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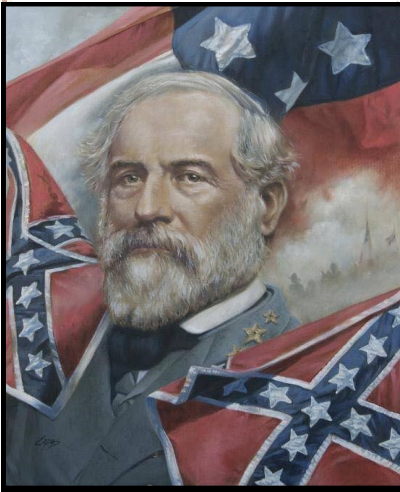
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- ◆ **Com. Matthew F. Maury**
(1/14)
- ◆ **Gen. Robert E. Lee** (1/19)
- ◆ **Gen. T. J. "Stonewall" Jackson** (1/21)

President's Message

By Patricia C. Parrish

It has been an exciting time since the last issue of *Our Heritage*. Many things have happened, and many good times have occurred. A big thank you goes out to all who have been involved in activities for UDC.

One of the lovely events was the Christmas dinner with the members of the Stephen D. Lee 34 Chapter of Columbus. The Stephen D. Lee House was elegant with the holiday decorations. Please visit the Stephen D. Lee House and museum. The UDC room is a must-see.

The ladies of Robert E. Lee 2561 and Winnie Davis 24 of Meridian provided an entertaining evening at their Lee/Jackson dinner. Grady Howell, guest speaker, gave a touching speech from diaries of the war.

UDC ladies are outstanding at making things happen. Attala County 2592 and H. D. Money 350 certainly did just that with a Lee/Jackson dinner held at Ethel, Mississippi. When these two Chapters realized there would not be a Lee/Jackson Dinner at Duck Hill this year, they went to work.



This resulted in a very successful evening. Thank you ladies who stepped up to make this happen. They promised to continue and make this a tradition.

As the UDC representative, I have attended several meetings of the Beauvoir Board of Trustees. The last meeting was as a member of the Beauvoir Emergency Evacuation Committee. A comprehensive evacuation plan was prepared. This plan sets priorities on evacuation.

The new Director of Beauvoir is introduced in another section of this newsletter. Dr. Payne, the new director, is a forward looking gentleman who has the needs of preserving Beauvoir foremost in his plans.

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President's Message, cont.

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Presidential challenges are still being issued. The challenges serve several purposes. It makes us all more aware of goals we can reach. Challenges help spread the word of Chapters involved in great things. It also makes me more aware of what you are doing. I am so proud of you! You are working hard to meet the challenges. Hold on. There are more challenges to come.

At this time I am working with the ever efficient and knowledgeable ladies studying the bylaws of the Division. Some changes are forthcoming. When the bylaws are presented, study them carefully to make the best decision for the Division.

Ideas are always floating around. Stories abound about the fun the Mississippi Division has at conventions. Other Divisions ask to be invited to our activities. We hate to tell them none of our "fun activities" are really planned. With this in mind, an idea is being bantered about of writing a book entitled "The Escapades of the Mississippi Division of UDC". Would you like to submit a story? Nothing sad, only the comical things which have happened. If so, send me your story. This could be a best seller.

Plans are coming along for the Division Convention in Gulfport in September. I hope to see many of you there.

Patricia C. Parrish

From Jefferson Davis Historic Home and Presidential Library

Beauvoir Welcomes in the New Year with a New Executive Director

Monday, January 2, 2017

President of the Board of Directors

PRESS RELEASE

Biloxi, Miss. - In what appears to be a sign of renewed hope and vigor for Beauvoir, Owen McDowell announced today that the Board of Directors have unanimously voted to hire **Dr. Thomas Payne** of Biloxi to be the next Executive Director of Beauvoir.

According to McDowell "the Board conducted a national search for the new Executive Director. We had a large talent pool to draw from but found the best fit right here in Biloxi. Dr. Payne's previous administrative experience, combined with his skills at grant writing and program development are exactly what Beauvoir needs."

Dr. Payne also brings his skills as a private attorney and will act in a dual role of Executive Director and General Counsel for Beauvoir and the Board.

When asked why he would give up a seemingly lucrative law practice for the salary of a Director of a not-for-profit organization, Payne explained, "What a wonderful way to sum up one's professional life by using a tool box full of skill sets developed over a career to benefit the continuity and growth of such a wonderful and noble place as Beauvoir."

Dr. Thomas E. Payne J. D., Ph.D.

Associate Professor-Attorney at Law

The School of Criminal Justice (Retired December 2012)

University of Southern Mississippi

Romans 8:28 - "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose."





Division Officers

MS DIVISION PRESIDENT PROJECT

DISASTER RELIEF FUND GUIDELINES

- Disaster Relief Fund is established to ONLY assist in relief of disasters in Mississippi.
- Request in writing by a Chapter or individual for disbursements of funds must be made to the Executive Committee.
- The Executive Committee will determine amount of funds to be allocated to the disaster area.
- A majority of the Executive Committee must endorse the release of funds.
- Within thirty days of releasing of funds, an after action report must be submitted by Chapter or individual receiving funds to the Executive Committee describing how funds were used.



Donations may be made to the Mississippi Division Treasurer earmarked for Disaster Relief Fund. Checks should be made out to "MS Division Disaster Relief Fund." Let's be ready when disaster strikes to assist those in need. We can do more together.

Thank you,
Patricia C. Parrish, President MS Division UDC

Vice President

Pam Mauldin

I hope everyone is having a fantastic start to the New Year! I continue to receive a few orders for insignia which I process and get to General as soon as I get them. I do not hold them, so get me your orders. The new Commemorative pins that can be worn on your official ribbon are now on the non engraved insignia order form, so order away!

I'd like to remind everyone that the Division Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, March 18, at **Lake Tiak-O'Khata** in Louisville. The registration form is in this edition of *Our Heritage* (on page 25). Please get those back to me before the deadline so I can give the Lake the number of ladies attending and having lunch.

The workshop is the time for all to receive information from each Division officer about what may have changed or what is new concerning their



office and for you all to get answers to questions you have about the office or about doing report forms. Also, any committee chairmen will have a few moments to answer questions as well.

I hope to see and hear from you all soon. Get those forms in!



Division Officers

2nd Vice President

Lynda McKinney

It is that time of year for our high school seniors to start filling out their scholarship application. I have sent each Chapter's Second Vice-President or President an electronic copy of the Mississippi Division Scholarship application form, checklist, rules, and information for potential applicants. I hope there are applications being completed, as the deadline for receipt of the required materials is March 15. I realize that this date will be here very soon, and it might be helpful to review some of the most frequently asked questions regarding the Mississippi Division Scholarships.

Who is eligible to receive a scholarship?

Answer: To be eligible to receive a Mississippi Division scholarship, an applicant must be a lineal or collateral descendant of an eligible Confederate (as defined by the General Organization United Daughters of the Confederacy®) and must be endorsed by the Chapter President and the Chapter Second Vice-President of a sponsoring UDC Chapter. The applicant must also have a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. No two members of the same family may receive scholarships simultaneously.

Where do I get a scholarship application?

Answer: All scholarship applications must be obtained from the sponsoring UDC Chapter. The Chapter should contact the Division Second Vice-President for the form if the Chapter does not have access to the electronic documents. A new application form was adopted during the 2015 Division convention. Please destroy any old forms or instructions.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS



How does one apply for a General Scholarship?

Answer: The forms, criteria, and evaluation forms are found under the Members Only section on the website of the General Organization. Again, the application process begins at the Chapter level. The Chapter sends the completed applications to the Division Second Vice-President by March 15 who will then forward the applications to the Second Vice-President General.

Unfortunately, the number of available scholarships on the Division and General levels is limited. However, Chapters and Districts may also offer scholarships. The Chapter or District determines the application process and rules governing award of these scholarships. The Mississippi Division Children of the Confederacy also offers scholarships.

I want to thank everyone who assists an applicant with the application process, for without the effort invested by Chapter members and officers, there would be no scholarship recipients! I'm looking forward to receiving completed applications.

The education of a man is never completed until he dies.

~ Robert E. Lee



Division Officers

Recording Secretary

Tonya Mott



President Parrish, thank you for your confidence in me and I look forward to working with you and the other Division officers.

I have some reminders:

- Officers and Committee Chairman, all reports should be sent to me by August 31. Please submit these reports to me in digital format using Microsoft Word, and as an attachment in an email.
- Chapter presidents, when submitting your new list of Chapter officers, please download the form from the General website. Once it is filled out, email it to me as an attachment.
- Chapter presidents, your annual reports should be sent to me by August 1. Please make sure that those reports are submitted to me as a digital copy using Microsoft Word.
- Division Officers, remember you have a 500-word limit for reports. Committee Chairmen have 300 words; District Chairmen have 300 words; Chapter presidents have 400 words; and Club presidents have 250 words.

Registrar

Susan Dunn

@s of this writing I have processed 8 Original applications and 1 Transfer. Keep up the good work. I want to encourage everyone to download the current Registrar's Manual from the General Website. The manual explains page by page how to complete the applications and what proofs are acceptable. Some errors I have encountered so far are:

Page 1: To list the soldier's military Service, use the last unit in which he served. If a soldier served in multiple units, the enlistment date will be the earliest enlistment date of all units. Don't forget to include copies of the Service Records for all units served.

Page 2: When marking relationship between generations make sure to select the box in front of the relationship. When using a previously proven Application or Supplemental, a copy of all four pages must be included. Information is to be transferred precisely as stated on the original unless additional proof is submitted.

Page 4: Chapter approval date must match the dates on page 1.

If any Chapter or individual would like for me to come and help with completing applications, let me know and we can schedule a time.

Reminder: On September 1, 2017, all General Original, Supplemental, and CofC transfer application fees will increase by \$5.00.





Division Officers

Historian

Sylvia Purvis

STONEWALL'S SECRET TO SUCCESS

To an intimate, Stonewall Jackson once confessed the secret of his battlefield success: "Mystery. Mystery is the secret of success."

More than once, he sent large bodies of troops forward without revealing their destinations. When a unit reached a crossroads, its leader would be told what route to take. At each successive crossroads, he would be given another message. After following the final set of directions, the unit would arrive at its objective.

Mysterious movements were not limited to troops, however. Many of his aides said they often saw him raise his right arm and hold it aloft for many minutes. He never explained whether he did so to engage in silent prayer or to cause blood to flow downward and "establish equilibrium," which he considered essential to good health.



MS DIVISION ESSAYS

Just a reminder about the deadline for essays. Also, don't forget to send in newspaper articles, photos and other information for the Division scrapbook.

STUDENT ESSAYS

TOPICS:

- "Dixie After the War" for junior high students (7-9 grade)
- "The American Indian as a Participant in the War Between the States" for senior high students (10-12 grade)

RULES:

- Essays must be at least 400 words, typed, and double spaced.
- Footnotes citing references must be included.
- DO NOT refer to the war as the "Civil War" unless citing a direct quote. Instead, use the term "War Between the States."
- The student's name, age, name of school, and grade must be on top of the page.
- A Chapter must sponsor the student; however, students do not have to be members of CofC.
- All entries should be mailed to DIVISION HISTORIAN, 2865 Attala Road 5217, Ethel MS 39067.
- The deadline to submit essays will be **April 10, 2017**.



Division Officers

Recorder of Military Service Awards

Cynthia Blalock



Please remember to allow a minimum of 8-10 weeks for processing military service awards paperwork. Gail Brosk, the Recorder General of Military Service Awards, is unavailable for 2 weeks in February helping with a new granddaughter, so please allow extra time.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Division Workshop on March 18, 2017. If you need help before then, please call me at (901) 491-2212 or email me at cynthiahblalock@yahoo.com.

Chaplain Dorothy Herron

Ladies, it would really help me if each Chapter Chaplain or President would report to me the death information or obituary of the Daughter that passes away in their Chapter and especially the information on their Confederate ancestor's name and unit. We do not want to overlook any one of our Daughters.



Can you believe it? It would appear that our problems with the MS-UDC **Rootsweb emailing list** might possibly be a thing of

the past. For several months, we had not been able to send messages back and forth using the list. However, it has suddenly begun to work. The next time you need to get a message out to the members of MS Division, try it! If you are not on the emailing list and would like to be added, please email me at msudc.editor@gmail.com, and I will be happy to do so.

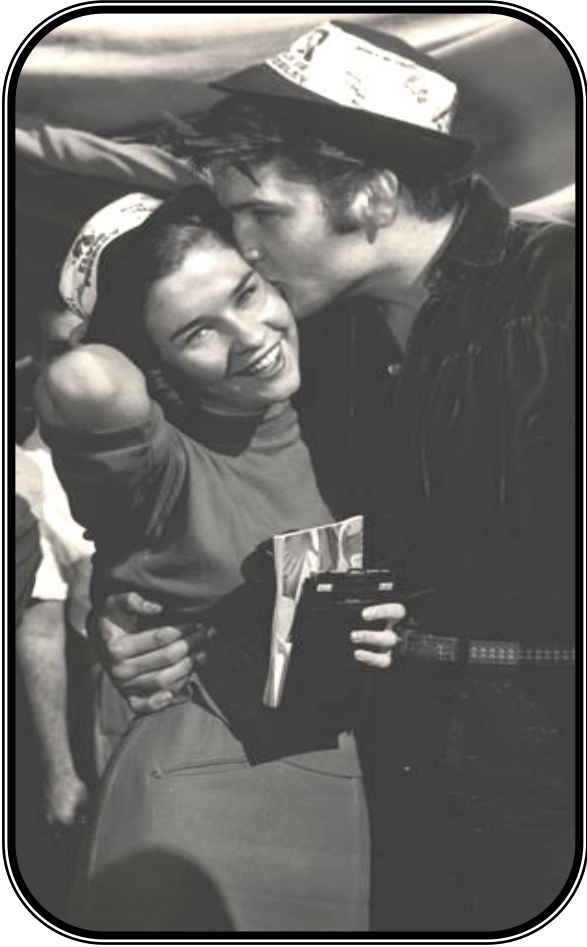
I have also made several updates and changes to our **MS Division Website** lately. If you haven't visited it in a while, check it out! The website address has been simplified to make it easier for you to remember it:

www.msudc.org

Editor

Sharon Tallman

Cherished Memories



SARA ANN PATTERSON GUNTER

With sadness we report that John J. Hart 2443 recently lost one of its long-time members. Ex-Chapter President Sara Ann Gunter passed away Sunday, January 29, 2017, at her residence in Tupelo after an extended illness.



Her Confederate ancestors were J. Isaac Monts, Pvt. Company I, 1st Infantry Mississippi and John Ogborn Garmon, Pvt. Company G, 31st Infantry Mississippi.

Sara Ann grew up in Verona, Mississippi, graduated from Tupelo High School in 1957, and received her higher education at Mississippi University for Women and Delta State University. She loved local history and contributed greatly to the restoration of the Verona Cemetery, where many of her forebears are interred. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Daughters of the American Colonists, as well as the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

She enjoyed reading, crossword puzzles, her daily devotionals, and was an avid Elvis fan. During Elvis' 1956 return to the Tupelo Fairgrounds, she got to not only meet Elvis but received a kiss on the cheek from "the King." She appeared in the definitive documentary of the singer's time in Tupelo, "Elvis: The Return to Tupelo" where she shared the excitement of her association with Elvis.

We send our condolences to her family and the Daughters of her Chapter who loved Sara Ann and will miss her.

*You must think as kindly of me as you can and believe that
I have endeavored to do what I thought right.*

Robert E. Lee



Committee Activities

UDC Room Committee

Patricia Parrish, Chairman

There are many joys to working in the UDC room. There are always the stories in the old applications which often start with the phrase, "My father." How beautiful those words are!

Occasionally, there are other moments connected to the room which stay with you. Recently, I experienced one of those moments. As I left the War Memorial Building around Veterans Day, I noticed the tattered wreath at the tomb of the Unknown Mississippi Soldier in front of the War Memorial Building. I stopped and realized I could not let this wreath remain with this special day approaching. The Mississippi UDC has two wreaths housed in the UDC room. I quickly returned to the room and chose a wreath. I felt I had to do something about the shameful, tattered wreath at the tomb. I placed our UDC wreath at

the front of the tomb. It looked so pretty.

Little did I know others would find it just as attractive as I did. When the evening news streamed over the next few days on Channel 3, WLBT, Jackson station, the introduction was a picture of the UDC wreath at the tomb. Oh, did that ever bring tears to my eyes! If you wish to see a picture go to the War Memorial Building Facebook page. It is featured there.

Work continues on the sleeving project for the applications. Each time I think the job is almost complete, I find another stack. It will happen. One day I will walk out of the UDC room with a smile on my face. I will utter the word, "Finished."

Lately, I have been shopping. At the Mississippi Division Convention in Greenwood, it was decided to purchase a book case for the UDC room. I am trying to find the right one for the right space at the right price. Soon the shopping will be complete.

Our Southern History



Edmund Ruffin was born January 5, 1794. He was a wealthy Virginia planter, a political activist, and staunchly advocated states' rights. He argued for secession years before the War Between the States. He was 67 years old and served as a Confederate soldier despite his advanced age at the beginning of the War in 1861 (photo at left). He is often credited with firing the first shot of the War at Fort Sumter in April 1861. When the War ended in Southern defeat in 1865, he was so despondent that he committed suicide rather than submit to "Yankee rule."

Mr. Ruffin is most noted for pioneering methods to preserve and improve soil productivity. Wikipedia states, "he recommended crop rotation and additions to restore soils exhausted from tobacco monoculture. Early in his career, he studied bogs and swamps to learn how to correct soil acidity. He published essays and, in 1832, a book on his findings for improving soils. He has since become known as 'the father of soil science' in the United States." (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edmund_Ruffin)



Committee Activities

UDC Magazine

Celeste Young, Chairman

While serving in the U. S. Army, I often heard Soldiers say, "It's time to RE-

UP." He said this when his current tour was about to end, and he had to make the decision of reenlisting or cutting ties with Uncle Sam. If you subscribe to our *UDC Magazine*, check your mailing label to see if it's time for you to re-up!

The August issue is considered the **Mississippi Issue**. Articles, photographs and advertisements from our Division are featured. It is a time to honor our ancestors' service, remember our UDC sisters who have gone before us, or to salute a UDC friend or mentor. Fees for advertisements of this type may be found in the Magazine Manual which can be downloaded at <http://www.hqudc.org/>. The amount of advertising sold determines whether or not we have a full color cover. Since 2017 is Mississippi's 200th Birthday, it would be spectacular to feature a photograph of one of our beautiful Confederate sites on the cover of the **Mississippi Issue**. Perhaps a local

business would like to show the General organization how much they support our efforts by purchasing an ad. Remember "back in the day" when we were given a day off from school to "sell ads for the yearbook?"

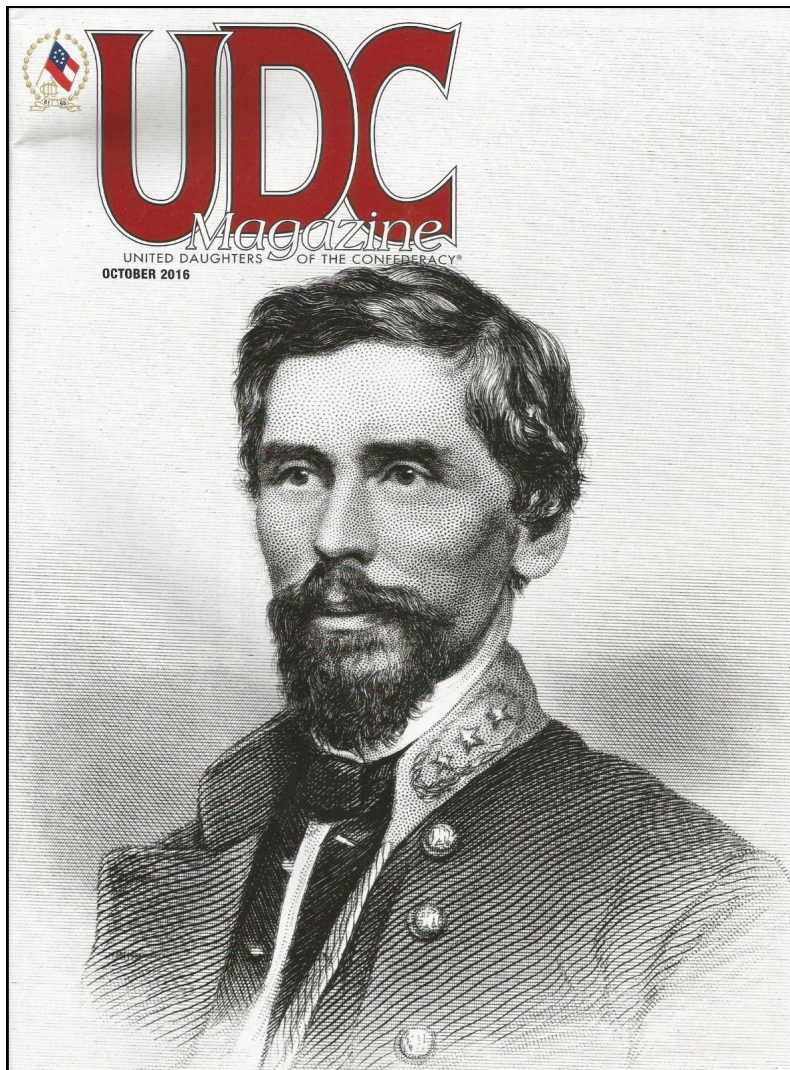
Let Mississippi shine by sharing articles about your Chapter. Did you conduct a memorial service? What about an outstanding benevolent project or unusual civic activity? Did your Chapter present a unique program? If you did any of these, it's worthy of publication. Again, how to submit articles can be found in the Magazine Manual.

Other ways Mississippi can be highlighted is by writing historical articles. There is so much to tell about our great state!

When you send an article, photograph, or advertisement to the Magazine, please forward a copy to me for records and reporting. Also

include our Division President by providing her a copy.

DEADLINE FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS FOR THE AUGUST ISSUE IS MAY 1, 2016.





Committee Activities

Mrs. N. V. Randolph Relief Fund

Sandy Gaddis, Chairman

We are sad to report that Real Daughter Mrs. Floye Rachel Goodspeed passed away February 4, 2017, in Conroe, Texas. She was the last known Texas Real Daughter. (See obituary below.)

We now have one NVRR Fund recipient who is a granddaughter and 7 Real Daughters. I hope you will support these ladies in the coming year as you did before. The Mississippi Division received a General award in 2016 for most correspondence sent to these special ladies. Thanks for your caring. We have a new updated list for our ladies. Please send me a request at my email address sandyg2561@gmail.com for a copy.

We have two birthdays in April, Mrs. Arata and Mrs. Duplessis. Please request addresses by email. They appreciate your cards, happies, etc., to let them know they are remembered.



In Memory of Real Daughter

Floye Rachel Lindsey Goodspeed

Real Daughter Floye Rachel Lindsey Goodspeed went home to be with her Lord and Savior on February 4, 2017, in Conroe, Texas. She was born on August 21, 1925, in Gilchrist County, Florida, to William Crawford and Minnie Lee Lindsey. We will miss her quiet strength, good humor, and steady influence. Floye is survived by her loving husband of 64 years, Joe Goodspeed, daughter, Patricia Diane King and husband Randy, son, John Goodspeed and wife Shannon, many grandchildren, other relatives, and many friends. Funeral services were held Tuesday, February 7, 2017.





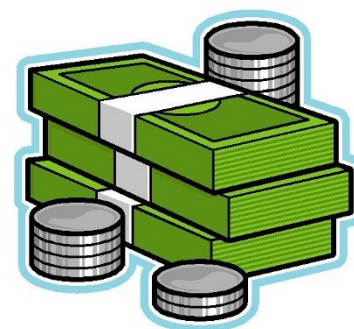
UDC Club Events

GRANDDAUGHTER CLUBS DUES

Member dues for 2017 are now due and payable in the amount of \$3.00 each before March 30, 2017 for all three granddaughter clubs (Great Granddaughters Club, Great-Great Granddaughters Club, and Great-Great-Great Granddaughters Club).

Contact the treasurer of the Granddaughters Club you belong to (listed below) for more information on how to submit your payment of dues:

- 1) Pam Mauldin (pgmauldin@comcast.net) is the treasurer of the Great Granddaughters Club.
- 2) Tina Johnston (kc5zlv@gmail.com) is the treasurer of the G-G Granddaughters Club.
- 3) Sallie Roberts (sallieroberts53@yahoo.com) is the treasurer of the G-G-G Granddaughters Club.



If you have any questions or concerns about your club dues, contact the appropriate treasurer listed above. Thanks!

Do You Remember? Granddaughters Club in 2003 at Pickwick



L to R: Rosalind Holt, Hazel Jones (from District II), Ruth Allbritton, Janice Strohm (paging in that attractive white), Elaine Bullock-Arnold, Frances Woodruff, Myra Sandidge, Nancy Powell, Judy Estes, Beth Koostra, Vera Swinney, Rita Brister, Katherine Stewart (member of Columbus Chapter), Wylodeane Edwards, and Sandy Gaddis.



Chapter Events

BILOXI

Biloxi Beauvoir 623



We have been very busy doing our duties as UDC Ladies since the last issue. Canned goods have been donated to Loaves and Fishes, delivered by Ruthie Wade. Janice Strohm and Tina B. Johnston attended the Biloxi National Cemetery Laying of Wreaths on December 3. Tina, Carla Harbin, and Ruthie also attended the First Annual Laying of Wreaths at Beauvoir. Wreaths were placed on 600 of 780 graves. Our Chapter purchased 5 wreaths & Tina and husband Lee purchased 3 to add to the total. Carla, Ruthie, Tina and husband Lee also returned to Beauvoir on January 7 to pick up the wreaths.



Ruthie Wade delivering canned goods to Loaves and Fishes



Christmas Get Together December 10, 2016. Jodi Groue-prospective member waiting on papers approval, Janice Strohm with Tina's hat on, Ruthie Wade, Cassandra Griswold, Vivian Dailey, Susan Easter, Tina B. Johnston, and Carla Harbin.



Laying of Wreaths at Beauvoir December 3, 2016



Graves embedded in trees in Beauvoir Cemetery.

Photo on far left: Ruthie Wade, Carla Harbin, & Tina Johnston at the Granite Arch entering the Cemetery at Beauvoir.

January 2017 Cemetery Escapades and Etiquette



January 14, 2017, meeting with MS Division President Patricia C. Parrish presenting her "Cemetery Escapades and Etiquette" program. L to R: Susan Easter, Ruthie Wade, Jodi Groue, Janice Strohm (Past MS Division President), Mary Boles, Pat Parrish (in her cemetery garb), Tina B. Johnston, Hilda Wade, and Rosalind Holt.



Chapter Events

BLUE MOUNTAIN General M.P. Lowrey 1608



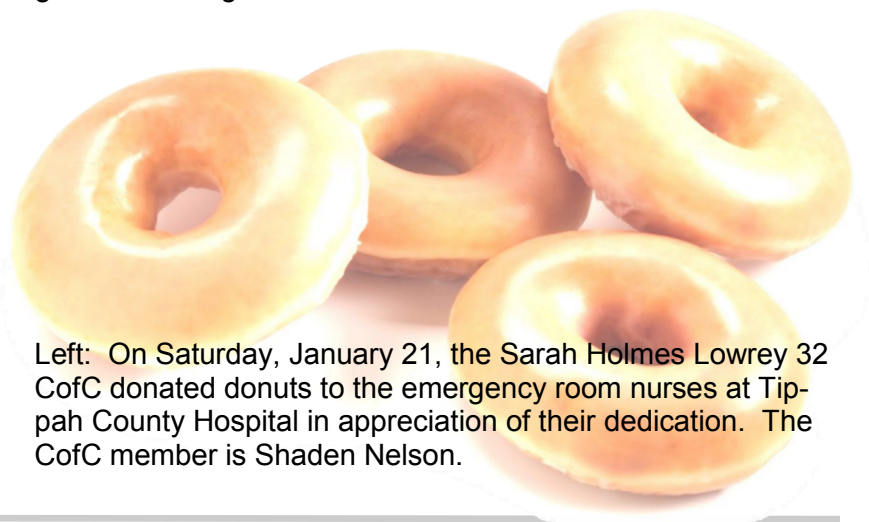
Left: World War II Veteran Aubrey Box with Chapter President Pam Mauldin. The Gen. M.P. Lowrey UDC Chapter gave out 11 gift bags to the remaining World War II Veterans of Tippah County on December 21. The bags were filled with an assortment of men's gift items.



Above: At the January 21 Chapter meeting of the General M.P. Lowrey UDC Chapter, Historian Ruth Allbritton presented those in attendance with homemade shortening bread after they sang the song "Mammy's Little Baby Loves Shortening Bread" during Confederate Music Moment.



Left: On Saturday, January 21, the Sarah Holmes Lowrey 32 CofC donated donuts to the emergency room nurses at Tippah County Hospital in appreciation of their dedication. The CofC member is Shaden Nelson.





Chapter Events

CANTON

Captain Samuel J. Ridley 2430



During the week of January 9, several members of the Captain Samuel J. Ridley Chapter in Canton got the New Year off to a good start by presenting Chapter member Sarah Garrison, a Jackson Veterans Hospital employee, with tote bags and luggage to be given to homeless veterans being discharged from the VA Medical Center. Around 40 bags were collected by Chapter members. Pictured left to right are: Dawn Morgan, Sarah Garrison, and Laura Mullins. The project was coordinated by Pauline Watkins, Chapter President (not pictured).

CARROLLTON

H. D. Money 350

*H. D. Money Chapter 350
will host a Confederate Memorial Day Service
on April 30, 2017.*

The service will be held on the Carrollton Courthouse Lawn at 2pm.

Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

Everyone is invited to attend.



Chapter Events

JACKSON W.D. Holder 458



Dr. J. W. Binion

The W. D. Holder Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Jefferson Davis Camp Sons of Confederate Veterans held their annual "Confederate Heroes" luncheon on Saturday, January 14, 2017, at Amerigo's. Dr. J. W. Binion, who portrays Jefferson Davis, was the guest speaker.



Front Row: Kay Gex, Marilyn Hardin, Vicki Pekich, Tammy Vaughan
Back Row: Debbie Cannon-President, Melanie Benton, Sondra Roberts, Patsy Day, Paulette French, Beth Herring, Jackie Avery, Sharon Nettles, Pat Dampier

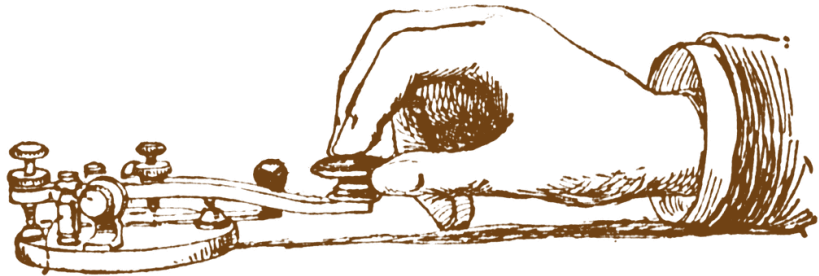
GULFPORT Beauvoir 621

Beauvoir Chapter 621 of Gulfport celebrated Christmas in December 2016 with a covered dish luncheon at the home of Chapter member Ruth Murdock. Chapter President Patricia West conducted the meeting. The "Pass the Basket" project collected \$183 for the Voluntary Services Department at the

Biloxi Veterans Administration Hospital.

Former Mayor of Gulfport Mr. George Schloegel presented the program on Handsboro, once an independent community but now in the city limits of Gulfport. He related stories about its history, its involvement with the War Between the States, and its residents.

Mrs. Schloegel was also a special guest at the meeting. Of particular interest in his presentation was his relating the connection between Jefferson Davis and Dr. J. J. Harry, a physician in Handsboro and the grandfather of Mr. Schloegel's wife, the former Peggy Harry. Dr. Harry was Davis' personal physician during the years the Davis family resided at Beauvoir. They communicated via a telegraph---each had a telegraph apparatus that allowed for quick communication between Davis and his physician. The Schloegels still own Dr. Harry's telegraph and had it with them for the meeting--a real piece of history and a fascinating item.





Chapter Events

HERNANDO Bedford Forrest 448

The Spirit of Giving

Bedford Forrest 448 Chapter members: Margaret Hicks, Lani Rinkel, Frances DeLashmit, Emily Hicks, Janice Dixon and Saranne Emerson visited the Mississippi State Veterans Home in Oxford, Mississippi, personally going room by room to deliver 157 filled Christmas Stockings to the Residents.



The stockings contained: a Christmas card from our Chapter; 1 tee shirt; 1 pair of socks; 1 lip balm; note paper with envelope and writing pen; lotions or soaps; and sugar free chocolate and hard candy. We also included a Chapter business card.

The children of Bryan and Margaret Hicks, Emily (a Chapter member), Jack, William and little Geneva, were the hit of the delivery project bringing smiles, tears, hugs and laughter to many of the residents. All Veterans were excited to be remembered, but the greatest enjoyment was the looks on their faces when we presented them a stocking full and overflowing. One resident's daughter sent us a thank you note expressing her appreciation for remembering those who had given service to our Country.



We did this project to honor our Veterans, *but we received more blessings by their appreciation for being remembered!*





Chapter Events

HORN LAKE

Varina Howell Davis 2559

December was a very busy month for the Varina Howell Davis Chapter! We were invited to work the Southern Lights Display in Southaven, MS on November 30th. This is our annual Fundraiser. We had several people want to have their picture made with Janie as she was in period costume.



L to R – Janie McDonald, Phyllis Holder, Susanna Jones

We designed a float and rode on it in the Horn Lake Christmas Parade on December 1st. As always, we received a lot of positive feedback from our community.

December 10th, 3 members traveled to Cleveland, MS to take part in the District II Christmas Party. We had our Chapter Christmas party at the Mussecuna Plantation in Hernando on December 17th and invited the Samuel A. Hughey SCV Camp as our guests.

We have submitted paperwork for 2 new members, and have 7 more working on their paperwork!

We look forward to 2017 being another great year.



Clockwise – Clay Pruett, Diana Thompson, Stan Rhoda, Christine Rhoda, Marc Thompson, Shirley Pruett



L to R – Cynthia Blalock, Dorothy Herron, Pat Parrish (MS Div. President), and Linda McGan



Santa Claus shown with Linda McGan, Dorothy Herron and Susanna Jones



Chapter Events

KOSCIUSKO Attala County 2592

The Attala Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met on December 1, 2016, in the conference room of the KAP office. Before their regular business meeting, Tammy Bell introduced **Stella Tipton**, a 5th grader from Madison, MS, as the speaker for the program. Stella was costumed as one of the characters she would portray in the rendition of the book by Sarah Emma Edmonds, "*Nurse and Spy of the Union Army*."



After the conclusion of her program, Stella explained the huge poster and battle scene she had made. It showed Franklin Thompson on top of a small mountain with her horse Rebel. The Chapter members asked Stella questions about her program and were most impressed with her knowledge of the subject. Stella was thanked with a big round of applause and then presented a gift of appreciation. At the conclusion of this program, President Purvis started the business meeting with the opening ritual and salutes to flags. Plans were made for the annual celebration at Elliott, MS, and the upcoming reception honoring Patricia Parrish, local member and now Division President. Sylvia Purvis also is a Division officer, and our Chapter is very proud. After a delicious meal, meeting was adjourned.



Our January 2017 Chapter meeting speaker was **Larry Allen McCluney, Jr., Army of Tennessee Commander and wife, Annette**. Larry portrayed General Pierre Gustavo Toutant-Beauregard.



Attendees at our January 2017 meeting, L to R: Wylodean Edwards, Honorary Division President, Sylvia Purvis, Patricia Parrish, MS Division President, Terry Jones, Tammy Bell, Cherie Joiner, and Patricia Proctor, all members of Attala County 2592.



Chapter Events

LOUISVILLE Winston Guards 2643

Winston Guards held their January Chapter meeting on Monday evening, 1/2/2017. We enjoyed having Pat Sims show us her rug hooking talent. She has some beautiful pieces. We also welcomed into our Chapter Barbara DeLoach and Casey Langley (pictured at right), and Judy Trantum (not pictured).



Winston Guards UDC, Capt. John M. Bradley Camp SCV and the Beauregard Rifles CofC co-sponsored their annual Lee-Jackson Banquet at Lake Tiak O'Khata in Louisville on January 28, 2017, at 7 p.m. and was very well attended. The guest speaker was "General Robert E. Lee" portrayed by Presley Hutchinson .





Chapter Events

MERIDIAN

Robert E. Lee 2561

Happy Birthday to General Robert E. Lee and General Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson!



Author and Historian Grady Howell

Robert E. Lee 2561 UDC, Winnie Davis 24 UDC, General Nathan Bedford Forrest 1649 SCV, and W.D. Cameron 1221 SCV held their annual joint Lee-Jackson Banquet on January 10, 2017, at Western Sizzlin' in Meridian, Mississippi. MS Division President Pat Parrish was our special guest. Scott McQuaig played and sang. The speaker for our event was author and historian Grady Howell who is retired from the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. We paid tribute to our Confederate ancestors by naming them and lighting memorial candles for them. We also lit candles for Generals Lee and Jackson. At the conclusion of the program, we served a beautiful birthday cake decorated with pictures of Lee and Jackson.



Special Guest MS Division President Patricia C. Parrish



Lee-Jackson Birthday Cake



Becky Tomerlin, Winnie Davis Chapter 24 and Sandy Gaddis, Robert E. Lee Chapter 2561 cutting the birthday cake



Chapter Events

MERIDIAN Winnie Davis 24

On reflecting back over the past year, our Chapter was quite busy. Each month we had our historical story with a few special surprises thrown in along the way.

In June 2016, we held our meeting in Enterprise, Mississippi, at the Coffee Pot in honor of

Jefferson Davis' birthday. MS

Division President Janice Strohm attended as our special guest. After lunch, we toured St. Mary's Church and private home Twin Cables, ending with a drive through tour of Enterprise Confederate Cemetery.

In September, we started our meetings again. Tonya Mott and Bunnie Tisdale attended MS Division Convention in Greenwood, Mississippi. New officers were elected, and our own Chapter member, Tonya Mott, was selected to be the MS Division recording secretary. We are very proud of Tonya and the work she puts into our Chapter. Tonya, her husband Charles, and daughter Kayla also participate in re-enactments in Mississippi and Alabama.

In November, our Chapter started taking up donations for the local disabled veterans. This has turned out to be a very rewarding project.

Our final meeting of 2016 was our annual Christmas party held in the home of Tonya Mott. We invited members of the Robert E. Lee 2561 Chapter to join us, and several of them attended. Beautiful

Christmas decorations were everywhere, getting us in the spirit with refreshments and happies for everyone.



Christmas 2016 Chapter Meeting in the home of Chapter member Tonya Mott

We have started 2017 by doing our best to make it another good year. Work continues on our Disabled Veterans Food Pantry project, and it has been a very worthwhile cause.

Our Chapter joined with Robert E. Lee Chapter 2561 UDC in Meridian, W. D. Cameron 1221 SCV, and General Nathan B. Forrest 1649 SVC to hold our annual Lee-Jackson Banquet on January 10, 2017. This banquet was one of the best according to those who have attended this event in the past. Our speaker Grady Howell was excellent, very entertaining, and educational. Becky Tomerlin of our Chapter along with Sandy Gaddis of the Robert E. Lee Chapter cut the cake. Bunnie Tisdale greeted everyone with a very short



Joint Lee-Jackson Banquet with Robert E. Lee 2561
L to R: Sandy Gaddis, Becky Tomerlin, Bunnie Tisdale, Pat Parrish, Adele Whitlock, and Tonya Mott

welcome speech. MS Division President Pat Parrish was our special guest and had some delightful words to say. It was a very special evening and enjoyed by all who attended.



Chapter Events

PURVIS

Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee 2583

Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee 2583, Purvis, chose a unique way to recognize the birthday of General Robert E. Lee at their January 16, 2017, meeting. Myrna Lazenby played hostess of the fictitious WREB-TV hit show *Back in Time*. Her guest for the evening was Chapter namesake Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee, the wife of Confederate General Robert E. Lee,



Myrna Lazenby and daughter Lisa Cooper

played by Lisa Cooper. In interviewing Mary Ann, Mrs. Lazenby brought out many facts about her childhood, her courtship with Robert, their marriage, and their lives during and after the war. Following the interview Mrs. Lee joined the Chapter dulcimer group (Beth Johnson, Myrna Lazenby, Karen Mims, and Barbara Lott) in singing her husband's favorite hymn, *How Firm a Foundation*.

TUPELO

John J. Hart 2443

Our December Christmas meeting was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, at Tupelo Country Club. Hostess for the meeting was Nancy Moore, and she beautifully decorated our Christmas table with antique toys. Historian Sandra Knight gave the Historian General program on "Toys, Games and Entertainment in the 1800s," and many of the Chapter members brought toys from their own childhood to share with the group. At the conclusion of the meeting, we filled 10 Christmas bags with gifts for veterans of Magnolia Manor in Tupelo. The bags were delivered by President Sharon Tallman and were received most gratefully by the staff of Magnolia Manor.



John J. Hart Chapter happily awards a small scholarship every summer which consists of donations made throughout the year by our members.



This year we decided to memorialize one of our beloved deceased members, Pauline Ladshaw, by naming the Chapter scholarship "Polly Ladshaw Memorial Scholarship" in her honor. We look forward to again awarding this wonderful scholarship to a worthy student this year.

MS DIVISION DISASTER RELIEF FUND

DIVISION DISASTER RELIEF FUND AIDS TORNADO VICTIMS



An EF3 tornado ripped through Forrest and Lamar Counties on January 21, 2017, leaving death and destruction in its wake. Four deaths were reported in Hattiesburg, 1,100 residences were damaged, and 350 homes destroyed. William Carey University sustained extensive damage to all structures, including occupied dormitories. All buildings, including the homeless shelter and the Boys and Girls Club, on the Salvation Army Campus were damaged or destroyed. The City of Petal suffered extensive damage to many neighborhoods, schools, and businesses, and rural

Lamar County lost several homes and suffered significant damage to the timber industry. As a result, a Disaster Declaration authorizing federal funding was made.

Upon hearing of the damage, MS Division President Patricia Parrish requested approval for funding from the MS Division Disaster Relief Fund she established upon taking office in September 2016. The Executive Board approved a \$350 donation to be presented to the Salvation Army Forrest/Lamar Tornado Relief Fund. When a disaster is declared, the Salvation Army provides 100% of all donations to the relief effort. The Division chose to fund 100 hot meals for survivors along with snacks and beverages for 125 survivors and volunteers, all to be provided by mobile feeding units.

Celeste Young, 2012-2014 MS Division President, representing President Parrish, was accompanied by Pat Smith of Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee 2583 of Purvis and made the presentation to Captain Patrick Connelly, Corps Officer, on January 27th at the Salvation Army Campus.

The Division Disaster Relief Fund operates solely on donations. If you wish to donate to the fund to ensure that funding is available in the event of another disaster, please send contributions to MS Division Treasurer Mary Landin with the designation of Disaster Relief. Checks may be made to MS Division UDC Disaster Relief. Mary's mailing address is:

Mary Landin
3084 Tom Collins Road
Utica, MS 39175-9045



Pictured in photo above right: Ex-Division President Celeste Young and Pat Smith of Mary Ann Randolph Custis Lee 2583, Purvis, presenting donation to Captain Patrick Connelly, Corps Officer, Salvation Army, Hattiesburg, Mississippi



Division Workshop



Mississippi Division UDC Workshop Registration
Saturday March 18, 2017
Lake Tiak-O'Khata
Smyth Road Louisville, MS 39339

Please return registration form to Pam Mauldin, 47 CR 746, Walnut MS 38683-8362
Email to pgmauldin@comcast.net, can be emailed or mailed by February 28, 2017.

Member Information

Name _____ Chapter _____
Chapter Office _____ District # _____
Div. Office _____ District Office _____
Division Committee Chairman _____

Registration Fee is \$2 per person. Lunch is \$13.50 per person, includes drink, tax and gratuity.
No outside food or drink allowed in Meeting Room or Restaurant. Pre-pay please, ticket given at sign in. Please make checks payable to Pam Mauldin.

Registration fee _____ Lunch fee _____ Total Sent _____ Check or Money order # _____

Workshop registration in Colonial Room beginning at 8:30 am. Workshop promptly at 9:00 am.

Anyone who wishes to arrive on Friday the 17th, we have a block of rooms. Please ask for UDC block. Room rates are \$75 plus tax with a total of \$81.75. You may request a King or Double beds room. Call directly to reserve room at 662-773-7853 or toll free at 888-845-6151. Check in is at 4pm and check out is at 11 am. Internet is in all motel rooms, main restaurant, and lobby area.

Please let me know your plans by February 28 as I must give Lake Tiak-O'Khata a final number.

Will you be having Lunch? Yes _____ No _____

Will you be staying overnight? Yes _____ No _____

Any questions can be sent to Division Vice-President Pam Mauldin at pgmauldin@comcast.net.

Pam Mauldin
47 County Road 746
Walnut, MS. 38683-8362



District Events

DISTRICT II REPORT

District II held their annual Christmas Luncheon on December 10, 2016, at The Warehouse in Cleveland. We enjoyed good food, fun, and fellowship with each other. Some of the Christmas games we played were: “The Left and Right,” “You’ve Been Socked,” and “Dirty Santa,” which everyone really seemed to enjoy. I would like to thank everyone that attended. We also missed the ones that could not make it this year. I pray everyone has a safe and productive 2017.

Lynda McKinney
District II Chairman



District II Christmas Party Attendees: Susan Dunn, Liz Arnold, Dorothy Herron, Cynthia Blalock, Linda McGan, Judy Correro, Kathy Eubank, Lynda McKinney, MS Division President Patricia Parrish, Vice President General Frances Woodruff, and Sylvia Purvis

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING DISTRICT MEETINGS		
DISTRICT	DATE	LOCATION
District I	March 25	Kosciusko
District II	April 1	Greenwood
District III	April 29	Meridian
Registration forms are on the following pages of this newsletter!		



UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY®

District I Business Meeting

First United Methodist Church
110 E Washington Street
Kosciusko, MS 39090

Saturday, March 25, 2017
10:00 a.m.

REGISTRATION FORM

TO INSURE A CORRECT HEAD COUNT FOR LUNCH, ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MARCH 17, 2017.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

CHAPTER NAME & NUMBER _____

CHAPTER CITY _____

CHAPTER OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

DISTRICT OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

DIVISION OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

GENERAL OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

CHOOSE ONE : MEMBER _____ GUEST _____

REGISTRATION FEE: \$ 7.50

LUNCHEON FEE: \$ 7.50

TOTAL \$15.00

Make checks payable to: Attala County 2592
Mail to: Tammy Bell
16494 Williamsville Road
Kosciusko, MS 39090
Phone: 662-582-6595
Email: tambell50@yahoo.com

DIRECTIONS: From Highway 12, turn left at the red light at the intersection of Highways 12/14/19/35.
(CVS will be on the right corner.)



United Daughters of the Confederacy®

2017 District II Meeting

April 1, 2017

Confederate Memorial Building

215 Henderson St.

Greenwood, MS 38930

REGISTRATION FORM

IN ORDER TO INSURE CORRECT COUNT FOR LUNCH IT IS NECESSARY TO SET AN ABSOLUTE CUT OFF DATE. ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN **21st March 2017.**

Name _____
(ONE PERSON PER REGISTRATION FORM PLEASE)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip+4 _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Chapter Name and Number _____

City _____

Office you hold _____ Assoc. Member Membe Guest

Highest Office Held _____

Registration Fee	\$ 7.50
Lunch/Refreshments	\$ <u>10.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 17.50
Coffee and refreshments will be available after you register. Meet 'n' Greet from 8:00 am until 9:15 am.	

Make checks payable to **J Z George 228 District II Workshop** and mail to:
 Liz Arnold
 75 Meadowbrook RD
 Greenwood, MS 38930-6930
 Information: Lynda McKinney 662-230-2795
 Liz Arnold 662-392-0891

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:00 AM. WORKSHOP BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 9:15 AM.

DRESS IS CASUAL; HOWEVER WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE NOT WEAR JEANS.



UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY®

District III Business Meeting

Hosted by Winnie Davis Chapter 24 and Robert E. Lee Chapter 2561

Meridian Activity Center
3300 32nd Avenue, Meridian MS
Saturday, April 29, 2017

Registration begins 9 am; Meeting begins 9:30 am

REGISTRATION FORM

To insure a correct head count for lunch, all registrations must be received no later than **April 15, 2017.**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

CHAPTER NAME & NUMBER _____

CHAPTER CITY _____

CHAPTER OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

DISTRICT OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

DIVISION OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

GENERAL OFFICE YOU HOLD _____

CHOOSE ONE: MEMBER _____ GUEST _____

REGISTRATION FEE: \$ 7.50

*LUNCHEON FEE: \$10.00

TOTAL \$17.50

*McAllister's box lunch with your choice of sandwich.
Please choose ONE (1) type of sandwich:

- ___ Turkey
- ___ Roast Beef
- ___ Ham
- ___ Chicken Salad (with nuts) on Croissant

Make checks payable to: **Robert E. Lee 2561 UDC**

Mail completed form and check to:
Sandy Gaddis
4560 Arundel Road
Meridian MS 39307-8505
Phone: 601-483-1359
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