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FROM VIRGINIA DIVISION PRESIDENT:

SHARON LOVING



Hello Daughters

I hope everyone is staying warm and dry. With these trying times, I was pleased with the turn out for our Lee-Jackson Service in the Old House of Delegates Chamber at the Capitol. There were 20 beautiful wreaths presented by UDC, CofC, SCV and other Historical groups. It was wonderful to have the CofC and SCV participate in our program. Everyone enjoyed our speaker, Mr. Richard Perkins. His program “What must he have thought?” kept all of us entertained from Good Evening to Thank You.

I was honored to bring greetings on behalf of the Virginia Division UDC at the service honoring Robert E. Lee at the Confederate Memorial Chapel. I wish to thank Mrs. Jennifer Thomson, Second District Chairman, for bringing greetings on Virginia’s behalf at Lexington.

Soon we will be attending District Conferences, where the District Chairmen and Hostess Chapters are busy planning their Conferences for us to enjoy and ask questions. I look forward to hearing what all the chapters are doing. Please plan on attending your District Conference and others if possible.

I wish to thank Ginger Stephens for keeping me up to date on the current status with the Memorial to War Veterans.

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Below is a part of Frank Earnest report “Keeping Virginia Division Informed”
“It was clear to everyone that some bill to change 15.2-1812 would come out of committee. If there was any doubt about this, the first thing committee chairman Lynwood Lewis stated that one of the 3 bills would be passed by the committee. The best hope for us was an amended version of SB620. This did not happen. Instead a hybrid combination of all 3 bills was proposed and passed. Not surprisingly, the vote was 8-7 right along party lines. This blending of SB183, SB560, and SB620 will need some work before going to the full Senate. Perhaps our lobbyist can have some influence on the final bill.”

I believe we must come together as a United Front and contact not only the SCV but other Veteran Groups to get their thoughts on how to save ALL monuments.

Daughters we need to work together in honoring our ancestors, giving to veterans, military service, our communities and those that need our help. We must do all we can to preserve a true history of the Confederacy, and the truth concerning ALL Confederate soldiers.

“Planning for the Future while Honoring and Respecting the Past”

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From Division Vice President:

Annette Elam Wetzel

Thank you, Chapter Vice Presidents, for assisting our members by completing and mailing their insignia orders as required on the correct forms!

After the 2019 Division Convention, District Chairman were asked to forward to you the necessary tools that Chapter VP’s need to correctly prepare orders. If you did not receive this material, let me know by e-mail or see me at your upcoming District Meetings. We will find a way for you to get the information and forms that you need.

Please be aware of the following:

1. Send UNDATED checks for General Insignia orders.
2. The correct “Non-Engraved Insignia Form” is dated January 2019. This form was only recently made available.
3. Read carefully when ordering the “Badge Set” listed on the “Engraved No. 1” form. The amount for engraving the ancestors name is INCLUDED in the \$75.00 price for the set.

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4. Please note that the General Organization considers an overpayment for engraving to be a contribution to the General Organization.
5. The current VA Division Insignia Order Form lists the correct price of \$46.00 for the VA Division 125th Anniversary Pin. Please use only this version when ordering Division Insignia. Looking forward to meeting you at your respective District Conferences!

From Division Registrar:

Helen Webster

We are doing so well with Supplementals. By the end of February, we will be close to 120. Keep them coming in!!!!!! So far, NO REJECTIONS!!!!!! 🎉

We are at last year's total for New Members. WOW!!!!!! Chapter Registrars are the work horses of Virginia Division. Chapter Members if you don't ask women you meet or know if they would like to come to a Chapter Meeting or if they would like to join our Organization, you may miss out on a new member. Nothing ventured.....nothing gained.

Happy Spring and Easter to you all.

From Division Recorder of Military Service Awards:

Pam Smith

I was fortunate to attend the Military Service Awards Ceremony at the Isle of Wight Chapter on January 18th. I would like to remind you to canvass your area looking for veterans or current military personnel that we can honor at our VA Division Convention in October and the General Convention in November. I would like to thank the Black Horse Chapter and Fort Lowry for answering the quest. Please undertake the challenge to find local service men and women to honor if not at the Division or General level but at your chapter level. If you have any questions, please let me know.

From Second District Chairman:

Jennifer Thomson



It was a pleasure to represent the Virginia Division at the Lee Jackson Day in Lexington. It was great to meet some of the members of my district and run into other UDC members from across the state that were there. The Second District is working hard on our district meeting that will be in Charlottesville on April 25. We hope you will come out to the mountains in our part of the commonwealth and enjoy the fellowship.

From the Historical Work with Students Committee Chairman:

Fran Towberman

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IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SEEK AN ESSAYIST(s)!

Grades 4 -6: Stand Watie - Leader of the Cherokee Nation and Brigadier General of the CSA.

Grades 7 – 9: James Edward Hanger – He lost his leg but not his ingenuity.

Grades 10 – 12: Confederate Soldier Lt. Harry T. Buford, also known as Loreta Janeta Vela'quez.

Remember only the essay must be sent to this committee by May 1, 2020.

From the Social Media Committee Chairman:

Ginger Stephens

To celebrate Confederate History Month in April, we will be posting photos and stories about our Confederate Ancestors on the Virginia Division Social Media pages (Facebook, Instagram, and Pinterest). If you would like to share your ancestor's story, please submit a photo and story to the Division Social Media Chairman Ginger Stephens at ginger.stephens6@gmail.com. Please note that a photo must be included for the story to be included in the Confederate History Month posts.

From the Great-Great-Great Granddaughters Club President:

Pam Smith

The Great-Great-Great Granddaughters Club is seeking ladies to join our club under your noble ancestor. Our annual club fee of \$7.00 comprises membership in the General and Virginia Club. Please download our membership form from the VA Division web site and send it to our Club Treasurer, Rhonda Fleming-Smith.



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Albemarle Chapter 154:

Submitted by President Helen Webster



New Member Lisa Berry Custalow

At our January Meeting we welcomed Lisa Berry Custalow on the service of Ancestor William Robert May, Pvt. Captain Utterback's Co., Poague's Battalion VA Light Artillery. Member Glynn Fraker received 3 Supplementals on William Henry Hux, 12th VA Infantry and Benjamin Gardner and Garland Hood Hux, 36th Regiment, VA Artillery.



Glynn Fraker with Supplemental Certificates

Guided by the past two years of learning our Chapter Programs are based on "Fact vs Fiction". Our February Meeting Speaker will be Andi Cumbo Floyd, local author. Program Title "How the WBTS affected Local Enslaved Peoples". We have had guests join us from other nearby Chapters and it is delightful to get to know them. On Saturday April 25, 2020 we will host the Second District Conference in Charlottesville and hope to see many members from Rockbridge 2568 in Lexington, Gen William R Terry 580 in Bedford, Scottsville 1167 in Scottsville, and Dr. John Thompson 466 in Amherst.

Centennial – Maury Chapter 2296:

Submitted by President Jean Frawner

Centennial-Maury Chapter collected paper-back books for the veterans at the Veteran's Hospital in Richmond and enjoyed an interesting program presented by Kristy Cole-Day representative from the hospital.

Michael Tyler, Local Historian, presented an informative and interesting program about the Confederate Monuments on Monument Avenue in Richmond.

The story of the only female Confederate doctor, Orianna Moon, was presented by Edward Harris, member, Latané SCV Camp.

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John Neville, Commander, Virginia Division SCV, gave a program in regard to the numerous and various events of the SCV.

The chapter held a Memorial Service for Miriam Simmons and Wanda Kierson, two of our devoted and active members who passed away.

The chapter was honored to have as its guests at the Christmas luncheon meeting; Sharon Loving, President; Annette Wetzel, Vice President; and Barbara Joyner, Fifth District Chairman; Virginia Division UDC.

The president presented a wreath from the chapter at the LEE-JACKSON DAY OBSERVANCE on January 17, 2020, in the Old House of Delegates Chamber in Richmond.

Elliott Grays Chapter 1877:

Submitted by Registrar Ruth Snead



Mrs. Florence Williams Davis

Thank you, ladies of the Virginia Division for the 95th birthday card shower for Mrs. Florence Williams Davis, Elliott Grays Chapter member on Sept 8, 2019. She was so happy to open and read the beautiful notes sent by Virginia Division Chapter members. Thank you, dear ladies for giving her the gift of love and remembrance.



Fairfax Chapter 1410:

Submitted by Vice President Jennifer Smith

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Charlotte Clinger, Virginia Norton, & VAMC Recreation Therapist delivering comfort packs.

In November 2019, Fairfax Chapter members Virginia Norton, Chapter President, and Charlotte Clinger, Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) Committee Representative, delivered 78 comfort packs to all the residents in the Community Living Center of the Washington, DC Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC).



Jennifer Smith & Charlotte Clinger

Mrs. Clinger also chaired the VAVS Basket Raffle fund-raising event held the first week of December. Fairfax 1410 donated two baskets that were included with the 30 baskets from other organizations that were raffled off, raising \$2,740 collected to date. Proceeds benefit veterans' programs in the DC VAMC. Mrs. Clinger and chapter member Jennifer Smith also volunteered time to sell raffle tickets for the baskets.

Fort Lowry Chapter 2695:

Submitted by Member Mickey Teese

October: New member Malan Heidenreich was welcomed. Member Pat Given described the work of Phoebe Yates Levy Pember, Chief Matron, Chimborazo Hospital, 1861-1865. On October 20, a moving grave dedication ceremony and marker honored first chapter president, Gay Packet.

November: Member Edwina Dawson discussed her great-grandfather, Edward Thomas Stakes, featuring his journal kept during imprisonment in three Union prisons. Donations voted included Virginia Division Scholarship, Lee Chapel and Mausoleum Fund, Sally Tompkins Scholarship, and Rappahannock Education Foundation, Catherine Courtney Endowed Professorship Scholarship.

Supplemental Applications, Chapter Bylaws and Standing Rules work continues. A member's

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son is expected to receive a Military Service Award at the Annual Division Convention.

December: Christmas lunch at a member's home with carols played on a player piano.

January: Member Barbara Sethman presented "Marked in Time" featuring embroidered samplers, and the information they reveal. Two examples were displayed: a true antique, and a faithful reproduction work stitched by Barbara.

General William R. Terry Chapter 580: Submitted by President Jennifer Thomson

The General William R. Terry chapter was saddened by hearing of the loss of a former member of the chapter. Florence "Dott" Stroud had been with our chapter since 1975 and was the long time treasurer. She was a member until a few years ago when she stepped aside due to health reasons.



We were also honored to have our Children on the Confederacy chapter member and Honorary Virginia Division President Kiersten Thomson bring greetings on behalf of the Virginia Division Children of the Confederacy at Lee Jackson Day in Lexington, VA.

Right: Obituary for Florence Stroud

Left: Kiersten Thomson

The Bedford Bulletin, Bedford, VA., January 15, 2020

Florence H. Stroud, Bedford



Daughter of the Confederacy and served as treasurer for many years. She was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church and served for several years as the leader of the Circle of Friends. She served as vice-president of the Blue Ridge Garden Club for several years and also as chaplain for many years. She was a long-time member of the Bedford Historical Society and on the board several years two different times. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and was also a former member of PEO.

The family requests that those wishing to make memorials to consider Main Street United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 505, Bedford, VA 24523 or the National D-Day Memorial Foundation, P. O. Box 77, Bedford, VA 24523.

The family greeted friends at 10 AM on Friday, January 10, 2020 at Updike Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Bedford and a funeral service followed in the chapel at 11 AM with Rev. Rick Ecklund and Rev. Wayne Murphy officiating. Interment followed in Greenwood Cemetery.

Arrangements are being handled by Updike Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Bedford.

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Halifax Chapter 1321:

Submitted by President Janet Perkins

The ladies of Halifax Chapter 1321 collected toiletry items, pens, notepads, socks, caps, and flannel shirts for our “Just Because” project during the months of November, December, and January. These items were for 29 veterans who were residents of the four nursing homes in South Boston. Kay Lewis and Janet Perkins met at Fay Satterfield’s home mid-January to stuff the bags. With all the flu going around, Fay had to delay delivery for a week or so; by our February meeting, Fay and her husband Ray had delivered all bags to the nursing homes, much to the delight and surprise of the veterans.



Janet Perkins, Fay Satterfield, & Kay Lewis with all the stuffed goody bags

Lancaster County Chapter 1406:

Submitted by President Dr. Cheryl Brown Davis



In November Marie Jennings was welcomed as a member into UDC on the record of her Great-Great-Great grandfather, Andrew Broaddus Walker of King William County.

Cheryl Brown Davis, new member Marie Jennings, & Susan Hudson

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*Cheryl Brown Davis, Melinda May,
& Susan Hudson*

Seated (LtoR): Residents Classie Edwards, Joan Parker, Violet Lewis, Mildred Clark, Marian Benjamin, Tina Dunaway, & Eunice Brooks.

Standing (LtoR): Chapter Members Dinah Balderson, JoAnn Fickling, & Janet Cockrell



Registrar Susan Hudson presented a supplemental certificate to Melinda May on the service of her ancestor James O. Peed.

In early November, members hosted a Christmas door decorating workshop for residents of Lancashire Convalescent and Rehabilitation Center in Kilmarnock. Members brought in an assortment of everything that sparkles and had fun assisting residents make their special Christmas wreath decoration to be hung on their room doors.



Rosalie Coultrie & Cheryl Brown Davis

New associate member Rosalie Coultrie was inducted into the Lancaster County Chapter. The special December meeting was held at Melrose Plantation, home of member Catherine Bennett. Members and guests enjoyed learning the very interesting history of the families that build and lived at Melrose dating back to the 1840's and enjoyed a beautiful Christmas tea with all the trimmings.

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Mildred Lee Chapter 74:

Submitted by President Charla Compton

Mildred Lee Chapter 74 began this year with our Sept luncheon at the Dutch Inn in Collinsville. In Nov, we celebrated the 100th birthday of Mrs. Odessa Via, a dear member. We lost 3 members due to death in 2019 and are currently working hard to increase our membership. Chapter President and Registrar, Charla Compton has made this her goal for the year. We have 10 prospective members as 2 have just been approved, 4 have been sent on to the RG, a UDC to UDC reinstatement/transfer has been completed and a CofC to UDC transfer is being processed. A workshop will be held at the Martinsville Library on Sat, Feb 8th from noon until 2pm to help new prospectives with their applications.

The chapter was invited to the Stuart-Hairston Camp 515 Lee-Jackson Banquet on Jan 25th. It was very well attended. We also attended the J. E. B. Stuart's Birthday Party in Ararat on Feb 1st and participated in a flag ceremony held afterwards the site of the Stuart homeplace, Laurel Hill, by the Jefferson Davis Chapter 2477 of Galax.

Our Feb meeting on the 4th was a luncheon at the Dutch Inn and we presented our 2 new members with their certificates.



Left: New Member Deborah Heath & Charla Compton



Right: New member Franz-Hahr Phillips & Charla Compton

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Mineral Chapter 1868:

Submitted by Registrar Pat Baber



The Mineral Chapter met at member Claybrooke Farm in September. We welcomed new member Kelli Wilkinson. Kelli's ancestor, Beverley R. Wilkinson, served in the 59th Regiment, Virginia Infantry. He was awarded the Southern Cross of Honor and Kelli is very proud to have his medal.

In December, we had a Victorian Tea at the Trevilian house, which was decorated to reflect a Victorian Christmas. We enjoyed refreshments provided by our hostesses, Burchie Carroll and Jessie Harper. Donations were received to benefit restoration work at the Trevilian House.

Left: Pat Baber & new member Kelli Wilkinson

Right: At Trevilian House: Cathy Harlow, Linda Baker, and Kelli Wilkinson



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We celebrated Lee Jackson Maury Day on January 18th with a luncheon at the Louisa County library. We welcomed another new member, Jessie Harper. Jessie has been an integral part of our chapter for many years, as an honorary member because she thought she had no Confederate ancestors. After some research, we discovered that she did have a Confederate ancestor, Perry Allen, who served in the 34th Virginia Cavalry. After presenting her certificate, she introduced her son, Kenny Harper, who spoke about his time with the Virginia Capitol Police and then, Martha Snelling, a tour guide at the State Capitol for 26 years. She gave a very informative talk about the history of our State Capitol.



Lee-Jackson-Maury Luncheon with Mineral 1868

Robert E. Lee Chapter 233:

Submitted by Registrar Donna Hall

Robert E Lee 233, Fairfax 1410, and Manassas 175 co-hosted the Birthday Celebration of Robert E Lee, Stonewall Jackson, and Matthew Maury at the Army-Navy Club in Fairfax on Saturday, January 18. Don Hackenson, historian, author, and lecturer, gave a wonderful program on “Robert E Lee: My Hero.” The event was well attended, including R. E. Lee Camp #726, SCV Commander James Whitehead.

On Sunday, January 19, President Donna Hall attended the R.E. Lee Camp #726, SCV Camp, banquet in honor of General Robert E Lee’s 213th Birthday at the Mount Vernon Country Club. Speaker Dr. Kent Masterson Brown spoke about the march of Lee’s army to Gettysburg and the enormous job of procuring food for the soldiers and camp followers and forage for the animals.

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General Robert E. Lee Chapter members & guest speaker Don Hackenson at the Lee-Jackson-Maury Birthday Celebration.

Southern Cross Chapter 746:

Submitted by Historian Sharon Rose

Southern Cross Chapter 746 in Salem, VA enjoyed a program given by John Cahoon. Mr. Cahoon is a Veteran of the Cold War era, is a member of a local SCV, and is a lover of history. His talk was entitled "**The American Soldier.**" He took us through history, from the soldiers under George Washington's command in Delaware during the Revolutionary War, to the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the War Between the States, the Spanish American War, World War I, World War II, Korea, the Cold War era, Viet Nam, and soldiers who have served our country since 9/11.

He emphasized that American soldiers have died throughout history for those seeking liberty and have given their all for every citizen of this country. We **MUST** tell our children and grandchildren their stories and preserve their history. Chapter members were left feeling pride in their ancestors' willingness to sacrifice everything for what they believed in.

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John Cahoon (center) and President Dolores Smith (bottom right), along with two of the fourteen members present, Luranna Vest and Sharon Rose (seated left to right.)



DISTRICT CONFERENCES >> SAVE THE DATES!

March 21st (Saturday), Fifth District – Hostess Chapter: Richmond-Stonewall Jackson Chapter 1705

March 28th (Saturday), Sixth District – Hostess Chapter: City Point Chapter 2066

April 4th (Saturday), Third District – Hostess Chapter: Kirkwood Otey Chapter 10

April 18th (Saturday), Fourth District, Manassas – Hostess Chapter: Manassas Chapter 175

April 25th (Saturday), Second District – Hostess Chapter: Albemarle Chapter 154

May 2nd (Saturday), First District – Hostess Chapter: Jubal Early Chapter 553



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Check in time is 3:00 pm; check out time is 12:00 pm

Reservations must be made by September 1, 2020

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A Message from our Second Vice President

Kelly Fahel

This is a reminder that Division scholarship applications are due to me April 15. At the Division Convention in October, the new Richard Poplar Scholarship was approved, which is for the African American descendants of Confederate soldiers. In order to award this scholarship, the corpus must be \$25K. I encourage/challenge that each UDC member considering donating \$20 to this scholarship, and we will have the corpus. Awarding this scholarship is important and part of a more positive public image for the UDC.

ERRATA

Please note that the date on the *Old Dominion Bulletin* should have been listed as “MARCH 2020.”

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