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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Daughters,

We hope everyone is surviving all the rain, sleet, snow and cold without sickness or accidents. Is everyone ready for sunshine and clear skies? Spring and summer can't come soon enough! There have been good things happening in the midst of our winter cold. A sincere "thank you" for invitations to Chapter Christmas Luncheons and Lee-Jackson-Maury services. It is always such a pleasure to visit with chapters, put names with faces and meet new members. The only problem, you can't be in two places at once. It is always disappointing to miss any UDC functions.

One special event was the Lee-Jackson Service in the Old Delegates Hall at the Capitol. We were proud to have standing room only again this year. 38 beautiful wreaths were presented by UDC, CofC, SCV and other Historical groups. We were especially proud to have President General Pam Trammell bring greetings and present a wreath. We have been honored to have the current President General at our last two services. It was wonderful to have the CofC and SCV participate in our program as well as bring greetings. Everyone enjoyed our Speaker, Colonel Greg Eanes, USAF (Retired). Heritage of Honor, his program, kept us all interested and wanting to hear more. You will have another chance to meet Greg at Massing of the Flags in June. The service honoring Robert E. Lee at the Confederate Memorial Chapel the following Monday was another special event. It was lovely to hear Betty Jean Giragosian playing the newly restored organ. We were surprised and pleased to have Virginia Division UDC recognized for the donation of funds needed for the organ's restoration as well as donations to restore the gold leaf on the words written on the three arches in the Chapel. That project is now completed as well. Once we have finished paying for the lettering project we will be able to move ahead, striving to complete the corpus for the Snedden Scholarship. Our Scholarship Program is close to my heart.

Working to activate one more Virginia Division scholarship to assist a qualified student will be a special goal for all of us.

We can look forward to District Conferences this Spring. District Chairmen and Hostess Chapters are working hard to present great Conferences for us to enjoy while sharing knowledge, information and ideas. It will be exciting to reacquaint with each other and learn what all the chapters are doing. We should come away with new ideas, information and ways to work together. Members will be voting for their District Chairmen for 2015-2017. Plan to attend your District Conference and other conferences if possible. You need to be there to vote for your Chairman and to be an active participant with any plans or ideas to be presented. Each member is an important part of the Chapter, District, Division and General Organization. Participation, ideas and input, are among the duties of a member. Your voice can always be heard with your vote.

Soon the Sun will be shining and the weather warmer; we can look forward to being together as we work for UDC honoring our ancestors, giving of ourselves to veterans, the military service, our communities and those who may need our assistance. Always doing everything we can to preserve a true history of the Confederacy, our Confederate soldiers and the War Between the States.

Daughters, you are very special and we thank you for your love, work and support for UDC. It is my honor and pleasure to serve and work with you to reach our objectives and goals.

"Honor and Preserve"

VICE PRESIDENT

Ms. Eleanor P. Price

Another winter is almost over. Who would realize that weather can affect how soon our pin orders are processed. I'm sorry that some Pin orders got so delayed. The engraver is located in Massachusetts, and they have been nailed with tons of snow. You know how businesses will close for bad weather. They close for Thanksgiving and a long Christmas break, this adds more delay. All the late orders have been completed and delivered. We get your orders out quickly and we cannot control the weather. Thanks again for your patience.

For all years of service pins-please obtain a proof of membership certificate from headquarters. E-mail or call, they are free.

Include a completed order form for a #1 badge set in your new member packet. Include a copy of their official certificate so it's all ready for a check and to mail to me. Have the VA Division pin order form included and ready.

It won't be long before spring and District Conferences. I have information packets for all chapter Vice Presidents including forms and needed information. Please call anytime, email or text.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Ronald Graves (Patt)

Well ladies, has the weather taken its toll on everything? Snow, ice, freezing rain, minus temperatures and now a forecast for thunder showers, have these events effected scholarships? As of March 1, 2015, I have received only one General Scholarship application, let's hope some still arrive. Last year we had 19, but we still have time for the Division Scholarships the deadline is April 15.

A very special thank you for the chapter that has already endorsed an applicant, now lets' get to work on finding worthy youth for the Virginia Scholarships. If you know of someone who is already working on an application please remind them to follow the instructions. You can print the scholarship evaluation form from the General web site and that will show you how the scholarships are scored. You will then be able to help the applicants make a better statement regarding their personal reason for applying. They need to know to include all activities that they have been a part of both in and out of school. The one application I received the young man forgot to say he is an Eagle Scout, I asked him to redo his statement. Again, you and/or your chapter can help to make a difference by donating to the scholarship funds, General or Division.

Looking forward to seeing you at Spring Boards and District Conferences, all starting this month (can summer be far behind?).

REGISTRAR

Mrs. Gordon Webster (Helen)

Dear Registrars

You continue to amaze me, Thrill me and make me proud. Through the holidays. Through the snow. Through the subzero temperatures. Through the snow, sleet, ice, rain, you have continued to find information, help Prospective Members with Applications, Get them done and mail them to me. As the young people say, " YOU ROCK"!!!!!!!!!!!!!! As of Febuary 28, 2015 we have 63 applications for new members! What can I say????? You are truly Southern to the core. Page 1 is looking better. Just remember that For Military Service line- do not put the branch of service or the State.

That is noted in boxes to X just below. Page 2 just remember that proofs speak for themselves. Put your explanations on the proof, not on the proof line. If someone is living, they have got to be living somewhere!!! Put where they are. If a Prospective Member is single, please remember to put N/A on all the spaces that pertain to a husband. On all the female name line it asks for MAIDEN Name. If you need to submit proof to support the name on a marriage certificate then do so with the explanation on the proofs.

I love it when you take the time to look for the burial sites of these Confederate Ancestors. They deserve this final tribute. Please remember you are the "Ghost Writer" for the story of this family and their Confederate Soldiers. PLEASE do not send me an Application with no proof other than marriage Certificates to prove Generational Links. This, in my opinion, is disrespectful to this family. If you can not find proofs-contact me!! I will help you in any way I can. Trust your Officers to try and make things better in our Division. You are saving Virginia Division !! One Member at a TIME. Bless be the tie that binds us together. Helen

HISTORIAN

Mrs. Richard Fickling (Jo Ann)

Wow! It's almost "Spring", I know it's early to start thinking about yearend reports, but if you start now I promise it'll be easier in June.

There's been only one application for the Jefferson Davis Historic Gold Medal received. Look around your community and see if there's someone who deserves to be recognized for helping to preserve our Confederate history.

When filling out the Statistical Requirements for Historian General Awards please read the questions and if lists are required please include them with your report. If I don't get the list I can't count them in your report. Another reminder, please remember to keep track of the books your Chapter reads and don't forget to send the list along with the Statistical yearend report.

The rules for the judging of Yearbooks and Scrapbooks are on pages 319 & 320 of the UDC Handbook. They can also be found on the UDC web site by clicking on the Historian General's name. You can print the form used by the judges.

I'm very fortunate to have been invited to some special Chapter Meetings and have enjoyed each one I've attended. Thank you for inviting me, I always love it when wonderful UDC Daughters are together.

I hope to see everyone at the District Conferences. Until then take care.

RECORDER of MILITARY SERVICE AWARDS

Mrs. John Frawner (Jean)

Thirty-five Memorandum of Fact have been processed and twelve have been approved, of which there were five WWII Crosses, three GWOT Crosses, two Korean Crosses, one Vietnam Cross and one Certificate of Appreciation. Twenty-three are pending approval. Some of the chapters have held impressive and meaningful Military Service Award Ceremonies and I congratulate them for honoring these service men and women.

As a reminder, there must be three copies of each MOF submitted and all three must have original signatures in black ink. The original copy must be on acid free legal size paper with UDC printed in red at the bottom of the page and it must be the Revised 2013 version. This may be obtained on-line or from the UDC Business Office. Form #36, front and back, must be completed and mailed with the MOF, including a chapter check made payable to Treasurer General UDC. On the MOF, Page 2 must be printed on the back of Page 1 and Page 4 must printed be on the back of Page 3. A copy of the DD214 must be included as well as copies of the Confederate ancestor's military history.

There are two manuals which may be obtained from the Business Office which give information and complete instructions for completing the MOF as well as the ritual for bestowal of UDC medals. They are the Recorder of Military Service Awards manual (\$6.00) and the UDC Ritual (\$10.00)

It is my recommendation that each recorder obtain a copy of these manuals as they are an excellent source of information and instructions for completing the MOF and conducting the bestowal ceremony.

I encourage each chapter to make plans to hold a Military Service Award's Ceremony during the up-coming months as we remember the veterans that we honor today are the descendants of our beloved Confederate soldiers and sailors.

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN

FIRST DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Janice Busic

SECOND DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Melvin M. (Linda) Tyree

Chapters in Second District have been busy! They marked the Christmas holidays with Chapter luncheons, participating in the "Wreaths Across America" Project, and visiting and providing gifts to veterans in local nursing homes. J.E.B. Stuart Chapter received recognition for their contributions to "Operation Holiday Spirit" for the VA Care Center at Salem. They have been collecting for "Putting Lincoln to Work for Lee" (monies collected are for Lee Chapel) and have purchased transit tokens for veterans who are clients of the local Regional VA Clinic. In January, most Chapters held luncheons, banquets, or teas to celebrate Lee Jackson Maury Day.

Though late January and February with their inclement weather hampered many Chapter meetings and activities,

Chapters still celebrated Lee Jackson Maury Day with luncheons, banquets and teas. Meetings that had to be postponed or canceled are now being made up as Chapters hasten to plan Spring activities.

Scottsville Chapter is co-sponsoring the commemoration of Sheridan's Raid on Scottsville March 6,7, and 8.

J.E.B. Stuart will award a World War II Cross of Military Service posthumously to the son of a serviceman at a tea on March 14.

Sara Rice Pryor Chapter invites everyone to the dedication ceremony on April 26, for the Memorial Marker the Chapter placed in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Covington. The permanent marker honors 74 Confederate soldiers interred there.

Albemarle Chapter looks forward to greeting everyone at the Second District Conference at the DoubleTree Hotel, Charlottesville, on April 11, and hopes you will come and enjoy the beautiful Spring time in Charlottesville.

Second District and the hostess chapters of Albemarle, J.E.B. Stuart and Turner Ashby 162 are excited to be hosting the Virginia Division Convention in Harrisonburg September 24-27, and look forward to your visit during Fall Foliage Season when the Shenandoah Valley puts on its spectacular colors.

FIFTH DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

Mrs. John C. Vial (Mary)

I have been extremely busy this Winter, visiting many Chapters, including Christmas Luncheons for Hanover, Caroline Grays, Richmond-Stonewall Jackson, Gen. Stuart and Centennial-Maury Chapters, and attended the January Chapter meeting for President Davis Chapter. Since last June, I have been trying to help Lee Chapter. But, unfortunately, after many hours and days of talking, the Chapter is going to be disbanded. After finally picking up the financial records, I have been trying to get the items belonging to the Chapter. I also have been in contact with their members, most of whom are transferring, so their membership will not be lost.

Fifth District Conference will be held on March 21 at Stratford Hall in Montross, with Fort Lowry Chapter as Hostess and Williamsburg Chapter helping with the day. All are welcome, this will be held in a Historical meeting hall, with lunch in the dining room. We will elect a new 5th District chairman, and recognize all 5th District Chapter Presidents who are present. A question and answer period is planned, so anything you want to know about UDC or their different programs will be answered by the Division Officers.

Please attend, and have your Chapter recognized. This is a very important program, a time when all Chapter members should be present. You are each a separate UDC Chapter, but we are all one in our heritage. We work as one entity. We all need to be present so each and every voice will be heard.

HISTORICAL WORK WITH STUDENTS

Mrs. Frank K. (Fran) Towberman, Chairman

IT'S NOT TOO LATE HISTORICAL WORK WITH STUDENTS ESSAYS

Shenandoah Valley for the beginning of Fall Foliage Season – it's a sight to behold!

Again your titles for 2014-15 are:

4th - 6th Grade Diets of Prisoners of War
7th - 9th Grade Who was With Lee at Appomattox,
April 1865
10th-12thGrade Freeman HighwayMarkers-Who, How,
Why

1. Essays must be handwritten or typed, neatly, on 8 1/2 "x11" paper.
2. No word limit. Write the number of words in upper right hand corner of page 1.
3. Use "War Between the States" rather than "Civil War" unless quoting directly from a source.
4. Web sites are acceptable, but at least one book must be used as a source of reference.
5. Use footnotes where needed.
6. Include a bibliography listing the reference material used.
7. Sign essay with a fictitious name.

Essays are due to the submitting chapter by **April 1**. Chapters are to get them to this committee by May 1. The HWWS Committee will attempt to have winners for you by May 15 in case the chapter would like to have a recognition program before the end of the chapter year.
Fran Towberman, Chairman Contact gritsdixie@aol.com
or 757-866-0124

120th Virginia Division Convntion Mrs. Melvin M. (Linda) Tyree

The 2015 Virginia Convention Planning Committee comprised of members from Albemarle, J. E. B. Stuart, and Turner Ashby 142 Chapters, have met frequently to formulate plans for the 2015 Convention to be held at Holiday Inn-Harrisonburg, September 24-27, 2015. The theme will be *Women of Courage – Keepers of Confederate Heritage* to honor the women who worked on the home front during the War Between the States and who, after the war, set about rebuilding homes, communities, our Southland and the nation. They did this while also honoring and memorializing the heroes from the War. We're excited about the speakers we have engaged for Historical Evening and the Virginia Daughters Luncheon who will help us expound on this theme.

In addition to the usual Convention Basket, which contains many goodies, we have had some very valuable items donated for drawings, including a beautiful Quilt of reproduction period fabric; a Period Ball Gown, gloves and hairpiece (size 14); a UDC 100th Anniversary Plate, and a beautifully framed page from *Harper's Weekly*.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you there! Remember it's an Election Year in Virginia Division. We have a great time of business, education, and fellowship lined up, and one that will be fun while it's happening and a happy memory later. Come, too, and enjoy the beauty of the

GREAT GRANDDAUGHTERS CLUB

Sharon Crockett, President

We had a wonderful luncheon at our convention in October. We had our election of Officers President Mrs. Sharon Crockett, Vice President Mrs. Jeanne Hughes, Secretary Mrs. Elizabeth Spencer and Treasurer Mrs. Myrna Sharon.

Our new Great Granddaughters Virginia Division Pin is now available You can order through Jeanne Hughes, 6400 Thrasher Way Mechansville, Va.23111.

Our dues for 2115 are due you can send them to Myrna B. Sharon 13262 Eagle Ridge Road Carrollton, Va. 23314-3345. They are now \$6.00 a Year.

NEWS FROM CHAPTERS

Fincastle Chapter 797

The Fincastle Chapter is planning its second Iron Cross dedication ceremony for July 2015. The chapter will be honoring the grave of Private Rufus H. Peck, a Fincastle native who fought with the Botetourt Dragoons (Co. C, 2nd VA Cavalry) and who donated the Dragoons flag to the Museum of the Confederacy. The Chapter has undertaken the conservation of the Dragoons flag as its Sesquicentennial project and has raised over \$15,000 towards this goal. Another \$5,000 is needed to meet the final goal and to preserve this authentic connection to the War Between the States for the next generation. Donations may be made to: Museum of the Confederacy, "Botetourt Dragoons Flag Fund," 1201 E. Clay Street, Richmond, VA 23219, or online at <http://www.moc.org/node/45>.

The chapter is selling raffle tickets for a beautifully framed and numbered P. Buckley Moss print, "Scarlet Splendor," which depicts a male cardinal in a winter scene. The print was donated by Chapter President Harriett Francis and the matting and framing was done by Barbara Falls at the Frame Shop & Gallery in Buchanan. In addition to the Moss print, the raffle ticket also entitles the holder to a chance to win a patriotic-themed afghan made by chapter member Lisa Russell. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. The chapter will be selling tickets at the First District Conference and at the Division Convention, and tickets may also be purchased by contacting dmcclane4711@gmail.com. The drawings will be held on December 5, 2015. Either of these items would make a wonderful Christmas gift!

For additional information on the Dragoons flag and a photograph of the Moss print visit our website at <http://www.fincastlechapter797.org/>.

Fort Lowry 2695

Chapter officers for 2014-2015 were installed by Ann Carter, Past President of Lancaster County Chapter 1406, with Pat Given as President. We have 21 members. Members attending the Virginia Division Convention held in Suffolk were: Pat Given, Pat Pugh and Gay Packett. Four members attended the General Convention held in Richmond. Hillary Pugh Kent was there to accept the Judah P. Benjamin award recognizing her for outstanding civic, conservation, educational, environment, humanitarian or patriotic achievements.

Three members are planning to attend the General Spring Board meeting on March 7 at the UDC Building. Our Chapter will host the 5th District Conference on March 21 at Stratford Hall, birthplace of Robert E. Lee. A lot of time and effort has gone into the planning by our President. Our thanks to some of the Williamsburg Chapter members for their help. Hope to see many of you there. We have been invited to help dedicate a marker in the Belfield Family Cemetery in the Spring.

General Stuart Chapter 2195

We are saddened by the loss of our Member, Helen Nunnally Davis, on February 10. Not only was she a member, but also her two daughters, Sharon Walls, and Karen Gregory along with her Granddaughter Kristen Walls, and her Great Granddaughter Tara Barron who is a member of Skylark Chapter CofC. Since she became a UDC member on December 6, 2011, she attended every Chapter meeting, VA Division Convention and General Convention. A very active southern lady, she was always dressed modestly, her white hair styled to perfection. When she approached you, her smile was radiant, her hug inviting. At her funeral service, her Pastor told us about a wonderful part of her life. She had passed away, 55 years from the day she joined Bon Air Baptist church on February 10. She will be greatly missed by all.

H. A. Carrington Chapter 1055

How can it be March already? Wow, I hope everyone had a great holiday. We have been busy already as a chapter. January planning our chapter year and getting our MSA applications submitted.

February we had our President's Day Tea, honoring Jefferson Davis, with good weather (cold but clear). March we have our first MSA ceremony. We would like to invite any members who would be interested to attend. It will be on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at 2:00 PM. We will hold it at Hebron United Methodist Church, 111 Hebron Church Road, Saxe, VA. If you can join us please RSVP to Darlene Foster at 434-735-8415 or darlenefoster2000@yahoo.com.

If you find at the last minute you can attend, just come on we would love to have you. We are looking forward to Spring Boards and then on to the District Meeting.

Isle of Wight Chapter 699

Let's hope that the last two weeks will soon be behind us and we can look forward to Spring and then Summer.

Our chapter has gotten off to a great start. We have inducted one new member, Ms. Kelly B. Birdsong. We had our January meeting at Isle of Wight Museum

With a very interesting talk on Women in the War Between the States. We are working on bags for the VA to be given to the homeless veterans. Giving them meats, fruit, crackers and other items to keep them nourished.

Hope all of you are looking forward to the next season and looking forward to our District Meetings.

Myrna B. Sharon, Past President & Publicity Chairman

Petersburg Chapter 155

As President of the Petersburg Chapter 155, United Daughters of the Confederacy, I am pleased to announce plans for the 120th anniversary event to take place this year. Petersburg Chapter of the "Daughters of the Confederacy" was originally chartered August 27, 1895.

The members of the board met recently to appoint a standing committee to act and report on a memorial to be placed at the gravesite of Miss Anne Viletta Mann 1871-1959. She served as President of the Petersburg Chapter and the Virginia Division also, Honorary President of General. The site is located near the Old Blandford Church in Petersburg.

She was known as Miss Anne to her friends. Her efforts and determination were instrumental for UDC Headquarters Building location in Richmond, VA. The construction of a Memorial Building had been under consideration for many years. After years of planning and fund raising her vision was realized in 1957.

Donations are being accepted for this endeavor. Mrs. Anne Gill is serving as chairperson of the committee.

In UDC Love,
President Mrs. Nellie Collins

Turner Ashby Chapter 162

Our Chapter has been busy despite the weather. In January Dorothy Lee Rosen presented her relative, Lewis Miller Coiner a Cross of Military Service Award for his dedication during World War II. We thank Betsy Spencer and Nancy Gum for their help in presenting his award. We celebrated our Lee, Jackson and Maury Day with a banquet and presentation

by Mr. Frank Earnest. We held a silent auction and raised money for upcoming projects. We have welcomed three new members into our Chapter and they are already completing supplementals. There are three more ladies that are currently working on their applications. Ellen Kaylor came into our Chapter over a year ago and has worked diligently to complete eight supplementals. We are planning another Tea in hopes of attracting new members. Our Chapter is looking forward to the C of C Convention and helping plan for our Division Convention in September.



Congratulations and Welcome to our Members

Anne Eliza Johns 164

Angel Elaine Miller Soyars
Linda Faye Spainhour Campbell
Holley Anne Milam Lewis

Black Horse 9

Kathleen Elizabeth Watts Truskey

Centennial Maury 2296

Patricia Grey Harper Johnston
Patricia Lynn Tracey Ankrom

Chesterfield 851

Sandra Jean Staples Mitrovich
Vonda Renee Maddrey Whirley

General Robert E. Lee 233

Lynn Ann Maines

General Stuart 2195

Diane Carol Enroughty
Heather Marie Lee Muller
Karen Teresa Schwartz Pickens

General William R. Terry

Alice Sue Rankin Hodge

Hamilton Wade 949

Sharla Rae Wood Conner
Amanda LeRae Conner Witt

Hanover 1399

Gloria Adele Lowry

Janet Randolph 1932

Julia Madge Clark Campbell

Jefferson Davis

Molly Reigh Mitchell

Jubal Early 553

Betty Mae Roberson West
Janet A. West

Lancaster County 1406

Jayne Lynette Parsons Jett
Barbara Louise Lyons Kahler
Janet Carole Barrack Kouten
Robin Lewis Cramme Perks
Cherilynn Glascoe Bennett
Lynn Marie Taylor
Carol Marie Davis Coates
Heather Lynne Davis Oliver

Lunenburg 1654

Patricia Anne White Rickman
Linda Carman White May

Mary Custis Lee-17th VA Reg. 7

Anna Marion Roland Conrad

Princess Anne 435

Cynthia Compton King Holland

Stonewall 1388

Cathy Denise Bost Harrell

Stover Camp 863

Ellen Barr Venable Davis

Turner Ashby 184

Sara Marie Boppe
Tiffany Shifflett

SUPPLEMENTALS

Anne Eliza Johns:

Helen Browder Cheyney (1)
Margaret Holley Milam (1)
Dolores Cassidy Smith (2)
Jerline Wood Weddle (2)

Captain Sally Tompkins 2626

Christine Jo Murphy Anthony(1)

Fincastle 797

Harriett Virginia Brewbaker Francis (1)
Loretta Marie Agnor Caldwell (1)

Fort Lowry 2695

Suzanne Roberta Maggard (1)

Jubal Early 553

Marjie Childress Young (1)

Lancaster County 1406

Peggy Lou Dunton Croft (1)
Virginia Susan Scott Estes Hudson (3)

Loudoun 170

Sharon Denise Williams Grubbs (1)
Gail Ann Rice Itschner (1)

Turner Ashby 184

Sherry Eileen Clark Young (1)

2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March	21	Fifth District Conference
March	28	Fourth District Conference
April	11	Second District Conference
April	18	Sixth District Conference
April	25	First District Conference
May	2	Third District Conference
June	6	Massing of the Flags
June 12-13		79 th Virginia Division CoC Convention New Market
July 18		154 th Commemoration of the Battle of First Manassas
July 16-18		61 st CofC General Convention Lynchburg
Sept. 25- 27		Virginia Division Convention Harrisonburg, Va.

Thank you for all of the e-mails , cards and phone calls during this sad time in our lives . Dolley was special to the Virginia Division , UDC members . She spread her love to all who knew her. Thank you for your love and support , Dolores and Family .

Next Newsletter deadline is June 1