



Constitution Week: September 17th-23rd
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*This year Constitution Week will be celebrated
Thursday, September 17, 2020,
through Wednesday, September 23, 2020
This marks the 233rd anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States.*

On September 17, 1787, the delegates to the Constitutional Convention met for the last time to sign the document they had created. We encourage all Americans to observe this important day in our nation's history by attending local events in your area. Celebrate Constitution Day through activities, learning, parades and demonstrations of our love for the United State of America and the blessings of freedom our Founding Fathers secured for us.

The aims of the Constitution Week celebration are to:

- ☒ Emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution.
- ☒ Inform people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
- ☒ Encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

DAR chapters are encouraged to share the meaning and content of the Constitution and the nation's Founders with their communities. Some suggestions for your Chapter's participation are below:

- ☒ Offer support and assistance for an educational program in your local school district. (Schools receiving federal funds are required per federal-spending bill, Public Law 108-447 to offer instruction on the U.S. Constitution each September 17th):
 - ☞ Adopt a classroom, grade or school.
 - ☞ Donate educational supplies for Constitution Week (pocket Constitutions, educational videos and/or books, a Constitution Week celebration, etc.)
 - ☞ Present a program on the Constitution or work with faculty to enhance displays and programs.
 - ☞ Create or help enhance classroom and/or library displays.
- ☒ Raise awareness in your local community:
 - ☞ Place displays in public libraries, churches and other public buildings.
 - ☞ Ask your mayor and/or county judge to sign a Constitution Week Proclamation.
 - ☞ Write articles or letters to the editor to bring awareness to the community and/or submit ads to local newspapers and radio stations.
 - ☞ Ask churches to ring bells at 4:00 p.m. EST on September 17th for "Bells Across America".
- ☒ Encourage your own chapter:
 - ☞ Plan a special program on the Constitution at the September chapter meeting.
 - ☞ Give a Constitution Minute and/or recite the Preamble to the Constitution at chapter meetings.

Visit the National website for further information: <http://members.dar.org/committees/cw/index.htm>

Be sure to report all chapter activities and accomplishments at the end of the year.

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