

Arkansas Anchor & Star



National Society United States
Daughters of 1812

**Happy Birthday Arkansas U.S.D. 1812
State Organization Super-Centennial**

Sharon Stanley Wyatt, Arkansas State President

National website: <http://members.usdaughters1812.org>

State website: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~arsd1812/arkansas1812/>

Simon Bradford website: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~arda1812/SimonBradford1812/>

Baseline-Meridian website: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~arbmcusd/baselinemeridian1812/>

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Sheila Beatty, Editor

From Your President:



Dear Daughters: Each month I remind us all that we as United States Daughters of 1812 must work together to fulfill the "Purposes of the National Society U.S.D. 1812." What better opportunity will we have than to support Mount Holly Cemetery during this time of crisis?

I have heard from several of you wanting to know what to do to help. The Arkansas Society Board of Directors is in agreement to inform all daughters that you may send a donation marked "Mount Holly Cemetery," to our state treasurer, Judy Coleman, as an individual or as a chapter. We hope to collect enough as well as make a donation from our state treasury to make a nice donation as a group by the first of June. As I have stated before, we are not a wealthy society, but we can certainly do our part.

This state president has been privileged to tag along with Simon Bradford Chapter President MarJo Dill as she presents JROTC medals in the Pine Bluff area. **If you would like to see the future of our armed forces at its best, attend a JROTC Awards Banquet.**

The month of May promises to be another busy and fruitful time for our State Society. Daughters, this newsletter is full of information regarding upcoming events. Events that, to be successful, need you. Please take a look at the "Recap" and mark your calendars!

Happy Mother's Day to all of you mothers, aunts and sisters!

Sharon

NEW MEMBERS

We are growing! We want to welcome five new members: Mamie Ann Green Williams, Lori Lea Brown, Peggy Jane Mize Adams, Vivian Rochelle Nix Osborne and DeeLois McDaniel



4 Chapters/135 Members

Lawrence. State membership is now 135. At this rate we will be a Category 4 state January 1, 2017 (must have 131 members to be a Category 4 state).

Baseline-Meridian Chapter:

- Mamie Ann Green Williams

12606 Lower Steel Bend Road

Scott, AR 72142-9138 501-350-7961

Email: karowilliams@hotmail.com (this is her daughter and she will give information to Mamie since Mamie does not have email)

Approved March 16, 2016

National #33038 State #837

Ancestor- James Barnes, TN, buried in Stoney Point Cemetery, Bucksnort, Dallas Co., AR

Simon Bradford Chapter:

- Lori Lea Brown

22 St. Paul Street

Warren, AR 71617-2411 870-820-7121

Email: loribrown1865@att.net

Approved 18 April 2016

National #33081 State #838

Ancestor: William Selvidge, TN, buried place unknown

- DeeLois McDaniel Lawrence

7201 Providence Road

Pine Bluff, AR 71603-9497 870-879-1150

Email: deemlawr@aol.com

Approved 18 April 2016

National #33078 State #841

Ancestor: Anthony Stribling, GA, buried place unknown Harris County GA

President George Washington Chapter:

- Peggy Jane Mize Adams

131 School House Road

Ben Lomond, AR 71823-0033 870-287-5195

Email: acathy14@yahoo.com

Approved 22 April 2016

National #33083 State #839

Ancestor: Samuel Turrentine, NC, buried Old Crowell Chapel Cemetery, Bedford Co., TN

- Vivian Rochelle Nix Osborne

2615 Leopard

Texarkana, TX 75501-7811 903-949-4325

Email: vian.osborne@texarkanacollege.edu

Approved 24 April 2016
National #33085 State #840
Ancestor: George Edwards, VA, buried West-Evans Cemetery, Russellville, Brown Co. Ohio

Supplemental Approved for Simon Bradford member Kimberly Jones: Ancestor Nimrod Hendrick, GA, 1778-1862
buried Sand Mountain Meetinghouse Cemetery, Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa Co., AL

Correction to the April newsletter:
We missed Kimberly Jones who was elected DAR State Recording Secretary!

Congratulations to U.S.D. 1812 Daughters in their election to the AR NSDAR Executive Board!

Jerrie Townsend – State Regent
Sharon Wyatt - State Chaplain

Lisa Winkleman – State Corresponding Secretary
Kimberly Jones – State Recording Secretary
Frankie Ochsner – DAR State Librarian

Report of the 124th Associate Council

Sheila Beatty, delegate

I have always enjoyed Associate Council and this year was no different. Attendance was down slightly due to Colonial Dames 17th Century having to move their conference to the same dates as U.S.D. 1812, however, 130 Daughters still attended. I paged again this year.

The National Defense Luncheon was held Friday and our speaker was Rear Admiral Donna Crisp, Ret., Former Commander, Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command. She explained the process used in identifying remains of our fallen military. Fascinating!

The National Officers and Chairmen, and the State Presidents gave their reports and I was struck with the Veterans activities the States reported. I do not recall there being so much activity in the past. Five states reported giving the Spirit of 1812 awards, and one of those was Maryland who gave the award to Virginia Apyar who did so much for the society during her Bicentennial term as President National. Another recipient was my friend and past roommate, Susan Leininger, past State President of Ohio, who was responsible for the Ohio War of 1812 database.

Friday night was the Association of State Presidents Banquet and Annual meeting. Our guest speaker was David O. Stewart, author of "Madison's Gift." Business conducted included the election of officers to fill vacancies of Corresponding Secretary, 3rd Vice President and Recording Secretary.

I was elected to the office of Recording Secretary of the Presidents' Association.

Saturday night banquet was delicious prime rib and our speaker was John O. Voll, Ph.D, Professor of Islamic History and Associate Director of the Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University.

The Memorial Service Sunday was also special. Susan Railsback and her daughter Edie Gill were memorialized.

During the service the Chaplain General mentioned they were mother and daughter. I thought that was very thoughtful of her. After the Memorial Service the Open House and Tea was held at our beautiful headquarters.

Business conducted included by-laws changes lowering the no dues for members age 90 years instead of 95. Other business included new chapters approved; new pins approved for the official ribbon and other items. See the August national News-Letter for a full accounting.



Saturday was the Awards Luncheon (my favorite part) and Arkansas once again shined as our State was called over and over again. See this newsletter for a listing of awards. At the end of the reports, Davena Liepman, National Chairman for the Spirit of

1812 award, went to the podium to report the National Spirit of 1812 awardee. I could not believe it when my name was called.

Arkansas Received 28 awards at the 124th Associate Council

(Note: All State awards are judged in Category 3 unless otherwise noted)
Partial Listing: Remainder will be published in the June Anchor & Star

1. 1812 Ancestor Plaques: 1 Ancestor Plate + Report, 3rd Place
2. 1812 Newspapers: Dollars Donated \$10, 2nd Place
3. Electronic Communications: State Electronic Communications Report, 1st Place
4. Historian: Best History Report, 1st Place
5. Historian: Best State or Chapter Yearbook, 3rd Place
6. Insignia 3rd Place
7. Librarian: Monetary Donations to USD 1812 Library, 1st Place
8. Librarian: Books Donated to Local Libraries, 1st Place
9. National Defense, 1st Place
10. Public Relations: News-Letters State & Chapters, 1st Place
11. President General's Project, Outstanding
12. St. Michael's & All Angels Church Support: Certificate of Appreciation
13. Schools: Most School Programs (all categories), 1st Place
14. Schools: Largest Cash Donations, 1st Place

- 15. Schools: Most School Visits, 2nd Place
- 16. Schools: Most Soup Labels, 2nd Place
- 17: Schools: Most Box Tops, 2nd Place
- 18. Spirit of 1812: Most Spirit of 1812 Awards, 1st Place

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE WAR OF 1812

The War of 1812 marked the decline of the Federalist Party, which was viewed after the war as being unpatriotic for its antiwar stance. Congress, which was made up of more Democratic-Republicans than Federalists, voted for the War of 1812, but not by a large margin. In the Senate, 59% of the senators voted for war. In the House, 62% of the representatives voted for war.



Our National Officers – A Little of What I Have Learned About These Ladies

by Sheila Beatty

One can read the By-Laws and the handbook of U.S.D. 1812 to learn the official duties of the ladies who accept the positions of President National (PN), 1st 2nd, 3rd and 4th Vice Presidents National (VPN), Chaplain National, Corresponding Secretary National, Recording Secretary National, Treasurer National, Registrar National, Historian National, Librarian National and Curator National, but I have learned the written duties are just a smidgeon of what these ladies, past and present, are expected to do for the Society.

With the exception of the PN who receives a modest allowance for expenses, these ladies travel at their own expense. This includes at least two trips to D.C. as well as trips to functions in their assigned states (in the cases of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th VPNs) and/or their assigned duties.

I knew about the expense, but what I did not know was the sheer brute labor these delicate and gentle ladies are expected to do.

On January 4, 1928, the National Society United States Daughters of 1812 purchased a three-story brick Queen Anne style house at 1461 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington D.C., to serve as the

permanent headquarters of the National Society. In 1992, the Society purchased the late-Victorian house immediately next door, at 1463 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C., to serve as a War of 1812 museum and library. We can be very proud of both these historical buildings, but aged buildings require much upkeep and almost all the money given over to maintenance of our HQ and Library is used for major restoration and upkeep (leaking roofs, etc.).



So who cleans and polishes all the beautiful wood trim, polishes the silver and dusts the countless antique figures? Who cleans the bathrooms? Who mops the floors?

You guessed it: These proper and gentle ladies take off their panty hose and get in their working clothes; then get on their knees to make our houses shine. They have been known to repair furniture, remove varnish from floors, shovel snow, do yard work and plant flowers. You see, they are servants in the sense that they feel a responsibility to ensure that our beautiful buildings are always shining.

While it is true the officers can stay in one of the bedrooms while in D.C., there are no maids. The ladies who stay in the houses also make certain the linens are cleaned and put away for the next visitors.

The Officers National also act as hostesses/docents and tour guides for the properties. At Associate Council Tea, they prepare the food and serve refreshments. They don't have to wash the dishes but they do pick up the dirty dishes. Prior to the Tea, they set up the chairs, then take them down and store away for the next function. Then they clean the houses again after the Tea.

They stand in receiving lines, smile and pretend their feet don't hurt.

Thank you past and present National Officers for your service to us, the National Society and our beautiful Headquarters, Museum and Library.

President George Washington Chapter to Charter May 7th

The President George Washington Chapter has scheduled their Chartering Celebration Meeting for

May 7, 2016 at the Texarkana Country Club. All are invited to attend the celebration however reservations are necessary. Contact Betty Williams, Chapter President, at callie7402@att.net or phone 870-571-5614. **Hats are welcomed**

for this "Derby Day."



JROTC and ROTC Medals

Every April and May we have the opportunity to honor deserving cadets with the U.S.D. 1812 JROTC and ROTC medals and each year Arkansas has increased the medals awarded. It is a great time for us as we personally present to the cadets.



American Colonists recipient Alize Dodson (smaller girl). This is the first time either organization has presented to NLR cadets.

Pictured is Simon Bradford member Kimberly Jones representing Baseline-Meridian Chapter as she presents the JROTC medal and certificate to Cadet Keldan Halvorson, 15-year-old son of Danny and Angie Halvorson.



He is a freshman at Conway High School. This is his first year in the Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps program at the high school and he is already being recognized for his "qualities of Academic Excellence, Leadership, Military discipline, Dependability, Patriotism and upright character in speech and habits, which exemplify the ideals upon which our Nation was founded."



Cadet Ramirez also won the outstanding senior Award. He was in JROTC as a freshman and sophomore but

had to drop out his junior year because of family problems and came back and won these awards his senior year.



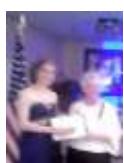
And again on April 26, Jo Ann presented to Cadet Bennett Coats, a cadet at Cabot High School.

Cadet Christian Broughton received a JROTC Award from Sharon Wyatt, President Arkansas State Society U.S.D. 1812 and MarJo Dill President



Simon Bradford Chapter U.S.D. 1812, Wednesday, April 27, 2016.

Cadet Broughton, a senior at Watson Chapel High School in Pine Bluff, will be attending Spelman College located in Atlanta, Georgia in the fall.



Baseline-Meridian Chapter member Frankie and hubby John Ochsner attended the Banquet and Ball for the Bryant JROTC. Pictured is Frankie presenting the certificate and medal to Cadet Amber Andrews.

Editorial: As your Editor of the *Arkansas Anchor & Star (Star)*, I have attempted to find interesting and lesser known facts about the War of 1812 for publication. I quickly found African-Americans (Blacks) served in the War with distinction. My curiosity aroused, I discovered articles and books on many who served. One book I recently read was especially interesting and I will be printing excerpts of that book, as it applies to the War of 1812 era or Dartmoor Prison, in the *Star* as space allows: "*Black Jacks – African American Seaman in the Age of Sail*" by W. Jeffrey Bolster. Sheila

Chapter 4 “The Boundaries of Race in Maritime Culture” continued from April 2016 *Arkansas Anchor & Star*

...The routes to imprisonment of the initial group of 24 African American men who arrived at Dartmoor on April 2, 1813, along with 226 white sailors, typify those of the 1,174 African Americans ultimately held at Dartmoor. More than 84% of the 6,560

American prisoners, black and white, were captured at sea. More than 1,200 American prisoners, however, were never captured in battle. George Higgens and John Odeen were black men "detained" in Gibraltar by British authorities' intent on reducing the number of skilled mariners available to the United States. Press gangs seized George Dingall and Alex Patterson for the king's service. When given the choice, as detainees sometimes were, these blacks selected incarceration rather than enlistment in the Royal Navy. Cato Foster, a thirty-three-year-old black man from Marblehead, Massachusetts, was already in the Royal Navy when war broke out. He and at least six white shipmates delivered themselves up as prisoners of war rather than fight their own countrymen...

...These former slaves or sons of slaves chose neither resentment nor apathy at a time of national crisis, but a pragmatic and calculated public show of citizenship... [Black Jacks – African American Seaman in the Age of Sail by W. Jeffrey Bolster; Harvard University Press, 1997, pp p. 113, 115]

The Crossnore School expands to serve more children From Our State Schools Chairman



There is no doubt our society is experiencing moral decay. As a result of this, our children are being placed in foster homes to escape abuse and neglect. One of the schools U.S.D. 1812 supports is Crossnore. The school has recently built a new high school facility and they are striving to make more space for others to come in the lower level schools. They are working toward having a full children's home in addition to the school. This will allow students to learn in a safe and loving environment. The school needs donations and scholarship to pay for the services they provide these students. It is a wonderful program that turns children who could potentially live a life of crime into college graduates and successful citizens. They are taught more than just the "3 Rs" at Crossnore; they receive love and protection they would not have at home. If you wish to donate please send your donation to: The Crossnore School, P.O. Box 249, Crossnore, NC 28616-9988 or send through your chapter.

Amber Friday-Brown, AR State Schools Chair

News Regarding Campbell's Labels for Education (LFE)

In the past few years participation in Labels for Education® has declined and as a result, Campbell has come to the very difficult decision to wind down the LFE program. Deadline for submission of LFE is



July 1st. If you have been saving, send to Amber Friday-Brown ASAP. Thanks.

Memorial Day 2016 Helpers Needed at NLR Veterans Cemetery May 25th



Carol & Robert Porter placing Flags in 2013

Once again Daughters have been asked to assist in placing Flags at the Arkansas Veterans' Cemetery in North Little Rock. Dates help needed: Placing Flags – Wednesday May 25th from 8:00 until finished; picking up Flags probably – June 1.

RUN FOR THE WALL

POW – MIA: They Ride for Those Who Can't - May 22nd

Every May, for more than a decade, an ever-increasing number of motorcyclists have made the "Run for the Wall," a cross-country journey from Southern California to the "Wall," the Vietnam war memorial in Washington, D.C. While the journey's avowed purpose is political — to increase public awareness about those who remain either prisoners of war or missing in action in Southeast Asia — it also serves as a healing pilgrimage for its participants and as a "welcome-home" ritual many veterans feel they never received.

Run for the Wall (Midway Route) will be passing through Arkansas via Interstate 40 on **Sunday the 22nd of May**. **Grab an overpass or a piece of interstate and show your support. As your state Veterans Chair I plan to be at Ozark and/or Coal Hill and will be giving all Star Thank You Cards. Please plan to assist – thanks, Sheila.**

- Shawnee, OK – Sallisaw, OK 10:15 am
- Sallisaw, OK - **Ozark, AR** Depart Sallisaw 11:00 am to Ozark I-40E to Exit 35, arrive Travel Center 12:00
- Ozark, AR - **Coal Hill, AR** Depart to Coal Hill and arrive VFW Post #8532, 1205 Carolina St., Coal Hill at 1:00 pm
- Coal Hill, AR – **Maumelle, AR** Depart Coal Hill at 2:05, arrive Shell Station (exit 142) 3:45 pm
- Maumelle, AR-**Forrest City**, Depart for Forrest City 4:25, I-40E to Exit 241B onto Washington Ave., turn left, proceed to Ridgewood Baptist Church,

arrive at Ridgewood Baptist Church, Forrest City 6:00 pm

Monday May 23rd – depart Forrest City to Brownsville, TN



"Friends of Arkansas History Commission" support group formed

This new organization was established to support the work of the Arkansas History Commission (AHC). Known as the "Friends of the Arkansas History Commission," the new group has the purpose of encouraging and supporting the advancement of Arkansas History by assisting the state's official history agency in fulfilling its mission. Go to Facebook and do a search for "Friends of the Arkansas History Commission." <https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=friends%20of%20the%20arkansas%20history%2ocommission>

Mount Holly Cemetery

Ladies: The senseless vandalism of this beautiful historic cemetery leaves one speechless. The statues shown here have



been completely destroyed along with another dozen 100 year old stones/statues. From President Sharon Wyatt: "Dear Daughters, I'm sure most of you have

heard about the vandalism which occurred at Mount Holly Cemetery this past Tuesday night/ Wednesday morning. This is the time that groups like ours will be needed to help finance the restoration of the irreplaceable monuments and markers. I know I do not need to mention the names of our 1812 Patriots who are buried at Mt. Holly, nor do I need to list the other people who were instrumental in organizing other societies in which we belong. We are hurt by this act. We need to respond. Arkansas Society U.S.D. 1812 is not a wealthy society, but we can do our part to support the Mount Holly Cemetery Board and workers and our Patriots by making a reasonable monetary donation...Thank you for your consideration. Sharon"

4/20/16 LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (Arkansas Times) - Mount Holly Cemetery Sexton Steve Adams could hardly keep his composure today while talking about vandalism at the cemetery overnight that left

several irreplaceable marble statutes severely damaged.

Adams said he discovered the vandalism this morning when he arrived at the cemetery around 6:45 a.m.

The monuments damaged included three Italian marble statutes — including a large and elaborate statue of a "mourner" and lifelike Italian marble statutes of two little girls — along with two crosses, and several smaller monuments. Adams said the statues, in particular, were heavily damaged, to the point of being "broken up," after being pushed off the bases and smashed. All three were in the Basham family plot.



Alex Csanadi, CAVHS Voluntary Service Specialist, and Sarah Carlisle, Voluntary Service Program Support Assistant, present certificate to Sheila

U.S.D. 1812 members Sheila Beatty, Catherine

Fortney (also her husband Mack) and Kay Tatum were presented with certificates and a lapel pin for volunteering over 100 hours to the Central Arkansas VA at the Volunteer Recognition Ceremony & Luncheon held April 15th. [It was our honor to do so.] For information on how to become a volunteer, contact Sheila or Kay.

Flag Trivia Quick Guide on displaying the U.S. Flag from Army Study Guide: On a building - Hang the flag on a staff or on a rope over the sidewalk with the stars away from the building. <http://www.armystudyguide.com/content/army-board-study-guide-topics/flags/quick-guide-on-displaying.shtml>

Recap - May - A Busy Month and in addition to more JROTC presentations:

May 7th - President George Washington Chartering meeting Texarkana Country Club

May 8th - Mothers' Day

May 15th - Deadline for submission of articles for the August national News-Letter

May 16th - AFF Golf Diamante Country Club

May 18th - Simon Bradford Chapter Meeting

May 22nd - Run for the Wall

May 25th - Arkansas Veterans Cemetery NLR placing of Flags for Memorial Day

May 30th - Memorial Day

June 1st - Probable date to pick up Flags VA Cemetery

**Chapters & State Chairmen:
Please send your news and photos
to me for inclusion in the
newsletter. Thank you. Your
Editor.**

