

SOUTHERN CONSTELLATION



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This Month's Program

Gary Hall will present a program on, "John Bell Hood".

Message from the Commander

Commander Jeff Frank

While attending the NC Division Summer DEC Meeting, we were informed that Mr. Clifford "Cliff" Hamm, the last North Carolina real son was not doing well and that when the time came to celebrate his life, that a service would be planned for a Saturday to allow compatriots to attend. Then, just two days later, he passed. He was the last son of Confederate veteran, John Barry Hamm, 71st North Carolina Troops. I had informed our members via an email on August 7th and hope some of you were able to attend his service held on Saturday, August 10th, 2019.



The home place of Lt. General Jubal Anderson Early is located near Boones Mill, Virginia, at little South of Roanoke and only 2 hours or less from Greensboro (455 Old Hollow Rd. Hardy, VA 24101).

The original structure, Circa 1814, was a two story dwelling with a cellar, on a 4,000 acre farm. Joab sold the farm and headed westward in 1847. Jubal moved to Rocky Mount. The house passed to the Joplin's, who added a center hall with stairs and a two-storied left side, Circa 1850. A detached kitchen and necessary facilities would have existed during these periods. The addition of the porch, spring house and other alteration occurred during ownership of the Hannabass Family Circa 1880 and into the 20th century. The house later passed to the Kelly Family who donated it to the Jubal Early Preservation Trust.

You can contribute to the preservation of this site by becoming a member of the Friends of Jubal Early at, www.jubalearly.org.

In case you missed it...

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



Tom Perry presenting his program on Jubal Early.

Guests attending included...

- Jeff Walton (Col. Charles F. Fisher Camp 813, Graham)
- Levi Smith, guest of Wes Watson
- Bill Roberts
- Carl Garret

Reminder of the NC Division Summer DEC Meeting on Saturday, August 3rd, in Lincolnton, NC.

Tom Perry, founder of J.E.B. Stuart Birthplace (Laurel Hill) and author of over 25 books on regional history, presented his program on "Jubal Early".

Some points from the program...

- Jubal Early was reportedly the only person to ever swear in front of Gen. Robert E. Lee, who referred to him as his "Bad Old Man", although Early was over eight years younger than Lee.
- Early served as a delegate to the Virginia House
- He voted against Secession every time, as a member of the Virginia Convention of 1861.
- He became Colonel of the 24th Virginia on June 19, 1861.
- A short coming on his generalship was his lack of understanding on how to use cavalry.
- After his office building caught fire, he entered the building to retrieve some papers and the building collapsed on him. After several hours of searching, he was found sitting at his desk. Upon seeing Major Robert Young, he said, "Bob, damn it. I'll supervise these men, you get me a mint julip...I didn't know there were that many bricks between me and hell."

- He fell down the steps of the Lynchburg post office on February 15, 1894. Although nothing was broken, he suffered from back pain and was confused. The "Damn Yankees" finally got him and he died on March 2, 1894.

An excerpt from Tom's book, *Unreconstructed: Jubal Early and Franklin County Virginia*, ...

One contemporary said, "I doubt if General Early ever compromised in his life." He never compromised enough to support secession, but once he went with the South, he never returned to support the Union. He never compromised enough to marry a woman and even when asked to speak to a group of women said, "He never mustered the courage to make a speech to one woman much less a group."



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NC Division Summer DEC Meeting

The NC Division Summer DEC Meeting held on Saturday, August 3rd, in Lincolnton was well attended, with 172 participants. Attendees from the Col. John Sloan Camp included; Commander Jeff Frank, Lt. Commander Don Saunders and Color Sergeant John Pugh.



NC Division Summer DEC Meeting (Photo by Steve Parker)

National awards were presented to division recipients, with Commander Jeff Frank receiving the Heritage Defense Medal.



Recipients of Heritage Defense Medal
(Photo by Steve Parker)

The Flag and Uniform Funds are nearing their respective targets of approximately \$9,800.

A \$2,000 donation was made to the North Carolina UDC for their appeal filed in Winston/Forsyth County.

Due to an error in the mailing list, National Life Members are not receiving the *Confederate Veteran* magazine. If you are not receiving the magazine, contact Headquarters.

Due to personnel changes, the response times for Headquarters have improved significantly.

National membership dues will be increasing by \$5 in 2020. The last increase in National dues was in 2007. \$3 of the increase will automatically go to the museum building fund.

The museum is expected to be ready for personnel to begin moving in around the November time frame, with the museum potentially opening in August, 2020.

A new memorial was dedicated to the South Carolina Secession Signers in Abbeville, South Carolina, on November 10th, 2018.

A new memorial was erected in Orange, Virginia, to the 1st Maryland Artillery.

A closed session was held for the Division Executive Council, which unfortunately for those required to leave (and deal with the heat and humidity), took some time to complete.

Lt. Commander Don Saunders submitted a resolution on behalf of the Col. John Sloan Camp, stating the camp's support for Division Commander Kevin Stone and the Division Staff (as voted on at the June 18th meeting). The resolution was later read by Committee Chairman Ronnie Roach and accepted into the record with no opposition.

RESOLUTION

Submitted by Col. John Sloan Camp 1290

Whereas Kevin Stone, North Carolina Division Commander, and his Staff have shown outstanding leadership on defending the Confederate soldier's good name;

Whereas Kevin Stone, North Carolina Division Commander, and his Staff have increased the North Carolina Division membership and camps;

Whereas Kevin Stone, North Carolina Division Commander, and his Staff have established a Headquarters for the North Carolina Division;

Whereas Kevin Stone, North Carolina Division Commander, and his Staff have represented our membership before the North Carolina Historical Commission, successfully stopping the removal of the Capital Confederate Memorial;

Whereas Kevin Stone, North Carolina Division Commander, and his Staff have supported the Oakwood Cemetery Fund, North Carolina Heritage Defense Fund, Tar Heel Monument Fund, Rally to the Colours Fund, Uniform Conservation Fund, and Flags Across the Carolinas;

Therefore be it resolved that the Col. John Sloan Camp 1290, Greensboro North Carolina, meeting 18 June 2019, through this Resolution express continued support for Commander Kevin Stone and North Carolina Division Staff.

Jeffrey Frank
Commander
Col. John Sloan Camp 1290
Greensboro, NC

Calendar of Events

433rd Regular Meeting (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, August 20th, 6:00 pm for Meal, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm
 Capt. Bill's Seafood, 6108 West Market St., Greensboro, NC 27409
 Speaker: Gary Hall will present a program on "John Bell Hood".

Labor Day

Monday, September 2nd

434th Regular Meeting (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, September 17th, 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 a program on "Sketch of the 21st NC in Clark's Regiments".

Battle of Bost Grist Mill

Saturday and Sunday, September 21st-22nd, Opens to public at 9:00 AM

Battle Reenactment/Living History

Adults/13+ \$12, Ages 6-12 \$10, Under 5 Free

Visit www.battleofbost.org for more information.

Bost Grist Mill

4701 Hwy 200

Concord, NC 28025

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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