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DAR Facts

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a nonprofit, nonpolitical volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism.

Founded: October 11, 1890; incorporated in 1896 by an Act of Congress

Mission: To promote historic preservation, education and patriotism

Motto: God, Home and Country

Membership:

- 190,000 members
- 3,000 chapters in all 50 states and Washington, D.C.
- International chapters in Australia, Austria, The Bahamas, Bermuda, Canada, France, Germany, Guam, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Spain, United Kingdom
- Close to 1 million women have joined the DAR since it was founded.

Management: Policy for the Society is made by the National Board of Management composed of the President General, 11 Executive Officers, 21 Vice Presidents General and 53 State Regents. The National Board of Management meets six times a year at DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Continental Congress: The DAR annual national meeting is named after the original Continental Congress that governed the American Colonies. DAR Continental Congress attracts more than 3,500 members to Washington, D.C., each summer.

Become a Member

Eligibility for Membership: Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution is eligible.

Ways to learn more about DAR membership:

- Visit the DAR Website (www.dar.org) to read about steps to membership and to fill out a prospective membership form
- Talk to local DAR chapter members in your area
- E-mail inquiries to membership@dar.org
- Call a membership representative at National Headquarters at (202) 879-3224

National Headquarters

Buildings: The DAR Headquarters complex occupies an entire city block near the White House and includes three adjoining buildings, two of which are Registered National Historic Landmarks*:

- Memorial Continental Hall* (1905)
- Constitution Hall* (1929)
- Administration Building (1920, 1950)

Hours: Open to the public:
Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

DAR Library: One of the largest genealogical research centers in the United States. A specialized collection of American genealogical and historical manuscripts and publications.

DAR Museum: 31 Period Rooms as well as permanent and changing exhibitions showcase American furnishings and decorative arts prior to 1830. Accredited by the American Alliance of Museums.

Americana Room: Collection of early American manuscripts and imprints, including signatures of all of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence. The unique collection is available for viewing and research.

DAR Publications and Resources

For more information, pricing or to order these materials, call DAR Headquarters.

- America's Women in the Revolutionary Era, 1760-1790: A Bibliographic Guide
- American Treasure: The Enduring Spirit of the DAR
- American Spirit magazine and Daughters newsletter
- DAR Members' Website (www.dar.org/members)
- DAR Public Website (www.dar.org)
- Forgotten Patriots: African American and American Indian Patriots in the Revolutionary War
- Genealogical Research System (www.dar.org/grs)
- My Father Was a Soldier: The Real Daughters of the American Revolution
- Revolutionary War Source Guides
- The Wide Blue Sash

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