



## Colonel Tench Tilghman Chapter Bethesda, Maryland

### OBJECTIVES

The Colonel Tench Tilghman Chapter is a lineage society that furthers the objectives of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR). These objectives are historic preservation, promotion of education, and patriotic endeavor. The Chapter achieves these objectives in the Bethesda community through our programs and activities.

### COLONEL TENCH TILGHMAN CHAPTER

The Colonel Tench Tilghman Chapter was organized on November 3, 1922 with 13 members. Meetings are usually held on the third Saturday of the month, October through May, at the Davis Public Library Meeting Room 2 on the lower level.

The Colonel Tench Tilghman Chapter has been guardian of the Bethesda Madonna of the Trail Statue since its dedication on April 19, 1929. To mark the old trails used by settlers, twelve of these NSDAR memorials to Pioneer Mothers were erected from Bethesda to Upland, California. The Bethesda statue was originally located at the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Montgomery Lane. It was stored for a number of years during the construction of a Metro station, but eventually relocated on the north side of the post office in the Bethesda Metro Center, only a block from its original location. In 1986 the chapter held a rededication ceremony and in 1993 promoted restoration of this cherished monument.

### MEMBERSHIP

**W**hy would you join?

1. You are interested in genealogy,
2. You believe your ancestor might have aided in the Revolution War for American freedom,
3. You have a love for education,
4. You have a love for patriotism,
5. You have a love for historical preservation,
6. You like to volunteer,
7. You want to be involved with service organizations and the community,
8. You enjoy programs and speakers; American History fascinates you,
9. You love to socialize,
10. You like meeting new people.

**H**ow?

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