



October 2021

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Falls of the Rappahannock

Chapter NSDAR



October Meeting

Thursday, October 14th

7pm

Linda Tague's Home

114 Marchant Drive

Fredericksburg VA

This is a hybrid meeting, please see next page for Zoom link.

October Meeting

What to bring to the meeting:

Yourself!

Donations for our Piggy Banks

Coupons

Coke caps

Aluminum tabs

Donations for K9 Police Dog

Adult and Children's Books



Community Class Room Needs:

Dry erase Makers—6 sets

Dry erasers—6 of them

Dry erase spray—6 of them

Dry Erase Protractor for pre-calc

Zoom Information

Topic: DAR Meeting

Time: **Oct 14, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

Join Zoom Meeting

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Chapter Chat with the Regent

Dear DARling Daughters,

What happened to September? That was the fastest month so far. We all were very busy, with our work life, home life, and DAR life.

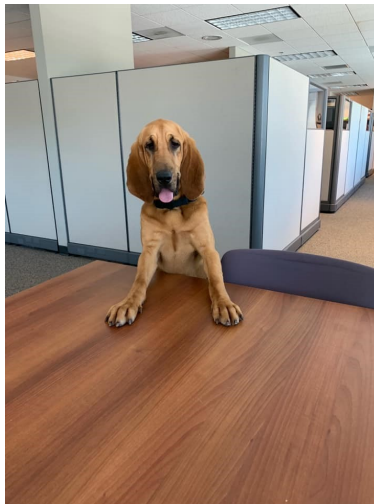
Take a look at all the photos in this month's newsletter to see what everyone was up to. From Proclamations to Fall Forum to Saluting the Branches, the FOTR Daughters were representing. I thank you all for your continued community service and volunteerism, it makes me proud to be in the DAR with all of you.

October has started to be just as busy. I am looking forward to our meeting on the 14th. We will be celebrating our chapters Birthday and DAR Service Day. This year we will be sponsoring Ruby the K9 from the Stafford Sheriff's Office. Please bring gift cards that we can present to her later this month. They can be from Amazon, Petsmart, Petco, etc. Let's shower our FOTR love for animals on her!!!

Remember to put in your Service to America hours on a monthly basis.

Thank you for all you do!!!

Sonja Johnson, Chapter Regent



September DARlings

September was a very busy month for the FOTR. We had members at various events:

Proclamations from Fredericksburg and Stafford

White Oak Fire Department to honor our first responders

Community Day at Fredericksburg Farmers Market

Fall Forum in Roanoke

POW—MIA Recognition Day

Missing in America Project

Virginia Tour of DAR Headquarters

Saluting the Branches



Thank you for all you do!



President Generals Message

October 2021

Can we do it? Of course we can!

Imagine what emotions our predecessors must have faced when they agreed to:

- join a fledgling organization, national in scope and vision;
- purchase land in the nation's capital near the White House for a headquarters;
- build a massive complex of buildings, including a 4,000-seat auditorium;
- establish a world-class museum and library;
- hire a workforce that now numbers more than 100 full-time professionals;
- carry forward through world wars, the Spanish Flu Epidemic and the Great Depression;
- celebrate the nation's bicentennial with requisite impact; or
- face the future after September 11, 2001.

Were they intimidated? Did they second guess their decisions? Was the way ahead always clear to them?

We'll never know the answers to these questions. But what we do know for certain is that they rose up – but they never gave up; they stayed the course in good times and in bad; and they bequeathed to each of us who would follow an astounding legacy of courage, purpose and determination.

Now, I must ask you to summon the same courage, purpose and determination to ensure that our beloved National Society will endure – will thrive – in the aftermath of the pandemic. Your regent and her officers cannot do it alone. We must work together to reinvigorate chapters whose members have spent more than 18 months apart. We must retain every Daughter and not allow memberships to lapse due to the hardships of the last year.

The women who founded, sustained and breathed life and vibrancy into your chapter should compel you forward to keep it flourishing. Will you fail to fulfill their dreams for your chapter simply because the times make it difficult? You cannot, knowing what those who went before us accomplished in order that we might be members of the nation's most patriotic woman's service organization. Now is our time; now is our destiny to lift up our mission as never before.

I ask that every member commit herself to engaging in the important work of our Society in order that we may look back on this time as the turning point – when we agreed that the mission of the NSDAR was, in fact, too important to the future of our nation to be another victim of the pandemic.

Rise up with me to lift your chapter and the DAR to new heights of accomplishment in coming weeks and months. Offer to help, chair a committee or stage a fundraiser. Bring your best to every chapter meeting. Commit to retaining every woman in your chapter AND attracting at least one new member before the end of the year. Can you do it? Of course you can! America needs us more than ever before.

Rise and Shine for America,

Denise Doring VanBuren

President General



DAR Book Club: Defiant Brides

The story of two Revolutionary-era teenagers who defy their Loyalist families to marry radical patriots, Henry Knox and Benedict Arnold, and are forever changed. When Peggy Shippen, the celebrated blonde belle of Philadelphia, married American military hero Benedict Arnold in 1779, she anticipated a life of fame and fortune, but financial debts and political intrigues prompted her to conspire with her treasonous husband against George Washington and the American Revolution.

In spite of her commendable efforts to rehabilitate her husband's name, Peggy Shippen continues to be remembered as a traitor bride. Peggy's patriotic counterpart was Lucy Flucker, the spirited and voluptuous brunette, who in 1774 defied her wealthy Tory parents by marrying a poor Boston bookbinder simply for love. When her husband, Henry Knox, later became a famous general in the American Revolutionary War, Lucy faithfully followed him through Washington's army camps where she birthed and lost babies, befriended Martha Washington, was praised for her social skills, and secured her legacy as an admired patriot wife.

And yet, as esteemed biographer Nancy Rubin Stuart reveals, a closer look at the lives of both spirited women reveals that neither was simply a "traitor" or "patriot." In *Defiant Brides*, the first dual biography of both Peggy Shippen Arnold and Lucy Flucker Knox, Stuart has crafted a rich portrait of two rebellious women who defied expectations and struggled--publicly and privately--in a volatile political moment in early America. Drawing from never-before-published correspondence, Stuart traces the evolution of these women from passionate teenage brides to mature matrons, bringing both women from the sidelines of history to its vital center.

Topic: Book Club

Time: **Oct 11, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

Join Zoom Meeting

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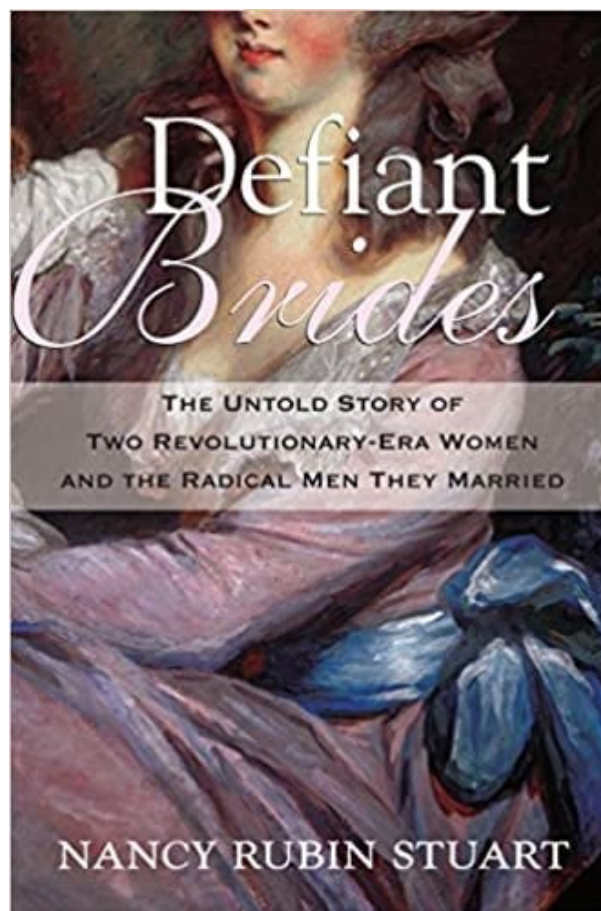
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Chapter Dues



Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter, NSDAR

Member Name _____

X all
additional
that you
choose

X	2021-2022 Dues	\$72.00
	President General's Project-if not pd yet	\$ 7.50
	Magazine (recommended)	\$ 18.00
	Chapter Nametag (recommended)	\$ 5.00
	Chapter Yearbook (optional hard copy)	\$ 2.00
	Donation to chapter (optional)	
	The Next Act-personal donation to PG Project (optional)	

Total enclosed _____

In the first year of a new administration we collect \$7.50 for the President General's project. You have the option to pay \$2.50 over the 3 year term or the entire \$7.50 at once if you have not already done so. Check with Donna Sayre to see if you have. dsayreDAR@gmail.com

Return this form, with your check payable to Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter NDAR, to: Donna Sayre, Treasurer, 1003 Bayview Overlook, Stafford, VA 22554-5236

If you are no longer wish to remain a DAR member, please let us know so we can resign you instead of you being dropped for unpaid dues. There is always the option of going Member-At-Large if you wish to not participate in chapter but want to remain a member.

Book Review: Carrie Pierce

Personal Perspectives on: Book: Abigail Adams written by: Woody Holton

Upon my starting to read this book, my curiosity was peaked at the author's in depth research on Mrs. Abigail Adams. I have always had a deep fascination for her, since college and having to accomplish a 6-10 page paper on a person that my History teacher wanted to know more about. I did my paper on Abigail Adams (of course this was before copiers and computers, so, I guess I could totally kick myself for not keeping that paper and digitizing it, when I had a chance). The musings of Abigail throughout this book, at every page turn, I feel, I am drawn into her life, her struggle, her perspective and the times dealing with the suppression that women of the American Revolution endured. I am not nearly halfway through this book, not because it is not a good read (wishing I could find it on an e-book- to listen to it, as I accomplish everything during my day-ironically, just found it on Audible), I am so used to reading a book and having the time to just not put it down.

Each time I pick this book back up to begin again at my specific marked spot, I am eager to drink in, all that is said and the multitude of traveling that was done in those days. It amazes me that anyone survived anything, specifically the upheaval of ones livelihood to begin again somewhere else, or move because job required it, even though there was less to "pack" up and move. It is also interesting that children from the American Revolutionary timeframe were often dependent upon their "mothers" solely for the learning and educating parts of their journeys to adulthood. For those who have yet to buy a copy of this book, it is definitely a must in my bookshelf, a book that can be read over and over again and a different perspective achieved upon each separate read.

Carrie Pierce



Members Course Zoom Meetings

Questions about the Members Course? Please email me and I will send you the information to sign up. You will have a year to complete the course and you will learn so much!!!

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Topic: Members Course Monthly Meeting

Time

Oct 24, 2021 03:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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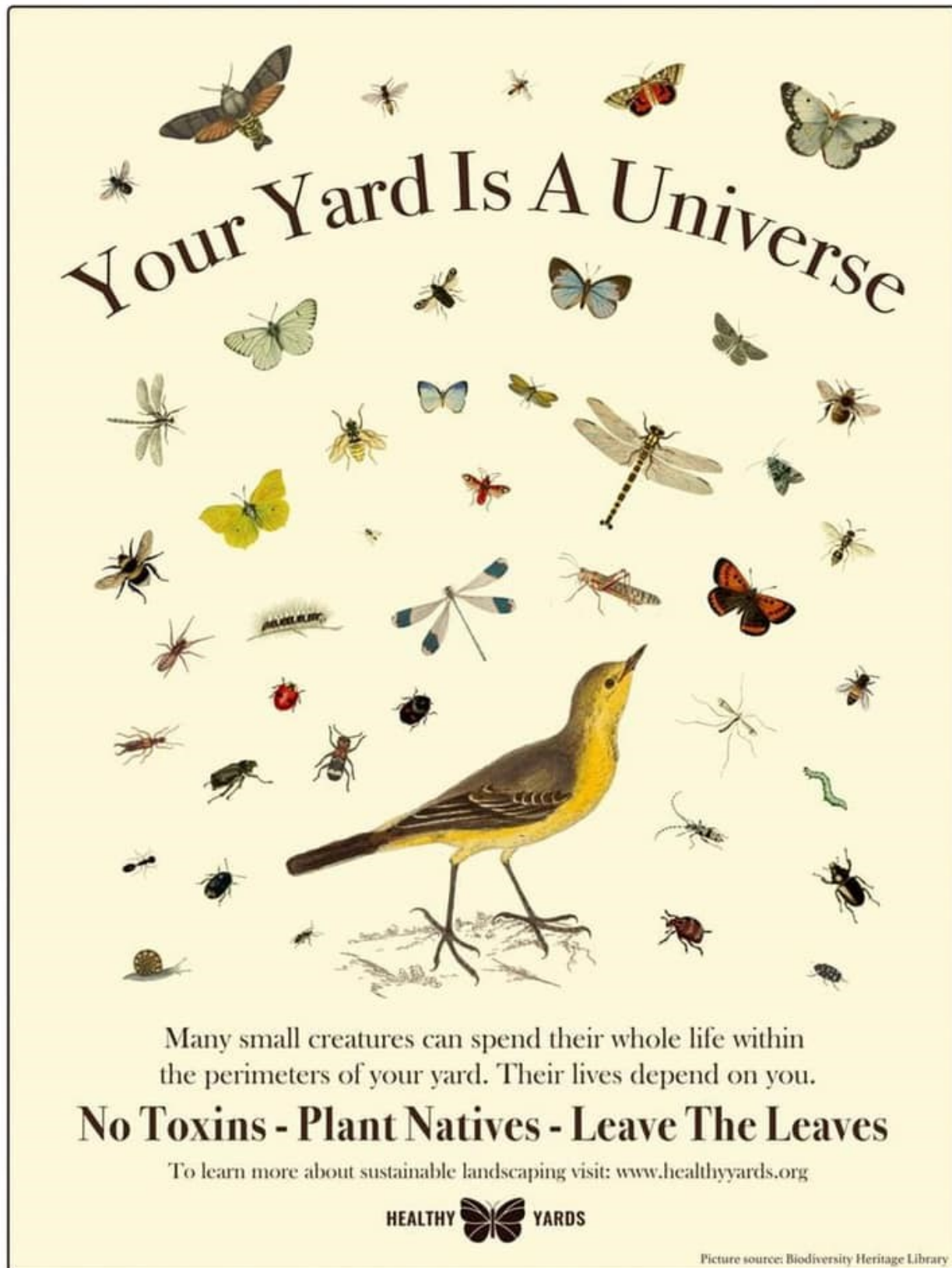
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Inheritance Project

"Inherit" Grandma's Patriots Through New Program Launch!

Written by: Cindy Nicewarner, DAR Genealogist and Team Leader

After approval by voters at the 130th Continental Congress, it is exciting to share that members now have the ability to "inherit" all Patriots for whom their mothers or grandmothers have a proven Application or Supplemental Application. The Inheritance Project is a member benefit that 1) removes the need to file a full four-page Supplemental submission with documentation for each Patriot and 2) reduces the cost to "inherit" all eligible Patriots to a one-time fee of just \$50.

At this time, the Inheritance Project applies only to mothers and maternal grandmothers. Other familial connections may be considered in the future depending upon the success of this first phase.

How it works

Daughters who wish to inherit their mother's or grandmother's Patriots complete an online form and pay a \$50 non-refundable processing fee. Inheritance will be established using existing approved Applications and Supplemental Applications. Requests will be processed as time allows, on a first-come, first-served basis.

Once authorized, a member will be notified via an automated email and the Genealogical Research System will be updated. Inherited Patriots will be listed on a member's profile page beneath her existing Ancestors, under the new heading "Inherited Ancestors." Participating members will be authorized to purchase and wear Ancestor Bars for all inherited Patriots. Additionally, Daughters will be allowed to wear their mother's and grandmother's bars if desired, making them family heirlooms that may be passed down for generations to come.

The electronic form may be found on the member's website. Click on the Genealogy tab at the top, then choose the Inheritance link; or go directly to <https://membership.dar.org/inheritance>. Please be sure to carefully follow the directions for completing the form and submitting the fee. It is very important that you provide accurate details; any errors in submitted information will delay processing



Bells of Peace, Carrie Pierce

For the first time, this year “Bells of Peace” will remember those who served with a ceremony at the National WWI Memorial in Washington, D.C.

At 11am a bell will toll 21 times, 5 seconds apart.

This will be followed by a moment of silent reflection.

Next will be a reading of, “The Young Dead Soldiers Do Not Speak” by famed poet Archibald MacLeish – an excerpt this poem adorns the Peace Fountain at the WWI Memorial.

The ceremony will close with the special playing of Taps by buglers in WWI uniforms. It is called “Echoing Taps” and is performed by multiple buglers located around the Memorial.

For those of you who are in the Washington, D.C. area, we invite you to join us starting at 10:45 am on November 11th at the National WWI Memorial on Pennsylvania Ave. between 14th and 15th streets NW.

If you would like to participate and create your own Bells of Peace moment for 2021, please go to <https://Doughboy.org/bells> to sign up, access resources, instructions, download the participation App, learn how to share your participation with others, include your organization’s logo, your social media posts and your remembrance with the many others who are tolling the Bells of Peace.

It is a beautiful and poignant moment you can share each Veterans Day.



Dates to Remember

October 10—DAR National Day of Prayer

October 10—FOTR Birthday

October 11— DAR Day of Service

October 11—Book Club 7pm

October 14—DAR Meeting

October 19—Yorktown Day

October 24—Members Course 3pm



each month



SERVICE to AMERICA!

Our Chapter hours donated total as of September 2021

1581

Please remember to log your hours!

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

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

If you don't want to (or can't) enter your service hours, please send them to one of the officers and we will do it for you! Emails for officers are on the front page of the newsletter.