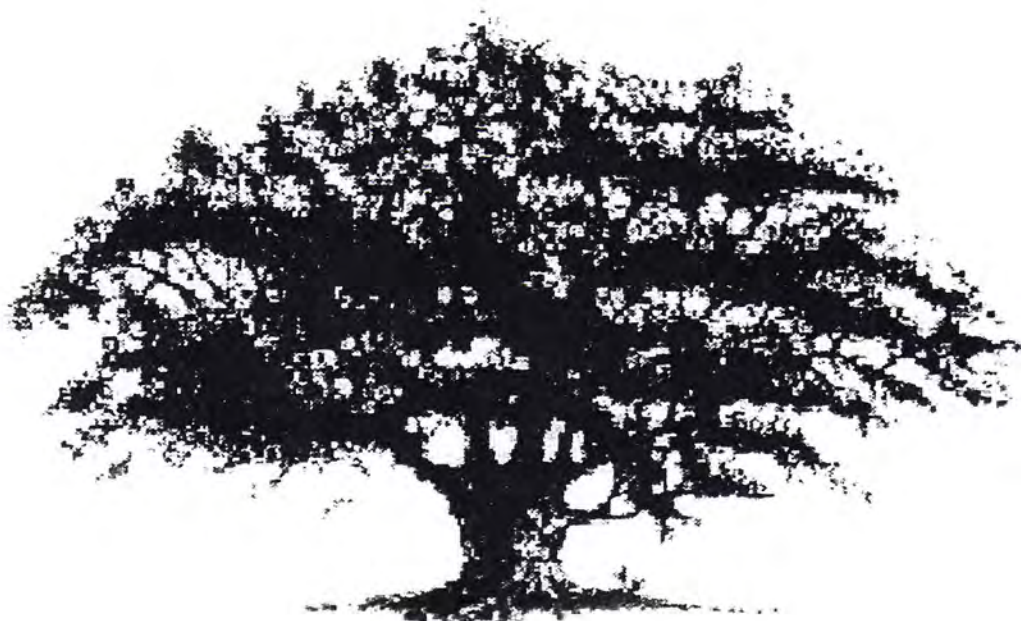


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MONTHLY MEETING DATE

Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month from September to May at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Smoky Hill Museum Building.

President's Message

Dear SVGS Friends,

I apologize for being so tardy in getting out this issue of the *Tree Climber*. Now that life is getting back to our “new normal,” I'm hopeful that I can resume most of my duties with SVGS.

I'd like to take this opportunity to say a big “THANK YOU” to my fellow SVGS Board members! During the five months that I was absent with my husband's illness, Nanc Scholl, Kathy McCullough, Janet Flickinger, Sandy Farrell, and Sue Harmon took up the reins and kept the Society going and the library open. They will never know how much I appreciated their help!

I'd also like to thank all the members who sent cards, emails, Facebook messages, and called me while I was away. Your love, support, and prayers helped us get thru 75 days at KU Medical Center and the 6 weeks at the rehab facility here in Salina.

I am happy to report that my husband is home and doing well. It's been slow going, but after two major surgeries within two months and complications that we never dreamed of, he is back to doing some of the things that he enjoys. Thankfully for him, he has no memory of most of his time at KU Medical Center.

This entire experience humbled me and also made me appreciate how fragile life is. More than once, my husband's life hung in the balance and it's due to the wonderful love, care, and experience that the doctors and nurses at KU Medical Center have and share so willingly, that my husband is with me today. I made many wonderful new friends, but I missed my SVGS family.

Again, “Thank You” one and all!

Sincerely,

Mary Jane McIntire,
Pres. SVGS

Daughters of the American Revolution

DAR Motto: God, Home and Country

The DAR, founded in 1890 and headquartered in Washington, D.C., is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children.

DAR members volunteer millions of service hours annually in their local communities including supporting active duty military personnel and assisting veteran patients, awarding thousands of dollars in scholarships and financial aid each year to students, and supporting schools for underserved children with annual donations exceeding one million dollars.

As one of the most inclusive genealogical societies in the country, DAR boasts 180,000 members in 3,000 chapters across the United States and internationally. Any woman 18 years or older- regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background-who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution, is eligible for membership.

Smoky Valley Genealogical Society was given permission to share the following pages of the charter memberships of the Salina DAR Chapter. The Mary Wade Strother Chapter, DAR, was organized on October 9, 1922 with 33 members. The following history of the chapter is printed in their yearbook.

Mary Wade Strother Chapter, DAR

The Organizing Regent of this Chapter, Grace Lesta Snyder, was a lady of unusual charm and intelligence, a lady highly respected by other organizing Charter members. Snyder was a descendent of John and Mary Willis Wade Strother, early settlers in Virginia's Rappahannock Valley, where they built their home "Wadefield." John Strother served as an officer during the American Revolution. He held his wife in high and tender esteem and exacted from all his household that they treat her with the deference due a woman of such noble character. When Mary Wade married, she brought a tiny pear tree to her new home, and from a branch of this same tree was carved the gavel used by the Regents of Mary Wade Strother Chapter today.



Mary Wade Stothard Chapter, Salina, Kans.

12 W. R.

Charter Members Organized Oct. 9, 1923

1	185416	Mary Armstrong	Salina	
2	183833	Salina in P. Quinn	Starkton	
3	185024	Boral Courtney Carter	Jonathan R.	unrecorded
4	187846	Bessie K. Patterson		
5	187829	Mary Cobb	James Wilkey	
6	189383	Ella A. Cobb	M. L.	
7	173548	Carrie Belle Wilton Adlark	Geo. H.	deceased
8	184582	Mary Emma Hamilton		
9	187830	Lady Herrick		
10	159942	Opaline Leibel Higley		
11	167436	Rachel Edith Higley		
12	181150	Milla A. Lapack	Wm. L.	
13	148183	Anna Campbell Mrs. Conchie	L. H.	
14	143359	Hattie Gertrude Hank McArthur	Arthur	
15	126563	Hannah Alta Land Melick		
16	141172	Lola Lucile West Mayhew	Bergin	
17	176226	Georgia Belle Hadlock Morton	John W.	
18	183815	Harriet Robbins Mason	Howard	
19	183616	Flora Marie Needles	Walter	
20	185417	Barbara Marie Stacord	Ed. A.	
21	182159	Hattie Lois Whitene Reed	Erny Burr	
22	187731	Egna Leath Riceley	Edw. L.	
23	181155	Russella Rusty Riceley	Levy L.	
24	135043	Jan Conylie Shornaker	John A.	
25	199798	Maria Smith		
26	185418	Edna Myrtle Smith		
27	94795	Grace Sara Snyder	Robt. W.	

Mary Wade Strother Chapter, Salina Kans.

L. Q. R.

Chapter Members Organized Oct. 1, 1922

28	188702	Mrs. Ray Lomce	Chas. F.	Salina	
29	179357	Margaret Alice Spaulding		Chillicothe	Marjorie
30	101265	Louise Gary Spaulding	Richard J.	Salina	
31	187332	Belle Burr Latham	Jesse	Salina	
32	176847	Edith Clarke Weller	A. Wallace	24 East West	Autism
33	183831	Mary Maude Standen-Walkey	Arthur	Autism	

DAUGHTERS of the AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Mary Wade Strother Chapter

Salina Kansas

MEMBERS

CHURCH AFFILIATION

Miss Amy Armstrong	Methodist
Miss Elinor Barber	Baptist
Mrs Anna Baumgartner	Baptist
Miss Florence Bond	Lutheran
Mrs Iva Brock	Presbyterian
Mrs Evelyn Cockey	Episcopal
Mrs Louise Deeble	Congregational
Mrs Julia Eckelman	Lutheran
Mrs Fannie Faulkner	Presbyterian
Mrs Etta Cochran Felt	Presbyterian
Miss Lucy Fletcher	Methodist
Mrs Martin Toliver Coke	Episcopal
Miss Hattie Hynes	Presbyterian
Mrs Lucille Johnson	Christian
Mrs Elizabeth Kuhn	Methodist
Mrs Jennette Langal	Lutheran
Mrs Alice Larsen	Baptist
Miss Jessie Lewis	Presbyterian
Mrs Myra Lowan	Methodist
Miss Anna C. Marlin	Presbyterian
Miss Kate E. Miles	Presbyterian
Miss Genie L. Moore	Baptist
Mrs Lola Monahan	Baptist
Mrs Clara Morley	Christian
Mrs Harriet Moses	Unitarian
Mrs Essie Nesmith	Methodist
Mrs Katie C. Noss	Lutheran
Mrs Elizabeth Palmer	Congregational
Miss Sarah Peters	Methodist
Mrs Sarah Pierce	Methodist
Mrs Leila Spearwin	Attends Methodist

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Mrs Jessie Short	Presbyterian
Mrs Addie Shuler	Methodist
Mrs Cartrude Spangler	Episcopal
Mrs Lucy Surface	Presbyterian
Mrs Ina VanTrine	Methodist
Miss Elizabeth Waite	Methodist
Mrs Emeretta Weingarber	Presbyterian

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Miss Edna Maude Smith	Congregational
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NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS

Miss Nettie Bates	Methodist
Miss Grace Dinsmoor	
Mrs Ella Divalbliss	
Mrs Dorothy Greer	
Miss Caroline Higby	Methodist
Mrs Beatrice Hamilton	
Mrs Bessie Hill	
Mrs Marie Kynar	Presbyterian
Miss Lora Mendenhall	Methodist
Miss Lora Mansfield	Evangelical

50 Year Reunion of Salina High School Class of 1927

Maiden Name	Given Name	Married Name	Page #
Snyder	Orville		1
Alman	Frances	Oswald	20
Bauchop	Emily	Frisbie	18
Bessley	Beulah		2
Blount	Myrtle	Wells	29
Camp	Veryl	Philow	13
Constable	Ethel	Alley	10
Cumbow	Marie	Hart	10
Curry	Clara	Kirtland	22
Eberhart	Bill		28
Felt	Bobbie	Lattin	9
Felder	Chuck		8
Goodholm	Milton		17
Haag	Oliver		16
Hansen	Clara	McMichael	5
Hawk	Margaret	Williamson	11
Inscho	Catherine	Spencer	27
Kanak	Victor		21
Kohr	Howard		18
Lawson	Fwen	Hobbs	7
McArthur	Anna	Buhler	30
Olson	Virgil		4
Pyle	Louise	Murry	12
Rathbun	Mary Ellen	Baer	30
Rhoades	Paul		19
Scroggins	Matilda	Green	15
Seifert	Mable	Penninger	23
Shepherd	Roy		21
Snyder	Orville		1
Stolz	Alberta	Hinkle	20
Taggart	Lloyd		25
Terry	Paul		24
Timbers	Opal	Still	6
Waring	Walter Wray		8
Weaverling	Carol		3
Whitney	Nona Estelle	Clifton	26
Zill	Margaret	Hardie	14

Eighteenth
Annual Commencement
of
The Salina High School
at the
Opera House,
Friday Evening, May 31, 1895,
8 O'clock

* * "Plus Ultra." * *

Class of '95.

Pupils.	Themes.
Thomas Anderson, . .	"Nothing Exists for Itself Alone."
Daisy Bush.....	"Advantages of Intellectual Culture."
Lizzie Cumbow.....	"A Plea for Mrs. VanWinkle."
Genie DePriest.....	"The Reign of the Glittering."
Eli Dessery.....	"The American Press."
Mamie Dow.....	"Prejudice."
Frank Eberhardt.....	"Capital Punishment."
Lulu Garverich.....	"One Day."
Bruce Gemmill.....	"Electrical Progress."
Maggie Hartman.....	"Lights along the Shore."
Alice Hemphill.....	"Thoughts on Woman."
* Emma Neff.....	"The Elements of Poetry."
Stella Nothstein.....	"The Philosophy of Laughter."
Fannie Ransom.....	"Multum in Parvo."
Lizzie Sorter.....	"E. P. Roe's Heroines."
Minnie York.....	"Character of Portia."

* Excused from participation in the commencement exercises.

Board of Education.

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Principal High School.

Program.

INVOCATION,
Rev. H. M. Oberholzer.

Music, Piano Solo—"La Harpe Eolienne," . . .	STELLA NOTHSTEIN.
ESSAY—"Multum in Parvo,"	FANNIE RANSOM.
THESIS—"Electrical Progress,"	BRUCE GEMMILL.
Music, Piano Solo—"The Ripple,"	MINNIE YORK.
ESSAY—"E. P. Roe's Heroines,"	LIZZIE SORTER.
ORATION—"The Reign of the Glittering," . . .	GENIE DePRIEST.
Music, Vocal Solo—"A Winter Lullaby," . . .	LIZZIE CUMBOW.
ESSAY—"Lights along the Shore,"	MAGGIE HARTMAN.
THESIS—"Nothing Exists for Itself Alone," . .	THOMAS ANDERSON.
Music, Piano Solo—"Polonaise,"	DAISY BUSH.
	FRANK EBERHARDT.
ESSAY—"Thoughts on Woman,"	ALICE HEMPHILL.
DECLAMATION—"Jimmy Butler and the Owl" . . .	ELI DESSERTY.
Music, Vocal Trio—"I Wait for Thee," . . .	FANNIE RANSOM.
	STELLA NOTHSTEIN.
	LIZZIE CUMBOW.
ESSAY—"Prejudice,"	MAMIE DOW.
ORATION—"One Day,"	LULU GARVERICH.

PRESENTATION OF CLASS

By the Superintendent.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS,
L. A. Davis, President Board of Education.

BENEDICTION,
Rev. T. V. Davies.

Rain, Rain Go Away, Come Again Another Day

With all the storms and heavy rains in our area recently, we decided to take a look back to May 1903. Salina was devastated with flood waters, but we were not the only community affected. Abilene, Manhattan, and Topeka all were hit with high water. The short summary below tells about how badly Abilene, KS was hit with the rising waters.

The following is taken from the Abilene Reflector of June 2: "A furious flood swept Abilene. The city suffered a loss of over \$100,000. Mud Creek tears its way through the town. Hundreds of cellars were filled. Sherwood Murphy drowned. On Monday night a tremendous rain fell extending northwest of the city and sent Mud Creek out of its banks and into the lower part of the town but quickly receded. On Tuesday was more rain with hail and all the terrifying accompaniments of the cyclone to add to the people's alarm. Wednesday was pleasant except for brief showers but the Smoky continued to rise. Thursday, May 28, broke lowering and dark. By 9 o'clock lamps were necessary. Court adjourned and business was practically suspended. A drenching downpour fell the entire day. Over the Smoky Hill valley it extended, reaching its greatest force between Salina and Manhattan. At 3 o'clock the next afternoon the water was three feet deep at Fourth and Broadway. From 9 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. the rain fairly darkened the sky, then slowed for a time, after which it resumed active operations that continued until midnight. Just how much rain fell in those 12 hours no one will ever know, but certainly not less than 10 or 12 inches. At 7 o'clock the water was 16 inches deep on the crossing, two minutes later it was three feet deep on the same crossing. At 10 o'clock the water reached its highest point and stood for a time, after which it receded rapidly. During the 12 hours that the water flowed through the town the current was so swift that a strong man could not breast it. At its deepest point on West Fourth street near Broadway, it was 6 to 8 feet deep. It filled to some extent every basement and cellar on the townsite. In the Reflector office the water touched the ceiling in the press room. In the Chronicle and News offices a similar condition existed. As the water weakened the foundation of the three-story block at Third and Cedar streets, it collapsed into a heap of debris."



Wrecked buildings on corner of Fourth and Cedar streets at Abilene, Kan., caused by the flood.

View of Santa Fe track between Abilene and Enterprise during the flood.