mrs. Traffas welcomed all present to the 99th State Conference and noted that the theme, "Providing Education," was carried out in the table decorations during the conference. A note of regret due to her health from Mrs. Lucille Johnson, Honorary State Regent, was read.

Mrs. Traffas introduced those seated at the head table: Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra, Corresponding Secretary General, NSDAR, Past Curator General, Honorary State Regent of Mexico; Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent; Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Honorary State Regent; Mrs. Billy P. Compton, Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General; Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General; Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General; and Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman DAR School Committee, Past First Vice-President General.

The State Officers were introduced: Mrs. Howard R. Walker, Vice Regent; Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, Chaplain; Mrs. John D. Afton, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Alex S. Odevseff, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez, Organizing Secretary; Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, Treasurer; Mrs. Ray Bendorf, Registrar; Shirley S. Coupal, Historian; Mrs. Wayne Cope, Librarian; and Mrs. Robert M. Neubert, Reporter. Mrs. Harold N. Ottaway, Parliamentarian, was also introduced.

National Chairman, Continental Congress, Mrs. Richard C. McGehee and National Chairman, Continental Congress Awards, Mrs. Richard D. Standrich; were introduced. National Vice Chairmen, South Central Division: Mrs. W. Ward Marrs, Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship; Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Constitution Week Committee; Mrs. James N. Shirley, DAR Service for Veteran-Patients Committee; Mrs. Robert E. Schweiger, Chapter Achievement Award Committee; Mrs. Charles Theis, Insignia Committee; Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Literacy Challenge Committee; were introduced.

The National Appointees to the DAR Speakers Staff were recognized by Mrs. Traffas: Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez, Mrs. Martin J. Robl, Mrs. Ralph E. French, Jr., and Mrs. Wayne M. Cope.

Representatives and deputies of the VAVS Board were recognized: Leavenworth-Eisenhower VA Medical Center: Mrs. James N. Shirley, Representative; Mrs. Gilbert Harris, Mrs. Robert C. Reid, and Mrs. Calvin W. Mummert, Deputies. Topeka-Colmery-O'Neil VA Medical Center: Mrs. Merwyn Purdy, Representative; Mrs. Harry Whitney, Mrs. Frank Goldfuss, and Mrs. Jeanne Proctor, Deputies. Wichita-Wichita VA Medical Center: Mrs. Charles E. Hackney, Representative; Mrs. Donald J. Horn, Mrs. L. William Reel, and Mrs. Bill Jackson, Deputies.

The Credentials Chairman, Mrs. Doran Cole, gave the first report of the Committee at 9:55 a.m. on Friday, March 14, 1997. There were National Officers 1, Honorary State Regents 5, State Officers 11, Chapter Regents 30, Vice Regents 2, Delegates 77, entitled to vote 122, Alternates 27, total registered 204. Mrs. Cole moved the adoption of the revised report of the Credentials Committee. The motion was adopted. The chair declared a quorum present.

Mrs. Traffas asked if there were any objections to dispensing with the reading of the conference rules on page three in the Conference Program.

Hearing none, the conference rules were not read. Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary, moved the adoption of the State Conference Rules as printed. By a rising vote with 2/3 majority in the affirmative, the State Conference Rules were adopted.

The Conference Chairman, Mrs. Kevin Smith, presented the Conference Program for the Ninety ninth State Conference. Changes to three pages were noted: page 7, addition of Mrs. Arthur Liestman as Conference Pianist; page 8, addition of Eunice Sterling as chapter for Tiffany Lewis and proper spelling of Robynn Tolbert; and page 14, correction of title for Mrs. Billy P. Compton. Mrs. Smith moved for the adoption of the amended Conference Program. Motion carried.

Mrs. Smith announced that Mrs. Frank Huffman, Conference Marshal, requests that District Directors contact her before the Regent's Luncheon.

With consensus, Mrs. Traffas appointed Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez, and Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter as timekeepers for the State Conference. Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Mrs. Wayne Cope and Mrs. Gary Eichman were appointed to approve the minutes of the Ninety-ninth State Conference.

The minutes of the Ninety-eighth State Conference were approved as written by a committee composed of Mrs. Howard R. Walker, Mrs. Billy P. Compton, Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr. and Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann.

Mrs. Robert Carlson, Chairman of Pages, introduced the Pages. There were 26 Pages serving the Ninety-ninth State Conference. Mrs. Traffas thanked them for their service.

The State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, presented her report. The State Officers then presented their reports as follows: State Vice Regent, Mrs. Howard R. Walker; State Chaplain, Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann; State Recording Secretary, Mrs. John D. Afton; State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alec S. Odevseff; State Organizing Secretary, Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez; and State Treasurer, Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter. Following her report, Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter presented the financial statements. She then read the Auditor's Report and moved its adoption. The motion carried.

Independent Accountant's Report

Kansas Society
Daughters of the American Revolution
Topeka, KS 66606

I have audited the accompanying statements of assets and liabilities arising from cash transactions of the Kansas Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, a Kansas Not-for-Profit Corporation, as of December 31, 1996, and the related statements of revenue collected and expenses paid for the year then ended.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Kansas Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution as of December 31, 1996, and the result of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Sincerely,

Joe Wallingford
Enrolled Agent
American Tax Service
Topeka, Kansas
February 27, 1997

KSDAR FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1996 - December 31, 1996

INCOME

Banquet Tickets, Continental Congress	\$ 400.00
C.A.R. Contributions	58.60
Chapel Funds	346.00
Co-op Magazine Advertising	1,624.00
DAR Magazine Advertising	152.00
Dues	11,413.80
Fall Bus Tour - Santa Fe Trail	9,109.00
Flowers, Pawnee Indian Village Rededication	140.00
Genealogical Records	79.00
Golden West Tea Tickets	216.00
Interest Income, General CD's	2,438.25
Interest Income, Lempenau Trust	73.20
Interest Income, Library Endowment I	323.25
Interest Income, Library Endowment II	221.06
Interest Income, Kessler Scholarship	212.69
Interest Income, KSDAR Scholarship	390.81
Interest Income, Money Market Account 169-226-7	695.41
Interest Income, Pendleton Scholarship	192.16
Interest Income, Routh Scholarship CD	264.87
Interest transferred from Routh Scholarship CD	500.00
JAC State Prize Fund	28.00
KSDAR History Book	1,025.00
KSDAR Newsletter Photos	56.50
KSDAR Scholarship	64.00
Lempenau State Prize Fund	1.00
Library Book Binding Fund	10.00
Library Assessment	12.60
Library Book Donation	618.25
Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund	2,540.00
National Refund, Good Citizen Award	100.00
Postage to Mail Centennial Items	30.50
Pilgrimage Return	15.12
Refund, Golden West Tea	9.25
Centennial Charms	687.31
Centennial Totebags	2,340.55
Good Citizenship Pins	303.50
Library Catalogs & Supplements	129.00
Proceedings	129.00
Santa Fe Trail	616.00
State CAR Assessment	8.00
State Conference Fund	510.00
State Conference Return	431.71
State Conference Speaker	40.00
State Officers Club Reserve	80.02
State Regent's Project	1,451.90
Topeka, one-half mail permit	42.50
Treasurer General Funds	12,009.93
VAVS Luncheon Tickets	144.00
Veteran Patient Contributions	158.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$52,441.74

KSDAR FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1996 - December 31, 1996

DISBURSEMENTS

Advertising Magazine, (Co-op \$107.46, VPG \$51.60)	\$ 159.06
Applicant, American History National	25.00
Award, Good Citizen	100.00
Award, JAC	105.00
Award, KSDAR Scholarship	450.00
Award, Routh Scholarship	500.00
Banquet Tickets, Continental Congress	400.00
B-L IV, S(a) State CAR	168.85
State Conference Chapter Donation	30.00
Chapel Expense	57.45
Fall Bus Tour - Santa Fe Trail	9,109.00
Flowers, Pawnee Indian Village Rededication	132.38
Golden West Tea Tickets	216.00
Good Citizen Pin	252.50
Interest Capitalized in CD's	678.09
KSDAR Centennial Charms & Postage	430.72
KSDAR Cent., Pawnee Indian Village Rededication	80.78
KSDAR History Book	96.37
KSDAR Newsletter	3,016.19
KSDAR Reserve Funds	11,993.04
Library Book Purchase Fund	618.25
Library Expense	737.00
Outstanding Junior Pin	47.00
Printing & Copy Expense	540.65
Printing - Cordry Book	300.00
Proceedings	3,182.30
Professional Fees, Accountant	300.00
Report, Treasurer General Funds	12,015.93
Safe Deposit Box Rent	12.00
Santa Fe Trail	860.74
S.R.#3, Regent's Allowance	2,000.00
S.R.#4, State Officers Allowance	275.00
S.R.#5, State Regent's Flowers	25.00
S.R.#6, State Pages at Continental Congress	50.00
S.R.#7, State Conference	321.70
S.R.#24, Outstanding Junior	150.00
S.R.#25, Award Transportation	250.00
S.R.#29, Pilgrimage	50.00
State Chairman Expense	425.78
State Conference Speaker	40.00
State Officer Expense	408.20
Treasurer's Bond	100.00
State Filing Fees	20.00
VAVS Luncheon Tickets	144.00
Veteran Patient Contributions	<u>158.00</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>\$51,031.98</u>
NET GAIN	\$ 1,409.76

KSDAR NET WORTH

December 31, 1996

ASSETS

Cash and Bank Accounts:

General Funds #100-615-0	\$ 15,694.32
Library Petty Cash #44000032033,Dodge City	611.40
C.A.R. #169-226-7	58.60
Centennial Celebration Reserve, #169-226-7	3,424.64
Chapel Reserve, #169-226-7	3,034.00
Co-op Advertising Reserve, #169-226-7	2,924.21
Computer Reserve #169-226-7	1,479.51
Conservation Reserve, #169-226-7	104.57
Cowger Reserve, #169-226-7	115.02
Friendship Reserve, #169-226-7	257.76
Genealogy Workshop, #169-226-7	657.36
General Reserve, #169-226-7	6,459.40
JAC Prize Fund Reserve, #169-226-7	128.94
Jr. Membership Reserve, #169-226-7	3.27
Kessler Scholarship Reserve, #169-226-7	362.15
KSDAR Scholarship Award Reserve, #269-226-7	19.83
KSDAR History Book, #169-226-7	928.63
Lempenau CD Reserve, #169-226-7	413.89
Library Operating Reserve, #169-226-7	647.36
Marker Preservation/Restoration #169-226-7	2,273.39
Records, Genealogical Reserve #169-226-7	190.32
State Conference Fund, #169-226-7	480.00
State Officers Club, #169-226-7	80.61
State Regent's Project, #169-226-7	<u>2,314.02</u>

TOTAL CASH AND BANK ACCOUNTS \$ 42,663.20

OTHER ASSETS

General Fund CD#00532	10,000.00
General Fund CD#031914	10,000.00
General Fund CD#031990	10,000.00
General Fund CD#032186	10,000.00
Kessler Scholarship CD #304041	3,609.41
KSDAR Scholarship CD#031915	6,309.40
Lempenau Trust CD#031655	1,140.40
Library Endowment-1 CD#042154	7,500.00
Library Endowment-2 CD#934019	3,628.11
Pendleton Scholarship CD#302613	3,199.70
Routh Scholarship CD#036160	<u>3,446.56</u>

TOTAL OTHER ASSETS \$ 68,833.58

TOTAL ASSETS \$ 111,496.78

LIABILITIES .00

TOTAL EQUITY \$ 111,496.78

Reports of the State Officers continued: State Registrar, Mrs. Ray Bendorf; State Historian, Shirley S. Coupal; State Librarian, Mrs. Wayne M. Cope; and State Reporter, Mrs. Robert M. Neubert.

Mrs. Traffas thanked the officers for their dedicated work during the second year of the Administration.

The recommendations from the State Board of Management were read by the State Recording Secretary, who moved the adoption of each:

Recommendation No. 1

"That the action of the Executive Committee in placing the 175th Anniversary Santa Fe Trail Marker in Rice County by the Kansas Society be ratified. The cost and installation were provided by a Kansas Daughter." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 2

"That a Junior Club be officially recognized and have the rights and privileges of the other clubs of the Kansas Society." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 3

"That the action of the Executive Committee in commissioning the reproduction of the Cordry book, "Marking the Santa Fe Trail," at a cost of approximately \$350.00, plus tax, be ratified." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 4

"That the chapters of Southwest District contribute \$15.00 to the State Conference Treasurer for use in decorations, table favors, hospitality, and door prizes for the 99th State Conference." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 5

"That the Kansas Society establish a Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund for markers placed by the Kansas Society. The funds shall be placed in an interest bearing reserve account." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 6

"That members contributing \$25.00 or more to the Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund will receive a complimentary copy of the 1996 printing of "Marking the Santa Fe Trail" by Mrs. T. A. Cordry. The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 7

"That the Kansas Society give \$100.00 to WIMSA to commemorate the four nurses of Kansas who served in the Spanish American War. Funds to be used from the Centennial Fund." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 8

"The Finance Committee recommended that the amount of \$2,000.00, the cost of four chairs needed in the Kansas Box in Constitution Hall be paid

out of the Kansas Centennial Celebration Reserve Fund." The recommendation was adopted.

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"That we allow the Santa Fe Trail Association to contribute \$15.00 per Cordry Book for resale to their members at a profit to their association." The recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation No. 11

"That a plaque be purchased/secured to be placed in the KSDAR Library for mounting engraved plates naming monetary donors who contributed \$100.00 or more to the library." The recommendation was adopted.

Meeting recessed at 11:15 a.m.

Chapter Regent's Luncheon

Friday, March 14, 1997, Salon I and II

The Chapter Regent's Luncheon began at noon with Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent, presiding. The theme was "Show and Tell", another Centennial Event. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was led by Laurie Schweiger, State Chairman, and Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain, led the Lord's Prayer which was recited in unison. The District Directors were introduced. Mrs. G. M. Ramirez, Northeast District Director, presented Regents from Arthur Barrett, Atchison, Betty Washington, Capt. Jesse Leavenworth, John Haupt, Mission Hills, Olathe, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Sagamore, Shawnee Mission, Tomahawk, Topeka, Three Trails West and Wyandot Chapters. Shirley S. Coupal, Northwest District Director presented Regents from Abilene, Courtney-Spalding, Desire Tobey Sears, Fort Larned, Major Elijah Hyde, Nathan Edson, Newton, Polly Ogden, Sarah Steward, Smoky Hill and Stone Corral Chapters. Mrs. Ralph French, Jr., Southeast District Director presented Regents from Betty Bonney, Council Oak, Emporia, Isabella Weldin, Jane Dean Coffey, Marais des Cygnes, Neodesha, Oceanus Hopkins, Peleg Gorton and Susannah French Putney Chapters. Mrs. Wayne M. Cope, Southwest District Director, presented Regents from Cimarron River Valley, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Kanza, Little Arkansas, Martha Loving Ferrell, Randolph Loving, Uvedale, Wichita and William Wilson Chapters.

Mrs. Rick Bullock, State Chairman of Junior Membership Committee announced that Laurie Schweiger was the 1997 Outstanding Junior. Then Mrs. Bullock presented Laurie with the Outstanding Junior pin and sash. An engraved silver bowl, the Pat Decker Award, was presented by Mrs. Billy P. Compton, representing the Flores del Sol Chapter.

Afternoon Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 14, 1997

The Ninety-ninth State Conference reconvened at 3:41 p.m. in Salon III & IV of the Wichita Airport Hilton.

Mrs. Glen E. Mayden, Chairman of Resolutions Committee was introduced. She then introduced the members of her committee: Mary Wise and Mrs. Woodrow Dew. Copies of Education Enhancement and Veterans Services Resolutions had been printed and distributed to the voting delegates so reading of the resolutions was waived by general consent. Mrs. Mayden announced that they would be voted upon Saturday morning, March 15.

Mrs. Doran Cole, Credentials Chairman, reported there were National Officers from Kansas 1, Honorary State Regents 5, State Officers 11, Chapter Regents 35, Chapter Vice Regents 2, Delegates 86, entitled to vote 136, non voting members and guests 67, alternates 35, National Officers not from Kansas 1, total number registered 239, with one 50 Year member present. Mrs. Cole moved the adoption of the revised roll of delegates as the official roll of voting members of the 99th Kansas State Conference. Adopted.

Mrs. Ralph E. French, Jr., State Awards Chairman, presented awards prepared by the following committees and officers: KSDAR Commemorative Events, DAR Magazine, DAR Scholarship, DAR Veteran Patients, Genealogical Records, KSDAR Library, Membership, NSDAR Correspondent Docents, Program, KSDAR Historian, and Flag of the United States of America. The Pages distributed the awards.

Reports of State Chairmen of National Committees were as follows:

Youth and Adult Education Group. American Heritage, Mrs. Larry Overmiller; American History, Mrs. Milton Thomas; American Indians, Mrs. John Mowen; Conservation, Marilyn L. Winton; and DAR Scholarship, Mrs. Kenneth Rice.

Historic Preservation Group. DAR Museum, Mrs. Charles Theis and DAR Museum Correspondent Docents, Mrs. McCager Thompson.

Patriotic Education Group. Children of the American Revolution, Mrs. Dennis Owens; Constitution Week, Mrs. Kenneth Anderson; The Flag of the United States of America, Laurie Schweiger; National Defense, Mrs. Oliver I. West; and Junior American Citizens, Mrs. Charley Shoemaker.

Mrs. James Shirley announced that the 11th National Veterans Golden Age Games would be hosted by the Dwight D. Eisenhower VA Medical Center at Leavenworth from July 27 through August 2, 1997.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Banquet, Salon I, II and III

Friday, March 14, 1997

The Banquet began at 7:15 p.m. with Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, presiding. Processional music was furnished by the Conference pianist and the Sons of the American Revolution in Colonial Uniform presented the Colors. The invocation was led by Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Laurie Schweiger, State Chairman. The American's Creed was led by Mrs. Billy P. Compton, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General. The National Anthem was led by Mrs. Larry Overmiller, State Chairman, American Heritage Committee. The Colors were posted and the Color Guard retired.

Mrs. Traffas thanked the Kansas State Society, Sons of the American Revolution for their presentation of the Colors and stated that the KSSAR Color Guard had been selected as the most outstanding Color Guard in the Nation.

The Centennial Chapters, Topeka, Mrs. John M. Boggs, Regent; Betty Washington, Mrs. Earl Slapar, Regent; and Eunice Sterling, Mrs. Larry Ream, Regent, were recognized. The new Chapter, Three Trails West, Mrs. Hugo VanDeWille, Regent, was also recognized.

Mrs. Traffas introduced those seated at the head table: Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra, Corresponding Secretary General, NSDAR; Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent; Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Honorary State Regent; Mrs. Billy P. Compton, Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General; Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General; Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General; Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman DAR School Committee; Dr. Charles Edmonds, High School Principal, Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, Grant, Alabama; Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent; Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain; Mrs. John D. Afton, State Recording Secretary; Mrs. Alec S. Odevseff, State Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez, State Organizing Secretary; Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, State Treasurer; Mrs. Ray Bendorf, State Registrar; Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian; Mrs. Wayne M. Cope, State Librarian; and Mrs. Robert M. Neubert, State Reporter.

After the guests were greeted by the audience, Mrs. Traffas introduced members of her family who were present: Her parents, Norman and Mary Dorsch; her brother, Dr. John N. Dorsch, his wife, Diane, daughter Amanda and son James. Dr. Traffas, her husband, was not able to be present due to calving season but her son Levi, and daughter, Mary were introduced.

Mrs. Traffas then introduced Kim Clair, 1996 Outstanding Junior member and her personal Page.

Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent, introduced the heads of lineage societies in Kansas: National Society of the Sons of American Revolution, President of Kansas Society, Mr. Edgar E. Grover and Mrs.

Grover; National Society United States Daughters of 1812, President, Kansas State Society, Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice; Governor of Kansas Branch, National Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims, Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice; Regent, Kansas Division of National Society Magna Charta Dames, Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice; Regent, Kansas State Society of National Society Daughters of the American Colonists, Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice; National Society, Children of the American Revolution, Kansas Society Senior State President, Mrs. Dennis Owens; National Society, Children of the American Revolution, Kansas Society, State President, Mr. Jeremy Johnstone; National Society of New England Women, Kansas Colony, President, Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter; President, Quivira Chapter of National Society Colonial Daughters of the XVII Century, Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter; National Society of Colonial Dames of the XVII Century, President Kansas State Society, Mrs. Dean Lappin; National Society of Colonial Dames of the XVII Century, President elect Kansas State Society, Mrs. Donald Willsey; Kansas Society of the Dames of the Court of Honor, President, Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark; President National Society Daughters of Colonial Wars in the State of Kansas, Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark; National Society of Children of American Colonists, Kansas State Society, Senior State President, Mrs. Philip Bernstorff; National Society of Children of American Colonists, Kansas State Society, State President, Miss Laura Bernstorff; Prairie Dog Society, Kansas Society Children of the American Revolution, President, Miss Laura Bernstorff; National Huguenot Society, President General, Dr. Philip W. Bernstorff; Governor General of National Society Sons of American Colonists, Dr. Philip W. Bernstorff; Kansas Society, Continental Society Daughters of Indian Wars, Governor, Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr. John D. Afton, husband of State Recording Secretary was introduced.

We were entertained by *Spirit*, a musical group of eight who sang, Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory, I Wish I Was in the Land of Cotton, Camptown Races, Oh, Shenandoah, America, and Home On the Range.

Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra, Corresponding Secretary General, NSDAR was introduced by Mrs. Traffas. She had attended our State Conference in 1983 and the Kansas Society was proud for her to do a return engagement. Mrs. Saavedra spoke on Units Overseas.

Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General, and a member of the Centennial Committee had the privilege to award a DAR Medal of Honor, the highest award presented by the Daughters of the American Revolution, to Mrs. Nancy Kassebaum Baker. Mrs. Traffas introduced the other members of the Centennial Committee and thanked them for their efforts on behalf of the Kansas Society.

Mrs. Kevin Smith, Conference Chairman, had no announcements to make so the benediction was led by Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain. The Colors were retired and the banquet was closed with a recessional.

Memorial Service - Salon III and IV

Saturday, March 15, 1997

A piano prelude by Mrs. Rick Bullock opened the Memorial Service for deceased members of the Kansas Society. The Memorial Candles were lit and the State Chaplain, Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, gave the Call to Remembrance: *Let us now with quiet and grateful hearts remember before God those who have entered into eternal life. They have left our earthly companionship, but they still live within our hearts.* Psalms 23 and 121 were read by Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent. A vocal duet was sang by Mrs. Richard L. Bullock and Mrs. Dennis Owens. A Tribute to a Past State Officer, Mrs. Jacob P. Farney, was read by Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr. A Tribute to a Past State Officer, Mrs. Edward J. Gutsch was read by Mrs. Kenneth Anderson. The Memorial Roll was read by Mrs. Ray Bendorf, State Registrar and Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann.

The Memorial Service was concluded with a prayer offered by Mrs. Hagemann. The Pages extinguished the candles . A postlude was played by Mrs. Richard Bullock.

Tribute to Mrs. Jacob P. Farney

Shirley Gibson Farney was born in Winchester, Kansas the daughter of Elza William Gibson and Cordelia Ann Randall. She graduated from the School of Fine Arts at the University of Kansas. Shirley was a voice major and was elected to Mu Phi Epsilon, a music honorary. She had a beautiful voice and also enjoyed playing the piano and organ.

While at the University of Kansas, she met her future husband Jacob P. Farney. When Shirley and Jake became engaged, they decided not to wait for the wedding that was planned for several months in the future. They eloped, but kept it a secret and were married again at the wedding that had been planned. Then they told their parents about the first wedding ceremony.

After Jake finished his residency, they moved to Mission Hills and joined the Country Club Christian Church. Shirley and Jake were a very devoted couple and when Jake could leave his busy medical practice, they made golfing trips to many different countries around the world.

Shirley became a member of Daughters of the American Revolution in 1970 when she joined Tomahawk Chapter. She served on several chapter committees and was elected Regent of Tomahawk Chapter for the 1976-1978 term.

In 1980 she was elected State Corresponding Secretary. She served as State Flag Chairman 1983-1986. Everyone who came in contact with Shirley knew of her love for our United States Flag. As State Flag Chairman, she made sure that the State Flags were always in perfect order, before they were handed over to the pages to carry at State Conferences. Shirley was proud to be a member of the National Flag Foundation.

In 1986 she was appointed State Credentials Chairman and her friendly manner was very evident as members registered for the State Conferences.

She liked meeting people and this was a wonderful opportunity to greet old friends and meet new ones. Shirley belonged to many other lineage societies and served as State President of three of them.

When her health began to fail in the fall of 1995, she moved to a Retirement Center in Wichita to be near one of her daughters. She is survived by two daughters, one son and seven grandchildren. Shirley is not only missed by her family, but by her many friends.

Tribute to Helen Sharpe Gutsch

Helen E. Gutsch truly lived the motto of our society, that of God, Home and Country. She was an active member of her church for many years and a pillar of her community of Burdick. At her service her minister, Rev. Sam Owen, shared with us a story that is typical of Helen. There was a debate in the church as to how an event should occur and the minister had his idea of how things should go. She shared with him that this was not only his concern but the rest of the community and perhaps he could look at how best to meet the task for success and support, rather than doing just as he perceived the solution. She led the Council Oak Chapter through similar resolutions of disappointment and change.

Helen retired as postmaster of Burdick with the U.S. Postal Service, January 11, 1983 after 35 years of service. She was a part of the service when it was owned and operated by the U S Government, thus she served her country well. She was graduated from Council Grove High School, received her teaching certificate from Emporia Teachers College and taught for five years in Council Grove and south east of Herington in a rural one-room school. She joined the Council Oak chapter and spent six of her years as regent. She was State Registrar for the Kansas Society in the pre-computer era. She enjoyed the many friendships developed out of this office and would ask about many of her fellow officers when she no longer could attend the district and state meetings.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church and the American Legion Auxiliary, both of Burdick, Past Worthy Matron and Secretary of Diamond Valley Chapter Order of the Eastern Star with current membership in Esther Chapter in Herington. She was a P.E.O. member and a member of the Silver Hair Legislature for two years.

Helen raised her family while husband Ed served in World War II and they lived a while in Council Grove. She and Ed had two sons, James and Bill, and three daughters, Barbara, Neva Joyce, and Kathleen. Four of her five sisters also survive, June Warren of Wichita, Mary Lee of Dwight, Joyce Swim of Derby, and Royland Sharp of Herington. She and Ed enjoyed thirteen grandchildren and twenty great grandchildren.

One of her last events of her life was their 60th anniversary. They were able to celebrate with a few close friends on the day of their anniversary, June 18, but on the day of their public celebration, Helen was taken to the hospital. In her usual manner, the party went on, as it was too late to cancel. The gathered family and friends sent greetings to her by video. Her health steadily declined and she died November 11, 1996.

Morning Meeting Minutes

Saturday, March 15, 1997

The Ninety-ninth State Conference of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution reconvened at 10:33 a.m., Saturday, March 15, 1997 in Salon III and IV of the Wichita Airport Hilton.

Mrs. Doran Cole gave the updated report of the Credential Committee as follows: National Officer 1, Honorary State Regents 5, State Officers 11, Chapter Regents 36, Vice Regents 2, Delegates 91, entitled to vote 142, Alternates 39, total registered 260. Two 50 Year members were registered. Mrs. Cole moved the adoption of the updated report of the Credentials Committee. The motion was adopted.

Reports of State Chairman of National Committees continued as follows:

Genealogy Group. Genealogical Records, Mrs. Lawrence Hagen, Co-Chairman.

DAR School Group. Mrs. Kenneth Fager, State Chairman, reported that 16, 899 soup labels had been collected. Mrs. Richard Creedon, National DAR Schools Committee, awarded a certificate to Mrs. Fager, a Friend of DAR Schools.

Membership Group. Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez, State Committee Chairman, introduced the members of the committee, Mrs. Ray Bendorf, and Mrs. Robert Schweiger. A clever ditty was presented by Mrs. Sue Etalemaki, Mrs. Tod Hettenbach and Mrs. Rick Bullock as part of the Junior Membership report by Mrs. Rick Bullock, Junior Membership Chairman. Also, reporting were Insignia, Mrs. Jimmy Dooley; and Program, Mrs. Gary Eichman.

Public Relations. DAR Magazine, Ann Roark; DAR Magazine Advertising, Mrs. Martin J. Robl; DAR Good Citizens, Mrs. Richard B. Hartzler; and Commemorative Events, Mrs. Billy Lierly.

Volunteer Services. DAR Service for Veteran-Patients, Mrs. Arthur M. Liestman; Literacy Challenge, Mrs. Leon Torkelson; Lineage Research, Mrs. Robert Schweiger; and Volunteer Community Service, Mrs. William O. Stephens.

State Appointees. Kansas Chapel, Mrs. G. D. Spafford; and Literature, Mrs. Warren Coupal. Mrs. Traffas presented the 100% Participation Certificates in the President General's Project as of January 31, 1997 to 28 chapters in the absence of Mrs. Kenneth Beal. Others reporting were: Mrs. Paul Jones, Press Book; Mrs. Kim Clair, State Regent's Project and Mrs. Kevin Smith, Conference Chairman.

Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, KSDAR Centennial Celebration Committee, reported. Mrs. Traffas asked the members of the committee to stand for recognition.

Mrs. Rick Bullock presented very appropriate and lovely gifts to each of the State Officers, the Parliamentarian, and two Conference Guests which had been salvaged from the unsold items of the Junior Bazaar.

Mrs. Glen E. Mayden, Resolutions Chairman, moved the adoption of the Education Enhancement Resolution. The resolution was adopted.

Education Enhancement Resolution

Whereas, Continued media coverage emphasizes academic mediocrity, disciplinary problems and the issues of attendance, violence, drugs and dropouts in the nations 85,000 public schools,

Whereas, Adequate preparation for education beyond the secondary level is essential if today's young people are to compete successfully in social and economic circles as the electorate and governing bodies of the twenty-first century,

Whereas, Discouraged parents are essentially abandoning the public schools by removing students to home study and other institutions thereby diminishing the social and financial foundations of public education,

Whereas, The states have the constitutional responsibility for education through the authority to regulate and tax, as well as the potential to determine the direction of public education,

Whereas, National Goals 2000 places a premium on the role of families, parents in school government, and awareness of community perceptions, values, and beliefs; and

Whereas, In bipartisan unity the new congress has included school improvement in the current agenda; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution, as individuals, indicate to federal and state legislators their concerns for these issues and their hopes for the future of our youth, so these visions may be incorporated into the anticipated legislative action.

Mrs. Mayden moved the adoption of the Veterans Services Resolution.
Adopted.

Veterans Services Resolution

Whereas, The 11th National Veterans Golden Age Games are being hosted by the Dwight D. Eisenhower Veterans Medical Center at Leavenworth, Kansas, from July 27 through August second, 1997,

Whereas, These games provide recreational sports and competition for eligible veterans of the Armed Forces throughout the United States with preventative and therapeutic medical value in improving the quality of life for ALL older Americans.

Whereas, The Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution have a half-century history of dedicated support for Veterans Medical Centers in Kansas; and

Whereas, These games present an opportunity to exhibit a firm commitment to continuing this tradition; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution, as individuals and chapters, volunteer their support and assistance to assure the success of the 1997 Age Games.

Mrs. Larry D. Ream, Chairman of Bylaws Committee, reported and introduced the members of the committee: Mrs. Robert Kline, Mrs. Ronnie Svaty, and Mrs. Cecil O'Brate. Mrs. Ream presented the proposed amendments to the Standing Rules of the Kansas DAR Bylaws and moved, "In accordance with notice given, and by direction of the State Bylaws Committee, I move the adoption of the following amendments to the to the Standing Rules of the Kansas Society."

1. **Standing Rule Number 5.** Thirty dollars shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent at Continentatl Congress; and thirty dollars shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent-elect; arrangements shall be made by the State Treasurer." A rising vote was called and the amendment was adopted.

2. **Standing Rule Number 33.** NORTHEAST—Arthur Barrett, Atchison, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, James Ross, John Haupt, Mission Hills, Olathe, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Sagamore, Samuel Linscott, Shawnee Mission, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, Topeka, and Wyandot. Adopted.

3. **Proposed Standing Rule.** To assist with the facility expenses of the Kansas Society's Fall State Board of Management meeting, a sum not to exceed \$75.00, nor more than one-half of the expense shall be allotted from the General Fund to the host chapter committee. The allotted sum shall be recommended by the State Vice Regent, with approval of the State Regent." The amended Proposed Standing Rule was adopted. Mrs. Traffas announced that all amendments would take effect at the end of the State Conference. By consensus it was agreed that the suggestion of the Bylaw Committee to insert the new Standing Rule after the KSDAR Standing Rule Number 28 and before KSDAR Stnding Rule Number 29, renumbering the remaining Standing Rules.

Mrs. Harold N. Ottaway, State Parliamentarian, reported. She announced that an amendment that would add a new Article XXII, Dissolution, to the Bylaws of the National Society has been proposed for consideration at the 106th Continental Congress. The proposed amendment provides for distribution of assets on dissolution or the termination of the Corporation, as required by the Internal Revenue Service. If adopted by the National Society, a similar amendment would be added to the Bylaws of the Kansas Society, in accordance with Article XXI, Section 3, of the Bylaws of the National Society, which reads: "Any amendment to the Bylaws of the National Society shall become the law of the chapters and states without further notice."

The meeting recessed at 12:10 p.m.

**Youth Awards Luncheon with
The Children of the American Revolution**
Saturday, March 15, 1997, 12:00 Noon, Salon III and IV

The Youth Awards Luncheon held in Salon III and IV was opened with the invocation by Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann, State Chaplain. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of American was led by Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian. The American's Creed was led by Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., Honorary State Regent, Past Vice President General. The first stanza of the National Anthem was led by Mrs. Larry Overmiller, State Chairman, American Heritage Committee.

Mrs. Traffas introduced Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian; Mrs. Milton Thomas, State Chairman, American History Committee; Mrs. Richard B. Hartzler, State Chairman, Good Citizen Committee; Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice, St. Chairman, DAR Scholarship Committee; Mrs. Charley Shoemake, State Chairman, Junior American Citizens Committee; Mrs. Dennis Owens, State Chairman, Children of the American Revolution Committee; and State Society President, Kansas Society Children of the American Revolution, Mr. Jeremy Johnstone.

During the luncheon we were entertained by the *Ex-Citations*. Their patriotic music was especially enjoyed by all. The group was made up of employees, relatives and friends of Cessna Aircraft Company, Wichita.

Youth Awards were presented by the following:

Mrs. Milton Thomas, State Chairman, American History,
Mrs. Richard B. Hartzler, State Chairman, DAR Good Citizen,
Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice, State Chairman, DAR Scholarship,
Mrs. Charley Shoemake, State Chairman, Junior American Citizens, and
Shirley S. Coupal, State Historian, Outstanding Teacher of American History.

Each chairman introduced the winners in her category as the awards were presented. The families of the winners were also recognized and all were applauded by the group. The names of all the winners can be found in reports of the chairmen and one state officer elsewhere in the Annual Report and Proceedings.

Mrs. Traffas remarked that a special time is set aside each year to honor the outstanding youth and their achievements. We even recognize the outstanding work done by teachers. Youth are faced with many challenges today—the restructuring of the family unit—peer pressure—drugs—violence in the media, and on the streets of our hometowns. In fact, haven't the youth of every generation been faced with challenges? It is how we, as adults help youth learn to handle situations that truly defines the future of our society. The responsibility is OURS and the choice is THEIRS. The objects of the Daughters of the American Revolution is to further patriotic endeavors, historical preservation, and education. Our motto is "God, Home and Country" and we believe that is the order of priority in our lives. We look to the youth of today for the hope that is our tomorrow—and having met some of our honorees today, I am confident that our tomorrows can be very bright!

Afternoon Minutes
Saturday, March 15, 1997

The business meeting reconvened at 2:37 p.m. in Salon III and IV with Mrs. Traffas presiding.

Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter reported for the Finance Committee and named the members of the committee: Mrs. John D. Afton, Shirley Coupal, Mrs. Robert M. Neubert and Mrs. Howard R. Walker. Mrs. Carpenter moved the adoption of the amended proposed budget for 1997. The amendment budget for 1997 was adopted.

KSDAR Approved Budget, 1997

INCOME

Dues	\$11,361.00	
Genealogical Records	50.00	
Golden West Tea	00	
Interest, General	2,400.00	
Magazine Ad. Commission	150.00	
KSDAR News	38.00	
Sales:		
Library Catalogs	20.00	
Proceedings	10.00	
Interest, Library Endowment	<u>450.00</u>	
TOTAL INCOME		\$14,479.00

EXPENSE

Operating Expense		
Newsletter	3,000.00	
Proceedings	3,200.00	
Stationary, Printing & Copies	550.00	
Computer Supplies	<u>75.00</u>	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE		6,825.00

OFFICER EXPENSE

Regent	300.00	
Vice Regent	20.00	
Chaplain	20.00	
Recording Secretary	70.00	
Corresponding Secretary	200.00	
Organizing Secretary	15.00	
Treasurer	150.00	
Registrar	25.00	
Historian	20.00	
Librarian	20.00	
Reporter	<u>15.00</u>	
TOTAL OFFICER EXPENSE		855.00

TOTAL CHAIRMAN EXPENSE **300.00**

FIXED EXPENSES

Professional Fees	300.00
Treasurer's Bond	.00
Annual Privilege Fee	20.00
Golden West Tea	50.00
Safety Deposit Box	12.00
Library Insurance	293.00
Library (extra need)	50.00
Library Rent/Utilities	<u>300.00</u>

TOTAL FIXED EXPENSES

1,025.00

OTHER EXPENSES

American History Teacher	25.00
Markers, Honorary St. Regents	40.00
American History Applicant	25.00
Chapel Expense	40.00
Centennial Celebration	.00
Computer (Reserve)	300.00
Genealogical Record Binding	100.00
Nominating Committee	100.00
Outstanding Jr. Member	50.00
Santa Fe Trail Markers	0.00
Santa Fe Trail Survey Books	400.00
JAC Prize Fund	100.00
Medal of Honor	<u>39.00</u>

TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES

1,219.00

STANDING RULE EXPENSES

#3, Regent Allowance	2,000.00
#4, Officers	275.00
#5, Flowers, St. Regent	30.00
#6, Pages, Continental Congress	50.00
#7, St. Conference Advance	324.60
#24, Outstanding Jr.	150.00
#25, Transportation Fund	250.00
#27, Honorary St. Regent's Ad	.00
#29, Pilgrimage	.00
B-L IV, S4(a), C.A.R.	162.30
B-L IV, S4(b), Library Fund	.00
B-L IV, S4(c), Chapel Maint. Fund	<u>65.00</u>

TOTAL STANDING RULE EXPENSE

3,306.90

TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSE

\$13,530.90

PROJECTED NET GAIN

948.10

Mrs. Wayne M. Cope reported for the Library Committee and named the members of the committee: Mrs. Roy E. Arnold, Mrs. William Daniels and Mrs. Francis Hurst.

Mrs. Frank Huffman, Conference Marshal Committee Chairman, introduced her assistant, Mrs. Doug Kocher and thanked those who assisted with making the conference run smoothly.

Mrs. James Tolbert, House Committee Chairman, reported and introduced her assistant, Mrs. Arthur Small.

Mrs. Robert Carlson, Page Chairman, thanked the pages for all they had done. Any relative of a page was asked to stand when the Page was introduced.

Mrs. Kevin Smith, Conference Chairman and Mrs. Charles Brewer, Conference Treasurer, were introduced. Mrs. Smith thanked all who helped make the conference a success. Mrs. Traffas announced that Mrs. Brewer had been responsible for the outstanding entertainment at State Conference as well as registration.

Mrs. Glen E. Mayden, read the amended Courtesy Resolution and moved for its adoption. The Resolution was adopted.

Courtesy Resolution

Resolved, That appreciation be expressed by the Kansas Society to Mrs. Charles Keil Kemper, President General, NSDAR for her message to the Ninety-ninth Kansas State Conference,

Resolved, That special recognition be given to Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra, Corresponding Secretary General, NSDAR, and Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman DAR School Committee, for their attendance and excellent presentations at the conference,

Resolved, That Mr. Tom Winters, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, be thanked for his words of welcome at the opening session,

Resolved, That sincere gratitude be extended to Dr. Charles Edmonds, High School Principal, at Kate Duncan Smith DAR School, and Mr. Mike Mullins, Executive Director, Hindman Settlement School, for their service to DAR schools and for sharing their experiences with the Kansas Society,

Resolved, That the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution express heartfelt appreciation to the State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, the State Officers, the State Committee Chairmen and Committee Members for their service during the Centennial Year; for the Memorial Service with music by Mrs. Richard L. Bullock and Mrs. Dennis Owens; the wonderfully shared talents of the Color Guards: Lt. Col. Ray Yenchesky, Director, ROTC Northwest High School, Wichita, and the SAR in Colonial Uniform; the special music of SPIRIT, Ex-Citations, and Mrs. Max W. Billinger, Jr., Mrs. William Reel and Mrs. Arthur E. Liestman, conference pianists,

Resolved, That pleasure and satisfaction be conveyed to the staff of the Airport Hilton and to the State Conference Committees for all courtesies and attention given to members and guests.

Mrs. Gabriel Saavedra and Mrs. Richard Creedon made complimentary remarks regarding their visit to our State Conference.

An invitation to the 1998 State Conference was extended by Mrs. Martin J. Robl, Northwest District Director. The invitation was accepted and Mrs. Traffas thanked her for the courtesty and announced that the 1998 State Conference would be held on March 12, 13, and 14, 1998 in Salina.

Mrs. Howard R. Walker, State Vice Regent, expressed appreciation to the Conference Committee for the outstanding state conference.

Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent, led the group in repeating the Daughter's Pledge. All joined hands and sang, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds." Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann gave the benediction.

The 99th State Conference adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Corrine L. Afton
State Recording Secretary

Approved by Committee:
Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr.
Mrs. Wayne Cope
Mrs. Gary Eichman

REPORTS OF STATE OFFICERS

State Regent

Mrs. Vincent Traffas

This officer enjoyed the company of many Kansas Daughters when she attended the 105th Continental Congress in April 1996. It was an honor to present the Kansas report on Regent's Night, to attend the Golden West Tea, and to congratulate Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark upon her election as Vice President General. Kansas Daughters beamed as Jeffery Davis was presented as National winner, VA Youth Volunteer.

On April 27, the Stato Historian and this officer met with members of the Stone Corral and Jeremiah Howard Chapters, the Northwest District Director, Mr. Ralph Hathaway, and his attorney, Mr. Britt Colle in Chase. For the past twenty years or so, a DAR Santa Fe Trail marker has been at the Ralph Hathaway farm. This marker was originally placed at the site of the Plum Buttes, which is 1/4 mile north and two mile west of Mr. Hathaway's property. A serious effort to return the Plum Buttes marker to its former site was underway. The Jeremiah Howard Chapter of Great Bend, and the Stone Corral Chapter of Lyons assisted with the research of local newspapers and court records. The Bayer family, who own the land where the Plum Buttes are located, was most helpful. After touring the site of the Plum Buttes and Mr. Hathaway's property, it was agreed that the integrity of the 1906 marking of the Plum Buttes should be maintained, and that a new marker be commissioned to commemorate the 175th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail to be placed at Mr. Hathaway's. Your State Historian and State Regent prepared the forms seeking permission from the Historian General, NSDAR, to commission the new marker, with the request that permission be expedited. We are most grateful for the timely cooperation of the Historian General, NSDAR, and her office staff. When permission was received, Mastercarved Memorials of Clay Center, Kansas was contracted to prepare the marker. The marker is 4" thick, 14" wide, 26" high of red Osage granite, very similar to existing Santa Fe Trail markers. The new marker reads:

SANTA FE TRAIL

1822-1872

175th Anniversary

Marked by the Kansas Daughters
of the American Revolution
1996.

The lettering is done in black which improved the text's visibility. The marker was placed on June 14, 1996, ten days prior to the Kansas State Historical Society's 42-day tour there. This officer presented the marker to Mr. Hathaway on the evening of June 24, 1996 during the evening's festivities. A formal dedication took place on September 18, 1996 with the Historian General, NSDAR, and KSDAR State Officers and members present. The Plum Buttes marker was returned to its original location and placed upon a new concrete base and is surrounded by handsome limestone

posts. Grateful appreciation is expressed to the Jeremiah Howard and Stone Corral chapters for their cooperation, and to the Bayer family for their generosity in furnishing the new concrete base, and for payment of expenses in returning the Plum Buttes marker to its original location.

On May 1, a KSDAR survey was sent to all sixty-three chapter Regents, State Officers, and the District Directors, for a total of seventy-seven. Addressed envelopes were provided for ease of response. The intent was to poll members regarding issues pertaining to State Conference, Fall Tour, and the cost effectiveness of the State Society. The results were compiled on June 10 based upon the return of forty-three surveys. A copy of the results was placed in the Fall Packet. A few surveys were received after tabulation, and were filed separately.

Results of KSDAR Survey

1. Would you be in favor of holding the State Conference at the same location for three years? NE: 2 yes, 8 no, 2 no opinion; NW: 4 yes, 6 no, 1 no opinion; SE: 3 yes, 4 no, 1 no opinion; SW: 12 no.
2. Would you be in favor of continuing to contribute a set amount of money per chapter for table decorations, favors, etc. for State Conference? NE: 11 yes, 1 no; NW: 11 yes, SE: 7 yes, 1 no opinion; SW: 12 yes.
3. Would you prefer the Regent's Banquet to be a lunch Banquet? NE: 7 yes, 3 no, 3 no opinion; NW: 9 yes, 2 no opinion; SE: 6 yes, 1 no, 1 no opinion; SW: 9 yes, 2 no, 1(?).
4. Would you like there to be a Theme for decorations and Regent's topics? NE: 10 yes, 2 no opinion; NW: 11 yes, SE: 6 yes, 2 no opinion; SW: 10 yes, 2 no.
5. If there is entertainment at a meal, would you prefer it during, or following? NE: 4 during, 8 following; NW: 4 during, 7 following; SE: 3 during, 5 following; SW: 2 during, 10 following.
6. How would you like to see meal tickets handled?
 - a. Different ones each meal—NE 3, NW 4, SE 4, SW 1.
 - b. Dots on name badge—NE 9, NW 4, SE 1, SW 10.
 - c. Colored ribbons on badge—NE 0, NW 0, SE 0, SW 1.
 - d. Card punched at door—NE 0, NW 0, SE 0, SW 0.
 - e. Arranged seating for all meals—NE 0, NW 3, SE 1, SW 0.
 - f. No Opinion—NE 0, NW 0, SE 1, SW 0.
7. Would you be in favor of a one-day, central location Fall Forum instead of a 4-5 day Fall Tour? NE: 3 yes, 8 no, 1 no opinion; NW: 8 yes, 3 no; SE: 4 yes, 2 no, 1 no opinion; SW: 9 no, 3 yes.
8. In efforts to help our State Society become more cost effective, would you be OPPOSED to:
 - a. printing newsletter/Proceedings in black ink—NE: 2 yes, 10 no; NW: 2 yes, 9 no; SE: 3 yes, 4 no; SW: 5 yes, 7 no.
 - b. printing Proceedings only once per Administration—NE: 5 yes, 5 no, 2 no opinion; NW: 4 yes, 5 no, 2 no opinion; SE: 4 yes, 3 no, 1 no opinion; SW: 3 yes 6 no, 2 (?).

c. Charging subscription fee for KSDAR News? NE: 7 yes, 5 no; NW: 4 yes, 6 no, 1 no opinion; SE: 3 yes, 3 no, 2 no opinion; SW: 6 yes, 5 no, 1 (?).

The results of this survey were compiled on June 10, 1996, based upon the return of forty-three surveys. This information will be furnished to the Executive Committee, the State Conference Chairman, and District Directors by mail, and to the Fall Board of Management in an oral report. The surveys will be filed.

1. Would you be in favor of holding the State Conference at the same location for three years? Yes 20.9%, No 69.7%, No Opinion 9.4%.
2. Would you be in favor of continuing to contribute a set amount of money per chapter for table decorations, favors, etc. for State Conference? Yes 95.3%, No 2.2%, No Opinion 2.2%.
3. Would you prefer the Regent's Banquet to be a lunch Banquet? Yes 72%, No 13.9%, No opinion 10.1%.
4. Would you like there to be a Theme for decorations and Regent's topics? Yes 86%, No 4.6%, No Opinion 9.4%.
5. If there is entertainment at a meal, would you prefer it during, or following the meal? During 34.7%, following 65.2%.
6. How would you like to see meal tickets/reservations handled?
 - a. Meal tickets, different colors for each meal—27.9%
 - b. Dots on name badge—55.8%
 - c. Colored ribbons on name badge per meal—2.2%
 - d. Card/ticket which is punched at the door—0%
 - e. Advanced table reservations/arranged seating—9.3%
 - f. No opinion—2.2%
7. Would you be in favor of a one-day, central location Fall Forum instead of a 4-5 day Fall Tour, probably held on a Saturday? Yes 55.8%, No 37.2%, No Opinion 7%.
8. In efforts to help our State Society to become more cost effective, would you be opposed to:
 - a. printing newsletter/Proceedings in black ink? Yes 27.9%, No 71.1%.
 - b. printing Proceedings only once per Administration? Yes 37.2%, No 44.1%, No Opinion 18.7%.
 - c. charging subscription fee for KSDAR News? Yes 46.5%, No 44.1%, No Opinion 9.4%.

This officer wishes to thank all those who participated in the survey, for it aids us all in responding to your suggestions. Thank you.

May 4, 1996 was such a delightful day. A breakfast meeting with the Marais des Cygnes Chapter in Paola was truly lovely. The Regent, Ann Roark, and members were wonderful hosts, and the decorations were pansies—one of my favorites! A speedy drive into Kansas City followed, to join the Wyandot/Johnson Co. Regent's Roundtable assembly for a lovely

luncheon and afternoon. The Regents and members of the James Ross, Mission Hills, Olathe, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Sagamore, Shawnee Mission, Tomahawk, and Wyandot chapters turned out in wonderful fashion. A restful night was enjoyed at the home of your State Historian, and State Conference Chairman in Shawnee Mission.

Isabella Weldin Chapter members, spouses, and Regent Mrs. John D. Afton entertained your State Regent to a wonderful supper meeting in Augusta on May 10. The Flores del Sol chapter and Regent Duana Elder were hosts for a luncheon buffet on May 11 in Haysville. It was a privilege to install elected officers. Regent Mrs. Raymond A. Luthi and members of Emporia Chapter were gracious luncheon hosts on May 13 in Emporia. The Emporia Chapter executive committee and the State Regent met for an hour prior to the meeting to discuss ideas to meet the needs of their chapter, and what a wonderful idea for other chapters to consider!

The Eunice Sterling Chapter and Regent Mrs. Dean Lappin entertained with a lovely luncheon at the Wichita Country Club on May 31. Installation of officers followed the program. On June, this officer drove to Alcove Springs in Marshall County for the rededication of a marker honoring the final resting place of Sarah Keyes, a Real Daughter. It is a sacred and lovely site on the Oregon Trail. It was a privilege to address the Smith Center Rotary Club on June 11 at their luncheon. A visit to Iola to meet with members of Cofachique Chapter and Regent Mrs. Eugene Miller, was enjoyed on June 17. This officer also met with the State Recording Secretary to work on the Annual Report and Proceedings, and with Mrs. Alvera Reynolds, Organizing Regent, to sign application forms for organizing members of a new chapter.

And you will snicker to learn that your State Regent, Vice President General, and State Chairman of State Regent's Project enjoyed meeting with the members of the Lewis and Clark Re-Discovery Expedition on June 29-30. We met the 55' keelboat on June 29 in Leavenworth, and were on-board on the Missouri River when a modern-day barge came along—WHEW! Over the next two days, this officer gained more knowledge about the 1804-1806 Expedition, and enjoyed being the guest of Kim Clair.

This officer even was on the job during wheat harvest in Cheyenne County, as the State Reporter found the one and only fax machine in Bird City and sent a copy of the KSDAR News for proofing. A real highlight of the summer was the opportunity to accompany the State Historian in search of all the Santa Fe Trail markers west of Hwy 81. This wild, three-day adventure covered nearly 1,000 miles of Kansas highways, cow paths, and the most out-of-the-way places you could ever dream of! We visited the KSDAR Library in Dodge City along the way. Seeing the markers, noting their condition and location, truly deepened my appreciation for all the work the Kansas Daughters have done in their first 100 years.

On August 20th, this officer met Mrs. Kenneth Anderson, Co-Chairman of Constitution Week Committee, State Chaplain, and members of the Topeka and John Haupt Chapters in Topeka where Gov. Bill Graves and KS

Attorney General, Ron Thornburgh signed a proclamation for Constitution Week. August 23rd was spent at the Pawnee Indian Village near Republic, KS making preparations to rededicate a marker there, Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General and Curator Richard Gould assisted. This officer attended the K.S.C.A.R. summer workshop in Council Grove and was delighted to see such enthusiasm!

On September 15, this officer welcomed the Historian General, NSDAR, Mrs. Robert P. Rehl to Kansas, then hurried across Kansas City to attend the rededication of a Santa Fe Trail marker in Schumacher Park with the Missouri State Society. What a lovely and moving ceremony it was. Later the same day, the KSDAR Executive Committee met at Fort Leavenworth, just prior to the start of the 1996 Fall Tour.

This officer presided over the 1996 Fall Board of Management Meeting in Leavenworth and conducted the School of Instruction which followed. The Northeast District Meeting was hosted by the Atchison and Capt. Jesse Leavenworth Chapters. After a busy, but exciting day in Leavenworth, many Kansas Daughters, and one brave HODAR, boarded a chartered bus for a week of activities along the Santa Fe Trail in Kansas. The tour was called "MADONNAS ON THE TRAIL" and what a special week it was, with our Historian General, NSDAR, as a guest! The Southeast District Meeting was attended in Council Grove, where we enjoyed marvelous entertainment, a visit to the Madonna of the Trail statue in Madonna park, and sightseeing of this historic trail town. On September 18, the Northwest District Meeting was attended in Lyons. A tour of the Rice County Museum preceded the dedication of the 175th Anniversary Santa Fe Trail marker at the Ralph Hathaway farm. The entourage traveled to the Plum Buttes marker where we were welcomed by members of the Bayer family, friends, and members of the community. A rededication ceremony took place, and afterwards the Jeremiah Howard Chapter hosted a wonderful reception in Ellinwood. Enroute to Larned, the Madonnas viewed many of the Santa Fe Trail markers, and enjoyed a visit atop Pawnee Rock. Fort Larned was the site of the 1996 Pilgrimage. Morning refreshments in the Officer's Quarters welcomed all to this National Park landmark. Attendees were given a tour of the fort and grounds by a uniformed Lieutenant, dressed in 1860's fashion. And who will ever forget the buffet of pit-roaster whole hog (with apple in mouth) and all the fixings! Afternoon entertainment included group singing, accompanied by autoharp, and a slide presentation of historic houses in Kansas. The tour departed for Dodge City and a visit to Front Street and Boot Hill. After an evening meal, a visit was made to the KSDAR Library. The Southwest District Meeting was held in Dodge City on September 20 and Bat Masterson appeared to present Deputy Marshal badges to the Historian General and this officer. Much to Mrs. Rehl's and my chagrin, the bus driver, Ben, said our authority expired at the City's limits! From Dodge City, the group traveled to Salina for a night's rest. The tour was met by many Kansas Daughters and by interested community members of the Pawnee Indian Village in Republic County, Kansas, on September 21. On September 29,

1901, the Kansas Daughters and other historically-minded groups, had placed a marker at this site. The marker commemorated the visit here by Zebulon Pike in 1806. Pike caused the Spanish flag to be lowered, and the Stars and Stripes to be raised, and it became the first time the Flag of the United State of America had flown over Kansas Territory. We were honored to have the Historian General, NSDAR, Dr. Ramon Powers, Executive Director of the Kansas State Historical Society and Richard Gould, Curator, addressed those assembled. A troop of Boy Scouts lowered the Spanish Flag which was flying, and triumphantly raised the Stars and Stripes which unfurled against an azure sky. Patriotic songs were sung, a wreath was placed in front of the monument, and Desire Tobey Sears Chapter provided refreshments. This special event was planned by the KSDAR Centennial Committee, and deepest gratitude is extended for a most memorable Centennial event. Madonnas bid their good-byes in Leavenworth after a most special week along the Santa Fe Trail in Kansas!

This officer hosted the Historian General, NSDAR, to an overnight stay in historic quarters on post at Fort Leavenworth. They toured potential sites for marking the Lewis and Clark Trail in Kansas prior to the departure of the Historian General.

It was a privilege to join the members of the Eunice Sterling Chapter for the rededication of the Santa Fe Trail marker at Lost Springs on September 27. Luncheon at the Hays House followed.

This officer attended the National Chairmen's Forum and the National Board of Management meeting at National Headquarters October 9-12, and departed on the New England Historical Tour and a visit to Hillside School with Daughters from across the country. After returning to Kansas, it was delightful to attend a late morning meeting with the Randolph Loving Chapter and Regent Mrs. E. Randel Nelson on October 25. She later celebrated with the Eunice Sterling Chapter, and Regent Mrs. Larry D. Ream, at the Centennial Luncheon at the Wichita Country Club. The following day was spent with the Betty Washington Chapter, and Regent Mrs. Earl Slapar at the historic Eldridge Hotel's Crystal Room for their gala Centennial Tea. Special congratulations are extended to the three chapters celebrating their Centennials during this past year: Topeka Chapter, Betty Washington Chapter, and to Eunice Sterling Chapter. While these chapters celebrated 100 years of service to God, Home, and Country, the Kansas Society welcomed their newest chapter: THREE TRAILS WEST of Stilwell on the date of their confirmation of October 12, 1996. This officer telephoned her congratulations from Connecticut during their organizational meeting, and looks forward to visit in the near future. The Organizing Regent was Mrs. William Reynolds, and the Chapter Regent is Mrs. Hugh VanDeWille.

It was delightful to attend the membership Tea with the Sarah Steward Chapter in Smith Center on November 2, with Regent, Mrs. Phyllis Bell. How wonderful it was to welcome thirteen new members to this officer's own chapter! Thank you to the Smoky Hill Chapter and to Regent, Mrs. Loren

Reber for the gracious hospitality at their meeting on November 4 in Ellsworth. November 5 was election day, and this officer served as a Supervising Judge on the Election Board in Smith Center.

This officer was entertained with a luncheon at the Hays Country Club on November 7 by the Jonathan Gilbert Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. C. W. Lamer. That evening, she enjoyed dining with members of the Fort Larned Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. Robert Williams in Larned. A visit to the Good-Land Chapter, with Regent, Mrs. Arthur Howard, on November 9 was enjoyed by this officer and her mother, Mrs. Norman Dorsch of Bird City.

After a day of rest at home, it was time to hit the Santa Fe Trail again. On November 11, this officer and the KSDAR Historian travelled to Scott County to inspect the markers at El Cuartelejo. The markers appeared to be in good condition and were photographed. A delightful evening visit with the William Wilson Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. Milton Thomas, in Garden City was attended. The State Historian joined the chapter for dinner on November 11. The Byrd Prewitt Chapter, and Mrs. Eugene Shore, Regent, hosted a lively breakfast meeting in Ulysses on November 12. Following the meeting, the State Historian and this officer departed for New Mexico, following the Cimarron Cut-off Route. They attended the dedication of a Santa Fe Trail marker by the New Mexico State Society, Mrs. Ellen R. Ferrell, State Regent, near Las Vegas, New Mexico on November 13, and enjoyed a tour of Fort Union and a lovely catered dinner. The night was spent in Santa Fe, the end of the Trail, where much Christmas shopping was completed. The return trip to Kansas followed the Mountain Route, over the Raton Pass, about thirty minutes ahead of a blizzard. The officers viewed the Madonna of the Trail in Lamar, CO, and Bent's Old Fort near LaJunta, CO. As they re-entered Kansas on Hwy 56, they were looking for the remaining two Santa Fe Trail markers that had eluded everyone since 1906. One marker was located southeast of Syracuse in Hamilton Co. which laid on the ground in a hedge row, never having been set. It is located near the Fort Aubrey Horse Trail, a branch of the Santa Fe Trail. Despite extensive effort, the second marker could not be located.

The Samuel Lincsoth Chapter, and Mrs. Nathan Bolts, Regent, hosted a delicious luncheon in Holton on November 16. This officer visited the Desire Tobey Sears Chapter, and Mrs. Jimmy Dooley, Regent, on November 18 in Mankato. The Kanza Chapter and Regent, Mrs. G. L. Scholes, served a festive Holiday luncheon in Stafford on November 19, and on November 20, this officer visited the Peleg Gorton Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. Albert Utt, in Winfield, for a buffet luncheon.

The decorated home of Mrs. Jack Odoms, Vice Regent of Betty Bonney Chapter, welcomed members and this officer to Arkansas City on December 8. Regent, Mrs. John Pair, and members of Little Osage Trail Chapter were welcomed for a Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Richard D. Standrich of Derby on December 9. Mrs. Dan Musil, Regent of Arthur Barrett Chapter, and members served a Christmas buffet in Marysville on December 14. On December 23, your Regent addressed the Lions Club in Smith Center.

The KSDAR Executive Committee met in Wichita on January 4, 1997 to prepare for the 99th Annual State Conference. Members of the Conference Committees joined the State Officers for lunch. This officer enjoyed a joint chapter visit with the Four Winds Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. Vernon Carr, and with the General Edward Hand Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. Carroll Kirkpatrick in Ottawa on January 11. January 31, 1997 was spent along the Lewis and Clark Trail in northeast Kansas, visiting the communities of White Cloud, Atchison, and Leavenworth. Your Regent rested at the home of Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, Vice President General, prior to departure to National Board of Management Meetings February 1-3. Molly Foster Betty Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. Claude Mitchell, were hosts for an Awards Luncheon in Ft. Scott on February 21. Mrs. Charles E. Smith, Regent of Oceanus Hopkins Chapter and members welcomed this officer to Pittsburg for afternoon coffee on February 21. The group viewed the Military Road Marker near the KS-MO state line south of Pittsburg. The Neodesha Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. Bobby Campbell hosted a lovely brunch on the morning of February 22 in Neodesha. On February 25, this officer was privileged to address the Kansas Legislative Women upon the invitation of Mrs. Eugene Shore, in Topeka.

Polly Ogden Chapter, and Regent, Mrs. James Lindquist, were wonderful hosts on March 8 in Manhattan. That same evening, this officer was the speaker for the Annual Meeting of the Jackson County Historical Society in Holton. She enjoyed greeting friends at the State Meetings of the Daughters of Colonial Wars in the State of Kansas, and at the Colonial Dames of the XVII Century just prior to this Conference, in Wichita, and presided at the meeting of the Executive Committee, and the Workshops preceding this 99th Annual Conference.

It certainly has been a grand year! It is hoped that this Centennial year of the Kansas Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, has given you fond memories to ponder in the years ahead. For this opportunity to serve, I humbly say, THANK YOU.

State Vice Regent

Mrs. Howard R. Walker

Assisting the State Regent whenever needed and locating information for members makes your State Vice Regent's job most interesting. She also collocated chapter chairmen lists for each state chairman

At Continental Congress she attended the Banquet, the Library 100th Reception, the National Vice Regents Club and was honored to pour at the Golden West Tea.

She attended meetings of the Executive Committee, Finance Committee and Board of Management. She met with District Directors and Hostess Chapters to plan the '96 Fall Tour, Pilgrimage, and Bus Tour following the Santa Fe Trail, Kim Clair and Ruth Clark made bus arrangements. Thank you to all of these many women whose work made this a very special time. Planning is underway for the '97 Fall Tour.

Your Vice Regent attended the dedication at Schumacher Park, the Centennial celebrations of Topeka, Betty Washington and Eunice Sterling Chapters, the 75th celebration of Olathe Chapter and the 85th, of Molly Foster Berry honoring the first Kansas Society Vice Regent, Mrs. Eugene Ware, by helping place a wreath at her marker in the National Cemetery. This officer felt honored to install officers of the new Three Trails West Chapter.

She presented programs on application papers to the Anderson County Genealogical Society and to a multi-group workshop in Fort Scott and gave a program to Cofachique Chapter on NSDAR wartime support activities from the Spanish American War through Desert Storm. She attended the Kansas SAR Annual Conference.

Thank you for letting her serve the Society during this exciting Centennial Administration.

State Chaplain

Mrs. Albert R. Hagemann

This officer attended the 105th Continental Congress, serving on the 18th Street Doors Committee. She attended the Pilgrimage to Mr. Vernon, the Memorial Service, Golden West Tea and the NSDAR Banquet. Following Continental Congress she remained in Washington for a few days to work on Supplemental Application Papers. She attended the Centennial State Conference, Spring and Fall Board of Management Meetings, Four District Meetings, all Executive Committee Meetings and Fall Tour. During Fall Tour, she participated in the dedication of the 175th Anniversary DAR Santa Fe Trail Marker at Ralph's Ruts, the rededication of the DAR Santa Fe Trail Marker at Plum Buttes and the rededication of the Pawnee Indian Village Marker in Republic County.

She attended the Centennial Celebrations of the Betty Washington Chapter in Lawrence and the Eunice Sterling Chapter in Wichita. She also attended the November meeting of the Samuel Linscott Chapter in Holton where our State Regent presented the program on the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Thank you to each chapter chaplain and regent for sending information so that sympathy cards were sent to families of deceased members and birthday greetings to members who are 90 year of age and older.

It is a distinct pleasure to serve in this Centennial Administration with our State Regent, other State Officers and Kansas Daughters.

State Recording Secretary

Mrs. John D. Afton

This officer attended the 105th Continental Congress where she volunteered in the NSDAR Library, Seimes Microfilm and served as Corridor Hostess. She joined other Kansas Daughters in attending the NSDAR Library Centennial Celebration, Golden West Tea, NSDAR Banquet and VAVS Luncheon. She was one of the several Kansas Daughters who stayed after Continental Congress to verify Supplemental Applications.

A picnic at Ralph's Ruts sponsored by the Quivira Chapter of the Santa Fe Trail Association was attended on June 24, 1996. A two day Genealogy Class was taught by this officer for the Newton Chapter in May.

The Rededication of a Santa Fe Trail Marker in Kansas City and the bus trip over the Santa Fe Trail with Mrs. Robert P. Rehl, National Historian, NSDAR, were special events attended this year. Lots of camaraderie, appreciation for Kansas history and wet weather were deeply indulged during the bus trip.

All meetings of the Kansas Society have been attended and minutes were recorded, printed and distributed to the proper officers. Appreciation is expressed to those officers, chairmen and regents who filed reports on time for the 1996-1997 Annual Report and Proceedings.

This officer has been truly blessed during recent months by your care and concern of her health. Please remember words written by Eleanor Roosevelt that have become very important to this officer. You gain strength, courage, and confidence by every experience in which you must stop and look fear in the face.....You must do the thing you think you cannot do. Another blessing for this officer is the presence of Mary K. Afton of Baton Rouge, LA, my granddaughter and personal page.

Thank you Kansas Daughters, you are the greatest!

State Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. Alec S. Odevseff

This officer was unable to attend State Conference again this year due to serious illness. However, she did go on the exciting Fall Tour along the Historic Santa Fe Trail and attended the Executive Committee meeting in Fort Leavenworth. Packets were assembled and delivered or mailed during and after the Tour.

Letters were mailed regarding the Fall Tour to all State Officers, Honorary State Regents, State Committee Chairmen, District Directors and Chapter Regents.

This officer attended the Executive Committee meeting January 4, 1997. She was then requested to mail several enclosures with the notice of the State Conference Call and Spring Board of Management meeting which according to the Bylaws must be sent by January 15th which was done.

Invitations to the 1997 State Conference Banquet were mailed to the heads of twenty-one other lineage societies within the state of Kansas after confirming the current leaders of those organizations.

Chapter Officer reports have been maintained as well as all other duties required by this office. Most Chapter Regents have been very helpful in getting their reports in on time.

This officer has enjoyed serving all Kansas Daughters and working with the State Regent and her Board.

State Organizing Secretary

Mrs. G. M. Ramirez

This officer attended the Kansas State Conference Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Kansas DAR, the Topeka Chapter 100th Anniversary Tea at the Governor's Mansion, and the 105th Continental Congress, serving as a vice chairman in the Tiers Section of the House Committee. She attended the luncheon in honor of the State Regent's visit to Johnson and Wyandotte County Chapters, attended all Executive Committee Meetings, Board of Management and all four District Meetings on Fall Tour.

We also visited the DAR Santa Fe Trail Marker sites as well as the Rededication of the Pawnee Indian Village Marker. Other events attended included the dedication of the Santa Fe Trail Marker at Schumacher Park in Raytown, MO, the 100th Anniversary Tea honoring the Betty Washington Chapter in Lawrence, the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Eunice Sterling Chapter in Wichita and the 75th Anniversary of the Olathe Chapter.

This officer traveled to Ulysses with Vice President General and Honorary State Regent, Ruth Keys Clark and State Registrar, Betty Bendorf, for a genealogical workshop with the Byrd Prewitt Chapter.

As the State Regent's Representative, this officer attended the Regent's Round Table Meetings of Johnson and Wyandotte Counties.

Working with Organizing Regent, Mrs. William Reynolds to form the new Three Trails West Chapter in Stilwell, was a wonderful experience. We were present at the organizational meeting, held on October 12, 1996 and confirmed by the National Board of Management as chapter number 6-075-KS with forty-three organizing members. Three more members have been approved since that date. It was a rewarding experience working with these new members.

Thank you for the privilege to serve the Kansas Society.

State Treasurer

Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter

This officer was a delegate to the 105th Continental Congress, serving as Vice Chairman of the Special Services of the House Committee. She attended the Treasurer General's meeting for State Treasurers where she received instructions and materials. She remained in Washington, DC for six additional days to work as a volunteer genealogist on supplemental papers.

She was privileged to attend the centennial celebrations of the three KSDAR centennial chapters, Topeka, Eunice Sterling, and Betty Washington.

The Fall Tour of the Santa Fe Trail was a special treat as DAR markers were visited, a new marker was dedicated and one rededicated.

All Executive Board meetings and Finance Committee meetings were attended. CD's were reinvested as they matured and the general duties of the office were completed.

Investment income totaled \$4,811.70 an increase of 18.41% from 1995. The Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund was established and it's Moneys was invested in the money market account.

All chapters submitted member's state dues prior to December 1, 1996. The majority of the chapters met all monetary requirements for Chapter Achievement Awards. Chapters donated a total of \$4,198.62 to the President General's Project through February 28, 1997.

It has been a pleasure to work with the chapters, chairmen, Executive Committee and all other KSDAR members and especially our dedicated State Regent. Thank you for the privilege of serving the Kansas Society.

Kansas State Registrar

Mrs. Ray D. Bendorf

This past year this officer attended all Executive Committee meetings and Board of Management meetings, the Centennial State Conference in Topeka, the reading of the resolution at the Kansas State Senate, Tea at Cedar Crest, State Officers and State Chairmens Club breakfasts and enjoyed devouring a part of the 100th Birthday Cake. She assisted the State Chaplain at the Memorial Service.

This officer was happy to be a part of the Missouri Bluebirds Bus Tour for the trip to Washington, DC for the 105th Continental Congress where she served on the House Committee in the Tiers Section. She attended the Golden West Tea, the Missouri Breakfast, the DAV Luncheon and the Registrars Forum.

This officer attended a Naturalization Ceremony in Kansas City, Kansas and while in the area toured a Huron Indian Cemetery with our State Indian Chairman.

The dedication of the DAR Santa Fe Trail marker at Schumacher Park was the beginning of a delightful Fall Tour, and being a "Madonna of the Trail" on the bus gave a most rewarding history lesson and opportunity to participate in two marker dedications in Kansas.

This officer was the third person of a trio that conducted a successful Genealogical Workshop with Byrd Prewitt Chapter. She attended Eunice Sterling Chapter 100th Birthday Celebration, Betty Washington Chapter 100th Birthday Celebration and Olathe Chapter 75th Birthday Celebration. As a guest she attended a meeting of Quivira Crossing Chapter. She recently attended the George Washington Chapter, SAR luncheon in Kansas City.

This officer offered assistance to Chapter Registrars at the Ninety-ninth State Conference as part of a workshop and is always willing to answer questions and help in any way.

This officer appreciates the hard work of Chapter Registrars in getting reports in. The labels for the fall and spring newsletter were run and delivered to State Reporter. This officer wishes to convey a heartfelt "Thank You" to the former Registrar and husband for help when a problem arose with the printer.

Total labels printed for February 1997 newsletter were 3,303, plus 52 State Regents. Total chapters, including new chapter are sixty-four. Chapters with membership increase, 22; chapters with membership decrease, 39; and

chapters with membership the same, 3. There were an additional fifteen new members approved at February National Board of Management meeting.

This year has been a very up and down year in membership and this officer is very thankful for the hard work that went into the new chapter and their new members.

State Historian

Shirley S. Coupal

NSDAR AWARDS

Historial General, NSDAR: Best State Report

Shirley S. Coupal (ranked 1 of 3 best reports)

This officer is thrilled to report the astonishing number of historical endeavors the chapter had undertaken this past year. Sixteen chapters are restoring, maintaining, locating or rededicating markers. Four chapters are working on other restoration projects. Seven chapters are looking deeper into the history of their chapter or starting histories of their members. Seven chapters participated in or provided historical programs or tours. Three chapters reported donating additional funds to the State Regent's Project. The reproduction of the Cordry book, "The Marking of the Santa Fe Trail", proved to be a money maker for the Marker Restoration/Preservation Fund. Thirty-nine chapters contributed to the fund with twelve chapters giving at least \$100. All the chapters sent their histories for the Centennial Book. Three chapters celebrated their Centennial with special programs and events. Seventeen graves of DAR members were marked. Kansas chapters are 100% in reporting their activities.

Mr. Douglas Ellwood has been selected the 1997 Outstanding American History Teacher for Kansas. He was sponsored by the Stone Corral Chapter.

The Centennial Book, "Looking Back Trails to the Second Century" will consist of the following sections: biographies of the State Regents with their portraits; the Chapter Histories from Topeka to Three Trails West, every chapter that has ever been part of the Kansas Society is included with pictures; "What This Job Means to Me", the current state officers' reflections on their office and commemoration to those who served before; a composite of State Conferences with an emphasis on the ones before the Annual Report and Proceedings were published; the Committees with histories or statements of their function; biographies of our Real Daughters; the District histories; the Club's histories and a selection of events that are significant to the Kansas Society, just to mention a few, the Saving of Pawnee Rock, the Stand of Colors given to the Battleship Kansas, The Kansas State Flag, El Quarteje and the Pylons. Research has ceased and typing has begun, we plan to have the manuscript to the printer by May 1. Distribution will be during Fall Tour, if all goes well. A mock up is on the Historian's table, please take a few moments to look at it. The Kansas Society has done many wonderful things and donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to both National and State projects.

At this time last year the farthest thing from this officer's agenda was to go look for the Santa Fe Trail Markers. A year later, we can report the whereabouts and conditions of 88 red granite markers, six special markers and a cannon plus the five markers placed after 1906 including the 175th Anniversary Marker. There is still one of the original 89 red granite markers missing. It, supposedly, was placed on the school grounds at Pierceville in Finney County. We are undaunted by the fact that it hasn't been seen for 90 years. On November 15, 1996, this officer and our Regent found another one that hadn't been seen for 90 years, also. According to the landowner, the Marker has been in his yard for 40 years, he told many people of its whereabouts but apparently not the right person. We are in the process of procuring a base and resetting the Marker, as we have the landowners permission to do so on his land. The Santa Fe Trail Association is being most cooperative in this effort. Interest continues and a second printing of the Cordry book with corrections and errata is available. For those who received a copy of the first printing, the erratta will be sent to you.

We had the honor of visiting with or meeting with members of these chapters, Jeremiah Howard, Stone Corral, Eunice Sterling, Betty Washington, William Wilson and Byrd Prewitt. We presented our trail tale, "Ninety Years on the Santa Fe Trail" to the Thomas Jefferson Chapter, SAR; the Nathan Edson Chapter and to the fifth and seventh grade students at the Carbondale School's Kansas Heritage Day. A report was prepared for the President General on the Kansas Society's role in the design and commission of the Kansas State Flag.

The grand finale to our year was the trip to New Mexico for the New Mexico Society's dedication of a new Santa Fe Trail Marker at Las Vegas. Not only were we treated in grand style but it afforded the opportunity to travel the remainder of the Trail via the Cimarron Cutoff to Santa Fe and back through Raton Pass on the Mountain Route to Kansas. The finding of the Fort Aubry Trail Marker was the frosting on the cake.

The year has been filled with numerous undertakings and projects. Please forgive us, if we have failed to mention one of them that was important to you.

State Librarian

Mrs. Wayne M. Cope

This officer attended Continental Congress, Golden West Tea, NSDAR Banquet, and Centennial NSDAR Library Tea in Washington, DC; State Conference; the Fall Board of Management and four District Meetings along the Santa Fe Trail. In addition, Executive Committee meetings, Eunice Sterling Centennial luncheon; trips to the KSDAR Library; guest speaker at chapters and other organizations were attended and assisted with Genealogical workshop in Ulysses.

Accountable for the general supervision of the KSDAR Library, serving as Chairman of the State Library Committee and as a link between the KSDAR and the NSDAR Libraries are among this officer's duties.

To share the message of the NSDAR Library and KSDAR Library inserts were compiled for the Fall packet and articles were in each Kansas DAR News. Reports were written for the upcoming Centennial KSDAR history.

A commitment was received from a Kansas corporation to issue a \$300.00 Library Challenge. The challenge was to generate funds and books and to stimulate participation in the KSDAR Library. Reports from all sixty-four Kansas chapters show all donated. In addition seven chapters contributed twenty-one books to the NSDAR Library. We did it!! We get the \$300.00.

What a joy it has been to serve you as part of this "Centennial Administration."

State Reporter

Mrs. Robert M. Neubert

This officer prepared and mailed the Kansas DAR News in July 1996 to 3,338 members of the Kansas Society plus copies to all state regents. The February 1997 issue was prepared and mailed to 3,303 members plus copies to all state regents and also to addresses in France, England and Mexico. Again, new changes in postal regularions are increasing the cost of mailing of the news. And it is now required to barcode all addresses on future mailings.

It was this officer's great joy to be a part of the Centennial State Conference in Topeka, March 30 to April 2, culminating in a beautiful tea at Cedar Crest, given by the Topeka Chapter in celebration of its 100th anniversary. She also attended the combined May 4 meeting of the Johnson and Wyandotte County DAR chapters to honor the State Regent.

Another highlight of the year, the Santa Fe Trail bus trip in September, found this Madonna of the Trail seeing some Kansas historic Santa Fe Trail markers for the first time. This officer was among those who attended the rededication of the DAR Santa Fe Trail marker at Schumacher Park in Kansas City, MO. It was a memorable experience to travel with Kansas Daughters throughout the week-long Fall Tour, enjoying the hospitality of the hostess Chapters at the four District Meetings. This officer was pleased to install the new officers of the Quivira Crossing Chapter in June, 1996. She attended the delightful 100th anniversary celebration of the Betty Washington Chapter in October and in November was pleased to be a guest of the Olathe Chapter as it observed its 75th anniversary. This officer attended all Executive Board meetings, all Board of Management meetings as well as meetings of the Finance Committee, of which she is a member.

It is a pleasure to serve the State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, and the Kansas Daughters.

STATE CHAIRMEN OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES

YOUTH AND ADULT EDUCATION

AMERICAN HERITAGE

Mrs. Larry Overmiller

NSDAR AWARDS

South Central Division, Runner-Up/Crafts

Donna Overmiller

This year Kansas Daughters presented fifty-three programs on American Heritage. The topic of Trails was used many times, but other program topics included hatpins, thimbles, eyeglasses, quilts, family heirlooms for a show and tell program, wedding dresses and two chapters had guest speakers dressed in Uniform describing Civil War events. Plays and skits were performed by three chapters.

Contest winners this year are Patty Owens, Dodge City Chapter for her laprobe in the Craft Category, Peggy Boggs, Topeka Chapter in both poetry and drama categories for her poem and play, and Margaret Ruch, Overland Park for her graphite drawing, Art category. Thank you to all who entered. Arvis N. Stimel, Abilene Chapter, received Honorable Mention Nationally for her short story "To Beach a Cat" in 1996.

The Centennial Quilt project was completed and displayed on the Fall Tour. Opportunities are now available to purchase voices on the quilt. The winner of the quilt will be drawn at State Conference 1998.

AMERICAN HISTORY

Mrs. Milton N. Thomas

Trails West—a trail, gap, road, trace or path over or through which pioneers traveled during the westward expansion of the United States—an exciting time in our history and theme of this year's essay contest.

Essays received were about the Santa Fe, Oregon, Chisholm and Bozeman trails, Cumberland Gap, Emigration Canyon, Donner Pass and Wilderness and Western Roads.

The judges stated the only thing they disliked about judging was being able to select only one winner in each division. They thought that those who say our children aren't learning today should read these essays. They wanted all students who participated to be congratulated.

Winners are: 5th Grade, Kyle William Malone, Dodge City Chapter; 6th Grade, Jennifer Norman, William Wilson Chapter; 7th Grade, Paige Henry, Prairie Rose Chapter and 8th Grade, Sarah Nedich, Tomahawk Chapter. With seventy-five schools participating 711 students submitted essays, 41 essays were received from 19 chapters.

A new contest this year was for 9th and 10th graders. The National Italian American Foundation will furnish the prize for the contest—a trip to Washington, DC.

The Kansas winner for the Columbus essay contest was Jared Barclay Totton, Sarah Steward Chapter. In the adult contest nine entries were received from seven chapters. The winner is Esther Schreiber, Jeremiah Howard Chapter.

Chapters used many ways to promote American History: a tour to the historic home of the ancestor of three members and a Colonial Day Tea. Pledge of Allegiance Bookmarks were distributed and books were donated to libraries. Information packets on George Washington, the Bill of Rights and the Constitution were given out. Programs, displays and proclamations were used. American History is for everyone, maybe words used are different. A four year old changed the ending to the Pledge of Allegiance to "licorice and justice for all."

AMERICAN INDIANS

Mrs. John Mowen

The Kansas Daughters have been very active, with 100% reporting. Eighty three dollars was contributed to the American Indian Scholarship Fund, and \$171.00 to Bacone College with \$116.00 to Chemawa School.

Nine chapters reported sending more than 3,823 Campbell Labels to our two Indian Schools for the purchase of much needed equipment. Approximately 500 lbs. of goods were sent to the two Indian Schools, White Cross Thrift Shop at Bacone College and the As Need Closet at Chemawa High School. Eleven chapters reported having programs.

This Chairman was able to visit the Bacone College Campus and was happy to be able to talk with the lady that supervises the White Cross Thrift Shop. She hopes to see an increase in the number of soup labels next year and would like to thank the State Regent for the opportunity to serve the Daughters, and congratulates the Kansas Daughters on their efforts for this committee.

CONSERVATION

Mrs. Marilyn London Winton

NSDAR AWARDS

1st Place -Best State Report, National

1st Place, South Central Division

Best State Report-Kansas, Marilyn Winton

Kansas Daughters again turned in some impressive reports and statistics this year. Recycling is without a doubt our strong point, and many chapter members make truly useful individual efforts. Members recycled a total of 188,696 lbs. of newspapers, paper and magazines; 15,255 lbs. of plastic; 12,897 lbs. of aluminum; 8,144 lbs. of tin; 29,875 lbs. of glass; 1,415 lbs. of copper; 5,553 gallons of oil; 132 lbs. of porcelain; 12,858 lbs. of garbage for compost; and re-used 41,885 gallons of water. Our chapters planted 1,199 trees; 1,654 shrubs; 9,844 bulbs; 2,021 packets of flower seeds; 1,528 bedding plants; and 297 vegetable gardens. They used 40,525 lbs. of birdseed

in a commendable effort to help our wild birds, although this did not quite approach the 54,000 plus lbs. reported last year. Twenty-two ponds were constructed, 33 terraces built, and many hundreds of pounds of used clothing donated. Little Osage Trail continued to support Derby's Christmas Tree Recycling Program by sending seven chapter volunteers; another member from Uvedale Chapter volunteers 15 hours a month at the Quivira National Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center plus a total of 55 hours helping with bird counts. Julia Dale, Three Trails West Chapter, and husband maintain an 80 acre area for wildlife, near LaCygne; Patricia Daughterty, Three Trails West, participated in a pure water conservation project with the Hillsdale Water District and Kansas State Farm Bureau. A film was made of the project, "Hillsdale Water Quality Project #391" which has been shown to many civic groups. She and her husband also provide for wildlife in their methods of mowing, planting native wildflowers, and leaving strip areas undisturbed. One member from Neodesha Chapter, and her husband raised 157,000 lbs. of birdseed, for commercial birdseed. Another Neodesha member who lives in the country, deserves mention for her dedication; just about every possible item that can be, is recycled or re-used. A member of Stone Corral Chapter, and her husband, reshaped terraces and cleaned tube drains, improving the water conservation structure. Another member, from Shawnee Mission Chapter, managed 220 acres of wetland for conservation.

Three chapter projects should be mentioned. Eunice Sterling Chapter, to make the celebration of the 100th year, has donated \$1000.00 for restoration of the logs of the Munger House, the first house built in Wichita, over 150 years ago; it was purchased by the Chapter in 1946 to save it from demolition, and in 1952 was donated to the Cow Town Museum, the Chapter continuing to maintain it. Celebrating the 175th anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail, Dodge City Chapter designated the nearby trail ruts area as a conservation goal; their Chapter Conservation Committee donated \$100.00 from the Chapter, to help with the renovation of walkways, and replanting and restoring the native buffalo grass at the foot trail park site west of Dodge City. Sagamore Chapter has an outstanding aluminum can program due to the diligence of several members who collect cans and redeem them at the collecting centers. Topeka Chapter continues their annual tree-planting ceremony at Washburn University.

One of the most important activities a chapter can promote, is the presentation of the Conservation Medal to someone in their community. This year, medals were presented by Molly Foster Berry Chapter to Ralph Carlson for 25 years service in tree replacement; by Flores del Sol Chapter to Leland Unruh, retired head of H.S. Science Department; by Neodesha Chapter to Arthur Small, past state Farmer of the Year; and by Courtney Spaulding Chapter to Lynne Albers, longtime environmental activist. I know the medal is an expense, but I would encourage more chapters to try to budget for this. Your state chairman will give any help or advice she can to assist chapters in this endeavor.

One hundred percent of our chapters reported on the following facts. Forty chapters encouraged members to install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Only three chapters took part in the Adopt-a-Highway program: Molly Foster Berry, Eunice Sterling, and Prairie Flint Hills. Fourteen chapters reported their effort to educate members regarding organ donation. Outstanding reports were submitted by Dodge City, Fort Larned, Molly Foster Berry, Flores del Sol, Newton and Neodesha Chapters.

All in all, our Kansas chapters and their many individual members have made admirable efforts in the cause of conservation, recycling, and preservation of resources and the environment. We all know we can always do more—but all of you who have made these efforts are to be congratulated.

DAR SCHOLARSHIP

Mrs. Kenneth A. Rice

All sixty-three Kansas DAR Chapters supported the scholarship program. Five chapters reported separate scholarship awards ranging from \$50.00 to \$600.00. Kansas DAR Chapters provided \$1710.00 for the educational advancement of our youth. The chapters also donated \$64.00 to the KSDAR Scholarship fund.

Mary Elizabeth Ellis of Ellinwood, Kansas, the Kansas applicant for the American History Scholarship, had her application entered into the South Central American History Scholarship contest. She plans to attend Kansas State University for her study of American History. She wants to teach American History when she completes her education. She is the daughter of James E. and Anita M. Ellis of Ellinwood, and she was sponsored by the Jeremiah Howard Chapter.

Julia Howe Francis is the recipient of the Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler DAR Scholarship. She plans to study psychology/pre-med. She wants to become a Pediatrician. She is the daughter of John and Kathleen Francis of Overland Park, Kansas, and she was sponsored by the Three Trails West Chapter.

Andrea Beth Cindric was chosen to be the 1997 KSDAR Scholarship recipient. She plans to study science at the University of Kansas. She is the daughter of Mrs. Trudy Peterson, and her grandmother, Mrs. Jean Cindric, is a member of the DAR. She is sponsored by the Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter.

The DAR supports programs for the youth of America, and the scholarship program helps develop better Americans through education. The sixty three DAR chapters in Kansas can be proud of their work in supporting the DAR Scholarship programs.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

**NSDAR MUSEUM
CORRESPONDENT DOCENTS**

Mrs. McCager Thompson

**NSDAR AWARDS
NSDAR Museum Correspondent Docents
Outstanding Program
*Betty Thompson, Chairman***

Thank you Chapters for 100% reporting to make this an outstanding year. A new docent in Topeka has joined, to bring the number of docents to nine. Thirty-five programs were given from the NSDAR Museum, with one docent presenting two NSDAR slide sets for twenty-six showings!

Docents wore centennial and older costumes to continue the 100th anniversary of Kansas DAR, and the "American Costumes 1750-1850" slide set was shown twenty-three times! "Samplers in the DAR Museum" was shown eleven times. Other programs by docents included "Traveling One Trail" and a talk on the Museum. DAR Museum sets have been shown to chapters, schools, civic organizations, ladies clubs, family groups, and to shut-ins at nursing homes, residential care homes, etc.

Other Museum slide sets available are: A Tour of the DAR Period Rooms; Blown Molded and Pressed; Quilts at the DAR Museum; Our Secret Garden; Kings, Pagodas, and Dragons; DAR Museum Silver Collection; In Step With Time; For the Fun of It; and It's About Time.

Showing these programs is a pleasure to both the Docent and the audience, as it is educational, historical, and shows that the DAR is preserving our nation's history for future generations.

Contact a Correspondent Docent Today, "Have Slides-Will Travel."

PATRIOTIC EDUCATION

**CHILDREN OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

Mrs. Dennis J. C. Owens

C.A.R. is becoming a way of life for this chairman since accepting appointments to both Kansas Senior State President and Tomahawk Senior Society President last May. It is truly an honor and a labor of love to serve the children of this state in these capacities.

Unable to attend the C.A.R. National Convention last April, this chairman sent her willing and able daughter. The entire family went on to enjoy the Great Plains Regional meeting in Rochester, Minnesota and the Kansas State Society Summer/Packet Workshop in Council Grove. This chairman attended the KSDAR Northeast District meeting last September and with her family represented the K.S.C.A.R. at the SAR Washington's

Birthday Luncheon in Kansas City last month. The 1997 K.S.C.A.R. State Conference will follow the DAR Youth Awards Luncheon on March 15th.

Local C.A.R. societies meet in Wichita, Topeka, and Kansas City. The statewide membership is 115—a net gain over last year. Local society members marched in parades, handing out small flags; assisted a DAR chapter with its Veteran's Bingo Party; performed flag ceremonies; served as pages at DAR State Conference; participated in community festivals and celebrations; donated materials, supplies, and soup labels to DAR Schools and other children's projects; recycled cans for C.A.R. National Project contributions; visited historical points of interest; wrote poems and stories about U.S. Presidents; learned about the election process, patriotic symbols, their ancestors, and many other facets of patriotic education. Exposure to such things cause C.A.R. members to realize they have a proud and "goodly heritage." Any and all chapter help toward this end is greatly appreciated.

CONSTITUTION WEEK

Judith O'Brate and Colleen Anderson

NSDAR AWARDS

**Congress awards for Ringing Bells/Sidelights,
*Seventeen Kansas Chapters***

The KSDAR Daughters celebrated on Constitution Day by being on fall tour and tracing the Santa Fe Trail with Historian General, Mrs. Robert Paul Rehl, as a part of the tour and meeting at Council Grove. The State Regent, State Chaplain and one of this committee's chairmen were present when Governor Graves signed the State's Proclamation of Constitution week.

One hundred percent of the chapters reported, thirty-one had Constitutional Sidelights at every meeting and two reported they had them at some meetings. Thirty promoted Bells Across American with forty-three bells of institutions being rung. Some chapters rang bells at luncheons and meetings where program topics included a religious freedom; first amendment discussion by a city attorney, the affect of the Constitution on the presidential election, and DAR citizenship manual and the Constitution.

This committee reached out to communities in sixty-six proclamations, 675 square feet of displays, 704 1/2 inches of print and 231 minutes of air time. Two thousand eight hundred sixty-five bookmarks, many pamphlets and copies went to 5th, 7th, and 12th graders, members and other adults. Two unique contacts were on a marquee and from the House of Representatives to become a part of the congressional Record.

A Constitution Week report was given by Eunice Sterling Chapter as they journeyed to the rededication of the Santa Fe Trail Marker at Lost Springs. Awards go to a) Tomahawk Chapter for innovative use of material outside DAR material and the report of its use at Mission Valley schools, b) Dodge City for the displays and report, c) John Haupt for the report and photos.

Seventeen chapters were given Congress Awards for Ringing Bells/Sidelights. The award will be highlighted in each of the chapter reports.

AMERICANISM and DAR MANUAL for CITIZENSHIP

Mrs. A. E. Carpenter

All chapters report 100%. I am especially pleased to report 90% of chapters now repeat the American's Creed at all meetings, in addition, forty-five recited the preamble. There were sixteen programs on Americanism. The Americanism Medal was presented to Judge Richard Rogers by the John Haupt Chapter. Twenty-eight chapters assisted in some way at Naturalization Courts. Items distributed through the state were: 1,837 flags, 1,114 flag codes, 90 American's Creed cards, and 3,940 leaflets or patriotic pamphlets. Great work by the Kansas Chapters and this chairman thanks you for your contribution in making others aware of their obligation and privileges as citizens of this country. The Kansas Society will present the Medal of Honor to Nancy Kassebaum Baker at State Conference.

THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

Laurie Schweiger

NSDAR AWARDS

Flag of the USA Committee - 100% Reporting *South Central Division, Kansas State Society*

This Chairman is pleased to report the flag-waving activities of the Kansas Daughters. We have held Flag Day Picnics and given Flag Facts at many meetings across the state. We have given programs such as "The Origin of the Pledge of Allegiance", "Old Glory, How Proudly She Waves", "Can We Wave the Flag Too Much?", "The First Stars and Stripes Over Kansas", "Honoring Our Flag in Song", "A- Tear Stained Flag", and "Flag Etiquette."

Betty Bonney Chapter participated at a flag-waving parade when the Olympic Torch stopped in Arkansas City. Eunice Sterling Chapter presented large flags to Botanica, the Wichita Gardens, the Wichita Cowtown Museum, and to a local magnet school, in addition to attending a flag-burning ceremony. Neodesha chapter presented money to the VFW to help buy small flags for graves. Jeremiah Howard Chapter presented 324 flag codes to 3rd graders. Susannah French Putney chapter presented an American Flag to a recipient of a Habitat for Humanity Home. Polly Ogden Chapter presented flags to two new middle schools. Newton Chapter participated in the dedication of the new area hospital by donating a flag that had flown over the nation's capitol. These are just a few of the interesting projects undertaken by our members.

This chairman is especially pleased to report that last April at Continental Congress the Sagamore Chapter was commended for their efforts in donating a flag pole at Tamasee School.

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Mrs. Oliver I. West, Jr.

Interest in the National Defense Committee is high and encouraging. One hundred percent reporting was received. Reports on National Defense are given at each chapter meeting each month, representing a 10% increase over prior year. This is a terrific way to encourage discussion about vital issues. There were however, seventeen fewer full programs on National Defense given at chapter meetings from the prior year. Numerous topics of interest included: Our military in international operations and peacekeeping, Atomic weapons and who has them; and the downsizing of the United States defense structure.

Gold and Bronze medals awarded to ROTC students were increased from last year while Good Citizenship awards declined. Over 85% of the chapters discussed both the resolutions adopted at Continental Congress and at the Kansas State Conference. Donations of cash to the Dollars for Defense Program and the ROTC Cash account were very close to the prior commitments.

Our final year together will focus on increased use of full National Defense programs and a push on the Good Citizens awards program.

It continues to be my pleasure to service the Kansas Society through this Administration.

JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS

Mrs. Charley Shoemake

NSDAR AWARDS

**2nd Place National for Most Publicity
and 16th overall in NSDAR.**

***Five 1st place, one 2nd place, one 3rd place,
and three honorable mention winners.***

Last year's contest was good, but this year is even better. Seven chapters had a total of 386 entries in the contest. Thirty-nine of them were sent to the South Central Chairman for further judging which was an increase of eighteen.

Sixty two dollars and fifty cents was contributed to the National JAC Prize Fund and \$64.00 was given to the State JAC Prize Fund. Five hundred thirteen inches of print and twenty-nine pictures were reported this year. Entries consisted of preschool through twelfth grade plus special education in two categories.

Winners in the South Central Division were twelve first place, seven second place, nine third place and three honorable mention. Dodge City, Isabella Weldin, Martha Vail, Sarah Steward, Desire Tobey Sears, Prairie Rose and Quivira Crossing Chapters participated in the contest this year. There were ten national winners whose names will be highlighted with the Dodge City, Isabella Weldin and Martha Vail Chapters.

This is a rewarding chairmanship but would be better if more chapters participated.

GENEALOGY

GENEALOGICAL RECORDS

Mrs. Lawrence Hagen
and Mrs. Murray D. Lull

NSDAR AWARDS

1st Place for membership category
3,000 - 4,999 members
\$10.00 cash award

All sixty-four Kansas DAR Chapters reported to the State Regent on genealogical records. This was 100% response. Forty-one chapters reported no activity.

Twenty-three chapters submitted 12,388 pages of material. These Co-Chairmen mailed twenty-six volumes of genealogical records and two books to NSDAR for a total of 4,123 pages. Duplicate volumes were sent to KSDAR Library in Dodge City and Kansas State Historical Library in Topeka. These chairmen indexed five volumes, wrote fifty-six letters and completed many analytical cards.

Little Arkansas Chapter submitted fifteen complete volumes. Polly Ogden, Three Trails West, Sagamore and Randolph Loving Chapters each contributed a complete volume. Isabella Weldin and John Haupt Chapters each contributed a book. The remaining five volumes were made up of miscellaneous records. The Kansas Society contributed three complete Volumes of Bible Records. This is a 55% increase in the total number submitted from last year.

Chapters submitting outstanding work were: Little Arkansas, School Records and Obituaries; John Haupt, Dairy of John Oyler; Sagamore, Abstracts of Olathe Mirror; Three Trails West, Vital Statistics of Brown County; Dodge City, Death and Marriages of Gray County; Emporia, Marriage Records of Lyon County; Isabella Weldin, Cemeteries of Butler County, Volume VIII; Topeka, Nemaha County Marriages; and Randolph Loving, Tales of Allen County. Chapters submitting outstanding Bible Records were: Tomahawk, Lois Warner, Polly Ogden, Sarah Steward, Molly Foster Berry, Three Trails West, Emporia, and Flores del Sol.

SEIMES MICROFILM CENTER

Mrs. H. H. Niemann

This chairman received 100% of reports from all chapters. There were forty-eight chapters participating. The amount of money sent to the State Treasurer for the Seimes Microfilm Center was \$328.44. I encourage all chapters to donate toward the purchase of film. The current price is \$34.00 per roll.

One volunteer worked at the Seimes Microfilm Center at Continental Congress in 1996.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Mrs. Earl Fort

This chairman contacted all state chapters by lotter, advising them of the need to continue honoring members with honorarium or memorials that will be used for our Centennial Computerization Project.

All donations were sent directly to the State Treasurer with copies of the documentation to the State Chairman. Those chapters who chose to honor people in this manner are certainly appreciated. It is hoped that more chapters will see the wise use of a special giving to the Friends of the Library Fund.

DAR SCHOOLS

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Mrs. Kenneth Fager

One hundred percent of the Kansas DAR Chapters reported. Fourteen had programs using video presentation of the schools. One chapter after receiving a video sent a special donation in appreciation. Another chapter after viewing the video read letters sent by the school children. Special projects were reported by six chapters. One of interest, at each meeting members donated a dollar for the schools. A chapter had a member visit Hillside School in October 1996 with the President General, NSDAR.

Saving and sending labels was an outstanding project for the chapters, some reported they are saving labels to bring to State Conference. The schools received 16,899 labels. Clothing totaling 300 pounds, plus two large boxes with no weight mentioned, were delivered.

Fifty-three chapters sent financial gifts through the KSDAR Treasurer. The following amounts represent the total financial gifts given during the past year: Tamassee, \$475.00; Kate Duncan Smith, \$475.00; Hindman, \$100.00; Crossnore, \$154.00; Hillside, \$73.00; and Berry College, \$70.00.

It has been a pleasure to work on this committee getting the chance to learn more about the schools with this being a special year to work. Thanks!

MEMBERSHIP

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Mrs. Gus M. Ramirez

NSDAR AWARDS

Organizing New Chapter

Three Trails West, 12 October 1996

With the confirmation of the Three Trails West Chapter of Stilwell, Kansas again has sixty-four chapters. This new chapter had forty-three organizing members, thirty of which are new members by application.

State Awards presented to chapters with the largest percentage increase of new members by application from January 1, 1996 to January 1, 1997 are:

Category A, 12-50 members, Stone Corral, Lyons; Category B, 50-100 members, Sarah Steward, Smith Center; Category C, 100-plus members, Topeka, Topeka. The Conference Award presented from the national membership chairman for the largest increase in membership by application was presented to the Stone Corral Chapter, Mrs. Gerald Nixon Regent, with a 20.58% increase.

This chairman has been in contact with chapters and prospective members, as we strive to increase our membership to help secure the survival of our organization.

It is a pleasure to serve this Centennial Administration.

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. Rick Bullock

NSDAR AWARDS

Second Place, state with Largest Monetary Support of the National Junior Membership Committee and the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund, 56-100 chapters

Honorable Mention, state with the largest Monetary Support of the National Junior Membership Committee and the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund. National Award.

Second Place, state with the Largest Contribution to Helen Pouch Memorial Fund 56-100 chapters.

Second Place, state with the Greatest Number of New Friends of Jr. Membership Committee 56-100 chapters.

Third Place, state with the Greatest Number of New Friends. National Award

Second Place, state with Largest Contribution to Friends of the Junior Membership Committee 56-100 Chapters.

Honorable Mention, 4th in the nation, state with Largest Contribution to the Friends of the Junior Committee

Third Place, state with the Largest Sales Commission of Innisbrook Products, 56-100 chapters.

Total monetary contributions to

Junior Membership Committee, \$3,680.20.

Friends of Junior Members: Doris Martin Walker, W. Dorteia Schweiger, Mrs. Richard W. Arnold, Shirley Coupal,

Mrs. Rick Bullock, Mrs. Harold B. Myers, Jackie O. Theis, Jean Ramirez, Pat Traffas, Susan Etelamaki, and Ruth Keys Clark.

SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION AWARDS

Second place, state with Largest Sales of Innisbrook Products.

Second Place, state with Greatest Number of New Friends of the Junior Membership Committee.

Third Place, state with the Greatest Number of New Junior Members.

Second Place, state with the Largest Total Monetary Support for the National Jr. Membership Committee and Helen Pouch Mem. Fund.

Third Place, state with the Largest Contribution to the Friends of the Jr. Membership Committee Endowment Fund.

Second Place, state with Largest Donation to Helen Pouch Mem. Fund.

This year I was able to represent Kansas Junior Members on our annual Fall Tour as a "Madonna on the Trail". My travel mate (a stuffed kangaroo named Helen Pouch) and I trailed along behind a busload of Kansas Daughters and visited each district in our State by following the route of the great Santa Fe Trail. We visited the awesome Madonna Statue in Council Grove, dedicated and rededicated several of our beautiful red granite DAR markers and stood in the wagon ruts forged so long ago yet still readily visible. The camaraderie enabled me to discuss Junior Membership with many Kansas Daughters and besides the valuable historical experience, I came home with new ideas and plans for the next year of my term.

Last year we concentrated on personal contributions and support of Kansas Junior Membership and it was my pleasure to present three Junior Membership awards to individuals for their efforts. These included a Daughter that donated our Centennial Doll and her accessories and two Daughters that made all her clothes. In addition to the doll clothes, one Daughter was also rewarded for her assistance and mentorship of this new Chairman.

Due to the continued generous donations and support of our State Junior Bazaar, this tradition continues and is looked forward to with great anticipation by those attending our State Conference. In addition to the variety of items donated by Kansas Daughters, we also provide a table of "voice" items that include fine arts crafted by Kansas. All have been donated by talented Daughters or a member of their family. These items keep the enthusiasm throughout the conference as we draw the winners at various times.

The Kansas Juniors were proud to announce that Laurie A. Schweiger of the Prairie Rose Chapter was the 1997 Kansas Outstanding Junior. She was presented the pin and sash and represented Kansas at Continental Congress in Washington, DC. She also received the Pat Decker Award, a beautiful engraved silver bowl presented by Mrs. Billy P. Compton, representing the Flores del Sol Chapter.

It is indeed my pleasure to serve as Kansas State Junior Membership Chairman. I would be remiss in not mentioning the diligent, dedicated efforts of my two Vice Chairman: Mrs. Tod Hettenbach, Vice Chairman of Contest; and Mrs. Gordon Etelamaki, Vice Chairman of Sales. These two Daughters are very creative and efficient and do a wonderful job. Our Kansas State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, gives us invaluable guidance and we are most appreciative of her support. We all look forward to our last year of promoting Junior Membership in the great state of KANSAS!

NSDAR AWARDS
Insignia Committee
Kansas State Society - 100% Reporting

Congratulations to Kansas Chapters with 100% reporting. Kansas Chapters have twenty six banners, and fifty-two chapters own a Chapter Regent pin. Outgoing regents from twenty-eight chapters receive an Ex-Chapter Regent pin from their members. Kansas Daughters purchased pins totaling \$11,220 during the year. One chapter reported the purchase of a life member pin.

Sixteen chapters had programs on insignia with four chapters handing out brochures or order information. Other chapters reported giving encouragement to purchase insignia, handing out pin placement information, and reporting on new insignia available.

It is a pleasure to serve as chairman of this committee.

PROGRAM**Mrs. Gary Eichman**

The Program Committee had 100% chapters reporting. Thirty-seven chapters sent their yearbooks and seventeen chapters sent their supplements to be critiqued. Extraordinary: Eunice Sterling Chapter. Outstanding: Arthur Barrett Chapter, Prairie Flint Hills Chapter and Betty Washington Chapter. Excellent: Tomahawk, Sagamore, Olathe, Fort Larned, Dodge City, and Courtney Spalding. All other chapters had very good yearbooks. All of the chapters that sent in their yearbooks had a "Trail" program of some kind during the year and many other good programs were given. Two chapters presented "The Black Dog Trail" from the State Program Chairman. This chairman gave the program, "Imaginary Flight to Washington, DC, a Tour of the DAR Buildings" to the Cimarron River Valley Chapter.

Six programs were entered in the "Best Program Contest." First in the State: Isabella Weldin, "Lewis and Clark Trail in Kansas", Public Relations Group; Mary Wade Strother, "Our Flag - Let's Respect It", Youth and Adult Education Group; Prairie Flint Hills, "Stars and Stripes Forever", Patriotic Education Group; and the Topeka Chapter, "Membership", Membership Group. Second in the State: Little Osage Trail, "American Indian Culture", Youth and Adult Education Group.

PUBLIC RELATIONS GROUP**DAR MAGAZINE****Ann Roark**

Congratulations! Kansas has again met Honor Roll Requirements for DAR Magazine subscriptions for 1996. A total of 733 members are subscribers or 22% of our paid membership.

Honor Roll requirements of 20% or more subscribers of paid membership were met by thirty-eight chapters. An additional fifteen chapters

qualified for Chapter Achievement Award status with 15% - 19% of their paid members subscribing.

The winner of this year's award for the largest percentage of subscribers based on paid membership is presented to the Newton Chapter, with a total of 62% subscribers. Second place winner is Quivira Crossing who had a total of 58% subscribers.

Chapter Magazine Chairman are encouraged to continue your efforts to increase subscriptions with our chapters. You are to be congratulated for helping the Kansas Society continue to achieve Honor Roll status state-wide. With your help, we can reach our goal of every Kansas chapter qualifying for Honor Roll or Chapter Achievement Award status for magazine subscriptions.

Thank you for allowing me to serve this administration as State Magazine Chairman.

DAR MAGAZINE ADVERTISING

Mrs. Martin J. Robl

Kansas Chapters provided a total of \$1,564.00, supporting our magazine advertising 100%. Because of your support and economics from last year, there is more than \$2900.00 for advertising in the reserve account.

They May magazine will carry four pages of state advertising, and your chairman would like to create two more pages of photos in a "Centennial Scrapbook" theme for the July issue. Members are encouraged to send ONE favorite photo to this chairman, identifying the occasion, place, date and persons pictures. If this is your only copy, identify yourself as owner and provide a self-addressed stamped envelope for its safe return.

Submission of a picture does not guarantee that it will be used. There is room for only four or five pictures to a page when space is allowed for cutlines and balance. Photos must be in hand no later than March 22 to be considered because completed pages must be in Washington by April 1 for the July issue.

Serving on this committee has been a special delight during this centennial administration.

DAR GOOD CITIZENS

Mrs. Richard B. Hartzler

NSDAR AWARDS

DAR Good Citizens Committee: KANSAS Adding 25 New Schools to Program

Kansas chapters again take pride in recognizing outstanding young leaders and rewarding them for their achievements. This year's State DAR Good Citizen Scholarship recipient is Moira Leigh Ozias from Downs, sponsored by the Sarah Steward Chapter. She has been given \$250, a pin, framed certificate, and a cross-stitched commemorative bookmark from the State.

Fifty-two of our chapters participated in the contest contacting 170 schools, 25 for the first time. Ninety one schools participated and 74 Good Citizens entered the scholarship contest, 35 of which were sent to the state contest. Judging the contest were two retired teachers and a retired newspaper editor.

Five chapters are singled out for praiseworthy endeavor this year: General Edward Hand Chapter for giving a chapter scholarship of \$200; Olathe Chapter for contacting seven schools - four for the first time and having three participate; Courtney Spalding Chapter for contacting eleven schools, four for the first time, with six taking part; Dodge City Chapter for contacting twelve schools, one for the first time, and having seven participate; and Mary Wade Strother, who contacted seven and had all seven participate.

Again this year a variety of additional awards are given by the chapters besides the pin, certificate, poster and wallet card from National. Books, flags, \$50 bonds, monetary gifts from \$10 to \$200, and an original work of art were given. Most chapter winners were entertained at meeting or teas, and publicity was obtained by twelve chapters. Thanks to everyone this year who helped to honor these outstanding students!

MOTION, PICTURE, RADIO AND TELEVISION Mrs. Rick Sellers

Once again, Kansas Daughters were voicing their opinions in what is broadcasted over the media in Kansas. Out of 100% reporting, 30% of the chapters wrote letters of praise or criticism to the media, TV networks or Radio Stations. The Kanza Chapter nominated two TV stations for National Recognition. One for the broadcast of "Genesis" and the other for the broadcast "Genealogy." Molly Foster Berry wrote letters of praise to local radio stations and the local newspaper for cooperation of reporting DAR news. Neodesha Chapter Regent had three editorials and two articles published. The most activity was seen from the Eunice Sterling Chapter as they celebrated their centennial year. This chapter received much publicity in newspaper, as well as on radio and TV. Congratulations to this chapter for spreading the good news on Kansas DAR!

Keep up the good work, daughters. It has been a pleasure serving another year as this chairman.

COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS Mrs. Billy F. Lierly

One hundred per cent of chapters reported. KSDAR celebrated their Centennial year in style (1896 styles) at a tea held at Cedar Crest, the governor's mansion. Three chapters, also celebrated their centennial year: Betty Washington, Eunice Sterling, and Topeka Chapters. KSDAR also celebrated the 175th anniversary of Santa Fe Trail. KSDAR Regent, Mrs. Pat Traffas and KSDAR Historian, Shirley Coupal led the way for a tremendous celebration with Gusto. The 96 markers we heard so much about were located, inspected, arranged repair, photographed, and marked with the 911 system. Several chapters assisted with research and rededications. This is the

90th Anniversary for the inauguration of marking SFT. The 97th marker was purchased and placed at "Ralph's Ruts". A new fund called the Marker Restoration and Maintenance Fund will provide for marker care into our next century, and beyond.

Twenty chapters reported commemorative events celebrations with other community organizations. Twenty three chapters have supported the educational, historic and patriotic goal of the National Society in celebrating Commemorative Events. Aren't we proud!

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

Mrs. C. Lyle Lenhart

Last year (the first year for this committee report) there were sixteen chapters that gave eighteen awards. This year nineteen chapters gave twenty-four awards. Report slips were received from all sixty-three chapters in our State. One hundred per cent reporting. Very good BUT the statistics compiled show that we have much room for improvement. Hopefully each year these figures will continue to keep increasing. Do strive to honor someone in your area who deserves recognition for making his or her community a better place in which to live.

Will end this year's report as I did last years—it bears repeating! This coming year, let us strive for all Chapters to have at least one honoree. That would be so exciting!

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

DAR SERVICE FOR VETERAN-PATIENTS

Mrs. Arthur Liestman

NSDAR AWARDS

Support of

WIMSA (Women in Military Service for America) Memorial

100% Registration of Nurses serving

during Spanish-American War

***First Place Winner* for National Scrapbook**

***First Place Winner* for Observation of 50th**

Anniversary of VAVS

***Rose Lee Liestman*, National Award for Creativity of**

Scrapbook for 50th Anniversary of VAVS

***Faith Ann Shirley*, Certificate of Award, South Central Division**

KANSAS DAUGHTERS, again this year, have enthusiastically made life more pleasant for veterans in each facility. Our sixty-four chapters have reported 100%.

Contributions have accelerated with 197 volunteers providing their time, talent, special skills, etc. Eighty-two parties have been given and with a greater variety in foods and refreshments being served during these 582 hours.

There have been 1,541 visits, with 3,765 total hours, total miles traveled 24,350, Cash/Canteen Books \$1,126.50, Comfort Items \$3,158.58, Magazines/Books \$3,404.00, Gifts \$6,003.61, Party Food/Favors \$1,648.92, Stamps for the Wounded Project netted 653.6 ounces.

Last year, I reported a total of \$41,002.99, while this year our grand total, and an all time high, is \$50,840.76. I am proud. Thank You!

Plans are complete for the hosting of the 1997 Golden Age Games by the Eisenhower VA Center from July 27 through August 2, and many DAR members have volunteered their services.

Thank you, Kansas Daughters, for your devoted dedication to our nation's veterans! Keep up your great work! You have shown how much you care.

Thank you, Madame State Regent, for giving me this opportunity. It's been my pleasure to serve.

LITERACY CHALLENGE

Mrs. Leon Torkelson

Literacy is essential to success in America or any other country that aspires to be successful and civilized. The 1996 Fall packets included forty facts about adult literacy in the USA; The Family Literacy Approach, and the President General's strong belief in and concern for literacy. President General Mrs. Charles Keil Kemper designated her second year of administration as "Providing Education". The Kansas Daughters answered the literacy call in the following ways: 100% of the chapters filed Literacy reports, this past year sixteen chapters had programs pertaining to Literacy (up from fourteen), twenty-eight chapters were involved in local literacy programs (up from twenty-seven), forty-four members served as tutors across the State of Kansas (up from forty-one), with 2,788 volunteer hours (up from 2,669).

A sampling of activities included: serving on Public Library Boards, contributed more than seventy-five books to "Ton of Books", assisted with Animated Alphabet, donation for tutor's expense to local literacy resource, helped with English as a second language at Fort Leavenworth, taught English and reading skills to immigrants, read to adults in a nursing home, and many DAR members tutored in private and public schools.

Kansas DAR chapters still have room for literacy improvement. Forty-eight per cent of the chapters reported no literacy program and no activities to promote literacy in their communities. There is no other skill or ability that is a better predictor of success in life than the ability to read and comprehend what one has read.

LINEAGE RESEARCH

Mrs. Robert Schweiger

With sixty-one chapters reporting there were 264 prospective members assisted with 133 applications accepted.

Five workshops were held with several chapters holding combined sessions. James Ross and Wyandot held one with the attendees being aided by Prairie Rose. Newton Chapter had one with the leader being from Isabella

Weldin. That is great cooperation.

Our ladies not only help each other but Mary Wade Strother and Molly Foster Berry are known to help out the local genealogical societies. Attendance at all of these workshops totaled a grand one hundred sixty-five. This is how we get our members. Keep up the good work.

VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE Mrs. William O. Stephens

Fifty-one of the sixty-four chapters of the KSDAR contributed 61,535.5 hours to their communities. Of the 3,303 KSDAR members there were 391 who participated. These 391 members were very generous with their time for: hospitals, genealogy, libraries, food kitchens, Red Cross, tutoring, and meals on wheels. The leading interests are as follows: hospitals, 5,204 hours; libraries, 2058 hours; and food kitchens, 1,306 hours.

Chapters who were leaders in volunteering were: Topeka, General Edward Hand, and Susannah French Putney of ElDorado.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SPECIALISTS Mrs. Timothy Killingsworth

NSDAR AWARDS Certificate of Appreciation *Dorthea Schweiger, Prodigy Services*

This year has been a profitable year to many chapters. It has also been a learning experience for me as well.

I sent out several copies of On-line information that was valuable for those who wished to hook up to one of the bulletin boards. I also sent out a survey and an information sheet that I compiled to obtain information concerning your chapter or personal needs, your expertise to share with others in need as well as your e-mail address so that we can communicate quickly with each other.

I will send your e-mail addresses along with the other information you completed to the chapter chairmen for their use after State Conference.

This year twenty chapters were added to the growing list of chapters who are getting involved with the Volunteer Specialists Committee. Thank you for all your help and patience with me as I am learning along with you.

STATE CHAIRMEN OF NATIONAL SPECIAL COMMITTEES

President General's Project

Mrs. Kenneth M. Beal

The President General's Project in the administration of Mrs. Charles Kemper, "Keys to the Columns", is dedicated to the continuation of the renovation and restoration of the NSDAR buildings in Washington, DC. During the 1996-1997 year all of the Kansas chapters fulfilled their obligation of donating at least a minimum amount of the four dollar per member assessment and many have donated their total amount and even given above their assignment. Kansas chapters have donated a total of \$4,198.62 for the year 1996-1997. Chapters receiving certificates for 100% participation that were presented at state conference were: Abilene, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Nathan Edson, Desire Tobey Sears, Flores del Sol, Jane Dean Coffey, Jeremiah Howard, John Haupt, Jonathan Gilbert, Martha Loving Ferrell, Mary Wade Strother, Newton, Olathe, Peleg Gorton, Randolph Loving, Sagamore, Smoky Hill, Tomahawk, Topeka, Uvedale, Cimarron River Valley, Little Osage Trail, Little Arkansas, Quivira, Prairie Flint Hills, Stone Corral and Major Elijah Hyde.

There are other means in which members may contribute on a personal level to the President General's Project. These include the purchase of a Constitution Hall seat, a miniature eagle sculpture, a DAR afghan and other small items. Some of these items will qualify for the purchase of a Benefactor's pin. The National chairman has announced additional method to raise money for the "Keys to the Columns". At Continental Congress voices will be sold for two round trip airplane tickets to anywhere in continental United States.

Chapter Achievement Award

Mrs. David J. Stone

For the year 1996-1997, sixty-two out of sixty-four chapters earned a NSDAR Chapter Achievement Award as follows:

Level three: Betty Washington, Capt. Jesse Leavenworth, Cimarron River Valley, Dodge City, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Fort Larned, Isabella Weldin, Mission Hills, Molly Foster Berry, Olathe, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Sagamore, Sarah Steward, Shawnee Mission, Stone Corral, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, and Topeka.

Level two: Abilene, Arthur Barrett, Byrd Prewitt, Cofachique, Council Oak, Desire Tobey Sears, Emporia, Four Winds, James Ross, John Athey, John Haupt, Jonathan Gilbert, Kanza, Little Arkansas, Little Osage Trail, Major Elijah Hyde, Marais des Cygnes, Martha Loving Ferrell, Martha Vail, Mary Wade Strother, Nathan Edson, Neodesha, Newton, Oceanus Hopkins, Peleg Gorton, Polly Ogden, Randolph Loving, Samuel Linscott, Susannah French Putney, Uvedale, Wichita, William Wilson, and Wyandot.

Level one: Atchison, Courtney Spaulding, Esther Lowrey, General Edward Hand, Jane Dean Coffey, Jeremiah Howard, Lois Warner, and Smoky Hill.

This Chairman would like to thank the chapter regents for their splendid cooperation who submitted their reports on time which is on or before January 31st.

STATE STANDING COMMITTEES

Bylaws Committee

Mrs. Larry D. Ream

At the request of the KSDAR Executive Committee, three amendments to the Standing Rules were presented to the Ninety-ninth State Conference of the Kansas Society. The proposed amendments were prepared in proper form and mailed with the "Official Call" to all chapters and others on the official mailing list. The previous-notice requirement was met.

Finance Committee

Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter

The members of this committee are Mrs. John D. Afton, Shirley Coupal, Mrs. Robert M. Neubert, Mrs. Howard R. Walker, and Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, Chairman,

The committee met September 16, 1996 in Topeka to discuss KSDAR financial issues and the 1997 KSDAR budget.

The committee met again January 4, 1997, in Wichita to prepare an annual budget and review the 1996 financial report. The proposed budget was mailed to national officers within the state, state officers, chapter regents and state chairmen in January for their review.

In accordance to KSDAR bylaws the recommended budget was submitted to the Spring Board of Management meeting March 13, 1997. It was then submitted to the State Conference for action where it was approved as amended.

Library Committee

Mrs. Wayne N. Cope

NSDAR AWARDS

DAR Library Centennial

Kansas, Monetary Donations

1ST Place - Category 3,000-4,999 members

This year the KSDAR Library changed its statistical count to the calendar year following the pattern of the NSDAR Library. Therefore the report reflects only ten months from March 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996.

During the 258 days open 2,283 researchers registered. Visitors came from twenty-three Kansas Chapters and nineteen States and Canada to use the facilities.

A special opening during the KSDAR Fall Tour provided opportunity for all State Officers and the NSDAR Historian General to view the library.

This year seventy-six books and genealogical volumes have been added to the library.

The "Library Challenge" contest has stimulated donations to the library fund and adds an extra \$300.00 bringing our monetary gifts to approximately \$939.00.

The State Library Committee is composed of the State Librarian as chairman, Mrs. Pat Smith, Mrs. Roy Arnold, Mrs. William Daniels, and Mrs. Francis Hurst. Their duties include to serve as advisor to the Dodge City DAR Library Committee and help with book selections. A list of book titles have been compiled for future purchases as funds become available.

The Dodge City DAR Library Committee maintains the library and provides services to the members of DAR. This year they report over 550 hours at the library; writing seventy letters; countless telephone calls; mailed fifty-two books for loan; plus checking out titles; processing new books, shelving, repairing. **A Big Job - Well Done!**

Chapter Contributions to the KSDAR Library

Abilene Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Arthur Barrett Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Atchison Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Betty Bonney Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Betty Washington Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Byrd Prewitt Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Cimarron River Valley Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Cofachique Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Council Oak Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Courtney Spaulding Chapter:

Monetary gift.

At Home in Ellis County Kansas 1867-1992,

Volumes I and II; Memorial: Dorothy McConnell (Mrs. Wayne).

Desire Tobey Sears Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Stories My Mother Told Me, Gift: Desire Tobey Sears Chapter.

Dodge City Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Abstracts of Philadelphia County Wills 1682-1726, Gift: Dodge City Chapter.

Abstracts of Philadelphia County Wills 1726-1747, Gift: Dodge City Chapter.

Brooke County Virginia/West Virginia Licenses and Marriages 1797-1874, Gift: Dodge City Chapter.

Guide to the Historical Records of Oklahoma. Gift: Dodge City Chapter.

History and Genealogy of the Families of Old Fairfield, Volume 1 part I-VI, Gift: Mrs. James Smith.

The Jefferson Family of Virginia, Memorial: To all Jefferson allied cousins in Kansas from the compilers and Janet McCollum Bevers.

Patent Book 21, Homestead Records, Register of Deeds, Gray County, KS; Gift: Mrs. William D. Daniels.

Family of Henry Lamb of North Carolina, Indiana and Jefferson County, KS; Gift: Mrs. William D. Daniels.

Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine Volume 30, Nos. 1-10, 1996; Gift: Mrs. William D. Daniels.

Directory, Dodge City Chapter, Gift: Norma Jane Daniels.

Research on the Lopp Family, Gift: Florence Risinger Smith.

The Southside Virginia, A Journal of Genealogy and History Volume XIII No. 1-4 (1995); Gift: Mrs. Delbert Mills.

Map of Virginia, Maryland and Delaware, 1755; Gift: Janet McCollum Bevers.

Emporia Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Star of Destiny - The Private Life of Sam and Margaret Houston, Gift: Emporia Chapter.

Esther Lowrey Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Eunice Sterling Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Stoner Brethren - A History of John Stoner, Gift: Mary Jo Horn (Mrs. Donald).

Flores del Sol Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Fort Larned Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Four Winds Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Index of U.S. Marshals 1789-1960, Gift: Alice Walker.

The History of the Catholic Churches in Anderson County, Memorial: August A. and Grace (Kellerman) Remler from Mrs. Juanita Kellerman.

General Edward Hand Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Good-Land Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Isabella Weldin Chapter:

Monetary gift.

James Ross Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Jane Dean Coffey Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Jeremiah Howard Chapter:

Monetary gift.

John Athey Chapter:

Monetary gift.

John Haupt Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Jonathan Gilbert Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Kanza Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Little Arkansas Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Doctor and Annie A Ege-Woodburn Connection, Gift: Kaye Stanley.
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, York Springs, PA; Gift: Kaye Stanley.
Business Directory of Atlas of Adams County, PA 1873, Gift: Kaye Stanley.

Maps - Civil War - Battle of Gettysburg, Gift: Kaye Stanley.

Allen Robinett of Adams Co., PA and Robinett Family Newsletter,
Gift: Kaye Stanley.

Little Osage Trail Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Lois Warner Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Major Elijah Hyde Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Marais des Cygnes Chapter:

Monetary gift.

1870 Census Metcalfe County, KY; Memorial: Gladys Lee Aiken from
Elma Aiken Link.

1870 Census Monroe County, KY; Memorial: Gladys Lee Aiken from
Elma Aiken Link.

1870 Census Montgomery County, KY; Memorial: Gladys Lee Aiken
from Elma Aiken Link.

Martha Loving Ferrell Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Martha Vail Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Mary Wade Strother Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Shrewsbury, Massachusetts Vital Records to 1850 taken from Town Books, Gift: Mona Cunningham.

Ellsworth County Kansas Records 1870-1915, Gift: Mona Cunningham.

One Thousand Men (Prominent Men of Vermont, 1914), Gift: Mona Cunningham.

Domesday Book - Wiltshire A Survey of the Counties of England - Winchester 1086, Gift: Mona Cunningham.

A Directory of British Peerages, Gift: Mona Cunningham.

Mission Hills Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Molly Foster Berry Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Nathan Edson Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Some descendants of Antoine Coupal dit LaReine and Marie-Louise Palin Dabonville A Family History, Gift: Shirley Coupal.

Neodesha Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Newton Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Oceanus Hopkins Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Olathe Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Backgrounds and Lineages of Some Copley and Buchholtz Families, Gift: Mrs. Harvey Holmes.

Peleg Gorton Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Prairie Flint Hills Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Prairie Rose Chapter:

Monetary gift.

The New England Historical and Genealogical Register, Volumes I (1847), II (1848), VII (1853), and VIII (1854); Gift: Mrs. Robert Schweiger.

Quivira Crossing Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Randolph Loving Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Sagamore Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Samuel Linscott Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Sarah Steward Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Certificates and Receipts of Revolutionary New Jersey, Volume II;

Memorial: Robert L. Maydew from Mrs. Vincent Traffas.

Shawnee Mission Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Life Sketches and Reminiscences T. J. Stockton, Senior Second
Edition; Gift: Joann C. Beedle (Mrs. Raymond L.).

History of Mission and Northeast Johnson County, Gift:
Mrs. Raymond L. Beedle.

Smoky Hill Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Holyrood Centennial 100 Years 1886-1986, Gift: Pat Savty.

Stone Corral Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Susannah French Putney Chapter:

Monetary gift.

A Collection of Material on Peter Folger (1617-1690),

Gift: Mrs. Lorine Biggs.

Three Trails West Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Tomahawk Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Topeka Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Uvedale Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Wichita Chapter:

Monetary gift.

William Wilson Chapter:

Monetary gift.

Wyandot Chapter:

Monetary gift.

KSDAR Library Book Fund:

Minority Military Services Virginia.

Minority Military Service North Carolina 1775-1783.

Is That Service Right?

Abstracts of Bristol County Massachusetts.

KANSAS SOCIETY:

The Story of Marking the Santa Fe Trail.

Kansas Society of the National Society of the American Revolution
Annual Report and Proceedings 1995-1996.

Genealogical Records:

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Vol. 38 Marriage Records, Republic

County, KS 1892 from Marriages, Births, and Death Records
Book A 1885-1898.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 39 Abstracts from

"Olathe Mirror" April 7, 1904 through September 28, 1905.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 40 Miscellaneous Records.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 41, Obituaries, Valley Center,
Kansas.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 42, Obituaries, Valley Center,
Kansas.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 43 Random Partial Listing of
School Census of Woods County, OK 1913-1937.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 44, 1996 Bible Records.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 45, 1996 Miscellaneous
Records.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 46, 1996; 1996 School Census
of Valley Center, KS, District No. 46 Part I.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 47, 1996 School Census of
Valley Center, KS, District No. 46 Part II.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 48, 1996 School Census of
Valley Center, KS, District No. 46 Part III.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 49, 1996 School Census of
Valley Center, KS, District No. 46 Part IV.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 50, 1996 Bible Records,
Wills, Marriages, etc.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 51, Bible Records,
Wills, Marriages, etc.

KSDAR Genealogical Series 2 Volume 52, Bible Records,
Wills, Marriages, etc. Smith County Census.

Miscellaneous Gifts:

Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants Awarded by State
Governments, Gift: KSDAR State Officers Club.

Pioneers of Old Frederick County, Virginia, Memorial:

Mary Ainsworth Kennedy, State Regent, 1948-1950 and

Mildred London, State Registrar 1980-1983; Gift: KSDAR
State Officers Club.

The Starke Family Genealogy, Memorial: Letha Starke-Stults in
memory of her parents,

Charles and Carrie (Bindley) Starke October 1996.

Ford County Kansas Atlas and Plat Book 1916, Gift: Mr. and Mrs.
Jim Phelps, Cimarron, Kansas March 1996.

The Treeseacher, Volume 38, Nos. 1-4, 1996; Gift: Kansas
Genealogical Society, Inc., Dodge City, KS 1996.

The Liberty Bell, Volume 104, Issue 3, November 1996; Gift: KSSAR.

Lineage Book, National Society of the Daughters of the American
Colonists, Volume IV 1936; Gift: Mr. Joe Bruington, Montezuma,
KS.

Lineage Book of the National Society of Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, Volume XXXIX; Gift: National Society of Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America on permanent loan.
The Liberty Bell, Volume 104, Issue I-II, 1996; Gift: KSSAR.
The Liberty Bell; Volume 12, No. 4., April 1996; Gift: Ground/Grounds Family Assoc.
Index. 1870-1880 Federal Census, including 1885 Count History Smith County, KS; Gift: KSDAR Genealogical Records.
Pink index cards for State Librarian's file, Gift: Mrs. Howard Walker, State Vice Regent.
Set of legal size dividers, Gift: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hurtig, Dodge City Chapter.

Volunteer Workers from Dodge City Chapter:

Norma Jean Daniels, Margaret Cole, Marian Hurtig, Anna Lew Johnson, Barbara Boese, Rowena White, Judy Hull, Mary Erwin, Catherine Johnson and Norma Mills.

**Gifts to NSDAR Library
from Kansas Chapters**

Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter:

A Mealman Family Genealogy, Gift: Carolyn Stanley Lane.

Cofachique Chapter:

Allen County Kansas Marriages 1856-1925, Volumes I and II;
Gift: Mrs. Joan Beal Beck.

Dodge City Chapter:

Hull-Randall-Irwin-Purviance: Ancestors and Descendants; Memorial: Clarence Albert and Laura Aelia (Irwin) Hull from Dale W. Hull.
McCabe-Wisel and Allied Families; Memorial: James B. and Verna (Heathman) McCabe from Julia McCabe Hull.

Isabella Weldin Chapter:

The Ark Valley Crossroads, Wichita Genealogy Society, Wichita, KS, Volumes 1 - 6, 1990-1996.

John Haupt Chapter:

Thomas Treadwell of Ipswich, Mass. and Some of His Descendants;
Gift: Virginia Swenson.

Mitchell Family History, Gift: Virginia Swenson.

Genealogical Record of some of the Noyes Descendants of James, Nicholas, and Peter Noyes, Volumes I and II; Gift: Virginia Swenson.

100th Anniversary Program in Commemoration of the First Parish Church Building Newberry, Mass.

Territorial Days-A Story of Historic Lecompton, KS; Gift: Virginia Swenson.

Webster, New Hampshire 1933-1983 History; Honorarium: Lois Hartman from Virginia Swenson.

Remembered In This Land, Honorarium: Lois Hartman from Virginia Swenson.

True to the Old Flag: A Tale of the American War of Independence; Gift: Betty A. Rasure.

Norman Holt - A Story of the Army of the Cumberland, Gift: Betty A. Rasure.

Hitchings Genealogy, Gift: Carabelle H. Thompson.

Little Arkansas Chapter:

Some McGehee Descendants, Gift: Betty McGehee.

Some Descendants of William and Margaret Paton, Gift: Betty McGehee.

Shawnee Mission Chapter:

History of Mission and Northeast Johnson County, Memorial: Elizabeth Brooks from Neil R. Fraser.

Saigeon Family History, Volume I, Honorarium: Mrs. Myrtle McCann Saigeon from Mary McKibben Roberts.

Miscellaneous Gifts:

John C. Chapman Family Chronicles, Ancestors and Descendants; Gift: B. Jean Snedeger, Member at Large.

REPORTS OF STATE APPOINTEES

Chairman of Pages

Mrs. Robert Carlson

Thank you, Mrs. Traffas, for the invitations for each of the Pages to serve at the 1997 State Conference, and a special **thank you** to each Page for her courteous service.

The twenty-five young women who served as Pages at the 1997 State Conference were: Mary K. Afton, Kimbley A. Bushman, Janice Davis, Rebecca Fischer, Leesa Hettenbach, Sue Hollingsworth, Amanda Hoyt, Gayla Hoyt, Julie Huffman, Nina Huffman, Laurie Hull, Kelli Kelland, Lesa Killingsworth, Tiffany Lewis, Tena Luongo, Mary Theda Owens, Laurie Schweiger, Mary A. Traffas, Ladonna Weltmer, Kathryn A. West, Julia Van DeWille, Robynn Tolbert, Brenda Picknell, Sandra Friedhof, and Sarah VanNieWall, Vice President, Great Plains Region, N.S.C.A.R. from Iowa.

Chapters with women age forty and younger who are interested in serving the organization as a Page at the 1998 State Conference are invited to submit their names to the State Chairman at P. O. Box 135, Kingman, KS 67068.

Conference Chairman

Mrs. Kevin Smith

The Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution hosted the Ninety-ninth State Conference at the Airport Hilton, Wichita, Kansas on

March 13, 14, 15, 1997. This State Conference emphasis was on our DAR Schools. Our guest and speakers for the Schools breakfast, held on Friday March 14, 1997, were Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National chairman DAR School committee, Mr. Mike Mullins, executive director of the Hindman Settlement School, Inc.; and Dr. Charles Edmonds, assistant administrator of the Kate Duncan Smith DAR School.

With our schools being the main focus of the Conference, so was the theme of our table decorations and name badges. The Southwest District hosted this conference. Not only did they donate their time and money, but their talent as well. Mrs. Wanda Hackney, Little Arkansas Chapter, volunteered to be the decorations chairman. Thirty "Little Red School Houses", were constructed and painted for the Centerpieces. This project was overseen by this chairman. Others who worked on the decorations committee were: Eleanor Robinson and Wanda Glassburner, Martha Loving Ferrell Chapter; Kaye Stanley and Judy Lankford, Little Arkansas Chapter. Also, part of the table decorations were "Apples", cut out by Mr. Carol McNickle, husband of Shirley McNickle, Kanza Chapter. Mrs. McNickle, Mary Margaret Boyles, Emma Lou McDaniel, Mary Blackburn and Silvia Scholes, Kanza Chapter, painted and decorated the "Apples". Wood for the School Houses was cut by Connie Lull and Donna Overmiller, Sarah Steward Chapter, and this chairman and her husband, Kevin Smith.

Other duties of this chairman included working with State Regent Pat Traffas, and the Airport Hilton staff. This chairman also worked with Patty Brewer, Conference Treasurer. The new frontier of the fax machine and computer helped to shorten the distance for this chairman. They both saved time in sending the names for reservations and making the new name badges.

We elected to use the "Dot" system for meals. This seems to be the most effective and accurate way to count. With the help of the House Committee, corresponding colors and symbols were always located outside the Banquet rooms.

Mrs. Brewer, was also a great help to this chairman, because she resided in Wichita, she was able to help me with arrangements for special music, "Spirit" and "ExCitations". Both groups provided patriotic and inspiring music for our meals.

It is a privilege to serve as chairman of this committee, and look forward to the challenges of the next year. It is also an honor to serve during Mrs. Traffas Administration.

Conference Treasurer

Mrs. Charles Brewer

**1997 KSDAR State Conference
Treasurer's Report**

Receipts:

Kansas Society Advance	\$ 321.70
Chapter Fees	220.00
Registration Fees	1,088.00
Meals and Banquets	11,711.00
Refunds	<u><139.00></u>

Total Receipts \$13,201.70

Disbursements:

Wichita Hilton Hotel	11,109.00
Printing Programs	626.23
Centerpieces	218.31
Name Badges	15.13
Music	250.00
Gifts for Guests	111.20
Gifts for Winners	34.86
Airport Hilton Rooms	<u>411.20</u>

Total Disbursements \$ 12,775.93

Balance on hand, April 1996 \$ 425.77

Amount remitted to KSDAR State Treasurer \$ 425.77

Attendance:

122 Thursday Banquet
130 Friday Breakfast
219 Friday Luncheon
220 Friday Banquet
26 Saturday Breakfast
209 Saturday Luncheon

Conference Marshal

**Mrs. Frank Huffman
and Mrs. Doug Kocher**

It is the duty of the Conference Marshals to be knowledgeable of official DAR procedure and protocol. Protocol is dictated by courtesy, good manners, ethics and common sense. This committee is in charge of the arrangement of processions and recessions. Additional responsibilities include seating of the head table, special tables for guests and reserved seating for business sessions. The above duties have been taken care of during the Ninety-ninth State Conference of the Kansas State Society.

Thank you to Mrs. Kevin D. Smith and the Conference Committee for their many hours of work. The House Committee has seen to the physical plant under the watchful eye of Mrs. James Tolbert and her assistant Mrs. Arthur Small. Without their help many duties would be added to the Marshal Committee. A sincere thanks to them.

This chairman wishes to extend special thanks to the Page Chairman, Mrs. Robert W. Carlson, and the Pages for all of their hard work. They add a special touch of pageantry to the Conference. A special thank you to Mrs. Doug Kocher for all of her help as assistant for the Ninety-ninth State Conference.

It has been a pleasure to work with the State Regent, the National Officer, the Vice President General, Honorary State Regents, State Officers, Division Chairmen and Vice Chairmen, Honored Guests, and all of the Kansas Daughters attending Conference this year.

House Committee

**Mrs. James Tolbert
and Mrs. Arthur Small**

The 1997 State Conference at Wichita was a challenge. So much to do in so little time, but what fun. The hotel staff was wonderful and extremely efficient. The DAR ladies were helpful and courteous. Any requests were always made with a smile and an understanding attitude. All in all everything came together in a very satisfactory manner.

It was a joy working with our State Regent, Pat Traffas, and all of the DAR members in attendance. A very special thanks to Sidna Small, this chairman's assistant. Sidna was an invaluable source of humor and the location of all the half price sales, as well as being extremely efficient at getting things done in a timely manner.

Thanks for everything once again.

Kansas Chapel

Mrs. G. D. Spafford

What a pleasure it was to carry Kansas wheat to Washington this year to place by our sunflower stained glass windows in the Kansas Chapel at the NSDAR Administration Building. We have every reason to be proud of our Chapel, the only worship center in the cluster of national buildings.

The support of the Chapel by the Kansas Daughters is greatly appreciated. Special gifts were given this year by these chapters: Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Desire Tobey Sears, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Isabella Weldin, James Ross, John Haupt, Marais des Cygnes, Martha Vail, Mission Hills, Prairie Rose, Sagamore, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, Topeka, and Wyandot.

In addition, the Wichita Chapter and the Eunice Sterling Chapter placed lovely bouquets of fresh flowers in the Chapel during Continental Congress. The Kansas Daughters present met for worship at the Chapel and later discussed ideas for making the Chapel even more beautiful and inspirational. A new guest register was placed by the entrance.

You may honor anyone at any time by donating \$10.00 or more to the Kansas Chapel Fund; the names of those so honored will be inscribed in our Remembrance Book which is always on display at the Chapel. The history of the Chapel will be found in our new Centennial History book.

Kansas Society Centennial

Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark

This has been an exciting year for the Kansas Society. We were pleased with the Resolution of the Kansas Senate and the Proclamation of the Governor commemorating the service of the Kansas Society to the state.

The committee members were honored to assist State Regent Mrs. Vincent Traffas in planning the rededication of the Pawnee Indian Village Marker on 21 September 1996. We were delighted that Mrs. Robert Rehl, Historian General NSDAR and Dr. Ramon Powers, Executive Director of the Kansas State Historical Society could participate in this ceremony.

The committee was privileged to help the State Regent in preparing a Medal of Honor application for Nancy Kassebaum Baker for presentation in March 1997.

The profit from the charms and tote bags sold to members was used to buy four new chairs for the Kansas Box in Constitution Hall.

Speaking for the seven Honorary State Regents, we wish to express our appreciation to the State Regent for the opportunity to serve the state society on this committee. It has been a truly rewarding experience.

Literature

Mrs. Warren Coupal

Literature from the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution at State Conference on display and for sale was: Insignia Notebooks, NSDAR Afghans, Roberts Rules of Order, Chaplain's Rituals, Program Books, Chapter Manuals, Notepads and Pamphlets and the "FREE" items.

These articles were chosen with "Care in Depth" for all Chapter Regents, Officers and DAR members to buy and use in their DAR Chapters to help them do the DAR Chapter work.

This chairman **thanks** all of the DAR members for their many purchases and for their suggestions for other Literature they would like to have available at future Conferences and on Fall Tour.

This Chairman has enjoyed the privilege to serve this Administration.

Parliamentarian

Mrs. Harold N. Ottaway

The State Parliamentarian has been available for consultation about parliamentary matters and bylaws interpretations and, when requested, has rendered assistance to the State Regent and other members of the Kansas Society. It was a special pleasure to review the chapter bylaws for the newly organized Three Trails West Chapter.

The State Parliamentarian has attended all meetings of the State Executive Committee and the State Board of Management and is serving as

parliamentarian during this State Conference. This member appreciates the privilege of serving in this challenging position, as well as the kindnesses accorded to her by the State Regent, State Officers, and Kansas Daughters.

Press Book

Mrs. Paul A. Jones

Our Kansas Daughters have done an outstanding job of promoting our goals of education, patriotism and preservation of historic sites through publicity in newspapers, radio and TV. A favorite topic for programs this year was the 175th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail and the Lewis and Clark Expedition. The chapters celebrated the Kansas DAR Centennial in a festive spirit with special programs and receptions, oftentimes regaled in centennial dress.

All sixty-four chapters reported activities with 800 articles in newspapers, 160 photos, 269 radio spots and eight radio programs. There were 698 spots on TV and sixteen TV programs initiated or sponsored. Fifty-five window displays and six marquee messages told of our sponsorship of Constitution Week and American History Month, along with Mayor's proclamations. Genealogical workshops, presentations to schools, displays in libraries, marching in parades and marking historic sites helped spread the DAR story to the general public. Volunteerism was high at schools, on election boards, as museum docents and in VA hospitals and nursing homes.

Twenty-seven chapters submitted 346 articles and seventy-three pictures to this chairman which have been compiled in the State DAR Press Book and are available for viewing at the state conference.

State Conference Awards

Mrs. Ralph E. French

KSDAR Commemorative Events

Chapters celebrating 100 years of service to KSDAR-Betty Washington, Eunice Sterling, and Topeka, for "Advancing the Frontier". Pat Traffas, State Regent for being our "Real Madonna of the Trail", and Shirley Coupal, State Historian for "Master Historian of the Santa Fe Trail and Markers".

DAR Magazine

Newton Chapter for largest % increase in subscriptions

DAR Scholarship

Miss Julia Howe Francis - Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler DAR Scholarship

Miss Andrea Beth Cindric - KSDAR Scholarship

Miss Elizabeth Ellis - Kansas Nominee for American History Scholarship

DAR Service for Veteran-Patients

Betty Harris, Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter - Outstanding DAR-VAWS Member 1997

Genealogical Records

Little Arkansas Chapter, School Records and Obituaries

John Haupt Chapter - Diary of John Oyler

Sagamore Chapter - Abstracts of Olathe Mirror

Three Trails West Chapter - Vital Statistics of Brown County and Bible Records

Dodge City Chapter - Marriage Records of Gray County

Emporia Chapter - Marriage Records of Lyon County and Bible Records

Isabella Weldin Chapter - Cemetery Records of Butler County, Volume VIII

Topeka Chapter - Nemaha County Marriages

Randolph Loving Chapter - Tales of Allen County

Tomahawk Loving Chapter - Bible Records

Lois Warner Chapter - Bible Records

Polly Ogden Chapter - Bible Records

Sarah Steward Chapter - Bible Records

Molly Foster Berry Chapter - Bible Records

Flores del Sol Chapter - Bible Records

Junior American Citizens - Kansas first place winners

ART - Stamps

2nd Grade, Kayla Bennett, Kismet Elementary, Dodge City

4th Grade, Megan Vides, Haverhill Elementary, Isabella Weldin

5th Grade, Travis Rohlfing, Northwest Elementary, Dodge City

7th Grade, Ricky Miller, Rose Hill Senior High, Isabella Weldin

POSTER -

Kindergarten - Clint Dick, Zenda Grade School, Martha Vail

1st Grade, Ryan Cable, Zenda Grade School, Martha Vail

2nd Grade - Mallory Jones, Kismet Elementary, Dodge City

3rd Grade - Mella Bane, Haverhill Elementary, Isabella Weldin

4th Grade - Kristen Theis, Zenda Grade School, Martha Vail

(tie) - Courtney Call, Haverhill Elementary, Isabella Weldin

5th Grade - Stephanie Jones, Haverhill Elementary, Isabella Weldin

6th Grade - Jason Holloway, Zenda Grade School, Martha Vail

8th Grade, Kelly Klausmeyer, Zenda Grade School, Martha Vail

10th Grade - Ben Frusher, Hanston High, Dodge City

Group -

8th Grade - Jamie Ruff, Julie Ney, Shawna Dvorak, Hanston High, Dodge City

12th Grade - Eric Brown, Shawn Smith, Michael Cure-Hanston High, Dodge City

BANNER -

2nd Grade - Katie Maier, Central Heights, Quivira Crossing

10th Grade - Nancy Sibes, Hanston High, Dodge City

SPECIAL PROJECTS -

2nd Grade - Mrs. Walker's Class for photographic book, Rose Hill Elementary, Isabella Weldin

8th Grade - Rebecca Detrich and Candis Korf for group photographic, Hanston High, Dodge City

9th Grade - Levi Selfridge for Photographic Essay, Hanston High, Dodge City

CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS -

Essays -

- 3rd Grade - Erika Winkler, Kismet Elementary, Dodge City
- 5th Grade - Zach Maier, Central Heights, Quivira Crossing
- 6th Grade - Lucas Reed, Douglass Jr. High, Isabella Weldin
- 6th Grade - (Special Ed) Clint Sheets, Douglass Jr. High, Isabella Weldin
- 7th Grade - Kena Medrano, South Gray Jr. High, Dodge City
- 8th Grade - Sarah Selfridge, Hanston Jr. High, Dodge City
- 9th Grade - Judd Bawr, Hanston High, Dodge City
- 10th Grade - Jayme Allen, Hanston High, Dodge City
- 11th Grade - Renee Soukup, Hanston High, Dodge City

Group Essay -

- 11th Grade - Sofia Stiles, Summer Bettes, Janet Doyle, Hanston High Dodge City

Poems -

- 2nd Grade - Tatiana Stoltzfus, Meade Elementary, Dodge City
- 5th Grade - Carolyn Shonk, Hanston Elementary, Dodge City
- 6th Grade - Lindsay Schwartz, Zenda Grade School, Martha Vail
- 7th Grade - Alexis Bauer, Hanston Jr. High, Dodge City
- 8th Grade - Koleena Railsback, Hanston Jr. High, Dodge City
- 11th Grade - Nicholas Prather, Medicine Lodge High, Martha Vail

Group Poem -

- 11th Grade - Amanda Housman, Jamie Chapman, Hanston High, Dodge City
- 12th Grade - Wendy Wornbey, Medicine Lodge High, Martha Vail

KSDAR Library

- John Haupt Chapter - most book donations to NSDAR Library 1996-97
- Dodge City Chapter - most book donations to KSDAR Library 1996-97
- Prairie Rose Chapter - largest monetary donation to KSDAR Library 1996-97

Membership

- Category A: Chapter with 12-49 members, Stone Corral
- Category B: Chapter with 50-99 members, Sarah Steward
- Category C: Chapter with 100 plus members, Topeka

NSDAR Museum Corresponding Docents

- Outstanding KSDAR Correspondent Docent for 1996-97, Betty M. Thompson

Program - all first place winners KSDAR Best Program Contest

- Public Relations Group - Isabella Weldin Chapter for "Lewis and Clark Trail in Kansas", Corrine L. Afton, Regent
- Youth and Adult Education Group - Mary Wade Strother Chapter, for "Our

Flag-Let's Respect It", Mrs. Frank Crowe, Chairman
Patriotic Education Group - Prairie Flint Hills Chapter for "Stars and
Stripes Forever", Judith Johnson, Chairman
Membership Group - Topeka Chapter for "Membership", Mrs. John Boggs,
Jr., Chairman

Program - second place winner KSDAR Best Program Contest

Youth and Adult Education Group - Little Osage Trail Chapter for
"American Indian Culture", Kathy Dunlap, Chairman

Best Yearbooks -

Extraordinary Yearbook - Eunice Sterling Chapter
Outstanding Yearbook - Arthur Barrett, Prairie Flint Hills and Betty
Washington Chapters
Excellent Yearbook - Tomahawk, Sagamore, Olathe, Fort Larned,
Dodge City, and Courtney Spaulding Chapters
Excellent Yearbook Supplement - Wyandot, Prairie Rose and Newton
Chapters

KSDAR Historian

Donations of \$100 or Greater Given to the Preservation/Restoration Marker
Fund: Abilene, Byrd Prewitt, Council Oak, Desire Tobey Sears, Dodge City,
Eunice Sterling, Marais des Cygnes, Nathan Edson, Quivira Crossing,
Sagamore, Sarah Steward, and Shawnee Mission Chapters.

Donations of \$100 or Less Given to the Preservation/Restoration Marker
Fund: Arthur Barrett, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, Cimarron River Valley,
Emporia, Flores del Sol, Fort Larned, Good-Land, Isabella Weldin, Jane
Dean Coffey, Jeremiah Howard, John Haupt, Jonathan Gilbert, Kanza, Lois
Warner, Mission Hills, Molly Foster Berry, Newton, Prairie Flint Hills,
Prairie Rose, Randolph Loving, Samuel Linscott, Smoky Hill, Susannah
French Putney, Tree Trails West, Topeka, Wichita and William Wilson
Chapters.

Markers - Restored, Maintained, Located or Rededicated:

Arthur Barrett - Alcove Springs, Oregon Trail
Atchison - Atchison, Lewis and Clark
Byrd Prewitt - Grant County, Santa Fe Trail
Captain Jesse Leavenworth - Pawnee Indian Village and Lewis and
Clark
Desire Tobey Sears - Pawnee Indian Village
Dodge City - Ford County, Santa Fe Trail
Emporia - Lyon County, Santa Fe Trail
Eunice Sterling - Lost Springs, Santa Fe Trail
Jeremiah Howard - Rice County, Santa Fe Trail
Molly Foster Berry - Fort Scott
Nathan Edson - Santa Fe Trail
Neodesha - Chapter Marker
Olathe - Chapter Marker

Quivira Crossing - Lenexa, Santa Fe Trail
Sarah Steward - Santa Fe Trail, Lewis and Clark, and Higley Cabin
Stone Corral - Rice County, Santa Fe Trail

Provided for a Historical Event:

Council Oak - Madonna of the Trail Program, Fall Tour
Emporia - 142 Mile Creek Program, 42 Days along the Trail
Fort Larned - Fort Larned Program, Fall Tour
James Ross - Shawnee Mission Pitcher, State Conference
Jeremiah Howard - Plum Butte, Rededication, Fall Tour
Kanza - Fort Larned Program, Fall Tour
Stone Corral - Ralph's Ruts Program, 42 Days Along the Trail and
175th Anniversary Marker, Fall Tour
Jeremiah Howard - Fort Larned Program, Fall Tour

Centennial Event:

Betty Washington - Display and First Meeting Program
Eunice Sterling - Display and Munger House Program
Topeka - Display and Centennial Tea at Cedar Crest

Flag of the United States of America

Best Flag Program - Neodesha, Newton and Eunice Sterling Chapters

State Regent's Project

Kimbley A. Bushman

Marking of the Lewis and Clark Trail

Our State Regent was able to secure a Cost Challenge Grant through the National Park Service and Department of the Interior. This \$5,000 grant is considered a matching grant and we will be able to match this amount through time and materials given to this project. The State Treasurer reports that donations by the chapters to this project now total \$2,300. Each sign that we will place will cost around \$2,000 so your contributions are still needed.

Our National Historian, Jane Rehl, traveled to the placement sites in Atchison and Fort Leavenworth in September with Pat Traffas. We have received permission for placement of markers from White Cloud and Fort Leavenworth and are still in negotiation with Atchison.

A program on the Lewis and Clark expedition, available on video cassette, was given to the Sagamore Chapter to promote awareness of the State Regent's Project. Ornaments commemorating the Lewis and Clark Trail were sold to raise funds for this important project.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT DIRECTORS

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

Mrs. Wayne Cope

The fifty-second annual meeting of the KSDAR Southwest District was held September 20, 1996 at the Dodge City Country Club. The meeting was hosted by Dodge City Chapter, Mrs. Ralph Oringderff, Regent. Oringderff welcomed seventy-four members and guests to the meeting. Eleven Southwest District Chapters were represented by forty-four DAR members.

Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent addressed the meeting, reporting on KSDAR activities and plans, which was followed by reports from State Officers and State Committee Chairmen.

The District was honored to have NSDAR Historian General Mrs. Robert Rehl present and enjoyed her remarks of her travels down the Santa Fe Trail with KSDAR bus buddies.

Mrs. Richard C. McGehee was elected to serve from the Southwest District on the KSDAR Nominating Committee.

A contribution of \$50.00 to the NSDAR Genealogical Records Library Centennial Computer Indexing Program to honor Centennial State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, and the Kansas Society DAR was approved by the district delegates.

The Dodge City Chapter treated all in attendance to a real Wild West affair with Mrs. Traffas and Mrs. Rehl receiving Honorary Marshal awards.

District Director, Mrs. Wayne Cope, announced that the Southwest District would be hostess March, 1997 for the 99th annual State Conference in Wichita.

Invitation was accepted to hold the 1997 District Meeting in Wichita with Little Arkansas Chapter to be hostess.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

Mrs. Martin J. Robl

The 52nd Annual Meeting of the Northwest District was held at Lyons at the First Presbyterian Church on September 18, 1996. The Stone Corral Chapter members with Mrs. Gerald D. Nixon, Regent, were gracious hosts.

The Northwest District Director has enjoyed the hospitality of Desire Tobey Sears Chapter, Mrs. Jimmy Dooley, Regent; John Athey Chapter, Mrs. Robert Lewis, Regent; Abilene Chapter, Mrs. Bill Lightner, Regent and Smoky Hill Chapter, Mrs. Loren Reber, Regent. Planned visits include Sarah Steward Chapter, Mrs. Phyllis Bell, Regent; Nathan Edson Chapter, Shirley Coupal, Regent; and Mary Wade Strother Chapter, Miss Mona Cunningham, Regent. In the words of a former District Director, "Northwest District is the BEST!"

The presentation of the new Santa Fe Trail Marker at Ralph's Ruts, its dedication, and the rededication of the Plum Buttes marker were highlights of the year. Having the Historian General, Mrs. Robert P. Rehl present for the dedications was a special joy.

It was a pleasure to chair the Northwest District meeting with the capable hosting of Stone Corral Chapter, Mrs. Gerald Nixon, Regent.

Mrs. Gary Eichman was elected to represent the district on the KSDAR Nominating Committee.

Plans are underway with Sarah Steward Chapter for the 1997 Fall Board of Management and the Northwest District meetings in September. The home chapter of our State Regent is always enthusiastic, energetic and super-capable. Do make plans to attend.

NORTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

Mrs. G. M. Ramirez

The fifty-first Northeast District meeting was held on September 16, 1996 at the Riverfront Community Center, which is a remodeled railroad station in Leavenworth. The Atchison and Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapters were hostesses. There were eighty-five district members in attendance with all seventeen district chapters represented.

A delicious luncheon was served by the "Harvey Girls", followed by a delightful description of the history of this group being given by one of the the "Girls".

Following reports, Mrs. Kenneth Rice was elected to serve as the Northeast District member on the KSDAR Nominating Committee.

It was voted to give \$170.00 to the Marker Preservation Fund, and \$250.00 to the State Regent's Project.

Mrs. Carolyn Smith, Regent of the Olathe Chapter, extended an invitation to the district for the 1997 Northeast District Meeting to be held in Olathe.

This District Director has visited seven more chapters this year and had numerous telephone contacts as well as mailings to all of the chapters. Additional visits are scheduled for the coming year.

It is a pleasure to visit the chapters, enabling us to become better acquainted with the members.

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR

Mrs. Ralph French

The sixty-sixth meeting of the KSDAR Southeast District was held Tuesday, September 17 in the First Baptist Church of Council Grove. Hosting chapter was Council Oak, Mrs. Rick Sellers, Regent. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem. Greetings were extended by Mrs. Sellers and a welcome by the Mayor of Council Grove, Carlene McRae. Distinguished guests in attendance were Mrs. Vincent Traffas, KSDAR State Regent, Mrs. Ruth Keys Clark, NSDAR Vice President General and Honorary State Regent and Mrs. Billy P. Compton, Honorary State Regent.

Reports by State Officers and State Chairmen were given. Mrs. Traffas announced the establishment of the Marker Preservation Fund to care for

Santa Fe Trail markers. State Historian Shirley Coupal displayed the book "Marking the Santa Fe Trail" which is a fund raiser for the project. Organizing Secretary, Mrs. Gus Ramirez announced the formation of a new KSDAR Chapter, Three Trails West.

Mrs. John Mowen, District Secretary-Treasurer read the previous meeting minutes and gave the financial report. Ten District Chapters were represented. Mrs. Ralph French was elected to the State Nominating Committee. Mrs. Grace Hendrix, Mrs. Forrest Jacobs and Mrs. Hallie Brewer were elected to the District Nominating Committee.

Invitation to the 1997 Southeast District Meeting was extended by Molly Foster Berry Chapter of Fort Scott. Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. with the benediction by State Chaplain, Mrs. Albert Hagemann. Members and guests were entertained during lunch by Mr. Graham Newcomer, "Tales of a Wagonmaster." Following luncheon the group toured historic sites of Council Grove assisted by Council Oak chapter members.

REPORTS OF CHAPTER REGENTS

Abilene Chapter

Mrs. William J. Lightner, Regent

The Abilene Chapter celebrated their 80th birthday this past year. We were honored to have Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, present to bring a message as we celebrated in February.

Several members attended the State Conference attired in period costumes to help celebrate 100 years of DAR in Kansas. Our chapter was represented at Board of Management, Northwest District Meeting and visited the other District Meetings while on the Santa Fe Bus Tour in September.

Programs of interest to the members were slides on the "DAR Museum Collection", "Indian Archeology", by a member of the State Historical Society; "Quilts in America" with each member bringing a quilt for show and tell. Some were old, some were new. "Sixty Years Viewing Abilene" by a local photographer and programs on Literacy, and Insignia were some of the most popular ones.

A memorial service was held in May for deceased members and October found members placing markers on graves in honor of these members.

Constitution Week was recognized with a Proclamation by Mayor Scheele of Abilene and radio spots by KABI Radio Station of Abilene. We have a **Flag Moment** each meeting and we always contribute a cash gift for service to Veterans.

We have two new members this year and five prospective members working on their applications.

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Arthur Barrett Chapter

On June 1st members of the Arthur Barrett Chapter rededicated the Sarah Handley Keyes monument at Alcove Springs. State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas and State Historian, Shirley Coupal were present.

Programs this year included, "Review of Continental Congress," by Margaret Huffman; "Tibet's Savior, 14th Dalai Lama", by Heather Meiers, a history project; "Redefining **patriotism** with mellowing of time", written by Lisa Cole and presented by Susan Etelamaki; "Trails to a Second Century", by State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas; "Preserving Records", by Mr. Allen Perry, Archivist from the National Archives, Central Plains Region; and a tour of the Pony Express Museum.

The February meeting was in honor of the nine winners of the American History Essay contest. The theme of this years contest was, "Trails West". The winner of the DAR Good Citizen contest, Natalie Koch, was also present.

We were saddened by the deaths of members Pauline Gauby, Lillian Deibert, and Gloria Gaston. As of March 1st, the membership stands at forty-six.

Susan Etelamaki served at State Conference as Junior Sales Chairman and Margaret Huffman served as Conference Marshal. Nina and Julie Huffman served as Junior Pages at the 99th State Conference.

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Atchison Chapter

The Atchison Chapter was saddened by the loss of a member, loss of a spouse, and the move to Japan to teach by one of our active Juniors. Of the four members we are helping with paperwork, one found out she is not eligible. We are down to thirteen members and several are unable to attend meetings due to poor health.

A spot along the Lewis and Clark Trail was the location of our October meeting. Mrs. Sam Mueller gave history of the area dating back 300 years. The November meeting was a Show and Tell of clothing items belonging to our ancestors--all were at least 100 years old and handmade. The January meeting was a highlight for all members. We went to the Atchison Senior Village for our "Literacy Challenge of the 21st Century". Rowena Ruhlman, a 90+ DAR member and resident of the Village, shared her thoughts on

literacy, national defense, and her sincere love of DAR. We left that meeting feeling good about what DAR really stands for and how lucky we are to be Americans.

Betty Bonney Chapter

Miss Verna F. Stuteville, Regent

The Betty Bonney Chapter participated at a flag-waving parade when the Olympic Torch passed through Arkansas City this year.

Betty Washington Chapter

Mrs. Earl R. Slapar, Regent

A 1896-1996 Centennial Tea in historic Eldridge Hotel in October with memorabilia displayed included secretary books, charter, scrapbooks, and pictures. Tables were decorated with 100 year old items that made interesting conversation.

Ongoing projects include presentation of flags to Scouts or schools; recognition of Veterans in Lawrance and Eudora Nursing homes on birthdays and Christmas; encouragement to beginner genealogists.

Program Review: Army Captain Jane Harris spoke about women's uniforms at September meeting. November found us enjoying the DAR slides on Museum Quilts. Members displayed their personal heirloom quilts. At our December luncheon, DAR slides "History of Christmas Cards" were enjoyed. Table decorations were members personal card collections. In January, Calder Pickett took us along the Santa Fe Trail as he talked and kept us moving along the trail with slides, pictures, and music. February, we enjoyed a joint meeting with SAR for award presentations. The meeting place was the Watkins Museum and Steve Jansen, Curator, spoke about "1890's Lawrence". March will be a presentation by Karen Pendleton from Pendleton Farms.

April, we will see the "Onion Domes of Russia" by Ann Bricker and at the May luncheon, we will have recognition awards, Continental Congress report and the Installation of Officers.

Byrd Prewitt Chapter

Mrs. Eugene Shore, Regent

It was an exciting year for the Byrd Prewitt Chapter. Our first meeting was a discussion about disbanding which led to discussion about revitalizing our chapter. The result was a genealogy workshop for two days with the help of our state officers. We had thirty people attend this workshop and as of this month we have sent papers in for five new members.

Our chapter has toured our Santa Fe Trail Marker in our county and have had many programs about the Santa FE Trail.

This year we dedicated one grave marker to the grave of Mrs. David Forshee, our chapters first Regent. We donated a large American Flag to the Stanton County Long Term Care Home.

We were honored to have State Regent Pat Traffas visit us with her Lewis and Clark Trail program, and shared the state DAR quilt with us. Our

district director Sammy Cope also visited our club this year.

For a year started with the possibility of disbanding we have had an exciting and interesting year with the possibility of several new members.

Captain Jesse Leavenworth

Mrs. Kimbley A. Clair, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Captain Jesse Leavenworth Chapter

The start of an exciting year for our chapter began at State Conference, where two of our members were honored. Myrna Rice was named the Kansas Outstanding Teacher of American History, and Kim Clair was named Kansas Outstanding Junior. The highlight of Continental Congress, for our chapter, was when Ruth Keys Clark was elected to the office of Vice President General!

September was a busy month as we cohosted with Atchison Chapter the Northeast District and Board of Management meetings in Leavenworth. Constitution Week was celebrated with a mayoral proclamation and members participating in "Bells Across America".

Chapter members participated in the Veteran's Day parade, which was covered extensively by the Kansas City television stations. Members also contributed their time, effort and skills by collecting soup labels and stamps, supporting DAR schools, recycling, volunteering hours at museums and hospitals, and baking cakes for the Dwight D. Eisenhower VA Center. Members also attended State Conference and Continental Congress where they served as delegates, tellers and pages.

We enjoyed a variety of programs, including a "visit" from Susan B. Anthony. Our DAR Good Citizen and American History Essay contest winners were treated to a very special program about the Santa Fe Trail given by Jane Mallinson, NSDAR Representative on the Santa Fe National Historic Trail Advisory Council. We continue to support the Leavenworth High School JROTC program by presenting medals to the individual drill competition winners and the outstanding graduating cadet.

The Chapter welcomes five new members and regrets the loss of two members by death. We look forward to serving the society on the state and national levels.

Cimarron River Valley Chapter

Mrs. Gene Sharp, Regent

This has been a year of Preserving Tradition: Looking to the Future. We visited the Garden City Chapter. Pat Smith, State Library Committee, gave a hands-on genealogy workshop and assisted with library research. In another meeting we used "The Family Tree Maker" software for research. One

member used an ancestor's diaries and pictorial maps to take us down the Oregon Trail.

In keeping with patriotic endeavors, the County Clerk reported on changes in voting laws. The history of the National Guard in the United States was a program topic with discussion on the progress of the armory to be built in Liberal. Information about the Veterans Administration Regional Clinic at the local hospital was shared. The Washington Day Tea honors outstanding students who participate in our essay contests.

A trip to the Staath Memorial Museum, Montezuma, was one of the highlights of the year. Members viewed world artifacts, trophies of the hunt, and the "Mirror of the Martyr" exhibit.

Member Sammy Cope is the Southwest District Director, State Librarian, and on the National Speaker's staff. Six members joined her at the district meeting to greet State Officers and share with other chapter friends. Ms. Cope will represent us at the 106th Continental Congress. During the 100th birthday at State Conference our chapter displayed a "Crazy Quilt" made by the regent's ancestor.

We have gained four new members and will place grave markers for Organizing Regent, Mariana Harkins; as well as Margaret Tucker, Ella Penny, and Margaret White.

Cofachique Chapter

Mrs. Eugene Miller, Regent

The Cofachique Chapter has forty members at this time. Programs we had during the year were about quilts, and Principal Bill Shirley of Iola spoke about the Constitution. Our chapter has a guest day each year to encourage new members.

Sixty-six pounds of used clothing were given to Bacone Thrift Shop, a Good Citizens medal was presented, a flag was presented to Veterans Wall in Iola and members supported the literacy program by teaching Mexican immigrants to read.

Council Oak Chapter

Mrs. Rick Sellers, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS

Chapter with Largest Sales of Innisbrook Products
3rd Place KS, Council Oak Chapter

The 1996-97 year was a busy and interesting year for the Council Oak Chapter. Our chapter continues to struggle with membership, having lost five members this year, one each to transfer, resignation, and death, and two were dropped. On the brighter note, we did gain one new member, who will be an enthusiastic asset to our chapter!

We had six members and two prospective members attend KSDAR State Conference and enjoy the Governor's Tea in March. Over the summer,

members conducted the annual Flag Raising Ceremony on June 14, which was in conjunction with the city's Wah-Shun-Gah Days celebration. Members were busy over the summer planning and preparing for the Southeast District meeting, which our chapter hosted in September. This was the highlight of the chapter's activities and the excellent efforts from our membership and community contributed to the success of the meeting. Also in September, our city celebrated the anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail. Our chapter participated by conducting a Living History on "Life at the Pioneer Campground", which is now Madonna Park.

In December our chapter traveled to the Grand Hotel in Cottonwood Falls to meet the Emporia Chapter for a delightful meal and educational experience. Other programs given by members included an interesting program on National Defense, and a program on old-time handicrafts--an art of the past.

Council Oak Chapter looks forward to another century of preserving history, providing education and promoting patriotism.

Courtney-Spalding Chapter

Connie Lee Hull, Regent

In March, three of our members traveled to Topeka for the State Conference. Our Chapter received the state award for best program at the conference.

In May we installed our newly elected officers for the next two years.

In Order to help celebrate our state centennial year of DAR and our chapters seventy-fifth year of DAR, several things were done. A letter was written to the editor of the local paper, Hays Daily News, informing people about DAR. Several calls were received in response to it. At each meeting we have a member tell about herself and/or her patriot who made it possible for her to join DAR. This is a fun thing and helps us get to know each other better.

In October it was announced that one of our dear deceased DAR members, Geneva Herndon's daughters were donating some silverware to the State Governor's mansion, Cedar Crest, which matched the official state silverware. This was done in memory of Geneva on behalf of our chapter. We felt honored and received several thank you notes, one from Mrs. Graves. The donation inspired an article in the local paper, The Hays Daily News, and prompted a call to our Regent for a telephone interview. More interest was generated from the article on DAR.

In February we had our annual awards tea. The Chapter's Good Citizen Award was presented. Six students responded to this award and scholarship part of the contest. Valerie Berland was our chapter winner. We were also honored to be able to present the DAR Conservation Award to Lynn Albers, for her outstanding job in promoting and getting one of the states best recycling programs up and running. It was an honor to give these wonderful awards to such deserving people.

We are saddened to report that we lost two members through resignation and one member by death. We have several interested in membership and one with papers nearly completed.

Desire Tobey Sears

Mrs. Brenda Dooley, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Desire Tobey Sears Chapter

Another year of interesting programs and good fellowship at our meetings has passed. Our programs for the year have included: "Traveling One Trail"; "Gettysburg"; "Water - A Precious Commodity"; "Lewis and Clark Trail"; "DAR Museum Slides"; and "Santa Fe Trail Markers/Trip".

We currently have forty-eight members, approximately twenty of whom attend meetings and actively participate. During the year, our chapter lost two members, one from resignation and gained two members.

We celebrated Constitution Week and Flag Day, promoted American History Month, collected soup labels and stamps, presented Flags and flag codes, encouraged recycling, participated in Bells Across America, presented a certificate for Outstanding Community Service, supported DAR schools, submitted eighty-five pages of genealogical records, and took part in the rededication of the marker at Pawnee Indian Village. Our members spent over 1500 hours working on genealogical records and 3250 hours of volunteer community service.

Our chapter was represented at District Meeting, State Conference and Continental Congress. We have qualified for Level Two Chapter Achievement Award.

Our chapter is honored to have two members serve as state committee chairman: Mrs. Peggy Spafford for Kansas Chapel and Mrs. Brenda Dooley for Insignia.

Dodge City Chapter

Mrs. Ralph E. Oringderff, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Dodge City Chapter
Junior American Citizens
Nancy Sebes, Grade 10, Banner, 3rd Place
S. Stiles/S.Bettes/J.Doyle, Grade 11, Essay, Honorable Mention
Levi Selfridge, Grade 9, Photo Essay, 1st Place
Tatiana Stoltzfus, Grade 2, Poetry, 1st Place
A.Housman/J.Chapman, Grade 11, Poetry, 1st Place
E. Brown/M.Sure/S.Smith, Grade 12, Poster, Honorable Mention

The Dodge City Chapter hosted the southwest district fall meeting. Keeping with the theme "Trails to a Second Century" the Dodge City Chapter presented awards to four local agencies for promoting Historic Preservation. Mrs. Patricia Owens, Chairman of the United Commemorative Events and Constitution Week, presented the awards to Boot Hill Museum, Inc.; Dodge City Landmark Preservation Committee, Ford County Historical Society, Inc.; and the Ford County Commission. Dodge City Deputy Marshal badges were officially presented to Mrs. Patricia Traffas, State Regent, and Mrs. Jane Rehl, National Historian General.

It was an exciting year with an increased number of entries in the Junior American Citizen Contest. The Dodge City Chapter received a National Certificate for the greatest number of publicity inches for the Junior American Citizen Scrapbook.

At our Washington Tea, we presented certificates and awards to the winners of the Good Citizen Contest, American History Essay Contest and the JAC Contest.

Two of our members, Mrs. Amy Winger, and Mrs. Julia Hull, entered the KSDAR Membership Essay Contest, "Trails West".

Keeping with our chapter theme, "The Santa Fe Trail", some of our programs were: Along the Santa Fe Trail, History's Mystery, and A Guided Tour of Boot Hill Museum.

To keep the KSDAR Library open and in good condition, over 500 hours were volunteered by our members. We concluded the year with four new members, making a total of sixty-four.

Emporia Chapter

Mrs. Raymond A. (Ray) Luthi, Regent

Much history was highlighted in the 84th year of Emporia, NSDAR chapter programs. A 6th Kansas Volunteer Cavalryman told of the Civil War and a Ranger discussed the Panama crisis. Our State Regent visited us with "100 Years of Kansas DAR". The Constitution's effect on Presidential campaigns was a timely topic. We learned how the "Yellow Rose of Texas" influenced the history of our nation. We felt we had "been there" on the Santa Fe Trail bus tour. The Council Oak Chapter joined us in hearing "Chase County Memories" at a luncheon meeting in the restored Grand Hotel in Cottonwood Falls.

Our chapter contributed \$50 to the Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund.

A biography, A Star of Destiny-The Private Life of Sam and Margaret Houston by M. T. Roberts, was our Library Challenge contribution to the KSDAR Library.

Good Citizens award winner Kellee Miller and overall winner of the American History essay contest Kathryn Kreuger received fifty-dollar savings bonds from the chapter.

Sixty-eight pages of marriage and Bible records were sent to the state chairman.

Sixty-one lap robes and other items with a total value of \$1100 were delivered to the Topeka and Leavenworth VA Hospitals.

Six members attended State Conference, two the Santa Fe Trail bus tour, and four the Southeast District Meeting. Membership stands at forty-six, an overall loss of five during the year.

Esther Lowrey Chapter

Mrs. Lloyd Mordy, Regent

The Esther Lowrey Chapter, Independence, Kansas has only six meetings a year. We opened in October with a dinner meeting at the Sirloin Stockade with spouses invited as guests. Program on "Historical Spots in Kansas" was given by guest, Fern Woods, Cherryvale - a Kansas Author. Also another guest from Cherryvale made an announcement about a celebration to honor Frank Bellamy, a Spanish-American War veteran who was honored by the Woman's Relief Corps of Kansas and the Grand Army of the Republic for having written the Pledge of Allegiance.

In November, Mrs. Ed Scott spoke on "History of Women in the United States". At this time the chapter also conducted a fund raising bazaar, each member bringing an item to sell.

Unfortunately the speaker for January did not show which was very disappointing. Election was held for Chapter officers, delegates to KSDAR State Conference and Continental Congress.

Each February we honor the DAR Good Citizen with recognition and invite the student participants in American History Essay contest. We had no essay participants but the Good Citizen from Independence High School, Carrie Shire, was presented a certificate and pin. Mrs. Steve Nutt, assistant head librarian, Independence Public Library, presented a program on genealogical research available at the Library

The March meeting was held in the home of member, Mrs. Lawrence Ryan, who told about the many collectibles and lovely antiques in her home, a very interesting afternoon.

Members journeyed to neighboring city of Parsons in June for final meeting in the home of member, Mrs Dale Crooks. Jane Dean Coffey Chapter of Coffeyville and Neodesha Chapter were guests as well as our State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, who conducted the installation of new officers. Program was patriotic, "Love Your Country - Give It A Hug" by Mrs. Jim Arnwine.

At each meeting throughout the year Mrs. James Graves gave an interesting report on National Defense.

NSDAR AWARDS
Outstanding Chapter Flag Program
Eunice Sterline Chapter

The State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, installed the chapter officers when she made her official visit at the May Luncheon. This was the first of the activities planned to celebrate the Chapter Centennial. Some others included a chartered bus trip to Lost Springs, Kansas, to rededicate the Santa Fe Trail Marker erected by the chapter in 1908; Eunice Sterling Chapter, NSDAR, Week October 19-26, 1996, proclamations by Sedgwick County and the city of Wichita, Kansas, in recognition of 100 years of DAR service to the city and state; a special Centennial Edition of the Chapter Yearbook with a group photograph of the members, and a specially designed Eunice Sterling Chapter Centennial Pin.

Eunice Sterling Chapter was organized on October 21, 1896, in Wichita Kansas, with fourteen members. The original minutes, treasurer and registrar reports were presented as part of the Centennial Luncheon program held at the Wichita County Club on October 26, 1996. Seventy-five members and guests, including State Officers and Honorary State Regents, were in attendance. Mr. Michael Knecht, Director of Wichita Cowtown Museum, presented the keynote address on the preservation of Munger House, the first home built in Wichita. In 1952, Eunice Sterling Chapter donated this home to the Wichita Cowtown Museum. At the conclusion of his speech, the chapter presented him with its Centennial Project, a check in the amount of \$500 and a pledge of an additional \$500, to be used for restoration and preservation of the logs in this historic home.

As in the past, the chapter presented a JROTC Medal and DAR Good Citizen Award, with a \$50 monetary gift. All DAR sponsored schools were supported. Special projects accomplished this year in addition to the chapter's regular annual donations have included the contribution of toys for underprivileged children, a \$100 donation to the State Regent's Project; a \$50 gift to the Sedgwick High School Music Department; and the presentation of full-sized Flags of the United States of America to Botanica, The Wichita Gardens, and Wichita Cowtown Museum, and the presentation of small flags to 640 newly naturalized citizens.

This has been an eventful year honoring the past and celebrating the achievements of the first 100 years of Eunice Sterling Chapter. It has been a special honor to serve as the Chapter Regent of this outstanding chapter during its centennial year.

We have had a very interesting and productive year while achieving DAR objectives. Without the help, cooperation, and encouragement of the

members, this regent's boat would have sunk long before it left the dock. It certainly made the job easier.

Our programs were varied and interesting. Mrs. Melvin Cattrell, past chapter regent, presented a program on "Hat Pins From the Past". She displayed her own collections of hat pins.

The chapter was honored with a visit of State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas. She presided at the installation of the incoming officers in May. She presented a program on the Santa Fe Trail.

A contribution was made to the Marker Preservation/Restoration Fund by chapter members. Our chaplain has performed over 1000 hours of volunteer work at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Wichita. The chapter has performed over 2000 verified hours of community service. We have two members of our chapter who belong to "Literacy Tutors of America". Membership teas have been held for prospective members. A Conservation Medal and Certificate was presented to Mr. Leland Unruh, a retired teacher of Campus High School. Four members worked hard and were able to submit ninety seven pages of original genealogical records to the state chairman.

Naturalization ceremony at the United States Courthouse was attended by two members and one HODAR. Flags, which the chapter helped purchase were presented to the new citizens. Our chapter and members of the VFW participated in the dedication of a memorial marker to all members of the armed forces who have served in past wars.

Col. Scott W. Lyon and his wife were guests at a luncheon. Col. Lyon spoke of the mission of McConnell Air Force Base.

We are looking forward to celebrating Flores del Sol Chapter's fortieth year in NSDAR.

Fort Larned Chapter

Mrs. Robert Williams, Regent

Our programs have been outstanding, beginning with a history of important events in the 100 years of Kansas DAR. Flag Day was honored with a luncheon guest-day meeting. The speaker was Gary Meggers from Quivira Wildlife Refuge. A program on Buffalo Soldiers, given by a staff member at Fort Larned was much enjoyed.

Highlight of the year was hosting the DAR Fall Pilgrimage at Fort Larned. Arrangements chairman Margaret Corbet planned good food, good fellowship, and good entertainment.

We enjoyed a program on quilting given by Paula Harbert from Topeka. She showed some beautiful projects of her own, and ably identified the many quilts brought by members and guests for Show and Tell.

Our State Regent, Pat Traffas, presented our November program, recounting a fascinating research on the Lewis and Clark Trail. She also presented a 40 year certificate to one member. We now have two members who have reached 25 year status.

Two high school senior girls were presented Good Citizenship pins: Amy Umberger, Rozel; and Stephanie Schreiber, Larned.

Four members attended State Conference and five were present at Northwest District, as well as fourteen at the Pilgrimage. We lost two members by resignation and one by transfer. We are proud to announce five new members this year, one of them was Junior.

Four Winds Chapter

Mrs. Vernon Carr, Regent

The Four Winds Chapter had an enjoyable year. The American History Essay winner and the Good Citizen were honored.

The Chapter received an award for being a World War II Commemorative Chapter and an award for 100 participation in the President General's Project.

A Certificate was presented to a local couple for flying the Flag of the United States daily.

Our programs included: Videos of the DAR Schools, Kate Duncan Smith and Tamasee; a Story of Thimbles; a tour of nine cemeteries in Northeast Anderson County; "Rosie the Riveter Served in World War II and So Did the DAR"; and A story of Canton, Kansas, by archeologist, Henry Roeckers.

The Chapter purchased three of the Centennial Charms which were sent to the three out-of-state members in appreciation for their local membership. Two members were guests of General Edward Hand Chapter when the State Regent visited.

Gifts were sent to the Veterans Hospital in Topeka and stamps are saved and sent to Veterans. Campbell Soup labels are sent to DAR Schools.

Four members attended the State Conference and one member, the State Vice Regent, attended Continental Congress.

General Edward Hand Chapter

Mrs. Carroll R. Kirkpatrick, Regent

The General Edward Hand Chapter has had a very good year. We are in the process of transferring a member into our chapter. One of our members has been reinstated and as of this writing, we have lost only one member by death. Miss Louise Palmer Walker passed away February 23, 1997. Our present membership is eighty-two members.

Mrs. W. W. Dew, Treasurer; Mrs. Lee Butler, Registrar; Mrs. L. E. Dunn, DAR Schools Chairman and the Chapter Regent attended the State Conference in Topeka last March.

Our programs continue to be very interesting and we try to keep them in the guidelines of the theme. We had a guest speaker tell of the Lewis and Clark Trail complete with reference books and maps of the trail for everyone present. We were pleased to host our State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas for our January meeting. Members of Four Winds Chapter were also our guests,

and was State Vice Regent, Mrs. Howard Walker. Mrs. Traffas presented a wonderful program on the Lewis and Clark Trail. It was indeed an honor to host two State Officers for this winter meeting. Mrs. Traffas exhibited the American Heritage KSDAR Quilt and the members expressed thanks in being able to view it. Mrs. Lesh embroidered our chapter's block.

We were invited to participate in the annual Christmas Parade, and one of our members, Mrs. Carey Ore, very willingly offered her red 1968 Chrysler Convertible to be driven. Four of the members rode the parade route for the DAR entry. It was agreed to wear red, white and blue, and wave flags as we rode. It was very exciting and fun.

Our Chapter Recording Secretary, Mrs. Willis Lesh had visited Colonial Williamsburg and presented a slide program on her trip.

Good Citizen pins and certificates were presented, and flags were presented to the American History winners by Good Citizens Chairman, Mrs. Keith McAdoo in February.

Five schools from the community were invited to participate. Our Chapter will present a \$200.00 scholarship to the college choice of the Good Citizen Award winner, April Robinson of Pomona, Kansas.

We placed grave markers at the graves of deceased members and held ceremonies at each one. Our Chapter Chaplain, Mrs. Emory McKenzie, along with the Insignia Chairman, Mrs. Ray Schmidt are always willing to assist the family by promoting this ceremony.

We continue to promote conservation and recycling in the community along with volunteer hours in many capacities across the community. Mrs. Marion Rioth, Mrs. R. E. Gollier, and Mrs. Marvin Calliham, along with the Regent, cleaned the Dietrich Cabin in City Park as preparation for the summer visitors. Our members are very active in various events throughout the area.

An AFROTC Medal was presented to Cadet Megan Searle at Air Force ROTC Detachment, University of Kansas, Lawrence. Mrs. Frances Dunn and Mrs. D. L. Salisbury attended the ceremony.

Good-Land Chapter

Mrs. Verla Howard, Regent

Good-Land Chapter DAR has thirty-nine members. Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month, September through May at the Buffalo Inn Restaurant in Goodland, which is a central location for our members. The business meeting is called to order following a "Dutch" luncheon.

Following the guide-lines as set by the NSDAR, programs feature Conservation, Educational, Historical and Patriotic themes. We were honored to have Pat Traffas, Regent of KSDAR, make her official visit in November. She gave an interesting and educational program.

Our Chapter members are active in recycling, conserving water, helping patients at the VA hospitals, and advocating respect for the Flag of the United States of America. We also support English as the official language of our country.

NSDAR AWARDS
Junior American Citizens
1st Place, Essay, 6th Grade
"Special Teachers Past and Present"
Lucas Reed, Douglass Junior High
South Central Division
Best Program, Public Relations Group
"Lewis and Clark Trail in Kansas"

Noteworthy programs the past year were "KSDAR Centennial, 1895-1995, the Heritage of Kansas" by Shirley Coupal, State Historian and "The Lewis and Clark Trail in Kansas" given by Chapter Vice Regent, Mrs. Kathy Carr.

Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent; Mrs. Mary Ann French, Southeast District Director; and HODARS were guests at our May meeting. A slide program about the Santa Fe Trail, "Where Have All The Markers Gone?" was shown. Another program was a mini-study of bylaws and parliamentary procedure.

Kara Michelle Bracy of Andover High School was the chapter Good Citizens winner. Entries from thirteen first place winners in the JAC Contest were sent to the state chairman.

We have a new Junior member, Mary K. Afton, Baton Rouge, LA who is planning to attend state conference and serve as a Page. Our membership remains at twenty-five and we were able to achieve the Gold Chapter Achievement Award-A.

A copy of "Cemeteries of Butler County, KS Volume VIII" by Afton was donated for Genealogical Records, to the Kansas State Historical Library and KSDAR Library.

The Chapter had a display in a window of a local store in downtown Augusta during Constitution Week. We distributed Flag bookmarks to children in elementary school and put flags on all graves of past members of our chapter buried in Augusta on Decoration Day.

James Ross Chapter**Mrs. Philip C. Barbour, Regent**

James Ross added one new member by transfer and three by application this year. We are working with several prospective members to prove their ancestor. Our Regent attended a Genealogical Workshop sponsored by Wyandot Chapter in October.

The chapter hosted a tea in October honoring Margaret Randall, our 50 year DAR member.

Location of the Chapter was changed to Shawnee where it has met for several years. We anticipate and look forward to promoting the objectives of the DAR in that community.

Programs at chapter meetings have been varied and interesting. We took a ride on The Orphan Train, learned about Susan B. Anthony and the history of Colonial Treenware. A speaker from Community Living Opportunities in Overland Park presented a thoughtful program regarding how they assist developmentally disabled persons in supporting themselves.

Our Regent traveled once again to National in April to help approve Supplemental Applications and earned her Genie pin.

James Ross continues to present the Flag Codes at each Naturalization Ceremony and to serve tea after the proceedings several times each year.

We were represented at Regents Round Table, Fall District Meeting, Board of Management and State Conference.

Jeremiah Howard Chapter

Mrs. Alvin Klein, Regent

In September Virginia Bayer, a resident of the neighborhood, was instrumental in helping the KSDAR Officials get the Plum Buttes Massacre Santa Fe marker restored to its original location and a new marker both dedicated near Chase, Kansas. Our Chapter members served refreshments for the Santa Fe tour members following the dedication at a church in Ellinwood. The next day we helped the Fort Larned Chapter serve a Pig Feed for the tour stop at Fort Larned.

Some of our programs were "The Santa Fe Trail and Marker Dispute", "American History as Taught by our Money - coins and bills", "History of Kansas Newspapers" as recorded for Internet, "A Bible Quiz", and "A Look at our New College Education". A Great Bend School Board member gave a program "What She Learned at a National PTA meeting in Washington, DC".

Ten schools were visited by a DAR member and an American Legion Auxiliary member to distribute Flag Codes to all third graders, their teachers and principals.

We are saddened by the passing of our Life member, Beulah Lightfoot Devine, whose funeral memorial fund has been donated to the President General's Project.

John Athey Chapter

Mrs. Robert J. Lewis, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS

Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights

John Athey Chapter

John Athey Chapter has thirty-three members. Our attendance varies from five to ten members. Distance between members homes and meeting places is a factor. In the winter months weather can be a problem. One of our two chapter members died in October, Florence Eastlack had been active in our chapter.

We have good newspaper coverage for our meetings. Also for Constitution Week we had proclamations signed by Mayors in three towns.

The National Theme "Our Heritage is the Key to the Future" was recognized in several of our programs. We had a program on Kate Duncan Smith DAR School. Our August meeting program was given by Judith Robl, Docent, on Continental Congress.

We will have a program in April on Native Americans and the roll call will be a popular Native American. We also donated to the KSDAR DAR Library.

Good-Land Chapter members were our guests at one meeting. We toured the Colby Museum. The topic of our program was Learning from the Past.

John Haupt Chapter

Mrs. Virginia Swenson, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
John Haupt Chapter

John Haupt started the year by helping celebrate the 100th Anniversary of KSDAR and enjoyed receiving several awards, such as Completing the President General's Project, Constitution Week, thanks to Betty Stewart; Community Events, thanks to Pat Price; History of John Haupt Chapter by Pat Thompson, compliment on the Year Book to Sarah McNeive and VAVS awards to Betty Whitney, Helen Franklin, Helen Warren and Virginia Swenson for work in the past with the VAVS. This was a celebration of their 50th anniversary.

In September Pat Price received a pin and certificate at a SAR luncheon for bringing in three SAR members. Jean Mitchell and Roberta Hagemann went on the Santa Fe Trail Tour. The NSDAR Library accepted 12 of the 20 books offered them in celebration of their 100th anniversary. The books were donated by Betty Rasure, Carabelle Thompson and Virginia Swenson. Betty Whitney attended the Dedication of the Gazebo at the VA Hospital in celebration of their 100th anniversary. She also helped with a Christmas Party for the patients. Betty Rasure presented Ruth Fink with a Community Service Award at our December meeting. We have made a special effort to meet our requirements for Achievement Awards and collect labels for the Schools.

Jonathan Gilbert Chapter

Mrs. C. W. Lamer, Regent

We are delighted to report two new members and a possibility of five new members in the future.

The chapter visited Damar, Kansas, a French enclave in North Central Kansas. The stained glass windows of the Catholic Church were awesome.

The cemetery is located on a picturesque site not far from the church. It is a unique small town with all its buildings neatly repaired and painted.

In September two members enjoyed the District Meeting in Lyons and were able to witness the dedication and rededication of the Santa Fe Trail Markers.

Our State Regent, Pat Traffas, visited our chapter telling us of Traveling One Trail. Her enthusiasm reached everyone of us. She is a great person to create interest in DAR.

We also visited the Ness City Historical Society. Another point of interest in Ness City was the Prairie Mercantile. It is located in an old stone post bank building. The Prairie Mercantile sells only Kansas products which makes us proud of our products and people.

We endeavor to keep our programs interesting and to encourage attendance and interest new members.

Kanza Chapter

Mrs. G. L. Scholes, Regent

Videos of two DAR Schools, Tamassee and Crossnore, were shown this year. Each member gives a dollar at each meeting which is to be distributed to the DAR Schools at the end of the year.

Constitution Week was observed with twenty-two pamphlets and small flags given to Senior Citizens. Sixty-five bookmarks and sixty-five pamphlets were given to 4th graders at two Stafford County Schools.

A Flag Ceremony was held at the Stafford Leisure Homestead. An American Flag was presented to the residents of the home to be flown from their flagpole.

State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, was the honored guest speaker at our November Luncheon Meeting. It was a delight for all of us to have her present. The Centennial Quilt was displayed with the Kanza block blending in with the others.

Three of our members represented our Chapter at the State Meeting in Topeka and celebrated the Centennial with other Kansas Daughters.

Two DAR Good Citizens were honored in April. We honored Bill and Sandra Hudson, a Stafford business couple, with two certificates of EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS and pins presented by Kanza Chapter for all of their many volunteer hours and efforts spent promoting Stafford County and encouraging others to become involved in their community.

Two members of this Chapter were lost by death in 1996.

The Regent and Vice Regent attended and helped hostess the Northwest District Meeting at Fort Larned in September, and three of us attended the Southwest District Meeting in Dodge City.

We look forward to the State Meeting in Wichita in March of 1997.

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Little Arkansas Chapter

Our chapter continued its tradition of excellent programs and patriotic activities this past year.

"Battle of Murfreesboro", a first person presentation by George Harris, a Civic War re-enactor was informative. November program was by Coleen Atherton-Pritchard, The Wichita Literacy Resources tutoring program.

Proclamations for Constitution Week, American History Month and Flag Day were signed by the Mayor of Valley Center. Displays were prepared at the library and high school.

In February, certificates and pins were presented to winners of the DAR Good Citizen and Good Citizenship Award. The Excellence in Community Service Award was presented to Gene Hackney, Valley Center for his continued service and support to the Boy Scouts of America. Manuals for Citizenship were distributed to prospective citizens and we helped in the purchase of flags at Naturalization Court. Manuals and National Defense literature were given to the U.S. Government classes at the high school.

Wanda Hackney, VAVS Representative reports to the chapter continuous needs of the veterans at the Wichita-VA Medical Center; one member has become a volunteer driver. Stamps for the Wounded were collected.

Members participated in Conservation with recycling, bird houses, seed and butterfly gardens.

Little Arkansas was busy with genealogical records, totaling 1,904 pages. Three-minute National Defense, one-minute American Indians and U. S. Flag reports were given.

Our chapter was saddened by the death of charter member, Mrs. Dorothy Miles.

Little Osage Trail Chapter**Mrs. John C. Pair, Regent**

Our programs continue to be informative on topics including American Indian Culture, the Historical Society in Derby, Preservation of History by Documentation, Quilting History, and Memorabilia of Benjamin Franklin. We were pleased to receive a "Best Program" award again this past year. At our May salad supper, Mrs. David Stone, our Organizing Regent, installed our officers for the 1996-1998 years. State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, visited in December and shared information about the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the marker project in Kansas.

We have community visibility with displays in schools and the library, and by newspaper articles. A DAR logo sign was added to the Derby organization sign board. DAR awareness was raised by presenting a program to a Girl Scout troop on flag etiquette and by bringing the troop to a city council meeting where the mayor signed a proclamation for Constitution

Week. He also signed a Proclamation to recognize February as American History month.

Our community was helped by our chapter recycling numerous articles and assisting with the Tree Cycle program. We donated personal items for patients at the VA Hospital in Wichita and contributed over 700 Campbell Soup labels to support DAR schools.

Annually, we present a Jr. ROTC medal to a student at Derby Senior High as well as a DAR Good Citizen Award. Our citizen, Christy Wehrman, received a \$50 savings bond. A Community Service Award will be presented this spring.

We provided Citizenship Manuals to the Naturalization Court. A flag flown over the Capitol will be presented to the Derby Recreation Commission.

Our Chapter welcomed two junior members this year. We are represented at Regents Roundtable, the State Conference, and at Continental Congress. Mrs. Richard Standrich is National Chairman Congress Awards, as well as state chairman of KSDAR Centennial Events. Mrs. Timothy Killingsworth serves as Volunteer Information Specialist at the state level.

Thanks to all of our chapter members for their loyalty, support, and willingness to do their part for the chapter.

Lois Warner Chapter

Mrs. James R. White, Regent

Opening with the DAR Ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the National Anthem and the American's Creed, all meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at the homes of members or historical sites.

Lois Warner has twenty-seven members and three prospective members are working on papers. This year we honored two of our ladies; Elizabeth Bollman, a 50 year member and Henrietta Lutschg, a 60 year member.

Spot announcements were sponsored on the radio during Constitution Week and American History Month. One spot announcement is read at each meeting.

The DAR JROTC bronze medal is presented to an outstanding cadet from the Junction City High School each year.

We feed birds, plant flowers and trees, recycle paper, glass and plastic in promoting Conservation.

Lois Warner collected eighty-four Campbell Soup Labels plus a 1,000 Label Award Certificate to present to the DAR Schools at State Conference in Wichita.

This year Mrs. Traffas, State Regent will be visiting the Lois Warner Chapter. Also, we have had Abilene, Council Oak and Polly Ogden Chapters as special guests.

We have enjoyed some very excellent programs this year; "Early Thanksgiving Traditions", "Kansas, Our State", "Vintage Valentines" and "First Territorial Capitol of Kansas".

The Lois Warner members contribute many volunteer hours in our community. It's an honor to be the Chapter Regent and have so many members who have a special love for family, church and country.

Major Elijah Hyde Chapter

Ida Wilkerson Eichman, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Major Elijah Hyde Chapter

Major Elijah Hyde Chapter is still growing. We have one new Junior. We stressed Education by learning about the trails in Kansas. We had a terrific program on the Black Dog Trail and a real "on the trail meal" of beef with sauce, beans, bread and trail pie. We followed the Black Dog trail on a map while one of our members told us about Chief Black Dog. We took a good look at the Santa Fe Trail as we toured Pawnee Rock and Fort Larned. We celebrated "Apple Days" at Fort Riley and also celebrated "One Hundred Years of DAR in Kansas". We invited the State Officers and Regents of Chapters close by, local dignitaries, and presented an "Excellence in Community Service" Award to Dean Banker, a prominent businessman. It was thrilling to be the first chapter to see the American, 34-star, silk flag, presented by our State Regent, Mrs. Traffas and our State Historian, Shirley Coupal.

We learned the sacrifices that were made to make it possible for all people to have the right to vote. We each were presented with the "Key to Becoming a Genealogist" by "Getting to the Root of Things." We've had a wonderful year.

Marais des Cygnes Chapter

Ann Roark, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Marais des Cygnes Chapter

During the past year, the Marais des Cygnes Chapter has focused on improving our visibility within our county. A Genealogy Workshop was held on March 16, 1996 and was attended by fifteen people. Two members observed a Naturalization Ceremony in Kansas City in June. Several members participated in the Miami County Fair Parade in Paola and the Frontier Days Parade in Louisburg. DAR literature was distributed at our local Kansas Day celebration on January 25, 1997. The DAR Patriot Index was also available to interested persons. Five members traveled the Santa Fe Trail on the bus tour last September. Our "Madonnas of the Trail", Jean

Mowen, Betty Bendorf, Barbara Plummer, Lucy Roark and Ann Roark were featured in articles in each of the three county newspapers.

Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent, was a guest of our chapter at a brunch held in May 1996. She installed the 1996-1998 Chapter Officers and told of her State Regent's Project - the marking of the Lewis and Clark Trail in Kansas.

Our chapter is proud to be the recipient of a Chapter Achievement Award for the past year.

In February 1996, the Marais des Cygnes Chapter was saddened by the death of Lois Cook. She will always be remembered as a dedicated member of DAR.

Through efforts of our members, we now have four prospective members whose applications are in various stages of completion. We look forward to increasing our membership in the coming year and take pride in promoting our Society's goals and objectives.

Martha Loving Ferrell Chapter

Mrs. Samuel Parzybok, Regent

The Martha Loving Ferrell Chapter meets monthly at noon on the fourth Friday in member's homes and at several apartment hostess rooms. Each year for our National Defense program, we meet in the Officer's Lounge at McConnell Air Force Base.

We were happy to welcome a new member, Mamie Might, in December and thrilled that former member, Mrs. Richard C. McGehee, returned to affiliate with our chapter. Our membership reached forty-one at year's end.

The Regent accepted the Constitution Week Proclamation in September and the American History Week Proclamation in January from Wichita Mayor Bob Knight while Mary Alice Stephens was present for both of these proclamations from the Sedgwick County Commission.

Our chapter attended many Naturalization Court proceedings during the year and helped with the purchase of small American flags which were presented to the new citizens.

Programs were given this year that were both interesting and informative: Ileen Marrs 105th Continental Congress Report, Dr. Phillip Thomas from Wichita State University on Frederick Remington - Artist on the Prairies in Kansas. a Kate Duncan Smith DAR School video, and Women's Fashions from Scarlett O'Hara to the Present given by member, Frances Cox.

Our chapter members were very generous with money, services and item donations to the VA patients, DAR Schools as well as saving hundreds of labels for DAR causes and projects.

We were saddened by the passing of member, Josephine Lupton.

NSDAR AWARDS**Junior American Citizens**

Nicholas Tyler Prather, 11th Grade, Poetry, Honorable Mention

Wendy Kay Wornkey, 12th Grade, Poetry, 1st Place

Clint Dick, Kindergarten, Poster, 1st Place, Zenda Grade School

The Martha Vail Chapter has forty-seven members with an average meeting attendance of twelve. We meet six times per year. This year our meetings will be held at individual members' home in Hardtner, Pratt, Anthony and Kingman. This year we had one member who died, one transferred, one was reinstated, and two new members installed.

We were represented at the State Conference in Topeka, and one of our members, Velda Wymore, crocheted a beautiful yellow afghan for the Conference's Junior Bazaar.

We had thirty entries in JAC contest this year and had a school party for the third graders who entered the contest.

In addition to the regular meeting requirements, our meetings this year included such things as a very informative presentation regarding the Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty, a talk on computers and programs, and a tour of the Pratt Wildlife Museum which is managed by the Kansas Wildlife and Parks Department.

Additionally, this year, we were quite proud of our chapter members 1,707 hours of community service.

Mary Wade Strother Chapter**Mona M. Cunningham, Regent**

First, the downward slide continues: eighty-nine members last year to eighty-one at present; within these figures are three members who went to their Eternal Rest, too many resignations, two new members and one transfer. The chapter and its members are growing old together.

Last May the gold ROTC medal was engraved and the certificate inscribed, ready for presentation at St. John's Military School then we discovered the school had given us the name of a sophomore, not a senior. The school was very contrite and said "never again". After that life in the chapter went according to plan.

The Constitution was read at the September meeting and the chairman brought samples of articles she was able to place in area papers. In October the DAR was entertained by the SAR at the Red Coach Inn. In November \$25 was sent to NSDAR Library in response to their appeal and five books were donated to the NSDAR Library. In December \$95 was collected for the Salvation Army Christmas Fund. January 1997 the award chairman reported that the chapter earned 295 achievement points. Six young people from area high schools received the Good Citizens Medal and were honored, with their mothers, at the Washington Tea. The Community Service Award was

presented to the Director of Library Services in recognition of his leadership at Salina Public Library.

We look forward to the visit of the State Regent in May and the celebration of our 75th anniversary in October 1997.

Mission Hills Chapter

Mrs. James B. Masson, II, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Mission Hills Chapter

Our programs have included, "Men and Women's Roles in Life in Saudi Arabia", "Women's Suffrage" and "The History of the Dulcimer" with Christmas music.

At our anniversary tea in February, three winners of the American History contest were honored, along with their teachers and parents. Certificates of appreciation were sent to fifty-three entrants.

We assisted with hosting three receptions for new citizens after naturalization ceremonies, at the Federal Courthouse in Kansas City. We have presented 220 scrolls on the history of the Pledge of Allegiance to all new citizens.

Our display commemorating Constitution Week was at the Johnson County Library. A large framed picture of the signing was highlighted. Also included were DAR and American Flags and proclamations from three cities. Bells rang throughout the metropolitan area on September 17th at 4:00 p.m.

We continue to collect Campbell soup labels for DAR Schools, write letters to the editors of various newspapers, and recycle everything possible. We have entertained our veterans at the VA Hospital in Leavenworth with Bingo parties and monetary donations. We also sent valentines.

A ROTC medal was presented to a student at Shawnee Mission West High School. We also sponsored a student to the Irene and Daisy MacGregor Memorial Scholarship.

Mrs. Joseph R. Riden, Jr., our Honorary Chapter Regent is serving as Vice Chairman of the South Central Division as Literacy Challenge Chairman.

Molly Foster Berry Chapter

Mrs. Claude Mitchell, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Molly Foster Berry Chapter

Molly Foster Berry Chapter has had a busy and interesting year. We are proud to have received a Gold award in 1995-1996 and three national and three state awards.

The chapter was organized on October 19, 1911. At the Founder's Day celebration a chapter member presented to the chapter a set of new Patriot books, which are now in use in the local DAR room in Memorial Hall. The National Park Historian showed the chapter a framed receipt, whereby the chapter in 1924 had purchased for \$1 the old Ft. Blair Block House in order to save it from demolition. It is now located across the street from the National Historic Park in Ft. Scott. That same day the chapter honored Mrs. Jeanette Huntington Ware, the first KSDAR Vice Regent. The present KSDAR Vice Regent, Mrs. Alice Walker, with the chapter participating, placed a wreath at the Eugene Ware Memorial Stone, located in the National Cemetery No. 1.

In 1925 the chapter purchased twenty-one bronze DAR plaques and placed them at historic sites in Fort Scott and the county. The local historical society in helping the chapter to locate these plaques. We hope to clean them and place them on public display.

Our chapter is proud of member Mary Ann French, who is the Southeast District Director. In September the chapter, with the assistance of Mrs. Alice Walker and the local genealogical society, hosted a genealogy workshop with twenty-four attending. We sent a Christmas box valued at about \$380 to the VA Medical Center in Leavenworth, collected stamps for the veterans and over 1000 soup labels for the schools, volunteered over 2800 community service hours, built and rode in a float in the local summer parade and participated in the Memorial and Veterans Day services at the National Cemetery. For two years our chapter's entry has received the National Conservation award.

Nathan Edson Chapter - Clay Center

Shirley S. Coupal, Regent

Nathan Edson Chapter held a guest day for their 83rd anniversary in November. Prospective members and members of the Abilene and Lois Warner Chapters were invited. KSDAR Historian, Shirley Coupal, presented her trail tale, "Ninety Years on the Santa Fe Trail", which regales hers and Mrs. Traffas' exploits in finding the DAR Santa Fe Trail.

From a video portraying the plight of the Cherokee Indians to "It's A Grand Ole Flag", the Chapter's programs are carrying out the National theme of providing education. The Clay Center Postmaster presented a program on the US Postal Service's involvement with breast cancer awareness and the Northwest District Director, a Correspondent Docent, will give a program on Toys in the Museum.

We hope to place a plaque on the first hospital in Clay County with our profits from selling Innisbrook Wrap. Additional contributions to the Helen Pouch Fund was made with purchases of approved Junior Sales Products.

Constitution Week was observed with ringing bells. Nathan Edson continues to support the Clay County 4-H Clubs with prizes for the best secretary, treasurer and reporter books. Our American History Essay winner was presented with a bronze medal and every participant received a

certificate. The Good Citizen winner with their mothers were entertained with a reception.

Nathan Edson is finishing the first year with their long distance Regent. The support of the Chapter has been overwhelming. Attendance of meetings has been strong and we are actively working on new members. This Regent is most grateful for the support. Our members enjoy the historical aspect of our Society and were certainly proud of the part Clay Center played in procuring the 175th Anniversary Marker.

Neodesha Chapter

Mrs. Bobby Campbell, Regent

The Neodesha Chapter has had an active year. We have four new members and four reinstated. We have also helped in the application of a young woman for C.A.R.

Our programs have been interesting and included slides shown by our Correspondent Docent, a visit from our District Director, Mary Ann French; a program on Indians and Patriots, and a joint Christmas luncheon with the Esther Lowrey Chapter and Jane Dean Coffey Chapter.

We distributed fruit and cookies to our shut ins at Christmas and sent gifts to the VA Hospital in Wichita, also. We participated in the VFW Memorial Service, rode in the Veteran's Day Parade, collected stamps for veterans and visited veterans. Members have also donated money for flags to decorate veteran's graves.

We have participants in the Good Citizen activity, a Community Service Award, a Conservation Award, and have voted to sponsor someone for application for a nursing scholarship.

A family genealogical book was donated to the local library and the two area libraries have agreed to copy all Bible records at no charge and begin a file in their genealogical section.

We have many very active in volunteer hours and recycling. We are also fortunate to have access to good press coverage.

Newton Chapter

Mrs. Gayle L. Prater, Regent

The 1996-1997 activities began with a program on NSDAR Insignia and will end with a program on Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. In between we explored the trails of Harvey County, our own county. The story of their histories and locations made for an interesting program.

We sponsored a genealogy workshop, conducted by Mrs. John Afton, KSDAR Recording Secretary; approximately twenty people attend each session.

Constitution Week was celebrated by a proclamation by the mayor, spot announcements on the local radio station, and the local newspaper. Special events at one program were four greyhounds, and their owner, who gave an informative talk on greyhound adoption.

This Regent gave General George Washington's Valley Forge Prayer at the Veterans Day Program, held on the courthouse grounds. We also gave seventy-five books to the VA Hospital in Wichita. On November 17th we were honored to present a flag at the Dedication of our new hospital. The flag had flown over the National Capitol at Washington, DC. On Election Day, we were privileged to assist in kid vote at one of the local polling precincts.

We continue our on going programs of tree and shrub planting, a total of twenty-nine for this year. Also, binding the DAR Magazines at our local library.

The chapter was represented at State Conference, Northwest District Meeting, and Continental Congress. We look forward to another year of DAR.

Oceanus Hopkins Chapter

Mrs. Charles E. Smith, Regent

Oceanus Hopkins Chapter members had a rewarding year. The Regent accepted Constitution Week Proclamation from Mayor Mark Werner at a Pittsburg city meeting that was televised.

Vice Regent Marcella McMaster attended the Centennial State Conference in Topeka, March 29 - April 2, 1996.

In memory of Marjory Bohert Sewell, ninety-seven years old, who died on December 11, 1996, contribution was made to the Tamassee School.

Mrs. Bobby Thompson presented museum slides of early day "Samplers" at the November meeting. Marcella Flint McMaster was happy to see her family name on one of the Samplers.

Approximately eight ounces of stamps were sent to the Veterans Hospital at Leavenworth, Kansas.

The Fall Southeast District Meeting at Council Grove was attended by Regent Smith. A tour of historical places was given including Madonna of the Plains, and Madonna Park.

An interesting guest speaker, John Spurling, Historian, spoke at our January 20, 1997 meeting, of early day settlement at Cato, located in northern Crawford County. He included information of the Kansas 6th Regiment that had many soldiers from that area. Several Kansas counties are named in their honor. Kansas Day was also given tribute in Mr. Spurling's talk.

Two members were added to our chapter last year. May our membership continue to grow.

Mrs. Myrtle Clugston, Publicity Chairman, has submitted 200 inches in print, of chapter meetings and other historical articles. Mrs. Clugston also initiated the Heartland Shares Group, for her community.

Several members gave over 200 hours to community and religious service. Members are to be congratulated for their Conservation efforts. May we continue the commitment.

Olathe Chapter

Mrs. Clyde E. Smith, Regent

A busy year for Chapter members started in June as we became docents at the Ensor Farmsite and Museum located in Olathe. We logged 180 hours of docent service from June to September with seventeen members participating. November 3, 1996 was spent celebrating the Chapter's 75th Birthday. A party was hosted and historic articles of Chapter history were displayed. An antique punch bowl was presented to the Mahaffie Farm Historic Site by the Chapter. A historic marker placed by the Chapter in 1923 was refurbished. Naturalization parties were hosted in June and October. Seventy three entries were received in the American History Essay contest from four schools. Three DAR Good Citizen presentations were made to participants from three high schools. A Community Service Award was presented to Wilma Clisso.

A book Background and Lineage of Some COPLEY and BUCHHOLTZ Families by George J. Buchholtz, M.D. was presented to the KSDAR Library by Mrs. Edith Buchholtz Holmes in memory of her parents.

A Constitution Week display at the Olathe Public Library was well received and viewed by many as it was there during the Open House sponsored by the Library after extensive renovation. Donations to the Eisenhower VA Medical Center were increased.

We lost one member and one associate member by death, one member by resignation and gained three new members by application. Papers are pending on two more applicants. One member celebrated forty years of membership.

Peleg Gorton Chapter - Winfield

Mrs. Albert Utt, Regent

We have had many outstanding programs at our meetings this past year. Among them were the presentation of the Good Citizen award in February and a brunch at our Island Park on Flag Day. In September each member brought an item about the Constitution to share. At November meeting we were honored with a visit from Mrs. Pat Traffas, State Regent. Her program was very interesting and informative on "The Lewis and Clark Expedition", and we enjoyed viewing the complete Kansas DAR Quilt. Our Christmas meeting was a luncheon at our local steak house, where Margaret Christenson's program of Christmas carols on the "glass harmonica", which was invented by Benjamin Franklin, was enjoyed by all.

We now have thirty-four members, and three new ladies will be joining us in January. We have two members who will be 90 years old in 1997: Miss Dorothy Dey and Mrs. Elizabeth Purdy. Five of our members plan to attend state conference in March.

NSDAR AWARDS**Flag of the USA Committee, Outstanding Chapter Program****Presentation of Flags to New Schools*****Polly Ogden Chapter***

Polly Ogden Chapter, DAR has continued to enjoy a variety of interesting programs this year. Some of the programs included Manhattan High Senior, Amma Gharthey-Tagoe's talk on "Taking a Stand for Freedom", and Riley County Historical Museum's Cheryl Collins, in 1890 period costume, recalling Susan B. Anthony. Eric Beikmann, son of one of our members, presented a slide program about his participation as a 4-H Ambassador to Austria.

Tours of the Marianna Kestler Beach Museum of Art at Kansas State University and the Columbian Theater in Wamego were scheduled.

The highlight of our March meeting was the visit of our State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas.

Certificates and medals were presented to the American History Essay contest winners. A gold medal award was presented at the ROTC Awards Ceremony at Kansas State University.

At the Memorial Day service at Sunset Cemetery, our Chapter presented wreaths in memory of the soldiers of the American Revolution and the War of 1812.

Flags were given to one grade school and each of the new Manhattan middle schools. A Chapter donation of \$200 was made to the Goodnow House Fund. A fund set up to insure the preservation of the Isaac Goodnow home.

The chapter lost two members by death, Marguerite Williamson and Pearl Simon. One member resigned and one transferred. We have two new members, one of which is a Junior member.

Chapter members continue to collect soup labels and soap. They recycle paper, plastic, used oil and feed the wildlife.

NSDAR AWARDS**Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights*****Prairie Flint Hills Chapter*****Chapter with Largest Sales of Innisbrook Products*****1st Place, Kansas, Prairie Flint Hills Chapter***

During this year, our chapter added two new members, one of whom is a Junior member.

At our May meeting, our chapter placed a grave marker for a deceased member, Dorothy R. McConnell, of Courtney Spaulding Chapter.

Our chapter worked with the other two chapters in the Topeka area to promote Constitution Week. This Regent accepted a Constitution Week Proclamation from Gov. Bill Graves. Our chapter also received Proclamations for Constitution Week and American History month from the Topeka mayor, Harry "Butch" Felker, and from the Board of Shawnee County Commissioners.

Members of our chapter continue to participate in the fall carnival and the Christmas party for veterans at the Colmery O'Neil Veterans Hospital, to participate in conservation and recycling programs, and to support the DAR schools. Our JAC chairman, Diane Ellis, has worked to start a Junior American Citizen Club. We have been treated to a variety of interesting and informative programs. Extra funds were raised through gift wrap.

Our chapter is proud to have Pat Carpenter serving the Kansas Society as Treasurer and Finance Committee Chairman, Sammy Tolbert serving as House Committee Chairman, and Alice Purdy serving the National Society as a Representative of the VAVS Board.

Prairie Rose Chapter - Overland Park Mrs. Robert Schweiger, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
Prairie Rose Chapter

Our chapter has had a very full and exciting year with many interesting programs. We are proud that we have been awarded Gold Achievement. We have participated in the Roundtable of Johnson and Wyandotte Counties, District Meeting, Board Meetings, and State Conference.

Our membership is now forty-four. We have added two new members, one of which is a Junior. We have several prospective members. On this note, we had the sad news that our Organizing Regent, Mrs. Gwen Braden who is currently living in sunny Arizona, wished to resign. As she always had the Chapter at heart, she donated her pins for our use. A donation was given in her honor to the KSDAR Library Challenge. The library was always her favorite project.

The Chapter is very proud to sponsor Miss Laurie Schweiger as our candidate for Outstanding Junior.

Sixty entries were submitted for the American History Essay contest. Again the Honorable Jan Meyers read the Constitution Week Proclamation into the Congressional Record.

The monthly newsletter, the birthday club, and ringing bells for the Salvation Army at Oak Park Mall have become standard activities as well as the booth at the Shawnee Indian Mission Fall Festival. Money raising projects are the gift wrap sales, recycling of aluminum cans and paper, and most enjoyable mini-Christmas Bazaar. The members have worked at the General Eisenhower Medical Facility, hosted at Naturalization Court, and

even are maintaining the Johnson Cemetery in Fairway. As you can see, there are DAR activities for every interest.

Quivira Crossing Chapter - Lenexa Mrs. Cathryn M. Gittemeier, Regent

Our Chapter welcomed six new members in 1996 bringing our membership total to thirty-eight. We have two applications in Washington, one a junior, and five others working on papers.

We received four first place State awards and two first place National awards in the JAC Contest.

Our American History winners and Good Citizen winner were recognized at chapter meetings. We participated in two Naturalization Ceremonies and visited the Eisenhower Veterans Hospital.

Chapter members participated in the first Great Heartland Trails Festival in Lenexa, dressing in period costumes and displaying an authentic trail wagon. Programs of interest included: High Tea with a Twist and Tree-mendous Trees in the State of Kansas.

We were represented at State Conference, Continental Congress, and District meetings. We received Gold Honor Roll for the 6th straight year.

Randolph Loving Chapter

Mrs. E. Randel Nelson, Regent

We had an outstanding year! Members, Jackie Theis, Lucretia Ottaway and Joan Mullen continue to serve in National, State and District offices. We gained a new member by application but, sadly, lost two members by death, Helen Gunter McCready and Mildred Adamek.

This regent served as chairman of the Wichita Area Regent's Roundtable, arranging for Wichita and Sedgwick County to sign proclamations for Conservation Week and American History Month.

The chapter purchased four American flags flown over the US Capitol, through Senator Nancy Kasschaum, and presented them to a high school, middle school and two elementary schools. We sponsored two Good Citizens, who along with parents and advisors, joined us for lunch and an awards ceremony. We presented two Bronze Medals to outstanding JROTC cadets.

We held a monthly fund raiser selling "voices" on items donated by members allowing the chapter to contribute extra funds to the American Indians, State Regent's Project, Seimos Microfilm Center and the NSDAR Museum. We also made a contribution to the new Santa Fe Trail Marker.

We saved hundreds of soup labels for presentation to DAR Schools at the 99th State Conference. Lineage Research Chairman, Joan Mullen, went an extra "100 miles" computerizing an entire book of her grandfather's memories and newspaper articles collected over his lifetime in Moran, KS. Marge Weedon kept us accountable for recycling and we provided hundreds of cards, lots of magazines and volunteers for the VA Hospital with the help of Mary Spurrier.

Sagamore Chapter - Leawood

Mrs. James S. Surman, Regent

Sagamore chapter is pleased to have a new budget devised by our outstanding treasurer, with the aim of requiring fewer donations from members, and earning more money, as from the garage sale that earned \$200.

Sagamore has two new members this year, but lost several, also. We are marking the grave of a deceased member. We have members active in thirty-seven committees, five state positions, one National committee, and a District Director. We serve the goals of NSDAR, and again earned the Gold Achievement Award. We are making an effort to reduce the length of our meetings, and a letter to members in August and December helps prepare them for the first meeting and the annual meeting in January.

We participated in the planning, and attended the joint meeting of nine chapters for the visit of the State Regent. Her presentation on her project generated much enthusiasm, and was followed by a chapter program by the 1996 Outstanding Junior, which was a video on the Lewis and Clark Trail. Our favorite program was "History As You Have Never Heard It Before" by Mona Hartzler, which kept us laughing.

Community involvement included participation in the parade marking a Prairie Village anniversary and KSDAR's 100th, with a photo in the KSDAR News. Students received awards for the American History Essay Contest and Good Citizens. A reception was provided for two Naturalization ceremonies, and a bingo party was staged at the VA Hospital in Leavenworth.

Samuel Linscott Chapter

Mrs. Nathan J. Bolls, Regent

Our Chapter was honored with a visit by State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas. She had just returned from a trip over the Santa Fe Trail and gave a very interesting and informative report on her trip. The luncheon in her honor was hosted by the Jackson County Historical Society at the Roebke House Museum.

We had some very interesting programs this year. We had "Looking Back At Your Ancestors" in December; a program on KSDAR Insignia and Dr. Sloop of Crossnore.

We received the National Chapter Achievement Award. We had a dedication ceremony at the Holton Cemetery in May and placed markers on the graves of three deceased members.

We were saddened by the death of a long time member but happy to help one of our members in celebrating her 50 years in DAR.

NSDAR AWARDS
Chapter with Greatest Number of New Juniors
Kansas, 3rd Place, Sarah Steward Chapter

The chapter has continued to show growth in membership with sixty-nine members. A special tea for new and prospective members was held for initiation and recognition, and official visit of State Regent, Pat Traffas.

A historical restoration project begun this year is the marking of Higby Cabin where "Home on the Range" song was written.

Three members spent ten hours copying genealogical records and placed them in libraries of Kansas State Historical Society, KSDAR Library and Smith Center. One member participated in the Book Worm project, and supported the "Library Centennial" project with \$100.00.

A program on trails was presented at Old Settlers Day in Smith Center in a school room setting, along with a booth for copying old Bibles for genealogical records.

The members collected 1,300 soup labels for Kate Duncan Smith School, sent contributions to Indian Schools, gifts and stamps to the veterans.

Several members took the fall bus tour and participated in the marker rededication along the Santa Fe Trail.

Programs have been visiting a member's home for an antique tour, Osborne County Hall of Fame, Santa Fe Trail, National Defense, Wedding Dresses, and Conservation. A window display informed public of Constitution Week.

NSDAR AWARDS
Angela Kay Fewins
Winner of \$500 Occupational Physical Therapy Scholarship
Shawnee Mission Chapter Sponsor

Chapter members were proud to participate in the activities of the KSDAR Centennial Year. The state conference "Designation as a Commemorative Community 1993-1996" was received. Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., Mrs. James N. Shirley and Mrs. Cordia Rostock were honored for their work on the VAVS Committee.

Dr. Max I. Miller was given the "Excellence in Community Service Award" for his work in the "Heart to Heart" program and for contributing his services as an anesthesiologist. Students sponsored by the chapter were awarded an Occupational Therapy Scholarship and won the KSDAR American History Essay contest. Two DAR Good Citizens and seven Essay winners were honored and an ROTC Medal was awarded.

Fifteen books were contributed to schools participating in American History Essay contest. Members contributed six books which were given to NSDAR, KSDAR and chapter libraries. Booklets containing "New Ancestor Lists" and "Additions and Corrections to Centennial edition of the Patriot Index" were prepared for three genealogical libraries.

Special reports were given on NSDAR and KSDAR Awards and Scholarships, collection of labels for DAR Schools and items needed by Eisenhower Medical Center. We assisted in four events at the Medical Center and three Naturalization Ceremonies, contributed a full page for DAR Magazine honoring our WWII veterans and completed our gift to the President General's Project.

Five new members and three reinstatements were welcomed into the chapter, a workshop for prospective members was held, the chapter was represented at Continental Congress, State Conference and Northeast District Meeting and achieved Chapter Achievement Level III.

Smoky Hill Chapter

Mrs. Loren Reber, Regent

A group of twenty-three ladies organized a Smoky Hill DAR Chapter 60 years ago on May 11, 1937. Over the years our chapter has consisted of a lot of very active ladies. At the present, our number is small but we are very active and faithful to the principles of DAR.

We participate in collecting soup labels, in the recycling program, the Good Citizen award and this year we had a student enter the Christopher Columbus Essay Contest. He got a lot of his information off the Internet from a person in Italy.

We had two very special guests this year. State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas presented a most interesting program as well as did Mrs. Martin Robl, Northwest District Director.

We visited a newly opened tea room and specialty shop in Ellsworth. Village Cottage is in the oldest frame house in Ellsworth. We were given a tour and learned the history of the house.

We look forward to another great year. We hope to increase our membership and continue our commitment to DAR.

NSDAR AWARDS**Chapter with the Greatest Number of New Junior Members***Honorable Mention, (12 - 49 members)**Stone Corral Chapter***South Central Division****Chapter with Greatest Number of New Junior Members***2nd Place, (12 - 49 members)**Stone Corral Chapter*

What an interesting and busy year has past for Stone Corral Chapter. Our members helped to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail. It was also our privilege, during this centennial year of KSDAR, to host the Northwest District meeting during Fall Tour. Our chapter celebrated it's 5th birthday on October 12th.

Certificates of Award for Excellence in Community Service were presented to Robyn Galyon, Little River; and Harold Hass, Geneseo. Papers have been sent in nominating Douglas Ellwood, Little River, in the Outstanding Teacher of American History contest. Applications for a Nursing Scholarship for Jenny K. Hodgson, Little River, granddaughter of member Annie Hodgson, Little River, have been sent in.

We have seven new members and one member transferred to Texas where she now lives. Volunteer work remains important to our members: Hospital at Lyons, Library at Little River, one member continues to teach English to a lady from Thailand, working at the Church Women's Thrift Shop, items for Wichita VA Hospital, and knitting stocking caps for "Caps for Kids" program.

Members are active in recycling and conservation. We look forward to the new year.

Susannah French Putney Chapter**Mrs. Forrest Jacobs, Regent**

This has been a full and active year with good attendance for the one o'clock luncheon and meeting at the Butler County Junior College. We have two new members, one by transfer and the other by application.

We began the year, last March, with a patriotic program, "We Honor our Flag", by our guest speaker Charles Heilman. At the same meeting an American Flag was presented to Julie Plante, a recipient of Butler County's first Habitat for Humanity home. April was a very fun program with a display and program about ladies hats. Pat Russell was honored with a certificate and pin for Excellence in Community Service.

In September Mrs. John Afton, State Recording Secretary, was the guest speaker and showed slides that she and her husband had taken of the markers along the Santa Fe Trail. The title of her program was, "Where Have All the Markers Gone?"

Always the highlight of our chapter's year is the Colonial Tea in February where the grade school American History winners read their essays and are presented their certificates and monetary awards. Two "Good Citizen" seniors were also guests and honored with certificates and pins. Tea, punch, cookies and sandwiches are served to guests and members. This has been a custom of the chapter for many years.

A very informative speaker was Grant Helferich, EMS Director of Butler County. The final program, a historical program, "Kansas, the Land and the People", by Dr. Raymond S. Nelson.

It has been a very good year and a wonderful two year period serving the chapter as Regent and I thank all the members for their cooperation and work.

Three Trails West Chapter - Stilwell Mrs. Hugo Van De Wille, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS

Greatest Number of New Juniors (overall)

2nd Place, Three Trails West Chapter

Greatest Number of New Juniors by Chapter Size

1st Place, Three Trails West Chapter

Chapter Achievement Award - Level Three

1st Place for Most points achieved - 1,254 ,

SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION

Chapter with Greatest Number of New Junior Members

2nd Place, Three Trails West Chapter

Conservation: Best Chapter Activity

1st Place, Three Trails West Chapter

Three Trails West Chapter celebrated its official beginning at its Organizational Luncheon on October 12, 1996, when the chapter proudly took its place as the first new chapter of the second 100 years of DAR in Kansas. Our forty-five organizing members includes thirty women new to DAR and ten junior members. The festivities capped months of hard work by Organizing Regent Alvera Reynolds, State Organizing Secretary Jean Ramirez, and Northeast District Assistant Director Kathryn West.

In our few short months as a chapter, enthusiastic members have plunged into their duties as officers and committee chairmen. We collected \$668 worth of goods for Veteran-Patients, submitted 260 pages of genealogical records, started a chapter newsletter, organized a book club, began a chapter history album, and collected member profiles for a time capsule. Three Trails West sponsored high school senior Julia Francis was awarded the Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship.

In a salute to the chapter name, chosen because the Santa Fe, Oregon and California Trails originated in our area, our first program was on trails, followed by programs on parliamentary procedure, National Defense and art in American history. The chapter achieved Level III on the Chapter

Achievement Award. Since October we have added one charter member, one associate member, and eight potential members.

Tomahawk Chapter

Mrs. Fonda A. Wingfield, Regent

Tomahawk Chapter programs have been diverse and stimulating, such as: Mrs. Gus Ramirez, State Organizing Secretary, reporting on the 105th Continental Congress; field trip to dedication of English Chapel, Lady Margaret Thatcher, speaker, NSDAR Museum collection; Early American Kitchens; American History Essay and Good Citizens Award Winners; Dar Schools; Becoming and American Citizen; Conservation program and NSDAR Conservation Award presented; Lewis and Clark Expedition, 1804.

The three minute National Defense report and Constitution Minute are included at each meeting. Constitution Week was proclaimed by the Mayor and Tomahawk Chapter's patriotic display was at Intrust Bank. "Celebrate the Constitution" where each 7th grader at Mission Valley Middle School was given a copy of the Constitution.

Two thousand eight hundred book marks were given to 5th graders in Shawnee Mission district.

Bingo party for Veterans, Eisenhower Medical Center and a Christmas luncheon for members concluded the year.

Topeka Chapter

Mrs. John M. Boggs, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS **Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights** ***Topeka Chapter***

Topeka Chapter has continued to enjoy the Centennial of this first Kansas chapter. The Tea at Cedar Crest and the State Conference at the Holidome engendered a greater awareness of and enthusiasm for DAR in both the Daughters and the community. There is a surge of new members. More insignia is being purchased. The Chapter placed a full page ad in the DAR Magazine and contributed to the NSDAR Library Centennial in honor of Mary Carswell Lempenau, Past Librarian General.

Our JAC Project for Nursery School won second nationally; the Publication entry in the Americanism Contest won first at state; the young Daughters are paging; entries are in for American Heritage competition; eight members are registered for Continental Congress; twenty pages of original research plus copies of three bibles were contributed; two members followed the Santa Fe Trail; and research on the Chapter's past continues.

Members have learned of Lewis and Clark, Valley Forge, Civil War, Military Flags, Museum Costumes, and Bacone College. New citizens were presented 255 flags; Washburn University's tree was planted; all members of

at least twenty-five years are being presented certificates; and 1,148 hours were given to community service.

Topeka Chapter's second one hundred years have begun with dedication to God, Home and Country.

Uvedale Chapter

Margaret Ramsdale, Regent

Our members especially enjoyed having Newton Chapter as our guests at a meeting. We had lunch at an Amish restaurant in Yoder and our program on Eleanor Roosevelt was given by Laura Yowell, faculty member at Hutchinson Community College. The two chapters are now planning a fall joint meeting. We also have a joint meeting with the Sons of the American Revolution each year.

The theme for opening our meetings this year was *Roles of Women in Early American History*. Members presented interesting reports on women who were early day pioneers in the fields of education, science, literature, and government.

Special emphasis was given to veterans, recycling, and volunteerism. Many of our members were active in community activities and contributed many volunteer hours. One dedicated member continues driving weekly to be a volunteer at the VA Hospital in Wichita.

Constitution Week was observed with newspaper articles and ringing of church bells. A downtown church played patriotic music that afternoon.

Our programs included a talk by a local lady on becoming an American Citizen; an Indian Beading Demonstration; *Pioneer Women*, a book review; and Influence of Carrie Nation by the director of the museum in Medicine Lodge.

Wichita Chapter

Mrs. M. L. Aikins, Regent

We have had a good year with a variety of interesting programs and activities. In October we were privileged to have Ileen Marrs give a report on Continental Congress. Martha Boyd Gregg presented a very interesting and informative report and slides on Wichita history and information available at the Wichita Public Library. Pat Stone presented a great program on our National Anthem and folding of the American flag. One of our members presented a video program on the DAR insignia and proper use of it. Another well attended meeting was on Native Americans given by Harriet Price and her experiences working with the Indians in Arizona.

Our chapter presented an "Excellence in Community Service" award to Darlene Knorr for her many contributions in volunteer service to the community.

We participated in the proclamation signing ceremonies for Constitution Week and American History Month at Wichita City Council and Sedgwick County Commission meetings. With the other chapters in the Roundtable we

contributed money for Naturalization Court flags and provided the "DAR Manual for Citizenship" to applicants for citizenship through the district court. We purchased 145 canteen coupon books for the patients at the VA Hospital.

William Wilson Chapter

Mrs. Milton N. Thomas, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Constitution Week for Ringing Bells/Sidelights
William Wilson Chapter

With only about a dozen active members in our Chapter we find ourselves doing two or three jobs but by working together we had a great year.

We had special guests at two meetings. We invited members from our neighboring Chapters to be our guests for a luncheon at our Library. The meeting was held in our Genealogical Section, of which we are very proud.

Our State Regent Pat Traffas and State Historian Shirley Coupal visited our Chapter. We got to have the first viewing of the completed Kansas Quilt. We presented Pat with a sunflower collar.

Our Chapter accepted the Library Challenge by sending a donation to the KSDAR Library. We had members attending State Conference and the Southwest District meeting.

This year we had a booth at the Finney County Fair, "Trails Across Kansas".

We donated to the Santa Fe Trail Marker Restoration Fund. Many of us enjoyed reading the book we received. With many markers located in Finney County we feel this is a good idea.

We participated in suggested activities by ringing bells, recycling, planting, donating stamps and labels. Many members do volunteer work.

Programs included old home, Historic houses, Capulin Volcano and a trip to Japan with an exchange student. We were all encouraged to begin writing letters again.

We had a fun no business coffee at Christmas, we all enjoy each other and our Chapter.

Wyandot Chapter

Mrs. Harold M. Frazier, Regent

NSDAR AWARDS
Chapter with Largest Sales of Innisbrook Products
2nd Place, Wyandot Chapter

We conducted six meetings during the year on the second Tuesday at noon, three Saturday meetings at 11:30 a.m., and an evening picnic and

program on Flag Day for families and friends. This schedule enables more members to attend throughout the year. We had excellent programs this year on education, history, heritage and patriotism with five of the programs being presented by our Chapter members.

State Regent, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, made an official visit to the May meeting of the nine Chapters represented by the Regents Roundtable of Wyandotte and Johnson Counties. She gave an enthusiastic program on "Kansas Trails" with emphasis on the Lewis and Clark Trail in our area. She also reported on the 105th Continental Congress.

On October 26th we sponsored a Genealogical Workshop attended by eighteen people. Mrs. Dorothea Schweiger, State DAR Lineage Chairman, conducted the workshop.

Our Chapter was saddened by the death of Past Regent, Ruth Whipple, our oldest member aged 101 and her daughter. We lost one by transfer, and gained two new members one being a Junior member.

We furnished Constitution manuals to those studying for citizenship. We assisted with three receptions for new citizens following their naturalization. We collected gifts and clothing, hosted a bingo party and helped with a carnival for patients at the Eisenhower VA Medical Center. We saved soup labels for the schools, volunteered, recycled and protected the environment.

STATE CLUB REPORTS

STATE OFFICERS CLUB

Mrs. John D. Afton

Twenty three members and two guests gathered in Salon I, Airport Hilton, Wichita at 8:00 a.m., Saturday, March 15, 1997 for breakfast and fun. Grace was given by Kathryn Compton, chaplain.

The sixty-first meeting of the State Officers Club was called to order by the president, Corrine Afton. Sammy Cope was appointed as secretary pro tem and Helen Neubert as doorkeeper. The minutes were read and approved. Alice Walker, treasurer, reported that funds on December 31, 1996 were \$80.61. Shirley Coupal, reporter, related some events that occurred which are unprintable. The historian's report by Carol Cochran was read by Faith Ann Shirley. The brag box collected \$80.02.

Memorials were given for Shirley Gibson Farney and Helen Sharpe Gutsch. The group voted to purchase two books for the KSDAR Library in their memory.

A motion to make Marilyn Creedon and Mary Lu Saavedra honorary members of the State Officers Club passed. Their presence greatly added to the merriment of the morning.

All enjoyed the verses composed by Colleen Anderson which were read as symbols were retrieved from the secret box for our eyes to behold once more.

Officers elected were: President, Alice Walker; 1st Vice President, Jean Ramirez; 2nd Vice President, Roberta Hagemann; 3rd Vice President, Shirley Coupal; Chaplain, Pat Carpenter; Secretary, Betty Bendorf; Historian, Colleen Anderson and Reporter, Isabel McGuire.

The new officers were installed by Faith Ann Shirley.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

STATE CHAIRMENS CLUB

Mrs. Billy P. Compton

The meeting was called to order by President Getha Shoemaker at 6:45 p.m. March 13, 1997, during the State Conference in Wichita at the Airport Hilton Hotel.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. There was no treasurer's statement since all funds had been dispersed to the State Treasurer.

New officers elected were: Betty Hagen, President; Mary Ann French, Vice President; Gaila Hein, Secretary; and Ida Eichman as Treasurer.

Those present introduced themselves and told of the chairmanships they had held.

Discussion was held on how to spend the money. Motion by Ruth Clark seconded and carried that \$50.00 be given for the State Regent's Project.

Dues in the amount of \$24.00 were collected and given to the new treasurer. No program or memorial service was held due to the time limit.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

CHAPTER REGENTS CLUB

Mrs. E. Randel Nelson

President Evelyn Thompson, Flores del Sol Chapter, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Since the evenings activities were running behind schedule, and it was necessary to share the room with the State Chairmens Club Meeting, Evelyn suggested that we be as brief as possible.

Secretary, Marty Nelson, Randolph Loving Chapter, read the minutes of the 1996 meeting which were approved as read. The Treasurer, Verda Thomas, William Wilson Chapter, reported the balance on hand was \$113.72.

President Thompson reported NSDAR has stated that individual clubs within a state organization should not hold their funds in separate accounts, so the funds of the Chapter Regents Club had been sent to the State Treasurer. A discussion was held as to whether members could pay the lifetime dues of \$5.00 and 50 cents annually. Luke Ottaway referred to the bylaws and reported that members could pay both amounts if they wished.

Wanda Hackney, Little Arkansas Chapter, moved that a donation by the club of \$50.00 to the DAR Schools be made since the schools were being honored during the State Conference. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. The treasurer was requested to direct the State Treasurer to disperse the funds.

New officers elected were: President, Faryl Lane; Vice President, Jean Lightner; Secretary, Brenda Dooley; and Treasurer, Jane Williams. It was suggested by Evelyn Thompson that the president appoint a meal coordinator if one is needed. It was moved by Virginia Patterson, William Wilson Chapter, seconded and passed.

Vice President, Pat Ream, Eunice Sterling Chapter, gave a humorous program on "British School Children's Answer's to Church School Questions" and readings from the "Red Neck Medical Dictionary". It was enjoyed by all and set the stage for several jokes told by Verda Thomas, William Wilson ; Tilly Masson, Mission Hills; Lucille Campbell, Neodesha; and Peggy Spafford, Desire Tobey Sears Chapters.

The meeting was adjourned until next year at the meeting in Salina.

CONTINENTAL CONGRESS REPORTS

STATE REGENT'S REPORT AT CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

Mrs. Vincent Traffas, State Regent

May I present, Kathryn West, State Chairman of the National Defense Committee, who is holding the Kansas Flag.

Kansas Daughters have had a most memorable Centennial year! The Centennial began with a visit from the President General, Mrs. Kemper, and a lovely Victorian Tea at the Governor's Mansion in Topeka. Three chapters also celebrated 100 years: Topeka Chapter, Betty Washington Chapter, and the Eunice Sterling Chapter.

In September, we were honored to have the Historian General, Mrs. Rehl, as our guest on a week-long bus tour along the Santa Fe Trail in Kansas. While in that wild west town of Dodge City, Bat Masterson showed up to make Mrs. Rehl and this State Regent Deputy Marshals, with badges and certificates of investiture.

Kansas welcomed its 64th chapter: Three Trails West of Stilwell, Kansas, who organized with 43 members on October 12, 1996.

A book written in 1915, MARKING THE SANTA FE TRAIL, was reprinted and the proceeds established a Marker Preservation and Restoration Fund to insure the maintenance of all historical DAR markers in Kansas. The book is in its second reprinting at present, and the fund continues to grow.

Proceeds from the Centennial Fund were used to furnish new chairs for the Kansas box, and to register the names of nurses who served during the Spanish-American War.

A Medal of Honor was awarded to Senator Nancy Landon Kassebaum Baker for her dedicated service in the United States Senate.

Kansas Daughters continue to support the DAR School Committee, and used the theme: Providing Education for their 99th State Conference in Wichita, March 13-15, 1997. Special guests were Mrs. Gabriel O. Saavedra, Corresponding Secretary General; Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, National Chairman, DAR School Committee; Mr. Mike Mullins, Executive Director Hindman Settlement School; and Dr. Charles Edmonds, High School Principal, Kate Duncan Smith School. Generous donations and boxes of soup labels were given during the Conference. It has just been learned that a bequest of a Kansas Daughter, in the amount of \$25,000 will be presented to our DAR Schools.

Madam President General, Kansas Daughters are charting their course, as they travel their "TRAILS TO A SECOND CENTURY." Thank you for your leadership.

ONE HUNDRED-SIXTH CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

Kansas Daughters who participated in Continental Congress events were Pat Traffas, Corrine Afton, Joan Beedle, Betty Bendorf, Peggy Boggs, Patricia Carpenter, Ruth Keys Clark, Sammy Cope, Roberta Hagemann, Sue Hollingsworth, Lois Jean Hooper, Fern Hogue, Julia Hull, Elaine Jones, Patricia Lierly, Rose Lee Liestman, Nancy S. Madden, Ileen Marrs, Rosemary McCormick, Betty McGehee, Jean Mowen, Gavonna Murphy, Amy Navarro, Helen Neubert, Mildred Nicholson, Lucretia Ottaway, Virginia Overley, Marilyn H. Palmer, Betty Jane Potter, Jean Ramirez, Sally Riden, Lucille Robinson, Laurie Schweiger, Faith Ann Shirley, Nelda Sidesinger, Peggy Spafford, Vanatta F. Standrich, Carol Surman, Virginia Swenson, Gertrude Tidwell, Jackie Theis, Betty Lu Varhely, Alice Walker, Kathryn West, Michelle White, Rita White and Marilyn Winton. All were busy serving on one of several committees, proving Supplemental DAR Application Papers, researching in the NSDAR Library or serving as Pages.

Daughters attended various functions such as Memorial Service where they were proud and humble to stand during the States Roll Call of Deceased Members from Kansas. Others attended a walking tour of the White House and the Annual NSDAR Banquet.

All were proud to see the Three Trails West Chapter received the highest award for Chapter Achievement in the entire National Society. Many other awards were received that are noted in various part of the Annual Report and Proceedings.

We congratulate Kansas Daughters who were elected to serve: Betty McGehee, Corresponding Secretary, National Officer's Club; Ruth Keys Clark, Treasurer, Vice President General's Club; and Alice A. Walker, President, State Vice Regent's Club.

All of the Kansas Daughters were proud to watch the procession of State Regents to the platform, including our own, Mrs. Vincent Traffas, and hear her report as Kathryn West, National Defense Chairman held the Kansas Flag.

**BYLAWS
&
STANDING RULES
of the
Kansas Society
of the
National Society of the
Daughters of the American
Revolution**

**CORPORATE CHARTER
OF THE KANSAS SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF
THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

FIRST: The Name of the corporation is the KANSAS SOCIETY of the NATIONAL SOCIETY of the DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

SECOND: The name and address of its Resident Agent in this State is Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, State Treasurer, 913 SW 4th St., Topeka, Shawnee County, KS 66606-1113.

THIRD: This Corporation is organized NOT for profit, and the objects and purposes to be transacted and carried on are:

(1) To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence; by the acquisition and protection of historical spots and the erection of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the American Revolution and the publication of its results; by the preservation of documents and relics, and of the records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and by the promotion of celebration of all patriotic anniversaries.

(2) To carry out the injunction of Washington in his farewell address to the American people, "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge," thus developing an enlightened public opinion, and according to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens.

(3) To cherish, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.

(4) This corporation shall have power to receive title to real and personal property by gift, devise, bequest or purchase; to own, hold, sell, convey, lease and re-lease, let and sublet real and personal property; and to manage, invest, reinvest or disburse the funds that may accrue from the holdings of such property in the manner provided by the Bylaws of the Kansas Society as now constituted or as hereafter amended. This corporation shall have the power to sue and to be sued.

No officer, director or member of this corporation shall be individually liable for the obligations of the corporation.

These articles may be amended by a two-thirds vote, provided a copy of the proposed amendment has been sent to all chapters of the Kansas Society at least thirty days prior to the Annual State Conference of the Kansas Society. This corporation shall have such other authority as may be provided in the Bylaws of the Kansas Society, not in contravention of the provisions of this Charter or the laws of the State of Kansas.

This corporation shall not have authority to issue capital stock.

FOURTH: The elected officers of the Kansas Society shall constitute the Board of Directors of this corporation, and shall be the managers of the business of the corporation and shall hold, manage and control all property of the corporation.

The members of the Kansas Society and all persons who shall hereafter become members, who are in good standing under the Bylaws of said Society, shall be members of this corporation.

FIFTH: The term for which this corporation is to exist is ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

ATTEST:

June 23, 1995

Mrs. John D. Afton

KSDAR State Recording Secretary

Filed: August 31, 1995

The Office of the Secretary of State,
State Capitol, Topeka, Kansas

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BYLAWS
OF THE KANSAS SOCIETY
OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Revised by the Ninety-third KSDAR Conference

March 6, 1991

Amended 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996

ARTICLE I

Title

The name of this organization shall be the Kansas Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of the Kansas Society shall be to promote the objects of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, particularly in the state of Kansas:

(1) To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence; by the acquisition and protection of historical spots and the erection of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the American Revolution and publication of its results; by the preservation of documents and relics, and of the records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and by the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries;

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ARTICLE III

Members

Section 1. Members.

The membership of the Kansas Society shall consist of the chapters of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in the state of Kansas.

Section 2. New Chapters.

The State Organizing Secretary shall notify the Executive Committee the following information about a chapter newly confirmed by the National Society: name and location, date of organization, names and addresses of its chapter officers and members, and chapter code number. This notification shall cause the newly confirmed chapter to be enrolled as a member of the Kansas Society and to belong to a District according to its location.

ARTICLE IV Fees and Dues

Section 1. Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the Kansas Society shall be January 1 through December 31.

Section 2. Dues.

The annual state dues of a chapter shall be \$3.50 per chapter member, payable to the State Treasurer before December 1. Only a member whose state dues have been paid by December 1 shall be eligible to serve as a delegate or an alternate at the State Conference.

The dues of a member admitted or reinstated after April 1 shall be credited for the next succeeding calendar year.

Section 3. District Dues.

A registration fee, not to exceed \$3.00, may be collected at each of the Annual District Meetings from the members of that District who attend; the fee shall be set and disbursed according to the approved procedures.

Section 4. Additional Payments.

(a) Each year, the State Treasurer shall set aside from the annual state dues received from each chapter member five cents for the support of the Kansas State Society Children of the American Revolution. The KSDAR State Treasurer shall forward these funds to the K.S.C.A.R. Senior State Treasurer.

(b) Each year, the State Treasurer shall set aside from the annual state dues received from each chapter member ten cents for the Kansas DAR Library Fund to help meet the annual library expenses of rent, insurance, operating costs, and purchases and maintenance of equipment.

(c) Each year, the State Treasurer shall set aside from the General Fund, \$1.00 per chapter for the Kansas Chapel Maintenance Fund.

ARTICLE V Officers

Section 1. Officers.

The officers of the Kansas Society shall be a State Regent, a State Vice Regent, a State Chaplain, a State Recording Secretary, a State Corresponding

Secretary, a State Organizing Secretary, a State Treasurer, a State Registrar, a State Historian, a State Librarian, and a State Reporter.

Section 2. Eligibility.

To be eligible for the office of State Regent or State Vice Regent, a member of the National Society shall have held membership in a chapter within the state of Kansas for at least five years prior to her election and shall have served as a Chapter Regent for at least one-half of the chapter term.

To be eligible for any other state office, a member of the National Society shall have held membership in a chapter within the state of Kansas for at least two years.

No member shall be eligible to the same state office for two successive terms, and no member who has served two terms in any state office shall be eligible to any other state office, except that of State Regent or State Vice Regent, until the expiration of at least one year.

A member having served more than one-half of a term in a state office shall be deemed to have served a term.

Section 3. Term.

The officers of the Kansas Society shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected, and their term of office shall begin at the close of the Continental Congress at which the election of the State Regent and State Vice Regent is confirmed.

Section 4. Expenses.

The expenses of the State Officers, as approved in the budget, shall be submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, to the State Regent, who shall present them to the State Treasurer for authorized payment. Requests to be reimbursed for additional expenses shall be submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, to the Executive Committee for its action.

Section 5. Vacancies.

If the office of State Regent becomes vacant, the State Vice Regent shall become State Regent.

Vacancies in other state offices shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee, with the approval of the State Board of Management, until the next regular meeting of the State Conference, when the vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by the Kansas Society.

Section 6. Automatic Resignation.

Any State Officer unable to carry out the duties of her office for a period of six months automatically relinquishes her position as a State Officer, unless ruled otherwise by the State Regent with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 7. Honorary State Regent.

In recognition of valuable service to the Kansas Society, a member who has served as State Regent, upon her retirement from office, may be elected

Honorary State Regent for life. Election shall be at State Conference and may be by voice vote. An Honorary State Regent is entitled to a vote at the State Conference.

ARTICLE VI

Nominations and Elections

Section 1. Election.

The officers of the Kansas Society shall be elected at the State Conference every third year, coinciding with the year of election of National Executive Officers. The election shall be by ballot, and a majority vote shall elect.

Section 2. Nominating Committee.

(a) Members.

The Nominating Committee shall be composed of five members. The chairman shall be elected at the Fall State Board of Management meeting during the second year of the administration. Each District shall elect one committee member at its annual District meeting which follows.

No member shall be eligible to serve on the Nominating Committee for consecutive terms.

(b) Duties.

Before May 1, the chairman of the Nominating Committee shall notify, in writing, all chapters of the impending election and shall indicate the final date on which the names of members to be considered for state offices shall be received from the chapters.

The committee shall select one nominee for each office. In its selection of candidates, the committee shall endeavor to represent each of the four Districts. No chapter shall have more than one member serving as a State Officer at a time. No nominee shall be eligible for election to a state office unless a chapter endorsement, signed by the Chapter Regent and the Chapter Recording Secretary, is received by the Chairman of the Nominating Committee prior to the election.

By January 15, the report of the Nominating Committee shall be sent to the State Officers, the Honorary State Regents, the Chapter Regents, and the State Committee Chairmen.

The report of the Nominating Committee shall be presented at the State Conference. Nominations may be made from the floor, provided the consent of the nominee has been obtained and the nominee has the endorsement of her chapter, signed by the Chapter Regent and the Chapter Recording Secretary.

The ballot for the election at State Conference shall be prepared by the chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Section 3. Vice President General.

A candidate for Vice President General from Kansas shall be endorsed by a majority vote by ballot at a State Conference. No endorsement for Vice

President General shall be made more than fifteen months in advance of the Continental Congress so designated in the motion.

ARTICLE VII

Duties of Officers

Section 1. General Duties.

The officers of the Kansas Society shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws, the Bylaws of the National Society, and by its parliamentary authority.

Each State Officer shall type an annual report of less than two hundred words: before March 1, one copy shall be sent to the State Regent and two copies to the State Recording Secretary. These annual reports shall be presented at the State Conference and shall be published in the Annual Report and Proceedings.

Within thirty days after the State Conference, each retiring State Officer, with the exception of the State Recording Secretary, shall deliver to her successor a written procedure of the requirements of her office, a list of the KSDAR property in her custody, and all records and property of the Kansas Society, and she shall obtain a receipt for these items. A duplicate of the list of the KSDAR property in her custody shall be sent to the State Regent-elect. The State Recording Secretary's deadline shall be September 1.

Section 2. State Regent.

The State Regent shall preside at all meetings of the State Conference, the State Board of Management, and the Executive Committee.

She shall be the executive officer and shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Kansas Society.

She shall appoint all committees except the Nominating Committee, naming the chairman of each; shall be ex officio a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee; shall appoint a State Parliamentarian; shall cosign all checks drawn on the Kansas Society accounts; shall plan the schedule for the Fall Tour; shall plan and prepare the program for the State Conference and shall approve the arrangements, contract, and payments made by the State Conference Chairman and the State Conference committees.

Along with the State Treasurer, signature cards for all bank accounts and for the safe-deposit box (containing the bonds, securities, and other evidence of invested funds of the Kansas Society) shall bear her signature, and she shall possess a key to the safe-deposit box.

She shall receive from the State Officers and the State Committee Chairmen all statements of expenses, as approved in the budget, and present them to the State Treasurer for authorized payment.

At the beginning of her term of office, she shall file with the insurance company a complete and current inventory of the materials and equipment in the Kansas DAR Library.

With the assistance of the State Vice Regent or any other member whom she designates, she shall oversee the printing and distribution of the official KSDAR stationery.

She shall send each Chapter Regent the names and addresses of the State Chairmen of the national committees and of any other appointees and shall notify the Chapter Regents of all changes in personnel and addresses of National and State Officers and appointees.

She shall endeavor to visit each chapter in the Kansas Society at least once during her term of office.

Prior to their publication, the State Regent shall have the privilege of approval of the final proof copies of the "Kansas DAR News" and the KSDAR Annual Report and Proceedings.

Section 3. State Vice Regent.

In the absence or inability of the State Regent, the State Vice Regent shall perform the duties of the office of State Regent.

The State Vice Regent shall preside at the Chapter Regents' banquet at the State Conference and shall work with the State Regent and the District Directors in planning the District meetings.

If requested, she shall assist the State Regent with the printing and/or distribution of the official KSDAR stationery.

She shall receive from the Chapter Regents their annual lists of names, addresses, and telephone numbers of Chapter Chairmen of state and national committees; she shall collocate for each State Committee Chairman a listing of the Chapter Chairmen of her committee.

She shall perform any other duties designated to her by the State Regent.

Section 4. State Chaplain.

The State Chaplain shall open and close meetings of the Kansas Society with the reading of scripture and prayer and conduct such religious services as occasion may require.

She shall conduct a Memorial Service at each State Conference; she shall receive the necrology from the State Registrar and prepare the printed program.

She shall send notes of sympathy to the families of recently deceased members.

Section 5. State Recording Secretary.

(a) The State Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the meetings of the Kansas Society, the State Board of Management, the Executive Committee, and the Finance Committee.

She shall notify State Officers, Chapter Regents, and State Committee Chairmen of any actions taken at these meetings affecting their duties.

She shall maintain the official membership roll of the State Board of Management.

She may cosign checks drawn on the Kansas Society accounts. She shall be a member of the Finance Committee.

Each year she shall file the annual reports of State Officers, Chapter Regents, District Directors, and State Committee Chairmen until January 1.

(b) It shall be the duty of the State Recording Secretary to compile, edit, and publish the Annual Report and Proceedings of the State Conference. A committee to assist with this duty may be selected by the State Recording Secretary. She shall provide to the State Regent a final proof copy of the Proceedings prior to its publication.

By November 1, the State Recording Secretary shall distribute the Proceedings to those specified in the Standing Rules.

Section 6. State Corresponding Secretary.

The State Corresponding Secretary shall maintain the official Kansas Society mailing list of the members who are to receive meeting notices, shall attend to all the correspondence of the Kansas Society, and shall assist the State Regent in her official correspondence.

She shall notify the State Officers and the delegates of any special meetings that may be called.

She shall send out notices of meetings of the State Board of Management and the Executive Committee at least thirty days prior.

Immediately after a State Conference at which an election is held, she shall send to each Chapter Regent the names and addresses of the newly elected state officers.

Each year by January 15, she shall send the official call for the State Conference to the State Officers, the National Officers and Honorary National Officers whose memberships are within the state, the Honorary State Regents, the Chapter Regents, the State Committee Chairmen, and the District Directors.

Each year by January 15, she shall send each Chapter Regent one credentials form and one form for reporting chapter officers, which shall be duplicated and returned by the Chapter Regents. She shall compile the lists of chapter officers reported by the Chapter Regents and, before Continental Congress, send one set to the Organizing Secretary General and one set to the State Regent. She shall file the remaining set. Each year by June 1, she shall send lists of the names and addresses of the current Chapter Regents to the State Recording Secretary for publication in the Annual Report and Proceedings and to the State Reporter for publication in the "Kansas DAR News." If requested by a State Officer, she shall provide a list of corresponding chapter officers.

She shall prepare the fall state packet from letters provided by the State Officers and State Committee Chairmen. She shall be responsible for distributing the state packet during the State Board of Management and District meetings of the Fall Tour and for mailing, by October 1, any packets that have not been collected during the fall meetings.

Section 7. State Organizing Secretary.

The State Organizing Secretary shall assist the State Regent and Chapter Organizing Regents in the organization of new chapters.

She shall be responsible for the correspondence related to the organization of a new chapter, and she shall notify the Executive Committee the following information about a chapter newly confirmed by the National Society: name and location, date of organization, names and addresses of its chapter officers and members, and chapter code number. This notification shall cause the newly confirmed chapter to be enrolled as a member of the Kansas Society, and a District assignment shall be made.

She shall determine the possibilities for new chapters within the state and shall assist existing chapters in maintaining their memberships and in gaining new members.

Section 8. State Treasurer.

The State Treasurer shall receive and take charge of all funds and securities of the Kansas Society. She shall deposit them in the name of the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution and shall disburse these funds as directed by the State Board of Management or the State Conference. All checks drawn on the Kansas Society accounts shall be cosigned by the State Regent, except in cases of emergency when the State Recording Secretary may cosign.

Upon assuming the duties of her office, she may transfer the checking accounts to a convenient, federally insured banking institution, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee; this action shall be ratified at the next meeting of the State Board of Management.

She shall keep an itemized account of the receipts and expenditures, close the books on December 31, and submit them for audit to a public accountant. She shall present the auditor's report at the annual State Conference.

She shall serve as the chairman of the Finance Committee. (See Article XI, Section 4.)

Prior to the State Conference, she shall report to the State Credentials Committee Chairman the number of votes to which each chapter is entitled. After the delegates and alternates are elected, she shall verify their eligibilities for the State Credentials Committee.

She shall be bonded in the amount of \$10,000; the fee to be paid by the Kansas Society.

She shall be the custodian of all bonds, securities, and other evidence of invested funds and shall rent a safe-deposit box for their safekeeping. A key to the safe-deposit box shall be issued to the State Treasurer and to the State Regent.

Signature cards for all bank accounts and the safe-deposit box shall bear the signatures of the State Regent and State Treasurer.

She shall retain the audited accounts and the tax records of the Kansas Society for a period of six years and shall be responsible for their transfer to her successor at the close of the term.

Section 9. State Registrar.

The State Registrar shall keep the files containing the names of all chapter members of the Kansas Society and, when possible, the names of the

members at large residing in Kansas. The record shall include: full name, including maiden name and, if married, husband's full name; full date of admittance by the National Society; national number; name of chapter or, if the member has belonged to more than one chapter, the names of her original and current chapters; name and rank of ancestor, with name of child through whom the lineage is traced; colony or state, and branch of service in which the ancestor served; and the dates and locations of any transfers.

The State Registrar shall receive the membership changes from the Chapter Registrars. She shall update the membership files with the information reported by the chapters, including changes in membership by admission, transfer, resignation, removal for nonpayment of dues, reinstatement, death, marriage or divorce, and changes of name or address.

She shall prepare and send duplicate forms to each Chapter Registrar for the chapter's annual membership report, which shall list the members who have been accepted, dropped, resigned, reinstated, transferred, married, divorced, or who have died during the preceding year. Newly accepted Junior Members and their dates of birth shall also be listed on the annual report. She shall send one set of the forms to the State Treasurer by June 1.

Prior to the State Conference, she shall prepare a necrology for the Memorial Service and shall furnish copies to the State Regent and the State Chaplain.

She shall assist the editor of the "Kansas DAR News" in maintaining a current mailing list.

Section 10. State Historian.

The State Historian shall direct such historical work as may be required by the Kansas Society or suggested by the National Society.

She shall keep a file of all historical markers and monuments erected by the Kansas Society.

She shall prepare and submit an annual report to the Historian General.

She shall keep a reference record of the archives of the Kansas Society and, at the close of her term, shall prepare copies of the inventory for the following incoming officers: State Regent, State Vice Regent, and State Historian.

At the close of the administration, she shall prepare a summary of the highlights of the past three years to be published in the Annual Report and Proceedings.

Section 11. State Librarian.

The State Librarian shall have supervision of the Kansas DAR Library and shall serve as the chairman of the State Library Committee.

She shall be responsible for all books, papers, microfilm, microfiche, and equipment in the Kansas DAR Library. She shall keep a current list of all the materials and equipment in the Kansas DAR Library and shall submit to the State Regent duplicate copies of the list, one of which shall be for the insurance company.

She shall list in her annual report all materials sent to the NSDAR

Library and all those accepted for the Kansas DAR Library. These lists shall be published in the Annual Report and Proceedings.

She shall work with the Dodge City Chapter Kansas DAR Library Committee in maintaining the Kansas DAR Library.

Section 12. State Reporter.

The State Reporter shall be the editor of the "Kansas DAR News" and shall keep a file of the current Kansas Society mailing list.

She shall provide to the State Regent a final proof copy of each issue of the "Kansas DAR News" prior to its publication.

She shall be ex officio a member of the Public Relations Committee and the State Conference Public Relations Committee.

Each year she shall send a report of the State Conference to the DAR Magazine of the National Society.

ARTICLE VIII

Meetings

Section 1. Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Kansas Society shall be known as the State Conference and shall be held in March. The date and location of the State Conference shall be determined by the State Regent and the host District. The meeting shall be for the purpose of receiving reports of the State Officers, the State Board of Management, the Chapter Regents, the District Directors, and the State Chairmen of all committees; the election of officers; and for any other business that may arise.

Section 2. Voting Members.

The voting members of the State Conference or any special meeting of the Kansas Society shall be the State Officers, the National Officers and Honorary National Officers whose memberships are within the state, the Honorary State Regents, each Chapter Regent or, in her absence, the First Vice Regent or alternate, and the elected delegates or alternates of each chapter in the state entitled to representation at the State Conference. A member holding two or more offices, each carrying a vote at the annual State Conference, shall be limited to one vote.

Section 3. Qualifications.

Each chapter entitled to representation at the Continental Congress, in accordance with the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the National Society, shall be entitled to representation at the State Conference, provided that its members' state dues are credited to the State Treasurer by December 1 and its State Credentials Forms have been completed in accordance with these bylaws.

Delegates and alternates to the State Conference shall be elected by their respective chapters by February 1 each year and reported by February 8 on State Credentials Forms (See Article XIII, Section 4(b), of these bylaws). A delegate or an alternate shall have been a member of her chapter for one year

immediately preceding the State Conference to which she is elected and shall be in good standing with the National and Kansas Societies at the time of her election, as verified by the State Treasurer.

The Regent or First Vice Regent of a newly organized chapter may be a delegate.

Section 4. Chapter Delegates and Alternates.

(a) The representation of a chapter at the State Conference or at any meeting of the Kansas Society during the year, beginning January 1, shall be based upon the number of members whose national and state dues for the current year have been paid by the December 1 preceding the State Conference, provided that the chapter meets the qualifications for representation in accordance with Section 3 of this Article. A member whose national and state dues are delinquent shall not be counted in determining representation at the meetings of the Kansas Society, shall not be entitled to vote for delegates or alternates to meetings of the Kansas Society, and shall not be entitled to act as representative or alternate at such meetings.

(b) The representation of a chapter at the State Conference or at any other meeting of the Kansas Society shall be as follows:

12 through 49 members	Regent and two delegates	3 votes
50 through 199 members	Regent and five delegates	6 votes
200 through 299 members	Regent and eight delegates	9 votes

(c) The number of alternates elected by a chapter shall not exceed twice the number of voters to which the chapter is entitled.

Section 5. Privileges.

(a) Any member of the National Society who is a member in good standing of a chapter in the Kansas Society or a member-at-large residing in Kansas may attend the State Conference.

(b) State Committee Chairmen and District Directors who are not elected delegates shall have the privilege to speak without vote.

Section 6. State Conference Registration.

Kansas members who attend any session or meal of the State Conference shall pay a registration fee, determined by the State Regent, not to exceed \$5.00. This fee shall be paid to the State Conference Treasurer toward the expenses of the State Conference. Any balance remaining after the approved bills have been paid shall be sent to the State Treasurer to be deposited in the General Fund. Payment of all bills of the State Conference shall be approved by voucher, signed by the State Regent and the State Conference Chairman.

Section 7. State Conference Chairman.

A State Conference Chairman shall be appointed annually by the State Regent.

It shall be the duty of the State Conference Chairman to be responsible for planning and coordinating the arrangements of the State Conference under the supervision of the State Regent and in cooperation with the host District. After conferring with the State Conference Chairman, the State

Regent shall appoint the State Conference Treasurer; the State Conference Committees, including Public Relations, Registration, and other such committees as deemed necessary; and the members to assist the Credentials Committee Chairman. The State Conference Chairman shall assign the various functions at the State Conference to the chapters in the host District and shall serve as an advisor for their plans.

Along with the State Regent, she shall sign on vouchers for payments of State Conference expenses.

The State Conference Treasurer shall receive the registration fees and the payments for meal reservations. She shall pay the bills of the State Conference which have been approved by vouchers bearing the signatures of the State Regent and the State Conference Chairman. After all approved bills have been paid, she shall send any balance remaining in the State Conference account to the State Treasurer.

Section 8. Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Kansas Society may be called by the State Regent and shall be called upon the written request of five chapters. The purpose of the meeting shall be stated in the call. Except in cases of emergency, at least fifteen days' notice shall be given, and only the business specified in the call shall be transacted. The delegates and alternates elected for the State Conference shall be the delegates and alternates for any special meeting of the Kansas Society which may be held prior to the State Conference of the following year.

Section 9. Quorum.

Twenty-five voting members, of which twenty shall be chapter representatives, shall constitute a quorum at the State Conference or any special meeting of the Kansas Society.

ARTICLE IX State Board of Management

Section 1. Members.

The State Board of Management shall consist of the elected State Officers, the National Officers whose membership is within the state, and each Chapter Regent in the state or, in her absence, the Chapter Vice Regent.

State Chairman of Committees, District Directors, and Honorary State Regents may attend the meeting of the State Board of Management with voice but no vote.

Section 2. Officers.

The officers of the Kansas Society shall be the officers of the State Board of Management.

Section 3. Meetings.

Regular meetings of the State Board of Management shall be held at the call of the State Regent, at least twice a year. One meeting shall be held in

the fall preceding the Annual District Meetings and the second meeting shall immediately precede the State Conference. Except in cases of emergency, at least thirty days' notice of the time and location of the meetings shall be given.

Section 4. Authority.

The State Board of Management shall have all power and authority over the affairs of the Kansas Society during the interim between meetings of the State Conference, except that of modifying any action taken by a regular or special meeting of the Kansas Society.

Section 5. Duties.

The State Board of Management shall report annually to the State Conference, shall ratify any decisions made by the Executive Committee, and may make recommendations to the State Conference.

It shall approve any appointment made by the Executive Committee to fill a vacancy in a state office, except that of State Regent.

It shall elect the chairman of the State Nominating Committee at the Fall State Board of Management meeting in the second year of an administration.

It shall approve the budget submitted by the Finance Committee, shall ratify any transfer of funds by the State Treasurer, and shall consider any recommendations concerning the finances of the Kansas Society.

Section 6. Special Meetings.

Special meetings may be called by the State Regent and shall be called upon the written request of seven voting members of the Board. No business shall be transacted except that specified in the call, which shall be given at least fifteen days prior.

Section 7. Quorum.

Eleven members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the State Board of Management.

ARTICLE X Executive Committee

Section 1. Members.

The elected officers of the Kansas Society shall constitute the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Meetings.

The Executive Committee shall hold meetings prior to the regularly scheduled meetings of the State Board of Management, at the call of the State Regent, or upon the written request of three of its members. Except in cases of emergency, at least ten days' notice shall be given.

Section 3. Authority.

The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Kansas Society between the meetings of the State Board of Management.

The Executive Committee shall be subject to the orders of the State Conference, and none of its acts shall conflict with action taken by the Kansas Society.

Section 4. Duties.

The duties of the Executive Committee shall be to transact business between meetings of the State Board of Management and to report all actions and recommendations to the next meeting of the State Board.

It shall approve the standing and special committees appointed by the State Regent.

It shall declare a vacancy in any state office or committee for failure to perform stated duties; shall rule on any exception to an automatic resignation of a State Officer; shall fill any vacancy in a state office, except that of State Regent, subject to the approval of the State Board of Management; and shall fill any vacancy which may occur on the State Nominating Committee.

It shall approve any transfer of funds made by the State Treasurer.

It shall consider any special matters or recommendations concerning the Kansas DAR Library referred to it by the State Library Committee.

It shall receive and act upon requests for reimbursements of additional expenses submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, by the State Officers and the State Committee Chairmen.

Section 5. Emergency Business.

When necessary, the Executive Committee may conduct business by mail or telephone.

Section 6. Quorum.

Seven members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XI Committees

Section 1. Standing Committees.

The standing committees of the Kansas Society shall be: Bylaws, Credentials, Finance, Kansas DAR Scholarship, Resolutions, and State Library.

Section 2. Bylaws Committee.

The Bylaws Committee shall be composed of a chairman and four members, all appointed by the State Regent. It shall be the duty of the Bylaws Committee to consider all properly submitted proposals for amendments and to present amendments and recommendations concerning the Bylaws to the State Conference for action.

Amendments and recommendations from the chapters, the Executive Committee, the State Board of Management, or the previous State Conference shall be presented to the committee ninety days prior to the State Conference. (See Article XV, Section 1.)

The committee shall have the right to edit proposed amendments and the right to originate amendments.

Previous notice of all proposed amendments from the Bylaws Committee shall be sent to all chapters thirty days prior to the State Conference.

Section 3. Credentials Committee.

The Credentials Committee Chairman shall be appointed by the State Regent. She shall be assisted by members of the host District for State Conference and shall be advised by the State Treasurer and the State Registrar.

It shall be the duty of the chairman to supply the State Credentials Forms to the State Corresponding Secretary for the January 15 mailing, to advise chapters of the number of delegates and alternates to which they are entitled, and to receive their State Credentials Forms each year by February 8. She shall examine the returned forms and shall verify with the State Treasurer and State Registrar the eligibilities of the delegates and alternates listed. She shall have charge of the registration and its committee at the State Conference and shall submit credentials reports to the assembly.

It shall be the duty of the Credentials Committee to have the responsibility for the proper identification and registration of the delegates and the alternates attending the State Conference.

Section 4. Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee shall be composed of the State Treasurer, who shall serve as chairman; the State Recording Secretary; and three members appointed by the State Regent. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to prepare an annual budget to be submitted to the State Board of Management at its meeting preceding the State Conference. The recommended budget shall be submitted to the State Conference for action.

The Finance Committee shall report any recommendations concerning the finances of the Kansas Society to the State Board of Management.

Section 5. Kansas DAR Scholarship Committee.

The Kansas DAR Scholarship Committee shall be composed of a chairman and two members, all appointed by the State Regent. It shall be the duty of the Kansas DAR Scholarship Committee to select the recipients of the Kansas DAR Scholarship and the Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship from the eligible applicants. Funds for the Kansas DAR Scholarship are provided from interest on designated investments.

It shall also be the duty of this committee to select the Kansas Society's candidate for the NSDAR American History Scholarship.

Section 6. Resolutions Committee.

The Resolutions Committee shall be composed of a chairman and two members, all appointed by the State Regent. It shall be the duty of the Resolutions Committee to consider all submitted resolutions, evaluating their suitability according to the guidelines of the National Society, and to present

resolutions to the State Conference for action.

Resolutions may be submitted by chapters or individual members. Except for a courtesy resolution, all resolutions shall have been previously submitted to the committee in order to be considered for a State Conference. To be considered for a State Conference, a resolution shall be submitted to the committee by the February 15 immediately preceding.

The committee shall have the right to edit submitted resolutions and to originate resolutions. The courtesy resolution shall be prepared and presented by the Resolutions Committee Chairman.

Section 7. State Library Committee.

The State Library Committee shall be composed of the State Librarian, who shall serve as chairman, and four members appointed by the State Regent. The committee may meet quarterly and shall meet upon the request of the State Regent.

The State Library Committee shall have the authority to select and purchase genealogical materials for the Kansas DAR Library which will benefit the members of the chapters in the Kansas Society; all such purchases shall be subject to the approval of the State Regent and shall be made from donated funds designated for that purpose.

It shall be the duty of the State Library Committee to bring any special matters concerning the Kansas DAR Library to the attention of the Executive Committee and to request approval of purchases of non-routine equipment and supplies which exceed the balance designated for that purpose in the Library Petty Cash Fund.

It shall promote greater use by loan of the books in the Kansas DAR Library and shall encourage donations of genealogical books, periodicals and other materials from chapters, members of chapters, and other interested individuals.

It shall serve as an advisor to the Dodge City Chapter Kansas DAR Library Committee. The Dodge City Chapter Kansas DAR Library Committee shall be composed of members of the Dodge City Chapter, who shall be appointed by the Chapter Regent. It shall be the duty of this committee to assist the State Librarian in maintaining the materials and equipment of the State Library and in providing library services to members, according to the guidelines set by the Executive Committee.

Section 8. Other Committees.

Such other committees, standing or special, shall be appointed by the State Regent as the Kansas Society may authorize or as the National Society may require. The State Regent shall be ex officio a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

Section 9. Committee Appointments.

Appointments of committee chairmen and members shall be concurrent with the term of the appointing State Regent.

Section 10. Expenses.

The expenses of the State Committee Chairmen, as approved in the budget, shall be submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, to the State Regent, who shall present them to the State Treasurer for authorized payment. Additional expenses shall be submitted as itemized statements in writing, with receipts, to the Executive Committee.

Section 11. Reports.

Each State Committee Chairman shall type an annual report of less than two hundred words: before March 1, one copy shall be sent to the State Regent and two copies to the State Recording Secretary. These annual reports shall be presented at the State Conference and shall be published in the Annual Report and Proceedings.

Each State Committee Chairman shall prepare and send by the designated deadline a report to the Vice Chairman of the South Central Division of her committee. A copy of this report shall be sent to the State Regent.

Section 12. Transfer of Records and Property.

At the completion of her term, each State Committee Chairman shall deliver to the State Regent-elect or, if so instructed, to the newly appointed State Chairman of her committee, a written procedure of the requirements of her chairmanship, a list of the KSDAR property in her custody, and all records and property of the Kansas Society, and she shall obtain a receipt for these items. She shall provide a duplicate of the list of the KSDAR property in her custody for the State Regent-elect.

ARTICLE XII

Districts

Section 1. Names.

The Kansas Society shall be divided into four Districts: the Northeast District, the Northwest District, the Southeast District, and the Southwest District. The chapters in each District are designated in the Standing Rules.

Section 2. Jurisdiction.

The four Districts are under the jurisdiction of the Kansas Society. Each District shall have the privilege to allow for any traditional procedures and courtesies, provided that they shall not conflict with the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the National and Kansas Societies.

Section 3. Meetings.

(a) The meetings of the Districts shall be held for the general purpose of expanding the programs of the National and Kansas Societies, to provide instruction and inspiration to chapter members, and to acquaint them with the State Officers and the State Committee Chairmen.

(b) The Annual District Meetings shall be held in the fall, following the State Board of Management meeting, for the purpose of receiving the reports

of its officers and conducting the business of the District. In the second year of an administration, each District shall elect a member to represent the District on the State Nominating Committee and a District Nominating Committee. District officers shall be elected at the Annual District Meeting. The call for the meetings shall be published in the "Kansas DAR News."

(c) Annual District Meetings shall be held in the fall, the times and locations to be arranged by the District Directors and the State Vice Regent, with the approval of the State Regent.

Section 4. Officers.

The officers shall be a Director, an Assistant Director, and a Secretary-Treasurer. Officers shall be elected for a term of three years at the Annual District Meeting preceding the election of the State Officers and shall assume the duties of their office at the close of the Chapter Regents' banquet at the State Conference. No member shall be eligible to succeed herself in the same District office. A member may serve consecutive terms in the three offices of her District; such consecutive service shall be limited to three terms.

Section 5. State Conference.

The Districts shall host the State Conference by rotation in the following order: the Northwest District, the Northeast District, the Southeast District, and the Southwest District. If necessary, the rotation order may be altered. The chapters in the host District shall be assigned responsibilities for the State Conference by the State Conference Chairman.

ARTICLE XIII

Chapters

Section 1. Officers.

The chapters shall elect their officers by February 1 of the year in which they elect officers. Newly elected chapter officers shall assume the duties of their offices after the close of the Continental Congress and by the June meeting.

Section 2. Chapter Officers Report Forms.

Each year before March 1, the Chapter Regent shall report the names and addresses of the chapter officers for the ensuing year. This report shall be made on forms from the office of the Organizing Secretary General which are furnished to the chapters by the State Corresponding Secretary and shall include the names and addresses of all chapter officers, whether newly elected or completing the term of election; the date of election; the date on which office is assumed; and the length of term. The report form shall be signed by the designated officers, and one original and two photocopies shall be returned to the State Corresponding Secretary by the March 1 deadline.

Section 3. Provision for Fees and Dues in Chapter Bylaws.

A chapter may provide in its bylaws for fees and dues for chapter use in addition to national and state dues, but may not levy assessments in excess of the requirements of its bylaws. The bylaws of a chapter shall prescribe a date for

collection of chapter dues sufficiently in advance to meet the requirements for payment to the National and Kansas Societies before December 1.

Section 4. Representation and Return of Credentials Forms.

(a) Delegates and alternates to the Continental Congress shall be elected by February 1 of each year. (For number and qualifications of delegates and alternates to Continental Congress, see National Bylaws Article XIII, Sections 9 and 10.) Using blanks furnished by the National Society, the name of the Chapter Regent and Vice Regent and a list of the delegates and alternates, with the date of their election by the chapter, shall be sent, bearing a postmark no later than February 15, to the chairman of Credentials Committee and to the State Regent.

Only a chapter member in good standing, whose credentials have been completed in accordance with the Standing Rules of the National Society, shall be eligible to represent her chapter at meetings of the National Society. (National Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2(e).)

(b) Delegates and alternates to the State Conference shall be elected by February 1 of each year. (For number and qualifications of delegates and alternates to State Conference, see Article VIII, Sections 3 and 4, of these bylaws.) The name of the Chapter Regent and Vice Regent and a list of the delegates and alternates and the date of their election shall be typewritten on the State Credentials Form, which is furnished to the chapter by the Kansas Society in a January mailing from the State Corresponding Secretary, and shall be photocopied and sent to the State Registrar, the State Treasurer, and the State Credentials Committee Chairman by February 8.

Only a chapter member in good standing with the National and Kansas Societies, whose state credentials have been completed in accordance to these bylaws, shall be eligible to represent her chapter at meetings of the Kansas Society.

Kansas members who attend any session or meal of the State Conference shall pay a registration fee, determined by the State Regent, not to exceed \$5.00.

Section 5. Chapter Regent.

Annually before August 1, each Chapter Regent shall send to the State Vice Regent a listing of names, addresses, and telephone numbers of her chapter's chairmen of national and state committees.

The Chapter Regent is responsible for completing and returning by the stated deadlines the copies of the chapter credentials forms after the election on or before February 1 of the chapter representatives to the Continental Congress and the State Conference.

Each Chapter Regent shall type an annual report of less than two hundred words: before March 1, one copy shall be sent to the State Regent and two copies to the State Recording Secretary. These annual reports shall be published in the Annual Report and Proceedings.

Section 6. Chapter Chaplain.

The Chapter Chaplain shall report deaths immediately to the State Chaplain. Information about the deceased member shall include her name

and national number, date of death, name and address of next of kin, and any offices held in the chapter or in the State and National Societies. A newspaper obituary shall be sent with the report of a member's death.

Section 7. Chapter Treasurer.

(a) Each year before December 1, the Chapter Treasurer shall remit the annual national dues of \$25.00 for every active member in the chapter to the Office of the Treasurer General. The computer printout of the chapter membership, received by the Chapter Treasurer from the Office of the Treasurer General by September 15, shall accompany the chapter's payment of annual national dues.

Payments to the Treasurer General, other than those remitted with the computer printout, shall be accompanied by remittance blanks, which may be ordered free of charge from the Office of the Treasurer General. Payments for which remittance blanks are required include additional annual national dues and the fees for applications, reinstatements, and supplementals.

All checks remitted to the National Society shall be made payable to the Treasurer General, NSDAR.

(b) Each year before December 1, the Chapter Treasurer shall remit the annual state dues of \$3.50 for every active member in the chapter to the State Treasurer. A computer printout of the chapter membership, received by the Chapter Treasurer from the State Treasurer in September, shall accompany the chapter's payment of annual state dues. Only a member whose state dues have been paid by December 1 shall be eligible to serve as a delegate or an alternate at the State Conference.

Each year before December 31, the Chapter Treasurer shall also send to the State Treasurer all chapter contributions for the National Society and the Kansas Society, including the required payments designated in the KSDAR Standing Rules, accompanied by the State Treasurer's Remittance Form. Only payments received by the State Treasurer by December 31 will be processed for that year's reporting period; payments received after December 31 will be applied to the succeeding calendar year's reporting period.

All checks remitted to the Kansas Society shall be made payable to the Kansas Society DAR.

(c) The Chapter Treasurer shall report all changes in membership as they occur to her Chapter Registrar.

Section 8. Chapter Registrar.

The Chapter Registrar shall report to the Organizing Secretary General, in writing, all changes in membership, marriages, divorces, deaths, resignations, transfers, and changes of address as they occur (Bylaws of the National Society, Article XIII, Section 11). These reports of membership changes shall be made on Membership Change Forms and directed to the Office of the Organizing Secretary General, Membership Office. Membership Change Forms may be obtained from the Membership Office.

The Chapter Registrar shall report all changes in membership, in writing, to the State Registrar. She shall report all information necessary for

the State Registrar to keep her records exact. Changes in membership by admission, transfer, resignation, removal for nonpayment of dues, reinstatement, death, marriage or divorce, and changes of name or address shall be reported on State Registrar's Report Forms. Information about newly admitted members shall include: full name, including maiden name and, if married, husband's full name; full date of admittance; national number; name of chapter; name and rank of ancestor, with name of the child through whom the lineage is traced; colony or state, and branch of service in which the ancestor served. Information about members transferring into the Kansas Society from out of state shall include, in addition to the information required for newly admitted members, the name and location of former chapters and dates of transfers.

She shall complete the chapter's Annual Membership Report Form, supplied by the State Registrar, and return it to the State Registrar by February 15. Information listed on the annual membership report shall list members who have been accepted, dropped, resigned, reinstated, transferred, married, divorced, or who have died during the preceding year. Newly admitted Junior Members, with dates of birth, shall also be listed on the annual report.

ARTICLE XIV

Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of *Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Kansas Society in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws or the Bylaws of the National Society.

ARTICLE XV

Amendments

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those voting at any annual State Conference, provided that a copy of the proposed amendment has been sent to all chapters of the Kansas Society at least thirty days prior to the State Conference, and that the amendment has been proposed by the State Bylaws Committee, the State Board of Management, the previous State Conference, or by a chapter of the Kansas Society. An amendment proposed by a chapter shall be endorsed by at least one other chapter in the Kansas Society.

Section 2. Unless otherwise provided prior to its adoption or in the motion to adopt, an amendment shall take effect at the close of the State Conference at which it is adopted.

Section 3. Any amendment adopted by the National Society affecting the work of the Kansas Society or the chapters in the state shall become the law of the Kansas Society and chapters without further notice.

ARTICLE XVI

Dissolution

Although the period of duration of the Kansas Society is perpetual, if for any reason the Kansas Society is to be dissolved or otherwise terminated, no part of the property of the Kansas Society or any of the proceeds shall be distributed to or inure to the benefit of any of the officers or members of the Kansas Society. Upon the dissolution of the Kansas Society, assets shall be distributed by the Board of Management and/or the Executive Committee to and only National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

STANDING RULES

Revised by the Ninety-second KSDAR Conference

March 17, 1990

Amended 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997

Number 1. The report of the Kansas Society shall be known as the Annual Report and Proceedings of the Annual State Conference of the Kansas Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The report shall be distributed by the Recording Secretary as follows: State Regent, the number she desires; State Officers, 1 to 3 each; Chapters, 1 each; Honorary State Regents, 1 each; State Chairmen of National and State Committees, 1 each; Senior State President C.A.R., 1; District Directors, 1 each; the Library of the Kansas Society, 1; the Kansas Society DAR Archives in the Kansas DAR Library in Dodge City, Kansas, 2; the President General, NSDAR, 1; the Organizing Secretary General, 1; the National Parliamentarian, 1; and the Kansas State Historical Society, 1. In an election year, one copy shall be given to each of the new officers and the chairmen of committees. Chapter Regents may receive a free copy by special request made before June 1. Except for State Officers, no one individual shall receive more than one free copy. Other members desiring copies may place by June 1 with the State Recording Secretary a prepaid order at four dollars per copy.

Number 2. At least two issues of the "Kansas DAR News" shall be printed each year and mailed to each member. The printing and mailing expenses shall be borne by the State Society.

Number 3. A sum of \$2,000 shall be allowed the State Regent each year for the purpose of carrying on her work in addition to her office expenses.

Number 4. Twenty-five dollars shall be allowed each State Officer to partially defray her State Conference expenses.

Number 5. Thirty dollars shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent at Continental Congress; and thirty dollars shall be allowed for the courtesy of flowers for the Kansas State Regent-elect; arrangements shall be made by the State Treasurer.

Number 6. Fifty dollars shall be allotted to the State Regent for Kansas Pages at Continental Congress.

Number 7. Each year, the State Treasurer shall set aside from the General Fund ten cents per chapter member for State Conference expenses. Any money remaining after the expenses of the State Conference are paid shall be returned to the General Fund of the Kansas Society.

Number 8. Each year, each chapter in Kansas may pay one dollar for veteran-patients in order to meet the NSDAR Chapter Achievement Award; to be sent to the State Treasurer, who shall make equal payment to the three Veterans Medical Centers.

Number 9. Each year, on or before September 15, each chapter shall provide copies of its chapter yearbook to the State Officers, the Director of its District, the State Chairman of the Membership Committee, and the State Chairman of the Program Committee.

Number 10. The State Regent, State Vice Regent, and Historian shall have the custody of the KSDAR Society DAR Archives, which is located in the Kansas DAR Library in Dodge City, Kansas, and shall at the end of their term give a list of the contents of the file to the incoming Regent, to the Vice Regent, and to the Historian. No one shall have the key without the permission of these three officers.

Number 11. The State Regent may send a report of the October National Board Meeting to each chapter of the Kansas Society.

Number 12. The State Regent shall have the State Regent's Pin appraised by the J. E. Caldwell Company once during her administration, and if the pin is lost, the State Society shall assume the cost of replacing it.

Number 13. The Kansas DAR Library shall be located in the lower level of the Village Square Mall, 2601 Central Avenue, in Dodge City, Kansas.

(a) The Kansas Society DAR shall have the responsibility and jurisdiction over the maintenance, insurance, loan and period of housing at the Village Square Mall.

(b) The Dodge City Chapter DAR shall provide a committee that shall be known as the Dodge City Chapter Kansas DAR Library Committee to assume care of the library. The committee shall keep the State Librarian informed of the condition and status of books, materials and equipment; shall assist the State Librarian when possible in the repair and maintenance of these items; and shall receive and answer all requests for the loan of books and other materials.

(c) Annually by January 1, \$300 shall be paid for Kansas DAR Library location expenses.

(d) Materials submitted to the Kansas DAR Library shall be limited to items of genealogical nature. To avoid duplication, donors shall check with the State Librarian before books are sent.

Number 14. An Endowment Fund for the support of the Kansas DAR Library has been established in order to ensure its future.

(a) Monies contributed to the Endowment Fund shall be under the jurisdiction of the State Treasurer.

(b) The annual interest accrued from the fund shall pay for the following annual library expenses: rent, insurance, operating expenses, and purchase and maintenance of equipment.

Number 15. A Library Endowment Fund II shall be established for the purpose of expenses connected with the Kansas DAR Library facilities and hired staff; the earned interest of the Library Endowment Fund II Certificate of Deposit shall be added to the principal and shall remain in the Certificate of Deposit until needed.

Number 16. The Genevieve Pendleton Memorial Endowment Scholarship shall be given the third year of each KSDAR administration to a high school senior who is entering a two- or four-year college or university. The selection shall be based on an essay relative to the broad aspect of national defense, the patriotic awareness of the candidate, two references as to the applicant's character and integrity, and an acceptable academic record. Selection shall be made by the State Scholarship Committee Chairman, the State National Defense Committee Chairman, and the State Regent.

Number 17. A Kansas DAR Scholarship shall be awarded annually to a high school senior who has DAR eligibility or to a member of DAR; proof of enrollment in a two- or four-year college or university shall be required.

Number 18. The Elizabeth M. Hill Kessler Scholarship shall provide a college scholarship for a girl graduating from high school. The recipient of this scholarship shall have acceptable scholastic ability, show financial need, be a citizen of the United States of America, and be eligible for membership in the DAR. This award will be given the second year of each KSDAR administration.

If the two rooms at the Shawnee Mission in Fairway, Kansas, formerly supported by the KSDAR are again maintained and refurbished by the Kansas Daughters, the interest from this fund shall be used for these purposes and take precedence over the scholarship fund.

Number 19. The Gladys E. Routh Memorial Scholarship, in memory of her parents, Albert Jesse Jones and Mabel Clare Early Jones, shall be awarded to a deserving boy or girl, preferably one who is at least 1/4 Pottawatomie Indian. If a deserving individual of Pottawatomie heritage is not available, another Indian heritage may be substituted. The interest from the \$3,000 gift shall be awarded the first year of a KSDAR administration for

attendance at an accredited college or university. Members of the scholarship committee who will supervise the awarding of the scholarship shall consist of the KSDAR Scholarship Committee Chairman, the KSDAR American Indians Committee Chairman and a member of the Eunice Sterling Chapter.

Number 20. In the event that no applications are received for the scholarships offered during any year of the term, applications will be accepted for those scholarships the following year in addition to those regularly scheduled to be awarded.

Number 21. At the Conference Opening, the State Regent shall appoint a committee to approve the minutes of the closing meeting of the State Conference.

Number 22. The hospitality of the following persons, if attending the State Conference at the official invitation of the State Regent, shall be a Conference expense: Candidates for President General, NSDAR; National Officers or National Appointees appearing as speakers; two members of the National Board of Management; representatives of the DAR Schools, Approved Schools, and Indian Schools; or any designated speaker for a special program or event.

Number 23. (a) A \$10 limit shall be placed on awards at State Conference.

(b) Interest accrued annually from the Mary Lempenau Permanent Trust of \$750 shall pay monetary awards at State Conference.

Number 24. The Kansas State Outstanding Junior shall be awarded \$150 if she attends Continental Congress, to be paid from the General Fund.

Number 25. A national winner of the Good Citizens Contest, American History Essay Contest, Outstanding Junior Contest and V.A. Volunteer shall be awarded \$250 toward transportation expenses to attend Continental Congress. The money awarded shall be paid from the Award Transportation Fund.

Number 26. The Kansas Society shall present to the State Regent an Ex-State Regent's Pin or, if she has been elected Honorary State Regent, an Honorary State Regent's Pin at the end of her term of office, providing that she has served two-thirds of her elected term.

Number 27. An Honorary State Regent who becomes a candidate for national office shall be extended the courtesy of one full-page, black-and-white advertisement in the *DAR Magazine*; donations from Districts, chapters, and individuals may be solicited, but the Kansas Society shall be responsible for any remaining balance of the expense of the advertisement. The candidate shall be responsible for, and bear the expense of, the preparation of the advertisement for publication.

Number 28. The schedule for the Fall Tour shall be made before March 1 by the State Regent and State Vice Regent in consultation with the four

District Directors and representatives of the hostess chapters. All plans for the tour shall be finalized by June 1.

Number 29. To assist with the facility expenses of the Kansas Society's Fall State Board of Management meeting, a sum not to exceed \$75.00, no more than one-half of the expense shall be allotted from the General Fund to the host chapter committee. The allotted sum shall be recommended by the State Vice Regent, with approval of the State Regent.

Number 30. A pilgrimage to a historically significant Kansas site may be held annually on Constitution Day, September 17. Local chapters may act as hostesses. A sum not to exceed fifty dollars shall be allotted to the committee in charge of the pilgrimage.

Number 31. A State Press Book Chairman shall be appointed by the State Regent, such Chairman to receive all publicity from the chapters and to prepare a State Press Book. The Press Book shall be given to each State Regent under whose administration it is compiled.

Number 32. An updated list of past State Officers, KSDAR holdings and other pertinent historical information shall be published in the Annual Report and Proceedings every ten years, beginning in 1980.

Number 33. A Directory of members may be printed every ten years beginning in 1990. Interim supplements to the Directory may be issued.

Number 34. The chapters in each District are as follows: NORTHEAST—Arthur Barrett, Atchison, Betty Washington, Captain Jesse Leavenworth, James Ross, John Haupt, Mission Hills, Olathe, Prairie Flint Hills, Prairie Rose, Quivira Crossing, Sagamore, Samuel Linscott, Shawnee Mission, Three Trails West, Tomahawk, Topeka, and Wyandot. NORTHWEST—Abilene, Courtney-Spalding, Desire Tobey Sears, Fort Larned, Good-Land, Jeremiah Howard, John Athey, Jonathan Gilbert, Lois Warner, Major Elijah Hyde, Mary Wade Strother, Nathan Edson, Newton, Polly Ogden, Sarah Steward, Smoky Hill, and Stone Corral. SOUTHEAST—Betty Bonney, Cofachique, Council Oak, Emporia, Esther Lowrey, Four Winds, General Edward Hand, Isabella Weldin, Jane Dean Coffey, Marais des Cygnes, Molly Foster Berry, Neodesha, Oceanus Hopkins, Peleg Gorton, and Susannah French Putney. SOUTHWEST—Byrd Prewitt, Cimarron River Valley, Dodge City, Eunice Sterling, Flores del Sol, Kanza, Little Arkansas, Little Osage Trail, Martha Loving Ferrell, Martha Vail, Randolph Loving, Uvedale, Wichita, and William Wilson.

Number 35. These Standing Rules may be amended at any State Conference by a two-thirds vote and may be suspended for that meeting by a majority vote.

