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REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN 2010-2011

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Mission Statement

The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America actively promotes our national heritage through historic preservation, patriotic service, and educational projects.
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Georgia Society’s Website (www.nscdaga.org)
“Members” tab
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- “Members” tab
  - Annual Meeting
  - Lists of the Board of Governors, Town Committee Chairmen, and staff with photos
  - Roster by Town Committee
  - Bylaws
  - Procedure Manual
  - Forms
    - For Proposing Candidates
    - Forms for Changes in Membership (Retiring, Resigning, Changing Names, Death of a Member)
    - Form for Supplemental Line
    - Order Forms for Cemetery Markers and Georgia Flower Pin
  - Previous Chatters
  - Georgia Historian’s Report
  - Board Calendar
  - Ways to Give
  - New Member Orientation
  - Treasurer’s Corner outlining our financial policies, Town Committee financial reporting, etc.

National Website (www.nscda.org)
“Members” tab or “Register of Ancestors” tab
User ID: dame  Password: badge

- “Members” tab
  - Corporate Society Directory (names and addresses for officers of other societies)
  - National Board List with Photos
  - Newsletters and Historians’ reports from other societies
  - History of the National Society (Whence our Name)
  - Treasurer’s Corner has information on insurance, fund raising, strategic plans and forms for check requests, trip expenses, Town Committee financial reporting, etc.

- “Register of Ancestors” tab:
  - Approved Ancestor Database
  - Eligibility Lists for the Colonial States
  - Approved Bibliographies for the Colonial States
  - Registrar’s Manual
  - IDDL Database Search (Index of Documented Descendants’ Lineage)
  - Forms for ordering pins, insignia and membership certificates
  - Forms for Candidates to fill out their White Lineage Papers
  - Transfer Forms, Courtesy Membership Form

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Article II of the Constitution
“The objects of this Society shall be to collect and preserve manuscripts, traditions, relics and mementos of bygone days: to preserve and restore buildings connected with the early history of our country; to educate our fellow citizens and ourselves in our country’s history and thus diffuse healthful and intelligent information concerning the past; to create a popular interest in our Colonial history; to stimulate a spirit of true patriotism and a genuine love of country; and to impress upon the young the sacred obligation of honoring the memory of those heroic ancestors whose ability, valor, sufferings and achievements are beyond all praise.”

Salute to the Flag
To the Glory of God and in grateful remembrance of those, our ancestors, who through evil report and loss of fortune, through suffering and death, maintained stout hearts and laid the foundation of our country, we, The national Society of The Colonial Dames of America, pledge our loyal and affectionate allegiance to the flag.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS’ CALENDAR
2010-2011

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- Endowment
- Furnishings

April 24  Easter

April 26-28  Annual Meeting  Savannah

September 21-22  Round Table  Marietta
  - Combined Finance/Executive Committee
  - Town Committee Chairmen
  - Nominating
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# The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia

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To be named to the Roll of Honor by one’s State Society is a distinct and special honor given for service above and beyond the ordinary, for devotion and outstanding leadership and for dedication to the ideals of the Colonial Dames. Each of the names above has been engrossed on a parchment page in the beautiful dark blue leather Roll of Honor book kept at our National Headquarters, Dumbarton House. The Roll of Honor was started in 1941 as part of the Golden Jubilee celebration. Because of World War II, the book was placed in the vault at Dumbarton where it remained untouched until 1946.
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HISTORIAN’S REPORT 2010 – 2011

The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia sends greetings to the National Officers and to the members of the State Societies. We acknowledge with appreciation the reports and invitations received during the year.

With the outstanding leadership of Mrs. Albert Carlyle Espy, III, President of the Georgia Society, the goals were exceeded. The outgoing and incoming members of the Board of Governors met in April 2010 at the Annual Meeting in Albany. Members of the Executive Committee met in July at Lake Lanier and in January 2011 at Henderson Village. The Board of Governors met at the Round Table in September in Madison and in November and February in Savannah. The 116th Annual Meeting was held April 26-28 in Savannah. Mrs. Albert Carlyle Espy, III continues serving as State President. Following are the summaries of the annual reports presented or submitted in April.

PRESIDENT’S ANNUAL REPORT 2010 - 2011

MRS. ALBERT CARLYLE ESPY III

This has been a great year, and I just want to hit a few highlights. Undoubtedly the most exciting thing that we have done this year is to buy a piece of property and I want to tell you the entire story because it has a lot of ups and downs.

As most of you know, Juliette Gordon Low left the carriage house behind the Andrew Low House to the local Girl Scout Council in her will, and for at least 50 years, we have been trying to buy it. In fact, the Procedure Manual states that one of the duties of the President in March is to “send a letter to Girl Scout office expressing interest in the purchase of the Carriage House”. The answer from the Girl Scouts has always been a firm, “No”.

On a gorgeous October afternoon last year, the Savannah Town Committee had their meeting in the beautifully restored garden, and a group of us were standing around in the garden. Town Committee Chairman, Jane Moore, looked across the street at the very ugly vacant lot and said, “You know, we will never be able to acquire that lot at a lower price!” Jane has lived to regret those words because, when asked to be the chairman of our capital campaign drive, she could hardly refuse.

This lot was originally purchased in 1847 by Andrew Low at the same time that he purchased the Trust Lot where the Andrew Low House now stands. We have a number of pictures from 1913-14 when the Girl Scouts used the property for flag ceremonies, working on badges and most shocking of all, for basketball. Basketball as we know it was invented in 1891 for men and the first women’s basketball game took place at Smith College in 1893. Men were not allowed to view the event and women were stationed at the doors and windows to keep viewers out. So, you can imagine the furor created as people drove north on Drayton Street and saw Girl Scouts shooting baskets in their bloomers. Did this stop Daisy Low? Oh no, she put up a screen to shield Drayton street.

At the time that we acquired the house in 1928 from the estate of Juliette Gordon Low, we were encouraged to purchase this property but we couldn’t afford it. The most recent owner was a developer who planned to put 22 condominiums on the property. Along with the Girl Scouts and neighbors, we had protested this development because we knew that there was inadequate space for parking which is already a problem in the area because of the 8,000 Savannah College of Art and Design students. Happily for us, this developer went bankrupt and the property was repossessed by the bank.
Knowing that the mortgage meltdown was in full swing, we took this idea to the Board of Governors at our November board meeting and received permission to begin negotiations to purchase the lot. With Mary Ham acting as our real estate agent, our Treasurer, Mary Lee Stevens, and I marched ourselves down to the real estate agent acting for the bank on a Friday afternoon at 3:00 and submitted a bid for one third of what they were asking. The next morning we opened the paper to read that Ameris Bank, headquartered in Moultrie, GA, had acquired the bank at 5:00 and the property basically now belonged to the FDIC.

Here is the beauty of our Georgia Society. It just so happens that one of our area vice-presidents, Deryl Beadles, and one of our Past Presidents, Barbara Vereen, are from Moultrie so we picked up the phone and called them to ask if they knew anyone associated with Ameris Bank. Not only that, Deryl said, “the president of the bank lived right down the street from her”. So, they were in his office on Monday morning at 9 a.m. to tell him that we wanted to purchase this property.

Because the FDIC was involved, we had to wait several months for them to do a reappraisal of the property which significantly lowered the value. After several more fits and starts, our bid of $550,000 was accepted and as of March 29, 2011 we own the property. We are so fortunate that many years ago an endowment fund was established to insure against any major damage to the house and to provide funds should we ever get the chance to purchase the carriage house. In the past, we have borrowed at a very low rate of interest on a line of credit against the endowment fund to complete our conservation of the Andrew Low House. Since we would probably never be able to acquire the carriage house, it seemed a prudent investment to use $250,000 from the endowment to purchase the lot. We have a loan of $250,000 from Savannah Bank and will borrow the remainder on our line of credit.

This was not the most ideal time for us to buy this property because we still owed approximately $99,000 on our line of credit for the conservation project. However, this is one of the last vacant properties in the historic district and was an opportunity that we couldn’t pass up. For years, we have dreamed of having a separate office building with room for meetings, expanded museum store, etc. In the short term, we are delighted to have parking space for our members, staff, and visitors.

Now, on to the regular business of the year. We began the year in grand style with a delightful Annual Meeting hosted by the Albany Town Committee and with our National President, Hilary Gripekoven, in attendance. During the summer, each of you received a new blue binder in the familiar 8.5x11” format. The paper for our old 6x9” notebooks was very expensive to print and anything printed from our computers could not easily be printed to fit into the notebooks. In the future we should save money by printing only the roster and Board information every year. The bylaws and procedure manual will be kept up-to-date on our website, www.nscdaga.org and can be printed out and inserted in your notebook. We are cognizant that not everyone is computer literate and hope that each town committee will develop a web-buddy system to help anyone who needs printouts.

We discovered the magnificent homes of Madison, Ga. at our Round Table meeting in Madison, Ga. in September. At our November meeting, our board meeting was held in the Whitfield chapel at the Bethesda Home for Boys in Savannah which was built and donated by the Georgia Society in 1925. Another highlight of the November meeting was the visit of the Historical Activities and Patriotic Service chairmen from our town committees to hear a presentation by two ladies from Texas on the educational program based on the book Why America is Free. The board voted to endorse this program, and we hope to see this program implemented in some of our schools sometime soon.

We have been involved in a number of very successful fund raising projects in the past year. Deryl Beadles has been our Annual Giving Fund chairman for three straight years and, thanks to your incredible generosity and the generosity of our town committees we have reduced our line of credit by over $150,000 over the past 3 years. We had a silent auction at the Albany annual meeting that raised over $7,000 and had another one last night. Our Colonial Dames ties, bow ties and cummerbunds continue to
sell very well. There is hardly a husband in Georgia without one! Connoisseur Tours had two fabulous trips to Philadelphia that benefitted the Andrew Low House. Finally we are working on a scarf, so stay tuned.

I’d like to close by updating a story that I have told several times about Mrs. William Washington Gordon, our first President. Nellie Kinzie was born and raised in Chicago and was sent off to finishing school where she met Eliza Gordon who then introduced Nellie to her brother, William Washington Gordon, better known as Willy. While giving the two girls a tour of the Yale campus where Willy was a student, they became separated and Nellie found herself at the top of a grand staircase with Willy at the bottom. So, she hopped on the banister and slid down, landing on his hat and, of course, in his heart. I assumed that Nellie only slid down the banister when there was a good-looking man involved.

However, I have a granddaughter who is a Girl Scout so, when she was visiting last summer, I took her to the Juliette Low birthplace. The docent there told the same story about the banister and the hat, but then she went on to say that Nellie Gordon slid down the banister all of her life and taught her children how to do it. After our tour was over, I asked her again about the banister incident and she proceeded to tell me a “family” story. When Nellie was on her deathbed, her family was gathered in the parlor writing her obituary. Suddenly, they looked up and there was Nellie! They said, “Mother, you know that the doctor has told you not to use the stairs” to which Nellie replied, “Who said anything about using the stairs.” May we all go like Nellie, sliding down the banister of life.

Ladies, your Georgia Society is in excellent shape. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of it!
Dear Friends,

We have long imagined the day when we would no longer need to talk about “debt retirement” for our Andrew Low House. This was our goal, and I am happy to announce it is now a reality!

In 2007 our society’s membership voted to proceed with the much-needed renovation of the Andrew Low House, even though there would be a shortfall of approximately $250,000. To handle the extra cost, the board created the Annual Giving Fund.

Over the past three years, through your generous gifts to this fund, you have enabled us to lower the loan balance on this Andrew Low House renovation project from approximately $250,000 to $99,578. This is quite an achievement, and we sincerely thank you for your faithful and loyal support!

With the recent purchase of the long-sought-after property at 342 Drayton Street, adjacent to the Low House, the Executive Board has decided to pay off the remaining loan balance to the Bank of New York Mellon through the Endowment Fund. I am pleased to announce OUR STATE HEADQUARTERS IS NOW DEBT FREE!!!

Again, let me express our deep gratitude for your helping us reach this monumental goal. As you visit the splendid Andrew Low House, may you be aware that your contributions had a part in making our house both structurally and financially secure, as well as aesthetically beautiful.
REPORTS OF OFFICERS

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT AND ACCEPTABILITY (Mrs. Charles Waring Barrow) - As First-Vice President, I attended Executive, Board, Round Table, finance and Andrew Low House Committee meetings, and also served as Chairman of the Acceptability Committee.

At the September 2010 Round Table, held by the Madison Town Committee, all Town Committee Chairmen were given Admission of Candidates packets which included the year’s schedule of the Acceptability Committee, information on admissions and proposal blanks with specific examples to follow. They were reminded that the forms were also available on-line.

The State Acceptability Committee met February 9, 2011 at the Andrew Low House. Town Committee Chairmen from Valdosta, Waycross, Albany, Americus, and Athens reviewed and approved the proposal forms which were presented to the Board of Governors the next day.

Seventy-five (75) proposed candidates were accepted as candidates for membership in NSCDA-Georgia by the Board of Governors. A copy of these proposals was given to the Registrar, the Assistant Registrar and the Corresponding Secretary.

RECORDING SECRETARY (Mrs. Benjamin Scott Rich) – All minutes of the Executive Committee Meetings, the Finance Committee Meetings, the Board of Governors’ Meetings and the Annual Meeting were transcribed and distributed in a timely manner. Corrections were made to the permanent copies. Significant motions for 2010–2011 were updated.

April 22, 2010 - Proposed Bylaw and Standing Rule Changes

Power to amend these Bylaws is vested in the Annual Meeting by a two-thirds vote. Amendments recommended by the Bylaws Committee and the Board of Governors may be proposed and adopted at any Annual Meeting without previous notice.

Proposed additions are in italics. Proposed deletions will be struck through.

ITEM ONE:
State Bylaws: Article III, Membership, Section F. Classification of Membership

Associate Member: A member of a Non-Colonial State whose qualifying ancestor rendered his service in Georgia prior to 1750.

Approved

ITEM TWO:
State Bylaws: Article III, Membership, Section F. Classification of Membership

Guest Member: A member of one Georgia Town Committee, whose residence is the location of another Georgia Town Committee; she may be extended all the privileges of the latter Town Committee except those of voting, proposing or endorsing candidates for membership, and holding office.

Retired Member: A member, in good standing, who is physically unable to attend meetings, and/or who is unable financially to meet the obligation of membership. She shall continue to enjoy all the privileges of membership except those of voting, proposing or endorsing candidates for membership, and holding office.

Courtesy Member: A member in good standing of another State Society who lives in Georgia. Upon request from the President of her State Society to the President of the
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Georgia Society, courtesy membership in the Georgia Society shall be extended. She shall enjoy all the privileges of membership extended by her Georgia Town Committee except those of voting, proposing or endorsing candidates for membership, and holding office. Request for change in membership must be made to the Registrar before April 1.

Approved

ITEM THREE:

State Bylaws: Article III, Membership, Section E. Admission of Members, Paragraph 1. Section c

FINAL ELECTION OF CANDIDATES AND ADMISSION PROCESS

Third paragraph
Upon a candidate's successful completion of her lineage papers and notification by the Registrar of their acceptance by the Board of Governors, she shall remit to the Registrar the prescribed Initiation fee, the Registration fee, State dues and National Per Capita Tax. She will then be sent her number and become a registered member of the Georgia Society.

State Bylaws: Article V. Duties of Officers and Managers
Section H. Registrar (Officer)

Second paragraph
The Registrar shall notify each member candidate within ten days of her election final approval of her lineage papers and, at the same time, send her a bill for Initiation fee, Registration fee, National Per Capita Tax and State dues, all of which are paid to the Registrar. When payment is made, the Registrar shall send the certificate of membership to the new member, issue the new member her registration number, send her a certificate of membership and notify her Town Chairman.

Approved

ITEM FOUR:

Standing Rule
DUES AND FEES: AMOUNTS TO BE PAID (as of 2010):
Supplemental Line Fee = $50.00

Approved

ITEM FIVE:

Standing Rule
Contracts – Any contract involving more than $1,000 between the Georgia Society and another business organization must have the approval of the Executive Committee before being signed as effective. Any such All contracts must be signed by the President and the Treasurer, or by their authorized representatives.

Approved

September 23, 2010 - The Georgia Delegation to Biennial Council request.

The Georgia Delegation to Biennial Council requests instruction on how to vote on the matter concerning the "Report of the Codification Committee". After discussion, a Motion was made to accept the amendments as written by the Study Committee.

Motion Approved
On another matter for Biennial discussion, **Motion** was made that the Georgia Society supports assisting or cooperating with other Historical Organizations.

**Motion Approved**

**November 11, 2010 - Finance/Executive Committees motion.**

Treasurer Mary Lee Stevens presented a **Motion** from the Finance/Executive Committees that the Executive and Finance Committees be given permission from the Board of Governors to explore a purchase price for the property known as 342 Drayton Street contingent upon our ability to obtain financing.

Discussion followed the motion.

After much discussion, the **Motion was amended** to give the Finance and Executive committees the authority to purchase this property if a satisfactory price can be negotiated and financing can be arranged.

The Board of Governors unanimously **Approved** the amended motion.

**Motion** was made that the Georgia Society endorses the patriotic school program, “Why America is Free”.

**Motion approved**

**February 10, 2010 - Property Issue**

**History**

Pat Zemurray gave a brief history of the 342 Drayton Street property and its connection to the Andrew Low House. The Carriage House at the rear of the ALH property was willed by Juliette Gordon Low to the Girl Scouts. Each State President, as part of her duties, asks the Girl Scouts if NSCDA-GA can purchase the Carriage House and each time the answer is “no”. The ALH Endowment was established, in part, so that funds would be available if the Carriage House or other property became available for purchase. The property on Drayton Street at one time was owned by the Low family and was used by the Girl Scouts for various activities. Pat presented a program of photographs from the JGL birthplace showing Scouts on the property, playing basketball, building campfires and doing other scouting activities.

**Recommendation**

Mary Lee Stevens presented a recommendation from the Finance and Executive Committees that NSCDA-GA purchase 342 Drayton Street upon securing reasonable financing. The price of the property will be $550,000.

**Motion** was made to accept the recommendation.

Discussion followed the motion.

**Motion Approved unanimously**

The President, Jane Espy, the Treasurer, Mary Lee Stevens, and the Recording Secretary, Peggy Rich are authorized to sign the purchase papers on behalf of the Board of Governors.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY** (Mrs. George Cornelius Clark) - The following correspondence was mailed April 1, 2010-March 31, 2011:

- 35 sympathy notes for 32 deaths
- 40 acknowledgements for gifts to funds within the Society
- 4 notes of welcome to new Courtesy Members
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- 227 Board of Governors Meeting notices and response cards
- 76 invitations to membership

ROSTER SECRETARY (Mrs. Lawrence Daniel Devoe) - Membership of the Georgia Society on March 31, 2010 was comprised of 1 Honorary member, 63 Retired members, 1,503 Regular members and 25 Courtesy members. On March 31, 2011 membership consists of 1 Honorary member, 63 Retired members, 99 Life members, 1370 Regular members and 44 Courtesy members. Currently, there are 75 new Candidates for membership for 2011. They have been added to the iDame database.

TREASURER (Mrs. Henry Dana Stevens, IV) - Unaudited, year end March 31, 2011 financial statements, including the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Activities of all Funding Sources and the Statement of Revenue and Expenses Budget vs. Actual were distributed at the Annual Meeting in Savannah.

On March 31, 2011, the unaudited total net assets of the Georgia Society were $1,822,264.07. It is noted that this figure has not been adjusted for the town committee bank account reports that are in transit. State controlled checking and savings accounts total $883,848.29, which include an Endowment Fund of $679,239.49.

Current liabilities include credit card and payroll taxes payable, the Mellon Bank line of credit, which is $93,203.34 and commercial real estate loan with The Savannah Bank for $250,000.00. The line of credit has been reduced over $53,724.00 in the past year.

Prior year audit reports are available and on file at the Andrew Low House.

REGISTRAR (Mrs. Oscar Emerson Ham, Jr.) - This report covers the period 1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011.

Total Membership:
04/01/2010 - Total Members 1499
  + 74 New Members
  + 01 Reinstatements
  + 12 Transfers In
  - 09 Transfers Out
  - 12 Resignations
  - 31 Deaths
  - 04 Dropped
3/31/2011 - Total Members 1530

NEW MEMBERS:
1. Allen, Mrs. Beaumont GA-4912 03/09/2011
2. Anderson, Mrs. Randall Montgomery GA-4879 12/02/2010
3. Arnold, Mrs. Henry Richard GA-4890 01/07/2011
4. Balish, Mrs. Christopher Edward GA-4882 12/06/2010
5. Barber, Mrs. Albert White GA-4896 01/16/2011
6. Barrett, Mrs. Mark Sisson GA-4902 02/03/2011
8. Bell Jr., Mrs. John Inman GA-4844 06/22/2010
10. Boney, Mrs. Donald Louis GA-4886 12/13/2010
11. Bruner, Mrs. Starrlyn GA-4915 03/16/2011
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1. McCallum, Mrs. Brown GA 2363 05/13/2010

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1. Boyet, Jr, Mrs. John Houston GA-4840 05/12/2010
2. Burruss, Mrs. David Bryan GA-4919 03/25/2011
3. Carspecken, Jr., Mrs. Harold GA-4851 MO-772 07/07/2010
4. Curtis, Mrs. Elizabeth Dent GA-4899 01/29/2011
5. Dewitt, Mrs. Kirk Distefano GA-4852 07/14/2010
6. Fox, Mrs. William Coburn GA-4853 07/28/2010
7. Hall, Mrs. Geoffrey Peterson GA-4871 10/25/2010
8. Latimore, Mrs. David Snodgrass GA-4838 04/07/2010
9. Price, Dr. Lane Mathis GA-2246 05/01/2010
10. Schwartz, Mrs. Joy Daniels GA-4888 12/27/2010
11. Sligh, Mrs. Mary Brooke GA-4876 11/01/2010
12. Youmans-Whitaker, Mrs. Sue GA-1947 03/25/2011

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1. Hughes, Mrs. Thomas Mazyck GA-4493 09/29/2010
2. Jennings, Mrs. Horace Smith GA-4428 04/01/2010
3. Jones, II, Mrs. Keith Andrew GA-4734 03/31/2011
4. LePree, Ms. Lillian Clarke GA-4842 09/23/2010
5. Moore, Mrs. Larry Edward GA-4847 03/21/2011
6. Morgan, Mrs. Robert Allen GA-4207 07/19/2010
7. Morris, Miss Estelle Frazer GA-4591 LA-1684 09/02/2010
8. Stewart, Mrs. Timothy David GA-4766 03/16/2011
9. Wolff, Mrs. Ronald Bryan GA-4058 03/26/2011

RESIGNATIONS:
1. Brooks, Mrs. Edgar Randolph GA-1757 07/15/2010
2. Campagna, Mrs. James Henry GA-1761 07/30/2010
3. Christian, Mrs. Edward Anthony GA-4206 01/17/2011
4. Egbert, Mrs. James Michael GA-4131 03/20/2011
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2. Blanchard, Mrs. Mercer Carter, Jr. | GA-1953 | 12/21/2010
3. Carswell, Jr., Mrs. Elyea DuPree | GA-2424 | 05/26/2010
5. Crisp, Mrs. Henry Lumpkin | GA-2348 | 03/21/2011
6. Fletcher, Mrs. H. Quigg | GA-1225 | 12/28/2010
7. Hale, Mrs. William Bradley | GA-1954 | 05/30/2010
8. Hardie, Mrs. John Donald M. | GA-4172 | 09/23/2010
9. Hardin, Mrs. Nathaniel Arnold | GA-2069 | 06/09/2010
10. Hillsman, Ms. Hazel Wright | GA-2881 | 08/30/2010
11. Holman, Mrs. Robert Griffin | GA-2407 | 10/12/2010
12. Hunter, Mrs. Nathan Hudson | GA-2583 | 05/25/2010
13. Jenkins, Mrs. Hugh Ingles | GA-4697 | 10/04/2010
14. King, Jr., Mrs. E. Buford | GA-1543 | 12/16/2010
15. Lanier, Mrs. Sartain | GA-1829 | 09/23/2010
17. Mason, Mrs. Alfred Heywood | GA-2091 | 03/03/2011
18. McCollum, Mrs. William | GA-2198 | 10/15/2010
19. McKenzie, Jr., Mrs. Emmet Gardner | GA-2434 | 04/19/2010
20. Mixson, Mrs. Edward Harrison | GA-1523 | 06/24/2010
22. Peck-Smith, Mrs. Elanne Law | GA-2499 | 11/21/2010
23. Ray, Mrs. George Wesley | GA-2435 | 10/08/2010
24. Rylander, Mrs. Walter | GA-1604 | 07/05/2010
25. Shumway, Mrs. Candler | GA-1300 | 03/12/2011
26. Snyder, Jr., Mrs. Howard McCrum | GA-2420 | 06/01/2010
27. Tufts, Mrs. Rutledge | GA-2513 | 10/16/2010
29. Waller, Mrs. Eustace Conway Moncure | GA-4682 | 09/23/2010
30. Woodbury, Mrs. Marion Avant | GA-2950 | 04/10/2010
31. Zimmerman, Mrs. William Hugh | GA-1184 | 05/31/2010

DROPPED:
1. Mason, Jr., Mrs. William Minor | GA-2320 | 11/12/2010
3. Tuthill, Mrs. Allen Floyd | GA-4227 | 11/12/2010
4. Wellons, Mrs. Michael Eugene | GA-3002 | 11/12/2010

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN 2010 – 2011 27
STATE PARLIAMENTARIAN (Miss Barbara Bunn Vereen) – I attended all meetings required or called. No big disputes arose to decipher or mediate. The Town Committee Chairmen have been asked to update and republish their Standing Rules and to send me a copy of these updates. Many of the Town Chairmen have called me to verify that their rules are not contradictory to the State or National Rules. Hopefully this updating will be complete by the end of this next year.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR  GENEALOGIST FOR ASSOCIATE STATES (Mrs. Clifton Maurice Culberson, Jr.) - For 2010 Calendar year from April 2010 - April 2011, I have served as chairman of the committee of verifying genealogists, read and approved papers for candidates, and assembled and mailed information packets to the 71 new candidates. I have served as chairman of the committee to approve new Georgia Ancestors. I have read and approved one paper for a candidate in an associate state.

GENEALOGISTS FOR ANCESTRAL LINES (Mrs. Clifton Maurice Culberson, Jr., Mrs. Bennett Howard Daniel, Mrs. Frank Owen Evans, Jr., Mrs. Archibald Little Griffin, Mrs. Richard Tillman Jones, Mrs. John Price Reehling, Mrs. Thomas Seeds, Mrs. Revenal Elmo Winge) – Seventy-one (71) papers have been read and approved.

GENEALOGISTS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL LINES (Mrs. Hugh McMaster Tarbutton) – Four (4) Supplemental Lines have been read and approved this year.

HISTORIAN (Mrs. Vernon Nathaniel Hansford) – Annual reports of officers and committee chairmen were received, compiled and distributed online in the Historian’s Report. Mr. John M. Hodges of Marietta, a very good friend of the Georgia Dames, has given me, for the second year, untold hours of technical support so that this Historian’s report could be published online. We are all grateful for his gift of service to the Dames.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE (Mrs. William Stephen Bowen, Jr.)

Georgia Society Collection

This year has brought two new men’s apparel products to the Georgia Society signature collection.

- A bow tie made in the same Dame design and colors of our original men’s neck tie. Not only can the bow tie be used for everyday wear, but it is a good looking tux tie for formal wear. There are two styles to choose from, a clip-on already tied bow and a to-be-tied bow. The regular tie sells for $60.00 each plus tax/shipping and the bows for $45.00 each plus tax/shipping.

- Added in the last few months is a men’s cummerbund for formal wear in the traditional blue and gold Italian fabric. The cummerbunds sell for $80.00 each plus tax/shipping.

The Ways and Means Committee reports that as of April 9, 2011, contributions from the ties and the cummerbunds are $18,148.37. This is exciting news to those on the Tie Committee! A grateful thank you to the Dame “tie buyers”, we appreciate YOU and please spread the word!

Throughout the year before special holidays, the men’s collection has been marketed through emails to the general membership of the Georgia Society. Dames throughout the United States happily continue to purchase our neck tie at national meetings. The tie was marketed through a wonderful photo article in the Dames Dispatch and through both the NSCDA national and NSCDA-GA state web sites. Many accolades go to Mrs. Wyndell Lee Cook (Marcia) for her many long hours of work on the tie project and to our president, Albert Carlyle Espy (Jane) for her continued supportive interest!
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Also, Gentlemen’s Quarterly, the well-known classic men’s apparel magazine spotlighted our state neck tie and cummerbund manufacturing company in the October 2010 issue. The company (known as Brown and Church, Keys and Lockwood, and Gitman Brothers) even made the front page cover, complete with an article and photo on the inside pages.

Georgia Society Scarf

Great news here! In a unanimous decision by the hard working Scarf Committee, an international designer was chosen to design and manufacture our scarf. Marisol Deluna lives in New York and Argentina and comes to us with an incredible resume. She has designed scarves for many of the finest clubs, for special non-profit organizations, and for fellow State Societies. The scarf will be designed with National Society elements/symbols so we can easily market and sell to Dames across America.

Besides choosing an acclaimed designer, many tough and compromising decisions have been made thus far and we are all extremely excited about the progress! The scarf will be made of 14 mm silk twill in a 36X36 square with hand-rolled edges. Color screens will be used for each color. Custom labeling and packaging will add the final touch. A September Round Table unveiling is hopeful!!!

The scarf journey continues with our very concerned committee of Mrs. Charles Waring Barrow (Janet), Mrs. William Stephen Bowen, Jr. (Deborah), Mrs. Daniel Howard Bradley (Judy), Mrs. Edwin Bryan Connerat (Fran), Jr., Mrs. Wyndell Lee Cook (Marcia), Mrs. Albert Carlyle Espy (Jane), Mrs. Henry duBignon Howard (Louise), Miss Laura Marcella Reid (Laura), Joy Daniels Schwartz (Joy), Mrs. Henry Dana Stevens, IV (Mary Lee), and Mrs. Samuel Zemurray II, (Pat). Executive Director of the ALH, Stephen Bohlin has also met with us. We also appreciate our staff member, Kate Greene for her help with the scarf, the tie, and the email blasts. She is a real wiz on the computer!

In the past year, the Scarf Committee met on 4-9-10, 6-8-10, 8-30-10, and 3-29-11 in the Macon Library of the Andrew Low House. There have also been sub-committee meetings to discuss more about colors and design. Much gratitude is due to Judy Bradley and Fran Connerat for their special help and expertise on this part of the scarf puzzle.

Silent Auction

After the very successful past Silent Auctions (2009 Round Table in St. Simons Island- $4,677.56 and the 2010 Annual Meeting in Albany-$7,207.70) under the leadership of Mrs. Peter George Gantsoudes (Lillian), we have a new chair headed by Mrs. Robert Timothy Goff (Leigh) of Atlanta with the very able Dames on her committee of Mrs. Bennett Howard Daniel (Cathy), and Mrs. Matthew Joseph Pogue (Revel), both of Milledgeville. A new addition will be the early preview time. On Tuesday April 26 at Registration for the Savannah Annual Meeting, the committee will receive the donations for display and preview in the Pulaski Room of the DeSoto Hilton Hotel. There will be plenty of time to take a peek there at all the items and then on Wednesday, the donated items will be transferred to the Savannah Golf Club for the final auction time. Thank you to the continued generosity of the Georgia Society for their many unique and incredible items for bid. Looks like we are getting ready for another incredible auction on Thursday evening!!! Thank you ladies! We also appreciate the Annual Meeting chairman, Ms. Cecelia Swann Seiler (Swann) and her co-chairman, Mrs. Gene Mason White (Lisa) for their gracious concern with this project.

Andrew Low House Gift Shop

Kathy H. Carter, Gift Shop manager, has done a wonderful job with the shop. The Ways and Means Committee hopes that you will stop by any chance you have and buy some of the beautiful and unique gifts that are offered for sale. Many special thanks go to Kathy for keeping enthusiastic interested sales people in the shop.

ALH Endowment
Mrs. Richard Dudley Williams (Connie) is Chairman of the Endowment Committee and other giving which includes deferred giving, bequests, stocks, and gifts of life insurance. Connie will give her oral report separately.

**Annual Giving Fund (AGF)**

AGF Chairman, Mrs. Clarence Victor Beadles (Deryl) sent a letter to the Georgia Society membership in late March with the great news that the state headquarters is debt free. She further stated that over the past three years, through the generous gifts to the AGF, the balance on the Andrew Low House renovation project was lowered from $250,000.00 to $99,578. Deryl expressed her deep gratitude to the Society members for reaching this monumental goal. Hats off to Deryl for the amazing leadership role she has played chairing the AGF!!!

With the recent purchase of the property at 342 Drayton Street, adjacent to the ALH, the Executive Board decided to pay off that remaining loan balance to the Bank of New York Mellon through the Endowment Fund. Our state headquarters is indeed debt free! Deryl will give her oral report separately.

**Fund for the Future**

The Fund for the Future has just been established as a capital campaign fund to retire our new debt in purchasing the Drayton Street property which Dames agree is the chance of a lifetime in our history. Mrs. William Theodore Moore, Jr. (Jane) has been named as chairman. Many more details are to follow later in the year.

**In Conclusion**

Since the Ways and Means Committee was reactivated in 2009, contributions of approximately $30,200 have been given through the sales of the men’s neck ties/cummerbunds together with the previous two silent auctions, a grand record for Georgia Society members, especially the Board of Governors!!! Also, the Annual Giving Fund had a superb record of giving for the past three years.

Many, many, thanks go to the Georgia Dames for their hours of volunteer time, their expertise, and their monetary backing to make the contributions they have so freely given. Their very generous support of the Annual Giving Fund, the Endowment Fund, the men’s neckties and cummerbunds, the silent auctions, and the Andrew Low House Gift shop has been exceptional! Your loyal support is most appreciated.

**CHAIRMEN OF NATIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS**

**HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES** (Mrs. Kendrick Ware Mattox, Jr.) - This has been an exciting year for historical Activities. Instead of having our annual workshop in Macon, we decided to do something different. We invited all of the Historical Activities and the Patriotic Service representatives to Savannah for a special program. Donna Passmore and Jan Smulcer presented their program, *Why America is Free*. It is a hands on program that teaches our children about our Founding Fathers and the American Revolution. It is already in many schools around the country, and we are working toward getting it into our Georgia schools. This is our new project.

I am glad to say the Atlanta Town Committee has asked Aline McEvoy to head this project for them. The Savannah Town Committee is going forward with the program, and the private school in Thomasville already has the program in their 4th (fourth) grade curriculum. The Thomasville Town committee is involved in that.

Everyone is still working hard on our National projects:

**Ancestor Bibliography Register:**

This seems to be winding down. All of our Town Committees have done a wonderful job getting their members registered. The Augusta Town Committee
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has completed 29 forms raising their total to 53 members registered. Nancy Parrott, our state consultant, does a marvelous job keeping up with all of that.

**Decorative Arts Survey (Sampler and Needlework Picture Survey):**

We had a lot of activity in Samplers this year. The **Moultrie** Town Committee has photographed and documented 22 samplers and sent the forms to our National Chairman. The **Waycross** Town Committee has done the same thing for 10 samplers.

**Inventories of American Paintings executed by artists born before 1914 and Sculpture:**

The Brunswick Town committee has submitted 3 paintings and several sculptures. The **Waycross** Town Committee has completed forms for 14 paintings and 2 sculptures. The **Albany** Town Committee has found the original portrait of Albany’s founder, Nelson Tift. It is now hanging in their new Archives building. It will also be registered.

**Oral History:**

The purpose of this is to document the original and authentic details of family and community life, thus reconstructing the social fabric and folklore of the past.

The Augusta Town Committee has completed twenty-nine (29) Oral History Transcriptions. The **Brunswick** Town Committee has completed two Oral Histories and the **Waycross** Town Committee has completed one. The **Macon** Town Committee helped Story Corps, a non-profit organization that operated one of the largest oral history projects of its kind, interview people in Macon. A copy of the interviews was sent to the American Folk life Center at the Library of Congress.

The **Marietta** Town Committee, after a lot of hard work from Miriam Caswell (now deceased) and Florrie Corley, has replaced the Historical Marker for the original location of the Georgia Military Institute. The **Madison** Town committee has hired a James Madison reinactor to come and perform for the Morgan County Middle School and also the Morgan County Historical Society. Madison is believed to be the first town in the United States to be named for President James Madison.

The Town Committees that received matching grants last year have been busy with them. The **Columbus** Town Committee received a grant for the National Infantry Museum Summer Camp for children between the ages of 9 to 13. They were able to give $3,000.00 for this wonderful camp. The **Americus** Town Committee is always working with the Drummer Boy Civil War Museum, and the **Milledgeville** Town Committee is busy with the children’s bedroom at the Brown-Stetson-Sanford House for which they received a matching grant last year.

Historical Activities is a very important part of the Colonial Dames. All of our Town Committees are doing a fabulous job in keeping our Colonial History alive; and when we get the program *Why America is Free* in our schools, our children will have a much better appreciation of our country.

And now for our grants. This program was started in 2000. It is a wonderful program in that it has enabled Town Committees to do things they would not otherwise have had the money to do. This year we are awarding four (4) Town Committees grants and we have “earmarked” $1,750.00 for *Why America is Free*.

I would like Ann Claiborne Christian to help me give out the grants. Ann Claiborne Christian is the incoming Historical Activities Chairman.

**Our Grants are:**

1. Atlanta $1,500.00 Oakland Cemetery Lecture Series
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in the State of Georgia

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2. Columbus $1,500.00  Summer Camp Benning
3. Macon $1,500.00  Double Brick Hearth at Fort Hawkins
4. Rome $1,250.00  Admiral John H. Towers at Memorial Plaza
5. Earmark $1,750.00  for Why America is Free

Patriotic Service (Mrs. Walter Thomas Moody, III) - The Georgia Patriotic Service Committee has had a successful year. Our 17 Town Committees have all had two or more projects in place.

Congressional Essay Contest

Mrs. Paul Hutchinson, Essay Chairman, reports that we received 29 essays from 9 schools this year, and sent 8 of these on to be judged at Region. The Town Committees that participated in the essay contest were: Albany, Americus, Athens, Columbus, Milledgeville, Moultrie, Thomasville, and Waycross.

The topic of this year’s essay was “In His Farewell Address in Philadelphia in 1776, George Washington warned Against the Advent of Political Parties in Nations with Populace-Elected Governments. Do You Believe Our Nation’s History Supports His Views? Explain.” As you can see, this was not an easy subject. Georgia was fortunate in having 5 winners. There are 3 winners sponsored by the Georgia Society and 2 Dame Scholars. Albany is the proud receiver of 4 of these scholarships and Americus has the other space. Congratulations!

American History and Preservation Scholarships

Two NSCDA.in the State of Georgia Scholarships were awarded to two graduate students in History and Historic Preservation at the Annual Meeting of the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation. Each scholarship is $1500.00 and we award two of these every year. Those chosen in 2011 are:

1. Kyle Bradley Campbell, who is pursuing his Masters in Historic Preservation at Georgia State University.
2. Jennifer Ann Dixon, who is pursuing her Masters in Heritage Preservation with the History Department at Georgia State University.

Five Hundred ($500.00) dollars from the Georgia Society was contributed to the rotating District VIII Scholarship Award.

American Indian Nurse Scholarship Fund

Fourteen Town Committees reported a contribution to the American Indian Nurse Scholarship Fund. The total from the NSCDA in the State of Georgia is $840.00.

Flag Program

Americus is the only Town Committee reporting the Young Patriots program this year. However, we had several years of donating the Young Patriots and Flag videos to schools throughout Georgia.

Atlanta always uses their table Parade of Flags for their meetings, and also makes the Flag Coloring Books available.

Marietta, while working on their "My Place" project, noticed that the American flag in the front of the school was in terrible condition. The principal indicated that there were no funds available to replace the flag. The Town Committee got to work, and in conjunction with the Marietta Rotary Club, provided a new American flag for the school. The student council organized a dedication ceremony and presented the Marietta Town Committee with thank you notes from each class.

Moultrie coordinated a collaborative project with three other service organizations to purchase 65 flag sets for the Colquitt County High School Jr. ROTC. These sets will be used at their banquets and other official events.

Citizenship and Service to the Military

This was a busy and productive year for 12 of our Town Committees with Service to the Military. There were many filled stockings and gift bags, filled with lap blankets, pens, books, playing cards, and
toiletries. These were given to Veterans Hospitals and sent overseas to our men and women serving with our Armed Forces. Marietta even did bags designated for the ladies. Moultrie, after hearing that discount coupons would be honored at the P.X. overseas, started collecting them and sent them to the Air Force Base in Okinawa, Japan. They also have sent 1,336 telephone cards to our troops. Moultrie also helped raise funds in their community to purchase a bus that would transport local veterans to the VA Hospital for their medical appointments each Thursday.

Macon and Columbus both collected money (almost $4000.00) to be used for dependent military families in distress at Robins Air Force and for a special purchase of items needed for the 75th Regiment in Afghanistan.

Athens is still collecting Oral Histories from our Veterans. The Dames in Rome continues the tradition of placing a wreath on the "Tomb of the Known Soldier" at Myrtle Hill Cemetery.

Augusta has started a program called The Wounded Warrior Project. After learning of the numerous active duty soldiers who receive rehabilitation in Augusta, they contacted The Episcopal Day School to get them involved. The second grade classes have made homemade cards, bookmarks and goody bags for the various holidays and sent them to the wounded soldiers. In return, there have been soldiers who have visited the school, sharing with the classes, and teaching the importance of honoring our military.

Brunswick and Savannah are always faithful to have representatives at the Naturalization Ceremonies. They hand out copies of the Declaration of Independence, take pictures of the new citizens, and a member of the Brunswick Town Committee takes her 7th grade Social Studies class to the Ceremony, where they sing as part of the program.

My Place
"My Place" is a Georgia Society Award. It is for grades 4th - 6th and promotes patriotism through a creative outlet. Mrs. Bruce Lee Case, chairman, reported that this was a banner year with 8 entries.

The winners are as follows. There are 2 first place winners.

1. Colquitt County Gifted Center, Moultrie Town Committee $250.00
   Pierce County Elementary, Waycross Town Committee $250.00
2. St. Joseph Catholic School, Macon Town Committee $200.00
3. Memorial Drive Elementary, Waycross Town Committee $100.00

There were 4 Honorable Mention Awards at $50.00 each

1. Hull-Sanford Elementary School, Athens Town Committee
2. C. T. Walker Elementary, Augusta Town Committee
3. Brown Elementary, Marietta Town Committee
4. Sumter County Elementary, Americus Town Committee

Why America is Free
In November, at the Board Meeting in Savannah, we heard about an exciting program called Why America is Free. This is something that was very interesting to all of us. Four Town Committees have included in their annual reports the beginnings of putting this program in the local schools. I have no doubt there are many more Town Committees who are interested.

Georgia will have a Workshop this year in September.

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO BOARDS OF NATIONAL HISTORIC PROPERTIES

LADY OF DUMBARTON HOUSE BOARD (Mrs. Elizabeth M. Oxnard) – What an exciting year for our National Headquarters - Dumbarton House! Many of the accomplishments are due to the generosity of the Georgia Dames through the Friends’ Campaign that raised a record amount. Of course the Georgia
Dames were #1 again. Our leadership is known throughout the National Society so please make your donation if you have not already done so.

With new programs, improved quality and restoration of the house and furnishings, life is jumping in Georgetown. The staff is ably run by Karen Daly and the Board by Janie Grantham. The ideas continue to flow. Competing with all of the sites in Washington is not easy but the groups are charging ahead.

The one sad note to the year is the loss of Kevin Christen - our caretaker, gardener and unofficial host of the House for almost 19 years. There will be a memorial service and dedication of the garden to Kevin during the DH Annual Meeting next week. His family will also attend. They have expressed their immense gratitude for the outpouring of love for Kevin. To all who knew him, it is greatly deserved.

There have been many changes in the House. One of the most exciting was the acquisition of the Lemoin Sampler, c. 1805. It is really magnificent and frankly much larger than I expected. More “Quaker Farmer” china was bought making our collection a very fine one. One of the programs I really like is “Adopt-an-Object”. Museum Curator Scott Schultz has developed a list of objects in the House that need to be restored. An “Adoptive Parent” is then found and the object is restored. I will try to get a list out to all of the Town Committee Representatives in case you are interested in adoption. The interior plaster and furniture placement continue to advance in a meaningful way. It is exciting to see how all of the hard work and preparation has paid off.

If you are interested in staying in a fabulous Museum House, have I got a deal for you! Dumbarton House has two guest rooms that you may stay in. Each has its own private bath, twin beds and large closets. The kitchen and sitting room downstairs are also available for guest use. And the price – believe me you won’t find anything more reasonable in a 100 mile radius. I love staying there and hope you will too. After all, it is our home. Just call Dumbarton House and try it out.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Lady of Dumbarton House and for your support of our Headquarters.

REGENT OF GUNSTON HALL (Mrs. Phillip Jewett Markert) - Regent-at-Large Gena Tarbutton and I were so very proud of Georgia’s support of Gunston Hall last year. Our state was second in the nation in financial contributions to “Friends”. Congratulations Georgia!

Gunston Hall Representatives sponsored remarkable activities in their communities and Town Committees to recognize George Mason and his contribution to our Bill of Rights. I was honored to join a group of Atlanta ladies at the Governor’s office in late November to receive a Proclamation for December 15th, ‘Bill of Right’s Day’. In Marietta and Waycross, Dames met with their Mayors to receive Proclamations. All three events were featured with photographs in local newspapers. In Americus and Columbus newspapers published editorial letters about Bill of Rights Day. The Thomasville Town Committee donated eight copies of I’m Not Signing That! George Mason Stands Up for the United States Bill of Rights to local schools and libraries. This generous action was featured in their local newspaper. In Albany, fifth grade students at an elementary school were presented with copies of the Bill of Rights and biographies of George Mason. Athens, Rome, Columbus, Albany, Americus and Atlanta placed poster displays in libraries, schools and banks to educate others about George Mason and the Bill of Rights. The “Mason Jar” was passed in Savannah and Americus to raise money for Friends and Athens, Waycross, Valdosta and Moultrie reminded Dames to fly flags for Bill of Right’s Day. All Town committees shared Gunston Hall information reports at meetings and encouraged members to become Friends of Gunston
Hall. Information packages were mailed to all Gunston Hall Representatives in September because we did not have a Workshop this year.

After a long “Room Use” study by Gunston Hall Curator Caroline Riley, the Dining Room (Palladian Room) and the Parlor (Chinese Room) were reversed or “reinterpreted”. The upholstered walls and open beaufats (shelves) of the Palladian Room would not have been typical for dining. The closed closets in the Chinese Room were more known for that purpose. Unfortunately, a budget cut by the Commonwealth of Virginia required that we eliminate the position of Education Coordinator. We are fortunate to have a strong volunteer Docent Association willing to assist the remaining staff meet our educational objectives.

We were extremely saddened this past year by the loss of our immediate Past Regent, Miriam Carswell. Miriam served as Chairman of the Regent’s Education Committee for most of her eight years as Regent of Gunston Hall from 1999 to 2007. She was a great inspiration to all of us as her dedication to Gunston Hall and our Society was exceptional.

ASSOCIATE TRUSTEE, FRIENDS OF SULGRAVE MANOR (Mrs. Marvin Sparks Singletary) - Congratulations to Georgia for raising $8,771 for Sulgrave Manor in 2010. National contributions totaled $178,701. The State of Georgia placed third nationally! What a tremendous accomplishment! Everyone’s generosity was greatly appreciated.

We received the highly anticipated documentary, The Washingtons of Sulgrave Manor, in October 2010 at the Sulgrave Manor Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. It proved to be well worth the wait! Each of the 17 town committees in Georgia was given a set of DVDs, which included a short and a long version of the documentary. Some town committees have already been able to show the DVD. From ones who have viewed the documentary, we have received such comments as, “everyone just loved it”, “the quality of the DVD was excellent”, “we enjoyed it tremendously” and “we learned a lot about the Washingtons.” Plans are being made by other town committees to show the DVD in the near future. News of the new DVD was also published in the Winter, 2010 edition of Chatter along with ordering information.

In February, 2011 Annual Appeal letters were mailed to the homes of each of the 1,507 members in Georgia. In just three years we will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the presentation of Sulgrave Manor to the People of the United States and England as a memorial of their common inheritance. The manor is in need of immediate restorations. By our generous donations now and in the future, these and other essential restorations may be made so that Sulgrave Manor will look its best for the 100th anniversary celebration. Kate Greene of the Andrew Low House sent an email blast on George Washington’s birthday. As of March 31, 2011 there were 116 gifts totaling $4,670.50! Georgia is currently in second place. Thank you!

Every other year trips are planned around Sulgrave Day. The tentative trip itineraries for the 2012 Friends of Sulgrave Celebration are as follows:

- **June 5 – 16, 2012** - Experience the Land of the Midnight Sun. Cruise the Norwegian Fjords from Amsterdam to above the Arctic Circle. Optional visits to Stockholm and to Amsterdam will be planned prior to the cruise.
- **June 16 – 19, 2012** - Sulgrave Day (June 17) and London Interlude.
- **June 20 – 30, 2012** - Northern Spain, Andorra, Lourdes, the Basque country, and the pilgrimage route to Santiago de Compostela.

We have much to look forward to for Sulgrave Manor in the future. We will be educating more and more on the great importance of Sulgrave Manor through the use of our documentary. Also, 2012 will
prove to be an exciting year with our observance of Sulgrave Day and the wonderful trips surrounding the celebration.

REPORTS OF CHAIRMEN OF GEORGIA STANDING COMMITTEES

ANDREW LOW HOUSE (Mrs. Samuel Zemurray, III) - This past year has seen the completion of a number of long-anticipated projects at the Andrew Low House.

Foremost is the renovation of our garden and courtyard, inspired by the research of Landscape Historian Jim Cothran of Atlanta. Garden chairs Caroline Nusloch and Holly Montford have done a superb job.

In the fall, Ralph Anderson and Savannah Restorations re-laid and leveled the rear courtyard, solving our drainage problems in the process. With newly painted garden furniture, new lighting and the classically styled fountain bubbling away between the two new cherry laurels, the courtyard now provides a wonderful setting for gatherings. Indeed, when the Friends of the Andrew Low House hosted their annual cocktail party there last November, no one wanted to go home!

In the front garden, we excavated, deepened and refurbished the pebble paths making it much easier to see our English garden tiles edging the beds. Caroline is in the process of refreshing the original hourglass plan with historically appropriate plants. She hopes to find a place for a Franklinia Alatamaha, the Georgia Dames State Flower, and also a Colonial Dames camellia, if one can be successfully propagated.

We re-stained and reinstalled the front doors, and completed the new shelving system in the Museum Shop.

Of special interest is the gift of the historic painting of one of Robert Mackay’s sailing ships, The General Oglethorpe, bequeathed to us by our dear benefactors, the Mills Family of California. The noted marine artist Robert Salmon painted the large and handsome work in 1801, which, in the days before photography, also served as a document for insurance purposes.

The antiquarian Lark Mason, formerly of Sotheby’s and now associated with Antiques Roadshow and the online auction firm, I-Gavel.com, was in Savannah April 14 and came over to view the painting. He called it the most valuable item in our collection and noted that its value and that of the portraits of Mary Low and William Mackay Low, are greatly enhanced by their provenance and by being in the Andrew Low House.

In January, we closed the house for two weeks for cleaning and maintenance for the first time in several years. Special crews cleaned the carpets, windows and chandeliers. The ceilings of the Low, Robert E. Lee and Stiles bedrooms underwent badly needed plaster repair and repainting.

The Furnishings Committee installed handsome period argand lamps in the bathing room and in the upstairs hall. A new sisal rug in the hall now protects the floor from the wear and tear of our many visitors.

A long anticipated project has been the publication of the fascinating book, Andrew Low and The Sign of the Buck, Trade, Triumph and Tragedy at the House of Low, researched and written by Andrew Low’s great-granddaughter, Jennifer Guthrie Ryan, and her cousin and our dear supporter, Hugh Golson.

Fast on its heels came the opening last Friday of The Conspirator, the film Robert Redford filmed in many historic Savannah buildings including the Andrew Low House. It is a powerful film and is being talked about for awards.

It has been quite a year. And I must thank all of you, as individuals and as members of our town committees, for your donations, your time, your interest and your efforts on behalf of the Andrew Low House. The Georgia Dames continue to be outstanding stewards of our Georgia and American heritage.
FRIENDS OF THE ANDREW LOW HOUSE (Mrs. Daniel Howard Bradley, Sr.) - What a joy it is to report that Friends of the Andrew Low House had another record year, in spite of the poor economy! We received a total of $21,625 in contributions from Old Friends, New Friends, Supporters, Patrons and Benefactors. This year 475 letters were mailed, resulting in 212 members.

Without the untiring efforts of my faithful Committee – Mrs. Robert Train, Co-Chairman, Mrs. Sam Inglesby, Secretary, Mrs. Jules Victor, Mrs. Carl Espy, Treasurer, and Mrs. F. Willson Daily, Advisor – our campaign would not have been the success that it was. Our Executive Assistant, Ms. Kate Greene, efficiently helped the committee organize data and keep track of the addition of members for 2010-2011 as these donations came in. As the totals mounted each month, we delighted in the success of our efforts.

Again this year, we tried to think of ways to increase our revenue. We decided to send letters to all of the members of the Savannah Town Committee and the State Board with a plea that they support Friends, since they are the direct and most frequent beneficiaries of the use of our beautiful and historic State Headquarters. These pleas were also made verbally at the Round Table Meeting in Madison on September 22, 2010 and the Savannah Town Committee Meeting on October 21, 2010.

We used the same solicitation procedure as last year. Potential members were divided into 7 categories, and appropriate letters were composed for each category. A month by month schedule from the composition of the letters in August to the celebration Cocktail Party for all members of Friends in November was established.

It should be noted that with special permission of the family of artist Christopher Murphy, Jr., we were able to transpose his beautiful etching of the Andrew Low House to heavy stock, enabling us to send beautiful acknowledgements to all of our donors. Printing was done by Presswork’s in Savannah (please contact: Marla). Invitations to the cocktail party in November were included in the acknowledgements when they were sent. As the contributions came in, Kate Greene compiled a list by date, so that donors could be thanked chronologically. At the end of March (our fiscal year ends March 31st), she compiled a full, alphabetical list of 2010-2011 members (with addresses) as well as a list by Town Committees.

The garden party, which always takes place the evening before the November Board Meeting in Savannah, is given specifically in honor of the members of Friends. This year 58 ladies accepted and over 75 attended. The success of the party was enhanced by Mrs. Daily’s permission to break the museum house rules and allow white wine to be taken upstairs into the museum as the ladies toured the House. After all, it is due to their generosity that we are able to furnish and maintain our beautiful Headquarters. The garden was spectacular with lighted torches and beautiful music (made possible by the Bose system purchased by Friends last year), and the attendees did not want to leave to go to dinner. (Notes: Next year, we need more food). The three members of the staff who worked extra hours were given a check for $50 each from Friends to express our appreciation.

Mr. Hugh Stiles Golson, a descendant of the Stiles family and a generous donor to the Andrew Low House, gave us three items from the Mackay/Stiles family. They were a rosewood box with brass inlay, a valuable copy of Four Years Under Marse Robert by Robert A Stiles (his account of his four years serving under Robert E. Lee), and two silver-plated nut crackers that pre-date 1838, which probably belonged to Mr. Joseph Stiles. These gifts will be presented to Mrs. William Mayo, Chairman of the Andrew Low House Furnishings Committee, by Mrs. Daniel Howard Bradley, Sr. at the 2011 Annual Meeting in Savannah in April. Additional gifts were given to Friends in honor of Mrs. William Henry Mayo (Jane) from Mrs. F. Willson Daily and in memory of Mrs. Elyea Carswell (Miriam) from Mrs. Laura Belle Macrae. Notes of thanks were written to express our gratitude to all of the above by Mrs. Bradley.
This year, Friends paid for the remainder of the total invoice to Mr. Donald Theidt for refinishing the front doors. We pledged $15,000 to the renovation of the garden. We paid Mr. Greg Gunther for restoring the rosewood box with brass inlay, given by Mr. Hugh Golson, and we committed to pay for the conservation of two volumes of *A History of England* that belonged to Mary Low’s father, William Henry Stiles. These volumes were given to the Andrew Low House about 10 years ago by Mrs. Russell Layton, a descendant of Mr. Stiles. Recently, they were sent to Mr. Alan Grace, of Grace Binding, by Mrs. Mayo for an estimate for conservation.

Mrs. Daily asked that we set up two accounts of $5,000 each, for the eventual replacement of the draperies and carpet of the Andrew Low House, so that when the need occurs we will be financially “ahead of the game.” This request was passed along to the Financial Committee through Stephen Bohlin.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Chairman once again this year. We had an active and successful year, made possible by my wonderful Committee and the efficiency and cheerfulness of Kate Greene and the entire staff of the Andrew Low House.

**ANDREW LOW HOUSE ARCHIVIST/LIBRARIAN REPORT** (Mrs. William Henry Mayo)

**Additions to the Members’ Library**

*Supplement to Register of The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia* 1957; Purse Printing and Paper Company, Savannah, Georgia

*Marine Art and The Clyde, 100 years of Sea, Sail and Steam*; A.S. Davidson; First published in Great Britain, 2001; Jones Sands Publishing, England

Both generously donated by the President of the NSCDA in the State of Georgia, Mrs. Albert Carlyle Espy III

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*The Story of Silver in Savannah, Creating and Collecting since the Eighteenth Century*; Tania June Sammons; Dedicated to the memory of Dr. Edward F. (Ned) Downing; Telfair Books, 2010

Graciously donated by Ms. Jessica Mumford

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*Nostrum for Fashionable Entertainments, Dining in Georgia, 1800-1850*; Feay Shellman Coleman; Copyright 1992 by the Telfair Academy of Arts and Sciences, Inc.

Dedicated to the memory of Wilma Mitchell Wierwill

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*Some Early Epitaphs in Georgia*; Compiled by the Georgia Society of the Colonial Dames of America with a Forward and sketches by Mrs. Peter W. Meldrim; Copyright 1924; Presses of The Seeman Printery, Inc., Durham, NC.; CS42-2209 (B)

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*The Many Faces of Madison, A History Of Portrait Painting In the Piedmont*; The Madison – Morgan Cultural Center; In partnership with The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia, Madison Town Committee; 2010

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*A Summary of the Histories of The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America And The Corporate Societies 1891-1962*; Published by The National Historic Committee, 1962; HIS-3369
BYLAWS (Mrs. Peter George Gantsoudes) - At the Executive Committee Meeting, summer 2010, there was a discussion about an admissions problem that had come up concerning a recent rejected candidate for membership. The State has no policy or procedure covering the future eligibility of a Board rejected candidate. Also the candidate was aware of her proposal and knew that she was rejected by the Board. Strict confidentiality should be enforced and, if breached, can there be a penalty? Do the Town Chairmen have enough information on candidate qualifications and admission procedures?

The Executive Committee reviewed what candidate qualifications are included in the Bylaws and in our Procedures Manual (and what is not covered but are traditionally held procedures) and a recommendation was made to update the Admission of Candidate Packets that are distributed at the Round Table by the First Vice-President. It was recommended that the packets include not only more thorough information on what the Town Chairman needs to know concerning candidate qualifications, but also what recommendations and procedures to expect from the State Acceptability Committee who will review the proposals of selected candidates before sending them on to the Board of Governors for election. It was stressed that similar qualification information should be included with the proposal forms for the proposer and endorser to use as guidelines. Acceptability Committee recommendations should in the future include a discussion with the proposer of a rejected candidate suggesting a waiting period of at least three (3) years before a rejected candidate is proposed again.

Because confidentiality is stressed differently from Town Committee to Town Committee the Executive Committee felt it would be inadvisable to introduce a new Bylaw to cover it, not to mention tracking and governing confidentiality on the State level rather than the Town level. The Executive Committee recommended that the importance of confidentiality be explained and stressed every year in the information given to proposers and endorsers.

Also, by the end of the year, with no exceptions, each Town Committee had updated its Standing Rules and copies of all Standing Rules are now on file with the Parliamentarian.

The Bylaws Committee members include Barbara Vereen, Nancy Starr, Georgia Ritchie, and Carolyn Markert.

CHATTER (Mrs. Bruce Lee Case, Editor) - Chatter, the official newsletter of the Georgia Society, was published three times during the 2010-2011 fiscal year of the Georgia Society/NSCDA. The summer 2010 issue had 24 pages; the fall 2010 issue had 28 pages, and the winter 2011 edition 20 pages. The purpose of Chatter is to keep members informed about the many projects, events, and news of this Society. During the 2010-2011 fiscal year my effort was to continue to inform members of the Georgia Society about what is happening within our Society and the National Society; publishing the needs and status of the
importance of giving to various Dames projects and programs on a state and national level. Appreciation lists of donors in several categories were published, reports were published about the Andrew Low House, Georgia Society Headquarters and Museum House located in Savannah, the progress of the Annual Giving Fund to retire debt incurred during the Low House Conservation project, the activities of the Ways and Means Committee and its innovative fundraising projects, the various Museum Houses – Sulgrave Manor, Dumbarton House, Gunston Hall, and reports of activities and projects conducted by the Georgia Society’s Patriotic Service and Historical Activities Committees.

In the summer issue, an interview with NSDAR President Hilary Gripekoven was featured and in the fall issue, there was a feature on the 58th Biennial Council in Washington, DC, illustrated with photographs of Georgia Society’s delegates attending. Each issue this past year featured a section of informative news from the Georgia Society’s seventeen (17) Town Committees and the effort members are putting forth to continue the mission of actively promoting historic education, patriotic service and educational projects. During the past six years, I have compiled and edited 18 issues.

ROLL OF HONOR (Mrs. Pawling Schryver Steward) – Two new members of the National Roll of Honor, Mrs. Phillip Jewett Markert (Carolyn) and Mrs. Ronald Lloyd Tomlinson (Julia) were announced at the Annual Meeting. They were nominated by their peers in the National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia and approved by both the State Executive Committee and the National Roll of Honor Committee. Their names will be announced at the next Biennial in Washington, DC. and will be inscribed in the Georgia Roll of Honor book which is kept at our National Headquarters at Dumbarton House. Their names will also be added to our Georgia plaque located at the Andrew Low House.

Being placed on the Roll of Honor is for service above and beyond the ordinary, for devotion and outstanding leadership and for dedication to the ideals of our National Society. These two ladies have shown such service with distinction.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOSPITALITY (Mrs. Jerry Probst Nusloch; Mrs. Hugh McMaster Tarbutton; Miss Barbara Bunn) - The Hospitality Committee is responsible for making the lodging arrangements, securing the best possible hotel rates, and for making the dinner plans and reservations for the evening meal prior to the Board of Governors Meetings.

We have successfully negotiated a room rate of $139 plus taxes at the Desoto Hilton. This rate is guaranteed through February of 2013.

We planned a lovely dinner at The Chatham Club in November following the Friends Reception. Eighty-five Dames and guests attended. In February, fifty nine were present for dinner at The Chatham Club.

TOWN COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN REPORTS

ALBANY TOWN COMMITTEE (Ms. Lon Edwin Hudson) - As of March 31, 2011, the Albany Town Committee is comprised of 59 Resident members, 12 Non-resident members, 10 Retired members, for a total membership of 81.

Meetings: The member attendance level has improved at each meeting.

May 18, 2010 - 35 members attending at the Doublegate Country Club. A recap of the annual meeting was held with congratulations to all who helped with the very successful and fun-filled Annual Meeting.
Almost 200 guests had a fabulous time. Chairman, Mrs. J.P. Watkins, and co-chair, Mrs. Samuel Strickland, did a phenomenal job of organizing all of the details for the event. National President, Hilary Gripekoven, arrived early and reflected on all the activities she enjoyed in her speech to the membership. Lunch followed.

November 16, 2010 – 36 members attending at Doublegate Country Club. Mr. Marvin Mixon of American Legion Post 30 captivated those in attendance with a presentation on the history of the first flag sewn by Betsy Ross. He was joined by Mr. Richard Wilson and Mr. Nick Nicholson, also of Post 30, and they demonstrated how the flag is folded into thirteen folds as Mr. Mixon explained the symbolism of each fold. Lunch followed.

January 18, 2011 - 41 members attending at Doublegate Country Club. This was a voting meeting and luncheon. Three new candidates were voted on and the new slate of officers was approved. The candidates were approved at the state level in February and all have accepted.

**Annual Meeting:**

All of the Albany Town Committee participated in the Annual Meeting in Albany in April 2010. I attended the Round Table in Madison in September and the state meetings in Savannah in November, 2010 and February 2011. Mrs. J.P. Watkins, Historical Activities, also attended in November. Mrs. Marvin Singletary, State Sulgrave Manor representative, attended the November, 2010 and February 2011 state meetings.

**Highlights:**

The Albany Town Committee hosted the 115th Annual Meeting in April. Everyone worked together under the leadership of Mrs. James Porter Watkins Jr. as chairman, and Mrs. Samuel Leon Strickland as co-chairman and the event turned out beautifully.

The Albany Town Committee is utilizing email and the new web sites for communications, forms, and labels. Two new members were admitted. Past years of boxes, papers, and miscellaneous items were sorted, labeled, and placed in a climate controlled storage facility at no cost. Financial contributions to our museum properties, including the Andrew Low House pansy fund, and the Indian Nurse Fund continued and members were informed of the activities at these museums. Members were encouraged to financially support these properties. Albany increased our participation from 26% in 2009 to 29% in 2010 for the Annual Giving Fund.

Deerfield-Windsor School participated in the annual national essay contest. The top ten essays from the twenty-one submitted were mailed to the State Patriotic Chairman for state judging. Copies of the Bill of Rights and biographies of George Mason were provided to all fifth graders at DWS after they studied the Bill of Rights and viewed the Dames DVD about George Mason and Gunston Hall. An exhibit using the Bill of Rights and George Mason materials was displayed in the fifth grade history classroom at DWS. *Albany on the Flint*, a hardbound history of Albany from 1836 to 1936, continues to sell.

**Newly Elected Officers:**

Mrs. Ed Hudson, Town Chairman  
Mrs. Doug Chapman, Vice Chairman  
Mrs. William Buntin, Recording Secretary  
Mrs. Jim Bacon, Treasurer  
Mrs. Frank Ahouse, Corresponding Secretary

**AMERICUS TOWN COMMITTEE** (Mrs. Robert Gene Parks) - As of March 31, 2011, the Americus Town Committee consists of 53 Resident members, 03 Non-resident members, 06 Retired members, for a total of 62.

**Meetings:**
The Americus Town Committee meets three times a year. Programs and fellowship are always the highlights of our meetings.

May 19, 2010 – Attendees, Resident 21. Meeting held at Calvary Episcopal Church. In May, we were honored to have Mrs. Albert Carlyle Espy (Jane) with us to provide an informative program on Dames use of the NSCDA website in addition to the Georgia site. During the May 2010 meeting, we voted to accept the updated bylaws and a proposed budget for the year. An enjoyable lunch was provided at the church following the meeting.

October 20, 2010 – Attendees, Resident 29, Guest 2. The October Meeting was considered a fieldtrip to the Oak Grove Cemetery. Telling stories of fact and lore, Mr. Allen Anderson, town historian, led the group around the outdoor museum that we know as our town’s oldest cemetery. The business aspect of the meeting was conducted at the grave site of Mrs. Nathaniel B. Stewart (Lucy Cobb). The town committee has voted to place cemetery markers on our founding members’ graves, all located in Oak Grove, as soon as these are made available for purchase through the state. During our ramble around the grounds, we paid tribute to these members by placing an American flag and a rose upon each grave. The ladies honored on this day were:

1. Lucy Cobb Stewart (Mrs. Nathaniel B. Stewart) 187 SE
   Born: August 8, 1875  Death: October 31, 1965
2. Mattie Hollis Lanier (Mrs. Frank W. Lanier) 11 CN
   Born: September 20, 1872  Death: July 4, 1961
3. Elizabeth Odgen Sheffield Lanier (Mrs. Charles Frank Lanier) 11C
   Born: September 15, 1903  Death: December 21, 1997
4. Allene Walker Harrold (Mrs. Frank Probasco Harrold) 139 SE
   Born: October 9, 1875  Death: April 6, 1958
5. Florence Maxwell Wheatley Bacot "Flora" (Mrs. George William Bacot) 126 S
   Born: July 12, 1873  Death: July 6, 1947
6. Helen Wyatt Huntington Wheatley (Mrs. William H Crawford Wheatley) 12NE
   Born: October 19, 1878  Death: March 23, 1940

After the cemetery ramble and the tribute a delightful lunch was provided at Calvary Church.

January 20, 2011 – Attendees, Resident 33, Guest 1. Meeting held at Calvary Episcopal Church. The January meeting was an afternoon business meeting followed by a wine and cheese social hour at Calvary.

**Treasurer’s Report as of March 31, 2011:** Mrs. James Rogers Buchanan (Jean) reports a balance of $6749.65 as the statement reflected on March 23, 2011. Checks were written on March 30, 2011 for the contributions to the state level for house donations and projects totaling $500. All expenses will be shown in the year-end report as well as any expenses related to the town committee operations. Her formal treasurer’s report will be filed with the state in April 2011 when the bank statement for the year has been sent.

**Candidates:** As of March 31, 2011, all candidates for membership, prior to the 2011 invitations being extended, have completed their papers or withdrew from candidacy. Two new candidates accepted their invitation for membership offered by the 2011 February Board of Governors meeting.

The revival of spirit and renewed interest continues within the Americus Town Committee. Always mindful of the Dames’ mission of historic preservation, patriotism, and education, our membership has become more actively involved. Our membership number is not reflective of the growth that we are experiencing having lost three beloved members this past year, although we gained four new members. One of members requested a transfer to the Atlanta Town Committee where she resides to become more actively involved in the Dames. The Americus Dames completed 71 years as a town committee in January 2011.
Highlights: The Historical Activities and Patriotic Service committees continue to explore new means to involve members and enhance existing programs. One program is the Why America is Free proves to be a way enhancing America’s history curriculum in the schools. Mrs. James Dubberley Ray, Jr. (Becky), Mrs. Robert Gene Parks (Kathy), Mrs. Mark David Johnson (Ginny), and Mrs. Bruce Lee Case (Leila) on behalf of our Patriotic Service and Historical Activities Committees attended the state workshop held in Savannah during the November Board of Governors Meeting. From our town committee’s perspective, this program does provide the challenge of initiating the schools’ desire to implement the program and new curriculum. Delegating smaller positions within the two main committees is proving successful as with the addition of co-chairs to the house representatives involve more members in our projects and educational programs. This remains to become perfected through time and proper education as to their purpose and job description.

Historical Activities: The Americus Town Committee annually places Christmas wreaths on the gates of both entrances at Oak Grove. The Dames Centennial Sundial remains at Rees Park. The grant committee of Mrs. Gregory Allman Austin (Karen) and Ms. Mary Virginia Crisp (Jenny) in partnership with the Andersonville Guild applied for the NSCDA-GA grant to assist with the restoration efforts of the Drummer Boy Museum in Andersonville, GA. This museum houses one of the most extensive collections of Civil War memorabilia in the country. The grant request by our town committee was submitted but not awarded this year to further our support of this worthwhile project. The task of updating our town history remains on our intended projects.

Patriotic Service: Patriotic Service representative, Mrs. Robert Ledbetter (Georgia) submitted essays written by students at Southland Academy for the Washington Workshops 2010-2011 essay contest for high school juniors and seniors. Three classes from the school participated in the essay contest. Two students were among those chosen in the top 8 from the state of Georgia to proceed to Region for further judging. These young people are Abby Harrod and Micah Whittaker. The Americus Town Committee distributed three sets of the Flag Program offered by the National Flag Organization for students. Southland Academy and the Sumter County Schools have plans to use the program that was given by our town committee and to participate in the Young Patriots Program. Our town committee intends to introduce the "Why America Is Free" program to the schools in our area. Americus had one "My Place" entry this year, Sumter County Elementary art class grade 4-6, placed honorable mention. The class will be awarded $50 along with a small patriotic celebration given in their honor.

State Contributions: Our town committee made these contributions

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September Workshops: September Workshops were not held this year in Macon.

2010 Annual Meeting and Round Table: The Americus Town Chairman, Mrs. Robert Gene Parks (Kathy), Mrs. James D. Ray (Becky), Mrs. Bruce Lee Case (Leila), Mrs. George Edward Pope (JoAnn), Mrs. Melvin Tyner Kinslow (Wilma) and Mrs. Charles Marion Simmerson (Claire) attended the 115th Annual meeting in Albany. Mrs. Henry Lumpkin Crisp (Betsy) attended the evening event at Oakland Plantation. The Madison Town Committee hosted the Round Table in September. Attending from Americus were Town Chairman, Mrs. Robert Parks (Kathy) and Chatter Editor, Mrs. Bruce Case (Leila).

House Reports:
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Dumbarton House: Mrs. William Shelton Harris (Ann) provided information at each meeting on Dumbarton. Her reports insure that our members are well informed about the state of Dumbarton and educational programs offered there each year. She encourages members to make contributions to the Dames National Headquarters museum house through Friends of Dumbarton and has encouraged our members to visit and stay overnight at Dumbarton whenever they are in Washington. We contribute as a town committee through the state and also individually to the Friends of Dumbarton.

Andrew Low House: Mrs. James Dubberley Ray (Becky) reported as the Andrew Low House representative this year and kept the town committee abreast of information relative to the state headquarters. Our membership was strongly encouraged to make a special contribution this past year to help alleviate the debt of the restoration project. We had 37% of our town committee contribute $1325 in donations to the Annual Giving Fund. The town committee made an additional donation to the ALH for $1500 above our usual contribution of $100. Several members of the Americus TC are taking a “fieldtrip” to Savannah for the April 2010 Annual Meeting. The group will tour the Andrew Low House and attend all of the festivities hosted by the Savannah Town Committee.

Gunston Hall: Gunston Hall Representatives Mrs. Lamar Myers (Jane) and Mrs. Melvin Tyner Kinslow (Wilma) promote Gunston Hall. Each year the “Mason jar” is passed around for pocket change with the collection sent to the Friends of Gunston Hall. The local newspaper published information about Bill of Rights Day and George Mason. And during the months of December and January information concerning Gunston Hall, George Mason and Bill of Rights Day, Dec. 15th, was displayed at Lake Blackshear Regional Library by Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Kinslow. Our town committee makes an annual contribution to the state for Gunston and members donate individually to the Friends.

Sulgrave Manor: Mrs. George Edward Pope (JoAnn) has also kept us informed on Sulgrave Manor trips and general information of the ancestral home of George Washington. Our town committee makes an annual contribution for Sulgrave to the state and members donate individually to the Friends.

In closing: The year has been productive and our purpose is being accomplished. With heavy hearts, the Americus Town Committee mourns the loss of three friends and devoted members—Mrs. Walter Rylander (Alice Harrison Walker), Mrs. Henry Latimer Collier III (Jane Procter Leigh), and Mrs. Henry Lumpkin Crisp (Betsy Laverne Lindsey). Tributes were read for Mrs. Rylander at the October meeting and Mrs. Collier at the January meeting. The tribute to Mrs. Crisp will be read at the 2011 May town meeting, as her passing was this March. These tributes are recorded in our minutes with copies sent to Savannah for the record and to the family members following the reading. A set of flags containing the US flag, GA flag and NSCDA flag were donated to our town committee in memory of these ladies. These flags are to be presented at the May 2011 meeting.

We welcome and celebrate the addition of our newest members who enter their experience in the dames—Mrs. Henry Richard Arnold (Jane Broadhurst), Mrs. Malcolm Perry (Anne Graves), Mrs. Mark Sisson Barrett (Anne Elizabeth Zabadah), and Mrs. Robert David Smith (Maureen Veronica Butler). My trips to Savannah, Madison, and Albany were memorable this past year as I was introduced to new places, interesting people, and fine dining experiences.

I am elated with pride in being a member of The National Society of Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia. Completing my third year as Town Chairman of Americus, I mention that it is both a privilege and blessing to serve my town committee as chairman and my role in service to the Board of Governors. An additional role in which I served this past year was Secretary of the Town Chairmen’s Meetings. This has been a wonderful experience getting to know the other town chairmen on a more personal level. The Dames calendar year of May 2011-April 2012 will complete two terms as town chairman. I look forward to the upcoming year, and the direction that we are taking as a town committee.
ATHENS TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. James Daniel Blitch, III) - The Athens Town Committee membership is as follows: 79 Resident, 09 Non-Resident, 06 Retired, 01 Resigned, 02 Guest, and 02 Courtesy.

Fall Meeting:

The first of our three meetings was held in October 2010 where we had 41 in attendance at the Athens Country Club. The business meeting was followed by a luncheon.

Our Historical Activities Chairman, Fran Lane, gave a very interesting program on how to interview people and record local history. She showed several interviews that people from the University of Georgia archives had done giving details of interesting and humorous local individuals some of whom are now deceased. It gave us a true understanding of the importance of doing this type of living history while people are still alive.

We recognized Nita Holton as a fifty year member of the Athens Town Committee. Her daughter who is a member of the Charlotte, NC Town Committee came to help celebrate this event.

As a recommendation of our executive board we voted to give $5000 to Andrew Low House for reduction of the debt and another $5000 to the garden.

We also voted to cover registration for Lucy Bell to attend the Annual Meeting in Savannah in April 2011. Lucy is to chair the Annual Meeting in 2012 when we meet in Athens.

Winter Meeting:

Our January meeting was a voting one so no program was given. As part of the business meeting we voted to endorse the proposal of the Executive Board to pay for the future Town Chairmen’s registration fees at both the Round Table and Annual Meeting each year.

We discussed the idea of supporting the new “Values Through History Program” with text book purchases for our public schools as was presented at the November Board meeting in Savannah. Cissy Hutchinson will investigate this further as we get into the New Year with our new Town Chair.

Lucy Bell gave a report on the plans that have already been made for the 2012 Annual Meeting which is to be in Athens.

Our Patriotic Service Chairman reported that we have two outstanding young men who are entering the essay contest and that the Sanford-Hull School is again entering the My Place contest under the direction of teacher Helen Steedman who is a member of the Athens Town Committee. She also reported that we took a large care package to the Veteran’s Hospital in Decatur.

The nominating committee proposed Edwina Ferguson as the new Town Chairman and Page Pate as the treasurer. Both were elected unanimously.

Spring Meeting:

Our Spring Meeting is in April and is traditionally a social event - a cocktail party and dinner, with spouses and guests invited which will be held this year at the home of Gail Felchlin on April 21. At last year’s spring party all husbands were encouraged to wear the Dame Tie and about 10 men participated.

Photo was in Chatter.

ATLANTA TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. Clarence Ferrell Nolan, III) - The Atlanta Town Committee membership is as follows: 244 Resident, 15 New Members, 06 in and 2 out Transfers, 16 Non-Resident, 07 Guest, 31 Courtesy, 01 Retired, 04 Resignations, 04 Deaths, 01 Extensions requested, 306 Total Membership.

Meetings:

May 20, 2010 – 68 members attended at the Capitol City Country Club where the rosters were distributed. Speakers were Polly Mattox and Helen Bost, giving us a slide presentation on their book on Georgia gardens. A reception followed the meeting.
October 21, 2010 – 89 members attended at Cherokee Country Club where 50 boxes were picked up to be sent to the soldiers in Iraq and candidate proposal forms were distributed. Our speaker was Jack Ferguson who gave a presentation on the three signers of the Declaration of Independence from GA: Button Gwinnet, George Walton and Lyman Hall. A reception followed the meeting.

January 20, 2011 - 117 members attended at the Piedmont Driving Club where white papers were distributed. Voting was followed by a viewing of the video, Why America Is Free by Polly Mattox with a lovely luncheon following. Eighteen (18) candidates were selected for membership.

**Highlights:**

In April we had our Spring Fling cocktail buffet at the home of Betsy Elliott where we had a large group of ladies in attendance. During these get-togethers much socializing takes place, but also an amazing amount of Dames business as well.

At the Annual Meeting in April the highlight of the year for Atlanta was when Mrs. James T. Porter (Tee) was accepted into the Roll of Honor. Although she was completely surprised, she could not have been more deserving. Also at the Annual Meeting Atlanta donated a rustic chandelier to the auction.

In late September the Atlanta Town Committee had a cocktail buffet for the entire membership sans husbands at the lovely home of Douglas Perry. There was a huge turnout of both young and old on a lovely autumn evening, where we especially enjoyed the company of those Dames who are usually unable to attend our morning meetings.

Patriotic Service and Historical Activities representatives have been busy with the “Boxes for Soldiers” project, as well as encouraging the donation of white papers to the Atlanta History Center and an application for a grant for a lecture series at Oakland Cemetery. Our Newsletter is sent out 3 times a year, keeping us abreast of all local and state Dames events. A Bill of Rights Day Proclamation was signed by Gov. Perdue at the State Capitol in early November with 4 Dames attending, including our State Regent to Gunston Hall. Our Sulgrave Manor representative did a fine job of promoting trips to England and she as well as the Dumbarton and Gunston Hall representatives have kept us apprised of all events at the houses which resulted in generous donations from the Atlanta Town Committee.

At the January meeting 18 candidates were selected for membership, so we are continuing to attract ladies who want to be a part of this outstanding organization. A New Members’ Coffee was held March 31 where our new members, transfer and courtesy members were given an orientation by the board members attending, each giving a brief overview of their position within the Dames.

In early spring a field trip to the State Capitol as well as Oakland Cemetery is planned with about 50 Dames attending.

**Newly Elected Officers:**
Chairman---Mrs. Edward Shirley
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Hugh Gage

**AUGUSTA TOWN COMMITTEE** (Mrs. Joe David Christian, Jr.) - The Augusta Town Committee membership is as follows: 102 Resident, 20 Non-Resident, 0 Guest, 04 Retired, and 126 Total.

**Meetings:**
May 19, 2010 - Spring Meeting- Berlin Room in Historic St. Paul’s Church. Attendance: 52 members present. Mrs. Tarbutton and Mrs. Christian reported on the annual meeting held in Albany. The Augusta Town Committee was awarded a check for $1,500 towards a Historical Activities Grant for Historic Augusta which was matched by the Town Committee for a total of $3,000. This grant will support further research into the American, British and Irish heritage of President Woodrow Wilson. Erick Montgomery, executive director of Historic Augusta, wrote a very gracious thank you letter which was read. Mrs. Linda Walker, Orientation Chairman, introduced one new member and several out of town dames who were in attendance. “The Dames for Dummies” booklet published by the Athens Town Committee was displayed
at each table and sold for $3.00. The program was a very entertaining and informative talk on the Flowers of the Revolution, given by Mr. Clyde Lester, retired county extension agent. A delicious luncheon was enjoyed by all. Members walked through the church yard and viewed the various markers that have been erected by the Colonial Dames. The Celtic Cross located there is displayed on the Georgia web site.

December 1, 2011 - Fall Meeting- Boyhood homes of U. S. Supreme Court Justice, Joseph R. Lamar and President Woodrow Wilson, Seventh St. Attendance: 51 members present.

The Augusta Town Committee met at the Joseph Rucker Lamar House, the headquarters of Historic Augusta. This is the boyhood home of U. S. Supreme Court Justice Lamar, the husband of Clarinda Pendleton Lamar who was National President of the Colonial Dames for 13 years (1914-1927), Honorary President for 16 years (1927-1943), and a charter member of the Georgia Society and the Augusta Town Committee. The guest speaker was Dr. Lee Ann Caldwell, Director of the Center for the Study of Georgia History, Augusta State University. She gave a very interesting and informative talk about how Christmas was celebrated in Augusta during the Colonial period and the Civil War era.

After the meeting, tours were given of the Woodrow Wilson House which was decorated as it would have been at Christmas time when the Wilson family lived there. Members donated magnolia, boxwood, holly, smilax, cedar and pine which adorned the mantelpieces, table tops and chandeliers throughout the house. The Augusta Magazine featured the Woodrow Wilson House decorated for Christmas on its cover with a nice article and pictures in its December 2010 issue. We not only enjoyed our tour but also were so pleased that through this fund raising event, the Augusta Town Committee contributed $740 to the Wilson House. We have a very unique situation in that a future United States President and a future U. S. Supreme Court Justice were boyhood friends and lived next door to one another during their formative years in the 1860’s.

Three new members were introduced and new candidate proposal forms were made available. After the meeting, we enjoyed a delicious Christmas Tea.


Mrs. Walker introduced and welcomed one new member. Mrs. Merry, Historical Activities Chairman, proposed that the Augusta Town Committee give $1,500 to Historic Augusta as a matched grant if it is awarded by the State to further research the ancestral heritage of Woodrow Wilson and it passed unanimously. Mrs. Orr’s statement concerning the Qualification for Membership in the NSCDA was read and also our responsibilities as a Dame. Seven new candidate proposals were read and voted on for membership. The members enjoyed watching the newly released video, *The Washingtons of Sulgrave Manor*, introduced by Mrs. Barrett, our Sulgrave Manor Representative. A lovely tea followed the meeting.
Special Projects:

A. Made our annual donations of $100 to each of the Dame properties, the History Scholarship and Indian Nurse Funds.
B. Displayed proclamations obtained from the Mayor of the City of Augusta and newspaper articles in recognition of Bill of Rights Day at our December meeting. We also had in the display a copy of the Bill of Rights and pictures of George Mason and his home Gunston Hall. An Email blast was sent to all members to fly their flag on December 15th in honor of Bill of Rights Day.
C. Applied for a State Matching Grant for Historic Augusta to continue and to do further research into the American, Irish, and British heritage of President Woodrow Wilson.
D. Maintained seasonal flowers around the Colonial Dames sundial located on 9th St. at the Riverwalk.
E. Contributed and participated in Historic Augusta’s “Walk with the Spirits Event” held in historic Summerville Cemetery. Several Dames and members of their families portrayed “The Spirits”. Seven hundred and forty people attended the event.
F. Worked with Historic Augusta to complete and update surveys of the present status of the gardens of seven historic properties that were included in The Garden History of Georgia 1733-1933.
G. Completed 29 forms which were submitted to the Ancestor Bibliography Registry bringing Augusta Town Committee’s total to 53.
H. Arranged for Laurie Ott, Executive Director of the CSRA Wounded Warrior Care Project, and Chief Warrant Officer Peterson to visit the second graders at the Episcopal Day School. Chief Peterson is recuperating at the Charlie Norwood VAMC center in the active duty rehabilitation unit in Augusta, Georgia. It was so special and patriotic for a real warrior to talk about her service and deployment to Afghanistan. Chief Warrant Officer Peterson really brought home the message of how the Augusta community was supporting our troops. Knowing the soldier’s story, gave the students a better understanding of the importance of honoring our military, not only for their service but also for their sacrifice. The teaching of children the importance of service and giving back cannot be overstated.

Throughout this year, the EDS students sent seasonal cards, pictures, bookmarks and goody bags to the active duty rehab unit in order to boost the soldiers’ spirits and let them know how thankful we are of their service to our country.
I. Entered the Georgia Society My Place Project with an entry from the sixth graders at C. T. Walker Magnet School and won an honorable mention.

Newly Elected Officers:
Mrs. James Benjamin Kay 111 (Rosie) – Chairman
Mrs. Joe David Christian, Jr. (Ann Claiborne) Vice-Chairman

BRUNSWICK TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. Charles Edward Thwaite, III) - The Brunswick Town Committee currently has 60 members; 42 resident members; 12 non-resident members; 2 courtesy members and 4 retired members.

Meetings:
The Brunswick Town Committee had three (3) meetings this year and one field trip to the Andrew Low House in Savannah.

May 2010 - The year began with a luncheon at the Ocean Forest Club on Sea Island. The Town Committee was notified of the acceptance of one new member. Five members were recognized as 50 year members of the Colonial Dames. Captain Susan Stahl of the Army National Guard and an Afghanistan
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veteran spoke of her experiences there and highlighted Operation Outreach, a volunteer organization sponsored by the UN that provides humanitarian services for the Afghan people, especially children.

November 2010 - Spalding Nix of Spalding Nix Fine Arts and Antiques, Atlanta, and an expert on Southern Art and History, fascinated the membership with a presentation at Marsh’s Edge. His topic was: The Art of the Steal, a presentation on art theft. He also set up individual appraisal appointments for anyone wishing to have their antiques appraised.

January 2011 - At our annual business meeting, the membership was updated on Town Committee activities. We received and acted upon one candidate proposed for membership.

Highlights:

The Historical Activities Chairman reported that she checked all seven of the Colonial Dames historical markers in Glynn and McIntosh counties and found them to be in good condition. Five Dames completed their Ancestral Bibliography Reports and those reports have been sent to our state Historical Activities chair. She forwarded them to the National Historical Activities Chair and they have been accepted and are listed on the Colonial Dames Registry. We have a total of sixteen completed ABR’s in our Town Committee. Two individuals are currently being interviewed for our Oral History project. One is a Brunswick Dame and the other is the husband of a Brunswick Dame. These interviews will be very interesting and will greatly add to our collection of oral activities.

A new direction for our town committee was taken this year with locating and taking inventory of American art and sculpture. This project is a collaborative effort with the National Society of Colonial Dames and the Smithsonian Institute thus creating a comprehensive national index of American Art. All American paintings must have been executed before 1914 or the artist born before 1914. There is no cut-off date for sculpture. Our Historical Activities Chairman is currently working with three individuals who own art and/or sculpture that fall within these parameters. The forms will be completed and sent to the State consultant who will forward them to the National Consultant who is working with the Smithsonian. This is a very exciting new direction for our town committee.

Lastly, there are two trips planned for 2011. One is to the Andrew Low House in Savannah and the other to Signature Squares, the historic town squares in Brunswick.

In March, a ceremony in the United States District Court Southern District of Georgia, welcomed 13 new citizens as new Americans. The Brunswick Town Committee participated on behalf of the NSCDA with a talk about the Dames from Mrs. William Q. Walker, Patriotic Service Chairman, and each new citizen was given a gold dollar coin. Mrs. Wayne R. Knittel, another Brunswick Dame, brought her 7th grade class and the School Chorus from Glynn Middle School to witness the Naturalization Ceremony and to sing as part of the program.

As part of Patriotic Service, the Brunswick Town Committee made donations this year, among others, to the American Indian Nurse Scholarship Fund and the History Scholarship Fund. Follow up work is being done with the Glynn County Board of Education promoting the Why America is Free curriculum to possibly be used in one school for the next year.

Our Dames are a special Group, living in Brunswick and on St. Simons and Sea Island. There is a lot of enthusiasm and pride for what we have done in the past and continue to do in the future as we grow, contribute to our community and honor The National Society.

COLUMBUS TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. John McKay Sheftall) - The Columbus Town Committee has 169 members of which 139 are resident and 19 are non-resident members. We have 10 retired members and 1 courtesy member. We welcomed three new members and seven new candidates were selected in January and elected in February in Savannah. During the year we lost seven members due to deaths.

Meetings:
Three Town Committee meetings were held between April 2010 and March 2011.

May 20, 2010 – 33 members attending. The May meeting was held at the Headquarters for the Columbus Botanical Gardens, and we enjoyed a wonderful talk on George Washington given by our Vice Chair’s husband Colonel Ralph Puckett.

October 21, 2010 – 33 members attending. The October Meeting was held at the Country Club of Columbus with local poet David Johnson as our speaker.

January 20, 2011 – 53 members attending. The January meeting was held at the RiverMill Event Center. In addition to voting, making an amendment to our Standing Rules, and approving a budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year, we previewed the Sulgrave Manor DVD which had been distributed at the November Board Meeting in Savannah.

Officers on the Executive Board serving for the 2010-2011 year were: Chairman, Mrs. John McKay Sheftall; Vice Chairman, Mrs. Ralph Puckett, Jr.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. John William Walden, Jr.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. John Wilson Humes; Treasurer, Mrs. Allen Waddell Layfield. Mrs. Warner Lewis Kennon served as Patriotic Service Chairman, and Mrs. Cecil Francis Whitaker, Jr. served as Historical Activities Chairman.

At the January 2011 meeting, the following officers were elected to serve on the Executive Board: Vice Chairman, Mrs. Edward Prather Hudson, and Treasurer, Mrs. Allen Waddell Layfield.

Highlights:

Throughout the year, all of our Committee chairs worked very hard. Historical Activities has applied for a second $1500 matching grant to continue our support of an exciting new education project at the National Infantry Museum, and our Chairman encouraged members to serve as docents this past fall for school tours in Historic Linwood Cemetery.

Our Patriotic Service Chairman worked hard to collect essays for the Congresional Essay Contest. She attended the special programs held in Savannah in conjunction with the November Board Meeting, and organized a socks for soldiers drive at our January meeting.

Financial support continued for Dumbarton House, Gunston Hall, Sulgrave Manor, and the Indian Nurse Fund. We also were pleased to see the completion of the fountain installation in the Andrew Low House garden, which was our Town Committee’s special project from the previous year. The Town Committee’s special local project was to continue its contribution toward interior refurbishing at the Rankin House.

We published three issues of our newsletter to keep members informed of state and local matters pertinent to the Dames.

MACON TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. John Price Reehling) - The Macon Town Committee has 111 Members; 94 Resident Members, 17 Non-resident Members. We have welcomed six new members, lost two members in death, three members resigned and three candidates have accepted the invitation to complete membership papers.

Meetings:

May 2010 - (44 members) - Picnic held at the home of Bonnie Starr
November 2010 - (50 members) - Coffee held at the Brickyard at Riverside. Program, An Early History of Georgia Dames developed and presented by Suzanne Moody a Macon Town Committee member. This is a wonderful slide show highlighting our founding years using pictures from the Georgia Society archives.
January 2011 - (37 members) - Voting Meeting held at the home of Mrs. Donald Wallace Rhame
February 2011 - (52 members) - Tea held at the Sidney Lanier Cottage. Program, A History of Early Macon and the Development of Shirley Hills Neighborhood delivered by Jim Barfield based on his new book.

The Macon Town Committee continued publication of a Newsletter prior to each meeting.
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Officers Serving for 2010-2011:
Chairman                                Mrs. John Price Reehling
Vice-Chairman                       Mrs. John Cobb Dennis
Recording Secretary Mr. Maurice Franklin Arnold
Corresponding Secretary        Mrs. David Mark Baxter
Treasurer                                 Mrs. Timothy Augustus Parker

Serving on the State Board of Governors:
Area Vice President                Mrs. Carr Glover Dodson
Patriotic Service                       Mrs. Walter Thomas Moody
Genealogist for Supplemental Lines
Member at Large                        Mrs. Hugh McMaster Tarbutton
Regent at Large of Gunston Hall
Hospitality/Lodging
Verifying Genealogist

Town Chairman                                       Mrs. John Price Reehling

Roll of Honor Members:          
Mrs. William Lee Wood                                Mrs. Hugh McMaster Tarbutton

Highlights:
Patriotic Service Chairman, Mrs. Robert John McNeill, and Mrs. Robert Eager Wilkin took essay information to all area high schools. A cupcake party was held for St Joseph School for their third place win in the State My Place Project. St. Joseph has entered again. Care packages for our overseas troops were sent in partnership with Volunteer Macon. Macon Dames collected canned goods and monies for families in need at Warner Robins Air Force Base.

Historical Activities researched new projects for the Macon Town Committee. They requested funds from the Georgia Society for the Fort Hawkins Historical Site.

Museum Properties chairman keep members informed about events at the various properties and encouraged individual contributions. The Macon Town Committee donates to all museum properties and the Andrew Low House endowment fund.

Books given to The Genealogical & Historical Room at The Washington Memorial Library in Macon.

- In memory of Mrs. Lee Boswell Murphy (Judith Evelyn Meier) 
  Abstracts of Deeds; Guilford, NC (Books 25 and 26) (1839-1842)
- In memory of Dr. Ralph George Newton (husband of Harriet Dewitt Adams) 
  Abstracts of Deed, New Hanover Co. NC - Book R and S (1820-1826)
- In memory of Mrs. Emmet Gardner McKenzie, Jr. (Martha Evelyn Weaver) 
  Abstracts of the Testamentary Proceedings of the Prerogative Court of Maryland XXVI (1749-1750), (1752-1753)
- In memory of Mrs. Nathaniel Arnold Hardin (Margaret L’Engle Fatio) 
  Abstracts of the Testamentary Proceedings of the Prerogative Court of Maryland (XXVI) 1744-1746

MADISON TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. Lowrey Weyman Hunt, Jr.) - The Madison Town Committee had more changes in membership than usual this year. Mrs. Ligon McWhirter Leathers (Mary Anne
Tamplin) came in as a new member and Mrs. Robert Francis Lyle (Penelope Ann Irby) joined as a Courtesy Member. Mrs. Lyle, a member of the NSCDA FL, divides her time between Naples, Florida and Madison, Georgia and is the first Courtesy Member for this Town Committee. Sadly, this year there were Resolutions and Moments of Silence to recognize the passing of Mrs. Rutledge Tufts, Mrs. Nathan Hunter, Mrs. Frances Candler Shumway and Mrs. Hazel Wright Hilsman. Last year, after this report was turned in, Mrs. Dan McHenry Hicky requested retirement status. Mrs. Jake Cheatham requested retirement status this year. There were no transfers or resignations. Six candidates accepted invitations to become members this year. The membership total at the end of the year is 37. There are 31 Regular Members, 03 Non-resident Members, 02 Retired Members and 01 Courtesy Member.

In order for each of the six candidates to have a clear understanding of the NSCDA GA and the Madison Town Committee before responding to their invitation, the Chair and Vice Chair along with either proposers or endorsers, met individually with each candidate to educate them as to the mission and work of the NSCDA GA, expectations of members, and the process of getting papers filed.

Meetings:
The Town Committee regular meetings were on the third Thursdays of October, January and March. Attendance of Regular and Non-Resident members averaged 63 %. Additionally, there was one called Executive Committee meeting on March 24, 2011. It was decided to have programs at the October and March meetings as appropriate.

Round Table:
Madison hosted the Round Table in September and it was the focus of work this year. Mrs. Thomas Brewster Sherwood (Becky Whitfield Sherwood) and Mrs. Felton Jenkins, Jr. (Julie Green Jenkins) ably co-chaired the Round Table. They enlisted the help of each of Regular and Non Resident members to assist in the planning and execution of every aspect of this meeting. The Round Table was the major project of the year and required the active participation of each of member.

As a result of having procured art work generated by Round Table projects, the Town Committee has 2 fundraising projects involving franklinia alatamaha. One is an insulated double walled plastic tumbler with the flower and the other is fold over note paper featuring franklinia alatamaha.

Highlights:
The Madison Town Committee is in ongoing conversations with the Morgan County Board of Education to place the Why America is Free curriculum in the local school system. Once there is a commitment from the school, the plan is to introduce the program to other local non-profit organizations that could have an interest in funding this program and to build a partnership of financial support for this curriculum. The initial plan is to have this in place for the 2011-2012 school year and work towards that goal continues.

The catalog for The Many Faces of Madison: A History of Portrait Painting in the Piedmont, an exhibit of historic portraits curated by the Madison-Morgan Cultural Center as part of Madison’s Bicentennial Celebration, was funded by the Town Committee last year and published this year.

The Uncle Remus Regional Library is under construction and the Town Committee is finding a temporary public home for the Sun Dial given to the library as part of the NSCDA GA’s 1993 Centennial Project.

The Standing Rules were amended to more clearly accommodate Courtesy Members.

Annual contributions were made in February to the American Indian Nurse Fund, Gunston Hall, Sulgrave Manor, Dumbarton House, the Andrew Low House, the Andrew Low House Endowment and the Annual Giving Fund.

The Town Committee continued to maintain the plantings in the urn the Town Committee gave to the Madison Morgan Cultural Center.
Fifty-six percent (56%) of the membership made individual contributions to the NSCDA GA Annual Giving Fund.

The Madison Town Chair served as Chair of the State Town Chair Committee this year. Mrs. Hunt will continue on the Board of Governor’s as Editor of Chatter for 2011-2012. She spent approximately 600 hours as an NSCDA GA member on Town Committee responsibilities, time required as Chair of the Town Chairs, and time preparing for the upcoming position of Chatter Editor. Other members of the Town Committee spent an additional 700 combined volunteer hours. The hours contributed by the Town Committee members reflects the time involved in local positions, state silent auction positions and the time spent preparing for and hosting the Round Table.

Town Committee member Mrs. Robert T. Goff (Leigh Lambert Goff) is chairing the silent auction for the 2011 Annual Meeting.

Historical Activities Chair, Mrs. Napoleon M. Smock (Emmie Caldwell Smock) arranged for an actor who portrays James Madison to present a program at the Morgan County Middle School and an evening performance at the Morgan County Historical Society in May of 2011.

At the January meeting, Mrs. Thomas Sherwood (Becky Whitfield Sherwood) was elected Chair and Mrs. Robert Trulock (Anne Lambert Trulock) was elected Treasurer. Mrs. Sherwood currently serves as Vice Chair and Mrs. Lowry Weyman Hunt, Jr. (Lyn Brown Hunt) was elected to fill the remainder of Mrs. Sherwood’s term as Vice Chair. Mrs. Felton Jenkins continues her term as Corresponding Secretary and Mrs. Frank Turner continues her term as Recording Secretary.

MARIETTA TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. James Zachariah Pressley, Jr.) - The Marietta Town Committee membership is as follows: 37 Resident, 01 Non-Resident, 04 Courtesy, and 01 Guest. Total Membership remains at 38. We were saddened by the loss of our beloved member, Miriam Carswell, a former Regent of Gunston Hall and member of the Georgia Roll of Honor. Volunteer hours for 2010 totaled 1513. Dames for Dummies was purchased from the Athens Town Committee and distributed to all members.

Meetings:
The Marietta Town Committee had three meetings this year:
May 2010 - Members present – 24 A short business meeting preceded a cocktail party with husbands in attendance at the home of Beth Griffin.
October 2010 – Members present - 21. An evening meeting and dinner was held at the home of Adrian Pressley.
January 2011 - Members present – 19. A business meeting was held with a short casual luncheon afterwards. One new candidate was proposed and voted upon, and two new Officers for the coming year were elected. Attendees then walked down the street for a tour of the Old Zion Baptist Church Museum. The church, organized in 1886 by former slaves, has established the former church building as a Heritage Museum dedicated to the preservation of the history of the black community in Cobb County.

Projects: Gifts of $50 each were made to Dumbarton House, Gunston Hall, Sulgrave Manor, the Andrew Low House, the Indian Nurse Fund, and the Scholarship funds. A $75 gift was also given to Gunston Hall in memory of Miriam Carswell.

Marietta Town Committee helped sponsor the dedication of an historical marker, which was unveiled June 12 on the site of the original location of the Georgia Military Institute, Georgia’s first Military college, built in 1851. Former Dame, Miriam Carswell, had been instrumental in spearheading the designation, and 12 Town Committee members, members of the Carswell family, Cobb Landmarks, and the Friends of Brumby hall were in attendance.

Work continues by the Centennial Committee, guided by Florrie Corley with many thanks to Mac Hodges, on the publication of our Centennial History, which we hope will be published by September.
A group of 5 dames promoted the Bill of Rights Day by meeting with Mayor Steve Tumlin, who issued a proclamation declaring December 15th as Bill of Rights Day. An article and picture was featured in the Marietta Daily Journal bringing attention to these efforts.

Fifty (50) packages were delivered to the Veteran’s hospital for patients between Christmas and New Year’s Day. Books and magazines were also collected.

The Town Committee, in conjunction with the Marietta Rotary Club, provided a new American flag to replace the old tattered one formerly flying at Brown Elementary School, which once again received recognition in the My Place competition with an honorable mention for the 4th grade class entry.

**Round Table Meeting:**

The Town Committee has begun work on plans for the Round Table, to be held in Marietta on September 21-22, 2011. Detailed plans and an agenda are complete and the Marietta Town Committee members are busy getting ready for this important meeting.

**MILLEDGEVILLE TOWN COMMITTEE** (Mrs. Thomas Edwin Kingery) - The Milledgeville Town Committee currently has 31 Resident members, 10 Non-resident members, 04 Retired members, for a total of 45 members.

**Meetings:**

- **September 18, 2010** – Our first meeting was a cocktail buffet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Grant, III, with forty-four (44) members and guests attending.
- **October 26, 2010** - The Business Meeting was held at Lockerly Hall with twenty (20) members attending. Annual donations approved for Dumbarton House, Gunston Hall, Sulgrave Manor, History Scholarship, Indian Nurse Scholarship, Georgia's Old Capitol Museum Society and the Andrew Low House.

Anne Walden collected funds for Veterans' Christmas gifts. She announced that twenty flag videos had been distributed to Baldwin County schools.

- The Milledgeville Town Committee Standing Rules were reviewed and revisions were approved.
- **Ann Vinson** will co-chair the 2012 Round Table Committee.

- **January 11, 2011** – A voting meeting held at the home of Mrs. Thomas E. Kingery with twenty-seven ballots being cast. The candidate’s proposal papers were forwarded to Savannah.

- **February 22, 2011** - The meeting was held at the Brown, Stetson, Sanford House with twenty three (23) members attending. State Corresponding Secretary, Katherine Clark, was a guest at our meeting. She reported on the Board Meeting and discussed the purchase of property adjacent to the Andrew Low House to be made by the State Society. Mrs. Clark also reported that seventy-six candidates were issued invitations throughout the state.

Anne Walden reported that fifty gift bags were distributed to Veterans at Christmas.

- Individual Dames made contributions to Dumbarton House, Sulgrave Manor and Gunston Hall. These contributions were forwarded to the respective houses.
- Dames for Dummies were given to those members who had not already received their copies.

Kathe Fuller gave a brief history of the Brown, Stetson, Sanford House. Mrs. Fuller then introduced our newest member, Amy Wright, to the group. Mrs. Wright is the head of the Old Capitol Museum Society of which the Sanford House is a part. Mrs. Wright then gave a very interesting program about grants and funding possibilities for the Sanford House and the other properties included in the Museum Society.

- **June 4, 2011**- Plans have been made for an end-of-the-year brunch at the Milledgeville Country Club where Dames and their guests will gather.

**Community Involvement:**

Our members continue to be very involved in church, cultural and volunteer activities in...
Milledgeville including Georgia's Old Capitol Museum Society, Lockerly Hall and Arboretum, Memory Hill Cemetery, Convention and Visitors' Bureau, Chard Wray Food Pantry, Georgia College, Georgia Military College, and the Baldwin County school system.

MOULTONIE TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. Jack Cutts Smith, Jr.) - The Moultrie Town Committee is composed of 44 members as follows: 34 resident members, 5 non-resident members, 5 retired members.

Meetings:
Three meetings were held during the year.
May 2010 - Fifteen members were in attendance. The meeting was held in the parlor of the First Presbyterian Church. During the May meeting the town committee presented out-going president, Deryl Beadles, with a small memento in appreciation of her inspirational leadership and service.
November 2010 - Twenty-one members were present. The meeting was held in the parlor of the First Presbyterian Church. Since there were no proposals for the year, we did not meet in January.
February 2011 - We had twenty members in attendance, including our two new members. The February meeting consisted of a business meeting followed by our annual luncheon. This event was beautifully organized and decorated by Mrs. Sandra Plant and was held in the First Presbyterian Church social hall.

Highlights:
Our Historical Activities Chairman, Karen Willis, along with member, Elaine Redding, were successful in acquiring access to many samplers with some historical significance. Much time and effort was spent photographing and chronicling these. Members also assisted and attended the reception to honor General Moultrie which was held at the Museum of Colquitt County History.

Our committee members are supporting the many projects under the leadership of our Patriotic Service Chairman, Carolyn Chastain. We have collected magazines, books, throws, toiletries, and stockings filled with useful items for our VA Hospital. Community volunteers raised the necessary funds for the purchase of a bus in order for our veterans to travel to appointments at the hospital. We sent snacks for the veterans to enjoy during their trips. Members provided food and service to help with two separate functions to honor our veterans celebrating Veteran's Day, a breakfast and a reception. Our town committee joined with other local organizations to purchase sixty-five flag sets for our local ROTC. These will be used for the program's annual recognition dinners. Active military members were sent discount coupons for food and other items. These were mailed to the Air Force Base in Okinawa, Japan. These coupons are honored at the PX. Over 1300 telephone cards were sent to servicemen stationed overseas. These were sent to deployed troops through Let'sSayThanks.com. Elementary students wrote letters and drew pictures that we mailed to troops stationed abroad.

We were excited to have an entry for the My Place project this year. The students from the Colquitt County Gifted Center entered their project which tied for first place.

Financial contributions were made to Dumbarton House, Andrew Low House, Gunston Hall, Sulgrave Manor, Indian Nurse Fund and the Museum of Colquitt County History.

ROME TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. Edward West Hine, Jr.) - The Rome Town Committee Members as of March 2011: 49, Active Members: 38 (30 are part of our quota of 35; 8 are daughters who discount quota), 04 Retired Members, 06 Non-Resident Members, 01 Courtesy Member. The Rome Town Committee had five (5) new Members and one (1) new Candidate for 2010-2011.

Meetings:
May, 2010 - Carter’s Quarter’s
Field Trip to Chatsworth, GA to tour and visit historic home of Nancy and Jim Bland, picnic lunch on grounds, twenty members attended.
October 26, 2010 - Harvest Moon Restaurant
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Twenty-two members present, program by Doc Kibler, business meeting, lunch followed.
January 25, 2011 – Mrs. Howard Lowden’s Home

Twenty members present, voting meeting, program by Cathy Dollar / Sulgrave DVD, no lunch.
March 22, 2011 – Coosa Country Club

Twenty two members present, business meeting and program given by Polly Mattox and her daughter Helen Bost, lunch followed.

Officers for 2010-2011:
- Town Chairman – Mrs. Edward West Hine, Jr. (Linda)
- Vice Chairman – Mrs. Stephen David Smith, Jr. (Nancy)
- Recording Secretary – Mrs. Stuart Alonzo Peebles (Sallie)
- Corresponding Secretary – Mrs. Howard James Lowden (Anita)
- Treasurer – Mrs. David Garland Hunter (Nancy)

Members Serving on Board of Governors:
- Town Chairman – Mrs. Edward West Hine, Jr.

Members Attending State Meetings:
- Rome Town Committee Members attending Annual Meeting in Albany, April 2010 / Linda Hine.
- In attendance at September 2010 Round Table (Madison): Linda Hine, and she and Elizabeth Neal attended the November Board Meeting in Savannah. Mrs. Hine and Mrs. Steve Gunther attended the February Board of Governor’s Meeting in Savannah.

Financial Support for National and State Projects:
- The Rome Town Committee allocates $100.00 for our three National Homes and our State Headquarters; Andrew Low House $40.00, Dumbarton $30.00, Gunston Hall $20.00, and Sulgrave Manor $10.00. A gift of $50.00 is also given to the Indian Nurse Fund.

Local Contributions:
- Rome Area Heritage $50.00, Friends of the Library $50.00, Chieftains Museum $50.00, Rome Area History Museum $50.00, Georgia Trust $50.00, Veteran’s Wreath $40.00, Library Book $35.00, Patriotic Service $50.00, President’s Fund $20.00, Party $200.00, Miscellaneous $100.00.

Reports of Rome Town Committee Representatives:
- Historical Activities: Gin Gunther and Terri Watters are the acting Rome Representatives of the Historical activities. There is a current request for a matching grant of $1,250.00 for four bronze plaques to be placed at the base of Admiral John Towers Plaza in Rome, GA. The plaques will show his trans-Atlantic flights and tell the historical story. Admiral Towers is one of Rome’s most famous citizens and is known as the “Father of Aviation”.
- Patriotic Service: Laura Davis and Rebecca Stegall are the Rome Representatives of the Patriotic activities. Activities for the year included several different things. The Rome Town Committee participated in the Veteran’s Day Ceremony by placing a wreath on the tomb of the Known Soldiers at Myrtle Hill Cemetery. Also, members of RTC brought socks filled with supplies that were sent to the Veteran’s Hospital.
- Dumbarton House: Nancy Johnson, Rome Representative, reports that there is new energy at Dumbarton House. Exceptional and well attended programs include presentations about the collection, a chamber music concert series, visiting scholar lectures and a Dumbarton at Dusk tours. These new opportunities demonstrate that our mission “to preserve the historic structure and its collection and to educate the public about life in Washington, D.C. during the early years of the republic” is serving a broader spectrum of the D.C. community each year.
- Sulgrave Manor: Cathy Dollar, Rome Representative, presented the DVD about the history of Sulgrave and the ancestors of George Washington. This was the program at the January meeting that took place at
The home of Anita Lowden. She reminded the membership that there is always a monetary need to further the preservation of the Manor and continue in educational programs.

Gunston Hall: Patti Barron, Rome Representative, celebrated the 4th of July in an exhibit at the Rome Floyd County Library that remained in place for two months. The exhibit showcased the Declaration of Independence and its relativity to its predecessor, The Virginia Declaration Bill of Rights, and subsequently, its relativity to the Bill of Rights. The display also highlighted George Mason, Thomas Jefferson, and James Madison.

The second exhibit was placed in the library the week of December 15th, and remained in place for three weeks. We used two display cases, one on the main level, and one on the second level. Both were in great locations and were highly visible. The exhibit on the main level housed information on George Mason, The Virginia Bill of Rights, and on the Bill of Rights. Also, during the week of the 15th, the library’s visual department aired Gunston Hall’s video of George Mason and The Virginia Bill of Rights and a local radio station aired a tape of the same.

SAVANNAH TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. William Theodore Moore, Jr.) – The Savannah Town Committee currently has 215 Members.

Goals:
- New Standing Rules
- More participation on committees
- A wonderful 2011 Annual Meeting

These were our goals for this past year and we have had fun achieving them. Plus we raised our dues to $50 and our Newsletter is being sent by email to over 100 of our members.

Meetings:

Our First Meeting was held October 21, 2010 in the Andrew Low House. The usual reports and business transpired after which State Archivist/Librarian, Jane Mayo, reported on recent acquisitions and gifts to the Andrew Low House and lead a tour of the house after the meeting. Louise Howard shared the book The Jamestown Church and encouraged everyone to learn the Dames Salute to the Flag. We adjourned to the garden for refreshments and to view the new fountain. On display was a painting of the ALH that Savannah/Atlanta artist and Dame, Julia Hodges, has donated the “rights to reproduce” to the Society to use in any matter they think profitable.

Second Meeting - The Garden Room of The Oglethorpe Club was the site of our January Voting Meeting. We started at 11 o’clock and had lunch served at 12:30. We welcomed five past State Presidents, two new members, two transfers in, two non-residents and read two memorials. We were delighted to learn sixty STC dames gave a total of $11,595 to the Annual Giving Fund. Votes were taken and passed for the approval of our budget, new Standing Rules and the slate of 2011-2012 Officers. Sixteen proposals were read by three past Chairmen with ballots collected and tallied by Town Committee Chairman,. All were approved and all accepted our invitation. There were 80 ladies attending, with a fee of $20.

The Patriotic Service Committee attended the Naturalization Ceremony at the Federal Court House to welcome fifteen new citizens from eight different countries. The committee visited twelve schools to promote the essay contest.

The 2011 State Annual Meeting will be in Savannah April 26 - 28 and under the leadership of Swann Seiler and Lisa White. It will be a wonderful gathering of dedicated ladies from around the state.

Third Meeting - The May 19th Annual Picnic will again bring us together at the Yacht Club, with business at 11:00 and lunch at 12:30. The highlights of the 116th Annual Meeting will be presented, five new members welcomed, one memorial read, the DVD of The Washingtons of Sulgrave Manor will be
shown and the Chair of Historical Activities will update us about the Ancestor Bibliography Register (ABR) requirements.

THOMASVILLE TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. Allen Elijah Lockerman, III) - The Thomasville Town Committee currently has 37 and 1 Life Resident members, 4 Non-resident members, 4 Guest members, 1 Retired member, 4 Proposed candidates and 1 Candidate given a one year extension. There were 3 Deaths.

Meetings:

Our first meeting was held on May 5, 2010 at the Lapham Patterson House, a Thomasville Landmark. Present were 21 Resident members, 1 Courtesy member and 1 Guest member. A report was made of the State Annual Meeting held in Albany, Georgia. At the present time the number one goal of the NSCDA-GA is to reduce our State debt with particular emphasis being made in the area of fundraising. Mrs. Scott Rich (Peggy) gave a brief History of the Lapham Patterson House which was built in 1885. Thanks to the extraordinary work of Thomasville Town Committee member Mrs. Scott Rich, along with the Thomas County Historical Society and Thomasville Landmarks, the State of Georgia has granted a four year lease of the Lapham Patterson House to ensure that it will not fall into a state of disrepair. The house will be open for tours, parties and special events through the Thomas County Historical Society. Thomasville Dames continue to volunteer time and contribute money to the Thomas County Historical Society’s summer camp, the “Time Travelers Club”.

The Thomasville Town Committee’s second meeting was held on November 18, 2010 at Balfour Chapel located on the campus of Thomas University. Twenty-one (21) Resident members attended this meeting held in this beautiful chapel. A special appreciation went to Mrs. Joe Beverly (Mary) and Mrs. Scott Rich (Peggy) for arranging this meeting. It was announced that Thomasville Dames are teaming up with the City of Thomasville and the Thomas County Historical Society to map, record and photograph the graves at Laurel Hill Cemetery as an ongoing project. A reminder that “the stockings to VA hospitals project” done in conjunction with the Moultrie Town Committee should be ready to be delivered. The children’s book on George Mason and the Bill of Rights called I’m Not signing That! George Mason Stands Up for the United States Bill of Rights was given by Gunston Hall Chairman Mrs. Douglas Caldwell McPherson to the Thomas County Public Library as well as seven local and elementary and middle schools. Essay material was distributed to three local high schools. One essay was submitted and sent to the State Essay Chairman. “My Place” material was distributed to one elementary school, but there was no interest. The new CD on Sulgrave Manor was taken by Mrs. Max Beverly (Charnie) to Brookwood School for students to view. Several Thomasville Dames attended the Why American is Free program (WAIF) at Brookwood School presented by the founders of WAIF, Donna Passmore and Jan Smulcer. Following the TTC meeting, Dr. Gary Bonvillian, President of TU, gave a brief history of TU and Balfour Chapel. TTC members were then given a tour of the TU campus by the Dean. A delicious lunch followed.

On January 12, 2011 in the afternoon, the Thomasville Town Committee met at the home of Mrs. Charles (Ann) McKinnon for the purpose of voting on newly proposed candidates. Absentee ballots were distributed and completed prior to this meeting by those members who were unable attend. A quorum was present. All candidates selected were approved at the February 2011 NSCDA Board Meeting held in Savannah.

On February 16, 2011 in the morning, the Thomasville Town Committee met at the Glen Arven Country Club with a delightful lunch following our meeting. Nineteen (19) Resident members were present and 1 Courtesy member and 1 Guest. Chairman Vereen gave a briefing of pertinent issues and announcements that followed the 2011 February State Board: 1) discussion of the new property to be purchased across the street from the Andrew Low House; 2) requirements of town committees toward the
Silent Auction to be held at the State Annual Meeting in Savannah; 3) report of the Annual Giving Fund; 4) new travel schedule with Connoisseur Tours; 5) the dates and events scheduled for the State Annual Meeting in April to be held in Savannah; 6) pictures and discussion of the Bathing Room at the ALH; 7) announcement of the State Workshop to be held in Macon on September 13 and the Round Table Meeting in Marietta on September 20-22; 8) papers of the two proposed Thomasville Town Committee candidates were approved by the State Board. A special thanks went to Mrs. Douglas McPherson (Julie) for her article in the local Thomasville newspaper on Bill of Rights Day, December 15. Copies of the article were submitted to all TTC members. A decision was made to show the 1 hour long DVD on Sulgrave Manor as well as have the Patriotic Service essay contest winner at Brookwood School present her paper at our May meeting at Osceola Plantation. Refreshments appropriate to that era will be served as well. Wonderful photographs of this meeting were taken by Mrs. Charlton Griffin.

VALDOSTA TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. James Harrison Gray, Jr.) - The Valdosta Town Committee has 58 members, 49 resident and 9 out of state members.

Meetings:
The Valdosta Town Committee meets the third Thursday of October, January, February and May in the homes of Dames members or at the Valdosta Country Club.

- Valdosta's first 150 years was the October meeting topic. The two new members welcomed in October were Mrs. Wright Turner (Betsy) and Mrs. Milton Heard III (Mary Ann).
- Sulgrave Manor was February's program.
- The May meeting was a cocktail party for Dames, husbands and dates preceded by a 5pm meeting.

The month of December was spent stuffing 75 large socks and gift bags for veterans.

The Town Committee contributed to the Indian Nurse Program, Dumbarton House, Sulgrave Manor, Gunston Hall, and The Andrew Low House.

We observed Flag Day, Bill of Rights Day, and The Signing of the Constitution Day. We also made sure that there is an article in the newspaper concerning The Bill of Rights.

WAYCROSS TOWN COMMITTEE (Mrs. Charles Knox Wainright) - The Waycross Town Committee Members as of March 2011: 27 Active Members, 03 Retired Members, 09 Non-Resident Members.

Meetings:
May 20, 2010 - Regular Luncheon Meeting with 21 Active and 2 Non-Resident members present.
November 18, 2010 - Regular Luncheon Meeting with 23 Active and 4 Non-Resident members present.
January 12, 2011 - Voting Meeting with 19 Active members present.
February 17, 2011 - Regular Luncheon Meeting with 24 Active; 3 Non-Resident members present.

Officers for 2010-2011:
- Town Chairman – Mrs. Charles Knox Wainright (Harriette)
- Vice Chairman – Mrs. Jay Howson Porter (Dotty)
- Recording Secretary - Mrs. Edwin Arthur Herrin, III (Cynthia)
- Corresponding Secretary – Mrs. Heyward Burnet Clarke (Ann)
- Treasurer – Mrs. Alvin McIntosh Ratliff (Leigh)

Members Serving on Board of Governors:
- Ways and Means Chairman – Mrs. William Stephen Bowen, Jr. (Deborah)
- Genealogist for Ancestral Lines – Mrs. Revenal Elmo Winge (Bunny)
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in the State of Georgia

Town Chairman – Mrs. Charles Knox Wainright (Harriette)
Waycross Town Committee had twelve members attending the Annual Meeting in Albany and five attended Round Table in Madison.

Financial Support for National and State Projects:
The Waycross Town Committee gave to our National Homes, The Andrew Low House and the Indian Nurse Fund. The Waycross Town Committee renewed its membership to our local museum, The Okefenokee Heritage Center.

Reports of Waycross Town Committee Representatives:
Historical Activities: Serving as Chairs of this committee are Anna Fesperman and Margie Blythe-Poland and they both attended the workshop in Savannah. Local businessman and husband of Dame Leigh Ratliff, Alvin McIntosh Ratliff, were interviewed by Anna and Margie. At the time of the interview, Alvin was ninety years old. He shared many interesting memories of Waycross and world events that he has witnessed during his lifetime. The Historical Activities Committee Chairs have also documented fourteen paintings, ten samplers and two sculptures for our National Society survey. The Waycross Town Committee continues to maintain our 1870 parlor at the Okefenokee Heritage Center and our sundial. Festive Christmas decorations adorned the parlor during the Christmas holidays. Decorations were planned and executed by the parlor representative from the Town Committee. Three hundred copies of our book, Historical Lott Cemetery, have been sold.

Patriotic Service: Penn Clark and June Coleman serve as Co-Chairs of this committee. Penn reports that Zack Wagner attended the Washington Workshops in our Nation’s Capital in June 2010 as local contest winner from the Ware County Magnet School. Pens and playing cards were collected at the November meeting and delivered to the DAV for distribution to veterans. One essay was submitted by a Ware County student, but was not selected for further judging. June contacted several art teachers in the fall encouraging them to have their students participate in My Place. Pierce County Middle School students created a wonderful project and were among the winners. Also, students from Memorial Drive Elementary School of Ware County entered a creative exhibit.

Dumbarton House, Sulgrave and Gunston Hall: Members were kept informed of events at the different Dames’ properties, and their personal financial support of Friends’ organizations was encouraged. Seventy percent (70%) of the Waycross Town Committee members gave to the Annual Giving Fund for the Andrew Low House. A reminder to the community about Bill of Rights Day was made by a proclamation signed by the Mayor of the city of Waycross. A picture of local Dames and the Mayor accompanied the proclamation.
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