"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.” (Lt. Gen. Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General, United Confederate Veterans, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1906)

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Oklahoma Division Reunion – April 13th

Division Newsletter

Compatriot Jerry Brewer, who for many years served as editor of the division newsletter, submitted his resignation in January. His reasons were personal and had nothing whatever to do with any disagreement or unhappiness with anyone or anything with the SCV, at any level. On February 4, Commander Logan appointed Ken Cook, Commander of Tulsa’s Camp Daniel N. McIntosh and long-time editor of the camp’s newsletter, as the new editor of the division newsletter.

Readers of the newsletter will immediately notice some changes, beginning with the name. The new name was chosen for several reasons: The Cherokee Advocate, published from 1844 to 1906 was the first newspaper published in what would become Oklahoma. “Advocate” was also the name of Albert Pike’s newspaper in Little Rock. Finally, we believe “advocate” is more descriptive of what we as members of the SCV do. Advocate is an example of one of the many words in the English language that help make it so dynamic, as advocate is both a noun and a verb. We, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, are advocates for the South, its history, its culture, our way of life and especially the Confederate experience and our Confederate ancestors. As Southern advocates, we continuously advocate for the South and all good things Southern.

For the newsletter to be successful going forward, we will need a steady stream of contributors. We will need articles about camp, brigade and division activities, photographs and items of interest involving or pertaining to Oklahoma Division members. Please remember, by definition, an editor edits, so not all photographs forwarded may make it into the newsletter, and some articles will surely be edited. So, starting now, bring them on. The address is at the bottom of the newsletter.

On behalf of all Oklahoma Division compatriots, we extend Compatriot Brewer a big Southern “thank you” for his many labors on behalf of the Division and the SCV. We wish him and his family the very best.

The Oklahoma Division Convention and Reunion will be Saturday, April 13 at the Citizen Potawatomie Nation Reunion Hall South, located at 1702 S. Gordon Cooper DR in Shawnee – no registration fee. The building in which we have met in the past few years is not available this year. Coffee and visiting begins at 9:00 a.m. Brigades will meet at 9:30, and the convention will start at 9:45. Our featured speaker will be SCV Past-Commander in Chief, Chuck McMichael. In addition, we have much business and two programs in the morning from Division Adjutant, Dr. Les Tucker, on how Southerners are different and by Division Historian Ken Cook on the Second Battle of Cabin Creek. The Convention agenda is on page seven.

Lunch will be at the Bistro Restaurant, within walking distance of the convention hall. The lunch will be served buffet-style and is $7.00 per person. The menu:

- access to full salad bar
- access to all beverages
- sliced pork loin
- scalloped potatoes
- corn
- rolls
- access to full dessert bar
- sliced turkey breast
- mashed potatoes/gravy
- butter beans
- green beans

After the convention adjourns, at approximately 2:30, everyone is invited and encouraged to attend a headstone dedication at Fairview Cemetery, located at 1400 N Center Ave. in Shawnee. The UDC will be conducting the service for Pvt. James Lycurgus “Babe” Smith, Co. D, 16th Tennessee Infantry, an ancestor of Ms. Nancy Calhoun. She is a member of the Muskogee chapter of the UDC and head of historical research at the Muskogee Public Library. The SCV will furnish an honor guard/firing party. The service is scheduled for 3:00, but the UDC will be flexible if the convention runs overtime.

The convention is for every compatriot of the division, not just the camp, brigade and division officers. We ask all commanders to encourage their membership to attend.

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SCV 2013 National Reunion

The SCV’s 2013 National Reunion will be held in Vicksburg, MS on July 17-20 at the Vicksburg Convention Center and Auditorium, located at 1600 Mulberry ST. The Reunion is sponsored by Lt. General John C. Pemberton Camp #1354.

Places of interest for Reunion attendees include the Vicksburg Battlefield National Park and Cedar Hill Cemetery. The park commemorates the campaign, siege and defense of Vicksburg in 1863 and includes over 1,340 monuments, markers and plaques, a 16-mile tour road and a restored Union gunboat, the *USS Cairo*, sunk in the Yazoo River on December 12, 1862. *Cairo* was the first ship in history to be sunk by an electrically detonated mine (or torpedo as it was then called).

Mississippi Memorial at Vicksburg Battlefield National Park

Cedar Hill (Vicksburg City) Cemetery is one of the oldest and largest cemeteries in the United States that is still in use today. It’s the final resting place for an estimated 5,000 Confederate soldiers. The Confederate section of the cemetery is known as "Soldier's Rest".

Calendar of Events
April – Confederate History Month

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Recovered Southern Cross of Honor

A Cross of Honor was discovered by a junk dealer in Tupelo, OK. He recognized it as something of importance and contacted SCV National Headquarters, which in turn contacted Commander Logan. It was impossible to know when and from whose grave the Cross had been stolen, so Commander Logan emailed all camps in the Division to determine which one might need it to replace a stolen Cross. Several have been stolen from the Pryor area over the years, so Commander Logan offered it to them. The Pryor camp will arrange a dedication in the near future.

Commander Logan presents a recovered Southern Cross of Honor to Adjutant Kevin Dodson of Camp Lt. William H. Mayes of Pryor at the January meeting of Camp Daniel N. McIntosh in Tulsa.

Civil War in Indian Territory Message Board

The Civil War in Indian Territory Message Board is an online forum where members discuss Civil War items and issues relevant to the War in Indian Territory. All you need to do to subscribe to this most informative forum is provide your email address. The main page of the Message Board is [http://www.history-sites.com](http://www.history-sites.com), from which you select the area of your interest. Ken Martin, Adjutant of Camp Col. William Penn Adair of Bartlesville, is moderator of the Trans-Mississippi Boards.
Jefferson Davis Presidential Library

The SCV’s Sesquicentennial event was the rededication of the Jefferson Davis Presidential Library on March 16.

The Jefferson Davis Presidential Library is a state of the art, architecturally beautiful building that will feature exhibits and events focused on the life of Jefferson Davis. The Library reflects both the stature of the Beauvoir house framed with columns similar to the porch. Contained in the design are the unusual ratios that reflect Davis’ height, six feet, and the number of states, thirteen. Throughout the inside of the building are large galleries and clean lines that represent a modern design.

The Beauvoir room is a large multi-use room that can be used for both meetings and events. It will feature a state of the art audio visual capacity and flexible seating. This arrangement will allow the Library to accommodate meetings of up to 200 people in a comfortable atmosphere.

The gift store will offer a larger collection of both books and items that reflect both the Presidential stature and the accomplishments of Jefferson Davis and the property. Included in this will be gifts that are attached directly to Beauvoir through materials or the craftsman. The expanded space will also be able to provide a reading area and activity area for children.

Using clear cypress and stainless steel panels, the Library halls provide an open and bright opening to the large galleries. Two galleries will hold numerous exhibits and offer flexibility for traveling and rotating opportunities as they are developed. Included is a library that will hold the research materials secured from the first building. In addition, there will be artifacts and donations that have been made to the Library after Hurricane Katrina to include flags, books, papers and other artifacts.

This building will be a destination for events focused on Jefferson Davis and the many aspects of his life. They will include trains, the Capital, the Smithsonian, the War Department, the US Senate, West Point, and the Mexican War. It will truly be a world class facility.

Article is courtesy of


Oklahoma Division members (the line with the blue flags on each end) crossing Beach Blvd. into the Jefferson Davis complex

Report of Sesquicentennial Event
By, Larry Logan, Division Commander

What a celebration! I don’t think we had quite as many participants as at Montgomery two years ago but many more than at Richmond last year. A great honor came to our division through one of our members. Chris Chain was one of the attendees and his son, Ethan, age twelve, was asked to be a flag bearer along with Commander Givens’ son and former Commander McMichael’s son. Those three young men led the parade and looked great doing it. Ethan carried the Army of Tennessee flag, and when AOT Commander Tom Strain spoke, Ethan stood on stage with him holding the AOT flag. What an honor and what a proud papa in Chris, and a proud uncle in Virgil and for a young man who had a once in a lifetime experience. Beauvoir looks great and the library, while not finished inside with all the exhibits it will eventually have, will be the greatest representation of the Confederacy in the land.

This was no doubt the best sesquicentennial event I have attended. Great speakers! The main one was Bertram Hayes Davis, the executive director of Beauvoir and the library, and the great-great grandson of President Davis.

Speakers in front of the Library, with color guard to the right in photo. Ethan Chain, son of compatriot Chris Chain of the Duncan camp, is the middle color bearer.

Chris Chain, Ethan Chain, Larry Logan, Bob Pattison, Virgil Chain – All event photos courtesy Larry Logan
Why We Should Care about the Memphis Parks
Editorial

As many compatriots know, the City Council of Memphis has recently voted to change the names of three Confederate related parks. “Citizens to Save Our Parks” is a SCV supported fund being raised to defend the status of these parks. The most important of the three is Nathan Bedford Forrest Park, which contains a magnificent equestrian statue of the general, as well as the graves of Forrest and his wife. The historical significance of Forrest Park is recognized by its inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places.

This is a serious issue for the SCV, as our leadership believes we must take a stand against actions across the South by the politically correct crowd and others who want to erase anything or anyone Confederate from the “public square” and the public memory. If these kinds of actions go unchecked, many sincerely believe they will not end until all references and memorials to the Confederacy and our Confederate ancestors are gone.

April is Confederate History Month, a time to reflect on our Confederate heritage. When is a more appropriate time than now to take a position against any further disrespect of our history or desecration of our memorials and symbols?

For anyone wanting to contribute to the legal defense fund being raised to challenge the action taken by the Memphis City Council, here is the address to mail your check:

Citizens to Save Our Parks
PO Box 241875
Memphis, TN 38124

Confederate Memorial Day – Tulsa

Tulsa’s Camp Daniel N. McIntosh, with the Sarah Watie and Brigadier General Clement Evans chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, will hold its annual Confederate Memorial Day service on Saturday, May 18 at Tulsa’s Rose Hill Cemetery. The program will begin at 11:00 a.m.

Camp McIntosh cordially and enthusiastically invites all members of the SCV and UDC to attend this Memorial Day service. Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide chairs, so anyone wanting to sit through the service will need to bring a lawn chair. The service will last about an hour at most.

The cemetery is located on the northwest corner of Yale and Admiral, just north of the Yale Ave. exit off I-244.

Confederate Currency
collectorsweekly.com

Just two months into the Confederacy, in 1861, the Confederate States of America issued its first bank notes. Like the Continentals that had been issued to fund the Revolutionary War, these Confederate notes were designed to raise money for the fight in the South. There were seventy-two types of bills and hundreds of sub-types issued over a period of three years. In all, some $2 billion in currency was put into circulation.

Denominations ranged from notes worth one-tenth of a dollar to bills worth $1,000. One $50 bill from Montgomery, Alabama depicts slaves hoeing cotton. Other cotton-themed Confederate notes show the Southern crop being loaded onto a steamboat. The portraits of Southern leaders such as Stonewall Jackson predictably made it onto bills, but so did the face of George Washington.

At first the paper money appeared to work as a de facto currency, even though it was never formally declared a legal tender. But, as the war effort soured, the currency became less valuable and viable. Mrs. Jefferson Davis, the President of the Confederacy’s wife, noted in her diary that turkeys were selling for $60 each, while a single bar of soap cost $50.

The problem, among many, was the vast variety of money that was produced. One respected cataloguer of Confederate money, Grover Criswell, estimates that there were roughly 140 different varieties of the 1864 $10 bill alone.

Then, there were the counterfeits, much of it printed by northerners, which further undermined the currency. During the Civil War, these counterfeits helped contribute to the devaluation of Confederate currency, but today, in some cases, these same counterfeit notes can be highly collectible.

Statue of General Nathan Bedford Forrest in Forrest Park
Memphis, TN – Photo by Bruce Bishop
Confederate Symbols – National Flag
By: Ken Cook, Division Historian

As the several seceded states gathered in Montgomery, AL to write a provisional constitution they had no national flag. As the various states seceded they mostly replaced the United States flag with their respective state flags. At least one of the exceptions was Mississippi, which adopted the lone star flag that would later be called the Bonnie Blue Flag, a single white star on a blue field.

The lone star flag was first used in September 1810, when American settlers in the Spanish Territory of West Florida revolted against the Spanish government and proclaimed an independent republic. The flag was raised at the Spanish fort at Baton Rouge on September 23, 1810. On December 6, 1810, West Florida was annexed by the United States, and the republic ceased to exist, after a life of only seventy-four days.

The lone star flag made its next appearance during the Texas War for Independence. From 1836-39, it was the flag of the Republic of Texas, albeit with a yellow star. A version of the flag is the current Texas state flag.

On January 9, 1861, Mississippi passed its Ordinance of Secession and raised the lone star flag above the state capitol. A man named Harry McCarthy, an immigrant from Northern Ireland, was so inspired that he wrote a song to the flag, “Bonnie Blue Flag”. The flag has been known by that name ever since. (Bonnie is an old Scottish word that variously means pleasing to the eye, handsome or pretty. Bonnie blue flag literally means pretty blue flag.) Although it was never a Confederate national flag, the Bonnie Blue Flag and the song were widely popular in the South.

While the Provisional Congress was still debating the permanent Constitution, it was also discussing the need for national symbols, especially a flag. The Provisional Congress established a Flag Committee to study the many flag designs being submitted and to make a recommendation. The Committee received numerous suggestions, many of them quite bizarre.

The Flag Committee finally proposed its own design, or more accurately, one probably advanced by Alabama Governor Andrew B. Moore. It was created by a portrait painter named Nicolla Marschall, who lived in nearby Marion. He had been asked by Mrs. Napoleon Lockett, Governor Moore’s daughter, who also lived in Marion, to try his hand at a design. The Flag Committee soon adopted it as the best choice. It satisfied the general desire for something similar to the stars and stripes, yet distinctive. Public presentation of the flag was scheduled for March 4, to coincide with the inauguration of Abraham Lincoln.

The new national banner was presented with great ceremony. President Jefferson Davis was given the honor of raising the flag for the first time, but he passed the honor to Letitia Tyler, a teenage granddaughter of former President John Tyler. She raised the new national flag, the stars and bars, above the Alabama capitol as the clock struck its last chime at four in the afternoon. The large crowd assembled on the capitol grounds roared its approval; local militia fired a cannon salute; and the band played “Dixie”.

The first national flag with seven stars – the stars and bars. The number of stars later grew to thirteen. This flag design was used from March 4, 1861 to May 26, 1863.

The stars and bars flag was popular with Southern people, but it proved to be impractical as a battlefield flag. When the flag hung limp, it was often indistinguishable from the stars and stripes at a distance. Soon after the Battle of Manassas in 1861, the War Department authorized a new battlefield flag. That flag became so popular that in 1863, the Confederate Congress authorized a new national flag incorporating the battle flag in the canton position on a pure white field – the so-called stainless banner.

The second national flag also proved to be impractical as a battlefield flag. When it hung limp, it could be mistaken for a flag of truce. The Confederate Congress authorized an alteration by incorporating a vertical red bar on the outside edge of the flag.

The third national flag – March 5, 1865 to the end of the War
Stonewall Jackson
By, Ken Cook, Division Historian

One hundred, fifty years ago this May 10th, one of the Confederacy’s greatest commanders died at Guinea Station, VA. Eight days earlier, General Thomas Jonathan “Stonewall” Jackson had been mistakenly wounded by his own men in the darkness of early evening on the second day of the Battle of Chancellorsville. The wound was serious, causing amputation of his left arm, but wasn’t life threatening in itself. In fact, Jackson was on his way to recovery, but he had contracted pneumonia sometime in the recent past, and his body, weakened by the shock of his wound and blood loss, was unable to defend itself against the virus. Medical knowledge at the time provided no way to defeat or even treat the disease.

Upon hearing the news of Jackson’s wounding, General Robert E. Lee is said to have remarked: “He has lost his left arm; I have lost my right”. Lee was more prescient than he may have known. The Army of Northern Virginia never recovered from the loss of Stonewall Jackson.

Stonewall Jackson’s grave in Stonewall Jackson Memorial Cemetery
Lexington, VA

Oklahoma DEC Report
By: Larry Logan, Division Commander

We had a tremendous meeting yesterday (February 2). Fourteen members of the DEC, two official representatives of camps, four interested compatriots who came to support their camp, brigade and their whole division, and two prospects who are going to join our Muskogee and McAlester camps. We had sixteen of our twenty camps represented.

We did a lot that will come forth at our convention on April 13. My lasting thought from the meeting is how committed those there were. They all talked about how each camp is different, and that each camp has to have its own identity. That identity comes from its members and is galvanized together by its commander. The fruits of the meeting will be seen at our convention on April 13 in Shawnee, so make plans to be there.

Monument. The Ardmore Cemetery board met on Thursday, February 21 and requested some additional information. We were not requested to be there, so it came as a surprise to us. The next meeting is scheduled for April 18. Terry Pierce explained that ordering materials and other items associated with the project would demand a meeting as soon as possible, so they held one this last Tuesday (February 19). The board wanted to establish that we had the necessary funds to complete the project, and they wanted to see exactly where the site will be. All of that was accomplished. We have spent approximately $10,500 of the $19,500 we have raised. Materials should be delivered approximately May 1, and construction will start soon after that. Once construction starts, it will only take a week or so to complete. The dedication date of June 22 was confirmed with the board as well. Invitees have received a “save the date” letter. Those invited are the Ardmore Mayor and City Manager, the area state senator and two state representatives and all the heads of the five tribes. Others have received e-mail notices, and others have been personally invited.

Shawnee Camp. We have been able to reinstate another man for the camp. He is a former member from Mississippi. We are up to six and should have the seventh before the convention.

Compatriots Terry Pierce and Eric McBroom of Camp Clem Vann Rogers, Oklahoma City, presenting their report on the status of the Rose Hill–Ardmore monument project at the DEC meeting, February 2.
OK Division Convention Agenda

The following is the agenda for the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Oklahoma Division Annual Convention and Reunion, Saturday, April 13 at Shawnee, in the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Reunion Hall South. Visiting begins at 9:00 a.m.; brigades meet at 9:30; the convention begins at 9:45.

Welcome
Call to Order
Invocation – Division Chaplain, Tom Poteet
Pledge of Allegiance to the National flag – Col. Roger Q. Mills
Brigade Commander, Rob Weaver
Posting of the Colors – Camp Shelby’s Oklahoma Iron Men Color Guard, Duncan
Salute to the Confederate flag – Commander Eric McBroom, Camp Capt. Clem Vann Rogers, Oklahoma City
Reading of the Charge – Commander Ron Miller, Camp Little Dixie Confederates, Coalgate
Congratulations
Roll call of camps by numerical order – Adjutant Les Tucker

Notes on Division ribbons, clothing, etc.
Membership Report – Division Lt. Commander, David Tamplin
Budget – Division Commander, Larry Logan
Vision 2016 – Division Coordinator, Allen Harrison
Division Strategic Plan – Past-Commander, John Priddy
“Why Southerners are Different – Our Celtic Heritage”, Dr. Les Tucker, Camp 1st Cherokee Mounted Volunteers, Edmond

Break

Monument Report – Project Coordinator, Terry Pierce, Camp Clem Vann Rogers, Oklahoma City
Division Award – Commander Jim McFarland, Camp John Jumper, Claremore
Division project possibility
Graves Report – Division Coordinator, Bernie Cooper, Camp Col. Daniel N. McIntosh, Tulsa
Chaplain’s Duties – Division Chaplain, Tom Poteet
SCV license tags in the State of Oklahoma – Division Commander, Larry Logan
“Battle of 2nd Cabin Creek” – Division Historian, Ken Cook
Membership Open Discussion
Group Picture

Lunch

Afternoon Program – SCV Past-Commander in Chief, Chuck McMichael
Presentation of Division Award – Commander, Larry Logan
Closing Remarks
Benediction – Division Chaplain, Tom Poteet
“Dixie”

Commander Logan presenting 20-year membership pins to Compatriots John Thomas and Richard Sullivan at the January meeting of Camp Daniel N. McIntosh of Tulsa. They join the Camp’s elite group of 20-year members: Carl Fallen, Mike Gwinner and John Fletcher. Each of these men has twenty or more years of service to Camp McIntosh and the SCV. They along with thirty-five-year member, Frank Fisk, represent over 140 years of service to the SCV.

Editor Note: Membership pins are a good and inexpensive way for camps to recognize long-serving members. Pins are available for 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40 and 50 years of service. They are available at the SCV Online Store for $10 per pin.

Confederate Veteran Now Available Electronically – Jan-Feb 2013 Issue

This issue will mark the start of a new era, as this will be the first issue ever to be available on-line in an electronic format. This is an experiment and will be available to members only. If you are interested in reading the Veteran on your computer, iPad, iPhone or other device, give it a try. Please let me (Frank Powell) know how it works for you and if you wish to receive your issues like this in the future. The link is:


Username: nathan  Password: forrest  Frank Powell  Editor in Chief  eic@scv.org

Editor’s Note: The magazine looks good in PDF. I created a folder in My Documents to save it. This is an easy way to save the magazine. Of course, it would be a good idea to periodically backup your files, as you should be doing anyway. If you don’t have a backup program, it’s simple, easy and inexpensive to backup on a flash drive.
Supporters of Rose Hill Monument

The Oklahoma Division recognizes the following organizations and individuals for their generous support:

Cash contributions:

- Sons of Confederate Veterans-National Organization $5000
- Camp Clem Vann Rogers, OKC (Appx.) 3000
- Industrial Rubber Co., Oklahoma City 1200
- MDJ Foundation, Oklahoma City 1000
- Jim Dyer, Camp Brig. General Stand Watie, Ardmore 1000
- Georgia Division, SCV 300
- Kentucky Division, SCV 200
- Virginia Division, SCV 200
- Alabama Division, SCV 150

Purchasers of memorial bricks:

Individuals – Jim Dyer, Camp Brig. General Stand Watie, Ardmore (6); John Priddy, Camp Capt. Clem Vann Rogers, Oklahoma City (6); Rob Weaver, Camp Capt. Clem Vann Rogers, Oklahoma City (5); Bruce Bishop, Camp Col. Daniel N. McIntosh, Tulsa (4); Larry Logan, Camp Lt. Col. Jackson F. McCurtain, Norman (4); Jack Penn (deceased) Camp Shelby's Oklahoma Iron Men, and his widow, Jean Penn (3); Donald Clark, Camp Col. Tandy Walker, Shawnee (3); Bobby Corban, Camp Col. Tandy Walker, Shawnee (2); Barry James, Camp Pts. Grayson and Brewer, Elk City (2); Allen Harrison, Camp Capt. James J. McAlester, McAlester, (2); The following individuals purchased one brick: James Catron, Camp Brig. General Stand Watie, Ardmore; Shelby Dodd, Camp Brig. General Stand Watie, Ardmore; Tom Groeschel, Camp Brig. General Stand Watie, Ardmore; Ricky Powell, Camp Brig. General Stand Watie, Ardmore; Ken Cook, Camp Col. Daniel N. McIntosh, Tulsa; Perry Greene, Camp Pvt. William M Cross, Yukon; Charles Rogers, Camp Col. William Penn Adair, Bartlesville; Jerry Don Reese, Camp Col. Tandy Walker, Shawnee; David Sikes, Camp Shelby's Oklahoma Iron Men, Duncan; Les Tucker, Camp 1st Cherokee Mounted Volunteers, Edmond; Charley Wilson, Camp Pvt. Drury Warren, Ponca City; Thomas Crossland, Camp Col. Dew Moore Wisdom, Muskogee; Carol Cox, Chickasaw Chapter UDC, Ardmore; James Matlock; Carolyn Wallace; Robert Godwin, deceased, purchased in his memory by several friends; Organizations – Kentucky Division, SCV (3); The following organizations purchased one brick: Camp Brig. General Stand Watie, Ardmore; Camp Capt. Clem Vann Rogers, Oklahoma City; Camp Capt. James J. McAlester, McAlester; Camp Col. Daniel N. McIntosh, Tulsa; Camp Pts. Grayson and Brewer, Elk City; Camp Col. Dew Moore Wisdom, Muskogee; Camp Shelby's Oklahoma Iron Men, Duncan; Camp Sgt. Thomas Benton Wood, Grove; Camp Lt. Col. Jackson F. McCurtain, Norman; Camp Col. Middleton Tate Johnson, Arlington, TX; MOS&B Chapter Brig. General Eppa Hunton, Tulsa; UDC Chickasaw Chapter, Ardmore.

In-kind contributions:

Millard Ingram of Ardmore donated the flag pole with an estimated value of $1000-3000. Jim Dyer and James and Sherry Catron gave their time and labor installing the flag pole. James Catron and Jim Dyer of the Ardmore camp, our men on the ground in Ardmore, gathered important information for the division and coordinated with the City of Ardmore throughout the process. Terry Pierce, Camp Capt. Clem Vann Rogers, served as the project coordinator and designer of the monument.

In addition to those contributors listed above, the project has received several cash contributions ranging from a few dollars to a few hundred dollars. We are grateful for all contributions regardless of size or of whatever nature. All these contributions of money, materials, time and labor have enabled the Division to complete this project of many years planning and hard work.

This monument will not only honor the soldiers buried in the Confederate Section of Rose Hill Cemetery, the largest group of Confederate graves in Oklahoma, but all Confederate soldiers buried in countless cemeteries all across the state.

The officers and all compatriots of the Oklahoma Division extend a heartfelt “thank you” to all the Southern patriots, the National SCV, our brother Divisions and the other Confederate heritage organizations who have participated in this most important undertaking.

We sincerely apologize for any name mis-spellings that may have occurred or to anyone whose contribution has not been recognized. If you were missed, please notify us, and we will gladly recognize you in the next newsletter.

The monument will be dedicated on June 22. All SCV and UDC members from everywhere are cordially and enthusiastically invited to attend this historic event. More information about the dedication will be forthcoming.

Rose Hill Cemetery – Ardmore