



United Daughters of the Confederacy

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Tennessee Daughters,

It is hard to believe the summer is slowly fading away and the students are back in school for a new school year. However, it gives each of us more time to concentrate on two huge upcoming UDC events. The first annual UDC Founders Day Luncheon will be held in Memphis on 7 September at the Chickasaw Country Club. I know everyone will want to be a part of this event. Mrs. Ruth Albritton, Past Vice President General, will be the special guest speaker. The Gayoso Chapter has planned and worked hard on the First Annual United Daughters of the Confederacy Founders Day Luncheon. Also the 117th Convention Committee has worked hard on scheduling, decorating, and preparing for each of us to have another memorable and enjoyable convention in October. So, I hope to see you at the first annual UDC Founders Day Luncheon and the 117th UDC Tennessee Division Convention at Hilton Knoxville Airport in Alcoa, Tennessee.

What a thrill to read all the chapter reports! Ladies, pat yourself on your shoulder for such a fantastic year filled with dedications, teas, ceremonies, programs, memorials, luncheons honoring our heroes, adding new members, ordering numerous insignia pins, and the list just continues. The Tennessee Chapters had a great year meeting each UDC objective, not to mention the fun involved with each event.

It has been a busy year for the Tennessee Division Officers, and it is hard to believe a whole year will pass in less than two months. We have grown in learning and obtaining more knowledge about this wonderful organization. What an honor to be able to claim such a heritage that we possess. However, now that all chapters have filed their reports and completed a UDC year, it is now time to take a deep breath and plan for the next year. I cannot wait to read the chapter reports for this coming year.

So, ladies, dust off your hat, find your gloves, polish your heels, pick up your purse and meet me in September at the UDC Founders Day Luncheon, and then meet me again at the 117th Tennessee Division Convention.

God Bless the South.

Southernly yours,

Mrs. Linda Fritz

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Officer Reports

1st Vice President – Matilda Speck

The *Remembrance of 150 Years* pins are **SOLD OUT**. Thank you, for purchasing this pin to support the TN Division Monument Restoration Fund.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The Vice President General will not accept insignia orders that are not on the revised forms, dated March 2013, **after August 31**. Therefore, all Insignia Orders I receive after August 24 must be on the revised forms. These forms are available on the UDC website. If you choose, you may now use *Word Fill In*. This feature allows you to fill out your order and then print a completed form.

Thanks to each of you for your Insignia Orders. Please encourage your members to order insignia.

Looking forward to seeing you at the TN Division Convention in October.

Matilda Speck

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Second Vice President – Lisa Thomas

Happy Summer UDC Sisters! I am proud to announce our winner of the Virginia Rainey scholarship is Erin Rion. It was a difficult decision for the Education Committee. A special thanks to Mrs. Glenn Rowell for stepping in as an alternate on the committee since Erin is on the Education Committee.

All four of our Tennessee Division scholarship winners met the requirements to sustain their funds. They are Clark Milan, Hallie Harris, Jamie Sparkman, and Rebecca Neuenschwander. Sadly, not one of our General Scholarship applicants from Tennessee won. But don't be discouraged. They may apply again next year.

I have enjoyed receiving your reports and reading about your efforts to encourage students with your very own chapter scholarships. Keep up the great work. I can't wait to see everyone at Convention!!

Lisa Thomas

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Third Vice President – Eleanor Satterfield

We had a really good CofC Convention in Chattanooga in June. Those that did not attend were missed. As you all know by now, our Division President of CofC is Miss Danielle Cain. I am happy to report that she was also elected President General. That young lady is planning big things for our Division and also for General. Her goals for Tennessee Division are listed below.

She will have her hands full. She can do it. We are all behind her 100%. One of her goals for division is for each chapter to gain at least 2 new members this year. Ladies, help us to help her reach that goal. Daughters, sons, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other children in the family also can become members. We need them to make up this amount. Our children are the life blood for the UDC.

I hope to see all of you at Convention in October at Alcoa.

God Bless the CofC, UDC, and the South,

Eleanor Satterfield

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**Tennessee Division
Children of the Confederacy
President's Goals for 2013-2014**

**Division President's Theme for Tennessee:
"Heritage' Pass It On"**

- Each chapter gain at least two new members. Check with your sponsoring Chapter and ask about their children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Check with other chapters near you that are not sponsoring a CofC Chapter and see if they have children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews they would be willing to put in your chapter.

- Each District have a Heritage Day with all Chapters in their District participating. Make it open to the public with games and crafts for everyone to take part in. I will be glad to help if you need suggestions or help. I have done several living history events and they were fun.
- Each chapter find an event that happened during the War in their area to write about and send it to me. I would like to compile a booklet for the Division with this history in it as a Division Sesquicentennial project. If you want to do more than one, that would be really great.
- Take an active part in the President General's project.

LET'S MAKE TENNESSEE SHINE!
GET INVOLVED!

Registrar – Cindy Waters

Ladies,

Please remember that the new Original Application, Supplemental, and Transfer forms must be used after August 31. The forms are available on the UDC website under the members only site. Also I have sent many of you these new forms. If the old forms are used, the papers will be returned to you to retype them on the new forms. The Registrar General and the Assistant Registrar General have said that they will not accept the forms if they are not correct.

I have had a lot of corrections to make on the forms lately. If you have the town and county name on the birth or death certificate, please include the information. Please check your spelling and typing on the dates. You must include the microfilm number and roll. The military service record you send needs to include all the pages.

Just some reminders that will help you have neater, more complete papers. I look forward to seeing many of you at the Convention in October.

Thanks so much,

Cindy R. Waters

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Historian – Dore Dorris

All the reports are finally done and you should give yourself a pat on the back for a job well done. It is astounding the amount of dedication that each Chapter shows with all their varied projects. Next year I will try and ease the report process with a few helpful hints that will be found in your Presidents Package. For the 2013-2014 year you must send in a hard copy of your Chapter Newsletter if you want it judged for competition. This is a rule set by the Historian General and we must follow it. I will be looking for volunteers to judge the scrapbooks, yearbooks, and newsletters at Convention.

Yours in Southern Heritage,

Dore Dorris

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Parliamentarian – Jennie Jo Hardison

Ladies, I certainly want to thank each of you that have contributed by sending a picture of your Confederate soldier ancestor to our projects. Each time I get a response from you either by postal mail or email, I feel like one more soldier will get recognized in our effort toward historic preservation and many more families may be represented in our endeavor.

Remember, we will be taking sizes in the range of 8"x10", 5"x7", and 4"x6", and your soldier can be alone in the picture or with others. We have had some pictures submitted that obviously were taken at the "War Veteran's Reunions" of the "old" soldiers. One was a group of six soldiers

ages 78 to 89 that attended a reunion on July 20, 1920, and the remarkable connection was that they had all lived in the same District of the same County at the start of the War.

It is not too late to participate in this project, so take time to “dig” out the pictures or begin your research either online or in books at your local library or Archives. Someone may have a long lost picture of which you were not aware. Chapter Presidents, please read this plea to your Chapter members at your upcoming meeting, as some of our members may not be aware of the “need”.

Also once these pictures are “organized”, I want you to know, two talented young UDC ladies will be finalizing the project. They are Marissa Lemley Brown and her sister Rebekah Lemley, and I want to say a tremendous thank you to them before they even begin their work on this project. It takes so many individuals to complete such a project of historic preservation, and please join us, and send the picture of your ancestor with his name, his military company, regiment, etc., and your name and the name of your chapter.

Thank you, thank you to all of you! I do hope to see you at the Convention.

Jennie Jo Hardison
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Committee Reports

Recorder of Military Service Awards – Jeanell Kutterer

An impressive bestowal ceremony has been planned for the three recipients at the Tennessee Division Convention. I am already looking forward to the 2014 Convention and the bestowal service. Remember, there are ninety World War I Crosses that will be available after the General Convention. This needs to be a lineal ancestor who has a Confederate ancestor. This ancestor does not have to be the same ancestor that you joined UDC on and the person receiving the Cross

does not have to be a UDC member. The first ninety applications to be received by the General Recorder will be bestowed. Records for this period are scarce. For proofs, use cemetery monument pictures, the obituary, county historical books, and you may write:

National Personnel Records Center
Military Personnel Records
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, MO 63138
Phone: 314-801-0800

Time is of essence. We need to have our applications in the mail on November 11th.

Jeanell Kutterer
Chairman

Veterans Administration Volunteer Service – Jeanell Kutterer

Being a new Special Committee, I was pleased with the number of reports received. For some of you, you might have concerns about what qualifies for VAVS and what items belong on the Patriotic Committee Report. There are many services to Veterans that go on the Patriotic Committee Report and not on the VAVS. To be reported to the VAVS Committee, the activity must be sanctioned by the Veterans Administration. Donations of goods, money, and services to VA nursing homes, hospitals, clinics, and Fisher House are all to be reported.

Always complete a donation form when your Chapter or a member donates items. I complete this list of items and the value of each before I leave home. When I arrive at the facility, I staple it to the VA form. Cash and non-cash donations should always be listed on a separate sheet of paper.

Remember that you will not receive credit for donating or volunteering at a facility if you do not go through the VAVS office and get credit for hours volunteering or donating time and goods.

Often times, the facility is slow to get letters of recognition mailed, so donate early. Include a copy of this letter in your report.

Jeanell Kutterer

Chairman

Shirley Thompson

Dore Dorris

Phyllis Wilson

Division Marshal – Mary Loyd Reneau

Chapter Presidents:

To follow the proper protocol for Convention, it is imperative that the member of your Chapter that presents your Chapter flag MUST wear white gloves. Also, when the pledges to the flag are given, the members that are wearing gloves MUST take their right glove off and place their right hand over their heart.

Mary Loyd Reneau

Marshal

Chapter Reports

Confederate Gray 2681

Chapter members observed the United States Memorial Day by distributing over 1100 U.S. flags on graves of the military in Lewis and Maury County. Chapter members Patty Hedge and Laura Hayes chair this activity.

On Sunday, June 1st, five chapter members traveled to Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Nashville to observe the birthday of Jefferson Davis. After the planned program, we visited the gravesite of Caroline Meriwether Goodlett. To observe Confederate Memorial Day, we placed 105 Confederate First National flags on gravesites in that cemetery.

The following week, Jeanell Kutterer was in Richmond to attend a reception at the Museum of the Confederacy, tour the Confederate White House, and in the absence of our Division President (she was attending the Tennessee CofC Convention), she represented the Tennessee Division by presenting the state flag at the ceremonies. Mr. Bertram Hayes-Davis, the great-great-grandson of Jefferson Davis was the featured speaker and he served as a docent at the ancestral home.



Pictured from left to right, Bertram Hayes-Davis, President General Jamie Likins, and Jeanell Kutterer.

Gayoso Chapter 2423

*Gayoso Chapter #2423
United Daughters of the Confederacy*

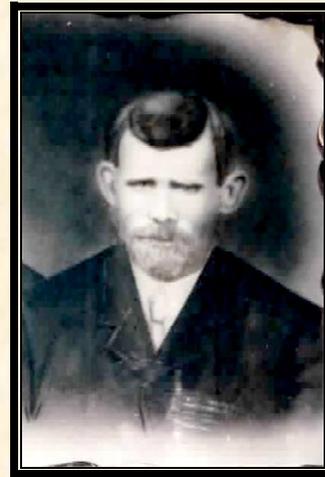
Request your presence at the

*First Founders Luncheon
Saturday, September 7, 2013
11:30 a.m.*

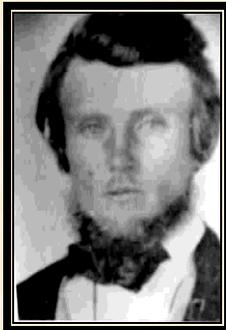
*Chickasaw Country Club
3395 Galloway Avenue
Memphis, TN 38122-1599
Special Guest Speaker will be
Mrs. Ruth Albritton
Past Vice President General*

*Please make your reservations by
 August 31, 2013
 Checks for \$25 should be made to:
 Gayoso Chapter #2423
 And mailed to:
 Mrs. Robert Todd
 6092 Sugar Tree Rd.
 Bartlett, TN 38134-5549*

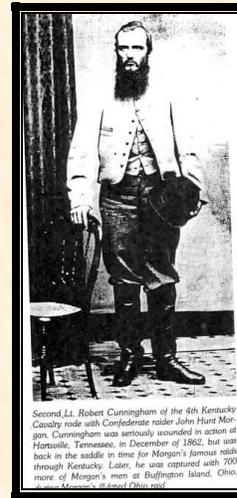
WANTED: CONFEDERATE ANCESTORS



**Pvt. Mickens Carr Cunningham
 Co. G, 4th KY Mounted Infantry
 Great-Great-Uncle of Linda Stokes Fritz**

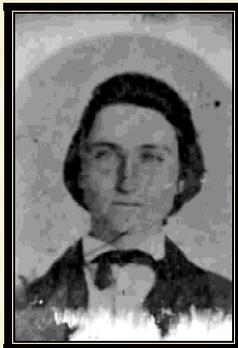


**Pvt. William Bridges, Jr.
 Co. G, 4th KY Mounted Infantry
 Great-Great-Uncle of Linda Stokes Fritz**



Second Lt. Robert Cunningham of the 4th Kentucky Cavalry rode with Confederate raider John Hunt Morgan. Cunningham was seriously wounded in action at Hartsville, Tennessee, in December of 1862, but was back in the saddle in time for Morgan's famous raid through Kentucky. Later, he was captured with 700 more of Morgan's men at Buffington Island, Ohio. Source: Morgan's 48, Grand Ohio, 2007.

**2nd Lt. Robert Bruce Cunningham
 Co. E, 8th KY Cavalry
 Nephew of William Thomas Cunningham
 Great-great-grandfather of Linda Stokes Fritz**



**Cullen Thomas Bridges
 Co. D, 2nd KY Cavalry
 Great-great-grandfather of Linda Stokes Fritz**

If you will identify your soldier, or soldiers in a Reunion picture, then we can place that picture with the presentation for the Tennessee Division Convention. PLEASE SUBMIT BY 1 SEPTEMBER 2013. Thank you!