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Barbara Parsons, Division President

Dear UDC Sisters,

We are getting close to the beginning of another UDC year of activities. I hope your chapters have made plans for the coming year to honor our Confederate ancestors. The following events need to be tops on your calendars:

Relic Show August 26-28, Pigeon Forge, TN

Division Convention October 6-8, Pickwick Landing State Park

General Convention November 3-7, Fort Worth, TX

Chapter Presidents across the Tennessee Division UDC should be receiving the hard copies of the Convention Call and Reservation Forms. These were already sent by email to those who have email, so most of the chapters have this information. If you have any questions, please contact Patsy Weatherington, Bettye Stanley, or myself.

All reports should have been filed with the various division officers and chairmen by July 1, 2011, for determining awards for the division convention, and reported by the chairmen to their specific general officer or chairmen for the Tennessee Division to be considered for awards at the General Convention. THANK YOU to everyone for their hard work this past year.

The Division History committee is continuing their work to document the history of the chapters in the Tennessee Division, and we must have your assistance to complete this long overdue project. These reports are to be submitted by September 1, 2011. We need to complete this work in order to move forward

into getting a new UDC Member Roster as one has not been completed since 1996. This project will be brought before the full division membership for a vote at the 2011 division convention, so please be considering if you feel this is as vital a new membership tool as I feel it is for the Tennessee Division. We should complete one project before we begin another, so your help is needed in both instances; let's get the old one done so we can get into the new one.

Thank you for the orders for the Tennessee Division Remembrance of 150 Years pin that may be worn on your UDC ribbon. We have sold the initial order of 100, and have 53 pre-sold orders to date for the second order of 100 pins. The money is designated for the Monument Restoration & Refurbishing Fund.

Best wishes to you all in the coming year.

Barbara Parsons
President, 2010-2012

OFFICER NOTES

Sharon Cain, Third Vice President

The CofC is beginning a new year with some dedicated officers. The Convention in Lebanon was great and the trip to Fiddler's Grove was informative and fun. I would like to thank Christina Isbell, chairman of the Convention, and her chapter for a great convention.

Amanda Stockton did a great job on Friday night with the dance. I know it helped the Tennessee CofC members feel more confident as they participated in the period dances at the CofC General Convention in Franklin. Houston Harris, the new CofC

Division President, did a tremendous job representing Tennessee as Chairman of the CofC General Convention. We are very proud of him. Also, the outgoing CofC Division President, Cameron Thomas, gave a very nice President's Report. He received many compliments on the ending part.

At the CofC General Convention, Tennessee received twenty-two awards. We were surprised and pleased. The chapters are the ones who do all the work in getting these awards. Their dedication to their ancestors and the goals of the organization is show by these awards and the youth willing to give so much time in carrying out these goals.

We have two Tennessee CofC members representing Tennessee again this year in CofC General. Danielle Cain is Chaplain General and Cheyenne Miller is Chairman of the General Nominating Committee. Tennessee is proud of these two young ladies. Danielle was Chairman of the General Credentials Committee 2010-2011 and Cheyenne was Secretary General 2009-2010 and Historian General 2010-2011.

Please pray for the continued success of the CofC and their chapters. Thanks from a grateful Tennessee Division CofC Director for making Tennessee so great.

Sharon Cain

Third Vice President

Beverly Boyd, Division Registrar

Please remember that on the back of your application where the names of the President General and Division President are listed, there is a specific way to list these names, as follows:

President General – Mrs. Martha Rogers Van Schaick

Division President – Mrs. Barbara Buchanon Parsons

Any other listing of these names is incorrect. Thank you for your attention to this matter. These names are typed or printed on the back of the application so in 20 years it is easy to document who these Presidents were when the papers were approved.

Beverly Boyd

Division Registrar

Committee Notices

Page Chairman

If you wish to page at the Tennessee Division Convention, be sure to get your Page registration forms sent to:

Matilda Speck, Chairman
430 N. Hillcrest Drive
Livingston, TN 38570-1316

by September 1st. The form is available on the website or you may email Matilda at tnhighland@twlakes.net.

Patriotic Activities Committee

Three ladies who were nominated in April to serve as TN Division UDC VAVs representatives have been approved at have been serving for four years at the Nashville facility. These representatives are: Phyllis Wilson, Shirley Thompson, Dore Dorris, and Jeanelle Kutterer. Thank you ladies for your dedication to our Veterans!

Chapter History Committee

Just a reminder that your Chapter history is due by the end of August. Please send it by mail or email to your District Chairman. Histories are restricted to 750 words, and you are allowed 1 picture per chapter. Please contact your District Chairman, Jo Hill for East Tennessee, Nancy Todd for West Tennessee, and Nelma Crutcher for Middle Tennessee, if you have questions. Thanks,

Nelma Crutcher

Chairman

The Division History Committee has been charged with the task of compiling the history of all the Chapters and we need your

help. We would like for each Chapter to appoint a committee or maybe one member to compile your Chapter's history starting with 1948, and submit it to the Division Committee by September 1, 2011. There is already a book that covers the Chapter histories from 1894 to 1948 but if your Chapter was chartered prior to 1948, you can still include that information as an important portion of your Chapter's story. Your Division Chairmen for this project are Jo Hill for East Tennessee, Nancy Todd for West Tennessee, and Nelma Crutcher for Middle Tennessee. You can contact them if you have a question.

Examples of what your history might include would be, when and where your Chapter was chartered, how your Chapter name was chosen, projects you have supported, members that served in a Division office or Chaired a Division committee. You might add if your Chapter hosted Conventions or Division meetings or any other annual events you sponsor... the list could be limitless. The main restriction is a word limit of 750 words.

This information can be found in many places including your Chapter's minutes or old Division minutes books which can be found in libraries and archives or in the possession of some members. You just have to dig to find them.

Each Chapter will be allowed one picture of either the Charter members or something that pertains to the Chapter. For example, my Chapter, Fort Donelson, might have a group picture at the Confederate monument at Fort Donelson since our Chapter is an outgrowth of the Division's Fort Donelson monument project in 1915. Jo Hill's Chapter might have a picture of a monument to A.P. Stewart or a chapter group picture with the monument. Nancy Todd's Chapter might include a picture of the Gayoso Hotel.

Your history will also include a list of the first Officers to serve the Chapter and the present Board of Officers but this can be supplied by the Committee so you do not have to research this if you don't already have it.

If your chapter has a member that has served as Division President, we will need a 500 word biographical sketch of her as a member and her term of office, and a

picture. If you have a member that served as Honorary President of Division or General, we will need a 250 word bio of her work in UDC also.

A few years ago we started a project that was close to this but it was not completed. We have in storage the reports that were submitted at that time and we will be sharing these with you as a "starter kit" for the Chapters that submitted a report at that time.

Our plan is to compile all of these into book form to record the history of our Division. Because a book of this kind has already been printed that covers the years 1894-1948, we need your histories to cover the years 1948-2012. So get to work on your history and get back to us as soon as possible.

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