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DAR, Choctawhatchee Bay spruce up Patriot Garden with mums.

L-R: Pat Francisco, Joyce Harrington, Elaine Lightfoot, Wanda Young, Patti Codgal, Commissioner Carolyn Ketchel, Choctawhatchee Bay Regent Caroline Maney, Lockey Buhrow, Linda McCooey and Amy Herf. **Back row:** Husbands of DAR members: Judge Terry Ketchel, Judge Patt Maney, BG (ret) Bob Buhrow and Shawn McCooey. Attending but not pictured were master gardener Margaret Stewart, Sharon Galyon, Megan Fisher and Danny Bennett, Okaloosa Facilities & Parks Operations Manager.

DAR Plants Mums in the Patriotic Garden at Okaloosa County Administration Building

Okaloosa County, FL –On the beautiful afternoon of October 9, Choctawhatchee Bay Chapter Daughters gathered to spruce up the Patriotic Garden at the Okaloosa County Administration Building in Shalimar, once again. The Patriotic Garden was created a year ago by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Choctawhatchee Bay, following the grand opening of the Okaloosa County Administration Building.

“DAR women all over the country honor their founders with a National Day of Service, and this Patriotic Garden by the American Flag pavilion and entrance to the new building is our contribution,” stated DAR member, Commissioner Carolyn Ketchel. Daughters provided the labor and tools to spruce up the garden, as well as donated and installed seasonal mums, while Okaloosa County provided the mulch.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in 1890 to promote patriotism, preserve American history, and support better education for our nation's children. Its members are descended from the patriots who won American independence during the Revolutionary War. With more than 165,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters worldwide, DAR is one of the world's largest and most active service organizations. To learn more about the work of today's DAR, visit www.DAR.org.

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