



May 2021

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Falls of the Rappahannock

Chapter NSDAR



May Meeting

Thursday, May 13

Zoom (info on pg. 2)

7pm

Fort McEnery's Role in WW 1

**by Kathy McClelland, Virginia DAR State
Chaplin**

Chapter Chat, cont.

May Meeting

Topic: DAR May Meeting

Time: May 13, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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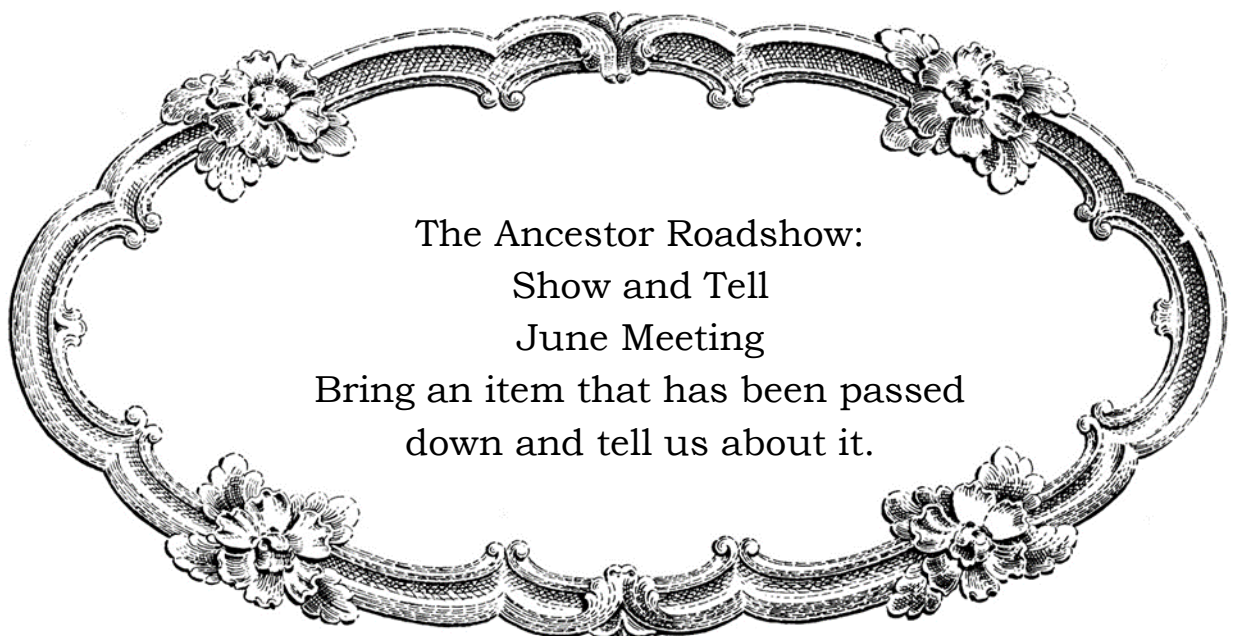
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Chapter Chat with the Regent

Greetings Daughters!

Happy May! I love all the blooming that is going on around our neighborhoods, it is so beautiful.

Thank you for supporting me in another year of being your Chapter Regent. That means a lot to me, as I must be doing something right. Your new slate of Chapter Officers will be getting together and discussing the coming new year in a few months. If you have any ideas for Projects or Programs please let one of us know. We appreciate your input into the chapter.

Which brings me to another subject, we will be asking for Chapter Committee Chairs with a starting date of September 1st. If you are interested in being on a committee, please let Myra or I know of your intent. If you need more information regarding the committees, please go to the Member's Website for an overview of each of the committees.

We are planning the June meeting to be in-person/Zoom. This meeting will include the Installation of Officers, New Members will be welcomed into the Chapter, and we will also have an Ancestors Roadshow display, so bring your favorite ancestor item.

Although June will be our last Chapter meeting until September, this Chapter will still be active. If you are traveling to any of the Virginia Shrines, please let us know by posting photos and stories on the Facebook page or sending them in for the newsletter.

Later in June will be the Continental Congress. I am excited that it's virtual this year, so I will be able to attend more of the events. I am also pleased to announce that we have 19 Chapter Members signed up for Congress!

Saturday, August 7th will find us at the District 9 Meeting, it will be held at Belmont, in Falmouth. Please plan on attending. We have been asked to be one of the hostess chapters for this event, so I will be asking for volunteers to help that day.

Continuing Shining!

Sonja Johnson

Chapter Regent



Slate of Officers for 2021-2022

Falls of the Rappahannock Chapter is proud to introduce your new 2021-2022 Slate of Officers.

Regent. Sonja Johnson

Vice Regent. Jan Gardner

Chaplain Debbie Henning

Secretary. Donna Courtney

Treasurer. Donna Sayre

Registrar. Myra Wiggins

Historian. Linda Tague

Librarian. Nancy May

They are looking forward to working with you this coming year.

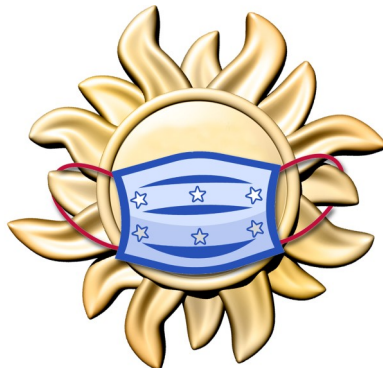
DAR Chapter Service Project

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We will be organizing a few days this month for us to meet and start clearing the footstones at the cemetery. It's a big job and we will need as many members as possible to help.

Please do what you can. A map will be enclosed in the email with this newsletter.

THE FREDERICKSBURG CONFEDERATE CEMETERY, at Amelia Street and Washington Avenue, was established by the Ladies' Memorial Association of Fredericksburg, organized May 10, 1866.



Members Course Zoom Meetings

Topic: Members Course Monthly Meeting

Time: Apr 25, 2021 03:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every month on the Fourth Sun, until Oct 24, 2021, 6 occurrence(s)

May 23, 2021 03:00 PM

Jun 27, 2021 03:00 PM

Jul 25, 2021 03:00 PM

Aug 22, 2021 03:00 PM

Sep 26, 2021 03:00 PM

Oct 24, 2021 03:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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DARling Daughters

From Anne Kline:

Nancy May & I are working on our Independent Project for the Members Course.

Our project consists of collecting donations for Stafford County's "Pay A Spay" Program. "That's Pawsome! A donation of \$30-\$45 will help cover the cost of a feline spay or neuter. By sponsoring a spay or neuter, you will greatly increase the chances of that animal finding a loving forever home while also contributing to our mission to stop the overpopulation of homeless animals." Donations can be made by sending a check to Anne Kline, who will hand deliver your donation of any amount to the Stafford Shelter, and she will get a receipt for the donation and send it to you for your tax records.

We are also accepting donations of any grain-free cat or dog food, toys, leashes, clumping cat food, canned kitten food or scratching posts. We will deliver supplies to both Stafford and Fredericksburg/Spotsylvania Animal Shelters. If you have any questions, please call Nancy May or myself.



Do you have a service project you are working on? Please let us know how we can help you.

National POW-MIA Recognition Day Ceremony

Ladies,

Many of you have participated in the wreath laying during the National POW-MIA Recognition Day Ceremony in Essex County. Although, Fall Forum is scheduled for that same time, the Essex County Ceremony will still occur. So if you are attending Fall Forum, would you please send a representative from your Chapter to the National POW-MIA Recognition Day Ceremony in Essex County? I will be conducting a POW-MIA Recognition Day Ceremony at Fall Forum, as well. But, we still need representation at the Essex County Ceremony.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Patti Rowley

Virginia DAR Service for Veterans Chairman

(804) 815-4302

Yorktown Custom House



he Custom House, built about 1720 by Custom Agent Richard Ambler, occupies a unique place in American History. Listed on the Virginia Landmark Register and National Register of Historic Places, the Custom House is also one of only twelve Historic Custom Houses in the United States. Maintained solely by the Comte de Grasse Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, the Custom House also hosts a museum and has been open to the public on Sundays from June to October since 1930 at no charge. The Custom House has a gift shop inside.

Please see <http://www.comtedegrasse-dar.org/customhouse.html> for more information.

If you get a chance, please visit this year.

Thank you to Carrie Pierce for the article.



Revolutionary Women

Lucy Flucker Knox was also known by the soldiers as Lady Knox. Although Lucy was, at times, thought to be aloof, she was kind and generous, never hesitating to share her and Henry's food with starving men and giving aid to the sick and injured. Lucy gave up her entire Loyalist family, never to see them again, to marry the man she had loved since she was just fourteen years old.



To support Henry when the Continental Army encamped at Valley Forge for the bitter winter, Lucy arrived along with other officers' wives. General Knox and his wife were living in a large stone house beside the artillery park, and along with Martha Washington and Kitty Greene, Lucy became a supportive and caring hostess to cold, ragged and hungry officers.

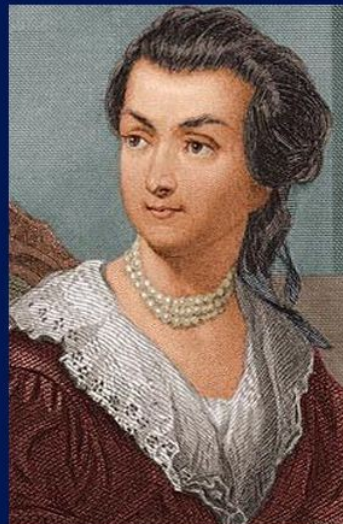
During the Revolution, most officers had homes for their wives to return to after following their husbands from camp to camp. Not Lucy and Henry Knox; they did not have a permanent home until they had been married for over 20 years. They gave numerous years to fighting for freedom and helping to create this new country.

What Lucy Knox gave should certainly be remembered.

“Learning is not
attained by
chance, it must
be sought for
with ardor and
attended to
with diligence”

~
Abigail Adams

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Dates to Remember

May 8, 2021— Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Presentation via Zoom 2pm

May 13, 2021—FOTR Chapter Meeting via Zoom 7pm

May 15—16, 2021—Cemetery Clean-up 10am

May 22—23, 2021—Cemetery Clean-up 10am

May 23, 2021—Members Course via Zoom 3pm



SERVICE to AMERICA!

Our Chapter hours donated total as of April 30, 2021

574

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.