

SOUTHERN CONSTELLATION



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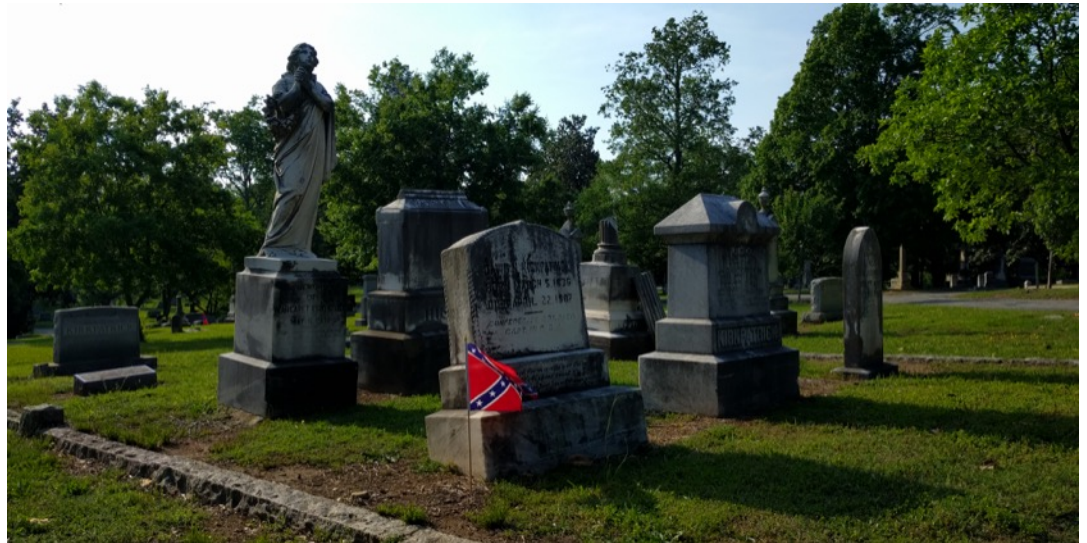
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Message from the Commander

Commander Jeff Frank

A thank you goes out to the following people that helped put the flags on the veteran's graves at Green Hill Cemetery on Monday, May 8th.

- Lt. Commander Don Saunders
- John Plybon
- Michael Moore
- Charlie Long
- Clark Porter



This Month's Program

Greg Cheek will present, "Galvanized Yankees from the Salisbury Prison".

The Confederate Memorial Day Service in Greensboro was rescheduled to Wednesday, May 17th, due to the weather forecast as of Tuesday, May 9th. A notification via email was sent early Wednesday morning updating our camp members with the change, however I realize not everyone uses email, or may not have read the message prior to the planned event. If you made the trip to the cemetery on Wednesday, I apologize for the inconvenience, but an electronic communication is the most efficient method to provides updates to a large number of people.

I happened by the cemetery, after returning from the Heritage Day event in Raleigh, and encountered several people at the site, including three of our members, plus one gentlemen that had come from Salisbury to assist with the honor guard!

In case you missed it...

If you were not able to attend last month's meeting, here is what you missed.



Gary Hall presenting the first part of the program on the CSS Shenandoah.

- Guests attending included...
 - Judy Ballard (UDC)
 - Joncy Martin (UDC)
 - Shawn Plybon
 - Dwain Roberts, Commander Asheboro Camp #1966
- Kevin Cook and Kelly were married on April 1st! Congratulations!!!
- Vern Sieg was initiated as a new member!
- Old Business
 - Commander Jeff Frank mentioned that a portable PA system to be purchased for the camp was being reviewed by the staff. The system could be used at monthly meetings and made available for use at special events like the Confederate Memorial Day service.
- New Business
 - A motion for membership for Greg Gorham was made and seconded. Motion passed.
- 2nd Lt. Commander Sam Scott distributed name tags to some of our more recent members.
- Gary Hall and Byron Brady gave their presentation on the, "CSS Shenandoah: The Last Ship Down". Just a few of the many points of interest...
 - The "Sea King" was the original name of the Shenandoah.
 - The ship's top speed; 9 knots on steam, 16 knots under sail.
 - A full complement of sailors would have been 150. Initially, there were only 29

sailors and about the same number of officers.

- The ship's voyage around the world crossed the equator four times.
- On April 1st, 1865, they captured 4 Union ships in the Caroline Islands, while their crews were ashore drinking.
- Captured so many ships in the Bering Sea, they had to be daisy chained.



Vern Sieg receiving his membership certificate.

Vidalia Onions Fundraiser

Thanks to all the camp members that participated in the fundraiser this year! A special thanks to Lt. Commander Don Saunders and Michael Moore for joining me on the trip to Fayetteville on Friday, May 5th, to pick up the onions, and to Kenneth Chilton for assisting with the unloading in Greensboro.



This is what 650 10 lb. bags of onions (3 1/4 tons) looks like!

Our camp's portion was 368 bags, with the remainder belonging to the Reidsville, High Point and Thomasville camps.

Heritage Day 2017

The 2nd Annual Heritage Day at the NC Legislature was held on Wednesday, May 10th. SCV members from across the state visited their state senators and representatives discussing our organization and concerns. Tables were setup for the various organizations in the 1100 court (NE court) of the main legislative building. The organizations were recognized when the House convened for its session; including; Sons of Confederate Veterans, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Military Order of the Stars and Bars, Order of Confederate Rose and others.



Tables setup in the court for the various organizations.



North Carolina Division Lt. Commander Ron Perdue with NC House Rep. John Faircloth (District 61, Guilford).

State Senator Trudy Wade (District 27, Guilford), and House Rep. Jon Hardister (District 59, Guilford), other state representatives serving our camp's membership, were contacted as well.



At 11:00 AM, a wreath was placed at the Confederate Monument at the North Carolina Capital.



Calendar of Events

For a complete list of Confederate Memorial Day services,
visit the North Carolina Division website at,
www.ncscv.org/component/content/article/315.

21st Summerfield Founder's Day Festival

Saturday, May 13th
7300 Summerfield Road, Summerfield, NC 27358

406th Regular Meeting (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, May 16th, 6:00 pm for Meal, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm
Capt. Bill's Seafood, 6108 West Market St., Greensboro, NC 27409
Speaker: Greg Cheek will present, "Galvanized Yankees from the Salisbury Prison". (*Rescheduled from our March meeting.*)

Confederate Memorial Day Service (Greensboro)

Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30 pm
Green Hill Cemetery, 901 Wharton St. Greensboro, NC 27401
(*Rescheduled from Wednesday, May 10th.*)

Confederate Memorial Day Service (High Point)

Saturday, May 20th at 3:00 pm
Oakwood Cemetery, 512 Steele St., High Point, NC 27262

Memorial Day Parade (Thomasville)

Monday, May 29th, parade starts at 11:00 am
Participants please arrive by 10:00 am and meet at, 32 E. Main Street NS,
Thomasville, NC 27360. All are welcome including re-enactors, historical
organizations and heritage supporters at this annual tradition. If you
cannot walk the route and would like to ride we can make arrangements.
Please contact Commander Freeman (336-862-2189) for any questions or
more information.

407th Regular Meeting (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, June 20th, 6:00 pm for Meal, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm
Capt. Bill's Seafood, 6108 West Market St., Greensboro, NC 27409
Speaker: Ronnie Roach will present a program on, "Wade Hampton".

Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought; to your strength 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 principals 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."

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General
United Confederate Veterans, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1906

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