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FROM VIRGINIA DIVISION PRESIDENT

SHARON LOVING



Hello, Ladies! I hope everyone is having a relaxing summer. I would like to thank all of the Chapters that hosted the District Conferences this spring.

1<sup>st</sup> District-Anna Stonewall Jackson-Ann Carter Lee 180, 2<sup>nd</sup> - District General William R. Terry 580, 3<sup>rd</sup> District - Anne Eliza Johns 164, 4<sup>th</sup> District - Turner Ashby 184, 5<sup>th</sup> District - Centennial Maury 2296 and Jerusalem 2489. Information was shared

Members often have questions as to why decisions and changes are made within the Division. The Executive Committee meets several times during the year to discuss and make suggestions that are then presented to the membership. Please consider running for a Division Office and be a part of the Executive Committee. It is a true learning experience and will give you insight and input into the how the

Division functions. As of to date there are several offices that do not have any candidates. Please consider holding an office for the 2023 - 2025 term. The Eligibility and Restrictions are in the Division Minutes, on page 109, Article VII, Section 2.

An alternative way members can have input is to propose amendments to the Division bylaws, which will be at the 2024 Convention. The guidelines for submission are on page 118, Section 5 b.

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing everyone at the Division Convention in September.

***Kindness goes far, but Love goes forever.***

Sharon Loving, Virginia Division President 2019 - 2023

## 128<sup>th</sup> VIRGINIA DIVISION CONVENTION

Any questions or concerns you have regarding the convention please contact the Division President.

- \* Please send all Pre-Registration and Credentials to: Robin King  
7680 Dowdy Drive  
Henrico, VA 23231-6443
- \* All Chapter sales need to be approved by the Division President.
- \* Chapters having drawings for Presidents' Evening please let the 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Dawn Diehl know. She will need to include you on her program.
- \* Please support the Division sponsored meals, Virginia Daughters Luncheon and Presidents' Evening. These meals help with Convention expenses.
- \* This is an election year so please make sure your Chapter delegates and alternates are registered.
- \* Officers and Committee Chairmen - remember to send your reports to the Division Recording Secretary.

## VIRGINIA DIVISION OFFICER REPORTS

### 1<sup>st</sup> VICE PRESIDENT - DAWN DIEHL

I hope that you all are having a great summer and staying cool. All orders that I have received to date have been processed and sent on to our Vice President General. Virginia ladies have been working really hard on supplementals this year and are ordering the pins to prove it. Great job ladies, keep those supplementals coming. Please remember to use the new forms from 5/2023, if not they will be sent back to you and it will increase the time for you to get your pins. On a personal note, I would like to thank each of you who sent me a card, email, called and prayed for me during my Moms illness and death. You have been such a comfort to me and I appreciate each of you so very much. It is such a pleasure to be a Virginia Daughter and to be serving as your Vice-President.

### THIRD VICE PRESIDENT - FRAN TOWBERMAN

The project of Sara Cox, President of the Children of the Confederacy, IS COMPLETE! The Doors of Blandford Church, Petersburg, were in serious need of up-grading, which included security features, hardware, and making them weather-tight. The UDC members attending the District Conferences responded well. The CofC Sales, 'Piggy' Donations, the sale of Sara's Blandford Pin, coupled with monies from other sources has made this endeavor a success indeed. Sara, the Children of the Confederacy Members, and I THANK YOU. Monies raised at the District Conferences for Sara's Project were \$2,300+.

At DIVISION Convention, COME BY the Children of the Confederacy Sales Table. Say hello, and check out the sales, silent auction, donations via "Piggy", and CofC information/literature.

By our convention time, there will be a new CofC President and a new Children of the Confederacy Project. AND through the CofC, we the Daughters, are given the PRIVILEGE of participating in securing their/our heritage, our CSA history. SEE YOU THERE, COUNTING ON IT, **COUNTING ON YOU.**

#### RECORDER OF MILITARY SERVICE AWARDS – MILBREY BARTHOLOW

This has been an unusual quarter. I found out around 15 May that I was having a left knee total replacement surgery 1 June. This is something that my surgeon and I had discussed in December, but when insurance denied a CT scan in January, I figured the surgery was off. Through persistence, things worked out, and surgery went as scheduled 1 June. I was in the hospital for two days. I am now about 80% recovered, just needing a little outpatient PT.

Things are settling in with the new regime, and everything is running smoothly. I sent one application to General in February, it was signed and returned to me in April, and presented at a chapter meeting in May.

I have three applications ready to send to General for presentation at the Division convention in September. I have three more applications ready to send to General for chapter presentation in September. I have one application ready to send to General, but it was mailed to me 6 June, I received it around 10 June, and a desired presentation of 3 July was requested. Ladies, this is not allowed. I am now waiting for a more reasonable presentation date. I received another application that will need signatures and be ready for a 9 November chapter presentation.

For the three applications for the Division convention, I needed three checks. About the time I requested the checks, the Division Treasurer took a well-earned vacation, so I had to wait for the checks. By the time I got them and felt like doing something, the General RMSA took a two-week vacation. I will send all the applications to her this week,

I attended General Spring Board 1 April, and got to meet the General RMSA. I was only able to attend 5<sup>th</sup> District Conference this year.

#### DISTRICT CHAIRMEN REPORT

##### 1<sup>st</sup> DISTRICT – JUDY LIENHARDT

At the First District Conference on April 22, we had a wonderful time and were able to finish about 1:30 PM. Thank you Anna Stonewall Jackson – Ann Carter Lee 180 for serving a wonderful Bruch and Lunch and having the First District Conference.

## DIVISION CHAPTER NEWS

### Captain Sally Tompkins 2626

After our summer fling this month Captain Sally Tompkins will not meet in August. We're fortunate that we've have added two new members and with their help we hope to have a busy fall with meetings and field trips. Captain Sally Tompkins will have a display and Confederate items for sale at Mathews Market Days in September and Heritage Day in October. Money we make at these two events go to our Captain Sally Tompkins Scholarship.

### Isle of Wight 699

The last three months found Isle of Wight Chapter 699 very busy. Eight members attended Spring Board in Richmond while five of us were able to attend the District 6 Conference in Franklin on May 6. At our May meeting, we awarded Grace Chatham with our Mable Cox Baird Scholarship. Grace is a graduate of Smithfield High School and attending UVA in the fall as a Biology Major. Members attended the Memorial Day Service at the new location of the Isle of Wight Confederate Monument. Our chapter president, Marilyn Curtin, received the Captain Sally Tompkins Ladies Appreciation Award given to those who have "greatly assisted the Virginia Division of Sons of Confederate Veterans". We held our annual Memorial Day Service in Ivy Hill Cemetery, Smithfield, where each Confederate grave was marked with a First National flag. We move forward now with making plans for next year's field trip, guest speakers and other Confederate activities.

### J.E.B. Stuart 156

The J.E.B. Stuart Chapter, Staunton, is pleased to announce its first Elementary School Level Young Writer's Essay Contest winner, Miss Everleigh Collins Jordan, a third-grader at Wilson Elementary School, Augusta County, VA. She wrote on, "Horses in the Confederacy," and drew a picture of a horse as part of her submission. Everleigh attended the Chapter's June Meeting, "Lunching by the Pool," at the home of Mischelle Duprey in Greenville, where she read her charming essay denoting, "...The horses were so important that the enemy would try to shoot the horses out from under the soldiers so he would be on the same level as the infantryman. So now you know why the horses in the war are very important, like the soldiers." The hostess was presented a mini-quilted piece of JEB Stuart on his horse, *High Fly*, that was made with reproduction Civil War fabric.

In May the chapter hosted its 49<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Service at Thornrose Cemetery, under the Confederate Soldier monument. Archivist and Historian Teresa Roane was the speaker, along with presenters by Militiamen in period clothing shooting volleys, bagpipes, trumpet, guitar, color guard with a Confederate on horseback.

### Lancaster County 1406

The chapter held a delightful luncheon in June to celebrate the chartering of the chapter in 1911. Members and guests enjoyed wonderful fellowship, excellent food, and the opportunity to peruse 25 scrapbooks dating back to the 'early days' of the chapter. Additionally two members, Dinah Balderson and Janet Cockrell, were surprised as they were presented the chapter pin for their leadership in fundraising and restoring the Blundon Cemetery. We are looking forward to the start up of monthly meetings in September and Convention,

### Mary Custis Lee-17<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment 7

On June 11, our chapter held our annual Fancy Hats, Pearls, and Tea fundraiser for our museum. We were thrilled that President General Jinny Widowski and her husband, Ralph, were able to attend. Also attending were Virginia Division President Sharon Loving, Maryland Division President Georgia Ladd, and many of our UDC sisters from other Virginia chapters, as well as the Maryland and DC Division. The historical program highlighted artwork in our collection. A live auction helped raise funds to conserve the numerous items we are blessed to have. Many of these items were donated by the veterans themselves when the museum opened in 1915.

### Mildred Lee 74

The Mildred Lee Chapter has been working toward a goal of submitting 100 supplemental applications for lineal and collateral Confederate ancestors of chapter members. We are well on the way with 34 sent to the Virginia Division and General for approval so far. There are many more being prepared and will be mailed in shortly. The Confederate Memorial Day Service at Oakwood Cemetery was very nice but windy! Stuart-Hairston Camp 515 SCV participated with a musket salute, Taps and Retiring the Colors. Mildred Lee members have ancestors buried at Oakwood and have ongoing projects and plans to honor Confederate Ancestors, clean headstones and place an Iron Cross and UDC emblem on two graves. We had several guests that we hope will become new members, we also had members from the Anne Eliza Johns Chapter 164 who attended.

### Princess Anne 435

Our registrar is busy working on the 10 prospective members that showed interest in membership at the Virginia Beach Genealogy Society's Event "Genealogy at the Beach." We continue to work with the VetHouse and the Lady of Perpetual Health Nursing Home. We recently delivered household supplies to the VetHouse and bath washes to the nursing home. Six of our members attended the 6th District Conference on Saturday, May 6.

Our chapter has rallied around our long-time member and our chapter's past registrar and current 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Ruby Harris, who is very sick. Many of

our chapter members have been visiting her and the entire chapter has been sending her our thoughts and prayers for the last several months.

We are happy to announce that the City Council of Virginia Beach has unanimously voted on July 11 to award the Princess Anne United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Princess Anne Sons of Confederate Veterans total and complete ownership of our beloved Confederate Monument in partnership with the Shenandoah Battlefield Foundation. Our monument has been in storage for 3 years. We anticipate him to be completely re-erected by the end of the year on private property at the Beach and in the southern section of our city!!!  
Halleluiah!!!

### Southern Cross 746

Southern Cross Chapter 746 has enjoyed various historical programs during the past year, including Lynn Reed who presented a program on Montgomery Springs and our own member, Nancy Kelderhouse, who as a REAL granddaughter, had many interesting stories to share from her father and grandfather. Our Chapter continues to collect needed items monthly for the V.A. Medical Center. We have begun writing “thank you for your service” notes to patients at the V.A., as well as providing Birthday cards for the volunteer coordinator to distribute.

In April, Southern Cross had items for sale at the 1st District Conference in Abington, including notecards designed by one of our members. We are proud of Chapter member Judy Lienhardt, who has served as the 1st District Chairman for the past two years.

In May, Southern Cross installed several officers. Other officers were out of town or sick. The remaining officers will be installed in September at our next meeting.

### Chapter Photos

#### Albemarle 154



Albemarle Chapter #154 welcomed new member Genuie (Dukie) Crickenberger Robinson at their May 3, 2023 meeting. Glynn Fraker, Chapter President, presented her certificate of membership based on her Ancestor, George D Pluckett. She is also pictured with Gwen Prather, Chapter Treasurer who encouraged Duckie to join.

### Anne Eliza Johns 164



President Diane Barbour and Secretary Cynthia Hewett delivered items collected by the Anne Eliza Johns Chapter to Paulette Dean of the Danville Humane Society. We had collected cleaning supplies along with two boxes of empty medicine bottles for them to send medicine home with adopted animals.

### Captain Sally Tompkins 2626



Captain Sally Tompkins Chapter 2626 awarded their placed 2023 Captain Sally Tompkins Scholarship to Annabelle Morgan. Her essay was intitled "Medical Research in the 19th Century". Pictured Annabelle Morgan with Marilyn Iglesias, President.



On Memorial Day members a wreath at Captain Sally Tompkins' grave. Pictured l-r: Mary Iglesias, Rebecca Morgan Miriam Kleintop, Lydia Connelly, Mary Hunley Gwen Wood, Melanie Miles, Martha Frame, Diana Swenson

### Halifax 1321



The Chapter celebrated member Jane Newkirk's 88th birthday with a cake.

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3<sup>rd</sup> Grade, Winner of the Chapter's  
*Young Writer's Essay Contest*



UDC Archivist and Historian Teresa Roane  
at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Service  
hosted by J.E.B. Stuart 156.

### Lancaster County 1406



Lancaster County chapter President Emily Lawson surprised Janet Cockrell and Dinah Balderson by presenting The chapter pin to them in recognition for their leadership in restoring the Blundon family cemetery.



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