

124th KSDAR State Conference Program

Dear Daughters,

As you know the 124th KSDAR State Conference scheduled for March 26-29, 2020, was cancelled due to the virus, COVID-19. Led by the conference co-chairs, Donna Hughes and Martha King, Daughters had been diligently and faithfully working since the fall Board of Management meeting. They planned and prepared a State Conference that would **inform, inspire, and celebrate our beloved State Society, its members, and others** who are worthy of recognition.

This year's theme was to be **"United in Paths of Service for Education,"** emphasizing one of the components of our Society's mission: To promote Education, Historic Preservation, and Patriotism. The Spirit of Kentucky Award for Education was to be presented to Emery A. Wilson, MD, Dean Emeritus of the College of Medicine at the University of Kentucky. He was dean for 18 years and has influenced health education for the entire Commonwealth and beyond. In addition, he is a devoted HODAR.

On Saturday and Sunday, we were looking forward to the President General being our very special guest. We had planned for her to participate in the Graduation Ceremony for the Membership Courses, greet the 50-year-members after lunch, and attend the Wreaths Across America presentation by Ann Hamlin of the Lexington Chapter. (The videos prepared by Ann and her WAA friends are spectacular!) Afterward, she would have attended a reception in her honor by NSDAR Development and greeted donors.

That night our lovely debutantes would have been presented to Mrs. VanBuren, and she would have presented certificates to chapters who had 100% participation in the President General's project. At the banquet, she would have been the keynotespeaker.

On Sunday following the Memorial Service, there would have been a brunch where we closed the business of the Society. Then we would have gone to the Lexington Cemetery for Mrs. VanBuren to view the graves of Mary Desha, Katherine Pettit, and May Stone. From there, Mrs. VanBuren would have been taken to the airport to depart.

During the 124th State Conference, there would have been additional activities including two workshops, numerous awards presented, the Youth Awards Ceremony, club meetings/dinner, lunch, or breakfast. And the Enduring Endowment Campaign for

Duncan Tavern Historic Center would have been officially launched! It would have been a fabulous State Conference with something for everyone!

However, it was in the best interest of Daughters and everyone else that the 124th State Conference be cancelled. Thank you for understanding! This historic cancellation and the reason for it will long be remembered!

To give you an opportunity to learn about the 124th State Conference, we are posting the conference program on the KSDAR website. Not all award winners are listed inside the booklet. They were to be surprises! Please note that awards will be presented to all recipients! We will distribute awards later. (It hasn't been decided when and where.) The awards presentations will be something for which you can look forward.

We hope you enjoy reading the conference program. And we thank you and your chapters for purchasing the advertisements, contributing to State Conference as patrons and sponsors, and donating for honorariums and memorials.

This conference program is a **tribute to all dedicated Daughters, who have worked diligently throughout the year** in your chapters, districts, and the state! You, the members, are KSDAR. Without you and your efforts, this program would not have been possible. Enjoy!

United in Paths of Service to God, Home, and Country!

Carol Rogow

- **Please note:** Pages 24 and 25 are no longer relevant!!! With the uncertainty we are all now facing, several events and dates have been cancelled and others may or may not take place. **You must consult the MOST CURRENT KSDAR Website, Constant Contact pronouncements, and OFFICIAL KSDAR Facebook pages for the dates of upcoming scheduled events.**
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