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Miss Eleanor P. Price President Virginia Division

Daughters of the Virginia Division, one year ago you granted me the honor and privilege of serving as President of the Virginia Division. I accepted this office with gratitude and humility. My sincere appreciation to all who have encouraged and helped me this year. The work which you have accomplished this year will be reported in full by the Officers and Chairmen. They have worked diligently fulfilling their duties and responding to many requests.

When you are using your Minutes, I urge you to read the Chapter reports to learn what your sister Chapters have accomplished. I do not remember attending a meeting or event or reading a report when I have not gained an idea that would help me or my Chapter better serve the "memory of our ancestors". Please read the reports of the Division Officers as these reports give the details of the work of the Division under their responsibility. We are indebted to these ladies as they donate their time and resources to help you to continue our work.

As the old year ends and another begins, we constantly must show and record our accomplishments. Yes, keeping track of all this information is a very, very, hard task, but without a record, nothing will show what we did? I am asking for every member to record their work the best they can, to help make our Division shine and show how outstanding and productive Virginia Division is.

Your President started this year by attending the Remembering Lee Program at Lee Chapel, Terry Hunter's funeral at Arlington National Cemetery, Loudoun Chapter's Fifth Anniversary Banquet, many grave marker dedications, 4 Christmas Programs, 4 Lee-Jackson services, 4 Chapter meetings, 5 Memorial Day services, two Cross of Military Service Award Ceremonies, CofC Division Convention, a CofC Re-Chartering Ceremony, The Massing of Flags, First Battle of Manassas Commemoration, 6 District Conferences, and many more. I will always be proud of the many miles I have gone, the many warm welcomes, and special attention given to me. We are women proud of our Confederate Heritage, as we work to preserve the honor of our Ancestors and celebrate the day that we joined the UDC. When we join hands, we are "Sisters of the Heart and Confederate Blood".

Vice President-Barbara Joyner

It has been most enjoyable working with the Chapters and the Chapter Vice Presidents. I appreciate Division President Eleanor Price appointing me to this office. We need to encourage our new members, when they purchase the #1 Badge Set, to also purchase the Virginia Division Badge. The chapters have honored three gentlemen with Stonewall Jackson Medals and four ladies with Winnie Davis Medals. I hope next year will be as rewarding with your recognition of outstanding service to the United Daughters of the Confederacy. You have been very patient with me and our Vice President General when the shipment of orders has been so very slow. Hopefully, everything has been worked out and the process will be much more efficient next year. I have enjoyed visiting the chapters and answering questions about the ordering of insignia and the order of insignia on your ribbon and seeing old friends and meeting new ones. We are a team and our primary goal is to honor the brave men and women who were involved in the War. Some lived through it and had more adversity to face, some gave their lives for a Cause they thought was right and just. We honor them when we wear our insignia high and proud. Let us remember to never do anything or say anything that would cause embarrassment to our most honorable Confederate Ancestors. Thank you for the privilege of serving as your Division Vice President.

Vice President's Awards

Most Division Insignia ordered by Chapter 7 to 40 members: Loudoun Chapter 170 Most Division Insignia ordered by Chapter 41 and above: Centennial-Maury 2296

Most General Insignia ordered by Chapter 7 to 40 members: Hamilton Wade 949 Most General Insignia ordered by Chapter 41 and above: Caroline Grays 2473

Third Vice President-Ginnie Sebastian Storage

2016 Cof C GENERAL AWARDS Awarded to Virginia Division

MRS. JOHN M. WILCOX AWARD – Awarded to the most outstanding member of the Children of the Confederacy.

Awarded to: Miss McGowan Virginia Storage, Virginia Division

DIVISION AWARDS:

JANE OLIPHANT WEBB MEMORIAL TRAY – awarded to the Division with 150 members and over submitting the best All-around report. **Awarded to Virginia Division**

LAURA LEE FISHER AWARD – awarded to the Division purchasing the most Ancestor Bars. **Awarded to: (TIE) Virginia Division and Georgia Division**

MRS. HARRY D. ALLEN AWARD – awarded to the Division purchasing the most Catechisms. **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

SUE HARDIN AWARD – awarded to the Division sending in the most essays. **Awarded to: (TIE) Virginia Division and Texas Division**

RUTH ELLEN, FLORENCE AND FRANCES JONES AWARD – awarded to the Division with the most outstanding educational and historical achievements. **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

WILLIAM CABEL VILDIBILL AWARD – awarded to the Chapter or Division submitting the best report on Monuments and Markers. **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

MRS. MARY ANN EZELL HARRISON AWARD – awarded to the Division with the most outstanding historical achievements. **Awarded to: (TIE) Virginia Division and Texas Division**

VICTORIA ESTELLE TAGLIABUE AWARD – awarded to the Division with 150 members and over purchasing the most Minutes – **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

MRS. WAYNE E. WILLIAMS AWARD – awarded to the Division with 150 members and over sending in the first General per capita report. **Awarded to Virginia Division**

DIXIE HARDMAN AWARD – awarded to the Division with 150 members and over having the best Scrapbook. **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

PAUL LAMAR POWELL BOWL – awarded to the Division submitting the best-typed report on Memorial Day programs. **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

MARGARET MURDOCK AWARD – awarded to the Division submitting the best report on Patriotic activities. **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

CHAPTER AWARDS:

PAMELA ROUSE WRIGHT AWARD – awarded to the Division or Chapter Where No Division making the most purchases of CofC stationery and supplies. **Awarded to: Virginia Division**

SUPERIOR CHAPTER – Mary Oney Fizer 463

HONOR ROLL CHAPTER – Appomattox Juniors 32; Capt. Sally Tompkins 809; and Richmond 819

MEMBERS AWARDS:

SARAH ELISE MITCHELL DUNKLIN AWARD – awarded to the member 12 and under submitting the best poem on a Confederate subject. **Awarded to: Laural Megan Williams, Appomattox Juniors 32, Virginia Division**

THOMAS CHARLES MORGAN AWARD – awarded to the individual giving the best report during Division President's Evening. **Awarded to: Catherine "Catie" Wasenko, Virginia Division**

Treasurer- Debbie Thomas

Chapter Submitting the Earliest Per Capita Report 7-40 Members - Lee Chapter 1842

Chapter Submitting the Earliest Per Capita Report 41+ Members - Southern Cross Chapter 746

Chapter Submitting the Earliest Financial Report 7-40 Members - Luray Chapter 65

Chapter Submitting the Earliest Financial Report 41+ Members - Lancaster Chapter 1406

Registrar Rebecca Ferguson

Chapter Enrolling the Most New Members - General Stuart Chapter 2195

Chapter Submitting the Most Perfect Papers - Scottsville Chapter 1167

Chapter Enrolling the Oldest Member - Rockbridge Chapter 2568

Assistant Registrar-Mrs. Jean S. Spencer

Chapter Submitting the Greatest Number of Supplementals

7-40 Members - J.E.B. Stuart Chapter 156

41+ Members - Caroline Grays Chapter 2473

Historian-Rhonda F. Smith

Alice Whitley Jones: Bethel 185

\$15.00 Awarded by the Division to the Chapter Reporting the Best Overall Historical Work.
7 – 40 members: Hamilton Wade Chapter 949

\$15.00 Awarded by the Division to the Chapter Displaying the Best Scrapbook
7 – 40 members: H.A. Carrington 1055
41 + members: Southern Cross 746

\$15.00 Awarded by the Division to the Chapter Displaying the Best Yearbook
7 – 40 members: J.E.B.Stuart Chapter 15
41 + members: Kirkwood Otey 10

\$15.00- Awarded by the Division to the Chapter Placing the Largest Number of Books in Schools
7 – 40 members: Centennial-Maury Chapter 229
41 + members: Caroline Grays Chapter 2473

Historical Essay Prizes 2016

\$25.00 Category: "*Military Career of Jefferson F. Davis*" by :*Southern Sue*
Susan E. Reynolds Farmville Chapter #45

Recorder of Military Service Awards Dawn Diehl

Chapter Bestowing Most Number of Military Service Awards - H.A. Carrington Chapter 1055

Standing Committee Reports

Magazine Committee

Chapter Having the Largest Number of New Subscriptions 7-40 Members - City Point Chapter 2066

Chapter Having the Largest Number of New Subscriptions 41+ Members - General Stuart Chapter 2195

Chapter Having the Most Subscriptions to Libraries 7-40 Members - Albermarle Chapter 154

Chapter Having the Most Subscriptions to Libraries 41+ Members - Caroline Grays Chapter 2473

Publicity Committee

Chapter Having the Best Newsletter - Hamilton Wade Chapter 949

Historical Work with Students Committee-Fran Towberman, Chairman

Here are the 2016-2017 Essay Titles. Rules and guidelines are found on page 14 and 15 in the 2015 Division Minutes. Titles may be given out immediately, so the research and writing may begin!

4th - 6th Grade Field of Lost Shoes VMI Cadets

7th - 9th Grade Battle of Five Forks

10th-12th Grade Jefferson Davis Highway Markers

2017 DISTRICT CONFERENCES:

March 18 -5th District - Ashland Baptist Church, hosted by Hanover Chapter

March 25 -2nd District-Rockbridge Chapter-New Providence Church, Hosted by Rockbridge and JE.B. Stuart.

April 1 -3rd District-

April 8-4th District -Fauquier Springs Country Club, hosted by Arlington #1573 and Black Horse #9

April 22- 1st District -Fincastle Chapter

April 29- 6th District-Stonewall Chapter -1388

CHAPTER REPORTS

FIRST DISTRICT

Fincastle Chapter 797-Harriett Francis President

Iron Cross Dedication-April 9, 2016 our Fincastle Chapter 797 had a ceremony on Anderson Knob Mountain a beautiful and remote part of Botetourt County.

Pvt. Callahill Parker was honored with the Iron Cross dedication in family cemetery which is now US Forest Department land so we had to get permission along with getting Botetourt Artillery Members to clean off cemetery before ceremony.

Mr. Parker was taken up the mountain on a horse drawn sled made of walnut lumber from his farm. In the mist a blowing snow and cold wind also. As history repeated itself we had the same weather on April 9, 2016 which was blowing snow and chilly wind. As we performed the ceremony for Mr. Parker.

Despite the weather it was a wonderful ceremony honoring such a great soldier. In attendance was many relatives of his along with Botetourt Artillery doing the color guard.

We hope to do more dedications on this mountain in the future.

SECOND DISTRICT

J.E.B. Stuart Chapter 156-Betsy Spencer

Chapter members, family descendants, and friends attended the April 16th Grave Marking and Iron Cross Dedication at Sangersville Church of the Brethren Cemetery, Augusta County, honoring the life and Confederate military service of Isaac Cook, Pvt., Co. I (Ready Rifles), 5th Virginia Infantry. Isaac Cook was only fifteen years of age when he enlisted in the Army on May 11, 1861, and he served throughout three years of the War until taken prisoner on May 21, 1864, following the nearly two week long battle of Spotsylvania Courthouse. He was imprisoned at Ft. Delaware until his release on June 15, 1865. After the War Isaac Cook returned to Sangersville where he farmed along the North River and married a local girl, Martha Jane Michael. The couple had eleven children. Isaac died in 1915, age 70. We were especially delighted that Isaac Cook's Great Granddaughter, Beulah Losh and her husband Wayne, attended the ceremony and furnished a photograph of Isaac Cook who bore a striking resemblance to General J.E.B. Stuart. They also guided a few of those in attendance to the nearby farm home of Isaac Cook.

J.E.B. Stuart members again honored military veterans who are residents at the Virginia Veterans Care Center in Roanoke with a Christmastime donation to Operation Holiday Spirit, and just recently expanded our military support and outreach to Vet Dogs of America.

The 2016 Confederate Memorial Service at Staunton's Thornrose Cemetery sponsored annually by the J.E.B. Stuart Chapter was held on Sunday, May 29th, in the Soldiers Section of the Cemetery. The program highlight was a memorial address, "A Heritage of Honor", by Colonel Greg Eanes (U.S. Air Force Ret.) and recipient of a Jefferson Davis Historical Gold medal at the 2015 Virginia Division Convention. We are justifiably proud of this memorial observance remembering our Confederate heritage that has been ongoing since 1994, and, despite the rain this year, the event garnered significant attendance and media coverage.

We are pleased to welcome two new members to the Chapter, Hannah Haney and Kimberly Berry; the application of a third new member, Diann Snyder, is pending. The new members were honored and welcomed at a special luncheon meeting at Staunton's Third Presbyterian Church on Saturday, August 20th featuring a program by Chapter member Janie Sherman, "Evolving Victorian Fashion During the War Between the States". Janie's historical anecdotes were, as always interesting and amusing. Several prospective members have been invited to our gathering.

43 Virginia Division Deceased

Daughters

September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016

Appomattox 11

Frances McDearmon P. Harvey 09/13/15

Caroline Grays 2473

Marian Lacy Mahon 07/21/15

Iva Victoria Medlin Pardue 12/18/15

Flora B. Wilkerson Short 08/11/15

Mary M. Gouldin Wright 12/28/15

Centennial-Maury 2296

Frances A. Boykin 08/04/15

Emma Lou Self Tapp 05/11/16

Fort Lowry 2695

Gay Hall Packett 08/22/16

Fredericksburg 163

Louise C. Jones Garrison 02/02/16

Dorothy Loftis Snapp 06/15/16

Juliette Wigglesworth Wisner 01/25/16

General Stuart 2195

Marion Ligget Reynolds Lee 07/02/16

H.A. Carrington 1055

Donna Lee Burdine 06/26/16

Hampton 167

Mary Josephine Mesic 08/17/16

Isle of Wight 699

Willie Donahoe Minton 12/16/15

Kirkwood-Otey 10

Martha Winston Wallenhors 01/16/16

Lancaster County

Peggy Lou Dunton Croft 12/10/15

Jean Clarke Lewis 03/04/2016

Shirley Mooring Stoneham 12/18/2015

Petersburg 155

Gloria Wilkinson Baird 05/22/2016

Peninsula Campaign 2385

Betty Hellums Rowland 06/27/2016

Pickett-Buchanan 21

JoAnn Clay 10/15/2015

Carolyn LeMay 12/10/2015

President Davis 2197

Frances H. Hazlewood 12/09/2015

Dorothy Stuart 06/16/2016

Richmond-Stonewall Jackson 1705

Jane Libby Luck 11/03/2015

Sara Lee Ketron Startt 08/24/2016

Rockbridge 2568

Delores M. Parkhurst Ryan 04/26/2016

Mary F. Dickinson Burks 04/29/2016

Southern Cross 746

Dr. Eugenia Y. Hanson 09/06/2015

Mary Elizabeth "Nona"

McCauley Bush 01/04/2016

Joan J. Dorsey 02/14/2016

Margaret A. Starkey 03/16/2016

Stonewall 1388

Gabrielle Maupin Bielenstein-05/15/2015

Thirteenth Virginia Regiment 441

Mary E. Carpenter Gill 06/19/2016

Virginia Morris Kube 12/28/2015

Claire Bailey Lonergan 07/18/2016

Turner Ashby 162

Hazel Hammer Simmons 10/17/2015

Williamsburg 637

Emma Jane Weil Carroll 01/24/2015

Theresa Eleanor L. Hunter 09/01/2015

Division President 1983-85

Linda Lee Lightfoot 02/21/2016

Patricia Wemyss Roach 11/23/2015

Mary Hart Harris Satterwhite 06/18/2016



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