

The James T. Huff Camp 2243 News



Commander's Message

Compatriots of Camp 2243,

Hope everyone is having a wonderful summer, albeit a hot one. We had a great picnic up at the Cosby Campground on the 16th. I think everyone enjoyed it and I'm sure nobody went home hungry. We followed up with another well-attended meeting where we elected officers for the next two years and then were entertained by the Williams family.

I want to thank the camp for the show of support in electing me to another term as Commander. It is an honor to serve you and I hope I never let you down. Congratulations to Dr. Duran Williams, who was elected Lt. Commander

when Dee Covington declined serving another term. Thanks to Dee for all he has done the last two years. He will continue to serve as historian. Gerald Brown also declined another term as Chaplin and nominated Dr. James West to take his place. James was quickly elected as our new Chaplin. Gerald has done an outstanding job in that capacity, even though he is not an ordained minister. We thank him for his service. All other officers were re-elected.

We are moving along with the marker commemorating the Battle of Shultz' Mill/Cosby Creek, where Gen.

Robert Vance was captured. We've gotten an easement on the property which will guarantee the marker remains in its location for years to come. We are starting site preparation this week and plan to fabricate the KIOSH in two weeks. We are also finalizing the stories to be printed and have gotten commitments for graphics and word processing. A printer has also been contacted. Funding has been promised by the Division and we should have a check next week. So, it looks like we will have everything in place for the dedication on September 10. Hope to see a big turnout by the camp.

Our next meeting is on August 16. Hope to see you there. Until then.....

Deo Vindice,
Bill Quinn

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Special points of interest:

- *A Confederate General with a local connection was born in August. Maj. Gen John Porter of Sevierville was born 8-19-1815. Lt. Gen A.P. Stewart who died on 8-30-1821 is featured on page 3.*

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From The editor's Desk: Fighting Back

The continued assault on Southern Heritage is meeting with stiff resistance.

Members of the SCV are now in the process of forming a political action group that will represent

the needs of the SCV and Daughters of Confederate Veterans.

PACs are instrumental in shoring up political support for var-

ious organizations and causes. More on this on Page 3. We will keep you posted as the process moves along.

—Michael Williams

Georgia police officer fired for flying Confederate flag

The assault on southern heritage and the police has taken a new twist.

An Atlanta-area police sergeant who was fired for flying a Confederate flag outside her home said she didn't know people find the flag offensive.

The Roswell, Ga., Police Department terminated Sgt. Silvia Cotriss due to conduct unbecoming of an officer after an area resident reported her stars and bars, according to internal investiga-

tion documents obtained Tuesday by WGCL-TV. Cotriss will appeal the July 14 firing, she said.

"If I knew it offended someone, my friends, my family, I wouldn't do it," Cotriss, 53, told The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. "Police officers have to adjust a lot of things in our lives, and for 20 years my whole life has been about making change and being held to a higher standard. We take an oath to help and protect

people, so we can't have a private life that's really bad."

Yet the flag displayed on a pole in the front yard of her Woodstock home for over a year "brought discredit to the Roswell Police Department," a police captain wrote in Cotriss' termination. She told detectives who interviewed her about the flag that it's "part of her history, part of the South, part of history involving the Civil War."

SCV App Now available.

Getting the word out about the SCV has now moved a step forward through the help of Smart Phones and Google.

The SCV now has an app for your smartphone, To download the app simply go to the Google play store and look up scvapp, there is no space, type it in just as you see it. Send this to every-

one on your emails list, and let everyone else know about it. .

The app has been cleverly designed to educate people about the SCV and encourage people to join and to look into their southern roots. The app also has links to the SCV's Facebook page and more. A special thanks to Chief of Staff Jason Boshers for develop-

ing this app!



Commander Holley Wins awards

SCV Commander Billie Joe Holley won 2 awards during the National SCV Convention. He received a LEADERSHIP award and a MERITORIOUS award. Also, congratulations to other brigade members that won awards as well. I will not say who they are as Cmdr Holley will be

making those presentations. We brought them back from Texas and delivered them to him this morning. So, CONGRATULATIONS all around.

Several SCV members went on Social Media to congratulate Holley. Commander Holley respond-

ed on Facebook;

I would like to thank all the member's of Vaughn's Brigade, for the opportunity to serve them, the Brigade and the SCV. It is an honor and was quite unexpected. Thanks to all.

Faces in Time; Lt. General A.P Stewart



Alexander Peter Stewart (October 2, 1821 – August 30, 1908) was a career United States Army officer, college professor, and a general in the Confederate States Army.

Stewart was born in Rogersville, Tennessee. He graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1842 (12th of 56 cadets) and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the 3rd U.S. Artillery. He resigned his commission on May 31, 1845 to become a pro-

fessor of mathematics and experimental philosophy at Cumberland University in Lebanon, Tennessee, and later attained the same position at the University of Nashville.

At the start of the American Civil War in 1861, although he was a strong anti-secessionist Whig politically, Stewart accepted a commission as major in the artillery of the Tennessee Militia on May 17. Shortly afterwards he entered the Confederate Army on August 15 as a major of artillery.

Stewart was appointed a brigadier general on November 8 and assigned to command the 2nd brigade, 2nd division, Columbus District, of the Confederate Department No. Two (the precursor to the Dept. of Tennessee.) Stewart held this position from November 16 until that December, when his brigade was transferred to the Department's First

Geographical Division until February 1862. His brigade was then briefly added to John P.

McCown's division in the Department until it joined the Army of Mississippi on April 1. Stewart's brigade was added to the Army of Mississippi's First Corps, under the command of Maj.

Gen. Leonidas Polk. The Army of Mississippi became the Army of Tennessee near the end of 1862, and Stewart and his brigade continued to serve in the First Corps of that army as well. He was promoted to divisional command and to major general on June 2, 1863, [1] and he participated in the Tullahoma Campaign that summer. He was in action at the Battle of Chickamauga that September, and was wounded in the fight on September 19. Stewart fought in the Atlanta Campaign in 1864, and replaced Polk in command of the Army's Third Corps when Polk

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SCV Forming Political Action Committee

The Tennessee Division is forming a Political Action Committee (PAC). If any of our camp members would like to be a part of it, please let Bill Quinn know. This PAC will be formed and maintained by the SCV, but will be a separate entity from the SCV, and will not have the SCV name on it. Proposed names may include the Tennessee Heritage PAC or something to that effect. It will be a lobbying group

intended to help our friends and defeat our enemies here in Tennessee.

We need contacts of the SCV members and friends in middle and east Tennessee who are interested in our PAC. We have watched the memory and honor of our Confederate Soldiers be slandered long enough, we are fighting back and fighting back hard! If you can provide Camp

commanders or adjutants who can advise or provide names that would be helpful.

We have a short time before the Tennessee primaries and the general election will be upon us before we know it.

We need to decide what our strategy is going into this election cycle, as well as heritage legislation both locally and statewide.

Good Eatin', fellowship and more at the Huff Camp Picnic.

The James T. Huff Camp held a picnic on July 16th. The event was an opportunity for all SCV members to gather for some fellowship, and a chance to be sociable. Thanks to Duran Williams for sending these two photos on the right.

Interested in Joining the SCV?

Anyone interested in discovering their southern heritage or in preserving the Confederate ancestry is invited to attend any of our monthly meetings to learn more about the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Anyone interested in joining our camp may do so by contacting Commander Bill Quinn at 423-487-2498.



Faces in Time (continued from page 3)

Georgia's Quartermaster General, Ira Roe Foster as his headquarters. Georgia Historical Commission marker 060-90, erected at that location, states: "Site of the Ira R. Foster house which was occupied as headquarters by Gen. A. P. Stewart, [CSA] during military operations N. of Atlanta, July 16–21, 1864. From here were issued the orders directing his troops in the Battle of Peachtree Creek, July 20." Stewart led the Third Corps at the Battle of Ezra Church, where he was wounded in the forehead on July 28.

Stewart continued to lead the Third Corps during the Franklin-

Nashville Campaign in the fall of 1864, participating in the Battle of Franklin that November and the Battle of Nashville in December. Stewart's corps fared badly on the first day of the Battle of Nashville, and it broke on the second day when the troops to its left were forced from their position. What was left of the Army of Tennessee was sent east and fought in the Carolinas Campaign in 1865, once again under the command of Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, who placed the Army of Tennessee (by this time fewer than 5,000 men) under the command of Stewart.

The Army was surrendered on

April 26 and Stewart was paroled at Greensboro, North Carolina on May 1.

After the war, Stewart moved to Missouri in 1869 and became an insurance executive. He then moved to Mississippi in 1874, where he served as the Chancellor of the University of Mississippi until 1886. From 1890 to 1908, he was the commissioner of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park. He was injured when he was hit by a train on March 30, 1893, and he returned to Missouri in 1906.

He died August 30, 1908 in Biloxy and is buried in St. Louis Missouri.