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## STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All!

My name is Meredith Haynes and I am honored and humbled to be Ohio President for this next year! This year's theme is "Preserving Our Past and Building Our Future" as we raise funds to support the Ohio History Connection.

Ohio History Connection is an organization that works to preserve museums and other places of historical importance all across the buckeye state. OHC is responsible for the upkeep of 58 historic sites/museums within 40 of Ohio's 88 counties.

The breakdown of this is 33 historical sites, 4 natural history sites, 12 museums, 5,000 acres of land, 9 archeological sites, 300 buildings built between 1788-2013, 8 canal locks, 4 major bridges, and 2 boats.

As state president, I believe that there is nothing more important than remembering our past, so that we can honor it better! Ohio History Connection is an organization that believes strongly that history must be well kept and shared among Ohio citizens, beginning with children. Some of the ways they carry out this mission is by educating children with online lessons they create to be used in classrooms.

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## INVITATION

to

*Fall Event*

and

*Conservation Day*

*Ohio State President*

*Meredith Haynes*

and

*Ohio State Senior President*

*Kris Larsen*

*cordially invite you to the*

*Fall Event*

and

*Conservation Day*

*Ohio Society of the Children*

*of the American Revolution*

*November 11, 2023*

*Rutherford B. Hayes*

*Presidential Library and Museum*

*Speigel Grove*

*Fremont, OH 43420*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Fall Event

November 11, 2023  
Rutherford B. Hayes  
Presidential Library  
Fremont, OH

### Winter Board (RSVP: December 24th)

Dec 30, 2023 -or- Jan 6, 2024  
MCL Cafeteria  
Upper Arlington, OH

### Deadline to E-mail National Contest

Entries to [nscarcontests@gmail.com](mailto:nscarcontests@gmail.com)  
March 6, 2024 by 11:59 pm/ 2359 hrs

### 88th State Conference

March 15-17, 2024  
Cincinnati, OH

### National Convention

April 19-21, 2024  
Renaissance Arlington Capital View  
Hotel  
Arlington, VA

## SENIOR STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Members and Seniors,

Summer is almost over, school has begun and I smell a whiff of fall in the air. Our Summer Board has been held and on to our fall and winter schedules. Our First Vice President, Riley Wilkerson, is busy planning our "Preserving the Past and Building the Future" and "Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders" Fall Event. It is going to be a visit to the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library and Museums (RBHPL&M) on 11 November 2023. The RBHPL&M is one of the recipients of Meredith Haynes' state project. The plan is to meet at 10 AM and then do a tour of the house and museum when it is coldest. The next part is to either have lunch first or tour Speigel Grove Arboretum first, then do the other. We are planning to have lunch at a local restaurant, diner or cafeteria. Our visit to the RBHPL&M arboretum will find us cleaning the grounds as we identify some the trees in it.

Winter Board is scheduled for 30 December 2023 in the southeast corner of Ohio. A place is still being decided.

Remember to have your members and seniors log their volunteer hours for our national project. The plan is for all societies that apply for a grant for their



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They are huge promoters of authentically and accurately recounting historical events. OHC catalogs information, quite literally digs it up (archaeological style), and preserves places that are associated with Ohio history. I believe that this project will be a major success and I am very excited that the Ohio Children of the American Revolution members will be able to make a lasting impression across the entire state! I hope that our efforts help other people develop the love for history and passion to explore more places that help make our state so great. I chose this project because I had the privilege to grow up going to museums and traveling to historic sites, which caused me to develop a passion for history. I want to be able to help people know their roots and be able to fall in love with history, just like I did. If you are interested in supporting this year's project, we have two items for sale. The first is a Ohio Burgee pin for \$10 and the second is a special O.S.C.A.R. PuraVida bracelet, also for just \$10!

Since the last edition of The Buckeye Briefs, I have been very busy. After graduating Magna Cum Laude from my high school in May, I headed to Davenport, Iowa, with the State 1 VP, Riley Wilkerson. We had a "great" time at the very first ever Great Lakes/Great Plains (also known as the "Greats") Regional meeting! My next C.A.R. adventure was traveling to Fort Laurens, where I was able to participate in the S.A.R. event that honors the unknown soldiers at Ohio's only Revolutionary War fort! After that, I traveled to Cleveland, Ohio, for this year's Summer



Board Meeting. Summer Board was a blast, and I really enjoyed touring the Rock n' Roll Hall of Fame after the meeting. After all of my C.A.R. fun-filled Summer, I packed up and shipped up to Columbus to move into my dorm at The Ohio State University. I am very excited to be majoring in Public Management, Leadership, and Policy at the John Glenn College of Public Affairs as a Pre-Law student. Aside from officially being a Buckeye like my senior, I am sharing a room with Honorary State President Hannah Moore! I am sure we will have a revolutionary fun freshman year and make some awesome memories.

I hope everyone had a great summer and has an even better school year! I look forward to having a successful year with my fellow O.S.C.A.R. members! I can not wait to see everyone at the Fall Service Project!

#### Quick Facts:

- Ohio History Connection has collected over 700,000 artifacts from Ohio's 88 counties and made them available to the public
- They manage over 50 sites and museums across Ohio
- They create curriculum to be used in classrooms to help children find a passion to learn more about their roots
- They conserve Ohio collections and archives
- OHC works hard to make their information and sites accessible to everyone
- All sites are run by local history groups

SinC.A.R.ly,  
*Meredith Haynes*  
State President



### STATE PROJECT

#### "Preserving the Past and Building Our Future"

I know we all love to visit historical sites! Well this year the theme for the state project is "Preserving the Past and Building the Future." This year's state project has found a new, creative and fun way of teaching us more about Ohio's history. Madam State President Meredith Haynes has created a project to raise money for the Ohio History Connection. The Ohio History Connection preserves and shares Ohio's history and brings it to life. They help fund preservation projects and educational projects around the state. Their website is [www.ohiohistory.org](http://www.ohiohistory.org). On their website you can search for historic sites near you and you can even purchase a passport book for \$5 to stamp when you visit the site. To raise funds to support the Ohio History Connection, we are selling pins that look like the Ohio State flag for \$10 and Pura Vida bracelets for \$10. Please reach out to a state officer if you would like to purchase some to support the state project.

Riley Wilkerson, age 16  
State Project Chairman,  
Fort Washington Society



## 2023-2024 NATIONAL THEME and PROJECT

This year's National Project: "Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders."

If there is one thing Ohio is known for, it is our rich agriculture heritage! This year's national project is called "Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders." Our National President for 2023-2024 is Madam National President Victoria Smith from Texas. This year's national project is centered on cultivating tomorrow's leader by promoting leadership skills throughout the year. We are also promoting community service. Every society is encouraged to participate in community service activities and to track your hours for the year!

The project also plans to raise money to restore the first report of the USDA. Do you know what the USDA is? Well, it is the United States Department of Agriculture. Their job is to help consumers and farmers to make sure our food resources are safe and plentiful. The USDA is very important to our country since we were built on a rich agricultural heritage.

The national project also will help raise money to restore President Abraham Lincoln's leather bag that the first USDA report was carried in. To help support the National Project's goals, you can go to the [www.NSCAR.org](http://www.NSCAR.org) website and purchase items to support the project. You can also find the National Program Packet on the website to start working on contests for the year!

Riley Wilkerson, age 16  
State National Project Chairman  
Fort Washington Society

### MEMBERSHIP

Increasing membership is the top priority of the National Society and is really important to the State Society also. Right now where I live I can look out the window and see the corn and soybeans growing in the fields. We can be just like farmers by cultivating prospective members and inviting them to our fun and educational society meetings. Help Cultivate Tomorrow's Leaders!

Tanner King, Age 15  
State Membership Chairman  
Mary Sherman Hayes Society



### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

#### Little Mountain Society

Jessica Groetz  
Julia Groetz  
Justine Groetz  
Jun-He Groetz  
Rachel Talbott  
Richard Talbott

### THE NATIONAL MERIT AWARD – GO FOR GOLD!

Want to brag about your society? Go for gold! The program packet for this year's national Project "Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders" is available on the [www.NSCAR.org](http://www.NSCAR.org) website under the National Program and Project tab. Your society can download the guidelines for participating in the National Merit Award contest and all of the other contests. Even if your society can not meet all of the requirements to earn the Gold Award, you can still participate in the Red, Blue or Participation Awards. The goal is to encourage all societies to take part in some way and share your activities with others! Check out the list of requirements and talk with your society members about going for gold!

Riley Wilkerson, age 16  
National Merit Award Chairman



### LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Birth Year	Dues	
	National	State
2002*	\$20.00	\$3.00
2003	\$32.00	\$6.00
2004	\$48.00	\$9.00
2005	\$64.00	\$12.00
2006	\$80.00	\$15.00
2007	\$96.00	\$18.00
2008	\$112.00	\$21.00
2009	\$128.00	\$24.00
2010	\$144.00	\$27.00
2011	\$160.00	\$30.00
2012	\$176.00	\$33.00
2013	\$192.00	\$36.00
2014	\$208.00	\$39.00
2015	\$224.00	\$42.00
2016	\$240.00	\$45.00
2017	\$256.00	\$48.00
2028	\$272.00	\$51.00
2019	\$288.00	\$54.00
2020	\$304.00	\$57.00
2021	\$320.00	\$60.00
2022	\$336.00	\$63.00
2023	\$352.00	\$66.00

\* Dues for National and Ohio State for the final year of membership is always \$20 and \$3 respectively as there are no future payments to be made. Please let the Senior State Treasurer know if you have submitted Life Membership dues for National or Ohio State.

Send State Life Membership dues to:

Senior State Treasurer  
Melissa Simmons  
2822 Stonebridge Drive  
Troy, OH 45373-5431

### NATIONAL and STATE LIFE MEMBERSHIP

This is something to think about before paying your State and National dues this year. Consider Life Membership. Life Membership means that you don't have to remember to pay your dues to your Society before the deadline. In order to be a State Life Member you must also be a National Life Member. Look closely at the chart and you will see that for National Life Membership you only pay \$16 a year instead of twenty! That's a deal considering it also protects you from possible dues increases. A member must have two or more years of eligible membership to get the discounted rate.

Tanner King, Age 15  
State Membership Chairman  
Mary Sherman Hayes Society



**C.A.R  
MAGAZINE and NEWSLETTER**

Dear Members,

Have you seen the latest issue of the CAR magazine?! There are so many great articles, pictures, peewee activities, and information about upcoming events. It is the best way to learn about the candidates running for national office before meeting them in Washington, D.C.

My sister and I always look forward to seeing the new issue arrive in the mailbox. If you haven't checked it out lately, you should consider subscribing.

Will Meade, age 16  
State Magazine  
and Newsletter Chairman  
Fort Washington Society

**MIAMISBURG MOUND**

The Adena American Indian Mound is one of the largest conical mounds in Eastern North America. Excavations made in 1869 showed that the mound was built in several stages over a period of time, there is a layer of stone slabs layered like shingles 24 feet below the surface, showing that the mound once had a stone outside!

When I went there it was really fun to climb all the way to the top of the mound. They have put in stairs but it was still really hard. At the top is a really good view and you can see around for miles! At the bottom there is an information stand where you can read about the mound.

Francesca  
Simmons,  
age 11  
State Historian  
Fort Pickawillany  
Society



**WHAT'S IN YOUR  
PIN COLLECTION?  
LIBRARY FUND PIN**

Have you looked at your collection of C.A.R. pins lately? Does it include the N.S.C.A.R. Library Fund Pin? If it does, congratulations and I encourage you to read about all the other cool pins. If it doesn't, then you need to buy the Library Fund Pin right away so you can support the N.S.C.A.R. Library.

Madeline Simmons, age 9  
State Librarian  
Fort Pickawillany Society

**FALL EVENT-SAVE THE DATE!**

After 40 plus years of attending the Summer Board at Glen Helen, Glen Helen has decided to not rent out their facilities to youth groups any longer. So we are making new plans for a fall event! This year, Madam State President Meredith Haynes wanted to make the effort to visit other parts of Ohio and try to encourage societies to meet members from other societies. This summer we traveled to Cleveland and had our Summer Board Meeting at the Shaker Village Historical Society, dinner at the Haunted House Restaurant and visited the Rock n Roll Hall of Fame. We were able to meet members from the Anna Maria Hudson Society.

For our Fall Event, we are planning on traveling to northwest Ohio. Plans are being made to have a fall event on Veterans Day! Finalized plans will be sent out via email and Facebook. We are planning a trip to the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library and Homestead.

Please mark your calendars for November 11th!

Riley Wilkerson  
State First Vice President  
Shannon Wilkerson  
Senior State First Vice President



# Help Mountain School Children Read C.A.R. Member's Favorite Books!



We would like the children attending DAR Mountain Schools to read books from the C.A.R. America 250! List of Historical Books. If you use the QR Code to reach the Amazon shopping list, you can make purchases that will be shipped directly to your favorite school. You don't need to worry about anything, only donating!

**Amazon Booklist link for  
Kate Duncan Smith School**



**Amazon Booklist link for  
Hillside School**



**Amazon Booklist link for  
Crossnore School**



**Amazon Booklist link for  
Hindman School**



**Thank you,  
Sam Schenck, National Librarian - Bridget Green, National Library Advisory Committee Chairman**

## C.A.R. ROOMMATES!

Aside from being your O.S.C.A.R. President this year, I am also a freshman at The Ohio State University. I am majoring in Public Management, Leadership, and Policy through the John Glenn college of Public Affairs on the Pre-Law track. Although I have not been living on campus for very long,

I have some super cool things I want to share with you about my time there so far! First of all, I am so super excited to be rooming with Honorary State President Hannah Moore! As if this could not be any better, we are living in Lincoln Tower! I think that this is perfectly fitting for two C.A.R. girls when the national project just so happens to be centered around former President Abraham Lincoln! Did you know that Abraham Lincoln was a lawyer? Hannah and I are

both Pre-Law students, so this is just perfect! Also, being within the John Glenn College of Public Affairs, I thought this fitting because Annie and John Glenn's house is an Ohio History Connection destination! Aside from being a former Senator and astronaut, Mr. Glenn actually worked at Page Hall, home of the JGC!

Hannah and I recently attended our first Buckeye football game in The 'Shoe, and we had a blast! If you ever find yourself in our state's capitol, take a drive around the beautiful campus! Stop by and say hi!

Meredith Haynes





# Congratulations to Ella Williams, Great Lakes Regional VP, On a wonderful Regional Meeting!





# C.A.R. Travels across the Great State of Ohio!



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