



Illinois State Organization
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Your Pins Tell Your DAR Story!

Dear Illinois Daughters,

DAR pins and insignia are worn to show service, commitment to DAR and its projects, and respect for our patriot ancestors who aided the Revolutionary cause.

A DAR member's Insignia and pins communicate her unique story of volunteer service and the heritage of our National Society. There is meaning behind every pin – a DAR office or chairmanship, committee volunteering, a donation, the remembrance of a commemorative event, and more.

If you have questions regarding the insignia or logo, please reach out to me, or check the [Insignia Committee page](#) on the national website.

[Join the conversation](#) on the Daughters Online Community (DOC) to ask questions and learn from fellow Daughters.

Proudly enjoy wearing your insignia and share your DAR story!

In DAR Friendship and Service,

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COMMITTEE PURPOSE

This committee is concerned with the proper use of the DAR Insignia, including the appropriate manner and circumstances for wearing DAR Insignia pins, the official ribbon, and sashes. The Executive Committee approves all new pins, their placement on the official ribbon, and the retirement of pins.

HISTORY OF THE INSIGNIA

The National Society formally adopted its distinctive Insignia badge and ribbon in 1891, and the original design has never changed. The badge itself was fashioned as a spinning wheel with thirteen spokes, thirteen stars, and a distaff filled with platinum flax. The accompanying ribbon commemorates the blue color of the Continental Army and, with the Insignia badge, serves as the foundation for DAR members' unique sets of ribbons and pins.

WHAT TO WEAR WITH INSIGNIA

The *DAR Handbook* states, "The Insignia pin may be worn with attire appropriate for DAR occasions, which include pants and jackets." Pants and jackets indicate a pant suit or dress pants (not denim) with a blouse and coordinated jacket. Dresses and skirts and blouses, and/or jackets are also appropriate. Members entitled to wear a sash should not wear pants at any time. Though DAR does not have a specific dress code, members are representing the dignity of DAR whenever they are wearing their Insignia.

ORDER OF PINS ON THE OFFICIAL RIBBON

Service
Volunteer Committees
CC Committees
PG Project
Donations
Social Clubs
Commemoratives
250!
Membership

INSIGNIA RESOURCES

[Pin Requirements](#)

[Some Insignia Do's and Don'ts](#)

[Dispensation of Insignia and DAR Pins for Deceased or Resigned Members](#)

[Placement of DAR Insignia and Pins on Official Ribbon](#)

[Instructions Concerning DAR Insignia to be Used on Official Documents](#)

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