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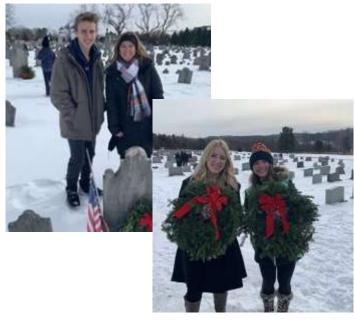
Pennsylvania State Society Children of the American Revolution

Wreaths Across America



Brooke Keiner of the Frances Slocum Society recently received a certificate and patch from Wreaths Across America - Indiantown Gap National Cemetery for participating in their writing contest.

Brooke submitted an essay on her dad as yeteran.



Towamencin Society of C.A.R. participated in the "Wreaths Across America" event at Wentzs United Church of Christ in Montgomery. Emma Wassel, Ian Labadie and Abby DiJoseph.



General Anthony Wayne Society members took part in Wreaths Across America yesterday at historic Old Eagle School Graveyard in Stratfford. It was cold but the snow covered grounds made for a beautiful day to remember our veterans. Thank you Brady, Foster and William.

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AIDEN'S FIRE MESSAGE

Well with the holidays behind us we are ready to focus on the successes of our state societies and hear what wonderful things they have been doing this past year. For the 77th Annual Pennsylvania State Conference we will be having a virtual state conference this year. While I would love to see everyone in person this year, I know very soon we will be back together in person safely. But even thought we will be virtual does not mean we can't have an awesome time. We have a wonderful service project we will be doing during all the zoom meetings where we will be creating Easter cards for PA Veterans at the local PA Veterans Hospitals. We will be having a fun dance party and memory activity while we meet the can-

didates Friday Night. On Saturday we will hear our society reports and vote for the 2021-2022 State Officers. And then Sunday we will finish it all off with a Memorial Service and swearing in of our new state officers. We are planning a jam-packed virtual event that I hope all our members will be able to attend. So, mark of March 19th through the 21st for the 77th Annual Pennsylvania Virtual State Conference.

Over the last few months, I have not slowed down speaking to people about the wonderful things Pennsylvania C.A.R. members are doing. In December I spoke to the Adam Holiday DAR Chapter about the PA C.A.R. State Project as well as the importance of PA C.A.R. membership. January brought a meeting with the Robert Morris Quaker City DAR Chapter and John Mortin C.A.R. Society. I spoke to them about the PA C.A.R. State Project and have a trivia quiz with Pennsylvania trivia. All the members and DAR ladies had a fun time learning and playing trivia. February 20th brought my final speaking engagement with the Lansdowne Chapter DAR. I was able to present the PA C.A.R. State project and trivia presentation where again everyone had a good time learning and playing trivia. I want to thank all the various PA C.A.R. societies, PA SAR, and PA DAR chapters that have invited me



to attend their events and meetings this year. It has been a pleasure getting to join you all this year.

I would also like to take this time to say thank you to all the members and seniors that have supported me and PA C.A.R. this year. I would not have been able to be as successful this year without the support of my state officers and state senior officers. It truly takes a team and I was blessed with an awesome team this year!

"Make Ready, Aim, Fire" with PA C.A.R. Aiden M Klee Pennsylvania State President

KLEE'S AIM



Hello PA C.A.R.

What a wonderful year it has been as our state society has "Made Ready, Aim, Fire" in support of the Fort Ligonier Museum. Our state society members have had some incredible opportunities to tour the museum and see the forts artillery fired during virtual meetings. We have had fun with seeing our members get a pie in the face, we met the National President during the cookie decorating zoom and Candy Grams were sent

across the country in support of our state project. I have been excited by how our members and State President have embraced the virtual year and put their stamp on it. From the various videos on Facebook and the Zoom events members have been able to attend more and stay engaged throughout the year.

Now we are ready to celebrate our successful year with the 77th Annual Pennsylvania Virtual State Conference March 19th through 21st. Our State President and State Officers are working hard to bring to the members a wonderful virtual event celebrating all our societies successes from the year. We even have a wonderful service project for the event where members are going to be asked to make Easter Cards that we can send to the PA Veterans Hospitals for the veterans that are there. I hope the societies are ready to submit for the various contests and look forward to hearing what they all have been doing this year.

I want to thank all our members and seniors for making this a great year for Aiden and myself. It

has been a true pleasure serving this great state and all the societies that are in it. We have "Made Ready, Aim, Fire" and know the states success is thanks to all the hard work and dedication of the members and seniors that support it.



"Make Ready, Aim, Fire" Brandie Klee



"Make Ready, Aim, Fire"

for our newest PA C.A.R. Members



Lorelei Grace Freund – Parkinson's Ferry Society

Eleora Wren Kristufek – Parkinson's Ferry Society

Wyatt Michael Lebowitz – George Ross Society

Mason George Patrizio – Washington Crossing Society

Bradley Howard White – Parkinson's Ferry Society

Matherine Zoe White – Parkinson's Ferry Society



PA C.A.R. Societies you have been busy submitting new members. I would like to welcome the 7 new PA C.A.R. members that have been approved since our Winter issue.

This year PA C.A.R. has been busy getting a total of 27 new members admitted. I love seeing all the new approvals and fact that even though we have been virtual this year we are still working to get new members approved. Keep up the awesome work!

Collin Klee PA C.A.R. State Membership Chairman

State Project

Hello Friends! PA C.A.R. State President Aiden Klee's year of "Make Ready, Aim, Fire" is coming to a close as the middle of March is near. I know that each and every one of you have worked hard this year to honor Aiden's project by learning about Fort Ligonier. Many of you probably did not know what a powder horn was until this past year, but surely you do now. I also know that all of you have sold t-shirts and pins, and collected donations, to help raise money for Fort Ligonier's new exhibition featuring powder horns.



Unfortunately, Fort Ligonier Days that features a Muster, usually held in October, and was also part of Aiden's project, was cancelled due to COVID-19, for the first time in over 60 years. Fort Ligonier Days is held during the month of October to commemorate the battle that occurred on October 12, 1758. Interestingly, the five-day festival known as Fort Ligonier Days was first held in 1960.

The first-ever Fort Ligonier Days followed the very successful opening of Fort Ligonier during its 1958 Bicentennial Celebration, when the museum opened its doors to the public after four years of reconstruction. The entire town celebrated the 200-year anniversary with events in the community, contests about the French and Indian War and exhibits about life in the 18th century. President Dwight D. Eisenhower even visited the town during the concluding festivities, which was a highlight for the many people in attendance.

Archeological surveys at Fort Ligonier began much earlier, though, in the late 1940s. Throughout the next twenty years of digging, unbelievable artifacts were found including a powder horn. The coolest exhibition I discovered when I visited Fort Ligonier on my journey to a PA C.A.R. Conference a few years ago was a preserved 200-year-old apple! Although we were not able to visit Fort Ligonier together, when passing nearby, remember the 2019-2020 PA C.A.R. project generated by this year's State President Aiden Klee. and take the time to visit. Hope to

see all of you at our virtual conference in

March.

Devon Heffner
State 1st Vice President



National Project

The National Society partnered with Pets for Vets to raise funds to place companion animals with veterans, many of which are experiencing PTSD. The animals are adopted and trained through donations. Pets for Vets assists in the veterans fight against PTSD through building a safety net with the animal, creating connections, and overcoming trauma. Veterans apply for an animal through Pets for Vets and go through an interview process to match the veterans with an animal. Animals are then selected from the shelter specifically for each individual veteran and are trained before being placed with the veteran. Through this process, Pets for Vets helps to save pets from shelters, as well as provides veterans with the companions and support they need. We salute both hand and paw to these honorable veterans and hope the organization can continue to make donations to help the brave souls who went to combat for us.

Cameron Bucher 2nd Vice President





SAVE THE DATE FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION April 16 - April 18, 2021

Details to follow in early 2021

Follow details at www.nscar.org/convention as we have details added to the schedule of events!



Pennsylvania State Society Children of the American Revolution 2021-2022 Candidates for Office

President	Gaby Aragon
1st Vice President	Cameron Bucher
2nd Vice President	William Gresh
Chaplain	Holly Marx
Recording Secretary	Meredith Ciarrocchi
Organizing Secretary	Ethan Klee
Corresponding Secretary	Abigail Ciarrocchi
Treasurer	Collin Klee
Registrar	lan LaBadie
Historian	Cara Toney
Librarian	Phoebe Ballek
Curator	Stewart Carter

Nominating Committee

Chair: Emerson Sites-Byers

Members: Meredith Ciarrocchi Reinhard Brasko

77th Annual Pennsylvania Children of the American Revolution Virtual State Conference March 19th through the 21st

Friday March 19th from 7pm to 8pm

Opening Ritual
Introduction of any Guests
State Chairman Reports and
Contest Winners
Nominated Candidates Speeches
and Activities



Saturday March 20th from 10am to 11am

Opening Ritual
Easter Cards for Veterans Activity
State Officers Reports and Contest Winners
Voting is open from 11am to 5pm

Sunday March 21st from 10am to 11am

Memorial Service Results of Elections Swearing in of Newly Elected Officers

After March 1st, There will be access to Zoom meeting link on the members-only section of the state website.

VIRTUAL STATE CONFERENCE INFORMATION (

After March 1st, There will be access to the Zoom meeting links on the "members-only" section of the state website.

Make sure you have an account at State Website to participate in the Virtual State Conference.

https://www.pennsylvaniacar.org/member-login/

*Credentials and Voting Instructions will be included in the members only section of the website.

*Dress Code will be in force for the Virtual State Conference and you will need to attend all session to be considered participating.

Let's brighten someone's day with an Easter Card!

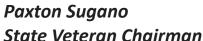
For the 77th Annual Pennsylvania C.A.R. Virtual State Conference we will be making Easter Cards for Veterans for our service project. We are asking all the members to have their favorite art supplies on hand to make cards while they listen to the reports during the virtual meeting. We will then be sending the cards to Alice Keiner who will then deliver them to the local Pennsylvania Veteran's Hospital.



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We can't wait to see how creative our PA C.A.R. members can be!





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125th Anniversary Fund Pin-\$125 Support the N.S.C.A.R. 125th Anniversary fund with a donation of \$125!



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Supports the fund that assists with travel expenses for National Officers/Chairmen and State Presidents.



Red Apple Slice —\$ 50.00 Support The Children's Room & N.S.C.A.R. Museum.



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Mountain Schools Fund Pin-\$25.00 Supports the fund used for supporting the general operations and emergencies of the Mountain Schools.

Endowment Fund Pin—\$ 100.00

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