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Douglass Mather "Tim" Mabree 2021-2023

From the President General

My Dear Friends,

I am truly humbled and honored to be elected to serve as your President General. Our April 11, 2023 joint meeting with the Order of the Norman Conquest was well attended, and it was so wonderful to see friends near and far again.

Congratulations to Honorary President General Douglass Mather "Tim" Mabree for his outstanding leadership these past two years, and to all who serve our Society.



A special thank you to Honorary President General Anne Caussin Henninger for installing the new National Board.

I am looking forward to working with our Officers National and relying on your talents and expertise. This officer has been very busy seeing to the business of the Society. I was honored to represent the the National Guild of St. Margaret of Scotland and the Opening Night ceremonies of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution on June 28, 2023 in Washington, D.C. Many of our members were in attendance, including 1st Vice President General Janet Butler Walker; 2nd Vice President General Cricket Crigler; Chaplain General Nancy Nakamura; and Secretary General Deanna Lutz.

SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 9, 2024

*National Guild of St. Margaret of
Scotland and*

Order of the Norman Conquest

The Army and Navy Club

901 Seventeenth, NW

Washington, DC 20006

*Luncheon invitation to be mailed
in the Spring*

On behalf of the Guild, I sent a note of congratulations to Their Majesties King Charles III and Queen Camilla on the occasion of the Coronation. I am pleased to share with you a beautiful thank-you card I received.



We were deeply touched by your most kind and thoughtful message following our Coronation. We are enormously grateful to everyone who took part in the celebrations, and particularly appreciate that you so generously took the time to write to us on this very special occasion.

Charles R *Camilla R*

6 May 2023

Sir
The members of the National Guild of St. Margaret of Scotland congratulate their Highnesses on the occasion of their Coronation, and shall forever perpetuate the memory and deeds of St. Margaret, from whom, we are her humble descendants.

Queen Mary Jansz

St. Margaret's Chapel

The Guild supports St. Margaret's Chapel in Edinburgh, Scotland by donating annually for fresh flowers on the altar. This past year saw two important events: the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and the Coronation of Their Majesties King Charles III and Camilla, Queen Consort. The Guild provided beautiful arrangements for both of these occasions.



In Memory of the Queen



The Coronation Arrangement



All donations to St. Margaret's Chapel Guild are made possible by the generosity of our members.

If any member would like to add to this annual giving, please send your donation, payable to The Guild of St. Margaret

(noting a donation to the Chapel), to:

Mike Swisher, GSM Treasurer General,
14511 Olinda Boulevard North
Stillwater, MN 55082-1147.

E-mail address: stmargaretschapel@gmail.com Website link: <http://stmargaretschapel.com/>



We are delighted to announce that two scholarships were awarded this May:



Natalie Nitsch

'For whom this boke was made':
Evidence for a Lay Readership of *Pe*
Myrrour of Simple Soulis'

and

Maia Driggers

'Cinematic Reliquaries: Key Aspects of
Physicality in *The Passion of Joan of Arc*
(1928), *The Trial of Joan of Arc* (1962),
and *Joan of Arc at the Stake* (1954)'

Both theses may be downloaded and
read from our website.

Pictured L-R: Natalie Nitsch; Daisy Delogu, Director, Undergraduate Program in
Medieval Studies; Maia Driggers

Meet your Officers National

Karen Markey Janczy President General

Karen has been doing family genealogy for over twenty-five years and became a member of the NSDAR in 2001. She is an Honorary Chapter Regent of Harmony Hall Chapter and the State Chair for the Insignia Committee for the Maryland State Society. She is the Registrar General of the Order of Americans of Armorial Ancestry, Countess General of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva.

In 2022, Karen founded the National Society Founders of Places of Worship in America, serving as Founding President General. Karen is honored to be a member of the National Gavel Society and Founder's Fellowship.

Karen is a retired Registered Nurse and has a BA in Liberal Studies from Georgetown University in Washington, DC, and a MS in Management from the University of Maryland University College. She retired from NSDAR, where she was most recently employed as a Corrections Genealogist for the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, where she has worked since 2008.

A fourth-generation Floridian, Karen lives in Southern Maryland with her husband Mike and spoiled Sheltie Colbie.

Deanna Gorzynski Lutz, Secretary General



Deanna Lutz is a native of Michigan and a veteran of the United States Air Force. A member of many lineage societies, she currently serves as the Secretary General of the National Guild of St Margaret of Scotland; State Secretary of the District of Columbia State Society, Continental Society Daughters of Indian Wars; and is one of the founders of the National Society Founders of Places of Worship in America serving as Secretary General.

Deanna is also an Honorary Chapter Regent for the Harmony Hall Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), Chairman of the Volunteer Information Specialist Committee for the Maryland State Society, NSDAR, as well as serving on the national committee Property Beautification and Hospitality Committee for NSDAR.

A clockmaker by trade, a long-time amateur radio operator, and a passionate crafter, she currently resides with her husband, Arthur Lutz, in Accokeek, MD.

Beverly Markey Gentry, Historian General

Beverly Gentry is a 4th generation Floridian growing up in St. Petersburg, Florida. She, her husband Terry, and sons Brian and Kevin moved to Inverness, Florida in 1987. Mrs. Gentry is retired X-Ray Technologist and a Radiation Therapist. She has always been interested in my family history but could never find much until the internet came along.

The first lineage society she joined was Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. Gentry served as Chapter Regent. Fort Cooper Chapter 2014-2016; Florida State Curator – 2017-2019; National Vice Chair – Correspondent Docents, Van Buren and Wright Administration; State Curator & State Historian- NSUS Daughters of 1812; State Librarian and State Chaplain- Daughters of the American Colonists; State Recording Secretary- Colonial Dames 17th Century and Continental Society of Indian Wars; and State Chaplain- Southern Dames of America. Mrs. Gentry is member of many other lineage societies as well.

Mrs. Gentry is very honored to serve as the Historian General in the Janczy Administration.



Constance Paradiso, Trustee General



She was born in Washington D.C. and raised in the Staunton and Waynesboro area, and whose parents were from the Roanoke area. She attended Radford University and her professional background is in Property Management, Business Management and Sales, having lived several places in Virginia, Maryland, Florida and Texas. She is married to Bruce Edmund Paradiso and lives in Waynesboro with their dog, Rocco. They have been restoring their 1910 home and working together in business since 1999. She is:

- Honorary Virginia State President of Colonial Dames XVII Century
- Current State Librarian of DAC
- Current Registrar in 4 societies
- Current 2nd Deputy Governor General of Hereditary Order of the Red Dragon
- Current Recording Secretary General of Order of the Descendants of El Cid
- Current President of the Virginia Huguenot Society
- Current Trustee of the Guild of St Margaret
- Current Councilor of Order of William the Marshall
- Chairman of the Jamestowne Society Shoppe Committee and has designed a new pin and ladies scarf
- Current Branch Treasurer Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims
- Current Webmistress for 10 society websites

Constance is a member of 53 lineage societies and often refers to it as an illness, but is still researching her family history.

She is also the Past Chairman of the Waynesboro Planning Commission and Waynesboro Historical Commission and is currently Chairman of the Design Committee for Destination Downtown Waynesboro.

IN MEMORIUM



John Hallberg Jones
17 Jun 1943- 5 Jun 2023

The Guild is saddened to announce the death of John Hallberg Jones, who was one of the reorganizers of the Guild on 8 Nov 2011

John was a permanent member of the Advisory Council of the Hereditary Society Community of the United States of America (the HSC). This organization was established to facilitate the reliable operation of hereditary and lineage societies in the United States. John was also one of the original incorporators of the HSC.

Mr. Jones was member #246 via Frances (Deighton) Williams, MA, through David, Matilda and Mary.

Ona Marlene (Rathbun) Wilkinson
26 Sep 1932-18 Nov 2023

The Guild is saddened to announce the death of Ona Marlene (Rathbun) Wilkinson, who was one of the reorganizers of the Guild on 8 Nov 2011.

Marlene had a keen interest in genealogy and spent her post retirement years researching the Rathbun and Wilkinson families, among others, developing a rich and detailed lineage and family histories. She was a member of over 73 lineage groups and held offices at both the local and national levels. In 2001, Marlene received the Community Service Award from the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution for her years of service to her community. In 2015, she was inducted into the Hereditary Society Community of the United States of America ("HSC"), recognizing her society leadership, membership, service, tenure, personal character, and life-long accomplishments.

Mrs. Wilkinson was member #439 via Thomas Yale, CT though Matilda; and Anne (Lloyd) Yale Eaton, through David.



We are also saddened to report the deaths of our Members:

#517 Juanita "Nita" McMinn Helmer, 22 Feb 2022

#489 Carter Branham Snow Furr, Esq. 6 Oct 2023

#540 Charles Bryan Poland Nov 2023

*If you are aware of any Members who have passed
away, please notify:*

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*1st Vice President General Janet Butler Walker at
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Two Websites of Interest

The Guild of St. Margaret: <http://www.guildofstmargaret.com>

Members Only password: stmargaret

St. Margaret's Chapel (in Edinburgh) stmargaretschapel.com

New Members as of Dec 31, 2023

GSM #	Member and Gateway Ancestor	Date
694	Renee Marie Willingham Hamilton Via George Yate, Maryland (Matilda)	22 Jul 2023
695	Glenn David Martin Via Obadiah Bruen, Massachusetts Bay (Matilda)	22 Jul 2023
696	Joshua Alan Tuck Via Rose Stoughton, New Hampshire (Matilda)	22 Jul 2023
697	Peggy Merle Parker Johnson Via Reverend Haute/Hawte Wyatt, Virginia (Matilda)	22 Jul 2023
698	Alixandra Fitzwilliam-Tate Collins Via Alexander Falconer, Maryland (Matilda)	08 Aug 2023
699	Sara Ross Skillern Via John Strachey, M.D., Virginia (Matilda)	08 Aug 2023
700	Douglas James Gilham, Jr. Via Ann (Lloyd) (Yale) Eaton, Connecticut (Matilda)	21 Sep 2023
701	Philip Zell Horton, III Via John Sanborn, Massachusetts (Matilda)	21 Sep 2023

2023 -2025 Directory Corrections and Updates

Corrections and Updates to the 2023-2025 Directory will be emailed to members in October. Those without email will receive notice of the changes via USPS.

Thank you to those members who kindly notified us of the changes. If you have any change to your contact information, please notify:

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jbw81574@gmail.com

Secretary General Deanna Gorzynski Lutz at
deanna.lutz@gmail.com

President General at pgstmargaret@gmail.com.

Incorrect information will continue to be included in future publications if we are not notified of inaccuracies.

Thank you for your kind assistance in making sure our Database and Directory is accurate!!!



The Guild of St. Margaret of
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Trustee General	Constance Paradiso

*We are in need of a Chancellor General. Please contact the President General if you would be interested in filling this position: pgstmargaret@gmail.com

APPOINTED COMMITTEE

CHAIRS 2023-2025

Apparel:	Michael Perry Schenk
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Newsletter:	Vacant*
Parliamentarian:	Melissa Fischer
Web Site Coordinator:	Leslie Kirk
Nominating Committee: for 2023-2025 Slate	Melissa Fischer, Chair Mike Swisher

*We are in need of an Editor for the St. Margaret's Journal. Please contact the President General if you would be interested in filling this position. The Journal is published twice a year: pgstmargaret@gmail.com

Guild of St. Margaret Insignia and Apparel Items

Due to changes in item pricing and postage it is impossible to keep and maintain a current order form for these items. Therefore, requests for order forms can be made by contacting the Insignia Chairperson, Eric Nielsen at: ejnielmd@icloud.com and Apparel Chairperson, Michael Schenk at: mpschenk49@gmail.com or by calling 601-856-9895.

Order Form for Guild Insignia items for sale:

Large insignia

Miniature insignia

Disc insignia (for branch bar)

Gateway Ancestor bar (up to 18 engraved characters included in the price of the bar)

Order Form for Martlets – for supplemental lines through different child other than the primary line. They are \$15 and that includes postage.

Order Form for Guild Apparel (*Tartan pattern is Caledonia Modern*) items for sale*:

Tie

Bow Tie (pre-tied)

Scarf with fringes (9.5" x 57")

Sash with fringes (11" x 90")

*Final Inventory, no further orders once all are sold