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## FALL 2009

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### October 4

Capital Campaign Sunday  
Supper - FIESTA

*Col John Washington/Katherine  
Montgomery Chapter and Judge  
Lynn Chapter*

*Contact Ki at [kilaria@gmail.com](mailto:kilaria@gmail.com)  
if you wish to make a reservation*

#### October 13

Naturalization Ceremony

*E. Barrett Prettyman U.S.  
Courthouse, Washington DC*

#### October 18

Annual Valley Forge State  
Service Honoring the District  
of Columbia

*Valley Forge National  
Historic Park*

#### November 11

Descendants of '76 will  
celebrate their 100th birthday  
*Chapter House*

*Additional information about  
upcoming events can be found on  
the DC DAR Bulletin Board:  
[www.dcdar.org/membersonly.htm](http://www.dcdar.org/membersonly.htm)*

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### MESSAGE FROM THE REGENT MARILYNN DEANE MENDELL



It is my objective as Regent to ensure that the Judge Lynn Chapter becomes a firm, solid chapter that is viable physically as well as financially. We owe it to our younger members to preserve chapter resources and ensure that Judge Lynn will be prosperous for many years to come.

To protect and preserve our chapter documents, I am creating a central space to store documents electronically. Our documents are being uploaded to Google docs, a free online service which will provide our chapter with the capacity to store electronic documents and make them available for all to access and utilize.

**REGENT'S CHALLENGE:** It is our responsibility to leave our younger members with a Chapter that is financially sound. I challenge the Judge Lynn members to raise **\$10,000** over the next two years. To get the ball rolling, I pledge to personally contribute \$500.

This goal is easily attainable. If 20 members were to each contribute \$500, we would reach the \$10,000 goal. If \$500 is too steep, perhaps you could pair up with another member, and each contribute \$250. Or, 5 younger members could contribute \$100 each. There are many ways to reach this goal, and I know I can count on you all. Once our chapter reaches the \$10,000 goal I will hold a recognition party to thank all those who contributed and celebrate our success!



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## JUDGE LYNN OFFICERS:

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST WITHIN THE DISTRICT

### Gayle Harris Speaks on Preservation of Historic Boundary Stones

The boundary stones, the oldest federal monuments which marked the original boundary to the District of Columbia, are currently being cared for by the DC DAR. Gayle Harris, a writer, researcher and Historic Interpreter at Mount Vernon Estate and Gardens, spoke on the historic Boundary stones at DesignDC 2009, July 14<sup>th</sup> at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center.

### DC DAR 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Fashion Event

On August 15<sup>th</sup> the DC DAR held its annual fashion event to benefit the NSDAR Museum Docent Program, Youth American Works Charter Schools, and the DC DAR Chapter House. Proceeds from the Fashion Show will support classroom projects including literature, science, music and the library at the DC Young America Works Public Vocational High School. Funds contributed to the DAR Museum Docent program help provide docent training, the Museum exhibit fund and Friends of the Museum.

### DAR State Regent Priscilla Baker Welcomes New Citizens

On September 8, 2009 State Regent Priscilla R. Baker addressed petitioners for United States citizenship during a naturalization ceremony held at the E. Barrett Prettyman U.S. Courthouse in Washington DC. Immediately following the ceremony DAR members congratulated each new citizen and provided them with American flags and other patriotic materials. The DC DAR then hosted a reception to further welcome our newest citizens. Since January 2008, the Americanism Committee of the DC DAR has been honored to welcome 2,232 new US citizens.

### DC DAR Fall Briefing and Celebration of Constitution Week

The DC DAR Fall Briefing and Celebration of Constitution Week was held Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Women's Club of Chevy Chase. Carol Berkin, Professor of American History at Baruch College and the Graduate Center of the City of New York spoke. A well-known author, Ms. Berkin's books include *A Brilliant Solution: Inventing the American Constitution*, *First Generations*, and her latest, *Civil War Wives*. Carol signed copies of *Inventing the American Constitution* and *Civil War Wives*.



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## LINKS:

National DAR website:

[www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org)

Judge Lynn website:

[www.dcdar.org/JudgeLynnChapter.htm](http://www.dcdar.org/JudgeLynnChapter.htm)

DC DAR website:

[www.dcdar.org](http://www.dcdar.org)

DC DAR Bulletin Board

[www.dcdar.org/membersonly.htm](http://www.dcdar.org/membersonly.htm)

## RENOWNED CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER DOROTHY HEIGHT RECEIVES MEDAL OF HONOR AT CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

Social reformer and civil rights activist Dorothy Height received the highest DAR award, the Medal of Honor at the Opening Night Ceremonies of the Continental Congress on July 8, 2009. Dr. Height's impressive career and exemplary life show her dedication to education and open dialog about equality.

Born in 1912, Dorothy Height proved to be a hard working student and accomplished orator. After earning her bachelor and master's degrees in just four years at New York University, followed by postgraduate work at Columbia University and the New York School of Social Work, Dr. Height spent most of her life employed by both government and social service associations. Dr. Height rose through the leadership ranks during her more than 40 year involvement with the YWCA, while simultaneously holding a variety of other positions including the presidency of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority from 1947-1956.

After joining the National Council of Negro Women at an early age following a personal invitation from its founder Mary McLeod Bethune, Dr. Height went on to become the NCNW president from 1957 to 1998, where she is now Chair and President Emerita. Among her many accomplishments as the organization's leader, Dr. Height organized a pioneering program in the 1960s called "Wednesdays in Mississippi," in which black and white women from the North and South came together to foster dialog and build understanding.

Dr. Height is also known for her international work, in which she has studied, taught and served as a representative on a variety of human rights issues. Additionally, Dr. Height has served as a consultant on African affairs to the Secretary of State, on the President's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped, and on the President's Committee on the Status of Women. She has received the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Congressional Gold Medal, among over 50 other prestigious awards as well as 36 Honorary Doctorate Degrees from universities and colleges.

At age 97, Dr. Height is still active in civil rights work, serving as the Chairperson of the Executive Committee of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights.



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## JUDGE LYNN DAR:

Judge Lynn Chapter members are women of all ages, representing a diversity of professions, talents, and interests. We are dedicated to NSDAR's mission: to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism.

### State Theme:

Honor the Past, Embrace the Future

### State Motto:

"Strength United is Stronger"

### State Scripture:

"The Lord speaks; many, many women spread the good news."  
Psalm 68:11

## REMEMBER JUDGE LYNN A Request to Contribute Locally

Please remember Judge Lynn in your will or other bequest. Members of other DC Chapters have done so, and their contributions have meant so much to their local chapters. By choosing to include NSDAR in your will, neither Judge Lynn nor DC DAR would receive any benefit, nor would they receive credit from your donation. Please consider your local chapter and the effects your contribution could make locally.

## GETTING TO KNOW THE DAR

### FIND YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL PATRIOTS

Supplemental applications cost \$75 apiece and require just two signatures, the applicant's signature and the signature of the chapter registrar or regent. The rules for proving lineal descent from supplemental patriots are just the same as proving lineal descent in new member applications. Unlike new member applications, it takes 6 months for the genealogists to verify supplementals. Once your supplemental has been approved, you can purchase an additional ancestor bar for your ribbon through J.E. Caldwell.

For additional information: <http://members.dar.org/apps/>

### VISIT THE DAR STORE

The DAR Store Online carries a variety of lovely gift items suited for the public and membership alike. In addition to DAR books and DAR-themed merchandise, the DAR Store carries membership, chapter and award supplies. DAR Store items are available for purchase online, by phone or by mail-in order form, or at the DAR Store in the Washington, DC National Headquarters.

[www.dar.org/omni/shopping/shopping.html](http://www.dar.org/omni/shopping/shopping.html)

The screenshot shows the DAR National Society website's Shopping page. The header includes the DAR logo and the text 'DAR National Society Daughters of the American Revolution'. The navigation menu includes links for National Society, DAR Constitution Hall, DAR Museum, DAR Library, Americana Collection, Giving, and Shopping. The main content area is titled 'Shopping' and features a section for 'DAR Store Online' with a description of the store's offerings and an image of a teapot. There is also a section for 'DAR Museum Shop' with an image of a quilt. On the right side, there are links to 'Look Inside DAR Headquarters' and 'Subscribe Online Today'.



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## PAY YOUR DUES VIA PAYPAL

For the first time we are accepting payments via paypal. If members want to use this option, they should log in to [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com), click on send money, and then enter the email address: [judgelynn@gmail.com](mailto:judgelynn@gmail.com).

Please remember to include a service fee of \$2.50 if you choose this option, and don't forget to send your dues invoice back to Jane Chick. We've already gotten some members to take us up on the offer. One of our members is on the job in Kabul Afghanistan this fall and says "the paypal option definitely helped."

Judge Lynn Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00pm

### DAR STORE FEATURED ITEM:

DAR Pendant This Faberge-style egg pendant is made from 925 sterling silver, 24kt gold vermeil, fine Swarovski crystals, hand-applied Italian enamels and semi-precious stones. The Pendant is a blue egg design with diagonal jeweled letters DAR on the front and a single gold star with jeweled center on the back.

Price: \$80 [www.dar.org/omni/shopping/shopping.html](http://www.dar.org/omni/shopping/shopping.html)



## JUDGE LYNN 2009 MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	HOSTESSES
October 5 at 7:00 pm	<b>Donna Krapf *</b> Cathy Ball Karen Woodall Elisabeth Craft Marilynn Mendell
November 2 at 7:00 pm	<b>Cathy Eckbreth *</b> Katherine Harris Lucinda Conger Anne Fultz Darcy Kern
December 7 at 7:00 pm	<b>Robin Jones *</b> Sharky Byrnes Jean Gossman Carolyn Lawrence Rachel Paul

\* Designates Head Hostesses

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## VISIT THE DAR LIBRARY

The DAR Library is one of several departments at the DAR National Headquarters in downtown Washington which contains genealogical research material. Many thousands of volumes of genealogical compilations, record abstracts, and other materials are available. DAR members and the public have contributed these sources, building a collection of great research depth covering all periods of American history.

The Library is strictly a reference facility, and welcomes all researchers. Research services are offered to both members and non-members. Contact Search Services at 202-879-3245 for more information.

**The DAR Library**  
1776 D Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20006

### Library Hours

Mon-Fri	8:30am - 4:00pm
Sat	9:00am - 5:00pm
Sun	closed

## TODAY'S DAR VIDEO RECEIVES ACCOLADES

In addition to being a hit with members and prospective members, the "Today's DAR" video has now received a number of professional accolades. The DAR membership video has been honored with a Communicator Award, two Telly Awards, and two Ava Awards.



The "Today's DAR" video received the Award of Distinction in the category of Video - Recruitment in the Communicator Awards competition. The Communicator Awards is the leading international awards program honoring creative excellence for communications professionals. This year the competition received over 8,500 entries from companies and agencies of all sizes, making it one of the largest awards of its kind in the world.

The highly respected Telly Awards also recognized the "Today's DAR" video with Telly Bronze Awards in the Non-Broadcast Productions Film/Video category for Charitable/Not-for-profit Video and for Recruitment Video. The Telly Awards is the premier award honoring outstanding local, regional, and cable TV commercials and programs, as well as the finest video and film productions.

The DAR video also won the Ava Platinum Award in the Non-Profit Video category and the Gold Award in the Recruitment Video category. The Ava Awards recognizes outstanding work by creative professionals involved in the concept, writing, direction, shooting, and editing of audio-visual materials and programs. The Ava Awards is administered and judged by the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals (AMCP).

"Today's DAR" is an informational and recruitment tool for all members. The film celebrates the service work of DAR chapters on the local level and highlights the diversity of the programs and members that make the organization relevant in today's society.

DVD and VHS copies of "Today's DAR" are available for sale in The DAR Store or by phone at 1-888-673-2732. Marilyn Mendell also has a copy of the video – please contact her if you are interested in borrowing it.