

Tucson Chapter 2022 – 2024 Term

Symbol: Statue of Liberty



"Cling to wisdom – she will protect you.
Love her – she will guard you.
Getting wisdom is the most important
thing you can do!
And with your wisdom, develop
common sense and good judgement."
– Proverbs 4: 6-7

Motto:

Some days are diamonds,
others are rocks.

Chapter Officers

Regent
Jo Clark

1st Vice Regent
Linda Magellan

2nd Vice Regent
Pattie Holter

Treasurer
Paige Faries

Chaplain
Carol Schultz

Recording Secretary
Dawn Graffam

Corresponding Secretary
Linden Hickey

Registrar
Karen Winchester

Historian
Norma Jones

Librarian
Pat Brutscher

Parliamentarian
Carole Wothe

Members At-Large
Rachael Charboneau
Mary Grasky
Lesley Hill

DAR Dispatch Editor/Layout
Linden Hickey



this issue

Chapter Officers | Regent's Message 1

Member Updates | In Memoriam |
ASDAR Chapter Website of the Month Award |
In Service to Our Community 2

What I Did on My Summer Vacation: Linda Keeler 3

Meeting Highlights | Upcoming Events 4

What We Were Up to This Fall – Photo Collage 5-6

What's a Lantern Chapter? We're One! 7

Regent's Message

Dear Tucson Chapter Members:

I want to thank you again for the opportunity to serve as your Regent. I hope you are enjoying the speakers at our Chapter Meetings, participating in service opportunities, and learning more about different projects in DAR. There are so many projects in which to participate, I know you will find something to interest you and speak to your heart.



Our January meeting brings us the opportunity to say "thank you" to our Veterans. Please consider bringing a Veteran as your guest – we want to salute him or her. Our guest speaker will be our own member Lt. Col. Linda Bryant (Ret). She will be talking about her experience of setting up the hospital for Desert Storm.

February is always full of special events, birthdays for the state of Arizona and Tucson Chapter and our one-and-only Anna Rutherford. Our guest speaker will be Katy Prather, Superintendent/CEO of Pima JTED.

In March, the Tucson Chapter will host the Cluster meeting at Lodge at Ventana Canyon Resort. Lots of surprises ahead for the Cluster. Information will be forthcoming just after the first of the year. The speaker at our March meeting will be Dr. Debra Kay sharing her talk, "Hello Girls – Women on the Front Lines in WWI."

Your Chapter Board is always ready to hear from you regarding speakers you think members will want to hear from. Just give us a call or email us with your suggestions.

In DAR friendship,

Jocelyn "Jo" Clark

Celebrating Our New “Stars”

We're so excited to welcome our new members (*and their Patriots*) who joined our chapter from August 6 through December 5, 2022. Welcome to the Tucson Chapter!

Edna Strobel – <i>James Ellison, Jr., VA, Soldier</i>	Katherine McFee – <i>William Hoffman, MD, Patriotic Service</i>
Elaine Schmid – <i>Abraham Blumer, PA, Staff Officer</i>	Leah Osborn – <i>Abraham Osborn, NJ, Lieutenant</i>
Diane Harris – <i>Abraham Blumer, PA, Staff Officer</i>	Robin Blomstrom – <i>James Morgan, VA, Private</i>
Sonya Hiser – <i>Wyseman Claggett, NH, Patriotic Service</i>	Sharyn Binam – <i>Daniel Seip, MD, Private</i>

Our “Stars” Who’ve Completed NSDAR Courses

- *Members Course* -

Sonja Baker

Susan Peters

- *GEP 2* -

Sonja Baker

To expand your knowledge of DAR, consider taking the *Members Course*, *New Horizons Course*, and/or *Committee Leaders Course*.

To expand your knowledge of genealogy, consider taking one of the GEP (Genealogy Education Programs) Courses.

See a chapter officer for more information on how to sign up for these programs.

In Memoriam

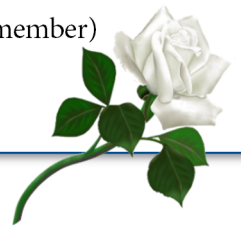
It is with great sadness that we report the passing of several Tucson Chapter Daughters this year:

Ernestine Crews

Darlene Grenier

Lee Gustus

Joella Schultz
(long-time former member)



Congrats to Tucson Chapter



We are thrilled to announce that Tucson Chapter's website won the Arizona State Society DAR Website of the Month for November 2022. This official stamp now graces our website. Way to go and kudos to our webmaster, Linda Magellan

In Service to Our Community

In September, to celebrate Constitution Week, committee chair Carol Schultz placed displays at several Tucson libraries. Librarians noted that the displays caught the interest of library patrons throughout the week's display. Carol also received a proclamation from Mayor Regina Romero and coordinated ringing of bells at several churches to commemorate Constitution Day on September 17th.

In October, Tucson Chapter Members, several HODARs (husbands of DAR) gathered to recognize NSDAR's Day of Service by working a shift at the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona. Our shift yielded an amazing 2,800 bags of food (28 pallets with 100 bags of groceries per pallet).

In December, Tucson Chapter Members and sister chapter members from El Presidio descended on Fisher House on the Southern Arizona VA Hospital campus to decorate for the holidays and provided a hot meal for the U.S. Air Force 355 EMS Equipment Maintenance Squadron, most of whom will not be going home for the holidays. Tucson members joined our sister chapters to lay wreaths on gravesites at East Lawn Palms Cemetery. Our newly formed Tucson Chapter Choir also performed, accompanied by Carol Wothe on keyboard.

Photos for these chapter service highlights and other chapter activities can be seen on pages 5 and 6 of this newsletter.

What I Did on My Summer Vacation (Salem & Gettysburg)

by Linda Keeler

Chapter Member Linda Keeler spent time on her summer vacation this year researching her genealogy. She shares her thoughts and experiences below.

Salem, MA

As a descendant of one of the women hanged during the Salem Witch Trials, I wanted to visit the sites. I belong to the Towne Family Association which includes my ancestor, Mary Towne Estey, and they planned a reunion in Salem, so it seemed like the perfect opportunity to go.

We saw a production of the sequence of events, took a trolley ride to see the city, toured a couple of locations that had individual plaques for those that were hanged. There were also lots of banquets, a speaker, and an auction. We finished by going to Putnam's Pantry for candy and ice cream. Fun people (distant relatives) and good times.

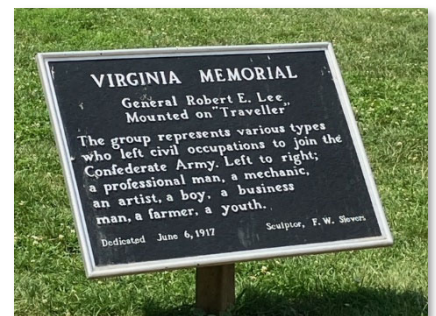


Gettysburg, PA

Next, we visited Gettysburg. I have three Michigan ancestors that fought in the Civil War. I joined the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. They held their national convention this year in Gettysburg. We wanted to go.

We took a driving tour of the battlegrounds; then the next day we took a two-hour bus tour of the grounds. Our guide was awesome and gave so much information that we didn't get just driving through. I had no idea how huge it was and how many monuments dotted the area.

Lots of banquets, members dressed in period clothes, and a presentation of the Virginia Reel and the Quadrille. Again, fun people and good times.



September Meeting Highlights

Honorary Regent Sherry Hardy shared that Tucson Chapter was able to "Rise and Shine" at the 131st Continental Congress. Tucson Chapter received a fabulous ribbon to attach to our DAR flag for 100% participation in the President General's Project, "Rise and Shine for America."

Jessica Agredano, Jennifer Dukes, Jolene Swanson, Linda Hampton, and Elaine Schmid took the oath of membership.

November Meeting Highlights

The Chapter welcomed Donna Nordin, who is a pioneer in the development of Southwestern Cuisine, as our guest speaker. Members may remember Donna as the owner of the now-closed *Café Terra Cotta*.

Claire Scheuren took the oath of membership.

Second Vice Regent, Pattie Holter, recognized special membership anniversary milestones.

October Meeting Highlights

State Regent Sallie Lovorn joined us to share information on her State Regent's project. Other State Officers also in attendance were: Sarah Ziker - State 1st Vice Regent., Sherry Garcia - State Corresponding Secretary, Tami Turner - State Organizing Secretary, Roberta Belville, State Librarian, and Bonnie Phillips, State Regents Project Chairman.

Jean Thomas took the oath of membership.

December Meeting Highlights

We changed our meeting venue for a festive luncheon at the Lodge at Ventana Canyon Golf & Racquet Club.

Catherine Young, State C.A.R. President, treated members to a presentation about her project: *Keeping the Old West Alive* with the 1890 Pony Express. Regent Jo Clark presented Catherine with a check in support of her project.

The ever-popular Sweater Contest resulted in four winners, congratulations to those members who really showed off their holiday spirit



Thursday, January 12 – Board of Directors Meeting @ 10am
St. Alban's Church, Rm. 10

Thursday, January 19 – Membership Meeting @ 11:30am
"Tribute to Veterans Luncheon"
Special Guest Speaker:
Lt. Col. Linda Bryant (ret.)
Desert Storm Hospital
St. Alban's Church, Parish Hall

Thursday, February 9 – Board of Directors Meeting @ 10am
St. Alban's Church, Rm. 10

Thursday, February 16 – Membership Meeting @ 11:30am:
"Tucson Chapter's 108th Birthday"
Special Guest Speaker:
Kathy Prather, Superintendent/CEO of Pima JTED
St. Alban's Church, Parish Hall

Saturday, March 4 – Southeast Cluster Meeting @ 11:00am
Lodge at Ventana Canyon
Golf & Racquet Club

Thursday, March 9 – Board of Directors Meeting @ 10:00am
St. Alban's Church, Rm 10

Thursday, March 16 – Membership Meeting @ 11:30am
Special Guest Speaker:
Dr. Debra Kaye "Hello Girls – Women on the Front Lines of WWI"
St. Alban's Church, Parish Hall

Thursday, April 13 – Board of Directors Meeting @ 10:00am
St. Alban's Church, Rm 10

Thursday, April 20 – Membership Meeting @ 11:30am
Special Guest Speaker: *Robert Vent*
"Historical Buildings/Homes in Tucson"
St. Alban's Church, Parish Hall



Baby Stocking Shower for Women Veterans



Constitution Day bell ringers



Food Bank Volunteers on DAR Day of Service



Bake Sale Turkeys just in time for Thanksgiving



Celebrating American Indian Heritage Month



Distinguished guests discussing the Constitution



Tucson Chapter well-represented at the Veterans Day Parade



Book Club Regulars Enjoying Another Good Read and Discussion



Our State Regent Visited Along with Some of Her Board Members



Making Garlands for
Fisher House



The Onsite Crew at
Fisher House



American Flag
Certificate presented
to the Ventana
Canyon properties



Gathering for the laying
of "Wreaths Across
America" at East Lawn
Palms



Regent's presentation of support for
State C.A.R. President's Project



Newly minted Tucson Chapter Choir
at their inaugural performance



Sweater contest
contestants!



Tucson Chapter Board
Members celebrate the
season at the December
luncheon

What's a Lantern Chapter? We Are One!



Regent Jo Clark recently received this email from Miki Leon Guerrero, Regent of the Mariana Islands (Guam) Chapter. Miki informed us earlier this fall that Tucson Chapter was eligible to be a Lantern Chapter because one of our regents transferred to organize their new chapter. You'll see several of our members sporting their new Lantern Chapter pins on their insignia ribbons. It's quite an honor to be recognized as a Lantern Chapter.

Hafa Adai Jo!

You will see Hafa Adai greetings in most everything I send out. Guam's indigenous people are CHamoru (formerly Chamorro until the ornithologists recently changed its spelling). I'm still getting use to the new spelling and I still use Chamorro instead. Hafa Adai is the indigenous Chamorro language expression that is used to greet people. It is one of Guam's Chamorro words that remains in daily use that has survived from the ancient Chamorro people who first inhabited Guam prior to Magellan's arrival.

I am originally from Nebraska and that is where I attended college. My husband is Chamorro. It is at the University of Nebraska that we met and after he proposed, I moved to Guam in 1977. Guam is now forever my home. We have two beautiful daughters who are half Chamorro and both are DAR Members. Except through Joyce O Segaloff, I have no connection to the Tucson Chapter but I do have a connection to the city of Tucson. My eldest daughter is a graduate of the University of Arizona and my husband and I visited Tucson several times while she was in college.

I would greatly love to receive the Tucson Chapter's newsletters and minutes once again. I have missed them greatly since Joyce's passing. I feel the same way you do about being Sister Lantern Chapters to each other. I am thrilled that you were able to give the news to your membership at your first Chapter meeting as Regent. What a wonderful way to start your term of Office! I was also delighted to hear that one of your Chapter members still remembers Joyce. She was a marvelous energetic woman.

The Mariana Islands Chapter has moved into its busiest time of the year. Between now through December we have multiple back-to-back community service projects which we participate in annually. While they will be consuming much of my time, I will try to pull together some information about Guam and send it to you for your Chapter members. Unless a family member served in the military or they are WWII history buffs, most people have never heard of Guam. Before I met my husband, I was one of those who didn't know Guam existed and he had to point out to me its tiny dot on the world globe.

I can't recall off hand if your Chapter does an American Indian Minute. We try to have one at all of our Chapter meetings. Upon our request, the American Indian Committee recognizes our indigenous Chamorros under its American Indian definition. On occasion I will send you information about one of our outstanding Chamorro women for your Chapter's American Indian Minute. If you have an outstanding American Indian from the Tucson region, please share with us for ours.

I hope that you have been participating in the Wright Administrations Webinars. If you have not watched DAR's Chapter Achievement Award and its Sparkle through Service to America webinars, I highly recommend that you watch them and read the information on the webinars' slides and answers to comments that are also available on line. Even though I have been Regent for several years, I learned a great deal from participating in both of these webinars and reading the accompanying slides. I am sure the Arizona State Regent has informed you of the changes made to CAA. They are good to reread from the slides. I wish that these two webinars had been available to me when I first became Regent.

My warmest regards. In DAR Friendship and In Service to America,

Miki Craig-Leon Guerrero, Regent Mariana Islands Chapter NSDAR (Guam, USA)
Sister Lantern Chapter to the Tucson Chapter NSDAR