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## FROM THE VIRGINIA DIVISION PRESIDENT:



*At the Massing of the Flags*

I would like to start my report by thanking everyone who came to Massing of the Flags. We had a great turn out and I was glad to see so many Virginia Daughters in attendance. I would also like to thank those who came to the Battle of First Manassas Commemoration in July. Attendance was great, despite the oppressive heat. The Sons of Union Veterans and the Daughters of Union Veterans both had representatives who attended. We were also honored to have Registrar General Pamela Atkins Schmidt with us, as well as the DC Division President Rowena Gyorke.

We are all grieved at the removal of the letters from the Jefferson Davis Memorial Arch at Fort Monroe. It was very disappointing to learn that the Arch was not protected by Virginia law, but we are exploring other legal options to determine if there is a way to force the Commonwealth to restore the letters, as well as the re-dedication plaque placed by Mrs. Mary Williams when she was President General. If we are unable to have them returned to their proper place, Virginia Division will ask

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that they be given to us so we can have them placed in the UDC Memorial Building in Richmond for safekeeping until they can be restored to their proper place at Fort Monroe.

I would like to encourage those who are able to attend the Virginia Division Convention in October to join us in Herndon. Fourth District is working hard on the final preparations to welcome everyone to Northern Virginia. We have a few items that we are discussing to help Virginia Division make the public aware of the diversity that existed in the Confederate Army and its support staff. Some of you have heard me mention possible new academic awards, a scholarship, and a monument. These are still in the planning stages, but we hope to have everything ready for discussion at the Division Convention.

It is very hard to believe that Virginia Division will elect new Division Officers in a little over one month. As my term as your Division President comes to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their hard work and support for the last two years. We have encountered many trials and we have held firm in our defense of our Confederate ancestors and their memory. These are trying times, but we are strong and we will endure. We will continue to be tested, but we must remain steadfast in the righteousness of our cause. We must do as our ancestors did, put the dark days behind us and turn our faces to the sun of a brighter tomorrow. It will not always be easy, but it will be worth it.

*Ginger Stephens*  
*Virginia Division President*

## VIRGINIA DIVISION NEWS

**Convention News** – Hope to see all y’all October 3–6 at The Westin Washington Dulles Airport Hotel in Herndon for the 124th Annual Convention of the Virginia Division!

***From the Division Page Chairman...***

### **CALL FOR PAGES!**

This is the Call for Pages for the Division Convention to be held at Herndon October 3–6, 2019.

No experience is necessary. You do not need your Chapter endorsement. Just sign up! This is a great way for a new member to learn how the organization works. You will meet a lot more people than if

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## ***Convention News: From the Division Page Chairman (continued) . . .***

you just attended with your Chapter. Once you have paged, you can go to any other Division event and be certain that you will know somebody there. You can also page if you are a Chapter officer or delegate. You do not have to serve at every session. We have a special need for Pages on Friday night and Saturday morning.

The duties are mainly to keep the business sessions running smoothly and setting up for the special events. Fetching water, passing communications between members, handing out awards, handing out programs, seating people, answering questions from attendees. On-the-job training will be provided. Read the *Page Manual* on the [UDC General website](#) under *Forms* for more information.

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

I ask that Chapter Presidents encourage members to consider this opportunity to serve the Division. If you are interested in being a Page or have any questions, contact Sharon Crockett at [sharon.crockett@gmail.com](mailto:sharon.crockett@gmail.com)

*Sharon Crockett, Chairman  
Division Page*

## **From the Virginia Division 2nd Vice President:**

The Virginia Division Education Committee is pleased to announce our two new scholarship recipients for 2019–2020.

**Jacob Deavers** has been awarded the Catherine Custis Taylor Goffigan Scholarship his senior year at the College of William & Mary. He is pursuing a double major in history and government, and eventually hopes to get his master's degree and pursue a career as a historian. Jacob is sponsored by Turner Ashby Chapter 184.



**Brooke Gray** will begin classes at Lord Fairfax Community College. She is the recipient of the E. Elizabeth Snedden Scholarship. Brooke plans to transfer to a four-year institution upon completion of her associate's degree. She wishes to become an orthodontist. Brooke is sponsored by Turner Ashby Chapter 184.

***From the Virginia Division 2nd Vice President (continued) . . .***

We also wish to congratulate the UDC General scholarship recipients sponsored by Virginia Division Chapters.

Undergraduate:

- ★ Lindy Dawn Newcomb, sponsored by H.A. Carrington Chapter 1055
- ★ Sarah Michelle Scarf, sponsored by Princess Ann Chapter 435
- ★ Sydney Johnston, sponsored by Gen. Stuart Chapter 2195

Graduate:

- ★ Dawn Moser, sponsored by Mildred Lee Chapter 74
- ★ Taylor Reid Scott, sponsored by Princess Ann Chapter 435

Congratulations to all!

*Debby Mullins  
2nd Vice President*

**From the Virginia Division 3rd Vice President:**

Greetings Virginia Daughters!

I wanted to let you all know that the Virginia CofC has been busy!

In June, the Virginia Division Convention was held at Round Oak Baptist Church, Woodford, in Caroline County. The membership voted to honor Miss Kiersten Thomson as an Honorary Division President. Lunch was served by the ladies of the church and it was delicious. The speaker was Michael S. Raynes, he spoke to us about *Young people during the War Between the States at home and on the battlefield*, which was an interactive discussion on how life was different for our ancestors as children and an exploration into the lives of teens who enlisted in the Confederate Army. The new Officers of Virginia Division CofC were voted in for the 2019–2020 term. Please mark your calendar to join us on June 13, 2020 for the next year's Convention.

The General Convention was in Frederick, Maryland this year, July 18–20. You should be so proud of your CofC children: Virginia Division brought home 24 awards! On Thursday, Laural Williams, General Chaplain conducted a Memorial Service and a wreath laying at Mt. Olivet Cemetery (the same cemetery

***From the Virginia Division 3rd Vice President (continued) . . .***

where Francis Scott Key is buried). Next, it was on to Antietam Battlefield, buffet lunch at Old South Mountain Inn, hike up to the Washington monument in Washington Monument State Park, visiting Pry House and Field Hospital for the Union troops during the War and finally we rode rides and played games at Adventure Park USA. During Saturday night's banquet, Lauren Patteson won the Jayne Cranks Award for most outstanding President's work and I won the Mary Coulter Miller Award for most outstanding Division Director. Please let me know if you and/ or your UDC or CofC Chapter members would be interested in attending next year's General Convention. It will be in Gulfport, Mississippi July 16–18, 2020. The Virginia Division CofC will offer a bus option for the ride to Mississippi. The hotel is on the beach!!

I look forward to seeing you all at Convention in October.

*Mary S. Wasenko  
3rd Vice President*

**From the Virginia Division Recording Secretary:**

As we approach the late days of summer, the Chapter Officer lists, Chapter narratives and *Division Minutes* order forms are beginning to come in to me daily. I appreciate the effort to get these to me via email, when possible, as it certainly reduces the time necessary to compile the information. It is important to note that, should you have any changes to your Chapter Officer list (Officer changes, addresses, emails, etc.), please remember to forward the changes to me so that the most accurate information is included in the *Division Minutes*. I can accept changes as late as December 1st.

The 124<sup>th</sup> Division Convention Call was distributed to all Chapter Presidents, Division Officers, Division Chairmen, Division Committee Chairmen and Past Division Presidents, via email, on July 29, 2019. Chapter Presidents will distribute the information to their Chapter members. If you did not receive your emailed copy or to request a paper copy be sent to you, please contact me at 804-790-1518 or [cmw2458@aol.com](mailto:cmw2458@aol.com) so that we can make those arrangements.

***A reminder to all Division Officers, District Chairmen and Division Committee Chairmen:***

I would like to request that the reports you will be presenting during the Convention be *emailed to me prior to the Convention*. Please prepare them in a Word document, if possible. These reports go into the *Division Minutes* and it is simpler and far less confusing to have them emailed to me rather than printed and handed to me during the Convention. I will gladly continue to accept paper copies of any

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***From the Virginia Division Recording Secretary (continued) . . .***

reports that cannot be emailed in advance, but I do need to receive them by the last day of the Convention.

Please remember that copies of the *Division Minutes* are only available by pre-order through your Chapters and there are no additional copies ordered or available to purchase upon their delivery. Pre-ordering a few extra Chapter copies to present to your newer members is always a welcomed gift or door prize idea! I had several members very disappointed that they could not purchase additional copies at the District Conferences. Payment is not collected until they are delivered in 2020 but the pre-orders must be made by the end of the Convention in October. The cost is now \$6 per copy.

I look forward to seeing you at the Convention and always welcome your comments and suggestions!

With UDC devotion,

*Carla M. Waldron*  
*Recording Secretary*

**From the Virginia Division Historian:**

It has been a great privilege to serve as your Division Historian, and I thank you for the honor. I salute all of you on your efforts to preserve and defend our Confederate Heritage. My greatest pleasure has been traveling our beautiful state with Mary Wasenko, my traveling companion, even the dirt road on the Blue Ridge Parkway (how we came out on it, I'll never know). I enjoyed meeting and talking with so many of you wonderful ladies and reading your reports. I look forward to seeing you at the Division Convention. The Ladies of Fourth District have planned a wonderful Convention. See you in October!

*Sharon Loving*  
*Historian*

**From the Virginia Division Recorder of Military Service Awards:**

Ladies,

This has been a very interesting, heartwarming office, serving as your Virginia Division Recorder of MSA.

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## ***From the Virginia Division Recorder of Military Service Awards (continued) . . .***

I have processed 39 Memorandum of Fact, since September 1, for bestowal services. Only 2 have been rejected, one because of lack of proof of the Veterans military service, and the other one for both lack of proof for his military service, and lack of approved proof for the Confederate Ancestor. Both are necessary and, hopefully, can be rectified by additional proof and another approved Confederate ancestor.

Every veteran who has served in any branch of our Armed Forces, with approved record of service, and a Confederate ancestor, is eligible for a Military Service Award. A Meritorious Service award is for a Veteran who has only collateral Confederate ancestors There are many Veterans who have never received an award; ask around your Church, your friends or relatives. This is a perfect way to show how much we appreciate them, and to show everyone who we are as UDC members and our objectives.

There is a new award, Homeland Defense Security Award. It is bestowed on one who has served our community since September 11. They could be a firefighter, policeman, dispatcher, or anyone who has served in a protective defense of our Country. They do not have to have a Confederate ancestor. Find them, and bestow this medal for their service to our Country.

I heartily thank each and everyone one of you for electing me to serve as your Recorder of MSA for the past two years. I encourage any member who wants to serve in this Office, to decide to get her endorsement from her Chapter, and attend Convention in October. You will be gratified by your decision.

*Mary G. Vial*  
*Recorder of MSA*

## **From the Virginia Division Custodian:**

Ladies, I hope that you have had a wonderful summer! Thank you for supporting the Virginia Division by purchasing items and supplies. Some new items were introduced at the District Conferences and will be available at the Convention. I look forward to seeing you in October and please continue to support the Division and all the special projects.

*Teresa Roane*  
*Custodian*

**From the Virginia Division Corresponding Secretary:**

Thank you, thank you, thank you. All the pictures and articles that y'all have submitted for the *Old Dominion Bulletin* these past 2 years have been wonderful. It's been a pleasure working with everyone.

Although this is my last *Old Dominion Bulletin*, I plan to prepare a "124th Convention Wrap-Up" for the new President by the end of October (give or take a week). However, this Wrap-Up will be much sparser than last year's – mostly because Fourth District is hosting the Division Convention, and I'll be too busy to be a reporter! All that's planned is listing newly elected Officers and any major things passed at Convention. However, if you want to send in an article or have a great picture to contribute, please do! (By October 13 please.)

Lists of awards and awardees should be provided to Carla Waldron for inclusion in the *Minutes of the 124th Annual Convention*, which will also have the Officer reports, so be sure to place your order for a copy with your Chapter. Remember, *Minutes* are available by pre-order only, and pre-orders must be turned in by the end of the Convention.

*Liz Shifflett*  
*Corresponding Secretary*

**From the Virginia Division Chairman, Historical Work with Students Committee:**

Topics for essays –

*Grades 4 6:* Stand Watie- Leader of the Cherokee Nation and Brigadier General of the CSA

*Grades 7 9:* James Edward Hanger-He lost his leg but not his ingenuity

*Grades 10 12:* Confederate Soldier Lt. Harry T. Buford, also known as Loreta Janeta Vela'quez

Essays need to be submitted to the Historical Work with Students Committee by May 1, 2020.

*Historical Work with Students Committee*  
*Fran Towberman (Chairman), Anne Howard, and Nancy Beaton*

## DISTRICT NEWS

### **From the Virginia Division Chairman, 1st District:**

I want to express my appreciation to all of the Chapters in our District for all of the work that you do. I urge you to remember that everything that we do to fulfill our UDC objectives counts. Thank you for the invitations. I look forward to working with our next District Chairman, Janie Dillon; I know she will enjoy working with you all. Do not let the present circumstances discourage you. We all know that we are in the right and must always remember and honor our ancestors.

*Sue Anne Boothe  
First District Chairman*

## CHAPTER NEWS

### **From Captain Sally Tompkins Chapter 2626:**



Left to right: Rebecca Morgan, Patricia Miles, Judy Moughon, Theresa Denby, Lydia Connelly, Martha Frame, Diana Swenson, Chapter President Sarah Kressaty, Martha Ellen Traband, Nina Guy, and Melanie Miles (photograph by Marilyn Iglasias).

## ***From Captain Sally Tompkins Chapter 2626 (continued) . . .***

Members of Captain Sally Tompkins Chapter 2626 laid a wreath on the grave of Captain Sally Tompkins (see picture on previous page). She is buried at Christ Church Kingston Parish Cemetery. Following the ceremony, everyone gathered at Hole in the Wall for lunch (at right).

We presented our annual scholarship to Madisyn Jackson a recent graduate of Mathews High School. Madisyn received a \$1000 and will be attending Thomas Nelson Community College in the fall majoring in Dental Hygiene. Madisyn and her mother, Jennifer Jackson were our guests at a luncheon in her honor at the Mathews Yacht Club.



Our June meeting was a covered dish luncheon at the home Diana Swenson where we discussed our plans for the fall.

*Sarah Kressaty, President  
Captain Sally Tompkins Chapter 2626*

*At left, scholarship recipient Madisyn Jackson and Sarah Kressaty*



## **From City Point Chapter 2066:**

City Point Chapter was proud to award JROTC medals and certificates to Kayla Jackson, Hopewell High School and Yvette Jones, Prince George High School. For Memorial Day we placed 104 First National Flags on the graves of Confederate soldiers buried in City Point National Cemetery, Hopewell. Some of us attended the annual Memorial Day Service at Blandford Cemetery and placed a wreath. Some members attended Massing of the Flags on June 2 and three members took the bus trip to Arlington Cemetery the next day. On June 9, members attended the service for Old Men and Young Boys at Blandford Church. We continue to build our Scholarship Fund and have voted to establish it for

## ***From City Point Chapter 2066 (continued) . . .***

Leslie Peppers. We will award it annually, beginning June 2020. We look forward to developing more ways to serve our community and honor our ancestors.

*Suzanne Townsend, President  
City Point Chapter 2066*

## **From Farmville Chapter 45:**

This summer season for Farmville 45 Chapter has been spent preparing for Chapter report deadlines and upcoming Chapter Officer elections. The Chapter meets on the second Wednesday of each month at the Farmville-Prince Edward Community Library. Confederate books shared at one of the last meetings was *Black Day of the Army* by Col. Greg Eanes. Meeting discussion topics included have been William Anderson “Devil Anse” Hatfield’s Confederate service, Mary Boykin Chestnut, current events, and 1860s female fashions.

Member Deborah Lundeen has generously shared many of her of history books with other members. As well, a good home has been found for members’ prior UDC magazine copies.

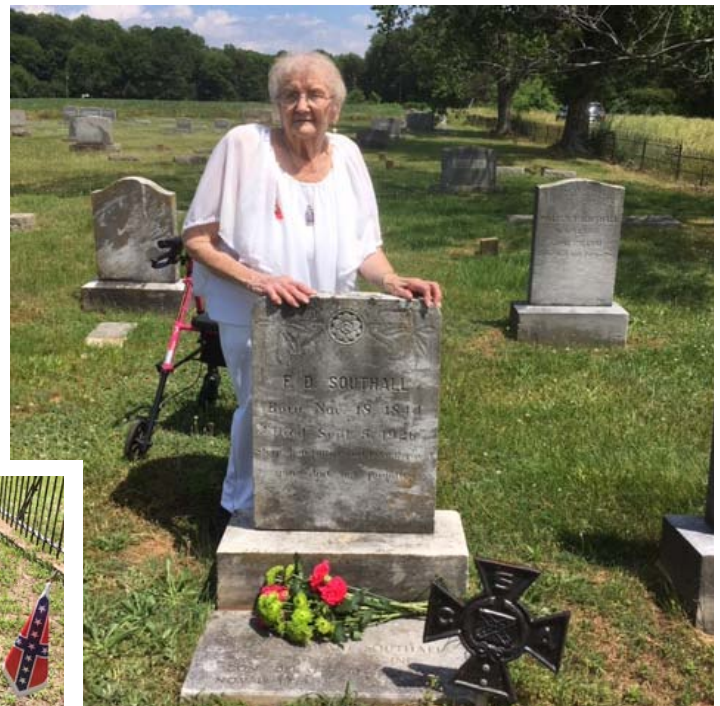
On a beautiful May day, members Flora Bolt and Deserae Bowlin visited Flora’s Confederate grandfather’s grave to leave flowers in remembrance. Mr. Felix D. Southall is buried in Prospect.

We enjoyed the kind invitation of Edmund Ruffin Fire Eaters SCV Camp and attended the tombstone rededication for Mr. Ruffin in Mechanicsville on a June Saturday. Mr. Ruffin committed suicide at his son’s home in Amelia County, which is named Redmore, soon after the War ended. The home, still lived in, sits at the end of a dirt road surrounded by farmland.

*Edmund Ruffin’s beautifully restored headstone.*



*Flora Bolt at her grandfather’s grave.*



## ***From Farmville Chapter 45 (continued) . . .***

*Ben Trittipoe and Chapter  
President Deserae Bowlin.*



Members enjoyed Mr. Carl Sell and Mr. Ben Trittipoe's presentation at the High Bridge SCV's June camp meeting. General Stuart was the topic, as well as Mr. Sell's Confederate ancestor's story.

Our Chapter was represented at the Battle of First Manassas Commemoration on July 20 where we presented the Chapter wreath. Yes, it was hot! However, it was a most lovely service. The southern music played on the guitar was wonderful! From the park giftshop, the book *Belle Boyd In Camp and Prison* was purchased. Per Belle Boyd, "A true woman always loves a real soldier".

*Deserae G. Bowlin, President  
Farmville Chapter 45*

## **From Fort Lowry Chapter 2695:**

Fort Lowry Chapter 2695 has enjoyed some special programs this year. Among them were a Period Fashion Show and a visit from a local historian.

In May we dedicated the grave of Dr. Archibald Ritchie Rouzie, Surgeon, CSA, at Hermon Methodist Church (no longer in use) in Essex County, Virginia. Two of our members, Anne Jackson and Patricia Haile, are descendants of Dr. Rouzie.

In June we had a Period Fashion Show – "Ladies Victorian: Costumes, Customs, and Fashions of the 1800's" – presented by Marilyn Iglesias and Kim Forslund. The beautiful garments were made to resemble the fashions worn by women during the War Between the States. The two-piece dresses included full skirts, hoops, and intricate embellishments. We also enjoyed a lovely luncheon of Brunswick stew, ham biscuits, and buttermilk pie.



## ***From Fort Lowry Chapter 2695 (continued) . . .***

A special event was held in June to raise funds, draw new members, and share history. Charles Belfield recounted his ancestral line from one of the first immigrants to the Northern Neck of Virginia, to the present generation. He is the tenth generation from the original immigrant. Changing coats, jackets, and hats to tell his story, he gave a summary of his lineage from the French and Indian War, the

American Revolution, the War of 1812, the War Between the States, and World War I. He also spoke about several civilian ancestors.

Our fiscal year came to a close with the presentation of several supplemental certificates given to Cindy Packett and Barbara Sethman (left to right in the photograph are Cindy, Barbara, and Fort Lowry Chapter President Patricia Givens).



*Mickey Teese, Corresponding Secretary  
Fort Lowry Chapter 2695*

## **From General Robert E. Lee Chapter 233:**

The General Robert E Lee Chapter under the leadership of President Donna Hall participated in the commemoration of the 158th anniversary of the Battle of First Manassas on July 20, 2019. It was a hot, humid day much like the one on July 21, 1861 when the battle began.

The speaker for the program was Robert Rasnake as General Thomas J “Stonewall” Jackson who spoke about his early years. The Battle of First Manassas was where General Jackson earned his nickname that would follow him until death and beyond.

*Left to right: Chapter member Letha Flippin  
and Chapter President Donna Hall with General  
Stonewall Jackson (Robert Rasnake) and his lady.*



***From General Robert E. Lee Chapter 233 (continued) . . .***

The Battle of Manassas was the first major battle of the War Between the States and resulted in a Confederate victory. Many people came the 25 miles from Washington, D.C. in a festive mood to watch the event. By the end of the battle they beat a hasty retreat. The lesson learned by the Union that day was that this would not be the short war they anticipated.

Ginger R. Stephens, President Virginia Division of the UDC presided over the commemoration. Representatives of the Union Sons and Daughters attended and made brief remarks.

*Donna Hall, President  
General Robert E. Lee Chapter 233*

**From Lancaster County Chapter 1406:**

On May 10, Lancaster High School Cadet Captain Rachel Valdrighi received UDC's JROTC medal and certificate from Lancaster County Chapter 1406 President Dr. Cheryl Brown Davis (picture at right). The award was bestowed based on Rachel's demonstrated academic excellence, exemplary character and outstanding leadership ability, military discipline, dependability and patriotism.



At left, Dr. Cheryl Brown Davis presents Northumberland County High School senior Jerry Turner with the Chapter's scholarship at the Senior Recognition Ceremony on May 30. The Josie Dorcsis Scholarship supports an area high school senior scholarship is awarded to a student who exhibits outstanding academic performance with plans to pursue a career in the health care profession. In addition to his stellar high school academic achievements, Turner

has served as senior class president and vice president of the Beta Club while also earning an Associate Degree at Rappahannock Community College. Turner is an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow, which additionally demonstrates his leadership capabilities and character.

## ***From Lancaster County Chapter 1406 (continued) . . .***

At our May meeting, President Dr. Cheryl Brown Davis welcomed members and guest speaker, Linda Ward. The highlight of the meeting was Linda's display and discussion of dolls of the period. She comes from a family of doll collectors and described each doll's construction and their original period clothing.

Members learned about the different composition of paper mache, porcelain and wax doll heads. Back in the day, after purchasing the heads, ladies would then assemble the rag body and design the appropriate undergarments and clothes. Ward was able to provide providence for her dolls and explained her 'Mourning Doll' was from France and dates back to a West Point classmate and friend of Robert E. Lee from the Hampton area of Virginia.



*Chapter President Dr. Cheryl Brown Davis (left) and Linda Ward, with some of Linda's collection of dolls.*

## **Honoring and Remembering – Pvt. Lloyd Thomas Smith**

The Lancaster County Chapter 1406 had the privilege to officiate an Iron Cross dedication for Pvt. Lloyd Thomas Smith (14 July 1845–20 Dec. 1904) who served in Co. B of the 39th Virginia Cavalry, CSA, during the War Between the States. The ceremony took place June 19 at the Smith Family Cemetery located at Westlawn, the home of Jim and Diana Russell, in Heathsville. Jim Russell delivered a special tribute and shared several interesting stories about Pvt. Smith, originally from Loudoun County, to include how he ended up in Northumberland County. Co B, also known as Richardson's Battalion, were known to be exquisite horsemen and their reputation earned them the distinction of being hand-picked by General Stonewall Jackson to be his scouts, guides and couriers. The night General Jackson was mortally wounded, Pvt. Smith was his courier and was riding by his side. The shot that wounded the General then exited and severed the artery of Pvt. Smith's horse. When Smith's horse went down, he was pinned under his mount and presumed dead. General Jackson was promptly placed in a hospital wagon and transported for medical care. Luckily, some of Smith's friends arrived and discovered he was still alive and got him to a hospital in Richmond. There Smith was nursed back to health by a lovely young woman, Estelle Betts, from Northumberland County who had traveled to Richmond with her mother to help care for wounded soldiers. Pvt. Smith and Estelle fell in love. He promised

*From Lancaster County Chapter 1406 (continued) . . .*



*Left to right: Bootsie Burgess, Carole Fletcher, Dinah Balderson, Cheryl Brown Davis, Susan Hudson, Carolyn Cook, Jo Ann Fickling, Joyce Mitchell, Laura Hazel, Betsy Trexler-Pastoor, Janet Cockrell, Hilary Derby, Gayle Thompson, Marie Jennings and Betty Christopher.*

to seek her out after the War and marry her. He followed through on his promise and traveled to Northumberland County, married Estelle and set up a law practice. The couple remained in the county and built their home, Westlawn, and raised a family. Smith was very respected and well known across the community and became the Commonwealth Attorney for Northumberland in 1880. After his death in 1904, it was his friends who erected the memorial to his service during the War. Russell then unveiled the Iron Cross of Honor for Pvt. Lloyd Thomas Smith.

“The iron cross was unveiled to honor and remind all not only of his noble deeds but of the continuing need for unselfish service” commented Davis and reminded everyone “this should be an inspiration to seek peace and harmony as we continue to work together to preserve our Southern heritage.”

## ***From Lancaster County Chapter 1406 (continued) . . .***

The Chapter also participated in the Bronze Plaque Dedication Ceremony at the Northumberland County Confederate Memorial on June 19, which included the official unveiling by Susan Hudson, Lancaster County Chapter 1406 Past President and Chair of the Chapter's Monument Committee. Susan was quoted in the newspaper, noting that "with the support



of the Chapter, our community and state and national level organizations have done outstanding work to make this dedication possible. This memorial belongs to the citizens of Northumberland. It is their heritage carved in the marble and displayed in bronze and now many more generations will be able to remember the history and these veterans."

*Dr. Cheryl Brown Davis, President  
Lancaster County Chapter 1406*

## **From Southern Cross Chapter 746:**



To honor Memorial Day this year, Southern Cross Chapter in Salem placed 312 1st National Flags on the graves of Confederate Veterans at East Hill Cemetery. They also placed 33 flags on Confederate graves at three other cemeteries in the area. Wreaths were placed at the site of the Confederate Statue on Main Street as well as a marker in East Hill

Cemetery listing Confederate Veterans without a grave marker. Members were also each given a 1st National Flag to take home and either place on their Confederate ancestor's grave or display at their home.

*Sharon Rose, President  
Southern Cross Chapter 746*

*Prospective member  
Anne Woodruff at the grave  
of her Confederate ancestor.*



## From Stonewall Chapter 1388:

Stonewall Chapter 1388 had a very busy Memorial Day weekend. This year we reestablished the tradition of placing flags at Confederate graves at Portsmouth's Oak Grove Cemetery. We did this on May 24, placing thirty-two flags and having a brief ceremony.

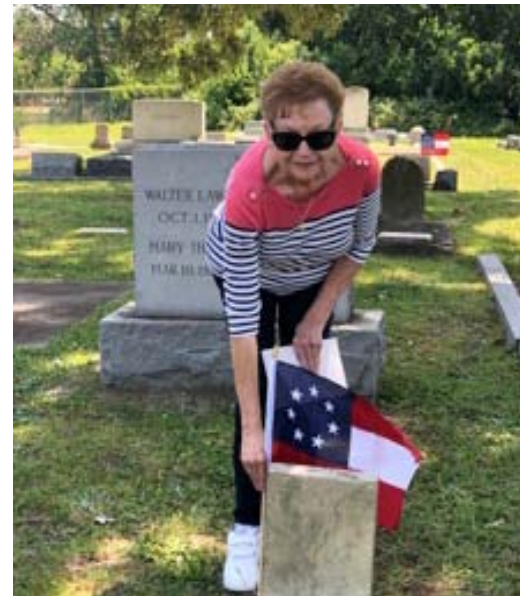
Then, the members went to Portsmouth's Confederate Monument and placed two wreaths and flags for the occasion.

On May 25, members attended Suffolk Chapter 173's Memorial Day service, placing our Chapter wreath. We were pleased to serve refreshments after the SCV Stonewall Camp 380's Memorial Day service at Cedar Grove Cemetery held May 26 (right). Then on May 27, members attended the Memorial Day service held at the Jackson Greys Monument in Chesapeake where our Chapter wreath was, again, presented. A busy weekend for a noble and wonderful cause!

*Debbie Hughson, Historian  
Stonewall Chapter 1388*



*Above: Guest D.J. Newton, prospective member Liz Scott, and members Denise Harrell and Nancy Leonard at Portsmouth's Confederate Monument; at Oak Grove Cemetery (above, left). Nancy Leonard placing a flag at Oak Grove Cemetery (below).*



## THANK YOU!

Dorothy Barrett and Frances Fitzgerald would like to thank all the Virginia Division Chapters and Daughters who remembered us on our 97th and 99th birthdays this year! It was so heartwarming to hear from so many that took time to send us such wonderful cards. We'd never be able to write that many "thank you's" so hope this notice will suffice. We mainly wanted everyone to know how much each card was appreciated and will be cherished.

*Dorothy Barrett, Past Virginia Division Historian  
Frances Fitzgerald, Past Virginia Division President  
(sent in by Lucy Steele, Daughter and Niece, respectively)*

*Editor's Note:* Just had to share! When I asked Lucy what Chapter they were in, the reply revealed four generations of President Davis Chapter 2197 members: "...my Grandmother [Evelyn Lightfoot Bray Barrett] was a charter member, along with mother and my aunt. My daughter [Emily Robertson Steele McKinney] and I are also members of this chapter."

## BIRTHDAYS

**September 23rd** (1935), Mrs. Sammy Hynds Harrison, Abner Baker Chapter 1404, Tennessee Division  
3210 Ash Park, Apt. 36, Richland Hills, Texas 76118-6317 (Randolph Relief)

**October 2nd** (1924), Mrs. Willie Ruth Chapman Aiken, Emma Sansom Chapter 2564, Georgia Division  
3590 Rivers End Place, Buford, Georgia 30519 (Real Daughter)

*Laying wreaths at  
General Jackson's  
statue after the  
Commemoration of  
the Battle of First  
Manassas in July.*



## VIRGINIA DIVISION CALENDAR

### September 2019

**September 10th** is the UDC's 125th Anniversary. The date of the first meeting of the organization founded by Mrs. Caroline Meriwether Goodlet and Mrs. Anna Davenport Raines was September 10, 1894. The celebration in Nashville, Tennessee is **September 6–7, 2019**.

### October, November 2019

**October 3rd–6th** (Thursday–Sunday), Virginia Division Convention in Herndon, Virginia  
The Westin Washington Dulles Airport Hotel

**October 14th** (Monday), 10 AM, Commemoration at Lee Chapel, Washington & Lee

**November 7th–11th** (Thursday–Monday), UDC General Convention in Atlanta, Georgia  
Atlanta Marriott Century Center, 2000 Century Boulevard, NE

### 2020 District Conferences

**March 21st** (Saturday), Fifth District – Hostess Chapter: Richmond-Stonewall Jackson Chapter 1705

**March 28th** (Saturday), Sixth District – Hostess Chapter: City Point Chapter 2066

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**May 2nd** (Saturday), First District – Hostess Chapter: Jubal Early Chapter 553

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