



LITCHFIELD INDEPENDENT

FEBRUARY 2012

*In Honor of
Brothers Major
George Litchfield
and Captain
John Litchfield*

THE 7TH BRIGADE
SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS
LEE-JACKSON
ANNUAL BANQUET
JANUARY 21, 2012 GAPWAY, SC



**7th Brigade Compatriot of the Year 2011
2nd Lt. Cmdr., R.B. Scarborough**



*Congratulations Litchfield
A Job Well Done*



**Commander Thrasher awarding Litchfield Camp 0132 the
Commanders Cup , 7th Brigade Camp of the Year for 2011**



Marion Camp Commander Charles McRae begins the Lee-Jackson Annual Banquet ceremonies



7th Brigade Commander Ken Thrasher takes Command



Gene Hogan - Councilman, Army of Northern Virginia Is now an Honorary Member of the Magnificent 7th Brigade



Johnny Sessions and Gene Hogan



Stephen Douglas, Jamie Graham, and Dean Lewis share a laugh



SC SCV newest Guardian Adjutant Keith Edwards

2012 SC SCV CONVENTION

Welcome to North Myrtle Beach,
and the Independent Republic of Horry County



Ocean Drive Beach and Golf Resort
98 North Ocean Boulevard
North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582
843-249-1436 ext. 7106
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<http://www.oceandrivesort.com>



March 23rd and 24th 2012

Ocean Front Rooms for \$69.00 plus tax per night, and Ocean Front Suites for \$84.00 plus tax per night. We will be having a Seafood Supper Friday night, Saturday Prayer Breakfast, and a Southern Style Saturday Luncheon. Visit our website www.scv132.org to download the Convention Registration Form, Ancestor Memorial Form, and Program Advertisement form. We are looking forward to a big crowd, and a great time.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- *Feb 4 2012 Leadership School Saluda Park, Columbia SC 8 am
- *Feb 17 & 18 2012 Confederate living history encampment- Long Bay Rd off Hwy 90
- *Feb 21 2012 Meeting @ Watsons Funeral Home 6:30 PM - Bring a friend !
- *Mar 20 2012 Meeting @ Watsons Funeral Home 6:30 PM - Bring a friend !
- *March 23 & 24 2012 State Convention NMB- registration forms are available on our website @ www.scv132.org
- *April 17 2012 Meeting @ Watsons Funeral Home 6:30 PM - Bring a friend !
- *April 21 2012 Confederate Memorial Day - Horry County Courthouse
- *April 29 2012 Confederate Memorial Day Observance at Socastee Methodist Church @ 3 pm . Refreshments on the grounds afterwards
- *May 5 2012 Division Confederate Memorial Day Service , Columbia, SC
- *May 15 2012 Soldiers Supper and meeting @ Darling Lake 6:00 PM
- *June 19 2012 Meeting @ Watsons Funeral Home 6:30 PM - Bring a friend !
- *July 11-14 2012 SCV National Reunion, Murfreesboro, TN.
- *July 17 2012 Meeting @ Watsons Funeral Home 6:30 PM - Bring a friend !

COMMANDERS COLUMN

Greetings Compatriots and Ladies,

Here we are getting set for our new year. Last year was a successful year for Litchfield and the SCV. We have done well in spreading the message of our cause. We have also done very well in preserving our ancestors history and final resting places. We still have much work to be done.

My congratulations go out to you Litchfield Camp 0132 and to you ladies of the Ida M. Litchfield OCR. Our camp is once again the 7th Brigades Camp of the year. Your hard work this past year made you camp of the year. I would also like to congratulate our 2nd Lt. Cmdr. Bobby Scarborough who was nominated as 7th Brigades Compatriot of the Year. Litchfield is on the move. One more congratulation is certainly due. Our sister camp, Horry Rough and Readys are on the move also. They took home the 7th Brigade Recruitment Award. Commander Pippin leads a formable group of men. A note for the division and other Brigades.... Welcome to the Independent Republic of Horry County!

I look forward to seeing you at the Leadership Conference February 4th. This will be my second year at the conference, and I can tell you this....It is worth going to. A lot of knowledge to be shared with all.

Don't forget about the encampment on the 18th of February. This will be a wonderful time for fellowship with in the brigade as well as a perfect tool to enlighten our children and communities of our cause.

Our convention is just around the corner. I do hope all of you are planning to attend. A lot of hard work has been done to have the best State Convention yet, and I know you don't want to miss it.

Remember our Charge and keep our brothers and sisters in your prayers. May God bless and keep you all in his grace. Deo Vindice!

They Shall Not Be Forgotten,

Jamie Graham
Commander



LEADING THE CHARGE BY EXAMPLE *Deo Vindice*

CAMP OFFICERS:

Commander:
Jamie Graham 254-7320

Lieutenant Commander
Paul Gause 241-0250

2nd Lieutenant:
R.B. Scarborough 457-8600

Adjutant:
Keith Edwards 254-9941

PAST COMMANDERS:

Terry Carter
Johnny Sessions
Ricky Todd
Ken Thrasher

OCR OFFICERS:

President: Lisa Graham
Vice Pres: Priscilla Gause
Secretary: Debra Edwards
Treasurer: Myrtle Owen

LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Color Sergeant: John Zakrzewski
Chaplain: Vernon Thompkins
Historian: Keith Edwards
Greeter: Glen Tyler
Adopt-a-Hwy: Vernon Thompkins
Member Retention: E. K. Altman
Aide-de-Camp: Ed Thompson
Judge Advocate: Ricky Todd
Quartermaster: Dean Lewis
Web Master: Jamie Graham
Genealogist: Jamie Graham
Newsletter: Jamie Graham
Guardian Program: R.B. Scarborough

Quartermaster Report

Compatriots,

It's already February and we should be focused on how we can excel **The Charge** and how we can help preserve our Southern roots. Let's all join together and work hard to stay Camp of the Year for many years to come. It's a challenge we should be honored and ready to meet. We need to be humble and respectable to our Southern Heritage. I find our Heritage and Southern roots being lost one day at a time. We all need to step up and become educators to our children, grandchildren and the public. We have the knowledge and we all know **The Charge**. Let's proceed and take charge to save our Southern Heritage. We can be great educators to our neighbors, friends and family. We can't let our ancestor's legacy be lost. It's become evident that children growing up have no idea of their Southern Heritage. The true Southern Heritage can't be found in text books. It's time we took a stand and not let History or History Books erase our Southern Heritage, now more than ever we need to preserve, teach and educate. Fundraiser opens the door and gives us a chance to become great educators about our Confederate Ancestors and our Southern Roots. Do you take **The Charge** to heart? Do you take a stand to honor your Southern Heritage? Do you want to see our Heritage lost? They will be several upcoming fund raisers and events; are you prepared to give your time? With this being said, I take **The Charge** and duties to heart and I hope you do too. We have a lot on hand that needs to be done, I hope you are ready for the challenge. The Camp needs our time, efforts, and dedication to produce successful events and fundraisers. Every job is a self-portrait of the person who does it. Litchfield Camp 132 lets autograph our work with excellence.

Deo Vindice
Dean Lewis
Quartermaster
Litchfield 132 Conway, SC



Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

"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." 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,**

CHAPLAINS CORNER

Greetings Brothers & Compatriots. I Would Like each one that knows Jesus ,To help Me to pray for our sick in the Camp. If you need Me you can call Me @ anytime. I'm hear for you as your Chaplin. If you don't have a home church I would like to invite you all to "Soul's Harbor Ministry Church "

Prayer needs

Pensa Cola Martin	Patsy A. Shannon's family
Charles Page	Lanny Anderson and family
Ed Thompson	Tinky and Martha Altman
Jim O'Kelley	J.C. Graham & Annie Graham
Herman Hillburn	Buster & Doris Benton
Bobby Hill	Jeff Edwards and Family
Gene Elliott	Bill and Isla Anderson
Erin Graham and Family	



God Bless You
Vernon Thompkins
Chaplain

OCR NEWS

I would like to thank everyone for your support as of late. Erin Graham who is one of our members still needs your help and support - letters, cards, & donations, can be sent to Erin Graham fund c/o Lisa Graham 3726 Pee Dee hwy Conway S.C 29527

THANK YOU
Lisa Graham



ADJUTANT'S REPORT

MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2012 SCV MEETING- Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm by Commander Jamie Graham. Invocation led by Mr. Dotson Owen. Color Sgt. John Zakrzewski led in pledges. Jamie spoke about the SCV Convention (March 23-24, 2012 in N. Myrtle Beach) & how we need to get registered as we have only 8 members of Litchfield so far that have registered. We need you to support your camp. Also spoke about the upcoming Lee/Jackson Banquet at Gapway Sat. Jan 21, 2012. Also spoke about the leadership academy Feb. 4, 2012 in the Midlands all day. Brigade Commander Ken Thrasher spoke about the Living History Encampment to be held Feb 18, 2012 at 9 am until & hosted by Horry Rough & Ready 1026 & Fort Randall Chapter 2686 of the UDC. The encampment is open to all 7th Brigade members that would like to take part. Contact Ken Thrasher at kt007@sccoast.net for more info. May 5, 2012 is Confederate Memorial Day celebration in Columbia, SC. The Confederate Charge was read discussed by Jamie Graham. Mr. Tony E. Davis was inducted & pinned as a new member of Litchfield 132 SCV. Our speaker, 1st Lt. Paul Gause spoke about Stonewall Jackson & Robert E. Lee. Also mentioned was the need to get Litchfield members more involved in meetings & to call each other to remind them about the meeting. Also the need to recruit new members. Mr. Dotson Owen closed with prayer. We sang DIXIE & the meeting was adjourned. ADJUTANTS REPORT: We had 31 people present at our January meeting which included 3 guests & 5 OCR Members & 23 SCV Members. We have 98 members on the roster with at least 24 that are still delinquent ,5 life members, and 1 associate. *Remember if you renew your membership now please note there's a \$5 late fee added for a total of \$65. Our newest member is Mr. Tony Davis. We are pleased to have this young man in our camp & encourage more of you to recruit new members. We're still in the sesquicentennial celebration (150 years) until 2015, so now's a great time to join or renew. There's still time to join in the celebration. Please make checks payable to Litchfield 132 SCV & mail to the address below or call me at 843-254-9941. Our rent is paid at Watson's until January 2013.

For the Cause,
Submitted by:
Keith Edwards, Litchfield 132 Adjutant



CONFEDERATE ENCAMPMENT

February 18, 2012 @ 9 am -3 pm



The Horry Rough and Readys Camp 1026, Sons of Confederate Veterans & the Fort Randall Chapter 2686 of the UDC will be hosting a living history encampment on Feb 18, 2012, the encampment is open to all members of the 7th Brigade that would like to take part. Members are encouraged to come on Feb. 17 , from 1 pm on, and pitch their tents with us and stay the night around the campfires, as we will be sharing food, swapping yarns and getting to know everybody, along with having a great time. If you can't make Friday, be sure to come out on Saturday and be with us.

The events on Saturday will be open to the public. We will have some cooking going on around the tents, firing of muskets and mortars and answering questions from the public, in general just winter camp life. The event will close at 2 pm, so that the camp can be struck.

Ladies are requested to wear period camp dresses on Saturday if they have them Compatriots attending are requested to wear their uniforms with accoutrements and period weapons.

Directions:

From Conway

From Conway take Hwy 90 toward N. Myrtle Beach. After passing Vereen's Farm Center & the IGA, turn right onto Long Bay Rd., Star Bluff Rd will be on the left. Stay on Long Bay Rd. and go straight at the 4 way stop sign, the road turns into a dirt rd. Cross over Hwy 31 and a mountain of coquina will be on the left , when the pavement ends on east side of the bridge go approx. 2/10 mile and turn left into a field and we will be on the left.

From Myrtle Beach

Take Hwy 31 north and exit onto Watertower Rd. At stop sign turn left and follow Watertower Rd to the 4 way stop sign, and turn right onto Long Bay rd, Cross over Hwy 31 and a mountain of coquina will be on the left , when the pavement ends on east side of the bridge go approx. 2/10 mile and turn left into a field and we will be on the left.

From North Myrtle Beach and Hwy 9

From N Myrtle Beach take Hwy 90 toward Conway, From Hwy 9 east turn right onto Hwy 57 at Stephens Crossroads toward Conway. Hwy 57 mergers into Hwy 90 at Wampee. Approx 1/2 from Hwy 90 & 57 intersection toward Conway, turn Left onto Watertower Rd, near a closed BBQ place. Go down Watertower Rd to the 4 way stop sign and turn left onto Long Bay rd, Cross over Hwy 31 and a mountain of coquina will be on the left , when the pavement ends on east side of the bridge go approx. 2/10 mile and turn left into a field and we will be on the left.

For more info contact

Ken Thrasher

KT007@sccoast.net

843-293-4082

Horry Rough and Readys Camp 1026

*Don't forget...
Our Meeting on Tuesday night
6:30 PM, February 21st,
at Watson's Funeral Home,
2300 Hwy 378, Conway*



*Stop by a friends
house, and bring him
or her to our meeting.
Then they will also
know the truth .*

Lt. Commander's Report

"In Love and War"

I found this and thought that one might find it interesting: The switch from handmade to manufactured Valentine cards began during the 1840s. During the War manufacturers were marketing Valentines to soldiers for their loved ones. During the War there were special Valentines for soldiers and their sweethearts. Some showed couples parting ways. Others had a tent with flaps that opened to reveal a soldier. This was called a "Window Valentine". Another War novelty was the Valentine that included a lock of hair. Yet another was the paper doll Valentine that had a painted face and feet, with the figure dressed in cloth or paper. Valentine cards became popular in the United States during the War. Elaborate cards trimmed with satin ribbons, mother-of-pearl ornaments, and spun glass were sold.

Within a few years of the War Between the States, Valentine's Day received almost as much attention as Christmas Day. Here is an example of a verse found in cards sent from soldiers in the field during the War:

'Mid bugle's blast and cannons roar, And 'mid the battles angry flame;

'Mid clashing sabres red with gore, I fondly breathe thy much loved name.

I feel thee near at dead of night, When I my vigil lane an keeping

— Thy image guards me angel bright, In dreams when wearied I am sleeping.

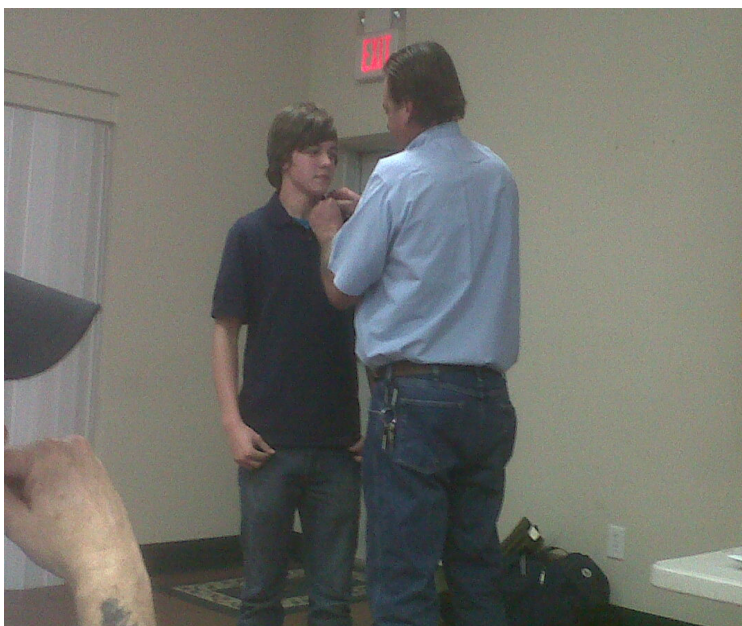
Each Northward wind wafts on its breath, to thee a yearning kiss of mine

— On glory's field of bed or death, I live or die thy Valentine."

~Taken from an article by: Kayla Kalkbrenner

With a Love for the Cause,

Paul Gause



Our newest Compatriot Tony Davis being pinned by Compatriot Larry Davis. Welcome to Litchfield...



Thanks John... Our New Color Sergeant

GUARDIAN PROGRAM



SC Division Guardians

Edward Altman (W)
Henry Altman (W)
Terry Carter (W)
Jamie Graham (W)(X)
Olin L. Martin, Jr.
Roger Montgomery (W)
Rusty Richardson (X)
R.B. Scarborough
Johnny Sessions
Ed Thompson (W)
Ricky Todd
Glen Tyler
Keith Edwards

Guardians Pro Tem

Tony B. Anderson
Leo Cooper
Larry Davis
Sam Dusenbury
Jeff Edwards
David Fair
Paul Gause
Steven Graham
Joe Hood
Wilbur Huggins
Jonathan Hyman
Dean Lewis
Larry Lightsey (W)(X)
Anthony Martin
Steve Maupin
James O'Kelley
James Parker
Jarame Parker
Wilton M. Prince
Vernon Thompkins
Chris Tyler (W)

National Guardians

Jamie Graham
R.B. Scarborough

(W) Wilderness Guardian
(X) Guardian outside our County

Guardian Report 2nd Lt. R.B. Scarborough

Guardian Report

As of 31 January 2012, referencing Mr. Ed's numbers, we have:
676 Soldiers accounted for in Horry County
120 being guarded by compatriots in Litchfield 0132 (in Horry Co.)
46 being guarded by Rough & Readys 1026 (Dec.2011 #'s)
10 applications pending submission (Litchfield 0132)
500 Soldiers awaiting entry into the program*

As the numbers show, we've brought a good number of soldiers into the program in the last month, but we still have 500 to go. Many of the remaining soldiers are not marked as having been soldiers. Marking them with a Cross of Honor is necessary to bring them in to the program. Our booths at the Aynor Hoe Down, Loris Bog Off, Conway's Around the Fourth event & the Harley festival are an effort to raise funds for this purpose. It's not inexpensive and we have a long way to go. All of you who participate in these activities can know that your ancestors are proud of you and appreciate your efforts on their behalf. 2012 promises to be a banner year for the Guardian Program and Litchfield 132. Make sure that YOU are a part of it.

For those of you who want to participate in the National Guardian Program (worthwhile to support this effort to get the entire confederation involved in protecting these graves) you can download the required form and rules (pretty much same as ours) at www.scv.org Look under the Services banner and click on Forms & Documents. You can get in under your current SC Division soldier.

Call me or see me at the meetings with any questions & we'll find the answers.

b.Scarborough 843-457-8600



Palmetto Guard:

Ed Thompson
Jamie Graham
Terry Carter



The Sons of Confederate Veterans is a non-profit, heritage organization whose mission is to preserve the history and legacy of Confederate veterans. It is not associated with any anti-government or hate groups. Membership is open to any male descendents of Confederate veterans who served honorably in the Confederate armed forces.

REFLECTIONS OF A CONFEDERATE ANCESTOR



Pvt. Robert Jacob Graham

Co. K, 26th SC Infantry Regt. CSA
(20 May 1844 - 28 Aug 1917)

Green Sea Cemetery

Guardian - Dean Lewis

Information Provided by:
Jamie Graham and Harmon Graham



Robert Jacob Graham was born May 20 1844 in Horry County, South Carolina. He was the son of Joseph Graham and Lucretia Blanton. Robert was married to Helen B. Floyd born May 13 1845, daughter of Alfred P. Floyd and Rebecca Graham.

The children of Robert and Helen Graham were Franklin Graham born 1870, married to Etta Strickland; Emma E. Graham born 1872, married to Elias Strickland; Robert Jasper Graham born 1878, married to Mary Eliza Mincey; and Helen Byrd Graham born 1886.

Robert enlisted in Company K, 26th Infantry Regiment on January 1st 1862 at Blanton's Cross roads (Horry District). This company was formally Company G, 9th Battalion South Carolina Infantry. The 26th Regiment South Carolina Infantry was formed by the consolidation of the 6th (also known as Byrd's) Battalion South Carolina Infantry with the 9th (also known as Nesbitt's and as Smith's) Battalion South Carolina Infantry on September 9th of 1862. Robert's portrait has been in the Horry County museum for many years, while his own history almost slipped away with time. Thanks to Harmon Graham, his history was brought back to life. Roberts wife Helen died on October 23 1914 and is buried at Riverside Cemetery. Robert died 3 years later on August 28 1917, and is buried at Green Sea Cemetery.