
	<h1 style="color: red;">RUCKER RANGERS</h1> <h2 style="color: red;">Newsletter</h2> <p>Published Monthly <span style="float: right;">January 2011</span></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter #2534</b> United Daughters of the Confederacy Enterprise, Alabama</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Coffee County Rangers Camp #911</b> 12th Ala. Inf. Regt., Co D Sons of Confederate Veterans Enterprise, Alabama</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>UDC</b> January 13, 2011, 4:30 pm Citizens Bank Community Room, Enterprise Program: "Drug Conditions" (Marie Koach) Refreshments: Tommye Byrd</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCV</b> January 13, 2011, 7:00 pm Citizens Bank Community Room, Enterprise Program: "Union Prisons" (Georgia Fleming) Refreshments: Jim Edberg and Ronald Devaughan</p>
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### January

**January 15 – Robert E. Lee Birthday** - 10 am, at the Confederate Monument in Montgomery on the north side of the Capitol. Alabama Division SCV will celebrate the birth of Robert E. Lee and hold a Memorial Service to remember Alabama Secession.

**January 15 – UDC Regional Workshop in Clanton** – 9:30 am at the Alabama Power Water Course Building.

**January 22 – UDC Regional Workshop in Vernon** – 9:30 am at Vernon First United Methodist Church. Registration checks must be postmarked no later than January 12.

**January 29 – UDC Regional Workshop in Opelika** – 9:30 am at Saugahatchee Country Club. Registration checks must be postmarked no later than January 19.

### February

**February 18 – Pre-Inauguration Gala**, to be held at the Embassy Suites on Tallapoosa St. in Montgomery.

**February 19 - Jefferson Davis Inauguration SesquiCentennial.** The parade will line up at 10 am and march at 11 am up Dexter Avenue to the Capitol where a reenactment of the swearing in of President Davis will take place, followed by a reenactment of the first flag-raising on the grounds. That evening, there will be a banquet at the Embassy Suites. Seating is limited, so order your tickets now if you plan to attend. Further details on the February events and ticket ordering information can be found in the January issue of *Alabama Confederate*.

### March

**SCV/UDC BBQ Boston Butt Sale!** *Tickets will be given out at the January meeting.* We want to get an early start and make this fund-raiser an even bigger success than last year!

<b>OFFICERS</b>			
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### **VISIT OUR WEBSITES**

**UDC:** [http://www.flemingmultimedia.com/UDC/E W Rucker 2534.html](http://www.flemingmultimedia.com/UDC/E%20W%20Rucker%202534.html)

**SCV:** <http://www.coffeecountyrangers.org/>

NOTE: A new video section has been added to the SCV website. Videos include "2010 Battle of Newton Re-enactment", "Join the Sons of Confederate Veterans" music video, "About the SCV", "Ashes" and "Graves" (recruitment videos), "Defense of the South on MSNBC" (SCV member Thomas Hiter vs. Chris Matthews)



**"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit 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 which he loves and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."**

-- Lt. Gen. Stephen D. Lee, Commander General,  
United Confederate Veterans  
New Orleans, Louisiana, April 25, 1906



**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS &  
ANNIVERSARIES**

**January 1-2, 1862**

**Battles of Murfreesboro, Tennessee**  
(including Parker's Crossroads and Stones River)

**January 8, 1821**

**Birth of Lt. Gen.  
James L. Longstreet**  
Edgefield District,  
South Carolina



**January 9, 1904**

**Death of  
Maj. Gen.  
John B. Gordon**  
Miami, Florida



**January 14, 1806**

**Birth of Cdr.  
Matthew  
Fontaine Maury**  
Spotsylvania  
County, Virginia

**January 21, 1824**

**Birth of Lt. Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall"  
Jackson**  
Clarksburg, Virginia



**January 1825**

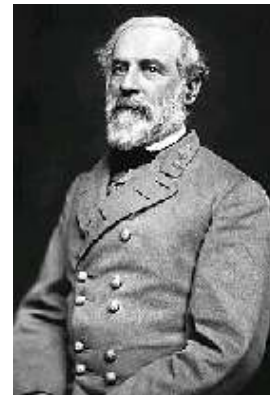
**Birth of Maj. Gen. George E. Pickett**  
Richmond, Virginia

Military records list  
Gen. Pickett's birthday  
as January 28. His  
grave marker in  
Hollywood Cemetery  
has January 25. His  
christening record  
from St. John's Church  
in Richmond says he  
was born January 16.



**January 19, 1807**

**Birth of Gen. Robert E. Lee**  
Stratford Hall, Virginia



**5 Confederate States  
Seceded in January, 1861**

*(dates below are those on which the ordinance  
of secession passed)*

Mississippi	January 9
Florida	January 10
Alabama	January 11
Georgia	January 19
Louisiana	January 26

## **President Jefferson Davis – Inaugural Address Montgomery, Alabama February 1861**

.... Our present position has been achieved in a manner unprecedented in the history of nations. It illustrates the American idea that government rests upon the consent of the governed, and that it is the right of the people to alter or abolish a government whenever it becomes destructive of the ends for which it was established. The declared purposes of the compact of Union from which we have withdrawn were to establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, to provide for the common defence, to promote the general welfare, and to secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity; and when in the judgment of the sovereign States now comprising this Confederacy it had been perverted from the purposes for which it was ordained, and had ceased to answer the ends for which it was established, an appeal to the ballot box declared that so far as they were concerned the government created by that compact should cease to exist. In this they merely asserted a right which the Declaration of Independence of 1776 defined to be inalienable. Of the time and occasion for its exercise, they, as sovereign, were the final judges each for itself. The impartial and enlightened verdict of mankind will vindicate the rectitude of our conduct, and He who knows the hearts of men will judge the sincerity with which we have labored to preserve the government of our fathers, in its spirit and in those rights inherent in it, which were solemnly proclaimed at the birth of the States, and which have been affirmed and reaffirmed in the Bills of Rights of the several States. When they entered into the Union of 1789, it was with the undeniable recognition of the power of the people to resume the authority delegated for the purposes of that government whenever, in their opinion, its functions were perverted and its ends defeated. By virtue of this authority, the time and occasion requiring them to exercise it having arrived, the sovereign States here represented have seceded from that Union, and it is a gross abuse of language to denominate the act rebellion or revolution. They have formed a new alliance, but in each State its government has remained as before. The rights of person and property have not been disturbed. The agency through which they have communicated with foreign powers has been changed, but this does not necessarily interrupt their international relations.

Sustained by a consciousness that our transition from the former Union to the present Confederacy has not proceeded from any disregard on our part of our just obligations, or any failure to perform every constitutional duty -- moved by no intention or design to invade the rights of others -- anxious to cultivate peace and commerce with all nations -- if we may not hope to avoid war, we may at least expect that posterity will acquit us of having needlessly engaged in it. We are doubly justified by the absence of wrong on our part, and by wanton aggression on the part of others. There can be no cause to doubt that the courage and patriotism of the people of the Confederate States will be found equal to any measure of defence which may be required for their security. Devoted to agricultural pursuits, their chief interest is the export of a commodity required in every manufacturing country. Our policy is peace, and the freest trade our necessities will permit. It is alike our interest, and that of all those to whom we would sell and from whom we would buy, that there should be the fewest practicable restrictions upon interchange of commodities. There can be but little rivalry between us and any manufacturing or navigating community, such as the Northwestern States of the American Union. ...

It is joyous in perilous times to look around upon a people united in heart, who are animated and actuated by one and the same purpose and high resolve, with whom the sacrifices to be made are not weighed in the balance against honor, right, liberty and equality. Obstacles may retard, but cannot prevent their progressive movements. Sanctified by justice and sustained by a virtuous people, let me reverently invoke the God of our fathers to guide and protect us in our efforts to perpetuate the principles which by HIS blessing they were able to vindicate, establish and transmit to their posterity, and with the continuance of HIS favor, ever to be gratefully acknowledged, let us look hopefully forward to success, to peace, and to prosperity.