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# The Daughters of the American Revolution

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# I) WHAT IS THE D.A.R. ?

The Daughters of American Revolution is an american society which is reserved for women. The D.A.R was created in 1896, and its motto is "God, home and country". This society also manages six schools because they want the history of Amercia to be taught and preserved.

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Well, the reality is also that it's a conservative organization (not particularly open to members of ethnic minorities). You have to know also that the D.A.R is represented all around the world (in France, Canada, Australia...)

### II) How you can join it

To join this group you have to prove the bloodline of your ancestors and the National Society of D.A.R accepts or turns down your application for membership. To be accepted by this group you must have an ancestor who was :

- -a military veteran of the american Revolution war.
- a civil servant of the american gouvernment during this period.
- a Signatory of the Oath of Allegiance or Oath of Fidelity and support.
- a participant in the Boston tea Party...
- a prisoner of war, a refugee in America or a defender of fortresses and frontiers.
- a doctor or nurse who aided revolutionary casualties
- a minister, a petitioner, or someone who gave material or patriotic support of the revolutionary cause.

# **III) PROMINENT D.A.R MEMBERS**

We're going to give some examples of illustrious members of this movement.

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To start, there is Lilian Gish, who was born in 1933. She was one of the biggest stars of the silent film era.

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There's also Laura Bush who was born in 1946 and who was the First-Lady of the United States during eight years between 2001 and 2009.

#### IV) The D.A.R in France.

In France, there is the "State France society", which is an honorary representative of the D.A.R in France ! This is very important because the French-American alliance was the key factor of the end of the war of Independence ! It was also in France that a treaty was signed to stop this war ! France was also the first country which recognized the United States of America as an independent nation. Therefore we find this representation of the D.A.R in France !!

[http://lyc-george-sand-la-chatre.tice.ac-orleans-tours.fr/eva/sites/lyc-george-sand-la-chatre/local/cache-vignettes/L32 3xH400/\_KGrHqR\_nYFJPFq3okfBS\_UbkENy\_60\_3-523d5.jpg] This is one of the several symbols of the D.A.R. This badge represents a cartwheel, behind which is a flag bearing the name of the D.A.R. member it belongs to . On the top of each spoke of the wheel we find stars which symbolizes the thirteen british colonies before the american Revolution.

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