

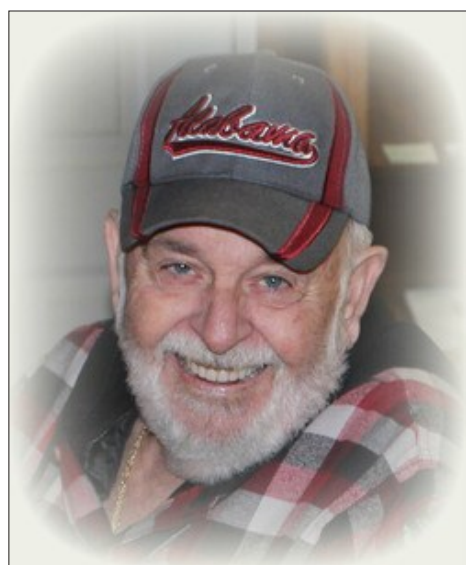


Curtis 'Bear' Hamrick

July 30, 1946 - March 6, 2016

Curtis 'Bear' Hamrick of Waco passed away Sunday, March 6, 2016 in a local hospital. He was born in Cleburne County, Alabama, July 30, 1946, son of the late Isaac Taylor Hamrick and Nancy Eldora Payne Hamrick.

Mr. Hamrick was a retired construction worker and a member and Deacon of the Old Carrollton Baptist Church.



In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Ruby Brown and a brother, Paul Hamrick.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Pearson Hamrick of Waco; children, Holly Yawn Hamrick, Scottsboro, AL, Holly

Dawn Hamrick, Audrey Taylor Hamrick, both of Massachusetts, Jeff Hamrick of Atlanta, James

Andrew Curtis Hamrick, Savannah, Andrew and Onahoia Hamrick of California, Jerri Lynn Moody, Villa Rica, Grady Alvaro Moody of Newell, AL, Carey Moody, Bremen, James Moody of LaGrange and Gideon

Moody of Fresno, California; twelve grandchildren and four great grandchildren.



Confederate History & Heritage Month

O.C.G.A. § 1-4-20

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TITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS
CHAPTER 4. HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES

O.C.G.A. § 1-4-20 (2015)

§ 1-4-20. Designation of Confederate History and Heritage Month

(a) The General Assembly hereby finds and determines that tourism is a great economic resource in Georgia; and historical, heritage, and cultural inheritance are among the tourism industry's most popular attractions. Georgia's Confederate heritage, physical artifacts and battle sites, and historic events and persons not only attract visitors, they are potentially of even greater importance and benefit to our state's economy. Increased development of our state's Confederate history and heritage as part of the tourism industry will be enhanced through recognizing, celebrating, and advertising that heritage and history.

(b) The month of April of each year is hereby designated as Confederate History and Heritage Month and shall be set aside to honor, observe, and celebrate the Confederate States of America, its history, those who served in its armed forces and government, and all those millions of its citizens of various races and ethnic groups and religions who contributed in sundry and myriad ways to the cause which they held so dear from its founding on February 4, 1861, in Montgomery, Alabama, until the Confederate ship CSS *Shenandoah* sailed into Liverpool Harbor and surrendered to British authorities on November 6, 1865.

(c) Officials and departments of state, county, and municipal governments, boards of education, elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, businesses, and all citizens are encouraged to participate in programs, displays, and activities that commemorate and honor our shared history and cultural inheritance throughout each April during Confederate History and Heritage Month.

HISTORY: Code 1981, § 1-4-20, enacted by Ga. L. 2009, p. 207, § 2/SB 27.

The Charge

to the Georgia Division

To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the cause for which we fought; to your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish.

Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations. ~ circa 2006

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GEORGIA DIVISION OPENS **ON-LINE** STORE

MAKING CONFEDERATE FLAGS AND TAGS AVAILABLE TO OUR MEMBERSHIP & THE PUBLIC

Go To WWW.GASCV.ORG and Visit the Division **STORE**

The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans is proud to announce the opening of the Division's on-line store. After the Confederate hysteria in 2015, when many of the major merchants exclaimed they will not be selling "Confederate" merchandise anymore, the Georgia Division made the decision to open an on-line store to make Confederate Flags and tags available to its membership and the public.

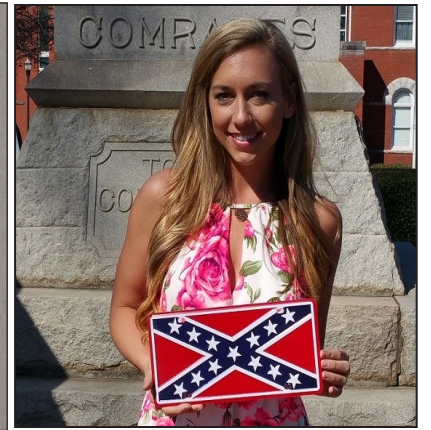
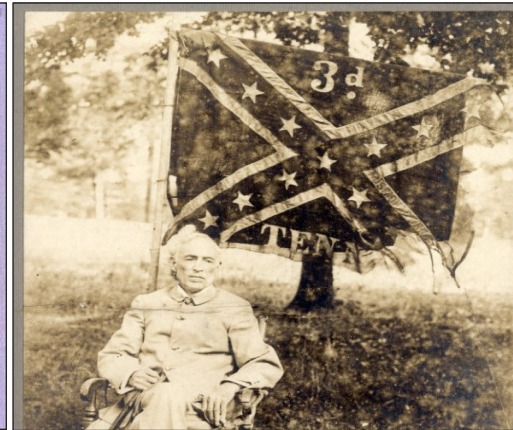
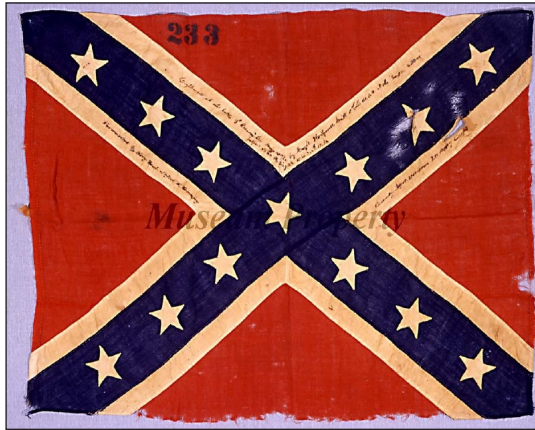
Given the superior quality and historical accuracy of our Flags, we have the most competitive prices available than any other on-line store selling Flags. Our major objective is having the patriotic symbols of the Confederate Soldier available for all to proudly display. All profits from the sales go directly to cover the expenses of our Division office.

What makes our Flags unique from

the rest?

Our supplier, Ron Moore of the Virginia Division, SCV and founder of Richmond Depot Flags, has been studying these historical flags for many years. Ron manufactured our flags based on real battle flags of the Army of Tennessee and the Army of Northern Virginia Battle Flags which makes our Flags authentic replications based on historical originals. Our Flags with

these authentic designs are exclusively sold and distributed by the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Most unique are the various star patterns that represent true Confederate flags. Not only are our Flags historically accurate, but they are made with polyester material, heavy duty grommets and has (4) rows of stitching on the flag end for durability.



The Army of Tennessee (AOT) Battle Flag. Size 3ft X 5ft.

The Army Of Tennessee flag is the most widely produced Confederate flag and often considered "The" Confederate Flag.

Our exclusive version of this Flag is based in part on the Alabama 38th and 40th Regiments Flag, the 31st TN

and Kentucky 5th Regiment flags. (as shown in photos) A special feature of our flags is the correct orientation of the different directions of the stars used in many AOT and ANV Flags. The star patterns featured in our AOT flags also follow the original prototype's star patterns of the first Battle Flags, sewn by the Cary sisters and now on display at

the Museum Of The Confederacy.

We have added a center star facing up as noted in the 3rd, TN and 6th KY Regiment flags. Also notice our Flag has larger stars complementing the authentic wider white border at the edge of the blue Saint Andrews Cross, creating a very bold presentation of the AOT. The wider white border is also a

unique feature to our AOT flag, designed and proportioned after the 3rd and 31st TN flags and captured 233 flag. Our flag is graphically superior to other non-authentic AOT flags offered by traditional suppliers. This Flag is made of polyester material, heavy-duty grommets and has (4) rows of stitching on the flag end for durability.



The Army of Northern Virginia (ANV) Battle Flag. Size 51" X 51".

This Flag is an authentic replication based on the 9th Texas Regiment Flag (as shown in photo) This flag was made by the Richmond Depot originally in 1864. The direction of the stars on this Flag was often used in many ANV Flags such as Col. George S. Patton, Sr.'s and is reproduced here for the first time; note the stars of the 255 and 407 Battle flags that were captured and returned to the Museum Of The Confederacy, feature the same star pattern.



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The 1956 State of Georgia Flag. Size 3ft X 5ft.

This beautiful Flag flew over the State of Georgia for nearly 50 years and is often referred to as the "Real" Georgia State Flag because of the shenanigans employed that replaced it and because the

citizens of Georgia never got a fair vote to choose the State Flag of Georgia. It was originally created to honor the Georgia Confederate Veteran as indicated in the legislation that instated this State Flag. The Battle Flag design is the same design as our Army of Tennessee Flag but with a larger center star to present it as a true

memorial Flag. This Memorial version of the Georgia State Flag was designed by Richmond Depot Flag's Ron Moore and is exclusive to the Georgia Division SCV. This Flag is made with polyester material with 2 heavy-duty grommets and has (4) rows of stitching on the flag end for durability.

Memorial Flags:

These Memorial flags are reproduced with a much larger center star that was a representation of the many post-war Memorial Flags used across the South. We offer the ANV and AOT Memorial Grave side flags with a 30" wooden staff, plastic retainer clip to secure the flag on the staff and a Gold "top." Note the larger star of the post-war AOT flag from the Florida Soldiers Home.

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Hi all - We have a new Cadet member for the Georgia Division! His name is Seth Akers, and he is coming in under his uncle, Shane Honea, of the General William J. Hardee Camp #1397 of Dallas, GA.

Have a DIXIE Day, Thomas Miller
5th Brigade Commander, Georgia Division SCV
Chaplain, Ogeechee Rifles Camp 941 SCV
Member, Sons of the American Revolution
"C" Advisor, Delta Chi Fraternity ABT

Welcome, Cadet Member: Seth Akers

Commander's Report.

Greetings Brothers,

The past few months have been a "trying time." We have fought and won a battle with the State Department of Revenue to regain our SCV tag, watched as New Orleans politicians make every effort to remove all vestiges of the Confederacy from their city, seen our own governor decide he would rather side with the radical left, going against the God fearing people of his own state, among other things. We have individuals running for the office of President that shouldn't be running for local Dog Catcher and they try to blame everything on our Confederate ancestors while ignoring the radical terrorist they continue to allow into our Country. Our "leaders", and I use that term very loosely, are more worried about their financial supporters than about "we the people"! Believe me I could go on with this for hours, but I shouldn't inject my personal beliefs into your schedule, it's too depressing.

I have spent the past weeks in a struggle with my body, yes I know it's fat and OLD, but it continues to wear out and let me down. I have torn the other rotator cuff and at my age that's horrible. Then my left knee is failing, will probably have to have it replaced within the next few months. What's next?? I've had a good life, and have some of the best friends a man could ask for, have a very understanding wife (of 51 years) and a wonderful Grand-Daughter (oh yeah, a great son and daughter in law). I've had the privilege to lead this Division for about 10 or so years and while I compare it to herding squirrels, I've enjoyed it. It's been an honor.

As we move ahead we have several major tasks to accomplish:

1. We need to convince those in power that we can't forget our past. It's what the state is built on.
2. We have to teach our youth that being of Confederate Heritage is something to be proud of. Thereby support our Youth Camp.
3. We must impress on our friends and neighbors that we are the real hope for the future, not the hate mongers that our opposition try to portray us as.
4. We must forge ahead, recruit new members, and bring those who have left our ranks back.
5. And we must remain true to the SCV and what it stands for and always "Live the Charge".

As always men, don't forget who we are here for: Our ancestors and the future of the Southland. Support your heritage and recruit!

Long live the Confederacy, Jack



John Adams

Signer of the Declaration of Independence and Second President of the United States

[I]t is religion and morality alone which can establish the principles upon which freedom can securely stand. The only foundation of a free constitution is pure virtue.

(Source: John Adams, *The Works of John Adams, Second President of the United States*, Charles Francis Adams, editor (Boston: Little, Brown, 1854), Vol. IX, p. 401, to Zabdiel Adams on June 21, 1776.)

Gentlemen,

Confederate History

and Heritage Month is upon us and April 26 is Confederate Memorial Day in Georgia, despite Governor Nathan Deal's disgraceful attempts to erase it. As proud Sons of these heroic Veterans every day is Confederate memorial day for us. We have been blessed to be of the same blood line of America's greatest Patriots, men who had the inbred fortitude to pick up their muskets when tyranny crossed that Mason-Dixon line. Our Confederate Fathers knew liberty and what it took to maintain it and that is why we as their Sons appreciate their sacrifices more than most.

Victory for the Georgia Division

I declare a VICTORY for the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans. During this open season of Confederate hysteria we made it through three months of a Georgia State Legislative Session without any anti-Southern legislation even making it out of any House or Senate Committees, in spite of House Bill 760 being introduced which would change Stone Mountain from being a memorial to the Confederacy and give the authority to State agencies to define and change monuments if they deem them inappropriate. Also in spite of Senate Bill 294 that would have prohibited the recognition of public and legal holidays honoring, recognizing, observing, or celebrating the Confederate States of America, its history, or the military and political leaders thereof, and repeal the observing of Confederate History and Heritage Month.

I attribute this VICTORY to your and other like-minded Southerners great efforts. We were able to flood the legislative chambers with letters, e-mails and phone calls to our Representatives making them aware of this hideous legislation, in most cases they weren't even aware of until we brought it to their attention in a big way.

Division Communications

Knowing is half the battle, and with our new Division-wide e-mail "Call to Action" notification list, improving our Division facebook communications and by placing

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facebook ads we were able to reach at least 125,000 people to make those in and outside of our ranks aware of this hideous legislation. We as a Division have made some major steps forward by improving our internal and external communications and I'm very proud of all our efforts in doing so. It's been long overdue. A special thanks to our Internal Communication Officer Barry Colbaugh. Barry has transformed our Division facebook page to be on the cutting edge of communications with his posting of the latest news and events. Also special thanks to our Public Relation Officer Ray McBerry for issuing our Division press releases, keeping our web-site up-dated and introducing the Division to the facebook ad initiatives, that reaches 100,000 + like-minded Southerners. We have received thousands of dollars in donations from the public from that advertising initiative. My personal thanks to our Division Commander Jack Bridwell for supporting and authorizing all these new communication initiatives. It takes a good leader to have the faith and trust in his Officers to move forward on new initiatives.

We have to continue to build on our communications efforts to keep up with the latest technologies. Please if you haven't done so, send your and/or your Camp's e-mail list to our Division Secretary Kristen Dorety at secretary@gascv.org.

Division meets with Lobbying firm

We met with a prominent lobbying firm in March to discuss what they could do for the Division in our endeavor to strengthen our monument protect laws, specifically by getting legislation passed to amend Code Section 50-3-1 of the Official Code of Georgia. We need a continuous presence at the State Capitol, keeping us up-dated on any bad legislation efforts. Currently the members we met with are discussing with all their partners in the firm whether or not they

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can take us on as clients

without any conflicts of interest among their current clientele and of course we will need to discuss this initiative within our organization as well. But one thing for sure, it's not going to be cheap. This is serious business that will require serious commitment from both our Division and the lobbying firm. What is it worth to get the Monument Protection Laws strengthened to prevent the Georgia Taliban from destroying the monuments that honor our Confederate Heroes? Is it worth every member of the Georgia Division donating a one-time donation of \$25 to go toward this effort? Should we consider increasing Division dues by \$5 for a period of five years to raise the funds? These are considerations we need to discuss. Special thanks to Camp Commander Michael Dean of the Col. Hiram Parks Bell Camp of Cumming for setting up and participating in the meeting with the lobbying firm.

**Division Store is on-line at
www.gascv.org**

As you have read in this issue we have been able to launch our on-line Division store in March, selling Flags, stick flags, Tags and Pastor Weaver's CDs. The designs of our flags are exclusive because they are replicas of actual historical flags and are only available to the Sons of Confederate Veterans to sell. Sales have been very active. We have distributed over 2,500 stick flags to our Camps for Confederate memorial month along with many other sales. All profits from the store goes towards running our Division Office, which I hope will be self-supporting over time. Please visit our on-line store at www.gascv.org

Division office is open at new location

I'm pleased to announce that our Division office at our new location is fully operational. As you may recall our past Division Secretary Fran Dye had to resign due to family issues, but our New Division Secretary Kristen Dorety has taken over and has gotten our new office

at 544 Mulberry Street, Suite 310, Macon, Ga. 31202 operational. Kristen is handling roster up-dates, making deposits, taking calls and filling store orders along with work on other special projects. Kristen's schedule is Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 am to 2 pm. The new office looks great with a big thanks to 4th Brigade Commander Thomas Stevens for making it all possible. **Please start sending all Division dues and address changes to Kristen at the address below:**

Georgia Division, SCV
P.O. Box 1081
Macon, Ga. 31202
Kristen Dorety,
Secretary@gascv.org
1-866-728-4642

If you are in the Macon area, please contact Kristen and go by to see our new Division office.

Division By-Laws Proposal.

Posted in this issue of the Georgia Confederate is the proposed by-laws to be voted on at this Division Reunion in Covington on June 11, 2016. It is also an election year and all Division Offices are open for election. It is very important that all our Camps' Delegates participate and are present at the 2016 Reunion for this important business session. If you have any questions regarding any of the proposed by-laws and elections please contact me anytime.

Prorated Dues Period

As a reminder we are in the first prorated dues period of February to April, and between May to July the second prorated dues period begins. Below is a summary of that dues structure:

Georgia Division Dues:

\$12 for annual Ga. Division Dues between August 1 to November 1 for new and renewing members.
\$15 for reinstatement dues if annual dues are not received by the November 1 deadline date (\$3 reinstatement/late fee)
\$18 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for new members, joining during Feb, March or April. These are

prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year dues as well.

\$21 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for members reinstating their membership during Feb, March or April. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year dues as well.

\$15 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for new members, joining during May, June or July. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year dues as well.

\$18 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for members reinstating their membership during May, June or July. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year dues as well.

Life Membership for the Georgia Division is \$300 for ages of 12 to 64.

Life Membership for the Georgia Division is \$150 for ages of 65 and above.

SCV National Dues:

\$30 for annual renewals dues.

\$35 for new members

\$35 reinstatement dues if annual dues are not received by the October 31st deadline date (\$5 reinstatement / late fee).

\$50 for SCV National prorated Dues if joining during Feb, March or April. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year dues as well.

\$42.50 for SCV National prorated Dues if joining during May, June or July. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year dues as well.

Life Membership for the SCV National is \$750 for ages of 12 to 64.

Life Membership for the SCV National is \$375 for ages of 65 and 79.

Life Membership for the SCV National is \$187.50 for ages of 80 and above.

Remember new members can always pay the standard Division dues of \$12, but dues will be due again on August 1, 2016. So prorating is always the best option for both National and Division dues if

the member can afford them.

Always at your service,
Timothy Fred Pilgrim
Georgia Division Adjutant
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With the creation of the new on-line Division Store we want to promote and sell books authored by Georgia Division members.

If you're interested in adding your book to the on-line Division store and to our Division library please contact.

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or 1-478-501-5703

2016 Reunion Proposed By-law Amendments

Proposed By-Law Amendment No. 1,

Tabled from 2015 Reunion (Revised)

ARTICLE XIII SUCCESSION AND REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

(Changes Bold font and Underlined)

Section 3. Any Acting Division Commander, elected in the manner aforementioned in this Article, shall serve as Acting Division Commander until the advent conclusion of the next Division Convention unless the formerly elected Georgia Division Commander was removed from office for cause by either the Georgia Division or by International Headquarters and has been cleared of all charges before the next Division Convention. In this event, the replaced Commander may resume his former position as Commander, when cleared, should he so desire. If so, the Acting Division Commander may resume his former office as Lt. Commander.

Rationale: The purpose of this proposed by-law is to provide clarification in the event the elected Georgia Division Commander is removed from office and subsequently has been cleared of all charges.

Submitted by: Dan Coleman, Division Judge Advocate, Chattahoochee Guards Camp # 1639

Timothy Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant, Kennesaw Battlefield Camp # 700

Proposed By-Law Amendment No. 2,

Tabled from 2015 Reunion (Revised)

ARTICLE VI. DIVISION OFFICERS , (Changes Bold font and Underlined)

Section 2. At each Division Convention held in a year the date of which is an even number, the Georgia Division shall elect a Division Commander, two Division Lieutenant Commanders (one North and one South), a Division Adjutant and a Division Judge-Advocate. At each Division Convention held in a year the date of which is an odd number, Brigade Commanders for each of the Brigades in the Georgia Division will be elected. Any Division officer desiring to run for another Division office before the term of his current office expires must announce his candidacy in written form to the Division Adjutant and Division Commander at least sixty (60) days prior to the Annual Division Convention. This Division Officer's position will be considered an open position to be voted on at the same Annual Convention, regardless of whether it is an even or odd year. This Officer shall remain qualified to run for his vacated office should he not be elected to the new position.

Rationale: This proposed by-law change would have the elections of Division wide officers and brigade commanders on a staggered term basis which would be a positive change to our election procedures. The main objective of this change is that it will increase membership participation at each Division Reunion to get our membership more involved. Changing this election process will also make our Reunions more efficient by splitting the election process in two separate Reunions rather than having them all at one Reunion.

Submitted by: Dan Coleman, Division Judge Advocate, Chattahoochee Guards Camp # 1639

Timothy Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant, Kennesaw Battlefield Camp # 700

Proposed By-Law Amendment No. 3

ARTICLE XIII SUCCESSION AND REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

(Changes Bold font and Underlined)

Section 5. The office of Each Officer elected or appointed in accordance with this Article shall be filled by election at the next Division Convention for the unexpired term of the vacated Office. The acting Division officer shall

be qualified to run for said unexpired term. ~~must be ratified at the next Division Convention for the unexpired term of the vacated Office or new elections held by that Convention, for the unexpired term of the vacated Office.~~

Rationale: At the 2015 Division Reunion there was a major point of contention regarding the procedure to follow if an Officer who was appointed or elected by the Executive Council between Reunions should be ratified only or a new election should be conducted when it is a contested position. This by-law change clarifies that point by indicating elections will be held.

Submitted by: Dan Coleman, Division Judge Advocate, Chattahoochee Guards Camp # 1639

Timothy Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant, Kennesaw Battlefield Camp # 700

Proposed By-Law Amendment No. 4

ARTICLE VIII. DIVISION CONVENTION

(Changes Bold font and Underlined)

Section 5. Prior to the commencement of Registration, the Division Adjutant shall appoint and be chairman of a Credentials Committee, composed of five (5) to nine (9) members, whose duties shall be to man the Registration Desk during the published time period of registration; receive and verify credential forms presented by Delegates from a Roll provided by the Division Adjutant; record number of Camps present for quorum purposes; ~~and~~ submit a "Roll of Camps" to the Division Commander upon closing of Registration; and shall be responsible for all election procedures and verifications.

Rationale: The Credential Committee Chairman (Division Adjutant) has always verified Delegate credentials and has been responsible for our Division election procedures and verification, along with reporting those results to the Delegates. At the 2015 Division Reunion a separate "ratification" election was conducted by the appointed Chief of Staff which was handled improperly without proper Delegate verification, which lead to multiple ballots being distributed and then leading into chaos and the ballots becoming tainted. Our membership elects a Division Adjutant and with that position comes a level of trust and responsibility to handle these situations in a proper and fair manner. This By-Law change enforces those duties.

Submitted by: Timothy Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant, Kennesaw Battlefield Camp # 700

Proposed By-Law Amendment No. 5

ARTICLE III. DIVISION STRUCTURE,

Purpose: To have Haralson County placed into the 12th Brigade

SECTION 3: Paragraph 12 & 13 (Changes Bold font and Underlined)

The 11th Brigade will consist of those Camps situated in the following Counties: Camps in Haralson situated South of I-20, Carroll, Douglas, Heard, Coweta, and those Camps in Fulton situated South of an East-West line which intersects I-75N at its junction with I-85N.

The 12th Brigade will consist of those Camps situated in the following Counties: Polk, Paulding, Cobb, Camps in Haralson situated North of I-20 and those Camps in Fulton situated North of an East-West line which intersects I-75N at its junction with I-85N. "

Reasoning: To realign with historical accuracy the upper northwestern Georgia counties from which the entire 40th Georgia Infantry Regiment were drawn; to return a more equitable delegate balance into the 12th Brigade following losses of the Cedartown Guards Camp 0077 and Picketts Mill Volunteers Camp 2035; to provide greater official representation to those areas in southern Polk, western Paulding, and upper Haralson and all of the 12th Brigade.

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Sponsored by Haralson Invincibles Camp 673, Haralson County-
Commander Billy Bearden,
1st Lt Cmdr James Tolbert, 2nd Lt Cmdr Nathan Forrester,
Adjutant Richard Boarts

Proposed By-Law Amendment No. 6

ARTICLE III. DIVISION STRUCTURE,

Purpose: To move Putnam County into the Georgia's 3rd Brigade

SECTION 3: **(Changes Bold font and Underlined)**

Art. III, Section 3, paragraph 3: insert the word "Putnam" after the word "Morgan".

The 3rd Brigade will consist of those camps situated in the following Counties: Stephens, Banks, Jackson, Barrow, Walton, Franklin, Madison, Clarke, Oconee, Morgan, **Putnam**, Hart, Elbert, Oglethorpe, Greene, Wilkes, Taliaferro, and Lincoln.

Art. III, Section 3, paragraph 4: delete the word "Putnam".

The 4th Brigade shall consist of those Camps situated in the following Counties: Monroe, Crawford, Peach, Houston, Pulaski, Jones, Bibb, Twiggs, Bleckley, Dodge, **Putnam**, Baldwin, Wilkinson, Laurens, Hancock, Washington, Telfair and Johnson.

Reasoning: Putnam County is culturally, geographically, and historically aligned as part of Georgia's "Lake Country" with Greene and Morgan Counties. The "Lake Country" counties are currently split by the Georgia Division between two Brigades; therefore, this request is being made in order for Putnam to be aligned in the same Brigade with Morgan and Greene.

Sponsored by the W.F. Jenkins Camp # 690, Eatonton, Putnam County
Corbitt Kelly, Commander

**A NEW WAR REQUIRES A
DIFFERENT STRATEGY**
**By Jim Dale, Camp 700,
Marietta, GA**

A few years ago when the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) was taken over by radical flag waving lunatics I wrote an article that appeared in *The Georgia Confederate* newspaper asking for calm and sanity in defending our southern heritage. My thoughts were by flag waving we were playing directly into the hands of the enemy. The leadership, not unlike Pickett's Charge, was marching us to glory in a hail of fire with no cover. Now we are under attack again. The enemy's success, like the domino theory of the cold war, has resulted in Confederate heritage falling like dominos in all southern states. The SCV can't do a great deal in the near time to stem this wave of hatred. However, with patience and development of effective tactics and winning strategy we can in time make strides to slow and possibly halt destruction of our heritage.

If the SCV's continues its rowdy tactics of the past it will assure the loss of the Confederacy of our ancestors and their heritage. We must learn from the past and develop smart ways of fighting

those without honor or principle. A few years ago William Latham developed a different strategy that had great potential for success. Unfortunately, he did not gain the necessary support from our organization. He worked to redesign the SCV's image to return to its origin as a respected professional historical and heritage based organization. He met with state and local officials and representatives to present our cause and to work with them to preserve Georgia's Confederate heritage. Latham's professional appearance, dress, and demeanor impressed those he met and enhanced our image. He abandoned the emotional rhetoric and presented reasonable well thought out ideas to support his positions.

In my article I tried to further this strategy. I suggested continued development of professionalism within the SCV. Perhaps finding experts to teach classes on the subject? We should send representatives to meetings and make an effort to become active members of government, civic, historical, and professional organization's in order to explain and gain a platform to present the SCV's mission and vision. Our members should become pillars of the community participating in efforts to save, restore, and

increase historical markers; assist state, federal, and local park restoration and beautification projects; participate in celebrations and community events, and when permitted speak to students and teachers on various historical subjects not just the Civil War. Finally, we should not miss opportunities to perform living history whenever possible at schools and public programs. All this should be done with an eye toward respectability and demonstrated chivalrous gentlemanly behavior. If we only make our voices heard to those who we know want to hear them we are preaching to the choir. We must be pro-active in seeking out those who do not necessarily know us except by the false reputation provided from our enemies. The only way to beat an enemy who lies and uses disinformation is to prove them wrong with the truth and demonstrate it with class and courage. Studying Mr. Latham's methods and practices and putting them into effect with solid support across the SCV is a winning strategy in today's war. Deo Vindice.



Sine Die

The Georgia Legislative session of 2016 has met Sine Die on Friday, March 25

While other states like Alabama Tennessee Virginia and Louisiana saw their politicians work on Pro-Confederate Heritage Protection legislation, we here in Georgia were forced to remain silent.

A number of bills specifically designed to either protect or restore Confederate heritage saw initial hopeful & promising efforts come to a heart breaking end half-way through the session.

HB 50 , The "Georgia Heritage Protection Bill" from last year remained on this year's calendar, but remained untouched since April 2015. Current 50-3-1 Code section remains toothless, and needs serious rework.

HB 855 , The restoration bill of official Holiday names for Robert E Lee and Confederate Memorial Day were stripped of all sponsors and left to die

HR 1179 , The bill to solidify Stone Mountain Confederate Park into the State Constitution was crushed when all sponsors pulled their names.

HR 1457 Naming a bridge in Hall County for General James Longstreet was unable to cross over the 3rd reading threshold and drowned.

A small consolation can be had by the fact that the 2 anti-Confederate bills also failed.

HB 760 , The bill to remove all Confederate only protections at Stone Mountain Confederate Park failed, as did SB 294 , the bill to eliminate all Confederate recognition via holidays, and the prevention of the Governor from issuing Confederate recognition proclamations.

This year Republican Governor Deal breaks the annual Confederate History Month Proclamation streak since it was started by Democrat Governor Barnes in 2002.

Billy Bearden
Heritage Defense Officer

Georgia Confederate QUIZ:

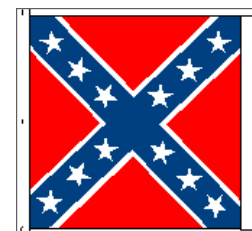
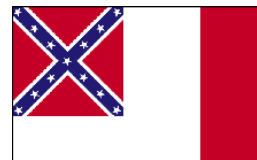
Can you name this gentleman?

Hint: His name is in the previous issue of the Georgia Confederate.

Send answers to: gaconfederate@att.net



Celebrate who you are!
..... with humility & thanksgiving.



*Lest
we
forget*

PRESS RELEASE

GEORGIA SET TO OFFICIALLY CELEBRATE APRIL AS CONFEDERATE HISTORY & HERITAGE MONTH

(ATLANTA - March 31, 2016) The Georgia Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans is pleased to announce that April is officially designated as "Confederate History and Heritage Month" in Georgia in accordance with Georgia state law. Georgia is proud of her Confederate Heritage and all Georgians are encouraged to honour our Confederate heroes and to learn more about our Confederate history.

Georgia law states in O.C.G.A. § 1-4-20: "The month of April of each year is hereby designated as Confederate History and Heritage Month and shall be set aside to honor, observe, and celebrate the Confederate States of America, its history, those who served in its armed forces and government, and all those millions of its citizens of various races and ethnic groups and religions who contributed in sundry and myriad ways to the cause which they held so dear from its founding on February 4, 1861, in Montgomery, Alabama, until the Confederate ship CSS Shenandoah sailed into Liverpool Harbor and surrendered to British authorities on November 6, 1865.

Officials and departments of state, county, and municipal governments, boards of education, elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, businesses, and all citizens are encouraged to participate in programs, displays, and activities that commemorate and honor our shared history and cultural inheritance throughout each April during Confederate History and Heritage Month."

For more information about the Sons of Confederate Veterans or any of this year's planned events to commemorate our Southern Heritage, contact the Georgia SCV at 404-271-8473 or online at www.GeorgiaSCV.org

END RELEASE

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Warner Robins Mayor Randy Toms read a proclamation designating April as Confederate History and Heritage Month. Receiving the proclamation is A.O. Smith. With him are from Lt. James T. Woodward Camp 1399 Jeremy Scarborough, Wayne Scarborough, Travis Howard, Howard Stone, Jerry Bridges, Darron Morgan, and Bobby Coleman.

**"No arsenal, or no weapon in the arsenals of the
world, is as formidable as the will and moral
courage of free men and women."**

~ Ronald Reagan

FACES & PLACES/DAY 31:

St. Matthews' Caleb Glover awarded Southern Cross of Honor

Caleb Glover, an African-American who was awarded the Southern Cross of Honor by the Paul McMichael Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, played a pivotal role in the history of St. Matthews.

Glover was born around 1827 and died in 1920.

He was the manservant of Col. Olin Dantzler, a St. Matthews native who suffered a fatal battle wound on June 2, 1864, in Bermuda Hundred, Virginia during the Civil War.

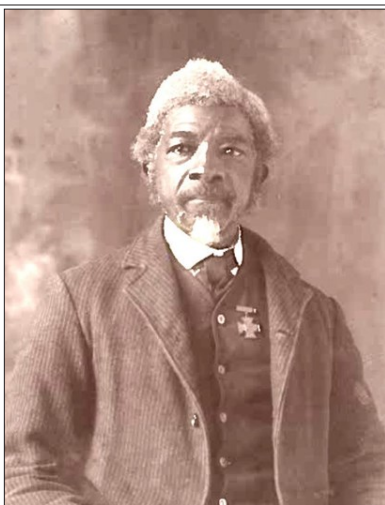
Glover accompanied Dantzler to the battlefield during the Civil War and returned Dantzler's body to St. Matthews for burial.

Glover also recovered and returned home the body of Col. Laurence Keitt of St. Matthews, who suffered a mortal wound during the Battle of Cold Harbor on June 1 and died near Richmond, Virginia on June 2, 1864. Dantzler taught Glover how to read and write. To those in the Dantzler family and community, he was known as "Uncle Caleb."

Charles G. Dantzler, the eldest of Col. Dantzler's sons, took care of Glover until his death. Those who knew Glover described him as truthful, reliable and one who never used bad language.

Glover's grave is maintained by the Col. Olin M. Dantzler Camp 73 of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. He's buried in the Bethel AME Church Cemetery.

Source: TheTandD.com





LITTLE MARY PHAGAN DAY IN GEORGIA

Perhaps the most well-known and most horrific murder in the history of Georgia occurred on April 26, 1913 when little Mary Phagan was brutally raped and murdered while going to collect her wages of \$1.20 before attending the parade for the aging Georgia veterans on Confederate Memorial Day.

The following proclamation was created in 2013 by Compatriot Ben Sinclair and Compatriot Kim M. Beck establishing "Little Mary Phagan Day". It is hereby published as commencement of an annual remembrance:

A Proclamation

Little Mary Phagan Day

Whereas:

Little Mary Phagan was born to Frances Elizabeth L. "Fannie" Phagan Benton Coleman and William Joshua Phagan in Florence, Alabama, on the 1st day of June, in the year of our Lord 1899; and

Whereas:

After the death of William Joshua Phagan, the family moved to Marietta, Georgia; and

Whereas:

Fannie Phagan married John W. Coleman in 1912, moving into the downtown Atlanta community of "Cabbagetown" where Little Mary Phagan began employment at the National Pencil Factory in the Spring of 1912; and

Whereas:

On April 26, 1913, Little Mary Phagan was on her way to celebrate Confederate Memorial Day by attending the parade of those aging Confederate veterans; and

Whereas:

Little Mary Phagan never made the parade, as she was beaten, raped, and brutally murdered, body thrown down an elevator shaft at the age of thirteen years old; and

Whereas:

The United Confederate Veterans and the Masons raised money to bury her at Marietta City Cemetery. She lies in the Southeast corner where Cemetery Street and West Atlanta Street intersect, adjacent to the Confederate Cemetery; and

Whereas:

Our Confederate heroes regarded her death as such importance to have buried her with Confederate veterans watching over her from her right, and Masons to her left; and

Whereas:

The Sons of those men in grey shall forget her not; now

Therefore:

I, Jack Bridwell, Commander,
Georgia Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans
do hereby

Proclaim June 1st, 2013, and each June 1st hereafter,
as Little Mary Phagan Day.



Our 35th Reenactment Anniversary

Come Share the History
WARDAYS
WARDAYS
APRIL 30 & MAY 1 2016

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www.oldclinton.org
Old Clinton Historical Society
154 Randolph Street
Gray Georgia 31032

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY APRIL 30, 2016

9:05 AM... Call to Colors (Mandatory Troop Assembly)
10:05 AM... Authentic Camps Open to the Public
11:05 AM... Ladies Tea
12:35 PM... Narration of Battle History Begins
2:05 PM... Battle of Sunshine Church
5:05 PM... Camp Closes to the Public
8:05 PM... Memorial Service at Old Clinton Cemetery
NOTE: New Event for Saturday & Sunday
12:35 PM... YOUTH WOODEN RIFLE MOCK BATTLE

SUNDAY MAY 1, 2016

9:05 AM... Call to Colors (Mandatory Troop Assembly)
10:05 AM... Authentic Camps Open to the Public
11:05 AM... Church Service at Macarthy Pope's House
12:35 PM... YOUTH WOODEN RIFLE MOCK BATTLE
1:35 PM... Narration of Battle History Begins
2:05 PM... Battle of Griswoldville
4:05 PM... Camp Closes

ADMISSION / CONTRIBUTIONS

ADULTS... \$5.00 CHILDREN... (AGE 18 & YOUNGER IS \$3.00) (UNDER 6 - FREE)

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NEXT WARDAYS MAY 6 & 7 2017

Old Clinton ~ 2016

Come to Old Clinton and take a step back in time on April 30 & May 1, 2016, when re-enactors from the Southeast recreate the Battles of Sunshine Church, which took place in July of 1864, and Griswoldville, which took place in November of 1864 during Sherman's March to the Sea.

The 16th Georgia will sponsor a children's battle and a Ladies Tea. The National Naval Civil War Museum in Columbus is to bring a Naval Display/Marine, with replica cannon like those once made in Macon

The entire event takes place in the Old Clinton Historic District, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Self-guided walking tour information will be available, and guided tours are available by pre-reservation.

Crafts of the era will be demonstrated; "modern" arts and crafts will also be available for purchase; and "modern" as well as food of the period will be served.

Saturday's program will conclude at 8:05 P.M. with the 16th Georgia, Company G, Jackson Rifles, CSA conducting a memorial service in the Old Clinton Cemetery to honor Clinton's Confederate dead.

Gates open at 9:00 A.M. Battle at 2:05 each day. Admission/Contribution each day: Adults - \$5; Students 18 and under \$3; Children under 6 - Free. Memorial service - Free.

Clinton is located 12 miles NE of Macon, 1-1/2 miles SE of Gray, one block west off US Hwy 129. For more information contact Earlene Hamilton at 478-986-6383 or the Jones County-Gray Chamber of Commerce & Visitor's Center at 478-986-1123.

The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp
Why wait? Sign up today!

The Georgia Confederate

Dear Editor,

While perusing the list of Camps and their donations to the Georgia Division in 2015, it occurred to me that we as individuals can contribute a lot of money for Division projects in 2016. Our hate-filled, unreasonable, uneducated foes have large sums of money in their coffers and they use the funds to buy and intimidate weak-kneed politicians and spread lies that suit their mean-spirited agenda.

We will never have those kinds of funds, but I strongly believe the men of the Georgia Division are willing to do their duty and raise at least fifty-thousand dollars for our Division projects in 2016. If each member donated twenty dollars, we would surpass the fifty-thousand dollar mark enabling us to put up a stronger fight against our adversaries. Twenty dollars is eighty quarters. Any of us can save eighty quarters in a year's time.

We can do this, my fellow Compatriots. Send your donation to Division Adjutant Tim Pilgrim as soon as you can...and recruit at least one new member in 2016.

Deo Vindice!

Jack Grubb

The General John B. Gordon Memorial Camp #1449

Thomaston, Georgia

[39 cents a week. Editor]

Stewart-Webster Camp #1607

PO Box 801 Cusseta Ga.31805

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Georgia Division

02/16/2016

Board of Commissioners

City of Preston

Inquiry;

Past Commander Glynn Cobb acting on behalf of The Sons of Confederate Veterans Stewart-Webster Camp #1607 requested that we be allowed to conduct a Flag Ceremony on 9 April 2016.

We have conducted this ceremony several times in the past with no problems or issues and looked forward to working with the Community again.

Our Camp takes its mission to honor, preserve and protect Georgia's Confederate History and its Heritage very seriously.

The event that we wanted to reenact is explained on the Georgia's State Historical Marker on your Court House lawn.

We had scheduled a prominent spokes person of Confederate history, (Mr. HK Edgerton) to be our guest speaker, and were expecting about 60-100 people to attend.

Our Camp and I would like to know the reason we were denied permission to conduct this reenactment ceremony, which signifies a historical moment of American Confederate history in the State of Georgia and in your town.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans being a 501-C3 organization will continue to preserve and protect historical events, honor our ancestors and teach the true history of the American Confederacy for future generations.

Thank you for your attention to this issue. We look forward to your quick response.

Harry Ross, Commander Stewart-Webster Camp#1607 Contact # 706-366-7063



Buckhead/Lawton Camp # 2102 Serves Community & 6 year old, Carson Bragg

Seven Buckhead Ft. Lawton Brigade Camp No. 2102 members met Saturday morning to cut firewood for Magnolia Springs State Park, the Home of the Confederacy's Camp Lawton. The members also cut firewood to be used in the following day's BBQ Fundraiser for Carson Bragg.

Ten Camp 2102 Members answered the call to help with a community wide BBQ Fundraiser to raise money to help the Carson Bragg Family in their time of need.

Carson Bragg is a 6 year old boy that has been diagnosed with DIPG, an inoperable brain tumor. On December 8, 2015, doctors told the family that Carson had only 3 months to live.

More information can be found on Facebook on Carson Bragg's Story. \$7956.00 was raised on Sunday with additional donations the following day bringing the total to over \$8100.00. The members of Buckhead-Ft. Lawton Brigade Camp No. 2102 were grateful for the opportunity to join in a community effort with Church Groups and other individual volunteers to help make this event successful.



Camp #2102 shows why the Georgia Division is a leader in the Sons of Confederate Veterans ! Great job men.

Editor



The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp
Refuge Baptist Camp

June 12 ~ 18
Carnesville, Georgia

Chaplain's Column

"Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children. And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it." Psalm 90:16-17.

All of us hope that when our days come to an end that we have not lived our lives in vain. We would like to think that what we have done here on this earth has made a difference somehow.

Trying to understand the meaning of life has never been an easy exercise. When the War of Northern Aggression ended, soldiers and civilians alike had the problematic task of picking up the pieces to move forward. What few pieces there were left to pick up.

Some time back I read the documented diary and papers of Chaplain Lachlan C. Vass, 27th Virginia Infantry who served in Petersburg at the General Hospital. I wrote down some of the quotes and entries from Chaplain Vass's work. I wish I had noted who had written the article so I could give proper acknowledgement, so I ask forgiveness. His writings probably well echoed the feelings of most Southerners after the War:

*"Life has a burden for every man's shoulder,
Some may escape from its trouble and cares;
Miss it in youth, 'twill come when we're older,
And fit us as close as the garments we wear."*

Among the papers of Chaplain Vass is a listing of wounded and sick Confeder-

ate soldiers which he catalogued from the hospital. The first entry lists: "Dan Curry, Age 36, Co. K, 6th LA, Left leg Amputated below..." From the detailed listing of soldiers, it's quiet obvious to assume that Chaplain Vass prayed and consoled every one of the two-hundred and ninety-six men. Rev. Vass recorded each man's name, age, regiment and the wounds they suffered. Like the Good Shepherd of the Bible, Chaplain Vass knew his men by name. Chaplain Vass wrote letters home for these men and offered comforting prayers as he read the Word of God to the wounded and dying. He became an angel of mercy to those whom he served.

Another excerpt from Chaplain Vass's writings:

"Sorrow comes into our lives uninvited,

Robbing our hearts of their treasures of song.

Lovers grow old, and friendships are slighted.

Yet somehow or other, we worry along."

Faith doesn't protect us from sorrow or from human conflict. With their once proud nation destroyed, the army defeated, the land in ruins and the prospects poor, the entire people of the South groaned. They began to wonder what the last four years meant. Had the lives of valiant men been wasted? Was it all in vain?

After the fall of Petersburg and the end of the War, Rev. Vass spent the next fourteen months there, ministering to hospital patients and preaching and serving the people at Second Presbyterian Church. Another verse I'd like to share is one Mrs. L. C. Vass found in her husband's pocket

after his death on September 28, 1896:

"Somehow or other, the pathway grows brighter,

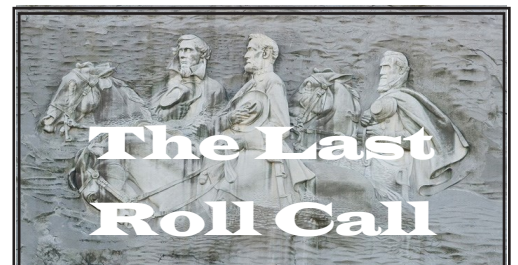
*Just when we mourn there is none to befriend,
Hope in the heart, makes the burden seem lighter,
And somehow or other, WE get to the End!"*

Did Chaplains Vass's life count? How would the men in the hospitals where he served answer this question? What would his fellow chaplains say about his servant attitude as he served as the permanent secretary of the Chaplain's Association of the Second and Third Army Corps?

Your life is a witness to your own generation and to the ones to come. When you ask yourself "Does my life count?" Think of those faithful Christians who faced heartache and loss beyond our comprehension. Consider their faithfulness in the face of a desolate unknown. Faith is the impulse which quickens our weary bodies and illuminates our souls. God will establish the work of our hands. We get to the end with God's help and beyond the end lies the promises of God fulfilled for all who put their trust in Him. May God help us to be as faithful as our ancestors as we carry the "Charge." May we stand firm in our faith and in our convictions when those around us call our ancestors traitors and come after the memorials we have set in place to honor them. God and truth is on our side!

Kim M. Beck

Georgia Division Chaplain



Gregory Dale Mitchell

Summerville, Georgia
Chattooga, County Camp 507

James Michael Nicholson

Summerville, Georgia
Chattooga, County Camp 507

Gerald "Jerry" Harding Gunn

Winder, Georgia
27th Georgia Regiment Camp 1404

Curtis Clifton "Bear" Hamrick

11th Brigade Commander
Waco, Georgia
Harrelson Defenders Camp 2265

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Montgomery Sharpshooters Camp 2164

Please send reports to Division Chaplain Kim M. Beck, 2321 Middle Ground Church Rd., Eastman, Georgia 31023-3043 or email to: pinebarrensvolunteers@yahoo.com

The Last Roll forms can be found under "Member Resources" on the Georgia Division website.



The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp: June 12 ~ 18
Fulfilling our charge, our duty to future generations!

APPLY BEFORE MAY 1st
SAVE \$50.00

Georgia Division's "Confederate Flag Day" Ride and Rally, March 5th, 2016

Hosted by the Haralson Invincibles Camp 673

Confederate Flag Day' rally, members of our Camp began planning for as big an event as we could put together. Combined with assistance from Division leadership – our intrepid band of Southern Warriors brought together many positive elements from last year's rides and rallies, and the final product was truly a great day for anyone with the blood of Confederate Veterans running through their veins, unashamed to hold a flag in public!

The weather, which had been cold and rainy all week long, finally broke the evening before, providing a warmer, crystal clear Saturday with a nice, gentle breeze.

Providence had truly Blessed our event.

Starting and ending at Tallapoosa's Helton – Howland Veterans Park, the ride portion began at 10:30am with a long convoy of vehicles proudly displaying numerous Confederate Flags. The Ride was headed-up by a Haralson County Sheriff's Deputy.

As we ventured through the city of Tallapoosa, officers of that city's Police Department had blocked off major intersections, which allowed our vehicles to stay close together which, in turn, provided our group added protection. Oncoming traffic along Highway 100 pulled off to the shoulder, as our escorted pro-

cession headed north to Polk County.

Arriving in Cedartown, a brief detour into the Kroger Supermarket parking lot was made in order to pick up many more folks with vehicles who were ready to join the Confederate Flag Caravan.

These individuals were from numerous localities from all across North Georgia –

Dalton, Dahlonega, Rome, Blue Ridge, etc.

Among the Ride participants were representatives of the Georgia SCV Mechanized Cavalry.

Our Confederate Flag Ride route spanned 10 cities across 5 Counties and through 2 Brigades, taking just under 3 hours to complete.

All along the entire route, we were witness to a steady barrage of positive horn honks, cheerful waves, huge smiles and enthusiastic thumbs-up!

Returning to the Veterans Park, we lined up our vehicles and took some group photos, as we awaited the day's speakers and musical performance. Approximately 100 people were present . . . folks from Alabama and Georgia were in attendance, with multiple SCV Camps being represented. Among those participating were not only just from extreme North Georgia or locally from West Georgia, there was also a family who hailed from Walton County (Monroe). Divi-

sion Adjutant Tim Pilgrim and his lovely

daughters also made an appearance.

Commander Bearden provided details on *why* we celebrate the 1st National (Stars and Bars) and the 3rd National (Blood Stained Banner) and explained the historical Southern Heritage significance of March 4th. He then spoke about all of the attacks and losses inflicted upon Georgia's Confederate Heritage since June 2015, and encouraged everyone to Stand, Fight and Never Back Down, and everyone agreed they would!

Compatriot Jerry Segal read a powerful speech that stirred many passions. He has a great voice and is very well spoken.

After Brother Jerry, the main speaker then took the stage – Haralson County Sheriff Eddie Mixon.

Mr. Mixon spoke eloquently about his Confederate ancestors, his pride in his Confederate heritage and that he proudly displays a Confederate flag and relics in his office. Sheriff Mixon's speech was very moving and heartfelt, for which he received a rousing ovation.

After having read most of all accounts concerning the Flag Day events across America on March 5th, Commander Bearden concluded that none had police escort or the involvement of as much local government support,

as our event had!

Special musical guest, Brad Weaver, aka 'Celtic Confederate,' made the trip from nearby Gadsden, Alabama. Although Brad had first recorded his song "Raise Your Battle Flag" in 2011, it was rediscovered last year and became a huge sensation all across the South, due in large part, because of the 2015 attacks upon Confederate symbols.

The song's title remains popular on social media sites such as Facebook and twitter.

Its twitter hashtag is: #raiseyourbattleflag.

The esteemed Virginia Flaggers, within their own multiple, flag-raising videos, have utilized the Alabama resident's song.

There was no doubt, Brad came to play his guitar and sing his songs.

Also, it was amazing to see the *entire* gallery of Confederates waving their Battle Flags and singing along, while a video was being made of the whole event.

The 1st Confederate Flag Day Ride and Rally was a huge success; it will be even bigger next year and with Heavenly Father's grace, an annual Southern Heritage tradition for the ages.

Our heartfelt *thanks* to all true Confederates who attended!

It is always wonderful to see people Advancing the Cause and Colors while Living the

Charge, which is *why* we, in the Haralson Invincibles, are most proud!

[See photos Page 18]

Donahoo [See Page 18]

Michael Bryson speaks of the story about this marker. Sonny Roberts (Etowah Valley Historical Society Member) had this marker made some 4 years ago and passed away before he could get the marker set. His daughter moved into his house but after a while she had to go to the nursing home. Rose Hales called me from Kennesaw and said they had found the marker while cleaning Mr. Roberts house and wanted to get it put on Simpson B. Donahoo's grave. She did not know where he was buried so Mike did the search and found

him at Stamp Creek Baptist Church cemetery. He went to the cemetery and found the grave so we would make sure where the location was.

All of these talks started in late February and on March 20th I got the marker from Rose and carried it to Dale Black. He talked to Frank Perkins of Childs Monument Company and he had a piece of marble he could not use so he mounted the marker on the stone (at no cost). Friday March 25th Dale Black, Timothy Bryson, and Michael Bryson placed the marker at the grave of Mr

Donahoo. We will have a dedication service at a later date. Michael Bryson

Remembering Confederate Veterans is what the Stiles/Akin Camp was formed for. A Special thanks to Michael Bryson, Timothy Bryson and Commander Dale Black for the incredible job they did in setting this marker. Also Frank Perkins of the Childs Monument Company and a special rebel yell for Simpson B. Donahoo of Company D 36th Georgia Volunteer Infantry.

~ Barry Colbaugh; Stiles/Akin Camp

THE 15th ANNUAL
NATIONAL CONFEDER-
ATE MEMORIAL SERVICE at
STONE MOUNTAIN PARK

On Saturday, April 2nd at 1:00 p.m., the Georgia Society Military Order of the Stars & Bars held a rally and memorial service in front of the Reflection Pool at Stone Mountain.

David Floyd and David Denard were the sponsors of the event which is held annually in honor of the Confederate Veterans who served their Country, defending their families and homes against the northern invaders.

Many attendees brought picnic lunches and enjoyed a Dixie Day at Stone Mountain.



Confederate Patriots Kick Off
Confederate Heritage & History Month
~ 2016 ~

As one of the few, and as long as I draw breath in this mortal state, I pledge my labors and my sacred honor to live out “The Charge” to the best of my abilities, and to never allow a Confederate Veteran's memory to be lost by neglect to future generations. So help me God!

Compatriot
Ralph West Mills





119th GEORGIA DIVISION CONVENTION/REUNION

REGISTRATION FORM

JUNE 10th & 11th, 2016

The Georgia International Horse Park
1996 Centennial Olympic Parkway
Conyers, GA 30013

Host Camps: The Confederate Memorial Camp 1432
Joe Wheeler Camp 863



Name: _____ & Camp # _____

Spouse and/or Guest Name(s): _____
(Spouse & Guests do not have to pay Registration Fee)

Registration Fee each (only Georgia Division members) \$25

[Late Registration Fee after May 15, 2016] (only Georgia Division members) \$35

Optional Add-Ons: Sterling Silver Medals Qty. _____ x \$45 = _____

Extra Program Qty. _____ x \$5 = _____

Ancestor(s) Memorialized in Program \$10

*Please include Name, Rank & Unit _____

Friday, June 10th

Pre-registration at the Host Hotel from 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Meet & Greet Social with BBQ Supper from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Qty. _____ x \$15 = _____

Saturday, June 11th

Convention Begins at 9:30 am | Registration from 6:00 am – 9:00 am in The Carriage Room

Please Make Checks Payable to: The Confederate Memorial Camp 1432

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Return this form with Payment to:
Adjutant Phillip Autrey
416 Candler Street
Atlanta, GA 30307

Any Questions or Additional Information, Contact:
Commander Richard Straut
E-mail | scvbear@bellsouth.net
Phone | (770) 851-3395

You may also submit your registration and payment online at www.confederatememorial.org

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A block of rooms has been reserved for this event.

When registering, use the phrase “SCV Georgia Division Convention” to receive our group rate



Genealogy Links Contact a Recruiter	Application For Membership Type or Print Clearly in Black Ink Only to Avoid Mistakes	Locate a Camp
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To the Officers and Members of _____

Camp No. _____ Located at _____

State of _____ I, the undersigned, respectfully petition to become a member of the

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Initial Dues are \$35.00 which Includes a \$5.00 recording fee; local and state dues are additional. Go to www.scv.org/campLocator.php to find a local Camp. Submit your application directly to the local Camp you wish to join or to: SCV, P.O. Box 59, Columbia TN 38402-0059 if there is no Camp in your area. Attach a copy of the ancestor's war service record or an approved pension for him or his widow. Also Include a simple genealogy family tree linking the applicant to the Confederate Soldier. If accepted, I do hereby promise strict compliance to the Constitution and rules of the organization.

The Confederate patriot through whom I petition for membership, and who adhered to the Cause of the Confederate States of America, was my _____ whose name was

Relationship to Applicant (Print Clearly)

Full Name of Confederate Soldier (Print Clearly)

of _____,

City/County (Print Clearly) State

My _____ Lineal ☐ Confederate Ancestor was a _____ in Company _____

Rank (Print Clearly)

Collateral ☐

(Check One)

Complete Name of Regiment or Unit (print Clearly)

My Confederate Ancestor was: ☐ Paroled, ☐ Surrendered, ☐ Released on Oath, ☐ Discharged, ☐ Killed, ☐ or died

On _____ and is buried in _____

DATE County State Name of Cemetery

Clearly Print Full Name Legal Signature

ADDRESS City State Zip Code

Date of Birth MM/DD/YYYY Occupation Home Phone Work Phone email address

RECOMMENDED BY

Current Member's Name (Print) Camp Name and Number

Report on Application

This application has been examined, and from the information which the camp committee has been able to procure, is approved

SIGNATURE - Camp Committee on Application SIGNATURE - Camp Committee on Application

Date approved for Membership by Camp Date Received at GHQ



☞ Signing of the Confederate Memorial Day Proclamation: Bartow County Commissioners office. Stiles/Akin Camp #670 along with the Cartersville United Daughters of the Confederacy General Pierce Manning Butler Young Chapter. Shirley Hamby; Com. Steve Taylor; Dale Black; Mike Bryson; Timothy Bryson.



☞ The Col. Charles T. Zachry Camp 108 swears in their newest members (L-R) Keith Beckum and Ross Foster. Also pictured are Camp Chaplain Fred N. Chitwood and Camp Commander Tony Pilgrim. The Zachry Rangers Camp has seen a surge in Membership with ten New Members since June 2015.



☞ The Kennesaw Battlefield Camp # 700, adopts the Old Holly Springs / Garrett Cemetery in North Cobb County. A road sign on busy highway 92 is erected giving recognition to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

☞ Col. Charles T. Zachry Camp Member Mike Driskill was inducted into the Mechanized Cavalry this past March. Congratulations Mike, Ride as you would with Forrest. Also pictured is Camp 1399 Commander and Mechanized Cavalry Member, Tim Hawkins.



The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp



Habersham Guard Camp 716, Clarkesville, GA-Commander Kenneth Craig presents a \$500 donation to help complete the Habersham Veterans Memorial Wall. The wall will include the names of veterans of all American Wars, as well as Confederate veterans. Accepting the check is Larry Whitfield, chairman of the committee overseeing the construction of the memorial.

☞ Camp 716 SCV members make their part of America a little cleaner. Pictured from left are Compatriots Leland Smith, Rick Smith, John Butler, and David Dyer. Taking the photo is Compatriot Michael Dale.



☞ Ga. Division Adjutant, Tim Pilgrim, presents new officers of the Gen. Leonidas Polk Camp 1446 at their annual Lee-Jackson Dinner; left to right, 2nd Lt. Commander Jack Williams; Commander Garry Daniell; 1st Lt. Commander David Sapp; and Adjutant George Burkett. The General Leonidas Polk Camp 1446, Smyrna, Ga. Commander Garry Daniell, left, welcomes new member Colton Mayhall to the Camp.



History of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans

By Mark Pollard, Georgia Division Historian



Part (1)

"The Early Years"

By the mid 1890's it became clear that the aging United Confederate Veterans, (UCV), could not continue to carry on the commemorative activities and educational activities without help. There were discussions at the 1895 UCV reunion concerning the need to bring the sons into the organization to carry on the functions of the UCV. A letter was sent out by some sons in Richmond to various UCV camps in 1895 asking that each send a group of sons to the 1896 reunion to be held in Richmond. The call was well heard as there were delegations from throughout the Confederation in attendance. Two from Georgia were there: one from Macon and a smaller one from the Atlanta area.

At the first reunion attended by these sons it was agreed that an organization would be formed and would be called the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV). It would require the signing of ten members, so charters were issued to those with that number or more in attendance. Only the delegation from Macon was able to gain a charter in 1896 and the delegation was under the leadership of Dr. John L. Hardeman who would also serve later as the first commander of the Georgia Division. This camp was named Thomas Hardeman Camp No. 18 (since named the Edward Dorr Tracy Camp No. 18) and was chartered in 1896. There were 36 camps chartered at the first reunion.

Atlanta was represented at the first reunion by a small delegation lead by an Atlanta attorney named Thomas R. R. Cobb, II a grandson of Confederate Senator and General Howell Cobb. He was accompanied at the reunion by Walter Terry Colquitt, also of Atlanta and the son of

Confederate General Alfred Holt Colquitt. They did not have the required ten members at the reunion but at the second reunion they were chartered the John B. Gordon Camp No. 46. The date was June, 1897.

The National organization of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, (SCV) held their first convention in the summer of 1896. Just one week after the convention, a report appeared in "The Confederate Veteran" describing how many organizations of sons had begun to function and how a call had gone out by the R.E. Lee Camp (later #1) for a meeting in Richmond. At the first convention only 36 Camps were able to meet chartering requirements and only one in Georgia (#18 in Macon Commanded by D. John Hardeman).

The list of chartering SCV Officers were:

Commander: J.E.B. Stuart Jr. of Richmond, Va.

Lt. Commander: (Army of N. Va. Dept.) Robert A. Smith of Charleston, S.C.

Quartermaster:

R.H. Pinckney of Charleston, S.C.

Insp. Gen: George B. Williamson of Columbia, Tenn.

Surgeon: Dr. Stuart McGuire of Richmond, Va.

Commissary:

E.P. McKissick of Asheville, N.C.

Chaplain: Bishop T.P. Gailor, of Tenn.

Judge Adv: Thomas R. R. Cobb, Jr. of Atlanta, Ga.

By the following summer in 1897, it was clear in articles published in the "Confederate Veteran" by CIC Smyth that the entire Georgia Division was virtually inactive. This (Georgia Division) is practically unorganized, but members of Gen. John B. Gordon, (Camp

#46 of Atlanta, Ga.) started making strenuous efforts to organize camps throughout the State and also to make the reunion of the sons next July a success.

It's Commander, Compatriot W.W. Davies was quite instrumental in the early organization of the Division. He sent out to every Son in Georgia circulars, giving instructions as how to form a camp, also sending them a constitution to aid them in adopting their own, and other necessary information.

The results had been to arouse the entire State and Camps had already formed at Gainesville, Athens, Waycross and Henry County, while others were being formed and chartered.

At the third annual reunion of the SCV in 1899, CIC Robert Smyth graciously declined to run for a third term. By 1899, Smyth had built the SCV into a large body. The convention in 1899 elected Comrade Judge, Walter T. Colquitt of Atlanta. He was the son of Governor and Confederate General Alfred Holt Colquitt, who was an absolutely loyal compatriot. He was a member for many years until his death in 1936.

The period between 1900-1902 was an eventful one for the Georgia Division. In 1902, the general convention was held in Dallas, Texas. Members of the convention voted to extend credentials to William F. Parkhurst Jr. as Commander of the Georgia Division. The Division was expanding with 4 new Camps in 1900. Phil Cook #141, Albany; Tattnall #154, Reidsville; W.H.T. Walker #158, Augusta; and Dixie Boys #163, Thomasville.

During this period, was the opening of the long sought Confederate Veterans Home and the other was the creation and dedication of the monument commemorating the spot

where Confederate Gen. Walker was killed in 1864.

The Soldiers Home, first built in 1889 was an eloquent beautiful Victorian structure was destroyed by fire. In 1901, a new magnificent (and stone) structure was built. It was a triumph of the citizens of Georgia, once again, over fire.

The second important event of the turn of the century was the ceremony dedicating the monument to Gen. Walker. The monument, itself a testament to cooperation between North and South as cannons had to come from the U.S. Army, was unveiled by the General's tiny granddaughter in a tearful ceremony. It is a sad story, especially when one considers that today the monument sits at a busy intersection (Glenwood Avenue at Interstate 20) in a small grass-island and the outer wall with the steel fence and cannons is now completely missing. It is still there, however a bit worn and neglected.

The years 1903-1904 were busy, yet sad times in the Georgia Division. The general convention was held in New Orleans in 1903. A large delegation from Georgia attended and the convention was considered one of the best held.

The year 1904 produced profound sadness with the passing of General John B. Gordon. The death of General Gordon was mourned throughout the Nation as issues of the "Confederate Veteran" ran resolution after resolution from Camps throughout the Georgia Division and the United States. Many of the resolutions pointed out the many and wonderful things General Gordon had accomplished as General for half of Lee's Army; to Senator; to Georgia Governor; to life Commander of the United Confederate Veterans. He was intensely missed.

The year 1905 brought notable events. The Georgia Division, *Continued next page* ➡

SCV, continued

sion reunion was held in Macon, Georgia on November 8th. On a motion from the floor, a committee was formed and Compatriot Parkhurst of the John B. Gordon Camp of Atlanta drafted a resolution to be purposed to the following reunion of the SCV that would make consistent one year terms for national elected officers. The change to section 18 of article V was presented back during the final evening session and it was adopted. Finally the convention moved to elect new officers for 1905. As commander we had W. Lamar Williams and as adjutant we had W.W. Solomon.

In other 1905 events, the Monument Committee, composed many of the real veterans of Atlanta, which was formed in 1904 to construct a suitable statute of General Gordon, made a most important selection of an artist to build the monument. He was Solon H. Borglum of Utah. This well-known family was associated with both the Stone Mountain Craving and Mount Rushmore. It was a testament to Gordon's standing that such an artist would be sought for the statute that the landmark of its location would be on the Capital grounds at Atlanta.

It has been difficult to find specific information concerning the year 1906, however, it must be remembered at that time the veterans were very active and the sons were just "along for the ride." Maturity and concerted activity by the Sons increased as the ranks of veterans dwindled. In that particular year, the veterans were very active as an article appearing in the Confederate Veteran made specific note of Georgia's prominent old soldiers. An excerpt from that article speaks for itself.

"Georgia's Patriotism and Gratitude"

Soon after Appomattox, Georgia began to show her appreciation of the valuable and valued services of her son's by electing

them to represent her in her legislative halls and in the halls of Congress.

In the United States Senate she has called from time to time, Lieutenant General John B. Gordon, General A.H. Colquitt, Private T.M. Norwood, War Governor J.E. Brown, Surgeon H.V. Miller, Captain Patrick Walsh, Captain Pope Barrow, ex-Confederate General B.H. Hill and Major A.O. Bacon.

In the Governor's chair she has placed Colonel James M. Smith, Thirteenth Georgia; General A.H. Colquitt; A.H. Stephens, Vice President of the Confederate States; Colonel J.S. Boynton, Major H.D. McDaniel, General J.B. Gordon, Private W.J. Northern, and Colonel A.D. Candler.

For years, every member she has sent to Congress was a Confederate soldier...

Part (2), History of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans will continue in the upcoming editions of the Georgia Confederate magazine.

In an effort to document the history of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, I am in the process of compiling as much information as possible on the Division. Research shows there isn't much detailed information about the Division until around the mid 1920's. If your SCV Camp has ever held a reunion in the past, please submit who the elected Division Officers were in that particular year. Submit that or any other past Division information to:

Georgia Division Historian,
Mark Pollard at:

pollardsville@gmail.com



Compiled by:

Mark Pollard, Georgia Division Historian, Sons of Confederate Veterans

LUMPKIN COUNTY CONFEDERATE MONUMENT DEDICATION



The Lumpkin County Confederate Monument has been Erected!

Dedication ceremony will take place on
**Memorial Day,
May 30 at 3:00 P.M.**

The address is 99 Court-house Hill, Dahlonega, GA 30533.

The Blue Ridge Rifles Camp # 1860 has been working on this monument project for many years and with the Members of the Georgia Division voting to help fund the project with the Division tag funds it has finally been accomplished. Camp 1860 put forth all the foot work from the design to pouring the foundation and raising their share of the funds to make the project happen.

There were twelve units that mustered in Lumpkin County for the Confederate army that are on the monument:

Home Guards are as follows :

- Co, G 8th Reg. 3rd Brigade State troops,
- Co. D First Reg. State Troops "Blue Ridge Rangers"
- Co B 11th Bat. State Guards "Lumpkin Guards"
- Co. C 8th Reg. 3rd Brig. State Troops
- Co. A 11th Bat. State Guards "Dahlonega Infantry"
- Co. A 4th Reg. 2nd. Brig. Georgia Militia .

Army of Tennessee are as follows:

- Co. C 52nd Reg. Georgia Volunteer Infantry
- Co. F 65th Reg. Georgia Volunteer Infantry
- Co D 52nd Reg. Georgia Volunteer Infantry "Boyd's Guards"
- Co. E 11th Reg. 30th Georgia Calvary Bat.

Army of Northern Virginia are as follows:

- Co. H 1st Reg. Ga. Volunteer Infantry (Ramsey's) "Dahlonega Volunteers"
- Co. E Phillips Legion Georgia Volunteer Infantry "Blue Ridge Rifles".

There were almost 1200 men in these 12 units from our small mountain town. Northern influence has always insisted that the mountain counties of Georgia were union sympathizers . As you can see , that is far from the truth.

Please encourage anyone who would like to participate with us in the ceremony to come join us. We do ask that anyone participating with us wear only period correct attire.

For more information Contact ,

Camp Adjutant, Rodney Grizzle at scvgacamp1860@yahoo.com

*The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp
Sign up today. Avoid the rush!*



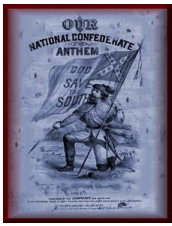
☞ Timothy Bryson, Sergeant at Arms and Dale Black, Stiles/Akin Camp #670 Commander clean Pvt. Donahoo's grave.
[See Page 12 for Story: Donahoo]



Lest we forget



**MUSTER ROLL OF COMPANY D, 36th REGIMENT
GEORGIA VOLUNTEER INFANTRY
ARMY OF TENNESSEE
C. S. A.
BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA**
Donahoo, Simpson (or Dunahoo)—Private Mar. 11, 1862. Roll for Apr. 30-Aug. 31, 1863, shows him "Absent, detailed by Secretary of War in Nitre & Mining Bureau." (Cooper's Iron Works in Bartow County, Ga.) Discharged near Cartersville, Ga. close of war. (Born in South Carolina in 1830.)



New Members: ☞
E. Porter Alexander Camp
Augusta, GA.
James David Donehoo
Confederate Ancestor:
Barnett William Donehoo
Private
Phillips' Legion, Georgia

Daniel West
Confederate Ancestor:
Daniel Green Cain
Sergeant
53rd Alabama Partisan Rangers

☞Members of The
Capt. Hardy B. Smith
Camp #104 in the Dub-
lin/Laurens Co. St Pat-
rick's Day Parade 2016.



Lumpkin County Monument: See Page 17.



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"We must all hang together,
or we will surely all hang sep-
arately." ~ B. Franklin, 1776

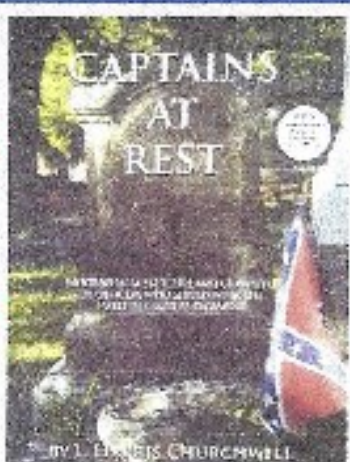
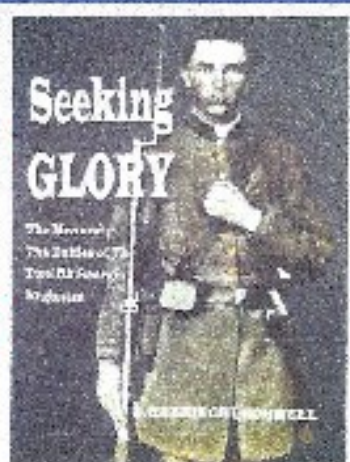


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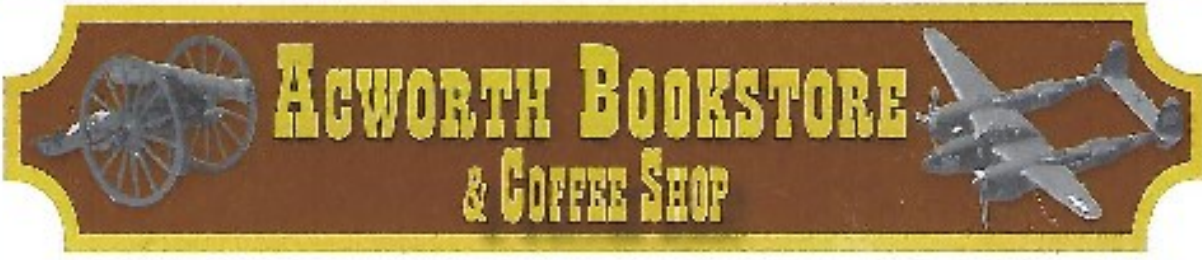


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The Rebelaires

The Rebelaires — Dave Griffin (from left), John Smith and Tony Cason performed at a Jackson-Lee dinner on Jan. 21 at Captain Joe's in Waycross, hosted by the Clement Evans Camp. The popular group performed some period pieces and some of their own songs — "Lord, I Hope I'm Not Dying in Vain," "Southern Belle" and "Confederate Man" among them — for the audience of about 50. Attendees included some visitors from Douglas-Coffee County where efforts are still ongoing to organize a new camp. The Rebelaires, who have performed at many SCV conventions and varied functions still have CDs in stock

Camp of the Unknown Soldier: News from Camp 2218

On Saturday, February 27, 2016, Joel B. Whitehead, Jr. (left), Chaplain of The Camp of The Unknown Soldier #2218 of Old Clinton, Jones County, Georgia, took part in a day-long living history program sponsored by The Cannonball House and The Hay House, historical Macon, GA sites. Joel spoke to hundreds on interested attendees about War period remedies and medical procedures.

Accompanying Joel in this endeavor was Camp 2218, Adjutant, John Wayne Dobson (right) who spoke to visitors about wool harvesting, cleaning, carding, and spinning, including an on-site demonstration of the preparation and use of various vegetable dyes used during the War period.



HIGHWAY CAMP FLAGS IN GEORGIA:

- I-75 Ringgold, 80' / 20'X30' Real Georgia
- I-16 near Hwy. 221, 55' / 10'X15' Battle flag
- Hwy. 80 near Stilson, 55' / 10'X15' '56 GA
- Hwy. 82 near Waycross, 60' / 10'X15' Battle flag
- Hwy 91S, Newton 30' lighted / 5'X8' Bonny Blue, 1-3 Nationals
- Cochran, 2nd Street, 20' / 3'X5'; Rotate: Battle Flag, Real Georgia, Bonnie Blue, 1st—3rd National
- Eastman, Dodge County Courthouse Circle; 20' / 51'X51' Battle Flag

If your Camp has a flag pole and would like to be recognized on this list, send the information to:

Editor, Georgia Confederate
gaconfederate@att.net

Camp 2039 Memorial Day Observance

April 24, 2016

The Pine Barrens Volunteers Camp #2039- Eastman, Georgia will host its annual Confederate Memorial Day Observance again this year at Liberty Baptist Church, 1100 Chester Highway, Eastman, Georgia. The date is Sunday, April 24, 2016. The event will begin promptly at 11:00 am. There will be camp demonstrations with artillery fire. Special guest speaker will be Hu Daughtry, Georgia Division Genealogy/Recruiting Officer and commander of the Dixie Guards Camp 1942, Metter, Georgia.

Reverend Brian Martin and members of Liberty Baptist Church invite you to come join us. Food and fellowship will follow. Uniformed and period dress ladies and gentlemen are requested to attend.

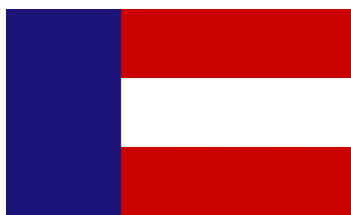
For more information contact

Camp #2039 Commander Gary Lowery at 478-374-3477

GEORGIA DIVISION'S FLAGS ACROSS GEORGIA FLAGPOLE LOCATIONS:

- I-85 North near exit 173, 60' / 10'X15' Real Georgia
- Interstate 20 and Wheeler Rd. Augusta, 50' / 10'X15' Battle flag
- I-95 near mile marker 65, 60' / 10'X15' Real Georgia
- I-75 at exit 71, Tift County 120' / 30'X50' Battle flag
- Hwy 520 (Jefferson Davis Hwy) Weston, 70' / 10'X15' Battle flag
- I-75 and Battlefield Pkwy Ringgold, GA 50' / 10'X15' Battle flag
- I-75 Ringgold, Ga, 80' / 20'X30' Real Georgia
- I-16 near Hwy. 221, 55' / 10'X15' Battle flag
- Hwy. 82 near Waycross, 60' / 10'X15' Battle flag
- Hwy. 19 near Albany, 60' / 12'X18' Battle flag

Flags of the State of Georgia



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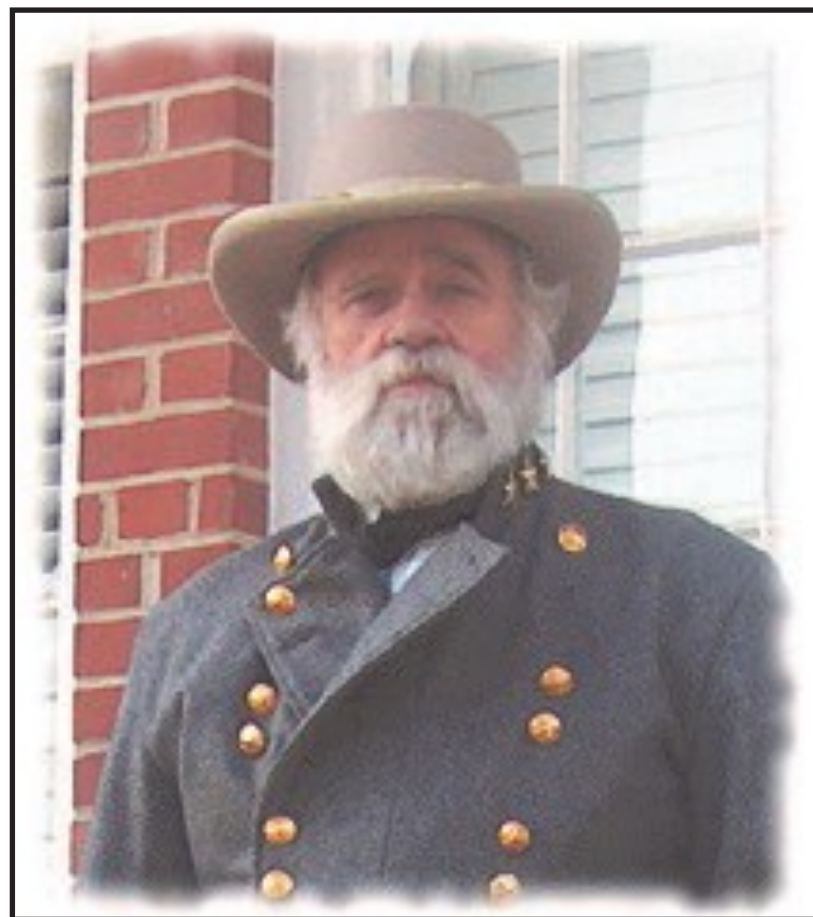
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YOUR GEORGIA DIVISION COMMANDER JACK BRIDWELL SOUND EXPERIENCE & TRUSTED LEADERSHIP

Brothers,

We have come a long way together through the years. We have had many tribulations, as a Division, and have had to work and fight through together. We also have had many successes that we all can be proud of as well. Through it all we have moved our Division forward to be the largest and the most progressive Division in the entire Confederation. The Georgia Division is always on the “cutting edge” of new initiatives that modernize our Division to keep up with new communication techniques. We continue to build our Division to be more efficient and to offer more services to our membership. Most importantly we have always been on the forefront of protecting and preserving the good name of the Confederate Soldier and fulfilling our Charge.



It has always been my honor to serve as your Division Commander. My desire is to continue moving our Division forward for a final term as your Division Commander. I humbly ask for your support at the up-coming 2016 Division Reunion in Covington on June 11.

Re-elect Jack Bridwell, Georgia Division Commander

Lexington, Va., February 8, 1858

My Dear Sister:

Your very welcome letter of last week reached me this morning, and I am rejoiced to learn that you are so much concerned about *“the one thing needful.”* I have borne in mind that our sainted mother’s prayers would not be forgotten by our heavenly Father. Though dead, her prayers, I trusted, would be *precious* in the sight of the *Lord*. The Saviour says in Mark, sixteenth chapter, sixteenth verse: *“He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.”* But you may ask, *“What is it to believe?”*

To explain this I will quote

from an able theologian, a devoted servant of God. To believe, in the sense in which the word is used here, is *feeling and acting* as if there were a God, a heaven, a hell; as if we were sinners and must die; as if we deserved eternal death, and were in danger of it. And in view of all, casting our eternal interests on the mercy of God, in Christ Jesus. To do all this is to be a Christian.

You speak of having done all that you know in order to be accepted. This is too apt to be our error. *We must not depend on making ourselves holy*, but just come to the Father and ask, for the sake of Jesus, and rely entirely on the merits of Christ for our prayer being answered. The

Father loves the Son, and for His sake pardons those who plead the Son’s merits. We should never think of presenting any merits of our own, for we are all sinners. Do not trouble yourself too much about not having repented enough for your sins, for your letter shows that you have much concern about the subject. But let me advise you simply to do as God enabled me to do: that is, to resolve to spend the remaining part of life in His service, to obey the teachings of the Bible until death, and to reply entirely on the mercy of God for being saved. And though the future looked dark, it has become very bright. Never despair; even old Christians sometimes have dark moments. Nev-

er omit to pray at regular times. For years your salvation has been my daily prayer and shall continue so.

Write to me often, and tell me all your trials, that I may be able as an instrument in the hands of God of doing something for your eternal welfare.... Were it not for my throat, Anna and myself would like very much to pay you a visit this winter. My throat and the sale of a neighbor’s property next week are the two obstacles. Anna is anxious to go next week. She joins me in love to you all.

Your affectionate brother,

THOMAS

A letter from Thomas Jonathan Jackson to his sister.

1st BRIGADE REPORT.....

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First Brigade Chaplain James Fletcher SCV Camp #707

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General Nathan Bedford Forrest SCV Camp 469 Rome, Georgia

Our regular meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Oostanaula Room of the Rome-Floyd County Library at 205 Riverside Parkway in Rome, Georgia. Members are expected, and visitors are always welcome.

Chattooga County Camp 507

Chattooga County Senior Center, Summerville, Georgia

Last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m

Camp 507 will be hosting a BBQ, Saturday the 23rd of April at Lawrence Park Menlo, Ga. Everyone is invited to attend, we will be ready to serve about 11:00am, pulled pork sandwiches, whole chickens, chips and drinks available. We will also be dedicating a Confederate Flag to the families of 2 fallen compatriots. For information call 706-862-6221

John B. Gordon Camp 599

Meets every third Tuesday at 7pm, Senior Center Lafayette, Georgia

Capt. Max Van Den Corput's Battery Camp 669

Cave Spring, Georgia

Commander Terry Swanson [706-252-2518](tel:706-252-2518) or email crew-chief18@comcast.net

Our regular meetings are on the first Friday of each month at Creek side Restaurant, 23 Cedartown Street SW Cave Spring, Georgia 30124

<https://www.facebook.com/scvcamp669>

Stiles/Akin Camp 670 Bartow County, Georgia

The camp celebrated Confederate Memorial Day Celebration and Robert Crowe Memorial on April 18, 2015 The Camp's Monthly Meeting is on the Third Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM Held at 101 North Erwin Street at the Art Center Building the public is welcome

<http://www.scv670.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/scv670>

Camp News: On April 16th at 10 AM, the Stiles-Akin Camp #670 Sons of Confederate Veterans, the service will feature guest speaker Linda Gossett Cochran and wreaths will be laid at the Confederate Marker by the P.M.B. Young Chapter of the United Daughters of The Confederacy. The Honor Guard will consist of members of the 52nd Georgia Infantry Reenactors, the Gilmer Light Guards Camp of Ellijay, and members of the Stiles-Akin Camp

April 24th @ 2:30 PM

The 152nd consecutive observation of Confederate Memorial Day which began in Kingston, Georgia in April 1865 will feature "A Patriotic Tribute" by The Bartow Winds. Children will decorate graves in the Kingston Confederate Cemetery. The Carl Boyd Post No. 42 of the American Legion will conduct the cemetery service. A Memorial Day Tea will follow the cemetery service in the Kingston Museum, Martha Mulinix Annex. In the event of rain, the service will be held in the Kingston Baptist Church.

Gen. P.M.B. Young UDC

Confederate Memorial Day Observance April 24th at 11:00 AM Stiles Auditorium, Cartersville Ga. Guest speaker: Mr. Kenneth Studdard

Mr. David Brown being presented with Military Service Award Members will meet on April 23 at 2:00 pm to set up and rehearse

Gen. Joseph E. Johnston SCV Camp 671 Dalton Georgia

Commander Sam Jones

We meet the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at the historic Crown Gardens and Archives which is located at 715 Chattanooga Avenue in Dalton, GA. If you would like to join or just visit you're always welcome to attend.

State of Dade Camp 707

Commander Robert Alan Daniels

Camp meets every third Tuesday at Randy's Restaurant in Trenton

Gen. Stand Watie Camp # 915

PO Box 626 Calhoun, Georgia 30703

Commander R. Stan Chambers

Camp meets the second Thursday of the month at 7pm

Camp News:

The Commander read:

A letter of thanks from Michael Landru, Executive Director, SCV Headquarters, for the Camp's contribution to the Stand Watie Scholarship fund.

Bids to repair stone wall around the stone cross at Resaca Confederate Cemetery. Camp voted to accept the low bid of \$950 from Jason Ramply.

The Adjutant reported:

Camp sent \$292.50 to sponsor Company G, 28th Georgia Reenactors.

Camp membership is at 26. New member is Gary Hunter. His ancestor is Pvt. Jacob Hunter who served with Company E, 24th Regiment, Volunteer Infantry.

Mr. Wesley Houston, currently an at-large member, Georgia Division HQ, has expressed interest in joining our Camp. Paperwork is in progress.

Park clean-up day at the Resaca Confederate Cemetery will be on April 2, 2016 beginning at 9 AM.

Confederate Memorial Day will be celebrated at 2:00 PM, Sunday, April 17, 2016 at the Resaca Confederate Cemetery. Speaker: local historian Ricky Silvers.

Lt.Col. William M. Luffman Camp 938

Chatsworth, Georgia

Colonel Joseph McConnell Camp 1859

Ringgold, Georgia

Commander Johnny Sparks

The camp meets every first Tuesday

PVT John Ingraham Camp 1977 Chickamauga Georgia

Meets the third Saturday 11 AM at Greg's restaurant in Chickamauga, Georgia 11 AM.

The Camp is getting closer to completing their project for the Soldiers monument in Chickamauga, Georgia. From Adjutant John Culpepper,

Approved the statue face and made the second 10,000.00 payment. Delivery time for full statue around June 1, at that time will owe final payment of 9,000.00. Shooting to have the statue base in place by then.

Gen. Patrick R. Cleburne camp 2209 Ringgold Georgia

Commander Mike Patterson meets at Wally's the first Monday of each month at 6pm to eat then following is the business meeting

First Brigade Commander David Cordell

cordellsatlanta@gmail.com 423-227-4816

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2nd BRIGADE REPORT.....

Rabun Gap Riflemen, Camp 1929, Clayton, GA

Meeting time is 2nd Monday each month at 7 p.m. at the E.M.A. Rescue Building on Syrup City Road in Tiger, GA

Contact email: eng4@windstream.net

Camp website: <http://freepages.military.rootsworld.com/~hemlockhill>

David W. Payne Camp 1633, Blairsville, GA

Meets 2nd Thursday each month (except December) at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the United Community Bank on GA 515 in Blairsville.

Contact email: haroldlevi@hotmail.com

Camp website: <http://camp1633.scv.org/> phone: 706-745-5243

Cherokee Legion, Camp 914, Canton, GA

Meets every 3rd Saturday morning. Locations vary; check the camp website for the most up to date information.

Contact email: scvrecruit914@yahoo.com

Camp website: www.cherokeelegion.org phone: 678-395-8031

Colonel Hiram Parks Bell Camp 1642, Cumming, GA

Meetings are held, rain or shine, on the fourth Monday of each month. The meetings are held at the Bell Research Center, 101 School St inside the Old Cumming Schoolhouse. Meetings usually last about 2 hours. Meetings start at 7 PM with plenty of time for fellowship before and after.

Camp website: <http://www.scv1642.com/>

Contact email: cliff874@gmail.com

52nd Georgia SCV Camp 1418, Cleveland, GA

We meet on the third Thursday of each month at the Public Library in Cleveland, GA at 7:30 p.m.

Concord Rangers Camp 2135, Dawsonville, GA

Camp website:

<http://www.scvcamp2135.com/scv/index.php?SessID=23567>

27th Georgia Regiment, Camp 1404, Gainesville, GA

We meet the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Historic Piedmont Hotel, 827 Maple Street, in downtown Gainesville.

Contact email: nawgie@windstream.net

Camp website: <http://scv1404.tripod.com/>

The Blue Ridge Rifles, Camp 1860, Dahlonega, GA

We meet the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Lumpkin County Library.

Contact email - scvgacamp1860@yahoo.com

Camp website: <http://scvcamp1860.tripod.com/scvcamp1860/>

Habersham Guard, Camp 716, Clarkesville, GA

The camp meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Clarkesville Library. Facebook page:

Sons of Confederate Veterans (Habersham Guard Camp 716).

Gilmer Light Guards, Camp 89, Ellijay, GA

Meeting every 3rd Monday at the Community Room, United Community Bank, 558 Industrial Blvd., Ellijay GA 30540, at 7:00 p.m. with fellowship at 6:30 p.m.

Bobby Bradford, Commander

Leo Baker, Lt. Commander

Second Brigade, Georgia Division

Contact phone: 678-395-8031

Contact email: secondbrigade@yahoo.com

Note: Updates/changes/corrections to the Camp information shown above should be forwarded to me at secondbrigade@yahoo.com. Camps with newsworthy items and/or photos for inclusion in the Georgia Confederate should send them directly to Al Perry at the following email: gaconfederate@att.net.

Karl Haun, Commander, Second Brigade

Georgia Division

4th BRIGADE REPORT.....

The 4th Brigade consists of Monroe, Crawford, Peach, *Houston, Pulaski, Jones, Bibb, Twiggs, Bleckley, Dodge, Putnam, Baldwin*, Wilkinson, *Laurens*, Hancock, *Washington*, Telfair and *Johnson* Counties.

Brig. Gen. Edward Dorr Tracy, Jr. Camp 18-Macon. Meets each 4th Thursday of the month at Jeanene's on Forsyth Road, Macon. Dine at 5:30; meeting begins at 6:00 pm.

Camp #18 is sponsoring two young men to attend the Georgia Confederates Youth Camp in June and have issued a challenge to *all* 4th Brigade Camps to sponsor at least one young person or work with another camp to do so.

Commander Tom Stevens (478) 477-7468, Adjutant Clifford Dunaway (478) 256-5400.

Capt. Hardy B. Smith Camp 104-Dublin. Meets each 4th Thursday of the month at Commander Pee Wee Dillon's home, 612 Briarcliff Rd., Dublin, GA. Meeting time is 6:00 pm.

Camp #104 participated in the 51st Annual Dublin, Georgia St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 19. See pictures in this issue.

Commander John C. Hall, Jr. (404) 964-6896, Adjutant Jackie R. Dillon II (732) 456-1761, Adjutant

Old Capitol Camp 688-Milledgeville. Meets each 2nd Thursday of the month at the Milledgeville Country Club, 3700 Sinclair Dam Rd., Milledgeville, GA. Meeting time is 7:00 pm.

Commander Roy H. Mixon, Adjutant Konreid Etheredge (478) 454-7446.

W. F. Jenkins Camp 690-Eatonton. Meets each 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Bledsoe-Greene House, 105 West Sumter St., Eatonton, GA. Dinner is 6:30 pm and meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

Commander Richard C. Marshall (706) 206-7635, Adjutant Larry Manley (706) 485-6001

Lt. James T. Woodward Camp 1399-Warner Robins. Meets each 2nd Monday of the month at Ole Times Country Buffet, 1206 Russell Parkway, Warner Robins, GA. Dine at 6:00, meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

Commander Tim Hawkins 478-951-2628, Adjutant James "Bo" Hall, Jr. 478-256-8307. www.scvcamp1399.org

Maj. Mark Newman Camp 1602-Sandersville. Meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Brown House, North Harris St., Sandersville, GA. Meeting time is 6 pm.

Commander Thomas Tyson (478) 451-7251, Adjutant Randy Hall (478) 357-7774.

Johnson Greys Camp 1688-Wrightsville. Meet on the 1st Thursday of the month at the Old Blizzard Home Place, 1802 New Homes Rd., Kite, GA. Meeting time is 7:00 pm.

Commander Jimmy Blizzard (478) 864-2872, Adjutant Roger Webb (478) 864-8149.

Logan E. Bleckley Camp 1998-Cochran. Meet first Thursday of each month at Sugarberry's Restaurant, 416 Hwy. 87 Bypass S, Cochran, GA. Eat at 6.00, meeting at 7.00 pm.

Members participated in the Battle of Broxton's Bridge (SC) March 4-6 and at the Battles of Manassas (GA) event March 18-20. Compatriot James Alexander joined forces to provide musical selections for the Sunday morning worship services.

A Confederate Memorial service will be held at Cochran's Cedar Hill Cemetery on April 9 at 10:30 am.

Commander Dan Williams (478)-230-7189, Adjutant Allen Richards (478) 308-9739

Pine Barrens Volunteers Camp 2039-Eastman. Meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at Liberty Baptist Church 1100 Chester Hwy., Eastman, GA. 7:00 pm.

At the Feb. meeting the camp distributed letters to send to Rep. Jimmy Pruett concerning HB 760. Division Chaplain Kim M. Beck swore in new officers at Jan. meeting. Cmdr.- Gary Lowery, 1st Lt.- Wright Harrell, 2nd Lt.- Mac Rogers, JA- Stuart Rogers, Qtr. Master- Corey Harrellson, Surgeon- David Dover, Chaplains- Brian Martin/Cole Jones, Color Sgt- Lowery Noles, Historian- Brian Lowery. Chaplain Brian Martin swore in Adj. / Treasure Kim Beck.

Grave flags for Dodge Co veterans were distributed for the month of April. Camp replaces flags twice yearly, April and Nov.

Feb. meeting Chaplain Brian Martin & Lt. Cmdr. Wright Harrell gave report on Battle of Aiken, SC.

March meeting Chaplain Martin swore in two new members, Chris and Kevin Groves. Division Chaplain Kim Beck swore in Cadet Aaron Rogers.

Camp 2039 will participate with a booth and in the parade at the annual Pondtown Festival in Rhine, GA on April 16.

A Memorial Day observance planned for April 24 at Liberty Baptist Church in Eastman (see article).

Commander Gary Lowery (478) 374-3477, Adjutant Kim M. Beck (478) 358-4168. Visit Pine Barrens Volunteers on Face book.

The Camp of the Unknown Soldier 2218-Old Clinton. Meets each 3rd Thursday of every month at Chevy's Pizza, 300 W Clinton St., Gray, GA. Dine at 6:00 pm and the meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

On March 10 Commander Charles Whitehead and Adj. Wayne Dobson performed a living history for students at Woodfield Academy in Macon. The camp's musical group *Simple Heritage* performed in a talent show hosted by Mercer University later that same evening.

Members of Camp 2218 participated in the Battle of Broxton's Bridge (SC) on March 4-6. They participated at the Battles of Manassas (GA) event March 18-20 and Adj. Wayne Dobson joined in a trio to provide musical selections for the Sunday morning worship services.

Commander Charles Whitehead (478) 986-8943, Adjutant John Wayne Dobson (478) 731-5531. scv2218.com

Capt. Ruel W. Anderson Camp 2239-Hawkinsville. Meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at The Steakhouse, 101 Buchan Rd., Hawkinsville, GA. Meeting time is 6:00 pm.

Confederate Memorial services are scheduled for Hawkinsville's Orange Hill Cemetery on April 9 at 9:00 am.

Commander Sammy Hankey (478) 338-5828, Adjutant Dennis Lord (478) 934-0490.

Please send your reports and newsletters to Compatriot Kim Beck by the 25th of each *even* month. Send to: pinebarrensvolunteers@yahoo.com

Thomas Stevens, 4th Brigade Commander

(478) 477-7468

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5th BRIGADE REPORT.....

Camps within the 5th Brigade are gearing up for April's Confederate Heritage and History Month! We have flags being placed in cemeteries, a billboard being raised, and services planned. Here is a listing of upcoming 5th Brigade Memorial Services being planned:

- On Sunday, April 24th, members of the Brigadier General John C. Carter Camp #207 of Waynesboro will be hosting their annual Confederate Memorial Service. The service is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m., and will be held at the Waynesboro Confederate Cemetery. The featured speaker is Compatriot Steve Burke.

- On Saturday, April 30th, members of the Brigadier General Edward Porter Alexander Camp #158 of Augusta are having their Confederate Memorial Day Service. The day's events will begin with a Southern Heritage March at 11:00 a.m. from the Confederate Monument on the 700 Block of Broad Street to Magnolia Cemetery. The service will begin afterwards at approximately 11:30 a.m. at the Confederate Dead section of Magnolia Cemetery at 702 3rd Street at Walton Way in Augusta. The scheduled speaker is Robert Hayes of Abbeville, SC, who will portray Confederate President Jefferson Davis. The service will end with a black powder salute, which includes a cannon salute.

Brigadier General Edward Porter Alexander Camp 158

Brigadier General E. Porter Alexander Camp 158 in Augusta meets at 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of every month (except July) at the historic Sconyers Bar-B-Que Restaurant (since 1956) at 2250 Sconyers Way. The restaurant's owner, Mr. Larry Sconyers, a true Southern gentleman, continues to proudly fly our '56 Georgia flag. Pictures of General Robert E. Lee and General Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson are displayed in his restaurant.

Brigadier General John C. Carter Camp 207

Meets on the last Monday of each month at the Burke County Library in Waynesboro at 6:30 p.m.

Black Creek Volunteers Camp 549

Meets on the third Tuesday of each month at Wall's Diner in Sylvania. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m.

Ogeechee Rifles Camp 941

Meets on the third Thursday of each month at RJ's Seafood and Steaks in Statesboro. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.

- Several members of the Ogeechee Rifles gathered on Saturday, March 26th to place grave flags at Eastside Cemetery in Statesboro. While there, several members volunteered to go on their own to other cemeteries around the county to place flags in honor of our Confederate ancestors.

- The members of the Ogeechee Rifles have sponsored a billboard promoting April as Confederate Heritage and History Month. The billboard is located on Hwy 301 South heading out of Statesboro towards I-16. Check out the Camp's Facebook page for pictures, as well as the picture found in this issue of the Georgia Confederate.

General Ambrose Wright Camp 1914

Meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Side Track Grill in Martinez. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m., with the meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.

Dixie Guards Camp 1942

Meets on the first Thursday of each month at Bevricks Restaurant in Metter. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.

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Buckhead/Fort Lawton Camp 2102

Meets on the third Saturday of each month in Millen. The Camp meeting starts at 7:30 p.m., with dinner being served around 7:00 p.m.

Be sure to give us a "Like" on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/5thbrigadegascv> for news and updates from the 5th Brigade!

Submitted by 5th Brigade Commander, Thomas Miller

6th Brigade Report, April 2016

We are eleven dynamic camps, meeting monthly

We are all planning Confederate Memorial Service's

Contact your local camp for date time and place

6th BRIGADE REPORT.....**Bartow Camp #93 Savannah GA**

Meeting the 3rd Tuesday 7:00 pm Barnes Restaurant on Waters Ave, in Savannah.

Cmdr. Joe Dawson joe.dawson1@att.net

Adj. Howard Williams howandbev@windstream.net

Tattnall Invincibles Camp 154 Reidsville GA

Meeting 4th Tuesday 7:00 pm Alexander Hotel, Reidsville GA.

Cmdr. Tommy Wallace tommy280@windstream.net

Adj. Dale Saylor tattnallinvincibles@gmail.com

Appling Grays 918 Baxley GA

Meeting 4th Monday 7:00 pm B&F Restaurant, Baxley GA

Cmdr. Herman Williams hrwill9@windstream.net

Adj. Bill Bowers bbowers@atc.com

Gen. Robert Toombs 932 Vidalia GA

Meeting 1st Tuesday 7:00 pm at Captains Tables Vidalia GA

Cmdr. George King kkinggeorgee@yahoo.com

Adj. Bob Whitaker bobwhitaker22@yahoo.com

McLeod-Moring Camp 1386 Swainsboro GA

Meeting 3rd Tuesday 7:00 pm New China, Swainsboro GA

Cmdr. Danny Greenway dgreenway@nctv.com

Adj. Nick Kraus nkraus@pineland.net

Savannah Militia Camp 1657 Pooler GA

Meeting 2nd Tuesday 7:00 Western Sizzling Pooler Ga

Cmdr. Don Newman donnewman0601@comcast.net

Adj. Jack Wray jcwrap64@yahoo.com

Ebenezer Rifles Camo 1901 Rincon GA

Meeting 3rd Thursday 7:00 Ephesus Church 226 Goshen Rd. Rincon GA

Cmdr. Steve Thomas stevethomas3824@gmail.com

Adj. Charlie Watson clwjr2@hotmail.com

Gen. Anderson Camp 1919

Meeting 3rd Thursday 7:00 pm Capt. Joe's Midway GA

Cmdr. Jim Shurling shurling@yahoo.com

Adj. Russ Powell rupowell@coastalnow.net

Camp Davis Camp 2073 Springfield GA

Meeting 2ND Tuesday 7:00 pm Effingham Community Center

Cmdr. Steve Luse steveluse@aol.com

Adj. Jimmy Rahn pl_jimmy@planters.net

Montgomery Sharpshooters 2164 Mt. Vernon GA

Meeting 1st Tuesday 7:00 pm Seniors Citizens Center

Cmdr. James Kea keajames45@yqhoo.com

Adj. Oscar Smith sosmith96@bellsouth.net

Immortal Six Hundred 2600 Richmond Hill GA

Meeting 2nd Thursday 7:00 Bryan County Community Center

Cmdr. William Hagin moonrib@yahoo.com

Adj. Frank Grimm frank.grimm@comcast.net

Don Newman, 6th Brigade Commander

7th BRIGADE REPORT.....

The 7th Brigade will have a couple of Confederate Memorial Day services going on in the month of April.

The Thomas Marsh Forman Camp #485 will co-host their Confederate Memorial Celebration with the local chapters of the UDC on Saturday April 23, 2016 at Hanover Park. The park is located in down town Brunswick. The service will begin at 11:00 Am, preceded by a parade though the streets of down town Brunswick by the local SCV Camp. The parade begins at 10: 40 am. Forming up for the parade will be at 10:15 am, in the vacant lot next to the antique store [old J.C. Penny Building]. NEED REENACTORS! Welcome other participants, walking or automobiles, etc.. For more information contact Cmdr Hal Crowe - 912-571-8657 or Adjutant J.C. Carter - 912-264-8460 or jlsart@bellsouth.net.

Also, The Clement A. Evans Camp #64 will co-host their Confederate Memorial Day service with the UDC on Tuesday, April 26th at 6:00 pm in Confederate (Phoenix) Park in downtown Waycross. The park is located on Plant Ave. across from the old rail depot. Program Speaker will be Lt. Division Commander Al Perry speaking on Secession! For more info contact Adjutant Chris Hiers 912-281-3238.

If you are not busy, I encourage anyone that is able and willing to travel a little in the southeast Georgia area, to visit some of the other camps in our Brigade. You can show your support and ideas, you may also get some new ideas from the camps you visit. All the camps in our Brigade are listed below.

Clement A. Evans Camp 64

Regular Meetings held 3rd Monday of odd months at 6 pm at Jerry J's on Plant Ave. in Waycross.

Adjutant Chris Hiers

Thomas Marsh Forman Camp 485

Monthly Meeting held every 4th Thursday of each month at Captain Joe's Restaurant located at I-95 and US 341. Meeting begin at 7 pm and supper is at 6 pm dutch treat.

Commander Hal Crowe

Adjutant J.C. Carter

Col. Edmond N. Atkinson Camp 680

Meetings are held the last Monday of each month at 7 pm at the Lowndes County Historical Society.

Commander Jack Mathews

McIntosh Guards Camp 1853

No meetings at this time.

Commander C.M. Childree

Capt. James Knox "Seaboard Guards" Camp 2022

Meetings held 3rd Saturday of the month at Confederate soldiers park in Waynesville, GA in the Mum-

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ford Library @ 2 pm, Our meetings are usually informal since our active membership is low.

Adjutant Jerry Watkins

Capt. John Reddick Camp 2204

Meetings held 2nd Tuesday at 7 pm at American Legion in Folkston. Camp trying to become more active.

Adjutant Wesley Williams

Chuck Griffin, 7th Brigade Commander, Georgia Division SCV
Commander, Clement A. Evans Camp 64 SCV 912-283-1125

8th BRIGADE REPORT.....

We'd like to wish everyone a Happy and Joyous Confederate History and Heritage Month (in spite of that sorry back stabbing Nathan Deal). A number of our Camps are planning Confederate Memorial Day observances, even though the scalawag politicians and their willful accomplices in the media are doing all they can to put the kibosh on such displays of Southern pride. I hope and pray we'll not knuckle under to their attempts at destroying the memory of those who gave so much for our freedom. Remember, " 'tis the Cause and not the fate of the Cause that is glorious" Maj. R.E. Wilson, CSA.

W.D. Mitchell, Camp-163, With Commander Jason Harpe will be assisting the John B. Gordon UDC, Chapter-383 with their annual Confederate Day Memorial Service at the United Methodist Church Chapel in Thomasville. The service will be on Saturday, April 2nd at 10:00 AM.

Camp-163 meets at Commander Harpe's home on an as needed basis.

John K. McNeill, Camp-674 With Commander Pete Cowart had a large turn out for the recent project of replacing old wooden crosses on the graves of over 90 Confederate Soldiers at the Greenfield Church Confederate cemetery. Georgia Division Commander Jack Bridwell, and his brother, Compatriot Ernie Bridwell, both of the McNeill Camp fabricated new crosses out of square steel tubing and had them powder coated. Compatriot Charlie Crisp also a member of the McNeill Camp donated approximately \$2,000.00 for the project. Fifteen members of the Camp fell out on Saturday morning, March 5th, to dig holes, and pour concrete to secure the crosses.

The members of the John K. McNeill, Camp-674 will be assisting the Moultrie McNeill UDC, Chapter-661 in their annual Confederate Memorial Day Service. The service will be held on Sunday, April 24th at 3:00 PM at the Confederate Monument on the Square in Moultrie. Rifles and cannons are urged to attend, and everyone is welcome.

Camp-674 meets every second Monday of the month (except December) at the Museum of Colquitt County History in Moultrie at 7:30 PM.

Jefferson Davis Cowboys, Camp-682 with newly elected Commander Hershell Smith (erroneously listed as Hershell Johnson in my last report) were unable to meet in March, but plan to discuss either a living history or a memorial service at their April meeting.

Camp-682 meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Jeff Davis Park in Irwinville. The time of the meeting is 7:00 PM. For further information contact Commander Smith at (229) 425-2966.

Yancy Independents, Camp-693 with Commander Bo Slack reports that they had a vandalism of one of their recruiting sign. It appears that someone had cut the sign down, and left it laying on the ground. Anyone with information on who might have been involved, please inform the local authorities. The Independents are planning a Confederate Memorial Day Service at the Worth County Court House. The event will be on Sunday, April 10th at 2:00 PM. Rifles and cannons are welcome and urged to attend.

Camp-693 meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month on the bottom floor of the Worth County/Sylvester Library at 7:30 PM. All are welcome.

States Rights Guard, Camp-1551 in Rochelle with Commander Raleigh Gibbs meets on an as needed basis.

Wire Grass Greys, Camp-1687 in Adel with Commander Barry Resta meets on an as needed basis.

Berrien County Minutemen, Camp-1789 in Nashville with Commander Don Futch meets on an as needed basis.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlie Parks, Commander, 8th Brigade

11th BRIGADE REPORT.....

McDaniel-Curtis Camp 165, Meets the third Monday, of each month at 7:00 p.m. Location is at the Carroll County Veterans Building. SCV Room, 1790 Stripling Chapel Road. All visitors and guests are welcome and always invited to join us. Commander: Ted Thomas, 2830 Shady Grove Rd., Carrollton, Ga. 30116. tedthomas1970@yahoo.com Phone number is 770-283-0720. Adjutant: Darrell Smith, 770-834-3568, e-mail: Darrell_Smith@bellsouth.net

12th BRIGADE REPORT

Paulding County

William J. Hardee Camp #1397 Commander: Wayne Douglas Willingham. Meetings: Every 4th Monday at 7:30 PM

Location: New Hope Second Baptist Church at 114 Bobo Rd. Dallas, Ga. 30132, located at the corner of Dallas Acworth Highway 381 and Bobo Road in New Hope www.hardeecamp1397scv.org

Cobb County

Camp McDonald # 1552 - www.campmcdonald.org

Commander: Rodney Pritchett

Meetings: Camp McDonald now meets at Come and Get IT restaurant on the 2nd Tues. @ 7 P.M. Come and Get It is across from Cobb EMC on the Church St. Extension

Chattahoochee Guards Camp #1639

Commander: Dan Coleman- email dancofin@yahoo.com

Meetings: Joint meeting with Robert E Lee & Kennesaw Battlefield Camps every 3rd Wednesday Location: Piccadilly Cafeteria 536 Cobb Pkwy SE Marietta, GA 30060- We will begin gathering around 6 PM for dinner and socialization with the meeting beginning at 7.

General Leonidas Polk Camp #1446

Commander: Garry Daniell, 770-435-4605, g_daniell@bellsouth.net

Adjutant: George Burkett, 770-944-8536, gbetter@outlook.com

Meetings: Every 4th Thursday Location: The Piccadilly Restaurant in Marietta (**NOT in Smyrna**) 536 Cobb Parkway SE, Marietta, GA 30060, phone 770-425-5589. It is located a few hundred feet south of the intersection of Cobb Parkway and the South 120 Loop. We will begin gathering around 6 PM for dinner and socialization with the meeting beginning at 7.

General Robert E. Lee Camp #2005 - www.2005.scvcamp.org

Commander: Harry Eubanks Meetings: Joint meeting with Kennesaw Battlefield & Chattahoochee Guards Camps every 3rd Wednesday Location: Piccadilly Cafeteria 536 Cobb Pkwy SE Marietta, GA 30060- We will begin gathering around 6 PM for dinner and socialization with the meeting beginning at 7.

Kennesaw Battlefield Camp #700 - www.scv700.com

Adjutant: Tim Pilgrim

Meetings: Joint meeting with Robert E Lee and Chattahoochee Guards Camps every 3rd Wednesday Location: Piccadilly Cafeteria 536 Cobb Pkwy SE Marietta, GA 30060- We will begin gathering around 6 PM for dinner and socialization with the meeting beginning at 7.

Fulton County**Roswell Mills Camp #1547 - www.scv1547.org**

Commander: Ross Glover

Meetings: 1st Thursday, Dinner at 6:00, Program at 7:00 PM

Location: The Harp Irish Pub at 1425 Market Blvd. In Roswell

Rhett Coleman, 12th Brigade Commander**13th BRIGADE REPORT**

Spring has arrived, cemetery clean-up projects are underway and all the Camps in the 13th have plans to celebrate Confederate Memorial Day.

Everything is in order for the Georgia Division Reunion June 10th and 11th at the International Horse Park in Conyers, sponsored by the Confederate Memorial Camp and the Joseph Wheeler Camp. Please register on-line at www.confederatememorial.org the process is really simple, you can pay with a credit card online. Be sure to sign up for the Friday night BBQ.

LaFayette McLaws Camp 79 meets the third Thursday at the Fayette County Historical Society, 195 Lee St. Fayetteville starting at 7:00.

Mitch Crabbe Commander. Confederate Memorial Day celebration on The Square.

John McIntosh Kell Camp 107 meets on the 1st Monday of the month at the Panda Bear Rest. on Hwy. 41 in Griffin. Dinner at 6:00, meeting begins at 7:00. Confederate Memorial Day Service will be April 16h at Stonewall Confederate Cemetery @ 10:00 Mr. William Lindsay will be the guest speaker.

Eli P. Landers Camp 1724 meets at the Eli Landers Church, 900 Pleasant Hill Rd. in Lilburn. Contact Brigade Commander for more info.

Maj. William E. Simmons Camp 96 meets the 4th Monday of the month at the Female Siminary, 455 Perry St. Lawrenceville, starting at 7:00. Camp 96 welcomes two new members, Mr. Joseph Keith Davis, and Mr. Steven Dobson. There will be NO Camp meeting in June or July. www.scv96.org Joe Bath Commander jbath@bellsouth.net

Maj. Gen. Patrick R. Cleburne Camp 1361 meets on the 3rd Thursday at Noah's Ark Church, Noah's Ark at Carnes Rd. in Jonesboro at 7:00pm. Commander Lee Stroud, jerryleefan@hotmail.com

Gen. George 'Tige' Anderson Camp 2038 meets the last Saturday of odd number months at Adjutant Jim Leathers Pond House, jhleathers@att.net Camp 2038 welcomes Kenneth Charles Pope to their ranks.

Col. Charles T. Zachary Rangers Camp 108 meets the 4th Monday at the Nash Farm Battlefield Museum, 100 Babs Mill Rd. Hampton starting at 7:00. Tony Pilgrim Commander rebelson1974@yahoo.com Confederate

Memorial Day Celebration April 16th on the square in McDonough. Camp 108 welcomes new members Mr. Ross Foster and Mr. Keith Beckum. Long-time member Mike Driskill has joined the Mechanized Cavalry.

Confederate Memorial Camp 1432 meets on the 3rd Monday at the Stone Mountain Baptist Church fellowship hall, 3306 Memose Dr. Stone Mountain, beginning at 7:00.

Richard Straut, scvbear@bellsouth.net Commander; Phil Autrey, philautrey@aol.com Adjutant and Lt. Comm. North.

Confederate Memorial Service will be at the Stone Mountain Cemetery Con-

federate Section, date and time unknown at this time.

Maj. Gen. Joseph Wheeler Camp 863 meets 2nd Tuesday at the Masonic Lodge, Milstead Rd. in Conyers beginning at 7:30.

Commander John Maxey, commander@campjoewheeler.org Steve Camp Adjutant. Camp 863 welcomes George David Haymore who transfers from Headquarters Camp. Confederate Memorial Day Service will be at the Covington City Cemetery with the placing of Battle Flags on Confederate Graves and the placing of a wreath.

Submitted by: Steve Camp 13th Brigade CommanderGentlemen of the 13th Brigade

It has been my honor to serve as your Brigade Commander these past two years. The most rewarding part of serving in this position has been the opportunity to meet many of you. The level of activity and the dedication of each Camp to preserve the memory of our ancestors and the Cause for which they fought has truly been outstanding. This has been a learning and enjoyable experience for me. With your vote and support it would be my honor to serve another term as your Brigade Commander. I hope to see each of you in June at the Georgia Division Reunion proudly hosted by the 13th's own Confederate Memorial Camp 1432 and the Maj. Gen. Joseph Wheeler Camp 863.

Live The Charge

Steve

Lt. Commander North's Report**-ANNOUNCEMENT-****Re-elect Phillip Autrey****Lt. Commander North****Membership-Training-Integrity****Lt. Commander South's Report**

I joined Camp 932 in the summer of 2002. The first Reunion I attended was 2003, in Statesboro. The main issue that year was a dues increase. At that time it was \$6.00 per year, and the proposal was to increase dues by \$6.00, in two installments of \$3.00 each. WOW. The Georgia Division was going to DOUBLE the dues. At that time, I was gainfully employed, and I couldn't understand what the uproar was about.

Even now, in semi-retirement and on a fixed income, I still don't understand why \$12.00 per year is a problem. Just think how much it cost our ancestors to stand up and defend their families, homes, faith, and freedom.

I mention that to say this: Let's focus on what we need to do to defend the freedoms we have left in this Country, and put aside petty politics and personal criticisms. All of us have shortcomings, and make mistakes.

As someone wiser than me once said: "I ain't what I want to be. I ain't what I ought to be. But, thank God I ain't what I used to be."

It's an election year at Division and National. Do your duty, attend the Reunions, and vote. While you're campaigning, remember to be truthful about the candidates you support and the ones you don't. Walls have ears, and whatever you say in private has a way of making a public showing sooner or later.

See you in Conyers and Dallas, Lord willing.

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Thank God I'm a Southern boy!



SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS THE GEORGIA DIVISION CALENDAR OF EVENTS



➤ **APRIL 16, 2016, Saturday at 2 pm.**

Confederate Memorial Day celebration. It will be on April 16 at 2:00 P.M. We will be dedicating two new grave markers. These markers were applied for from the Dep. of Veteran's Affairs and denied. Our local state senator Steve Gooch and our local state representative Kevin Tanner stepped up to the plate and paid for the markers out of their personal pockets. Both of them have told me that they would be in attendance at the ceremony. The cemetery is at the intersection of Wahsega road and August Lane in Lumpkin County. For more information contact Rodney Grizzle at scvgacamp1860@yahoo.com

➤ **APRIL 17, 2016, Sunday at 2:00 pm.**

The Gordon County, Calhoun, GA, General Stand Watie Camp #915 and the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Harriet Gold Chapter #2526 cordially invites you, your families and friends to attend an Observance of Confederate Memorial Day. It will be held at the Resaca Confederate Cemetery, 2 miles north of Resaca, Ga. on U.S. Highway 41 (Resaca is 7 miles north of Calhoun, Ga. on U.S. Highway 41) at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, 17 April. In the event of rain or bad weather the event will be held at the Gordon County Historical Society House (Oakleigh) on Wall St. (Hwy. 41) in downtown Calhoun, Ga.

Music and Honor Volleys will be provided by Company G, 28th Georgia Fife & Drum and Volunteer Infantry Reenactors, Georgia Division, Captain Mike McHan, Commander. The keynote address Voices From The Past will be provided by local historian Pastor Ricky Silvers.

For additional info contact Camp Commander John J. Bidby at 706-581-5366 or Camp Adjutant Stan Chambers at 706-629-3116 or 706-625-0100.

➤ **APRIL 24, 2016, Sunday at 3 pm.**

The John K. McNeill, Camp-674 will be meeting with the Moultrie McNeill, Chapter-661 UDC on Sunday, 24 April at the Confederate Monument on the Square, downtown Moultrie at 3:00 PM. Rifles and Artillery are encouraged to participate. For additional information contact 8th Brigade commander Charlie Parks 229-921-7502

➤ **APRIL 26, 2016, Tuesday at 6 pm.**

The Confederate Memorial Camp 1432 will host their annual Confederate Memorial Service on April 26 at 6:00 PM at the Confederate Cemetery in Stone Mountain. Contact Commander Richard Straut at rstraute@yahoo.com for more information.

➤ **APRIL 30, 2016, Saturday at 11 am** annual Confederate Memorial Day Celebration at the Magnolia Cemetery in Augusta, Georgia at 11:00 a.m. on April 30th. The event is hosted by the Gen. E. Porter Alexander SCV Camp #158 and includes a black powder salute with cannons and our honor guard. Jefferson Davis (a.k.a. Robert Hayes from Abbeville, S.C.) will be our featured speaker.

➤ **APRIL 30, 2016, Saturday at 9 am** Annual Southwest Georgia Confederate Memorial service at CSA Memorial Park on Philema Road Albany Ga. Saturday April 30 Band plays Confederate & Southern Gospel music 9 to 10 AM followed by service 10 AM -12 Noon. Hosted by Albany SCV Camp 141. For additional information contact commander James

W. King 229-854-1944 jkingantiquearms@bellsouth.net

➤ **APRIL 30 & MAY 1**

CLINTON'S WAR DAYS REMEMBERED

Come to Old Clinton and take a step back in time on April 30 & May 1, 2016, when re-enactors from the Southeast recreate the Battles of Sunshine Church, which took place in July of 1864, and Griswoldville, which took place in November of 1864 during Sherman's March to the Sea.

The 16th Georgia will sponsor a children's battle and a Ladies Tea. The National Naval Civil War Museum in Columbus is to bring a Naval Display/Marine, with replica cannon like those once made in Macon

The entire event takes place in the Old Clinton Historic District, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Self-guided walking tour information will be available, and guided tours are available by pre-reservation.

Crafts of the era will be demonstrated; modern arts and crafts will also be available for purchase; and modern as well as food of the period will be served.

Saturday's program will conclude at 8:05 P.M. with the 16th Georgia, Company G, Jackson Rifles, CSA conducting a memorial service in the Old Clinton Cemetery to honor Clinton's Confederate dead.

Gates open at 9:00 A.M. Battle at 2:05 each day. Admission/Contribution each day: Adults - \$5; Students 18 and under \$3; Children under 6 -Free. Memorial Service - Free.

Clinton is located 12 miles NE of Macon, 1-½ miles SE of Gray, one block west off US Hwy129. For more information contact Earlene Hamilton at 478-986-6383 or the Jones County-Gray Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center at 478-986-1123.

➤ **May 7, 2016, Sunday at 3:00 pm** - Confederate Memorial Day Service. The Brigadier General TRR Cobb Camp #97 cordially invites you to join us for our annual Confederate Memorial Day Service at the Wingfield Chapel of Oconee Hill Cemetery located at 297 Cemetery St, Athens, GA 30605.

There are over 400 Confederate Veterans resting in this cemetery. Help us to honor their legacy.

Virginia native Teresa Roane will be our featured speaker. For more information, please visit <http://scvathenscamp.org>. Deo Vindice!

➤ **MAY 7, 2016, Saturday at 10 am,**

The Appling Grays Camp # 918 will be having their annual Confederate Memorial day service at the Holmesville Georgia Historic site (6 miles South of Baxley on State Route 15) behind the Confederate Monument.

Speaker - Rev. Doyle Waller (Past Commander Appling Grays Camp #918 and Montgomery Sharpshooters Camp # 2164)

Refreshments will be served afterward.

*Calendar of Events,
continued next page ➡*

*Calendar of Events, continued from Page 28.***> MAY 30, 2016, Monday at 3 pm**

The Lumpkin County Confederate monument dedication. It will be on US Memorial Day May 30th at 3:00 P.M. at 99 Courthouse Hill, Dahlonega, Ga. 30533. For more information contact Rodney Grizzle at scvgacamp1860@yahoo.com Rodney Grizzle

> JUNE 10 & 11, 2016,

GEORGIA DIVISION 119TH ANNUAL REUNION, will be held at The Georgia International Horse Park, 1996 Centennial Olympic Parkway, Conyers, Ga. 30013. Hosted by the Confederate Memorial Camp #1432 and Joe Wheeler Camp #863. Go to <http://www.confederatememorial.org/> for more information. Forms available on the Georgia Division web-site www.gascv.org

A block of 25 rooms at the Hawthorn Suites Motel at the Horse Park in Conyers for the Reunion.

Those planning to attend should make their reservations AS SOON AS POSSIBLE as there may not be any additional rooms once these are gone. Be sure to mention SCV Reunion when making reservations in order to receive our discount rate. Contact the motel directly at 770-761-9155 for reservations.

> JUNE 12 to 18, 2016,**THE 1ST ANNUAL GEORGIA CONFEDERATES YOUTH CAMP.**

For more information on the youth Camp, please contact Division Lt. Commander South Al Perry at 912-585-9144 or asp3@planttel.net
Read more at <http://gascv.org/georgia-confederates-youth-camp/>

> JUNE 18, 2016, Saturday 10:30 am

The annual Memorial Service for Bishop-General Leonid as Polk will be held at Pine Mountain at 10:30 a.m., June 18th. All are invited to attend.

NOTE:

IF YOU WANT AN EVENT LISTED ON THE GEORGIA DIVISION CALENDAR, PLEASE SEND YOUR INFORMATION TO gacnfederate@att.net AND timfpilgrim@yahoo.com

Haralson Invincibles Camp #673 Report

It is on a sad note we open this report, that former Camp member and 11th Brigade Commander Curtis "Bear" Hamrick passed away on March 6th. Our deepest sympathies go out to the Hamrick family.

Our camp played host to the largest Pro-Confederate event seen in the 11th Brigade in years! The March 5th "Confederate Flag Day Ride and Rally" was a huge success.

Thanks again to all who made it happen!

4 of our members gave radio interviews about the March 5th Rally and various Confederate Heritage related issues.

Our Facebook page "www.facebook.com/haralsoninvincibles" saw a big spike in new followers from the promotion of Confederate Flag Day. We are now less than 200 likes away from having the largest Facebook following in the 11th Brigade.

We will be receiving our annual "Confederate Heritage and History Month" Proclamation from the Haralson County Board of Commissioners on April 5th.

We meet at Wright Way BBQ in Bremen across from Plantation Pipe-line next to Old Towne Music Hall on the 1st Wednesday of each month, located at 1003 Alabama Ave S, Bremen, GA 30110. Y'all come grab a bite to eat and sit in on our meetings.

Our next two Camp meetings will be starting at 6:30pm – May 4th and June 1st

One of our newest members is a very skilled artist. His name is Tyler Jordan Daniel and he drew this fantastic rendering of General JEB Stuart!

The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp

Every Camp in the Georgia Division is encouraged to sponsor a young man or lady to the Georgia Confederates Youth Camp [GCYC] being held on June 12 ~ 18 at the Refuge Baptist Camp, Carnesville, Georgia.

Our GCYC is set up this year to accommodate 80 Campers: 40, girls & 40, boys. As of today, I have five boys applications submitted, and the promise of only four more. Camp is for ages 12 ~ 17.

If you want the "true history of the South to be presented to future generations," there is no better way to fulfill that Charge than to send Campers to the Youth Camp. Our speakers include Pastor Weaver, Herman White, Joey Young, Hu Daughtry, Thomas Miller, James Gaston, Earl Colvin, Jack Marlar, Tara Miller, and our Keynote Speaker for the Friday night Banquet is Susan Hathaway, with a guest appearance from Amanda Warren and her daughter Friday afternoon.

The \$50.00 discount applies for all applications made BEFORE May 1st.

If you need an application, contact me or go online to gascv.org and click on Member Resources. All you need to do to start the process is fill out and submit a Camper Application. [Click here for Camper Application.](#)

We have over 100 SCV Camps in Georgia, but we need 80 Campers. So, we need your help. We need 40 Camps to send 2 Campers each! Money is important, and we accept all donations, but what we need now is Campers.

al perry., Director

The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp

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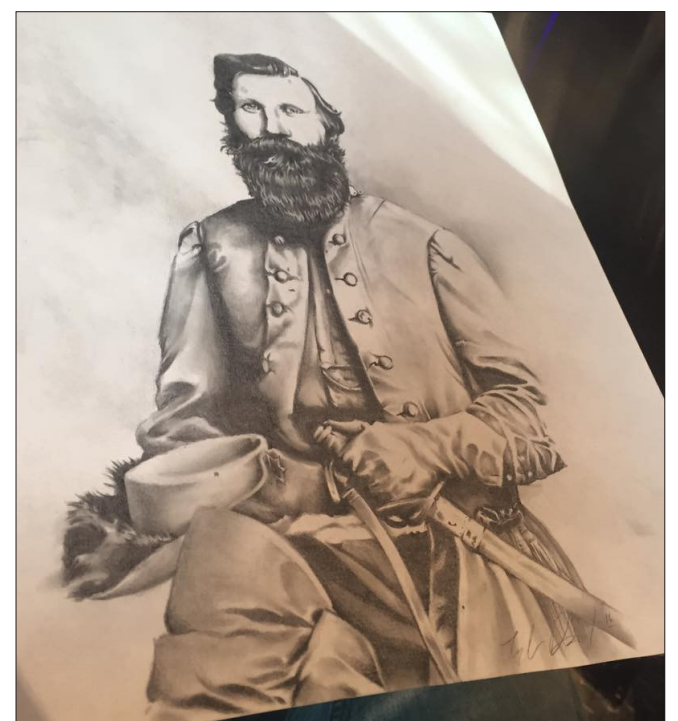
Open Letter to the Georgia Division

Compatriots,

Mr. Bill Huff, a member of the White Co. Historical Society, has contacted me and asked that I inform the SCV of a plaque that will be placed on the north lawn of the old historic courthouse in Cleveland GA. This courthouse now houses the White County Historical Society. Mr. Huff informs me that the plaque will honor the companies of men that served the community, state and the Confederate government. Final wording of the plaque is being completed now and a date for the dedication is yet to be set. Donations will be greatly appreciated. Interested donors may send to: W.C.H.S., PO Box 1139, Cleveland, GA 30528, specify for Mustering Ground Plaque and in memory of _____. Their website is: whitecountyhistoricalsociety.com. If you know of any other interested parties outside the second brigade please pass this along.

In the bonds of the South,

Adj. Mike Couch, Camp 1404



“A Tribute To The Unknown Soldier”

By Ralph West Mills

His DNA has long since returned to the elements of the soil where he once trod and made decisions of life. No one remains that knew him. His memory left this earth with the last of those who shared his life.

It was in a mass burial trench across the Delaware River, where he was laid alongside his comrades after succumbing to the smallpox epidemic when his system was weakened from wounds received at the Wheatfield. No man knows the spot, but where today the mowers occasionally cross his face, a brass plaque upon an obelisk lists his long forgotten name.

It was in a Pennsylvania corn field hurriedly transformed into the mass grave which held him and his comrades-in-arms where they fell in ranks as they deployed across the open ground. Yankee farmers defiantly made a crop each year with his body supplying the nutrients, even plowing up part of his remains along with the rotting shoe leather he once wore thin. Again, no man knows the spot, but Park rangers can point to the general vicinity.

It was on the back side of Missionary Ridge in a poor widow's garden behind her simple home, where he was laid in a shallow grave, the spot lost forever with her passing. His comrades only knew that he was missing. Today, the foundation of a modest home within a sprawling subdivision encroaches upon his spot, known only to God Himself.

It was in Oakland where he was interred with thousands of his kind, unknown to the calloused hands of those who covered his body with red dirt. Today, the open space belies an accurate number, or even his unit or that of his comrades who fell in the battles which raged all around.

It was along a tangled path in the Wilderness where he fell in the hail of lead that shocked him and his comrades as they stumbled into the fore. In a more tranquil day soon

after, the hogs scattered his body parts throughout the thicket which is today a busy intersection that covers the last remnants of his earthly existence.

And, it was in Oakwood, a convenient wagon distance from Chimborazo where his body was carried to the burying ground, after he suffered the delirium of fever for five days. Today, a small concrete marker with a metal number just visible above the grass marks the general spot where he shares the sod with three other soldiers, clusters of four, times thousands; all because the modern federal government does not consider him or his comrades worthy of a VA headstone, even though they died Americans all.

But while his DNA and even the mention of his name was forever lost to his generation, it yet lives in the few, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, who refuse to allow his noble memory to vanish from the face of the earth. We few, who stand in defiance against those who would remove every vestige of his time and the home he fought to defend. Those male heirs, who carry yet the same DNA along with the attributes forged in the heat of battle, or under severe deprivation, where they were overcome by nothing more than his sense of honor and duty. The few, who would courageously speak the truth of his existence in the face of the revisionist and the doctrine of political correctness that has become the ideology of the day.

We few, we Sons of Confederate Veterans, must not ignore the valor which caused him to charge directly into the muzzles of guns loaded with double canister and certain death. We cannot forget his persistent perseverance through starvation, exposure, pestilence and disease, and all the while answering the long roll to fight yet again.

From where do such men come, and are they worthy of remembrance? And who are these so long forgotten? They were sons and fa-

thers, brothers and cousins, husbands and sweethearts, uncles and brothers-in-law, nephews, friends, the learned and the uneducated, the complex and the simple, men as tough as old leather and gentlemen with un-calloused hands. They were men with the gift of language, men who could plow a straight line or wield the hammer with unequaled skill, men who could sing the tenor line with the voice of an angel, and men who had never seen the interior of a church building.

These were men who loved and were loved in return. Men known throughout their communities as “a man of his word”. They were preachers, teachers, millers, wheelwrights, common laborers, physicians, masons, bankers, farmers and farm laborers. They were Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Catholics, Episcopalians, Jews, agnostics, atheists, backslidden saints and sinners.

But, they were Confederate soldiers all, sent from homes where some measure of honor and duty were impressed into their core belief system. They were sons of the South, and never before or since, have citizen soldiers bathed themselves in such glory. Glory of unprecedented valor, duty, and honor.

For the unknown among them, those MIA's, those buried in mass graves without identification, those whose last breaths upon this earth were witnessed by strangers or no man at all and who were then left where they fell, we can only hope that there is one of the few living near who will honor these dead and their memories as an act of duty in the up-coming Memorial season and those yet to come.

But for the tens of thousands who left this life known to survivors, and received a proper burial with a memorial stone at their head, it is the sacred duty of every one of us few, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, to do our part in assuring that their memory will live until we ourselves, or our posterity are no longer on this earth to perform such duty.

As one of the few, and as long as I draw breath in this mortal state, I pledge my labors and my sacred honor to live out “The Charge” to the best of my abilities, and to never allow a Confederate veteran's memory to be lost by neglect to future generations. So help me God!

Deo Vindice,

Compatriot Ralph West Mills
Lt. Commander, Camp 1404
Gainesville, GA

IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Eccles. 1:9, *“The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.”*

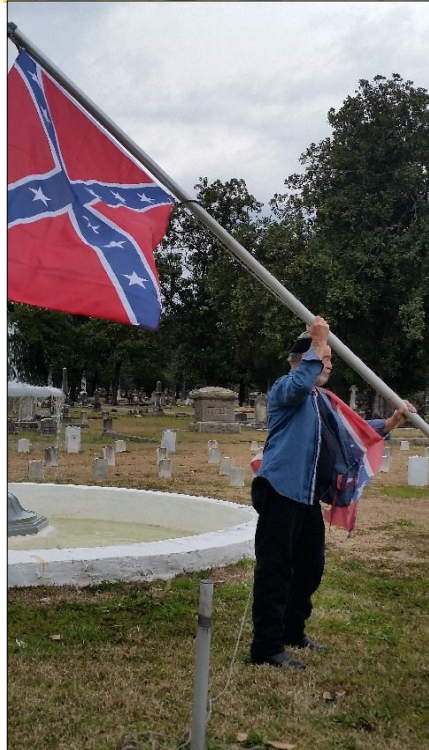
God's Word teaches that there is nothing new under the sun. The ideas and systems discussed here are as old as the fall of Adam, as old as the struggle between good and evil.

Our Founders bequeathed us a republic with warnings and admonitions to be good stewards of it. That Republic was executed in 1861 and buried in 1865. In early 1861 newly elected President Abraham Lincoln said to his secretary of the treasury, Salmon Chase, *“At the risk of saving the Union I have destroyed the Republic. The South which I loathe is in front of me and the bankers which I hate are behind me.”*

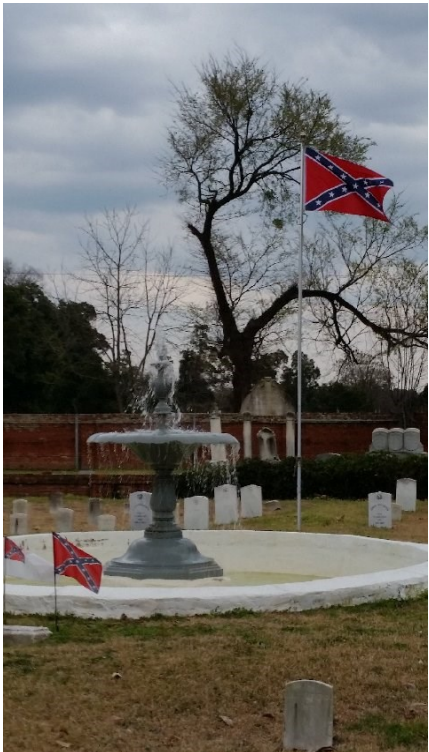
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Clean-up committee at Magnolia Cemetery; Augusta, GA by members of the E. Porter Alexander Camp.

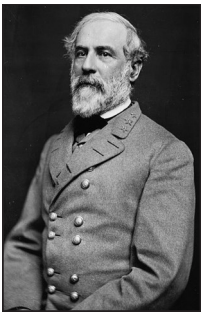


Members of the Roswell Mills Camp attend signing of Confederate History and Heritage Month Proclamation by Mayor.



Compatriot Frank Nixon receiving his membership certificate from Camp Commander Tim Pilgrim of the Kennesaw Battlefield Camp # 700 of Marietta. Compatriot Nixon received his certificate on his 83rd birthday.

Compatriot Nixon's Confederate Ancestor was 2nd Lt. Abner Nixon of the 13th Alabama Infantry who fought in the many campaigns from the Battle of Seven Pines, Battle of Mechanicsville, first Battle of Cold Harbor, Battle of Sharpsburg, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wilderness all the way through to Appomattox Court House. 2nd Lt. Abner Nixon was wounded in his foot and transferred to the inactive corps of the 41st Georgia Infantry to support efforts against Sherman's invasion.



Camp #941 makes a statement on US Hwy 301 S in Statesboro, GA.

The Camp has received many compliments on their sign.



OLUSTEE, FLORIDA MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday, February 13, 2016 – 5 PM

Members of the 16th Georgia Infantry, Company G, “The Jackson Rifles” conducted a memorial service on the site of the February 20th, 1864, Battle of Ocean Pond, near Olustee, Florida. The 16th Georgia is comprised of members of three Georgia SCV Camps and each Camp was represented at this service. They included: The Lt. James T. Woodward Camp #1399 of Warner Robins, Georgia, The Logan E. Bleckley Camp #1998 of Cochran, Georgia, and The Camp of The Unknown Soldier # 2218 of Old Clinton, in Jones County, Georgia. A musical tribute was performed by members of *Simple Heritage*.

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William Joshua Bush Georgia's Last Surviving Confederate Soldier

William Joshua Bush was born July 10, 1845 [1848?] in Wilkinson County, Georgia. He joined the Confederate Army in 1861 along with his cousin and became part of Co. B, 14th Regiment, Georgia Volunteer Infantry, Army of Northern Virginia.

In October of 1861 he was mustered out of the army in Richmond, Virginia for some sort of injury, but later rejoined in October of 1864 and fought valiantly in the battles of Atlanta, Milledgeville, Cross Keys and Duncan's Old Field. He served with a company which called itself *Joe Brown's Pets* and remained with the company until it

surrendered at Stephen's Station of the Central Railway in 1865.

Bush was never a general but was given the honorary title because of the many offices which he held in the United Confederate Veterans.

He died on Armistice Day, November 11, 1952 at Fitzgerald, Georgia, aged 107 years and was buried at Evergreen Cemetery.

Allegedly Bush was only 13 when he first enlisted in 1861. If that were true, he was “only” 104 when he passed away in 1952.

The End of the Long Gray Line in Georgia. 1952