



RUCKER RANGERS

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**Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker
Chapter #2534**
United Daughters of the Confederacy
Enterprise, Alabama

Coffee County Rangers Camp #911
12th Ala. Inf. Regt., Co D
Sons of Confederate Veterans
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

UDC	SCV
May 12, 2011, 4:30 pm Citizens Bank Community Room, Enterprise Program: "UDC Monument, Shiloh National Military Park" - Shirley Edberg Refreshments: Shirley Edberg	May 12, 2011, 7:00 pm Citizens Bank Community Room, Enterprise Program: "Our Confederate Ancestors", by Members of Camp #911 Refreshments: Brian Fleming



UPCOMING EVENTS

May

May 14 – Annual Downtown Enterprise SummerFest, 10 am til 4 pm. The SCV and UDC will have an information table.

May 15 – Grave Marker Dedication for Silas W. Tomberlin, County Line Baptist Church Cemetery, at 2:30 pm. Let's have a good turnout, in period dress if you have it.

May 20-21 – Alabama Division SCV Reunion 2011, hosted by the Fighting Joe Wheeler Camp #1372 in Birmingham. The reunion will be held at the Zamora Temple located at 3251 Ratliff Road, Irondale, Alabama.

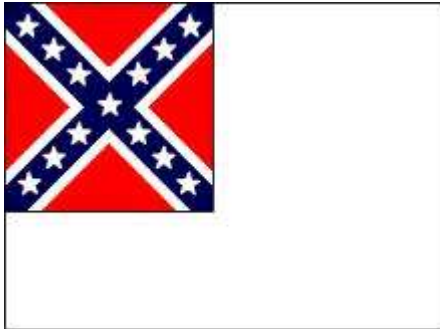
OFFICERS

UDC		SCV	
President/Treasurer	Shirley H. Edberg	Commander	Joe E. Clark, Jr.
Vice President	Patsy Ann Richter	1st Lt. Commander	James Rowell
2nd Vice President	Holly Muller	2nd Lt. Commander	Mack Lott
Secretary	Mary Lavinia Helms	Adjutant	James E. Edberg

MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

May 1, 1863

The Second National Flag, the "Stainless Banner" was officially adopted by the Confederate Congress.



May 1-6, 1863

Battle of Chancellorsville, Virginia, General Lee's "perfect battle".



May 5-7, 1864

Battle of the Wilderness, Spotsylvania County and Orange County, Virginia

May 6, 1861

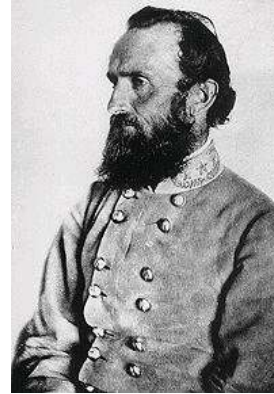
Arkansas and Tennessee secede.

May 9-19, 1864

Battles around Spotsylvania Courthouse, Spotsylvania County, Virginia

May 10, 1863

Death of Lt. Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson

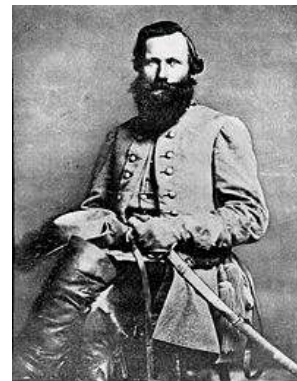


May 11, 1864

Battle of Yellow Tavern, Henrico County, Virginia.

May 12, 1864

Death of Maj. Gen. J. E. B. Stuart of wounds received at Yellow Tavern.



May 12-13, 1865

Battle of Palmito Ranch, Texas (last battle of the war).

May 13-15, 1864

Battle of Resaca, Georgia.

May 20, 1861

North Carolina secedes; Confederate capital moved from Montgomery to Richmond.

Confederate Trivia

by Georgia Fleming

Can you name the battles in which these strategic points were located?

1. Little Round Top
2. The Peach Orchard (2 answers)
3. Marye's Heights
4. The Mule Shoe
5. The Sunken Road/Bloody Lane
6. The Hornet's Nest
7. The Cornfield
8. Henry House Hill (2 answers)
9. Horseshoe Ridge
10. Devil's Den

(Answers below)



"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



VISIT OUR WEBSITES

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

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

**Camp 911 now has a page on Facebook
use Facebook's search box for "SCV Camp 911 Coffee County Rangers"
then click on "Ask to Join Group"**

TRIVIA ANSWERS

Answers: 1. Gettysburg, 2. Gettysburg and Shiloh, 3. Fredericksburg, 4. Spotsylvania, 5. Sharpsburg, 6. Shiloh, 7. Sharpsburg, 8. First and Second Manassas, 9. Chickamauga, 10. Gettysburg.

RECENT ACTIVITIES



On March 12, Camp #911 members (L-R) Mack Lott, Joe Clark, Daniel Larson and Stuart Mock attended a grave marker dedication in Jakin, Georgia, for Elly Warren, 29th Georgia Cavalry, at Open Pond Cemetery.

At Camp #911's April meeting, Alabama Division Chief of Staff Carl Jones presented an informative program on the subject "Secession – Was It Legal?" Check the Camp's website or the Facebook page for a video of the program.

The Camp also voted to establish a Cadet program, for boys up to 12 years old. Contact Daniel Larson or Brian Fleming for applications.



At the April meeting of the Gen. Edmond W. Rucker Chapter, Vice President Pat Richter presented a copy of The History of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Vol. III (1956-1986) on behalf of the Chapter to Georgia Fleming, Librarian of the Pea River Historical and Genealogical Society. The book will be placed in the Society's library in Enterprise.



(L-R) Georgia Fleming, Pat Richter

The Chapter also voted to donate \$150 to the Alabama Division Flag Preservation Fund.

Confederate History and Heritage Month Celebration April 16, 2011

Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter #2534 hosted its annual Confederate History and Heritage luncheon at the Citizens Bank Community Room on April 16. President Shirley Edberg presided over the meeting.

A moving Roll Call of Confederate Veterans was conducted by Patriotic Activities Chairman Cathy Odom. Members and guests offered a carnation for placement in an arrangement, and gave the name and service information of one of their Confederate ancestors.

Several awards and presentations were made. The Vietnam Conflict Cross of Military Service was bestowed on Clemuel "Clem" Hudson Womack. It was accepted on his behalf by his daughter, Laura Womack Rowell.

Charles Blair was presented with a Certificate of Appreciate for his help in the past two years with our Boston Butt fundraiser sale.

The Winnie Davis Medal, presented to members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for service beyond the usual duties of membership or office, was awarded to Georgia Fleming and Laura Rowell. The Stonewall Jackson Medal, presented to individuals who are not members of the UDC for outstanding contributions and dedication to the Organization, was awarded to Stephen Koach, James Rowell, and Laura Frances Rowell.



(L-R) Stephen Koach, Georgia Fleming, Charles Blair, Laura W. Rowell,
James Rowell, Laura Frances Rowell.

REMINDERS

- There will be a meeting to work on Children of the Confederacy papers on Saturday, May 14, at 2 pm at the home of Shirley Edberg in New Brockton. Call Shirley if you need directions.
- UDC members, please bring canned goods, clothing, household goods, and other items for donation to the JUNE meeting. Representatives of HRDC will be present to receive them.
- SCV members, please bring stories and information about your Confederate ancestors to the May meeting.
- Ladies, please send your information to Georgia for our ancestors remembrance book (including supplementals).
- We still have copies of the Confederate Library on CD, contact Brian if you want a copy.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

<p>Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter #2534</p> <p>Welcome new members: Frances Casto Irene Carter Cindy Johannes Amy Johannes Emily Johannes</p> <p>34 members</p>	<p>Coffee County Rangers Camp #911</p> <p>36 members</p>
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"Every man should endeavor to understand the meaning of subjugation before it is too late... It means the history of this heroic struggle will be written by the enemy; that our youth will be trained by Northern schoolteachers; will learn from Northern school books their version of the war; will be impressed by the influences of history and education to regard our gallant dead as traitors, and our maimed veterans as fit objects for derision... It is said slavery is all we are fighting for, and if we give it up we give up all. Even if this were true, which we deny, slavery is not all our enemies are fighting for. It is merely the pretense to establish sectional superiority and a more centralized form of government, and to deprive us of our rights and liberties."

--- Maj. General Patrick R. Cleburne, CSA, January 1864