

DAR volunteers at La Salle Veterans Home

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Caption

Janet Koch, Joni Bratney, Leslie Althaus, Kathleen Bonnell, Linda Sigmon Byrd, Kent Shelor, Bill Bratney, Matt De Graeve and Emerson Byrd each participated in a Daughters of the American Revolution project at the La Salle Veterans Home.

The Fort du Rocher chapter of National Daughters of the American Revolution spent their day of service at the Veterans Home in La Salle.

Since the COVID-19 shutdown did not allow visiting inside the facility, the members of DAR took on a new project of beautifying the grounds.

After a general cleanup was accomplished, nine new flowering bushes were planted that will bloom from spring through fall. The bushes will be visible to residents from their windows.

Our Day of Service is a national occurrence where all chapters determine what they are able to do to make life better in their local communities. State Regent Sharla Luken has chosen her project as "Serving Those Who Have Served Us," so the selection of a project at the VA facility was to follow her lead.

Nine volunteers took part in the plantings. Two spouses, two adult sons and five members worked diligently to accomplish the project.

DAR membership is open to any woman older than 18 who can prove lineage to a Revolutionary War patriot. Lineage assistance is available. Contact Linda Sigmon Byrd at 815-538-4166 for more information.

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