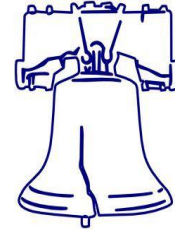


THE BELL RINGER NEWSLETTER



January & February Events:

- Jan 8: Fairview Cemetery Clean-up @ 9:00 AM
- Jan 15: Lew Wallace Chapter Monthly Meeting. 9:30 social; 10:00 meeting.
- Jan 17: Virtual Tech Talk @ 6:00-7:00 PM
- Jan 19: Virtual Genealogy Education @ 5:45-7:00 PM
- Jan 31: Virtual Book Club @ 6:00 PM
- Feb 5: Fairview Cemetery Clean-up @ 9:00 AM
- Feb 16: Virtual Genealogy Education @ 5:45-7:00 PM
- Feb 19: Lew Wallace Chapter Monthly Meeting. 9:30 social; 10:00 meeting.
- Feb 21: Virtual Tech Talk @ 6:00-7:00 PM
- Feb 28: Virtual Book Club @ 6:00 PM

Regent's Message – Helen Beatty

Dear Lew Wallace Members,

I wish you all a Very Happy New Year. I am looking forward to 2022 and all the dreams and promises a new year brings.

The prelude to 2022 has been quite an endeavor. The Chapter continued our Zoom meetings in September and October. We began our hybrid meetings, (in person and Zoom), in November and December, and we were able to find an alternate venue to help our chapter through this transition into the "In the flesh" meetings.

All through our ups and downs our members worked hard to promote the DAR Mission, and our efforts produced more than 2050 volunteer hours for 2021.

Please give yourselves a pat on the back and a big "Huzzah!"

Our Chapter is beginning the New Year with a new venue, (or the old one), at the Albuquerque Country Club. I am personally so excited to be back to the ACC.

Our price for the luncheon will be \$25.00. The easy access to parking, delicious lunches, great service, and the panoramic view of the golf course make our return well worth the cost. I hope to see our many members at the January 15th meeting.

Unfortunately, we will not have a hybrid Zoom meeting in January, but the hybrid Zoom meeting will return in February.

Our December meeting was very special as we welcomed our former Lew Wallace Regent and present State Regent, Patricia Barger. I was very proud of our members as Pat read aloud our accomplishments for 2021.

Regent Barger also spoke about her State Regent's Project, *Hotel Pollinators*. I have a whole new perspective on insects and animals that wander through the forest around my house in Cedar Crest. The small animals are not just cute, they are passive pollinators.

You can learn more about Pat's State Regent Project by reading the State Newsletter. If you want to contribute to the production of these "Pollinator Homes" I've listed some of the items used for this purpose under the heading "State Regent's Project". Remember, a million little bits of good may save our planet.

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State Regent Patricia Barger with Chapter Regent Helen Beatty at December LWDAR meeting

Regent's Message, continued

We honored our Chapter's *Outstanding History Teacher*, Karen Cox, at our December meeting. She received a beautiful certificate from the National Society and \$100 from a grateful Lew Wallace Chapter. It is inspiring to have a Lew Wallace member who is so knowledgeable about Revolutionary and New Mexico history.

At our January meeting we will elect delegates to our New Mexico State Conference, to be held from March 31 through April 3, 2022. It will be exhilarating to actually have a face to face get together.

I have enjoyed the Zoom meetings, and I am grateful to all our New Mexico State DAR members who worked so diligently to bring the state conferences and workshops to us via Zoom. Still, it will be nice to see our friends from all the New Mexico Chapters at this upcoming conference.

Our Lew Wallace Chapter is presented in the January/February Daughter's supplement to the American Spirit Magazine. On pages 89 to 93 our State Regent is surrounded by the New Mexico State Officers in her administration. Notably, two Lew Wallace members are state officers: Patricia Barger, State Regent and Suzanne Heske, Parliamentarian.

Included in this issue is a portrait of Suzanne Heske as candidate for Historian General, information about our State involvement in the Santa Fe Trail Celebration, and two memorial pages for our State Regents who passed away in 2021. Please take a moment to enjoy the Daughter's supplement and review our pages.

Our Book Club will resume virtually on January 31, 2022 at 6 PM after a two month hiatus. I'm looking forward to discussing our current book, "My Dear Hamilton" by Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie, and choosing a new book to read. Our chapter has read six Revolutionary novels since the beginning of 2021. Another big "Huzzah" for us.



LWDAR Outstanding History Teacher Karen Cox

For anyone wishing to join the book club, please attend on January 31. You will receive the Zoom link in your e mail. No need to have read or finished the book and you can help us choose the new book for February.

I hope to see you all at the Albuquerque Country Club in January and again, I wish you a Very Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Helen Beatty, Regent

Lew Wallace Chapter Officers **2021-2023**

Chapter Regent: Helen Beatty
1st Vice Regent: Mary McKinney
2nd 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

Lew Wallace History

Extracted by Lenore Stober, 1988

In 1917 the Chapter celebrated Washington's Birthday in an "Afternoon Affair in Colonial Costume". In April all DARs were instructed to join the Red Cross. In May a motion was made that the Chapter attend, in a body, the Woman's Auxiliary of the State Council of Defense. On June 9, a meeting was called to consider a special war business discussion. A representative of the DAR to be appointed to attend the monthly meeting of the Women's auxiliary of the State Council of Defense. The Chapter decided to secure work from the local Red Cross which it may do "as a unit" and decided to secure from the Navy League the directions for the knitted garments which the NSDAR had pledged itself to provide.

In July \$20 was donated for yarn to be secured from the Comforts Committee of the Navy League, Washington D.C. to be distributed at the August meeting. In October a motion was made and carried to buy a Liberty Bond immediately and to spend the amount necessary to "Keep our knitters busy". In November the motion was made and carried for the Chapter to send jelly to Camp Cody. In December the report was made "Success in soliciting jelly which was sent to the sick soldiers in the hospital at Camp Cody, Deming.

In 1918, 116 garments were sent to the State Regent. The wool garments were sent to "our Battleship New Mexico and the Destroyer Dale". The chapter participated in a Liberty Loan Parade, held teas to raise money for wool for garments, and to pay for shipping the garments to the Navy League, and also sold cold drinks at the Red Cross Rooms for this purpose.

In 1919 the Chapter decided to lay stress on Americanism and Patriotism in Education, and voted to "tax" each member \$1.50 to send to Washington as our share of a Patriotic Fund. A new "Committee on the Desecration of the Flag" was appointed. Decision was made to host a State Conference. In October the speaker was a representative from the YWCA appearing "In behalf of Tubercular girls, strangers in Albuquerque". A committee was appointed to get in touch with Tubercular Girls and bring the activities of the YWCA to them. The rest of the knit goods were sent to the Great Lakes Naval Station.

Committee Highlight: Genealogical Records Committee

The Genealogical Records Committee (GRC) was officially formed in 1932. The purpose of this committee is two-fold; to collect, preserve and increase the holdings of genealogical source materials in the DAR Library and to make those same records available through an online every-name index.

Volunteers can collect records from local organizations or from around their home and prepare them to be included in the proper state volume. GRC Reports are organized by state; therefore, the compiled records that make up a volume should all be collected from one state and labeled as such.

Records to COPY include:

- Revolutionary War military records
- Town council minutes
- County and town deeds and other land records
- Parish registers of marriages, births, and deaths
- Birth, marriage, and death records (vital records)
- Church records, including vestry minutes or session books
- Wills and estate records
- Bible records
- Final distribution of the estate records
- Tax lists
- Court order or minute books
- Historical funeral home records
- School censuses
- Tombstone inscriptions
- Newspaper accounts of births, deaths, and marriages
- Papers and letters of genealogical significance

Special emphasis should be given to records dated between 1880 and 1900 to compensate for the 1890 census, which was largely destroyed. However, this emphasis is not intended to exclude records from before 1880 or after 1900.

Types of Records NOT to Copy:

Information available on the Internet from such sources as Fold3, Ancestry.com, Find-A-Grave, FamilySearch, state library and state archive websites, etc. are not suitable for copying and submitting for GRC credit.

No credit will be given for copying and transcribing material found on the Internet. Additionally, materials like personal journals and diaries, personal letters, and family histories should not be included in volumes.

Bible Records Bible records are traditionally a major component of GRC Reports. In the GRC Report include an image the Bible's title page (if the Old Testament title page is missing use the New Testament title page).

If the date of publication is not shown on the title page also include an 8" image of the copyright page. For clarity and readability, a typed/printed transcription should immediately follow each photocopied Bible page.

If the place (city/town, county, state) of any event recorded in the Bible is known, add that data in brackets on the typed/printed pages. Include the years the Bible was in use and indicate who owned the Bible at the time of the abstract.

Visit the Lew Wallace Chapter website for event details and watch the slideshow of events.
<https://www.lewwallacedar.org>



Regent Helen Beatty delivering ROTC Medal and Certificate to UNM ROTC student, Cadet Bernadette Deremiah, at the December 9 ROTC Ceremony.

State Regent's Project: Pollinator Houses

Items needed for the Pollinator Houses:

- ✓ Upcycled/discarded/natural materials, e.g. bricks, rocks, wood shavings
- ✓ straw
- ✓ twigs
- ✓ wood pallets
- ✓ logs
- ✓ bamboo
- ✓ dried sunflower stems
- ✓ clay pots
- ✓ clay shards
- ✓ cinder blocks
- ✓ clay pipes and tiles
- ✓ gourds, i.e. materials that mimic natural nesting areas

Low Wallace Chapter, NSDAR Monthly Meeting

Saturday, January 15, 2022
9:30 Social - 10:00 Meeting

NO HYBRID MEETING IN JANUARY

Ladies, please remember that we are NOT having the meeting this month as a hybrid.

Our speaker: Dr. Patricia L. Crown presents "Chocolate in Chaco"

Crown uncovered the first evidence of chocolate consumption in North America—north of Mexico—in 2009, and her research has received national and international attention.

IN-PERSON ONLY:

Albuquerque Country Club

601 Laguna Blvd SW
Albuquerque NM 87104

MENU: Meatloaf Open-Faced Sandwich, topped with gravy, tumbleweed onions, served with Peruvian mashed potatoes, sautéed shallot, and garlic haricot vert

COST: \$25 for the meal; \$5 attendance only (no meal)

YOU MUST RSVP TO: Mary McKinney | mpmckinney505@comcast.net | 505-228-4098



Manuelito Navajo Children's Home

Items needed:

- Liquid Laundry Detergent
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Kleenex
- Band-Aids
- Windex, Lysol Cleaners, Soft Scrub, Pine-Sol, Bleach, Disinfected Wipes
- Dishwashing Liquid
- Aluminum Foil, Plastic Wrap & Wax Paper
- Plastic Spoons & Forks
- Shampoo & Conditioner

**No ink cartridges or soup labels are needed.

Low Wallace Chapter NSDAR
December 2021

Committee Highlight: Service for Veterans Committee

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

The VA Voluntary Services (VAVS) is now the Center for Development and Civic Engagement (CDCE).

The CDCE is an umbrella organization working with many worthy services who need our help. The needs are constant. Please consider collecting and donating the following:

- Comfort items - Shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors, shave cream, combs, lotion, deodorant, and body wash are the most popular items. We also service the Patients' Lodger Program. *Ward 7 has a special need for large bottles of shampoo, body wash and lotion.
- Infusion Clinic – Cans of regular coffee and snacks for Veterans undergoing dialysis.

- Community Living Center/SCI – Requesting snacks for Veterans who are unable to leave their area

- Clothing Items – Boxers & Briefs (all sizes), white & black socks and t-shirts (all sizes), men's denim or khaki pants of all sizes especially 30/32/34/36. Sweats of all sizes for both men and women. *The women's closet needs bras, underwear, and socks of all sizes as we are completely out of these items.

- Books/Magazines – Please be sure to call ahead when donating these items as we only have a small area to store them for distribution. We can accept magazines that are not older than 3 months and paperback books in good condition.

Please refrain from donating romance novels and kid's books.

Units have also been requesting puzzle books for inpatients. Please bring these items to our next meeting on January 15.

If you are unable to attend, please contact:

Veda King – 505-238-3524 or email at VedaKing505@gmail.com to arrange a pick-up.

Thank you for supporting our Veterans

Personalities Plus
2022

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
- 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 year 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."
Psalm 91:4

RECIPIENTS:

- A Peaceful Habitation
- Barrett House
- Care Net
- Casa de Mariposa
- Casa Fortaleza
- Crossroads
- Enlace Comunitario
- Family Promise
- God's Warehouse
- Haven House
- Healthcare for the Homeless
- Joy Junction – Christ in Power plus shelter
- SAFE House
- 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 – Personalities Plus ABQ
- Contact Jane Bickelman, jbick@comcast.net, 505 263 8366.