



# RUCKER RANGERS

## Newsletter



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### Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker 2534

United Daughters of the Confederacy  
Enterprise, Alabama

#### NEXT MEETING:

**Thurs., January 12, 2017, 5:00 pm**

1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church Gathering Room

Programs: “Toys, Games & Entertainment”  
(December), “Military Discipline” (January) -

Georgia Fleming

Refreshments: Donna Clark

### Coffee County Rangers Camp 911

Sons of Confederate Veterans  
Enterprise, Alabama

#### NEXT MEETING:

**Thurs., January 12, 2017, 7:00 pm**

1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church Gathering Room

Camp Planing Meeting

Program: “The Battle of Franklin”

(Joe Clark)

**January 21 – SCV Alabama Division Celebration of the Birthday of Robert E. Lee,**  
Alabama State Archives and Capitol, Montgomery, 9:15 - 11:30 am.

**January 21 – UDC Alabama Division Winter Board Meeting,** Montgomery Country Club;  
registration begins at 12:00 noon.

**February 6 – Troy Civil War Forum,** 6:30 p.m. at Beulah Church in Troy. The program will  
be “Organization of the Army of Northern Virginia,” presented by Mack Lott. All are invited  
to attend.

### OFFICERS

#### UDC

President ..... Laura D. Womack-Rowell  
Vice President ..... Georgia Fleming  
Secretary ..... Donna Clark  
Treasurer ..... Patsy B. Richter

#### SCV

Commander ..... Joe E. Clark, Jr.  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Commander ..... Mack Lott  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Commander ..... Ray Kyle  
Adjutant ..... John Kolkman

### VISIT OUR WEBSITES

» **Coffee County Rangers:**

<http://www.coffeecountyrangersonline.org/>

» **Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker 2534:**

<http://tinyurl.com/3eyezp6>

» **Camp 911 Facebook:**

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/SCVCampEnterprise/>

» **SCV YouTube Channel:**

<http://www.youtube.com/user/SCVORG>

## **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

January 1-2, 1862

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

January 8, 1821

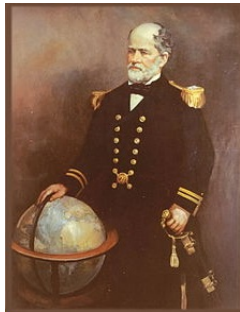
**Birth of Lt. Gen. James L. Longstreet**  
Edgefield District, South Carolina

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



**Five 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

## ***Annual Christmas Party***

We met for our annual joint UDC/SCV Christmas Party on December 8 at the First United Methodist Church Gathering Room. We began with the presentation of four Crosses of Military Service, presented by Donna Clark, Chapter President 2014-2016, and Laura Womack-Rowell, Chapter Recorder of Military Service Awards. The awards were:

- ★ A World War I Cross of Military Service was presented posthumously to Private First Class Clarence Lee Culver who served in Company H, 167<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 42<sup>nd</sup> Division, United States Army. He was killed in action 15 July 1918. The award was presented to his grandniece, Hilda Culver Allen, and grandnephew, Ronnie Culver.
- ★ A World War II Cross of Military Service was presented posthumously to Hillary Herbert Culver, Sr. for his service as Seaman Painter First Class in the United States Navy. He served with the Carrier Aircraft Service Unit in the Pacific Theater. Hilda Culver Allen and Ronnie Culver received the award honoring their grandfather.
- ★ Hillary Herbert Culver, Jr. served as corporal in the United States Army at the 34<sup>th</sup> General Hospital. He received the Army of Occupation Medal Japan, the World War II Victory Medal and Lapel Button. The award was presented posthumously to his daughter, Hilda Culver Allen, and son, Ronnie Culver.
- ★ A World War II Cross of Military Service was presented posthumously to Albert Woodrow Culver for his service in the United States Navy. Citations he received were: the American Theater Campaign Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Ribbon w/1 Star, and the Victory Ribbon. The award was presented to his niece, Hilda Culver Allen, and nephew, Ronnie Culver.

These men were descendants of their common Confederate ancestor Charles Isaac Sanders who served as a private in Company G, 63<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, (2<sup>nd</sup> Alabama reserves.)

We enjoyed a chili and soup dinner, and celebrated Christmas by playing “Dirty Santa.”



***(L-R) Ronnie Culver, Hilda Culver Allen, Donna Clark, Laura Womack-Rowell***

## *Newton Christmas Parade*

We were represented in the Christmas Parade in Newton, Dale County. The float was well-received by the crowd. Mack Lott, Mark Howard and family, and Brian Fleming participated.



## *Wreaths Across America*

Members of Camp 911 participated in the Wreaths Across America Project on December 17 at Meadowlawn Memorial Park in Enterprise. Wreaths Across America is a national non-profit organization founded in 2007 to encourage communities across the nation to honor veterans by laying wreaths at their graves. Special wreaths were laid for each branch of the armed services and for POW/MIAs.

Reenactors performed the Canteen Salute in honor of the veterans. This is the second year that Enterprise has participated in the annual event, which began at Arlington National Cemetery.



## *Confederate Trivia*

by Georgia Fleming

Test your knowledge of toys and games of the War Between the States period:

1. What two British games are the ancestors of American baseball?
2. What was the early name for Checkers?
3. Soldiers played this game with wheat straws or wood splinters; modern versions are made of wood or plastic. Do you know the old name of the game (and its modern equivalent?)
4. Two players held sticks with which they tossed a hoop back and forth. What was the name of this game (considered a “girls’ game”)?
5. Today these are usually called pinwheels; what were they called in the 1860s?
6. This game, similar to the game of Horseshoes, is played with closed circles or disks tossed at a spike in the ground. What is it called?
7. Since dice were associated with gambling, this spinning top marked with numbers was often substituted for dice when playing board games. What was it called?
8. This game is similar to tic-tac-toe, in that the players must line up three game pieces on a square grid, but pieces once played can be strategically moved about the board. It is still played, sometimes called “Cowboy Checkers” – what is it?
9. Chicken Foot, Draw, and 42 are all variations of what basic game?
10. Played at home, what general category of games might include cards, board games, guessing games, and Charades?

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



### *Important Reminders*

- Ladies, the Benevolent Committee is asking us to **Peanut Butter and/or Jelly** to the January meeting
- Please continue to bring canceled stamps, and coupons for our soldiers. We are still collecting hotel soaps and lotions, and can tabs.



## Trivia Answers

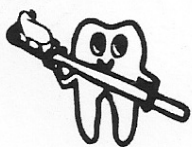
(1) Cricket and Rounders; (2) Draughts; (3) Jackstraws (now called Pickup Sticks); (4) Graces; (5) Whirligigs; (6) Quoits; (7) A teetotum; (8) Nine Men's Morris; (9) Dominoes; (10) Parlor Games



“So far from engaging in a war to perpetuate slavery, I am rejoiced that slavery is abolished. I believe it will be greatly for the interests of the south. So fully am I satisfied of this, as regards Virginia especially, that I would cheerfully have lost all I have lost by the war, and have suffered all I have suffered, to have this object attained.

– Robert E. Lee, 1870

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**Happy Birthday!**

Patricia Stephens - 11<sup>th</sup>

Macy McIntosh - 24<sup>th</sup>

Pat Richter - 29<sup>th</sup>

Sharon Lowman - 30<sup>th</sup>

GEN. EDMOND WINCHESTER RUCKER 2534

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