DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN COLONISTS, TENNESSEE STATE SOCIETY RECORDS, 1932-1985

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Creator:
Daughters of the American Colonists, Tennessee State Society

Inclusive Dates:
1932-1985, bulk 1982-1985

Scope & Content:
This collection includes histories of the Captain Thomas Jameson Chapter, the Chattanooga, Henry County, Clay Lick, Knoxville, Colonel Gideon Macon, Isaac Dawson, Jamestown, McMinnville, Middle Plantation, and Union City Chapters of the Tennessee Society, as well as a history of the state organization. The collection also holds genealogy charts and a program for the State Assembly event that took place in 1959 in McMinnville, Tennessee.

The collection also includes three oversize scrapbooks. The first one, which is indexed, dates from 1932-1982 and includes newspaper clippings and photographs from the various chapters throughout the state. The second is dated 1982 and has a list of the officers and newspaper clippings concerning state chapters. The third scrapbook is dated 1982-1985 and holds a booklet concerning the organization’s history, programs, photographs, lists of chapter officers, and newspaper clippings.

Physical Description/Extent:
3 cubic feet

Accession/Record Group Number:
Ac. No. 94-172; 97-024
Mf. No. 1992
Administrative/Biographical History

The founding of the Daughters of the American Colonists took place at the Planter’s Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri on December 9, 1920, after several members of the Colonial Daughters of the American became dissatisfied with the conduct of the organization. They adopted the name the National Society Daughters of the American Colonists and elected officers and appointed committees. The society was incorporated on April 21, 1921, under a perpetual charter, with the object of banding together women of lineal descent from those men and women who were actual residents of America when it was under British rule.

“The object of this Society shall be Patriotic, Historical and Educational; to make research as to the history and deeds of the American colonists and to record and publish the same; to commemorate deeds of colonial interest; to inculcate and foster love of America and its institutions by all its residents; to obey its laws and venerate its flag—the emblem of its power and civic righteousness.”

The Tennessee State Society of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Colonists was organized on March 8, 1932, in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Today there are nine chapters within the state of Tennessee. The Prudence Hall Chapter of Brentwood; the Chattanooga Chapter; Colonel Gideon Macon Chapter of Jackson; the Captain Jacob Womack Chapter of Johnson City; the Knoxville Chapter; the Jamestown Chapter of Memphis; the Capt. Thomas Jameson Chapter of Murfreesboro; the Middle Plantation Chapter of Nashville; and the Clay Lick Chapter of Springfield.


Organization/Arrangement of Materials

This collection is arranged in alphabetical order.
Conditions of Access and Use

Restrictions on Access:
No restrictions

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Index Terms

Personal Names:
Dawson, Isaac
Jameson, Captain Thomas
Macon, Colonel Gideon

Corporate Names/Organizations/Government Bodies:
Daughters of the American Colonists, Tennessee State Society

Subjects:
United States -- History
Tennessee -- History

Geographic Names:
Brentwood (Tenn.)
Chattanooga (Tenn.)
Henry County (Tenn.)
Jackson (Tenn.)
Jamestown (Tenn.)
Knoxville (Tenn.)
McMinnville (Tenn.)
Murfreesboro (Tenn.)
Nashville (Tenn.)
Union City (Tenn.)
Document Types:
- Clippings
- Genealogies
- Local histories
- Photographs
- Programs
- Scrapbooks

Acquisition and Appraisal

Provenance and Acquisition:
The three scrapbooks were donated by Mary Miles of Union City, Tennessee and the other items were donated by Sue Senter of Nashville, Tennessee.

Processing and Administrative Information

Preferred Citation:
Daughters of the American Colonists, Tennessee State Society, Tennessee State Library and Archives

Processing Information:
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Electronic Location and Access:
Finding Aid Web Address (if Available)
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