

Ursula Wolcott–Black Swamp Chapter

NSDAR Regular Monthly Minutes

Fort Meigs – May 9, 2026

Program and Speaker

Today's meeting was held at Fort Meigs in Perrysburg, Ohio. Judy Myerholtz presented a program on Juliette Gordon Low, best known as the founder of the Girl Scouts of America. Juliette Gordon Low was also related to our chapter's founder, Ursula Wolcott.

Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Ursula Wolcott–Black Swamp Chapter, NSDAR, was called to order by Regent Amy Bates at 1:03 p.m. on Saturday, May 9, 2026. Regent Bates, accompanied by Mary Robinson, led the chapter in the opening ritual, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the American's Creed.

Communications and Announcements

Key communications were emailed to all members before the meeting, including the President General's Message, Indian Minute, Constitution Minute, Military Minute, Conservation Minute, and E Pluribus Unum Minute.

Attendance and Introductions

Fifteen members attended the meeting, including Lynn Rashleigh, Sharon Demuth, and Linda Wentzel via Zoom. The chapter was also joined by two prospective members, Jennifer Galliers and Cheryl Keller.

Approval of the Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Joan Drill presented the Treasurer's Report. Deb Warner moved to accept the report, and Teresa Smith seconded the motion. The report was filed and accepted by the chapter.

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes from the April meeting had been distributed prior to the meeting. Ann Krause moved to accept the minutes, and Sharon Demuth seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by the chapter.

Old Business

- Wolf's Berries and Blooms "Pot-a-Plant" evening was attended by eight members.
- DAR Day at Way Public Library was a success, and the chapter has been invited back next year.
- Registrar Bonnie Rashleigh presented the Registrar's Report and proposal. Deb Warner moved to charge ten dollars per supplement, with each submitter responsible for mailing her own supplement. Teresa Smith seconded the motion. Further discussion will continue regarding the registrar's proposal including but not limited to updating by laws, standing rules and budget.

New Business

- The new DAR banner was unveiled.
- Memorial Day Parade will be held in Grand Rapids, Ohio, on May 25, 2026. The parade begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Grand Rapids Fire Station, 17706 Wapakoneta Rd. Members are asked to arrive by 9:30 a.m. Period attire is encouraged.
- The Awards Luncheon with Fort Findlay is scheduled for June 6, 2026. RSVP by May 27, 2026.
- In recognition of America 250 and the 4th of July, the chapter agreed to present baby gift baskets to the first babies born on July 4, 2026. The proposed recipient hospitals are Wood County Hospital in Bowling Green, Ohio, and St. Vincent Medical Center in Toledo, Ohio. Members who would like to participate are invited to bring a baby item to the next meeting. Regent Bates will furnish the baskets.
- Christian Waldschmidt Homestead Weekend will be held July 17–19, 2026.
- The Northwest Ordinance Passport Program, debuting at the State Committee Showcase, will be held August 28–29, 2026. This event was formerly called Fall Fun Fair.

Adjournment: The motion to adjourn was made by Joan Drill and seconded by Debbie Warner. The meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Next meeting: June 13, 2026, at Wood County Park District Headquarters.

Recording Secretary: Jan Brinker