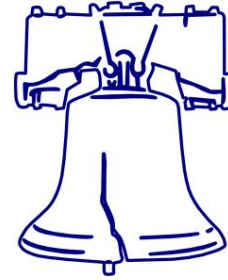


THE BELL RINGER NEWSLETTER



Regent's Message – Helen Beatty

September & October Events:

- Sep 11 & Oct 16: Fly Your Flag. Virtual Chapter meeting @ 9:30 AM
- Sep 16-18: NMSODAR Virtual Summer Work
- Sep 17-23: Constitution Week
- Sep 20 & Oct 18: Virtual Chapter Tech Talk @ 6 PM
- Sep 27 & Oct 25: Virtual Book Club @ 6 PM
- Sep 27: First Virtual Member Training Class @ 6:30 PM
- Oct 2: Fairview Cemetery Clean-up @ 8:30 AM
- Oct 10: National Day of Prayer & Virtual National Day of Service Project – signing Christmas Cards for our troops @ 1 PM
- Oct 11: Fly Your Flag, NSDAR founded 1890
- Oct 20: Virtual Gene Education @5:45 PM
- Oct 23: Chapter Fundraiser, Yard Sale

Good day to all our Lew Wallace Members. I hope your summer has been fun and interesting.

I'm sorry our September 11 meeting is going to be virtual. Although I was looking forward to seeing everyone in person, I must say that Zooms meetings have become one of my favorite things.

This has been such an up and down year and a half. Just when we thought the crisis was over it came back. Many have lost loved ones during this time, and we have had to deal with family and friends who vehemently disagree with us, one way or another. One thing that has helped me through all of this is DAR service. I visit with friends who have opposing views and we talk about our service to others and about the DAR mission of patriotism, Education and Historical Preservation. We are all patriots.

The Chapter will continue to have Zoom Book Club and we will be beginning our Tuesday Craft night, also on Zoom. Our monthly Tech Talk, and Gene EDU will continue via Zoom. There are so many ways to connect

with each other.

This week we will be working on the State Fair Display case. The theme, "Then and Now", will take our Chapter through a "Walk in time". A thank you to Jen Gelhardt for organizing the display. On a special note, Jen Gelhardt is our Chapter's Outstanding Junior for this year.

This month our Chapter is beginning the "Member's Class". It will begin on Monday, September 27, from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM and will be a Zoom meeting for now. Members who have signed up will be sent the Zoom address. Suzanne Heske will be hosting the class. Our Chapter wants to thank Suzanne for all she does to promote Lew Wallace.

NMSODAR will be hosting the State Workshop from Thursday, September 16 to Saturday, September 18. I hope to see you all on Zoom. One of our newer members, Marla Hoskins will be presenting information on the Constitution during the workshop. She will also be giving a short presentation on the Constitution at our September 11th meeting. Thank you Marla.



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

"Take time to read the National Defense Minute and May 15, 2021 Chapter Meeting Minutes on the next pages."

A time to remember

Patriot Day on Sept. 11 honors the memory of the nearly 3,000 innocent victims who died 20 years ago in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Each year Americans dedicate this day to remembering those who died and to the first responders who risked their own lives to save others.

We Remember

For many, Sept. 11, 2001, began like any other weekday. We made our way to work. Children attended school. We shopped, had coffee, or waited in line at a drive-thru. Those of us who weren't in New York City heard the first reports on the radio or television. A friend or neighbor alerted us to a plane flying into one of the Twin Towers.

We felt disbelief. An accident, perhaps, a miscalculation. Then a second plane flew into

the second tower. Our disbelief turned into uncertainty and concern. Those on the ground faced terror and obstacles they had never known. As a set of coordinated suicide attacks organized by the militant group al-Qaeda targeted the World Trade Center, the rest of the nation witnessed the unbelievable. Then a third plane crashed into the Pentagon. And yet another crashed into a field in Shanksville, Penn.

Every year since that fateful day, the United States comes together to remember the fallen. We also remember the first responders and other people, often untrained, who made the decision to help, at the risk and sometimes the loss of their own lives. While attending Patriot Day ceremonies may be difficult with COVID restrictions, you can still observe the following moments of silence to

remember and honor those killed in the attacks:

Remember

8:46 AM EDT – American Airlines Flight #11 collides into the World Trade Center

9:03 AM EDT – United Airlines Flight #175 collides into the World Trade Center South Tower

9:37 AM EDT – American Airlines Flight #77 crashes into the Pentagon

9:59 AM EDT – World Trade Center South Tower Collapses

10:03 AM EDT – United Airlines Flight #93 crashes in Shanksville, PA

10:28 AM EDT – World Trade Center North Tower Collapses ■

“Visit the National Day Calendar: @nationaldaycalendar.com.”



Chapter Minutes: May 15, 2021

Meeting Called to Order

– by Regent Mary McKinney at 10:02 a.m.

Opening Exercises:

DAR Ritual – conducted by Regent Mary McKinney and Chaplain Janet Cosgrove.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America – led by Regent McKinney;

The American's Creed – read by Regent McKinney; and

The Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America – read by Regent McKinney

Business

Meeting: President

General's Message: 1st Vice Regent Helen Beatty read the message (May issue attached to file copy).

National Defense Report:

1st Vice Regent Helen Beatty read the report (May National Defender attached to the file copy).

American Indian Minute -

Chair Stephanie Barger reported on pueblo corn (attached to file copy)

Flag Minute – Chair Kay Rogers reminded the members to fly the flag on: May 15 – Armed Forces Day, May 31 – Memorial Day (½ staff until noon), June 14 – Flag Day, June 20 – Independence Day, July 27 – Korean War Veteran's Day.

Conservation Minute – Chair Veda King. No report.

Approval of the Minutes of April 17, 2021

Meeting: There being no changes, Regent McKinney declared that the minutes were approved as submitted (attached to file copy).

Reports of Officers

Regent's Report: Regent Mary McKinney reported that the chapter had received a DAR Southwest Division Award for its work on the American Indians Committee.

Vice Regent's Report: no report.

Chaplain – Janet Cosgrove – no report.

Recording Secretary: Patricia Barger - No report.

Corresponding Secretary: Annette Smith - No report.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Suzanne Heske reported that the bank balance as of April 30, was \$7,086.79; income April was \$140; expenses were \$0 (detailed report attached to file copy).

Registrar's Report: Registrar Kay Rogers reported that we have 104 members and she is working on applications for 16 prospectives (seven of whom are new).

Historian: Historian Lila Mohesky-Roybal read an excerpt from the chapter's 1950/60s history.

Librarian: No report.

Reports of Standing

Committees:

American History – Chair Jem Gelhardt. No report.

American Indian – Chair Stephanie Barger. No report.

Americanism – Chair Kathy Snyder asked members to read the National Chairs Report for information on the 2021 "Rise and Shine: What American Means to Me" Photo Contest and the DAR Manual for Citizenship recently revised by the INS.

Historic Preservation – Chair Patricia Barger. No report.

Project Patriot – Chair Patricia Barger asked the membership to keep clipping coupons.

DAR Schools – Chair Patricia Barger reminded everyone to save their receipts so they can be scanned into the new Box Tops for Education electronic system.

Membership – Chair Hillary Gordon reported on "Better with a Buddy". Calling all Daughters! Think about bringing a friend or eligible family member to a chapter meeting or event. Let them see what we do and invite them to be part of our vibrant society in service! Our next meeting will be the July 4th Annual Bell Ringers Breakfast (via Zoom).

Reports of Special

Committees:

Santa Fe Trail

Bicentennial Committee:

State Chair Patricia Barger

for information coming out soon on the celebrations planned for November 12-14 at Kearny Gap, Las Vegas and Santa Fe.

Records and Retention

Committee: Chair Lila Mohesky-Roybal gave the final report of the Committee which has accomplished its purpose.

American 250!

Committee – Chair Wendy Wirstrom. No report.

Volunteer Genealogy

Committee – Chair Wendy Wirstrom reported that the next GeneEDU lecture is scheduled for May 19 (third Wednesday of the month) at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. The Topic is *Reading Old Documents; Learn to Decipher the Information Found on Old Documents.*

Veterans Affairs

Volunteer Services

(VAVS) – Chair Veda King reported on the items needed the most at the VA as follows:

Items needed most –

Graphic t-shirts all sizes, men's denim pant of all sizes (especially 30-36 waist) and men's shoes in all sizes in good condition.

Comfort Items – shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors, combs, lotion, deodorant and body wash.

Canteen Books – they help pay for haircuts or purchase food items sold in the Canteen Cafeteria.

Clothing Items:

Underwear – all sizes. White

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:
 Librarian: Jennifer Hathaway



and black socks. Sweat of all sizes – top and bottom. Belts and reading glasses.

Recreational Therapy: Colored Pencils; 10 small packs and 2 large variety sets; and Crossword Puzzle Books and Mechanical Pencils.

Unfinished Business and General Orders: None.

New Business:

Announcements:

Annual 4th of July Bell Ringers Breakfast will likely be via Zoom. Watch your email for announcement and link.

Regent Mary McKinney thanked the officers and committee chairs for their service during her administration.

Program: Installation of 2021-2023 Officers by Chaplain Janet Cosgrove and New Member introduction and Oath of Membership Ceremony by Membership Chair Hillary Gordon.

Presentation of Gift to

Retiring Chapter Regent:

Helen Beatty presented a Nambe platter to Mary McKinney from her board.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Regent Helen Beatty at 11:48 a.m.

Meeting recorded by: Patricia French Barger, Recording Secretary

Lew Wallace Chapter

New Members

Cheryl Albertelli

Mary Catherine French

Linda Basilone

Morgan French

Taylor Gordon

Sarah French

Jennifer Espen

Anita Carr

Jennifer Gelhardt

Amanda Littleton

Marla Hoskins

Kelsey Littleton

Kelsey French

Wendy Wirstrom