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National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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Dear Members,

Although I am so sorry that we cannot meet in person, I am so happy we have the tools to meet virtually. With that being the case, I am overjoyed to let you know that your board of officers met and put together a great lineup of meetings and activities for us.

We will be starting off the season September 12 with a virtual tour of the Watson House. If you have never had the opportunity to visit our beautiful state headquarters, you are certainly in for a treat. Lovingly restored in 1963 by the NJ Daughters, it boasts beautiful period pieces and provides a peek into the past.

Our focus in October turns to the present as we honor the anniversary of the founding of our beloved society and participate in and celebrate a Day of Service. We encourage each member to choose a project or activity – no matter how big or small – like donating cupcakes to a local firehouse or rescue squad, donating school supplies to your community school, making/donating COVID masks, cleaning up a local park - and join us on October 10 to share and learn about member's acts of service.

As is our tradition, in November, we honor our nation's military personnel and veterans during our National Defense meeting. As in the past, this year's presentation will not disappoint. I encourage everyone to check out the National Defense Committee's webinar – https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=19&v=bIT0mfuwxAw&feature=emb_logo or the National Defender publication - https://www.dar.org/members/forms-publication-category/sec_natdef -- prior to the meeting.

In December, we host our holiday event celebrating our society and our friendship with food, fun, and festivities. Regrettably, we will not be able to get together to enjoy our normal holiday treats; however, that will not stop us from participating in the fun and festivities including a virtual tour of the White House at Christmas.

In January, the board meets to work on the CMR (Chapter Master Report). The CMR is how we as a chapter share and report our chapter's community service activities as well as our DAR work. So, if you have any service that you have not shared, please let us know so we can include it on the CMR. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of our chapter's 2019 CMR, please let me know.

As we continue to look forward to the new year, we are hoping to be able meet on February 6, 2021 at the home of Vice Regent Sally Bickford for our yearly Chapter Social for an afternoon of appetizers, wine and connecting with friends.

If you have an idea for an event, meeting, or fundraiser, please reach out and share your thoughts and ideas with us. I am looking forward to continuing to work together with all of you to make this a fun year as we "Rise and Shine for America!" and "Keep the Lights of Tradition Burning."

In friendship and service,

Linda

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