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South Carolina Division



AWARDS

GUIDELINES

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AWARDS COMMITTEE CHARTER PURPOSE

The purpose of the Awards Committee is to relieve the Commander of this responsibility during the Division Convention so he can perform other functions at this most important event. The Awards Committee, therefore, will be solely responsible and accountable for the recipients of each award.

Camp awards will be a certificate and/or streamer. Awards presented to individuals will be a plaque or suitable award as determined by the Awards Committee and/or Commander.

COMPOSITION

The Awards Committee will consist of the Awards Chairman and 1 member from each Brigade, selected by the Awards Chairman, on the recommendation of the Brigade Commander.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

1. John Amasa May Lifetime Achievement Award
2. Stonewall Jackson Individual Contribution Award
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CAMP AWARDS GIVEN BY CAMP SIZE

There will be a 1st and 2nd place award in each category unless specified otherwise. Honorable mention can be used if desired.

1. Southern Cross Graves Award
2. John Harris Heritage Defense Award

Awards presented based on Camp Membership Size Levels

Sandlapper- For camps with 30 members or less
Palmetto- For camps with 31-65 members
Dixie- For camps with 66 or more members

1. M. C. Butler Recruiting Award
2. Ambrose Gonzales Newsletter Award
3. Ellison Capers Scrapbook Award
4. Stephen D. Lee Historical Project Award

5. Robert E. Lee Outstanding Camp Award

First place only Awards

1. Convention Attendance Award
2. Jefferson Davis Commanders Award

BRIGADE AWARDS

1. David Keller Cemetery Brigade Challenge Award

GUIDELINES

1. A Camp must be in existence for 6 months in order to compete for any awards.
2. The Camp will compete in the level (Palmetto, Dixie, or Sandpaper) in which it falls on January 1st of the year the annual Division Convention is held.
3. All entries are to be submitted to the Awards Chairman by the deadline, January 31st unless otherwise specified in the criteria for the award. No submissions will be accepted or considered after the deadline. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
4. Submission- Each camp is responsible for properly completing the form and submitting it and the supporting documents via one of the options below.
 - Preferred Method-** Electronically submit via email to the Awards Committee Chairman at scawardschair@gmail.com
 - Alternate Method-** Submit by mail twelve (12) printed copies of it along with one (1) copy of supporting documentation to the Awards Chairman.
5. Should the criteria in any category not be met, the award in that category will not be given.
6. Failure to comply with any of these guidelines will disqualify Camps from consideration for awards.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

THE JOHN AMASA MAY LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

PURPOSE: Discretionary award to recognize “outstanding” defense of history and heritage or “Lifetime Achievement” in the above areas and faithful service to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

CRITERIA: This individual must be outstanding in every way (leadership, faithfulness, superior discipline). His work or achievement could be, but not limited to, the following: defense of the Confederate Flag; large projects over long periods of time (i.e. Confederate Memorial Day Observance in Columbia, lifetime re-enactor, special or far-reaching educational programs, writing and publishing a book, special guardian services, etc.)

Any Brigade Commander, Camp Commander, or Division Staff member may recommend an individual for this award.

SUBMISSION: Submissions for this award should be directed in writing via email or USPS mail to the South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Chairman. Send a recommendation stating the achievements and accomplishments of this individual must be detailed. This award is very high level and, therefore, is given solely at the discretion of the South Carolina Division Commander.

JUDGING: By the South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Judges if he desires their input. Judging will be based on the merits of the recommendation.

AWARD: An engraved marble statuette will be awarded to each recipient. No more than three recipients will be chosen per year.

WADE A. SCRUGGS GRAVES AWARD

INDIVIDUAL LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

PURPOSE: This is an Individual Lifetime Achievement award presented to those individuals who have shown significant dedication and individual achievement to our Southern Soldiers Grave Preservation Program, above and beyond that which is expected of an SCV member, by recording or marking for posterity the graves of our fallen heroes, as stipulated in the Selection Criteria.

CRITERIA: The candidate must complete at least two of the criteria listed below;

1. Through research, identify at least one hundred (100) South Carolina Confederate Veterans buried in any state or any Confederate Veterans buried in South Carolina who are not currently listed on the South Carolina Division Confederate Veterans Graves Database.
2. Place a gravestone on at least five (5) South Carolina Confederate Veterans' graves wherever buried and any Confederate Veteran buried in South Carolina previously unmarked to show CSA service. The gravestone can be from the Veterans Administration or of a similar type; if a family stone exists, the stone should be the flat type and placed at the base of the family stone or the foot of the grave. Gravestones must show Confederate service.
3. Install ten (10) or more Southern Crosses of Honor on the graves of Confederate Veterans.
4. Adopt and maintain a previously unmaintained cemetery containing Confederate Veterans. Maintenance will include, cleaning three times a year, seeing that soldiers' graves are properly marked for CSA service and are recorded on the Division Database, all work to be documented with dated before and after photos, and a list of soldiers' names and unit if known.
5. Transcribe three (3) Work Project Administration (WPA) surveys, the cemeteries must have a Confederate Soldier in it, and post them on their respective USGENWEB county website, place a copy in the local historical society, and ensure all previously unknown Confederate Veterans names are added to the South Carolina Division Confederate Veterans Graves Database.
6. Or complete another significant independent project that brings honor to the Confederate Veteran.

All submissions must be documented in writing and with before and after photos. This is an Individual Lifetime Achievement Award. Work done by groups and submitted by an individual does not qualify. Recipient must be a member of the SC SCV in good standing.

SUBMISSION: Nominations for this award can be submitted by any SCV member to the Division Awards Committee. Nominations will be submitted to the Division Awards Committee no later than November 1 to include an endorsement and verification from their Graves Registration Brigade Coordinator and Brigade Commander.

JUDGING: The individual shall only be awarded one Lifetime Achievement Award. The number of awards given annually shall be at the discretion of the Division Commander with the recommendation of the Graves Committee Chairman and unanimous consent of the Awards Committee.

AWARD: This award consists of two items: A Medal and a Plaque

STONEWALL JACKSON

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the efforts of an individual who contributed most to the goals of the Division, the activities of the Camp, and the preservation of Confederate History.

CRITERIA: Any Camp Commander, Brigade Commander, or mentor of the Division may recommend an individual for his outstanding contribution.

SUBMISSION: In writing to the South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Chairman, a recommendation stating the achievements and accomplishments of the nominee. This recommendation must be received by the South Carolina Division Commander with a copy forwarded to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

JUDGING: By South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Judges if he desires their input. Judging will be based on the merits of the recommendation.

AWARD: A medal will be awarded to each recipient. No more than three recipients will be chosen per year.

LT. GENERAL WADE HAMPTON MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the efforts of an individual who contributed most to the goals of the Division, the activities of his Camp, and the preservation of Confederate history at a level that, though not warranting the Stonewall Jackson Award, merits great appreciation and recognition at the Division level.

CRITERIA: Any Camp or Brigade Commander or member of the Division staff may recommend an individual for this award.

SUBMISSION: In writing to the South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Chairman, a recommendation stating the achievements and accomplishments of the nominee. This recommendation must be received by the South Carolina Division Commander with a copy forwarded to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

JUDGING: By the Division Commander and the Awards Judges if he desires their input. Judging will be based on the merits of the recommendation.

AWARD: A medal will be awarded to each recipient. No more than three winners may be chosen annually.

OUTSTANDING SOUTHERN CITIZEN AWARD

PURPOSE: Discretionary award to recognize “outstanding” defense of history and heritage or “Lifetime Achievement” in the above areas by an individual not affiliated with the Sons of Confederate Veterans. This award is given at the discretion of the South Carolina Division Commander.

CRITERIA: This individual must be outstanding in every way (leadership, faithfulness, superior discipline). His work or achievement could be, but not limited to, the following: defense of the Confederate Battle Flag, large projects over long periods of time (i.e. Confederate Memorial Day Observance in Columbia, lifetime re-enactor, special or far-reaching education programs, writing and publishing a book, special guardian service, etc.).

SUBMISSION: In writing to the South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Chairman, a recommendation stating the achievements and accomplishments of the nominee. This recommendation must be received by the South Carolina Division Commander with a copy forwarded to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

JUDGING: By the South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Judges, if he desires their input, based on the merits of the recommendations. This award is given solely at the discretion of the Division Commander.

AWARD: A plaque will be awarded to each recipient.

JOHN ALBERT BROADUS

CHAPLAIN AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the outstanding Chaplain of the South Carolina Division.

CRITERIA: It is intended for the Chaplain that most exemplifies the character and dedication of South Carolina's remarkable Theologian and Southern loyalist, John Albert Broadus. The Chaplain receiving this award must give evidence of genuine Christianity, love, and superior knowledge of the Scriptures. He must give evidence of unreserved commitment to the Confederate cause, believing in its just and righteous merit, its consistency with the character and word of Almighty God and its constitutional validity.

SUBMISSION: Recommendation must come from the Camp Commander. This recommendation must be received by the South Carolina Division Chaplain with a copy forwarded to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

JUDGING: By the South Carolina Division Chaplain and the Awards Judges, if he desires their input.

AWARD: A medal will be awarded to each recipient.

SGT. RICHARD KIRKLAND AWARD

PURPOSE: The Sgt. Richard Kirkland Award (a canteen mounted on a wooden plaque) is awarded annually by the South Carolina Division Chaplain to the compatriot who has demonstrated the greatest act of selfless service to his fellow man during the preceding year. Members of the Division Staff are not eligible for this award.

CRITERIA: The person should have demonstrated an act of selfless service to others OUTSIDE the SCV. The act for which he/she was nominated should be one that reflects the actions of Sgt. Richard Kirkland at Fredericksburg, as he took comfort, not to Confederate Troops, but to wounded and dying Federals.

SUBMISSION: Nominations may be made by any compatriot through their local camp. The Camp will forward the nomination to the Division Chaplain with an additional copy to the Awards Chairman and the Division Adjutant. This recommendation must be received by the South Carolina Division Chaplain with a copy forwarded to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

JUDGING: By the South Carolina Division Chaplain and the Awards Judges, if he desires their input.

AWARD: The award, Sgt. Kirkland canteen plaque will be presented at the South Carolina Annual Convention. Only one award is presented per year.

C. IRVINE WALKER

ADJUTANT AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the outstanding Camp Adjutant of the South Carolina Division.

CRITERIA: It is intended for the Camp Adjutant that most exemplifies the character and dedication to the office of Camp Adjutant as the honored South Carolinian C. Irvine Walker. The Adjutant receiving this award must have evidence of genuine dedication to preserving the records of his camp. He must work to provide accurate documentation of his camp in supporting the accuracy of the records maintained by the SC Division Adjutant. The adjutant must show adherence to deadlines published by the SC Division Adjutant with providing documentation of camp membership (current and new applicants).

SUBMISSION: Recommendation must come from the Camp Commander or Division Staff. This recommendation must be received by the South Carolina Division Adjutant with a copy forwarded to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

JUDGING: By the South Carolina Division Adjutant and the Awards Judges, if he desires their input.

AWARD: A medal will be awarded to each recipient.

AWARD NAMESAKE: C. Irvine Walker was born in Charleston, S.C., on Feb. 14, 1842. He graduated from the South Carolina Military Academy ("The Citadel") in April 1861. He served as Lieutenant Colonel and Adjutant of the 10th South Carolina Infantry Regiment and was severely wounded in front of Atlanta, Ga., in 1864. He also founded the Carolina Rifle Club and served in the S.C. Militia. C. Irvine Walker was very active in the United Confederate Veterans (U.C.V.), and upon the death of Commander-in-Chief George W. Gordon (Aug. 9, 1911), C. Irvine Walker became Commander-in-Chief.

William L. Gallien Memorial Award

PURPOSE: As every opportunity to recognize that our young people should be indorsed, the SC Division Executive Council (EC) voted to create **The William L. Gallien Memorial Award** in 2020 to honor Billy and to recognize our younger membership for exceptional dedication and accomplishments in the preservation of our Confederate History and Southern Heritage.

CRITERIA: Any Camp Commander, Brigade Commander, or mentor of the Division may recommend an individual for his outstanding contribution.

SUBMISSION: In writing to the South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Chairman, a recommendation stating the achievements and accomplishments of the nominee. This recommendation must be received by the South Carolina Division Commander with a copy forwarded to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

JUDGING: By South Carolina Division Commander and the Awards Judges, if he desires their input. Judging will be based on the merits of the recommendation.

AWARD: This Award will consist of a medal and a certificate to be awarded to our outstanding members aged 25 years and younger. No more than 3 awards will be presented each year.

AWARD NAMESAKE: William L. (Billy) Gallien passed away May 1st, 2019 from injuries he sustained from a wreck while he was returning home from Clemson University. Billy was an active and dedicated member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. He felt he should inspire our young people to learn and share their Southern Heritage.

Billy joined the SC Division Children of the Confederacy (COC) and shared his Southern Heritage everywhere he traveled. He served his local chapter in many capacities and the SC Division COC in various offices including SC Division COC President. He joined the SC Division Pvt. Thomas Caldwell Camp #31 as a Cadet in 2008. He served the Caldwell Camp in various offices throughout the years and as a young person served in leadership roles for the Caldwell Camp. Billy became a National Lifetime Member of the SCV in 2015.

While attending Clemson University, Billy transferred his membership to the 16th Regiment Camp #36 in Greenville SC in 2016. Billy was appointed to the National SCV Cadet Committee by CIC Charles Kelly Barrow and served as the committee chairperson until his death.

At his young age of 22 years Billy was indeed a most dedicated and active Southern Compatriot, he set an example that all of us should admire and strive to follow.

JACK E. MARLAR MEMORIAL RECRUITING AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the individual in the South Carolina Division who recruits the largest number of new members during the calendar year.

(January 1st - December 31st)

CRITERIA: Newly recruited members will be documented on the “**Recommended By**” line on the completed Application for SCV Membership form or under Dixie Club Sponsor found on the National Membership Database. All eligible new members during that calendar year must be sworn into the applicable Camp and their dues paid and received by both National and Division for the current year prior to December 31st to qualify for the award that year. To be eligible for the Jack E. Marlar Memorial Individual Recruiting Award, a Camp member must recruit a minimum of five (5) new members during the calendar year. Recruitment numbers do not carry over to the next calendar year. At the end of the calendar year, the count zeros out and does not carry over.

SUBMISSION: Submissions for this award will be determined by the Division Adjutant using National or Camp Records as indicated above. He will submit the results to the Division Award Chairman by Feb. 1st of each award year.

AWARD: A Medal and Certificate will be awarded to the individual who wins the award for that year. The winner will be the member that recruits the most new members during the calendar year with at least five (5) new members or greater. If there is a tie, more than one award will be given.

CAMP AWARDS

M. C. BUTLER RECRUITING AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the efforts of those Camps who seek to increase their membership during the course of the year.

CRITERIA: Newly recruited numbers will be based on those members reported to the Division Adjutant two weeks prior to the Division Convention. It will include those new members in good standing from January to January of each calendar year and based on the highest percentage of membership gain. Camps should facilitate good retention practices toward achieving this award.

JUDGING: Judging will be conducted by the Division Adjutant and the Awards Chairman based on the number of new members properly reported and accounted for on Camp reports.

AWARDS: A certificate and gold/blue streamer for first place. A certificate and gold/red streamer for second place. A certificate for honorable mention may be given. Awards are presented per camp size level.

AMBROSE GONZALES NEWSLETTER AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize those Camps demonstrating excellence in communication as well as keeping members informed of Division news and activities.

CRITERIA: The following criteria shall be used in judging the merit of entries for this award: Format and content.

1. Frequency of publication can be bi-monthly to afford smaller camps equality in competition. Camps with bi-monthly publications compete at the same level.
2. Input of Camp Officers and members.
3. Use of photos, artwork, and clip art.
4. Distribution must be all Camp members and at least 4 other Camps, Brigade Commander, and Division Commander.
5. Submitting camps must distribute issues published on or between September and December of the competition year to all members of the Awards Judges for judging.

SUBMISSION: There are two categories of recognition for the Ambrose Gonzalez Newsletter Award: PRINTED and ELECTRONIC.

A camp may only compete within one of these categories.

The camp should use their primary form of correspondence for their submission. The primary form is based on the larger of the utilized distribution methods for the competing camps newsletter. Prior to the convention, a report should be submitted to the Awards Chairman no later than the award submission deadline posted in these guidelines.

Electronic Newsletters:

1. Submit one electronic copy of each newsletter for the following months: September, October, November, and December to the Awards Chairman (scawardschair@gmail.com), The Awards Chairman will transmit the entry to the other ten members of the Awards Committee. Camps with a bi-monthly distribution need to send the issues that fall within the afore mentioned months.
2. Include a cover letter with the following information:
 - a. Newsletter Title
 - b. Name and Camp Number of the submitting Camp
 - c. Name of the Newsletter Editor

- d. Frequency of the publication
 - e. Number of issues created during the last year
 - f. Names of other Camps receiving the Newsletter
 - g. Number of submitting Camp members receiving the newsletter electronically
 - h. Number of submitting Camp members receiving the newsletter in hardcopy
 - i. Names of Division Officers receiving the newsletter i.e. Division Commander, Brigade Commander, etc
3. Judging will be held at the February Awards Committee meeting.

Printed Newsletters:

- 1. Submit eleven printed copies of each newsletter for the following months: September, October, November, and December to the Awards Chairman by January 31st. The Awards Chairman will present the entry to the other ten members of the Awards Committee at the February Awards Committee meeting. Camps with a bi-monthly distribution need to send the issues that fall within the afore-mentioned months.
- 2. Include a cover letter with the following information:
 - a. Newsletter Title
 - b. Name and Camp Number of the submitting Camp
 - c. Name of the Newsletter Editor
 - d. Frequency of the publication
 - e. Number of issues created during the last year
 - f. Names of other Camps receiving the Newsletter
 - g. Number of submitting Camp members receiving the newsletter electronically
 - h. Number of submitting Camp members receiving the newsletter in hardcopy
 - i. Names of Division Officers receiving the newsletter i.e. Division Commander, Brigade Commander, etc
- 3. Judging will be held at the February Awards Committee meeting.

AWARD: A certificate and gold/blue streamer for first place. A certificate and gold/red streamer for second place. A certificate for honorable mention may be given. Awards presented per level.

CONVENTION ATTENDANCE AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the Camp with the highest percentage of membership in attendance at the Division Convention.

CRITERIA: The count will be based on the number following the opening ceremony. Based on the greatest percentage of the Camps membership. The host Camp will graciously decline to be a participant.

AWARD: A certificate and gold/blue streamer. One award is presented per level, per camp size, per convention.

ELLISON CAPERS SCRAP BOOK AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the Camp that collects and retains a record of its activities and searches out the Camp/Southern/Confederate history of their community and country.

CRITERIA: The Scrap Book may cover any period of the Camp's existence; however, the last five pages must be of Camp or local activities during the previous year. Content should include and will be judged on:

1. Cover art, eye appeal, Camp identification.
2. Photos, news clippings, Camp activities during the year.
3. News clips and photos of past Confederate Activities in the County or District, information on units and individuals who served from the area, past UDC and SCV Camps and activities in that locale.

SUBMISSION: Scrap books will be judged at the awards meeting in February. Please have your scrapbook delivered to the awards meeting before the start of the meeting. The location, date, and time of the meeting will be announced and posted on the SC Division website.

JUDGING: Judging will be done by the awards judges.

AWARD: A certificate and a gold/blue streamer for first place. A certificate and a gold/red streamer for second place. A certificate for honorable mention may be given. Awards are presented per camp size level.

Camps are asked to bring their scrapbooks to the Convention to be placed on display only. A place for the display will be designated in advance by the host Camp.

STEPHEN D. LEE HISTORICAL PROJECT AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the efforts of the Camp conducting/completing/presenting the most outstanding historical project during the year.

CRITERIA: A project of historical importance that presents to the public information and education on Southern history, restores and preserves areas, monuments, cemeteries, memorabilia, and relics, or presents a major living history representation designed to accomplish one or more of the above.

SUBMISSION: One (1) copy of verifying documentation must be submitted to the Awards Chairman.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Report listing the project title and dates.
2. Outline the significance, purpose, and objective.
3. Number of persons, members, and specialists involved. (At least five Camp members should participate).
4. Number in attendance, spectators, and results achieved.
5. Newspaper clips, photos, and publicity notes.

JUDGING: Judging will be done by the Awards Judges

AWARD: A certificate and a gold/blue streamer for first place. A certificate and a gold/red streamer for second place. A certificate for honorable mention may be given. The award is NOT given by camp size levels.

SOUTHERN CROSS GRAVES AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the effort of the Camp in the Division which has shown significant dedication to the restoration, preservation, and recording of the graves of fallen Confederate Heroes.

CRITERIA: The following criteria shall be used in judging the merit of entries for this award:

1. Through research, identify and verify the grave locations of Confederate Veterans buried in South Carolina and not currently listed on the South Carolina Graves Database.
2. Placing gravestones on unmarked Confederate Veterans' graves (VA or personal stones –must reflect Confederate service)
3. Installing the Southern Cross of Honor on the graves of Confederate Veterans.
4. Entry of names and supporting documentation into the SC Division Graves Database
5. Participation in guardian program (active increase of guardians from your camp)

SUBMISSION: One (1) copy of verifying documentation must be submitted to Awards Chairman.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Report listing the criteria completed with supporting documentation.
2. Number of people, members, and specialists involved. (At least five Camp members should participate)

JUDGING: By the Award Judges with feedback from the Graves Chairman and Guardian Chairman.

AWARD: A certificate and a gold/blue streamer for first place. A certificate and a gold/red streamer for second place. A certificate for honorable mention may be given. The award is not given by camp size levels.

JOHN HARRIS HERITAGE DEFENSE AWARD

PURPOSE: The John Harris Heritage Defense Award is an annual discretionary-camp level award to recognize a Camp's courage and valor in the face of enmity against Confederate Heritage far beyond the normal call of duty. In rare cases, organizations external to the SCV may be considered for the John Harris Heritage Defense Award.

CRITERIA: Emphasis shall be placed upon actions rendered in the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name. This shall not be considered for activities such as parades, memorial services, letter and flag waving campaigns, or other activities normally considered to be part of a Camp's heritage defense activities. Only one award may be given per year, and only for actions performed during the year prior to the Convention. It is not required that any award be made in any given year.

SUBMISSION: Nominations may be made by any member of the South Carolina Division through the chain of command to the Chairman, of Heritage Defense.

JUDGING: By the Heritage Defense Chairman and the Heritage Defense Committee with feedback from the Division Commander.

AWARD: The award shall consist of a streamer and a plaque. The streamer shall consist of four white stars upon one arm of a blue saltier cross, outlined in white upon a red base, and forked below the bottom star. This streamer is essentially one arm of the Battle Flag's Southern Cross. The award is not given by camp size levels.

ROBERT E. LEE OUTSTANDING CAMP AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the Camps in the Division rated the most outstanding during the course of the year.

CRITERIA: Established by the numerical rating form distributed by the Division.

SUBMISSION:

Preferred Method- Electronically submit via email to the Awards Committee Chairman at scawardschair@gmail.com

Alternate Method- Submit by mail (USPS) twelve (12) printed copies of it along with one (1) copy of supporting documentation to the Awards Chairman.

JUDGING: The judges will compute scores and rank the Camps using the formulas outlined on the grading form. In the event of a tie-in scoring, a tie-breaker system will be utilized. The South Carolina Division realizes that the future of our heritage and the perpetuity of the Sons of Confederate Veterans rely on Education and Recruiting. The tiebreakers utilized are based on these two concepts. The Official SC Division grading form is included within the appendix of the Awards Guidelines

AWARD: A certificate and a gold/blue streamer for first. A certificate and a gold/red streamer for second place. A certificate for honorable mention may be given. Awards are presented per camp size level.

The camp that has been selected to receive the Jefferson Davis Commanders Award will not be awarded within this category.

Results and ranking of the Outstanding Camp Award category will be posted at the Division Convention. All Camps entering this competition will be listed.

JEFFERSON DAVIS COMMANDER'S AWARD

For the overall South Carolina Division Outstanding Camp Award

PURPOSE: To recognize the best overall Camp in the South Carolina Division.

CRITERIA: Established by the numerical rating form distributed by the Division.

SUBMISSION: The official S. C. Division grading form submitted for the Robert E. Lee Award will be used for Jefferson Davis Commanders Award. This award is presented to the best overall Camp in the S. C. Division.

JUDGING: The Award judges will use the computed scores of the submitted S. C. Division grading form and establish the best overall Camp in the Division.

AWARD: A certificate and a gold/blue streamer.

The camp selected to receive the Jefferson Davis Commanders Award will not receive awards from the Robert E. Lee Outstanding Camp Award category.

BRIGADE AWARDS

DAVID KELLER CEMETERY BRIGADE CHALLENGE

PURPOSE: To recognize the effort of the Brigade which has shown significant dedication working together for the restoration, preservation, and recording of the graves of fallen Confederate Heroes in Cemeteries that have shown tremendous neglect.

To compete for this award, Brigade Commanders need to follow the guidelines below:

GUIDELINES:

All cemeteries must have been previously unmaintained by either a SCV Member or SCV Camp. The intent of this award is to clean a previously untouched cemetery.

The judging period shall be from January 1st through December 31st of the year ending prior to the Division Convention. All work must be completed by December 31st of that Awards judging year.

Each Brigade is to submit one cemetery for judging.

Each cemetery project will be judged equally (be it one entry or more).

CRITERIA: The following criteria shall be followed used in judging the merit of entries for this award:

1. The cemetery's condition before and after will be primary to the judging.
2. The number of camps within the brigade that participated.
3. Cleaning and repairing of markers
4. Identifying Confederate Soldiers with a headstone and/or Southern Cross of Honor.
5. Entry of Confederate Soldiers into the South Carolina Graves Database.

SUBMISSION: The Brigade Commanders will submit their entry to the Awards Committee Chairman at the January Executive Committee meeting.

REQUIREMENTS:

Each submission for recommendation must contain the following:

- Three (3) photos of the cemetery before cleaning.
- Three (3) photos of the cemetery after the restoration has been completed.
- The photos should be labeled
 - 1-A, 1-B, and 1-C for the before-cleaning documentation.
 - 2-A, 2-B, and 2-C for the completed cemetery cleaning.
- Documentation listing the SCV Member's names and their Camps who participated in the restoration of the cemeteries and the dates that they were present.

JUDGING: By the Awards Committee will be based on the criteria and requirements.

AWARD: A certificate and a purple/gold streamer for each camp participating in the challenge that is judged first place. A certificate and a purple/silver streamer for each camp participating in the challenge that is judged second place. A certificate for honorable mention may be given. The award is not given by camp size levels. Brigades with multiple entries are eligible for only one award.

APPENDIX

NEWSLETTER GRADING SHEET

Camp Name: _____, Camp Number: _____

Newsletter Title: _____

Totals

Number of issues per year (1 point per issue, 6 max)-

Camp Officer Input- Commander (1 point):

Lt. Commander (1 point):

Chaplain (1 point):

Articles by different members:

(1 point, 4 max)

Distribution: Other camps receive (1 point/camp, 4 max):

Awards Chairman included (1 point if sent):

Brigade Commander (1 point if sent):

Division Commander (1 point if sent):

Judges Personal Rating: Please rate the following on a scale of 1-5

Format- How is the layout?

Article Content- Is there enough?

Photos/Artwork/Clipart- Is there enough or too much?

TOTAL SCORE: _____

The maximum score is 35 points. The # of issues and distribution will be entered at the time of the judges meeting. Scores will be totaled at the judging. An average of all committee totals will be taken to decide the winner.

POINT VALUES FOR OUTSTANDING CAMP AWARDS

1. Regular Monthly Meetings (Max 12 points)

1 point for each regular monthly meeting.

2. Program (Max 12 points)

1 point for each meeting with an informational program (Historical or SCV Related Program).

3. Confederate Memorial Day Observance (Max 12 points)

6 points for conducting local service that does not conflict with the SC Division CMD Service (Camps may co-sponsor and split points for this service)

3 points for at least three members attending another Camp's Service, 1 point for each Camp member attending Division CMD Service (maximum 3 points)

4. National Participation (Max 3 points)

Sending a delegate to a national convention (Max 1 point). Contributions to national projects such as The Gen. Waite Scholarship Fund, Gen. William D. McCain Endowment, Beauvoir, National SCV Museum, Confederate Library of Hillsboro, Texas, battlefield preservation, etc. Contributions must meet or exceed \$75.00 per item.

5. Division Participation (Max 6 points)

Convention/reunion attendance, Leadership Conference attendance, Legislative Day attendance, etc. Must have a minimum of 3 participants at each event, with at least 1 being a Camp Officer. 3 points per event with a maximum of 6 points. All participants must stay for the duration of the function.

6. Brigade Participation (Max 9 points)

Cemetery Cleanup, Dinner/Ball, Lee-Jackson Banquet, Prayer Breakfast, etc. Must have a minimum of 3 participants at each event with at least 1 being a Camp Officer. 3 points per event with a maximum of 9 points. This includes participating in the David Keller Brigade Challenge. Participation is not limited to the camp's respective brigade.

All participants must stay for the duration of the function.

7. Camp Projects (Max 12 points)

Projects include but are not limited to, cemetery clean-up, setting up a festival booth, parade participation, living history, school programs, road markers, highway clean-up, locating Confederate graves, historical projects significant to local areas, etc.

Camp projects may include a minimum of 25 names added to the Division Graves registry database, ordering and installing a VA marker, and installing a minimum of 5 Confederate Crosses of Honor. All information must be included (i.e.: Cemetery and soldier names and locations, schools, etc.) in the submission. 4 points per project.

8. Speakers/Programs (Max 3 points)

1 point for each Speaker/Program presented to other Camps, UDC, MOSB, etc. (This can also include presentations at schools, military groups such as VFW, American Legions, service clubs, etc.)

9. Visitations (Max 5 points)

How many times did three (3) or more of your Compatriots visit another SCV Camp? To receive credit, only two visits to a single camp will count towards the maximum of 5 points. (1 point per visitation)

10. Camp Newsletter (Max 12 points)

1 point for each monthly newsletter. The newsletter must be sent to the Division Awards Chair.

11. Camp Annual Report/ New Members Reporting (Max 6 points)

3 points for the Annual report (due before July 1st each year) and 3 points for all new member's applications and dues being sent to the Division Adjutant on time (within 10 days per Constitution). The annual report must be submitted to the National HQ, Division Commander, and Division Adjutant.

12. Special Events/Sponsorships (Max 6 points)

How many Brigade, Division, or National events did your Camp sponsor this year? New Camp, Convention/reunion, Dinner/Ball, Lee-Jackson Banquet, Memorial

Service, Prayer Breakfast, David Keller Cemetery Challenge, etc. Any of these events will be awarded 2 points. (Camps may co-sponsor and split points for these services)

**13. Camp members holding Brigade, Division, Army, or National position.
(Max 2 points)**

Camp members holding a position on a Brigade, Division, or National Level are awarded 1 point for each for a maximum of 2 points. (A member may hold more than one office but can only receive 1 point per person) Only one person from each camp can receive a point from any one Committee.

14. Tie Breakers:

The tiebreaker is based on the aspects of maintaining perpetuity in the SCV. The South Carolina Division realizes that the future of our heritage and the perpetuity of the Sons of Confederate Veterans rely on membership.

Membership growth - Based upon a percentage of the camp's membership growth or retainment (In case of a situation where all camps have a negative number, the camp with the greatest retention number wins the tiebreaker). Transfer and members that have crossed over to the Last Roll are subtracted from the initial roster of camps membership for the year. Retention is included due in part camps need to strive to retain membership.

Submission Requirements: Each camp is responsible for properly completing this form and submitting this form and supporting documents via one of the options below.

Preferred Method- Electronically submit via email to the Awards Committee Chairman at scawardschair@gmail.com

Alternate Method- Submit by mail twelve (12) printed copies of it along with one (1) copy of supporting documentation to the Awards Chairman.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: Applications must be RECEIVED by February 1st. of the following year.

**THE AWARDS CHAIRMAN IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LATE DELIVERIES
SUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION MUST ACCOMPANY THE FORM - PLAN
ACCORDINGLY!**

OUTSTANDING CAMP AWARD SUBMISSION FORM

Camp Name: _____, Camp Number: _____

Submission for January 1st – December 31st of _____ year.

TOTALS

1. Regular Monthly Meetings (Max 12 points)

Total regular meetings held this year: ____x 1 points= ____max.12 pts.

2. Program (Max 12 points)

How many monthly meetings feature speakers, films, videos, audiovisual, or some other type of Historical/
informational presentations: _____x 1 points= ____max.12 pts.

3. Confederate Memorial Day Observance (Max 12 points)

Did your Camp conduct a Memorial Service this year? Yes No _____max.6 points

Did three (3) or more Camp members attend services by another Camp? Yes ____No _____max.3 points

Number of Camp members attending Division CMD observance? _____x 1 pt.= max.3 points

4. National Participation (Max 3 points)

Number of National events/projects supported by the camp: ____x 3 points= ____max.3 points

5. Division Participation (Max 6 points)

Number of Division events/projects supported by the camp: ____x 3 points= ____max.6 points

6. Brigade Participation (Max 9 points)

Number of Brigade events/projects supported by the camp: ____x 3 points= ____max. 9 points

7. Camp Projects (Max 12 points)

List service projects conducted to preserve and support Confederate history: Maximum of *five* points
(Attach a separate sheet if needed).

Total local projects ____ x 4 points= ____ max. 12 points

8. Speakers/Programs (Max 3 points)

Number of Speakers/Programs presented to other Camps.

Speaker, topic, Camp name and number, and dates must be listed) 1 point each / maximum of 3.

Total ____ x 1 point= ____ Max. 3 points

9. Visitations (Max 5 points)

How many times did three (3) or more of your Compatriots visit another SCV Camp.

(Must visit at least 3 different camps) - (1 point per visitation) List Camps visited and dates:

Total ____ x 1 point= ____ Max. 5 points

10. Camp Newsletter (Max 12 points)

How many newsletter issues were published in the preceding year?

Total ____ x 1 point= ____ Max. 12 points

11. Camp Annual Report/ New Members Reporting (Max 6 points)

Does your Camp file its paperwork on time? No ____ Yes ____

Camp annual report filed by July 1st with Division Adjutant No ____ Yes ____

Are new members reported to Division within 10 days No ____ Yes ____

checked Yes ____ x 3 points= ____ max. 6 points

12. Special Events/Sponsorships (Max 6 points)

How many Brigade, Division, or National events did your Camp sponsor this year? _____
New Camp, Convention, Dinner/Ball, Lee-Jackson Banquet, Prayer Breakfast, (Other)

Total _____ x 3 points = _____ max. 3 points _____

13. Camp members holding Brigade, Division, or National position. (Max 2 points)

Number of positions _____ x 1 pt. = _____ max. 2 points. _____

14. Tie Breaker

- Percentage of net membership growth for award year? (Based on Jan Adjutant Report)
 - A. Membership as of January (Prior Year) _____
 - B. Members transferred or Last Roll (deaths) _____
 - C. Subtract B from A (active members) _____
 - D. Membership as of January (Current Year) _____
 - E. Subtract C from D (+Net Gain/-loss) _____
 - F. E divided by C multiplied by 100 _____ % net growth/loss

Total points earned by the camp during this judging period- _____

Camp Commander Signature: _____ Date: _____

Camp Adjutant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Date submitted for awards- _____