



# OLD DOMINION BULLETIN

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FROM VIRGINIA DIVISION PRESIDENT

SHARON LOVING



Hello Daughters! Congratulations to the new Chapter Officers. We know you will work hard for your Chapter and help is always available if you need it. The Past Chapter Officer, your District Chairman, Division Officers or myself are available when help or information is needed. Daughters have been very busy the past few months, working on reports and working to meet the objectives of our great organization. It is wonderful that so many of you have found the time to attend Division and General Conventions. A sincere thank you to Jo-Anne Lipscomb, Rebecca Ferguson and Susan Reynolds for their diligent work to plan and present a great Division Convention. I would like to thank the hostess Chapters as well, Anne Eliza Johns, Appomattox, Farmville, H.A. Carrington, Halifax, Kirkwood Otey, Lunenburg and Mildred Lee for all of their contributions. As always, our appreciation to the Pages for all their hard work. Personal and special thanks to each of our Division Officers, Memorial Committee Chairman, Parliamentarian, Time Keepers

and Tellers; to everyone who contributed time or service in any manner. It was a joy to see and work with so many Daughters.

Our Congratulations to all the newly elected and appointed General Officers. Another high point of the Convention was the awards received by Virginia Division. These will be listed in your Newsletter. Thank you and Congratulations to all those who received awards. Sincere thanks to all Virginia Daughters for your dedication and work for our Division. The work and contributions of each

member are what makes us strong. Let's work together during the coming year to make our Division stronger and more vital. Together we can do it! Plan now to attend our District Conferences in the Spring. Your voice and ideas are important to our Division. With love and deepest appreciation for your work and devotion to honoring our Ancestors and preserving the true history of the Confederacy. May you and yours enjoy a blessed Christmas and a healthy, happy New Year!

Kindness goes a long way SMILE

Sharon Loving,  
President 2019-2023

I have signed the contract with Virginia Crossing by Hilton for Division Convention, September 28 - October 1, 2023. There will be more information in your Chapter Packets.

### DISTRICT CONFERENCE CALENDAR

2nd District - March 11, 2023 - General William R. Terry Chapter 580  
Bedford Baptist Church, 1516 Oakwood Street, Bedford, VA

5th District - March 25, 2023 - Centennial-Maury Chapter 2296  
Epiphany Lutheran Church, 1400 Horsepen Road, Henrico, VA

4th District - April 15, 2023 - Turner Ashby Chapter 184  
Jordan Springs Estate, 1160 Jordan Springs Road, Stephenson, VA 22656

1st District - April 22, 2023 - Anna Stonewall Jackson-Anne Carter Lee 180  
Location - TBA

3rd District - April 29, 2023 - Anne Eliza Johns Chapter 164  
Sutherlin Mansion 975 Main Street, Danville, VA 24541

6th District - May 6, 2023 - Jerusalem Chapter Chapter 2489  
American Legion Hall, 935 Armory Drive, Franklin, VA

### AWARDS FROM GENERAL CONVENTION

#### DIVISION AWARDS

**2nd VP General's Award - General Education** - To the Division having the greatest amount in building Scholarship Funds by District & Chapter -

**Katheryn Noble Wilcox Loving Cup** - given by Calvin Crozier Chapter 13 CofC, Austin, TX, to the Division Director making the best annual report for membership 75 members and over - Awarded to Jennifer Thomson, VA Division

**Correct Use of the Confederate Flag Committee** - Certificate of Appreciation

**Patriotic Activities Committee** - To the Division in Category A with the Best Overall Patriotic Service Report - Awarded to - Virginia Division

## CHAPTER AWARDS

**Public Relations Committee** - To the Chapter with the best Public Relations Report - First Place Jefferson Davis Chapter 2477 Galax, Virginia

**Public Relations Committee** - Third Place Halifax Chapter 1321, South Boston, Virginia

**Registrar General's Award** - To the Chapter registering the oldest member  
Awarded to - Caroline Grays Chapter 2473, Bowling Green, Virginia  
Mrs. Florence Jane Wood Mettauer (seated) is 98 years old and is the great granddaughter of Randolph McGarrah who served as a private in Co. K, 6th Texas Calvary.



Standing is Georgia E. Mettauer, her daughter who also is a new member, and Bonnie Garber, Chapter Registrar.

## VIRGINIA DIVISION OFFICER REPORTS

### VICE PRESIDENT – DAWN DIEHL

I hope that you all had a great holiday season, I have been busy submitting pin orders. We have a new Vice President General, her name is Julie Hardaway and she is very easy to work with. I am still getting orders on the wrong forms, please make sure when you send your order in that they are on the up to date forms, these forms are: Engraved Insignia Order Form No 1, Revised 08/01/22, Engraved Insignia Order Form No 2, Revised 08/01/22, Non Engraved Insignia Order Form, 09/01/22 Rev 2. They will be sent back to you if not on the correct form. Please remember the new shipping and handling charges are \$7.00 and priority is \$9.45. I would like to congratulate Patricia Bradley, Jerusalem and Jane Ingalls, Fredericksburg on ten years of service! Also would like to recognize Mary Jane Rhodes, Southern Cross on submitting six supplementals. If you have any questions regarding ordering pins, please either email me at [mcdawn21940@aol.com](mailto:mcdawn21940@aol.com) or give me a call at 703-638-2515.

### HISTORIAN – ROBIN KING

Hello Ladies,

Happy New Year! I hope all of you had a wonderful safe and happy holiday season. Here is the updated list of essay topics.

### HISTORICAL ESSAY PRIZES 2023

- \$20.00 - "Mosby's Rangers" offered by Loudoun 170
- \$20.00 - "Battle of Sailor's Creek" in memory of Farmville 45 Confederate Ancestors
- \$15.00 - "Hanover Junction during the War" offered by Hanover Chapter 1399 in memory of Confederate Ancestors
- \$15.00 - "24th Virginia Cavalry" offered by Doreen Richards Carlton in memory of her great-great grandfather William Henry Horsley
- \$15.00 - "26th Regiment, Virginia Infantry" offered by West Point Chapter in honor of Mrs. Joseph W. Carlton, Past President, West Point Chapter.
- \$15.00 - "Princess Anne Camp, Princess Anne County, Virginia offered by Princess Anne Chapter
- \$15.00 - "Confederate Veterans and Their Post-War Pursuit of Higher Education" offered by Ms. Kathie Rankin in honor of Miss Katie Fraser, Past President VA Division CofC and ex-Recording Secretary General CofC
- \$15.00 - "The Maury's of Virginia and Their Role in the War Between the States" offered by Ms. Kathie Rankin in honor of Mrs. Mark R. Allen and Mrs. Donald Boltz
- \$15.00 - "The Battle of Staunton River Bridge" offered by Past Division Historian, Patt Graves, in honor of Past Division Recorder of Military Service Awards, Mrs. Grace Elliott.
- \$15.00 - "The Ties That Bind: Woman to Woman" offered by Past Division Historian, Deborah Lundeen in honor of Past President Suzanne Townsend
- \$15.00 - "Child's Life" offered by Past Division Historian, Deborah Lundeen, in honor of Past Division Historian, Pat Graves
- \$15.00 - "Keeping the Family Fed - Creative Substitutes During the War Between
- \$15.00 - "Staying Fashionable during the War Between the States" offered by Past Division Historian, Jo Ann Fickling in honor of Past Division Historian, Deborah Lundeen
- \$15.00 - "The Pets Loved and Cared for by the R.E. Lee Family" offered by Suzie Snyder, Division President 2013-2015, in honor of Past Division Recording Secretary Ms. Sharon Loving
- \$15.00 - "Lost Gold of the Confederacy" offered by Suzie Snyder, Division President 2013-2015 in honor of Past Division Treasurer Sandy Wright
- \$15.00 - "The Year 1865: Life in Old Town Alexandria after the Surrender" offered by Therese DeSanto, Virginia Division Historian, in memory of Marion Roland Conrad of Mary Custis Lee 17<sup>th</sup>-VA. Regt. 7
- \$15.00 - "Silent Witness:Lulu's Doll Comes Home: offered by Past Historian, JoAnn Fickling in honor of Past Fifth District Chairman & Past Chaplain General Fran Towberman
- \$15.00 - "Robert E, Lee and the Campaign in Western Virginia" offered by Antonia Ford Chapter Past Director Ms. Kathie Rankin in honor of Mr. B. Donald Boltz, Associate Member, AntoniaFord Chapter 885, Virginia Division CofC.

## RULES FOR ESSAY CONTEST

1. Essays must be handwritten or typed neatly on 8 ½" x 11" paper.
2. MAXIMUM 1,000 words. Write the number of words in the upper right hand corner of page 1. \*\*If the word count exceeds the limit it will be disqualified.
3. Always use "War Between the States" rather than "Civil War" unless quoting from a source.
4. Use footnotes (or endnotes) where needed.
5. List bibliography, i.e., books read to the about the essay topic.
6. Sign essay with fictitious name.
7. Attach an envelope with the fictitious name written on the outside of the envelope. Inside of the envelope, on a card, write real name, address, name of your Chapter and fictitious name.
8. Essays must be received by the Division Historian by AUGUST 31.
9. Mail essays by First Class mail in a large, flat, unfolded envelope protected by cardboard.
10. Essays to be returned to the sender must be accompanied by a self-addressed envelope with sufficient postage.

Please make sure you follow the rules stated so that all of your work can be recognized and possibly rewarded.

### 3<sup>RD</sup> VICE PRESIDENT – FRAN TOWBERMAN

As of December 2022 Fran Towberman will the 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President for the Virginia Division. Jen felt that she needed to be with her family and therefore made the decision to resign. Both the Virginia Division UDC and CofC would like to thank Jen for all of the work she has done for our children.

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## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

### SOCIAL MEDIA

This Committee has no Chairman at this time. At the Division Convention, during the discussion of removing this Committee there were many that voiced they wanted to keep this Committee. Unless 3 people step up this committee will become dormant. Per our by-laws unless there are Committee members to monitor the pros and cons and report to the ECM and the President, who shall have the final decision of what shall and shall not be posted on Virginia Division accounts.

**Chairman VACANT**

## DIVISION CHAPTER NEWS

### Princess Anne 435

In honor of our members, the Chapter hosted our annual Christmas luncheon, with hors d'oeuvres, for members during our annual holiday Confederate trivia. During the event members made cookie trays and gathered gift cards for each veteran that lives at the Vet House in Virginia Beach.

To support our Benevolent and Patriotic UDC objectives, we have adopted several nursing home patients who do not have family living in the Virginia area. At our holiday luncheon we gathered personal items and made care packages. The Chapter delivered them on December 18<sup>th</sup> along with may personally addressed Christmas cards from our members to the residents. We also delivered care packages to three of our disabled members that are unable to attend meeting. We also had a successful book and craft fair at our November meeting and just ended our annual nut sale which supports our Chapter programs. The proceeds also support three scholarships that are presented in May.

At our January meeting we will host, author Jeff Toalson, who will present : The Voices of our Ancestors - Life of the Family based on his book Send Me a Pair of Boots and Kiss My Little Girls.

### Rockbridge 2568

The Rockbridge Chapter 2568 meet at the former home of General Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson on October 28<sup>th</sup>. Jackson House Executive Site Director, Grace Moyer, gave a presentation of the history of the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital.

The Mary Custis Lee Chapter 7, in Alexandria was instrumental in acquiring the deed to the Stonewall Jackson house by raising funds and borrowing a sum of \$1,200 from the Bank of Rockbridge. Due to their hard work the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital opened its door on June 1, 1907. By 1912, the hospital boasted electric lights, hot water, both private rooms and wards, an operating room, a dining room and office space. The hospital continued to expand and prosper for the next six decades. This took the Rockbridge area residents through WWI, Spanish influenzas, The Great Depression, WWII and the Korean War.

### Southern Cross 746

Our Chapter is participating in a program through the Department of Defense to recognize Vietnam Veterans. We have given out 25 pins to Veterans and a pin and certificate to a Chapter member who is a surviving spouse of a Vietnam Veteran. A certificate was awarded to our Chapter for our participation. Southern Cross continues to monthly donate needed items to the V.A. Medical Center in Salem.

Our September program was given by Richard Perkins (who is the husband of Janet Perkins!). He shared an excellent presentation with entitled "Treason, Habeus Corpus, and the Case Against Jefferson Davis."

Several of our members have purchased and are reading a book entitled, "A Tribute to Jefferson Davis" by Louisa Poppenheim. A time of meeting and sharing our insights from the book is planned in the near future. Our December meeting was a workshop held at the Church of the Latter Day Saints Research Library in Salem, VA.

### MESSAGE FROM DIVISION MEMBER

I would like to thank each and everyone for the cards I received during my recent surgeries. I am continuing to improve every day.

Joan Logan Brooks - Kirkwood Otey 10

### CHAPTER PHOTOS Caroline Grays 2473



The Caroline Grays Chapter 2473 was awarded the Alice Whitley Jones Banner at the 2022 Division Convention. The Banner is given to the chapter that has completed the best historical project. The banner at our Christmas dinner held on Dec. 5, 2022 at Roma's Restaurant in Bowling Green Seated: Melissa Klanecky and Pamela Smith, chapter VP and President Standing: Karen Tignor, Janet Irving, Kathy Burchell, Fran Whittaker, Joyce Tignor, Sharon Hall, Jo Lunoe, Cheryl English, Pat Atkins, Bonnie Garber, Barbara O'Brien, Kathy McVay, and Angela Smith.

### 4<sup>th</sup> District



On May 4, 2022, VA 4th District Chairman and DC Medical Center Veteran's Affairs Voluntary Services (VAVS) Committee Representative Charlotte Clinger, delivered \$500.00 worth of items donated by Robert E Lee 233 for the May 6, 2022, Women Veteran's Baby Shower. The event was sponsored by the Medical Center's VAVS Committee. The General Robert E Lee 233 donations included baby clothes, booties and bottles. Over thirty women veterans who recently gave birth or who were pregnant attended the shower that also included items donated by other VAVS organizations.

## Isle of Wight 699



At our November meeting we held a Memorial Service for two recently deceased members, Betty Ann Seward Holdsworth and Myra Betts Sharon. A ceremony was held and chapter members shared fond remembrances of these two wonderful ladies. We were honored to have Betty's daughter, granddaughter and great granddaughter present to hear our ceremony and share their memories.

## Lancaster County 1406



Chapter President Emily Lawson thanks guest speaker Dolores Flessner for giving a presentation on her watercolor painting of Confederate memorials and monuments.



Susan Hudson attended the annual memorial service for the Point Lookout POW's and honored the memory of her GGG Uncle. Pvt. John W. Scott died of disease at the prison on 3 Feb 1865.

## Princess Anne 435



Therese DeSanto and Sherry Butler mingle with Veteran Martha and presented her with her care package bag. (permission to post given from nursing home).



Members enjoying the holiday as Caroline Sherman, Elizabeth Baker, Therese DeSanto, and Donna Grantham get ready to deliver care packages to nursing home residents.

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