

**Lew Wallace Chapter, NSDAR
REGENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Lew Wallace Members,

We have managed to get through our first Lew Wallace Chapter year post the COVID19 lockdown. It has been so nice meeting in person and getting back to the Albuquerque Country Club. I want to thank Hillary Gordon, Taylor Gordon, Wendy Wirstrom, and Jan Cutts for their diligence in presenting our meetings via Zoom to those unable to attend.

At our May meeting Diana Melendres presented a moving memorial for New Mexico DAR members who passed in the last two years. We also remembered two of our dear and special members who passed this year, Jean Tuttle and Lenore Stober.

I was also happy to acknowledge those who have participated on committees and as officers. The last page of this newsletter contains a list of committees. Look them over and decide which one would work for you. You can help an existing chairperson or feel free to become the chair of a committee that is calling to you.

We had an informative report regarding our Records Retention and Archiving from Lila Mohesky-Roybal.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Memorial Weekend. Jan Cutts and I attended the Historic Fairview Cemetery Self-Guided Tour and Memorial for those who passed in service to our country. We must never forget the ultimate gift they gave the citizens of this nation.

The Bell Ringer

Chapter
Newsletter



Our June Book Club choice is, "The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin." Just in time for the 4th of July. Join us for Book Club Monday, June 27 at 6:30 via Zoom.

I'm looking forward to attending the Lew Wallace Chapter Bell Ringer's Brunch on Saturday, July 2nd. Richard Melzer's informative presentation on "Interesting and Unusual Gravesites in New Mexico" will be fascinating.

Have fun this summer, and I look forward to seeing you in September.

Sincerely,

Helen Beatty,

Lew Wallace Chapter Regent

About Lew Wallace Chapter, NSDAR

Established in 1905, the Lew Wallace Chapter has honored the founding Daughters' 1890 mission of historic preservation, education, and patriotism.



Lew Wallace History

Extracted by Lenore Stober (1988)

July 1927: the Historian reported that our chapter was originally named the General Lew Wallace Chapter. (For the rest of that year, it was so called).

In October, a committee was named to decorate a float for the Armistice Day Parade. It won a \$25.00 prize.

A box of material and gifts for the Immigrants on Ellis Island and ones for Angel Island was gathered and sent for Christmas. \$70.00 was donated by members for the Soldiers Gift Fund. A New Mexico Stone was dedicated in Washington D.C.

The first mention of the PIONEER MOTHER ON THE NATIONAL OLD TRAILS HIGHWAY was made (by that name).

In **1928** a payment of \$100.00 was sent to Constitution Hall, and money was sent to the Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial, Angel Island, and for Immigrant manuals.

Washington's birthday was observed. The American International College requested and received a cash donation.

A letter was read from Senator Bratton requesting each DAR chapter be given a copy of the exercises at the dedication of the New Mexico Tablet in the Washington Monument.

Memorial trees were planted at 2 schools in memory of deceased members.

Chapter Officers

2021 2023

Chapter Regent
Helen Beatty

First Vice Regent
Mary McKinney

Second Vice Regent
Hillary Gordon

Chaplain
Diane Melendres

Recording Secretary
vacant

Corresponding Secretary
Kay Rogers

Treasurer
Jennifer Espen

Registrar
Wendy Wirstrom

Historian
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Lew Wallace Chapter, NSDAR 80th Annual Bell Ringers' Breakfast

Saturday | JULY
9:30 am | **02**
2022

Albuquerque Country Club
601 Laguna Blvd SW
Albuquerque, New Mexico



REGULAR EVENTS

Chapter Monthly Meeting
Third Saturdays, Sep-May

GeneEDU
Third Wednesday evening
via Zoom, Sep-May

Book Club
Last Monday every month
via Zoom, all year

Cemetery Cleanup
First Saturday 8:30 am
Historic Fairview Cemetery

Our program will be -

Famous and Unusual Gravesites

Dr. Richard Melzer
Author and Professor of History

Richard Melzer is a retired professor of history from the University of New Mexico's Valencia Campus. He is an award-winning author of many books, including two publications: *Fred Harvey Houses of the Southwest* and *Sanatoriums of New Mexico*.

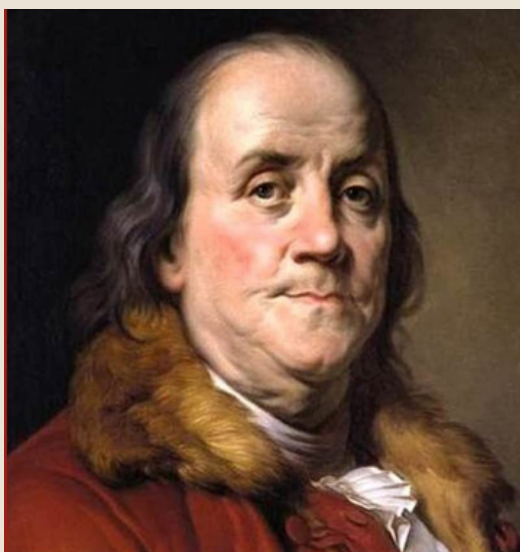
**Watch your email for
brunch reservation
information.**

Chapter Book Club Monday June 27

Questions?
Please contact Jenny Hathaway at
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**What We are
Reading Now**

The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin is the traditional name for the unfinished record of his own life written by Benjamin Franklin from 1771 to 1790; however, Franklin himself appears to have called the work his Memoirs.



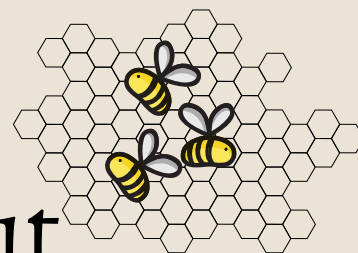
THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY
OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN
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CHAPTER BOOK CLUB

The Last Monday
of each month
6:30-7:30 pm
via Zoom

watch your email
for the link or log
in to the member
tab of the chapter
website to access
the calendar.



Don't Beee left out, Save the Date!

Check your email for
more buzz on the details!

August 4-6, 2022

NMSODAR
2022 State Workshop
Alamogordo, New Mexico



Red Pencil Posse

Questions?
Please contact Wendy Wirstrom at
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The Volunteer Genealogists Committee Red Pencil Posse

met last month to go over all of the open prospective member applications and some supplementals.

Jan Cutts, Hillary Gordon, Kay Rogers, Wendy Wirstrom and our State Registrar, Linda Alt.

We reviewed two very strong applications and made some headway on another dozen of them.

Not present was Dorothy Martin, who worked from home and completed six supplemental applications for one of our members.



Naturalization Ceremony Albuquerque Convention Center

Pam Biddle, Lew Wallace Chapter

On May 27, 2022, 196 applicants (representing 38 countries) took the Oath of Allegiance and became citizens of the United States. The Honorable Jerry H. Ritter, U.S. Magistrate Judge, presided over the ceremony. Mr. Arslan Umarov, Attorney at Law, Albuquerque, was the guest speaker. Mr. Umarov and his family were immigrants from Uzbekistan. He was graduated from the University of Memphis with a degree in International Business and received his law degree from the Texas Tech Law School. He and his wife and daughters have made New Mexico their home. The New Mexi-Chords, the Albuquerque chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, provided choral music during the ceremony. An Italian immigrant, who had just repeated the "The Oath of Allegiance to the United States" and was granted his U.S. citizenship, sang "God Bless America." All participants gave him a rousing ovation!

The next Naturalization Ceremony will be held on Friday, July 8, 2022, 10:00 A.M. All Albuquerque ceremonies are held at the Albuquerque Convention Center, 401 2nd Street NW.

