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## Mission & Membership

Established in 1939, NSCAC endeavors to support patriotic and educational projects and to preserve Colonial history. Membership is open to youth age birth through twenty-one who are descendants of an ancestor who rendered civil or military service to any of the colonies prior to July 4, 1776. Members receive training in parliamentary law and leadership, conduct business meetings, and participate in patriotic events and historic preservation through State and National Society Activities, Committees, and Projects. A one-time application/membership fee includes membership to age 22, a membership certificate, and the bi-annual newsletter, *Colonial Herald*. The newsletter conveys news, information, and notification of meetings, including the annual General Assembly National Meeting.

**Motto:** "Onward and Upward"

**Colors:** White and Gold

**Emblem:** Winged Eagle centered against a Maltese Cross

## Purpose

To train young people who are descendants whose ancestors lived in the Colonies to honor their colonial ancestors and to train them in parliamentary law, in conducting business meetings, and in promoting patriotism in the community and the nation.

## NSCAC 2010-2011



**Special Collections  
Research Center**  
Earl Gregg Swem Library  
at the  
College of William and Mary

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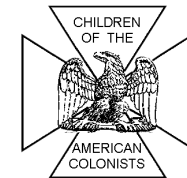
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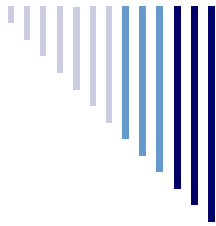


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2010-2011 National Project

**Special Collections Research Center**

**Earl Gregg Swem Library**

**College of William and Mary**

**Williamsburg, Virginia**

**<http://swem.wm.edu/scre/>**

**Goal of the 2010-2011 National Project:**

**Raise funds to benefit the Special Collections Research Center of the Earl Gregg Swem Library which will preserve and restore historical documents (letters) that relate to early Colonial life in the United States.**

The National Project will benefit the “Special Collections Research Center” of the Earl Gregg Swem Library called the “jewel in the crown” of the College of William and Mary. The Special Collections houses over 3 million pieces of historical papers and documents. Money is always needed to assist in the preservation and restoration of documents from the founding of our Nation. Funds raised from this project will be used to preserve and restore historical documents (letters) that relate to early Colonial life in the United States.

**Objects**

The objects of this Society shall be patriotic and educational: to commemorate deeds of historic interest; to inculcate and foster the love of America and of its institutions by all its residents; to base eligibility to membership upon lineal descent from those men and women who were residents of America when it was under foreign government as colonies and who rendered civil or military service in any American colony prior to 4 July 1776 and to preserve our Colonial heritage.

**Organization Structure**

The Children of the American Colonists is a kindred organization to the Daughters of the American Colonists and the Sons of the American Colonists. The National Organization consists of the Adult Advisory Council and the members. The Adult Advisory Council is elected for a period of two years. Members hold office for one year. The Adult Advisory Council Officers and the corresponding member Officers work together to promote the work of their respective offices. The National Society holds its General Assembly annually in June to receive reports, conduct business, and hold elections. State Societies provide the link between National and the members throughout the country.

**Leadership**

NSCAC is incorporated and operates as an organization separately from any other patriotic organization, but it cooperates with organizations whose purposes and objects are similar. It is dependent upon the NSDAC and NSSAC members to furnish it with leadership and advice in Adult Advisory Council offices. Each CAC officer or chairman has a corresponding Adult Advisor to assist with information regarding the duties of the office/chairmanship and guidance with annual report preparation, parliamentary procedures, and proper protocol.

**Life Promoters**

Individuals interested in ensuring the continued success of NSCAC are encouraged to become Life Promoters. The Life Promoter Fee is a one-time donation of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). A Life Promoter Pin is included, suitable to wear on sash, lapel or tie, a certificate, and the bi-annual copy of the *Colonial Herald* newsletter. Life Promoters are recognized at the General Assembly, both new and current, in the Assembly program.

**Patrons**

NSCAC programs may also be supported through General Assembly Patron donations and/or National Project Patron donations; details are published annually in the spring issue of the *Colonial Herald* newsletter, and donors listed in the General Assembly Program.

*Your financial support of NSCAC through Life Promoter and Patron donations ensures the continuance of excellent patriotic and historic programs for its members.*

**General Assembly**

The annual NSCAC General Assembly is held traditionally in June on Father's Day weekend, with location rotating among host cities of historical significance throughout the United States. The General Assembly consists of a business session on Saturday morning, a historical tour in the afternoon, and a formal banquet on Saturday evening followed by a time of fellowship. Members arriving on Friday have an opportunity to meet and enjoy fellowship time with optional events, such as swimming, games, or other special activities in the conference city.