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Welcome to the 129th Continental Congress

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Dear Daughters,



June 2020

Welcome to the first "virtual" conference in the history of the National Society — we will together make history as we Rise and Shine for the 129th Continental Congress Online! While the COVID-19 pandemic eliminated the possibility for members to gather in person, I am proud to say that we have risen above the complexities of it all to shine by continuing our vital work. Thank you for your support, your commitment and your willingness to embrace technology to carry forward our important mission.

While it would be impossible to capture all of the excitement and thrill of a traditional Continental Congress, we have arranged for more than 10 hours of programming to report on the business of the National Society, including the presentation of awards and the celebration of achievements. In addition, hundreds of hours of social events, workshops, presentations and special events will be staged by Executive Officers, National Chairs, headquarters staff, state societies and clubs in order to "virtually" replicate the many events that make our annual conference so worthwhile. Be sure to stay connected through the Members' Website in order to find access information for all of these exciting programmatic elements.

We will also complete the important business of voting on the acceptance of the Audited Financial Statements, the approval of the President General's Project and the election of seven Vice Presidents General and one Honorary Vice President General. Delegates and other voting members have received passwordprotected information to enable them to cast their ballots via the secure, independent platform, *Simply Voting*. On Sunday, we will conclude the 129th Continental Congress with the "virtual" installation of new members of the National Board of Management. As all of the business of Continental Congress will be conducted, a complete Proceedings will be produced to capture the Society's historic inaugural virtual conference for presentation to the Smithsonian Institution.

The 129th Continental Congress will not be the one for which I had personally planned and dreamed for several years now. But I refused to cancel Continental Congress because I believe so passionately in what we do and what we stand for as an organization of patriotic women. I also want to demonstrate that we will excel in the use of technology as active members of Today's DAR, which I believe to be the most progressive, impactful and purpose-driven volunteer organization in the nation. Can we do this? Of course we can!

I thank you for all that you do to support our mission all year long, and I ask you to demonstrate to the world that even a pandemic cannot dim the Daughters' love of country. Please log on for as much programming as possible so that we may together celebrate our vast achievements and share our commitment to our nation and her citizens. Join me — together we are about to make history.

Rise and Shine for America.

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I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

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The American's Creed

I believe in the United States of America as a Government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic, a sovereign nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty to my Country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its Flag; and to defend it against all enemies.

By William Tyler Page



The Star-Spangled Banner

VERSE I

Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming, Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming? And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof through the night that our Flag was still there. Oh, say does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and home of the brave?

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VERSE 4

O h, thus be it ever when free men shall stand Between their loved homes and the war's desolation! Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n rescued land Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserved us a nation! Then conquer we must when our cause it is just, And this be our motto: "In God is our trust!" And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

By Francis Scott Key

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7:00 p.m. (ET)

Opening Night

Pre-Recorded Programming

Call to Order

Invocation

Denise Doring VanBuren The President General

> Pamela Petersen Bork Chaplain General

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

The American's Creed

The National Anthem

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Welcome

The President General

Greetings from the President of the United States of America

◆ Donald J. Trump

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Greetings from the National Society Children of the American Revolution

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The President General

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Recognition of Patriots from Foreign Nations	The President General
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Presentation of Award	Stephanie Boyd National Vice Chair
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Wednesday Evening, June 24

Presentation of Award

DAR Media and Entertainment Award "Finding Your Roots" Dr. Henry Louis Gates Jr.

Presentation of Award

The President General

◆ DAR History Award Medal Dr. Lonnie Bunch III Secretary of the Smithsonian

Keynote Address

Secretary Lonnie G. Bunch III 14th Secretary of the Smithsonian

Closing Remarks

The President General

★ Recess until 7:00 p.m. (ET), Thursday, June 25 ★

Laura McCrillis Kessler Historian General

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7:00 p.m. (ET)

Education Awards Night

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Welcome

Official Business

- Adoption of Credentials Report by National Board of Management
- Adoption of Standing Rules by National Board of Management
- Adoption of Congress Program by National Board of Management



Thursday Evening, June 25

Presentation of Winners

Allie E. Dunklin National Vice Chair American History Committee

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• American History Essay Contest

Fifth Grade Essay Contest Winner Delaney Loreen Jensen Arthol, Idaho

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Seventh Grade Essay Contest Winner Jay Vizzie Los Angeles, California

Eighth Grade Essay Contest Winner Mason Longhurst Lehi, Utah

Presentation of Awards

Katherine J. McClelland National Chair DAR Good Citizens Committee

- DAR Good Citizen for the Year 2020 Maeve Catherine Lomax Paradise Valley, Arizona
- DAR Good Citizen for the Year 2020 Theodore Anthony DeRosa Springboro, Ohio

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Thursday Evening, June 25

Nominations for the Office of Vice President General

Candidates for the Office of Vice President General

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Leslie Rogers Miller – Kentucky Holly Stone Blair – Massachusetts Jeannine Angle Dobbins – Colorado Marsha J. Hucke – Iowa Susan Harvey Holt – Utah Wendy Stanley Jones – New Hampshire Sue Suthers Allen – Oklahoma Cynthia "Cindy" Beall Suich – Missouri Terry Lynn Clark Rubenstein – Nevada Marilou Beaver Fellman – Arizona Sharon Crumbaker Frizzell – Illinois Adele Lancaster – California

Nomination for the Office of Honorary Vice President General

Candidate for the Office of Honorary Vice President General

Virginia "Ginger" M. Poffenberger - Florida

★ Recess untíl 7:00 p.m. (ET), Fríday, June 26 ★

State Regents' Night

Pre-Recorded Programming &

Call to Order

Invocation

Denise Doring VanBuren The President General

> Pamela Petersen Bork Chaplain General

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

The American's Creed

The National Anthem

Opening Remarks

The President General

Reports of State Regents

Delaware

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

Georgia

Connecticut

Massachusetts

Maryland

South Carolina

Elizabeth A. Watkins Bonnie S. Matthews Melodye G. Brown

Gloria A. Lester

Christy H. Hendrie

Paula P. Renkas

Maureen M. Tipton

Elizabeth Billham

Friday Evening, June 26	(continued)	Friday Evening, June 26	(continued)
New Hampshire	Patricia M. Jackson	Florida	Kay Yarbrough
Virginia	LeAnn F. Turbyfill	Texas	Susan G. Tillman
New York	Patrice F. Birner	Iowa	Marsha Hucke
North Carolina	Carole N. Weiss	Wisconsin	Brenda A. Majewski
Rhode Island	Lisa M. Daley	California	Adele E. Lancaster
District of Columbia	Marcia L. Guzauskas	Minnesota	Dianne P. Latham
Vermont	Edna R. Curtin	Oregon	Rebecca A. Taylor
Kentucky	Carol J. Rogow	Kansas	Susan T. Metzger
Tennessee	Cecile Wimberley	West Virginia	Cheryl C. Brown
Ohio	Kathleen A. Dixon	Nevada	Terry L. Rubenstein
Louisiana	Charlotte H. White	Nebraska	Suzanne T. Jarman
Indiana	Charlotte S. Blair	Colorado	Elizabeth H. Clark-Urban
Mississippi	Hellen H. Polk	North Dakota	Sandra Sidler
Illinois	Sharla L. Luken	South Dakota	Robin L. Fansler
Alabama	Tammy B. Clemons	Montana	Leigh H. Spencer
Maine	Beverly A. Robbins	Washington	Lanabeth L. Horgen
Missouri	Cynthia B. Suich	Idaho	Martha A. Schmidt
Arkansas	Junelle M. Mongno	Wyoming	Geraldine M. Dellenback
Michigan	Gina M. Lacroix	Utah	Susan L. Holt

Sue S. Allen
Camillia D. Halvorson
Marilou B. Fellman
Lael E. Marlow
Jane E. Mann
Laurence M. Chatel de Brancion
Sandra M. Loridans
Cynthia C. McNamara National Chair
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JeanEllen H. Melton National Chair Junior Membership Committee
Melissa L. Wetzel National Vice Chair Outstanding Junior Contest

Business Session



Call to Order

Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

The American's Creed

The National Anthem

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Opening Remarks

Presentation of Patriot Supporters

The President General Pamela Petersen Bork

Denise Doring VanBuren

Chaplain General

The President General The President General

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Reports of Committees

Chapter Achievement Awards Committee

DAR Magazine Committee

Development Committee

Susan L. Holt National Chair

Aubrey Williams National Chair

Pamela K. Alvich National Chair

Saturday Afternoon, June 27

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Insignia Task Force

Junior Membership Committee

- Presentation of the 2020 Junior Membership Doll
- Introduction of the 2021 Junior Membership Doll

Membership Committee

President General's Project Committee

Service to America Committee

Presentation of Major Benefactors

Virtual Shopping Spree • DAR Store Products Showcase Dr. Sherry Edwards Task Force Chair

JeanEllen H. Melton National Chair

Michelle L. McElroy National Vice Chair

Lisa Zeles National Vice Chair

> Yvonne B. Liser National Chair

Patrice P. Birner National Chair

Mary M. Tedesco National Chair

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The President General

Kathryn Walker West Corresponding Secretary General

Live Presentation (%)

Report of the Tellers Committee

Voting Results

The President General

Pamela M. Barrack

National Chair

★ Recess until 7:00 p.m. (ET), Saturday Evening, June 27 ★

Saturday Evening, June 27

National Defense Night

Pre-Recorded Programming &

Call to Order

Denise Doring VanBuren The President General

Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

The American's Creed

The National Anthem

Welcome

Presentation of Award

Pamela Petersen Bork Chaplain General

The President General

The President General

 DAR Patriot Award Lieutenant General Robert P. Ashley Jr. United States Army

Keynote Address

Lieutenant General Robert P. Ashley Jr., USA Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

Sunday Morning, June 28

Saturday Evening, June 27

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Presentation of Award

The President General

• Margaret Cochran Corbin Award

For Distinguished Women in Military Service 2020 Dr. Melissa "Missy" Givens Colonel, United States Army (Retired)

Presentation of Award

The President General

• Dr. Anita Newcomb McGee Celebration Honoring the Army Nurse Corps

Presentation of Awards

Kristine J. Wood National Chair DAR Service for Veterans Committee

- National Outstanding Veteran Volunteer for the Year 2020 James B. Donahoe Ballwin, Missouri
- National Outstanding Youth Volunteer for the Year 2020 Adam Jones Beaverton, Oregon
- National Outstanding DAR Service for Veterans Award for the Year 2020 Susan Kathy Balkman Little Rock, Arkansas

Recognition

The President General

- Center for American Military Musical Opportunities (CAMMO)
 Cathie Lechareas
 Co-founder and Execuive Director
- Musical Performance Voices of Service
 - ★ Recess untíl 10:30 a.m. (ET), Sunday, June 28 ★

Pre-Recorded Programming

Sunday Morning, June 28 Memorial Service and Wreath Laying at the Founders Memorial Monument "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness. 'The Lord is my portion', says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in Him'. The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul that seeks Him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord." - Lamentations 3:22-26

Installation

Installation of State Regents and Confirmation of State Vice Regents

- Presentation by the President General
- Confirmation of election by the President General
- Oath of Office administered by the President General

Installation of Honorary Vice President General

- Presentation by the President General
- Confirmation of election by the President General
- Oath of Office administered by the President General

Installation of Vice Presidents General

- Presentation by the President General
- Confirmation of election by the President General
- Oath of Office administered by the President General

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Closing Remarks

The President General

Adjournment of the 129th Continental Congress

STANDING RULES FOR THE 129th CONTINENTAL CONGRESS ONLINE THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Due to the nationally declared COVID-19 health pandemic and resulting stay-at-home restrictions, the National Board of Management invoked temporary emergency powers authorized within the Code of the District of Columbia Nonprofit Corporation Emergency Powers and exercised the authority granted to it in the National Society's Bylaws to approve conducting the 129th Continental Congress online. The National Board of Management will adopt the Credentials Committee Report, the Standing Rules, the Program (subject to changes that may be necessary) and any other necessary fundamentals of the 129th Continental Congress in order to officially open the Congress for business.

ELECTRONIC MEETING REGISTRATION

All Delegates and voting members shall have registered prior to the April 15, 2020 deadline set by the Bylaws of the National Society. All registration fees are waived.

Each member is responsible for her audio and internet connections; no action shall be invalidated on the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a member's individual connection prevented participation in the meeting.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

On Wednesday, June 24, prior to Opening Night, a Quorum Call will be issued. Each Delegate will be provided a unique Login ID and Password to confirm her presence for the meeting. It is the duty of any registered Delegate who is unable to perform her duties as a Delegate to inform the Credentials Committee no later than June 20 to allow time for the properly accredited Alternate to be: I) registered as a Delegate and 2) receive her necessary Login ID and Password to access the electronic voting platform.

A daily tally of viewers from the online report log shall be included in the Annual Proceedings of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution One Hundred Twenty Ninth Continental Congress Online.

DELEGATES

Voting will be conducted via the secure and anonymous voting portal *Simply Voting*. Registered Delegates and other registered voters will be

emailed the necessary reports and information relating to the motions to be considered, the candidates for office and instructions for online voting. Prior to the day of voting, each credentialed voter will be sent information, including a unique password, that will provide one-time access to the ballot. An anonymous vote conducted through the designated internet voting portal shall be deemed a ballot vote, fulfilling the bylaw requirement that a vote be conducted by ballot.

DEBATE AND MOTIONS

Only registered Delegates and other voting members of the Congress shall be entitled to make motions, debate and vote. A dedicated email inbox, monitored by the Recording Secretary General and National Parliamentarian, will be created to allow motions, amendments and debate. Original main motions and amendments shall be submitted in writing no later than June 20, signed by the maker and the seconder, each of whom shall be a voting member of the Congress. Discussion on pending motions will be in writing and must be germane to the motion. The member shall identify herself, her chapter and her state.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

Recommendations submitted by the National Board of Management shall be presented during an online business session. Recommendations submitted by committees or individuals for the expenditure of funds shall have been referred to the Executive Committee and Finance Committee no later than January 15.

All reports and other material shall be typed single-spaced and ready for printing and shall have been received by the Office of the Recording Secretary General via email or submitted in another acceptable electronic format by the close of Continental Congress.

Reports of State Regents shall be limited to two minutes each and shall be videotaped and submitted in advance. The written report of a State Regent that is not prerecorded shall be filed without being read.

Reports of National Chairs scheduled to report shall be limited to two minutes each and shall be videotaped and submitted in advance. The written report of a National Chair that is not prerecorded shall be filed without being read.

National Chairs making introductions or presenting awards shall be limited to one minute. Acceptance speeches for awards shall be limited to three minutes. Presentations and acceptance speeches shall be prerecorded and submitted in advance.

ELECTIONS

Election of officers shall take place on **Saturday**, **June 27**, **2020**. The *Simply Voting* portal shall open at **8:00 a.m. (ET)** and shall close at **2:00 p.m. (ET)**.

Installation of officers shall be on **Sunday**, **June 28**, **2020**, immediately following the Memorial Service.

Seven Vice Presidents General shall be elected by ballot at Continental Congress each for a term of three years. Nominating speeches for candidates for Vice President General shall be limited to one nominator's speech of two minutes for each candidate and will be prerecorded. A plurality vote shall elect. The seven receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair of the Tellers Committee shall draw lots. A vacancy (or vacancies) in any unexpired term in the office of Vice President General shall be filled by the candidate(s) receiving the next highest number of votes filling the longest unexpired term first to the shortest unexpired term last.

Election for Honorary Vice President(s) General shall be by ballot. One nominating speech of two minutes for each candidate shall be permitted and will be prerecorded. A plurality vote shall elect. In case of a tie, the Chair of the Tellers Committee shall draw lots.

MINUTES

The minutes of Continental Congress shall be corrected and approved by a committee appointed by the President General. The committee shall report to the Recording Secretary General who in turn shall report to the National Board of Management.

MISCELLANEOUS

Business scheduled for any Congress business session that is not completed at the time of recess of that meeting will be resumed at the next business session.

No tape or other recording may be made of the proceedings of the Congress, other than those sanctioned by the Executive Committee.

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Continental Congress in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Bylaws and Standing Rules of this Society and these Standing Rules for Continental Congress.

★ 2020 CREDENTIALS REPORT ★

JUNE 25 – 28, 2020	Thursday – Sunday June 25 – 28, 2020	
Executive Officers		
Vice Presidents General		
Honorary Presidents General		
Honorary Vice Presidents General		
State Regents or State Vice Regents		
Chapter Regents or Vice Regents		
Delegates		
Total Voting Strength		
Alternates		
GRAND TOTAL		
ONLINE VIEWERSHIP		
TOTAL VIEWERSHIP		

★ VIRTUAL ★ 129TH CONTINENTAL CONGRESS ELECTION RESULTS

Drawing for ballot positions was held on Monday, May 4, 2020, and witnessed by a member representative and NSDAR staff. The names are listed as they are to appear on the ballot. The positions on the ballot are as follows:

st Candidates for the Office of Vice President General st			
I. Leslie Rogers Miller – Kentucky			
2. Holly Stone Blair – Massachusetts			
3. Jeannine Angle Dobbins – Colorado			
4. Marsha J. Hucke – <i>Iowa</i>			
5. Susan Harvey Holt – Utah			
6. Wendy Stanley Jones – New Hampshire			
7. Sue Suthers Allen – Oklahoma			
8. Cynthia "Cindy" Beall Suich – Missouri			
9. Terry Lynn Clark Rubenstein – Nevada			
10. Marilou Beaver Fellman – <i>Arízona</i>			
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Notes