

Outline of 8 DAR/SAR 125th Anniversary Events Across Montana

We are working to plan not only our 125th Anniversary State Conference in Helena April 25-27, but also a series of eight 125th Anniversary events with lots of local publicity to help teach history, American principles and DAR/SAR that might grow our membership, too. We need local contacts /coordinators, period clothes, help with publicity and volunteers to help!!

April 25-27 - Helena 125th Anniversary tree planting at Capitol, rededication of the Liberty Bell, Opening Reception at MHS and State Conferences of both DAR and SAR State Societies

May 11 - Missoula 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Bitter Root Chapter, NSDAR

May 27 or 30 East Helena Memorial Day Parade with Guardian Chapter SAR Don Reed driving the 125 Float

June open--possible FLAG Day **June 14** in Helena with Don Reed driving the 125 Float to the Commemorative Park-- & possible Gates of the Mountains rededication of the L&C Expedition Marker at the Meriwether Campgrounds

July 4 - Fort Missoula 3rd Annual SAR/DAR reenactment Declaration of Independence and US Constitution information DAY

July 19-21 - Bannack Days We will set up to campsites Friday morning July 19 and have a dress rehearsal of all named players and other DAR/SAR members who wish to contribute on Friday afternoon. The names players would attend the Friday evening potluck dinner for BD volunteers.

We would perform Skit 1 several times on Sat July 20 and Sun July 21: "The Saving of Bannack" Elfreda Woodside (Dillon Chapter Regent) takes out a personal loan and Saves Bannack. Janice Hand will play Elfreda and her husband, Rick, will play her husband. Warren, you could play either the banker friend or the landowner to whom Elfreda goes to make the purchase and Save Bannack. Lori, you could play one of Elfreda's Dillon Chapter officers who questions her boldness and then ends up supporting her.

We would perform Skit 2 several times on Sat and Sun: A historic re-enactment of the "Dedication of the Anaconda Company DAR Marker at Bannack" with two flags, bugle call, invocation, national anthem, greetings from the chapter regent, speech by Elfrieda, speech to thank Anaconda Co manager for donating the 12 DAR Markers for sites all across Montana including this one, reply by Anaconda Co. Manager, presentation of the plaque by State Regent (me), acceptance of the Marker by the Lt. Governor of Montana (I think he was the one), rest of program, and Benediction.

Paperwork description and registration must all be filed naming major members of troupe re-enactors before APRIL 1 so we do not have too much time. See more at <http://bannack.org/bannack-days>. Preliminary names may be struck and substitutes added closer to the date.

All those bringing replica firearms must attend mandatory training either p.m. Friday evening or a.m. Saturday morning August - Vacation?

September 17 - Constitution Day across the State

October open

November open

December 14 - Great Falls, Meadowlark Country Club 100th Anniversary of Black Eagle-Assiniboine Chapter & possible re-enactment of the Marker at the Great Falls, visit to Veterans Memorial