



RUCKER RANGERS NEWSLETTER



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Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter 2534

United Daughters of the Confederacy
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., March 12, 2015, 4:30 pm

First United Methodist Church Gathering Room
Program - "Off to the War Johnny Reb"
(Tommye Byrd)

Refreshments: Pat Richter & Georgia Fleming

Coffee County Rangers Camp #911 12th Ala. Inf. Regt., Co D

Sons of Confederate Veterans
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., March 12, 7:00 pm

First United Methodist Church Gathering Room
Program: Rev. Ed Shirley of Brundidge United
Methodist Church on "Circuit Riding Preachers"

Refreshments: Brian and Georgia Fleming

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

March 14 – 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Newton, Heroes Park, Downtown Newton. Camp 911 Color Guard will post the Colors for the opening ceremony.

April

April 6 – Troy Civil War Forum, 6:30 pm at Beulah Church in Troy. Bob McLendon will present a program on the Ambush at Hobdy's Bridge. The public is invited to attend; there is no charge.

April 11 & 12 – Piney Woods Arts Festival, Enterprise State Community College. Saturday 9 am til 5 pm, Sunday 12 noon til 4 pm. The SCV and UDC will participate with information tables and living history.

April 18 – UDC 9th Annual Confederate History & Heritage Luncheon, American Legion Post in Enterprise, followed by the placement of two Confederate Iron Crosses at Enterprise City Cemetery.

OFFICERS

UDC		SCV	
President	Donna Clark	Commander	Joe E. Clark, Jr.
Vice President	Holly Muller	1st Lt. Commander	Mack Lott
Treasurer & Secretary	Patsy B. Richter	2nd Lt. Commander	Ray Kyle
		Adjutant	John Kolkman

VISIT OUR WEBSITES

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

[http://www.flemingmultimedia.com/UDC/E W Rucker 2534.html](http://www.flemingmultimedia.com/UDC/E_W_Rucker_2534.html)

Camp 911 has a page on Facebook - Click on "Ask to Join Group":

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

Visit the SCV YouTube Channel: <http://www.youtube.com/user/SCVORG>

MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

March 2, 1861

Texas admitted to the Confederacy



March 4, 1861

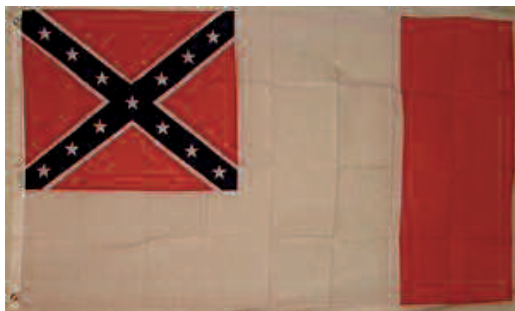
First raising of the Confederate (First National) Flag, by Miss Letitia Christian Tyler, granddaughter of former President John Tyler

March 9, 1862

First battle between iron-clad warships
CSS Virginia vs. USS Monitor

March 5, 1865

President Davis signs law adopting the 3rd National as the official CSA flag.



March 11, 1861

Confederate Congress adopts the Constitution of the Confederate States of America.

March 16, 1828

Major General Patrick Ronayne Cleburne
born in County Cork, Ireland



March 17, 1863

Battle of Kelly's Ford, Virginia -
death of Major John Pelham



March 28, 1818

Lieutenant General Wade Hampton III
born in Charleston, South Carolina.



General Henry D. Clayton District Meeting February 28 - Dothan

On Saturday, February 28, General William C. Oates 1342 hosted the General Henry D. Clayton District Meeting at Hunt's Seafood Restaurant in Dothan. Several members of the General Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter participated in the program. Georgia Fleming led the Pledge to the U. S. Flag. Pat Richter, Co-Director of the District, gave the Response. Laura F. Rowell reported on the Flag Preservation Fund-Raiser. Chapter President Donna Clark gave the Chapter report and the Invitation to the 2016 Annual District Meeting, which our chapter will host.



(L-R) Georgia Fleming, Laura F. Rowell, Laura D. Womack-Rowell, Holly Muller, Division President Linda Edwards, Donna Clark, Pat Richter, Cathy Odom, Beata Moore.
(Seated) Irene Carter

Confederate Trivia by Georgia Fleming

In honor of Confederate Flag Day (March 4)

1. Which Confederate flag is affectionately called “the Stars and Bars”?
2. The current flag of what Southern state carries the Latin motto “Sic semper tyrannis”?
3. Who designed the First National Flag?

4. What was the first official flag of the State of Alabama?
5. What flag flew over the Confederate batteries that opened fire on Fort Sumter in 1861?
6. The 12th and 13th stars on the Confederate Battle Flag represent what two states that did not secede?
7. The current flag of what Southern state displays the Confederate Battle Flag in the canton?
8. The Second National Flag is also called what?
9. The Bonnie Blue Flag was originally the flag of what country?
10. Which Confederate flag is the "Daughters' Flag"? (the flag of the UDC)
11. Which Confederate flag is the "Childrens' Flag"? (the flag of the Children of the Confederacy)

MEMBERSHIP

Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker 2534
35 members

Coffee County Rangers Camp 911
47 members, 4 Cadets

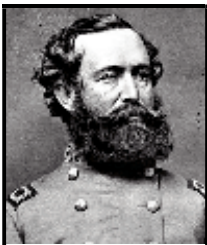
Rucker's Belles and Beaux 968, Children of the Confederacy
13 members

"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

TRIVIA ANSWERS

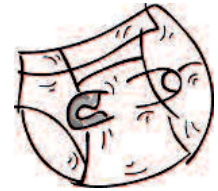
(1) The First National; (2) Virginia; (3) Nicola Marschall; (4) The Secession Convention Flag, also known as The Republic of Alabama Flag; (5) The Bonnie Blue Flag; (6) Kentucky and Missouri; (7) Mississippi; (8) The Stainless Banner; (9) The Republic of West Florida; (10) The First National; (11) The Second National



To quote his biographer, Manley Wade Wellman, General Wade Hampton III was, with the possible exception of Nathan Bedford Forrest, "the most frequent and successful hand-to-hand combatant among all the general officers in American history."

Important Reminders

- ✓ Ladies, the Benevolence Committee is asking that we bring **BABY FOOD** and **DIAPERS** to the March meeting.
- ✓ Also, please bring **HOTEL SOAPS**.
- ✓ Continue to bring the items we collect year-round: cancelled stamps; old pairs of spectacles; used cell phones (working or not); back issues of the UDC Magazine; toys, diapers and personal hygiene items for the House of Ruth; aluminum can tabs; and coupons. (Overseas military members can use expired coupons up to six months past their expiration date.)



*Lavinia Helms Marie Koach
Nancy Brunson*

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150 Years Ago ...

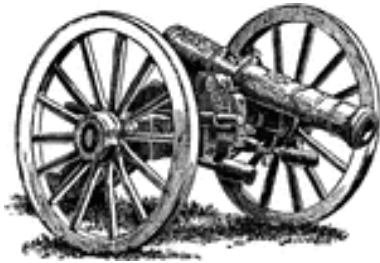
... a small band of townsmen and Home Guard fended off an attack by Capt. Joseph Sanders' band of deserters and outlaws.

We will commemorate the heroic stand by the people of Newton in a re-enactment of

The Battle of Newton

14 March 2015

HEROES PARK
DOWNTOWN NEWTON
9 AM - 4 PM



Battle Re-enactments at 10 am & 2 pm!
Living History Exhibits!
Books, T-Shirts, Flags & More!
Chances to fire a cannon!

Food & drinks will be available from vendors.

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