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The Lady General's Message

Dear Members,

This is usually where I tell you what we did last year and what we are planning for April. As you have seen, we have again cancelled the meeting. We will be holding a zoom meeting on March 25 at 7 PM ET. The link will be sent out closer to the meeting time. We will be electing new officers at the meeting.

The last two years was not what I had planned for The Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva. I had planned on a Tea with a speaker on Lady Godiva. We missed the tea but had a great speaker "Mr. Hill" who not only told us about Lady Godiva but even told us where the term "Peeping Tom" may have come from. He also spoke on other women who lived in the same period as Lady Godiva. Ms. Garner had favors for the Tea.

This year we had the venue, The Army and Navy Club. We started working on a menu. And we had started working on additional favors. Since we had not met for 2 years, we decided to have a very long social instead of a speaker. I know I want to talk to everyone and find out how they and their families are doing. Of course, that went by the wayside and after watching the news and seeing the restrictions in Washington, D.C. we decided to have a zoom meeting instead of an in-person meeting. After speaking to people who have had COVID and listening to them I decided I did not want to have an in-person meeting. It is easy to say, "it's not that serious" but for some it is. I wanted to make sure all our members are well and will be in Washington next year.

Thank you for all your support the last two years. I know that the members will support the new board as you have supported my board.

I hope that next year we can meet in person and have some stories to tell about the last two years, especially about our children and grandchildren.

Sharon Stine,
Lady General

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Society of Awards and Ribbons

By Chris Moberg

“SAR” stands for “Sons of the American Revolution,” but some of us affectionately refer to our society as the “Society of Awards and Ribbons.” There is no denying that our society does a great job recognizing the efforts and contributions of members with certificates, medals, streamers, and pins. The SAR also has many fundraising medals and pins that do not require you to be a member to obtain. The following is a partial listing of some of the many medals and pins available to anyone who financially supports the SAR:



Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Contest Medal

The SAR Eagle Scout Committee created a fundraising medal for support of the Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Contest. The contest is for Eagle Scouts under the age of nineteen. To enter the contest, scouts must complete an application form, a four-generation ancestor chart, and a 500-word essay based on an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with the American Revolution or the founding documents. The medal features the SAR Maltese cross logo and the words “Arthur M. King Eagle Scout Scholarship Fund” and “N.S.S.A.R.”



Dr. Joseph Warren Medal for Orations

The SAR Rumbaugh Orations Committee created a fundraising medal for support of the Joseph S. Rumbaugh Historical Oration Contest. To compete in the contest, high school students write an original oration between 5 and 6 minutes in length and deliver it from memory. The subject of the speech must deal with an event, personality, or document pertaining to the Revolutionary War and the relationship it bears on America today. The medal features Dr. Joseph Warren, who gave a stirring speech on the anniversary of the Boston Massacre despite being heckled by British officers and sympathizers.



Thomas Jefferson Medal for Support of the Essay Contest

The SAR Knight Essay Contest Committee created a fundraising medal for support of the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest. High school students must write an original essay between 800 and 1,200 words on an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. The medal features a picture of Thomas Jefferson, one of the most important writers of the Revolutionary Era.



SAR Americanism Youth Awards Medal

The SAR Americanism Committee created a fundraising medal for support of the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest and the Sergeant Moses Adams Middle School Brochure Contest. Third through fifth grade students may enter the poster contest. The poster theme alternates yearly between events and people of the Revolutionary War. Sixth through ninth grade students may enter the brochure contest. The brochure theme may be any one of the following five documents: Articles of Confederation, Declaration of Independence, Constitution, Federalist Papers, or the Bill of Rights. The medal features a picture of Benjamin Franklin surrounded by the words "Americanism Youth Contest" at the top and "An investment in knowledge pays the best interest" at the bottom.



Benjamin Franklin Medal

The Library and Archives Committee created a fundraising medal for support of the SAR Genealogical Research Library. The medal features a picture of Benjamin Franklin based on a portrait of Franklin that was commissioned by Robert Alexander. Alexander had asked Franklin to read one of his deeds and offer his advice. The portrait was painted by David Martin in London in 1767 when Franklin was about 61 years old.



2019 National Congress in California

The 2019 National Congress was held in Costa Mesa, California from Saturday, July 6 to Thursday, July 11, 2019. The California Society created a fundraising medal with a figure representing the Spanish Alliance (1776 – 1783) in the foreground and Mission San Juan Capistrano (founded November 1, 1776) in the background, with "Sons of the American Revolution" at the top and "129th National Congress" and "California" at the bottom.



2020 National Congress in Virginia

Unfortunately, the 2020 National Congress that was to be held in July of 2020 in Richmond, Virginia was cancelled due to the pandemic. The last time that an Annual Congress had been cancelled was in 1945 due to World War II. The Virginia Society created a fundraising medal with the Seal of Virginia and the words "National Society Sons of the American Revolution" at the top and "130th Congress" and "Richmond, VA" at the bottom.



2021 National Congress in Washington

The 2021 National Congress was held in Renton, Washington from Saturday, July 10 to Thursday, July 15, 2021. The Washington Society created a fundraising medal featuring a picture of a Native American lodge representing history, a Boeing aircraft representing industry, Mount Rainier surrounded by forests representing beauty, and a scene of camping and fishing representing adventure. The words "2021 National Congress" are at the top and the words "Sons of the American Revolution" are at the bottom.



2022 National Congress in Georgia

The 2022 National Congress will be held in Savannah, Georgia from Sunday, July 10 to Friday, July 15, 2022. The Georgia Society created a fundraising medal with a picture of a minuteman superimposed on the state of Georgia with a peach-colored background. The words "National Society Sons of the American Revolution" are at the top and the words "132nd Congress" and "Savannah GA" are at the bottom.



California Society Medal

The California Society created a fundraising medal to support its society. Since I marched with the California Color Guard during the July 2019 National Congress, I decide to purchase one of these medals. The medal depicts Mission San Juan Capistrano (1776 – 1833) in the foreground and a Spanish ship in the background. The words "California Society" are at the top, and the words "Sons of the American Revolution" are at the bottom.



Nebraska Society Medal

The Nebraska Society created a fundraising medal to support its society. As VPG for the North Central District, I marched with the Nebraska Color Guard at the Champion Chase grave marking in Omaha on August 10, 2019, and the Veterans Day parade in Lincoln on November 9, 2019. The medal depicts a Revolutionary War soldier and the SAR Maltese cross logo superimposed on the state of Nebraska above the establishment date of 1890. The words "Sons of the American Revolution" are at the top, and the words "Nebraska Society" are at the bottom.



Georgia Society Medal

The Georgia Society created a 100-year anniversary medal to celebrate its founding on March 15, 1921. During the pandemic, several societies hosted virtual Color Guard and wreath laying events. I participated with the Georgia Society virtually for their "Heroes of the Hornet's Nest" Zoom event on February 12, 2021, and their "Battle of Kettle Creek" Zoom event on February 13, 2021. The medal has five significant Revolutionary War engagements marked on the state with stars: Vann's Creek, Kettle Creek, Brier Creek, Savannah, and Fort Morris.



George Washington Fellow Pin

The George Washington Fellow pin is given to those who have made a substantial contribution to the George Washington Endowment Fund (GWEF). The GWEF is a permanently restricted endowment fund whose income is used to support unfunded or underfunded SAR committees and special projects. One hundred percent of each contribution that is made to the fund will continue to generate interest in perpetuity to fund SAR committees and projects.



Friends of the Library Pin

The Friends of the Library pin is given to those who have contributed to the SAR Genealogical Research Library through a Friends of the Library Membership. Sixty percent of each contribution goes into the Library Endowment Fund, while forty percent of each contribution is made available for immediate use by the library.

Once I had collected all these SAR fundraising medals and pins, my wife pinned them to a display case. It is a nice reminder of the wide range of activities that I have had the pleasure to support over the last several years. I hope that this display case inspires you to consider whether some of our other hereditary societies might also create fundraising medals and pins. Our societies could do more to motivate donors to give to our various programs and projects.



Sons of the American Revolution fundraising medals and pins display case

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

We regret to inform you we have reached the difficult decision to **cancel** the in-person Tea on **Friday April 16, 2022**, that was to be held in the John Paul Jones Room of The Army and Navy Club, Washington, DC. Due to CDC guidelines, new restrictions by the Mayor of Washington, the recently implemented rules at The Army and Navy Club, and the ongoing international pandemic have been factored together to reach this decision.

We will be holding the election at the Annual Meeting using the zoom platform. The proposed slate of new officers is in this Newsletter.

Look for your invitation to the Zoom meeting/telephone conference soon.

If you need further clarification, please contact me.

Sharon Stine
Lady General
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Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva Elected & Appointed Officials 2020-2022

Lady General	Stine, Sharon
Honorary Lady General	Roberts, Davine
Lady in Waiting	Garner, Ann
2 nd Lady in Waiting	Odom, Carla
Lord Marshal	Swisher, Michael
Count General	Jordan, Dick
Countess General	Sopher, Cathy
Earle General	Roach, Ken
Baron General	Mabee, Tim
Baroness General	Janczy, Karen
Prelate General	Nakamura, Nancy
Scribe General	Housden, Lila
Justiciar General	Mouring, Annelies
Chancellor General	Ford, Harold
Chancellor of the Exchequer	Allison, Barbara
Genealogist General	Crocker, Tracy
Chirurgion General	Nielsen, Eric
Corresponding Secretary	Glenn, Mary
Herald General	Hall, Karen
Historiographer General	Bass, Suzanne
Grand Marshall General	Young, Mark, Sr.
Master of the Horse	Hill, George
Godiva Gazette Editor	Crigler, Cricket



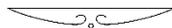
Nominating Committee Information

Election to be held during the April 2022 Annual Meeting

Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva

A big thank you goes to our Nominating Committee for 2022-2024. Committee members George Hill, Lila Housden, Ann Wilkerson, Lori Samuelson, and Davine Roberts, Founding Lady General was elected the Chairman of the Nominating Committee. All started diligently working right away, so we have put together the slate nine months before our next meeting!

Lady General – Ann Garner
Lord in Waiting – Mike Swisher
Lady in Waiting – Cathy Sopher
Lord Marshal – Dick Jordan
Count General – Ken Roach
Countess General – Karen Janczy
Earle General – Tim Mabee
Baron General – Mark E. Young, Sr.
Baroness General – Ann Wilkerson
Prelate General – Nancy Nakamura
Scribe General – Lori Samuelson
Chancellor General – Janice Beck
Chancellor of the Exchequer – Sonya Eason
Genealogist General – Tracy Crocker
Corresponding Secretary General – Suzanne Bass
Historiographer General – Laura Howell



Meet some of the Slated & Appointed Officials

- **Anne Garner, Lady General**

A native Georgian, Patricia Ann Scott Williams is the widow of Colonel Willie D. Garner, Sr. She is of Native American heritage and serves as a healer of the Cherokee Tribe. Mrs. Garner also has many verified colonial and royal lines in America and Northern Europe. This candidate has two daughters, and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Garner has been employed for the past 18 years as General Manager of Dawson Municipal Airport. She was formerly a registered nurse and dental hygienist.

• **Michael Scott Swisher, Lord in Waiting**

Michael Swisher was born on October 26, 1953, Stillwater, Minnesota and is a graduate of Vanderbilt University and the University of Minnesota. He is the President and CEO of Bayport Printing House, Inc. and is the Director, First State Bank & Trust. Michael also serves as a Director, Universal Financial Services as well as a Director of Valley Agencies, Inc.

Michael is an Officer of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, Knight Commander, Ordo Sancti Constantini Magni and Grand Cross, Sovereign Military Order of the Temple of Jerusalem. He is also a member of several charitable organizations.

Michael Swisher is a member of many hereditary societies including but not all:

- National Society Sons of the American Revolution (past president, MN Society)
- General Society, Sons of the Revolution (past president, MN Society)
- General Society of the War of 1812 (past president, MN Society)
- National Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims (Hon. Governor General)
- Sons of Colonial New England (Hon. Governor General)
- National Society Sons of American Colonists (Governor General)
- Order of Indian Wars of the United States (Commander)
- National Gavel Society
- National Society of Americans of Royal Descent
- One Hundred Living Descendants of Blood Royal
- Military Order of the Crusades
- Baronial Order of Magna Charta
- Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva
- Hereditary Order of Descendants of Loyalists and Patriots of the American Revolution (Hon. Governor General)

• **Cathy Sopher, Lady in Waiting**

Catherine (Cathy) Roberts Sopher is a retired Army Lieutenant Colonel, who was selected by Department of the Army for promotion to Colonel, but at almost 21 years of service, elected to retire as she was ready to transition to civilian life and spend time with her husband (also a Colonel in the Army) and her 6-year-old child at that time. She served as a logistics officer and was both Airborne and Parachute Rigger qualified. TTC Sopher was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries sustained during her ten-month Desert Shield and Desert Storm deployment.

She has an MBA and another master's degree in Strategic Studies from the Army War College in PA. She retired from U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill Air Force Base and has been an entrepreneur in Tampa, and now Jacksonville, as a commercial real estate consultant and Senior Director with TMC (The Mahr Co.) for the last approximately 15 years.

Some of her military award highlights include Legion of Merit, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, and Army Commendation Medal (ARCOM) with – device for Valor, & (4th Oak Leaf Cluster).

She enjoys participating in various lineage organization, playing tennis, boating, classic car related activities and traveling!

• **Ken Roach, Count General**

Kenneth D. Roach was born February 14, 1949, in Springfield, MO. He entered the U. S. Army from Bethlehem, PA, on July 27, 1967. After completion of helicopter flight school, he was appointed a Warrant Officer on August 26, 1968. He was assigned to B Company, 101st Aviation Battalion, 101st Airborne Division in the Republic of Vietnam (RVN). He served with B Company from September 1968 to June 1969. He completed his first tour with HHC, 101st Aviation Battalion. After completion of his first tour, he served as an instructor pilot at Hunter AAF, Savannah, GA. In August 1971, he returned to RVN and was assigned to A Company, 101st Aviation Battalion, 101st Airborne Division. In December 1971 he was transferred to B Company, 101st Aviation Battalion and remained there until the 101st Airborne Division stood down and returned to Fort Campbell, KY. He completed his tour serving as an advisor with the 239th Vietnamese Air Force (VNAF) Squadron and a member of Air Force Advisory Team 1.

During his two tours of duty, Ken was awarded the Legion of Merit, the Silver Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster (OLC), the Air Medal with “V” device for Valor with OLC and the numeral 27, the Army Commendation Medal, The Vietnam Service Medal with seven Stars, the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, the Vietnam Air Service Medal and Vietnamese Air Force Wings.

Ken served for over 20 years as a Supervisory Aviation Safety Inspector with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) at Bradley International Airport, Windsor Locks, CT. He served in the Connecticut Army National Guard flying the CH-47D helicopter for over 20 years. In January 2009, he retired from the FAA with over 29 years of federal service. He also retired from the Connecticut Army National Guard in December 2008 as a CW5 with over 8,000 flight hours and 41 years of military service.

• **Nancy Nakamura, Prelate General**

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Prelate General 2020-2022, and for nominating me to serve a second term 2022 – 2024. My husband John and I have had the pleasure of meeting many of you at various meetings in April in Washington, DC over the years. Our genealogical journey started in 2006 when John did the research & application for my DAR membership, followed by 14 more Society memberships over the following 2 years. More recently I have taken over the research & application process, joining 11 of the Royal Societies. Currently I hold Offices at the Local, State, & National level in 8 Lineage Societies, 5 of which are as Prelate/Chaplain/Elder ... definitely my favorite position! Again, thank you for allowing me to serve as your Prelate General!

- **Ann Wilkerson, Baroness General**

I majored in French and flew the world as a flight attendant and purser for Pan Am. I went back to school for my MBA at University of Virginia and rejoined Pan Am in management. I then worked for four additional airlines before retiring for good in 2015 to begin my genealogy hobby. I love all things English: my ancestor Lady Godiva, of course, the Beatles (especially Paul), royal weddings, castles, and scones with clotted cream. I look forward to my duties as Baroness General for the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva.

- **Lori Samuelson, Scribe General**

Lori Samuelson is a founding member of our Society. A lifelong counselor and a National Board-Certified Teacher Emeritus, she is also the owner of Genealogy At Heart. Lori lives in Tarpon Springs, Florida with her high school sweetheart, Jim.

- **Eric Jon Nielsen, MD, Chirurgeon General**

Born and raised in California, I attended public schools. Then attended college at University of California at Berkeley. Subsequently attended medical school at USC in Los Angeles. Spent 4 years developing knowledge and skills at the Residency in Emergency Medicine at LA County + USC Medical Center. Finally served as Chief Resident at LAC + USC, in charge of 70 doctors.

I was recruited to Sacramento, CA to turn a community hospital into a Level 3 Trauma Center. After completing the transition at Mercy San Juan Hospital, I stayed on for 20 years and practiced as an Emergency Physician there. I developed Quality Assurance Programs for 8 hospitals in the Sacramento region for the Sisters of Mercy. I also worked as Assistant Director in the Emergency Department, and took a full complement of patient care shifts, as well as improving care delivery and efficiency.

My medical career cut short after I fell off a roof, breaking multiple bones, and after 5 operations over 3 years to repair my injuries, I was unable to continue practicing Emergency Medicine.

I began exploring my family history to fulfill a promise to my mother as she was dying and expanded my family legacy. I wrote a book, "The Ancestors of Alex Jerome Nielsen and Priscilla Mary Colvin Nielsen" to pass on my family history to succeeding generations. I began joining multiple heritage societies. I have two gateways, Anne Marbury Hutchinson, and Olive Welby. I have kept my promise to my mother to keep the family history alive.

It is an honor to serve the Descendants of Lady Godiva as Chirurgeon. Thank you for allowing me to blend two of my favorite things: Medicine and Family History. I pray to honor my ancestor's memories daily, as I serve the Lord Jesus.

- **Suzanne Bass, Corresponding Secretary General**

Suzanne Bass was born in Dallas and grew up in Martin's Mill, Texas, population 150. She received her BA degree from Baylor University and JD from SMU School of Law. Suzanne spent 30 years in the Washington DC area, as a legislative aide on Capital Hill and as an attorney for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. She retired to Tyler, Texas in 2015, and married a Tyler native, David Hudson, in May 2020. Suzanne now spends her time doing volunteer work for local genealogy organizations. Her hobbies include genealogy, riding horses, and gardening.

- **George Hill, Master of the Horse**

George J. Hill is a fifth generation Iowan. He graduated from high school in Sac City, Iowa, and then attended Yale University, where he majored in history. He graduated from Harvard Medical School, and after forty years as a practicing surgeon, is now a Professor of Surgery Emeritus at Rutgers-New Jersey Medical School. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and the U.S. Public Health Service, and he was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal upon retirement as Captain, Medical Corps, in the U.S. Navy. Dr. Hill also earned an M.A. in history at Rutgers University and a D.Litt. in history from Drew University. He has written or edited more than 20 books on medicine and surgery, family history and genealogy, environmental history, and international relations. Dr. Hill was elected to Honorary Membership in the Hereditary Society Community of the United States of America in 2017. He is now serving as Surgeon General of the Society of Mayflower Descendants. He previously served as Marshal of the Horse of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva.



Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva

Minutes of the Meeting held by Zoom

April 16, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Lady General Sharon Kaufelt Stine at 2:00 pm. Prelate Nancy Nakamura gave the Invocation. Second Lady in Waiting Carla Odom led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. Lady General Stine appointed Dick Jordan and Davine Roberts to review the minutes. The Objects were provided by Lady General Stine. Master of the Horse George Hill, MD gave the motto. The Colors were shared by Lady General Stine. The Flowers of the Society were named by Honorary Lady General Roberts. Members were welcomed to the Zoom meeting

Individual officers of the society were introduced and invited to bring greetings. Lady General Stine expressed her appreciation to the officers for their support during the past two years.

Prelate Nancy Nakamura held a Memorial Service for members who had entered larger life.

Special appreciation was extended to Lady General Roberts for her advice and encouragement. Lady General Stine explained about the cancellation of the 2020 meeting and the plans leading to holding the 2021 meeting on Zoom. Mrs. Stine noted details of the next meeting will be placed in the upcoming newsletter. Ms. Crigler was recognized for the two newsletters published in this administration. Mr. Moberg was noted for his article.

The Treasurer's report was not available because Barbara Allison resigned due to her husband's health. Constance Paradiso attempted to gain access to the account, but she was unsuccessful. The former Treasurer Ms. Eason graciously agreed to return to the office of Treasurer. There was not time to prepare a report for the meeting; however, a full report will be featured in the summer newsletter. There was not any unfinished business.

In new business Honorary Lady General Roberts moved to gift The Army and Navy Club \$100.00 in appreciation for the generous carrying over the room deposit issued in 2019 for the 2020 meeting that was carried over again from 2020 to 2021 and now has been carried over again for the 2022 meeting. Master of Horse Hill seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.

Lady General Stine announced the Nominating Committee is comprised of Davine Roberts, George Hill, Lila Housden, Ann Wilkerson, and Lori Samuelson. The members were encouraged to consider accepting a nomination if called by the committee. Mrs. Crigler asks the membership to pose for a photograph of the Zoom meeting.

Lady General Stine introduced the speaker, Master of the Horse, Dr. George Hill who brought an interesting program about "Women in Power," showcasing Lady Godiva, Saint and Queen Margaret of Scotland and Lady Macbeth. Dr. Hill received a round of applause at the conclusion of his presentation.

Mr. Christopher Moberg will provide the 2022 program scheduled for April 15th.

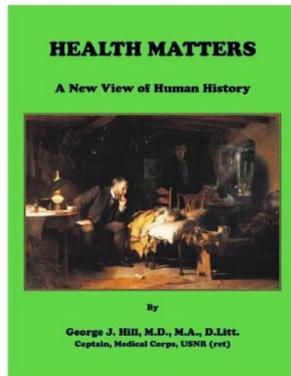
Prelate Nakamura provided the Benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Carla Whitehurst Odom
Serving as Secretary pro tempore.

George J. Hill, MD - Book

Our distinguished member, George J. Hill, M.D., D.Litt., has a new book as of December 8, 2021. The name of his new book is *Health Matters*. Dr. Hill has published at least 17 books and many papers during his very distinguished career.



HEALTH MATTERS

A New View of Human History

George J. Hill, M.D., M.A., D.Litt.,
Captain, Medical Corps, USNR (ret)

Health Matters proposes an audacious new concept of human history. The author, George J. Hill, is a physician and historian. He argues that the primary goal of humans, from cave dwellers to those in the modern world, has been the search for good health and a long life. The quest for health has been to avoid illness, to treat disease and injuries, and to delay death. Humans were aware of the existence of a future, and this motivated them to search for health. They began with some qualities that were present in all animals, especially those that were enhanced in mammals. Humans found a unique advantage over all other animals when they discovered how to use fire. This enabled humans to do things that were impossible for other primates. Humans also discovered ways to make personal covering and weapons. With their use of fire, clothing, and weapons, it became possible for humans to control their environment, and to live anywhere on earth.

Health Matters takes the reader from what we all have, such as our body and mind, and the environment, to what we need — air, sun, and sleep. Hill's essay proceeds to add what he calls our urges: for water, food, shelter, and social connections. Hill discusses some of the unique aspects of humans, including the ability to domesticate animals. He lists our wants — for love and money — and he discusses the ways we look at death. The exceptions to the urges and wants are discussed, including those related to religion and irrational behavior. Hill traces the history of medicine from its start in hunter-gatherer communities in which one person, the healer-priest, would have the “gift” that was needed to provide for the group's health. Medicine developed from this early start into two paths. One was science and technology. The other was religion. Hill then takes the reader on a trip through human history, showing how good health or bad health has influenced decisions and outcomes, in individuals and in populations. He concludes with a discussion of historiography in science, religion, and medicine, as he affirms his argument that the search for health has been the driving force in human history. An index to full-names, places and subjects adds to the value of this work.



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Robert Strong Williams

My Lady Godiva Gateway Ancestor

By Pam Williams Johnson



Robert Strong Williams's parents, Benjamin Thomas Williams and Emily Margareta Strong.

Robert Strong Williams was born in 1833 in Demerara, British Guiana in South America where his missionary father, Benjamin Thomas Williams, was working with the Reverend Leonard Strong. Benjamin was part of the ship-owning family of Williams



living in Plymouth, England, who made their money in the East India shipping business. After Robert was born, the family returned to England for a little while and Robert was baptized 4 May 1833 in Brampton Abbots, England by his grandfather, the Rev. Robert Strong, shown here to the left, who was the rector at the church for 50 years.



St. Michael's church in Brampton Abbots

After Benjamin died of yellow fever on 16 August 1837 in British Guiana, John Timothy Swainson, who collaborated with Benjamin and Leonard Strong, accompanied Emily and her 3 children back to England. Emily and John married about 1838 and settled in Torquay, Devonshire, England, and had more children. Torquay is on the southwestern coast of England on the English Channel and is about 28 miles east-north-east of Plymouth where my Pilgrim ancestors set sail for America in 1620.

Around 1844 Robert attended Mr. Page's Day School in Torquay. It was here that Robert was introduced to military activities by a sergeant who had served under General Wellington at the Battle of Waterloo. Robert maintained his military bearing until he died. Later Robert attended school in Dartmouth, Devonshire, then went to a boarding school at Teignmouth in Devonshire. His sister, Margareta, went to a boarding school at Crediton, 10 miles from Exeter, in Devonshire.

Robert's being at the school in Teignmouth in 1851 probably reflected his mother's and stepfather's sympathy for her brother Leonard's ecclesiastical step away from Anglicanism to join the Plymouth Brethren, because the owner of the Teignmouth school, Thomas Edgelow, was known as a Plymouth Brother. His was the school to which Edmund Gosse was sent (by his Plymouth Brethren father, Philip Gosse) accompanied by Leonard Strong's sons, Robert, and James. On the other hand, Edgelow's eldest son, aged 7 in 1851, had been born in British Guiana, so it may have been an old friendship. Incidentally, Leonard Strong's son, Robert Dundas, later married Thomas Edgelow's daughter, Caroline. Emily's second husband, John Timothy Swainson, was similarly associated with the Plymouth Brethren as is clear from his obituary in a Brethren magazine *The Witness*, January 1870. Thomas Swainson certainly worked with Leonard Strong for a while in Guiana before returning to England.

In August 1851, Robert's family immigrated to the United States. Currently, Benjamin Maurice was about 20 years old, Margareta about 18, and Robert about 16. At that time, Benjamin Maurice did not travel to the US, as he was taking care of the shipping interests of the Williams family in England. Robert also stayed in England as he was in southern Scotland at Mr. Barker's estate near the town called Ecclefechan. Mr. Barker had a large farm and took in gentlemen's sons to teach them about

farming, hunting, fine horses, and dogs. Mr. Barker owned property in the United States and Robert's stepfather and mother bought their Illinois farm from him.

The trip from Liverpool for the United States took 17 days and was made by a steamer that in those days also used sails. Robert's family entered the United States at the port of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, although I have no actual proof at this time. After a long roundabout trip, they arrived at their farm in Greenville, Bond County, Illinois, which was 50 miles northeast of St. Louis, Missouri. It was considered "not far from St. Louis" and they often drove down there.

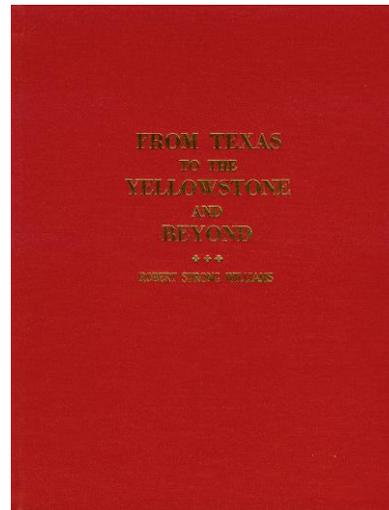
Much of their heavy baggage and packing cases of their household goods were sent from England direct to New Orleans, Louisiana, and then put on a river boat (steamer) up the Mississippi River to St. Louis, Missouri, and then out 50 miles to the farm in Illinois. Some of the packing cases were lost during the move.



Robert, about 1859

Eventually, Robert came to the United States and traveled a great deal in the West. He authored many stories, some of which were published, and books, as well. One of these, titled *From Texas to the Yellowstone* was written in the mid-to-late 1800s. It details his trips through Texas 20 years after the fall of the Alamo, through the American West and into British Columbia, Canada. He wrote of the landscape, the people, and the animals in the various areas. He rode through Indian country at

a very dangerous time. One instance: "On my way back to St. Louis, I was at one place separated from the others and was going along through a stretch of Indian country. I hobbled my horse at night with the rope around my wrist, so that it would not be stolen by the Indians or get away without my knowing it. ... I got through to a Fort and the Officers there could hardly believe I had been able to get through alive."



It took several years to type his book onto my computer as it was so hard to read (I also added appropriate pictures). Since the book encompasses so much of his travels, I renamed it to *From Texas to the Yellowstone and Beyond* which I had printed and bound for family members. I also sold copies of his book to the general public.

At the beginning of the Civil War, Robert was elected to function as Captain of a company of volunteer cavalry, but the authorities would not accept him as he retained his British citizenship, and so did not serve in the Civil War.

Sometime during the Civil War, Robert visited his stepfather and mother in Geneva, New York. This was on his return from a trip "out West" which also entailed traveling up the Pacific Coast to the City of Victoria on Vancouver Island, which is just off the coast and west of British Columbia, Canada and northwest of the State of Washington, USA. This trip was over the Isthmus of Panama, one way, and perhaps both out and back. He did not like Victoria especially, but a friend of his was living there.

After one of his trips out West, he returned to Greenville, Illinois, where he first met Miss Susan Prince of Davenport, Iowa, who was visiting at his family's farm. Susan and her mother, Eliza (73 in 1870), were both born in Jamaica. Susan came to the US in 1857. He married her in the early spring of 1859 or 1860 when he was about 24-25 years old.

They first lived on an 80-acre farm he bought near Greenville, in Bond County, Illinois, about ½ mile south of Greenville and 2 miles from the home farm of his mother and stepfather. Robert's

brother, Benjamin, had moved to America and he was living close by, as well. Robert's daughter, Marion (Marian), was born there. Later, his sons Maurice, Ernest, and George, were born there, as well.

Around the fall of 1861, Robert's stepfather and mother left the home farm in Greenville, Illinois where they had lived for about 10 years and went to live in Geneva, New York, in the northwestern part of New York, 50 miles from Rochester, New York. The Illinois farm was sold later.

Sometime later, Robert and his family moved to Cordova, (in northwestern Illinois), to a farm directly on the Mississippi River, called "The Oaks." Much later a sandbar in the river caused a change in the riverbed and left a stretch of sand between the farm and the river. The farm was still in the family, and his sons and grandsons were living there in 1928.

Robert's brother, Benjamin, eventually sold his farm and moved either to Cordova, Illinois or Grafton, Wisconsin. He died in 1903 after a series of strokes, paralysis, and some unknown disease.

Robert and Susan had 4 children: Marian, Maurice Reginald, Ernest Raleigh, and George M. On 2 March 1881, Robert divorced his wife after she "willfully deserted her husband and absented herself from him without a reasonable cause, for the space of two years." The divorce was granted. Susan died sometime between 1895 and 1898. After the divorce, Robert went out West, locating mines and exploring. He was also in southern California on that trip.

Robert invested heavily in mine exploration and excavation and owned interests in gold and silver mines, among others. When Robert was living in Lyons, Clinton County, Iowa, he paid, on 18 April 1887 to R. C. Heise, \$6000 in gold coin to buy the "La Prieta" Mine, situated in the Arrow Mining District, County of San Bernardino, California. This mine may have been located in the Providence Mountains/Sierra de Santa Coleta.

On 16 August 1888 Robert married Lavinia Gertrude Lawrence →. She was born on 29 July 1856 in Chicago, Illinois in the family home at 1492 Wellington Ave. Chicago. She was the daughter of Soren Peter and Anne Dorothea (Lockrem) Lawrence. They were married on 16 August 1888 in Hudson, Wisconsin. They had 3 children: Clarence Strong, Lawrence Drake, and Marion Margaretta.



Robert, around 1885

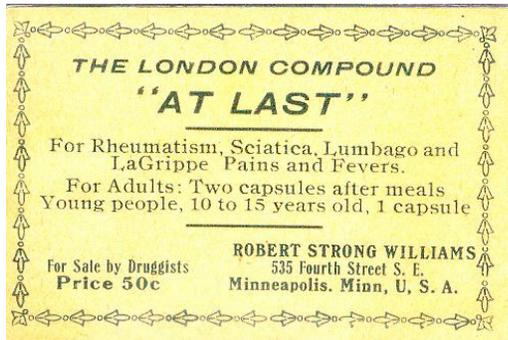
Clarence wrote of his father:

Robert was about 5'6" and had broad shoulders. He was a magnificent horseman and often 'rode to hounds' with the Great Marquis of Queensbury.

He was a debonair youngish man then, slightly bald as the result of a medicine, which he had taken during an attack of fever. (The fever that Clarence mentions here is described in Chapter 12 in Robert's book.) His coat is buttoned by the top button, according to the style of the day and he had a necktie pin embedded in his cravat. His watch chain

carries an insignia resembling a Masonic charm. However, I was never informed that he had been raised as a Master Mason.

Robert became a Naturalized Citizen on 6 October 1896 at the age of 60. He had been a citizen of Great Britain up until this point.



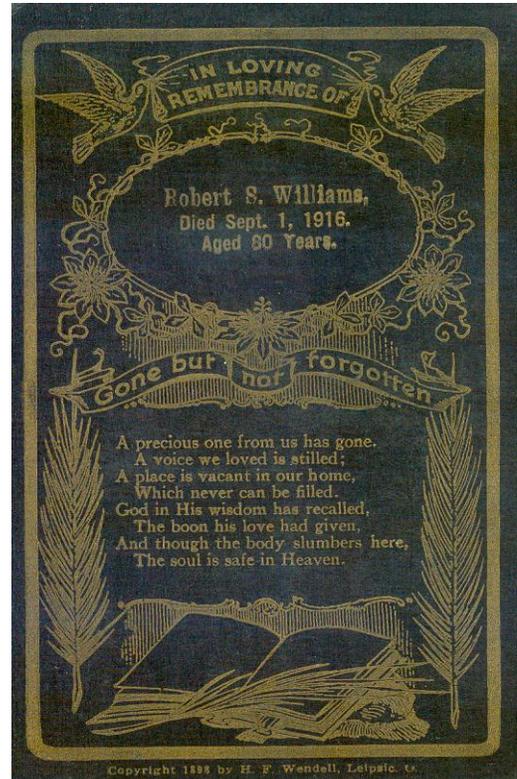
In 1912, Robert was living at 2627 Colfax Ave North, Minneapolis, Minnesota. He wrote to Miss Louie C. Strong in 1909, who lived at Fulmer House, West Worthing, Sussex, England, about his medicine, "At Last." This was a rheumatism remedy he sold in 1889. The formula was over 100 years old and originally was developed in England. Robert bought the rights to this medicine and sold it.

Lavinia, Robert's wife, died 20 March 1909 of an embolism as the result of a "varicose condition".



← This picture of Robert was taken August 1916.

On 1 September 1916 he died of pneumonia at the age of 81 in Center City, Minnesota.



They are buried in the Crystal Lake Cemetery in Minneapolis, Minnesota. As a side note, part of the cemetery was part of the Williams' farm.



Lady Godiva in sculpture

Want to know more about UK history, you might want to subscribe to Historic UK at <https://mailchi.mp/historic-uk/septembers-history-roundup-2021?e=f5dc717283>

<https://www.historic-uk.com/CultureUK/Lady-Godiva/>

Lady Godiva by John Collier

Lady Godiva was the lady, wife of Leofric, the Earl of Mercia. Earl Leofric was one of the all-powerful lords who ruled England under the [Danish King Canute](#).

Lady Godiva was a rich landowner in her own right and one of her most valuable properties was Coventry.

Leofric was a tyrant, he tyrannised the Church and did not hold the same religious convictions as his wife, nor her fondness for the Midlands and its populace.

He mercilessly demanded from the people of Coventry an oppressive tax called the Heregeld. This tax paid for King Canute's bodyguard and Leofric made sure that the people of Coventry paid it!

Lady Godiva pleaded with Leofric to stop this hated tax and he is reputed to have said, "You will have to ride naked through Coventry before I will change my ways."

He was quite sure that his demure, modest wife would never do such a thing.

But Lady Godiva took him at his word, and on Market Day in Coventry she rode naked, veiled only by her long golden hair. As her hair was long enough to cover all her body, only her face and legs could be seen.

Leofric was so stunned by the whole incident that he believed it was a miracle that no one had seen his wife's naked body, and he immediately "freed" the town from paying the hated Heregeld, and at the same time ceased his persecution of the Church.

Leofric appears to have undergone a religious conversion after this incident and he and Godiva funded a Benedictine monastery in Coventry where they were both buried. Unfortunately, all traces of this monastery have long since disappeared.

By the 17th century the story appears to have been altered slightly. The latest version of the story said that before her 'ride,' Godiva sent out messengers to go throughout the town insisting that all the people stay indoors with their windows shuttered on the day. As she was very popular with the people (unlike her husband) and every taxpayer realised that they stood to gain from her 'heroic act,' they did as she requested.

Everyone complied with her request except for one man who could not resist peeping, a tailor, 'Peeping Tom.'

He was, the story goes, 'blinded by the wrath of Heaven' for his temerity in not obeying the order.



A statue supposedly of Peeping Tom, a strange wooden effigy, can be seen in Coventry's Cathedral Lanes Shopping Centre. The eyes in this effigy appear blank, but that may be because the paint has worn off over the years.

The annual Coventry Fair kept alive the Godiva story until [the Reformation](#) when the festival was banned and it was not revived until 1678.

From this time on Godiva rode through the streets on a snow-white horse, accompanied by a man whose chief skill lay in his ability to make rude, suggestive gestures. Peeping Tom again!! The Godiva Procession has been revived in recent years and takes place annually in June.

Today a visitor needs only to look in front of Coventry's Cathedral Lanes Shopping Centre to see a replica of the sight which tradition insists struck Peeping Tom blind!



Update On Our Oldest Member

Earline Andrews



Our oldest member is Earline Andrews, born 28 Oct 1910 in Marion County, TX, so we keep up with her! She is now 111 years old. Here is the latest update from her friend Leta Porter.

“After having a weekend telephone visit with Rayline Binion, 94-year-old niece and caregiver for 111-year-old Earline Andrews in Ft. Worth, I feel a need to update the Mary Tyler Chapter NSDAR membership regarding Earline’s current health status. Rayline informed me that she and Earline’s other two caregivers recently prepared a traditional Thanksgiving meal for the four of them. In her attempt to make the celebration as festive as possible, Rayline staged this event at her dining room table which had been set with her finest china and crystal.



Following the very enjoyable Thanksgiving celebration, Earline’s three caregivers settled her into her bed for her customary afternoon nap while they tidied up the dining room area. A while later, they were alarmed to hear Earline Screaming, “Help Me! Please Help Me!” from her bedroom.



To make a long story shorter, Earline had experienced a horrible dream about the house being on fire, causing her to literally act out her need to try and save everyone in the house from imminent death. In her haste to try and get everyone to safety, she went crashing to the floor while stumbling over her walker. The

fall completely severed four of her ribs. Since this accident, Earline has been confined to her bed most of the time which has resulted in a state of decline for her, physically, mentally, and emotionally.

Perhaps some of you will want to join me in sending Cards of Encouragement to Earline Andrews and Rayline Binion, commending them for their lifelong “pursuit of righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance, and gentleness and for fighting the good fight of faith.” (I Timothy 6:11) Their mailing address is as follows: P. O. Box 185547, Ft. Worth, TX 76181-0547



MEMORIALS



Darlene Jeanette Scott Shawn
Charter Member #194 - 1/30/2015
Died - 12/11/2020

Darlene Jeanette Scott Shawn, 84, of Norman Oklahoma was born June 2nd, 1936, in Bernie, MO to Earl S Scott and Twylo F. Kyle. She departed this world on December 11, 2020, at her home in Norman.

On July 6, 1955, she married the love of her life, Don Shawn. Together they had two daughters, Vicki Shawn, and Lynn Turner.

She was a member of the Hill Top Baptist Church. Darlene was a proud member of several lineage societies including Daughters of the American Revolution and Colonial Dames. Darlene enjoyed researching genealogy on her family lines and sharing her knowledge and love of genealogy with others.

Darlene was preceded in death by her parents, brother Billy Scott, her loving husband Don and daughter Vicki. She leaves behind her Sister Donna Rasberry of Emerson Arkansas, daughter Lynn Turner of Norman, OK, grandson Christopher Albarado of Sulphur LA. Granddaughter Rachael Albarado of San Angelo, TX. Granddaughter Stephanie Taylor and Great grandson Nathan Taylor, both of Banks, AL.

Visitation was held at the Primrose Funeral Home, Sunday, December 20, 2020. With services held at the Hill Top Baptist Church, 11710 E. Stella Road, Norman, OK on Monday, December 21, 2020.



Carma Jean Wilkerson Jenkins
Charter Member #223 - 3/1/2015
Died - 11/1/2021

Carma Jean Wilkerson-Jenkins entered our Lord's rest in Edmond, OK on November 1, 2021, with her family surrounding her. Carma was born April 24, 1935, in Pawnee to Edna Clara Griesel Dennis and Marshel Lyle Dennis. She graduated from Pawnee High School in 1953 and began her very rewarding career with Conoco in Ponca City, OK and was transferred to Conoco in OKC where she retired in 1987.

Carma married Don Wilkerson on September 22, 1973. They loved taking adventures together. Carma was an avid snow skier and she and Don frequented the slopes of the US and Europe. Don preceded Carma in death on February 6, 2002. Later Carma married Bill Jenkins on February 17, 2005, and soon introduced her to the life of Ford Model A cars. They traveled across North America in the Model A's. Bill preceded Carma in death on July 20, 2016.

Carma was a 50+ year member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and the Upper Room Class. Because of the love she had for her community and history, Carma participated in many organizations. She was the past President of Redbud Women's Club; Regent, Colonel John Starke; Sr. Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution; President, Oklahoma State Society Colonial Dames 17th Century; President, William Rives Chapter Colonial Dames 17th Century; and Regent, Oklahoma Division Magna Charta Dames and Barons. In addition to these offices Carma was also a faithful member of the Baronial Order of Magna Charta, Oklahoma Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva, Oklahoma Society Dames of the Court of Honor Isabel Hastings Dial Chapter Daughters of American Colonists.

Carma enjoyed a rich life with an extended family of friends and family. She was a natural athlete that played baseball, basketball, and a cheerleader. In her later years, she learned to play tennis and played on several tennis teams. She had a love of flowers like her mother Edna, particularly irises and Carma loved genealogy and had traced her family back to the 1400's.

Carma is survived by her stepdaughter Paula Tarbutton; sister-in-law Betty Nell Dennis; Nieces and Nephews, Steve and Cindy Dennis, Ashley and Mark Pino, Audrey and Scott Neal, Gary and Tara Dennis, Robert and Monica Dennis, Karla and Taylor Jimenez; Michael and Leah Dennis; 23 great nieces and nephews; one great great niece and very close friend Diane King and many others.

Carma was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Delman and Robert "Bob", Sister-in-Law Dorothy Dennis, and husbands Don Wilkerson and William "Bill" Jenkins.

Funeral services will be held at St Luke's United Methodist Church in Oklahoma City on Saturday November 6, 2021 with Pastor Dave Poteet officiating. Graveside service will follow at Highland Cemetery, Pawnee, OK and entrusted with Poteet Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

**Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva
Arizona State Report
Lee Thomasson Nelson
Duchess of Arizona**



"Once again, our ARIZONA LADY GODIVA group was able to get together and meet at the Red Devil Italian Restaurant's large back room in Phoenix on October 23rd, 2021. There were seven members present, with one guest. We meet with four other hereditary societies which include: Sons & Daughters of the Pilgrims, AZ Huguenot Society, AZ Div., Magna Charta, and Jamestowne Society. We enjoyed an excellent speaker for the day as well as good camaraderie and food. It was decided by members present to give to a local charity this year which was the "Phoenix Rescue Mission", their need being greater than usual due to the Covid outbreaks in the city. We were able to donate \$200 with our society's name receiving heightened awareness and visibility within our own community. We look forward to gathering again at the same location in March 2022."



THE OKLAHOMA LADY GODIVA

**BY
Barbara McMullin**

The Oklahoma LGA met in the home of Barbara McMullin, Oklahoma Duchess for its annual Christmas luncheon. At the close of the meeting a memorial service was conducted for Carma Wilkerson and Darlene Shawn, departed members. Upon leaving each was presented a Christmas bag of **Lady Godiva** Chocolates.

L - R: Barbara McMullin, Cynthia Henderson, Linda Fox, Ellena Womack



L - R: Barbara McMullin, Kathy Patterson, Becky Hold, Dr. Orriene Denslow.



William Ballagh, the immigrant
My 7th great grandfather and gateway ancestor to Lady Godiva
By
Paula Warren of Tyler, TX

Thought I would write a little something about my gateway ancestor, William Ballagh, as I have it spelled on my papers. It seems the name was spelled different ways over time. The



name first appears from the eldest son of John Mor Tanistear, who was Sir Donald Balloch born ca 1406. How he got the name or why he chose the name Balloch is not explained, but the name is from the Gaelic “bealach” meaning, a dweller in a pass or glen. Genealogists assert that families bearing the name in its variety of forms, may well be readily traced to Sir Donald Balloch. While the usual Scottish form of the name is Balloch, its Irish equivalent is Ballagh; though in Irish history and annals it appears in the forms; Ballaigh, Ballach, Ballocke, Ballaghe.

William Ballagh, styled Gent, son of John Ballagh of county Antrim, was the first of the ancestors of the American Ballagh family to migrate to the New World. William arrived in Charles Town South Carolina April 1692. "The under named persons arrived in this part of the Province the day of April Anno: Domini 1692", according to records found in South Carolina. William Ballagh was recorded as having 100 pounds upon arrival. The ship they arrived on was called Jamaica and was captured two years earlier before as a pirate ship of French colors; that it had been sailed to Jamaica and there sold to a company of merchant ship owners and was now plying its legitimate business between Jamaica and New World. Its passengers on this occasion were Honest-to-Goodness emigrants from England and Ireland to America by way of Jamaica. It is not known how the stranded ship's company ended up on the South Carolina shore or how the passengers reached shore. We soon see William Ballagh enjoying the privileges and duties of citizenship in his adopted new homeland. The records show William Ballagh purchased land in Charles Town of the County and Province of Carolina.

LADY GODIVA SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS

We are a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit society, and your donations are helping our Godiva Scholarship grow. We have scholarship donations at three levels. Since March, we have had scholarship donations in the amount of \$605.00.

Gold Level - \$500 and above

Silver Level - \$100-\$499

Purple Level - Up to \$99

Thank you letters have been written and sent to these members, recognizing their donations. They may use the letter for their income tax nonprofit contribution purposes. We will continue to recognize the donations we receive. Because of the above donations, we will be able to award several \$500 to \$1,000 scholarships this year. Interest from our two Certificates of Deposit and all profits from insignia sales also go toward our Lady Godiva Scholarship Fund.

2021 SDLG Scholarship Recipients

Our Lady Godiva Scholarship Committee awarded three \$1,000 scholarships. It is a pleasure to assist our continuing deserving scholarship recipients for 2021! Thank you to all who have made contributions and purchased insignia, notecards, etc., because it helps deserving students with their college education. We also have the interest we receive from our two Certificates of Deposit. Congratulations to our three winners!

Scholarship Committee: Chairman Christine “Chrissy” Herreid-Moran, Members are Dr. Charlene Herreid, and Honorary Lady General B. Davine Roberts.

Kelsie Bragg is attending the University of South Florida in Tampa.



Thank you so much for giving me this opportunity! It really means so much to me. My future plans at the moment are to graduate with my bachelors and then take some time to travel and explore different careers for my major. I love science and I am majoring in biology, but there are a lot of

paths I could choose. I would like to try new things so I can have a better idea of which path fits me best. I would also like to help people or animals in the future and hopefully make an impact!



Alexia King is attending the University of Alabama at Birmingham.



I am grateful for the support and opportunity afforded me by the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva members as one of your scholarship recipients. The scholarship funds awarded me will help me reach my goal of becoming a Nurse Practitioner. I work at Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida, raise my teenage son Jensen, and attend online classes through the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Currently my goal is focused on completing my degree, and I hope to graduate in August.



B. E. Evan Sopher graduated from the University of Tampa in December 2021 and will be attending the University of Massachusetts at Lowell for a Master's Degree.



I want to extend a big thank you to Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva and all the members for helping me throughout my undergraduate career! I just graduated in December with a degree in Criminology and Criminal Justice from the University of Tampa (UT) and was inducted into Alpha Phi Sigma National Honor Society for Criminal Justice. While attending UT I grew a lot as a person, a student developing my interests both professionally and personally. To recap on some of my experiences, I was a student athlete, a ROTC cadet, member of many school clubs, volunteered with various community organizations, became a trained member of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT),

participated in ride along programs with local and state law enforcement, earned my OUPV Captains License, and worked in the restaurant, retail, boating industry, and coached youth sports. Professionally, as next career steps go, I was lucky enough to do an internship with Target as an Asset Protection Executive Team Leader. Upon completion of the internship, I was also extended a job offer! I earned my Operator license for a Remote Pilot Certificate from FAA for an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) commonly known as a drone. In January I will be working in Washington, D.C. for GOPAC a political organization that focuses on educating and electing new young leaders. Additionally, I am starting my Masters in Security Studies with a concentration in industrial and economic security in 2022 online with The University of Massachusetts Lowell. This was all possible with the support of family, friends, and supporting organizations. Thank you to my mom (LTC Ret. Cathy Sopher) and Dad (COL Ret. Terry Sopher) for always supporting me and setting me up for success in life. Special thank you to my Memaw (Davine Roberts) for introducing me into lineage organizations like C.A.R, Descendants of Lady Godiva, and many more. They have been the foundation for my leadership development, outgoing personality, appreciation for history, my ancestors, and love of country.



Lady
Godiva
statue.
Coventry,
England.



Dear Members of the SDLG,

I am offering these lovely black tote bags for sale. The bag has a deep outer zippered pocket and a smaller inside pocket. The outside of the bag is approximately 16" across the top by 12" high with a 5 1/2" by 10" base. The two straps are each 26" long. The Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva Insignia is embroidered on the front of the tote, not printed.

The bag is \$50 of which \$5 goes to the Lady Godiva Scholarship Fund.

	\$50.00
Postage	5.75
Total	\$55.75

Make your **\$55.75** check payable to **Ann Williams Garner**.

Please send your order to:

Ann Williams Garner
 102 Preston Road SE
 Parrott, GA 39877-5202
 Email: awilli1861@aol.com

Phone: (H) 229-632-5717; (Cell) 229-623-4219



Dear Members of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva,

We are offering these lovely note cards for sale to help promote our Lady Godiva Scholarship. They were designed by our Founding Member Madeline Alworth, Adornment Chairman, and she will be handling the orders. The note cards have the Lady Godiva Insignia just as pictured above with a metallic silver border at the bottom. They are 5" X 3 1/2", and each card comes with a white envelope. There are also other items for sale such as Lady Godiva Insignia stickers and address labels. They can be ordered as follows:

NOTE CARDS

Lady Godiva Note Cards with Insignia \$25.00 per dozen

STICKERS

1 inch Insignia Circle Stickers (63 per sheet) \$2.50 per sheet

1 1/2 inch Square Insignia (24 per sheet) \$3.00 per sheet

2 inch White Gloss Stickers (12 on a sheet) \$3.00 per sheet

ADDRESS LABELS

1 inch X 2 5/8 inches Lady Godiva Insignia Address Labels (30 per sheet) \$3.00 per sheet

Postage on any or all of the above items plus \$3.00 postage

(Please include \$3.00 per each order of 12 notecards)

Circle the items you want to purchase, and make your check

payable to Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva

Total _____

Please send your order to

Madeline Alworth, Adornment Chairman SDLG
 505 Cumberland Rd.
 Tyler, TX 75703-9325

Email: madeline@alworth.com Phone: (903) 581-7963



Dear Members of the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva,

We are offering these lovely Coats of Arms items as a fund raiser for our Lady Godiva Scholarship. They were designed and painted by our Founding Member Patsy Bass, Medieval Heritage Artist General, and she will be handling the orders. One is for the Kingdom of Mercia (now Coventry, England) where Godiva was born and lived with her husband Leofric, and the other is Thorold, for Lady Godiva and father's family name. They are printed on card stock from Patsy's original paintings and hand tinted by her. The note cards are the same as pictured above. They are 3 1/2" X 5" with a creased frame, and each card comes with a matching white envelope. The Coats of Arms ready for framing and the note cards can be ordered as follows:

NOTE CARDS

Lady Godiva Note Cards with Mercia and/or Thorold \$25.00 per dozen

COATS OF ARMS SUITABLE FOR FRAMING

Coats of Arms for Mercia and/or Thorold 8 1/2 X 11 \$20.00 each
 (If you wish to order another size, please contact Patsy.)
 Postage on any or all of the above items **plus \$2.00 postage**

(Please include \$2.00 per each order of 12 notecards)

Circle the items you want to purchase, and make your check

payable to **Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva**

Total \$ _____

Please send your order to

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Email: patsyannbass@gmail.com Phone: (903) 593-9132



Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva

Insignia Order Form

Member Number _____ Date received: _____
 Recipient: _____
 Address: _____
 Telephone and Email _____

The Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva is a 501c3 non-profit organization. In keeping with this status, all profits from insignia/pin sales will go to our Lady Godiva Scholarship Fund. Thank you for helping to support this worthy cause.

The Lady Godiva Large Insignia and the Lady Godiva Miniature Insignia are very versatile, as they may be worn any time or any place. The Miniature Insignia may be worn by all members with a 4" long, 3/4" wide purple satin ribbon at official meetings. It may also be worn as a lapel pin, pendant, or attached to a branch or a charm bracelet, at official meetings and elsewhere, by all members. The Large Insignia may be worn by all members, at official meetings and elsewhere, as a necklace on a chain or as a lapel pin. A 30" long, 2 1/2" wide purple satin ribbon is available for officers, council members, founding members and charter members, for wearing at official meetings. Officers should wear the 30" ribbon with the Large Insignia at meetings; council members, founding members and charter members may choose to wear the 30" ribbon with the Large Insignia at meetings.



Lady Godiva Large Insignia is 2" double plated die struck embossed soft enamel lapel pin/pendant with gold and silver plating with clear poly coating, safety pin back attachment, custom bail with approximately 1/4" opening centered above the safety pin. The royal purple color of the insignia is Pantone 254C – standard printer's color. The picture shown is lighter than the actual insignia and ribbon.

Lady Godiva Miniature Insignia is similar to the large insignia but is more round in shape and sized 3/4". It is a 3D full relief die struck embossed soft enamel lapel pin/pendant/charm with silver plating and clear poly coating, safety pin back attachment, and custom bail above the safety pin with extra ring for hanging if needed. Orders will be shipped in a bubble wrapped envelope. Please calculate the cost plus \$8 shipping charge for your total order.

Large Insignia	\$40	
30" Neck Ribbon	\$10	
Miniature Insignia	\$30	
Miniature with ribbon	\$40	
Shipping Charge	\$8	\$8.00

TOTAL _____

Please make checks payable to the **Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva**.

Please include the word **Insignia** on the memo line of your check.

Forward orders to:

B. Davine Moore Roberts
 Founding Lady General SDLG
 12567 Percy Lane
 Jacksonville, FL 32218-2337

Any questions or concerns, please email DavineR@aol.com or call 904-766-6182.



Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva
MEMORANDUM TO THOSE INTERESTED IN APPLYING FOR A
SOCIETY OF DESCENDANTS OF
LADY GODIVA SCHOLARSHIP
2022

The Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva is sponsoring a \$500.00 - \$1,000 scholarship to a student or students who are attending an accredited four-year college or university or an accredited community college. The student must be enrolled in college full time and have a 3.0 GPA or above. The student must submit an acceptance letter from their college of choice if they will be a freshman in September, an official transcript of grades of previous year from school attended, two letters of references, a social security number, and a letter telling of his/her aims and ambitions.

The Scholarship Chairman and Committee Members will furnish applications upon request. The application must be completed fully and returned with all the requirements by **November 1, 2022**, to the address below. **The criteria for awarding the scholarship are need, academic merit, extracurricular participation, and community service.** The winner of the scholarship will be announced by **December 1, 2022**. The scholarship will be sent directly to the winning student's college.

If you know someone who is eligible for the Society of Descendants of Lady Godiva scholarship, please have them contact the Scholarship Committee Members for an application:

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