

# THE HOWLING DAWG

OCTOBER 2015



*All the best ...always*

**16th Georgia Volunteer Infantry Regiment, Company G**

*"The Jackson Rifles"*

## ***THE FALL CAMPAIGN OF 2015***



Heidi Edge

**The 16<sup>th</sup> Georgia Co. G approaches the Federal Line at Andersonville**

The Fall Campaign of 2015 held so much promise and as October closed it had abundantly delivered. Rain curtailed one day of battle at Andersonville but the 2nd Sandersville event even surpassed the one of a year ago as we anticipated the fighting to come at Nash Farm .....

# ANDERSONVILLE 2015 by Heidi Edge

October 3, 2015



**In 1957, Congress authorized Confederate Veterans to draw benefits just as the US Military. Of course the last two Civil War Veterans died in 1958; however their widows and children were eligible to draw benefits- in recent years two of the children were still drawing Confederate Veterans benefits.**

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*"Heaven may be as near as next year, or next week; so it makes good sense to spend some time here on earth thinking candid thoughts about that marvelous future reserved for us."*

- Joni Eareckson Tada

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***THE REBEL YELL***

**A UNION SOLDIER SAID THAT IF YOU CLAIM TO HAVE HEARD THE REBEL YELL AND WEREN'T SCARED, THEN *YOU DIDN'T HEAR THE REBEL YELL.***

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### ***OUR SCHEDULE OF EVENTS***

**NOVEMBER 1 – WIRZ MEMORIAL SERVICE – 2PM TOWN PAVILLION OF ANDERSONVILLE**  
**NOVEMBER 7 – APPARITIONS @ THE CANNONBALL HOUSE -478-745-5982 (see pg. 25)**  
**NOVEMBER 14-15 - NASH FARM (GA) - Battles of Jonesboro and Nash Farm**  
**NOVEMBER 21- GRISWOLDVILLE MEMORIAL 12 NOON -POC WAYNE DOBSON 478-731-5531**  
**DECEMBER 4 – PARADE IN COCRAN, GA – CHECK WITH DAN OR COOKIE**  
**DECEMBER 4-5 – KEEPING CHRISTMAS @ OLD RICHLAND CHURCH**

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 Capt. Wm."Rebel" Bradberry, Cmding.-404-242-7213  
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 2nd Lt. Kevin Sark - 478-731-8796  
 Adjutant: 5th Corp. John Wayne "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  
 1st Corp. Chas."Goodtime" Whitehead - 478-986-8943  
 2nd Corp. Dan Williams - 478-230-7189  
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 Lead Chaplain – Joel Whitehead, Jr. - 478-986-8798  
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 Assistant Chaplain – Charles Hill – 770-845-6878  
 Musician – Chance Sprague – 706-491-9755  
 Musician - Aaron Bradford – 302-668-8029  
 Musician - Oliver Lummus – 302-668-8029  
 Musician - Al McGalliard - 478-318-7266  
 Rev. Joey Young - Honorary Life Member



***16TH GA Co. G. "Jackson Rifles" Staff***

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**THE CAMP OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER**  
of Old Clinton, Jones County, GA enjoyed their last regular meeting of 2015 at the new location of Chevy's Pizza, 300 W. Clinton Street, Gray, GA, on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Our own Chaplain Joel B. Whitehead, Jr. was our speaker who presented an interesting program about period medicines, especially the herbal substitutes. It was also the time for Camp elections for 2-year terms. The results were as follows:



*Commander - Charles Whitehead*  
*1st Lt. Commander - Brick Lee Nelson*  
*2nd Lt. Commander - J.C. Nobles*  
*Color Sgt. - Earl Colvin*  
*Chaplain - Joel B. Whitehead, Jr.*  
*Adjutant - John Wayne Dobson*  
*Treasurer/Quartermaster - Al McGalliard*  
*Judge Advocate - Ethan Bloodworth*  
*Surgeon - Bryant Knight*  
*Historian - Ethan Bockholt*

These Compatriots will be sworn in on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at our annual Lee-Jackson Banquet.

This meeting was also the occasion of the formal induction of our newest member, Joel Bruce Whitehead, Sr. The ceremony was performed by two of his sons, Joel Whitehead, Jr. and Charles Whitehead. A third son, Matthew Whitehead, likewise a Camp #2218 member, is currently serving in the U.S. Navy. Bruce joined on the honorable service record of his 2<sup>nd</sup> great grandfather Sgt. Stephen English, of Co. C 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment Georgia Cavalry.

Our November 21, 2015 Griswoldville Battlefield Commemoration will include a brief and informal meeting at the conclusion of the day's events. Reverend Joey Young is the keynote speaker. There will be no December meeting. Our January 21, 2016 meeting will be our annual Lee-Jackson Banquet, featuring Mark Pollard of Nash Farm as our featured speaker. More details are forthcoming. Guest speaker openings for meetings - February-October 2016 are currently available.



## With H.K. @ Andersonville



The ranks 16th Georgia, Co. G, "The Jackson Rifles" contains Compatriots from the Logan E. Bleckley SCV Camp #1998 (Cochran, GA) and The Camp of The Unknown Soldier #2218 (Old Clinton, Jones, County, GA). This number includes both Commanders and many other officers of these Camps. On Saturday, October 3, 2015, they were extremely honored to both march in the Andersonville Historic Fair parade and participate in the re-enacted battle with none other than legendary Compatriot H.K. Edgerton who was the parade's grand marshal.

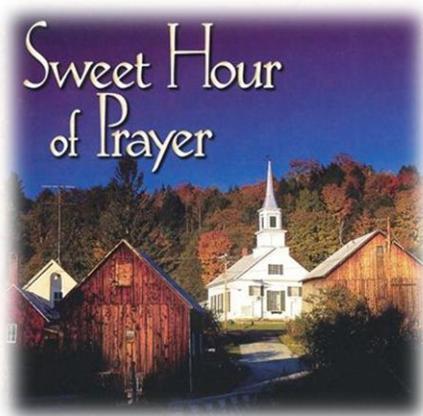
### **THE ANDERSONVILLE TRIAL**

In 1970 Wm. Shatner, George C. Scott, Jed Clampett, and the Skipper from Gilligan's Island gave Emmy winning performances. Check out the cast:

William Shatner as Lt. Col. Norton P. Chipman  
Cameron Mitchell as Maj. Gen. Lew Wallace  
Richard Basehart as Capt. Henry Wirz  
Jack Cassidy as Otis Baker  
Martin Sheen as Capt. Williams  
Buddy Ebsen as Dr. John Bates  
Albert Salmi as James Gray  
John Anderson as Ambrose Spencer  
Michael Burns as James Davidson  
Woodrow Parfrey as Louis Schade  
Harry Townes as Col Chandler  
Whit Bissell as Dr. Ford  
Alan Hale, Jr. as court-martial board member  
Ian Wolfe as court-martial board member  
Ford Rainey as court-martial board member  
Lou Frizzell as Jasper Culver

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***Please continue to pray for:***



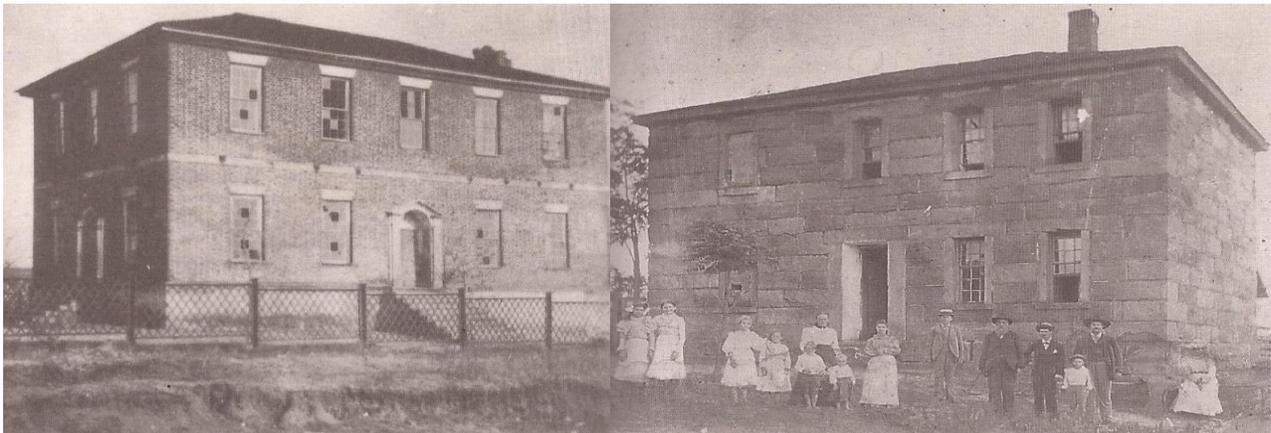
John and Linda Tucker  
James Boyd and family  
Rev. Joey & Amanda Young  
Tommy and Elaine Wallace  
Tom and Ruth Stevens  
Roy and Dana Myers  
Mrs. & Mrs. Herbert Burns  
Ervin and Barbara Garnto  
Diane Beck  
Me & You  
And let me know of others .....

***It ought to be the business of every day, to prepare for our last day.***

Matthew Henry

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## PICTURES OF CLINTON PAST



**On the left is the old Clinton Courthouse as it stood at the top of the hill up from the red barn near where Cleotis lives. Directly adjacent to the red barn was the jail (seen on the right) . The foundation stones can still be seen where J.C. normally camps during War Days. Both photographs approximate what these structures would have looked like near War's end.**

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### **OUR SISTERS OF THE CAUSE - The Sidney Lanier #25 UDC**

As many know, The Camp of The Unknown Soldier (2218) places great emphasis on harmoniously working with our brother and sister organizations (SCV & UDC) especially in the Middle Georgia area. The Sidney Lanier Chapter #25 UDC has long been renowned as one of the best in the nation. Therefore, it was with

both enthusiasm and interest that we received a report of well-deserved accolades they received at their Georgia Division Convention this year: ***"The Sidney Lanier #25 UDC had good success at the recent Georgia Division Convention in Macon. Our chapter won 29 awards - as usual, we swept the board with our historical work and benevolent activities. On Presidents Evening, Chapter President Sherrie' Raleigh spoke about member Judy Smith's efforts to save and move the orphaned Twiggs County Monument. The story of how the Commissioners allowed the monument to be moved to the courthouse square brought a round of loud applause from the 160 guests in attendance. Other honors included: Mary Wade McKenzie Mitchell - Best Attendance at the CofC Division Convention 3rd Place - Earliest Accepted 990 Return Alfred Holt Colquitt Cup - Best Historical Material to Division Historian Georgia Raines Historical Banner - Chapter Historian Sending Best Historical Materials to Division Historian (Anita Jones) Maude Lester Eakes Cup - Best Scrapbook Over 50 Members Mildred Lewis Rutherford Cup - Best Historical Work Along All Lines Myrtice Chambers Maxwell Bowl - Best Prepared Chapter History Over 50 Members Persons Bowl - Most Interesting Unpublished Confederate Diary 2nd Place - Most World War I Crosses 2nd Place - Most World War II Crosses 1st Place - Most Korean War Crosses 1st Place - Carolyn G. Wilson Award - Best Benevolent Report 2nd Place - Most Markers Visited on the Jefferson Davis Highway 2nd Place - Randolph Relief Fund 2nd Place - Phoebe Elliott Award Radio & Television - Chapter with the Most Minutes/Events of Coverage 2nd Place - Frazier Vase Award for the Chapter Placing the Largest Number of Books on Southern History, Biography, and Poetry in Schools & Libraries 1st Place - Laprade-Westmoreland Trophy for the Chapter Contributing the Largest Number of Books Regardless of Size 1st Place - Chapter Reading the Most Books on Southern/Confederate Literature 3rd Place - Chapter with the Best Special Project (Lending Library) 2nd Place - Chapter with Best Report on Southern Literature & Arts Most UDD Magazine Ads 2nd Place - Best Music Report 1st Place - Pioneers in Space 3rd Place - McLeod Bowl - Best Memorial Day Celebration 2nd Place - Preservation of Records of Historic Sites 2nd Place - The Bennett Cup for Southern Songs & Essays Written by UDC Members (Nancy Claxton Vice President's Special Award for Chapter Purchasing Most 10 Year Continuous Membership Pins Vice President's Special Award for Chapter Purchasing over \$1000 in Insignia***

It takes a  
LONG TIME  
to grow  
old friends



I had not been a re-enactor long before I struck up a friendship – a pen pal correspondence, actually – with a Pennsylvania counterpart. We wrote consistently sharing experiences, comparing notes, confiding in each other regarding life's joys and woes. Eventually his travels brought him far enough South that we actually met and we enjoyed several meetings over the years. I think it was at the 135th Antietam, some of his unit (96th PVI) and the 16th GA met – had a great time. It was on that occasion, too, that I presented Frank with a "Gettysburg in Georgia" t-shirt. I don't know if he ever wore it around his home town but if he did, I suppose the questions were many. Although he retired from re-enacting several years ago Frank and I still enjoy exchanging an email or two most every month and

he gets "The Howling Dawg". Recently, he sent me the news of his recent activities and his daughter's wedding ... then and there, came the idea of sharing our distinctive friendship with our readers. That's enough from me, for now; I will let Frank take it for a while ... *jwd.*

*"I believe it was in 1988 when I first corresponded with my now dear friend from Georgia, "Duke" Dobson. He responded to a message I had placed in a Civil War newspaper of that time looking for information on the 46th PA. While he could not help me with information he, in turn, asked if I could help with info on the 51st PA. In the ensuing years we got to "meet" each others' family, travelled to each other's state for reenactments and got to visit each other in non-related Civil War capacities. Over the years I have always welcomed a correspondence from Wayne and continue to marvel at his passion for writing". Frank J. Foulke*

**(OLD FRIENDS ...concluded) Sharing a few photographs: "You will note the photo at Antietam Battlefield (below) was posed in front of the Pry**



**house, General Ambrose Burnside's headquarters for the battle. We had the privilege and honor of spending nights in this building and the Dunker Church at various times. This period was early in the existence of the 96th PVI. Of**

**course I (Frank) am standing at left. Standing, fifth from left is my dear friend and mentor Sgt. Dick Matthews who Wayne met at Olustee. Seated front center is our founder and Captain, David Valuska, professor of history at Kutztown University in Pennsylvania. The second group photo, under arms, was taken on a somewhat foggy morning at a living history event. We only wore the Hardee hat on full dress occasions.**



**You may remember the famed "Black Hats," the Iron Brigade, wore them all the time. The final photo must have been taken during guard duty at some event. I can still feel the heft of the Enfield! Those were the days....."**

**I hope I get to see Frank again before our earthly careers close. Such friendships are a treasure that you keep, store back and have just because they are of value to you. Knowing Frank has enriched my life a lot. We are very different people but there is yet more that unites us. Certainly, we have the liberty to enjoy a friendship like ours much more than would have been practicable 150 years ago ... Duke**

# ANDERSONVILLE 2015 by C.L. Bentley



## ***ANDERSONVILLE 2015*** by Kenny Stancil



***“Sirs, you have no reason to be ashamed of your Confederate dead; see to it they have no reason to be ashamed of you.”***  
***- Robert Lewis Dabney, Chaplain for Stonewall Jackson***

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp**

**June 12 ~ 18, 2016**

- ★ ages 12 ~ 17
- ★ limit: 40 boys, 40 girls
- ★ discounts available if you apply by May 1st, 2016
- ★ check-in Sunday, 12th 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- ★ banquet and ball, Friday, 17th 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- ★ true history taught daily
- ★ oratory contest
- ★ scholarships available
- ★ daily outdoor recreational activities
- ★ Southern manners and courtesy practiced daily
- ★ period dancing lessons

What do you know about the Confederate Air Force, Dewitt Jobe, ferro equinology, Southern salt works, American Exceptionalism, John "Blackjack" Logan, or David Owen Dodd? These were all subjects taught in only two days at an SCV Youth Camp. When campers graduate from our youth camp, they know more Southern history than their history teachers at school.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans youth camps have been equipping young people to stand on the truth of their ancestors for almost fifteen years. Continuing that fine tradition, the Georgia Division will host a co-ed youth camp in 2016 to prepare the next generation for their culture war.

Remember "Nobody doesn't like Sara Lee"? You cannot afford not to send your son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter to the Georgia Confederates Youth Camp!

**SIGN UP TODAY. SEE APPLICATION ON THE GEORGIA DIVISION WEB SITE. [gascv.org](http://gascv.org)**

For more information, contact: .al perry. [asp3@planttel.net](mailto:asp3@planttel.net)

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### **The Annual Capt. Henry Wirz Memorial Service**

will be held Sunday Nov.1 at Andersonville Georgia. Capt. Wirz was commandant of the Andersonville POW camp in 1864-65. The band "A Joyful Noise" will play period Confederate and Southern Gospel music from 2 to 3 PM. The formal service begins at 3 PM. The primary speaker will be Ronald Kennedy, co-author of the book "The South Was Right". This is the 150th year of the unconstitutional Military Tribunal farce trial and hanging of Capt. Henry Wirz based on perjury and lies. Americus Sumter County Georgia SCV Camp 78 has held an annual memorial service for Capt. Wirz each year beginning in 1974. This 150th year event will be the highlight. Col. Heinrich Wirz (retired-Swiss Army), great nephew of Capt. Henry Wirz is coming from Switzerland to attend. Your attendance and participation is encouraged.

# SANDERSVILLE

Dawn March by Kellie Banks - October 24, 2015



*"We are all the same good people today that we were last week and last year and we are not going to be shamed into turning our backs on our heritage and our convictions." - Ben "Cooter" Jones*

# SANDERSVILLE

October 24, 2015



# SANDERSVILLE

October 25, 2015



**October 25, 1865:** In Lexington, Virginia, at Washington College, President Robert E. Lee is heavy into his new administrative responsibilities. Already, he is forming three new schools for the college and has hired professors to teach them. There will be a school on “Practical Chemistry, including metallurgy and agricultural chemistry, separating chemistry from the teaching of physics. There will be a school on practical mechanics, including mechanical drawing and architecture. Physics will be included in this department. And a department of Applied Mathematics, including analytical mechanics, astronomy, civil engineering and building, the department later will become the school of engineering. Lee is still living in the hotel, his President’s Home not being ready for another month. For companionship, he is privileged that his oldest son, Custis, is now staying with him at the hotel, his wife not coming until December.



\*\*\*\*\* Courtesy: Larry Upthegrove

*Thanks for the terrific pictures – where would this issue be without the skills of Kenny Stancil, C.L. Bentley, Heidi Edge, & Kellie Banks*

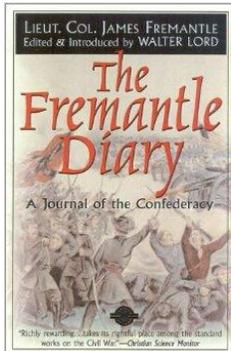
With Heartfelt  
*Sympathy*

It is my sad duty to announce word of the death of Mrs. Donna Kay Boyd Brown on October 27th. Donna was the Sister of 1st Sgt (Retired) James Boyd, 16th Geo. She was a beautiful Soul that had

supported us all and what we do, both on and off the Campaign Trail. She has joined the Heavenly Host and we will miss Her. Please put the word out to the Confederation for some prayers for the Family in this time of need. The services will be held @ Conner Westbury Funeral Home in Griffin, GA on Monday 2 Nov. Visitation will be from 5 pm till 7pm with the service following from 7 pm till 8pm. The funeral home has a web site and is located on GA 92/Macintosh Road off of US 19/41 North in Griffin, GA. James and Serena's phone # is 706-344-7588 and their address is 15 Meredith Drive Murrayville, Georgia 30564 jc nsnr

Note: As we closed out this newsletter we heard unsubstantiated word that Capt. John Paul of the 10<sup>th</sup> GA had lost his son on October 29. We hazard this announcement, lacking confirmation.

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**"The Freemantle Diary: A Journal of the Confederacy"**

By Lt. Colonel James Freemantle of the British army, edited by Walter Lord

You probably have precious little time to just sit and read, however I think this is one you would like. Freemantle was granted a leave of absence by the army and spent the time traveling through the South. Near the end of March 1863 he landed at Matamoros, Mexico, and at the end of his leave left New York City

as the draft riots were going on. Hollywood could not have written a better script - along the way, with letters of introduction, he met virtually every Southern general.....Lee, Longstreet and others as the battle of Gettysburg was happening. Maybe you have read it already. I was amazed by his descriptions and thoughts. The author, Walter Lord, has many footnotes to shed light on the characters, times and

stories. *Frank Foulke*



James Lancaster as Colonel Freemantle in the 1993 film Gettysburg

## AN END TO TEARS

*"Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness. For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."*

- Psalm 30: 4-5

We, at one time or another in our lives, feel like we are walking in eternal darkness. Despair is quite easy when the answer to your prayer is not the answer you want. But the answer the Lord gives is what you need now. God wants us to have life abundantly and free. Our weeping and fretting keep us from clearly seeing our blessings, even

when they are right in front of us. In those times of despair we must remember the Lord is the answer. Pray and be humble before God and let Him lead. For as quick as darkness descends the light of the joy and hope of Jesus comes even quicker. We must take joy and use it as our beacon in this dark world we live in. The joy that is coming is Our Lord and Savior Jesus the "bright and morning star" (Revelation 22:16) who will bring comfort to the hurting and sad. God is the only one who can turn sorrow into gladness. Will you take the comfort and joy being offered by the Lord for you today?

Chaplain Joel B. Whitehead, Jr.

## THE YEAR OF THE GREAT PUMPKIN HARVEST

Pumpkins are simply a large winter squash and an important staple to us – last year our harvest was dismal. This year our Lord volunteered a pumpkin plant or two, planting, watering and nourishing (1 Corinthians 3:6) – as if saying "I'll show you how to grow a pumpkin" – and we are having a bountiful harvest (John 4:35) from our monster plants – many of you are already aware of this from Brenda's



FACEBOOK posts and *Simple Heritage* even recorded a song in that pumpkin patch. These pumpkins are a Seminole variety, grown by the Indians of Florida in the 1700's and beyond. They called them the "hanging pumpkin" because the vines would climb into the trees and the pumpkins would develop where critters could not get them. Brenda is processing these pumpkins and freezing them in 4-cup packages just right for

pies or muffins – get with her if you need some – and if you feel led consider making a contribution to *The Children's Biblical Herb Garden* at our church... I was cutting open one of these pumpkins this week and thought of a devotional I had read some time back. It goes something like this: *God chooses us out of the pumpkin patch of life. We're dirty, from being out in the field, so, God washes us on the outside. I guess that's like baptism. Then He pierces our thick skins with the double-edged sword of His Word (Hebrews 4:12) so He can clean out all that stuff on the inside. And those seeds may represent bitterness and discontent that can cling to our hearts just like those stubborn seeds. Thank goodness God is willing to clean us out, because He's the only One who can. Remember Psalm 51:10 – "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me." Then, like someone carving a jack-o-lantern, God gives us a brand new face. He fills us with the light of His Spirit and puts us out in a dark world to shine for Him. (1 Corinthians 5:17) And those slimy seeds – maybe they represent our old sins? God has a plan for those, too. They can be sprinkled with salt, roasted to perfection and shared with others. Also, we can use our past experiences to speak to others – plant to start anew.* - Duke -20-

## ICONOLOGY OF OLD CLINTON METHODIST CEMETERY

Recently, Brenda and I toured the grounds of The Old Clinton Methodist Cemetery – a familiar place to us, of course, but always fascinating. For some time I have subscribed to an on-line iconology newsletter edited by Richard Waterhouse (rwsymbolism@gmail.com). Therefore, we decided to snap a few photographs and ask Richard to help us understand the ornate symbolism. . He did in grand style and here are the greatly appreciated results. Of particular interest were some of the Griswold family monuments:

The symbolism of this gravestone involves the death of a woman. The hand conveys the Hand of God and is plucking the soul of the woman and taking it to heaven. It relates to an English epitaph analogy reinforcing Christian faith and divine omnipotence: “Who plucked that flower?” cried the gardener as he walked through the garden. His



fellow servant answered, “The Master”. In this case, the Master is God. He plucks her soul to go to heaven. Flowers and their symbols on this gravestone from left to right (will do two columns) include: (first column): passion flower – conveys Christ’s Passion, Redemption and Crucifixion; daisy – innocence and hope; bell flower – constancy and gratitude; zinnia - thoughts of absence friends; (second column): lily – purity, modesty and innocence; rose – love, beauty, grace and prematurity; three leaves together – Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Ghost); and chrysanthemum – longevity. The wrapped flower stems convey life cut short and life here on earth is only temporary.

The fence is very Victorian. Symbols include the weeping willow and the lamb sitting under the weeping willow. Weeping willow conveys mourning or grief because the tree looks like it is weeping. A friend of Oakland Cemetery used to tell a story that that one did not want to be the one to plant a weeping willow tree in a cemetery because they would be the next one to die. The lamb, lying down, conveys the suffering of Christ and Christ’s atonement for our sins. It also conveys forgiveness, gentleness, humility, patience, purity and renewal.





Symbols on this gravestone include the pansy, rosebud, evening primrose and rose. The pansy conveys remembrance and specifically hearing the thoughts of a loved one. Pansies were also called the johnny-jumps-ups and were widely cultivated during the nineteenth which was the golden age of cemeteries. The broken rosebud serves to remind the viewer the fragile beginnings of life, all too often cut tragically short. The use of rosebuds to convey the passage of time is illustrated by the proverb, "Gather ye rosebuds while ye may." The proverb comes from a poem by seventeenth-century English poet Robert Herrick (1591-1674). The evening primrose conveys eternal love, memory, youth, hope and sadness. These flowers open in the early evening and close in mid-morning. The

rose conveys love, beauty, grace and prematurity. The oak leaf conveys bravery, eternity, endurance, honor, hospitality, humanity, liberty, regeneration and strength. Oak leaf clusters are use as military insignia in Germany and the United States. In 2004, the U.S. Congress designated the oak as the national tree, as have many countries. The acorn conveys life,



strength, virility, latent greatness or strength, independence, a germinal idea and protection against the plague. A broken oak branch conveys life cut short and death. The weeping willow and urn became very popular on gravestones after George Washington passed away because he used both on his monument. Weeping willow conveys mourning or grief because the tree looks like it is mourning. An urn conveys mourning purification, and chiefly the soul. The ancient Greeks placed urns outside a tomb to receive offerings and inside to hold ashes or, if empty, as symbols of the deceased's future life. A closed urn conveys

mortality and an open urn conveys immortality.



This is a broken rose branch and like the broken oak branch, it convey like cut short. The rose conveys love, beauty, grace and prematurity. The broken rosebud serves to remind the viewer the fragile beginnings of life, all too often cut tragically short. The use of rosebuds to convey the passage of time is illustrated by the proverb, "Gather ye rosebuds while ye may." The proverb comes from a poem by

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conveys mortality and an open urn conveys immortality. The rose conveys love, beauty, grace and prematurity. The shroud on top of the urn conveys the passage from life to death. The rose conveys love, beauty, grace and prematurity. Symbols on this gravestone include the lily, rose, and the three leaves together. The lily conveys purity, modesty and innocence. Rose conveys love, beauty, grace and prematurity. Three leaves together convey Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Ghost).



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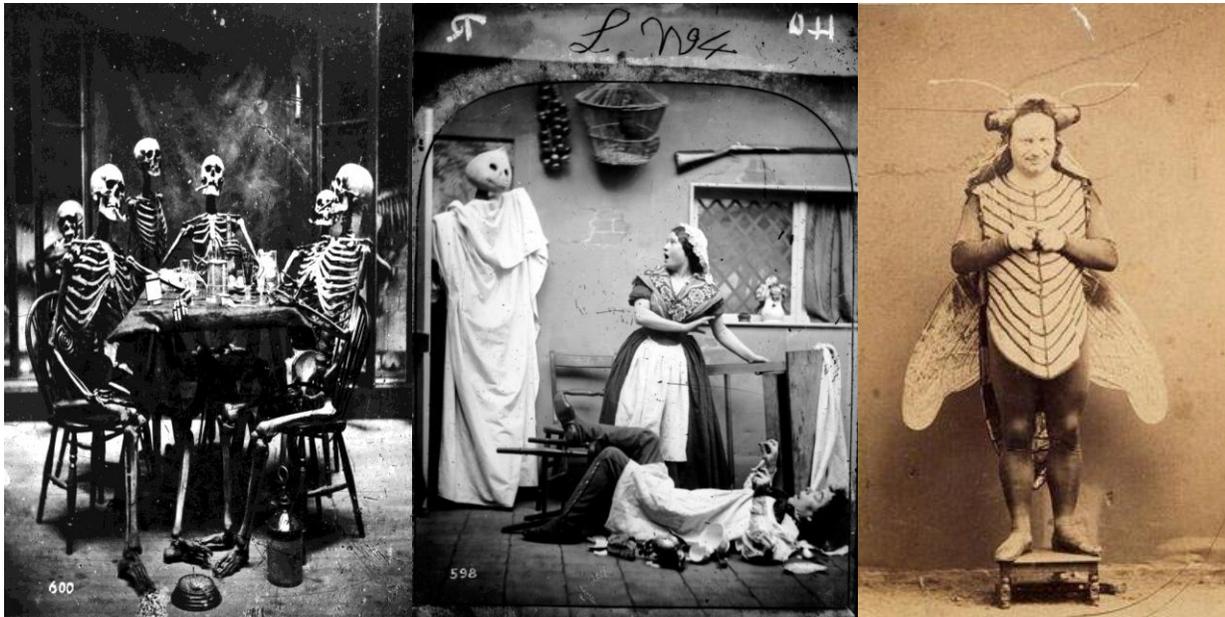
## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME MYTHS



Ready or not, Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 a.m. Sunday, November 1. Loved by some, hated by most, as just an excuse to let old men play golf a little longer. It never has been a huge energy saver - it might even increase energy consumption, but then we are used to being lied to. It can be rough on your health - your body has an internal clock and I don't - I repeat, I don't, care a lick what "experts" say. Some say it would make you less likely to get robbed but, then, again, they don't live in West Macon. Pretty much, it all just ain't worth the trouble - I hate resetting clocks. All states don't do it and more and more folks would just as soon be rid of the foolishness. Who is man, after all, that he should correct God's system? - Duke

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**HALLOWEEN IN 1865:** Halloween has been recognized in various ways over several centuries, but as you can see from these pictures from 1865, not a lot will change in the next 150 years. *Courtesy of Larry Upthegrove*



*Hooty hoo! Weirdwolves of Clinton  
Hooty Hoo!*



The Old Capitol SCV Camp #688 of Milledgeville, Georgia "just lost one of their members to death, Mr. Ben Gautier who would have been 99 October 12th. He was faithful to the end." Camp Commander Roy Mixon has greatly honored Simple Heritage by inviting the traditional music ensemble to perform for their "Dinner with Lee and Jackson" on Thursday December 10, 2015 at 7:00pm. Anyone interested should contact him.

*The group has begun work on a CD that will likely be titled "Southern Irish". You can follow these sessions on YOUTUBE and FACEBOOK.....*



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