

NSCDA *Connections*

—PENNSYLVANIA—

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE COLONIAL DAMES OF AMERICA IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

OVER 200 TURN OUT TO HONOR EDITH DIXON AT JAMES LOGAN AWARD DINNER

By Dennis Pickeral, Executive Director, Stenton

Nearly 250 NSCDA/PA members and guests gathered at the Union League on September 21 to honor Edith R. Dixon with the 2018 James Logan Award, in recognition of her decades of charitable work. The strong turnout was a testament to the many lives that have been touched by Mrs. Dixon's generosity, in the Philadelphia region and beyond. Co-chairs Barbara Rogers and Sally Wirts also saluted the dedication and contributions of the NSCDA/PA Past Presidents, including Anne Burnett, Sally Congdon, Nancy Nimick, Dora Rogers and Peggy Shaver, who were in attendance. This was the sixth James Logan Award Dinner, which is held biennially and is the Society's largest fundraiser, benefiting the

preservation of Stenton and its educational programs.

Another highlight of the evening was the debut of a new History Hunters video. The video features two students who participated in the program more than a decade ago, and who are now pursuing careers in history and education. They both credit History Hunters with inspiring their career choices, and one of them held onto her classroom workbook! It's a powerful testimonial to the long-term impact History Hunters can have on schoolchildren.

A live auction followed the video, led by former Sotheby's auctioneer George McNeely, which raised \$138,000 for History Hunters. In total, this year's gala grossed

\$383,772 and netted \$325,772, a 136% increase over 2016, by far our most successful fundraising event ever! Proceeds will be split over the next three budget years and will support our work at Stenton.

We are especially grateful to our tireless fundraising champion and cheerleader, Alice Lea Tasman, James Logan Award Dinner Co-Chairs Barbara Rogers and Sally Wirts, and a long list of Dames who served on the Dinner Committee and gave their time, talent and treasure to everything from flower arrangements and auction coordination, to managing logistics at the Union League. We can never say thank you enough!



Left: NSCDA/PA President, Barbara Rogers, and NSCDA/PA Development Chair Alice Lea Tasman, present the James Logan Award to Edith R. Dixon; Center: Marguerite Lenfest and Mrs. & Mrs. William Buck; Right: Edith R. Dixon, Alice Lea Tasman, Co-Chairs Sally Wirts & Barbara Rogers, and Betsy Marshall.



To view the new video and hear how History Hunters inspired Quamiir and Menika, visit the History Hunters website: www.historyhunters.org, then scroll down to "Why Participate in History Hunters?"



NSCDA NEWS

GREAT AMERICAN TREASURES

By Anne Burnett, Region IV Vice Chair, National Museum Properties Committee, Chair, NSCDA Museum Alliance Project

What, exactly, is Great American Treasures? How will it benefit NSCDA, our corporate societies, and our museum properties?

Background: As you may know, the NSCDA has been an important force for the protection and preservation of historic houses and buildings for over a century. The PA Society was among the first Societies in this effort, restoring and opening Stenton as a museum in 1900. Within a very short period of time, other Societies began to purchase or become stewards of properties across the country. Those early trailblazing Dames saved an 18th century Powder Magazine, a 17th century homestead, a 19th century hotel, the oldest surviving one-room school house in NJ, the homes of founding fathers, statesmen and merchants, and many other important places, that together tell the great stories, big and small, of our country from its earliest beginnings to present day.

Altogether, there are at least 92 sites in the U.S. and England that are owned, maintained, managed, and/or heavily supported by the town committees and corporate societies of the NSCDA. With so many unique places to care for, today's trailblazing Dames are poised for an exciting next step in the NSCDA's historic preservation and stewardship journey.

That next step is something that you've likely heard of over the last few years. The Great American Treasures project (or "GAT" for short) has been called several names in the time that it's begun to gain steam, but one constant remains – the goal of creating a dedicated alliance, stocked with resources and benefits, for all NSCDA-affiliated properties. Achieving that goal requires a lot of work and moving parts. At this year's Biennial Council, an implementation plan for the alliance was unveiled, a plan that is also a key element of the 2018-2024 NSCDA Strategic Plan.

Groundwork underway: In building the foundation for a strong program, we are working carefully on building buy-in, establishing a governance and staffing structure, and developing a business plan, branding package, website, and marketing calendar.

GAT member sites will be voluntarily connected to a national effort that aims to raise the visibility of all member museums – and by obvious association, the visibility of the Colonial Dames – and increase visitation across the board, while sharing resources and expertise so that all GAT museums have access to the tools they need to become the best they can be. The program will provide more direct benefits, such as an NSCDA Museum Grant Fund, to award grants for



program implementation, archives preservation, digitization of records, and much more. There will also be a dedicated website, the most public-facing, visible benefit of the program. Gathistory.org, which is currently under construction and scheduled for debut next summer, will be a multifaceted, responsive website with tools for both visitors and member museums.

We'll share project updates in future *Connections*. As the GAT strategic marketing plan notes, "**By connecting our properties nationally, and making great storytelling a theme, we can engage new generations of lovers of our past.**"

-NSCDA Special Projects Curator Catherine Nuzum contributed to this article.

LANCASTER-DAUPHIN-YORK COMMITTEE NEWS

By Margaret Broussard, Committee Chair

The Lancaster-Dauphin-York Committee met on June 6, 2018, at the Lancaster Country Club, Margaret Broussard presiding. Our member Donna Bakelaar and her husband Bob gave an interesting presentation on how to find and identify houses of colonial leaders by using both architecture and written records. Mrs. Broussard appointed a donations committee of Bobbi McMullen, chair, Betty Miller, and Carol Elfner.

At the October 2, 2018 meeting, we

were honored with a visit from our new president, Barbara Rogers, and treated to a presentation by Dennis Pickeral, executive director, on the upcoming renovations at Stenton and the completion of the Yellow Bedroom. Dennis also presented a short video on the History Hunters program. The committee voted to contribute \$500 to the Union Canal Tunnel Park in Lebanon County for the restoration of the north towpath, \$1000 to Friends of Fort Halifax in Dauphin

County for educational programs, and \$500 to the York Historical Society in York County for the conservation of the illustrated travel diaries of Lewis Miller. In addition, Mrs. Broussard appointed a nominating committee for the positions of chairman and treasurer consisting of Diane Murry, chair, Barbara Gillis and Peg Adams.

The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, February 5, 2019, at the Lancaster Country Club.

Dear Fellow Dames,

Since the beginning of my Presidency last May, it's been a privilege to see from that point of view how vibrant and alive the PA Society is! Please take a few moments to enjoy this edition of *Connections*. We hope you'll find something that captures your interest. When that happens, please let us know. If you contact us by e-mail, your address should be included automatically. If you contact us through our website, PLEASE ensure that you include your name and e-mail address. Of course, you can call Headquarters. However you let us know, please remember that the strength and vitality of the PA Society depends on each of YOU—our active members.

At its June Retreat, the Board decided the first priority was to move forward enthusiastically with the completion of the long-anticipated and -planned new

wing. Stenton is the heartbeat of our Society's focus, and that's the home of our nationally recognized History Hunters program. Please take a look at Executive Director Dennis Pickeral's update on our progress to date.

In September, we held our James Logan Award Dinner, which you'll see highlighted in our cover story. Thanks to the work of many, this year's celebration was exceptional. More importantly, the leadership and many months of hard work of former Society President Alice Lea Tasman produced our most successful fundraising results.

In late October, the PA Society sent ten members (five Delegates and five Alternates) to attend the 62nd Biennial Council, held in Arlington, VA. It was a time of sharing with and learning from other state societies. Much of the concentra-

tion was on the professional development of all areas of our shared mission: Education, Preservation and Patriotic Services. You'll want to read the details in Delegate Kitten Klaus' Biennial Recap.

Please review our recent New Members and updates on our Oral History re-boot, the Dinah mural, the Chippendale program and the Logan Family Reunion to name but a few.

Finally, as we approach the seasons of Thanksgiving and Christmas, I'm reminded once again how essential each of you is for the health and well-being of our Society. Thank you for your support of our mission—your hard work, participation in our events and your financial support of our operations.

Warmest Regards,

Barbara Board Rogers

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COMMITTEE NEWS

By Betsy Teti, Committee Chair

The Allegheny County Committee has begun the year with two interesting and very different events. On Saturday, August 25, members and guests gathered for what has become a fun evening. Our Dames summer picnic is an opportunity to renew friendships and enjoy time together as the summer draws to a close. On Wednesday, October 24, the committee held the first stated meeting of the year. It was a true treat to

be able to tour Wilpen Hall in Sewickley Heights, the last of the Gilded Age estates still standing in our area. Wilpen Hall was featured in the film *Fox Catcher* which was filmed in the Pittsburgh area several years ago. Dames enjoyed a private tour with the current owner. It was an interesting and enjoyable look at a lovely home and a wonderful start to the program year!



Wilpen Hall in Sewickley Heights.

By Catherine Klaus

This fall's Biennial Council, held in Arlington, Virginia on October 19-21, was both exhilarating and exhausting. So much to learn and so little time!

NSCDA/PA was well represented at Biennial, with delegates and members taking part in business sessions, social/networking gatherings, and informative educational workshops. Saturday's workshops covered pertinent topics for Treasurers, Registrars, and those involved or interested in our three 'National Project' areas: Museum Properties, Historical Activities, and Patriotic Service. Sunday offered a wide variety of workshops, including sessions on membership, communications, governance, gardens, and a special presentation on the upcoming Jamestown 2019 Anniversary. The following are just a few workshop highlights and "take-aways," which we hope will be of interest to our members.

Museum Properties Workshop - Marketing and branding consultants Dee Papit and Brian Talcott joined NSCDA President Anna Duff, Committee Chair Sally Connelly, and NSCDA staff in a Q & A panel on NSCDA's Great American Treasures. [See article on page 2 for more on this exciting initiative.] In addition, Charbra Jestin, NSCDA/CT President, provided a case study on plans to introduce a new governance structure and prepare for the construction of an 8,000 sq. ft. visitor and education center for their Webb-Dean-Stevens Museum. She noted the difficulty in obtaining necessary funding to tackle such a project, describing the many obstacles encountered over many years. Perseverance and good fortune paid off: the Center's ground-

breaking is planned for November 15th, and a 2nd Century campaign will follow to fulfill the entire planned project funding.

Historical Activities Workshop - State Society projects under the "historical activities" umbrella vary widely around the country, often undertaken on an intermittent basis as volunteer time allows. Embracing a less-is-more approach, the Committee highlighted two small yet very successful recent projects: Vermont's "The Dames" oral history project in partnership with the Vermont Folklife Center, and a Georgia town committee's "Lott Cemetery" project. State committee chairmen offered other project examples that societies and county committees may wish to consider. These included: Delaware's robust annual historic site day trip (also a great membership recruitment opportunity!); the D.C. Society's project to locate plaques and memorials around the District that Dames dedicated over the last century; and NSCDA/NC's raffle of tickets to Broadway's Hamilton, which raised \$14,000 to support their museum properties and other projects.

The Jamestown 2019 Anniversary - Dr. James Horn, President and CO of the Jamestown Rediscovery Foundation, spoke on the importance of the beginning of our nation's democratic experiment at gatherings in the ancient church on the Jamestown Settlement. The meeting of the first General Assembly in 1619, held in that church, formed the basis of today's representative system of government in the U.S. Dr. Horn recently published a book about the importance of those meetings: 1619 - Jamestown: and the Forging of Ameri-

can Democracy. He noted that the site where the meeting took place is the same site upon which the Jamestown church was rebuilt - in brick, in 1907 - by the NSCDA.

Patriotic Services Workshop - This year's workshop emphasized support of veterans, with numerous examples of state projects shared. Virginia's small Roanoke Town Committee's Patriotic Service group has instituted a program of visiting elderly and infirm veterans and simply sitting and talking with them...conversation-time with lunch boxes provided. Several smaller Society groups hold barbecues, dinners, and luncheons for veterans. The Arizona Society has devoted funds and time to help American Indian Code-talker veterans celebrate their military past. Extremely patriotic in feeling, these veterans needed flags, standards, and other equipment to celebrate Memorial Day, the Fourth of July, D-day, etc. Other state society committees hold community dinners and gatherings in conjunction with other helping organizations in their areas. The "take-away" was very similar to that from the entire Biennial 2018 Conference: it is time to let the public know who we (the NSCDA) are and what we do...and that we should collaborate with other organizations to provide even more and greater service. **Check out photos from Biennial on page 5!**

-Other Contributors to this article were Betsy Ruderfer and Gina Whelan

ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

By Gwendolyn Bryant, Historical Activities Committee Chair

The NSCDA/PA 2018-2020 Oral History Project has been very exciting for those of us involved: Elise Carr, Carol Nino, DeeDee Hayward, Anne Burnett and me. Our goal is to document and preserve the memories of long-standing members of the NSCDA/PA. We also wanted to obtain and preserve older oral histories that other members of the NSCDA/PA had already done.

Thanks to the sleuthing skills of Anne Burnett and Adriana Robinson, we located tapes of the interviews of about 6 Dames and the transcripts of interviews with about 9. Several of those inter-

viewed have daughters or granddaughters who are currently members. DeeDee had the wonderful idea of trying to do a Dames and Daughters Addendum.

The new interviews that result from this process will be preserved on thumb drives and/or DVDs, as well as on digital, cloud storage, and a written transcript will be made of each interview. We'll also explore options for archival off-site storage of photocopied transcripts. These interviews will be archived at our National Headquarters, and could be made available in different

forms to researchers.

Our immediate goal will be to identify, with the help of the NSCDA/PA board and former officers, Dames who would be interested being interviewed. By 2020 we hope to have interviewed 10 NSCDA/PA members including all past presidents. We also hope to start the Dames and Daughters Addendum. If anyone would to join the group, please contact me.



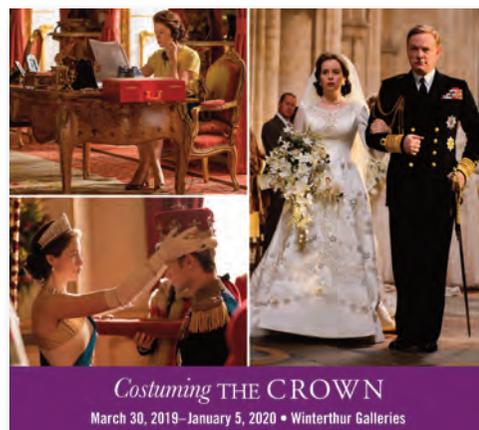
DAMES FIELD TRIP: COSTUMING THE CROWN

By Kaelyn Barr, Director of Education, Stenton

The Program Committee has been hard at work organizing speakers for upcoming Stated Meetings and other programs. One of the new additions to the calendar is a Dames trip on June 7th to Winterthur Museum & Gardens, to view the exhibit "Costuming THE CROWN" which will feature 40 iconic costumes from the beloved Emmy award-winning Netflix series, a dramatized history of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II. The day will begin at 10:00AM, with a special talk by

Jeff Groff, who will offer a "behind the scenes" look at the new exhibit. After touring the exhibit and gardens, the group will depart for lunch.

Interested in helping to plan NSCDA/PA programs? The Program Committee would love to have you! We meet quarterly to discuss programming at Headquarters & Stenton, as well as off-site trips like this one. If you're interested in joining the committee, please email DeeDee Heyward, deedehey@aol.com.



SNAPSHOTS FROM 2018 BIENNIAL COUNCIL



Left to Right: In keeping with Biennial tradition, the PA Society, as Founding Society, leads the procession of state flags. At left, PA President Barbara Rogers opens the procession; Outgoing National Treasurer Dora Rogers, NSCDA/PA, provides a few final remarks; National Registrar Lisa Likes (left) recognizes PA Dame Sally Congdon as new Senior Representative, Sulgrave Manor Trust; PA Dames serving as Alternates at Biennial Council were Betsy Ruderfer of Allegheny County Committee and Suzanne Ullrich.

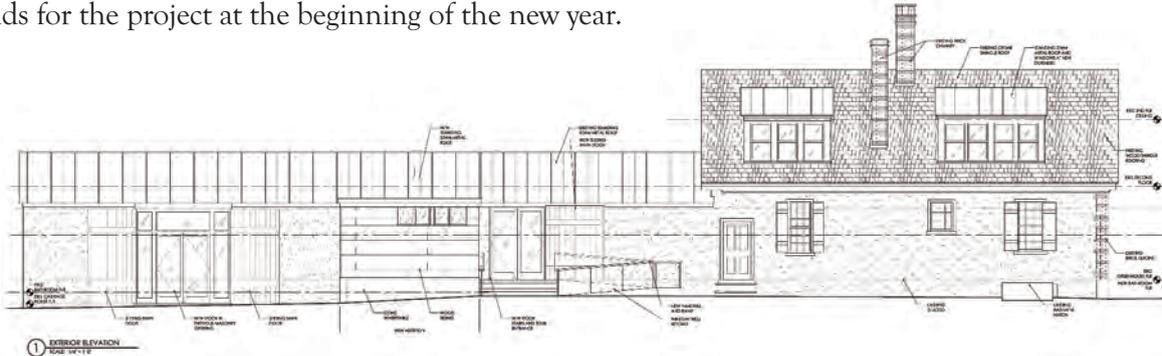
MUSEUM PROPERTIES

STENTON WING DESIGN NEARING COMPLETION

By Dennis Pickeral, Executive Director, Stenton

Stenton Committee members and staff have been working with Krieger and Associates Architects to finalize plans for renovating the Stenton Wing. The design creates new office space upstairs and dedicated programming and meeting space in the carriage house and green house. The plans also improve accessibility and visitor circulation, by reorienting the entrance and parking to the north side of the greenhouse and carriage house, and by addressing the three levels of the wing and restrooms.

The next step is to secure approval of the drawings from various city and state agencies, and we hope to begin raising funds for the project at the beginning of the new year.



Krieger and Associates drawing showing proposed changes to the north elevation of the Stenton Wing.

STENTON SHORTS



Logan Family Reunion

Stenton hosted 15 Logan and Norris family descendants for a Reunion on September 22. The intimate but engaged group explored new collections and changes to the Stenton landscape.





AASLH Conference

Staff members Kaelyn Barr and Rachel Corma traveled to Kansas City in September to attend the American Association of State and Local History Conference.

Foundations and Libations

On October 11, Stenton held “Foundations and Libations,” a program exploring Stenton’s landscape and archaeological research. The event ended with a Happy Hour in the greenhouse, provided by Attic Brewing, who will be opening a brewery at Wayne Junction.



History Hunters

This year, History Hunters participation hit an all-time record high, with over 3,700 students participating in the program!

Dinah Mural

The Stenton Park Advisory Council submitted a proposal for a mural on the new Stenton Park Recreation Center. The proposal, which was recently approved, will celebrate Dinah, who saved Stenton from being burned by the British.



A rendering of Stenton Park from Flying Kite Media, July 21 2015



Save the Date!

The Stenton Garden Party will take place on May 2, 2019. Please note that this is the first Thursday of the month, instead of the usual second Thursday. Hope to see you there!

HEADQUARTERS

SECOND MONDAYS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS YOUR HEADQUARTERS

By Jane Foster Willson, Headquarters Chair

Your Headquarters House & Garden Committee is delighted to provide a new offering, "Second Mondays" starting this fall, on the second Monday of the month, at 5:30 PM. What is unique about these gatherings is that it is a relaxed, after work time to enjoy the company of fellow Dames and guests in the gracious atmosphere of HQ House and Garden. The short informal programs feature information about HQ, including the library, archives and furnishings. HQ is a working reflection of NSCDA/PA's history and distinguished members. Whether you live near or far*, all are encouraged to join us!



Left: Headquarters Chair Jane Foster Willson shows attendees the collection of samplers and beautifully detailed, framed Membership Certificates displayed in the lounge area; Center Top: Delicious refreshments await attendees at the 2nd Monday programs; Center Bottom: Early NSCDA/PA Scrapbooks are just some of the treasures found in our Society library. Right: Display cases throughout the building display many unique items with relevance to the Society;

*Are you a member living outside of easy 'commuting' to Philadelphia? Consider gathering a group of your County Committee Dames for a day trip to Headquarters, with lunch, side trip(s) to Stenton or another Historic Germantown site, or possibly a visit to the city's Historic Area in Old City. We're happy to help you plan your day trip: info@nscdapa.org; adriana@nscdapa.org, or call 215-735-6737



**Looking for the perfect venue for your next event?
NSCDA/PA members receive a discounted rental rate at Headquarters!**

Contact Adriana Robinson for more information.



NSCDA/PA JOINS NATIONAL HISTORY DAY STEERING COMMITTEE

By Anne Burnett

A supporter of National History Day Philadelphia (NHDP Philly) for more than a decade now, the Pennsylvania Society was recently nominated and elected to serve as a member on the competition's Steering Committee, joining representatives from leading area museums and research institutions, including the National Archives Philadelphia, the National Constitution Center, the Abraham Lincoln Foundation of the Union League, the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the National Museum of American Jewish History, and others.

National History Day is a year-long program for students, leading to a two-day competition at the local (city) level, from which finalists move on the state level and, ideally, the national level competition. In addition to the finan-

cial support NSCDA/PA provides through an annual scholarship (covering travel expenses for six finalists moving on to the state level), PA Dames and staff regularly serve as competition judges and NHDP Philly committee volunteers.

The NHDP Philly Steering Committee "sets the strategic direction and goals for NHDP Philly," and administers the program, making operational decisions with the assistance and recommendations of its various committees (Education, Development, Communications, e.g.)

Building upon the NSCDA/PA's proven educational accomplishments at the elementary school level, through our robust History Hunters program, this new level of collaboration with NHDP Philly extends our reach to help meet the needs of middle and high

PATRIOTIC SERVICE

school age students, supporting the development of civics education, and skill-building in research, presentation, and critical thinking. We are helping shape a next generation of history lovers and historians!

Interested in serving as a judge for the March 13 2019 NHDP Philly competition? Or at "States" in May, in Carlisle? Contact Anne Burnett, anneburnett221@gmail.com. Learn more about NHD by visiting nhdphilly.org.



One of the winning group entry teams from the 2018 NHDP Philly senior level competition.

DAMES AND NEW CITIZENS: A VERY SPECIAL TRADITION

By Liz Mills, NSCDA/PA Patriotic Service Chair

As always, the naturalization ceremonies are incredibly moving, and it is a real honor that we are able to take part in them. Our most recent event in Philadelphia took place on Thursday, October 25th, with Judge Wendy Beetlestone presided over the swearing in. Although now an American, Judge Beetlestone was born in Nigeria and went to college in the UK before moving to the US to attend law school at the University of Pennsylvania. In her welcoming remarks, she shared a real sense of empathy and

understanding, as she felt like an immigrant when she arrived in the US after living abroad for so many years.

At our Philadelphia ceremonies, Adriana and Kenny Robinson always have everything under control; they make it all so easy for the rest of us. Wylie Raab did an amazing job as narrator for our Parade of Flags presentation, and Betsy Bacon, Peggy Conner, and I presented the flags and distributed gift bags.

Some 79 individuals from 36 countries were sworn in. The reactions of

the new citizens were incredible and ranged from broad smiles, to dancing and tears. Everyone should attend at least one New Citizen swearing-in ceremony! It is a profound reminder of just how fortunate we are to have been born in America and how hard these people have worked to become US citizens.

Interested in helping with the next ceremony? Please email adriana@nscdapa.org, or call 215-735-6737.



Left to Right: Patriotic Service Chair Liz Mills (left) and Peggy Conner (right) with presiding Judge Wendy Beetlestone; Raising their right hands, brand new citizens take an oath of allegiance to the United States; PA Dames Betsy Bacon (left) and Wylie Raab (right) congratulate new citizens and present a small American flag and Parade of Flags coloring book to each.

MEMBERSHIP

SPOTLIGHT ON NEW MEMBERS

In this issue, we are delighted to share a bit more about several recent additions to our Membership. We hope you enjoy "getting to know" them, and encourage you to invite colleagues, friends, and family to Stenton and Headquarters, to learn more about membership in the NSCDA/PA!

Susan Hedrick, of Malvern, has a keen interest in historic preservation and museum properties, and is very knowledgeable about genealogy. Committed to giving back in her community, she has served on the



board of Laurel House, a domestic violence shelter in Norristown, and has volunteered at a Phoenixville health clinic. Susie holds Health Administration and nursing degrees

from Eastern College and Hahnemann. She and husband Geoff have three daughters between them, and four grandchildren.

Carol Cottingham Nino describes herself as "a fan of the Continental Army's Encampment in 1777, on retreat from the Battle of Germantown," located near her Towamencin home. Recently retired from Cigna after twenty years as a pharmacist, Carol has four grown children. After discovering that the Cottingham Family had colonial connections, her mother, Doris, encouraged Carol to join the Colonial Dames. She was admitted shortly before her mother's death this year, bringing her mother great joy.

Although she may still be "new" to many



of us, **Betsy Ruderfer** of the Allegheny County Committee has long been actively involved in the Dames, serving in the DC Society for some thirty years in many roles: as Recording Secretary, Chair of Patriotic Service, Historian, and Vice-President. She is 'thrilled to become a member of the First Society.' In her non-Dames life, Betsy is a former big band vocalist who enjoys "keeping the beautiful music of The Great American Songbook alive." She and her husband Emil, recently retired from the World Bank, moved from Washington to Pittsburgh in 2017, after living in several developing countries. Betsy was among the PA delegation at Biennial - see her photo on page 5.

OUR NEWEST "BABY DAMES"



Grandmothers in the PA Society have been busy proposing granddaughters this year, helping us establish the next generation of service-minded women "entrusted with history's future." Left to Right: 1) Wylie Raab's granddaughter Caroline Elizabeth Stratz, 2, a 4th generation PA Dame, lives in Alexandria, VA. Her mother Alexandra works for the DoD, and her father, AF Captain Brandon Stratz, is an aerospace engineer. In a nod to her magnificent great grandmother, Caroline wore Sally Gibson's racing silks for Halloween. 2) Adelaide Marabeth Whelan was born August 20, 2018 in Alexandria VA to Denis and Cara Whelan. Adelaide and her two older brothers Foster (4) and David (2) keep their parents busy and slightly sleep-deprived. Adelaide is the first granddaughter for her grandparents, PA Dame Gina Whelan and husband Rick. 3) Already displaying an affinity for museum properties, 8 month-old Claire Kingsland Bell (daughter of PA Dame Carolyn Burnett Bell, granddaughter of Anne Burnett) was all smiles at a recent rehearsal dinner, held, by pure coincidence, at the Neill-Cochran House, the Texas Dames' historic house museum.

NSCDA/PA 2018-2019 Calendar

LANCASTER/DAUPHIN/YORK Meetings & Events

STENTON Events

STENTON Committee Meetings

1st Thursday of Every Month (except Jul & Aug)

Development & Strategic Planning

National Meetings & Events

LINEAGE Meetings

2nd Tuesday of Each Month (except Jul & Aug)

ALLEGHENY Meetings & Events

NSCDA/PA EVENTS

NSCDA/PA Board Meeting

2nd Friday of Each Month (except Jul & Aug)

2018	DATE	DAY	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
December	1	Sat	Stenton Holiday Tea	2:00 pm -4:00 pm	Stenton
	2	Su	LDY Christmas Party		
	6	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	19	Wed	Stated Meeting: Christmas Lunch w the Orpheus Group	10:30 am	Headquarters
2019	DATE	DAY	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
January	3	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	11	Fri	Board Meeting	9:30 am	Headquarters
	15	Tu	ACC's Stated Meeting: "A Two-Timing Dame": Ancestral Tales by Betsy Ruderfer	10:30 AM	Pittsburgh Golf Club
February	5	Tu	LDY Luncheon Meeting & Program		
	7	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	19	Mon	ACC's Board Meeting	10:00 AM	Twentieth Century Club
March	7	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	15	Fri	Board Meeting	9:30 am	Headquarters
	18	Mon	ACC Private reception in honor of Historian & Lecturer David O. Stewart	8:00 - 8:00 pm	Home of Betsy and Emil Ruderfer
	19	Tu	ACC Evening Lecture by David O' Stewart "Summer of 1787: The Men Who Invented the Constitution"	7:00 pm	Sen. John Heinz History Center
	20	Wed	Stated Meeting: Cindy Little, Women and Preservation Organizations	10:30 am	Headquarters
April	4	Thu	Stenton Committee	10:30 am	Stenton
	9	Tu	ACC Board Meeting	10:00 am	Pittsburgh Golf Club
	17	Wed	Stated Meeting @ Andalusia		Andalusia
	20	Sat	Stenton Easter Egg Hunt	1:00 PM	Stenton

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

NEW MEMBERS

GRESH, Mrs. Lisa Porter
(Lisa Skillern)
Ancestor: William Skillern
PA-6906

HEDRICK, Susan
(Susan Ruth Fischer)
Ancestor: John Brown
PA-6913

HUMENIK, Ms. Mary A. Erving
Ancestor: Eliphalet Dyer
PA-6907

NINO, Mrs. Albert Joseph
(Carol Lou Cottingham)
Ancestor: Ambrose Dixon
PA-6908

O'DONNELL, JR., Susan Jane
(Susan Jane Walker)
Ancestor: William Currie
PA-6911

QUINN, Ms. Amanda Van Zandt
Ancestor: Abraham Knerr
PA-6912

STRATZ, Caroline Elizabeth
Ancestor: Samuel Wadsworth
PA-6914

WAGNER, Mary Ann
(Mary Ann Ermy)
Ancestor: Adriaen Hegeman
PA-6909

RESIGNATIONS

BARNUM, Mrs. Anne L. Savage
PA-6338

MUCKLE, Katherine Jones
(Katherine Eastwick Jones)
PA-3901

SHARP, Mrs. M. Rust
(Nancy Cheney Day)
PA-3754

SIEDLARZ, JR., Mrs. Joseph A.
(Nancy Dodd England)
PA-3460

SILKE, Sarah Lynne
PA-6754

STARK, Mrs. Richard J.
(Mary Elizabeth Hiestand)
PA-3562

DECEASED

GRIGGS, Mrs. Paul D.
(Charlotte Ruth Nuttall)
Admitted: March 20, 2012
Died: June 14, 2018
PA-6747

LENZ, Mrs. James E.
(Cordelia Morris Seeley II)
Admitted: October 12, 1951
Died: June 5, 2018
PA-3001

TRANSFER OUT

DUNN, Mrs. Ann M.
(Anne Stovall McIver)
PA-382
Txfr to FL

MOHN, Mrs. Richard Eberly
(Clarita LeeBallard)
PA-6693
Txfr to FL

WELLS-FINN, Wendy B.
(Wendy Burton Swope)
PA-6823
Txfr to DC

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