

*Denise Doring VanBuren  
elected  
45<sup>th</sup> President General  
National Society  
Daughters of the  
American Revolution  
At June 2019  
Continental Congress*







## Van Buren elected President General of Daughters of the American Revolution



*The 45th President General of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is Chelsea resident Denise Doring VanBuren. VanBuren will have worked at Central Hudson for more than 26 years by her retirement in December of 2019. She has served as an executive officer at the company since 1999.*

*—Courtesy photo*

By Anna Barton

Chelsea resident Denise Doring VanBuren was elected to be the 45th President General of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in June.

VanBuren, who has been an active presence in both the professional and volunteer realms for nearly 35 years, has been at Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corporation for 26 years. She will retire from her role as Vice President of Public

Relations at Central at the company at the end of 2019. She holds the honor of being the longest serving female officer in Central Hudson company history.

VanBuren has also served in volunteer leadership roles in many local philanthropic, historic preservation and business organizations. Honors and awards from the local community have been numerous, including Washington's Headquarters Woman of History Award (2016), Junior League of Dutchess County Woman of

the Year (2012), Meritorious Service Award, Exchange Club of Southern Dutchess (2011) and City of Beacon Volunteer of the Year (1999), among many others. Her election as DAR President General ranks among the highest honors to date.

"I was drawn to the DAR because of my love for history, but what has kept me involved in the organization for more than three decades is our vibrant service mission that allows us to demonstrate our love of country in such fulfilling ways," said VanBuren.

Founded in 1890, to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American independence, the DAR's timeless three-fold mission to promote historic preservation, education and patriotism continues to drive the initiatives of the women's service organization today.

In her role as President General, VanBuren will lead the 185,000 members working to further the DAR mission in 3,000 chapters across the United States and abroad. As Chief Executive Officer of the nonprofit organization, she will also oversee a staff of 140 at the historic DAR National Headquarters complex in Washington, D.C.

However, she will still be able to maintain her home in Dutchess County, where she resides with her husband in the hamlet of Chelsea.

VanBuren explained the new position entails a great deal of traveling, she will have visited all 50 states and multiple foreign countries by the end of her three-year term in June of 2022.

VanBuren has been a member of DAR's Dutchess County Melzingah Chapter for more than three decades. "The ladies have loved, supported and encouraged me since the day I've joined in 1988," she affirmed.

The Melzingah Chapter has owned and operated the circa 1709 Madam Brett Homestead (the oldest building in Dutchess County) since the 1950s when it was going to be torn down for a supermarket. Members also volunteer at the Castle Point VA, conduct the annual DAR American History Essay Contest and

sponsor naturalization ceremonies. They seek to support active duty service personnel and provide hundreds of thousands of dollars for scholarship funding.

Additional DAR chapters in Dutchess County include Mahwanawasih Chapter in Poughkeepsie and Chancellor Livingston Chapter in Rhinebeck.

As the country anticipates celebrating its 250th anniversary, VanBuren anticipates the DAR membership to grow even further. Ample accessibility to technology allows individuals' interest to be piqued and can lead them to join historical preservation organizations such as DAR.

"We anticipate we'll be welcoming more and more women soon," the President General said, noting that DAR membership is drawing near to one million ladies.

The theme "Rise and Shine for America" encapsulates the overarching vision of the VanBuren Administration: to encourage members to rise up and do good works in their communities, and to empower them to take ownership of the DAR story.

"We are the living embodiment of the promise of America," said VanBuren. "I hope that we can together strive to gain more exposure and appreciation for all that DAR does around the world."

Nearing the end of her career at Central Hudson, VanBuren is thankful to have held a fulfilling job that she's been happy to hold for more than 26 years.

The switch to DAR presidency comes at a good time in her personal life, she noted. Her three sons are grown and she's excited for the fulfilling opportunity as a citizen to give back to America and "to express my love of country," she said.

However, VanBuren is most looking forward to meeting DAR members and seeing the wonderful ways they affect their communities. The members, VanBuren said, are amazing and engaged. "They recharge my batteries," she said.

Women interested in learning more about DAR membership can visit [www.dar.org/membership](http://www.dar.org/membership) or contact Melzingah Chapter Registrar Nancy Giordano at [savgeorgia@aol.com](mailto:savgeorgia@aol.com).



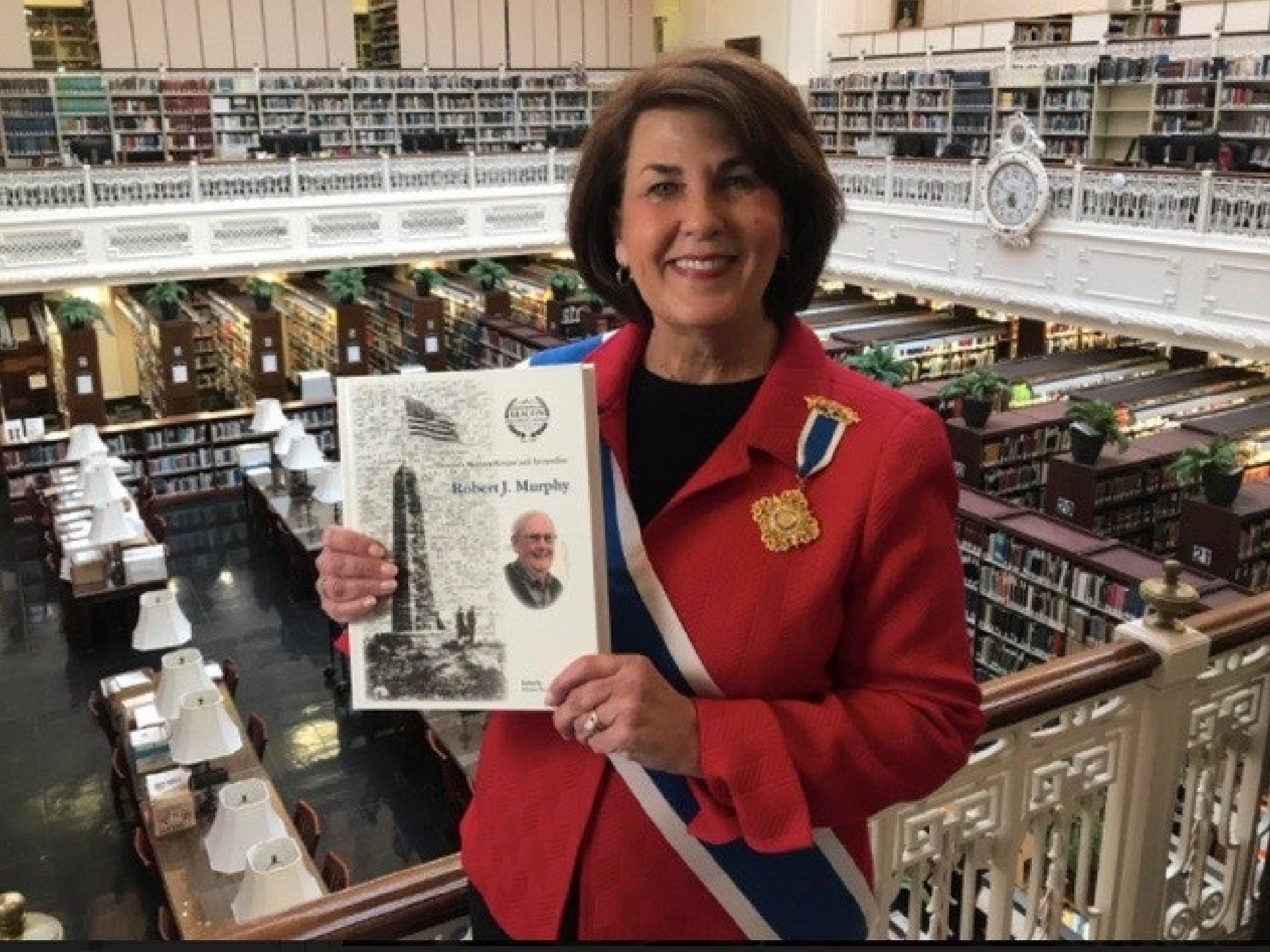








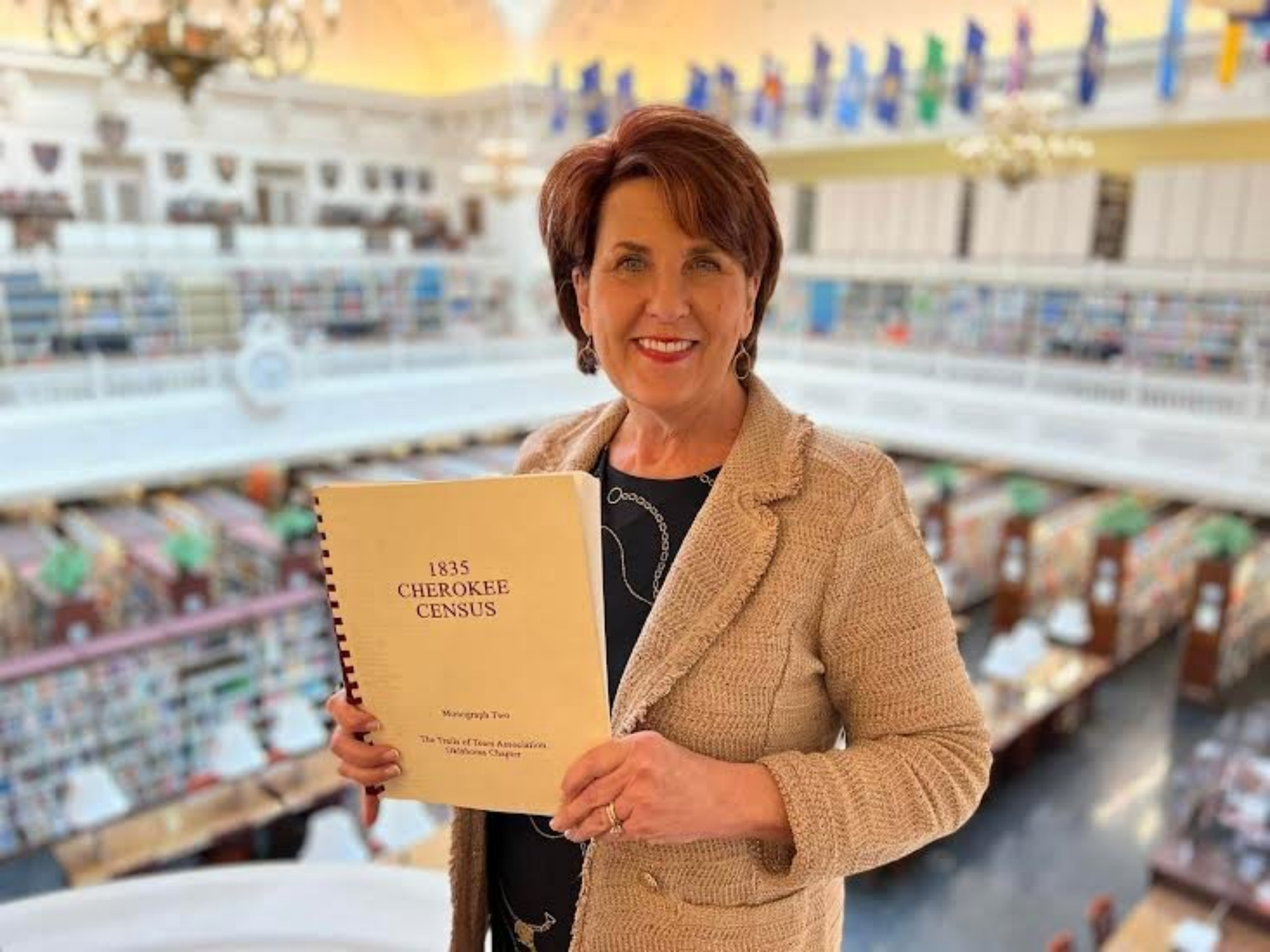




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LA LUCHA DE ESTADOS UNIDOS  
POR SU INDEPENDENCIA.

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