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From our President, Ruby Pugh

It is hard to believe that almost two years have passed since you elected me to serve as your Division President. It has been a busy but very rewarding two years. As you elect a new President please give her as much support and love as you have showered upon me.

Our District Conferences were wonderful this spring and our hostess Chapters worked so hard to make each conference special. Everyone who attended could tell how much time and thought had gone into the planning of each successful meeting. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the meetings for 2012.

Each function I attended on your behalf will be listed in the 2011 Division Minutes. I am not going to take up space needed for other announcements by listing them in this newsletter. I do ask that, when you receive your minutes, you check the President's message and calendar. You will see how busy I have been. I want to thank our Division Officers, Committee Chairmen and UDC members for representing me at functions throughout the year when I was unable to attend.

Convention will soon be here. Sam Lougheed, Convention Chairman, and her committee are hard at work to make this a wonderful Convention. The Convention Call will be mailed to you as required by the Bylaws. The information is on our website for those of you who would prefer to go ahead and make your hotel and meal reservations. Chapter Presidents, please remember to share all this information with the members of your chapter so they can attend our Convention. They do not receive this information and need you to keep them informed. Thank you.

I have been asked to remind the Chapter Presidents that it is a tradition to present a Confederate Flag and a \$1.00 bill during the roll call in the Opening Business Session of the Convention. As always the dollar bill will go to the Division Treasurer and the Flags will be divided among the Hostess Chapters.

Please mail your Credentials form to Lynn Willis before the required deadline. Please remember to complete the proxy form if your Chapter does not plan to be at the Convention. Please write on your form who you wish to cast your vote and the candidate for whom you wish to vote.

The proceeds from the Silent/Live Auction this year will go to the new Ellen Elizabeth Snedden Scholarship. Any donated items for this auction will be gratefully appreciated.

All reports from the Chapter Presidents should have been mailed to your District Chairman by August 1st. Ladies, thank you for your hard work on behalf of Virginia Division. I am looking forward to reading your Narrative Report as I complete my reports for both Division and General.

We had a wonderful morning at Manassas Battlefield Park on July 23rd. Yes, it was hot, but just as the ceremony started a nice breeze picked up and it was very comfortable "under the shade of the trees" on Henry Hill. The Maryland Division Band and Color Guard joined the R.

E. Lee Camp, SCV, Alexandria and it was indeed a beautiful sight to behold. I will carry the memory of this day with me forever.

You will soon be receiving information for the General Convention which is being held in Texas in November. I will send it to you as soon as it is given to me.

My thoughts and emotions are very mixed as I write this last article for the ODB. I have formed wonderful relationships, met so many new members, renewed friendships with long time members and visited parts of Virginia for the first time. It has been a wonderful two years and I have one thought I will take with me with the installation of new Officers in October. If any member, at the end of this two years, feels she has learned anything new, that she did not know previously, then I feel my two years as your President has accomplished my goal. Thank you for everything.

From our Vice President, Mary Vial

I hope that all of you are having a wonderful summer. This is a time when we slow down as chapters and complete our chapter reports. Also, your officers are preparing for the programs for next year.

I only have 50 Sesquicentennial pins. If you have not purchased one, they are \$40. Please send me an order, just your name, address and a check for \$40 made out to Treasurer Virginia Division UDC and I will send it to you. I also have a supply of the Virginia Division Badges, cost \$30.

There is a new 2011 Non-engraved insignia order form on the General UDC website. The General organization has approved a 35 year continuous Membership pin with certificate, cost \$40. Also, this new form has the correct price of \$30 for the Winnie Davis, and Stonewall Jackson Medals. The new instructions for both medals are also on the General website. You must use the UDC white acid free legal paper, purchased from the Business Office, for these awards, one copy on this paper, and one copy on white legal sized paper, with all original signatures.

I am preparing for President's evening for Convention, and hope that you will all attend. It will be a very nice evening, honoring all of our Presidents.

As of September 1st, all insignia orders must be mailed to the member who is ordering the insignia. The only exception will be a member ordering a past President of Chapter pin for the President or a 10, 25, 35, or 50 year pin to be given as a surprise. These orders must be on a chapter check.

Thank you for electing me to serve as your Vice President for the last two years. It has been an honor to meet and help all of you.

From our Division Treasurer, Suzanne Townsend

Greetings, Daughters. I would like to thank all of the members who elected me for two terms to the office of Division Treasurer. I have made many new friends and learned so much from all of you. We have managed to work through the problems caused by governmental regulations, which was a daunting task with the implementation of the 990-N. I believe that most chapters are in compliance and we are still working on the few who are not. I am sure that your new Treasurer will be glad to help you; and, I will still be available for any questions you have or help you may need. The most important dates to remember right now are: August 31, end of UDC year; and October 31, Annual Financial Report 501c3 due to Division Treasurer. If your Chapter Treasurer has misplaced the blank copy of that report, it is available on line at www.hqudc.org, Information for Members. If you have additional per capita to report for 2010-2011, please get it to me before August 26. I am required to file with General no later than August 31, so I need a few days to process what you send me. Any member whose per capita is not paid by August 31 will be dropped from membership. If she desires at a later date to reinstate her membership, there are additional fees involved and she will also have incurred a break-in-service. Again let me say how much I have enjoyed the last four years and I look forward to seeing you at the Convention in October.

From our Historian, Patt Graves

Where has our summer gone? Can you believe it is August already? I have been busy this entire year, as I'm sure most of you have been also. We finally finished all the District Meetings and went right into the Memorial Services. From that, it was Massing of the Flags, The C of C convention and on to Manassas, only to have all our reports due too soon. Over that time I did process 7 Jefferson Davis Gold Medal applications. I am sorry to say that

not all were approved. If yours was not, please try to find another award for your applicant, since so many are deserving of special recognition perhaps just not the award that you applied for, check closely all the other options you can. Now I find myself very, very busy with the Historical evening for the Division convention (Oct 7, 2011 at 7:00 pm). I hope all of you will try to attend. If you have been in the past you know what a wonderful event this always is and if you have never been believe me it is worth the trip!

If I can be of help to you in the next few weeks, please just let me know at 434-696-2202 or thebarghthree@aol.com. Don't forget to bring those Yearbooks and Scrapbooks to the convention. Everyone enjoys seeing what your chapter has been busy doing this year, not only does it give chapters fresh ideas, it also helps others realize that there is so much more that they too can do. *Please keep up the good work.* As always please keep using the Historian General suggested Historical Programs at each of your meetings (see page 10 of the May 2011 UDC Magazine for Sept 2011 – Aug 2013 topics). Thank You

From our Membership Chairman, Fran Towberman

Are you at the point of thinking about resigning? *PLEASE, STOP to reconsider. The Organization needs YOU* and then the next thought perhaps should be IT IS NOT ABOUT YOU – It is about our ancestors and their legacy to us, and we should recognize that this fact defines who we are today.

The UDC objectives are sound and beneficial to all, member, potential member, and general public! If there is a feeling of not being appreciated or needed maybe a transfer will help. Where there is a will, there is a way—can we prove that and continue to be a daughter of the Confederacy? Always, I am here to assist you, as are the UDC Division Officers. I truly believe that your situation has a solution. I want you to remain my sister and co-worker.

If your chapter, for whatever reason, is considering giving up its charter, PLEASE again, seriously consider transferring to another chapter rather than resigning or being dropped from the rolls. If you Transfer, even if distance keeps you from attending often, you will aid those of us who press on to secure our rightful place in the whole, complete, true history of our country.

Again, can I help? Contact me. If you wish, you can pursue the possibility of starting another chapter that is more centrally located to the majority of the members. Always be on the lookout for that 'new member' who just might revive the thread of enthusiasm for you.

Prayerfully consider the options. Believe in yourself and stand firm in your Heritage for which a great price was paid and which too many want to defame at minimum and erase if possible. Continue on if you can-tighten the belt.

If you have an issue consider asking the Chapter President to give you an opportunity to 'air it' at an executive session of the chapter or a meeting when members only are in attendance. Perhaps the situation is easily dissolved, but no one can address a circumstance of which they are not aware. Be truthful, be calm, be the belle you are, give it a go. Those of you who would be hearing of the concern, must be polite, considerate, follow through or up on the complaint or suggestion. We are not a clique; we are not a social club; we are neither a dictatorship nor a secret society. We should be united, following the bylaws in truth and in a Christian spirit. And if the resolution we desire does not come about---ask yourself can I possibly proceed in remembrance of the ones who fought, struggled, died, survived or am I surrendering for a lesser cause?

October Virginia Division Convention Updates

From Virginia Division Convention Chairman, Sam Lougheed

The Daughters of Fifth District eagerly await the arrival of their UDC sisters for the 116th Annual Division Convention, October 6-9, Fredericksburg Hospitality House & Conference Center, located just off I-95 (Exit 33B - Route 3 West), Fredericksburg. Reservations must be made by September 17th for the special room rates. Call 1-800-682-1049 and let them know you are with Virginia Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy. If you plan to bring a pet, please tell the hotel when you make your reservation as there is a one-time pet fee of \$25.00.

The theme for the Convention is "*Heroes Hallowed Ground – 150 Years*" to honor our Confederate Veterans. Division Historian Patt Graves has prepared a special Historical Evening and our Recorder of Military Service Awards Grace Elliott and Division President Ruby Pugh will present Military Service Awards. Vice President Mary Vial has prepared a lovely Presidents' Evening for us and the President Davis Chapter will host the Virginia Daughters' Luncheon where Captain Sally Tompkins will make an appearance! Memorial Chairman Robin King will preside at the Memorial Service held at the hotel with a wreath laying at the Fredericksburg Confederate Cemetery (transportation will not be provided; however, directions are included in the Convention Call).

Remember to bring your items for the Silent Auction! *Bring Money!* There will be lots of great items and proceeds will benefit the Elizabeth Snedden Scholarship. There will also be several wonderful live auction items! Tickets will be on sale for the beautiful Lee's Lexington quilt and carry bag and the Scarlett O'Hara doll throughout the Convention and the winning tickets will be drawn on Presidents' Evening. Vice President Mary Vial requests a limit of two raffle items per Chapter and to contact her before September 17th with the description(s)

Also, remember that you must contact Jeanne Hughes (804-746-3972 or e-mail t_hughesjr.@msm.com) if you plan to sell items at Convention. Space is limited and only those with permission can be allowed to sell items.

The Convention Committee and many others are working hard to make sure your Convention is enjoyable. *I hope you all have made plans to attend!* This is an election year - exercise your right to elect the candidate of your choice to office. See the many battlefields and historic sites nearby. **Please remember September 17th is the deadline for room reservations and meals reservations!** If you have not already sent in your reservations, please do so now. ***The Convention Call is available on the Virginia Division Website!*** If you have questions, please call me at 540-659-7771 or e-mail jslougheed@comcast.net. Hope to see you in October! Best wishes from your Hostess Chapters – Centennial-Maury, Fredericksburg, General Stuart, King George, and President Davis.

It has come to my attention that due to a computer glitch that occurred on May 11 at the Fredericksburg Hospitality & Conference Center in Fredericksburg, some of the data which was corrupted included room reservations for our 2011 Division Convention. Not all reservations were lost, but to be on the safe side, if you made your room reservation on or before May 11th, please call the front desk and verify your reservation.

**Fredericksburg Hospitality House Hotel and Conference Center
2801 Plank Road
Fredericksburg, VA 22401
540-786-8321 - 1-800-682-1049**

Bonnie Martin from the hotel and I both express our regret for any inconvenience but want to make sure your room reservations are in fact in the system. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

From Vice President, Mary Vial

Drawings at Convention and Silent/Live Auction

On President's Evening, chapters are allowed to have only 2 drawings to be fair to all the chapters. Please contact me before September 17th so that I will be able to list your drawing in the program. Otherwise, you will not be listed in the program and you will not be able to participate that evening with your drawing. I look forward to receiving your auction donations.

Individuals and Chapters willing to donate items for the Silent-Live Auction, Our Grandmother's Treasurers are asked to bring them to the "Governor's Room" Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 6:30, or Friday from 8:00 to 9:00 A.M., 4:30 to 6:00 P.M., Saturday morning from 7:30 to 9:00 and from 10:45 to 11:45. Please fill out a sheet for each item, with a minimum bid amount. Items not sold at the Silent Auction will be placed in the Live Auction. We are asking for items with a Confederate connection, but also for quality items that you might have and need a new home. Remember, this is to raise money for The Elizabeth Snedden Scholarship and also to have fun.

Great, Great, Great Granddaughters Club

A planning meeting will be held 7:30 to 8:30 Sunday morning, October 9 in the Governor's Room. All interested please attend. We will elect officers and will have the needed application to join. And, we will decide on dues and our bylaws. You will be a charter member of the Virginia Division Great, Great, Great Granddaughters Club after this meeting.

Any questions regarding the drawings, auction or the Great, Great, Great Granddaughters Club, please contact me by phone (804) 270-1517 or e-mail John_v23294@yahoo.com.

From our District Chairmen

First District, Susie Gibbs Snyder

Wow, the last two years have flown past. It is truly a pleasure and honor to serve the Chapters of First District. Working and visiting with Chapters has been a wonderful experience. First District Conference in Roanoke was a big success. Thanks to Roanoke 1907, hostess chapter, for working to make it a pleasurable event; to our Virginia Division Officers and Committee Chairmen, for all their input and expertise to make it a learning experience; also, to many of First District members for participating and working to make everything go smoothly. It was an honor to have so many members from First District in attendance, I know many had to travel a long distance to be with us and your efforts to participate are greatly appreciated.

It was a great pleasure to participate in the 100 Year Celebration of the UDC Confederate monument in Bland County. We do not have a UDC Chapter in Bland at the present time and I was so proud of the local chapters who worked with the Walker-Terry Camp #1758 SCV to bring about this wonderful event. Rain, snow or wind couldn't keep us from having a beautiful day, honoring Bland County Confederate Soldiers and our precious ladies of the former Bland County UDC Chapter who worked so hard to make the statue a reality.

Representing our Division President, Mrs. Julian Pugh at the APSC Banquet at Virginia Tech was another pleasure and honor. Presenting the J.E.B. Stuart Award to a very accomplished young lady, Miss Julia Carrington, was a unique experience. Forty nine scholarship awards were presented to outstanding students in the Department of Animal and Poultry Sciences and Julia was presented a number of those awards. She was very happy to receive the J.E.B Stuart award and offered her thanks to Virginia Division UDC. Julia will be going on to Graduate school. Thank you so much, Ruby, for the honor of representing you and enjoying a special evening.

It has definitely been a busy few months, traveling to Chapter meetings, giving programs and meeting with various Chapter members to work on problems, insignia orders, Year-end Reports and participate in special events, not to mention all the wonderful meals we have shared. It has been so wonderful to work with you all, I have truly enjoyed working and sharing with you.

I am presently in the process of working with First District Year-End Reports and reviewing all the work and accomplishments of our Chapters. No matter the size of the Chapter, these are all hard-working, loyal members of UDC who are dedicated to honoring our ancestors and working toward the objectives of UDC. Thank you to each and every member for so many wonderful experiences and memories.

Second District Chairman, Elizabeth Spencer

Dr. John Thompson Chapter 466 hosted the 2011 2nd District Conference on March 26th at the Madison Heights Baptist Church. Thanks are due Heather Willoughby, Chapter President and the Conference Planning Committee for a most informative, enjoyable and companionable gathering. Eleanor Price, President of Turner Ashby Chapter 162 and Virginia Division Custodian, was elected 2011-2013 District Chairman. A lively new day dawns in 2nd District.

On April 5th, Eleanor Price and I attended the Sara Rice Pryor Chapter's Military Service Awards ceremony in Covington where three crosses were bestowed on local veterans. The service was particularly poignant due to the recent passing of Cynthia May, the Chapter Recorder of Crosses. I was pleased to deliver the program address, "Flags of the Confederacy and Counter Claims over the Designing of the Stars and Bars". It was a privilege to represent Division President, Ruby Pugh, at the April 8th Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership awards ceremony at Mary Baldwin College to present the Captain Sally Tompkins award to the cadet having the highest academic standing in computer science or mathematics. This year's recipient was Megan Sexton of Mechanicsville, VA. Upon graduating in May, she was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Air Force. Megan eventually hopes to attend medical school under Air Force sponsorship.

In an April awards assembly, Turner Ashby 162 presented the first annual Turner Ashby Memorial Award to Dereck Eppard, at student at Turner Ashby High School in Bridgewater, VA. Dereck was selected by guidance counselors for his marked interest in the history of the War Between the States and in re-enacting. He received a cash award, certificate, and a copy of The Life of Turner Ashby. Congratulations! The initiative provided new access to area school programs and is intended to foster student interest in the history of the War and heritage preservation.

District Chapters lent their heartfelt support and love of ceremonies honoring the Confederate dead in May and I was gratified to participate in three of these programs. I brought greetings from 2nd District and the Virginia

Division at the Albemarle Chapter 154 memorial service on May 28th at the UVA Confederate Cemetery. Thirty-one new grave markers were placed and dedicated in this 2011 ceremony. J. E. B. Stuart Chapter 156 honored the over 4000 Confederate veterans buried in Thornrose Cemetery in Staunton on May 29th at the Chapter's annual commemorative service. Eric Buckland, author of Mosby's Keydet Rangers, gave the program address that highlighted the lives and service records of two Keydets who are buried at Thornrose. Public support of the service continues to be high with this year's attendance estimated at 150. Sharon Loving, Division Recording Secretary, brought greetings from Virginia's Daughters and presented a Children of the Confederacy Membership Certificate to 18 month old Rebecca Edith Cave. On May 30th, Turner Ashby 162 paid tribute to the Confederate soldiers buried at Woodbine Cemetery, Harrisonburg. The lovely morning ceremony was stirring amid the floral tribute and the multitude of Confederate flags placed on each grave at the monument site by Colonel D. H. Lee Martz Camp 10, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

If you are not attending the Division Convention... The Iron Cross Dedication planned by Sara Rice Pryor Chapter 2347 in Covington and the SCV for eight Tennessee soldiers whose remains were reburied in Mt. Vie Cemetery, Clifton Forge, will take place October 9, 2011 at 2:00PM. The original graves were impacted by highway construction. A contingent of UDC members from the Tennessee Division is expected. Richard Armstrong, the author of several Virginia Regimental History publications will speak at the gathering.

Fifth District Chairman, Lois Bailey

I hope everyone is enjoying their hot summer and are looking forward to being together again at our convention in Fredericksburg in October. You know this is an election year so it is very important that your chapter be represented to vote for our new officers. It doesn't seem possible that my two years are almost up. I have enjoyed being Fifth District Chairman and know you will enjoy working with our new chairman, Jean Frawner. Sadly, I didn't get to visit all the chapters in our district but have been in touch with all of you via email or phone. Starting off the District conferences was Caroline Grays hosting the Fifth District Conference in March and it was enjoyed by all. You could tell a lot of hard work went into it. I also participated in the Virginia's Civil War and Emancipation Days held at Headquarters in April. What a great day that was and I'm looking forward to it again next year. We were able to let visitors know what our organization stands for and how proud we are of our Confederate ancestors. Among some of my visits was the honor of installing the new officers for Caroline Grays and President Davis Chapters. At the present time I am working on your reports and enjoying seeing all that you have been doing this past year. Keep your fingers crossed that we will be bringing home the Minnie C. Eller and the Randolph-Walker banners again this year. Ladies, I will always be here for you and again, thanks for all you have done. You have made this position a very enjoyable and rewarding one.

From our Chapters

J.E.B. Stuart Chapter 156

The Chapter sponsored the traditional Confederate Memorial Service at Thornrose Cemetery on Sunday, May 29th. More than 135 persons attended this year's ceremony, and the event garnered significant media coverage. Historian Eric Buckland spoke on "Some of Mosby's Men"; his address highlighted the lives and military service of two of Mosby's partisan rangers, John McCue and Andrew "Hard" Knot, who are buried at Thornrose. A special moment in the ceremony came when Rebecca Edith Cave, Granddaughter and Great Granddaughter of Chapter members Kathy Cave and Eva Talbert, was presented a C of C membership certificate. Sharon Loving and Nancy Gum, representing the Turner Ashby Chapter 162 that sponsors the Tom Telegraph C of C Chapter, bestowed the membership certificate. Rebecca showed her great delight in the proceedings as she received Traveler and waved a small First National Flag!

Waverly Adcock, a member of the West Augusta Guards, also spoke at the Thornrose ceremony to publicize the fundraising effort underway to restore and conserve the silk banner carried by the 5th Virginia Infantry during the early days of the War, and a second flag from the 1st Virginia Cavalry. Both are currently deteriorating, housed in a drawer in the Staunton Circuit Court and away from public view. To find out more about the flags, or how to donate, e-mail drocheltree@hotmail.com. Our Chapter is exploring the means to support the preservation of these banners so important to the history of Staunton, Waynesboro, and Augusta County.

Elizabeth Spencer, a member of our Chapter and 2nd District Chairman, attended the 1st Manassas Commemoration on July 23rd, and presented the J.E.B. Stuart tribute during the Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Stonewall Jackson Statue. A gentle breeze stirred during the program alleviating the otherwise oppressive heat of the

150th Commemoration weekend -- another lovely touch no doubt ordered by the gracious ladies of the hostess Manassas Chapter 175.

In June, J.E.B. Stuart elected new officers who will be installed at a special luncheon on August 20th at the charming Tree Streets Inn in Waynesboro. The Chapter will also present Eva Talbert with a WWI Cross of Military Service honoring her Father, Earl A. Craft who served in the 1st Virginia Infantry in France.

The Chapter will be well represented at the 116th Annual Division Convention in Fredericksburg. Excitement is building, and we hope to see many of you there!

King George Chapter 1616

A small, but enthusiastic, group of chapter members gathered on May 11th for their first "Mystery Trip". President Janice Jones had arranged the trip, mapped the route, and "teased" us regarding our destination for several weeks. As we pulled away from our meeting place in King George, we all finally learned that we were heading south to Appomattox. Joan Drummond was our driver assisted by co-pilot, Janice, and her GPS Lady. Delores Shea, Linda Southall and Jean Graham were also part of this Mystery Trip group.

After a long ride, and only one pit stop, we arrived at Blaine's Bookstore on Main Street in Appomattox where we enjoyed a Lunchtime Talk given by Alyssa Holland, a National Park Service Ranger. We ate lunch in the café as we listened to Alyssa's informative talk about women and their role during the War Between the States.

After lunch, while chatting with Alyssa, she offered to take us on a personal tour to Appomattox Court House National Historic Park. Thirteen of the buildings that existed in 1864 remain in the village today. Nine other structures, including the McLean House where Robert E. Lee surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia to General Ulysses S. Grant and our nation was reunited, have been reconstructed on the original sites. After walking the same roads our forefathers likely marched on and touring several historic buildings in the park, we visited their bookstore/gift shop to purchase some souvenirs.

Later in the day we had a light dinner and yummy dessert at Granny Bee's on Main Street in downtown Appomattox. Our trip to Appomattox for this step back into the 19th Century was interesting, thought provoking and well worth the three hour (each way) ride! We are ready for the next "Mystery Trip" and would be willing to make another trek to historic Appomattox. There is still so much to see and so much to learn.

News from Virginia Division, Children of the Confederacy

Virginia Division congratulates the following members of the Virginia Division, Children of the Confederacy. Our members are always ready to help our children in any way.

Miss McGowan (Mackie) V. Storage was elected President of Virginia Division CofC at the convention in June.

At the General Convention in July, Miss Jordan Joyner was presented the Stockton B. Jefferson Award as the outstanding female member. Jordan was elected as 2nd Vice President General. Miss Audrey Joyner was elected Recording Secretary General and Miss Maggie Joyner was elected to the Nominating Committee.

2012 General Convention

Virginia Division is the Hostess Division for the *2012 General Convention* which will be held at the Omni Hotel in Richmond in November 2012. The Chairman of the Convention is Mrs. Annette Wetzel; Mrs. Randolph W. Grigg (Karen), Co-Chairman; and Mrs. Floyd M. Townsend (Suzanne), Treasurer.

Reminders for some of us/Information for the rest of us

Virginia Division Scrapbook and Pressbook – Please share any pictures or articles you have of a Chapter/Division/General function with the Chairmen of these two committees. Brianne King is the scrapbook chairman and Theresa Wilson is the pressbook chairman.

We need advertisements and articles for the March 2012 issue of the UDC Magazine which is a Virginia Division Special issue. Will each chapter consider placing an ad in this issue which focuses on Virginia?

To all outgoing Division and Chapter officers – Please remember you are to give all your files and information pertaining to your office to the incoming officer. Please help them with questions regarding their new position.

Mark your calendars with these dates for the 2012 District Conferences!

March 24th *Second District*, Turner Ashby 162 Hostess Chapter

March 31st *Fifth District*, Centennial Maury 2296 Hostess Chapter

April 7th Easter Weekend

April 14th *Sixth District*, Norfolk County Grays/Niemeyer-Shaw Chapter 2535,
Hostess Chapter

April 21st *Third District*, H. A. Carrington Chapter 1055, Hostess Chapter

April 28th *Fourth District*, Mary Custis Lee-17th Virginia Regiment Chapter 7,
Hostess Chapter

May 5th *First District*, McComas Chapter 66, Hostess Chapter