



U.S. Daughters Of 1812 Proclamation Presented

Ms. Ann S. Williams, Georgia State Society President, U.S. Daughters of 1812, appeared before the July meeting of the Terrell County Board of Commissioners and received a Bicentennial Proclamation for the organization. Chairman Wilbur T. Gamble, asked Ms. Williams to read the proclamation, after which he signed the document, proclaiming this "The War of 1812 Remembrance Year." He noted that he had heard a lot of information about the War of 1812 during the past month, and encouraged citizens to become more knowledgeable of the role the War played in the history of our great nation and citizens of Terrell County. Ms. Williams is a member of the Benjamin Hardin #366 U.S. Daughters of 1812 in Columbus. She was the Organizing President in 2008. Pictured, left to right, are Ms. Williams, Mr. Gamble and County Commission members Ernest Johnson, Larry Faust, Brad Stafford and Lucius Holloway, Sr.

The above article appeared July 19, 2012, in the Dawson News. Thank you Ann.

CHAPTER DONATIONS

Please continue to bring Boxtops and Labels for Education. Please observe expiration dates and don't bring outdated labels.

Also bring your gently read books and magazines for the Merchant Marine Library. Remember—no Romance Novels.



Bring items for the Crossnore Bird Cage this month. See page 4 for suggestions.

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man-of-war it could not out sail and its longer, slimmer hull gave it speed to elude any opponent the captain chose not to engage. Also the extensive use of (Georgia) live oak, five times denser than other oaks and available only in the southeastern United States, in a three-layer closely-spaced design gave the vessel's hull an "iron-like" quality. (Hence "Old Ironsides")

Captain Isaac Hull cunningly maneuvered the ship close to the *Guerriere*, allowing the British to fire first, but on the up roll of the waves, which sent British shot high into Constitution's rigging where it did little damage. The American gunners, by contrast, waited to fire on the down roll, striking *Guerriere*'s hull and masts. The British ship was left unsalvageable and Captain Hull burned it.

Constitution went on to win a series of victories during the war, but the victory over *Guerriere* was vital in establishing the fighting ability of the fledgling U.S. Navy for both its own officers and men and for its British opponents.

Retired from active service in 1881, she served as a receiving ship until designated a museum ship in 1907 and in 1934 she completed a three-year, 90-port tour of the nation.



Constitution sailed under her own power for her 200th birthday in 1997, and again in August 2012, to commemorate the 200th anniversary of her victory over *Guerriere*

Schools Report

The National Society United States Daughters of 1812 endorses four schools—Alice Lloyd College, College of the Ozarks, Hindman Settlement and Crossnore School.

Crossnore School

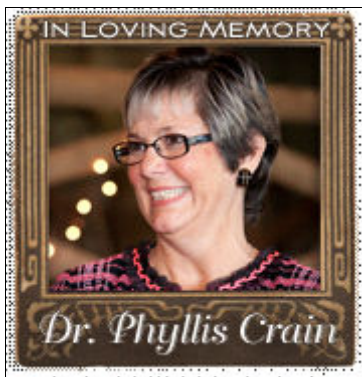
P. O. Box 249, Crossnore, North Carolina 28616-0249; Phone: 828-733-4305, Fax: 828-733-3250; Website: www.crossnoreschool.org.

Approaching the centennial of its founding, the Crossnore School gathers strength from its long history of providing residential education for children in need in a setting of care and focused attention.

The boarding school program at Crossnore School allows for the time and opportunity, and the embracing community, to create a world of trust. Students here discover their special gifts and gain balance. Crossnore is committed to help them graduate and continue their education.

To that end, the Crossnore School continues to have a mission of providing hope and healing in a homelike, residential setting for children from families in crisis.

Visit www.crossnoreschool.org for more information about programs and how we can help. A Christmas wish list for the Bird Cage can be found on page 4 of this newsletter



Gifts to honor Dr. Phyllis H. Crain are best given to serve children through the Phyllis Crain Endowment Fund at The Crossnore School, P.O. Box 249, Crossnore, NC, 28616.



Memorial Day, May 28, 2012

President Kitty Thompkins

participated in a wreath laying ceremony with several lineage societies at Park Hill Cemetery to pay homage to those who have fallen in service to our country.



Georgia State Society USD1812 President Ann Williams at marker dedication

Bicentennial Minute

When the War of 1812 began, the U. S. had only 7,000 men in the regular army. Leadership was woeful. The Secretary of War, William Eustis, was a physician who had tended to the wounded at Bunker Hill during the American Revolution. He knew little about military matters.

The senior officer of the army was another doctor, Major General Henry Dearborn. He, too, had little ability.

William Hall, another Revolutionary hero, was made brigadier general and was sent to march from Detroit into Canada. Hall failed and was forced to surrender. Other disasters followed.

While these discouraging events were occurring on the battlefronts, the presidential election of 1812 took place — the first ever held in wartime. James Madison was re-elected, winning over DeWitt Clinton.

Christmas Presents: The Bird Cage

Many friends like to remember the children at Crossnore School during Christmas with special gifts so they realize people love them, even if they can't be home. The Bird Cage is a storage area for Christmas and birthday gifts for the boys and girls of Crossnore School. It was named years ago when gifts were stored in the attic of the old dining hall-behind a wall constructed of chicken wire. It looked just like a big bird cage! Today our friends still send gifts earmarked "The Bird Cage."

Send your Christmas gift packages for Crossnore Children to:

**The Bird Cage c/o The Crossnore School
100 D.A.R. Drive
PO Box 249
Crossnore, NC 28616**

What Gifts to Send to the Birdcage?

Our children range in age from 2-21, so almost any type of gift is appropriate. Gifts do not need to be expensive, but should be new. Please do not wrap gifts.

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| • After Shaves | • Duffel bags/suitcases | • Picture Frames |
| • Backpacks | • Educational Toys | • Puzzles |
| • Basketballs | • Footballs | • Soccer balls |
| • Bicycle helmets | • Games | • Socks |
| • Bicycles | • Gift Certificates to | • Stationery |
| • Board Games | WalMart/Kmart | • Stuffed Animals |
| • Calculator | • Hair Dryers | • Sweat shirts, sweat pants |
| • Cameras/Film | • Hand held video games | • Sweaters |
| • CD Players | • Handbags | • Table Games |
| • Ceramic Dolls | • Jeans | • Trucks/cars |
| • Coats | • Jewelry | • Umbrellas |
| • Colognes | • Lego | • Underwear/Thermal |
| • Cosmetics | • Blocks | • Wall Hangings |
| • Craft kits | • Model Cars | • Wallets |
| • Curling Irons | • Posters/Books | • Watches |
| • Dolls | • Pajamas/bedroom shoes | • Waterproof gloves |
| | • Photo Albums | |

Children's Favorites: Gift cards of all types, Wal-Mart, Belk, Kmart, Old Navy, JC Penney, Bath & Body Works and phone cards