



RUCKER RANGERS

NEWSLETTER



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Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter 2534

United Daughters of the Confederacy
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., October 8, 2015, 4:30 pm
1st United Methodist Church Gathering Room
Program - "Decca Lamar West:
Distinguished Member of the UDC"
(Pat Richter)

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

Sons of Confederate Veterans
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., October 8, 2015, 7:00 pm
1st United Methodist Church Gathering Room
Program: "Period Music from the 1860s"
(Rob Snapp)
Refreshments: Brian & Georgia Fleming

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

October 5 – Troy Civil War Forum, 6:30 pm at Old Beulah Church on South Three Notch St. in Troy. Charles Zeigler will present the program, "The Battle of Newton." Everyone is invited to attend.

October 9-10 – Pike Pioneer Days, Pioneer Museum of Alabama in Troy. Loads of living history and reenactors. \$6.00 admission.

October 17-18 – 15th Annual Re-enactment of the Battle of Newton, John Hutto Park, Newton. Gates open at 9:00 am both days. Admission is free. Living history, live music, and battle re-enactments both days. Period Church Service with special singing on Sunday.

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

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>

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

October 3-4, 1862

Battle of Corinth, Mississippi



October 5, 1864

Battle of Allatoona Pass, Georgia

October 7, 1861

CSA signs alignment treaty with the Cherokee Nation..

October 12, 1870

Death of General Robert E. Lee.



October 19, 1864

Battle of Cedar Creek, Virginia

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CSS Shenandoah officials received into the Confederate Navy.

October 19, 1864

Confederate raid on St. Albans, Vermont.

October 21, 1861

Battle of Ball's Bluff, Virginia

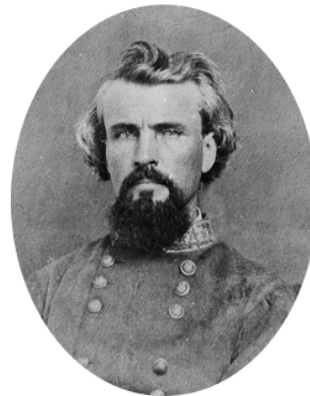
October 23, 1828

Birthday of Brigadier General Turner Ashby, the "Black Knight of the Confederacy", Fauquier County, Virginia



October 29, 1877

Death of Lt. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest.



120th Annual Alabama Division Convention

The Alabama Division, UDC, held its annual convention at the Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel in Mobile on September 17-18. Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter was represented by (below, L-R): Pat Richter, Laura D. Womack-Rowell, Donna Clark, Beata Moore, and Georgia Fleming.



On Friday evening, we enjoyed a Mardi Gras theme dinner.

The chapter received the following awards:

- Standard of Excellence – Certificate of Honor, 577 points and a Gold Seal for sponsorship of Children of the Confederacy Rucker's Belles and Beaux 968
- Certificate of Award for Most Minutes on Radio and Television from September 2014 through August 2015
- 100% Magazine Subscriptions
- First Place – Publicity
- First Place – Most Insignia Purchased with More Than 30 Members
- First Place – Chapter Yearbook
- Certificate – Best President's Report
- Chapter Awarding the Most Jefferson Davis Historical Gold Medals
- Chapter Awarding the Most Military Crosses for Vietnam Conflict
- Third Place – Scrapbook Category A
- Third Place – Most Articles and Photos Submitted to the UDC Magazine
- Exemplary Work – Monuments and Memorial Markers Committee
- Certificate of Appreciation – Donation to the Alabama Division Children of the Confederacy
- Special Award for more than 4 Years of Monthly Mini-Programs on a book, author, poem or poet relating to the War Between the States and the diverse body of works and information assembled – Georgia Fleming
- Certificate of Appreciation for volunteer work, Children of the Confederacy Yearbook – Pat Richter

Congratulations to Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter!

Southeast Brigade Outdoor Reunion/Picnic

The new Confederate Veterans Memorial Park between Brantley and Luverne was the setting for the Southeast Brigade Outdoor Reunion/Picnic on October 5, hosted by Ben Bricken Camp 396 of Luverne. Ben Bricken Camp is the newest in the Brigade, commanded by David Coggins.



Members, friends, and families enjoyed barbecued chicken, ham, and a wealth of “potluck” side dishes.



Ray and Faye Kyle fired cannon salutes



*Camp 911 Coffee County
Rangers Color Guard
posted the colors and
fired gun salutes.*

Confederate Trivia

by Georgia Fleming

Alabama in the War

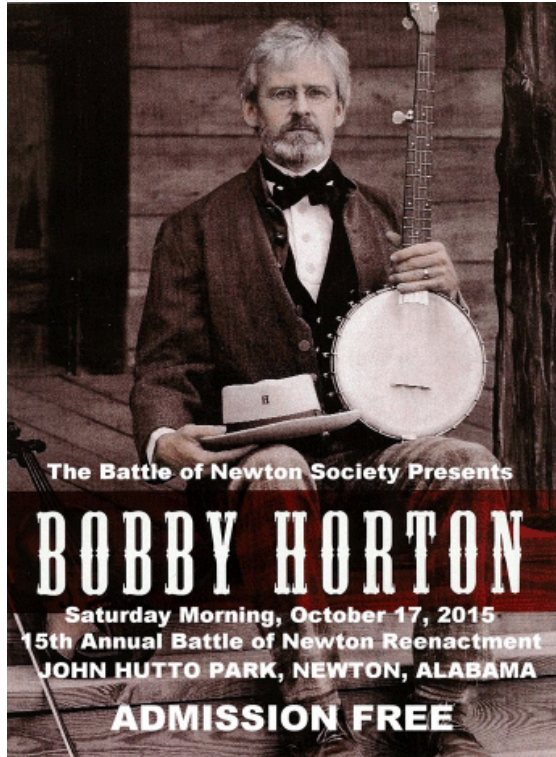
1. Three men served as Governor of Alabama during the War. Can you name them?
2. Two members of the Cabinet of the Confederate States (and one man who served in an acting capacity) were born in Alabama. Who were they?
3. Called the “Orator of Secession,” this man served in the Confederate Senate and as head of the diplomatic mission to England and France. Who was he?
4. This Confederate officer was appointed to West Point by an Alabama Congressman who represented his mother’s home district. Upon secession, he first offered his services to the State of Alabama. Who was he?
5. The production facilities in this Alabama city included an army arsenal, naval foundry, shipyard, and gunpowder works. Where?
6. After the Mexican War, he moved to Alabama and became the only man to hold the rank of both Rear Admiral in the Confederate Navy and Brigadier General in the Confederate Army. Who was he?
7. Josiah Gorgas served as president of the University of Alabama after the War. What office did he hold during the War?
8. The surrender of the last Confederate forces east of the Mississippi was negotiated at McGee Farm north of Mobile. Who commanded this force of about 47,000 men?
9. Elected to the Second Confederate Congress, this north Alabama politician never arrived to take his seat and was expelled by unanimous vote for being an avowed Unionist. Recently, papers were discovered indicating that Abraham Lincoln had named him Provisional Governor of Alabama as early as 1863 (although he never served as such). Who was he?
10. Who was the Alabama girl who attained fame by directing General Forrest to a place to cross his forces over the rain-swollen Black Creek near Gadsden?

“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

Trivia Answers

1. Andrew B. Moore, John Gill Shorter, and Thomas H. Watts; 2. Secretary of War Leroy Pope Walker (born in Huntsville), Attorney General Thomas Hill Watts (born in Butler County), and Acting Attorney General Wade Keyes. (born in Mooresville, Limestone County); 3. William Lowndes Yancey; 4. Lt. Gen. James Longstreet; 5. Selma; 6. Raphael Semmes; 7. Confederate Chief of Ordnance; 8. Lt. Gen. Richard Taylor; 9. Williamson Robert Winfield Cobb; 10. Emma Sansom.



Bobby Horton Concert

Multi-instrumentalist, composer, music historian and performer Bobby Horton will appear in concert on October 17 at John Hutto Park in Newton.

A native of Birmingham, he has produced and performed music scores for sixteen PBS films by Ken Burns - including "The Civil War", and "Baseball," two films for The A&E network, and twenty-one films for The National Park Service. His series of recordings of authentic period music has been acclaimed by historical organization and publications through America and Europe.

Find out more about Bobby Horton and his music on his website at <http://www.bobbyhorton.com/>.

The concert will begin at approximately 10:00 am on Saturday, as part of the 15th Annual Battle of Newton activities. There is no charge for admission to the event or to the concert.

The Battle of Newton reenactment is sponsored in part by Camp 911 Coffee County Rangers and Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter 2534. Both organizations will have information tents at the event, which will also feature battles both days, living history exhibits, a Children's Activities Tent with period toys and games, children's battles both days, a period church service on Sunday with special singing, a mule wagon ride, many vendors with food and crafts, sutlers, and an active field hospital. The Union and Confederate camps will be open to visitors at specified times.

Y'all come join us for a time to remember our history and culture and enjoy great fellowship with compatriots, friends, and neighbors – and bring the kids!

Children of the Confederacy Project

Kim Larson, Director of Rucker's Belles and Beaux 968, Children of the Confederacy, is compiling a scrapbook of Confederate-related activities by our children. When you take your children or grandchildren (and their friends) to a Confederate site, please take a photograph and send it to her, along with the names of the children, date and location of the visit. Suggestions of places to visit: Confederate Memorial Park, the Confederate Monument and First White House of the Confederacy in Montgomery, and the Fairview historical marker placed by the UDC. You could also take your children to see the grave marker of one of their Confederate ancestors. This would be an excellent opportunity to connect them with their Confederate roots. For more information about the project, contact Kim at sevenpecan@gmail.com.

Important Reminders

Ladies, please continue to bring **canceled stamps and coupons** for our soldiers. We are still collecting hotel soaps and lotions also. For our joint Christmas project with our children, Rucker's Belles and Beaux 968, please remember to bring **stocking stuffer toys**. These do not have to be expensive, but just something children would enjoy finding in their stocking on Christmas morning.

In planning for Veterans Day, printed postcards have been purchased to send to veterans thanking them for their military service. We would like to request that you bring names and addresses of veterans so that we may thank them with a card. If you are unable to attend the meeting on Thursday and have a veteran that you would like to receive a card from our chapter, please email the name and address of the veteran to Donna Clark at dpclark44@gmail.com.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Happy Birthday!</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Jane Harrod</i> <i>Harriette Mathews</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">GEN. EDMOND WINCHESTER RUCKER CHAPTER 2534</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FLEMING MULTIMEDIA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">122 S. Main St., Enterprise, AL 36330 334-347-0017</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Computer Sales & Service</i> Brian Fleming, Owner</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Office Hours By Appointment</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">DR. KENNETH W. CHANCEY <i>FAMILY & COSMETIC DENTISTRY</i></p> <p>534 Boll Weevil Circle Enterprise, AL 36330</p> <p style="text-align: right;">TEL. (334) 347-0036 Fax (334) 308-2217</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">To place an advertisement, greeting or memorial in the newsletter, contact Brian or Georgia Fleming at 347-0017 or e-mail Georgia hyacinth@ala.net or Brian mpegcd@yahoo.com</p>