



RUCKER RANGERS

Newsletter



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Gen. Edmond Winchester Rucker 2534

United Daughters of the Confederacy
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., September 8, 2016, 4:30 pm

1st United Methodist Church Gathering Room
Program: "Major General George Washington Littlefield, Confederate Soldier and Philanthropist" (Amanda Reeves)
Refreshments: Cindy Reeves

Coffee County Rangers Camp 911

Sons of Confederate Veterans
Enterprise, Alabama

NEXT MEETING:

Thurs., September 8, 2016, 7:00 pm

1st United Methodist Church Gathering Room
Program: "The Confederacy on the Seas: Privateers and Commerce Raiders" (Georgia Fleming)
Refreshments: Brian and Georgia Fleming

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 15-21 – 121st Annual Alabama Division UDC Convention, Decatur.

September 29 – **UDC Social Meeting**, 5:00 pm at Mom's Family Restaurant, 2200 Ozark Highway in Enterprise.

October 3 – **Troy Civil War Forum**, 6:30 pm at Old Beulah Church on South Three Notch Street in Troy. The program will be Part 2 of "Civil War Weaponry and Tactics," presented by Joe Murphy, David Scroggins, Don Huskey, and other reenactors (postponed from last month due to weather). All are invited to attend.

October 15-16 – 16th Annual Re-enactment of the Battle of Newton, John Hutto Park, Newton. SCV and UDC are Supporting Organizations for the event. Visit <http://battleofnewton.org/> or call Brian Fleming (334-389-2623) for more information.

OFFICERS

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» **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>

September Birthdays and Anniversaries

September 2, 1864

Fall of Atlanta, occupied by Sherman's army on September 3

September 4, 1864

General John Hunt Morgan killed at Greenville, Tennessee

September 7, 1838

Birth of Major John Pelham

September 8, 1863

Battle of Sabine Pass, Texas
46 Texans under Lt. Richard Dowling halt a Union force of 5,000 infantry, 4 gunboats, and 18 troop transports. The Confederates sank two gunboats and killed or captured 300 of the enemy, with no losses to themselves.

“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, 1906

September 10, 1836

Birth of Maj. General Joseph Wheeler

September 17, 1862

Battle of Sharpsburg, Maryland

September 19-20, 1863

Battle of Chickamauga, Georgia

September 20, 1809

Birth of General Sterling Price

September 22, 1833

Birth of Lt. General Stephen D. Lee

Stephen D. Lee was a West Point graduate who resigned his Army commission to serve in the CSA. As aide-de-camp to Gen. Beauregard, he delivered the ultimatum demanding the evacuation of Fort Sumter in 1861.



He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General in 1864; at the age of 30 he was the youngest at that grade in the Confederate Army. He settled in Mississippi after the War, where he served in the state senate and later, as first president of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Mississippi (now Mississippi State University).

Lee was an active member of the United Confederate Veterans, and was elected Commander General of the UCV in 1904.

A portion of a speech he gave to the organization on April 25, 1906 is used by the Sons of Confederate Veterans as its Charge.

Military historian Ezra J. Warner wrote of him: “Despite his youth and comparative lack of experience, Lee’s prior close acquaintance with all three branches of the service – artillery, cavalry, and infantry – rendered him one of the most capable corps commanders in the army.”

Confederate Trivia

by Georgia Fleming

Can you arrange these War Between the States notables in the order in which they served in office, or as commander of the given army?

1. Commanding General of the United States Army

Henry Halleck, Ulysses S. Grant, Winfield Scott, George B. McClellan

2. Army of Tennessee (Confederate)

John Bell Hood, Joseph E. Johnston, Braxton Bragg, Joseph E. Johnston

3. Army of Northern Virginia

Joseph E. Johnston, Robert E. Lee, P. G. T. Beauregard, Gustavus Woodson Smith

4. Governor of Alabama

John Gill Shorter, Thomas Hill Watts

5. Army of the Tennessee (Union)

Ulysses S. Grant, James B. McPherson, Oliver O. Howard, William Tecumseh Sherman, John A. Logan

6. Secretary of State of the Confederacy

William M. Browne, Judah P. Benjamin, Robert M. T. Hunter, Robert Toombs

7. Army of the West

Sterling Price, Earl Van Dorn, John Porter McCown

8. Army of the Potomac

Joseph Hooker, George B. McClellan, Ambrose Burnside, George G. Meade



Important Reminder

Ladies, the Benevolent Committee is asking us to **bring Shampoo and Conditioner** for our September collection. Your contributions are very much appreciated!



The withdrawal of a State from a league has no revolutionary or insurrectionary characteristic. The government of the State remains unchanged as to all internal affairs. It is only its external or confederate relations that are altered. To term this action of a Sovereign a 'rebellion' is a gross abuse of language.

Secession belongs to a different class of remedies. It is to be justified upon the basis that the States are Sovereign. There was a time when none denied it. I hope the time may come again, when a better comprehension of the theory of our Government, and the inalienable rights of the people of the States, will prevent any one from denying that each State is a Sovereign, and thus may reclaim the grants which it has made to any agent whomsoever.

– Jefferson Davis

Awards Presented at August Camp 911 Meeting



Mack Lott presented a Superior Achievement Certificate to Camp 911 Commander Joe Clark. The award was given by Sons of Confederate Veterans Commander-in-Chief Charles Kelly Barrow.

Commander Joe Clark announced that the Camp newsletter, Rucker Rangers, received the Clement C. Clay Newsletter Award presented by the Alabama Division SCV. Georgia and Brian Fleming accepted the certificate on behalf of the Camp.



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Camp 911 1st Lieutenant Commander Mack Lott was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation, given by (Past) Alabama Division Commander Gary Carlisle.



Trivia Answers

(1) Scott, McClellan, Halleck, Grant; (2) Bragg, Johnston, Hood, Johnston; (3) Beauregard, Johnston, Smith, Lee; (4) Shorter, Watts; (5) Grant, Sherman, McPherson, Howard, Logan; (6) Toombs, Hunter, Browne, Benjamin; (7) Van Dorn, McCown, Price; (8) McClellan, Burnside, Hooker, Meade

Southern Heritage Picnic

September 10, 2016

2:00 pm ... "until"

Newton Firehouse

72 Spring St., Newton, Alabama

Come celebrate the history, culture, and heritage of the South with us!



Join us for a fun, family-friendly afternoon at the Firehouse. There will be food, games for adults and kids, music, and tug-o-war matches!

Bring your lawn chairs, and come meet the reenactors of the now-famous Battle of Newton!

Come show your Southern Pride!

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