



**United Daughters of the Confederacy
Lee Chapter 1842**

October 2006 Newsletter

Division Convention News

**1st Place
Lee Chapter 1842
\$15.00
Most National
Defense Awards!!**



**1st Place
Lee Chapter 1842
\$25.00
Most Military
Service Awards!!**

**Alice Whitely Jones Banner
Awarded to Lee Chapter 1842 for the
best historical project in the Division**

This year's convention was held at the Omni Hotel in Roanoke Virginia. The whole convention seemed to run effortlessly under the command of our most gracious Division President, Mrs. Pat Bryson. Words cannot express my overwhelming feeling of pride for our Chapter when they called our name to receive the Alice Whitely Jones Banner. "Miss Alice" was the Division President in 1959-61 and especially interested in ensuring the fiscal soundness of the Virginia Division and in promoting historical work.

I am proud to also announce that we took 1st place in both the Military Service and Defense Award categories. A hearty thanks to Mrs. Lynn Folk for her efforts in fulfilling her role as our Military Service Award Officer.

Confederate Monument

Base Reconstruction:

Mr. Neal Barnes of Virginia Conservators has been contracted to complete the monument restoration by replacing the old mortar in the monument base. Neal operates a small historic masonry and plaster restoration business and limits his activities to the use of lime mortars and plasters; the only products that should ever be used for the repair or restoration of work originally produced in lime.

Update:

Mr. Barnes removed the old mortar this past summer and left the joints open to properly air & to allow for some rain water cleansing. Due to the drought conditions in the latter part of 2007, the open joints in the monument base were not sufficiently cleansed with rain water and remain open. I spoke with Mr. Barnes and the target date for the mortar replacement is now early spring. This delay is due of to the fact that we are now into cold weather which is not suitable for the laying of mortar. He assures us that he will have the mortar repair finished prior to the Monument unveiling.

100th Anniversary Celebration:

Our Monument's 100th Birthday celebration is well underway!! Your Monument Team members include Susan Crouse, Melanie Torrance, Shelly Zaback and Becky Fleming. We are working hard to make this a great success. Well, we may be shy of the 6000 spectators which visited in 1908, but are in hopes of recreating the same feel as it was then, with white bunting covering the town, oxen wagon filled with 13 lovely ladies representing our states, period music & food, lots of military and women in their period finery, a small cavalry overlooking the ceremony just to name a few!! We are awaiting approvals from the Town of Leesburg and are scheduled to appear in front of the Courthouse Grounds Committee on February 26th.

