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Scripture - "A merry heart doeth good."

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Theme - "Preservation, Education, and Communication"

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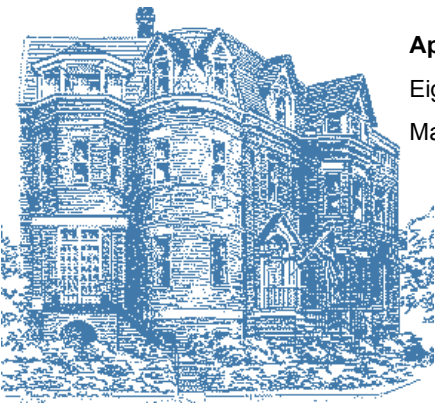
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National Upcoming Meetings

April 14-17, 2010

Eighty-Sixth National Conference
Mayflower Hotel, Washington DC



State President's Greeting

I hope that each of you had a wonderful and peaceful Holiday Season and that you are ready for the New Year. As each chapter prepares their reports of the past year's activities, use this opportunity to plan for the New Year as well. Please plan to attend the 54th State Conference to be held at the Hilton Knoxville Airport on Friday, March 5. The call letter is attached to this newsletter. The Hostess Chapters - Captain Thomas Carter, John Ogle, and Katherine Marbury Scott - are looking forward to you visiting East Tennessee. Our very special guest and luncheon speaker will be President General Mrs. Bernard T. Renzy, III. The proposed changes in the State CDXVIIC Bylaws are also attached to the newsletter. Please make sure that each delegate reads over these before the State Conference to facilitate the approval process! A number of Tennessee Dames have inquired as to why the Tennessee section of the National Website has not been updated. The updated information was submitted in September, but the updates have been delayed due to various technology issues. A Tennessee Society website has been discussed and will be considered.

On a personal note, my husband and I are thankful that our daughter Major Mary Ann Bowery, a member of Captain Thomas Carter Chapter, arrived in Fort Hood on December 3 from Mosul, Iraq - completing her third tour of duty.

Charlotte J. Miller



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Permanent Name Badges



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Orders for the new Tennessee Society Colonial Dames XVIII Century Name Badges are now being accepted. The badges will have chapter name and location and your name as you wish it printed. The diagram above is a copy of the badge, designed by Ted Williams, husband of *The Dame* Editor Lynda Williams. Because of his professional graphic design, the manufacturer of the badges waived all set up and design fees!

The cost is \$15.00 per badge. Postage is \$2.00 for one or two badges; \$4.00 for three or four; and \$5.00 for five or more. (Flat rate Priority Mail makes the \$5.00 rate possible) Encourage your chapter members to order together to save postage!

Please send check (including postage) to:

Charlotte Miller
PO Box 253
Waland, TN 37886

If ordering more than one badge, please include the checks for all badges together. Badges will be mailed within two weeks of receipt of check. The proceeds from the badges will benefit the State Society's General Fund to support ongoing projects.



Silent Auction

Each chapter is requested to bring at least one item to the State Conference for the Silent Auction. All proceeds will benefit the endowing of the General Scholarship Fund, one of President General Renzy's projects for her term. State Chairman of the General Scholarship Fund, Teresa Brewer, urges Tennessee Dames to be generous in their support of this important project!

Hostesses for Tennessee Room at National Headquarters

Four hostesses are needed to serve for one hour each in the Tennessee Sitting Room at the Tea and Open House on Thursday, April 15, 2010 from 2:00 until 4:00 PM. If you wish to be a hostess, please send your name to State President Charlotte Miller by January 15, 2010 (either email or mail). Names will be printed in the Conference Program.

Clarendon Chapter Places Historical Marker



The **Clarendon Chapter** placed a Colonial Dames XVII Century Historical Marker at the LaGuardo Cumberland Presbyterian Church in LaGuardo, Tennessee on November 7, 2009 honoring the church's long history in the community. The beginning of the church was 1861 when land was deeded to the church, with the present building constructed in 1901. No major structural changes occurred until 1979 when Sunday School rooms and a Fellowship Hall were added and the interior of the sanctuary completely remodeled.

Chapter President and State Historian Mrs. Ben Johnson Jr. introduced the program participants. Mrs. R. D. Pearson, Sr., Chapter First Vice President, was mistress of ceremonies. Mrs. J. Kenneth York, Honorary State President, brought greetings from the State Society. Chapter Secretary and Marker Chairman Mrs. Owen Scott Deathridge III presented the bronze marker, which was accepted by Alfred Adams, III, an active member of the church today, and a descendant of the man who originally donated the property for the church. An elegant reception followed the presentation. Pictured from left to right: Mrs. Owen Scott Deathridge, III, Mrs. R. D. Pearson, Sr., Mrs. Ben Johnson, Jr., Mrs. J.K. York, Mrs. Ernest T. Logan



At the **Captain Thomas Carter** December meeting, Celia Walker, Director of Vanderbilt University's Peabody Museum gave an informative slide presentation on an upcoming project - *The Art and Material Culture of 19th Century Tennessee*. Dr. Walker collaborated on the grant proposal for the project with a doctoral student from Middle Tennessee State University who had been funded by the Dorothy Williams Potter Exchange Scholarship. Pictured are Chapter President Shirley Hall, Chapter Vice President Joan Schwarzenberg, State President Charlotte Miller, and Dr. Celia Walker.



The **Captain Charles Barham Chapter** Colonial Dames XVII Century and the John Babb Daughters of the American Revolution ushered in the Christmas season on December 12th with their annual Christmas Tea.

The affair at the Routon family house on Dunlap Street was hosted by Joy Bland, President of the Colonial Dames Chapter, Suzanne Richter, Regent of the DAR Chapter and Stephanie Routon Tayloe.

More than 70 guests enjoyed the beautiful traditional Christmas decorations throughout the house that included colorful poinsettia, arrangements of white Fugi mums and red carnations along with four 5 foot decorated Christmas trees. Each beautiful tree had a theme, James K. Polk, Patriotic, Angels and Gone With the Wind.

One of the front parlors featured President James K. Polk and his wife Sarah Childress with miniature pictures of them on the Christmas tree, along with a piece of the Polk china used during their White House tenure. Colonial Dames members Beverly Wood, Val Routon and Stephanie Tayloe are descendants of the Polk family.

The banquet table featured an arrangement of Rueben lilies, pink carnations and Belles of Ireland in a silver epergne along with trays of delightful refreshments.



Captain Charles Barham Chapter Colonial Dames XVII Century members supported the Christmas Angel Tree at the Humboldt Veteran's Home with gifts for the many veterans that do not have family or friends to visit them. Members, Joy Bland on the left and Pat Boals on the right, presented the gifts to a representative of the home. The chapter also donated several boxes of snack foods. The residents played bingo for the items that they can then carry to their rooms. This chapter supports the Veteran's Home as one of their projects all year.

The Executive Board has made two new appointments to the National Officers: Chaplain General Wilma Horton has resigned due to ill health. Corresponding Secretary General Fran Davis has been appointed to complete the term. To take Fran's place, our own Honorary State President Pat Boals has been appointed Corresponding Secretary General. Please make the following changes in the listing of National Officers:

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Due to ill health, Heraldry Chairman Geraldine "Geri" Spake has resigned. Please forward all applications to either of the two co-chairmen who have been appointed as replacements. All applications received by Geri in the past few weeks have been forwarded to Peggy Nader for processing.

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National Updates

Nominating Committee

According to Article VI Section 4 of the State Bylaws, a Nominating Committee of five members shall be elected during the State Conference in even-numbered calendar years. Each chapter may nominate one person for the Nominating Committee, with written endorsement from her chapter. Recording Secretary Shirley Hall requests that if possible, chapters send their nomination and endorsement to her prior to the Conference so that ballots can be prepared. Please check the bylaws to determine who is eligible to serve.

Report Deadlines

Chapter Reports are due to the State Chairman by January 15. All forms are available on the National Colonial Dames XVII Century website <http://www.colonialdames17c.org>. The information was also given to each Chapter President on a CD at the Summer Board of Management meeting and emailed if there was an email contact. No printed packet was distributed by the National Society. It was the goal of the National Society to have the forms available online in a format that would permit the reports to be emailed if desired. However, this step has not been finalized. If you wish to send your chapter report to the State Chairman via email, please check with the Chairman first to see if she will accept the information in this format. All State Chairman except for the 100th Anniversary Celebration Chairman Doris Mason have email. State Chairmen are reminded that reports should be forwarded to the National Chairman by February 15, 2010.



J.E.Caldwell Update

Because of bankruptcy proceedings involving J.E. Caldwell, it is the opinion of the National Society that members should not order any more insignia until further notice. J.E. Caldwell has assured the National Society that all orders that have already been submitted to them will be honored.