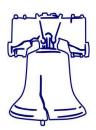
Lew Wallace Chapter, NSDAR

November 2021

THE BELL RINGER NEWSLETTER



November & December Events:

- Nov 6: Fairview
 Cemetery Clean-up @
 9:00 AM
- Nov 11: Fairview
 Historical Cemetery
 Self guided tour. 10:00
 am to 2:pm with an
 11:00 am ceremony at
 the Flagpole. DAR
 representatives at the
 Buffalo Soldiers' resting
 places.
- Nov 14: DAR Gene Series
- Nov 15: Virtual Tech Talk @ 6:00 PM
- Nov 17: Virtual Genealogy Education @ 5:45 PM
- Nov 23: Red Pencil Posse
- Nov 29: Virtual Book club @ 6:00 PM
- Dec 4: Fairview
 Cemetery Clean-up @
 9:00 AM
- <u>Dec 15</u>: Virtual Genealogy Education @ 5:45 PM
- <u>Dec 20</u>: Virtual Tech Talk @ 6:00 PM
- Dec 26: No book club this month – to resume in January 2022

Regent's Message - Helen Beatty

Dear Lew Wallace Members,

Our first Lew Wallace "In Person" meeting since February 2020 was a great success.

Everyone enjoyed each others company and our guest speakers, Anne Marie Strangio, the Lew Wallace Elementary Principal, and Andy Braman, coordinator for our Albuquerque Community Schools, gave a very special presentation. We thank them for all they do for Albuquerque community children.

Our new venue worked well, and the November meeting will also be at the Albuquerque Baptist Church on Saturday November 20, 2021. We hope to see everyone there.

I want to thank everyone who joined us for our Lew Wallace Day of Service on October 10th. We spent two hours enjoying each others company as we signed Christmas cards for our service men and women. And thank you to those members who couldn't attend but supplied signed cards.

Our October 23rd yard sale was a lot of work and a lot of fun. My favorite part of membership in the DAR is the camaraderie of the members when we are working together on our different projects.

As our members feel more comfortable meeting in person, I encourage you to take part in these activities.

Lila Mohesky-Roybal has consented to remain as Historian until we are able to recruit a replacement.

Article 8, section 10, of the Lew Wallace Bylaws states:

- The Historian shall direct such historical work as may be requested by the Chapter in accordance with the historical program of the National Society.
- She shall keep a record of all historical and commemorative meetings of the Chapter; she shall be custodian of all historical and biographical collections.

We now have a storage unit to accommodate our historical records. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help our Lew Wallace Chapter can call Lila (Lila Roybal in the Yearbook) and she can explain the ins and outs of the office of Historian.

Remembering Veteran's Day and the service of our WWII veterans, our chapter will be honoring Tom Bell, a veteran of WWII, at our November meeting.

Our members, Wendy Wirstrom and Hillary Gordon are working on the optional Zoom meetings for our members, and they will keep us updated on their progress.





Visit the Lew
Wallace Chapter
website for
event details
and watch the
slideshow of
events.

https://www.le
wwallacedar.org

Regent's Message, continued

A short note regarding our dues. If you have not sent your check to our Treasurer, Jennifer Espen, please do so as soon as possible and don't forget to subscribe to the *American Spirit* magazine.

As our chapter members look back on the past 20 months, we may feel there is not much to be thankful for. Some have lost friends and loved ones or are facing the effects of a debilitating illness (the long haulers).

I doubt there is not one person who has not been affected by the COVID-19 virus in some way, and we are still waiting for it to just go away. The end of this epidemic will not be a joyful occasion. Too many have been lost. But it will be a tremendous relief.

So, on this upcoming Thanksgiving day I'm asking members to pray for the lives lost, for the families who have lost loved ones, for the end of this deadly virus, and help in becoming gentle and kind in our interactions with each other.

I wish you all a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

Sincerely, Helen Beatty - Regent

Lew Wallace Chapter Officers 2021-2023

Chapter Regent: Helen Beatty
1st Vice Regent: Hillary Gordon
Chaplain: Diane Melendres
Recording Sec: Kathy Snyder
Corresponding Sec: Kay Rogers
Treasurer: Jennifer Espen
Registrar: Wendy Wirstrom
Historian: Lila Mohesky-Roybal

Librarian: Jennifer Hathaway

Committee Highlight: Service for Veterans Committee

By Veda King, Chairwoman vedaking@comcast.net, 505-238-3524

Holiday Gift Bags

Veterans Voluntary Service (VAVS) provides a special gift bag to every Veteran who is in the hospital on Christmas morning. Items needed for the gift bags are canteen books, puzzle books, writing material, socks, t-shirts, and comfort items. We will also accept monetary donations to purchase said items to fill the gift bags.

- Comfort Items include: shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors, shave cream, combs, lotion, calendars, deodorant, body wash, and lap quilts are the most popular items. We also service the Patient's Lodger program.
- Clothing Items include: Boxers & Briefs (all sizes), white & black socks and t-shirts (all sizes), men's denims or khaki pants of all sizes, especially 30/32/34/36. Sweats of all sizes for both men and women.
- •\$25 Gift Card from Walmart

Please bring these items to our next meeting on November 20th.

If you are unable to attend, send the cards to:

Veda King -

8219 Calle Primera NW Albuquerque, NM 87120

Members can also send checks and Veda will be happy to purchase the gift cards for you.



Historic Fairview Cemetery Veterans Day Observations

On Veteran's Day the Historic Fairview Cemetery nonprofit organization invites visitors to honor those who have served in the U.S. military. Historians will speak about New Mexican involvement in the Civil War, the Spanish American War, the Bataan Death March in World War II and other conflicts. Visitors can take a self-guided tour and listen to the scheduled speakers located throughout the cemetery.

Historians who will be speaking at the event include:

John Taylor, author of The Battle of Glorieta Pass and Bloody Valverde

Melanie LaBorwit, Educator, New Mexico History Museum, expert on Rough Riders **Richard Melzer**, Ph.D., historian and author of numerous books, including Buried Treasures: Famous and Unusual Gravesites in New Mexico History

Helen Beatty, Regent, and Kathy Snyder, Recording Secretary of the Lew Wallace Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution on the DAR and on the Buffalo Soldiers buried in Historic Fairview Cemetery

While there are approximately 12,000 burial sites in the cemetery started in 1881, fewer than 6,000 have markers.

There are Rough Riders, Buffalo Soldiers, Confederate soldiers, and two sections of veterans interred in Historic Fairview Cemetery.

Lew Wallace History Extracted by Lenore Stober, 1988

In 1909 money was donated to the Detention Home Society. The Patriotic Education Committee reported that all schoolteachers agreed to celebrate February 2nd as New Mexico Day in the Schools. More money was allocated for books for the circulation library.

In 1910 all members were asked to observe patriotic days by putting out flags. In March, a letter from Mrs. Prince was read saying she was very anxious that our chapter do something toward furnishing a room in "Colonial Hall". A discussion on a donation for a Chair for Colonial hall was tabled.

By October 1910, the Chapter had 27 members. One of the programs was on "Should Domestic Science be taught in our Public School". In 1911, Lew Wallace elected a representative to attend Mother's Day exercises on May 14. They furnished joint entertainment with the DAR and SAR for a statewide Flag Day celebration held June 14. Money was raised by assessing 10 cents per member for these expenses.

In October, an invitation to help in the education of Southern Mountain Whites was read and discussed. In 1912, it was recorded in the minutes that the decision was made that "It is inadvisable for the Chapter to take a hand in political appointments."

A Committee for Entertainment was appointed to help in the Washington's Birthday Celebration. On May 8, a recommendation of the Special Committee on the Children's Library Room asked that a room be established and maintained in the Public Library for children's use, and this was adopted.

The Circulating Library was to be maintained, as usual. In September the Report of the Executive Committee read that for cash received (\$79.80), it was spent for chairs (\$30.00), a desk (\$2.50), hauling desk (\$1.00), and help at the Social (\$2.00).

In October, a marker was to be secured for the Children's Room in the library, showing that the room was established by this Chapter.

Fairview Cemetery, continued

The cemetery is run by an Albuquerque nonprofit organization dedicated to maintaining the cemetery and sharing the stories of its residents.

A donation of \$20 for each adult is requested to support cemetery maintenance and provide educational materials. Make donations on-site at the event or online at https://bit.ly/HFCdonation

When: Thursday, November 11, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Ceremony at 10:15 a.m.

Where: Historic Fairview Cemetery, 700 Yale Blvd. SE – Enter through the gates of Fairview Memorial Park, near the intersection with Avenida Cesar Chavez. Proceed east to the cemetery office, turn left and continue north into the historic cemetery area.

Contact: Gail Rubin, president of the Historic Fairview Cemetery nonprofit organization. Office Phone: 505-265-7215 Cell Phone: 505-363-7514 Email: Gail@agoodgoodbye.com

Committee Highlight: Children of the American Revolution - C.A.R.

Stephanie Barger, Chairwoman

Franklin D. Roosevelt once said: "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."

DAR's Children of the American Revolution Committee does just that. The purpose of the Children of the American Revolution Committee (C.A.R.) is to encourage DAR support of C.A.R. work and principles.

C.A.R. was a brilliant idea over 125 years ago by Harriett Lothrop, a DAR member, as she envisioned the need to create an organization which would guide young people so they may grow into good citizens and honor the principles which are shared with the Daughters of the American Revolution.

N.S.C.A.R.'s Mission Statement is: *The National Society of the Children of the American Revolution trains good citizens, develops leaders and promotes love of the United States of America and its heritage among young people.*

How can you support C.A.R.?

<u>Mentor</u> – volunteer as a senior leader – there is no greater joy than mentoring young people.

<u>Engage</u> – invite C.A.R. members or potential members to participate with your chapter – members are ready to serve.

<u>Recruit</u> – include C.A.R. as part of your DAR membership drives – this is a family affair.

<u>Donate</u> – consider donating to your local, state or national C.A.R. societies.

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Lew Wallace Chapter sponsors Zebulon Montgomery Pike Society, the local C.A.R. Society in Albuquerque.

It is one of the more active Societies in New Mexico, despite its small size. As you can imagine, the past couple of years have been challenging for this small society.

Many generations of C.A.R. members have become active and vibrant champions in DAR, as well as leaders within their communities! There is no better way to train young people, age 22 and younger, to become rising stars within DAR and other patriotic organizations!

These young people are our future. Your help and support is greatly needed and appreciated.

Pantry Items needed for Manuelito Navajo Children's Home

Kool Aid Jammers (Assort. Flavors) Strawberry Jelly & Jam Ketchup Jell-O- 6 oz. (all flavors)
Pace Picante Sauce Cake Mixes (Assort. Flavors) Cake Frosting (Assort. Flavors) Pudding (Assort. Flavors) Garlic Powder, Onion Powder & Chili Powder Carnation Evaporated Milk Regular Coffee Liquid Laundry Detergent
Toilet Paper Paper Towels Kleenex
Band-Aids Windex, Lysol Cleaners, Soft Scrub,& Pine-Sol Bleach & Disinfected Wipes
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Lew Wallace Chapter, NSDAR Monthly Meeting

Saturday, November 20, 2021

9:30 - Social 10:00 - Meeting

IN-PERSON: (see below) RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

Albuquerque First Baptist Church 4101 Paseo Del Norte Albuquerque NM 87114 (west of Coors on the northside of Paseo)

ZOOM: [Please be patient while we figure this out]

Join Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87197881906?pwd=eDdmUnJsR2Nub25wdkVjd1U3T XE5QT09

Meeting ID: 871 9788 1906 Passcode: 099627

If you plan to attend in person:

MENU: Box lunch from Jason's Deli: Chicken Salad, Ham, or Turkey on either a croissant or a wheat bun. Beverages: Coffee, Tea, and Water (If you have a food allergy, please mention it when you RSVP!)

COST: \$10.00 per boxed lunch with a meal reservation. \$5.00 attending the meeting with no meal reservation.

RSVP: no later than 6PM on November 17, 2021, to KATHY VINCENT at vbrecon@aol.com or 505 796 2573

Reservations are required for all events. "no shows" will be billed.

Pursonalities Plus 2021

Gift Purses for Deserving Women Clean out your closet and gift your "like new" purse to someone in need.

Fill the purse with personal items, such as:

- Toothbrush/toothpaste/mouthwash
- Deodorant/soap/shampoo
- Small brush/comb/mirror/hairspray
- Lipstick/make up/hand cream/chap stick
- Slippers/socks/hats
- Small package of tissue
- Hand sanitizer

Reliever

Accessories - scarf/gloves/hat/jewelry**

You decide what you want to put in the purse, but we do want all items to be new. The purses will be Mother's Day or Christmas gifts to deserving women in various Albuquerque area women's programs – programs for those out of domestic violence, sex trade, homelessness, incarceration, sexual assault etc.

- In 2016, we prayed for 50 and delivered 180 purses
- In 2017, we prayed for 450 and delivered 1087.
- In 2018, we prayed and delivered 1,555
- In 2019, we prayed for and donated 1,773.
- In 2020, we delivered to 4 organizations.

In 2021, we know we can deliver 2,000. We will not wrap them as the ladies love

selecting one.

** We are collecting jewelry throughout the vear as Mary Ellen and a team of ladies make beautiful sets for the empty purses we receive (broken pieces made new).

He will cover you with his feathers, He will shelter you with His wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection."

RECIPIENTS:

Barrett House Care Net Casa de Mariposa Casa Fortaleza **Enlace Communitario** Family Promise God's Warehouse Haven House Healthcare for the Homeless Joy Junction - Christ in Power plus shelter Saranam St. Martins Hope Works Steel Bridge Center of Hope Susan's Legacy Teen Challenge Tender Love Community

U Turn for Christ **Under His Construction** Valencia Shelter Services Valerie's Place Wings

Women's Housing Coalition

- See our Facebook page Pursonalities Plus ABQ
- Contact Jane Bickelman, jbick@comcast.net, 505 263 8366.