

Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Finding Aid

Historical Note:

Fifteen female descendants from American Revolution soldiers and patriots met at the Governor's Mansion in Milledgeville, GA, on February 7, 1900. By the end of the month, they had set up the governing principles and the name of what is now--and has been for 110 years--the Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Among the founding members and regents are some noteworthy names that have outlived the women themselves: Henrietta Kincaid Chappell (the first Regent); Mary Andrews; Leola Selman Beeson; Jeanette Harvie Whitaker Cone; Ellen Elizabeth Fox; Mary Fox Joseph; Laura Compton Miller; Alice Osborn Napier; Jessie E. Young Phillips; Elizabeth Buford Richardson; Marward Herty Roberts; Rosa Scott Whitaker; and Anna Marie Green Cook, the author of *A History of Baldwin County, GA*.

The charter members studied a course of history beginning with the first English settlement in Virginia. They chose "Nancy Hart" as their title because of her stalwart example in fending off invasive Tories during the American Revolution in her husband's absence. When the six Tories showed up at her house for food, she fed them. They discovered her hiding their guns, and made a move toward her. She threatened to shoot them. They didn't listen. She shot the first one. Her daughter handed her a fresh musket, and she held the remaining five Tories at gunpoint until her husband arrived, at which point they hanged the remaining five on a tree by the road. The five skulls were found when a railroad made its way through the area. This legend inspired the founding regents and encouraged their patriotic participation.

The Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution continues to "provide opportunities for patriotic endeavor"; "historic preservation" of artifacts; "promotion of patriotic and civic education"; and "encouragement of genealogical research".

Scope and Content

This collection contains the administrative and promotional materials of the Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It also contains historical documents that highlight the organization's long history, the history of Milledgeville/Baldwin County as well as state and national history. The inclusive dates for the collection are 1747 to 2010 and the bulk dates are 1930- 2010 with comprehensive and detailed meeting minutes and scrapbooks.

Provenance and Arrangement

The Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution signed a repository agreement with Special Collections in December of 2010. The papers were processed in November of 2011. The collection was divided into binders by year and Special Collections' staff kept to this chronological order as much as possible.

Series One: Notebooks

Series Two: (Meeting) Minutes

Series Three: Historical Documents

Series Four: Yearbooks

Series Five: Scrapbooks and Ledgers

Series Six: Oversized and A/V Material

Restrictions

The Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has a repository agreement with Special Collections. The Nancy Hart Chapter agrees to allow Special Collections to provide researchers access to the materials that are seventy years and older. Access to materials younger than 70 years will be granted to the members of the Nancy Hart Chapter provided they supply proof of membership or any researcher who obtains permission from the chapter. Any publications using material from this collection must have permission from the Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Nancy Hart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Boxlist

Series One: (Meeting) Minutes

Series-Box #	Folder Title	Number of Folders
1-1	Registrar Records (1920-1926)	3
1-1	Battle of Kettle Creek (1998)	1
1-1	“A Virtual Tour of Kettle Creek Battlefield Historic Monument”	2
1-1	Centennial Birthday Celebration (2000)	5
1-1	Publicity (2001-2002)	5
1-1	Publicity (2003)	5
1-1	Battle of Kettle Creek (2004)	1
1-1	Georgia Day (2005)	2
1-1	Georgia Day (2006)	1
1-2	D.A.R. Pulaski Chapter Yearbook (1938-39)	1
1-2	D.A.R. Magazine	1
1-2	In Washington, The D.A.R. Story	1
1-2	D.A.R. Conference (35 th) Proceedings	1
1-2	Atlanta Chapter (1891-1921)	1
1-2	Membership Roll & Register (1966)	1
1-2	American Monthly Magazine	1
1-2	National History Magazine	4

Series Two: Minutes

Series-Box #	Folder Title	Number of Folders
2-1	Minutes 1900	1
2-1	Minutes 1901	1
2-1	Minutes 1902	1
2-1	Minutes 1903	1
2-1	Minutes 1904	1
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2-1	Minutes 1941	1
2-1	Minutes 1942	1
2-1	Minutes 1943	1
2-1	Minutes 1944	1
2-1	Minutes 1945	1
2-2	Minutes 1945-1979	3
2-2	Minutes 1978	1
2-2	Minutes 1979	1
2-2	Minutes 1980	1
2-2	Minutes 1981	1
2-2	Minutes 1982	1
2-2	Minutes 1983	1
2-2	Minutes 1984	2
2-2	Minutes 1985	1
2-2	Minutes 1986	1
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2-2	Minutes 1989	2
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2-3	Minutes 1992	2
2-3	Minutes 1993	2

2-3	Minutes 1994	2
2-3	Minutes 1995	2
2-3	Minutes 1996	4
2-3	Minutes 1997	4
2-3	Minutes 1998	3
2-3	Minutes 1999	3
2-3	Minutes 2000	4
2-3	Minutes 2001	5
2-3	Minutes 2002	5
2-3	Minutes 2004	3
2-4	Minutes 2005	8
2-4	Minutes 2006	6
2-4	Minutes 2007	4
2-4	Minutes 2008	3
2-4	Minutes 2009	1
2-4	Minutes 2010	1
2-5	Annual Reports	18

Series 3: Historical Documents

Series-Box #	Folder Title	Number of Folders
3-1	Photocopies of February-October 1900 ledger	1
3-1	Application for Charter of Nancy Hart Chapter of DAR	1
3-1	Warranty deed for 1904 indenture	1
3-1	Joel Chandler Harris: Stories of Georgia	1
3-1	Dedication of the Marker at Fort State	1
3-1	Unveiling of Markers at Ft. Winston, Ft. Advance and Fort Defiance by Nancy Hart Chapter of the DAR	1
3-1	Nancy Hart Chapter of the DAR erects four granite markers in honor of sesquicentennial anniversary of the Civil War.	1
3-1	Bulletin de Naissance 1918	1
3-1	Letter from Widow Bourdais to Nancy Hart Chapter of DAR	1
3-1	Photographs (Richard La Loupe)	1
3-1	Letters Paris to Milledgeville 1918 (in French)	1
3-1	Meeting Minutes May-August 1918	1
3-1	Transcriptions of letters between Widow Bourdais and Correspondent	1
3-1	Letters between Mrs. Mary Howell Scott and Helen Gaudlen, Dr. Land, W. Hall, Nema Scott, and Leola Selma Beeson.	1

3-1	Letters to Dr. Y.H. Yarbrough	1
3-1	Report of placement of historical objects in the museum at GSCW (1941-1942)	1
3-1	Seal of Massachusetts Bay Province (1747)	1
3-1	Letters: 1928: Richard Blount	1
3-1	Diary of Richard Blount, written in 1799 when he came on horseback from Virginia to Georgia.	1
3-1	“Report of certain commissioners appointed to value the State House,” December 12, 1811	1
3-1	1843 letter from Mrs. Baker in Milledgeville, Georgia to her daughter Mrs. Weems, in Washington, Georgia.	1
3-1	“Reminiscences” by Emily Virginia Semple	1
3-1	Letter from Mrs. J.L. Beeson to “The General John Floyd Chapter, U.S. Daughters of 1812,” October, 1940.	1
3-1	Copies of important papers by Miss Anna Jordan of Monticello, Ga.	1
3-1	Photograph of Revolutionary Soldier Graveyard (North Carolina)	1
3-1	Joseph Henry to William McKinney (February 1873)	1
3-1	State of Georgia vs. Elijah Clark	1
3-1	Life Sketch of Revolutionary War soldier Thomas P. Carnes	1
3-1	Contents of Lock Box: 1937	1
3-1	Letter from librarian to Mrs. J.L. Beeson	1
3-1	Misc. Historical Documents (Abraham Baldwin letters)	1
3-1	Report of the Peach Planning Study Committee	1
3-1	Colonel William Fere notes	1
3-1	Manuscript about Abraham Baldwin	1
3-1	Manuscript about dueling	1
3-1	1890-1940 Relighting of the 50 Years of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution	3
3-1	Notes: Mrs. Mary Fox Joseph & Mrs. Yarbrough Allen: 1943	1
3-1	“Golden Anniversary Day” by Mrs. Homer Shy	1
3-1	Globe and Rutgers Insurance Company 1940	1
3-1	Regent of the Year Award (Copies of photographs of Therry Deal)	1
3-1	Letter by Mr. J.A. Weems: The Marking of the Site Of Old Oglethorpe University	1
3-1	Photographs of Mrs. Yarbrough, 1982	1
3-1	Building Fund National Honor Roll Ribbon	1

3-1	“Our Western Land National Hymn” 1894 (copy)	1
3-1	75 th Birthday Ephemera (pamphlet, flag, etc.)	1
3-1	Letter to Mrs. James I. Garrard, January 21, 1924	1
3-1	D.A.R. Manual for Citizenship (1941) and Program of the 70 th State Conference (1915)	1
3-1	Receipt from Southern Granite & Marble Co. for Old Fort Wilkinson Monument	1
3-1	Acts & Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, 1918	1
3-1	Letter to Mrs. Allen (1920)	1
3-1	7 th Conference Proceedings, 1915	1
3-1	Civil & Penal Laws, 1815	1
3-1	Old Fort Wilkinson (wording on marker)	1
3-1	Grant of Land to Nancy Hart Chapter 1916	1
3-1	Blueprint	1
3-1	The Union Recorder Newspaper misc. clippings	1
3-1	Centennial Year Celebration 1900-2000 newspaper Clippings	1

Series 4: Yearbooks

Series-Box #	Folder Title	Number of Folders
4-1	1929–1933	1
4-1	1934–1936	1
4-1	1936–1939	1
4-1	1939–1944	1
4-1	1943–1947	1
4-1	1948–1952	1
4-1	1953–1956	1
4-1	1956–1959	1
4-1	1958–1963	1
4-1	1962–1963	1
4-2	1963–1966	1
4-2	1966–1970	1
4-2	1970–1973	1
4-2	1972–1975	1
4-2	1976–1979	1
4-2	1980–1985	1
4-2	1985–1988	1
4-2	1988–1992	1
4-2	1992–1995	1
4-2	1995–1997	1
4-2	1997–2000	1
4-2	2000–2004	1

4-3	2004-2007	1
4-3	2009-2011	1
4-3	2006-2009	1

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Series 5: Scrapbooks and Ledgers

5-1	1930-33
5-2	1938-39
5-3	1938-48
5-4	1939-40
5-5	1941-45
5-6	1947-50
5-7	1976-81
5-8	1982-84
5-9	1984-86
5-10	1986-88
5-11	1988-90
5-12	1990-92
5-13	1992
5-14	1993
5-15	1994-96
5-16	1996-97
5-17	1997-98
5-18	1998
5-19	1999-2001
5-20	2001-03
5-21	2003-04
5-22	2005-07
5-23	2007-08
5-24	2009-2010
5-25	Minutes (Vol. 1 1900-1926, Vol. 2 1926-1945) Treasurer Reports

Series 6: Oversized and A/V Material

6-1	DAR Certificate of Appreciation to Nancy Hart 100 th Anniversary
6-1	Photo of Mrs. Sarah Cantey Whitaker Allen
6-1	Centennial Year Poster
6-2	Quilt
6-3	Approval of D.A.R. in Milledgeville, Feb. 7 1900
6-3	History of the Nancy Hart Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution Milledgeville, Georgia 1900-2010 (Bound Volume)
6-3	Highlights of Nancy Hart D.A.R. (scrapbook)
	Framed Map of Fort Wilkinson Reservation

Framed Membership Certificate for Mary Andrews
CD of "Extra D.A.R. Tea Pix"
CD of "DAR PI"
CD of "DAR MM"