



RUCKER RANGERS

NEWSLETTER



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Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter 2534

United Daughters of the Confederacy
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., May 12, 2016, 4:30 pm
1st United Methodist Church Gathering Room
Program: "Isabelle Wolfe Baruch"
(Georgia Fleming)
Election of Officers
Refreshments: Hilda Allen

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

Sons of Confederate Veterans
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., May 12, 2016, 7:00 pm
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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY-JUNE

June 6 – Troy Civil War Forum, 6:30 pm at Old Beulah Church on South Three Notch Street in Troy. Program TBA.

June 10-11 – Alabama Division SCV Convention, Cullman, Alabama, hosted by Thomas J. Denney Camp 1442.

June 11 – Children of the Confederacy 20th Annual Alabama Division Convention, Confederate Memorial Park, Mountain Creek.

June 26 – UDC Social Meeting, 5:00 pm at Mom's Family Restaurant, 2200 Ozark Highway in Enterprise.

OFFICERS

UDC

President Donna Clark
1st Vice President Holly Muller
Secretary/Treasurer Patsy B. Richter

SCV

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

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- » Coffee County Rangers:
<http://www.coffeecountyrangers.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>

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 secedes

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

May 12, 1864

Death of Maj. Gen.
James Ewell Brown ("Jeb") Stuart
of wounds received at Yellow Tavern

May 12-13, 1865

Battle of Palmito Ranch,
Cameron County, Texas
(last battle of the war between
organized forces)

May 13-15, 1864

Battle of Resaca, Georgia



May 20, 1861

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



UDC

10th Annual History and Heritage Luncheon

Gen. Edmond W. Rucker Chapter 2534 held its 10th Annual History and Heritage Luncheon, on April 16, at the Reeves Barn in Elba.



Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter (photo courtesy of Brandi Evans)

The event opened with the Ritual. President Donna Clark welcomed members and guests. Beata Moore read the poem “Confederate Memorial Day.” Georgia Fleming and Cathy Odom, Chaplain, conducted the service of the Table of Honor as a memorial to our Confederate ancestors. The Assembly then participated in a Roll Call of Confederate Ancestors.

Donna Clark and Laura Womack-Rowell, Division Recorder of Military Service Awards, bestowed two posthumous military awards. The World War I Cross of Military Service was bestowed on Charles Leroy Chaplin, U. S. Army, 30th Infantry Division, 118th Regiment, Machine Gun Company (grandson of Richard William Chaplin, Co K, 11th Regiment Reserves, South Carolina). A Korean War National Defense Medal was bestowed on Floyd Ziglar, Air Force, 6510 Air Police Squadron (great-grandson of Charles J. Ziglar, Co A, 54th Regiment, Alabama Infantry).

Cathy Odom was presented with the Winnie Davis Award, presented to members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for service beyond the usual duties of membership or office.

Memorial Marker Dedication for Corp. Adolphus C. Donaldson

Following the luncheon, our chapter joined Thomas Randolph Thomasson 2471, Andalusia, in dedicating a Confederate marker at Cool Springs Cemetery in Opp for Corp. Adolphus C. Donaldson, Co A, 33rd Alabama Infantry Regiment, who was killed October 8, 1862 at the Battle of Perryville.

SCV Coffee County Rangers Camp 911 Color Guard posted the colors. Donna Clark welcomed attendees. UDC and SCV members conducted a Roll Call of Confederate veterans

buried at Cool Springs, followed by the poem “Graves of the Confederate Dead, read by Tammie Evans.

Tim Donaldson presented a biography of his ancestor. Donna Clark and Brandi Evans dedicated the marker, which was unveiled by Debra Maddox Wilson. Camp 911 Commander Joe Clark read the poem “The Same Canteen.”

Salutes were performed by the color guard, and Cathy Odom offered the closing prayer.



(Left) Members of Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker 2534 and Thomas Randolph Thomasson 2471, along with Debra Wilson, at the dedicated marker.

Confederate Memorial Day Service,

Supporters of Confederate heritage gathered from all parts of Alabama on April 25 at the Alabama State Capitol to remember our ancestors. Alabama Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy, sponsored the event. We were able to post the same flags that were taken down in 2015, inside the monument where they once stood.

Rev. Von McQueen of Selma gave the address. At one point, protesters attempted to disrupt the event but we continued the Roll Call of our ancestors. The police arrived and moved the protesters away from the Monument; one who had brandished a firearm was arrested.



(L-R) Chapter members Georgia Fleming, Pat Richter, Donna Clark, Laura Womack-Rowell; Division President Linda Edwards.



Brandon Grant and Brian Fleming of Camp 911 held the bell rung during the Roll Call.

The bell rung during the Roll Call was provided by Laura Womack-Rowell. Her father, a U.S. Army pilot, had the bell made from brass shell casings of ammunition fired during the Vietnam War.

Geneva Festival on the Rivers



We participated once again in the Festival on the Rivers in Geneva, on April 30. Our display of flags and canon attracted many visitors to our living history tent set-up.

The tables and tents were manned by Ray and Faye Kyle, Gus and Brandon Grant, Brian and Georgia Fleming, and Stuart Mock.

Chapter Social Meeting

Gen. Edmond W. Rucker 2534 will have its monthly social meeting on Thursday, May 26, at Mom's Family Restaurant, 2200 Ozark Highway in Enterprise at 5:00 pm. All members and prospective members are invited to attend our informal get-together. You can enjoy dinner, a salad, a dessert, or just have a cup of coffee with us. We hope to see you there, and if you can't make it at 5:00, come when you can.

CONFEDERATE TRIVIA

by Georgia Fleming

On May 20, 1916, 5,000 people attended dedication ceremonies for a planned Confederate memorial at the base of Stone Mountain, Georgia. Although finishing touches were added until 1972, the monument was officially dedicated on May 9, 1970. Test your knowledge of the monument:

1. Stone Mountain is an inselberg. What is an inselberg?
2. The carving on Stone Mountain is the largest bas-relief in the world. What is a bas-relief?
3. What three Confederates are depicted in the carving?
4. The favorite horses of the men are depicted – what are their names?
5. Who originally conceived the idea for a Confederate memorial carved into the mountain?
6. Who was originally commissioned to complete the carving?
7. Although the above sculptor did not make a permanent contribution to Stone Mountain, he went on to create what other famous work?
8. What two men ultimately completed the work?
9. Who dedicated the monument in 1970, representing the Federal Government?
10. Who owns Stone Mountain today?

“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



“I would rather be a private in Virginia’s army than a general in any army that was going to coerce her.”

– Maj. Gen. J. E. B. Stuart

Trivia Answers

1. From the German word for “island mountain,” an isolated hill or small mountain that rises abruptly from surrounding lower ground; 2. From the Italian *basso rilievo*, or low relief, it is a projecting image with a shallow overall depth; 3. President Jefferson Davis, Gen. Robert E. Lee, and Lt. Gen. Thomas J. “Stonewall” Jackson; 4. Blackjack (Davis), Traveller (Lee), and Little Sorrel (Jackson); 5. Mrs. Caroline Helen Jemison Plane (1829-1925) Mrs. Plane was the widow of Capt. William F. Plane who was killed at Gettysburg. She organized the Atlanta chapter of the UDC and was later Georgia Division President and Honorary Life President; 6. John Gutzon de la Mothe Borglum; 7. Mount Rushmore (assisted by his son, Lincoln Borglum); 8. Sculptor Walker Kirtland Hancock and his Chief Carver, Roy Faulkner; 9. Vice President Spiro Agnew; 10. The State of Georgia

Important Reminders

	<p>Ladies, the Benevolent Committee is asking us to bring drink mixes to the May meeting, such as Koolaid or lemonade mix.</p>
	<p>House of Ruth is in need of bath towels, washcloths, and twin bed sheet sets. Please continue to bring <u>canceled stamps</u> and <u>coupons</u> for our soldiers. We are still collecting <u>hotel soaps</u> and <u>lotions</u>, and <u>can tabs</u>.</p>

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Donna Clark

Hilda Allen

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