

# *Tarheel Tattler*

*Fall 2015*

*North Carolina Society  
Children of the American Revolution*



*National Registrar Virginia Matsumoto receives a state project pin from State President Camille Edwards.*



*N.C.S.C.A.R. State President Camille Edwards tours Philadelphia, PA, during the National Board meeting.*

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## *Planning Calendar*

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**January 1, 2016**—Deadline: State Dues Postmarked January 1 to be eligible to vote at State Conference

**February 1, 2016**—Deadline: National Dues to Headquarters to be eligible to vote at National Convention

**March 18-20, 2016**—State Conference, Hilton in Greenville.



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- [North Carolina Society www.ncscar.com](http://www.ncscar.com)
- [National Society www.nscar.org](http://www.nscar.org)

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## State President's Message

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**G**reetings Fellow C.A.R. Members!  
The *Foundations of Freedom* state project is well underway! Summer Board in historic Bath was the perfect setting for a fun and productive meeting. After Summer Board, I attended three DAR District meetings, promoted *Foundations of Freedom* and sold many pins.

I hope you all had a very eventful and patriotic Constitution Week spreading the news of our *Foundations of Freedom*. The “pocket” Constitutions for the state project were sent out during Constitution Week. If you did not receive a “pocket” Constitution please let me know, and we will gladly send you one! On the last day of Constitution week, I had the pleasure of presenting a program to four 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes at Sam D. Bundy Elementary School! This was an amazing experience for me. It felt like I was spreading the word of patriotism not just to my local C.A.R. members, but to others in my community! Also in September, I visited the Johnathan Hunt DAR Chapter, the David Cockerham C.A.R. Society, and the Smith Bryan DAR Chapter. I am very excited to welcome our new society, Salt Works society in Newport, NC. Their first meeting, where I swore in new society officers, was September 13<sup>th</sup>! We are very pleased to have this new society and we wish them the best of luck on their C.A.R. journey.

In October, State Vice President Mary Lee Howell and I set out on yet another adventure. We went to Philadelphia, PA for the National Board meeting. While there we visited numerous historical places like Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, and the U.S. Constitution Museum. This was an amazing experience seeing where our Founding Fathers met, discussed and established our country. The General George Washington Chapter SAR welcomed me to speak to their chapter on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October. On November 7<sup>th</sup>, members of the Kingston Society and the Dr. Robert Williams Society walked in the Kinston Veteran’s Day Parade!

On November 14<sup>th</sup>, we had a successful Winter Board meeting at the Duke Homestead in Durham, NC. The members enjoyed a picnic lunch in the lovely outdoors and then enjoyed exploring the grounds of the Duke Homestead!

The Nominating Committee for this year is Joel Johnston, Chairman, Carol Gause and Daisy Dolicker. They will prepare a slate of State Officers for the 2016-17 term of office. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please contact these members and let them know. State Conference will be here before you know it! I am getting excited and I would love to see everyone there at the Greenville Hilton, March 18 – 20, 2016!

For the remainder of the C.A.R. year, I encourage you all to study the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. These documents were vital to the founding of our country and I believe that it is our duty to learn more about them. They are just as important today as they were back then. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

*Camille Edwards, State President*

## Senior State President's Message

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I hope your local society has been meeting and making plans to promote the State and National projects so you will be able to enter the contests offered by officers and chairmen. I encourage you to learn more about the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution as they are the *Foundations of Freedom* for our country. Be sure to promote the State President's Project to raise money for the Fleming Scholarship Fund by purchasing a project pin or making a donation. I also encourage you to participate in the National President's Project, *Road to Independence*, to raise funds to support the conservation and preservation of General George Washington's sleeping and office tent. This tent will be on exhibit in the Museum of the American Revolution, which is currently under construction in Philadelphia.



Following the Summer Board meeting it was off on the DAR District tour across the state to promote C.A.R. I attended meetings in Winston-Salem, Southport, Greenville, Roxboro and Greensboro to set up a display promoting the State President's Project, selling project pins, and selling the *Road to Independence* candy bars to promote the National President's Project. The DAR ladies were very generous and their support was greatly appreciated.

The next week we visited the Hilton Hotel in Greenville to begin making plans for State Conference. It's a beautiful facility and will be a great location for our conference next year. Be sure to mark your calendar for **March 18-20, 2016** to be there for all the events. Details will be forthcoming in the next issue of the *Tarheel Tattler*.

It was exciting to attend the organizing meeting of the Salt Works Society in Newport on September 13. Other members and seniors were in attendance and the State President installed their new officers. The society was officially confirmed at the Sr. National Board Meeting in October and Michelle Velten was appointed as the Sr. Society President. This makes the second new society to be confirmed in 2015.

The General Davie DAR Chapter in Durham invited me to attend their October meeting and share info on the process to organize a C.A.R. society. They chose to organize using the name Dolley Madison, which was approved at the Sr. National Board meeting and Patricia Poe was appointed the Sr. Organizing President. The next step for them is to get applications approved for at least 6 members.

The Sr. National Board Meeting was attended in Williamsburg, Virginia, October 17-19 where a report was given on C.A.R. activities in North Carolina. Part of this event was participating in the Yorktown Day celebration, which included a wreath laying, a delicious Brunswick stew lunch, a parade and an elegant reception. It was a joy to be part of the festivities.

Since there were a number of issues not completed at Summer Board, there was a Special Sr. Board Meeting held on October 24. Good things were accomplished, including approving the revised budget.

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*On the Cover — State President, Camille Edwards and Mary Lee Howell visit the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia, PA.*

# *National Board Meeting*

*Camille Edwards and Mary Lee Howell attend National Board meeting in Philadelphia, PA.*



*Camille and Mary Lee strike a funny pose in Philadelphia.*



*Independence Hall in Philadelphia.*



*Outside of the building which houses the Liberty Bell.*

## *Winter Board Meeting*

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*Isham Blake Society members Joel and William Johnston are presented with a state project pin at Winter Board.*



*Charles Maus of the General John Ashe Society gives his report at Winter Board.*



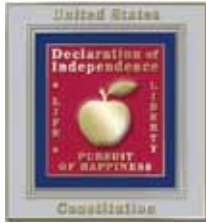
*Honorary State President Alexandria Swaim receives a state project pin from State President Camille Edwards.*



*Members and seniors enjoyed a picnic lunch on the grounds of Duke Homestead.*

## 2015-2016 State President's Project

This year N.C.S.C.A.R. will be focusing on our *Foundations of Freedom*, or our founding documents, the Declaration



of Independence and the US Constitution. Abraham Lincoln once described the Declaration of Independence as the “apple of gold” and the Constitution as the “frame of silver” around it. The Constitution protects the rights proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence. “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.” The Constitution protects these rights and we need to be aware of them, and protect them, so our nation can continue to thrive and prosper. Having knowledge and an understanding of our founding documents is a great responsibility we have as American citizens. I plan to distribute pocket Constitutions to every C.A.R. member across the state and help provide an understanding of our *Foundations of Freedom*.

Funds raised beyond those needed for distributing pocket Constitutions will be donated to the Robert B. Fleming, Jr. Scholarship Fund. Since focusing on education is a substantial part of my project, I felt continuing this fund is important for the North Carolina Society C.A.R. The Fleming Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000, is awarded annually to an eligible C.A.R. member to assist with college expenses. This scholarship was established in honor of Robert B. Fleming, Jr. (1970-1983) who was an active member of C.A.R. when he passed away at the young age of 13.

## National President's Project

The 2015 – 2016 National President's Project is to raise funds for the “First Oval Office” permanent exhibit at the Museum of the American Revolution. Many places claim that George Washington spent the night, but how many people can say they have saved, made a home for, and promoted education about the room where General George Washington spent the entire Revolutionary War? We are presented with this unique opportunity! The Museum of the American Revolution is a brand new museum located in the historic heart of Philadelphia, the city that served as the headquarters of America's independence and founding. Located a few blocks from the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall, this museum will be the home of the First Oval Office, General George Washington's marquis tent. Within this tent George Washington was visited by Founding Fathers, Great Ladies, Military Leaders, and Important Allies from 1775 - 1783. Together we can travel the “Road to Independence” and ensure the preservation of our nation's history with the Museum of the American Revolution, and create a permanent home for the First Oval Office. Together we can introduce the next generation to what we hold important — Independence, Service, and Patriotism.





## *Local Society & Member News*

### **David Cockerham Society**

The David Cockerham Society met with Jonathan Hunt DAR on September 12, 2015 at Cross Creek Country Club. State President Camille Edwards presented her program on the Constitution. We all learn more about our Constitution each time we hear and ask questions about it. We had four members present and our senior.

On October 17th, our society attended the Battle of Shallow Ford ceremony along with DAR chapters, SAR and Descendants of British Loyalist. Ann Brownlee gave the history and accounts of the Battle and David Cockerham President Carol Gause reported on her patriot Captain William Bobbitt, who actually fought in the Battle of Shallow Ford. Our senior, Tina Gause laid a wreath for the Jonathan Hunt DAR and Carol Gause laid a wreath for the David Cockerham C.A.R. Society. Afterwards the members enjoyed a tour of the area where the battle was fought.

The Winter Board Meeting at the Duke Homestead was attended by members Carol Gause, Micki Bur-



*David Cockerham Society members attend Winter Board meeting at Duke Homestead in Durham, NC.*

cham, Emily Burcham, Dee Cockerham and Senior Society President, Tina Gause on November 14<sup>th</sup>. The



*David Cockerham Society members attended the Battle of Shallow Ford ceremony.*

group enjoyed touring the museum and surrounding grounds with a wonderful lunch outside in the picnic area.

### **Dr. Robert Williams Society**

The Dr. Robert Williams Society celebrated Constitution Week in a



*State President Camille Edwards presented her program on the Constitution.*

big way! On Constitution Day, members Savannah Price and Camille Edwards joined the ladies of the Major Benjamin May Chapter DAR and gentlemen from the Gen. George Washington Chapter SAR for a bell ringing and celebration of the Constitution on the grounds of the May Museum followed by a society meeting. Later during Constitution Week, State President and society member Camille Edwards started the morning by speaking to all four classes of 5<sup>th</sup> graders at the local elementary school, Sam D. Bundy. Each of the students seemed to listen intently and appreciate receiving their very own copy of the Constitution.

The Dr. Robert Williams Society appreciated the kind invitation of the Kingston Society to join them for the Kinston Veterans Parade on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Members walked and handed out National President's Project candy bars to children along the parade route. On Veterans Day, member Cor-



*Members enjoyed a picnic lunch at Winter Board.*

bett Hughes was able to join the Major Benjamin May Chapter DAR for a "Reading of Names" on the Farmville Town Common.

The Winter Board meeting was lots of fun on the grounds of the Duke Homestead. Members met and enjoyed a picnic lunch and toured the grounds of the Homestead.



*State President Camille Edwards, Senior Society President Frankie Moye, Regent Gay Davenport and Savannah Price on Constitution Day.*



*Major Benjamin May Chapter DAR, General George Washington Chapter SAR and Dr. Robert Williams Society C.A.R. on Constitution Day.*

### **Joel Lane Society**

On October 8, five members and six seniors visited Peggy's Hearth & Garden in Franklinton, North Carolina. Owner Peggy McGhee showed the children what life was like for colonists

## *Local Society & Member News continued*

in the 1700s. This attraction is part of the Ben Franklin Society of Franklin County North Carolina that supports and encourages innovation just as one of the American founding fathers, Ben Franklin, did with his inventions. Peggy and her husband made their kitchen with wood from their own land in the size of a typical family home of that time which had one room and a large open fireplace for cooking. Peggy taught the group interesting facts about cooking during that period. For example, sifting flour was primarily to get the bugs out of it rather than to make it light like nowadays. Also, the cook kept her coat nearby in case her skirt accidentally caught fire so she could quickly smother it out. Peggy has collected many tools from this era that she displays including horns used for gun powder and cups.

Outside, the group got to see a demonstration on how brooms were fashioned from corn tassels, and sponges and well water ladles were made from gourds. Then each child



*Joel Lane members saw how Peggy's Garden grows during a tour.*

took a turn churning butter. The garden was in full bloom and members got to harvest some items. At the end of the tour Kate, Garrison, and Audrey voluntarily posed for pictures in the pillory. A pillory is a wooden frame with holes for the head and hands used to imprison an offender and allow them to be publicly attacked by people throwing tomatoes and such at them! Overall this trip was a thoroughly enjoyable, hands-on, educational experience.

On Saturday, November 14th, several Joel Lane Society members and seniors took the short jaunt to Duke Homestead in Durham to attend the Winter Board Meeting. Afterwards the group had a picnic lunch outside and toured the Duke Homestead, grounds, and onsite museum. We learned that the Duke family grew and sold tobacco that was a crop the Native Americans introduced them to. While we know now that using tobacco is not good for your health, still the museum chronicles how North Carolina is at the heart of an international tobacco empire that was a main source of the State's wealth generation in the 1800



*Joel Lane Society members at Peggy's Hearth & Garden in Franklinton, NC.*

and 1900s. The museum audio tells how brightleaf tobacco was discovered by accident when the leaves were dried quickly by burning coal, turning the leaves yellow instead of brown. The museum also has old machinery used to make and package cigarettes, and tools for rolling cigars. There you can also view the “World’s Largest Collection of spittoons” used with chewing tobacco, followed by some old cigarette vending machines. Mrs. Ditmore remembered how she used to want to pull the knobs on the old machines to dispense the cigarettes for her Mom when she was a kid. The Duke family started not only tobacco companies, but also funded orphanages, and a business that later became the Duke Energy Company among numerous other business ventures.

### Rowan Resolves

In September, we explored a 17<sup>th</sup> century reenactment camp at Fort Dobbs. We attended a session of an impersonator of Attakullakulla, a Cherokee peace chief at the time of the French-Indian War. He contrasted the differences in the roles of men, women, boys and girls in the Cherokee way of life and that of the European’s. He discussed a variety of artifacts and what they were used for. He talked about the customs and dealing with the first settlers of the area. He recounted his life and role in the French-Indian War and the Revolutionary War.

In October, the group braved the haunted streets of Downtown Salisbury, NC on the ghost walk tour. Salisbury has a rich history dating back to Colonial times. We heard stories of ghosts still roaming the Confederate prison, various officers, men, women



*Rowan Resolves members with  
“Attakullakulla”*

and children still haunting certain areas and homes in the Downtown area. We learned that a portion of the downtown area was actually built onto top of the old town. It was a chilling experience when, armed with our “ghost radar detectors”, several ghosts surrounded us and started speaking to us through our phones. Several members of our group captured orbs and transparent figures with their cell phone camera. If you have not had a chance to do this, we would highly recommend it. Their website is [www.salisburyghostwalk.com](http://www.salisburyghostwalk.com). The gallery shows some of the actual photographs from previous professional paranormal investigations and/or ghost walk tours. During our tour, we were able to listen to a few of the recordings from actual professional paranormal investigations.

### Kingston Society

The Kingston Society has been busy. In September members learned about the National Presidents Project and the NCSCAR State Presidents Project. Members also learned how to take minutes and the importance of taking them. Megan Benedict spoke about her duties as State Recording

## *Local Society & Member News continued*

Secretary. Senior State Recording Secretary Valerie Howell spoke about her duties as well. Members talked and learned about the Endowment Fund from Davis Benedict and Senior Chair Pam Gerding. Mary Lee Howell gave a report about her duties as State Vice President. She talked about her contest. She is also a National Chairman and gave a report about her duties as NSCAR Printing Chairman. Lauren Fletcher gave a report about her contest of American Heritage. A report was given by Senior Society President Pam Gerding on the National and Merit Award. Member Hannah Gerding is the State Chairman for National and Merit Award. Members also learned about Constitution Week that was September 17-23. Everyone talked about their pocket Constitutions and how great it was to have one. Members learned about what the duties were for the State Historian. Kingston Society



*Kingston Society members took part in the Veteran's Day parade.*

plans to make a scrapbook this year.

In October members were not able to meet because of the hurricane off shore and heavy rains. Member Mary Lee Howell was able to attend National Board in Philadelphia on October 9-11. She and NCSCAR President Camille Edwards had a fun time attending the meeting. Mary Lee also visited the Kinston Veterans Home along with members of the Moseley-Bright Chapter DAR to deliver needy items.

In November members Davis Benedict, and Mary Lee Howell along with NCSCAR State President Camille Edwards marched in the Kinston Veterans Day Parade. Donated candy bars were handed to children standing along the parade route by members. Members marched with a retired War Dog named Ben. Members Megan and Davis Benedict as well as Mary Lee Howell attended Winter Board. Fun was had by all.

In December members plan to attend a Wreaths Across America Ceremony in Jacksonville. They also plan to tour other sites and have lunch.



*Mary Lee Howell along with NCSCAR State President Camille Edwards at the Winter Board meeting.*

### **Brown Marsh Bridge Society**

**O**n September 17, Brown Marsh Bridge Society members participated in the Constitution Week commemoration on the lawn of the courthouse in Elizabethtown. Five C.A.R. members and two prospective members were in attendance for the bell ringing ceremony. This event was sponsored by the Battle of Elizabethtown DAR Chapter.

Society members Caleb and Sarah-Brooke Rivenbark have become Cross Country track stars on their track teams. Both consistently finished in the top ranks at each meet their teams ran. Caleb is a junior at Centerville High School and Sara-Brooke is in the ninth grade at Cy-Falls High School.

Langley Kinlaw serves as State Treasurer and was recently inducted into the Beta Club.

### **Governor Alexander Martin Society**

**T**he Governor Alexander Martin Society has enjoyed learning about our state and national projects at our monthly meetings. Society President Grayson Swaim, besides leading each



*Prospective Member Abbie Page enjoys the Governor Alexander Martin Society meetings.*

monthly meeting and attending the Winter Board Meeting in Durham, also represented us well in the Veteran's Day Parade in Lexington, NC. He marched with his JROTC troop from Central Davidson High School.

Member Alexandria Swaim is a Freshman at Meredith College in Raleigh studying International Politics. She joined us for the Winter Board Meeting and serves as the State Awards Chairman.

Prospective Member Abbie Page faithfully attends our monthly meetings and took part in the DAR Day of Service representing our society in accordance with CAR/DAR/SAR/SR Relations.

Society President Grayson Swaim proudly marched in the Veteran's Day Parade in Lexington, NC. He is a member of the Central Davidson High School JROTC.

### **French Broad River Society**

**O**n September 17, 2015, Elizabeth and Beckett Chapman took part in the Constitution Day event in Bre-



*Elizabeth and Beckett Chapman took part in the Constitution Day event.*

## *Local Society & Member News continued*



*Elizabeth and Beckett Chapman of the French Broad River Society thank Veterans for their service on Veteran's Day.*

vard. Nancy Funston, Regent of the Waightstill Avery Chapter DAR, introduced the French Broad River Society members before hearing Elizabeth speak.

Elizabeth and Beckett Chapman took part in the annual Veterans Day ceremony at the court house in Brevard on November 11, 2015. Elizabeth brought greetings and thank you to those attending. Beckett is wearing a USMC outfit. Col. Larry Chapman is on the left.

French Broad River Society CAR member, Beckett Chapman, honored a Korean veteran at Davidson River Cemetery on Nov. 13. He was asked to place a rose at the grave. The veteran was Mrs. Chapman's neighbor when her family moved to Brevard in 1963. He was always in a wheelchair. As a teenager, she never asked how he lost his leg.

### **Eleanor Wilson Society**

**T**he Eleanor Wilson Society is having a lot of fun this fall. We met in September and planned our activities

for the first half of the year. Our first activity was a visit to Historic Rural Hill which is the former home of three generations of Major John and Violet Wilson Davidson. For all of you North Carolinians, Major Davidson is a key figure in our state as he was a signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, heralded to be the first official declaration of independence from British rule. This declaration was signed at 2 AM on May 20, 1775. Next time you look at the North Carolina flag, notice this date is contained in one of the scrolls.

Our visit to this historic site, which is a nature preserve as well as a working farm, included participation in the annual Amazing Maize Maze. While mazes have been popular for centuries, corn mazes are the American interpretation of the European mazes and labyrinths, which have entertained royalty and their guests for centuries. This is our second year attending this



*Members and guests of the Eleanor Wilson Society along with their adult helper, Kelly.*



*The Wild West puzzle gameboard.*

activity as we enjoyed it tremendously last year.

There is a theme each year and the theme for this year was “The Wild West Trails.”

The game board above was completely blank. The goal is to make your way around the maze to collect pieces. Once you have a piece of the puzzle, you then work to find your way through the maze based on the information you just found. Finding your way out of the maze in as short a time as possible is the ultimate goal.

Having invited guests, we had enough people to divide into teams to compete for the fastest completion time. The team consisting of Drake Brookshire, Josh Stacey, Ella Brookshire, Katherine Black and our Senior Society President, Deborah Walker, was successful in completing the maze just a few minutes ahead of our other team composed of Willow Brookshire, Deliah Starnes, Hayley Starnes, Kelly Brookshire and Mark Brookshire.

After the completion of the maze, we had a picnic lunch and conducted our business meeting.

In November, we met at the Mint Hill Public Library to work on the Government Studies competition.



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Upon completion of our business portion of the meeting, we signed Christmas cards to be sent to Crossnore School and then proceeded to research the Magna Carta, the United States Constitution, and the North Carolina Constitution. We were amazed at the similarities and differences. We are working to compile a program and a comparison document to showcase our work. We hope to share our findings with the Clear Creek Militia DAR chapter in the future.

We will be meeting with our DAR chapter in December. January will find us planning the rest of our year. We hope to have our new transferred members as well as our two new prospective members join us soon.



*Merry Christmas*

## *Called Senior State Board Meeting*

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### **Called Senior State Board Meeting Saturday, October 24, 2015 Golden Corral, US 1 North Wake Forest, NC**

The Senior State Board met for a Called meeting on Saturday, October 24, 2015 at Golden Corral in Wake Forest. Senior State President, Carolyn Coordes, presided and called the meeting to order at 10:43 am. Frankie Moye, Dr. Robert Williams Society Senior President, gave the invocation and devotion.

The Senior State President briefly reported on the National Senior Board Meeting she attended in Williamsburg, VA on October 17-19, 2015: Salt Works Society was confirmed; Dolley Madison Society name approved and Patricia Poe approved as Organizing Senior Society President; Governor Benjamin Smith Society disbanded. Also, there is interest in organizing a Society in the Asheville area.

Several budget items addressed at the Summer Senior Board Meeting were reviewed; approved keeping the State Life Member dues option with a re-

quest to improve promotion of this membership option; heard concerns about reimbursement for expenses of the Southeastern Regional meeting. After discussion, Gayle Watson moved to approve the revised budgets. Renee Horne seconded. The motion passed. It was suggested in the future a committee be formed from the new Senior State Board to review the budget before it is submitted to members.

The Board suggested that allocation of donated money (DAR, SAR) be shown on the budget document. The Senior State President reminded members that based on the State By-laws, the Senior State Treasurer is required to submit a budget for approval at the Summer Board.

After discussion it was agreed to change the debutante early payment deadline in the N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook from October 1 to November 1. A motion to make the change will be presented at Winter Board. The Board requested that Senior Society Presidents be notified of eligible members at the time that invitations are sent to individual members.

The Senior State President

recommended changing the distribution method of the *Tarheel Tattler* newsletter to mostly e-mail due to printing and postage costs. It was suggested that the eventual goal might be to post it on the State website and e-mail members when it is available. Missing and incorrect e-mail and postal addresses continue to be an issue.

The Senior State President appointed the following committee to prepare a draft revision to Section 3. State President's Project, Subsection 3.2 in the N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook to be presented at Winter Board: Gary Horne, Valerie Howell, Ann Utter, and Michael Hughes (mem-

ber), with the Senior State President acting as advisor.

After discussion, the Board agreed to discontinue the C.A.R. Gift Shop and remaining items were purchased by those attending.

Sarah Ditmore, Sr. State Historian, announced that judging of the Society scrapbooks will occur at a specific day and time, and, digital scrapbooks will be accepted this year in addition to the traditional books.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

Valerie Howell, Senior State Recording Secretary



*State President Camille Edwards presents her report at the annual Winter Board Meeting at Duke Homestead in Durham, NC.*

## *Winter Board Meeting*

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**Winter Board Meeting  
November 14, 2015  
Duke Homestead State Historic  
Site and Tobacco History  
Museum  
Durham, NC**

The Joint Winter Board Meeting was held on Saturday, November 14, 2015 at Duke Homestead State Historic Site and Tobacco History Museum in Durham, NC. Senior State President, Carolyn Coordes, called the meeting to order at 10:41 AM and introduced State President, Camille Edwards, who presided.

State Chaplain, Michael Hughes, gave the invocation. State Vice President, Mary Lee Howell, led the Pledge of Allegiance. State Historian, Carol Gause, led the Star Spangled Banner. Davis Benedict led the American's Creed. William Johnston led the C.A.R. Creed. Charles Maus led the Preamble to the Constitution. State Registrar, Audrey Ditmore, gave the Welcome.

State President, Camille Edwards, welcomed everyone and recognized distinguished guests, including National Registrar, Virginia Matsumoto.

State Recording Secretary, Megan Benedict, moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the Joint Summer Board

Meeting. Mary Lee Howell seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The Senior State President gave her report and announced that the Salt Works Society in Newport, NC was confirmed at the Senior National Board Meeting in Williamsburg, VA and a new Society in Durham was approved to organize. The name will be the Dolley Madison Society. Patricia Poe will be the Senior Organizing President. State President, Camille Edwards, gave her report. She announced funds raised through sale of pins and donations totaling \$3,051.00 for her State Project. She attended the National Board Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, October 9-11. During Constitution Week she presented her project, "Foundations of Freedom" to all the 5<sup>th</sup> graders at Sam D. Bundy Elementary School in Farmville. Pocket-size copies of the Constitution were distributed to all N.C.S.C.A.R. members.

The State Officers present gave their reports. In the absence of the State Treasurer, Mary Lee Howell presented the State Treasurer report. The balance to date in the N.C.S.C.A.R. account is \$23,887.74 which includes General Fund checking, \$4,704.85; General Fund Money Market, \$3,356.85; State President's Fund Money Market, \$5,588.75 (\$500 deducted in



*North Carolina Society C.A.R. members attended the Winter Board Meeting at Duke Homestead in Durham, NC.*

August for Camille Edwards per N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook, Section 2.4), Fleming Scholarship Fund Money Market, \$10,237.29 (\$1,000 deducted for Alexandria Swaim per N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook, Section 2.3).

State Chairmen and Society Presidents reported.

State President, Camille Edwards, announced the appointment of the Nominating Committee. They are Joel Johnston, Chairman, Isham Blake Society; Carol Gause, David Cockerham Society; and Daisy Dolicker, Joel Lane Society.

Project pins were presented to Alexandria Swaim, Grayson Swaim, William Johnston, Joel Johnston, and Virginia Matsumoto.

In addressing unfinished business, Senior State President, Carolyn Coordes, in the absence of the Senior State Treasurer, reported that at the Called Senior State Board Meeting in October the bud-

get for 2015-2016 was approved after revisions.

Under new business, Michael Hughes made a motion to revise Section 3, State President's Project, Subsection 3.1 in the N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook (p. 73) to remove the words "including estimated cost" due to the fact that when the project is presented, the estimated cost may not be known. The motion also included a proposed revision to Section 3.2 to allow State Society funds to be used for the advance purchase of fundraising items for the State President's Project with approval of the Senior State Board or a committee appointed by the Senior State President. After receiving documentation showing the total cost of items, the Senior State President will authorize the Senior State Treasurer to write a check to purchase the items. That amount shall be deducted from the donations received for the project and

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the net proceeds will then go toward the project. Mary Lee Howell seconded. The motion was adopted.

Max Guest made a motion to revise Section 5, Debutante Presentation, Subsection 5.3 in the N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook (p. 74) to change the date for early registration from October 1<sup>st</sup> to November 1<sup>st</sup>. Grayson Swaim seconded. The motion was adopted.

Both motions will be forwarded to the Senior State Board for approval.

Mary Lee Howell read the announcements and reminded members of deadline dates for the following :

State Contest entries deadline is February 29, 2016, National Contest entries deadline is March 1, 2016, State Merit Award entry deadline is February 29, 2016, National Merit Award entry deadline is March 1, 2016, and State Conference is March 18-20, 2016 at the Hilton Hotel in Greenville, NC (more details in the January issue of the *Tarheel Tattler*).

The meeting recessed at 11:51 AM. Members toured the Tobacco History Museum and took a group picture while the Senior State Board met.

The Senior State Board Meeting was called to order at 11:53 AM by Senior State President, Caro-

lyn Coordes, who presided. The motions to revise Section 3, State President's Project, Subsections 3.1 and 3.2 were discussed. Gary Horne moved to amend the revised Subsection 3.2 by adding the words "and approval by the Senior State Board" after "total cost of items" and to delete the words "to write a check to purchase the items" and replace with "make payment toward the purchase of the items". Julia Floyd seconded. The motion passed. The amended revised subsection would then read:

Amended Revision to Section 3, State President's Project, Subsection 3.2 – N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook

State Society funds may be used for the advance purchase of fundraising items (including tax, shipping, and handling costs) for the State President's Project with approval of the Senior State Board or a committee appointed by the Senior State President. After receiving documentation showing the total cost of items, and approval by the Senior State Board, the Senior State President will authorize the Senior State Treasurer to make payment toward the purchase of the items. That amount shall be deducted from the donations received for the project and the net proceeds will then go toward the project.

For accounting purposes, do-

nations to the State President's Project, while held in State Society accounts, are not considered State Society funds. No State Society funds may be donated to or used to support expenses of the State President's Project except to offset advance purchase of fundraising items as noted above. Distribution of special contributions (eg. from the DAR, SAR or other source) may be determined by motion of the State Board and approved by the Senior State Board, and may include a portion going to the State President's Project before becoming State Society funds.

Gary Horne moved to approve revised Subsections 3.1 and 3.2 as amended and Rebecca Bottoms seconded. The motion passed. Julia Floyd moved to approve the State Board's motion to revise Section 5 Debutante Presentation, Subsection 5.3 and Rebecca Bottoms seconded. The motion passed.

Mrs. Coordes announced that the Senior State Treasurer informed her that the bank where the State Society's funds are deposited is requiring a copy of the Senior State Board's minutes stating that the current Senior State President, Carolyn Coordes, is authorized to sign checks on the N.C.S.C.A.R. account. Mrs. Coordes was installed as Senior State President at the C.A.R. National Convention in April 2014 for a two-year term (2014-2016). Elizabeth Johnston

moved that the name of Bryan Jones, former Senior State President, be removed from all bank accounts and the name of Carolyn Coordes be added. Gary Horne seconded. The motion passed.

The minutes from the October 24, 2015 Special Senior State Board Meeting will be published in the next issue of the *Tarheel Tattler*.

The Senior State Board Meeting adjourned at 12:22 PM.

The Joint Winter Board Meeting was called back to order at 12:26 PM. Mrs. Coordes reported that, after amending Subsection 3.2, the motions to revise Subsections 3.1, 3.2 and 5.3 of the N.C.S.C.A.R. Handbook were approved by the Senior State Board.

State Chaplain Michael Hughes gave the benediction and the blessing.

State President Camille Edwards adjourned the meeting at 12:31 PM.

Members enjoyed a picnic lunch after which they toured the Duke Homestead house, outbuildings, and grounds. Thank you to the General James Moore Chapter, NSDAR, for painting the picnic tables prior to the meeting.

Megan Benedict  
State Recording Secretary

Valerie J. Howell  
Senior State Recording Secretary

## *Debutante Presentation Update!!*

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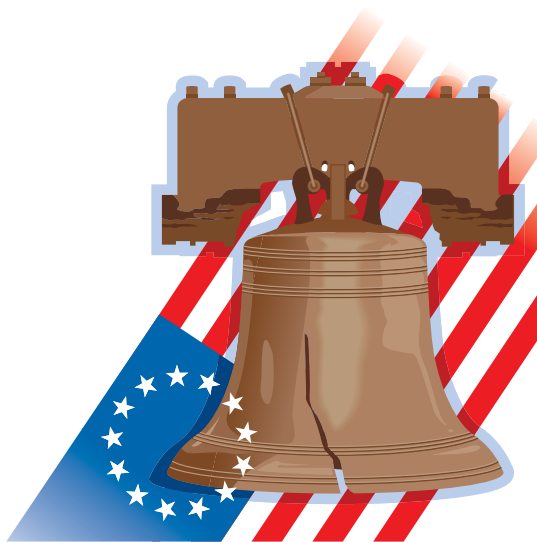
Sometimes yearly, often every few years — our State Society hosts a Debutante Presentation during the State Conference in March. This year we had a large number of young ladies that were eligible. In late September dozens of invitations were mailed out and many were e-mailed. As the November 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to accept grew closer information was sent to the Senior Society Presidents. This request was to contact their eligible members to help determine their interest. More were invited — *and the deadline was even extended* with the hopes of reaching additional participants.

Due to family or school obligations, this Debutante Chair-

man received several ‘regrets’ and only two ‘accepts.’ Unfortunately most never sent any response. Perhaps we can look forward to a large presentation in 2017. This can happen if it is promoted and publicized starting at the local level. *Members* — if you have attended a presentation — share with other members. *Senior Society Presidents* — you know these young ladies and the presentation could be discussed during meetings any time of the year. Most societies have had one or more debutantes in the past and photos are available on the State website [www.ncscar.com](http://www.ncscar.com) in the “Members Only” section. It is also up to you young ladies

to discuss it with your family and then inform a senior of your interest. This event requires a lot of preparation but it also requires a lot of effort by members and seniors to make sure it will continue.

LaDonna Crist  
State Debutante  
Chairman



## *New Members*

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Brianna Kiser	Karley Velten
Averie Williams	Savannah Remington
Katelyn Kienast	Joseph Velten
Isaac Macias	Patrick Miller
Emily Johnston	Ryan Velten
Spencer Jones	Foster Cooke
Joel Johnston	Michael Dean
Rachel Brundick	Eli Stroup
Timothy Johnston	Caroline Dominick
Sarah Brundick	Zebulon Stroup
Dorothy Johnston	Thomas Dominick
Juliana Brundick	Walker Stroup
Nicholas Johnston	Alexia Rorie
Beatrice Tarry	Mimosa Rogers
William Johnston	Cora-Lee Rorie
Vivienne Tarry	Zebulon Rogers
Jonathan Talley	Kathryn Jones
Eleanore Tarry	Sarah Hughes
Tabatha Talley	Mary Jones
Alexandra Dietrich	Geoffrey Miller
Kathryn Miller	Nolan Cooke
Samantha Dietrich	Nicholas Remington
David Talley	

## *Nominating Committee*

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State President, Camille Edwards, has appointed the following members as the Nominating Committee to nominate candidates for offices to be filled at the annual state conference. They are Joel Johnston, Chairman, Isham Blake Society; Carol Gause, David Cockerham Society; and Daisy Dolicker, Joel Lane Society.

Anyone interested in running for an office please contact one of these members.

## *National President's Project Committee*

This chairman has had a fun year so far promoting the National President's Project "Road to Independence." The National theme and project has been discussed multiple times at local society meetings. The National Project will raise funds to support a new permanent exhibit and main centerpiece of the Museum of American Revolution, which is under construction in Philadelphia. This exhibit is the "First Oval Office" and George Washington's field headquarters tent. Funds will go towards the reconstruction and presentation of the tent in the new First Oval Office theatre at the museum. There will be a strong focus on General George Washington, which includes his contributions to the Continental Army and the Revolution as a whole. C.A.R. has the opportunity

### **ROAD TO INDEPENDENCE**



to preserve a Revolutionary War artifact for generations to come. This chairman encourages everyone to support the National President's Project this year and follow the "Road to Independence." To learn more about the National President's Project, please visit the National website [www.nscar.org](http://www.nscar.org). Be sure to enter this chairman's contest.

Shelby Friday, State Chairman  
Tina Gause, Sr. State Chairman  
National President's Project

## *Membership Committee Report*

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This chairman had fun creating a contest that will hopefully help increase membership by at least one member per society. The Isham Blake Society just welcomed their first new prospective member.

The objective of this committee is to increase C.A.R. awareness across the State and collaborate with parent organizations. Some suggestions would be to: 1)develop a flyer to hand out to prospective members, 2) give a presentation to a local DAR or SAR chapter highlighting the fun and interesting aspects of C.A.R., 3)follow up with prospective members and help them with their application, and 4)advertise C.A.R. and “Foundations of Freedom” in publications of the DAR, SAR and S.R. The contest is:

Local society with the largest net gain in membership

First place .....\$3

Second place .....\$2

Local society with the best program on outreach to other groups about C.A.R.

First place .....\$3

Second place .....\$2

Joel Johnston, State Membership Chairman

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### *Senior State President Message*

Preparations were made for the Winter Board meeting held at Duke Homestead Historic Site in Durham on November 14. Following the meeting, members and seniors enjoyed touring the Tobacco History Museum, the house, and grounds. A box lunch was enjoyed in the outside picnic area.

The December Sr. National Board meeting was attended in Washington, DC where the Captain David Vance Society, sponsored by the Edward Buncombe DAR Chapter in Asheville, was approved to re-organize. Ms. Brendan Ross was appointed the Senior Re-organizing President. The State society continues to promote membership and encourage the organization of new societies.

I wish each of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year as you enjoy time with your family and friends

*Carolyn Coordes, Senior State President*

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## **N.C.S.C.A.R. State**

### **Conference**

March 18-20, 2016

Hilton Hotel

Greenville, NC

*Watch for details to come!*



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