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Barbara Parsons, Division President

Dear Members of the Tennessee Division, UDC: It has been a whirlwind month with tornadoes and floods crashing all around us. It is almost unbelievable what has been happening in our weather. So far there have been no reports of UDC members who were affected by these weather events, although their communities were devastated, including counties in Tennessee. Many of us cannot comprehend what it will be like for the affected families. We all need to be praying for those who have lost so much, and for those who will be trying to piece their lives back together. If a specific area of need should become known where we can give assistance as a division, I will inform you.

MOST IMPORTANT NOTICE

As soon as you have completed your Sesquicentennial quilt blocks, please return them to: Mrs. Brenda McDonald, 416 Foremast Road, Kingston, TN 37642.

GET EXCITED!

This is my advice for all of our Tennessee UDC members! Patsy Weatherington, Vice President and chairman of the Program committee, has been working diligently with the members of the Shiloh #371 chapter in Savannah, and other West Tennessee chapters, to plan the most exciting events for our 2011 Sesquicentennial State Convention. The first thing I want to say, is please do not say, "we've never done this before," and get negative. Stay positive and excited about the wonderful plans being made on our behalf. Yes, there will be adjustments that must be made. Yes, there will be some committee meetings at different times to work around some special events. xBe flexible! Some

committees will need to meet on Thursday that usually meet on Friday. These times may be adjusted by the committee chairmen to occur either on Thursday morning or Thursday evening as necessary. There is no change in when prescribed meetings will take place. Friday night will still be "opening night," and Saturday will still be our business sessions. Shiloh #371 led by Mrs. Betty Stanley, is footing the bills for many of the once-in-a-lifetime opportunities we will be given. Joe Wheeler #1077, Elizabeth Bate Williams #1911, and George Wales Ellis #2263 are in charge of Friday night. Capt. Nathaniel A. Wesson #2396 is in charge of Saturday night. All of these chapters are working together to give us a convention to remember forever!

GET REGISTERED!

Because this convention is held at a Tennessee State Park, they have an early cut-off for rooms because they must fill them with tourists if we do not take them early. This should be a very busy summer for the Shiloh Battlefield park, and these are the closest accommodations to the park. Also, when you call to register you are charged for one nights lodging to reserve your room at the time you call, so be prepared for that. Phone: (731) 689-3135, tell them you are with UDC. Again, this is a protection for the State Park. We must be respectful of the citizens of Tennessee and the tourists who want to come here by registering early and keeping our commitments. We can be a part of keeping this State Park profitable and available. Do your part! A rough draft of the events includes:

THURSDAY, October 6, 2011

Committee meetings prior to noon, or in the evening, as necessary: Credentials

Committee, Finance Committee, New Business and Executive Committee Meeting.

At 1:00 P.M., busses will take members to Savannah where they will be given a tour of the River City Museum. A reception will be held at the Museum after the tour. Busses will be available to take members to any of the shops in Savannah (like the shoe store), and return them to Pickwick Landing State Park. Members will be on their own for supper, and may wish to eat while they are in Savannah. The Executive Board Meeting will be held on Thursday evening at Pickwick Landing State Park.

FRIDAY, October 7, 2011

Registration 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. will be available at the Pickwick Landing State Park. At 9:00 A.M., chartered tour busses will take members to the Shiloh Battlefield information center. We will have one of the final showings of the original Shiloh film on the busses while National Park Service Guides give us a tour of the battlefield monuments. We will go to the Catfish Hotel for lunch. Lunch will be family style with a serving of their three meat specialties, catfish, country ham, and chicken on each table.

After lunch we will travel to Shiloh Church where we will have our Memorial Service.

(**Note:** For those of you serving as Pages, there are rooms at the church where you may change for this service, and there is space on the busses to store your hats and clothing for the Memorial Service. We will not begin the service until the Pages are ready.)

Can you imagine anything more exciting than having our Memorial Service inside the Shiloh Church? What a wonderful and meaningful service this will be. Josephine Hill, our Division Chaplain and Matilda Speck, chairman of the Page Committee are working to make this a never-to-be-forgotten service. We will return to the Shiloh Business Office for a brief reception and to the Pickwick Landing Park at 4:30P.M.

All of the activities of these two days is estimated to cost around \$40 per member including the busses for two days, River City Museum tour, the Shiloh Battlefield Tour with movie and park ranger, and luncheon at Catfish House. All is included. If you only

attend one day's events, the cost will be the same because the charges are mainly for the bus and lunch on Friday. Everything possible is being done to offer this exciting time to all members who wish to participate. If anyone wishes to assist the Shiloh #371 with the bus expenses, please contact Patsy Weatherington, any help would be greatly appreciated.

The Friendship Dinner and Officers Club Dinner will be held Friday night at 6:30P.M., Welcome Evening at 8:05 P.M., as usual.

SATURDAY, October 8, 2011

9:00A.M Granddaughter Club Breakfasts. First Business Session

Noon Magazine/Real Daughter Luncheon

1:30 P.M. Second Business Session

6:00P.M Chapter Presidents Dinner

8:00P.M. Historical Evening, all as usual.

Please contact Patsy Weatherington, Vice President, and chairman of the Program Committee, [\(731\)688-5287](tel:7316885287), with any questions regarding the convention.

Barbara Parsons
President, 2010-2012

OFFICER NOTES

Patsy Weatherington, Vice President

A Message and Tentative Schedule of Events for the 115th TN Division State Convention from Vice President, Patsy Weatherington:

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

UDC CONVENTION

PICKWICK LANDING STATE PARK

OCTOBER 6-8, 2011

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2011

Registration
Committee Meetings

Lunch on your own

Bus trip to Savannah - 1:00 p.m.

TOUR OF HOMES

SHOPPING
RIVER CITY MUSEUM & RECEPTION

Members – Dinner on your own. Bus will be available to take you to dinner in Savannah or back to the Inn for dinner.

Officers - Dinner at the Cherry Mansion & Executive Committee meeting

Executive Board Meeting for all members.
(8:30 p.m.)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2011

Registration

Bus tour of Shiloh (with Ranger) and movie on bus

Lunch (Catfish Hotel)

MEMORIAL SERVICE (Shiloh Methodist Church - next to Log Church)

PLACING OF WREATHS (UDC Monument & Tennessee Monument)

FRIENDSHIP BANQUET

PAST & PRESIDENT OFFICERS BANQUET

WELCOME EVENING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2011

Registration

Breakfast/Club Meetings

First Business Session

MAGAZINE LUNCHEON

Second Business Session

CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S BANQUET

HISTORICAL EVENING

Patsy Weatherington

Erin Manning, Second Vice President

First, I just wanted to thank everyone for all the cards, letters and kind words that I received with the recent passing of my dad. It was very thoughtful of each of you and reminded me how close we all are in a time of need. Also, I would like to thank everyone for the prayers that my family has received. My mom, Linda Jackson, has been going through her cancer treatment. It was very comforting to know that so many people cared and were willing to help if we needed them.

Second, the Education Committee is currently looking over the scholarship packets that were received and will be announcing the new scholarship recipient in the coming weeks. The three current scholarship recipients all made the grades required to have their scholarship renewed for the fall semester. There will be a pamphlet that will be handled out at convention requiring scholarship, how they are to be completed and what is required by the sponsoring chapter. In Southern Love,

Erin Manning

Josephine Hill, Division Chaplain

asks that each of us remember to pray for those on active duty in our Armed Forces and that we also remember our Veterans.

Josephine Hill

Committee Notices

**Remembrance of 150 Years
Committee Chairman**

Hello Ladies!

Thank you very much for your help and enthusiasm in piecing our Division Quilt blocks. I have already begun receiving the

beautifully pieced Blocks from many of the chapters and individuals who volunteered to piece the blocks. Please remember that we need the pieced blocks by June 30, 2011. Send them to me as follows:

Brenda Hall McDonald
416 Foremast Road
Kingston, TN 37763

If you finish the blocks before June 30, 2011, please go ahead and send them to me so that we can begin assembling the blocks. The sooner we receive the blocks, the better. Remember it is our goal to bring a completely pieced quilt top to the Division Convention at Pickwick State Park for you to see in October, 2011. Again, send the completed blocks to me as quickly as you have them pieced, but no later than June 30, 2011. If you are having any difficulty at all, please telephone me or send me an email:

[\(865\) 376-4299-evenings](tel:8653764299)
b.hall.mcdonald@gmail.com

Thanks again for your devotion to our Southern heritage, the Remembrance of 150 years, and to our Division.

Honoring Our Confederate Ancestors,

Brenda Hall McDonald, Chairman
Matilda Speck
Dorrie Dorris

Mrs. N. V. Randolph Relief Chairman

Ladies, there is a brand new report form on the UDC General Website. Please run a copy of this and use for your year-end report. Mail by July 1, 2011 to:

Ms. Sandra L. Paschall
1365 Osage-Crossland Road
Puryear, Tennessee 38251-3975.

Thank you,

Sandra Paschall
Chairman

Radio and Television Committee

Daughters! Want to put a smile and your

face? Pep in your step? Pride in your heart? Do you want to be an instant celebrity? Have people recognize you in the grocery store? You ask me, how do I do this? Well friends, I can tell you how. Do you have a special event coming up to celebrate the Sesquicentennial? How about advertising it on your local TV station? How about fliers at the local library? An ad in the local paper? Just think of all the possibilities. Looking forward to seeing your pictures on the news.

Lynda Logan

Chairman

Division Scrapbook Chairman

Reminder to all division historians: The deadline for submissions for the division scrapbook is September 1, 2011. We would like all UDC chapters in Tennessee to be represented in this book. Remember, this is how we are recording the activities of our Division for future generations. We are looking for:

1. Chapter photographs (each person must be labeled);
2. Original newspaper articles (must have the words UDC or United Daughters of the Confederacy and Tennessee Division with chapter name in the article) and
3. Event programs.

These items need to be sent to:

Stacie Shelton
2555 Barrett Dr.
Southaven, MS 38672
(Please do NOT send return receipt required).

If you have questions, you can reach me in the evenings at [901/848-7844](tel:9018487844) or by email stacierosy@aol.com.

Thank you and I look forward to every chapter's submissions.

Stacie Shelton
Chairman

Magazine Subscriptions Chairman

wants to remind you all that you should send her your Magazine Subscription report. This is the chapter report listing the number of chapter members who subscribe to the UDC Magazine. Do not send her any money for subscriptions as this will only delay your magazine because she will have to return it to you.

Linda Fritz

Chairman
P. O. Box 72
Fairview, KY 42221

GGGranddaughter Club Treasurer

Annual club membership dues are \$2.00; checks made payable to TN Division UDC Great Great Granddaughters Club Treasurer must be received by TN Division GGGranddaughter Treasurer by June 1st of each year. If payment is not received by June 1, the dues will be in arrears; if payment is not received by August 31 you will no longer be considered a member and will be dropped from the State and General great, great granddaughter club rolls. At that time you must follow the re-instatement procedures.

A dropped member may be reinstated by paying the past year's dues, current dues, and a reinstatement fee of \$1.00. This amount holds true even if a member may have several years of non-payment.

Due to upcoming changes in dues for next year (2011-2012), please look for new information in the TN Division Newsletter or contact Mary Ruth Simmons at:

simmons_mr@bellsouth.net or
931/680-6313.

We look forward to seeing each of you at our annual breakfast meeting at the Division Convention in October.

Honoring Our Confederate Ancestors,

Mary Ruth Simmons

Treasurer
Great-Great-Granddaughter's
Club

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