



*Towamencin Chapter, NSDAR*  
*Daughters of the American Revolution*  
*Lansdale, Pennsylvania*

## **Minutes**

**Meeting:** November 10, 2018

**Place:** Mennonite Heritage Center, Harleysville.

**Attendance:** (27)

Samantha Freise, Margie Gehlhaus, Winnie Peterson, Diane Husted, Valerie Neidich, Charlene Souders, Joan Cossman, Diana Rehborn, Rosemary Forsythe, Martha Foote, Elizabeth Semon, Joan LaMonca, Elanore Cobb, Wendy Kelly, Carol Di Joseph, Jeanne Wolff, Jennifer Bindas, Jennifer Cherry, Linda Donaldson, Erna Fenchel, Holly Hayick, Marian Helinsky, Dale Hoppe, Molly Jager, Susanne Johnston, Bonnie Marino, Pamela Martino, Margaret Sellers

**Guests:** (3)

Sara Jane McCurdy, Lisa Mozi, Pat Henry

### **Opening Rituals**

The meeting of the Towamencin Chapter NSDAR was called to order by Regent Holly Hayick at 10:32 A.M.

Opening Ritual with prayers lead by Chaplain, Jennifer Cherry, followed.

*DAR Ritual*

*Pledge of Allegiance*

*American's Creed*

*Star Spangled Banner*

**President General's Message** was read by Samantha Freise. Recap of the DAR Day of Service and an invitation to the Christmas open house in Washington D.C. on December 5, 2018.

### **National Defense**

*The National Defender* was read by Carol DiJoseph

## **Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Minutes from the September meeting were tabled until December due to personal reasons of the Recording Secretary.

## **Reports of Officers**

### ➤ **Vice Regent** – Samantha Freise

*Samantha Freise shared upcoming programs. The December meeting will be at the home of Diana Rehborn. The program will be about Christmas in the Colonial era. The WWI Centennial was mentioned. The chapter will be participating in Wreaths Across America on December 15, 2018 at 11am. Volunteers are needed. A committee will be formed to work on our hostess obligations for the 2019 State Conference in King of Prussia.*

### ➤ **Chaplain** – Jennifer Cherry

Several cards were sent to members. A card was sent to Karen Reed and Kathryn Landis who suffered strokes. Sympathy cards were sent to Sara Natali and Carol Morrell. A card was sent to Peggy Sellers, her husband suffered a heart attack.

### ➤ **Corresponding Secretary** – Winnie Peterson

*No Report*

### ➤ **Treasurer** – Diane Hustead, report filed

*A balance of \$ 7,761.23 was reported, as of October 31, 2018.*

*Two letters of appreciation for donations were sent out.*

### ➤ **Registrar** – Sue Johnston, report filed

*Sue Johnston reported the following statistics.*

*Total Members:*

*New members*

*Transferred out*

*Prospective members:*

*Supplementals pending:*

➤ **Historian** – Erna Fenchel

*Erna Fenchel thanked everyone for their participation in the Wentz's Church event on October 13, 2018.*

➤ **Librarian** – Linda Donaldson

*Linda Donaldson reported the lending library has 35 books. The library list and a listing of 5 books from Linda for future donations, were filed and posted to the Towamencin Chapter Members' Website, <http://members.towamencinpadar.org>*

*The next book club meeting will be on December 3, 2018 at the home of Holly Hayick. The book is *The Women's Hour*.*

### **Reports of Committees**

➤ **American History** – Heather Wassel

*Heather was not present for the meeting. Regent Holly Hayick reported that no schools have responded to the contest yet. It was suggested that the topic of suffrage was the possible cause. The Towamencin Society CAR will try to send in a submission.*

➤ **American Indians** – Sue Johnston

*Indian Minute was read by Sue Johnston. Sue invited everyone to the Champagne Tea hosted by the state American Indian Committee. Money is being raised for bedding at Chemewa School.*

➤ **C.A.R.** – Sue Johnston

*Sue Johnston reported that a new CAR society was formed and six of our members left to form it. The Towamencin Society gained 6 new members and continues to grow.*

➤ **DAR Schools** – Eleanor Cobb

*Thank you to everyone that donated socks or stuffed animals for Crossnore School.*

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➤ **DAR Service for Veterans** – Jennifer Bindas-McMonagle, Beth Lentz

*Jennifer Bindas reported there will be a Veteran's breakfast on November 12. Many chapter members are volunteering.*

➤ **Literacy Promotion** – Linda Donaldson

*Linda Donaldson reported that there will be a read aloud event sometime in the spring for Veterans. Linda continues to go to Literacy Network meetings.*

➤ **National Defense**- Joan LaMonca

*Joan thanked everyone for their donations to Rucksacks to Backbacks for the Liberty USO. Donations will be accepted until the State Conference in April of 2019.*

**New Business**

➤ **Certificates**

*The chapter received the following certificates; Constitution Week, DAR Schools, and Chapter Achievement Level 1. The following members received certificates; Linda Brad for participation in the Patriot Records Project Index, Joan Cossman for Volunteer Genealogist Extraordinary Service, DAR 250 Taskforce, and Volunteer Genealogist Coordinator. Jackie Carter received a certificate from the DAR Schools for her donations.*

➤ **Years of Service Certificate**

*A 10 years of service certificate was presented to Carol DiJoseph.*

➤ **New Member Jeanne Wolff was inducted.**

➤ **Manna on Main Donations**

*A motion was proposed by Margie Gehlhaus to donate \$150 to Manna on Main for Christmas. Linda Donaldson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed unopposed.*

➤ **New Members Course Project**

*Marian Helinsky sang an original song accompanied by a piano. The song was written and composed for Marian's course completion. The song is titled 'Looking Back.'*

➤ **Delegates to State Conference**

*Delegates for state conference will need to be selected at the February meeting. Please consider being a delegate. Our chapter can have 20 delegates this year.*

**Announcements**

***Today's Program: Mennonite Heritage Center Tour***

***Next Meeting: Saturday, December 8, 2018***

***Program: Colonial Christmas***

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM

Minutes recorded by Samantha Freise, Vice regent for Sara Natali, Recording Secretary

Cc: Regent, Holly Hayick; Registrar, Sue Jonston