



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

**Regular Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2021**

The regular February 2021 meeting was held electronically via Zoom.Us.

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 AM by Regent, Samantha Freise. Recording Secretary, Joan LaMonica, was present.

21 members, 1 prospective member, and 1 guest were in attendance.
A quorum was present.

First Vice Regent, Susanne Johnston led the opening ritual with The Pledge, and the Creed was recited by Towamencin CAR via video.

A prayer for "Our Country" (written in 1983 commemorating the 200th anniversary of the End of the Revolutionary War) was led by Chaplain, Marian Helinsky.

The American Indian Minute, read by First Vice Regent Susanne Johnston, spoke to the military service of our Native Americans.

Regent, Samantha Freise, presented the Flag Minute and the Constitution Minute. Of the six American Flags planted on the moon five remain. The first one planted by Neil Armstrong no longer stands. The original Constitution of 1787 did not include the Bill of Rights; they were added in 1791.

Regent Samantha Freise made reference that the President General's video message was in the Towamencin Talk Newsletter as is the link to the [National Defender](#) for the National Defense Minute.

New Member Installation: JoAnn Gamble, Karen Ackerman Williams, and Mary Margaret Briggs were inducted by Regent, Samantha Freise, Chaplain Marian Helinsky, and Chapter Membership Chair, Holly Hayick.

Regent Reports and Updates

- Members encouraged to be alert to their e mails for the President General's Blog, the monthly Towamencin Talk Newsletter, and the monthly Chatter with committee updates.
- The Chatter will soon feature profiles about our patriots.
- Links and passwords to the chapter, state and national websites are documented in the February Towamencin Talk.
- In the absence of Corresponding Secretary, Jennifer Cherry, Samantha advised that the Towamencin Chapter Directory has been updated and will be released next week. If there are any corrections please e mail Jennifer.
- Samantha announced that Towamencin Chapter was the state winner for the Historical Preservation Project at Wentz UCC . Chapter project has now been submitted for the Division Contest.



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- Sue Johnston spoke on a pending “donation event” for summer 2021 that will support school supplies for the DAR Crossnore School. Request made for volunteers to assist with this DAR School fundraiser. Contact Sue.

Old Business

Recording Secretary

A motion was made by Carole Bishop to accept the November 14, 2021 minutes as read and without correction. Motion seconded by Linda Donaldson. Motion adopted with all in favor and no further discussion.

Treasure Report: reviewed by Regent, Samantha Friese in absence of Treasurer, Heather Wassel.

Beginning Balance \$6,054.42

Ending Balance \$3,272.70

Donations made to: PSSDAR-AIC, Wreaths Across America, Friend of a Vet, Project Patriot, State Regent Project, National Defense Committee State Project, and Towamencin Society NSCAR.

The Treasurers Report of November 2021 has been filed for audit.

New Business

State Conference scheduled as a hybrid event for April 22-24, 2021.

- State Delegates may attend virtually and all voting will be on line.
- The following members elected as delegates: Samantha Freise, Susanne Johnston, Marian Helinsky, Valerie Neidich, Joan LaMonica, Linda Donaldson, Meghan LaBadie, Karen Williams, Mary Margaret Briggs, Jennifer Bindas, and Wendy Kelly.
- A motion was made by Margie Gelhaus to approve the above names as state conference delegates. Motion seconded by JoAnn Cowles. Motion adopted with all in favor and no further discussion.

Holly Hayick, Chair of Community Service Awards, announced Meals on Wheels of Generations Indian Valley as a recipient of the Community Service Award on February 11, 2021.

A motion was made by Joan LaMonica for a chapter donation of \$50 to Generations Meals on Wheels.

Motion seconded by Margie Gehlhaus. With all in favor and no further discussion the motion was passed.

Program: The Quilt Collection by Melissa Lambert, DAR Chair for Museum Outreach.

The next scheduled regular meeting is March 13, 2021 via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 PM.

Minutes recorded and submitted by
Joan LaMonica, Recording Secretary

Date Approved:

