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Mississippi Division United Daughters of the Confederacy ®

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It's an ELECTION YEAR!

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Do you like to sing? Turn to page 12!

President's Message By Janice Strohm

id someone say that UDC slows down during the summer? Surely they said that in jest! With places to go and reports to complete, I don't think any of us has slowed down.

Chapter reports are coming in the mail daily. By the time you read this, hopefully, all Chapter reports have been received by me or the appropriate Chairman. If not, get them completed and in the mail ASAP. These reports have to be sorted, sent to the Chairmen, reports compiled, and reported back to me. Then the big President's report has to be written and submitted to the Vice President General (remember we have won this award for the past two years at least), and the Chairmen have to submit their reports to the General Chairmen. The Mississippi Division wants to win more awards for the work we have done, but we can't win these awards unless the work is reported.

May, June, and July have continued to be busy traveling months. Following all of those Confederate Day Memorial services and District meetings, I took a weekend "off" to visit with my 1970 female classmates for a tour of Franklin, Tennessee on April 29-30. Although I wasn't



doing official UDC work, I was still "Confederating" while touring the Carnton Mansion and the Carter and Lotz Houses. My friends looked closely at me as the tour guides talked! They knew that I would know to either agree or disagree. If you have not been to the Franklin area lately, I encourage you to go and tour these three houses.

On May 1st, I attended a memorial service on the campus of Ole Miss, honoring the University Greys who left the campus to fight. On May 3rd, I attended the meeting of the Capt. Samuel J. Ridley 2430 Chapter in Canton. After they worked on planning the Children of the Confederacy Convention, I installed the officers. May 5th found me at the Attala

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County 2592 Chapter meeting, where I enjoyed a potluck supper and once again installed the officers. How better to celebrate one's May 24th birthday than to gather with the Wilkinson County 1874 Chapter at

Rosemont. Following a meal of fried chicken, greens, and potato salad, President Mabel Clark presented me with a birthday cake! I always enjoy getting to visit with members in these small settings.

On June 15th I was a guest at the Winnie Davis 24 Chapter's Jefferson Davis birthday luncheon at the Coffee Pot in Enterprise. Following the eating of a speciallymade Jefferson Davis cake, we toured St. Mary's Episcopal Church and Twin Gables, home of Lawrence Buckley. Thank you, Tonya Lott for taking me for a drive through the cemetery to see the Confederate graves. The next day I attended the Robert E. Lee 2561 Chapter meeting at the Bridge Street Grill, also in Enterprise. These two small restaurants sit side-

by-side in this small, historic town. Thank all of you for your hospitality. On June 18th, I attended the Military Service Awards and Memorial Service for the Gen. M.P. Lowrey 1608 Chapter in New Albany.

June was also busy outside of Mississippi. On the way to the Massing of Flags in Richmond, we drove through Gadsden, Alabama, where we found the statue of the heroine Emma Sansom. The Massing ceremony is always impressive. It was an honor to bring in the Mississippi flag – second in line of secession. Sergeant Major James S. Haymes (U.S. Army Retired) inspired us all with his speech on "Jefferson Davis – American." The ceremony concluded in the Confederate Chapel. Sunday found us on a bus heading to the memorial service in honor of President Davis and the Confederate soldiers buried at Arlington. Following the service, the group toured Arlington House.

The biggest highlight of the month of June was the chartering ceremony of our newest Chapter – Brice's Crossroads 2714 in Baldwyn. We

welcomed twenty-two new members to add to the two transfers! Twenty-four members in a new Chapter!!! Is that a record?? The Division should expect great activities from this group. It was such an honor to welcome these ladies into our great Organization.

Whew! After such a busy month of June, July has calmed down some. On Sunday, July 10th, I attended the birthday celebration for Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest and placed a wreath at his statue in Memphis. It was good to see fellow UDC members from Chapters in Mississippi.

Plans are being finalized for the 120th Annual Mississippi Division Convention to be held in Greenwood, Mississippi. If you haven't made your reservations yet at the hotel or sent in your registration, do so immediately! The ladies of District II have been working hard to make this meeting a success. These forms and information are here in this issue of Our Heritage. Chapters should have

their delegates selected and the form sent in.
Remember that this is an election year. The
Nominating Committee members should be hard at
work to make sure that we have the best candidates
for the nine elected positions. If you are not
qualified for one of those positions, consider being a
Chairman if the new President should ask you to
serve.

These two years have passed slowly at times and quickly at times. Attending meetings and attending events has taken up quite a lot of my time. Forwarding prospective member e-mails and mailing new member and supplemental certificates is always a pleasure. Let's work together to make the United Daughters of the Confederacy *the best* heritage organization. Remember our five objects – Historical, Educational, Benevolent, Memorial, and Patriotic.

Janice E. Strohm MS Division President



MS Division President Janice Strohm May 24, 2016

A grateful MS Division thanks you, Madame President!



CofC Convention

he 65th Annual Convention of the Mississippi Division Children of the Confederacy of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met on June 4, 2016 at the Old Jail in Canton, MS with the Capt. Samuel J. Ridley Chapter UDC 2430 and the Margaret Sarah Ridley Gooch CofC 912 as hostesses.

The members and guests registered and were treated to juice and donuts by the host Chapters. Each member and guest was given a duffel bag with various items in it with thanks to Chapter members and the Canton and Convention Visitors Bureau.

Sarah Garrison, President of Capt. Samuel J. Ridley Chapter, welcomed the members and guests to Canton and the Old Jail. She introduced Jana Padgett, Director for CCVB, who brought a welcome from the city.

The meeting began at 9 AM with President Laura C. Inman presiding. Invocation was given by Chaplain Fayth M. Hodge. Officers in attendance gave their reports. The Memorial Service, with Chaplain Fayth M. Hodge was done at the Jail due to the weather.



special memorial to Myra S. Sandidge, Ex-Division 3rd
Vice President and Ex-Division President. Wreaths were

placed later at the Canton Cemetery at the Confederate Monument and Mrs. Sandidge's grave.

Lunch was served and then the Catechism Quiz was conducted by Division 3rd Vice President, Courtney Hodge. Officers were elected for the 2016-2017 term. The invitation for the 2017 invitation had been issued last year by Knox Williams and the Margaret Davis Hayes Chapter 520. The location is to be announced later this year.

After installation of the new officers, the Benediction was given by Chaplain Fayth Hodge, and the outgoing President declared the 2016 Convention adjourned.





Brown, Stella Wilson, Andrew Martin, Tessa Wilson, Daniel Inman, Fayth M. Hodge, Chris Chapman, Aidan Chapman, Tilor Chapman, Laura C. Inman

CofC Convention, cont.

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ATTENDEES AT COFC CONVENTION **CANTON, MISSISSIPPI JUNE 4, 2016**

NAME	CofC CHAPTER
1. CHRISTOPHER CHAPMAN	CARROLTON
2. AIDAN CHAPMAN	CARROLTON
3. TILOR CHAPMAN	CARROLTON
4. MYLA PAIGE WILSON S.R. GOOCH	CANTON – MARGARET
5. LAURA C. INMAN	CANTON
6. DANIEL INMAN	CANTON
7. TESSA WILSON	CANTON
8. FAYTH M. HODGE	BILOXI
9. GABBY BROWN	BILOXI
10. CLARE BROWN	BILOXI
11. ALEX MARTIN	BILOXI
12. ANDREW MARTIN	BILOXI

2. LYNDIA MCKINNEY CARROLTON 3. GLORIA ADCOCK YAZOO CITY 4. ANGELA HUDSON YAZOO CITY 5. PAULINE WATKINS CANTON 6. LAURA MULLINS **CANTON** 7. SARAH GARRISON CANTON 8. MAUREEN SIMPSON CANTON 9. SALLIE ANN INMAN CANTON 10. MARGARET MURDOCK **GULFPORT** 11. Ms. FAIRCHILD **GULFPORT**

CARROLTON

WOODVILLE

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BILOXI

BILOXI

GUESTS

NAME

1. SUSAN DUNN

- 1. J.P. MARTIN
- 2. STEWART INMAN

12. MABEL CLARK

14. HILDA WADE

13. JANINE WILSON

15. COURTNEY HODGE

3. STELLA WILSON

CofC Officers Elected for the 2016-2017 Term

President Knox Williams Gulfport Vice President Fayth Hodge Biloxi 2nd Vice President Tilor Chapman Carrollton 3rd Vice President Daniel Inman Canton **Recording Secretary** Tessa Wilson Canton Christopher Hoppe, Gulfport Treasurer Chaplain Laura C. Inman Canton Historian Chris Chapman Carrollton Custodian Alex Martin Biloxi

CofC Nominating Committee

Sam Norris Gulfport Gabby Brown Biloxi Aiden Chapman Carrollton Gerald Allison **Purvis**





Division Officers

Vice President

Susan Easter



adies of our MS Division, our year end is fast approaching. It has been a wonderful year for insignia orders. There have been some delays, and Pat Bryson, our Vice President General, is working hard to address these issues and get the problems corrected. I do appreciate the hard work she does on our behalf.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your vice president. Our members have been busy ordering ancestor bars, Chapter officer pins, and Division pins. It has been wonderful to be so busy. I look forward to seeing everyone at our Division Convention in September.

Registrar Pam Mauldin



ow! Time has time flown! I can't believe this will be the last issue before my term as Division Registrar ends.

First, thank you ladies for electing me and allowing me to serve you as Division Registrar. I have truly enjoyed every moment. I know I have made mistakes, but I have done my absolute best to be a Registrar you can all contact with questions and for help.

I remind you Chapter Registrars to use your registrars manual that is online in the FORMS area on the UDC General website. You can find answers to most questions there. Prove everything listed; you no longer have to prove marriages, but you DO still need to prove the ladies or gentleman in each generation listed. If you list it, prove it! It's that simple. Do not leave blank lines on page 2! Underline in red on proofs the information used and

label each piece of proof on back with the name and Chapter name. I have a sheet with tips; if any Chapter Registrar would like a copy, please contact me.

The future of our organization depends on new, active, and working members! Continue to work hard for new members.

HOW TO LOGIN TO UDC GENERAL WEBSITE AND ORDER INSIGNIA

If you would like to order insignia, go to this link for UDC General website:

http://www.hqudc.org

The home page will open and you need to click on "Members Login" at the top right.

The login page opens up. Enter your username and password in the appropriate areas and then click on "LOGIN." If you have problems logging in, you may need to contact the webmaster Rebekah Lemley for help. Her email address is:

rebekahlemley@gmail.com

After you successfully log in, a page comes up that has a phrase that says, "Continue to Members Only Area." Click on that phrase.

The next page that comes up will be the "Officers" page. There is a menu bar at the top and will include the word "INSIGNIA." Click on that word.

The next page that comes up will be the "Insignia" page. (Be sure to scroll up and down the Insignia page to see all options.)

If you have any trouble with this process, hope is not lost! Contact your Chapter Vice President for help. If she has difficulty, she will contact the Division Vice President for help. One way or another, you will be able to get your insignia order under way!



Division Officers

Historian

Lynda McKinney

As my time as MS Division Historian comes to a close, I just want to thank each and every one for electing me. It has been a very rewarding two years to serve. I have thoroughly enjoyed receiving and reading each of the Chapter newsletters and working on the MS Division scrapbook.

The General Historian has asked that you not send your newsletters or yearbooks to her this year. Only the winning Chapter scrapbook, newsletter, and yearbook from the Division should be sent to the General Convention for judging. I will make sure they get to Richmond safely. You may send your scrapbooks, newsletters, and yearbooks to me only if there will not be a representative from your Chapter at our Division Convention.



Old Confederate veteran kissing a battle-flag in 1927 (Return of a Confederate army unit battle-flag, at a United Confederate Veterans' reunion in Marianna, Florida. 1927. State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory.)

Please remember the deadline for your Chapter pictures and articles to include in our Division Scrapbook is August 31st. I would like to have something from each Chapter in the Division Scrapbook this year.

Recorder of Military Service Awards Carole Gospodnetich

This is an overview of what I have done this year. Six Chapters in our Division have given out or will give out the following military service awards:

General M.P. Lowery 1608, Blue Mountain

- 2 Cross of Military Service, World War II
- 2 Cross of Military Service, Global War on Terror
- 1 Cross of Military Service, Vietnam War

H.D. Money 350, Carrollton

- 1 National Defense Medal, Persian Gulf
- 1 Cross of Military Service, Global War on Terror

Bedford Forrest 448, Hernando

2 Cross of Military Service, World War II

Attala County 2592, Kosciusko

- 2 Cross of Military Service, World War II
- 1 National Defense Medal, Vietnam

Winston Guards 2643, Louisville

4 Cross of Military Service, World War II

Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee 2583, Purvis

- 2 Cross of Military Service, Global War on Terror
- 1 National Defense Medal, Global War on Terror
- 1 National Defense Medal, Persian Gulf



Division Officers

Recording Secretary Sandy Gaddis



his will be my last message to you as
Division Recording Secretary. It has been a
great two years and I have learned a lot. I
hope everyone continues to do a great job
turning in your reports.

Ladies, y'all have done a fantastic job sending in your reports and list of your officers for the *Minutes* books. Thank you for your hard work. I hope it will continue for the 2016 *Minutes* book.

The 2016 Minutes will include the new officers, Chapter, Division, and General and all the Committee chairmen for 2016-2018. I cannot complete the 2016 Minutes book and have it printed until after the General Elections in November 2016.

I'm hitting a few highlights on the 2015 Minutes: the Mississippi Division Scholarship Rules/Guidelines are listed under *Important Information*, we have updates on the Remittances, and Supplies. A reminder that our forms are now online at the hqudc.org website. We no longer have to order or buy our forms from the Business Office. But you will need the archival paper to print some of the forms. Also our Officers Manuals can be accessed and downloaded from UDC website at no charge. The addresses and emails of the Mississippi Division website and the UDC Business Office are listed.

As usual the names, addresses, telephone numbers and emails of our Officers, Committee

Chairmen, General Officers, Division Bylaws, and other important information is included in our *Minutes*.

Check this out in your *Minutes* books and share the information with your members. I do have a limited number of extra copies if anyone needs one at the cost of \$10.00, which goes to the Division Treasurer. Contact me for a copy, thanks.

As always, there are some errors; if you see any please let me know. I will send out a correction by email so you can correct it in your *Minutes*.

Items I need from you for 2016 Minutes book:

- List of new Chapter officers immediately
- List of newly elected District Officers and the Districts' Minutes
- Please send all reports electronically by email to me sandyg2561@gmail.com. Send reports in Microsoft Word program format or a compatible document. Do not send in a PDF format.

Check your word count allowed for reports: Division President, 800 words; Division Officers, 500 words; Committee Chairman, 300 words; District reports, 300 words; Chapter reports, 400 words; and Clubs, 250 words.

Deadline for 2016 Annual Reports is August 31, 2016, sooner if possible. Every Division Officer, Chapter President, Committee Chairman, Club President, and CofC Director should send the Division Recording Secretary a copy of your end of year written report. Also please send a list of Chapter Officers on the Chapter Officer Report form available on the UDC website, hqudc.org, members page, under Resources. It's been updated to add the Chaplain name, address, etc. You can download this form and type information on it and save on your computer. It is easier to do and keep for future references. Please send it to me by digital copy by email.

I appreciate your help on making our Mississippi Division *Minutes* the best they can be. The *Minutes* book guides our new members and helps them understand the processes of our UDC. Thanks.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or a Division Officer.



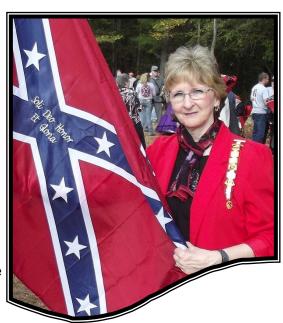
Division Officers

Editor

Sharon Tallman

The past two years serving as Division Editor under the tutelage of our MS Division President Janice Strohm has been such a joy. I am so surprised that it flew by this quickly!

"Thankful" is the most appropriate word that describes how I feel. I am thankful that Janice asked me to serve, thankful for Paula Harvey and all the hardworking UDC sisters who served in this position before me (and their words of encouragement), but most of all thankful for ALL the loving UDC sisters I have met while putting together these 8 newsletters. Your photos, stories, Chapter activity reports, and ideas have inspired and motivated me within my own Chapter, and I hope it has done the same for others who have read these newsletters.



Thank you so much for your support!

Chaplain Beth Koostra



My UDC Sisters,

I have been a member of the MS Division since 1979 and have loved every minute of it. You have honored me many times by allowing me to serve as Registrar twice, Recorder of Military Service Awards, several chairmanships, and my favorite Chaplain numerous times. Believing that we are to bloom where we are planted, I will be transferring to the Alabama Division after our Convention. I would like to take this opportunity to leave this sincere prayer with all of you.

Heavenly Father, I ask your blessings upon these good people who have been generous and kind to me. Dear Lord, please go before them to guide and lead them on their way through life. Come behind them, Lord, that You might guard and protect them from all danger and harm. Hover over them, Lord, that you may rain down on them Your many blessings and Your rich graces. But most especially, Lord, come and dwell within them that You might fill them with your joy and peace.

This I ask for them in the name of Jesus, Your Son and our Lord. Amen



In Memory

Our Chapters have reported the following deaths within our Division.

Nancy L. Westbrook Powell passed away May 26, 2016. She was the great great granddaughter of Thomas S. Lard, Co. C, 33rd MS Infantry Volunteers. She was a member of Brent Rifles Chapter 2137 in McComb. Mrs.



Powell served as MS Division Historian 2002-2004. Ms. Powell's greatest pleasure in life was her membership in the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Colonial Dames 19th Century, and the Daughters of the American Revolution, where she served faithfully in chapter and state offices.



Madell Huff Jones was a great granddaughter of Oliver Martin Huff, Co. D, 8th MS Infantry and a member of Corinth Chapter 333 in Corinth. Madell, 73 years old, died May 10, 2016, at

University Methodist Hospital Memphis, in She was a Tennessee. member of 1st Presbyterian Church, a member of United Daughters American Confederacy, Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Red Hats, Alliance, a 1961 graduate of Kossuth High School, and she was a retired home health technician.



Sarah Ella McCall Martin passed away at the age of 94 on August 10, 2016. She was the Granddaughter of Joseph Calhoun, Co. E, Powers Regiment, MS Cavalry. She was a member of Jefferson Davis Chapter 216 UDC in



Yazoo City, Mississippi, an Honorary MS Division President. and member of Daughters the American Revolution. She was also an awardwinning quilter, former employee of Mississippi Chemical Corporation, and was a longtime member of First Baptist Church.

Elizabeth "Betty" James Lennep

passed away on December 31, 2015. She was a great granddaughter of James Wesley Leggett, 14th MS Infantry and a member of Beauvoir Chapter 621 in Gulfport. Mrs. Lennep was born in Gulfport (Handsboro),

Mississippi. At 91 years of age, she was still an active bridge player and loved entertaining family and friends at her home in Gautier. In 1948, she Edwin Gould married Lennep, Jr., who preceded her in death. A friend said of her, "She was a thoroughly modern, old fashioned lady with manners and brains and the readiness to sav things as they were."





Committee Activities

UDC RoomPatricia Parrish

Application Sleeve Project

he worthwhile project started during the administration of Ruth Allbritton to place the Mississippi Division applications in acid free sleeves is getting closer to completion. One day we will be able to say, "It is finished." Thanks to all of the members of Chapters who have stepped up to pledge and finance this project. Your donations, past the cost for your Chapter, has been greatly appreciated to finance the project for defunct Chapters.

Chapters whose members have pledged or financed are listed below. This is a status update on some Chapters.

Jefferson Davis 216 – Yazoo City – finished Bolivar Troop 1067 – Cleveland – finished John Marshall Stone 394 – luka – finished Pvt. Taylor Rucks 2204 – Greenville – finished Gen. M. P. Lowrey 1608 – Blue Mountain -- (old records found) finished John J. Hart 2443 – Tupelo – finished

New pledges and financing made by Chapters are listed below.

Nathan Bedford Forrest 422 – Hattiesburg – financed and finished

Robert E. Lee 2561 – Meridian – pledged and financed

Putnam Darden 2242 – Starkville – pledged and financed

W. D. Holder 458 – Jackson – pledged and financed

I need to contact the following Chapters about finishing the project for their Chapter. I will soon be getting in touch with you.



Stephen D. Lee 34 – Columbus Winnie Davis 24 – Meridian Wilkinson County 1874 – Woodville

If your Chapter was not mentioned in the categories above, this indicates your Chapter has completed the work.

Ladies from various Chapters have volunteered to help with this project. Get in touch with me if you wish to help. We will set up a date for working in the UDC room. The work will be putting the applications in sleeves, scanning, burning CDs and alphabetizing. We can have fun doing this with much visiting and lunch.

Do you see how close we are to completing this project? This is so exciting. Think how far we have come. I would estimate over 10,000 applications will have been sleeved when the project is completed.





Committee Activities

MS Songbirds Chorus

Beth Koostra

onvention will soon be upon us so please contact me if you would like to participate in the MS Songbirds chorus. There is still time to participate and earn your off-ribbon MS Songbird pin. My email is greatlibrarydirector@live.com. There is room for the first 100 (hopefully). This is my last year to have the chorus, so I would LOVE it if 100 signed up to sing this year! Thanks!



Mrs. Norman V. Randolph Relief Sandy Gaddis

ur ladies welcome your cards and mementos. We have only one Mrs. NVRR fund recipient, **Mrs**. Sammy Hynds Harrison, and she has a birthday on September 23. We have several Real Daughters' birthdays in August, September, and October. Thank you for remembering them on their birthday and other occasions. They appreciate all cards, gifts, etc.



Real Daughters

Mrs. Floye Lindsey Goodspeed August 2

Mrs. Bernice Forehand Peacock September 22

Mrs. Myrtice Sims Powell October 1

Mrs. Rachel Elaine Blackwell South August 21

Mrs. Willie Ruth Chapman Aiken October 2

Mrs. Iris Lee Gay Jordan October 20

Randolph Relief Recipient - Granddaughter

Mrs. Sammy Hynds Harrison September 23

(If you would like mailing addresses for our ladies, contact Sandy Gaddis.)



Committee Activities

UDC Magazine Committee

Susan Dunn

y now all Chapters should have submitted their report of the number of magazine subscriptions and if they purchased ads. If not, PLEASE send it to me ASAP so that I can submit my report to General. Without the paperwork, I cannot give you credit at Convention. Thanks to all who submitted their reports.

UDC MAGAZINE JUNE/JULY ISSUE IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The June/July 2016 issue of the *UDC Magazine* hit a snag or two! Many of us received a magazine that was not numbered correctly and had pages missing or pages duplicated.

If this was the case for you, there is a remedy! Email or "snail mail" a request to the *UDC Magazine* subscription coordinator for a replacement issue:

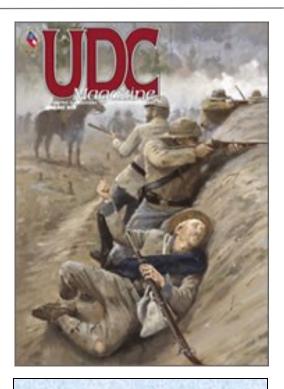
Terry O'Donohue Subscription Coordinator UDC Business Office 328 North Boulevard Richmond, VA 23220-4009

Phone number: 804-355-1636

Email address: subscriptions@hqudc.org

Give her your mailing address and a brief explanation of the problem you have with your June/July issue, and she will mail you a replacement issue FREE. We want every member who receives a magazine to get a corrected copy.

Janice E. Strohm, President Mississippi Division, UDC



MS DIVISION WEBSITE ADDRESS!

In an effort to make it easier to remember our MS Division website address, we have created a shorter one. <u>The old URL (website address) will still work</u>, but you may find it easier to remember

this new one:

msudc.org

If there are any problems accessing the MS Division website through the new address, send a request for assistance to the MS Editor at msudc.editor@gmail.com.



Chapter Events

BALDWYN Brice's Crossroads 2714

e are pleased to welcome our newest Chapter to MS Division UDC — Brice's Crossroads 2714!

The Charter Ceremony held on June 11, 2016, was historic and an event that will long be remembered by all those who attended. Mallie Fitzgerald is the newly installed Chapter President, and she and her Chapter members worked long and hard to make this ceremony very special.



Division President Janice Strohm presented the Charter, and member certificates were presented to each new member by President Strohm, Ex-Division President Frances Woodruff, and Ex-Division President Ruth Allbritton. Chapter officers were then installed by President Strohm with the admonition to faithfully carry out their duties and responsibilities in order to make their Chapter a unified and strong one. The Charter ceremony was followed by a delicious luncheon. Those in attendance included friends and family of Brice's Crossroads 2714, as well as several MS Division Officers, members from various MS Division Chapters, and Registrar General Frances Woodruff.





Chapter Events

BLUE MOUNTAIN General M.P. Lowrey 1608



Rededication of newly restored Tippah County Confederate Monument on April 27, 2016, was co-sponsored by General M.P. Lowrey 1608 and Tippah Tigers

SCV. Standing L to R: Imogene Hardon, Patty Young, Gloria Bennett, Ruth Allbritton, Linda Womack, Pam Mauldin, Trisha Glover, and Sarah Baker. Kneeling: Sheila Lence and Sharon Rainey.



Chapter Scholarship was presented on June 18, 2016, by 2nd VP Sarah Baker to recipient Nathan Scott Gaillard. He is pictured above with his mother, Chapter member Kristy Scott Gaillard, and his grandmother and Chapter President Ruth Allbritton.

Division and General M.P. Lowrey 1608 Essay Winners

Alex Rowland

Sr. High Essay, First Place Subject: "African Americans In the War Between the States" Pictured with Pam Mauldin June 22, 2016



Ryan Caviness

Jr High Essay, First Place Subject: "A Soldier's Life" Pictured with Sarah Baker, Chapter 2nd VP, and Pam Mauldin on June 23, 2016





Service Awards Ceremony, June 18, 2016, honoring Mancel G. Kirk (WWII Cross), Kimble Leon Johnson (Vietnam Cross), Michael Ernest Cross (Global War on Terror Cross), and Ray Murff Sartor (WWII Posthumous presented to daughter Sandra Sartor Ford).



General M. P. Lowrey 1608 Chapter Meeting held on May 21, 2016 at Shiloh National Military Park. Speaker was Casey Reed, one of the stars of "Shiloh: Fiery Trial." Casey is the son of Chapter member Jeanne Reed. We watched the movie, installed new officers at the new Shiloh MS Monument, and enjoyed lunch at Hagy's Catfish Hotel.



Chapter Events

BOONEVILLE D. T. Beall 1185

Members of Booneville's D.T. Beall Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy placed flags on the graves of Confederate soldiers in the Booneville Cemetery in observance of Confederate Memorial Day April 25. A wreath was also placed on the grave of D.T. Beall. Pictured to the right are Patsy Johnson, Janice Robinson, Moise Jones, Bettie Ray Akers, Joy Kinard, Lana Harrelson, Barbara Shackelford and Neola Cleveland.

Confederate Memorial Day Service





UDC Memorial Service

During the June meeting of the D. T. Beall Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Chapter chaplain Moise Jones (pictured to the left) conducted a memorial service honoring three Chapter members who passed away during 2014-2016: Christine Whitehead, Eudora Kemp, and Pearl Millsaps. Also during the June meeting, officers for 2016-2018 were installed, and members commemorated the birthday of Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America. The June meeting was held at Blackland Methodist Church, owned by UDC members Patsy Johnson and Mitzy Johnson-Mills. The mother-daughter duo recently purchased the church and restoration is almost complete. Blackland Methodist-

Episcopal church has historical significance because of its establishment in 1857 by Joseph M. Wells, who in 1861 organized a group of Blackland, Mississippi volunteers called the "Blackland Gideonites," later designated Co. F, 23rd Regiment of the Mississippi Volunteers during the War Between the States.

The D. T. Beall Chapter meets on the second Wednesday of each month September through June at George Ed Allen Library.

Register now for General Convention!

UDC 123rd Annual General Convention November 3-7, 2016 at Omni Hotel Richmond, Virginia

Reservation and registration forms are in the August 2016 issue of *UDC Magazine*.





Chapter Events

HERNANDO Bedford Forrest 448

Ole Miss Confederate Memorial Service May 1, 2016



In photo above, L-R:
Andrea Williams, Debbie Sidle,
Janice Strohm, Pam Mauldin,
Frances DeLashmit,
Desiree Muniz, Lani Rinkel,
and Jessica Smally

Janice Strohm, MS Division
President being interviewed by a
reporter. Janice said, "I'm thankful
to Frances DeLashmit for standing
by me and adding to my interview
with the young lady. We made the
Ole Miss news!"



CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS CEMETERY

Established during the Civil War, this cemetery was used for both Union and Confederate soldiers who died in the hospital at the University of Mississippi following the Battle of Shiloh. Shortly after the war, the Union dead were removed and reinterred in the Corinth National Cemetery. Archaeological investigations have identified more than 430 grave shafts in this cemetery.





Chapter Events

HORN LAKE Varina Howell Davis 2559

Varina Howell Davis 2559

Celebrated the 195th Birthday of General Nathan Bedford Forrest

On July 10, 2016, members attended a special birthday celebration of one of the South's great leaders – General Forrest in Memphis, Tennessee. We were pleasantly surprised by the visit of MS Division President Janice Strohm and her husband Larry.





Blowing Kisses to the GeneralL to R – Janie McDonald & Shannon Hamilton



L to R – Shannon Hamilton, Linda McGan, Janice Strohm, Cynthia Blalock, and Janie McDonald

"First I want to say the Memphis Police Department is AWESOME. They had a tough job today and had complete control. Thank you so much for being with us today. Today was wonderful! The weather was tolerable. Yes, we did have some visitors we were not expecting, but they were quiet, and they were asked to have refreshments with us after the festivities.... We shared our park with those who wish to see it gone. We had great company and visited with old friends ...God is good!"

Shannon Hamilton





Chapter Events

KOSCIUSKO Attala County 2592

he Attala Chapter 2592 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met May 5, 2016, in the meeting room of the KADC office. A delicious meal was served to Chapter members and distinguished guests Janice Strohm, Division President; Lynda McKinney, Division Historian; and Susan Dunn, Chapter President of H. D. Money UDC of Carrolton. President Purvis opened the meeting with the traditional ritual, pledge to the United States flag, and salutes to the Mississippi and the Confederate flags.



Pictured are Attala County 2592 newly installed officers for 2016-2018 and Division President Janice Strohm. L-R: Janice Strohm; Sylvia Purvis, President and Historian; Wylodean Edwards, Vice President; Terry Jones, Secretary; Tammy Bell; Treasurer; Patricia Parish, Registrar, and Patricia Proctor, Chaplain.

After a brief business meeting, Janice Strohm installed the Chapter officers for the 2016-2018 year. Serving will be Sylvia Purvis, President; Wylodean Edwards, Vice President; Becky Blackledge, Second Vice President; Cherie Joiner, Third Vice President; Terry Jones, Secretary; Tammy Bell, Treasurer; Patricia Parrish, Registrar; Gwen Buckley, Recorder of Military Service Awards; and Patricia Proctor, Chaplain.

During the business meeting, plans for summer events and Division convention in September were discussed. Since District 1 meeting in Spring 2017 will be hosted by Attala County Chapter, the program and logistics of that event were also discussed.

An excellent program, "Women of the Confederacy," was presented by Janice Strohm. Women during this time performed routine tasks, such as nursing and sewing, hiding mules in a cellar, farming a field, galloping through the countryside to relay a message, or helping prisoners escape



under the enemies' eyes. They also bore arms and actually fought with their husbands or fiancés. One who did this was Loretta Velazquez, who took her place in the Battle of Shiloh. Approximately 250 women soldiers have been documented as fighting during the War Between the States. Whatever the need, these heroines of that era learned early in the conflict that they had to be strong to survive.

At the conclusion of President Strohm's excellent program, the meeting was adjourned.



Janice Strohm at Attala County
Courthouse & Confederate Monument
May 2016



Chapter Events

MERIDIAN Robert E. Lee 2561

Installation of New Chapter Officers



Robert E Lee 2561's new officers were installed by Janice Strohm, Division President, at our meeting which was held at Bridge Street Grill in Enterprise, Mississippi on June 16, 2016. We had a great time, and everyone enjoyed it. We are looking forward to the new year in September.



Photo on the left: L-R: Melinda McKee, Recording Secretary; Sandy Gaddis, Chapter President; Adele Whitlock, VP; Janice E. Strohm, Division President; Jennifer Jackson, Treasurer; Ethel McHenry, Registrar. Not pictured Allyson Cagle, Historian.

MERIDIAN Winnie Davis 24



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St. Mary's Episcopal Church Cemetery

MS Division
President
Janice Strohm
recently attended
the June 2016
Chapter meeting of
Winnie Davis 24 as they
celebrated the birthday of

Jefferson Davis. Their meeting was held at the Coffee Pot Café in Enterprise, Mississippi. A Jefferson Davis cake was baked by Becky Tomerlin and cut by Chapter President Bunnie Tisdale. The day included a guided tour of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Enterprise, MS. The cornerstone of this beautiful little church was laid In 1874, and the church is still used by Episcopal families in Enterprise. Most of the present members can trace their ancestry to the original founders of the church.





Chapter Events

TUPELO John J. Hart 2443

John J. Hart 2443 was chartered 35 years ago on August 13, 1981. In honor of this special anniversary, we held a special celebration which was attended by several of our Chapter members; visitors from other Chapters, including Ex-Division President Ruth Allbritton and District 1 Chairman Von Coombs from General M.P. Lowrey Chapter of Blue Mountain; family members Blakely and Jacqueline Lollar; and there was even a surprise visit by our MS Division President, Janice Strohm! During the luncheon held at Tupelo Country Club, we of our Chapter Scholarship, which was presented to learned more about our Chapter's history through the memories of long-time members Sandra Knight and Patricia Hood. President Strohm presented certificates to 3 members. One was for our new member Robi Gutierrez. 2 supplementals were presented to Cheryl Moore, and 1 supplemental was presented to Teresa Neaves. Sherry Ray's



Pat Hass, Blakely Lollar, Sharon Tallman, and Sherry Ray

granddaughter Blakely Lynn Lollar was the recipient her by our Chapter president Pat Hass. Sharon Tallman gave a memorial tribute to 3 Confederate wives who are ancestors of our own Chapter members. All present then took part in a candlelight ceremony to honor our 23 Confederate ancestors. Door prizes and refreshments concluded this fun event.

Robi Gutierrez





Chapter Events

PURVIS Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee 2583

BRONZE CROSS PLACED AT ROSEMONT

Nestled beneath the trees at Rosemont Plantation in Wilkinson County, Mississippi is the Davis Family Cemetery. Rosemont is the childhood home of Jefferson and the serene cemetery, surrounded by a wrought iron fence, is the resting place of many of Davis' family. These include his sister Lucinda Davis Stamps and his nephew Isaac Davis Stamps who was born at Rosemont and died at the Battle of Gettysburg. His wife Mary brought his remains to Rosemont in 1864. A longtime dream of our Chapter member Sallie Roberts came true on June 7, 2016 when the Chapter placed a Bronze Cross on Captain Stamp's resting place. Sallie, a past guide at Rosemont, still has close ties with the estate and the Davis Family. Jean Hyatt and her husband Doug represented our Chapter at the memorable occasion.



AND THE "MARCL TOP CHEF FOR 2016" WINNER IS...

Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee 2583 of Purvis recently held its third annual "Top Chef 1860s Style" contest. The table was laden with dishes from the 1860s ranging from cracklin' cornbread to white beans and corn dodgers. Every eye was on the judges' faces as they tasted each entry. Excitement was high as the judges announced the top three winners. Joey Rayburn placed first with her main dish entry of white beans and corn dodgers. She also took top honors in the dessert category with her oatmeal pie. Linda Watts' yellow squash was top choice in side dishes. Each winner was then required to tell the history of the dish and why she chose to prepare it after which Chapter members chose the winner by secret ballot. Past Top Chef winners Carol Smith and Beth

Johnson presented the coveted Top Chef apron to **Joey Rayburn** for her Oatmeal Pie, thus crowning her "MARCL Top Chef for 2016."

Judges for the competition are pictured here with the winner. Left to right are Phillip Carlisle, Lamar County Beat 4 Supervisor and his wife Karen, Joey, and Lamar County Chancery Clerk Wayne Smith. As is customary the Chapter made a donation to a charity they support in the guests' names. Mr. Carlisle chose Active Heroes, an organization founded to assist in prevention of suicide among Veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and Mr. Smith chose Wounded Warriors of Mississippi. Mr. Smith summed the entire evening up when he said, "I cannot think of anyone I had rather spend the evening with than you. Thank you for all you do to keep our history alive. It is in your hands and you ladies sure know how to cook".

Winston Guards 2643

Cross of Military Service Awards Ceremony

Saturday, August 27 at 2 PM
Center Ridge United Methodist Church
226 Shiloh Road
Louisville, Mississippi

All are invited to attend.

For more information, contact Chapter President Frances Woodruff.

CONFEDERATE GRAVESTONE DEDICATION

Saturday, 9/10/16 at 11 AM Friendship Cemetery Columbus, MS

In honor of

HUGH W. IVY

Died July 4, 1862 Columbus, Mississippi

Hugh Ivy is the great great grandfather of Sandy Gaddis, Robert E. Lee Chapter 2561.

Ceremony will be presented jointly by SCV and by UDC Chapters Stephen D. Lee 24 of Columbus and Robert E. Lee 2561 of Meridian.

MS Division Convention

e are looking forward to having as many of you who can be there at the 120th Annual Mississippi Division Convention in Greenwood



on September 22-24. I hope you have cleared your calendars so you can take in the Convention from beginning -- the tour on Thursday -- to the end -- Presidents' Evening and the installation of our new officers for 2016-2018.

The Convention call, registration materials, and the all-important Credentials sheet is included in this issue of Our Heritage newsletter. The Convention call was also included in your Chapter Presidents' Packets along with the Credentials sheet. In addition, I hope you have made your hotel reservations at the Holiday Inn Express.

Please let me know if there are any questions. If I don't know them, I will direct them to the Convention Chairman, Lynda McKinney.

Remember that Liz Arnold receives your Convention registration. Kathy Eubank receives the Credential sheet. Call the hotel for your accommodation reservations.

Let's make this 120th Convention one to remember!

Janice E. Strohm, President Mississippi Division, UDC (228) 697-9936

CHAPTER CREDENTIALS FORM

Mississippi Division
United Daughters of the Confederacy®
120th Annual Division Convention
Greenwood, MS September 22-24, 2016

MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

CHAPTER NAME			
CHAPTER CITY			
# OF MEMBERS(As of A	ugust 31, 2016) #DELEGATES ALL	OWED	
In Business Sessions each Del of the Division Board and shou	egate present is entitled to one ld not be given a Chapter Dele	embers and one vote for each additional 10 members vote. The Chapter President has a vote as a member gate designation as she can only vote one time. In the Delegate List becomes the "Head of Delegation	nber the
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Convention Call 120th Annual Division Convention

Thursday September 22 – Saturday September 24, 2016 Confederate Memorial Building-Greenwood, Mississippi Janice Strohm, Division President

FORT PEMBERTON

HEADQUARTERS for the 120th Annual Mississippi UDC will be the Confederate Memorial Building in Greenwood, Mississippi. The Convention Chairman is Lynda McKinney (District II)1633 Hwy 51 North, Winona, MS 38967, telephone 662-230-2795, e-mail mslyn1204@gmail.com

ROOM RESERVATIONS must be made directly with the Holiday Inn Express, 401 Clements Street, Greenwood, Mississippi 38930, telephone 1-662-455-1885. When making reservations, ask for the block reserved for "MS Division UDC "to obtain the convention rate. Convention room rate is \$99 + 8% tax for up to four persons per room and is available for the nights of September 22-24, 2016. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. You will be charged for any room reservation not cancelled 48 hours in advance. Rooms must be reserved by Saturday, August 20, 2016, to assure rate and availability. All rooms have microwaves and refrigerators. A full breakfast is included in the room rate. Early check-in is 3:00pm depending on availability and check-out is 11:00am.

REGISTRATION AND TICKET RESERVATION FORM should be completed and sent to Liz Arnold, 75 Meadowbrook Road, Greenwood, MS 38930, postmarked by September 12, 2016. All attending must pay the \$10.00 registration fee. Advance reservations must be made for all meal events. Checks should be made payable to Mississippi Division UDC Convention. Any dietary restrictions must be noted on the Ticket Reservation Form.

NAMES OF ELECTED DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES attending the convention must be sent by the Chapter President to the Credentials Committee Chairman, Kathy Eubank, 283 Avondale Road, Greenville, MS 38703, 662-820-7494, e-mail kpe529@yahoo.com by Monday, September 12, 2016.

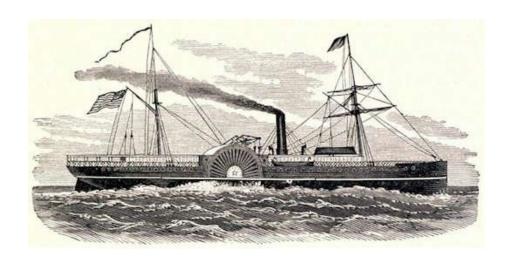
MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION, per Division Bylaws, shall be the elected Division Officers, Appointive Officers, ex Division Presidents, Honorary Division Presidents, Chairmen of Division Standing and Special Committees, District Chairmen, Chapter Presidents, and duly elected Delegates. For voting in Business Sessions on any and all business, Personal votes and Chapter Delegate votes are cast only by those present; no person may cast more than one personal vote. Each Chapter shall be entitled to one Delegate for the first seven members and one for each additional ten members; a Chapter may name as many Alternates as it desires.

NAMES OF DECEASED MEMBERS must be sent to the Division Chaplain, Beth Koostra, 309 Mountain Road SE, Fort Payne AL 35967-1859, by August 31, 2016.

NAMES OF PAGES AND AIDES must be sent to Chairman of Pages, Katherine Blalock, 3316 West Rosita Circle, Memphis, TN 38116-3139, telephone 901-262-8002, e-mail ladykatil@yahoo.com, by August 31, 2016. Pages must wear white attire, including shoes and gloves.

SALE ITEMS and RAFFLE ITEMS: Chapters/groups/individuals that need a table will be required to pay a \$10.00 fee payable to Mississippi Division UDC Convention. Request for table and check must be sent by September 12, 2016, to Liz Arnold, 75 Meadowbrook Road, Greenwood, MS 38930.

Directions to Confederate Memorial Building: From Interstate 55 take Hwy 82 West. Continue to Greenwood, after crossing the Yazoo River Bridge turn right at the traffic light onto Claiborne Ave. Continue to the next traffic light and turn right to cross the bridge, go to the next traffic light and turn right. Continue two blocks and turn left.



Star of the West

FORT PEMBERTON

Condensed Convention Schedule

Thursday, September 22, 2016

- 2:00pm Meet at Carrollton, MS Courthouse for tours.
- 4:30pm return to hotel
- 5:00pm-6:00pm Registration at hotel
- Dinner on your own
- As scheduled Executive and Finance Committee meetings

Friday, September 23, 2016

- 8:00am-8:45am Registration Confederate Memorial Building downstairs
- 9:00am-11:30am First Business Meeting Confederate Memorial Building upstairs
- Lunch on your own
- 2:00pm Memorial Service Confederate Memorial Building upstairs
- Great, Great-great, Great-great granddaughters meetings
 Confederate Memorial Building
- Dinner on your own
- 7:00pm Historical Evening Confederate Memorial Building upstairs

Saturday, September 24, 2016

- 8:30am-9:00am Registration Confederate Memorial Building downstairs
- 9:00am-11:30am Second Business Meeting Confederate Memorial Building upstairs
- 11:30am-1:00pm Luncheon Confederate Memorial Building downstairs
- 1:00pm-1:30pm Entertainment
- 1:30pm-4:30pm Third Business Meeting Confederate Memorial Building upstairs
- 6:30pm Banquet Confederate Memorial Building upstairs
- 8:00pm Presidents Evening Confederate Memorial Building upstairs

CONVENTION REGISTRATION AND TICKET RESERVATION FORM 120TH ANNUAL MISSISSIPPI DIVISION UDC CONVENTION

The CONVENTION REGISTRATION and TICKET RESERVATION FORM should be completed and postmarked by September 12, 2016, and sent to Liz Arnold, 75 Meadowbrook Road, Greenwood, MS 38930. **Please complete a separate form for each person attending.** Room reservations are made directly with the hotel. Please refer to Convention Call and Condensed Program for additional information.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Name		
Address		
Home telephone	Cell telephone	
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	ocation	
Current Chapter office		
Current Division office or Comr	nittee Chairmanship	
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If current or ex General Officer,	state office and year	
Mark all the following boxes tha		
Delegate Alternate UDC men	nber District Chairman	
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TICKET RESERVATION FORM (separate form per person)

Make check payable to Mississippi Division UDC Convention. Insert cost to indicate meal preference. Any dietary restrictions (allergies, vegetarian, etc.), must be noted on this form.

Registration	\$10.00	\$10.00
Thursday, September 22, 2016		
 Tour of Cotesworth, home of Senator J. Z. George, author Of Mississippi's Constitution and ex President General 		
UDC, Lizzie George Henderson (Carroll County)		
Tour of Merrill Museum (Carrollton)	\$10.00	
Saturday, September 24, 2016		
 Luncheon (5 Cold salads, crackers, coffee, tea, dessert) 	\$22.50	
 Presidents Banquet (chicken breast with white wine sauce, asparagus bundles, wild rice, salad, rolls, dessert, coffee, and 		
tea)	\$32.50	
	TOTAL	\$

SALES/RAFFLE TABLES

Completed form and \$10.00 fee payable to Mississippi Division EDC Convention must be sent by September 12, 2016, to:

Liz Arnold 75 Meadowbrook Rd. Greenwood, MS 38930

Name
Address
Description of sale/raffle item; group it will benefit

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