



# The Gen. Gordon Dispatch

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## Commander Mike Mull

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**T**he LORD be with you! I am writing to request your prayers for 5th Brigade Commander Mike Mull. Mike has an appointment on Tuesday, November 24, at Emory Hospital. As you know, Mike is suffering from liver failure. The evaluation and tests on Tuesday at Emory might allow Mike a new option. Rather than undergo traditional transplant surgery this new procedure is similar to a "bypass". If approved as a candidate, Mike would benefit greatly from the new procedure that is much less invasive, negates the risk of tissue compatibility from another donor, and reduces his recovery time tremendously. With this in mind, please pray for Mike and Donna as they travel, as he is evaluated, and as his doctors consider the best way to treat him. Mike is excited about this possibility. Let pray for our Lord's blessing and wisdom for Mike treatment and recovery.

God's peace,  
Jim

Rev. Dr. James L. Cavanah II  
Chaplain, GA Division  
Camp Davis, SCV #2073  
Effingham County

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## Camp Elections

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We will elect Camp Officers at our December meeting. If you wish to run for office, please contact Commander Medcalf. Current Officers are:

Cmdr. Al Medcalf  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Cmdr. Mark Dix  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Cmdr. Jonathan Wilkins  
Adjutant Hugh Shepard  
Chaplain Eddie Rainey  
Color Sgt. Ed Cunningham

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## Upcoming Programs

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### Regular Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday, November 24th

**Time:** 7:00 PM

**Place:** Thomaston - Upson Archives Building

**Speaker;** Mrs. Penny Cliff will do a program on Upson County's Last Confederate Veterans.

### Lee-Jackson Dinner

**Date:** Saturday, January 16, 2010

**Place:** The Gathering Place in Barnesville

**Speaker:** Georgia Division Commander Jack Bridwell



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## Word of Appreciation

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On October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> our Camp manned a booth at The Concord Country Jubilee. We sold Confederate merchandise and collected contact information on potential recruits. Thanks to the members that worked the booth and a special thanks to Compatriot Norman Lawrence for furnishing the tent and putting it up on Friday afternoon.

On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, we had a cemetery workday at the Collier Family Cemetery. Storms in the area held the attendance down. However, Compatriots Felton Lewis, Jimmy Spradley and Felton's Nephew, Michael were able to get the job done.

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## New Editor of the Georgia Confederate



12<sup>th</sup> Brigade Commander, Tim Pilgrim has accepted the job as Editor of The Georgia Confederate. I know Tim personally and know that he will give it his all and do an outstanding job. You should be receiving a copy in the next few days. If anyone is so inclined, Tim would be glad to

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### Message from the Commander:

Gentlemen, my life has been very hectic lately and when I sat down today to write the newsletter, I realized that I am a week late in doing so. I am sure that many of you will not receive your newsletter before our regular monthly meeting. I apologize for this and hope that all of you will remember that the meetings are held on every fourth Tuesday and come to the meeting.



"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."

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## Gen. Morgan Commissions a Federal Captain!

The New York Tribune tells of an "old Washington gentleman" who overheard President Lincoln tell this story: During one of his busy reception hours, when the President was talking first to one, then to another, one of the many who filled the room at the White House, a gentleman asked if any news had been received from John Morgan whose Confederate cavalry were raiding Kentucky and Ohio.



"We'll catch old John some of these days," replied Lincoln. "I admire him, for he is a bold operator. He always goes after the mail trains in order to get information from Washington. On his last raid he opened some mailbags and took possession of the official correspondence. One letter was from the War Department to a lieutenant in Grant's army. It contained a captain's commission for him. Right under the signature of A. Lincoln, the audacious Morgan wrote, 'Approved- John Morgan,' and sent the commission on its way."

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**As we approach the Holiday season, I wish each of you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry CHRISTmas, and a Happy New Year.**