

# Meet Your Women's Issues Committee Chair



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**Michele Yarbrough, Needham Bryan Chapter,**

**Mobile, AL** joined DAR in 2014, after searching for the proper documentation from the age of 11! Upon joining her chapter, Michele was drafted to Chair their Service to America, Women's Issues and DAR Schools. After being presented with the 2017 Alabama State Society Women's Issues Essay Winner - Career, Michele was happy to take on the position of Women's Issues Chair under State Regent Tammy Clemons. Michele loves the opportunity to speak at chapters throughout the State on various Women's Issues and work with Chapter Chairs on topics for presentations.

# Women's Issues Committee History and Purpose

- The National Committee is focused on Health, Career, and Family to educate and empower Daughters to serve the Society and our communities.
- ASDAR Committee manages the State Women's Issues Essay Contest which gives women a voice and platform to explain clearly all the facets of the issues that we face in everyday life.
- Vivian's Outreach to Women is a new subcommittee which is focused on providing support to homeless and indigent women.

# Women's Issues Committee 2020 - 2021 Updates

- Each year of the VanBuren Administration, the Women's Issues Committee will encourage Daughters to focus on a different aspect of this committee's Work. In 2020 – 2021 the Theme is *Health: "Prevention of Heart Attack and Stroke."*
- Annual Women's Issues Essay Contest Deadline: All essay entries must be submitted to Michele Yarbrough no later than December 14, 2020.
- Please access the following link for Essay Rules and Information:  
<https://www.dar.org/members/committees/special-committees/womens-issues/essay-contest>

# Women's Issues Committee 2019 - 2020 Achievements

- We had 15 chapters to participate in the Women's Issues 2019 National Focus; Prevention of Domestic Violence.
- Two Alabama Daughters participated in the 2019 Women's Issues Essay Contest.
- There were ten chapter, state, or National Women's Issues Essays read at ASDAR meetings throughout the year.
- Alabama Daughters had 154 chapter meetings where Women's Issues Minutes were read. – WOW!

# Women's Issues Committee 2020 - 2021 Goals

- 25 chapters to participate in the Women's Issues 2020 National Focus
- 5 Alabama Daughters to participate in the 20/21 Women's Issues Essay Contest
- 15 chapter, state, or National Women's Issues Essays read at ASDAR meetings
- 175 chapter meetings where Women's Issues Minutes were read
- We CAN DO THIS!

# Women's Issues Committee Awards

- ASDAR Women's Issues Essay Contest Winners
  - 2019 - 2020 Health Division: Candace Krugh
  - 2019 - 2020 Family Division: Tara Head
  - 2018 - 2019 Health Division: Ann Halpern