

## How to become a member of the NSCDA

- The first step is to contact Patty Michl, **Membership Chair at [vtslp@me.com](mailto:vtslp@me.com).**
- She and her committee will help fill out your lineage papers.
- This requires establishing your lineage to someone in a Colonial State who provided service to our country prior to 1776.
- There are 13 Colonial States and the District of Columbia.
- Once complete, your papers will go to the Vermont Registrar, who, if she finds them in order, will forward them to your Colonial State.
- Once approved by the Colonial State, you will be given a number. This number will have an "A" for Associate Member.
- The Vermont Registrar will assign a VT membership number, and then you are a Vermont Dame!
- Vermont is your Corporate State.
- There are fees for genealogical research at the Colonial state level as well as a one time Vermont initiation fee.
- Annual dues are collected each January.



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*Entrusted With History's Future*

The National Society  
of The Colonial  
Dames of America  
in Vermont

Website for Vermont: [nscdavermont.org](http://nscdavermont.org)

Website for National: [nscda.org](http://nscda.org)

Facebook: NSCDA Members

The National Society is comprised of Corporate Societies in 43 States and the District of Columbia. A women's lineage society whose membership is limited to those whose line of ascent can be traced to men and women who rendered service in the Colonial States prior to 1776.

## Programs Supported Nationally

- **Dumbarton House**  
The National Headquarters of the NSCDA in Washington DC, which supports the Corporate Societies and their members.  
[Dumbarton House](#)



- **Sulgrave Manor**  
The ancestral home of George Washington's Forebearers. Located in Northamptonshire England. Saved and supported by donors from both the UK and the United States.  
<https://sulgravemanor.org.uk/>



- **Gunston Hall**  
Home of George Mason – a planter and constitutional theorist, and best known for his proposal of the Bill of Rights at the Constitutional Convention of 1787.  
[Homepage - George Mason's Gunston Hall](#)



## Mission Statement

The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America actively promotes our national heritage through historic preservation, patriotic service and educational projects.

## A Brief History

The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America promotes appreciation for the people, places and events that led to the formation and development of our country. We are an unincorporated association of Corporate Societies in 44 states with more than 15,000 members. The NSCDA has been a leader in the field of historic preservation, restoration and the interpretation of historic sites since its New York Society first undertook the preservation of the Van Cortlandt House in 1897. The National Society headquarters is located at Dumbarton House, a Federal period house museum on Q Street NW in Washington, D.C.

## Great American Treasures

<https://nscda.org/great-american-treasures/> Great American Treasures are stories – BIG and small – of how America became America. At our more than 60 historic sites, you'll meet heroes and scoundrels, pioneers and patriots, and the everyday folk you won't find on stamps or in history books – people who made indelible contributions to the world we know. And best of all, you'll meet them in their natural surroundings.

## Programs in Vermont

### The Veterans History Project

Vermont Dames are interviewing Veterans who want to record their military story to be archived at the Library of Congress.

[About | Veterans History Project | Programs | Library of Congress \(loc.gov\)](#)

### Margraten Cemetery

The Netherlands American Cemetery and Memorial is the only American Military cemetery in the Netherlands where rest 8,288 of our military dead. The NSCDA-VT supports this cemetery each year with a wreath for the men and four floral decorations for the women. [Netherlands American Cemetery | American Battle Monuments Commission \(abmc.gov\)](#)

### Special Programs

Book Club via Zoom  
Programs of Historic Interest  
Meeting w/ New Hampshire Dames

## Also In Vermont

- Since 1960 Vermont Dames have supported the Regional History Room in the Bennington Museum. <https://benningtonmuseum.org/visit/regional-history-room/>
- In 2018 the Vermont Society won the National Lamar Award for an oral history titled "The Dames" produced in conjunction with the Vermont Folklife Center. <https://www.vtfolklife.org> and search dames
- More examples at: <https://www.nscdavermont.org/>