2014 Annual Report

Kate Duncan Smith DAR School

The “Gem” of Gunter Mountain
2014 was a year of celebration for Kate Duncan Smith DAR School – our 90th year of providing opportunities for a happier, more productive life for the children of the Gunter Mountain area. Many exciting things were accomplished during the year thanks to the dedicated friends, teachers, staff, and administrators who work so diligently to support and operate this DAR school.

Continuing to make the preservation of the KDS historic buildings a priority, we completed a critical maintenance project at our beloved log gymnasium, Becker-Horton Hall. The maintenance project, begun in the summer of 2014, restored this amazing old architectural wonder to a like new condition. The Donor Honor Wall is in place with names of those who generously contributed to the project.

In 2014, we were so fortunate to be able to offer for the first time a pre-kindergarten class for four-year-olds on our campus. In connection with the President General’s project, Celebrate America, all students’ community service hours were tracked to raise awareness of the good things the students do. And more than $160,000 in new college scholarships and renewals was awarded to deserving KDS graduates.

We are grateful to each of you for the many ways you support the school through your prayers, your love, your time, your talents, and your gifts as we work together to sustain our “Gem of Gunter Mountain.” As you read the pages of this Annual Report, please know that the activities and achievements of 2014 would not have been possible without the generous contributions from each friend and supporter of KDS.

I look forward to 2015 and to working with each of you to continue providing well into the future the opportunity for a brighter future and a better life for the children attending Kate Duncan Smith DAR School.
Executive Director’s Message

We all tend to take for granted the things we see every day. I’ve certainly been guilty of getting bogged down in the daily stresses of my job and not taking the time to ‘smell the roses’. One day, in the fall of 2014, I was particularly frustrated with some maintenance issue that was going to cost more than expected, when we received a letter from a recent graduate.

Zack Reeves graduated from KDS in 2014. While a student, he was a stand-out on the varsity football team. He also worked for our maintenance department as part of the summer work scholarship program. I had very little personal interaction with Zack during his time at KDS, but my impression of him was the he was a polite young man and a hard-worker. Zack had received a copy of his senior yearbook because of the generosity of a donor in Colorado, and this letter was his response to that act of kindness:

Dear KDS DAR Ladies,

My name is Zackery Nunley Reeves. I am a proud graduate of DAR High School. Me and my fellow classmates of the Class of 2014 had an exceptional year as seniors in high school, not only because of the outstanding men and women who are teachers there but because of all you supporters as well. Right before we graduated, we all got told that now we are forever family members of KDS DAR which is why I am writing this letter to keep you all informed and to show my appreciation for what each and every one of you has done for me.

The moment I turned my tassel on graduation day, an overwhelming feeling of fear came over me, not only because I was scared of having to move on, but also because I knew that from that I would have to make my own future. I had no idea what I was going to do at the time. The only thing I knew was that I just graduated and needed to figure something out quick. So, I did what I knew was the best decision for me. I joined the United States Air Force.

Ever since I swore into the Air Force, I have had the most amazing feeling of accomplishment in my life. I have finally started something that could actually be a career for me which is very exciting to think about. I will be leaving on December 16th of 2014, which is when I will spend 8 weeks in a beautiful place called San Antonio, Texas, for my basic training. I will then go to Tech. School which will be in Wichita Falls, Texas, where I plan on pursuing my career as an aircraft mechanic.

I have no idea how long my Tech. School will be or what all is in store for me, but what I do know is there is no way I could have done this without all of you, my supporters, behind me.

Until I came to DAR, I lived in Kentucky and Georgia where I moved from town to town and school to school because I would get into so much trouble and the principal and teachers would all just give up on me and pawn me off to another school system. You could say I was a little bit of a problem child. But then, I moved to DAR. Did I still get into trouble? Yes, I did, but the difference was that you all never gave up on me. Even though I know I stressed out and caused a few grey hairs on each and every single teacher I had, they still never gave up on me, and that is what I am most thankful for.

Every day I pray to God, and I thank Him for giving me this beautiful life and for all the things I have in life. I also thank Him for giving me the path in life that led me right through DAR. Like I said in my introduction paragraph, you are all part of my family, and I would just like to say thank you all so very much from the bottom of my heart, and I love each and every one of you. You will NEVER understand how grateful I am.

Sincerely,
Zackery Nunley Reeves

P. S. Live, Laugh, Love, and Praise God

I was asked recently why people should support KDS when it’s a public school. I think Zack answers that question better than I ever could. The students at KDS receive the encouragement and the support they need to grow and become the citizens they are meant to be. They are given the sound moral and educational foundation needed to be successful in the world today. I am proud of the work we do at KDS, and I am humbled by the opportunity each of us has to influence the young people who have the privilege of attending this special school.

In the future, when I am frustrated by some leaking water main or drainage problem, I will think about Zack and the countless other students who have been shaped by their time at KDS DAR School, and I vow to NEVER take it for granted.
2014 Report to the Friends of KDS

Information is based on audited financials from October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014

**Income**

- Contributions*: $785,291
- Investment Income: $515,253
- Productive Enterprise: $97,491
- TOTAL: $1,398,035

**Expenses**

- Programs: $986,795
- Administrative: $133,984
- Fundraising/Development: $19,344
- TOTAL: $1,140,123

**Contributions Break-Down**

- NSDAR: $91,080
- Direct Contributions: $254,097
- Bequests & Estates: $440,114

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*Contributions Break-Down:

- NSDAR: 12%
- Direct Contributions: 32%
- Bequests & Estates: 56%
- Total Income: 100%

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**Income Break-Down**:

- Contributions*: 37%
- Investment Income: 56%
- Productive Enterprise: 7%
- Total Income: 100%
At the beginning of the 2014/2015 School Year:

- Elementary School (Pre-K-4th Grade) – 449 students
- Middle School (5th-8th Grade) – 421 students
- High School (9th-12th Grade) – 476 students

TOTAL Enrollment – 1,346 students

2014 Highlights

- 36 students employed through the KDS Work Scholarship Program
- 48 children served through donations made to the KDS Christmas Fund
- 25 students received special aid with proceeds from the KDS Children’s Fund
- 50% of KDS students live at or below the poverty line
- $122,800 in new college scholarships awarded to 71 deserving students based on financial need
- $38,500 in scholarship renewals to qualified graduates
- 143 graduates currently in college on KDS scholarship
- 317,000 points earned in 2014 through Campbell’s Labels for Education Program are being ‘banked’ by the Elementary School for greater rewards in the future
- $19,432 earned through General Mills Box Tops for Education Program were redeemed in the Middle School for items such as projectors for classrooms, replacement bulbs for projectors, 2-way radios, wireless internet router, cheerleading and basketball uniforms, new library books and book binding for library books
During 2014 a number of maintenance and repair projects were undertaken on the 240-acre KDS campus. The year began with a renovation to the restroom in the boys’ locker room in the Doris Pike White Gymnasium. The project included new toilets and sinks and new stall partitions, as well as a fresh coat of paint.

New gas heaters were installed in the hallways of the Louise Willson Jacobs Building, and additional heaters were installed in the northeast-facing classrooms that tended to be colder in the harsh winters. Evaporator cooling pads and new fan louvres were installed in the KDS Greenhouse.

In the spring, the KDS Track improvement project continued. An existing fence was moved and extended to accommodate the new high jump area, which was paved.

Several projects were undertaken during the summer months while there were no students on campus. Hallways were painted in the Middle School, the High School and the Helen Pouch Building. A number of drinking fountains were replaced throughout the Elementary School and in the Seimes-Thomas Building of the High School. With the help of work scholarship student workers, the drainage ditch at the rear of the Burkey Center that was piped and covered in 2013 was screened for rocks and seeded with grass in 2014.

Thanks to the generous support of sponsors, significant improvements were made to campus cottages during 2014. In the New York Aebly-Howland Cottage, the hardwood flooring was refinished and interior walls were painted. KDS Maintenance personnel also installed new vinyl flooring in the kitchen, utility room and bathroom; repaired the walls and floor in the bathroom; made repairs to the plumbing in the utility room; and installed a new bathroom exhaust fan. The Cuff Cottage is also sponsored by the New York Organization DAR. The south unit of this duplex received refinishing to its hardwood floors, freshly painted interior walls, repairs to the wood around the front door, repairs to the walls and floor in the bathroom, installation of a new toilet, and repairs to the plumbing in the bathroom. The hardwood floors were refinished in the north unit of the Texas Duplex, and the Alabama Nell Fallaw Cottage had a new exhaust fan installed in its bathroom.

The front doors of the Michigan Center were stained and sealed, and the Nan Roberts Lane Chapel received repairs to the downstairs restrooms and paint touch-up in the sanctuary.
The major maintenance project for 2014 was for Becker-Horton Hall, the “Old Gym” at KDS DAR School. The vertical pine log structure was built in 1937, and is home to the school’s elementary physical education classes and other special programs.

The project, which was scheduled to begin in mid-summer, actually commenced in late August. The start was delayed so that a thorough structural assessment could be conducted. PEC Structural Engineering, Inc. of Huntsville evaluated the building’s roof structure and support system. Some minor pulling apart of roof joists was detected, but overall the gym was deemed safe and was given an ‘A’ for its condition. The gaps in the roof joists have been adjusted and repaired as was recommended by the engineers.

Southern Log Home Care of Sweetwater, Tennessee, was the contractor for the repair portion of the project. It was originally thought that 400 linear feet of logs were rotten and would need to be replaced. Once work began, though, it was discovered the amount of logs that needed to be replaced was much greater than was originally anticipated. When exterior log sections were removed, a great deal of damage to the back side of interior logs was uncovered. The damage to the logs around the dormers and the front porch over-hang was quite extensive. Also, damage from a prior powder post beetle infestation was allowing water to penetrate some logs more than would be normal. All total, more than 1,600 linear feet of logs were repaired and/or replaced.

During the course of the work being performed, the KDS Board Chairman, Executive Director, and Maintenance Supervisor discussed with the contractor options for extending the life of the logs so that a project like this won’t need to be done again for quite a few years. A solid stain was chosen for its superior water repelling properties. The other suggestion made by the contractor was that gaps between the exterior logs be chinked. This was not done previously, neither during the original construction or the restoration of 2003-2005, and the lack of chinking was exposing the backs of some interior logs to the exterior conditions. It was decided that the logs would be chinked, again in an effort to prevent, as much as is possible, unnecessary water damage.

Though some minor issues remain to be addressed, the bulk of the work is complete, and the result is astounding. The “Old Gym” looks new again. This project and the many other repairs and renovations undertaken in 2014 would not have been possible without countless friends and supporters of KDS DAR School. You are all to be commended for your vision and your generosity!
Texas DAR Sponsors Electronic Marquee Sign

Much excitement surrounded the dedication of a new electronic marquee sign during Dedication Day 2014. The sign fits within the existing stonework of the old sign on Main Street, combining traditional, native building materials and the latest in wireless LED technology. The new sign not only enhances school involvement among parents and guardians of KDS students, but it also increases community awareness of the various events which take place on the campus.

This wonderful gift was made possible through the generous support of the Texas State Society DAR, Pamela R. Wright, State Regent, in honor of Lynn F. Young, President General, NSDAR.

KDS Students Serving Our Community

Encouraging students to volunteer in community service projects is a way to promote personal growth and social development and has long been an integral part of the KDS student experience. During the 2014-2015 school year, the administration, faculty and staff of KDS DAR School are highlighting the importance of serving others by encouraging students to serve their community and to track their service hours.

This new emphasis on community service is in support of NSDAR’s “Celebrate America” initiative, a project of President General Lynn F. Young that tracks DAR members’ service hours during her three-year term. Mrs. Young’s project has raised awareness for the astounding number of hours DAR members volunteer within their communities, and we hope to do that here at KDS.

The school-wide goal for the “KDS Students Serving Our Community” campaign is 3,500 hours served across the three schools. Our students are always involved in such tremendous service projects, but this will be our first year to track those hours.

Check future issues of the Patriot E-News for updates on the number of volunteer hours served by KDS students.

KDS Offers Pre-Kindergarten Program

KDS Elementary School was excited to be able to offer a new Pre-Kindergarten class for 4-year-olds in the Gunter Mountain community, beginning in August 2014 at the start of the new school year. The Alabama State Legislature voted to fund 125 new Pre-K classrooms across Alabama through the Office of School Readiness, and KDS Elementary applied for and was given one of the grants to start the program.

Long-time KDS Kindergarten Teacher Chellee Bailey is the teacher of the new class, with Beth Martin as her teaching assistant. There was much excitement and anticipation for the program; so much so that thirty-four 4-year-olds registered for the class. The class consists of 18 students whose names were randomly drawn out of a “hat” during an open meeting all parents were invited to attend.

The Pre-K students are always learning something new and having lots of fun in the process. This valuable program is already having a tremendous educational impact on the Gunter Mountain Community, and this is just the beginning!
1. **Annual Fund Contributions**

   Gifts to the KDS Annual Fund continue to be the school's greatest need. This fund is unrestricted and allows KDS to address the immediate needs of the school and its students. The Annual Fund also covers expenses for projects and programs when adequate restricted funds haven’t been donated.

2. **Children’s Fund – Personal And Healthcare Needs**

   Many of the students who attend KDS do not have the basic items so many of us take for granted. A contribution to the Children’s Fund provides for students’ personal items like shoes, coats, and backpacks, and for healthcare needs such as dental visits and eye glasses. No child should be without the most essential needs!

3. **Campus Facilities**

   With more than 240 acres of land and 40 buildings on the KDS campus, maintenance and upkeep is an ongoing and somewhat daunting endeavor. A small sampling of items covered by this fund is HVAC repairs, plumbing upgrades, light bulbs, air filters, lawn mower parts, and Fire Alarm updates that are required by the State Fire Marshall. Providing the facilities our students need to thrive in their educational and social endeavors is essential!

4. **Blessings in a Backpack**

   This valuable program provides food sacks for school children who have limited access to food on the weekends. There are currently more than 225 KDS Elementary School Students who receive the packs. These students must be sponsored each year at a cost of $80 per student.

5. **College Scholarships**

   One of the greatest gifts to give a KDS student is the opportunity to further his or her education. Gifts can be made to sponsor a specific scholarship or can be designated to the KDS Scholarship Fund which provides renewals to deserving graduates.

6. **Legacy Gifts**

   Estate gifts are an enduring reminder of a donor’s support for KDS DAR School and its mission. There are a number of ways to remember KDS in your will: a specific cash bequest, a percentage of one’s estate, and a remainder bequest are just a few examples. Did you know that you can name KDS as a beneficiary on an insurance policy or gift specific stocks or bonds to the school? Each and every gift, regardless of the amount, displays a commitment to KDS and its students.

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**Continental Congress 2014**

KDS DAR School was well represented during the 123rd Continental Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington, D.C. June 23-30. Executive Director Heather Green; KDS teacher Beth Cagle; KDS staff member April Pendergrass; Board Chairman Peggy Johnson; and student representatives Laura Grace Ayers and Kaleb Gowan enjoyed a busy week of meeting with Daughters from across the country and throughout the world to share with them the story of KDS, the “Gem of Gunter Mountain.”

Heather, Laura Grace and Kaleb also had the honor of speaking about KDS during the DAR School Supper on Friday evening. KDS is one of two DAR Schools and one of only six total DAR Approved Schools to be featured during Continental Congress.

KDS received a nice surprise in the form of contributions from the Friends of DAR Schools Fund during the DAR School Supper. National School Chairman Sally Bueno made the presentation following the KDS School report. Approximately $25,652 was awarded for the Elementary School Arts Enrichment Program, Becker-Horton Hall maintenance, scholarship renewals, and utilities expenses. An additional $15,962 distribution from the estate of Ella Atwell was presented as well.

Kaleb, an accomplished trumpeter, was invited to perform a few selections during the DAR School Supper. He played again during the Memorial Service on Sunday, where he accompanied organist Polly Grimes during the processional and played a beautiful rendition of “Taps” following the service at the DAR Founders Memorial Monument.

In addition to working daily at the school’s booth, the group had the pleasure of attending numerous events including Opening Night Ceremonies, the Alabama Tea, the Illinois Supper, the Texas Tea, the Indiana Tea, the California Tea, the Florida-Missouri Tea, the Colorado Luncheon, the Units Overseas Luncheon, the Michigan Brunch, the Georgia Luncheon, the Azalea Tea, the South Carolina Tamasssee Dessert Extravaganza, the DAR School Supper, and the Junior Membership Luncheon.

Free time was scarce, but the KDS delegation did have the opportunity to visit several of our country’s top attractions including the U.S. Capitol; Arlington National Cemetery; the Smithsonian Institution’s American History and Natural History Museums; the International Spy Museum; and the numerous memorials and monuments along the National Mall.
Carla May learned early in life how to set a goal and achieve it. “I remember conversations I had with KDS American History Teacher Bruce Powell about how I wanted to be independent and be a success for myself, and he was always encouraging that dream of mine,” said Carla, KDS Class of 1994. During her senior year at KDS, she set her sights on being chosen as the school’s Continental Congress representative, and her outgoing personality and perseverance led her to that prestigious honor. Carla said, “I loved Continental Congress! My favorite memory would be meeting so many DAR Ladies and talking with them about the school and their love for the school and the students. I always felt a sense of pride being able to represent my class and school and being there to show the ladies how much we appreciate what they do for us.”

After graduating from KDS at the top of her class, Carla received her degree in Management from the University of Alabama in 1998 and her Master’s in Advertising and Public Relations the following year. After working for several years at the Lake Guntersville Chamber of Commerce, Carla turned her love for television into a rewarding career. She said, “I was interested in working in marketing in television, and a friend of mine who was working in television encouraged me to move to Los Angeles. I worked as a consultant for a year, learning the business, before being offered a full-time position.”

Carla is currently a Business Affairs Coordinator at ABC Studios in Hollywood, California, a position she has held since 2007. Carla’s job responsibilities are varied, depending on the time of year. “January through April is pilot season which is when our studio makes, on average, 21 new shows for the network to choose from for the fall and spring line-ups,” said Carla. “This is my favorite time of the year, and I love all the hustle and bustle.”

May is staffing season when new and returning shows build or add to their writing staffs and directors are booked for every episode. Carla explained, “My current shows are ‘Devious Maids’ on Lifetime, ‘Criminal Minds’ on CBS, and ‘American Crime’ on ABC (premiering March 5th).”

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Working in television can be exciting at times. Some of Carla’s favorite things about her job are the fast pace of the industry during pilot season and seeing how a project comes together from the script to the screen. There are perks to being a television ‘insider’ as well. ‘Criminal Minds’ and ‘Desperate Housewives’ have been two of my favorites,” Carla said. “I also enjoy getting to meet some interesting people, especially actors I grew up watching like Robert Wagner from ‘Hart to Hart’ and John Schneider from ‘Dukes of Hazzard.’”

Carla recalls, “When I was 4, I had a huge crush on John Schneider of ‘Dukes of Hazzard’, and he guest starred on ‘Desperate Housewives.’ When I told an executive producer’s assistant the story of my long ago crush, she arranged for me to come to set and meet him. He was very nice and so sweet. That is one memory I will always take with me from this job, fulfilling a 4-year-old Carla’s dream!”

“My other favorite story is one pilot season we tested Lea Thompson’s daughter. She got the role, and I got to meet Lea a few times. I had always loved her from the ‘Back to the Future’ trilogy and ‘Caroline in the City.’ The pilot was set in Tennessee, and Lea heard my accent and told her daughter she should use my accent as a guide for her character because it was so nice. When I went to the table read, she remembered me like we were old friends and gave me a hug. She probably wouldn’t remember any of that now, but it’s something that I loved at the time.”

Carla says her life choices were influenced by her school days at KDS. She said, “I remember how fun teachers like Becky Murphy, Pam Ryan, and Jimmy Jones always made learning. They showed me how to be successful and how to pursue what I wanted and not stop until I achieved that goal.”

Carla lives in Studio City, California, with her dog DJ Scruffy. In her spare time, she enjoys hiking, going to musicals, taking ballroom dancing classes, and, of course, watching TV.
The KDS Legacy Giving Society

The KDS Legacy Giving Society is made up of friends who not only help and support the school today but have made the commitment to remember KDS in their estate plans. Membership is open to anyone who wishes to leave a lasting legacy to the children of KDS by making a planned gift.

- Make a bequest of a specified amount of money to KDS
- Leave KDS a percentage of your estate
- Give all or part of the residue of your estate to KDS after all named beneficiaries have received their bequests
- Name KDS as beneficiary of a charitable remainder trust
- Make a gift of stock
- Make a gift of real estate
- Name KDS as the beneficiary of an insurance policy

Leave a legacy while meeting your personal and charitable goals.
Join the KDS Legacy Giving Society today by calling 256-728-4236.

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## 2014 Donor Recognition

### January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

For more than 90 years, the Kate Duncan Smith DAR School has been an educational institution that celebrates its history, fosters patriotic ideals and promotes God, Home and Country. KDS continues to benefit from the generosity of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Children of the American Revolution, alumni, and friends. Because of you, we are able to ensure our students' opportunities for success are not hindered by personal or financial barriers. **YOU are part of something very special here, and we cannot thank you enough!**

### Gifts of $50,000 and more
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Honorariums
January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Contributions to benefit the children of Gunter Mountain in honor of a friend or relative are listed in alphabetical order by the name of the honoree. The name of the donor follows each entry.

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Elizabeth Garner
Margaret H. Steward

Anne Gibbons
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Heather W. Green
Colorado State Society, NSDAR
Cheryl P. Harrison
Xavier Chapter
KDS Maintenance Staff
Iowa State Society, NSDAR
Peggy S. Johnson
Shelby D. Ward

Connie Grund
Jeanie B. McNees

Gunter Mountain Chapter Members & Associate Members
Patricia A. Dennert
Heather W. Green

Carolyn Hanf
Ruth Reddick

Cheryl Harrison
Virginia H. Cook
Tammy B. Clemons

Rosemary Hogan
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Dr. Charles and Rita Horton’s 50th Wedding Anniversary
Nancy F. Hanna

Rita P. Horton
Virginia M. Thacker
Ruann N. George
Cheryl P. Harrison
Shan T. Russell
Larry Ward
Tammy B. Clemons
Janet E. Deaton
Hannah White Arnett Chapter

Ken Hotard
Tuscaloosa Chapter

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Mary Lou James
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Janeal N. Shannon
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Sally N. Bueno

Becky Johnston
JoAnn Rinard

Mindy T. Kammeyer
Cyndy B. Sweeney

KDS Administrative Staff
Sara C. Craft

KDS Faculty and Staff
Patrice R. Donnelly

KDS Maintenance Staff
Beth Cagle

KDS Students
Roberta H. Greene

Adelle E. Lancaster
Santa Margarita Chapter

Eve Lee
The Davis Lee Companies, LLC

Lytte Lee
The Davis Lee Companies, LLC

Dawn Lemongello
Treasure Coast Chapter

Louisa St. Clair Chapter
Peggy K. Scully

Jane Mann
Stephens Chapter

Claire Masters
Henry Downs Chapter

Bobbie P. McMullen
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Helen C. Moore
Travellers Rest Chapter

Paula Osbourne
Old Unicoi Trail Chapter

Judy C. Ostler
La Villita Chapter

Dr. Dennis Pappas
Birmingham Territory Chapter

April Pendergrass
Cheryl P. Harrison
Peggy S. Johnson

Lorrie Perkins and Family
Patricia A. Dennert

Merry Anne Pierson
Ginnie O’Brien

Nancy Popielerski
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Cynthia R. Pritchard
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Laura Ramsay
Birmingham Territory Chapter
Chinnabee-Fort Strother Chapter

Noralyn Ripp
Of Shavano Chapter

Evelyn Rochelle
Carol A. Roach

Doyle Sapp
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Billie Spence
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Jula Tett
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Susan R. Thomas
Nelly G. Shearer
Charlotte S. Reynolds

Olympia Tucker
Sherry M. Spurlin

Granddaughter Riley Tuley
Betty D. Moore

Denise D. VanBuren
Mary Sue Douglas

Jean W. Vaughan
General Sumter Chapter

Ann M. Weir
Cyndy B. Sweeney

Frederica G. White
Wayne White

Janet L. Whittington
Mary Sue Douglas

Lynn F. Young
Cyndy B. Sweeney
Heather W. Green

Texas State Society, NSDAR

Casey Zahn
General Mercer Chapter

Correction from the 2013 Annual Report listing of honorariums:

Peggy S. Johnson
First United Methodist Church Need-Us/Becomers
Sunday School Class, AL
Contributions to benefit the children of Gunter Mountain in memory of a friend or relative are listed in alphabetical order by the name of the honoree. The name of the donor follows each entry.

Jean Gayle
Kan Yuk sa Chapter

Ruth Gayle
Ila Sue Walls
Margaret Starnes
Meredith and Tony Olan
Charlene M. Pace

Robert and Carol Green
Saraeele C. Green

Zuleika and Eric Haby
Virginia H. Hoogesteeger

Charlotte Hansbarger
Falls Church Chapter

David Hastings
Pam B. White

Daniel Helton
Margie and Stephen Helton
Phil Owen

Nancy Holt
Princess Sekoyo Chapter

Tanya S. Hughes
Chief Tusaloosa Chapter

Maxwell Hunt
Gloria D. Hunt

Owen T. Hunt
Margaret and Stephen Helton

Harry James
Mary Lou C. James
Mary Ann Jenkins
Peggy S. Johnson

Stephens Chapter
Rachel Ann F. Martin

Eleanor K. Johns
Sara L. Stokes
Donna C. Hertha
June W. Crouch

James E. Johnston
Robert and Linda Click

Nancy Knoter
Putnam County Chapter

Laura H. Lamont
Chief Tusaloosa Chapter

Milton C. Lee
Wilma J. Lee

Betty W. Leonard
Stephens Chapter

Mary "Penny" Lindsay
Chief Colbert Chapter

Cherie Linko
Victoria L. Walker

Linda Mallehan
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Kippy Martin
Deedee M. Shaddon

Hattie Maxwell
Fort Mills Chapter

Annie Louise S. McBroom
Fort Mills Chapter

Eloise McDonald
Fort Mills Chapter

Mary Ann Middleton
Illini Chapter

Martha Zimmerman

Margaret L. Miller
Stephens Chapter

Robert and Mary Miller
Becky M. Rostron

Ramona T. Millisap
Barry Springs Chapter

Elizabeth (Liz) G. Moore
Josiah Brunson Chapter

Maxie B. Moore, Jr.
Josiah Brunson Chapter

Dr. Thomas D. Moore
Billie R. Moore

Louise Morrison
Princess Sekoyo Chapter

Glenda Nau
Stephens Chapter

Chartos Nickles
Georgane F. Love Esley

Barbara Oliver
Jesse C. Schniper

Phil Owen
Philip and Ruth Owen

Jan J. Owen

Elsie Parcells
New York State Organization, NSDAR

Anthony Parks
Doris P. Rust

Helen B. Payne
Jane C. F. Bazemore

Doris A. Pearson
Barry Springs Chapter

Chloe Peebles
Tullahomma Chapter

Barbara Ann F. Perry
Hunt’s Spring Chapter

Annie Phillips
Martha R. Watt

Teachers Miss Porch and Miss Calhoun
Helen C. Moore

Lewis “Sonny” Preston
Nancy C. Billings
Peggy S. Johnson

Martha Radzinski
Hunt’s Spring Chapter

Ruby Reaves
Light Horse Harry Lee Chapter

Charles A. Reid
Birmingham Territory Chapter

Anne W. Rhone
Chief Tusaloosa Chapter

Irelane D. Richoux
Jena Gallaghers
Shan T. Russell

Janet E. Deaton

Dorothy Richardson
Capt. William Bibb Chapter

Alice M. Roberts
Chief Tusaloosa Chapter

JoAnne K. Sanders
Hunt’s Spring Chapter

Shirley Whittaker-Burba

Robert Wilhelm, WWII Veteran

Sally Alshouse

Tommie Willis
Sunset Rock Chapter

Marie Hirst Yochim
Point of Fork Chapter

Emma Ruth Smoak
Charles R. & Andrea S. Dixon

Vasso Miller B. Toon
Josiah Brunson Chapter

Woody and Louise Troup
Donald and Jean K. Brewer

Elizabeth Truesdail
Mission Canyon Chapter

Dr. Alan C. Tucker
Susan Lynn Allen
Tammie B. Clemons
Sherry M. Surpin

Olympia Tucker and Children

Travis and Zona Bishop

Rena Underwood
Capt. William Bibb Chapter

Shirley Holmes
Dorothy Ziegler

Anne Kilgore

Mary Louisa Uzzell
Mobile Chapter

Jo Jane Van Hook
Mobile Chapter

Jean S. Vaughn
Chief Tusaloosa Chapter

J.D. and Orella Walls

Donald and Jean K. Brewer

Carolyn Innes K. Waters
Nancy S. Johnson

Chad Whittaker
Scott Pace

Beth Cagle

Rowell and Minnie M. Whittaker
Glenna F. Whittaker

Shirley Whittaker-Burba

Robert Wilhelm, WWII Veteran

Sally Alshouse

Tommie Willis

Sunset Rock Chapter

Marie Hirst Yochim

Point of Fork Chapter

Corrections from the 2013 Annual Report listing of memorials:

Louise K. Cambron (name was listed as Brenda Cambron)
Brenda C. Powell

Annette J. Smoak
Alexander Keith Chapter

(there was no division here which should have started with the memorial name, Lucy Stewart Taylor)

Lucy Stewart Taylor
Hunt’s Spring Chapter

Ann Bandren

Peggy Johnson

Alice Hillson

Rita Horton

First Christian Church-Esther Circle

Sue Rowan

Robert and Nena Senn

Betty Weir

Margaret Saxton
Upcoming Events 2015

May 15 – Senior Awards Day
May 16 – Graduation
October 15 & 16 – Dedication Day Events
Please visit www.kdsdar.org for details.

KATE DUNCAN SMITH DAR SCHOOL
2015 Awards Day/Graduation Ceremonies
Thursday, Friday and Saturday, MAY 14-16

Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, MAY 14

4:00 p.m.  ASDAR Hospitality Room will open at the Hampton Inn – everyone is welcome.
6:00 p.m.  Dutch Dinner at Top O’ the River, Guntersville (All out-of-state and Alabama Daughters and their guests are invited and encouraged to attend. No hotel reservation is required.)

FRIDAY, MAY 15

9:00 a.m.  Honors and Awards Program, Burkey Center Gymnasium
12:00 p.m. Lunch, KDS Lunchroom .................................................................$4.00
1:30 p.m.  Development, Endowment, and Programs & Promotions Committee Meetings
2:30 p.m.  Board of Trustees Meeting, New York Reception Room, J.O. Baylies Bldg.
4:30 p.m.  ASDAR Hospitality Room will open at the Hampton Inn – everyone is welcome.
6:00 p.m.  KDS Catered Dinner, Hampton Inn....................................................$32.00 (All out-of-state and Alabama Daughters and their guests are invited and encouraged to attend. No hotel reservation is required.)

SATURDAY, MAY 16

10:00 a.m. Graduation Ceremony, Burkey Center Gymnasium
11:30 a.m. Lunch, KDS Lunchroom ................................................................. complimentary
6:00 p.m.  Alumni Banquet, DAR Lunchroom....................................................$12.00

For a complete schedule and reservation form, visit www.kdsdar.org.

Location & Directions

Kate Duncan Smith DAR School is nestled in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, atop Gunter Mountain in the quaint, small town of Grant, Alabama. Located just 35 miles southeast of Huntsville, Grant is easily accessed by both U.S. Highway 72 and U.S. Highway 431.

From north Huntsville:
Take U.S. Highway 72 east. Turn right on Jackson County Road 63/ Marshall County Road 5/Cathedral Caverns Highway. As you top Gunter Mountain, the KDS Administrative Office will be located on your right.

From south Huntsville:
Take U.S. Highway 431 south. Turn left on Marshall County Road 5/Cathedral Caverns Highway. Drive through the Town of Grant, and after going straight through the traffic light, the KDS Administrative Office will be located on your left.

From Guntersville:
Take U.S. Highway 431 north. Turn right on Marshall County Road 5/Cathedral Caverns Highway. Drive through the Town of Grant, and after going straight through the traffic light, the KDS Administrative Office will be located on your left.

From Scottsboro:
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