



CAMPTALK

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August 2012 MEETING

MEMAW's BBQ 600 East Eau Gallie Blvd. Indian Harbour Beach, FL

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Order from menu 7:00 – 8:00 Program 8:00 – 8:45 Business Meeting.

Meetings are the fourth Thursday of each month.

Male descendants of men who served the Confederacy, their wives and others interested in the War For Southern Independence are invited to attend.

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COMMANDERS CORNER

I would like to thank everyone for participating in our round table discussion. I was sorry to have missed it. I heard that the program was very informative as well as entertaining. We will have similar programs on other subjects relating to our struggle to protect our history in the future.

For this month's meeting we will have George Khoury back. He will continue our series on cabinet members of the Confederate Government with a program on Judah Benjamin. Mr. Benjamin served in several different posts during the WBTS. He even had a Florida connection at the end of the war. Please don't miss this very informative program.

I would like to thank Rick Debord for coordinating our camp shirt effort. Over the next couple of months Rick will be collecting money for the shirts. Please bring your cash or checks to give to Rick at this month's meeting. The sooner we collect the money the sooner we can get our new camp shirts.

Finally, dues statements were sent out the first week of August. Thanks to all that have responded so quickly. As of the middle of August we have collected more than 50% of the dues from our members.

In Service to The South, Kevin Atchison Commander Camp 1387

EVENTS

07 Aug	Camp E-board meeting
23 Aug	Camp Meeting
13 Sept	E-board meeting
22 Sept	Cemetery Workshop and Workday 10 th Brigade event
13 Oct	12 th and 14 th Brigade Awards Banquet with George Khoury speaking
13 Oct	Rededication of CSA Monument at Olustee Battlefield

PROGRAM

Judah Benjamin

Compatriot George Khoury will educate us on the life and adventures of CSA cabinet member Judah P. Benjamin. Mr. Benjamin was one of 3 CSA Jews that we often hear of along with Henry Wirz and Moses Ezekiel however, there were thousands of men and women of Jewish lineage that served the CSA as government officials, soldiers or hospital workers. George is one of our premier speakers, informative and entertaining you never want to miss an opportunity to hear him

ORDER OF CONFEDERATE ROSE FLORIDA SOCIETY

Is giving away a 46" flat screen television

Drawing to be held November 18, 2012

Do Not have to be present to win.



Single - \$ 5.00 per ticket
6 Pack - \$ 25.00
12 Pack - \$ 45.00
24 Pack - \$ 85.00

TV to be purchased with raffle proceeds, balance of proceeds to benefit the Various projects undertaken by The Sons of Confederate Veterans FL Division.

See Miss Lee for your OCR raffle tickets or call her at 321-452-3207

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A Tribute To Some of Our Jewish CSA Heroes



Judah Benjamin



Simon Baruch, Surgeon General



**Moses Ezekiel
VMI Cadet**



**Abraham Myers, Quarter-
master General**



**Isidor Straus,
European ships**



**Henry Wirz,
Prison Cmdr.**



Arlington CSA Monument by Moses Ezikel

In 1860 the largest Jewish community in North America was in Charleston SC. "Nowhere else in America – certainly not in the antebellum north – had Jews been better accorded such an opportunity to be complete equals as in the Old South." Rabbi Korn, Charleston.

The Hebrew Confederate Cemetery on Shockoe Hill in Richmond, Virginia, is the only Jewish military cemetery in the world, outside of the State of Israel. The cemetery is maintained by the congregation Beth Ahabah.

The Shockoe Hill Plaque reads. "TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY OF THE HEBREW CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS RESTING IN THIS HALLOWED SPOT. HEBREW LADIES MEMORIAL ASSOC. 1866"

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The Hollywood Cemetery Jewish Confederate Soldier plaque reads. "IN BLESSED AND ETERNAL MEMORY OF THE SOUTH'S SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ABRAHAM. UPON THE BATTLEFIELDS AND HOMEFRONT IN DIXIE'S LAND THEY GAVE ALL TO THE CAUSE OF THE CONFEDERACY."



Shockhoe Hill



Shockhoe Plaque



Hollywood Plaque

For an excellent 4 minute video on Confederate Jews go to
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xiv9ZV8abDo&feature=related>

Cemetery Workshop and Workday – 10th Brigade Event

Greenwood Cemetery Orlando, FL September 21st - 22nd - 23rd 2012

The 10th Brigade Florida Division Sons of Confederate Veterans invites you to attend a Cemetery Preservation Workshop conducted by 14th Brigade Commander Mike Mitchell.

This workshop is open to anyone who wishes to attend, please feel free to invite your local cemetery associations, historical societies etc.

Friday 21 September from 7pm to 9pm: Evening Lecture; Cemetery Development in the US; Legal Issues; Grave Humor; Landscaping. Lecture will be conducted at the Denny's Restaurant, 440 S. Semoran Blvd Orlando. Come early for dinner if you wish.



2012 Confederate Memorial Day Greenwood



Greenwood Confederate section

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Saturday and Sunday 8AM to 4PM: 2 day Workday and instructions, Greenwood Cemetery 1603 Greenwood St. Orlando. Heat, Rain or Shine! If you can't find a baby sitter, bring the kids, they just might learn something. If you have physical limitations or health issues we need to be aware of call Mike at 786-543-1711. We will find a few projects you CAN handle! Water and Gatorade and BBQ sandwich lunch will be provided both days. If you wish anything else please bring it. Bring your work gloves, sunscreen, lawn chairs and pop-ups.

Saturday night there will be a Retirement Service for Confederate Flags. If you can't make it then send your flags with someone. We will retire them with pride and honor.

Reservation Form

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Group / Society: _____

How did you find out about the workshop? _____

\$5.00 donation suggested registration fee. Make checks payable to MCGB Camp 2120, please include registration form. Mail to Adjutant Robert Phelps 351 Forbes St S.E. Palm Bay, FL, 32909. Questions contact 10th Brigade Commander Larry Rowe scvcamp2120@bellsouth.net or 407-448-6425.

Editors Note: Ladies and gentlemen this workshop is an outstanding opportunity for members of Camp 1387 to learn from the MASTER! Mike Mitchell is the “go to guy” for cemetery expertise in the entire SCV. With the camp cemetery and monument registration project in full swing we have identified a least 2 Brevard cemeteries with CSA soldiers that are in need of clean up and restoration. These projects are most rewarding. Your editor will be there.

Round Table Discussion “What is the proper place of the Stars and Stripes in the SCV”?

Our first attempt at a round table discussion for our Camp program was most interesting. Ben Dubose reviewed US flags during the War For Southern Independence for us. As anyone familiar with our Camp Compatriots knows – we are individually opinionated and everyone had something to add! We are pleased to report that while almost everyone differed on certain points we did have a consensus on basics.

Our nation has evolved, not altogether as founded by our constitution. Despite the best efforts of internal movements to destroy the constitution (read radical republicans), the dedication of the average citizen from all regions to our founding principles has kept the nation united. The South is a conquered region and has been assimilated (by what was then an Imperialist US) albeit as second class citizens. We have no obligation to carry a Stars and Stripes in our events, nor display one at our meetings, nor salute US veterans at our CSA Memorial Days. We choose to do this as appropriate. Florida Division SOP 2008-08 was reviewed in closing our discussion,

<http://www.florida-scv.org/publications/div%20sops/FLDIV-SOP%202008-08.pdf> . Our loyalty to the South is not in contradiction to our US patriotism, you must understand the history.



Compatriot Ben Dubose explains US flags of WBTS



Homeowners Association said this man could not fly the American Flag in his yard. This is his response. House design appears northern but the attitude is defiantly Southern!

Camp Shirt Project



Compatriot Rick Debord reported on the development of new Camp 1387 shirts. His design was reviewed and voted for acceptance. The shirts will be a basic gray golf shirt with collar, button vee neck and pocket, like our current shirts. The Camp name will be embroidered in large letters above the pocket on the left breast, the SCV logo will be embroidered on the right breast. The back of the shirt will be silkscreened with an image of Captain JJ Dickson standing beside a table and "Florida Division Sons of Confederate Veterans Melbourne Florida."

The shirts will be priced small to extra large \$25 each. For 2X to 5X large the price will be \$30 each. This is a good price for the quality shirt and all the custom work. The Camp will pay the set up fee and we will need a minimum of 20 orders to have them made. Rick has started taking orders, to place yours come to the August meeting and bring cash or a check made out to "Camp 1387 SCV" for the number of shirts you would like. We will need to know your size selection as well. Orders may also be placed by mailing a check and size orders to: Treasurer Tom Watkins, 4515 White Road, Melbourne Florida 32934. The cutoff date to place your order will be at the 27 September meeting. A tip of the kepi to Rick Debord.

Nominating Committee and Camp 1387 Election Process

Commander Atchison has announced the formation of our Camp 1387 Nominating Committee for 2012 elections. The committee is charged with presenting one candidate for each camp elected position in accordance with Camp Bylaws. These positions are:

Chaplin; duties include meeting and event Invocation and Benediction as well as health wishes, prayers, cards and flower sending as needed.

Treasurer; collects or receives camp monies and writes checks as needed.

2nd Lt. Commander; conducts recruiting activities (phone contacts, etc), greets visitors and maintains the sign in sheet. Coaches new members with application process and presents to e-board.

1st Lt. Commander; plans and arranges programs and meeting places, fills in for Commander.

Adjutant; conducts camp correspondence including membership renewal, maintains camp rooster.

Commander; Camp leader, conducts all meetings, appoints members to positions not elected, represents camp in all venues, must have previously held a camp elected position.

Elected offices are open to any Active Member in good standing willing to take on the duties. Office term is 2 years.

All elected officers are equal voting members of the Executive Committee which conducts routine camp business at a meeting called by the Commander as needed, typically each month. Appointed positions are not voting members of the e-board.

The committee presents their slate of proposed officers to the e-board in October. The slate is published in the October and November issues of Camptalk.

Election is at the November Camp Meeting with nominations accepted from the floor and new officers sworn in at the December Christmas Social.

The committee chair is Past Commander Gerry Carson, 321-432-8239, with compatriots Robert Meeks, 321-779-0854, and Rick Debord, 321-631-7258, completing the group. If you are interested in participating as a camp officer please contact any member of the committee or a current camp officer.

Awards Banquet – 12th and 14th Brigades

MARK YOUR CALENDERS! The 12th and 14th Brigades announce an Awards Banquet to be held Saturday 13 October at the Davie Woman's Club in Davie Florida. The evening will feature an old fashion Southern Supper of covered dishes and what have you at more than reasonable cost. The speaker will be History presenter par-excellence George Khoury. They will have SCV and OCR awards and Florida Division Southeast Region Lt. Commander Don Young. The final details will be in the September issue of Camptalk.

Veterans' Graves Marked at Fort Pulaski After 150 Years

(SAVANNAH - August 6, 2012) Nearly a year after the Director for the National Park Service in Washington approved the erection of a monument to a group of 600 Confederate POW's known as the Immortal Six Hundred on the grounds outside Fort Pulaski, Savannah, Georgia, the Monument has been completed. For 150 years, the unmarked graves of these Confederate veterans were in ground walked upon daily by visitors to Fort Pulaski; but today their graves are marked by an inspiring monument and protected by a low brick wall made with brick native to the time and location of the Fort's original creation.

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The 61st and Final Reunion of the UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS was held in NORFOLK, Va. May 30-June 2, 1951. The three Veterans attending were; left to right

WILLIAM D. TOWNSEND	age; 105,	Dila, La.,
JOHN SALLING	age; 106,	Slant, Va.,
WILLIAM J. BUSH	age; 104	Fitzgerald, Ga.

*John Salling lived to be 112. He died on March 16, 1959 and was Virginia's last veteran

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