## THE HOWLING DAWG

Recapping the events of SEPTEMBER 2017



16th Georgia Volunteer Infantry Regiment, Company G
"The Jackson Rifles"

## A HURRICANE AT THE SHOALS

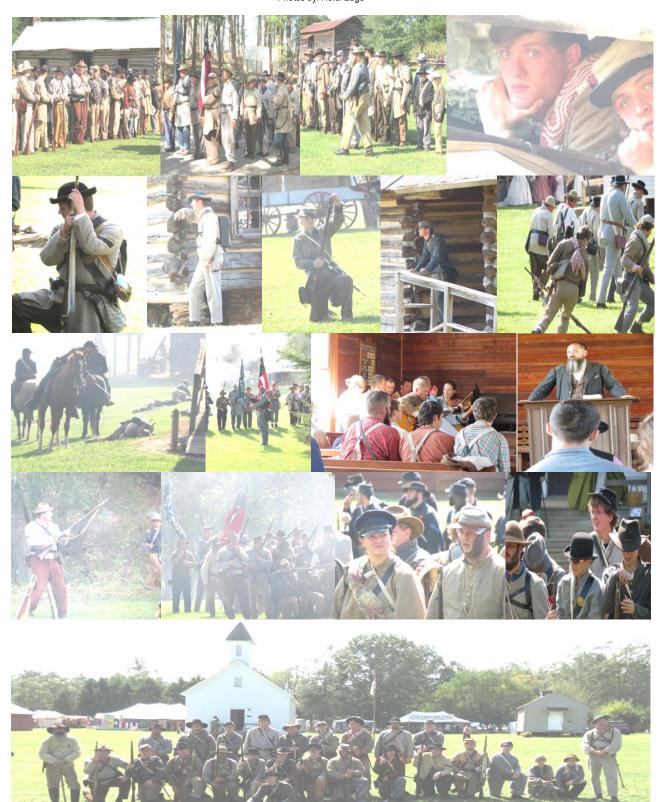


The "Jackson Rifles" Return to Camp

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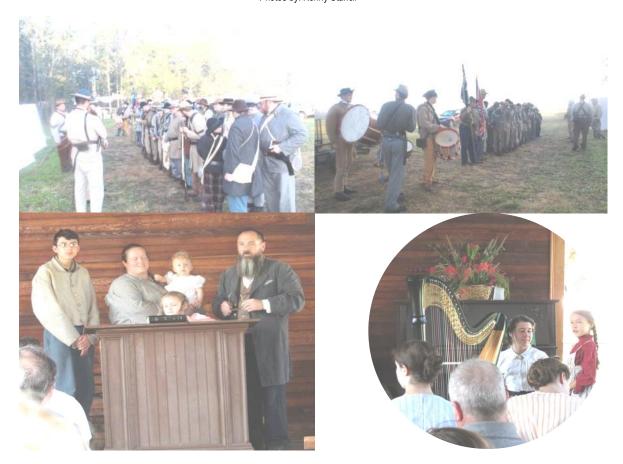
Amid a historically severe hurricane season the 16<sup>th</sup> Georgia, Co. G made its way to Maysville, Georgia in mid September, deep into the heart of the very county in which the "Jackson Rifles" were raised. It is always of great significance to come and honor those who have so gallantly gone before us.

## THE HURRICANE SHOALS EVENT 2017 Photos by: Heidi Edge



#### THE HURRICANE SHOALS EVENT 2017

Photos by: Kenny Stancil





when we are in the field. To the young lady who comes each year to play the harp so beautifully, we are so grateful and enjoy it so much. I am sorry I do not know her name, but we always look forward to hearing her play for the glory of God.

- Simple Heritage

We would just like to thank Brother Joey Young and Sister Amanda Young for all of their tireless efforts in producing the Hurricane Shoals event. We thank them as well and praise God that for more than 20 years we have had such a wonderful worship to attend

Welcome Back Matt!

At Hurricane Shoals we welcomed Matthew
Whitehead's (center) return to the ranks after
four years in the U.S. Navy.

## A WEDDING AT HURRICANE SHOALS



The second 16<sup>th</sup> Georgia wedding of 2017 occurred at Hurricane Shoals as James Morgan and Kellie Banks were married by James' father. We wish them all God's blessing and happiness.

### "A Good Heritage" - Psalm 16:6 - In

August, the McGalliard family of Gray (GA) traveled to Scotland to participate in a "once in a lifetime" opportunity. The McGalliard's have been very involved with Scottish heritage and their Scottish Clan Skene from the Aberdeenshire area of Scotland for several years. In the fall of 2016, they received an invitation to participate with Clan Skene by being recognized at the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. After the death of Clan Skene's chief in August 2016, Al began the planning to conduct an inauguration for the heir to the chiefship in conjunction with the Tattoo event.



On 17 August 2017, 50 members of Clan Skene from around the world met in Edinburgh, Scotland for the inauguration of Chief Dugald Skene. The ceremony was led by Clan Skene Association president, Al McGalliard. Prior to the ceremony, Al was recognized by Dr. Bruce Durie as having completed the



necessary requirements to become a Qualified Shennachie, an ancient position in the Scottish culture responsible for the history and traditions of his clan. Al had been appointed shennachie to the late Chief Danus Skene in 2016 and he completed the required classes through the University of Strathclyde in 2017.

As shennachie, Al began the inauguration ceremony by recognizing Dugald Skene as the rightful heir to the chiefship of Clan Skene. The ceremony included a reference to an ancient ceremony where Al and his daughter, Lillian, presented Dugald with a White Wand signifying Dugald as Chief. The White Wand is a symbolic representation of a chief's judicial authority over his clan. It is white to signify purity and straight to represent the straightness of justice.

Al and his son, Evan, presented Dugald with a replica of a dirk which was originally given to the first Laird of Skene, Robert De Skene, in 1317 when King Robert the Bruce first erected the lands of Skene into a Barony. It was to be passed on to each generation with succession of each chief. The

only reference known of the original dirk today is a drawing from a book written about the Skene family in 1887. Mickey Thompson, a knife maker in Gray, GA, was able to recreate this dirk so that the tradition could be revived for Clan Skene in 2017.

The ceremony concluded with Dugald's mother, Anne Audrey Skene, placing the eagle feathered bonnet, which the late Danus Skene wore during his tenure, upon his head as the final symbol recognizing Dugald as Chief of the Name and Arms of Skene.

"A Good Heritage" (concluded) Following the inauguration ceremony, a group of 50 Clan Skene representatives marched up to Edinburgh Castle and met in the Great Hall. Following a short time of fellowship, the group then marched down across the draw bridge led by piper Al McGalliard down to the Promenade of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. The pipe banner that was displayed on Al's bagpipes originally belonged to Dugald's great grandfather, Philip George Moncrieff Skene, who flew this banner in World War I when he was a member of the Black Watch of the Royal Highlanders. The group formed a line beside the red carpet on which Chief Dugald Skene marched down to be recognized by the Salute Taker. Chief Dugald was presented a Gaelic Toast from the Lone Piper. After Chief Dugald returned the quaich, the group then took their seats to observe the Tattoo event, A Splash of Tartan.

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Thomas Hobson McGalliard, my 3rd great grandfather, was born May 8, 1832 in Burke County, NC.



Thomas' grandfather, John, had immigrated to Burke County in the late 1700's from Scotland. Thomas was one of 13 children born to David and Catherine McGalliard. In 1851, he married Sarah Lonon and they moved to Macon County, NC. Thomas' 2nd son was born April 22, 1861 just after the War Between the States began.

On July 7, 1862, Thomas enrolled in Franklin, NC as a private in Co. A, 7th Battalion, NC Cavalry. This Company was also known as Captain Julius T. Siler's Company in the Folk's Batt'n. Thomas mustered in on July 14, 1862 in Ashville, NC. By the end of August 1862, he had been discharged for unknown reasons. At this time, his wife was 3 months pregnant with his 3rd son.

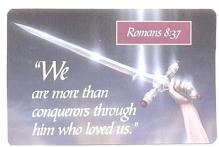
Thomas eventually fathered 10 children. He moved to Maysville, GA sometime after 1882. He died while living in Maysville and is the only McGalliard buried in Grove Level Cemetery in Maysville.

I learned the location of Grove Level Cemetery 4 summers ago. My first visit to locate his grave was on a hot summer afternoon. I walked the whole cemetery

twice without finding his location. I saw the largest shade tree and sat down on a small granite wall. I made a phone call to a friend and while talking I looked up and saw the McGalliard name on a marker within arm's reach! The stone is covered in mossy growth so the inscriptions are difficult to read.

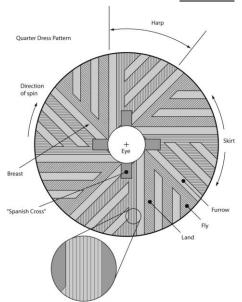
On September 15 of this year, I drove to Maysville to participate in the reenactment battles at Hurricane Shoals. On that Friday evening, I asked Compatriot Wayne Dobson, Kenny Stancil, and Cathy Stancil to accompany me to Thomas' grave. We installed an SCV Cross of Honor and also a foot marker stating his service record. I had purchased both markers a couple of years ago and had not had the opportunity to get them installed. It is a humbling feeling to have representatives of both Camp 2218 and the 16th GA to accompany me and offer assistance in installing markers to recognize the service of my ancestor to the CSA.

We Are <u>More</u> Than Conquerors How easy it is to be caught up in the world and lose sight of God by paying attention to the problem instead of the solution. Satan, the great adversary, the deceiver, (Revelation 12:9) likes to get us to fear and feel like God has left us for points unknown. Nothing could be further from the truth. God never leaves (Hebrews 13:5) us to handle this world on our own. He, our Heavenly Father, is with us to talk to Him - all you have to do is



pray. He knows what everyone of his children is going through (Hebrews 4:15). He has told us to not fear for He is with us (Isaiah 41:10). To put our problems into perspective imagine that our problems are a giant that to us is insurmountable. To God, who uses Earth as his footstool, (Isaiah 66:1) the problem for us is not a problem for God. He will give us the victory over the problem. Because "we are more than conquerors" (Romans 8:37) through Jesus Christ our Lord. A great example of this is found in 2 Kings 6:15-17: "And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do? And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. With faith in the Almighty God, fear has no place in the heart of a Christian. Yes, fear is of the flesh and not of the spirit of boldness given to us by God (2 Timothy 1:17). If you are scared, turn it over to our Father in Heaven and He will comfort you and encourage you with His Great Love. In this troubled world it is comforting to know that the King of Kings and Lord of is our strong and mighty tower (Proverbs 18:10) in times of trouble. Is He your refuge and comfort from this world? - Chaplain Joel B. Whitehead, Jr. - 16th GA, Co. G

"It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and cast into the sea..."- Luke 17:2



Millstones have long been used for grinding wheat or other grains. They come in pairs with the base or bed stone being stationary. It is the turning runner stone which actually does the grinding. It spins above the stationary bed stone creating the "scissoring" or grinding action of the stones. A runner stone is generally slightly concave, while the bed stone is slightly convex, helping to channel the ground flour to the outer edges of the stones where it can be gathered up. "Millstones have been extensively manufactured in the United States, but the stones or material from which they were formerly made was imported almost exclusively from the great mineral basin of Paris and some of the districts adjoining. This material is called 'buhr stone', and is of a peculiar formation. It is a form of silica, occurring in large masses, and of an irregular and cellular texture, the cells being crossed by thin plates or coarse fibers. It is as hard as flint, but without the brittle character of flint, and it has a very rough surface." In the late 18th and 19th century, large amounts of French buhr were imported from France to Ohio and other states for millstones. This stone was preferred by grain millers over local stone because it was

superior in cutting grain that sifted more easily to produce white flour. The cities of Cleveland and Cincinnati were major centers for the manufacture of French millstones. However, Ohio stone, of a similar color and texture to the French stone, was quarried in eastern and southeastern Ohio at localities including the famous locality of Flint Ridge (From the September 24, 1867 of the "American Artizen")

## IN MEMORIUM

Those we have lost since our last issue ...



**Heather Annette Harrod**, 17, (December 9, 1999 - September 19, 2017) of Macon, passed away suddenly Tuesday. Funeral Services to celebrate her life were held on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 12:00 Noon at Lizella Baptist Church in the Family Life Center. She was a schoolmate of Evie Stancil (16<sup>th</sup> GA) who asks that we keep that family in prayer.

Born in 1922, **Iris Lee Gay Jordan** passed away on August 20, 2017 in Ormond Beach, Florida,

surrounded by close family & friends. She lived her last days still trying to safeguard a history that she felt was on the verge of being erased completely. "My family died for it and that should stand for something," Jordan told NBC News when asked whether or not she feels that Confederate monuments should remain standing. Her father, Lewis Gay, was a soldier for the Confederate Army during the War. He survived three battles fighting for the Cause he believed in. As far as the fate of statues and other memorials honoring Confederate soldiers, Jordan was adamant that attempts to erase history — no matter how divisive — does the Country a disservice. The July 3, 2017 photograph (right) was taken at age 94, in her Ormond Beach, Florida home.



Michael Edward "Killer" Kilpatrick passed away peacefully in his sleep September 28, 2017. A Memorial Service was held on Sunday October 1st from 2pm-4pm at Amerson Park in Macon, GA. He was a devoted member of the Mechanized Cavalry and the SCV, "Killer" was the Georgia State Safety Officer, an ordained chaplain, and Chaplain for the Lt. James T. Woodward SCV Camp 1399 in Warner Robins. Keep the family (wife Teresa and four sons) in your thoughts and prayers and grant them peace and Comfort. In Killer's words "you can never be safe, but you can always be careful."

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"... I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and

rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord <u>HIMSELF</u> shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words."

- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

## 150 Years Ago - September 1867

Courtesy of: Larry Upthegrove

From the "Macon Telegraph": "Death of an Old and Valuable Citizen.— We



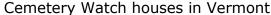
regret to record the death of Mr. Samuel Griswold, which occurred at his residence in Griswoldville, Jones County, on Friday last (Sept. 13), after a lingering illness and at an advanced age. ...Mr. Griswold has been widely known, for a quarter of a century, as the manufacturer of the celebrated Cotton Gin that bears his name.

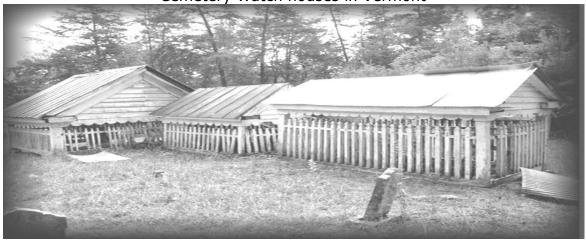
In Atlanta, the "Intelligence" has this: "Oakes Ames, of Springfield, Massachusetts, has been awarded the contract for

extending the Union Pacific Railroad eight hundred miles westward from Cheyenne City at the round sum of fifty

million."...Ames is the son of a blacksmith who established Ames Shovel Shop where Oakes and his brother learned to manufacture shovels just in time for the California and Australian gold rushes. During the war, the "King of Spades" became filthy rich with government contracts for swords, shovels and other tools and implements.

In Chicago, the "Tribune" writes on September 22, 1867 about premature burial fears: "Precautions Against Premature Burial.—Dr. Bellew sees a great many things in Europe which







## CATHY'S CLOWN

The Humor of Kenny Stancil

Officer: Soldier, do you have change for a dollar?

Soldier: Sure, buddy.

Officer: That's no way to address an officer! Now let's try it again. Do you have change for a dollar?

Soldier: No, SIR!



Herb gardeners who work extra get thyme and a half...

When I die, I hope I have enough time to point at a complete stranger and whisper "You did this."

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## Anonymous Quotations

Modesty and humility are the inseparable companions of valor and virtue. Good men are always ready to do great deeds <u>but</u> they are satisfied with the consciousness of having simply done their duty.

I *knew* I was an alcoholic by the way I felt sober.

Silence is the loudest scream.

God has richly blessed the 16<sup>th</sup> Georgia, Co. G and SCV Camp 2218 and <u>not</u> because we deserved it.

Editing a newsletter is among the most <u>futile</u> and <u>useless</u> of tasks.

There is no point in planting flowers in the gardens of people who <u>will not</u> water them.

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#### Lee Celebration Is Back - In Milledgeville

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, Jan. 20, 2018. We will be back in Milledgeville and the Old Capitol Camp #688 is working hard to make it a great day. We will be having our parade which will start at 10:45AM, lineup is no later than 10:30AM. The parade will head to the First Baptist Church of Milledgeville at 330 S. Liberty Street. The Church is blocks away from the historic landmarks in town and they have been gracious enough to allow us the use of their fellowship hall. It seats 150, I think we will have overflow and that will be great if it happens. Our speaker is Sam Hood. You probably have heard of Sam, he is a collateral descendant of General John Bell Hood. Period correct flags, only, in good condition.

- Commander Scott Gilbert – Georgia Division SCV

#### Forrest and NOT the KKK

There is ample documentation and testimony that six ex-veterans, NOT including Nathan Bedford Forrest, began the Ku Klux Klan. Forrest was not even aware of the group's beginnings. Studies of the KKK in the 1800's of America shows that there is NO corroborating evidence that N. B. Forrest was ever a leader of the Klan NOR that he was ever even a member. None. In addition, an 1871 United States Congressional Investigation completely exonerated Forrest and it was determined in the investigation that Forrest was not a leader of the KKK nor had ever been a leader, and additionally, that he was not ever a member of the Klan. The outcome of the 1871 investigation was twofold. The



committee <u>found no evidence</u> that Forrest had participated in the formation of the Klan and that even the use of his name may well have been without his permission. They also found that there was <u>no</u> credible evidence that Forrest had ever participated in or directed any actions of the Klan. Congressional records show that General Forrest was absolved of all complicity in the founding or operation of the Ku Klux Klan, and he was certainly never a "Grand Wizard". These committees had the <u>utmost evidence</u> and living witnesses at their disposal. The evidence precluded any Guilt or indictment of General Forrest and the matter was closed before that body of final judgment in 1872. New York Times newspaper. Library of Congress" The reports of Committees, House of Representatives, second session, forty-second congress," P. 7-449.

Southern Heritage News & Views http://shnv.blogspot.com/2014/03/forrest-and-not-kkk.html



#### STAND FAST

"...no man should be moved by these afflictions for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto." - 1 Thessalonians 3:3

Even now, perhaps especially now, God's presence is there to calm and convict us. His peace is what propels us forward by faith. Don't give up on doing the right thing. Compromise is NEVER a victory! God is still by our side to see us through. Indeed the fruit of His presence is the fear of God. Remain pure in purpose. ....

"Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you; And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels. In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day. Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power: That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you and ye in him according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ." - 2 Thessalonians 1:6-12



## THE 16<sup>TH</sup> GEORGIA CO. G - "The Jackson Rifles"

Honorary Colonel J. C. Nobles - 478-718-3201

**Rev. Joey Young – Hon. Member - 678-978-7213** 

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1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Noah Sprague - 706-491-9755

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Charles Whitehead - 478-986-8943

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Adjutant: 5th Corp. "Duke" Dobson 478-731-5531

Treasurer: 6th Corp. Earl Colvin – 478-214-0687

1st Sgt. Alan "Cookie" Richards - 478-308-9739

2nd Sgt. Nathan Sprague - 478-320-8748

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2<sup>nd</sup> Corp. Tommy Shover - 478-230-3483

3<sup>rd</sup> Corp. Avery Allen - 478-662-3732

4<sup>th</sup> Corp. Cody Sprague – 478-542-1802

Lead Chaplain – Joel Whitehead, Jr. - 478-986-8798

Hon. Chaplain Ronnie "Skin" Neal – 478-808-8848

Assistant Chaplain – Charles Hill – 770-845-6878

Musician - Drew Edge - 478-365-1897

Musician - Chance Sprague - 706-491-9755

Musician - Aaron Bradford - 302-668-8029

Musician - Oliver Lummus - 302-668-8029

Musician - Al McGalliard - 478-318-7266

ON FACEBOOK: "JACKSON RIFLES". And @ scv2218.com, thanks to Al McGalliard.



#### **SCHEDULE OF 2017 EVENTS**

OCTOBER 6-8 - ANDERSONVILLE, GA - HISTORIC FAIR & BATTLES
OCTOBER 19 - SCV CAMP 2218 MEETING - EARL COLVIN
NOVEMBER 4- APPARITIONS AT THE CANNONBALL HOUSE/MACON
NOVEMBER 4-5 - BATTLE OF IRWINVILLE RE- ENACTMENT
NOVEMBER 18 - GRISWOLDVILLE BATTLEFIELD COMMEMORATION / NOON
Speaker: GA DIVISION SCV COMMANDER SCOTT GILBERT

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"Sometimes you just get sleepy ..."



#### CHUCK JOHNSON 678-576-0475



Ivis Bradford whose business card appears (above) in this newsletter writes: "I finally updated my Etsy store with new sleeping caps. A few other things are in the works to be added in the near future. Perhaps there are some in need of a cap for the upcoming cooler events, or I would appreciate everyone's assistance in spreading the word about my business. The best kind of advertising is through people you know and trust!!! I would be indebted to you and the other members for any help with advertisement. I continue to welcome custom sewing projects at this time. Here is the link to the store:"

https://www.etsy.com/shop/ BarnLucky -13-

## ALL PRAYER REQUESTS ARE URGENT

You may not recognize many of the names on this page, but does that really matter? They represent real people - genuine needs. Just because you do not know them personally nor the nature of their circumstance does not mean that you cannot bow your heart and head for a moment - just a moment - and ask God to meet these needs according to His will ...

James Boyd KievThomason Larry Bockholt Rev. Joey Young and family Ed & Val Elliott Judi Powers Kasey W. Larson Marsha Herrin Tim Fowler Will Butler Alan Farley Gale Red Ben (Cooter) Jones Roy and Dana Myers Steve & Ricky Smith & families Hurricane & Earthquake Victims - Bill Cameron Barbara Garnto Mrs. & Mrs. Burns The Harrod Family Richard Durham Mike Cook & family The Kilpatrick Family Ty Burnsed Chuck & Diana Layman C.S.A., U.S.A., Israel, Law Enforcement, Paramedics & Firefighters, Judges Political Leaders, Missionaries, Our Compatriots, Ministers, Travelers, The lonely Las Vegas victims & families, Our enemies ... Me & You, that we may boldly witness. And, please, do let me know of others.

(For privacy, in some cases, I do not publish the details but will share if you contact me.)

As so many know our dear brother – long time 16th GA member and retired 1st Sgt. "Barefoot" James Boyd has been stricken with cancer. Much-appreciated funds were collected at Old Clinton War Days and sent to him. This is so deeply appreciated. If anyone would still like to contribute, send it to him directly at:



James & Earl in August

# James Boyd 15 Meredith Drive Murrayville, Georgia 30564 706-344-7588

James was released and got to home in time for his birthday on September 23. He is much improved as he continues to take chemo treatments. He is up and walking, with a walker. Ricky Smith is trying to organize an effort to stock in some firewood for James and Sarina before winter sets in. If you can help, call Ricky at 478-956-2840.

## THE CAMP OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER



The Camp met at Chevy's Pizza (115 West Clinton Street just past the courthouse) on Thursday, September 21, 2017. Our meeting featured none other than artifacts expert extraordinaire, Johnny Mack Nickles (Adjutant, SCV Camp 18 - photo right). He brought a selection of his collection of period images and taught us much about them.

On October 19th, Compatriot Earl Colvin will bring

what will surely be a vital and mighty interesting program on the 45<sup>th</sup> GA, Co. F - men from our own Jones County area. We will also elect a new slate of Camp 2218 officers on that date. Candidates in good standing may contact the Adjutant in advance or nominations will be taken from members in good standing, only.

Our November 2017 Camp meeting will be held on the Griswoldville Battlefield during our annual memorial service. The guest speaker for that date, Saturday, November 18, 2017, will be State SCV Commander Scott Gilbert. On that date a living history program will be conducted from 9:30am-11:30am. The commemoration service will begin promptly at 12 noon and end around 1pm. We are looking for a few people interested in doing first-person impressions during the program.

We do not meet in December but on Thursday, January 18, 2018 we look forward to our annual Lee-Jackson Banquet (held at our usual meeting place). Our guest speaker for that date will be Lt. Col. Edward Shelor of GMC.

Our 2018 guest speaker openings are starting to fill up. Please apply to Adjutant Dobson if interested in booking 2018 dates.

DUES WERE LATE AFTER SEPTEMBER 1: For those of you that have not yet paid your dues, you are now late. You are now responsible for an \$8 late fee (\$5 for National and \$3 for State). Those who have not delivered their dues to the Treasurer by September 30 are subject to deletion from the roles. If you have a financial problem, don't keep it to yourself.

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## The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp

In 2017, we only had Campers from 4 of the 100+ SCV Camps in Georgia.

Please consider sending one Camper from your Camp for 2018. We will have room for 40 girls and 40 boys. Will you help us fill the Camp. It is more important today than ever that our young folks learn the TRUTH about their Confederate ancestors.

Al Perry, Director

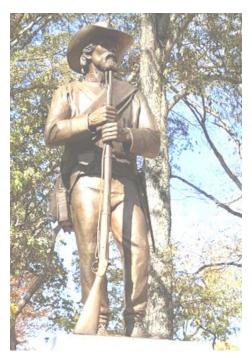
"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought; to your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations."

## New Confederate Monuments Are Going Up!

Since 2007, John Culpepper had been anticipating the unveiling of a statue to the common Confederate soldier in his hometown of Chickamauga, Georgia. In November of last year, three days before Donald Trump won the presidency, it became a reality.

Culpepper founded the local Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the historic honor society that's been keeping the Confederate legacy alive for more than a century.

Culpepper greeted visitors with smiles and handshakes as they filed into rows of chairs behind the towering, shrouded statue. Most of them were his neighbors from Chickamauga, a town of some 3,000 people near the Tennessee border. Some men were dressed in the uniforms of Confederate soldiers and ladies in period dresses.



The monument, erected on the grounds of an antebellum plantation that is now owned by the city, was dedicated to soldiers of the Confederate Army of Tennessee.

"It's about remembering our ancestors, the people who built this town," said Culpepper, who retired as Chickamauga city manager in 2013 after 34 years. "Regardless of what you think about the Cause, they were fighting for their home, their land, their neighbors."

At a time when Confederate statues and plaques are coming down across the country, the SCV is among the few groups pushing not just to preserve those that exist, but to establish new ones. The audience clapped as Culpepper pulled the covering off the life-size bronze figure. The soldier was bearded, wearing a period hat, jacket and haversack. He clutched his rifle and faced north toward the Chickamauga battlefield - the site of one of the bloodiest battles of the War.

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends," (John 15:13) is the

inscription at the monument's base.

Since the Chickamauga monument was unveiled, SCV Camps in Tennessee have placed two more markers commemorating Confederate soldiers killed in skirmishes or other battle sites. An obelisk was placed in front of a courthouse in Leakesville, Mississippi, with the names of Confederate soldiers from the county. In May, a massive Confederate flag was hoisted above private property adjacent to Interstate 22 in Alabama. Since 2008, the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) has been raising money for a National Confederate Museum on the grounds of its headquarters in Columbia, Tennessee. Ground breaking is scheduled for 2018.

SCV members, including Culpepper, blame white nationalists for unraveling their legacy, and confusing their message of honoring their ancestors.

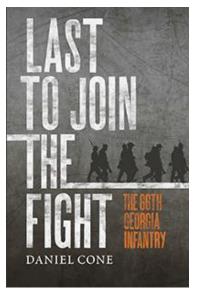
"I hate all of them because they took my ancestors' flag of honor and destroyed it,"

Culpepper said of the KKK, neo-Nazis and the League of the South. "They've done more
damage to Southern heritage than anybody has." He is just as upset at those tearing down
monuments across the country.

By: Emanuella Grinberg / CNN - August 23, 2017

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## **BOOKS OF INTEREST**

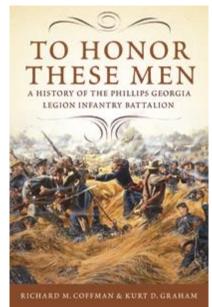


**LAST TO JOIN THE FIGHT** – By Daniel Cone - More than five dozen regiments from Georgia fought for the Southern Confederacy; one of these was the 66th Georgia Infantry. Raised and commanded by earlywar veteran James Cooper Nisbet, the 66th assembled at Macon in summer 1863, suffered through a winter of discontent in Dalton, charged into enemy fire at Peach Tree Creek and Atlanta, and slogged through the rain and mud of Franklin and Nashville before surrendering. LAST TO JOIN THE FIGHT chronicles the service of this penultimate Georgia Confederate unit. Drawing on newspapers, letters, and diaries, this book details the hard realities of service in a Civil War regiment. Yet it also assesses the often-flawed memories of Colonel Nisbet, and plumbs census records to reconstruct the social makeup of the 66th. A sample group of more than 500 men displays the extent of poverty in the ranks, and considers how variables in a soldier's age, family status, home location, or economic background determined devotion or desertion. Concluding pages view the regiment's survivors in the

postwar period, amidst hard times and historical forgetfulness. The story of the 66th Georgia Infantry has never been told before. LAST TO JOIN THE FIGHT offers not a noble epic about valiant fighting men, but rather the bloody-ground truths about the Civil War from the vantage point of those who entered it

towards the end. ISBN: 9780881464757

**TO HONOR THESE MEN** - By author: Richard Coffman, Kurt Graham This is a thoroughly researched (Amanda Cook), comprehensive book that details the organization of a "legion" and its combat odyssey. The authors have followed the trail of the story of the Phillips Georgia legion. The result is a highly readable book that takes the reader on foot and horseback through most of the major battles in the eastern theater of the Civil War. The words of soldiers express the sights, sounds, screams, and odors of the battlefield. The agony of festering wounds, and the misery of typhoid fever and pneumonia grab the reader as does the loneliness and yearning for contact with loved ones. Coffman and Graham track the legion troops from the mountains of Western Virginia to the tears of Appomattox, pausing only for savage interludes of ten major battles and countless skirmishes. The stink of black powder, the blast of musketry and cannons flood the senses and keep the pages turning. Bravery, cowardice, fatigue, and boredom are documented throughout the text in this first-ever



saga of Phillips Georgia legion. Detailed appendices include a capsule history of Macon Light Artillery, the Sharpshooter Battalion, and the band, as well as annotated rosters for each infantry company. ISBN: 9780881460605

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Raid on Jarrell Plantation

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For the second year the 51st Pennsylvania (alias 16<sup>th</sup> GA) was grateful to be invited to re-enact a November 20, 1864 raid on the Jarrell Plantation and other such locations near Juliette, GA. It was probably perpetuated by elements of Kilpatrick's Union horsemen but since we are an infantry unit and horses are not allowed on State property, we did the best we could.

When Sherman's forces reached the Jarrell Plantation, they burned the cotton gin and 300 bushels of wheat, poured out the syrup, and took all the mules and horses. In addition, Sherman's men took the wagons and what food they could find. All meat had been hidden under a large pile of cane mashes, called "pummies." A slave by the name of Prince Clarke told the Yankees where the meat was hidden. They searched for the meat but failed to find it. Believing that Prince had lied, they hung him out the barn window by his thumbs, with his toes resting on a nail. He was left there until he fainted. Later John Jarrell took him down. John found some worn-out stock left by the Yankees and used them the following year. He built a new gin on the place where the other one was burned. Many slaves returned to work.

