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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Mrs. Floyd M. (Suzanne) Townsend



Greetings, Daughters! Like a lot of you, I have been really busy tending to the business of the UDC. January was a busy month for celebrating the birthdays of several of our heroes, including Generals Robert E. Lee, Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, James Longstreet and George Pickett, as well as Commodore Matthew Fontaine Maury. The commemoration at the Old House of Delegates Chamber at

the Virginia State Capitol saw a standing room only crowd and many wreaths placed at the statue of General Lee. Several chapters throughout the Division held events to commemorate their birthdays and I wish I could have attended all of them. I did attend, accompanied by our **President General Martha Van Schaick**, the **Turner Ashby 162** Dance in Harrisonburg on January 28. The chapter had a good turnout, including General Lee and General Jackson, and a good time was had by all.

The District Conferences will be starting soon. I encourage you to attend your District's conference which is a learning experience for all. The Division Officers, District Chairmen, and Committee Chairmen give short reports and then Chapter Presidents share briefly what their chapters are doing. The Division Officers are going to give workshops, complete with handouts as needed, to help chapter members and/or officers with any questions they may have. I look forward to seeing many of you at your Conference!

I am thrilled to let you know that we have added two Real Daughters to our membership. **Mrs. Isabelle H. Hodges** joined **Jubal Early Chapter** in Rocky Mount, and her sister, **Mrs. Mildred H. Adkins**, joined **Anne Eliza Johns Chapter** in Danville. Their father was **Nathaniel Hammack**, Co. E, 57th Virginia Infantry. These two sisters have joined **Mrs. Evelyn Matheny of Janet Randolph Chapter** in Richmond as our only Real Daughters. We are proud to have them in our membership!

I have requested from the Manassas National Battlefield the date of July 21 to have our annual **Battle of First Manassas Commemoration**. I understand that the permit is being prepared and I will get you information on this as it becomes available.

I look forward to seeing many of you in the near future – please call or email anytime with a question or a problem and I will do my best to help you.

Stand Fast and Stand Proud!

VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Suzie Snyder

What a busy New Year it has been so far. I am happy to say that quite a few insignia orders have been submitted and a number of them were for the #1 Badge set – that could mean we have lots of new members.

It is a special pleasure to work with so many wonderful ladies and I am really enjoying getting to know so many members by phone. I am hoping to put faces with voices at our Spring District Conferences.

We have new insignia ready to be ordered. General and Division Officer and Committee Chairman Pins and Chapter Officer Pins were approved to be worn on our ribbon at November's General Conference. I will have order forms and pictures for you at the District Conferences. The new Engraved 2 forms, copies of the latest Engraved and Non Engraved forms as well as other insignia forms will be included in the Vice President Packet as part of your Chapter Packets to be distributed at your District Conference. Make sure you always use the latest forms.

There are price changes you should remember. The Ribbons are now \$6.00 for the 8", \$8.00 for the 16" and \$10.00 for the 32". You must use the new Non-Engraved Form dated 10 November 2011 to place your orders. Make a note of the price change for the Stonewall Jackson medal with certificate; it is listed as \$40.00 on the form but is actually \$45.00. Both the Winnie Davis and Stonewall Jackson medals are now \$45.00.

When ordering insignia remember that it will take about six to eight weeks for your order to be delivered, from the time it reaches the engraver, not from the time your check is written. A couple of ideas to shorten the length of time to receive your insignia: be sure to read the instructions for each pin carefully, make sure you are submitting the correct information, that your ancestor's name is the same as on your Certificate and count your characters carefully. Double check to make sure the form is signed and dated and, if a Certificate copy is included, that all needed signatures are on the Certificate.

Last, but very important, please do not use staples, removing them can damage your form or check.

I am really looking forward to seeing and working with you at District Conferences. I will have forms for ordering insignia and Virginia Division Badges (\$30.00) and Sesquicentennial pins (\$40) to sell. Start making a list of any questions you might have and "bring them with you". See you soon! Contact me at (540)384-6884, Suzienotes@aol.com or 8440 Bradshaw Rd., Salem, VA 24153-2246

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Barbara Joyner

At the present time, we have three **Virginia Division Scholarships** open: The **Mary Anne Williams (Pre-Med or Engineering)**; the **Marrow Memorial at the University of Richmond** and the **Preston Goss Glazebrook at the University of Virginia in American History**.

I have received emails from some of our recipients and I assure you the money Virginia Division gives to scholarships is appreciated and goes to well deserving students.

Xavier Scott will graduate from **VMI** May 2013; he received the **Stonewall Jackson Memorial Scholarship**. He is an Electrical and Computer Engineering Student and will be commissioned an Ensign in the Navy upon graduation. He hopes to go to the prestigious Navy Nuclear Power School and train as a submariner. **Molly Whitesell** received the **Mary Custis Lee Scholarship**. She is in her third year at **University of Virginia** and will be applying to transfer into the **UVA School of Nursing** in May. **Lauren Maddox** is a senior at the **University of Virginia's College at Wise**; she graduates May 19, 2012. Her major is Elementary Education and Special Education with a mathematics concentration. She plans to attend Graduate school in the fall to attain a Masters' in Special Education. **Lauren** received the **Margaret Hart Barnes Scholarship**. **Kayla Hanson** is a Nursing School junior at **Liberty University**; she will graduate May 2013. **Kayla** has just been accepted as a summer intern at Mayo Clinic. **Kayla** received the **Sally Tompkins Nursing and Allied Health Sciences Scholarship**.

Each one of our scholarship recipients is exceptional. Each one is involved in community service along with their academic studies and each is grateful for the financial assistance received from the **Virginia Division**. One recipient wrote *"Receiving this scholarship the past three years has greatly affected my financial aid situation and allowed me to only take out small loans for my tuition. I know this will be helpful after graduation when it comes time to repay the loans for my tuition."*

At the present time, we have fifteen endowed scholarships; twelve are being used. As college tuitions escalate at an alarming rate, we should think about increasing the monetary value of each one.

I look forward to working with the chapters and the applicants each will be endorsing. I am grateful to the **Education**

Committee – Juliana Geris and Jean Frawner. Both are past Second Vice Presidents and have been most helpful.

THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Robin King

Greetings and Happy New Year. I hope all of you had an enjoyable holiday season with friends and family.

The **Virginia Division CofC** started off the New Year by attending the Lee-Jackson Day ceremonies at the State Capitol where our **President Mackie Storage** brought greetings and presented a wreath. Thanks to all our officers and members who were able to attend. We are looking forward to our Spring Board meeting that will be held at The Museum of The Confederacy on March 10th. We will have a special opportunity to view the flags made by the **Lanza children** from Charlottesville during the war that our **President Mackie Storage** has been raising funds to conserve. For those of you that aren't familiar with her project, these are believed to be the only 2 flags known to exist that were made by children during the war. If you have not yet had the opportunity to donate to preserving this very important part of Virginia History, you can send your checks made out to **VA Division CofC** to me at my address, 7680 Dowdy Dr. Henrico VA, 23231. Please make sure to indicate that it is for the flag project. We have reached the halfway point towards our goal of \$6,700 and hope to be able to present our check to **Cathy Wright** from the Museum at the VA Division CofC convention in Fredericksburg in June.

The **Virginia Division CofC** Convention will be held on June 16 at The Fairview at River Club, 10835 Tidewater Trail, Fredericksburg VA 22408. We have a block of rooms being held at the Best Western Fredericksburg, 2205 Plank Rd. Fredericksburg 22401-5226 for Friday night June 15th. The room rate of \$64.00 plus tax will be given when you mention you are with the **Virginia Division Children of the Confederacy**. This rate includes a full buffet breakfast. We will have a pool party with pizza on Friday evening so make plans to come and join in the fun and fellowship. The official convention call will go out at a later date but you can call the hotel at 540-371-5050 any time before June 1 to make your reservation. Don't wait too long. With this rate we are hoping to fill up fast! Please make plans to join us and don't forget to brush up on you catechisms for the quizzes!

We will be having a tea to honor **Mackie, our Virginia Division CofC President**, on May 19th at the Fredericksburg Country Club, 11031 Tidewater Trail, Fredericksburg 22408. Please mark your calendars and make plans to join us.

Our **CofC General Convention** will be held in Gettysburg, PA in July. Since it will be a lot closer this year we are hoping for a good turnout to represent Virginia. If you have not attended a **CofC General Convention**, I urge you to take this opportunity to do so. I am sure there are lots of fun events planned for us in this wonderfully historic location.

I am very happy to report I have been busy processing new member applications and we are very close to being able to re-charter the **Chesterfield CofC Chapter**. Please make sure to

take pictures of your CofC chapter activities and members and send them in to our **Historian Carolyn Akers** so your chapter will be included in our Division Scrapbook. I look forward to being able to meet with some of you at our District Conferences. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of any help. I may not have all the answers but the important thing is that I know who does!

TREASURER

Mrs. Sandy Wright



With spring around the corner, I look out at the early daffodils brightening my view and reflect on what the last few months have meant to me as a Division Treasurer. I have met many new friends and enjoyed our conversations about annual financial reports, per capita reports, what struggles some of you are having with being a new Chapter Treasurer, and what joys you are finding. It is such a learning experience for all. Thank you for your help, your cooperation, your questions, and just being there. It is my pleasure "meeting" you if only by phone.

I want to thank you, Chapter Treasurers, for sending me your per capita tax payments and donations in a timely manner. I very much appreciate your clearly written reports and letters that make my work easier! Your many hours of work for your Chapter are truly a labor of love for the UDC and the memory of our Confederate ancestors. This has shown in the overwhelming number that I have received to be able to send to General in a timely manner. I have received per capita tax payments from seventy-seven Chapters! That's 94% percent for those of you who like numbers. That's the majority for those of you who don't. Way to go, ladies.

Did you mail your Chapter Per Capita Tax report? If not, please do not delay any longer waiting for payments from your tardy members. You can send payment for late payers in a subsequent mailing using another copy of the Treasurer's Remittance Form. Did a member change her mind about resigning this year? Her per capita taxes can still be sent to remove the dropped or resigned status. Please keep in mind the two important deadlines for per capita tax – 1 July and 31 August. After 1 July, a member cannot be included in membership strength for delegates. After 31 August, UDC drops the member and she must be reinstated with additional fees. To insure that payment arrives at the UDC Business Office by these deadlines, please get the payment to me by 25 June and 25 August.

Do you need more blank membership cards? Your new supply was in the Per Capita package you received in the mail. Remember I get to count out all those little cards. If you need additional cards for this year, please let me know so I can get them to you and your supply will be up to date. I will also be bringing a supply with me to the District Conferences so see me there if you need more.

Did you give each new member a membership card? She should receive a membership card for the year that her membership is registered. She paid per capita taxes with her application and that is her first year of membership. The new

member could receive her membership card when she receives her membership certificate. Be careful to use the proper years. For example, a member whose membership certificate has a date of 31 August 2011 should receive a membership card dated 2010-2011 even though she would not receive the certificate until we are in the 2011-2012 year.

Did you mail your 2010 Annual Chapter Financial Report or your 990, 990-EZ, or 990-N IRS filing? Have you sent me your report for the period 1 September 2010 to 31 August 2011? IRS requires non-profit groups to maintain financial records; this form satisfies that requirement. This UDC form is not optional. Please send it to me as soon as possible. You can download the form from the UDC website. In addition, I can mail you a form and I will also have forms at District Conferences. Remember your 990, 990-EZ, or 990-N IRS filing is critical to your Chapter. If you lose your not-for-profit tax status, you can lose your Chapter Charter.

I look forward to being with everyone at District Conferences. Please attend! I would love to meet in person you ladies that I have worked with over the last few months. I also look forward to meeting those of you I haven't yet had the pleasure to work with.

REGISTRAR

Mrs. Hilda Bradberry

Ladies, I look forward to seeing you at your District Meetings. I have a few special requests from the Registrar and Assistant Registrar General, along with some information she has requested me to give each chapter. I sincerely hope to have a few minutes with each Chapter Registrar. You all have been doing a wonderful job! Keep up the good work and continue to keep **Brenda Beeton** and me busy!

HISTORIAN

Mrs. Deborah Lundeen



Greetings to All: I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and are ready for a busy spring. I have received several lovely invitations to chapter events and regret that I could not attend them all. I would like to thank the Lee Chapter 1379 for inviting me to their 100th Anniversary event and to the Loudoun Chapter 170 for their invitation to join them on their 1st Anniversary. With March around the corner, I am looking forward to traveling over our beautiful state to the district conference meetings and hope to see many of you there. There will be a brief workshop at each conference, please bring your questions and plan to attend.

I have processed two Jefferson Davis Historical Gold Medals and am working toward another. I strongly urge each chapter Historian to search within your chapter for those deserving of recognition for their work. Applications for awards can be accessed through the General web site and are downloadable. If you have no computer access, please contact me at, dixygrl@aol.com or reach me by phone at (434) 574-9931 and I will see that you get copies.

Remember to review and use your Historian General's suggested topics for programs within your chapters or for your own personal edification. Using the suggested programs and building on them would be a wonderful opportunity to form discussion groups outside of regular chapter meetings, much like Civil War Roundtables. Inviting non-members would broaden the knowledge of the war and go a long way in educating the public as well.

RECORDER of MILITARY SERVICE AWARDS

Mrs. Elizabeth ("Betsy") Spencer

The beautiful, newly authorized Global War on Terror Cross is now available for bestowal. Eligible recipients shall have served:

- Between September 11, 2001 and a date to be determined (TBD), in Iraq or Afghanistan, *or* on land/in airspace/in waters contiguous to these areas of operation (Noble Eagle/Enduring Freedom/Iraqi Freedom).
- Or in airport security operations (OSA) from September 27, 2001 to May 31, 2002.

The Military Service Records (DD214) for intended recipients of the Global War on Terror Cross will reflect that they have received both the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal (GWOT-S) and campaign medals for either Iraq (ICM) and/or Afghanistan (ACM) from the U.S. Armed Forces.

A further distinction of importance should be noted. Due to the recognition of the Global War on Terror proceeding from an expedition to a conflict, military personnel who have previously received the UDC Armed Forces Expeditionary Services Medal Global War on Terror (Afghanistan and Iraq) will be eligible to be nominated and processed for the new Global War on Terror Cross, should Chapters wish to pursue the Cross bestowal. Those UDC Expeditionary Service Medal recipients deemed eligible for the GWOT Cross must have served in Iraq and Afghanistan, or contiguous waters, etc., and been awarded campaign medals, as well as the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. Veterans falling into this category will be entitled to wear both the Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal and the Global War on Terror Cross.

Pending revision of the MOF form and Form 36 (used for ordering Crosses and Medals), mark out WWI under the sections reserved for Crosses, and write GWOT (Sept.11, 2001-date TBD) above the previous designation. The Chapter also should annotate the MOF specifying the number of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal the person was previously bestowed, in those cases where a secondary application is being made for the new Global War on Terror Cross.

I hope to have the GWOT Cross added to the Virginia Division Display Set of Military Crosses and Medals for viewing and *inspiration* at our District Conferences. I look forward to seeing many of you there, and I will have MOF forms and Instruction Sheets available for discussion and clarification during the Conference workshops. For more timely assistance, you may always contact me at 540-886-6456, or e-mail 36vainf@verizon.net.

Finally, I would again like to encourage and challenge, each Chapter in the Division to hold a bestowal service this year. We have veterans in every association and intersection of our lives who need to be shown our gratitude for their patriotism and service to the nation in time of war. Bestowing our Military Service Awards is a truly rewarding experience for the recipients, their families, and our Chapters.

CUSTODIAN

Mrs. Sherry Greshamer

I am excited about the District Conferences coming up, seeing old friends and making new ones. I have received several invitations to different events and I hope to attend most of them. We have some new products to offer and hopefully we will be getting more. I look forward to seeing everyone soon.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Mrs. Lois Bailey

Spring is here and I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at our District Conferences. I want to thank all the Chapters that have been sending me news of their Chapters and members and also for the many new subscriptions I have been receiving. Please continue!! Committee Chairmen, I also welcome articles from you. Remember we would not be able to have a newsletter without your support. Newsletters are sent to each Chapter in care of their President with hopes she is sharing them with the Chapter. However, if you would like to receive your "own" newsletter at the same time the Officers and Presidents receive theirs, all you need to do is send me a check for \$6, made payable to Treasurer, Virginia Division. If you have any questions, please contact me, or see me at the District Conferences.

FIRST DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Dolores Smith

The **First District Chapters** are really working hard to make this the best ever Convention. Surprises and more surprises. The Convention Call will be in the Chapter Packet so Chapter Presidents please be sure to share with your Chapter and make your reservations early. Also the Memorial Service will be held at the Enon Baptist Church. This church is a Historical Treasure. Jubal Early's Forces camped on the grounds of the church and actually sat in some of the pews which are still in use on their way to the battle of Hanging Rock. The Church Historian will give a brief History of the Church at the Service. The Church is beautiful. If you have something to raffle/place in auction please fill in the appropriate form in the packet. See you in Roanoke in October.

SECOND DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Ms. Eleanor Price

Second District's ladies care about the past, present, future of our heritage! We are coming out of our warm winter and are getting ready for our spring District Conference. Our Conference is March 24, in Harrisonburg at Spotswood Country Club. We are planning a fun time so send in your reservations and join us.

The Chapters have been busy over this unusually warm winter! Members from **Albemarle, Dr. John Thompson, General William R. Terry, J.E.B. Stuart, Rockbridge, Sara Rice Pryor, Scottsville, and Turner Ashby 162**, all attended the Lee Jackson Day activities in Lexington. I brought greetings from Virginia Division at Lee Chapel.

Turner Ashby 162 hosted their third annual Lee-Jackson-Maury Celebration, including the period dancing. It was a huge success with over 130 people attending. What an honour to have **President General Martha R. Van Schaick and Virginia Division President Suzanne Townsend** attend. Both express their desire to attend again next year as they had a most memorable afternoon. It was great to have so many members of Second District attend. They were also able to raise money for their chapter projects. GREAT JOB EVERYONE!

J.E.B. Stuart Chapter invited me to a very special Christmas Tea at the Tree Street Inn. It's a 1900 restored bed and breakfast home in Waynesboro. It was a full course meal, that I will not forget, in a beautiful dining room with a fire in the fireplace and all the tea you can drink!! They are getting ready for their annual Memorial Service at Thornrose Cemetery in Staunton May 27 at 2:30 p.m. You do not want to miss this well-attended service.

Albemarle Chapter invited me to their February meeting. It was an excellent program on how to find and keep all the information using Fold 3. Over 1000 soldiers from many southern states are buried in the Confederate Cemetery at the University of Virginia. The ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 26, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. Please plan on attending.

Even though **Turner Ashby 162** is busy now with the District Conference, they are making plans for a grave marking service on April 5 at Mt. Crawford. They will also have their annual Memorial Service at the Confederate Section in Woodbine Cemetery, Harrisonburg, on May 28 at 9:15 a.m. Plans are also being made for 150th anniversary of the death of Turner Ashby at the Turner Ashby Monument on June 6. A meal will be at the Wood Grill Buffet before continuing the service at the Monument. The program starts at 4:00 p.m. and more information will be announced later. Please plan on attending.

We have fun and fellowship in Second District!!! Please join us.

THIRD DISTRICT CHAIRMAN
Mrs. Patt Graves

First of all ladies, I want to make sure you all know that you are welcome at the Third District Conference being held on Saturday, April 21. It will be at the Hebron United Methodist Church, Saxe, Va. Not at all difficult to find, it is 1.2 miles off US360, west as you travel toward South Boston, Va. We are planning an outstanding meeting and would love for you to join us. If you wish to have our grilled chicken lunch which is \$18 you must register (\$2 fee) with us by April 6. The host chapter is **H. A. Carrington**, P.O. Box 5, Charlotte Court House, VA 23923. Please mail your check for \$20 payable to

them. If you are planning to stay at Sheldon's on Friday night (434-736-8434) the special rate of \$79.75 is only good until April 15 and you MUST tell them you are part of the UDC.

Now for some of our news...The **H. A. Carrington Chapter** is having a Military Service Awards program on March 25 at 2 p.m. and is inviting everyone to join them for the event. They will be presenting ten awards and a Certificate of Appreciation. It will also be held at the Hebron United Methodist Church. Please just contact me at 434.696.2202 or thebargthree@aol.com if you need directions. The **Appomattox Chapter** is having their annual Memorial Service on April 15 at 2 p.m., to be held at the Confederate Cemetery adjacent to the Appomattox Court House National Park. All are welcome! This will be complete with speaker, music, wreath laying and Lee and His Lieutenants. Please plan on joining them for that event.

Please note **Appomattox Chapter's** new President is **Carol Williams** 434-248-5747 or i_m_scarlet@hotmail.com. **Farmville's** new President is **Kathryn Powell** 434-292-6133 or frklnqltr@gmail.com.

Our news only gets more exciting... members **Millie Crum and Jackie Gray** sent us articles from The Charlotte Gazette (reprinted the article from The Franklin News-Post with permission from Charles Boothe, publisher) on the newest member of **Jubal Early Chapter, Real Daughter Isabelle Hodges**. Her sister **Mildred Adkins** also became a member of the **Anne Eliza Johns Chapter** and a **UDC Real Daughter**.

How exciting and wonderful this is for all of us. Thanks so much for the daughters who go above and beyond the call of duty for the good of the order, especially in a time where "political correctness" seems to be growing by leaps and bounds. All of this exciting news brings the UDC to the forefront in a very positive way. Thank you all and keep up the wonderful work.

FOURTH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN
Ms. Ginger Stephens

The New Year is off to a great start. The **Culpeper Chapter** had a wonderful program on Stonewall Jackson's Last Days as part of their Lee-Jackson Commemoration on January 16. The ladies of **Culpeper Chapter** outdid themselves with hospitality and great Southern food.

Fourth District will hold its District Conference on April 28, with **Mary Custis Lee-17th Virginia Regiment Chapter** serving as hostess. I know they will do an excellent job and I look forward to seeing everyone. Please remember that your 2011 Virginia Division Minutes should be picked up at the District Conference. If your chapter will not be able to attend, please contact me so we can make arrangements to get your chapter Minutes to you.

The **Black Horse SCV Camp 1780** will be rededicating the grave marker of Major General Lunsford Lindsey Lomax on

Sunday, April 22 at 2:00 pm in Warrenton. All UDC and SCV members are invited and I hope many of you will be able to attend.

Fourth District will be holding two workshops later this year. On Saturday, June 9, we will hold a By-Laws Workshop at the **Warren Rifles Museum** in Front Royal. The workshop will start at 10:00 am. **Gail Brosks**, the General By-Laws Chairman will be leading the workshop to review the recent changes to the UDC General By-laws. A formal invitation will be sent in the next few weeks.

On Saturday, June 30, we will hold a workshop on UDC Applications, including new member and supplemental applications, as well as transfers. The workshop will also be at the **Warren Rifles Museum** and will start at 11:00 am. **Division Registrar Hilda Bradberry** will be on hand to review the paperwork and the proof requirements. All chapters are invited to attend, and bring any paperwork that they would like to review/discuss.

I look forward to visiting with many Fourth District Chapters in the near future. Please feel free to invite me to an upcoming chapter meeting. I would love to visit with you and get to know your chapter members.

FIFTH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Jean L. Frawner

The **Fifth District Conference** will be held on Saturday, March 31, at First Baptist Church in Ashland, VA. By now you should have received the "conference call" so I hope that you have marked that date on your calendar and will be able to attend the conference. **Centennial-Maury** is the hostess chapter and the members have been busy preparing for this event and the ladies of the church will prepare a delicious lunch for those in attendance.

On Saturday, May 12, **Lancaster Chapter** will observe the One Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of the chapter. This event will be held at the Mary Ball Washington Museum in Lancaster County, VA.

On Sunday, May 20, **Hanover Chapter** will observe the One Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of its chapter. This event will be held at the **UDC Memorial Building** in Richmond. Congratulations to both of these chapters on their anniversaries.

The 2011 Minutes will be available for those chapters who have not received their copies at the **Fifth District Conference** in Ashland. It will be necessary for payment to be made at the time that you pick up your Minutes. Checks should be made payable to **Treasurer Virginia Division UDC**. Minutes that are not picked up on that date will be mailed to the chapters and all postage costs will be the responsibility of the individual chapters. Happy Spring to each of our daughters.

SIXTH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Susan Carraway

It has been great meeting some of the ladies of the Sixth District these past few months. I hope to meet all of you at our District Conference on April 14th at the Chesapeake Conference Center hosted by the **Norfolk County Grays-Niemeyer Shaw Chapter**. This is a great way to meet other members of the Sixth District and to learn what other chapters are doing to honor our brave Confederate soldiers. You will also learn what our Division Officers are doing for our wonderful organization. Please don't hesitate to call or email me if you have any questions.

Don't forget that April is Confederate History Month. Take some time to go to the library or search the internet to learn a little about your local Confederate History. Take a family trip or a chapter field trip and visit some battlefields, museums and monuments. Then share with others what you have learned. Be proud of your Southern heritage. Our ancestors were!

A NOTE OF APPRECIATION

I extend my deep appreciation to the daughters of Virginia Division for granting to me the very distinct honor of Honorary President of Division. Not only was I totally surprised but completely overwhelmed by the proceedings.

Being designated for such an honor is quite a humbling experience. I thank you most sincerely.

Shannon Bryant Starke

CONFEDERATE GRAVE MARKERS

Kathy Clifton, Chairman

Please continue to send me your Confederate Interment Records as they are a very important project. It will be a great research tool for prospective, and members, to locate the burial place of their Confederate ancestor. These reports also have the information needed to join the UDC. Of course you have to prove it, but it is a great starting point. The form is available on the General UDC website along with instructions. Just print one and they can be copied. After you have completed the Soldier's Grave form, send them to me so that your chapter receives the credit. Be sure to put the number on the District reports form. If you are ordering a Real Daughters

Grave Marker you also need to send me the form. If you need any further help please contact me at 901 Jewell Avenue, Portsmouth, VA 23701 or chatykathy@verizon.net

CORRECT USE of CONFEDERATE FLAGS

What Is the Confederate Flag?



In order to pay respects to our Confederate flag, we must first know what that flag looks like.

We have all seen the rectangular flag with the blue diagonal cross with white stars on a red background. The cross is Cross of St. Andrew. It had no particular connection to the Confederacy except that many immigrants had come from Scotland by way of Ireland. This flag was the battle flag of the Army of Tennessee, which was standardized across the Army by General Joe Johnston. It is also called the Naval Jack because the two flags are so similar. This flag has been incorrectly named the Stars and Bars.

Many of us call this flag the Confederate flag, but it is NOT. This flag was never adopted as the official flag of the Confederate States. How the rectangular flag became the symbol of the Confederacy is something I cannot tell you. Whatever the reason, it was a Confederate flag but never the flag of the Confederate States. Many racist hate groups have adopted this flag as their rallying point to the detriment of true Southerners. If you want to fly a Confederate flag, there are others that more correctly represent our heritage than this one.

The Confederate flag is NOT the battle flag of the Army of Northern Virginia. This flag was square with a white border. This flag is on the insignia of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The Bonnie Blue Flag was a popular banner and song. However, it is not the Confederate flag.

So what is the Confederate flag? There were 3 official flags of the Confederacy: the first National Flag, or Star and Bars; the Second National Flag, or Stainless Banner; and the Third National Flag, or Blood-stained Banner.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy use the First National Flag with 7 stars on their insignia. This was the official flag of the Confederacy from March 5, 1861, to May 26, 1863, with the number of stars growing to 13. This flag is also known the Daughters' Flag. This flag, along with flag of the United States, should be posted at all official UDC gatherings. The Children of the Confederacy use the Second National Flag, or the Stainless Banner, on their insignia.

The Code for Correct Use of Confederate Flags can be found on the UDC web site under Information for Members.

ANNUAL DIVISION CONVENTION
Mrs. Dolores Smith

The Convention Committee is very busy planning a lot of surprises for you. We look forward to seeing each and every one of you. Hope you will enjoy every minute of the Convention. Please remember to observe the deadlines for having the room reserved and the meal and bus tickets. If you have an allergy, please note it on the meal reservations. Get those reservations in early! See you in Roanoke.

CALL FOR CONVENTION PAGES

Pages are needed for the Virginia Division Convention to be held in Roanoke October 4-7, 2012. No experience is necessary. This is a great way for a new member to learn how the organization works. The duties are mainly to keep the business sessions running smoothly and setting up for the special events. You do not have to serve at every session.

The biggest commitment is the proper Page attire. You must wear white/off-white skirts (no slacks) and tops along with white shoes and hose. Formal or semi-formal attire is required for Historical Evening. A hat for the Memorial Service is also required. Gloves are to be worn at all times.

I ask that District Chairmen and Chapter Presidents encourage members to consider this opportunity to serve the Division. If you are interested in being a Page or have any questions, please contact **Sharon Crockett** at skc.bus@gmail.com.

DIVISION HEADQUARTERS FUND
Mrs. Sam Lougheed, Chairman

Dear Virginia Daughters, are you thinking of honoring your ancestor or other Confederate hero; recognizing, celebrating or thanking another Daughter, friend or relative? Consider paying tribute by making a donation to the **Division Headquarters Fund** in their name. Your gracious gift not only celebrates them but is most gratefully received and appreciated by the Virginia Division. What better way to pay tribute to both? Please make checks payable to **Treasurer, Virginia Division** and mail to: **Mrs. John W. Lougheed**, Chairman, Division Headquarters Fund, 211 Vine Place, Stafford, VA 22554. An acknowledgement of your contribution(s) will be mailed to you. *"Gratitude is the most exquisite form of courtesy."*

JUDAH P. BENJAMIN AWARD COMMITTEE
Mrs. Linda Tyree, Chairman

I hope all Chapters are seeking worthy persons in their communities, and among their members, to be recognized with this prestigious award for outstanding contributions in the fields of civic/community service, conservation, education, and the environment, humanitarian efforts, and patriotic service. Confederate ancestry is not a requirement for this award nor do candidates' endeavors have to be Confederate related. A new pin was approved at the November 2011 General Convention to accompany the certificate. The presentation can be a special ceremony for the Chapter. It can be an excellent source of publicity for the Chapter and provide good public relations in the local community. Application blanks are available from the Business Office, or you may contact me at tyelov@cstone.net. Ladies, let's get busy!

PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES
Mrs. Grace Elliott, Chairman

Just a reminder Ladies, that February was the birthday of the Father of our Freedom, George Washington. We as Daughters of the War Between the States need to celebrate our Freedoms and educate our children. All our citizens need to be reminded that Freedom is not free! Let us fly our flags, honor our

Military, and learn what it means to be an American!! Stand up and be counted, proud and strong, showing that WE as Americans know that Freedom is NOT free!! Remember, Patriotic Activities is one of the reports that we have in our Year-End Reports!!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mrs. Betty F. Giragosian, Chairman

Remember the doors/windows that were in the RE Lee Camp No.1, Old Soldiers Home? **Suzanne Silek** has reported that six remain, and are waiting to be sold. Price is \$100.00 each. The doors have been in safekeeping at the **Warren Rifles Museum** for these many years following the Camp's gift of them to the Virginia Division.

Please contact **Mrs. Silek** to make your purchase of one of these historical treasures. Her phone number and address are listed in your **Virginia Division Minutes**. You will need to go to the Museum to pick up your door, and in the mail you will receive a Certificate of Authenticity, signed by the Division President **Suzanne B. Townsend** and the **Chairman of the Board of Trustees**.

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Fran Towberman, Chairman

As a chapter member did I grow/change/consider in that I

... Wasn't **subscribing** to the Division Newsletter or UDC magazine but now I am-
... Didn't **attend** last year's District Conference but am planning to this spring-
... Went to my district's meeting alone but am **asking others to travel with me-**
... Did not attend Division Convention but am **making plans to do so** this fall-
... **Call others** to car pool with me to chapter meetings and events-
... **Took an office or chairmanship** in chapter-
... **Asked the ladies I met** at various other functions if they knew if they had
A Confederate ancestor-
... **Volunteered** for chapter work, event, grave cleaning or marking-
... Signed up to **give a program** or to **seek those who would come in to do so-**
... **Brought a prospective member** to a chapter meeting or public even such
As Massing of the Flags, Lee-Jackson-Maury Ceremony at the capital-
... **Offered to pay per capita dues** for a member who couldn't-
... **Considered and followed through** with plans to attend Spring Board at the Memorial Building where our General Officers and ALL Members of UDC meet to hear reports and consider items of business and interest to come before General Convention Sessions.
... **Visited, called, wrote, or emailed** those members who are home-bound or unable to always attend chapter functions-

... Assisted, or at least offered to assist, a prospective member with her research and Membership papers-
... **Participated** in chapter meetings—asking questions, voting, making suggestion and offering assistance-
... **Supported other chapters** by my attendance or taking a part if asked-

How do **YOU** measure up?
Are you progressing or digressing?
YOU MAKE THE DIFFERENCE
For growth, status-quo, decline.

GRANDDAUGHTERS CLUB

Mrs. Sarah Stinnett, President

The Virginia Granddaughters Club received a monetary donation of a \$200 contribution from General Granddaughters Club to help begin donations to restore a Confederate Flag (2nd Va. Calvary Co. C - Botetourt Dragoons). A big thanks to **Jean Frawner** for her help in securing this. Chapters, if you would like to pay the dues for your chapter granddaughters I'm sure they would appreciate it. This would not only help to remember our granddaughters in this manner but also to help us build our treasury so we would be able to make a donation at the Division Convention, our Annual Meeting of the club. If you are a granddaughter we would love to welcome you as a new member. Any member who owes dues, please pay **Joyce Eades**. Contact me at sabrewsett@msn.com for additional information.

OUR TWO NEW "REAL DAUGHTERS"

Mrs. Linda Stanley, Jubal Early Chapter

Two daughters of **CSA Pvt. Nathaniel Hammock** of Pittsylvania County have been "discovered" and both just joined UDC chapters as "real daughters" to honor their father's service in the War Between the States.

Isabelle Hodges, 87, of Rocky Mount joined the **Jubal Early Chapter** in Franklin County and **Mildred Adkins**, 89, of Danville joined the **Anne Eliza Johns Chapter** in Pittsylvania County. Both have been invited to attend the annual Veterans Memorial Day event in Franklin County on Saturday, May 26 as honored guests.

Their father was 51 years older than their mother. They were married 17 years and had ten children. **Isabelle** was just two weeks old when her father died and **Mildred** was two years old. Their mother, **Lessie Gray Myers**, had married **Pvt. Hammock** Aug. 8, 1908 when he was 67 and **Lessie**, 16. **Pvt. Hammock** died at the age of 84 on April 8, 1925. **Lessie** died Aug. 11, 1928 when she was 36. They are buried in the Matthews Memorial Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Pittsylvania County. The six **Hammock** children still at home were raised by their half-brother's family in Franklin County.

Nathaniel Hammock, known as "Nat," joined Co. E of the 57th VA Infantry (Pig River Grays) as a 22 year-old in August 1863 in Pittsylvania County. He received a \$50 bounty for enlisting. He was not well for much of his military service, sickened by severe diarrhea as many CSA soldiers were. This illness was often fatal due to lack of medicine and proper food, rest and hygiene. One out of every 10 diarrhea patients

died, with bowel disorders killing more men than battle. CSA records find **Pvt. Hammock** furloughed Oct. 15, 1864, then hospitalized with diarrhea in Danville for 20 days beginning Nov. 5, 1864. He was back in the hospital March 12, 1865, in Farmville, again with diarrhea. He was transferred to a Lynchburg hospital in April 1865. A military discharge date is not listed; however, the Confederate army was surrendered while he was hospitalized. He applied for a pension in 1914.

He first married **Mary Elizabeth Smith** and they had at least seven children before her death in 1907. One of those children, **Benjamin Dickerson Hammock** who by then was 53, stepped in to raise his half siblings when **Nat Hammock** died. The **Hammock** children did not know **Ben** was their sibling for many years although they referred to the couple as "Brother Ben" and "Sister Mary."

Isabelle married **Raymond Hodges** in 1941 and was married 61 years before his death. They did not have birth children but took in three of her brother **Spencer's** ten children after he died. **Mildred** married **Addison Adkins** in 1942 and was married 44 years before his death. They had three children.

Although the two "real daughters" were too young to remember their father, they are proud of his war service and patriotism.

NOTE: Mrs. Isabelle Hammock will be celebrating her 87th birthday on 25 March. Cards may be sent to her at: 5639 Doe Run Road, Rocky Mount, VA 24151.

The **Virginia Division** would like to extend a BIG welcome to our two new Real Daughters. **Mrs. Isabelle Hammock Hodges** has joined the **Jubal Early Chapter** and her sister **Mrs. Mildred Elizabeth Hammock Adkins** has joined the **Anne Eliza Johns Chapter**. These very special ladies will join **Mrs. Evelyn Dransfield Matheny** of **Janet Randolph Chapter**. We are very proud to have these ladies in our Division.

News of Our Members and Chapters

Captain Sally Tompkins Chapter had the honor of welcoming their newest member **Shelby Lynn Miles**, a senior at Mathews High School.

Jubal Early Chapter will host their 11th annual Veterans Memorial Day on Saturday, May 26, 9:45 a.m. Franklin County Courthouse Lawn with re-enactors, period dress, rifle salute, wreath laying at the CSA monuments.

LANCASTER CHAPTER

SAVE THE DATE: MAY 12, 2012

The **Lancaster County Chapter** will commemorate our 100th Anniversary on Saturday May 12, 2012. The day commences at 11 a.m. with a rededication ceremony and wreath presentation at the Lancaster County Confederate Monument.

The monument is considered one of the earliest Monuments of its kind, dating to 1872. The Mary Ball Washington Museum, which is adjacent to the Monument, will have an exhibit featuring the history, work and artifacts of the **Lancaster County Chapter**. The museum will be open free of charge to UDC members and guests from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the 12th. The exhibit is open to the public from May 10th to June 8th. Mary Ball was the mother of George Washington and her family was one of the area's earliest settlers.

Ceremonies will continue at 1:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Whitechapel Church a few miles from the museum. **Mrs. Ella Towles Poole**, organizer and first President of the Chapter, is buried in the cemetery. A UDC Member grave marker will be dedicated by the Chapter. The burial grounds at the Church are several centuries old, the oldest being marked 1698. The cemetery also contains a number of Confederate Veteran's graves. St. Mary's Whitechapel Church, a registered Virginia Historic Landmark, is made of handmade brick set in the Flemish Bond pattern, was started in 1669 and completed in 1672. The Church grounds also feature a 'Labyrinth', in the woods nearby, which is based on one in the floor of Chartres Cathedral, France.

A reception will be held in the Church's Parish Hall, which offers accommodations for the Handicapped. Guided tours of the Church will be offered and features artifacts such as the original Chalice from 1669 and original wooden altar pieces from 1702. For those interested, it is a perfect time to visit this historic and beautiful church.

This is to remind members from other Chapters to 'Save the Day' and make plans to join us on May 12, 2012. For further information, contact **Virginia Boudreaux**, ggappich@gmail.com

CHESTERFIELD CHAPTER

Mrs. Carla Waldron

MY LESSON FROM A FIFTH GRADER

My daughter-in-law, **Conner Waldron**, is a 5th grade teacher at the Moss-Nuckols Elementary School in Louisa, Virginia. She invited me to attend her class during their lesson on the "Civil War" for an oral presentation. I decided to discuss women's daily lives and wore my period dress and hat.

As I walked into the school, heads turned and the children were amazed at the "big dress" and quite reverent and polite. I began by asking them what they thought those days would have been like in Louisa County during the "War Between the States" as we prefer it to be called. I was encouraged by their knowledge and so pleased by their interest. We discussed how the men were gone and the women and children had to do most of the chores. We discussed slavery and the owning of slaves and how they helped those left behind to survive. They were amazed that some slaves actually fought for the Confederacy and wondered why, if they were given a weapon, they wouldn't kill their owners? I tried to make them aware that not all slaves were mistreated even though the ownership of another person is awful and wrong. At first, it was awkward as there were many beautiful black faces in the

room, but they soon actively participated with questions. I wanted to make sure that all of the children understood that slavery was accepted during those times but that does not make it the right thing and our country has learned and is healing from those days.

My daughter-in-law asked them if they understood the word “judgment” and she stated that she had “pre-judged” the **United Daughters of the Confederacy** when she first met me and didn’t understand what the organization did or what it stood for and was concerned because she felt she wouldn’t agree with “its” causes. She then admitted she felt proud when she learned all of the good things the **UDC** does and particularly that they help the current men and women in uniform and their families. I then proceeded to tell them how the **UDC** works today in its patriotic role of support for our servicemen and women by our donations to the various charitable causes and veterans associations. I told them how we bestow medals to the current and past service men and women for their bravery and service to our country. I could tell that they were glad for what we do and I encouraged them to go home and discuss their family history with their parents and grandparents. I welcomed them to become members of the **Children of the Confederacy** in their area.

As I was preparing to leave, a quiet little black girl from the class approached me and my daughter-in-law in the front of the classroom and she looked at me and said she was happy that I came to visit. She was glad that we take care of soldiers and she got teary eyed. My daughter-in-law hugged her and looked at me and said “her mother is in the Army in Afghanistan”. I hugged her with tears in my eyes as well and told her how proud we all are of her mother’s service to our country.

It was a moving experience and makes you realize just how far this country has come in 150 years. I left knowing that all of us had learned something that day in elementary school.

PETERSBURG CHAPTER

Mrs. Nellie Collins, President

We are well into our new year. Our December meeting was well attended. We met at Scents of Cedar for a Breakfast Brunch and toured the home of **Bill and Cathy Parsley**. Mrs. **Ginger Peters**, prospective member, attended as well. The program title “*Getting Dressed in a Hurry*” presented by Mrs. **Elizabeth Watkins-Morris** and her mother, Mrs. **Sherry Graves**, included a display of period dress, hats and under garments worn in the late 1800s.

I was pleased to give several Certificates of Appreciation to recognize the work of some of our members: **Mrs. Joyce Moody Collier, Mrs. Anne Wells Gill, Mrs. Barbara White Jernigan, Mrs. Sheryl Taylor Ross, Mrs. Suzanne Burton Townsend and Mrs. Demsie Ashby Wells**. The chapter also surprised me with a Certificate of Appreciation.

We welcomed three new members, **Mrs. Mary Sue Cousins, Mrs. Alexa Westfall and Mrs. Joan Slater**. Prospective member Mrs. **Patty Fisher** has turned in her papers for processing and we hope to welcome her soon.

I attended the Lee - Jackson Day Ceremony at the Capitol on January 13, 2012 with our Virginia Division President **Mrs. Suzanne Townsend** who presided. A wreath was also placed by our Chapter at the statue Gen. Robert E. Lee, joining the many other wreaths that were placed by other chapters and organizations.

PRESIDENT DAVIS CHAPTER

Mrs. Barbara Joyner, President

We recently had a program entitled “*Medicine During the War Between the States*”. During the War, many new advances occurred in the treatment and rehabilitation of patients. Cleanliness before, during and after surgery was not considered important before the War, but certainly was after the War. One amputee patient designed and developed a prosthesis that worked much better than those used at the time. The company is still in business. The program was done by chapter member **Dr. Cheryl Billingsly**, with a power point and video presentation along with items that were passed around for inspection. The hostess, **Dr. Billingsly**, provided lunch. Donations were taken for the lunch with the proceeds going to the White House Garden Fund.

We are preparing for the General Organization’s April Event – “**Virginia’s Civil War and Emancipation Days**”. Many of our chapter members volunteered last year and will again this year. This event has given us an opportunity to nurture friendships with other **UDC** ladies and to relate to the public about Confederate History and the honorable service given by our Confederate Ancestors.

A Bestowal Ceremony is being planned for the 22nd of April from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. at the Confederate Chapel on Grove Avenue at the Boulevard. We hope many of you will join us. A reception will follow the ceremony.

HANOVER CHAPTER

Mrs. Mary Kofron

The regularly scheduled meeting of **Hanover Chapter** was held on January 17th. To remember General Robert E. Lee’s birthday, the seventeen members present that day honored him by presenting an interesting fact regarding his life. We had members discussing his early life at Stratford Hall, his education at West Point, and his military career. We heard the sadness that he felt when he decided to leave the Union Army to go home to Virginia to stand with his home state. We heard of his marriage to Mary Custis and of the severe storm that almost prevented the minister from arriving to perform the ceremony. In hearing of his death and funeral, we were told about another severe storm that swept through Lexington. The flooding was so deep that all the coffins were washed from the undertaker’s establishment. Two young men found a coffin that had been wedged between two trees. The coffin was returned to the undertaker and prepared for the burial. The coffin was too short so General Lee was buried without shoes and in civilian clothes.

The most unusual report was about General Lee’s war horse, Traveller, who was born near Blue Sulphur Springs in

Greenbrier County, VA (now West Virginia). He was an American Saddle Breed and as an adult gelding was a sturdy horse, 16 hands (64inches) high and 1100 pounds, iron gray in color with black points, a long mane and flowing tail.

Originally named Jeff Davis when purchased by Captain Joseph M. Brown, quartermaster of the 3rd Virginia Infantry for \$175.00, his name was changed to Greenbrier. General Lee was very fond of the horse and upon being transferred to South Carolina, he purchased Greenbrier for \$200.00. General Lee changed the name to Traveller, spelling the word with a double L in the British style. General Lee described Traveller: "I would draw a true picture of Traveller; representing his fine proportions, muscular figure, deep chest, short back, strong haunches, flag legs, small head, broad forehead, delicate ears, quick eye, small feet and a black mane and tail. Such a picture would inspire a poet, whose genius could then depict his worth and describe his endurance of toil, hunger, thirst, heat and cold; and the dangers and suffering through which he has passed. He could dilate upon his sagacity and affection, and his invariable response to every wish of his rider. He might even image his thoughts through the long night marches and days of the battle through which he has passed. But I am no artist and can therefore only say he is a Confederate *gray*". Traveller was a steady horse in battle. However, at the Second Battle of Bull Run, he was startled by some movement during the battle. General Lee, who was holding Traveller by his bridle, fell down on a stump, breaking both hands. For the remainder of that campaign, a courier rode in front leading Traveller. At General Lee's funeral, Traveller was led behind the casket, his saddle and bridle draped in black. In 1871, Traveller stepped on a nail and developed tetanus. There being no cure, Traveller was euthanized. In 1971 Traveller's remains were buried in a wooden box, encased in concrete, a few feet away from his master.

Delicious ginger cookies made by a member from Mrs. Lee's recipe were enjoyed by members at the luncheon following the meeting. **Hanover Chapter** is currently planning a celebration to be held on May 20th at the UDC Building to mark the 100th Anniversary of the chartering of their chapter.

CENTENNIAL-MAURY CHAPTER

Mrs. Jeanne Hughes, President

Centennial-Maury has been busy making plans for chapter responsibilities at two main UDC meetings. On March 10 the Spring Board Meeting will be held at the **Memorial Building** where the chapter will serve lunch to the daughters and guests. **Jean Frawner, House Chairman**, organized the chapters to serve, as well as **Hanover Chapter**, who has several members planning to assist. This is the third year that the chapters have worked together on this event. On March 31 C-M will host the Fifth District Conference to be held at First Baptist Church in Ashland, VA. We are fortunate to have **Fifth District Chairman, Jean Frawner**, in our chapter to answer our many questions.

April 14 will find some of our members serving as guides at the **Memorial Building**, when tours are being given during the "*Emancipation and Civil War Days*." In May

Centennial-Maury will assist **Hanover Chapter** as they commemorate their one-hundredth anniversary.

GENERAL STUART CHAPTER

Mrs. Mary Vial, President

The Chapter held their Christmas luncheon at the home of Vice President **Sharon Walls**. Members arrived with a dish to be enjoyed by all; **Mrs. Walls** supplied the extras along with a delicious Christmas Punch. A festive Christmas gathering was enjoyed by all. \$300 worth of personal items and 60 calendars were donated by the members for McGuire Veterans Hospital. Members **Brenda Latham** and **Joyce Eades**, who are weekly volunteers, took the bags of donations to the Hospital. **Mrs. Latham** is also involved with the 32nd National Wheelchair Games which are to be held in Richmond June 24-July 2012.

Member **Pat Connors** is in charge of the project of sending boxes to Soldiers, and the Chapter decided to send two boxes, one for a man and one for a woman. Items will be brought to the March chapter meeting and given to **Mrs. Connors** who will mail to the soldiers. As **UDC** members, it is very important that we show our appreciation to the military, and this is a project that is most needed.

In June, the Chapter is planning a Historical afternoon, and will bestow Military Service Awards to children, parents, and family of members. We will be honored to have one of the recipients receive the new **Global War on Terror Cross** for his service in Iraq.

In September, the Chapter will hold a grave marking Dedication in Hollywood Cemetery. The Chapter was asked by a **UDC** member living in Florida to mark the grave of an ancestor, and the Chapter approved of this request and plans a Saturday dedication for her, and also for an ancestor of **Pat Connors** who is buried at Hollywood. Both headstones have already been placed.

ALBEMARLE CHAPTER

Mrs. Amanda Kutch, President

Albemarle Chapter continues its grave marking project in the Confederate Cemetery at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. This cemetery is the final resting place for nearly 1,100 men who served during the War Between the States and died in the Charlottesville General Hospitals. To date, approximately 135 graves have been marked, and the Chapter will continue this project until all of the soldiers in this cemetery have been recognized.

During the War, the Charlottesville General Hospitals treated soldiers from many major battles, including First Manassas, Port Republic, Cross Keys, and Cedar Mountain. Soldiers from every state in the Confederacy were buried here, often unbeknownst to their families hundreds of miles away.

In 1866, the **Ladies Memorial Association**, a forerunner of the **UDC**, recorded the soldier's information from hospital records and raised \$1,500 to build a wall around the Confederate Cemetery. In 1893, they raised money and erected a monument in the center of the cemetery listing the

names and regiments of these brave men who gave their lives for the Confederacy.

Today, marble grave markers are ordered from the Veteran's Administration, and installed by a monument company for approximately \$100 per stone. **Albemarle Chapter** is accepting donations towards this cemetery project, so that all of the soldiers will have a grave stone to mark their final resting place. If you would like to make a donation or inquire about an ancestor who may be buried in this Confederate Cemetery, please contact **Linda Tyree**, Custodian of Cemetery Funds for Albemarle Chapter, at tyelov@cstone.net. The ladies of **Albemarle Chapter** would like to thank you for your continued support throughout this project. If you are ever in Charlottesville, please come by and visit this historic cemetery or join us for our annual Memorial Ceremony at 11:00am on May 26, 2012.

J.E.B. STUART CHAPTER

Mrs. Betsy Spencer

Members enjoyed an exceptional historical program at the February Chapter meeting, "**Jews of the Confederacy**", presented by **Dr. Ruth Chodrow**, DVM, Professor of Biology at JMU, and a member of the Temple House of Israel in Staunton. An estimated 3000 Jewish soldiers served in the Confederate Army, and **Dr. Chodrow** highlighted the military and personal histories of **Benedict Oppenheimer, Major Adolph Proskauer, Colonel Abraham C. Meyers, and VMI Cadet Moses Ezekial**. Prominent Jews in political positions in the CSA were also discussed, including **Judah Benjamin**, Confederate Secretary of State, and **Henry Hyams**, Lt. Governor of Louisiana. Of local interest, **Major Alexander Hart**, Co. E, 5th Louisiana Infantry, founded Staunton's Temple House of Israel at the close of the War. **Dr. Chodrow** also offered a lovely, traditional Jewish blessing prior to the Chapter luncheon.

The Chapter welcomed **Flora Jean Hyden** as a new UDC member at the February meeting; she entered on the record of her GGG Grandfather, **Moses Ball Hughes**, Co. G, 19th VA Infantry. Chapter member, **Teresa Whitesell** was additionally honored for receiving four approved Supplemental Applications.

J.E.B. Stuart will soon initiate a patriotic service project in conjunction with the newly opened Department of Veterans Affairs Community Outpatient Clinic (CNO) in Staunton. The Chapter will provide coffee service and additional reading materials in the patient waiting room – needs identified by the Clinic Director.

Plans are underway for the 2012 Confederate Memorial Service at Staunton's Thornrose Cemetery that is sponsored annually by the **J.E.B. Stuart Chapter**. This year's ceremony will be held Sunday, May 27th, starting at 2:30 p.m., and feature perspectives on Stonewall Jackson's 1862 Valley Campaign in commemoration of the Sesquicentennial Anniversary of those singular events in local history. **W. Denman Zirkle**, Executive Director of the Shenandoah Battlefields Foundation, will give the program address, and we will be honored to welcome **VA Division President, Suzanne**

Townsend, to bring greetings from the UDC. The stirring Valley Pike Fife and Drum Corps will be a new addition to the 2012 program of period music, re-enactors, and memorial observances. We invite all Virginia Daughters to join us in remembering our Confederate heritage and legacy.

CULPEPER CHAPTER

Mrs. Anne Howard, President

At our annual Lee-Jackson-Maury Remembrance on January 16th, we had the pleasure of listening to **Mr. Frank O'Reilly** speak on "Stonewall" Jackson and his last days. As usual, Mr. O'Reilly kept us spellbound with his program. On January 21 it was an honor to stand before General Robert E. Lee's statue, in the US Capitol in remembrance of Lee's birthday, and sing "Dixie" and the General's favorite hymn "How Firm a Foundation"! We trudged through the snow to be there and it was well worth the effort. The ceremony was presented by the **District of Columbia Division UDC**, with **President Dianne Moore** presiding. It was an honor to represent the **Culpeper Chapter** as a part of the Virginia Division.

Culpeper Chapter also had the honor of a power point program presented by **Mr. James Flanagan**, educator, author, founder and past president of the Fauquier Civil War Round Table at the Culpeper Library on March 13th. The program was a visual and musical entitled: *Photos: Two Confederate Soldiers – Major John Pelham and Colonel John Singleton Mosby*.



Our Condolences to Our Chapters And Members for Their Losses

Our thoughts and prayers are with **Mrs. Hattie Meredith, Petersburg Chapter**, and her family in the passing of her husband **Lucas Lewis Meredith, Jr.** on 28 January 2012. **Mr. Meredith** was a Real Son whose father served in the 3rd Virginia Infantry. He was also survived by his daughter **Nancy Kelderhouse**, a member of **Roanoke Chapter** and great-grandchildren **Meredith and Samuel Kelderhouse**, members of **Hanging Rock CofC Chapter**.

Virginia Frances Taylor, a member of **Anne Eliza Johns Chapter** passed away on 31 January 2012. She has been a member of the UDC since 1956.

Mary Leigh Boisseau, a member of **Rawley Martin Chapter**, passed away 15 February. She was a genealogist for over 36 years and will be greatly missed.

Sincere sympathy is extended to **Carol Terry, Lee Chapter 1379**, in the passing of her son **Richard** on 7 February.

Naomi Walker "Peggy" Bumgardner, a member of **Richmond-Stonewall Jackson Chapter** passed away on 14 February.

Prayers are also with the family of **Irma Fortune Rube**, a member of **Albemarle Chapter**, who passed away in South Carolina on 22 February.

Sincere sympathy is with the family of **Becky Sharrett, Suffolk Chapter**, on the passing of her husband **John's** mother on 29 February.

Our sympathy is also extended to our President **Suzanne Townsend** in the loss of a very special Uncle, **John T. Hicks, Jr.** on 2 March.



Congratulations and Welcome to our New Members

Real Daughter Charter Member *CofCTransfer*

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*Isabelle Hammock Hodges	Jubal Early
*Mildred Elizabeth Hammock	Adkins Anne Eliza Johns
Megan Kathleen Tatman	Capt. M. H. Harmon
Terry May Price Arnold	Kirkwood Otey
Patricia Anne Shaw	Kirkwood Otey
Joan Lind Hawkins Slater	Petersburg
Alexa Vaughan Hawkins Westfall	Petersburg
<i>Mary Frances Hilton Geisler</i>	<i>Turner Ashby 162</i>
Rebecca Cobb Adams	Mary Custis Lee-17 Va.
Judy Anne O'Mary Stoneburner	Albemarle
Elizabeth Ann Kost Eilers	Loudoun
Laura Beth Eilers	Loudoun
Sarah Ruth Eilers	Loudoun
Helen Loraine Jones Nunnally	General Stuart
Arlene Davis Cundiff	Jubal Early
Evelyn Mae Payne Hylton	Jubal Early
Nancy Lou Gregory Russell	Black Horse
Sarah Gail Dotts Graham	Newport News
*Carol Elizabeth Young Snead	Anne Eliza Hohns
Carolyn Wise Farmerie	Gen. Robert Edward Lee
Leesa Renee Wright Banks	Fredericksburg
Rhonda Lee Silver Clukey	Fredericksburg
Thelma Joyce Rosson DeBernard	Fredericksburg
Sandra Teresa Segelken Kvech	Rockbridge
Faye Millicent Fretwell	Centennial-Maury
Karey Holt Groome	Centennial-Maury
Carla Anne Schaaf	Centennial-Maury
Cynthia Lynn Bruce Schaefer	General Stuart
Kimberly Cathelyn Barnette Henderson	Southern Cross
Foy Lynnette Welch Baxter	Hamilton Wade
Shelby Lynn Miles	Captain Sally Tompkins
Jane Ann Campbell Chavis	Pickett-Buchanan
*Pattie Treakle Arwood	Chesterfield
Sylvia Gail Childress Habel	Chesterfield
Kristina Michelle Evans	General Stuart

SUPPLEMENTALS

Frances Mae Tipton (5)	Hamilton Wade
Beverly Anne Tipton (5)	Hamilton Wade
Karen Lynn Tipton Magee (5)	Hamilton Wade
Linda Susan Aldridge Haney (3)	Hamilton Wade
Vera Lee Whitlow Tolbert	Hamilton Wade
Linda Joyce DeBernard DeShazo	Fredericksburg

Lori Ann Dobson	Fredericksburg
Diane Reynolds Carr	Halifax
Rue Ann Mathias Buss	Suffolk
Nancy Carol Adams Williams (5)	Appomattox
Sharon Anne Willoughby Bensen	Caroline Grays
Eunice Marie Gibbs Snyder	Roanoke



The **Virginia Historical Society** has been collecting the **UDC Virginia Division Minutes** of the annual conventions since 1898. They are missing the issue from 1992. Do you have a copy you would like to donate to them? If so, please contact **President Suzanne** or **Corresponding Secretary Lois**.

2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 14 Birthday of Commodore Matthew Fontaine Maury
 Jan 19 Birthday of General Robert Edward Lee.
 Jan 13 Lee-Jackson Commemoration sponsored by Virginia Divisions UDC & SCV. Old House Chamber, State Capitol at 6 p.m.
 Jan 21 Birthday of General Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson
 Feb 15 Chapter obligations due to Division Treasurer
 Feb 29 Leap Day
 Mar 1 Deadline for submitting information for March Issue of *Old Dominion Bulletin*
 Mar 3 Division Executive Board Meeting
 Mar 10 General Spring Board, UDC Memorial Building
 Mar 24 Second District – Turner Ashby 162
 Mar 31 Fifth District – Centennial-Maury
 Apr 14 Sixth District – Norfolk County Grays/Niemeyer Shaw
 Apr 21 Third District – H. A. Carrington
 Apr 28 Fourth District – Mary Custis Lee
 May 5 First District – McComas
 May 12 Fairfax 100th Anniversary Celebration
 May 28 Memorial Day
 Jun 2 Annual Massing of the Flags, UDC Memorial Building, Richmond
 Jun 3 Birthday of Jefferson Davis
 Jun 3 Confederate Memorial Day – Arlington Cemetery
 Jun 14 Flag Day
 Jun 16 Virginia Division CofC Convention - Fredericksburg
 Jul 19-21 General CofC Convention, Gettysburg
 Jul 21 Commemoration of the Battle of First Manassas
 Aug 1 Chapter Reports due to District Chairmen
 Aug 1 Deadline for submitting information for August Issue of *Old Dominion Bulletin*
 Aug 15 District Chairmen reports due
 Aug 31 End of UDC year
 Oct 4-7 117th Virginia Annual Division Convention, Roanoke, VA
 Nov 1-5 Annual General Convention, Richmond, VA
 Dec 1 Deadline for submitting information for December Issue of *Old Dominion Bulletin*

