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**State Theme:** Education Rings the Bell for Liberty

**State Scriptures:** “Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.”  
– 2 Corinthians 3:17 (KJV)

“For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” – Galatians 5:14 (NIV)

**State Symbol:** Illinois’ Liberty Bell of the West

**State Song:** “You’re a Grand Old Flag!”

**Motto:** Educate, Celebrate, *America 250!*

**State Regent’s Program:** Illinois Honors *America 250!*

**State Regent’s Project:**

- Illinois DAR Liberty Education Plaza
- *History of the ILLINOIS State Organization* – Semiquincentennial History Book
- Promoting membership – Strengthening Chapters

**Magazine Ad Theme:** “Honoring 250 Years of Liberty and Legacy”

Submit a photo that reflects patriotism, heritage, and your district’s unique contribution to America’s 250<sup>th</sup> celebration.

**DAR Days:** September 4, 2025      Mt. Vernon, IL  
September 5, 2025      Springfield, IL  
September 6, 2025      Lisle, IL

**130<sup>th</sup> State Conference 2026:** Thursday, April 23 – Sunday, April 26, DoubleTree Hotel, Bloomington, IL

**131<sup>st</sup> State Conference 2027:** Thursday, April 22 – Sunday, April 25, DoubleTree Hotel, Bloomington, IL

**Spring District Meetings 2026 (Mini tour):**

May 26, District III	June 3, District I
May 27, District VI	June 4, District II
May 28, District VII	June 5, District IV
May 29, District V	

**Continental Congress 2026:** June 24 - June 28, Washington, D.C.  
Illinois Supper - Tuesday, June 23

**Continental Congress 2027:** June 23 – June 27, Washington, D.C.  
Illinois Supper - Tuesday, June 22