

Illinois State Organization National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Marria Elliott Blinn, State Regent



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Dear Illinois Daughters,

"The mission of the Membership Committee is to support the goals of the Storage Administration through recruitment, engagement, retention, and reinstatement."

Every Chapter should have a Membership Chair, and every chapter member is a part of this committee. Set a goal. Increase your membership by 10% this year. Make sure your chapter members buy into this goal and ask them for their help.

The easiest way to find new members is to be friendly and outgoing. Talk about DAR. Be enthusiastic and share the stories of all the good work that we do. Make your meetings and events something that everyone looks forward to. More members increase the chapter's potential and impact. As members become active, your chapter will thrive.

Raise your visibility in the community. Contact your library and genealogy societies. Put together a genealogy workshop at the library for your community. Flag Day, Constitution Week, Honor Flight, and Student Recognition are great opportunities to introduce your Chapter. Ask your Juniors to invite their friends to events. Sponsor a C.A.R. Society. Wear DAR clothing and get a DAR bumper sticker. Make your meeting times convenient for working ladies too. Put your newest members to work. They bring new energy and talents. Above all, have fun!

The Membership Committee page has a wealth of resources. Refer to it often as new ideas are posted. https://www.dar.org/members/committees/service-committees/membership/membership-committee-mission

The PMD list is a great tool to keep you organized. Keep it up to date. If you need help with an application, don't hesitate to ask.

Illinois DAR has prioritized Membership. We have a State Chair and seven Co-chairs, one at each district available to assist you.

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I often tell prospective members, I have old friends, work friends, family, neighbors, but my DAR friends are my best friends.

In DAR Friendship.

Diane Eubanks