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The Charge

"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 loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish.

Given at New Orleans, LA in a speech on April 25, 1906 to the SCV National Convention by Lt. Gen. Stephen D Lee.

From the Commander's Desk

By: Camp Commander Don Green Greetings Compatriots,

The carnival season is upon us here on the Coast and we are in the midst of a mild winter again. It is also Black History Month which gives us a chance to promote the military services of minorities in the Confederacy and for the South. The upcoming events are already stacking up for a good year to defend our Confederate Heritage. This coming weekend will be the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Ceremony by the Oddfellows at Beauvoir on Saturday February 15. The following weekend the 3rd Miss Inf unit will be at the Texas Hospital Event as it returns to beautiful Archusa Creek in Quitman, MS. This will be a re-boot of the event with new management and the same amenities as the past 4 successful events held there. March brings Confederate Flag Day at Beauvoir and reenactments in Louisiana and April will bring a slew of Memorials and Events to take part in. There will be a very special event at the SCV Headquarters in Elm Springs,TN where the bodies of Gen. Forrest and his wife will be re-interred there as well as the opening of the new SCV Musuem located on site. I assure everyone, you wll not want to miss this event. Our next meeting will be Tuesday February 18 at 6:30pm a week early to avoid Mardi Gras Day. Compatriot Jay Ginn from the John Ford Home is set to update us on site renevations. We hope to see you there!

Camp Photos



Camp Commander Don Green poses for a photo at the DeFuniak Springs Event in Florida.



The Federals are in skirmish order in DeFuniak Springs before the battle on Sunday January 25, 2020.



The Reenactors pose for a photo in front of the crowd at DeFuniak Springs after the Battle.

Beauvoir Photos and Updates

MEET THE SPIRITS 2020

January 18th June 13th
February 15th July 18th
March 21st August 15th
April 18th September 19th
May 16th

Timeline 6 PM - 12 AM

- > PLEASE VISIT : www.sparsparanormal.com to purchase tickets
- > Registration will begin promptly at 6 PM in the library building auditorium. All ticket holders must go through registration. Please be on time.
- > Once registration and orientation are complete, the paranormal investigation will begin. Some locations are outdoors, please dress appropriately.
- > Refreshments will be available for a small cost

Hope to see you there I



Other Events





Upcoming Events

February 15, 2020 Pilgrimage to the Unkown Soldier Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS.

February 21-23, 2020 Battles for the Texas Hospital Archusa Creek Water Park; Quitman, MS.

March 6, 2020 5th Brigade Quarterly Meeting Dixie Community Center; Hattiesburg, MS.

March 7, 2020 Confederate Flag Day Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS. 1pm

March 13-15, 2020 Fort Randolph Reenactment Forts Randolph and Buhlow; Pineville, LA.

March 27-29, 2020 Port Hudson Reenactment Port Hudson State Historic Site; St. Francisville, LA.

April 3-5, 2020 Pleasant Hill Reenactment Pleasant Hill, LA.

April 11, 2020 Live Oak Memorial Gautier City Cemetery; Gautier, MS.

April 17-19, 2020 Cuba Station Reenactment Gainesville, AL.

April 25, 2020 Gulfport Memorial Gulfport, MS. 9am

April 25, 2020 Confederate Memorial Day Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS. 2pm

April 26, 2020 Thunder on the Bay Fort Gaines; Dauphin Island, AL.

May 1-2, 2020 Surrender Oaks Festival Camp Pushmataha; Citronelle, AL.

May 8-10, 2020 Grand Gulf Living History Grand Gulf Military Park; Port Gibson, MS.

Media Pages Update

We are looking at creating a new website for a minimum fee, possibly free, for the Camp. Our original website was a bit costly and has not been renewed as of yet. Camp Members are looking at this for us and will report to us in the very near future with possible options.

Camp Website: In Progress

Brigade Website: www.dgreen1865.wix.com/5th-brig-ms-div-scv

Division Website: www.mississippiscv.org
Beauvoir Website: www.visitbeauvoir.org

National Website: www.scv.org

Upcoming Speakers List

Tuesday February 18, 2020 – Jay Ginn – John Ford Home Renovations

Tuesday March 31, 2020 – John Weaver – 3rd System Forts of the Gulf Coast

Tuesday April 28, 2020 - Tristan Dunn - Period Music

Tuesday May 26, 2020 – Jay Peterson – Collections of Beauvoir Part 2

Tuesday June 30, 2020 – Bobby Sue Koch – Beauvoir's Confederate Veterans

Tuesday July 30, 2020 – Larry McCluney – "On to Vicskburg: The Mississippi Central Railroad Campaign"

Tuesday August 27, 2020 - TBA

Tuesday September 25, 2020 - Ronald Kennedy - Make Dixie Great Again

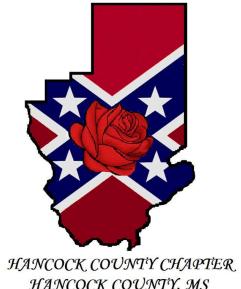
Tuesday October 30, 2020 - TBA

Tuesday November 19, 2020 - Conor Bond - Miss Division Commander

Tuesday December 17, 2020 - TBA

Order of the Confederate Rose

ORDER OF THE CONFEDERATE ROSE



HANCOCK COUNTY, MS

The Pearl Rivers Chapter #30, Mississippi Society Order of the Confederate Rose has been Chartered as of January 18, 2020. We are very proud to have Chartered our Chapter and look forward to supporting our host Camp. Some activities we hope to accomplish in the coming year include cleaning historical cemeteries, raising funds and awareness for the Cause, promoting the OCR in the local community and more.

Our Chapter currently boasts a membership of eight ladies with our President being Callie Bunter and our Historian/Secretary being Bobby Sue Koch.

We are hoping to expand our membership. Membership criteria for the OCR is as follows:

"The Order of the Confederate Rose is open to all ladies, twelve years of age or older, regardless of ancestry. It is non-racial, non-political and non-sectarian. The Order of the Confederate Rose will not compete with the United Daughters of the Confederacy or with any other genealogical organization. We invite other members from other genealogical organizations to join with us."

If you have a female family members who would like to join the Pearl Rivers Chapter #30, Mississippi Society Order of the Confederate Rose, please email the Chapter at pearlriversocr30@gmail.com – membership fees are minimal and we are looking to start some great benevolent work in the coming months.

Yours,

Callie Bunter President Pearl Rivers Chapter #30, Mississippi Society Order of the Confederate Rose

3rd Mississippi Infantry Update

3rd Miss Infantry Regiment 2020 - Spring Campaign Reenactment Schedule

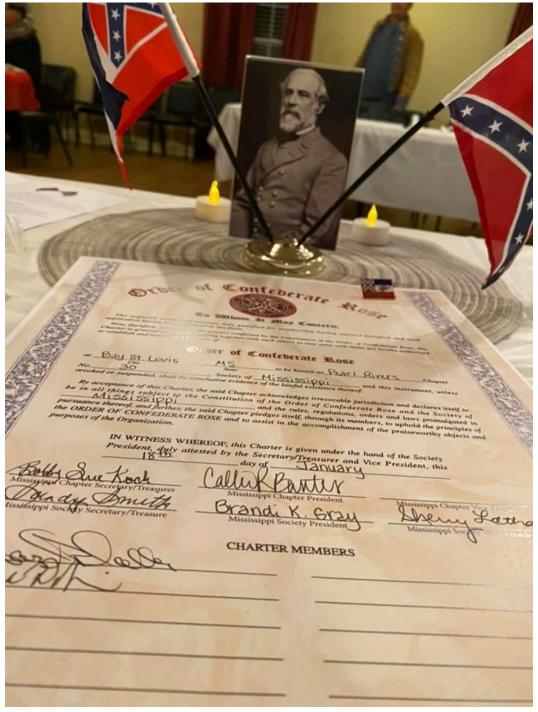
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Max Effort, Best Effort, Scouting event, and other event:

- January 24-26, 2020 <u>Raid on Euchee Anna Reenactment</u>; Lake Defuniak; Defuniak Springs, FL. (Scouting Event)
- February 21-23, 2020 <u>Battles for the Texas Hospital Reenactment</u>; Archusa Creek Park; Quitman, MS. (MAX EFFORT)
- March 13-15, 2020 <u>Fort Randolph Reenactment</u>; Forts Randolph & Buhlow Park; Pineville, LA. (Best Effort)
- March 27-29, 2020 "Siege of Port Hudson" Reenactment; Port Hudson State Historic Site - Jackson, Louisiana (Best Effort/Scouting event)
- 5. April 3-5, 2020 Pleasant Hill Reenactment; Pleasant Hill, LA. (MAX EFFORT)
- April 11, 2020 <u>Live Oak Rifles Memorial</u>; Gautier Cemetery; Gautier, MS. (Best Effort)
- April 17-19, 2020 <u>Battle for Cuba Station</u> (30th Anniversary); Gainesville, AL. (MAX EFFORT)
- 8. April 25, 2020 Gulfport Statue Memorial; Gulfport, MS. 9am (Best Effort)
- April 25, 2020 <u>Confederate Memorial Day at Beauvoir</u>; Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS. 10am-3pm (MAX EFFORT)
- April 26, 2020 <u>Thunder on the Bay; Fort Gaines</u>; Dauphin Island, AL. (MAX EFFORT) (Sunday Only)
- 11. May 1-2, 2020 <u>Surrender Oak Festival</u>; Camp Pushmataha; Citronelle, AL. (MAX EFFORT) (GCB Event)
- 12. May 16-18, 2020 <u>Trail of Honor</u>; Harley-Davidson Shop; Jackson, MS. (MAX EFFORT) (Company Meeting)
- 13. June 6, 2020 Miss Div SCV Conv.; Vicksburg, MS. (Color Guard Duty)

Capt. Don P. Green, Jr. 3rd Miss Inf. Co. F

Camp News



The Shieldsboro Rifles Camp #2263 now has an OCR Chapter named The Pearl Rivers Chapter #30. The ladies received their Charter at the Camp's 5th Annual Lee-Jackson Banquet on Saturday January 18, 2020 at the Mercy House at Lakeshore Baptist Church in Waveland. This was a 4 year process that has come to fruition. Thank you President Callie Bunter for your perserverence to get this completed.

Brigade News



Fourth Annual Pilgrimage to the Unknown Confederate Soldier Hosted by Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home and Presidential Library

Saturday February 15, 2020 at 11 AM – 2 PM

Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home and Presidential Library 2244 Beach Blvd, Biloxi, Mississippi 39531

Hosted by Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home and Presidential Library

Division News

Mississippi Division Sons of Confederate Veterans February 6 at 1:07 PM ·

WORKSHOP EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT!

Gentlemen,

Attached please find the official notification and agenda for the Mississippi Division SCV Training Workshop as discussed at the EC meeting back in December.

The workshop will be held on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at the War memorial Building in Jackson, and will get underway at 9:00 am.

Please disseminate this information to the Commanders and Adjutants of the Camps within your respective Brigades as soon as possible. This will be an excellent opportunity for new Commanders and Adjutants to better familiarize themselves with many of the processes we use within the SCV. For experienced Commanders and Adjutants, this should provide a good refresher and update. Finally, the fellowship with compatriots from around the state will be invaluable.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you and I look forward to seeing all of you on the 29th.

In the Bonds of the Old South,

Mike Moore, Adjutant Mississippi Division Sons of Confederate Veterans 108 County Road 5131 Booneville, MS 38829 (732) 962-5335

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE:

On Feb. 29, 2020 we will have our first Division Wide workshop at the Mississippi Division offices located at the War Memorial Building, 120 N. State St., Jackson, MS 39201.

The agenda for this workshop is as follows:

9:00 AM- Meeting Called to order George Conor Bond, MS Division Commander

Invocation

Bro. James Taylor, Division Chaplain

Pledges Prayers and Salutes
Stan Rhoda, 1st Lt. Commander MS Division Commander

Reading of the Charge Jeff Barnes, Past Division Commander

9:30 AM- Adjutant's Report Mike Moore, Division Adjutant

Adjutant Training

Dan McCaskill, Past Division Adjutant and Mike Moore, Division Adjutant

10:30 AM- Break

10:45 PM- Commander's Report George Conor Bond, MS Division Commander

Recruiting and Retention
Stan Rhoda, Stan Rhoda, 1st Lt. Commander MS Division Commander

Mech Cav Kevin Nelms, Captain MS Mech Cav 1G

12:00 PM-1:00 PM Lunch

1:15 PM- Monuments Across Mississippi Report Forrest Dawes

1:30 PM- Community Outreach
Billy Bryant

1:45 PM- SCV and the Media George Conor Bond, MS Division Commander

2:00 PM- SCV and Technology George Conor Bond, MS Division Commander

I hope to see each and every one of you at this first of hopefully many Division-wide workshops.

Forward the Colors,

George Conor Bond, Commander
Mississippi Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans

National News





GRAND OPENING OF THE NATIONAL CONFEDERATE MUSEUM &
REINTERMENT CEREMONY OF
GENERAL & MRS. NATHAN BEDFORD FORREST

23 May 2020 – At Elm Springs – Columbia TN

The First Battle of Fort McAllister

Fort McAllister was a Confederate earthwork fortification near the mouth of the Ogeechee River in Bryan County. The fort played an important role in the defense of Savannah during the Union navy blockade of the Georgia coast.

Built in 1861 at Genesis Point, the fort was constructed on the plantation of Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Longworth McAllister, for whom it was named. Fort McAllister provided protection from the U.S. Navy for the southern flank of Savannah, about fifteen miles to the north, during the Civil War (1861-65). It also afforded defense for the productive rice plantations of the lower Ogeechee River basin, and for the Savannah, Albany & Gulf Railroad Bridge, a key transportation link, farther upriver.

The earthworks were designed by military engineers to absorb considerable punishment from Union bombardment. The fort was built chiefly for defense against naval attacks, rather than against a landward assault. Fort McAllister had ten large-caliber guns and facilities for the heating of "red-hot shot," cannonballs that, when striking their targets, could set wooden warships ablaze.

During 1862 and 1863, Fort McAllister repelled seven Union naval attacks

Fort McAllister

By elements of the blockading forces offshore and in nearby Ossabaw Sound. Several of these attacks were made by the latest in naval warship technology, including the ironclad monitors USS Montauk and USS Passaic. One of the casualties of the Union assaults was Major John Gallie, Fort McAllister's commanding officer. The fort sustained damage to its earthwork walls, but the guns of Fort McAllister managed to drive off the Union attackers each time they came upriver to bombard the fort. Blasted sections of the fort were quickly replaced with dirt and marsh mud.

In early 1863 the Confederate blockade-runner, CSS Rattlesnake (formerly the CSS Nashville) took refuge in the Ogeechee River. After taking on a load of cotton, it was grounded on the mudflats not far from Fort McAllister. Union gunboats proceeded to fire on the Rattlesnake at long range across the marsh and eventually set her on fire. The Confederate vessel and its cargo were completely destroyed.

Fort McAllister

McAllister never fell to Union naval forces because of its unique earthen construction. This was in sharp contrast to the much larger and supposedly impregnable Fort Pulaski at nearby Cockspur Island, which fell after less than thirty-six hours of bombardment by Union forces using newly developed rifled artillery. (Rifling, or the addition of spiral grooves within a gun's barrel, made these weapons especially effective against Fort Pulaski's masonry fortifications.)

Elements of the right wing of Union general William T. Sherman's Army of the Tennessee crossed the Ogeechee River in early December 1864, near the end of its March to the Sea. Sherman's orders to Major General O. O. Howard were to capture Fort McAllister from the landward side, so that the Union army might be resupplied from navy transports anchored offshore. Reduction of Fort McAllister would also open the "back door" to Savannah for Sherman's forces.

Union land assault on Fort McAllister on December 13, 1864, overwhelmed the heavily outnumbered Confederate defenders in a brief, but very intense, battle of fifteen minutes. Federal infantry poured across the narrow causeway linking Genesis Point with the mainland, despite the mining of the approaches to the fort by the Confederates. Sherman observed the successful attack from a vantage point atop the rice mill of the Cheves Plantation across the river. Following the surrender of Major George W. Anderson's force, Sherman and members of his staff landed at Fort McAllister by boat, and they made contact with the Union naval forces in Ossabaw Sound.

For the remainder of the war, Fort McAllister served as a prison for Confederate soldiers captured on the upper Georgia coast. After the war, the fort fell into ruin and remained so until the late 1930s, when it was restored as a historic site for the public through funding provided by Henry Ford, who owned the property at that time. Fort McAllister is now maintained by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources as a state historic park, with a museum, guided tours, and interpretive programming.

Courtesy of: https://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/articles/history-archaeology/fort-mcallister

