

Pannebakker Familie N ews

A Newsletter for the Pannebakker Family Association

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DAR

Several members of the *Family Association* have expressed interest in joining the **Daughters of the American Revolution**. There are a few members who have tried to join, but have had their application rejected because of inconsistency in the lineage sent to the DAR. While these sorts of problems are difficult to deal with, and very frustrating for the applicant, persistence and patience will usually bring about the desired result. This issue of the newsletter is devoted to those who are either in the process of joining, or who would like to find out more about the DAR.

What is the DAR?

The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is a lineage-based membership organization of women dedicated to promoting historic preservation, education, and patriotism. DAR chapters are involved in raising funds for local scholarships and educational awards, preserving historical properties and artifacts and promoting patriotism within their communities. DAR has chapters in all fifty of the U.S. states as well as in the District of Columbia. There are also DAR chapters in Australia, Austria, the Bahamas, Bermuda, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Spain, and the United Kingdom. DAR's motto is "God, Home, and Country." Some state chapters of DAR date from as early as October 11, 1890, and the National Society of DAR was incorporated by Congressional Charter in 1896.

Eligibility

Any woman is eligible for membership who is no less than eighteen years of age and can prove lineal, blood line descent from an ancestor who aided in achieving American independence. She must provide documentation for each statement of birth, marriage, and death.

Admission to membership in the NSDAR is either by invitation through a Chapter in your State Organization (or Unit Overseas). No Chapter may discriminate against an applicant on the basis of race or creed.

Acceptable Service

The National Society reserves the right to determine the acceptability of all service and proof thereof. The National Society accepts service, with some exceptions, for the period between 19 April 1775 (Battle of Lexington) and 26 November 1783 (withdrawal of British Troops from New York) as follows:

Signers of the Declaration of Independence

Military Service, such as participation in:

- Army and Navy of the Continental Establishment
- State Navy
- State and Local Militia
- Privateers
- Military or Naval Service performed by French nationals in the American theater of war

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Civil Service, under authority of Provisional or new State Governments:

State Officials

County and Town Officials (Town Clerk, Selectman, Juror, Town Treasurer, Judge, Sheriff, Constable, Jailer, Surveyor of Highways, Justice of the Peace, etc.)

Patriotic Service, which includes:

Members of the Continental Congress, State Conventions, and Assemblies

Membership in committees made necessary by the War, including service on committees which furthered the cause of the Colonies from April 1774, such as Committees of Correspondence, Inspection, and Safety, committees to care for soldier's families, etc.

Signer of Oath of Fidelity and Support, Oath of Allegiance, etc.

Members of the Boston Tea Party

Defenders of Forts and Frontiers, and Signers of petitions addressed to and recognizing the authority of the Provisional and new State Governments

Doctors, nurses, and others rendering aid to the wounded (other than their immediate families)

Ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity

Furnishing a substitute for military service

Prisoners of war or refugees from occupying forces

Prisoners on the British ship *Old Jersey* or other prison ships

Service in the Spanish Troops under Galvez or the Louisiana Militia after 24 December 1776

Service performed by French nationals within the colonies or in Europe in support of the American cause

Those who rendered material aid, in Spanish America, by supplying cattle for Galvez's forces after 24 December 1776

Those who applied in Virginia for Certificates of Rights to land for settlement and those who were entitled to and were granted preemption rights

Those who took the Oath of Fidelity to the Commonwealth of Virginia from October 1779 to 26 November 1783

Those who rendered material aid such as furnishing supplies with or without remuneration, lending money to the Colonies, munitions makers, gunsmiths, etc.

Electronic Update

Anyone interested in having the *Pannebakker Niews* sent directly to their e-mail, instead of being sent in the regular mail, should send a message stating their wish to use this option to: throwcoach@gmail.com. Using the e-mail option will save our Association time and money, and get the newsletter to you faster. In the coming months, we hope to have our web site up and running, and at that time, the newsletter, and past editions of the newsletter, will be available on the web site.

The **Pennybaker DNA Project** is proceeding. Several family members have joined since the last newsletter. If you are male and carry the Pennypacker surname, or a different spelling of the name, please consider joining. As an incentive to join, we are offering to help with the cost of the DNA testing by waiving dues for a period of time, depending on how many markers you have tested. If you are interested, please contact Bruce Pennypacker for further details. If you are without internet access, or are unsure how to set up the testing, I would be happy to assist you. All you have to do is contact me by email, phone or regular mail.

Each edition will feature stories about our family members. We'd love to hear about you! Let us know what you've been up to. Articles could be autobiographical or tell us about the kids, grandkids or maybe about that big trip or the book you just had published. Send your story, with pictures if you wish, to the editor.

Notable DAR members

Historical members

- Susan B. Anthony, American suffragist
- Clara Barton, American Red Cross founder
- Lillian Gish, American actress
- Grandma Moses, American folk artist
- Ginger Rogers, American actress and dancer
- Caroline Scott Harrison, former First Lady of the United States
- Infanta Eulalia of Spain, Spanish princess and author
- Mary Baker Eddy, founder of Christian Science church

Living members

- Suzanne Bishopric, treasurer of the United Nations
- Dr. Betsy Boze, American Academic—Chief Executive Officer and Dean, Kent State University Stark
- Laura Welch Bush, former First Lady of the United States
- Rosalynn Smith Carter, former First Lady of the United States, politician, political and social activist
- Elizabeth Hanford Dole, former U.S. Senator from North Carolina, former Transportation secretary, Labor secretary, American Red Cross president, Federal Trade Commissioner, Presidential candidate, and Presidential advisor
- Janet Reno, former Attorney General of the United States
- Bo Derek, actress, former model, and conservative political activist
- Phyllis Schlafly, conservative political activist and writer

President's Message

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with good health and other wonderful events.

Writers Needed

It is the intent of this newsletter to provide articles of interest about family members, both past and present, as well as articles of interest to the general membership. Unless there are members of the family association who are interested in writing for the newsletter, sort of as staff writers, this newsletter will quickly go down hill until it reaches a level where all that is included will be stories about my dog, Lucy. Don't get me wrong! Lucy is a wonderful dog, a mixture of West Highland White and Schnauzer. She is very affectionate, speaks three languages and occasionally will borrow the family car to run small errands. Her most favorite thing to do is chase down and return a ball, not just any ball, it must be a tennis ball. We've tried basketballs, but she refuses to bring it back to us. She loves to shoot baskets with the neighborhood boys and girls. So, unless you want Lucy to start writing articles, which she is completely capable of doing, please volunteer to do some yourself. Just notify the editor via e-mail, phone or carrier pigeon. Many thanks!



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The Pannebakker Family Association is an out-growth of the family reunion held at Pennypacker Mills, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania on July 2-4, 1999. The reunion celebrated the 300th year wedding anniversary of Hendrick Pannebecker and Eve Umstat, in Germantown, Pennsylvania in the year 1699.

In the words of the Steering Committee of the reunion, "We hope that the 1999 Pfannebecker-Umstat Reunion will lead to the growth of a family association, which will provide a forum for conversation, collection and preservation of information, and a sense of lasting community among the heirs of this rich cultural heritage."

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