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Right: Ana Makanoff, from Parkinson's Ferry Society at summer workshop.

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Morgan's Message

Hello PA C.A.R.!

I hope all of you had a t-rexific time at Summer Workshop! I had so much fun and loved seeing so many new faces there. The tour of the historical villages was fantastic and the games really helped members get in the C.A.R. spirit. Thank you to the Elizabeth McKinney Society and Mrs. Klee for organizing an amazing weekend and to all the DAR members who helped make workshop possible.

After visiting the Meadowcroft Rockshelter, I hope everyone is ready to teach their societies about how to *Uncover the Past! Keep up the enthusiastic workshop spirit and tell your local society and all your friends about how much fun you had at workshop.*



I also had the opportunity this summer to attend the Eastern Region Meeting in Wilmington, Delaware with nine other PA members! I had a fantastic time learning about *Browsing History*, this year's National project and representing Pennsylvania C.A.R. Members enjoyed touring the DuPont Environmental Center and learning about the ecosystems of Delaware. Thank you to all the PA families who came out to represent PA C.A.R.!

This August, I spoke to the PSSDAR Southwest district meeting about how DAR and C.A.R. can work together. Talking to the DAR ladies created some great conversations about how our organizations are so similar. Please remember to team up with your sponsoring DAR and SAR chapters this year and talk to them about how they can get involved in [C.A.R.](#)

In this edition of the Kapers, you'll find the State Program Packet. Please take a look at the contests for this year and begin to think about what you'd like to do with your society. There are lots of great National and State contests for both societies and individual members to complete. I can't wait to see what PA C.A.R. accomplishes!

This year I want all the local societies to find as many ways to promote *Browsing History* and C.A.R. as you can! Go to community events, do service projects, and host fun meetings for prospective members. Most importantly, tell all your friends about C.A.R.!

Keep up the DINO-mite work!
Morgan Meer
Pennsylvania State President



Site's Scoop

Hello to all our PA C.A.R. members,

I hope that all of you have had a wonderful summer. Many of our societies have had a very active summer, I love seeing all of the pictures of your society meetings. Please make sure that you send news and pictures of all your activities to our

Keystone Kapers editor so that we can all enjoy reading about them!

Morgan Meer, State President and many of our state officers and

chairmen traveled to Wilmington, DE on July 12th and 13th for our Eastern Regional Meeting. We had members serving as pages and aides, and Everett Meer was our PA State flag bearer and

Emerson Sites-Byers was the flag bearer for the American Flag.

Many thanks to Brandie Klee and the Elizabeth McKinney Society for hosting our 2017 Summer Workshop in Washington, PA. Members got the opportunity to share skits, play games, visit Meadowcroft (home of our state project) and create new friendships. We played C.A.R. jeopardy and translated a Monroe Doctrine Friday evening. Our team captains, Morgan Meer, Everitt Meer, Eric Allen, and Aiden Klee did a great job leading their teams through all of the activities throughout the weekend. It was great to see the older members helping the younger members in each of their teams. Mrs. Klee and Mrs. Ciarrocchi did a great job working with the members of all ages on the games and activities.

The 74th State conference will be held on March 23rd and 24th in Cranberry, PA, hosted by the **Parkinson's Ferry Society**. More information will be coming soon to the PA C.A.R. website and the winter edition of the Kapers. Mark your calendars now to join us for a wonderful event!

C.A.Ringly,

Amy Rebecca Sites
Sr State President



Membership

Hello C.A.R. friends,

By now Summer is winding down and soon we go back to school, sports and our routine. Think back on all those fun days of Summer. Did you go on a trip? Did you go to camp? Did you relax at home? Maybe you had a Summer job? Did you notice that all these activities have FRIENDS in common? Why not invite some of your old and new friends to a C.A.R. meeting or event? Everything is more fun with friends. Think about all the new friends you will have at school or on your sports teams. You can invite them too! Recently, a friend told me she wouldn't invite her cousin to her youth group because she wanted it to be her thing. I felt badly for my friend and her cousin! Please don't be like my friend. Share C.A.R. I will invite my friend and her cousin to our next meeting.

This year as you plan your society meetings and events please think about our Membership Contest. We want to SHARE C.A.R. Please help raise awareness about our great organization as we Browse through History and Uncover the Past this year. Create a society brochure, promote your society and C.A.R. at local events, host a membership party and spread the word! I am looking forward to meeting lots of new members and reading lots of contest entries this year.
Your friend in C.A.R.,



Julia Gresh, State Membership Chairman

New Members

Carl Jacob Kern	Liberty Bell
Meara Merwine Hanyon	Nancy Hart
Amelia Meriwether Kain	Parkinson's Ferry
Caroline Morgan Kain	Parkinson's Ferry
Genevieve Elizabeth Kain	Parkinson's Ferry
Alayna Lynn Kline	Parkinson's Ferry
Kathryn Lynn Kline	Parkinson's Ferry
Elizabeth Anne Carnahan	Peggy Shaw
Jenelle Elizabeth Hess	Regina Hartman

State Project

Hello C.A.R.! Having a dino-mite year? The Pennsylvania summer workshop this year was a huge success and informed everyone of the importance of Native American and pioneer history. At the Meadowcroft Rockshelter members took tours of the Native American village and shops of the pioneers who once lived in the area of Meadowcroft. With hands on activities, the members never had a dull moment and were constantly being engaged by the volunteers at the villages. Members took turns learning how to stir up



the earth to plant corn and learning what type of tools the native people used. Peewees had a fun time getting dirty during this activity. Later members took turns learning how to throw an atlatl, a Native American weapon used for hunting. Although most of us would have starved had we relied on this hunting method for food, we all enjoyed taking part in the past. Members learned how the Native Americans lived their everyday lives and about the different types of weapons and food they had. As the fur pelts were passed around for the groups to view and feel, members asked questions such as how the weapons were made and why. Older members mentored the younger ones and helped them understand the ways of these people from the past. As well as visiting the Native American village, members then went on the visit the town of the pioneers. We learned to be proper school-children in the schoolhouse and how the children of that time were disciplined. All of us agreed that school punishments now are easier. We moved on to learning how to make candles, where every member had fun dipping their strings into the candle wax to make their own candles which they took home. Lastly we visited the Rockshelter, our focus for **this year's project**. We learned how the rock took time to erode away and of the rich histo-



ry that the rock holds. Our guide told us all about the history that was there and of the neat artifacts that were found at the site. We had an amazing time at Meadowcroft and had a great time learning of the Native American and pioneer past. Congratulations to Morgan and Ms. Sites for a t-rexiffic event!

Everitt Meer
Pennsylvania State First Vice President

National Project



Have you been Browse a history with NSC.A.R.? This summer Erin Moore, National President and the National Board traveled **around the country promoting this year's national theme "Browsing History with NS C.A.R."** The project is to raise money for James Monroe Online(JMO). James Monroe Online is a free and open portal to access searchable transcriptions and images of the Virginia based archival collections focused on **James Monroe, our nation's 5th President**. In order to get a better understanding of Monroe and his life and times, JMO will enable users to access political and family letters, bills of sale, wills, lists, and among other documents, memoranda.

At Eastern Region in Wilmington, DE in July we learned more about the national project and program! If you missed it, you can find more information in the National Packet.

Are you looking for a fun activity for your society? At summer workshop, some of the older member were able to help transcribe an actual Monroe Doctrine. **It was a good time trying to decipher the handwriting, because they didn't have texting back then.**

For more information on the national program visit nscar.org

Emerson Sites-Byers, State 2nd VP



National President, Erin Moore "Uncovering the Past"

State Historian

The Lives of our Pre-Historic Ancestors

Have you ever thought what it would have been like to live over 16,000 years ago? What types of food would you eat? What types of tools would you use?

This year's State Historian contest gives you many ideas about how to discover what life was like for pre-historic peoples. You might want to visit a local museum or research the history of the Meadowcroft Rockshelter to learn about the ways of the hunters and gatherers of North America.

The contests are a lot of fun because they include activities like drawing arrowheads and visiting a local archeology site, where you **might even be able to see people digging to "Uncover the Past."**

Be sure to take lots of pictures of your society activities this year. We would like to have each Pennsylvania society submit a page or two for our State President **Morgan Meer's 12" x 12" scrapbook.** You can also post your favorite pictures from Summer Workshop and other events to our photo share site at <https://pacar20172018.shutterfly.com>. Visit the share site to download or order photos that other members have posted, as well.



I'm looking forward to a historic year!

Andrew Verish, State Historian

Mountain Schools



Hi – I'm Taylor, State Chairperson of the **Mountain School Contest.** I can't wait to see your contest entries in March. There is a contest for Pee Wees – drawing a mountain school and a contest for your society – the best program on the Mountain Schools and their special programs.



Here are some things to think about when you talk to your members about Mountain Schools.

What is a Mountain School? Where are they? Why do they have them?

How many are there?

What are their names? What is the special program each school has?

There are lots of things you can do to help these schools. Donations can help the children succeed after they graduate. I am sending a backpack full of school supplies to the Tamasee School for our society.

Conservation

I hope you had a wonderful Summer and are ready to Uncover the Past and Browse through History this year. Over the Summer I did a lot of traveling, and not just for C.A.R. We went to Florida, New England and traveled to Scotland singing with our Church youth choir. I tried to keep my eyes open to all the history that was around me and look for areas of conservation. It was really amazing what we found. For instance, did you know that Newport RI. has 392 colonial buildings in it's historic district and 5 are National Historic Landmarks? We visited the White Horse Tavern where George Washington held many meetings. Mystic Seaport is a conservation site and working seaport where you can visit life in the past. The area has been a maritime destination for more than 300 years. More than 600 boats were built on the Mystic River from 1784 to 1919 and some of them can still be seen at the seaport. In Scotland there was a WWII museum we toured right by our hotel. We took two boats and a bus to see a special Island designated as a refuge for the Puffin birds. Florida is credited with the oldest city in our Country. Saint Augustine, was discovered in 1513 and officially founded in 1565! I am just sharing some of my experiences because if we look there is so much to learn about, even right near by. Keep looking this year as we Uncover The Past with Morgan. Before you know it ,contest time will be here. Please search for areas and articles that are being preserved and conserved. Learn all you can and you will be ready to enter the Conservation Contest! We are hoping for lots of entries!



William Gresh, State Conservation Chair

In picture: William Gresh, with "kids" are learning to be Docents at the Seaport Museum in Mystic.

state Registrar

Here Ye- Hear Ye- Time to REGISTER IS NOW!

Hello C.A.R. Are you ready to Uncover History with PA C.A.R.? After attending Eastern Regional meeting in Delaware and Summer Workshop at Meadowcroft Rock Shelter outside Pittsburgh I have not been more excited to spread the word and encourage membership.. We have a great opportunity to learn new things about history while helping our community so get out there and reach out to prospective members to tell them how AWESOME C.A.R. is and to come along for the adventure!

Meredith Ciarrocchi State Registrar



State Organizing Secretary

Are you Organized? What types of things do you keep organized? I try and keep my clothes and desk very organized so things are easy to find in my room, but here are some great tips to help to keep things organized in your local C.A.R. society.

O- Once things are organized it is easy to plan events

R- Reach out to new members and see what their schedules might be in order to accommodate attending meetings

G- Go places and do things to help your community

A- Arrange fun events for your organizing society or members to attend

N- Never miss an opportunity to attend a C.A.R. meeting with your local society.

I- Investigate new ways to communication with members, including social media

Z- Zero regret! C.A.R. is the best and you will have friends for a lifetime!

E- Every opportunity you can start a conversation about how AWESOME C.A.R. is and how it can impact your prospective members!



Abbey Ciarrocchi
State Organizing Secretary

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State Librarian



Book Recommendation
Grace Cowhey
State Librarian

BOOK:

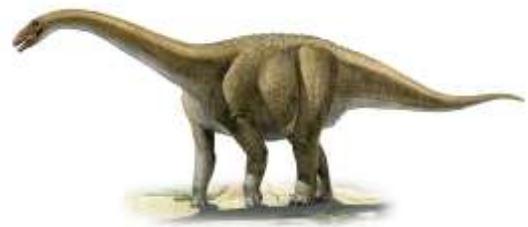
"Find Out ! DINOSAURS!" by DK– I HIGHLY RECOMMEND READING THIS BOOK

Fact:

- Scientists can learn a lot about dinosaurs from their footprints
- Dinosaurs roamed the earth in the Mesozoic Era
- Dinosaur remains have been found on every continent of the world
- Fossilization turns dinosaur remains into stone
- usually, predators hunted in a pack, but occasionally they hunted independently
- In prehistoric times dinosaurs showed themselves off to potential mates
- Dinosaur eggs were often huge but shaped differently
- many young dinosaurs had oversized limbs
- the mesozoic era ended 66 million years ago do to a meteorite striking the earth
- birds are dinosaurs closest living relative!
- dinosaurs roamed the earth for 169 million years- 1,000 dinosaur species have been named so far

SUPPORT:

- the distance between each heel gives the stride length
- ⇒ it was divided into 3 periods; triassic, jurassic, and cretaceous
- usually they are found in places where rocks have naturally been worn away
- chemical changes caused the bones to naturally turn into stone
- packs usually traveled together for protection
- this was to stand out in the crowd to catch the eye of the opposite sex!!!!
- this helped identify the type of dinosaur growing inside the egg
- their bodies have not fully developed yet
- meteorites are often caused by volcanic poison and extreme weather change
- during the jurassic period some carnivores developed feathers and were able to fly



State Librarian

Book Review by Grace Cowhey, State Librarian

The book "James Monroe: Fifth President 1817-1825" is written by Mike Venezia. The stories potential is to lead the way to show Monroe's life overtime. James Monroe was born in the Colony of Virginia in 1758, as this is one of the things the book explains; the life of James Monroe. James Monroe was the 5th president, voted twice by the colonies. Being a Virginian caused Monroe problems during the election but was he eventually elected as the other states felt left out. Monroe grew up on a large farm and learned to hunt, shoot, and ride horses later he used these skills as soldier. James Monroe was one of few to receive an excellent education, his favorite subjects were Latin and math. As life brings many hardships James was only 16 when his father passed away with his mother following a few months later. As time went on the colonies were still being controlled by Britain and King George III, some battles broke out in that time between British soldiers and the colonist, James Monroe decided to join the militia. Militias were volunteer military groups. In 1776 after General Washington led his troops across the Delaware James was seriously wounded during the battle and returned to Virginia to recover, where after recovery James was promoted to rank of captain. Years later James was elected president, he helped his country get through it's second war, helped with peace talks, dealt with slavery, and in his second term wrote a strong message to the world ending European leaders interfering areas close to the US. James Monroe was the fifth president of the United States, he was an encouraging and hard-working president whose name carries on in history and in books such as "James Monroe: Fifth President 1817-1825" As Pennsylvania state librarian I rate this book 5 stars and recommend it to anyone who enjoys reading about America's History!



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"We must support our rights or lose our character, and with it, perhaps, our liberties"
~James Monroe





It was a mash... it was a
MEMBER MASH

This October, invite everyone you know to your local society meeting! Bring your neighbors, cousins, classmates, and all your friends to C.A.R.!

The society with the most prospective members at an October meeting or activity will be honored in the Keystone Kapers and receive a **SPOOKY** prize. All societies with more prospective members in attendance than members will also be recognized.

Post a picture of your society meeting to the PA C.A.R. Facebook group. Say how many members and prospective members were there. All posts must be made before October 31. Judging will be done by State President Morgan Meer.

Make sure to plan an exciting October meeting so your new friends will want to come back for more fun!

Which society will have the biggest, spookiest
MEMBER MASH?



Morgan's Expeditions

Expeditions



President Morgan Meer attended the Southwestern District DAR Meeting in Greensburg and explained her project to the 65 DAR members in attendance. Thank you to Cyndy Sweeney, PSSDAR State Regent, and Ann Harder, PSSDAR District Director, for the amazing support you show for C.A.R. .

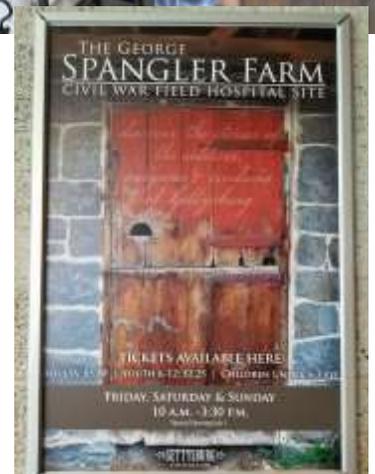
Projects of the past revisited



On July 3rd, Honorary State President, Kyle Popielarski and Honorary Senior State President, Floyd Turner visited the site of **Kyle's state project at the George Spangler Farm** in Gettysburg, which served as a field hospital in the Civil War.



Honorary State President, Kyle Popielarski and Honorary Senior State President, Floyd Turner



Societies Uncovering the Past

Regina Hartman

Our society joined with DAR members of Shikelimo, Fort Augusta, Conrad Wieser & Taga Jute chapters during the Lewisburg Veterans Parade. We carried our banner and helped give out yet ANOTHER 500 flags!!!!

Our society has been busy presenting our State project pins to some really great folks to show appreciation for all that they do:

David Wisnia- Holocaust survivor and veteran 101st Airborne Div. It was our great pleasure to present him with a pin

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WzHKKjiUXaw>

Tom Reimensnyder Marine & chair of Lewisburg Veterans Parade

Srgt. Maj. Kevin Bittenbender He is the co-coordinator for the Freedom Riders

Dennis McKibben veteran & Frenchand Indian Re-enactor

Zack Randall active service recruiter National Guard

Hunter Raker National Guard

Looking forward to Discovering Our Past this year.



Willow Bechdel

Regina Hartman Society and State C.A.R./
DAR/SAR/SR Relation Chairman



Societies Uncovering the Past

Towamencin Society C.A.R. Makes the Headlines

Towamencin Society C.A.R. members and seniors marched in the 4th of July Parade held in Skippack, Montgomery County, PA. We were spotted by a North Penn Reporter photographer from Lansdale, PA who posted a picture of us on their front page.



Societies Uncovering the Past

Towamencin



Extinct is Forever, by Holly Marx, Towamencin Society

In June, the Towamencin Society went to the PA Wolf Sanctuary in Lititz, PA. The sanctuary was founded by Bill and Barbara Darlington in 1980. It is the home to 46 wolves. We were able to see about half. Most of the wolves are purebreds, but there are four hybrids at the sanctuary. Our tour guide was Russ. He was the alpha and I was picked to be his beta.

The habitat in which wolves thrive is very diverse. They can be found in the tundra, forests, grasslands, deserts, mountains, and the border of swamps. The Timber Wolf is considered endangered under the Endangered Species Act. It is in only 3% of its original home in the states. Today, you can find them in Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin, Alaska, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and the Yellowstone area of Wyoming. A subspecies of the Timber Wolf, called Mexican wolves, have been re-introduced to protective parks in Arizona and New Mexico. There are many threats to the extinction of wolves; including disease, natural disaster, illegal hunting and human persecution. For over 100 years, wolves have been extinct in Pennsylvania, New York and

New England.

There are a lot of stereotypes about wolves. Most people are not aware that they are family oriented, mate for life and mourn the death of pack members. The alpha female is the only one to propagate with the alpha male. She is also the only one allowed in the den. After the 63-day gestation period, the pups are born blind and deaf. If the alpha female feels that the food source is sufficient, she will allow the beta female to mate. The alpha female is responsible for the family and calls the shots. The alpha male provides food and protection for the pack.

Do wolves howl at the moon? That is actually a false assumption. Wolves howl because of the moon, not at it. When there is a full moon, the wolves use the bright night sky to hunt. Wolves have a symbiotic relationship with ravens. The ravens help them keep sight of their prey and they get to enjoy the meal. Are wolves scared of humans? Wolves are more scared of humans than you would think. If you were to walk in the direction of a wolf, the wolf would not attack, but run in the opposite direction.

All in all, we had a good time at the PA Wolf Sanctuary. My favorite wolf was a hybrid, named Spirit. While we were there I adopted a wolf named Mika. I filled out a form with the adoption fee, my information and the name of the wolf I wanted to adopt. The adoption fee would be used to sustain the wolf I adopted. To learn more about the wolf sanctuary or to adopt your own wolf, visit wolfsanctuarypa.org.

At the PACAR Summer Workshop, Towamencin Society C.A.R. members Gaby, Kathryn, Will and Holly, helped to transcribe a letter from James Monroe. The translation was sent to National C.A.R. President, Erin Moore for her #Browsing History Project.



Eastern Regional



Eastern Regional



Summer Workshop



Summer Workshop



Secret Codes and Ciphers—Helping Promote American Freedom

Secret codes and cipher wheels had a very important role to play in the Revolutionary War, and were employed by both the British and the Americans. In order for the other side not to gain knowledge of their plans, their movements and strategies would become coded so that only the people who were supposed to know the information could understand the message. There were many spy rings for both sides, and the men and women who served would have to be deadly careful in order to be successful and mysterious.

Just as George Washington used secret codes, another important president used codes and ciphers. His name was James Monroe, our fifth president. Several museums have letters written by or to James Monroe containing codes and ciphers. One such letter in a collection was from Robert Livingston, a former United States Secretary of Foreign Affairs. One can only imagine the secret messages to highly ranked officials and the importance of keeping this information from the enemies.

When America was seeking to expand, they tried to negotiate the purchase of a large amount of land, the Louisiana Purchase. A group of men, led by Lewis and Clark, explored the land.

Other countries didn't want America to have this land and sent men to stop Lewis and Clark. In order to relay information confidentially back to Washington D.C., they made a secret code.

As well as the men of Monroe's time, our military today continues to use codes. In order to protect America, the military uses secret messages to discuss strategies and relay information. Try with your society to make a unique version of codes and send messages to one another.

The pigpen cipher, which has been around since early American times, is another secret code style in which the alphabet is changed into a series of lines and dots. Although some might think it looks like a strange version of tic-tac-toe, the pigpen cipher uses the lines and dots **around the letters to act in their place. In other words, "a" would be a and "b" would be b** as shown in the chart. Can you solve the secret message written in the pigpen cipher and figure out how to get new members?

Everitt Meer, State First Vice President

How do you get new members?

Decode the secret message below using the Pigpen cipher to find out!

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How do you invite your friends to join C.A.R.

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Pigpen Cypher Key

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American Indian

The very first people to live in Pennsylvania were American Indians, some of which lived at Meadowcroft Rockshelter in Avella, PA. Remnants of American Indians at Meadowcroft were dated all the back to 16,000 years ago. The site has even recreated the Monongahela Indian Village to give visitors an inside look at what life was like for American Indians 400 years ago.

Native Americans had to rely solely on their surroundings to survive. By settling in the Rockshelter, they could forage, hunt wild game for food and had Cross Creek as their water source. In the summer, the Rockshelter would remain cool and in the winter, it could be warmed with fires.

Plan to visit Meadowcroft and explore the way Native Americans lived.
Uncover the Past with PA C.A.R.,

Jessica Hooper
State American Indian Chairman

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GATHERERS
MEADOWCROFT
PENNSYLVANIA
ROCKSHELTER
FIRE
TOOLS
BOW
ARROW
AXE
CROSSCREEK

Editors Message

Dear PA CAR families,

CAR activities are in full swing! When you're shopping for school supplies, look for items with box tops to donate to the Mountain Schools. Be sure to read about other society's programs and look at the pictures of the summer workshop. Make sure to share with us pictures or your favorite skit from the summer workshop. We hope you are inspired by these activities to create new programs for your own society. If Halloween is your favorite holiday like it is mine, you might want to know that John Kennedy was the first president to open up the white house to trick or theaters! Take some time at a meeting to research the history and customs of Halloween. And as always be sure to save the date of the CAR state conference (March 23-24). It will be loads of fun!

*Lillian Beckwith and
Collin Klee
Your Keystone Kapers Co-Editors*



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Chairman: Brittany LeCouvre

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ny LeCouvre



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Support The Children's Room &
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Supports the fund used for supporting the general
operations and emergencies of the Mountain
Schools.



Magazine Fund Pin—\$100.00

Helps defray the costs of publication of
the C.A.R. Magazine.



Endowment Fund Pin—\$ 100.00

Supports the Endowment Fund to insure the
perpetuation of the ideals on N.S.C.A.R.



Library Fund Pin—\$ 100.00

Supports the N.S.C.A.R. Library
Fund.



Red Apple Pin—\$ 1000.00

Benefactors of the NS C.A.R. Museum.

Uncover the Past

State Program Packet
2017-2018

Pennsylvania State Society
Children of the American Revolution

Morgan Meer
PA C.A.R. State President

Amy Sites
PA C.A.R. Senior State President



UNCOVER THE PAST



WITH PA C.A.R.
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Mission Statement

*The National Society of the Children of the American Revolution
trains good citizens, develops leaders, and promotes love of the
United States of America and its heritage among young people.*



Dear PA C.A.R. Members,

I'm excited to share with you this year's State Program Packet! This packet should be your guide to your C.A.R. society's year, helping you plan your meetings and activities. The PA state officers and chairmen worked very hard to create their contests, and we want to encourage societies to enter as many as possible. There are contests about the National Project, *James Monroe Online*, and the State Project, *The Meadowcroft Rockshelter*. Many contests are about community service or improving your local society. There are so many opportunities to explore! Also included at the end of this packet are the State Merit Award Form and the blank entry form for state contests.

Take a look at the packet with your society and plan out some activities for the year. Then, document your work and submit it by **February 28th to the member and senior running the contest. Don't** forget to also look at the National Program Packet which has some of the same contests along with additional programs. I would like to thank all the state officers and chairmen for their T-rexiffic work on their contests!

Have a DINO-mite year, PA C.A.R.!

Morgan Meer
Pennsylvania State President
2017-2018

State President

State President
Morgan Meer

Senior State President
Amy Sites

Objective: Promote the C.A.R. Mission and Objectives and encourage all members to *Uncover the Past* by striving to be the Most Outstanding Member and Society.

Program: Follow the National and State Programs within your local societies. Promote and raise funds for this year's State and National Projects.

Contest: NANCY G. BURKEY MOST OUTSTANDING MEMBER

Please submit an entry to include the following information:

1. Attended: State Conference, list years attended and role served at conference; National Convention, list years attended and role served at convention; Eastern Regional, list years attended and role served at regional, Other Regional Meetings, list years attended and which regional meetings attended; Summer Workshop, list years attended and role served at workshop
2. Promoted: State Theme, *Uncover the Past* (please attach details)
3. Promoted: National Theme, *Browsing History* (please attach details)
4. Worked with a prospective member and/or inactive member (please attach details)
5. Wrote articles for: Keystone Kapers (please include copy of article); C.A.R. Magazine (please include copy of article)
6. Advertised your C.A.R. society in your community: newsletters, flyers, brochures, public appearances, displays, etc. (please attach details)
7. Participated in: Patriotic occasions (such as Memorial Day, 4th of July, Constitution Week, etc.) and joint meetings with the DAR, SAR, and SR.

Award: A special prize will be awarded to the Most Outstanding Member at State Conference.

Contest: KEYSTONE MOST OUTSTANDING SOCIETY

Please submit an entry to include the following information:

1. Worked with (attach details and programs) other C.A.R. societies, DAR chapters, SAR chapters, SR chapters and other patriotic organizations.
2. Supported State Project, *Uncover the Past* (please attach details)
3. Supported National Project, *Browsing History* (please attach details)
4. Promoted Membership and Public Relations (please attach details)
5. Submitted a society report to the State President and Senior State President
6. Encouraged all members to show that *Uncover the Past* and *Browsing History* has made them more patriotic and more enthusiastic about C.A.R. (please attach details)
7. Entered the State Merit Award Contest. **(PLEASE ATTACH STATE MERIT AWARD ENTRY)**

Award: A special prize will be awarded to the Most Outstanding Society at State Conference.

Contest: LOCAL SOCIETY WITH THE BEST PROGRAM ON THE STATE PROJECT: *UNCOVER THE PAST*

Award: First Place: \$20 Second Place: \$10

DIGITAL ENTRIES ACCEPTED FOR ALL STATE PRESIDENT'S CONTESTS

State First Vice President

State First Vice President
Everitt Meer

Senior State First Vice President
Brandie Klee

Objective: Learn how people lived in Monroe's lifetime and how technology has evolved since the 1800s.

Program: Highlight the evolution of technology since the 1800s.

Suggestions:

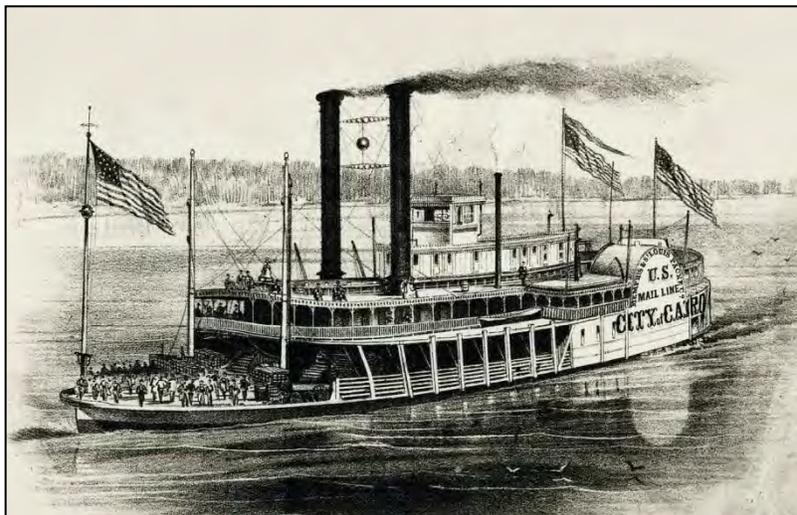
1. Explore new inventions from Monroe's time, like the first bicycle called the Dandy Horse or the kaleidoscope.
2. Create your own kaleidoscope with your society.
3. Discover inventions, like the steamboat, and the role they played in making Monroe the first president since Washington to widely travel the states.
4. Visit science and technology museums to see how technology has progressed in the last 200 years.
5. Host a society science fair where you present your findings and recreate your favorite inventions.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5

**** Entries for the State First Vice President's contest may be submitted electronically by emailing it to the State First Vice President and Senior State First Vice President. ****



State Second Vice President

State Second Vice President
Emerson Sites-Byers

Senior State Second Vice President
Elizabeth Fritsch Ciarrocchi

Objective: Investigate the history of the United States Foreign Service and its role in diplomacy.

Program: Learn about James Monroe's time as a diplomat and the various facets of the United States Foreign Service.

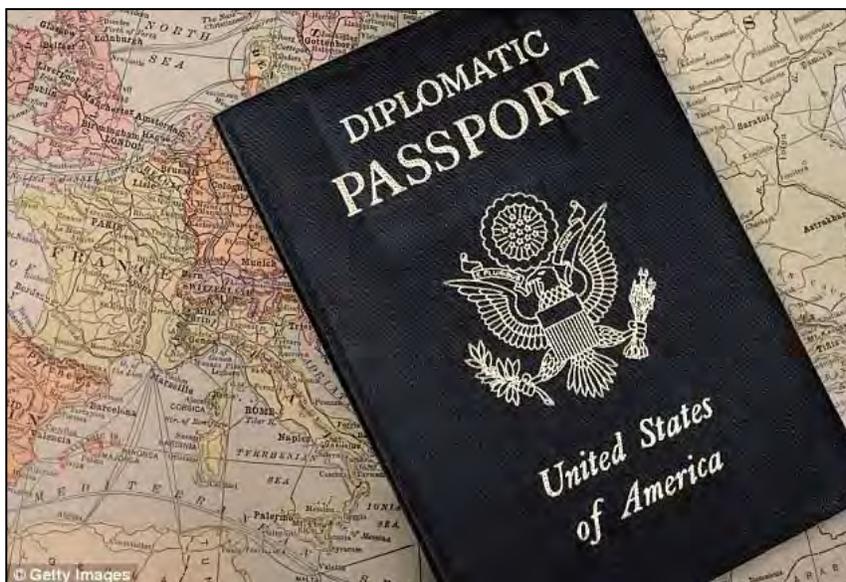
Suggestions:

1. Research the duties of an ambassador and how you can be an ambassador for C.A.R in your community.
2. Study James Monroe's diplomatic successes and failures as an ambassador and why he was fired from his post as Minister of France.
3. Contact embassies and/or consulates to learn more about the different functions of the Foreign Service.
4. [Use www.diplomacy.state.gov](http://www.diplomacy.state.gov) to learn how diplomacy operates.
5. Support the travels of the National Board as diplomats for N.S.C.A.R. via the Voyager Fund.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place: 14 members or under \$10
Second Place: 14 members or under \$5
First Place: 15 members or more \$10
Second Place: 15 members or more \$5



State Chaplain

State Chaplain

Eric Allen

Senior State Chaplain

Susan Gillette Meer

Objective: Learn how churches and religious organizations preserve their records.

Program: Discover how a church or religious organization has worked to digitize their records to make them available to the public.

Suggestions:

1. Uncover the importance of church marriage and birth/baptism records to genealogy.
2. Explore ways congregations have preserved their records.
3. Discuss the values of digitizing records for public use.
4. Research how the Church of Latter Day Saints led the effort to digitize historical collections.
5. Compose a prayer for your society meeting.

Contests:

Local society with the best program

First Place \$12

Second Place \$8

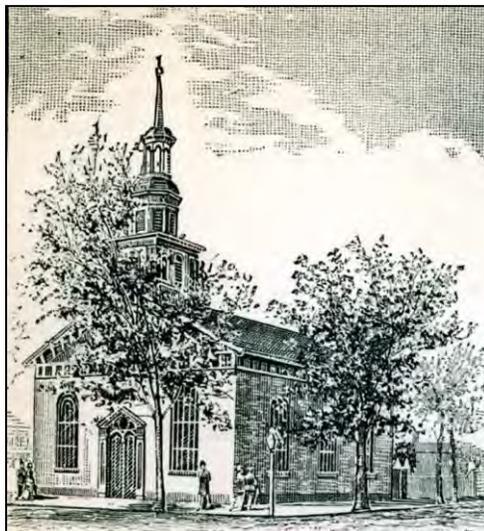
Best prayer written by a member*

10 years and younger \$5

11 years and older \$5

***Winning prayers will be read during State Conference.**

**** Entries for the State Chaplain's contests may be submitted electronically by emailing them to the State Chaplain and Senior State Chaplain. ****



State Recording Secretary

State Recording Secretary
Devon Heffner

Senior State Recording Secretary
Lucina Verish

Objective: Practice taking accurate society minutes and investigate Robert's Rules of Order.

Program: Create a collection of minutes of your society meetings.

Suggestions:

1. Present a program about Robert's Rules of Order, possibly writing a poem or song about it to make it more fun for your members.
2. Assemble a history of your society using past minutes and discuss where the minutes and other important papers are stored for your society.
3. Read past minutes from meeting and insert funny comments to spur future participation.
4. Create a digitized copy of your society's minutes from this year and submit it for this contest. Discuss the importance of digitizing versus paper copy of minutes/documents.

Contest:

Local Society with the best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5

**** Entries for the State Recording Secretary's contest may be submitted electronically by emailing it to the State Recording Secretary and Senior State Recording Secretary. ****



State Organizing Secretary

State Organizing Secretary
Abigail Ciarrocchi

Senior State Organizing Secretary
Rebecca Page

Objective: Analyze the role James Monroe played in the Louisiana Purchase negotiations and westward expansion.

Program: Discover how Monroe effectively negotiated the Louisiana Purchase and its effect on encouraging westward expansion.

Suggestions:

1. Consider how states were organized out of the Louisiana Purchase Territory and compare that to how a society is organized.
2. Perform a skit depicting the interactive events which occurred between Robert Livingston, Napoleon Bonaparte, and James Monroe about the role Monroe played in the Louisiana Purchase.
3. Investigate how the United States funded the Louisiana Purchase.
4. Draw a map of the Louisiana Purchase, and include key geographical characteristics, forts, and the states that were formed.
5. Design and play a game with your society about westward expansion.
6. Pose as a person close to Monroe during the negotiations of the Louisiana Purchase and write a journal detailing the events as well as your thoughts on how it may benefit the U.S. for future generations.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place \$15
Second Place \$10

Best Peewee drawing of the westward expansion

First Place \$5



State Corresponding Secretary

State Corresponding Secretary
Aiden Klee

Senior State Corresponding Secretary
Sallie Sites

Objective: “Dig” and “Browse” Learn how secret codes and ciphers helped promote American freedom.

Program: Research early 19th century American cryptography and its impact on the United States.

Suggestions:

1. Study Thomas Jefferson's wheel cipher and how he and James Monroe used it to negotiate the Louisiana Purchase.
2. Explore how the United States Military redesigned the wheel cipher over 100 years after Thomas Jefferson.
3. Present a program on ciphers and cryptography and create your own codes to present at local society meetings.
4. Correspond with your local society by using your own secret code in society newsletters.
5. Design an activity for your members to utilize their new spy techniques.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place \$10
Second Place \$5

Best Peewee drawing of Thomas Jefferson’s wheel cipher

First Place \$10
Second Place \$5



State Treasurer

State Treasurer

Ethan Klee

Senior State Treasurer

R.Elizabeth Swartz

Objective: Dig and explore your way to understanding the reorganization of the National Treasury.

Program: Research William H. Crawford as Secretary of the Treasury, and his involvement in the reorganization of the National Treasury.

Suggestions:

1. Present a program on William Crawford's plan to abolish internal taxes in 1817.
2. Discover ways the Treasury Department has changed from 1816 to now.
3. Reenact President Monroe's first State of the Union Address where he endorsed William Crawford's plan to reorganize the Nation Treasury.
4. Examine and discuss correspondence between Monroe and Crawford, such as letters exhibited by the College of William and Mary in 2017.
5. Design your own currency featuring William Crawford and his accomplishments.

Contests:

Local society with the best program

First Place \$10
Second Place \$5

Best Peewee drawing of President Monroe's first State of the Union Address

First Place \$10
Second Place \$5

***** Entries for the State Treasurer's contests may be submitted electronically by emailing them to the State Treasurer and Senior State Treasurer. *****



State Registrar

State Registrar
Meredith Ciarrocchi

Senior State Registrar
Nancy Taylor

Objective: Celebrate membership by promoting genealogy.

Program: Discuss your local society members' ancestors' contributions to the American Revolution.

Suggestions:

1. Draw family trees and discuss the importance of family history.
2. Share interesting stories and photos of ancestors throughout lineage lines.
3. Try to discover a female patriot in your genealogy.
4. Commemorate your family history by pinpointing the location of your patriot's home.
5. Assist prospective members in their genealogy research.
6. Create a how-to book on genealogy for kids.

Contests:

Local society with the best program

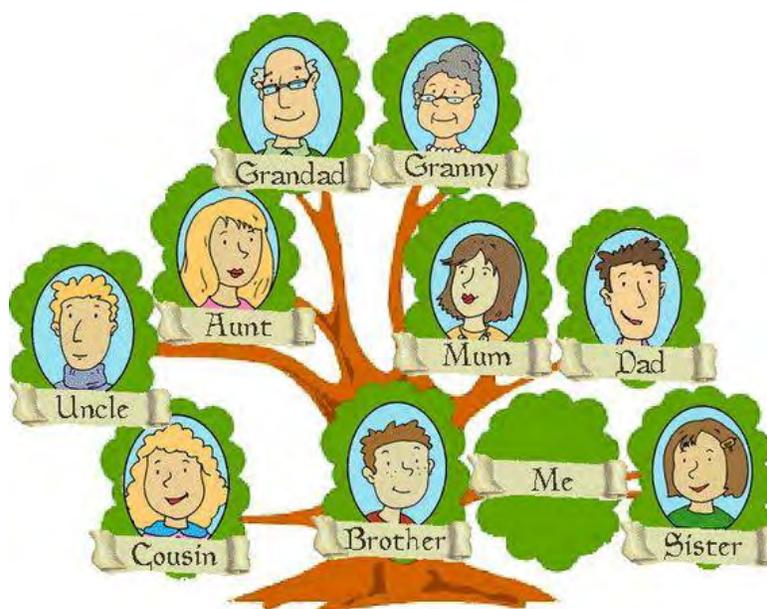
First Place \$10
Second Place \$5

Best Peewee drawing of a family tree

First Place \$5

Local society with the greatest number of new members

First Place \$10



State Historian

State Historian
Andrew Verish

Senior State Historian
Vicky Heffner

Objective: Understand the significance of the Meadowcroft Rockshelter in North America.

Program: Learn about the prehistoric hunters and gatherers of Pennsylvania.

Suggestions:

1. Visit an archeology site or museum to learn about the processes and tools used to Uncover the Past.
2. Research the history of the Meadowcroft Rockshelter and write an article for your local society newsletter.
3. Present information about the types of tools used by prehistoric hunters and have your members draw examples of early arrowheads.
4. Discuss the types of foods that would have been gathered by prehistoric peoples and compare them with the types of foods you eat today.
5. Visit a museum or Native American site to learn about our prehistoric peoples.

Contests:

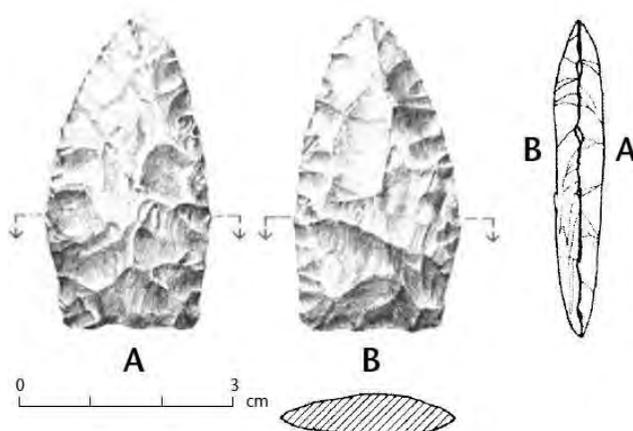
Local society with the best program

First Place \$12
Second Place \$8

Member with the best arrowhead drawing

10 years and younger \$5
11 years and older \$5

***** Entries for the State Historian's contests may be submitted electronically by emailing them to the State Historian and Senior State Historian. *****



State Librarian

State Librarian
Grace Cowhey

Senior State Librarian
Lisa Gresh

Objective: Encourage the development of young leaders in true patriotism using online resources.

Program: Present leadership skills and techniques using various online presentation methods.

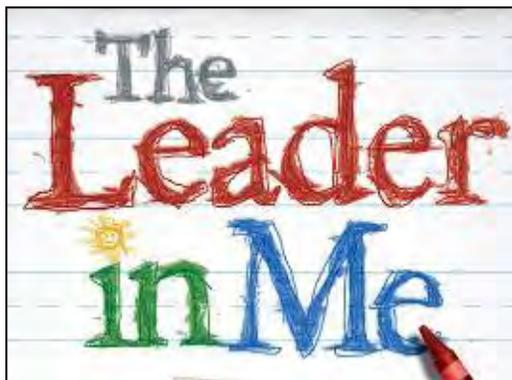
Suggestions:

1. Create a webinar highlighting leadership skills used in C.A.R. and share it with your society.
2. Make a presentation on youth leadership and how it has changed since the founding of our country.
3. Show off displays made by members of your society encouraging active leadership and membership.
4. Disseminate resources and presentations to your society members on how to develop good leadership qualities.
5. Plan a leadership development workshop for your society.

Contest:

Local society the best presentation program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5



State Curator

State Curator
Charlie Warren

Senior State Curator
Jennifer Bucher

Objective: Discover ways historical organizations digitize their exhibits and collections.

Program: Research how museums are incorporating technology to engage the public.

Suggestions:

1. Visit museums' and other historical sites' social media and websites to see how they digitize their collections and exhibits.
2. Go to www.nscar.org and explore about the N.S.C.A.R. Museum and Children's Room exhibits.
3. Explore how museums and monuments have utilized smartphone apps and telephone communication to enhance the educational experience of their visitors.
4. Learn about other ways museums integrate technology, such as the digital simulations of exhibits.
5. Create a virtual exhibit of a historical artifact or family heirloom and present it at a society meeting or in a newsletter.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5



American Heritage

State Chairman
Cameron Bucher

Senior State Chairman
Robert Warren

Objective: Explore the lifestyle of James Monroe and the Founding Fathers as well as the culture of their estates.

Program: Gain a better understanding of plantation life.

Suggestions:

1. Visit colonial plantations and farms to understand their operations.
2. Discover the education children received in rural areas.
3. Discuss slavery on plantation and farms.
4. Explore the role of Elizabeth Monroe and other women in rural life.
5. Uncover the variety of agricultural practices experimental at James Monroe's home, Highland.
6. Write a short story about plantation life and submit it to C.A.R. magazine.
7. Learn about farm life by recreating colonial recipes for ice cream and soap.

Contests:

Local society with the best program

First place \$9
Second place \$5
Third place \$3

Member submitting the best short story about life on a plantation

10 years and younger \$4
11 years and older \$4

Pee wee with the best drawing of a colonial plantation or farm

First place \$5
All participants will receive a certificate.



Highland, the official residence of fifth President James Monroe and his wife, Elizabeth Kortright Monroe, from 1799 to 1823.

American History

State Chairman

Alec Hooper

Senior State Chairman

Suzanne Johnston

Objective: Learn about the [National Project](#) and historical preservation by researching James Monroe Online (JMO) which is a free and open portal to access images and searchable transcriptions of his writings and other documents.

Program: Commemorate James Monroe's life as a Founding Father and U.S. President.

Suggestions:

1. Research James Monroe and present the report at a meeting.
2. Present a program about historical preservation and techniques used to save older documents and objects.
3. Donate to the national project
4. Visit the James Monroe family home, Highland, an archeological site near Colonial Beach, Virginia.

Contests:

Local society with the best program

First Place	\$10
Second Place	\$5
Third Place	\$5

Best illustration of James Monroe by a member under 11 years

First place	\$5
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James Monroe

American Indian

State Chairman
Jessica Hooper

Senior State Chairman
Ian Wood

Objective: Learn about how the first people to live in Pennsylvania used their surroundings to survive and how it contributed to their culture.

Program: Research the archeological finds of Meadowcroft Rockshelter and how scientists and historians use it to define Native American culture.

Suggestions:

1. Present a report of Meadowcroft Rockshelter and the artifacts found at the site.
2. Visit Meadowcroft or its website to explore
3. Create a poster illustrating the different tools the inhabitants used
4. Create a scavenger hunt to find food, shelter and water that the Native Americans would need to survive at the Rockshelter
5. Discover more about Native American agriculture and how it pertains to Meadowcroft

Contests:

Local society with the best program

First place \$10
Second place \$5

Best illustration of tools used by inhabitants of Meadowcroft

11 years and older \$10
10 years and younger \$5



The “Miller Point” is a prehistoric flint knife used by early Native Americans found at the Meadowcroft Rockshelter.

C.A.R. Magazine and Newsletters

State Chairmen

Lillian Beckwith & Colin Klee

Senior State Chairmen

Cynthia Pritchard & Kyle Popielarski

Objective: Learn about archeologists who discovered dinosaurs and the publications in which they shared their findings.

Program: Research archeologists and the different types of dinosaurs that were discovered.

Suggestions:

1. Create a play about archeologists uncovering a new dinosaur.
2. Make an interactive timeline of when archaeologists discovered many types of dinosaurs.
3. Create game about the way dinosaurs went extinct or who discovered them.
4. Print out some coloring sheets of fossils or archaeologists.
5. Show how different types of fossils are preserved (amber, rock, etc.)
6. Write an article about or draw a picture of an archaeologist you have read or learned about. Include what they discovered and when they made their famous discovery.

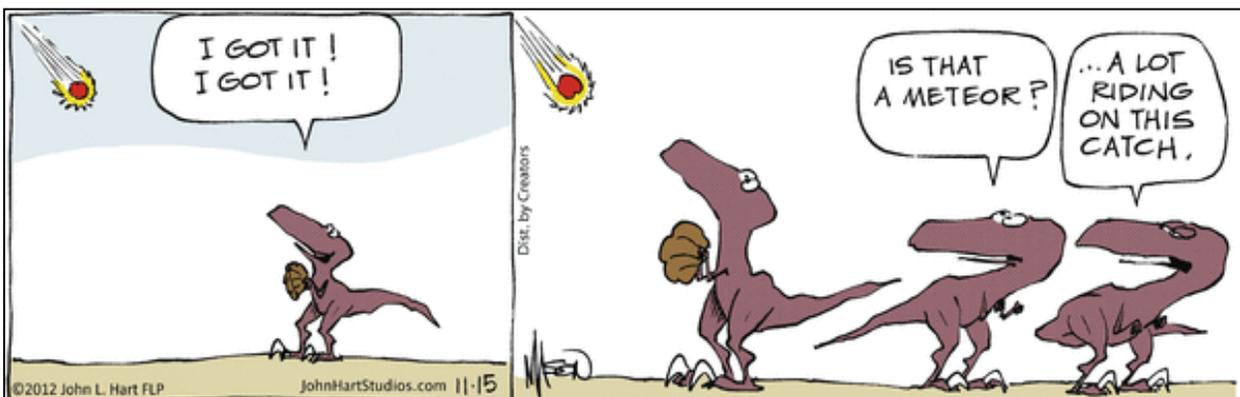
Contests:

Local society with the best program

First Place \$12
Second Place \$8

Member with the best dinosaur obituary

10 years and younger \$5
11 years and older \$5



Conservation

State Chairman
William Gresh

Senior State Chairman
Valerie Bieber

Objective: To preserve, protect, and promote native North American plant, insect, and animal species and their habitats.

Program: Learn about native species and their ecological impact on your local environment, and discover how to preserve and protect them.

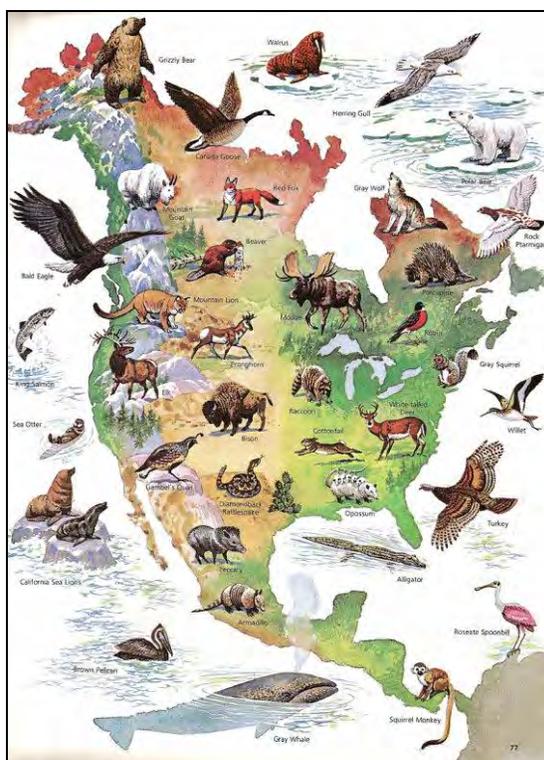
Suggestions:

1. Present an educational program on our nation's threatened and endangered species.
2. Explore the threat of invasive species and their devastating effects on native North American plants, animals, grasslands, and habitats.
3. Discover why the monarch butterfly is one of the most rapidly declining populations in North America, and implement ways to save the species, such as planting milkweed, building a butterfly garden, visiting and/or volunteering at a nature conservancy, or monitoring monarchs in your area.
4. Take a field trip to a National Wildlife Refuge or National Fish Hatchery and learn about the native species in your area and their habitats.
5. Participate in the 118th annual Christmas Bird Count, the nation's longest running wildlife survey and citizen scientist bird project, that takes place worldwide in December 2017 or January 2018.
6. Read about James Monroe and the Highland Bee Project, which establishes beehives to increase the viability of local honey bee populations, which are currently under stress. Find out about local beehive projects in your area.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5



Government Studies

State Chairman
Holly Marx

Senior State Chairman
Sarah Schwarz

Objective: Learn about the Monroe Doctrine, and its defining role as one of America's first and most lasting foreign policies.

Program: Explore the Monroe Doctrine and its more than 100-year legacy as a cornerstone of American diplomacy.

Suggestions:

1. Research the Monroe Doctrine, its impact on Latin America, and how it clearly defines the position of the United States as separate from European interests and imperialism.
2. Present a program to your local society about the Monroe Doctrine and its enduring importance.
3. Debate the international response to the Monroe Doctrine, including those in Europe and Latin America.
4. Investigate how later presidents, such as Ulysses S. Grant, Theodore Roosevelt, John F. Kennedy, and Ronald Reagan, continued to use the principles of the Monroe Doctrine and the countries that were in dispute.
5. Pretend you are the leader of another country. Discuss how the Monroe Doctrine might affect your country and your response to it as the leader.

Contests:

Local society with the best program

First Place \$12
Second Place \$8

Member with best illustration or political cartoon on the Monroe Doctrine

10 and under \$5
11 and up \$5



Kids Helping Kids

State Chairman

Ellie Dunbar

Senior State Chairman

Nancy Popielarski

Objective: Make an impact in your community by partnering with local education centers.

Program: Find ways to partner with local schools, afterschool programs, and/or tutoring centers by providing resources or volunteering your time.

Suggestions:

1. Collect school supplies for students, tutors, and teachers.
2. Organize and stock a closet to provide clothing for students at a local school.
3. Donate nonperishable items to local schools and organizations like Backpack Buddies.
4. Participate in fundraisers and collection drives held by education centers.
5. Engage in literacy programs by volunteering to read and donate books to local schools, tutor centers, or libraries.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5



Membership

State Chairman

Julia Gresh

Senior State Chairman

Jennifer Makanoff

Objective: Build a vibrant society by including current and prospective members in your society meetings and activities.

Program: Promote C.A.R.!!!!!!

Suggestions:

1. Contact parent organizations to help promote C.A.R. at their meetings.
2. Stimulate Life Membership within our organization.
3. Submit an article to your local or state C.A.R. newsletter about new members, or how to gain new membership.
4. Host a membership party where members can personally invite their friends and families to encourage them to join C.A.R.
5. Encourage fun activities and trips beyond meetings with your local society to festivals, amusements parks, or other outings.
6. Participate in local events as a society while wearing C.A.R. apparel to help publicize our organization.

Contest:

Local society with best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5



State Merit Award

State Chairman
Morgan Shadle

Senior State Chairman
Sarah Killian

Objective: Go for the GOLD! Realize your full potential when you answer, “YES,” to all the questions on the PA C.A.R. *Uncover the Past* and National Society C.A.R. *Browsing History*. Merit Award Form.

Program: Plan local C.A.R. society meetings, events and activities that follow the guidelines for the PA C.A.R. and National Society C.A.R. Merit Awards as outlined in Program Packets.

Suggestions:

1. Document all of the work that your local C.A.R. society does throughout the year. Be sure to record dates, events, description of activities, and number of participants. Take photos.
2. Hold at least 6 local C.A.R. meetings following the C.A.R. ritual.
3. Have at least one program on the state program, *Uncover the Past*.
4. Participate in at least 8 of the state and national contests, encouraging Peewees and prospective members to be active in the meetings.
5. Pay all state and national dues on time.
6. Seek a net gain in membership for your society this year.
7. Distribute the Keystone Kapers to all members of your society who have email.
8. Attend PA C.A.R. and N.S.C.A.R. meetings and events.
9. Promote life membership in your local C.A.R. society.
10. Publish a local C.A.R. society newsletter following the requirements in the N.S.C.A.R. Magazine and Newsletters contest. Email this newsletter to the State President and Senior State President.
11. Encourage DAR, SAR and SR participation in the state program, *Uncover the Past* by inviting them to C.A.R. activities and joining them at their events when invited.
12. Promote your society through a website or social media following the social media guidelines.
13. Donate to the Mountain and American Indian schools.
14. Donate to the PA C.A.R. state project, *Uncover the Past*.
15. Send society photos electronically to the State Historian and the State First Vice President to be used for the PA C.A.R. scrapbook and slideshow at the end of the year.

Contest: All entries will receive an appropriate certificate honoring their participation

Gold Merit Award ALL questions on Merit Award Form are answered "Yes."

Blue Merit Award Questions 1 through 12 on Merit Award Form are answered "YES" and all but one of the remaining questions are answered “Yes.”

Red Merit Award Questions 1 through 12 on Merit Award Form are answered “Yes” and all but two of the remaining questions are answered “Yes.”

Mountain Schools

State Chairman

Taylor Foley

Senior State Chairman

Kelly Sites

Objective: Discover how your society can support the mission of continuing education and life beyond the Mountain Schools.

Program: Support efforts to further education for students of the Mountain Schools inside and outside the classroom.

Suggestions:

1. Present a program on Berry College's *LifeReady* campaign.
2. Learn about and support the Hindman Settlement School's *Appalachian Scholars Program*.
3. Promote and donate to Crossnore School & Children Home's *Miracle Scholars Scholarship Fund*.
4. Sponsor Kate Duncan Smith School's efforts to contribute to students' educations through the *KDS and Work Scholarship Funds*.
5. Organize a drive to collect goggles, other safety equipment, or funds to support the innovation lab at Hillside School.
6. Support the Tamassee DAR School *Aftercare program*, assisting in their transition to college and independent living.

Contests:

Local Society with the best program on the Mountain Schools and each of their special programs

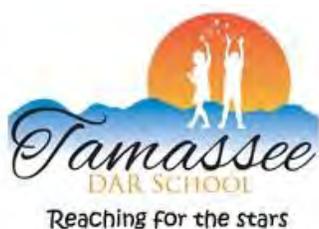
First Place: \$15

Second Place: \$10

Best Pee-Wee drawing of a Mountain School

First Place \$5

**** Entries for the Mountain School's contest may be submitted electronically by emailing it to the Mountain Schools Chairman and Senior Mountain Schools Chairman. ****



Patriotic Education

State Chairman
Kendall Versfield

Senior State Chairman
Amanda Hooper

Objective: Discover the power of words by focusing on notable moments of American History inspired by books.

Program: Explore the ways in which narratives enhance our learning and understanding of American History.

Suggestions:

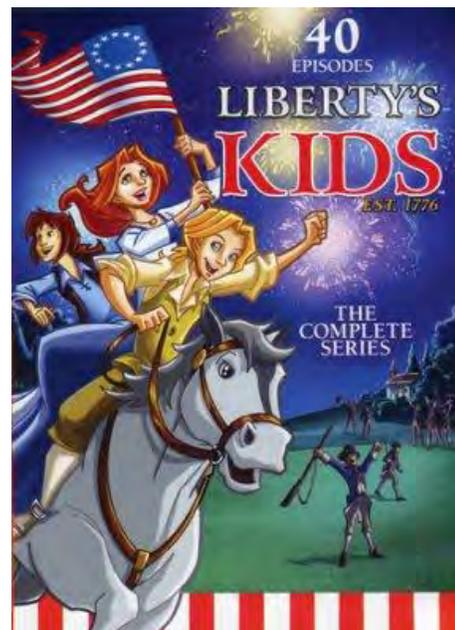
1. Write a book, film, musical, or other report on a narrative directly dealing with American History.
2. Create a list of books, films, etc. that effectively supplement your learning of history and explain its significance.
3. Compose a narrative animating an event in American History and share it with your society.
4. Visit a local elementary school to read a patriotic children's book to a class. Lead a discussion or activity with the students identifying what they gained from the reading.
5. Host a movie marathon or book club for your society, and discuss the effectiveness of these narratives. Encourage members to create presentations on the materials they found most engaging.

Note: Be imaginative in selecting narratives for your societies. These could include the TV series *Liberty's Kids*, Select *Magic Tree House* books, or *Hamilton: An American Musical*.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5



Public Relations

State Chairman

Michael Bucher

Senior State Chairman

Deborah Davis

Objective: Learn how technology has impacted communication.

Program: Utilize the advances in technology to benefit your local society.

Suggestions:

1. Research and present the history and production of cutting-edge technologies in communication such as early mail and telegrams.
2. Invent an imaginary technology that would solve a problem in how we communicate today.
3. Use different technologies to inform other societies and organizations of your society's projects and activities, such as Pinterest™.
4. Submit posts of your society activities to the N.S.C.A.R blog.
5. Explore and present to your local society the Public Relations Handbook found under Resources on www.nscar.org to guide your society's communications.

Contest:

Local society with the best program

First Place	\$12
Second Place	\$8
Third Place	\$5

Society with the most likes on a single social media post about the state theme and state project, *Uncover the Past**

First Place	\$5
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***Be sure to screenshot your social media post and include it in your contest entry.**



Veterans

State Chairman

Becca Heffner

Senior State Chairman

Rachel Gowan

Objective: Let veterans know how much members of PA C.A.R. appreciate their service and sacrifices by celebrating veterans every day.

Program: Create programs and events that honor veterans.

Suggestions:

1. Invite a veteran to a society meeting to share his/her story.
2. Teach PA C.A.R. members how to properly fold a flag.
3. Organize a Flag Retirement Ceremony with your local veterans organization.
4. Adopt a military soldier currently serving, and send cards and care packages.
5. Learn about the Arlington Ladies Club and what they do and tell members at a meeting.
6. Organize a collection drive for your local veterans group.

Contest:

Local Society with the best program

First Place	\$15
Second Place	\$10
Third Place	\$5



State C.A.R./DAR/SAR/SR Relations

State Chairman
Willow Bechdel

Senior State Chairman
Floyd Turner & Cyndy Sweeney

Objective: Go for relationship gold by working with DAR/SAR/SR and other C.A.R. societies.

Program: Plan meetings, events and activities that engage, educate and inspire young and old to accomplish the mission of C.A.R.

Suggestions: The missions and membership requirements of C.A.R./DAR/SAR/SR are very similar. Find ways to work together and support and encourage each other. Share your successes and adventures with others to help and inspire them, too.

Contest: All entries will receive an appropriate certificate recognizing your efforts

PLEASE ATTACH DETAILS CONFIRMING AFFIRMATIVE ANSWERS

Gold Award: ALL questions are answered "YES"

Blue Award: One "NO" answer. All other questions answered "YES"

Red Award: Two "NO" answers. All other questions answered "YES"

Honorable Mention: More than two "NO" answers

Society Name: _____

Sponsoring DAR/SAR/SR Chapter(s): _____

Please answer each question with a "YES" or "NO" and attach any documentation (photos, letters, articles, etc).

_____ **1. Did your society participate in a DAR/SAR/SR meeting or event?**

_____ **2. Did your society invite DAR/SAR/SR members to participate in a C.A.R. event?**

_____ **3. Did your society share information about the National and State President's Projects with DAR/SAR/SR?**

_____ **4. Did your society ask DAR/SAR/SR to contribute to the National and State President's projects?**

_____ **5. Did your society receive financial support from a DAR/SAR/SR Chapter(s)?**

_____ **6. Does your society share C.A.R. news and information with DAR/SAR/SR via a website, social media, email or a newsletter?**

_____ **7. Did your Society encourage members to join DAR/SAR/SR while remaining members of C.A.R.?**

_____ **8. Did any of your Society members enter a DAR/SAR/SR contest?**

PENNSYLVANIA C.A.R. STATE CONTEST ENTRY FORM

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Use this entry form with all State contests. Download this document before completing it or your data will not save. Some committees offer more than one contest. A separate entry must be submitted for each one.
2. Documentation of your contest entry is required. Please attach:
 - Photographs of events, displays, projects, etc.
 - Proof of financial or material donations
 - Verification of all volunteer hours
 - Any other documentation of your work to accomplish this program
3. Send identical entries (including form and documentation) directly to both the Officer/Chairman and the Senior Officer/Chairman.
4. Entry **MUST BE POSTMARKED** on or before **February 28**.

Local Society: _____

Society President	Senior Society President
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City: _____	City: _____
State: _____ Zip Code: _____	State: _____ Zip Code: _____
E-Mail: _____	E-Mail: _____

Office or Committee: _____

Contest: _____

Total Number of Members (as of Feb. 28th): _____

Number of Members Participating: Age 10 & under _____ **Age 11 & over** _____

1. Provide details of donations (material and/or financial, number of volunteer hours, etc.):

2. Give details of your Society's activities relating to this contest:

2017-2018 PA C.A.R. State Merit Award Form



State Chairman
Morgan Shadle

Senior State Chairman
Sarah Killian

PA C.A.R. recognizes the accomplishments, activities, and hard work of the local societies. All societies entering the State Merit Award contest will receive a certificate recognizing their achievements and honoring their participation.

Awards are based upon the responses received on this form. Documentation of activities and programs must accompany this entry and will be considered in judging. Sufficient information **MUST** be provided in order to allow the judges to evaluate your entry properly. No photo albums, videos, or media submissions are allowed. Entries are limited to 75 numbered pages (Do not count newsletters, yearbook, or Treasurer’s Report in the page total.) Double-sided sheets count as two pages. Societies should complete and return this form with required attachments covering the period 3/01/17 through 2/28/18.

PLEASE ATTACH COMPLETE DETAILS. AFFIRMATIVE ANSWERS WILL BE VERIFIED.

Deadline - This completed form and all supporting materials must be postmarked on or before the announced cutoff date for contest entries.

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| Gold Merit Award | ALL questions on Merit Award Form are answered "Yes." |
| Blue Merit Award | Questions 1 through 12 on Merit Award Form are answered "YES" and all but one of the remaining questions are answered "Yes." |
| Red Merit Award | Questions 1 through 12 on Merit Award Form are answered "Yes" and all but two of the remaining questions are answered "Yes." |

Society Name: _____ Members as of 3/01/17: _____

Senior Society President: _____ Members as of 2/28/18: _____

Society President: _____

Please answer each question with a "YES" or "NO" and attach any supporting materials.

- _____ 1. Did you attach a list of all C.A.R. activities and events held by your society?
- _____ 2. Did your society hold at least 6 business meetings following the C.A.R. ritual?
- _____ 3. Did your society have at least one program on the State President’s Project?
- _____ 4. Did your society contribute to the State President’s Project? Amount _____
- _____ 5. Did your society invite a state officer, other than a member of your society, to attend a meeting or event?
- _____ 6. Were Pennsylvania state dues for all society members and senior fees sent to the Senior State Treasurer by the state deadline of December 31, 2016?
- _____ 7. Did your Society have at least two new members accepted and/or have a net gain in membership during the 03/01/16-02/28/17 C.A.R. year?
- _____ 8. Did your society promote and encourage Life Membership in C.A.R.?
- _____ 9. Did your Society contribute to the State Endowment Fund? Amount _____

- _____ 10. Did your Society contribute to the National Project? Amount _____
- _____ 11. Did your Society invite members from any other C.A.R. Society and/or DAR, SAR, or S.R. chapter to one of your meetings or functions?
- _____ 12. Did your Society enter the National Merit Award Contest?
- _____ 13. Did your society obtain Pennsylvania Promoters and/or Pennsylvania Patriots for this year?
- _____ 14. Does your society have a website and/or Facebook page that conforms to N.S.C.A.R. regulations?
- _____ 15. Does your society publish a newsletter following the guidelines published by N.S.C.A.R.?
- _____ 16. Did members and/or senior leaders from your society attend any of the following meetings:

	# of members	# of seniors
2017 State Conference	_____	_____
2017 National Convention	_____	_____
2017 Eastern Regional	_____	_____
2017 Any other Regionals	_____	_____
2017 PA State Workshop	_____	_____

- _____ 17. Did your Senior Society President (or Senior Society Vice President) attend at least one meeting of the Senior State Board of Management this year?
- _____ 18. Did your Society contribute to any of the Mountain Schools or American Indian Schools this year? Attach details of aid.
- ___ Berry College ___ Crossnore ___ Hillside ___ Hindman Settlement
- ___ Kate Duncan Smith ___ Tamassee ___ Bacone ___ Chemawa

- _____ 19. Did your Society submit an entry to at least six state contests? Check all that you entered.
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| ___ State President | ___ State Registrar | ___ Conservation |
| ___ State First Vice President | ___ State Historian | ___ Government Studies |
| ___ State Second Vice President | ___ State Librarian | ___ Kids Helping Kids |
| ___ State Chaplain | ___ State Curator | ___ Membership |
| ___ State Recording Secretary | ___ American Heritage | ___ Mountain Schools |
| ___ State Organizing Secretary | ___ American History | ___ Patriotic Education |
| ___ State Corresponding Secretary | ___ American Indian | ___ Public Relations |
| ___ State Treasurer | ___ C.A.R. Magazine and Newsletters | ___ Veterans |

Signature of Society President

Signature of Senior Society President

This entry must be postmarked no later than the announced cut-off date for state contest entries.



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