



Early Beginnings:

26 April 1866, Columbus Georgia

"Mrs. Williams [widow of Col. Charles Williams, d.1862] and her little girl visited his grave every day, and often comforted themselves by wreathing it with flowers." *Confederate Veteran* 1 (May 1893): 149.

"So in March 1866, [Mrs. Williams] published an appeal for the people of the South to join in setting apart a certain day 'to be handed down through time as a religious custom of the South to wreath the graves of our martyred dead with flowers,' and she proposed the 26th of April as the day." *Confederate Veteran* 22 (May 1914): 194a

"To the State of Georgia belongs the credit of having inaugurated what has since become the universal custom of decorating annually the graves of the heroic dead. The initial ceremonies which ushered Memorial Day into life were held in Linnwood[sic] Cemetery, at Columbus, on April 26, 1866; and the patriotic Southern woman in whose loyal heart the idea first took definite form was Miss Lizzie Rutherford, afterwards Mrs. Roswell Ellis, the wife of a gallant ex-Confederate officer. . . ."

"For a long period of time there waged in the public prints a controversy between enthusiastic partisans respecting the true parentage of the Memorial Day idea; but the issue has at length happily been settled [in Mrs. Ellis's favor]."

Lucian Lamar Knight, *Georgia's Landmarks, Memorials and Legends*, 2 vols. (Atlanta, Ga.: The Byrd Printing Co., 1914), I: 156-166, quotes from 156, 157.

See Also:

A History of the Origin of Memorial Day as Adopted by the Ladies' Memorial Association of Columbus, Georgia (Columbus, Ga.: Thos. Gilbert, 1898).

W. Avery, *The History of the State of Georgia from 1850 to 1881* (New York: Brown & Derby, 1881), 242.

Source: *The Center for Civil [sic] War Research*



Confederate Memorial Day in Georgia: April 26th

In 1874, the Georgia General Assembly approved legislation adding as a new public holiday "The 26th day of April in each year - commonly known as Memorial Day."

April 26 marks the anniversary of the end of the Civil War for Georgia, for it was on this day in 1865 that Confederate General Joseph E. Johnston's surrender to General William T. Sherman at Durham Station, North Carolina became official. Johnston had been in charge of Georgia's defense, so this day marked the end of the war for Georgia.

Exactly when Georgians began commemorating April 26 as Memorial Day is unclear, but the language of the 1874 act clearly recognizes that April 26 was already being celebrated as an unofficial holiday. The day of observance may trace to the women of Columbus, Georgia, who on April 12, 1866 organized a memorial association and began a campaign to have a special day for "paying honor to those who died defending the life, honor and happiness of the Southern women." Three days later, the Atlanta Ladies' Memorial

Association was organized, and on April 26, 1866, the association held a Confederate memorial observance at Oakland Cemetery.



*Lion of the Confederacy:
Oakland Cemetery*

The Confederate section of Oakland is home to an estimated 6,900 burials, of which about 3,000 are unknown. During the Civil War, Atlanta was a major transportation and medical center for the Southern states. Since several of the largest military hospitals in the area were within a half mile (800 m) from Oakland, many soldiers who died from their wounds were buried here. Shortly after the war ended, a few thousand fallen soldiers from the Atlanta Campaign who were previously buried in battleground graves were moved to the Confederate grounds in Oakland.

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.

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L. Welcome the Georgia Division newest Division Cadets Joseph and John Buggay, sworn in by Division Adj. Tim Pilgrim.
Above, [R] Compatriot Robert McKemie joins the Kennesaw Battlefield Camp # 700, sworn in by Camp Cmdr. Tim Pilgrim.

Compatriot Ben Creech "loads" his musket for a memorial salute near Augusta.

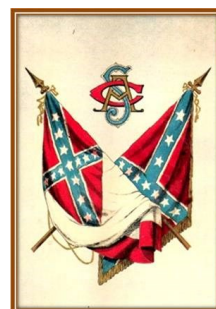


Compatriots Sam Pyle, Jimmy Riggs, Darrell Smith, Carter Clay, Donald Penhale, Chuck Mulkey, and Bill Maddox placing the Confederate cross of honor at the grave of Lt Robert Houseworth Co F 7th Ga Info in the Carrollton city cemetery. McDaniel-Curtis Camp #165, Carrollton



Haralson Invincibles Camp 673, Commander Billy Bearden [R] receives the 2017 Confederate Heritage and History Month Proclamation from Haralson County Commission Chairman Allan Poole, on behalf of the Haralson County Board of Commissioners, accompanied by Richard Boarts [L] & Nathan Forrister [2nd from L].

*Lest
we
forget*



Carl Tommy Miller, Camp 1914 Gen. Ambrose Wright and Beautiful Southern Belle Rachel Holland at Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial 1 April 2017.



Saturday, April 1, members from the Yancey Independents and the Jeff Davis Cowboys Camp joined the Boy Scouts Pack 875 to help clean up Jeff Davis Historic Site Park Area in Irwinville. Photo courtesy of Shannon T. Bynum.

Sent in by Bo Slack Camp Commander, Yancey Independents.

Commander's Report.

Fellow Compatriots of the Georgia Division:

The year continues to be busy for the Division, and our leadership team. I have been privileged to be able to visit with several local Camps in my home area over the past weeks, and I have been involved in working with several Compatriots that are working to start new Camps, or in some cases, revive previously existing Camps. We need as many Camps as we can form, but we must form healthy Camps that will work in the community and get involved in public activities. If you have a suggestion for potential areas that will support a new or revived Camp, please feel free to contact me directly and we will work out a plan to make it happen.

I am very happy to report that our first ever Division Chaplains Conference was a great success. Division Chaplain Jack Wray worked very hard on putting this event together. He will be submitting a report so I will only mention here that he, along with Deputy Division Chaplain John Maxey, and others deserve our thanks for the great work. There were members from various parts of the State in attendance, as well as a number of ladies. Plans are being made for our 2018 Conference so please be ready to sign up when you get the information. Please note that you do not have to be a Chaplain to attend. It is open to everyone that supports this very important part of our operations.

On March 11th the Division Executive Council met in Macon. We were fortunate to be able to meet for the first time in the meeting room at the Bibb-Macon Visitors and Convention Bureau in downtown Macon. The room was perfect, and the staff was very welcoming. If you are a music fan, you will enjoy the displays when you visit. From the Allman Brothers to Otis Redding, they were all there larger than life. Thanks go out to 4th Brigade Commander Thomas Stevens for making the arrangements. It is our intention to be back at the same location in

September pending confirmation of availability.

The major business item discussed was my previous call at the January EC meeting for an audit. At the time I appointed an Audit Oversight Committee consisting of Compatriots Lee Mize, Sam Stacy, and Richard Straut. Chairman Mize and Compatriot Stacy are CPA's, while Cmdr. Straut is an active officer in a number of non-profit and professional organizations. My call for an audit is based on authority granted to the Division Commander in Art. X, Sec. 6 of the Georgia Division Bylaws.

We have not had an audit in a number of years and I feel that it is important to re-establish the practice of having one at a minimum of every four to five years. There was discussion about our current practice of having an annual "review" three weeks prior to each convention. It is my position that this process is what it says, a "review" and not an "audit." The audit to be done later this year will be an Applied Procedures Audit. Meaning that we will tell the auditors what we want to have reviewed. Our committee will make those detailed suggestions at the appropriate time. This type of audit is the least expensive, and it will provide answers to our specific questions, whatever they may be.

Other new budget business included my call for a reduction of \$1,000.00 from the Division Commanders travel budget, an increase from \$350.00 to \$500.00 for the Division R.E. Lee Birthday Celebration, and a \$350.00 line item for bonding of any officer or officers that have direct access to our finances. The Division Chaplains Conference is also being added as a line item at \$500.00 but this event will be self-funding.

Moving on to other news, Amanda and I were privileged to be able to attend the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah. We were hosted in their home by Chaplain Jack Wray and his lovely wife Karen, and with very gracious Southern hospitality. I had been looking forward to the weekend for some time. Having been to the St. Pat-

rick's Day Parade in Dublin, Ireland several years ago, and being a descendant of a first generation Irish-American Confederate, I was curious to see how Savannah would compare. We were not disappointed!

The SCV contingent was organized and lead by Commander Don Newman of the Savannah Militia Camp #1657. Despite some very serious and very recent surgery, Don was there. There is no doubt that our contingent was one of the top two or three most popular entries in the parade. Walking up front just behind the banner, I saw thousands and thousands of people cheer as our flag passed by. I am proud that only a few frowns and several "you're number 1" signs were spotted out of an audience estimated at half a million people. I also have to recognize the members of our uniform contingent that came from South Carolina, and Florida to be with us. God bless the Carolinians, and the Floridians.

Men of the 5th, 6th, and 7th Brigades, I have a challenge for you. Regardless of what other events are scheduled next year on the weekend of March 17th, a Saturday, please be in Savannah. There will be a crowd even bigger than this year. Make a plan right now to participate in the parade. Carry the banner in coat and tie, or join the rifle team (we are the only group allowed to fire a weapon during the parade!) or wear your kilt. No matter what you do, be there. Where else can we fly the flag in front of half a million people and be cheered for it?

As April approaches, we are preparing to celebrate Confederate Memorial Day, and Confederate History Month. I hope that each of you and your respective Camps will do something in the public arena that will bring honor to, and draw attention to our soldiers, to our Cause, and to the SCV. No matter the size of the crowd at your service, you will be doing a great thing. No matter that your local governments, as has already happened as I am writing this report, may cower in fear and refuse to honor our ancestors, do your



duty and all will be right. Put out the flags on the graves. If they go missing, put up more, and put them up as many times as you have to in order to ensure that proper honor is done.

Camps, get your delegates registered for the reunion. We have much business to cover including a number of amendments, and the election of Brigade Commanders. We also need to take time to renew old friendships, and make new ones. I look forward to seeing you in Macon.

Sincerely,
Scott K. Gilbert, Jr.
Commander

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**Georgia Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans
Executive Council Meeting
Jefferson Davis Memorial
Site**

21 January 2017

Executive Council Members Present –

Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr., Past Commander Jack Bridwell, Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry, Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim, Chief of Staff Curtis Harris Collier, III, Judge Advocate Dan Coleman, 2nd Brigade Commander Karl Hahn, 3rd Brigade Commander Tommy D. McCullers, 5th Brigade Commander Thomas Miller, 6th Brigade Commander Robert Whitaker, 7th Brigade Commander Charles W. Griffin, 8th Brigade Commander Charles L. Parks, III, 9th Brigade Commander Ken Arvin, 10th Brigade Commander Joseph Alfred Medcalf, Jr., 12th Brigade Commander Richard L. Leake, Jr., 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Camp

Executive Council Members Not Present – Lieutenant Commander North Philip J. Autrey (Excused), 1st Brigade Commander David Cordell, 4th Brigade Commander

Thomas E. Stevens, 11th Brigade Commander Jeff Robison (Excused)

· Meeting called to order by Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. at 1:08 p.m.

· Invocation given by Chaplain Jack C. Wray

· Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. led pledges and salute to United States, State of Georgia, and Confederate Flags.

· Chief of Staff Curtis Harris Collier, III called roll.

· Judge Advocate Dan Coleman made a motion to allow non-members to attend the meeting. 9th Brigade Commander Ken Arvin seconded. Motion carried.

· Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. read Lieutenant General Stephen Dill Lee's Charge to The Sons of Confederate Veterans.

· Compatriot William A. Thomas, MD was appointed as the Georgia Division Surgeon.

Compatriot Jonathan (Scott's nephew) was appointed as a Georgia Division SCV Aide-de-Camp

· Mark Pollard was appointed to head up an exploratory committee to for potential Georgia Division Headquarters.

· Compatriots Lee Mize, Sam Stacey and Richard K. Straut, who are all Certified Public Accountants, were appointed to head up an Audit Committee for potential recommendations as to whether the Georgia Division should entertain a routine financial audit of the Georgia Division.

· 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Camp made a motion to approve 24 September 2016 Executive Council Meeting minutes. 2nd Brigade Commander Karl Hahn seconded. Motion carried.

· Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. announced recent Georgia Division activities, including the Chickamauga Confederate Monument Dedication Service in Chickamauga, Henry Wirz Ceremony in Andersonville, and participation with Wreaths Across America.

· 12th Brigade Commander Richard L. Leake, Jr. spoke on the Roswell Police situation where lawsuits have been submitted on behalf of the terminated police officer.

· Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim handed out and discussed the Operating Budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

· Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry gave his report, where he spoke of his work and time frames involved in the Georgia Confederate, encouraging our Camps to contribute their news to him.

· Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry made a motion to establish a fund at a Georgia Division level for Bicentennial of The War For Southern Independence. 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Camp seconded. Motion carried.

· Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. announced the Georgia Divisions Chaplains Conference on Saturday, 18 February 2017 at the Marriott Hotel in Macon at 240 Coliseum Drive. Camp Chaplains are encouraged to attend.

· The next Executive Council Meeting is to be held 10:00 a. m. on Saturday, 11 March 2017 at the Macon Convention Visitors Bureau in Macon.

· Meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m. after the Benediction prayer by Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr., followed by a singing of Dixie.

Take care and God Bless,

Curt

Curtis Harris Collier, III
Athens, Georgia

**Executive Council Meeting
March 11, 2017**

Meeting called to order at 11:10

Invocation: Div. Chaplain Wray

Pledges to US, Ga flags, and Salute to Confederate flag.

In the absence of Chief of Staff Collier, Comm. Gilbert asked 13th Brigade Comm. Camp to take the minutes. Executive Council members present: Comm. Gilbert; Lt. Comm. North Autrey; Lt. Comm. South/Editor Perry; Adjutant Pilgrim; Judge Advocate Coleman; 2nd Brigade Comm. Hah; 3rd Brigade Comm. McCullers; 4th Brigade Comm. Stevens; 5th Brigade Comm. Miller; 6th Brigade Comm. Whitaker; 7th Brigade Comm. Griffin; 8th Brigade

Comm. Parks; 9th Brigade Comm. Arvin; 12th Brigade Comm. Leake; 13th Brigade Comm. Camp; Past Div. Comm. Bridwell.

Council members absent: Chief of Staff Collier (excused); 1st Brigade Comm. Cordell (unexcused 2nd); 10th Brigade Comm. Medcalf (excused); 11th Brigade Comm. Robinson (excused)

Old Business: Motion made by Past Commander Bridwell and 2nd by Lt. Comm. North Autrey to accept the minutes of the Jan. 21, 2017 Executive

Council Meeting, no objections. Division Chaplain Wray gave a report on the Chaplain's Conference held on Feb. 18th. With 24 participants it was considered very successful and plans are being made for next year.

New Business: Georgia Confederate Editor Al Perry presented financial statement for the newsletter. Asked Brigade Commanders to tell Camp Commanders to submit Camp news and articles to their Brigade Commanders and copy him since there will no longer be Brigade Reports, (approved at the Jan. 21st EC meeting).

Commander Perry also made the 1st donation to the Bicentennial Fund of \$100.00 on behalf of the Georgia Confederates Youth Camp, Inc. This fund was established at the EC meeting on the 21st of Jan.

Tag Fund projects: no projects have been submitted as of this date.

Adjutant's Report: Adjutant Pilgrim presented his budget review and after brief discussion a

motion was made by Past Div. Comm. Bridwell to accept the report and seconded by 12th Brigade Comm. Leake. There were no objections and the motion carried.

Finance Committee Report: Comm. Gilbert announced that an alternate location for the Lee-Jackson Birthday celebration is being looked at due to the increase in cost associated with Milledgeville location. This increase is from a State mandate. It was suggested we contact the Legislature for exemption for 501C3 Organizations, but that would be next year and 2 years before it would be effective. Other locations are being studied. A line item increase from \$350 to \$500 for the Lee-Jackson Celebration for 2018 was re-

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quested. A line item in the budget for 2018 of \$500 was also requested for the Division Chaplain's Conference. A line item request of \$350 was requested for bonding of Division Commander and Division Adjutant, and Comm. Gilbert also requested a decrease of \$1,000 be made in the Commanders travel line item. All requests were approved.

Per Article X Section 6 of the By-Laws, Commander Gilbert called for a Division Audit.

Commander Gilbert indicated he had gotten a recommendation from his audit committee and they indicated the least expensive audit would be \$1,500.

Division Adjutant Pilgrim indicated to the Executive Council that it was a waste of Division funds to have a CPA firm perform an audit on the Division records being that his quarterly Adjutant's reports are full disclosures of the Division financials, copies of which are passed out at every EC meeting, and he brings the Division records with him to every EC meeting and that includes all the current bank statements and copies of the Division invoices for the Executive Council's review at any time.

Division Judge Advocate Dan Coleman asked Commander Gilbert to get one of the CPAs on his audit committee to just review the Division financial records with Adjutant Pilgrim to confirm the

balances and the expenses that have been listed on the Adjutant's reports. Commander Gilbert went on to explain that he was enacting Article X and it was his right to order an audit.

After some discussion as to the need for the Audit, Division Adjutant Pilgrim made a motion that the Division Judge Advocate select an independent CPA firm to perform the audit and upon conclusion the results of the audit along with the Adjutants explanations be printed in the next *Georgia Confederate* giving the Georgia Division membership full disclosure. The motion was seconded by Lt. Commander Perry. Judge Advocate Coleman declined the responsibility of naming the CPA firm. An amendment to the motion to allow the Executive Council to select the Auditor passed 10 in favor with 6 nays. Adjutant Pilgrim's motion passed without further objection.

Past Commander Bridwell urged everyone to encourage the membership to join the Friends of Jeff Davis Park, cost \$25 per year.

Adjutant Pilgrim made a motion to purchase 5,000 Prison Pens of the North, seconded by Lt. Commander Autrey, motion passed without objection.

Motion to Adjourn passed.

Benediction by Chaplain Maxey
Everyone sang DIXIE

13th Brigade Commander Camp

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*** Current Through the 2016 Regular Session ***

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.

Next scheduled Georgia Division Executive Council meeting:

June 10, 2017

Marriott Macon City Center



Registration and Delegate Forms are on-line at www.gascv.org, or can be clipped from this issue of the Georgia Confederate.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact: 4th Brigade Commander Tom Stevens at tstevens43@aol.com or 478-477-7468.

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Make checks payable to:
Edward Dorr Tracy Jr.
Camp 18



*Lest
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2017 is an election year!
All Brigade Commanders are up for re-election.
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Also there are several Amendments to consider.
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There must be one delegate for each vote your Camp has. If you think your vote doesn't count, think again. Several recent elections have been decided by fewer than three votes!

120th GEORGIA DIVISION CONVENTION/REUNION



REGISTRATION FORM

JUNE 9th & 10th, 2017

The Marriott Macon City Center
240 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217

Host Camp: B/G Edward Dorr Tracy Jr. Camp #18



Name: _____ & Title: _____

Camp Name _____ Camp # _____

Phone # _____ email address: _____

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

• Registration Fee each (Only Georgia Division members)..... \$20 _____

• Late Registration Fee after May 17, 2017 (only Georgia Division members)... \$25 _____

• **Friday, June 9th Pre-registration at the Magnolia Room 12 – 6**
Saturday, June 10th, Convention Starts at 9:30, Registration 7-9am at the Centraplex Business Center.

Saturday Lunch at business meeting \$20 each.....Qty. ____ (x) \$20 _____

Historic Macon and Civil War Tour- (Spouse and Guests) Enjoy tales of Macon's colorful history by a professional guide at preferred choice attractions: Fort Hawkins, Ocmulgee National Monument, Saint Joseph's Catholic Church, The Hay House, and The Cannonball House on Saturday, June 10th from 9am-12pm. **Seating is limited and tour subject to cancellation from lack of interest.**

\$30each.....Qty. ____ (x) \$30 _____

GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

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Proposed Amendments for 2017 Reunion:

Amendment #1

Art. IX: Add as Section 5: All meetings of the Division Executive Council shall conform to the rules of procedure set forth in *Roberts Rules of Order* (most current edition available).

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters #1729

Amendment #2

Policy #7: Rewrite to read as follows:

“7. It is the policy of the Georgia Division that electronic mail is acceptable for all business of the Division wherever “mail” is mentioned in the bylaws and policies.”

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters Camp #1729

Amendment #3

Art. XIII, Sec. 1: Delete the word “Acting”.

Sec. 2: Delete the word “Acting”.

Sec. 3: Delete the word “Acting” throughout.

Sec. 4: Delete in its entirety the sentence which begins with “This appointed Officer...”

Sec. 5: Rewrite to read as follows:

“All officers elected or appointed in accordance with this Article, shall serve until the next Division Convention. At the next convention the offices shall be open for election of any qualified member of the Georgia Division as defined by Article VI, Section 1 of these bylaws.

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters #1729

Amendment #4.

Article XII, Sec. 9: add the following sentence: “No individual member of the Executive Council may contact the Judge Advocate privately for the purposes of asking for an official opinion on any matter pertaining to the business

of the Georgia Division.

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters Camp #1729

Amendment #5

Policies, Sec. 6: Rewrite to read as follows:

“It is the Policy of the Georgia Division to fix the number of Brigades at a number that is deemed suitable to a majority of the Division Executive Council, and a majority of delegates in convention assembled. Changes to the Brigade map will go into effect at the beginning of the following convention.

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters #1729

Amendment #6

Art. III, Sec 1, and 2, delete in their entirety and replace with the following identified as Section 1: “*The Division shall be divided into Brigades. The number and makeup of these Brigades shall be determined by the Division Convention within the limitations of the Constitution of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Said Brigades shall be known by number.*”

Art. III, Sec. 3: Renumber as “Section 2”.

Art. V, Sec. 2; change the phrase “...the Division Lieutenant Commanders” to read as follows: “...the Division 1st Lieutenant Commander, the Division 2nd Lieutenant Commander...”

Art. VI, Sec. 2: change the phrase “...two Division Lieutenant Commanders (one North and one South)... to read “...a Division 1st Lieutenant Commander, a Division 2nd Lieutenant Commander...”

Art. VI, Sec. 4: Add a period (.) after the word “member” in line 9, and delete “...and remain a member in good standing of one of the Camps in the Section of the Division which he commands.”

Art. XII, Sec. 4: Delete in its entirety and replace with: “There

shall be a Division 1st Lieutenant Commander, and a Division 2nd Lieutenant Commander. Each Lieutenant Commander shall represent the Division Commander, at his request, in matters concerning the Division, its Brigades, and individual Camps.

Art. XII, Sec. 5: delete in its entirety

Art. XII, Sec. 6: Renumber as number 5, and delete the words “...in his Section...”

Art. XIII, Sec. 1: Delete all of the section beginning with “...the Division Adjutant shall...” Add the following: “...the Division 1st Lieutenant Commander shall automatically become Division Commander. The 2nd Lieutenant Commander shall automatically become Division 1st Lieutenant Commander.

Art. XIII, Sec. 3: change the word “elected” to “elevated”.

Art. XIII, Sec. 5: change the word “elected to “elevated”

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters #1729

Amendment #7

Article VI, Sec. 2: Rewrite to read: “At each Division Convention held in a year which is an even number, the Georgia Division shall elect a Division Commander, a Division 1st Lieutenant Commander, a Division 2nd Lieutenant Commander, a Division Adjutant, a Division Judge Advocate, and Brigade Commanders for all the Brigades of the Division.”

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters #1729

Amendment #8

Article XII. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Rewrite Section 7 to read as follows:

The Division Adjutant shall keep correct records and minutes of the proceedings of the Division Executive Council and the Division Convention; maintain an accurate roster of all members in good standing, all officers, and a

roll of the Camps; conduct the correspondence of the Division; issue the necessary orders under the direction of the Division Commander; be the keeper of the Seal of the Division, and issue under it all certificates of membership, commissions, and documents. The Division Adjutant shall perform other such duties as may, from time to time be prescribed by the Division Commander or the Division Executive Council; and may have the assistance of such professional staff as the Division may employ. The Adjutant shall sign on all checks issued by the Division.

Rewrite Section 8 to read as follows:

The Treasurer shall deposit all money in the name of and to the credit of the Georgia Division in such depositories as designated by the Division Executive Council; collect and be the custodian of the operating funds of the Division; insure that the financial records are kept in good order, in such manner and according to such procedures approved by the Division Executive Council; properly administer and record all receipts and disbursements; have custody of all monies and securities of the Division; he shall render to the Division Commander and the Division Executive Council an account of all transactions, and inventory of the assets in his care, and the financial condition of the Division at every scheduled Executive Council meeting, along with an Annual Treasurer’s Report at each Division Convention; and provide copies of said Report to each certified delegate; he shall render to the Division Commander or the Division Executive Council the same information and reports whenever they may require it; and mail copies to Camp Commanders upon request. The Treasurer shall sign on all checks issued by the Division.

Article V: DIVISION EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Section 2: add after the words

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“Division Adjutant”, the words “Division Treasurer,”

Article VI: DIVISION OFFICERS

Section 2: add after the words “Division Adjutant”, the words “Division Treasurer”.

Article X: FINANCE

Section 7: Change the word “Adjutant” to “Treasurer”.

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters #1729

Amendment #9

Rewrite Article XII, Sec. 3 to read as follows:

“The Division Commander shall appoint his staff as soon as possible following the Annual Division Convention. The staff shall consist of the Division Chief of Staff, the Division Historian, Division Chaplain, Division Inspector, Division Spokesman, Division Quartermaster, Division Surgeon, Division Editor, Division Signal Officer, Division Parliamentarian, Division Genealogist, Division Sergeant-at-Arms, and other such Officers as he may deem necessary. The members of the Division Commander’s appointed staff serve at his pleasure.”

Policies, Sec. 5; delete in its entirety and renumber current sections 6, 7, and 8 as sections 5, 6, and 7.

Proposed by Division Commander Scott Gilbert, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters #1729

March, 2017

Comments by Division Commander Scott Gilbert

Fellow Compatriots of the Georgia Division:

In this edition of our newspaper you will find a number of amendments that will be put before the delegates at our upcoming reunion and convention this summer in Macon. In an effort to give you time to review each one without feeling rushed to reach a conclusion on very short notice at the reunion, I am privileged to be able to provide some commentary here for your convenience. Please note that while some of the amendments have been suggested to me by individual Compatriots or Camps, the ultimate responsibility for these particular amendments rests solely with myself.

Amendment #1: This amendment is housekeeping and formalizes in writing what the EC has for the most part traditionally practiced. It will mirror the requirement that we use Roberts Rules at our Division convention.

Amendment #2: Another housekeeping item, this amendment saves some occasional postage, but more importantly, it makes communication much easier and faster.

Amendment #3: This amendment makes the replacement of EC officers between conventions easier, and removes the possible confusion of what an “Acting” officer may or may not do. More importantly, any officer that is appointed to the EC will be able to vote immediately upon assuming office. An EC member not allowed to vote results in a punitive handicap placed on the Camps that the member may represent if he is a Division Lt. Commander (in our current system) or a Brigade Commander. More importantly, the voting authority of EC members without discussion of status is mandated in the bylaws in Art. V, Sec. 2.

Amendment #4: This amendment clarifies the expected protocol for requesting an official opinion by the Division Judge

Advocate. Our current Judge Advocate, Dan Coleman, has been extremely gracious and very open to answering inquiries from individual Division members about a wide range of issues. However, the Division bylaws indicate that the Judge Advocate is to advise the “Division Commander and the Division Executive Council...” This amendment would in no way restrict anyone from asking a Judge Advocate for an unofficial opinion. It simply mandates that any *official* request for an opinion should come from the Commander, or the Executive Council as a body.

Amendment #5: This amendment makes our bylaws current with the SCV national constitution and bylaws. There is no longer a mandate for any kind of formula that requires us to have a specific number of brigades. (Art. 5, Paragraph 5.3) As time goes by we need to be able to alter our brigade lines if the delegates at any particular convention feel it to be necessary.

Amendment #6: No other Division in the SCV uses a system like ours. Almost every Division uses a numbered Lieutenant Commander system. A few smaller ones use a single Lieutenant Commander. Not only will this amendment make our chain of command more flexible and more productive in terms of job assignments (one Lt. might be put in charge of recruiting, the other one might be tasked with fundraising, etc.), it will simplify replacing any of the Commander/Lt. Commander positions in the event of a vacancy.

Amendment #7: This amendment returns Brigade Commander elections to the same election cycle as the other constitutional officers. While there is some merit to the concept of “having an election every year will increase attendance”, I do not believe that this line of thought outweighs the negative result of splitting the EC voting in half. A Division Commander has very many tasks, projects, meetings, and general business issues to deal with that re-

quire teamwork. This work requires a team. The appointed Division Staff, and committee Chairmen do a lot of this work (which all Division Commanders appreciate). Imagine what would happen if half of the staff left office each year. It is the same as what is potentially going to happen with Brigade Commanders. While wholesale turnover may not happen regularly, it can happen, and even with just a few changes, it can alter the results of our many projects and activities. Constant turnover in the makeup of the EC can, and most likely will lead to constant turnover in command directives, strategies, and programs.

More importantly, the issue of attendance at reunions is, in my personal opinion, not tied to the presence, or lack of, elections. I have attended many Division reunions over the past twenty-six years and many national reunions (at least thirteen). At non-election reunions I have rarely noticed any significant drop off in attendance. I respectfully suggest that the following suggestions will solve in a significant way the problem of attendance at all reunion/conventions:

1. Have your Camp send a full voting delegation each year. There will always be amendments, resolutions, budgets, and other business that is as equally important as elections at our conventions. This will also help your Camp be recognized and will allow your Camp leaders to meet and make friends with members from other Camps from various parts of the State.

2. Send responsible and professional delegates. Meaning your delegates should be as SCV experienced as possible. They should be familiar with the Division and national Constitution and Bylaws and have a basic understanding of, and respect for, parliamentary procedure including Roberts Rules of Order.

3. Choose delegates that will vote on the merits of a particular

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DEADLINES
*The Georgia
Confederate*



June 1st
August 1st
October 1st
December 1st



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Editor

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amendment/resolution/report without regard to which Compatriot(s) or Camp authored the measure.

4. Send delegates that understand that social events (for example: cookouts) and business meetings in a public place are two different things, and require different standards of dress and appearance.

5. Choose delegates that can be passionate and willing to speak out, but that at the same time can maintain their composure. It is my belief that the main reasons that many SCV members attend one or two conventions and lose interest is what they see and hear, *not* the amount of the registration fee, or the lack of a scheduled election.

6. Demand that the host Camp put on first class events like those at national: a Chaplains breakfast, *entertaining* luncheon speakers, a Saturday evening ball or banquet, etc. After all, these annual gatherings are called *REUNIONS* first, “conventions” second. Business is only a small part of the event. To foster morale, which will lead to increased membership, and goodwill, which will foster participation, we have to have some fun and get to know each other better in person. Our families need to know each other.

Amendment #8: This amendment will reduce the workload of a single Compatriot when serving as Adjutant *and* Treasurer by approx-

imately 50%. It will also provide protection to the office holders by requiring two signatures on all checks. That same protection will automatically be extended to the financial health of the Division by the two-signature system. Both the Adjutant, and Treasurer position in organizations such as ours are time demanding, and paperwork intensive. Dividing the work in half will help ensure that we do not abuse the time and patience of those that take on the most important jobs in the SCV.

Amendment #9: This amendment adds clarity to the appointment authority of the Division Commander. The primary change will return the position of Editor to the staff as it was previously. The Quartermaster position is also a traditional staff position. One new position added by this amendment will be that of Division Signal Officer. The appointment of staff officers is important for the smooth, team oriented performance of the Division leadership team. A Division Commander should have the authority to appoint Compatriots that he knows, is familiar with, and works well with.

I will be happy to answer any questions or concerns about these potential changes. Please feel free to email, or call me.

Sincerely,
Scott Gilbert
Commander
Georgia Division

HOW TO BUY A TENT

American manufacturers mainly produce large pricey tents and additionally some still offer smaller camping tents. The tent market needed by special events organizations such as ours, is largely held captive by Chinese manufacturers and much of this is pure “junk”. Personal visits to three major sporting goods stores produced more of the same with outrageous prices as well. The best advice is to catch Amazon internet bargains as they are presented. Remember, however, that Amazon has contractual agreements with the Companies for a limited quantity at a given price, occasionally with free shipping. These bargains end when the last tent is sold. This could be in one-hour or one-day—If you snooze you loose because once the bargain is gone it probably won’t return. Amazon does charge state and local taxes. If you decide to surf the WEB for other companies and they don’t provide a telephone number, start running the other way! Your transactions are best served by live communication.

“Denier” is an important consideration when purchasing a tent as it represents the thickness of the tent material. (One Denier = one silk worm strand.) A typical 10 x 10 foot tent needs a thick roof to prevent the wind from tearing it to pieces. Five-hundred denier is recommended for the roof. Water proofing together with thicker

roofing prevents major storms from soaking everything inside. The sides of the tent are usually made of thinner material and are fastened to the roof with Velcro or such. Tent floors are not recommended as they may stay dry but won’t stay clean with muddy shoes going in and out. Ez-up or pop-up tents are made for one man set-ups, with a higher price tag to go with it. Banners can be printed on the roof edge or you can attach your own with Velcro. (Front and back banners are strongly recommended.) Tent supports are usually steel or aluminum construction—the only difference is the steel will add about three more pounds weight. (Not a consideration.) Just make sure the tent bag has big wheels so carting it is not a problem. The weight of the aforementioned tent should be a clue as to its worth. If the total weight is approximately 30 pounds don’t even consider it. The 10’ x 10’ tent weight should range between 60 to 70 pounds for lasting value. Heavy is better.

Georgia State fire regulations require any tent over 400 square feet to be fire proof. Be aware that local governmental districts each have their own different fire regulations enforced by their own Fire Marshalls who personally inspect these events.

NOW – GO BUY A TENT!

Written by:

Dennis Elm, Quartermaster

Compatriot David Powell

Crossed Over the River

GROVETOWN, Ga. - David Mason Powell, born August 3, 1939 in Augusta, GA, was the son of Heidt W. and Ruth (Trader) Powell. He passed away peacefully on February 25, 2015 at his home where he wanted to be. He was 75 years of age and married to Marie Meyers Powell for 50 plus years. A graveside service was held at 11:00 AM at Bellevue Memorial Gardens on February 28, 2015 with Ben Creech and Nick Posey presiding. Honorary Pallbearers will be Dan Videtto, Stanley Jenkins, Ray Lowery, Johnny Hoehn (deceased) and the members of Camp #158.

Compatriot Powell was a graduate of Woodlawn Grammar School, Tubman Jr. High



and the Academy of Richmond County. He served honorably in the US Air Force and the Navy Reserve. He was the owner and CEO of several businesses: Pleasant Heating and Air Conditioning, Columbia Custom Marble, Petersburg Learning Center and DMP Builders, Inc., where he retired. He was a National and Georgia Life Member of Sons of Confederate Veterans. He was a member of B/G E. Porter Alexander Camp # 158, Augusta, GA for more than 22 years, the Augusta Genealogical Society, past president of the Powell Family Reunion and past member of several business and trade organizations.

He and his cousin, Cliff Hill compiled and published Powell- Wiley & Mariah, the history of the family ancestry. One of his greatest pleasures was insuring the completion of the Confederate Powder Works Project, to which he was also a donor. He also directed the Confederate Re-enactors for the Rededication Service. He was involved with the refurbishment of the Confederate Monument on Broad St. and the Confederate Platform at Magnolia Cemetery. He was a WBTS re-enactor (GA 1st Ind. And 5th GA Infantry and 32nd GA Artillery). He served as one of the Honor Guard for the Hunley. He was hard working, strong willed, very knowledgeable on many subjects, generous, honorable, caring, and a true son of the South. He believed his word was his bond and a handshake always sealed a deal.

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The Confederate patriot through whom I petition for membership, and who adhered to the Cause of the Confederate States

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My Confederate Ancestor was:

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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

Tribute to the Confederate Soldier

By Mark Pollard

January 20, 1912 – *Magnolia Gazette*, Mississippi

At a reunion of the Stockdale Camp U.C.V., Dr. W.M. Wroten, (pictured above), read the following splendid and interesting tribute to the men who wore the gray:

A little more than 51 years ago, Mississippi, resuming her sovereignty, took her stand with her sister Southern states, beneath a new flag.

More than four decades and a half have passed since wreathed around with laurel and with cypress, that banner passed into eternal silence, here live forever the deathless dead. During that eventful struggle from 1861 to 1865, Mississippi sent 85,600 stalwart sons to make her declaration good. More than one-third came not back again. Dead by the fire of battle, dead by wound, dead by disease, from exposure and hardship, thousands of our bravest and best are sleeping their last sleep on different battlefields.

Whenever in that ring of fire, that encircled the Confederacy, we faced the fearful odds that slowly but steadily drove us onward.

In the four and a half decades which have since passed, the leaded hail of years has driven great gaps in the ranks of the survivors. Another third and perhaps of the remaining third have joined their comrades in the great bivouac of the dauntless host, who carried on their bayonet points the fortune of the Confederacy, as well as the fame and honor of Mississippi. Of these less than 8000 are still with us.

In 1860 just prior to the beginnings of the Civil war, Mississippi had only 60,000 men of military age, yet she furnished

85,600 to fight her battles.

In 1861, when our war began, the South had no government. It had to create one. It had not a soldier and not a dollar. It had to raise an army, organize, equip and feed it. It had no arsenals, no powder, and but few guns.

The enemy had 42,000,000 people while we had only 6,000,000, and many of these were colored.

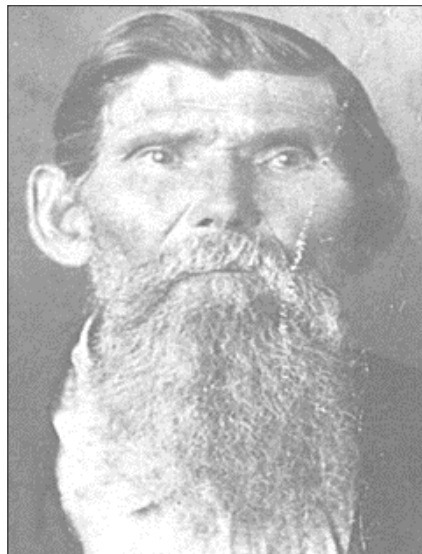
They had an army and navy organized. They had an overflowing treasury and ready access to the outside world from which they drew recruits and supplies of every kind. When they lost a soldier killed or wounded they could fill the place with two or three others. When we lost a man there was no one to take his place.

They put 2,800,000 men in the field, while we never had from first to last but 600,000. Quite a number of these were reenlistments and counted twice.

While our Northern friends claimed we had more than 600,000, it is a fact that we had many less.

In 1872 France and Germany engaged in a war. Each had an army of 400,000 men already equipped for war. The army of France was inspired by remembering the glories of Napoleon and that of Germany by the victories of Fredrick the Great. In six months the German army had captured Paris and 1,000,000 French troops. The French were a brave and martial race, and their equal in numbers.

It took the North four years to travel from Washington to Richmond, a little more than 100 miles, against an army one fourth their number. Had Albert Sidney Johnston lived one hour longer at Shiloh, Grant and his army would have been prison



Dr. W. M. Wroten

ers. Had Stonewall Jackson lived Hooker's army would have been cut off from U.S. ford and made prisoners. Either event would have ended the war in our favor.

The valor of our soldiers and the genius of our generals were equal to success. You can measure the magnitude of our struggle in another way. In the great war of the revolution in which we won our independence, the Patriots, during the entire seven years, left only 1,735 men dead on the battle fields.

In the war of 1812 our second war with Great Britain, we had only 1,235 killed. In the war with Mexico we lost 1,047 killed. Mississippi lost in battle nearly 5,000 men, including deaths from wounds about 10,000 more.

In the long centuries that are to come, legend and song in this fair Southland will keep bright the story of the Confederate soldiers. His memory will sparkle in the fountain and the mountain peaks will recall remembrances of his marches.

Posterity will recall the sublime faith and courage with which, when the end came, you turned your faces homeward, and there picking up the web of life, where the sword had cut it, you've began again where you left off four years before.

Your powerful aid dissipated the evil influences that came over your native land. You cleared your fields of the bram-

bles that had grown up, and your government of the bad men, who had been placed in power. Honor and integrity became again are the attendants of your public services.

You did all this and more, and that will stand for your everlasting honor. In the struggle from 1861 to 1865 you were faithful to the highest ideals of the soldier, and years following you were equal to the highest duties of a citizen.

Patriotism is a part of your very existence. The stress of years and the storm of battle have reduced your numbers and enfeebled your steps.

The heads of the survivors have whitened with the snows that never melt, but your patriotism has not diminished with your numbers or your strength and the state has none more jealous of her honor or more obedient to her laws. ♦

Submitted by:
Mark Pollard
Ga. Division
SCV Historian



👉 CSS Shenandoah

On a slip at Williamstown, Australia, in 1865.

"a class of vessels built for a branch of the China trade, which sail very fast, and have auxilliary steam power....a splendid cruiser, and indeed nothing better would be desired."

Stephen Mallory, Secretary
Confederate States Navy

Source: *csa.dixie.com*



☞ Compatriot David Lee [L] of the Habersham Guard Camp 716, Clarkesville, GA presents Executive Director Mike Landree with a \$1000 donation for the new Confederate Museum. The money was raised at the Fall Turkey Shoot and proudly given for a worthy cause.



New Georgia Division Online Store items:

1. **Large Georgia Division Logo Decal;** 2" X 2", w/ adhesive back. Qty. 1=\$5; 5 or more \$4@.
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3. **Georgia Division Lapel Pin;** 1 1/4" X 1 1/4", w/ double latch. Qty. 1 = \$4; 5 or more \$3@.

☞ Habersham Guard Camp 716 presents a check to the Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries. L to R: Ramey Nubern, Cmdr. Kenneth Craig, Mrs. Carol McCarty, and Jason Willis. See more info Page 21.



☞ Kennesaw Battlefield Camp #700 held a work day at Blackwell Cemetery in February to clean up the grounds and install four Southern Crosses of Honor.

Top photo, L to R: William Reither, Michael Reither, Maria Pilgrim, Lucille Pilgrim, and friend. Middle photo, L to R: Tim Pilgrim, Michael Reither, Dan Coleman. Bottom photo, L to R: William Reither, Michael Reither.

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☞ 6 Year Old Melissa Mullis assists her father Michael Mullis and Camp Commander James W. King in placing CSA Battle Flags on over 500 CSA graves in Albany and Cordele Georgia. SCV Camp 141 Lt. Col. Thomas M. Nelson Rangers places flags on the graves annually.



☞ Three photos of the National Confederate Cemetery at Ft. Pulaski showing the after-effects of Hurricane Matthew last fall. In the top photo you can see the debris left by the storm surge. In the middle photo, stumps of fallen trees, narrowly missing the Cemetery wall are seen.

In the photo at bottom, you can see the back left corner where the trees were.

There was extensive damage to Ft. Pulaski, which was closed for repairs for almost a month. There was no damage to the Immortal Six Hundred monument.

The History of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans

Compiled by: Mark Pollard, Georgia Division Historian, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Part (7)

1922-1923

The year 1922 began with a recap in the *Confederate Veteran* magazine of the Chattanooga Reunion of 1921. In the recap, it was noted that the CIC elected at the Reunion was Judge Edgar Scurry of Texas, the son of General William Read Scurry for whom a Texas County was named.

Another curious mention in the news was a reception held during the Reunion by U.S. Congressman W.D. Upshaw of Georgia. At this reception, a sum of \$250.00 was raised to fulfill a promise by the Sons to contribute half of the cost of a monument at Harper's Ferry in honor of Heywood Shepherd, a black man who was killed in John Brown's raid into Virginia. The other half of the cost was born by the UDC.



The Heywood Shepherd Monument

On the night of October 16, 1859, Heyward Shepard, an industrious and respected colored freeman was mortally wounded by John Brown's raiders in pursuance of his duties as an employee of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company. He became the first victim of the attempted insurrection.

This boulder is erected by the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Sons of Confederate Veterans as a memorial to Heyward Shepherd, exemplifying the character and faithfulness of thou-

sands of negroes who, under many temptations through subsequent years of war, so conducted themselves that no stain was left upon a record which is the peculiar heritage of the American people, and an everlasting tribute to the best on both races.

Another interesting article appeared in the spring 1922 issue of the *Confederate Veteran* magazine. It was contributed by Mrs. Clem G. Moore, President of the Alexander Stephens Chapter of the UDC in Crawfordville. It gave the history of the Stephens Institute at the University of Georgia and how it came to be as a result of a UDC effort which began at the convention of 1912. Years later, Stephens High School along with the help of the UDC, eventually got the attention of the State Legislature, which finally rescued the effort and finished the school making it a part of the University of Georgia. This was a great triumph of the ladies at the turn of the century when cash was hard to come by. It is also a fitting tribute to Governor Stevens, who for many years helped to educate the poor children of the State.

The Reunion for 1922 was held in the 'Old Dominion' as the Sons met in Richmond on 20-23 of June. At the Reunion, W. McDonald Lee of the host State of Virginia was elected Commander in Chief and Carl Hinton was again elected as the Adjutant in Chief. There were a few events of general interest and one even involved a well-known Georgian.

A report to the Historical Committee by Colonel H.W. Johnstone of Curryville, Georgia drew much controversy when published by Mildred Rutherford of Athens, the Historian General of the UDC. The report was a scholarly presentation, but one passage which blamed Lincoln for instigating the

instance at Charleston was particularly venomous and drew fire from the CIC and others. The CIC then drew fire from other compatriots when he went public with his opinions. The local press loved it and published it far and wide, providing a little controversy within the Confederation.

A novel method of gathering money for a project with shown in 1922 and we raised \$30,000 in a short period. The project was a monument to President Davis in Fairview, Kentucky which was his birthplace. The money was lent to the Confederation by "moneyed" members under the condition that it would be paid back as the funds were raised. That way the monument could be built quickly and not wait for the long process of collection that delayed many other such monuments of the time.

Finally, there was an article appearing in the 1922 fall issue of the *Confederate Veteran* magazine where George J. Burris responded to an article which had appeared in January concerning how the Confederate States armed their soldiers. He was a bit upset that his hometown was not mentioned. He says of his home town of Columbus, Georgia: "Here Louis Haiman & Bros. were engaged in making swords for the cavalry, also revolvers, harness for teams and artillery horses, besides accouterments for the infantry. Greenwood and Gray manufactured rifles and swords. The Naval Iron Works, as well as the arsenal, made brass cannon and many other useful articles needed by the Army. Our mills turned out thousands of yards of jeans for uniforms, which were cut and made here. A large shoe factory was also maintained here, besides various other smaller industries making Army supplies.

The year 1923 saw the SCV struggle along with members trying to keep up with their dues in the bad economy of the times. Our CIC for 1922-1923 was Colonel W. McDonald Lee of the Lee Camp #1 of Richmond with Carl Hinton of Colorado serving as our Adjutant in Chief again. He had formerly been our CIC.

Early in the year, an article appeared in the *Confederate Veteran* magazine which is quite interesting in its historical information that was provided. The article was called; "The Rebel Yell."

Dr. Joseph B. Dunn, a Virginia Episcopal minister stated; "Stonewall Jackson" freed the pent up feeling of the South when he gave the order at Manassas: Charge! And yell like furies!" At that moment was born the war cry of the South. So weird was it that it seemed at times to mingle in the noise and confusion of a battlefield and to become a spiritual thing, a voice, a sound, described by one as the voice of the "Fierce South, cheering on her sons!" Dr. Dunn says of the rebel yell: "There burst upon the ear of earth that wild yell, more awful than the noise of a hissing ball or screeching shell." He who shall be able to analyze aright the 'Rebel Yell' will be the one who can tell the true story of the war.



In other news for 1923, there was a series of articles printed showing the officers of the Army of Tennessee Department. In this group are several Georgians. There is W.W. Stembridge of Milledgeville who was appointed Assistant Department Adjutant; A.D. Krenson of Savannah who was appointed Assistant Department Inspector;

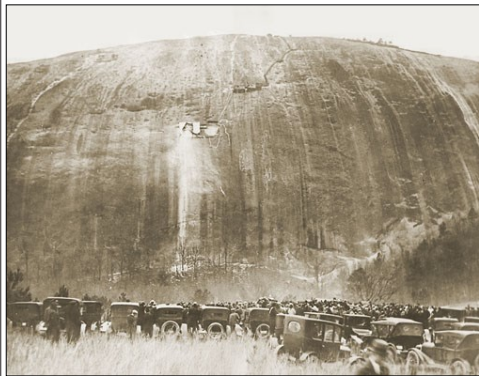
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Milledgeville appointed Assistant Department Judge Advocate; E.A. Jackson of LaFayette appointed Assistant Department Historian; and R.E. McMillian appointed Assistant Department Chaplain. John Ashley of Atlanta appointed Historian for the Army of Tennessee.

Alabama also was showing a lot of prominent members in 1923 as Governor W.W. Brandon was appointed Judge Advocate for the Army of Tennessee.

Just after the reunion of 1923, there was an article in the Confederate Veteran which mentioned a John B. Gordon compatriot, H.N. Randolph of Atlanta in his role as President of the Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial Association. Randolph stated some interesting facts about being part of this



truly commemorative enterprise. "There is world-wide interest in the movement, and this is well illustrated by the recent pictures and comments which appeared in a newspaper of Cairo, Egypt." Presi-



dent Randolph also stated; "Stone Mountain is the most interesting and spectacular subject in the world today." The carving work is getting along well, and it is hoped to have General Lee's figure sufficiently completed by January 19 next as to enable the statue to be unveiled on his birthday. Randolph ended his article by stating... "Nothing else in history approaches this memorial!" ❖

Part (8) - The History of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans will continue in the next issue of the Georgia Confederate.

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

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~ Will Rogers



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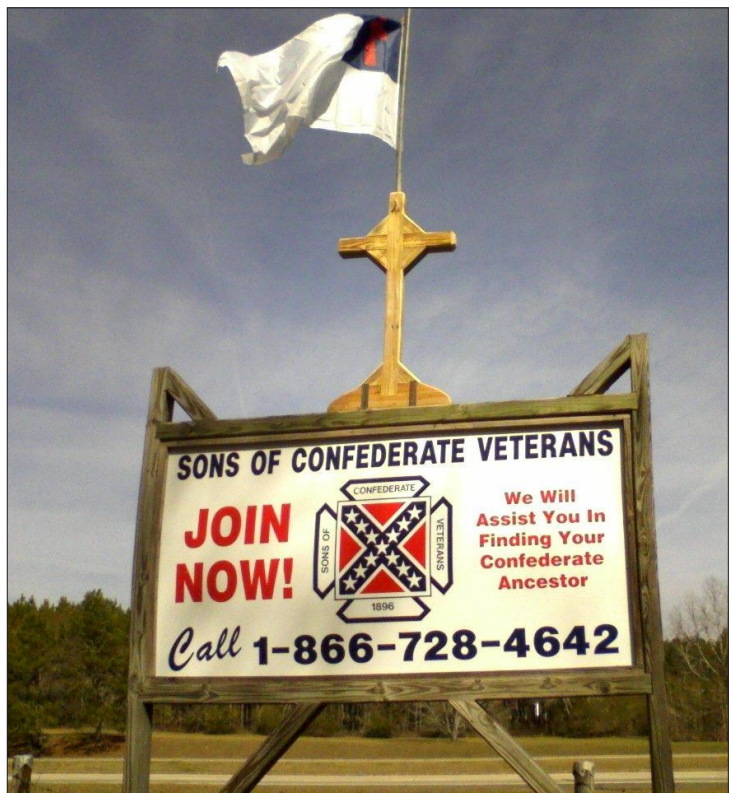
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☞ Montgomery Sharpshooters posted this sign at their I-16 flag cite. See Page 22 for more info.



☞ Cmdr. George King prepares the Bear Creek Artillery at the R.E. Lee Birthday Celebration at Jeff Davis Memorial Park, January 21, 2017.



☞ Haralson Invincibles Camp #673 was honored to have Susan Hathaway of the VaFlaggers visit from Richmond, and present a program. See Page 21 for more info. [Two photos]



☞ 1st Lt Logan Lyon, [R] who attends Elbert County High School, was selected as the recipient of H.L. Hunley JRTOC Award at their annual banquet held at the Elks Club on March 25, 2017 in Elberton, Georgia. Commander Judson Barton, [L] of the Lt. Dickson L. Baker Camp #926 presented the award.

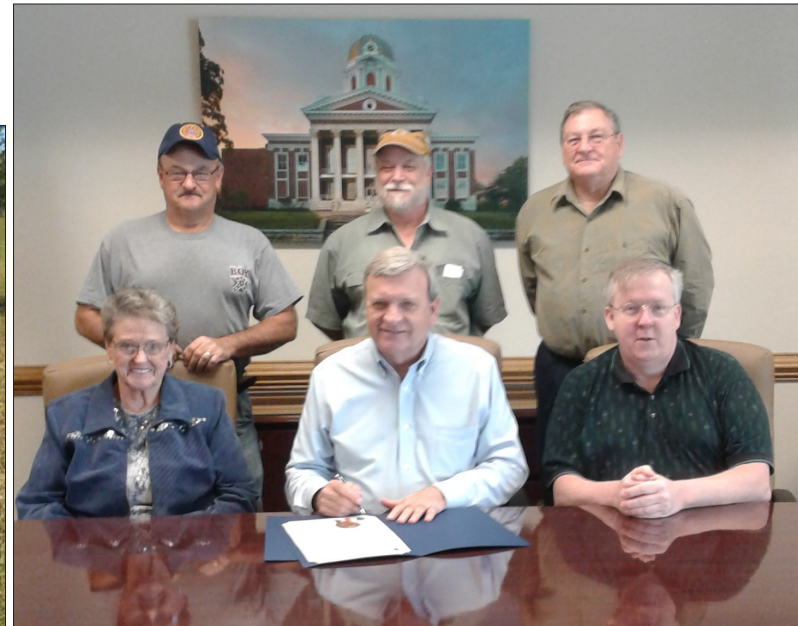


☞ Entry to Jeff Davis Memorial Park on January 21, 2017.



☞ Honor Guard presents the colors at Stone Mountain.

☞ Luke and Savannah Smith and Ace Stringfellow marking the grave of 1st Lt. John Laughlin Mathews, Sr. of Company E 61st Georgia Infantry in the Galbreath Cemetery in Montgomery County. Luke and Savannah's father and Ace's uncle Joseph Smith is a member of the Montgomery Sharpshooters Camp.



☞ First Signing of the Confederate History Month Proclamation at the Bartow County Commissioners office. Stiles/Akin Camp #670 along with the Cartersville United Daughters of the Confederacy, General Peirce Manning Butler Young Chapter. Back Row: Dale Black, Emmett Reed, Mike Bryson. Front Row: UDC Shirley Hamby, Commissioner Steve Taylor and Barry Colbaugh





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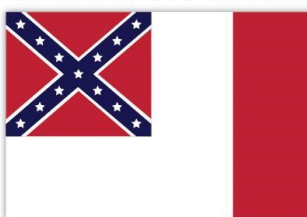
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- I-75 Ringgold, 80' / 20' X 30' Real Georgia
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- Hwy 91S, Newton 30' lighted/ 5' X 8' Bonny Blue, 1-3 Nationals

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

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GEORGIA DIVISION'S FLAGS ACROSS GEORGIA FLAGPOLE LOCATIONS:

- I-85 North near exit 173, 60' / 10' X 15' Real Georgia
- Interstate 20 and Wheeler Rd. Augusta, 50' / 10' X 15' Battle flag
- I-95 near mile marker 65, 60' / 10' X 15' Real Georgia
- I-75 at exit 71, Tift County 120' / 30' X 50' Battle flag
- Hwy 520 (Jefferson Davis Hwy) Weston, 70' / 10' X 15' Battle flag
- I-75 and Battlefield Pkwy Ringgold, GA 50' / 10' X 15' Battle flag
- I-75 Ringgold, Ga, 80' / 20' X 30' Real Georgia
- I-16 near Hwy. 221, 55' / 10' X 15' Battle flag
- Hwy. 82 near Waycross, 60' / 10' X 15' Battle flag
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To the Gentlemen of the Georgia Division of the SCV

Dear Compatriots; If you have an ancestor who was an officer in the Confederate Army, Navy, Marines, Confederate Congress or any elected or appointed member of the Executive branch of the Confederate Government you are eligible to join

The Military Order of the Stars and Bars.

Why a separate organization for commemoration of the Confederate Officer Corps and the officials of the civilian Confederate Government?

With few exceptions, the officers of the armed forces of the Confederate States of America are without memorials, biographies, or any other commemorations. The attention given to the memory and history of the Confederate elected and appointed officials is even less. These heroic men suffered unbelievable hardships for their honored cause, without once wavering, without once shying from their terrific responsibilities. The story of the "Immortal Six Hundred" chronicles the conditions in which the Confederate officers were held while prisoners of war. Even after the war had ended, the officers were singled out by their former adversaries for revenge. Through every test, these brave men stood tall.

Though not usually exposed to service in the field, the elected and appointed members of the Confederate Government exhibited the necessary moral courage to lead the heroic Southern people through a vicious four-year struggle for personal freedom. Their homes were singled out for destruction by invading Yankee armies, many were charged with treason by the U.S. Government and after the war they faced imprisonment. De-



spite threats, abuses, and deprivations, these civil leaders held the Confederacy together when lesser men would have capitulated.

The members of the MOS&B bear an extra responsibility to their Confederate heritage. They strive to preserve the special place in our Southern History for the Confederate officers and civil leaders. In doing so, we accomplished the goal of both the SCV and the MOS&B.

FORMER MEMBERS: A lot of you in the Georgia Division have been former members of the MOS&B. To be reinstated just pay your yearly dues of \$35.00. There is no reinstatement fee. Send a letter requesting reinstatement listing your ancestors name and your former Society number, if known – You do not have to be a member of a local Chapter, you will be a "Member at Large". There is also a yearly State dues of \$5.00 due at the same time you pay your national dues.

NEW MEMBERS: New membership dues are \$50.00. Each new member must submit two complete sets on membership application and supporting documentation in order for the application to

be considered and processed. Incomplete applications will be returned. You must also submit one additional complete set of membership applications for our state records. This will be a total of **THREE** complete membership forms per member.

Membership forms can be downloaded from the MOS&B web site (www.militaryorderofthestarsandbars.org)

Just click on "Join Us".

National Dues for **new members** are \$50.00 (make check to "IHQ-MOSB") Former members dues are \$35.00 made payable to same and State dues for both New and Former members are \$5.00 (make check to "GA.MOSB"). Both checks must be submitted with your application for membership or request for reinstatement.

The Georgia Society of the MOS&B will have a recruiting table at the 120th Georgia Division Reunion in Macon, Georgia June 9-10, 2017

STOP BY AND SEE US!

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State Society Adjutant

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Events Calendar

Gentlemen:

This event calendar is being distributed to the Division wide e-mail list. Please announce these events at your next Camp meeting and feel free to distribute. If you have an event you want added to the calendar please send the details of the event Division Adjutant at timfpilgrim@yahoo.com and *The Georgia Confederate* at gaconfederate@att.net.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The 16th National Confederate Memorial Service at Stone Mountain Park:

Saturday April 1, 2017 at 1 pm in front of the Carving Reflection Pool

Honor Guard Men & Ladies needed! SEE Dennis Cook @ the park Artillery needed Contact: David Dennard at 706-678-7720

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David Floyd at 770-979-2637 DLFreb@msn.com.

John McIntosh Kell Camp #107

The John McIntosh Kell Camp #107 Sons of Confederate Veterans will host a memorial service on Saturday, April 15, 2017 starting at 10 am at the Stonewall Confederate Cemetery to honor the men who are buried here. The purpose of this observance is due to the fact that April is Confederate History Month by law (O.C.G.A. § 1-4-20) in the State of Georgia and April 26 is Confederate Memorial Day for the State of Georgia. The keynote speaker is Curtis Harris Collier, III, from Athens, GA. This event is free and open to the public.

Contact Person: Charles Kelly Barrow barrowscv@inbox.com o 770.468.4246 cell 770.412.1646 home

General E. Porter Alexander Porter # 158, Confederate Memorial Day Service:

Saturday, April 22, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. Our annual Confederate Memorial Day ceremony at

Magnolia Cemetery in Augusta, Georgia will feature Mrs. Betty Jean Miller of Kline, S.C. a prominent member of the S.C. UDC. This event will be on Saturday April 22nd starting at 11:00 a.m. featuring black powder salutes and time to honor your ancestors.

Col. Charles T. Zachry # 108, Confederate Memorial Day Service:

Saturday, April 22, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. "The Col. Charles T. Zachry Camp 108 Sons of Confederate Veterans in Henry County will hold our Annual Confederate Memorial Day Observance on the McDonough City Square, Saturday April 22 at 2pm. Our keynote speaker will be Georgia Division Commander Scott Gilbert. Please join us in McDonough to support our Confederate Heritage."

Capt. James Knox Camp#2022

Waynesville Confederate Park and Cemetery cleanup for Confederate Memorial day and the annual Brantley County CSA Pride ride will be the morning of Saturday the 22 of April, I don't know the time it will start yet but probably around 9 am.

Jerry Watkins , Adjutant

General Stand Watie Camp # 915, Confederate Memorial Day Service:

Sunday, April 23, 2017 at 2:00p.m. - An Observance of Confederate Memorial Day at the Resaca Confederate Cemetery, Resaca, Ga. (Resaca Cemetery is approximately 7 miles north of Calhoun, Ga. on Highway 41 N, turn right on Confederate Cemetery Road). Sponsored by the General Stand Watie Camp #915, Sons of Confederate Veterans, the Harriet Gold Chapter #2526, United Daughters of the Confederacy and Company G, 28th Georgia Volunteer Infantry Reenactors. Mr. Ken Herron, local newspaper columnist and historian, will be the Keynote Speaker. Music will be provided by the Company G, 28th Georgia Fife & Drum Corps and Laney House. Everyone is

welcome. In the event of inclement weather the event will be held at Oakleigh in downtown Calhoun, Ga. The home of the Gordon County Historical Society

Marietta Confederate Cemetery Annual Confederate Memorial Day service:

Sunday April 23 2017 at 3:00 pm. The Kennesaw Chapter UDC and Camp Donald Camp # 1552 will be hosting the annual Marietta Confederate Cemetery Confederate Memorial Day Service at the Cemetery Gazebo.

Yancy Independents #693 Sylvester, Georgia

Our annual Memorial Day Service is scheduled April 23 @ 2:30 pm, Worth Co. Courthouse, Sylvester. Speaker Ken Arvin, 9th Brigade Commander.

Bo Slack, Camp Commander

Clement A. Evans Camp #64

Clement A. Evans Camp #64 will be having their annual Confederate Memorial Day Celebration on Monday, April 24 at 6 pm in Confederate (Phoenix) Park located in downtown Waycross, Program Speaker this year will be Compatriot Bill Bowers speaking on the 27th GA. Everyone is invited.

Cmdr. Brantley Thrift

Thomas Marsh Forman Camp #485

On April 29th, the Thomas Marsh Forman Camp 485, Brunswick, will observe Confederate Memorial Day in conjunction w/ the local United Daughters of the Confederacy in Brunswick. We start with a procession down New-castle street from G Street at 10:30. We need infantry with rifles and supporters on foot or in vehicles. We end at Hanover Park, site of our local Confederate Monument erected by the UDC , with a service at 11:00. Cmdr Hal Crowe

912.571.8657

The Decatur Grays Camp 1689, Annual Confederate Memorial

Day Program:

Saturday April 29th at 7:00 p.m. The annual Confederate Memorial Day event will be at Willis Park on the square in downtown Bainbridge.

Appling Grays Camp #918, Confederate Memorial Day Ceremony

The Appling Grays Camp # 918 Sons of Confederate Veterans along with the Appling County Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy and the Order of the Confederate Rose will be celebrating Confederate Memorial Day on Sunday April 30, 2017 at the Holmesville Historic Site in Appling County located on Georgia 15 (about 5 miles South of Baxley). Ceremony will begin at 3:00 pm. The United Daughters of the Confederacy will be honoring three (3) former service members with Confederate Ancestors for their ancestors service and their service. All members and friends are encouraged to attend. All who can dress out and help with firing the salute are welcome to take part. Refreshments will be served afterward.

Deo Vindice,

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Re-enactments:

March 17 ~ 19: Battles at Manassas

April 6 ~ 8: 155th Battle of Shiloh

May 6 ~ 7: Old Clinton

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CAMP DIRECTORY

CAMP NEWS

The information printed in the new Camp Directory needs your input at the Camp level. It is by no means totally accurate or complete. Please read and check your Camp's information to check for errors and/or additions. Report any changes to your **Brigade Commander** and copy the Editor of *The Georgia Confederate*.

There will be a separate section for you to contribute a concise report of your Camp's activities. [See Page 25] As always, please send in your photos. We have 4 pages of color and I can print other photos in black and white on the Camp News pages. The Georgia Division needs to grow, not for growth's sake, but to have more opportunities to protect the good name of the Confederate Veterans, your ancestors. Many hands make light work.

Remember, send all information to your **Brigade Commander**

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Sons of Confederate Veterans

CAMP NEWS

☞ This section is here to demonstrate your Camp's good works. Tell the Division what y'all are doing. It is our duty to remember the sacrifices of our beloved Confederate Veterans.

Lt. James T. Woodward Camp 1399, Cpl. David H. Holleman Shiloh Roses OCR, 3rd Battalion Co.B Troop 3 Mechanized Cavalry

In a combined group effort, Members of the Cpl. David H. Holleman - Shiloh Roses Ga. OCR Chapter 9, and Troop 3 of the SCV Mechanized Cavalry 3rd Battalion Co. B, came together to restore and preserve a long forgotten cemetery in Middle Georgia. The Hancock Cemetery sits just inside the Peach Co. Line (formerly Houston County).

The cemetery was last surveyed in the early 1980's by a former Historian of the local community, Mrs. Addie P. Howell. At the time, as stories have been handed down, Ms. Addie was led to the cemetery by a long walk through the woods. For nearly 25 years, descendants had been searching for Hancock Cemetery, but were unable to find it due to being protected from the heavily wooded areas and lack of modern development in the area.

Within the last few years, road development led to the rediscovery of Hancock Cemetery. SCV and OCR Thorn member, Josh Wilcox, stumbled across the cemetery while traveling down the newly constructed road, but kept it under wraps for fear of vandalism and theft, until restoration efforts could be established. The grave of Mrs. Sarah Hancock had been vandalized and her headstone was broken into 3 pieces. The corner posts of the cemetery are pieces of railroad iron from the early 1900's.

During the late spring/early summer of 2016, we began efforts to clean up the cemetery, record and research the known headstones. Through much research, it was discovered that at least one headstone was missing for a Robert W.G. Shirah, son of Lovie M. Shirah, nephew of Sarah Hancock. The will of Lovie Shirah stated she wished to be buried beside her son Robert, in the Hancock Cemetery. Robert Shirah was a confederate soldier, serving his home state of

Georgia in the 8th Ga. Cavalry Co. G.

Application for a Veteran Marker was submitted to the Veterans Administration, and work began. After tracking down direct descendants of the Hancock and Shirah Families, we were able to get written permission to temporarily remove the headstone for Sarah Hancock, and member James "Bo" Hall, built a steel frame to hold the gravestone's 3 pieces together protecting it from further damage while allowing it to be restored to an upright position. Throughout the summer and fall, efforts were made to clear portions within the boundary markers of the cemetery, as well as to keep a constant watch for vandals. On a cool January Saturday, the final cleanup day came. With eight hours of hard work, our combined group of Confederate descendants, volunteers, and local citizens came together to transform Hancock Cemetery and prepare for the first time visit by their descendants. On January 28th a Memorial Dedication was held to honor Confederate Soldiers, Robert W.G. Shirah, James G. Hancock, Isaac Hancock, and their families lying at rest.

Six descendants of the Hancock and Shirah families attended the service, visiting their family's place of rest for the first time. After the Memorial Service, We escorted everyone to Nearby Shiloh Cemetery, where at present we have seven known Confederate Soldiers at rest. We held a Memorial roll call and Honor Guard Salute for our Shiloh Confederates, followed by great fellowship with the family, and a traditional Southern Barbeque lunch prepared by some of our very own members in South Carolina "Low Country" style fashion, in Honor of the Ancestors of these families who settled in South Carolina prior to taking up roots in Georgia.

"Confederate Sharpshooter, William Simmons" by Joe Byrd, Historian T.R.R. Cobb, Camp # 97

The program for the April 6 (2017) regular meeting of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, **TRR Cobb Camp #97**, will be provided by the above historian.

The program for this month is on Major William E. Simmons, an interesting individual who served as an officer in the 16th Georgia, an infantry regiment that was formed in Richmond under Howell Cobb. For much of the War, the 16th Georgia was brigaded with Cobb's Legion Infantry Battalion that included Company D (Mell Rifles) from Clarke County. In the spring of 1863, Simmons was promoted to captain and was selected to command a sharpshooter company of men from his regiment in Wofford's Brigade. In 1864, he twice led the 3rd Georgia Sharpshooter Battalion as acting Commander. He was captured in August 1864 in the Shenandoah Valley by Custer's Michigan Wolverines and was imprisoned at Fort Delaware until the July 24, 1865. After returning to Lawrenceville, he became a prominent lawyer, state legislator, and was an advisor to Governor W. Y. Atkinson. In the 1890's he was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the University of Georgia, and served for 32 years under 13 Georgia Governors.

The meeting is open to the public. This presentation is part of the Sons Confederate Veterans Camp #97 monthly series of historical talks about the South, the War Between the States, the Confederacy, and other historical aspects of the era, and is provided as a public service. The talks are presented by authors, historians, and researchers. The meeting is held at 7:00 pm, first Thursday of each month, at the Oconee County Veterans' Memorial Park Senior Center Auditorium, 3500 Hog Mountain Rd (GA 53), Watkinsville, GA 30677. Refreshments are served afterwards.

For more information, please contact Lowry Harper,

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Sgt. John J. Young grave

The **McDaniel-Curtis Camp 165 in Carrollton** has been busy this year. Compatriot Jimmy Riggs cleaned the Williams - Harper cemetery all by himself. In one day several members placed two confederate crosses of honor and cleaned the Bonner and the Young Cemeteries. Members cleaned the county line cemetery and the Jones-Watson Cemetery, and at our February meeting we were honored with Robert Jones who did a presentation on the end of the war in Georgia. The Forrest Escort Camp in Villa Rica and McDaniel-Curtis Camp put out some two thousand battle flags on soldiers graves each April.

Teddy Thomas, Cmdr.

McDaniel-Curtis Camp 165
Carrollton, GA

Cross on I-16 Flag Cite

Saturday Feb. 4, the Montgomery Sharpshooters placed a wooden cross on top of the sign on I-16 at the site of the 60' flag pole. Junior Adams constructed the cross and the flag pole that stands atop the cross has a Christian flag flying from it. Last month the Camp replaced the two 20' flag poles that accompany the 60' pole and now there are four flags flying at that site. While putting up the cross we also replaced the 4' X 6' Sons of Confederate Veterans signs. Hope you can use this in the Georgia Confederate.

Luke Smith, Camp Cmdr.
Montgomery Sharpshooters
#2164 Mt. Vernon, GA

CAMP NEWS

Haralson Invincibles #673

On March 31, the Haralson Invincibles were witness to a very informative and extremely inspiring presentation from Susan Hathaway, leader of the Virginia Flaggers. We had members from three other camps, a few members of the O.C.R. and at least four people from out of state join us.

In 2011, Susan was very helpful in assisting the efforts of Camp 673, Commander Billy Bearden and Commander Ernest Blevins in securing the victory in the Battle of Yellow Dirt Cemetery vs Ga Power/Plant Wansley in the restoration of 7 Confederate flags on graves of Confederate Veterans there, and we presented Susan with a legitimate SCV Certificate of Appreciation for those and all her actions of Advancing the Colors and the Cause.

Billy Bearden, Camp Cmdr.
Haralson, GA

Kennesaw Battlefield Camp 700

The SCV maintains Blackwell Cemetery as part of Cobb County's Adopt-A-Cemetery program.

During the recent cleanup, four Southern Crosses of Honour were placed for the following Veterans:

* Lieutenant Jasper L. Blackwell - Company M, Phillips Legion, GA Volunteers

* Private Marion C. Blackwell - Company M, Phillips Legion, GA Volunteers

* Captain Thomas J. Blackwell - 1st Lieutenant; Co. I, 8th GA Infantry assigned to the Army of Northern Virginia; KIA at the Battle of the Wilderness

* James B. Blackwell - Company C, Sweat Mountain Cavalry, Ninth Battalion Cavalry

Habersham Guard Camp #716, Clarkesville, GA

Members enjoyed a touching presentation from Mrs. Carol McCarty on Camp Hawkins of the Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries. Camp Hawkins is a summer camp for youth with mild to moderate special needs located in Habersham County. Commander Kenneth Craig presents Mrs. McCarty with a \$500 donation to help with the purchase of a therapeutic swing. Looking on is Ramey Nubern of the Cross Bearers Motorcycle Ministry and Jason Willis camp member.

John J. Butler, Camp Adj.
Habersham Guard Camp
Clarkesville, GA

John K. McNeill Camp 674

Eight members of the John K. McNeill, Camp#674 recently fell out for a work day at the Greenfield Church Confederate Cemetery. We'd had a problem with people driving through the cemetery and decided we needed a cable fence to go around it. Compatriots John Hobbs and Jerry Triplett were able to procure some old power poles from the local EMC, and with John's tractor mounted auger, we were able to get the job down in about 4 hours.

The McNeill Camp is also making preparations to join with the Moultrie-McNeill, Chapter-661 UDC for their annual Confederate Memorial Day Service on Sunday, 23 April, 2017. Also, on the same day, the McNeill Camp will participate in the Yancy Independents', Camp-693 Confederate Memorial Day Service in Sylvester.

April, of course, is Confederate History and Heritage Month, and the McNeill Camp will once again be joining with the Moultrie-McNeill, Chapter-693 of the UDC putting Battle Flags on the graves of Confederate Soldiers in the Colquitt County area.

Charlie Parks, Adjutant
John K. McNeill, Camp#674

Thomas Marsh Forman Camp #485

Thomas Marsh Forman Camp #485 placed Memorial 3rd National flags on Confederate graves throughout Glynn County on April 1st.

We're currently accepting donations toward erecting a monument to the Veterans from our area, hopefully on the historic courthouse grounds. We will be asking for help through the Tag Fund.

We raised moneys to restore and preserve a kepi artifact found in 2009 at Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation State Park. The preservation has been completed in Atlanta and is being returned to the park soon.

For our Charge, I Remain,
Cmdr Hal Crowe, Camp Cmdr.
Thomas Marsh Forman
Brunswick, GA



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December 1st



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Editor

Confederate Graves Registry

We are beginning to see results from our Division's effort to build the CGR. Since December, 1,426 Soldiers and 238 Georgia cemeteries have been added to the Registry. There now are 22,421 Georgia soldiers and 2,691 Georgia cemeteries recorded with the CGR.

We have a long way to go, but this is a good start!

Our thanks to Compatriots Vincent Akridge and Roy Mixon for their surveys of Baker and Wilkinson Counties.

If you have information, we need your help, whether it is a County, cemetery, or a single grave. If your information relates to soldiers buried outside Georgia, we can help you get those recorded.

Did you know that the CGR database is searchable? One can not only look for a particular name, you can search for groups by units, state served, cemetery, etc. Give it a try, you may be surprised at the results!

Has your ancestor been recorded in the CGR?

Deo Vindice,
Garry Daniell
Chairman, Georgia Division
Graves Project

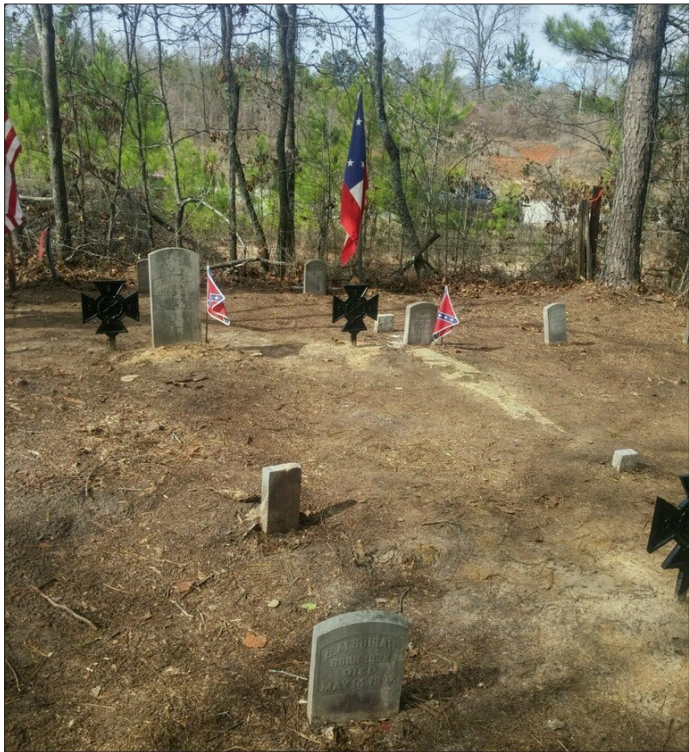
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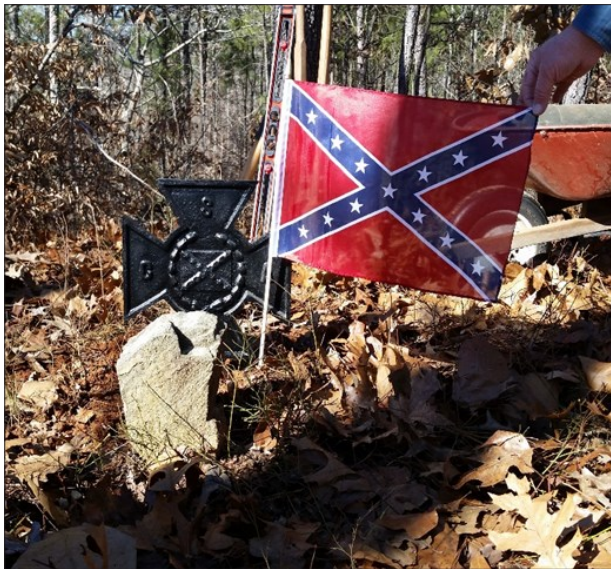
Searching for Confederate sailors graves. If you know of one, contact **Ross Glover**. email: rossgloverjr@comcast.net.



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Hancock Cemetery found and cleaned by joint SCV, OCR, & Mechanized Cavalry in Peach County. [9 photos]
See complete story on Page 22.



Gravesite of 4th Sgt John J Young Co F, Phil-lips Legion Calvary. See more info. on Page 22.

Temporary markers at Ft. Pulaski for three of the Immortal Six Hundred.



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