



# Farthest To The Front

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## Garnett-Pettigrew Chapter in High Point Veteran's Day Parade



**The Garnett-Pettigrew Chapter 67 was proud to support the Lieutenant F. C. Frazier Camp 668 SCV in the 33rd Annual Veterans Day Parade on November 12, 2017 in High Point. Members present for this special day to remember all Veterans were Commander Ronald Lee Perdue with the Confederate Memorial Cannon Crew of Larry Brown, Calvin Jones, Chris Laton, John Martin, Dwain Roberts, Patrick Williams and Rodney Williams.**



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# NC Society News

## From the Society Adjutant

I want to express my sincere thanks to the members of the Wilmington National Convention Planning Committee and to the members of the Major General W.H.C. Whiting Chapter 305 for everyone's help in hosting a very successful national convention. I continue to hear positive comments from our July event.

As I have already discuss with many of you, the 2020 MOS&B National Convention is required to be held in the Army of Northern Virginia Department. I have approached the leadership in Virginia, Maryland, and South Carolina societies to see if any of these organizations were interested in hosting that convention. All three have reported back they were not interested. This sets us up to host the 2020 convention and I have suggested our Confederate Capitol of Raleigh as the host site.

I am asking the membership to contact me should they be interested in helping out on the host committee. Society Commander Harry Watt will soon be calling a special meeting for the Society to vote to host the convention.

*Byron E. Brady, Adjutant*

## North Carolina Society to sponsor meeting for Ladies Officers Corp

**BATON ROUGE, LA**—The Confederate Officers of North Carolina Society MOS&B will sponsor the organizational meeting of a ladies descendants of Confederate Officers organization at the 81st General Convention of the MOS&B on July 13, 2018 at the Baton Rouge Hilton Capitol Center. The meeting will take place at 10 AM at the hotel and will be sponsored by the NC Society.

Yvonne Brown of Greensboro is the leading organizer for the women's group along with other women from around the South. She has been working on the formation of the group for the past two years.

## Welcome New Members

Capt. James I. Waddell Chapter, Raleigh  
**Hampton James Cooper, Raleigh**

**Ronald Lee Stacy, Raleigh**  
(transfer from the President  
Jefferson Davis At-Large Chapter No. 1)

## MOS&B National and State Dues

National and North Carolina Society MOS&B dues will be due into the Society Adjutant and the IHQ no later than December 31, 2017.

Chapter Dues Invoices were mailed out to all North Carolina Society Chapters on October 1st. Members of the Governor Zebulon B. Vance NC HQ Chapter were also mailed their dues invoices on October 1st.

### **Chapter Adjutants will be asked to:**

1. Check their individual membership spreadsheet as to accuracy and make changes.
2. Bill your members for \$45.00 for national and \$10.00 for NC Society dues.
3. Complete the Chapter Activity Report form attached or download the auto-fill form from the MOS&B web page.
4. Submit your chapter's dues package no later than December 31, 2017. This dues package shall include a check for the correct amount, the original chapter spreadsheet denoting who is filing this report, and your Chapter Activity Report.

Please note on your Chapter spreadsheet which members are paying their dues with your report.

## Confederate Officers of North Carolina Society 2017-19 Officers

Commander - Harry Wade Watt, Statesville  
Lieutenant Commander - Michael Byrd, Kinston  
Chief of Staff - David M. Edwards, Wadesboro  
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**Join the  
Sons of Confederate Veterans  
Ancestral descendants of those who  
fought for the  
Confederate States of America**

**For more information and to find the  
closest camp to you, go to their web page**

**[ncscv.org](http://ncscv.org)**

**Or contact Andrew Johnson at:  
[ncscv2ndltcommander@hotmail.com](mailto:ncscv2ndltcommander@hotmail.com)**



**Visit the  
North Carolina War Between the States  
Sesquicentennial Commission  
web site at: [www.ncwbts150.com](http://www.ncwbts150.com)**

# NC Society Commander's Message

**Harry W. Watt, Commander, Confederate Officers of North Carolina Society**



*North Carolina Commander  
Harry Wade Watt*

I hope everyone enjoyed the recent Fall issue of the MOS&B national magazine, *Officer's Call*, that has on the cover photos from our wonderful National Convention in Wilmington in July. Our state MOS&B with our Wilmington chapter hosted the event that well served the attendees and generated a profit for our state organization. We were able to have practically all the events within walking distance of the host hotel at the waterfront and had an outstanding set of events for the ladies. Hats off and a Rebel Yell to the convention committee and our supporters from Wilmington!

Our state leadership group has been in discussions about bringing back the National MOS&B Convention to North Carolina for 2020 and we will be meeting

and discussing our application in early 2018. If you want to be included in the discussions, please let me know. Our initial location would be Raleigh given its location between the Bennett Place and the Bentonville Battlefield, as well as having the Oakwood Cemetery in Raleigh.

Also in our Fall magazine issue is the announcement for candidacy for the position of Commander General at the next convention in Baton Rouge, LA in July 2018 from our Byron Brady. He is uniquely qualified for the position and his current leadership work is not equaled by anyone in our National organization. I will wholeheartedly support his candidacy and hope you will also come to our next convention and do the same.

Note the discussion of developing a new MOS&B logo to be used in media outreach. We need a new media logo as the media is not allowing us to use our logo due to it containing our Battle Flag. This is unfortunate as we love our Battle Flag, but we must deal with realities and it is prudent to adopt a new media logo that brands our outreach efforts. Our traditional logo will continue to serve us outside of media purposes, so don't think that it is being replaced.

Do in 2018 think about our

need to recruit new members and help others find the officers and political leaders in their family history. Given that here in North Carolina the officer core made up about 15% of the total military force, practically every Confederate descendant has an officer in his family history. Political leaders may be less common, but they are out there, so do make the effort to assist others to learn their Confederate family history and to join the MOS&B. In Iredell County where I live, have of the officers in the CSA service were in the Home Guard, so you can find lots more offices in the recent NC Rooster book for Home Guard and Reserves issue.

It is my plan in 2018 to attend a meeting of each MOS&B chapter in North Carolina, so please inform me of your current meeting calendar. It does help to meet on a regular schedule that we can post in our newsletters.

So, best wishes for this holiday season and for the coming year of 2018. Let me know how I can assist your and your chapter's MOS&B success in 2018 and do make plans to attend the National Convention in Baton Rouge, LA in July 2018.

*Harry Wade Watt*

**29th Annual**

# **Robert E. Lee Birthday Celebration**

**Saturday, January 20, 2018 - 1:00 PM**

**Historic House Chambers  
NC State Capitol, Raleigh**

**Keynote Speaker**

**Sergeant Major James Haymes**

**United States Army (Retired)**

**Richmond, Virginia**

**The sponsoring organizations will be presenting  
Military Service Awards to several veterans  
of our national armed forces**

**Sponsored by:**

**Captain James Iredell Waddell Chapter MOSB, Raleigh**

**Captain Samuel A'Court Ashe Chapter UDC, Raleigh**

**47th Regiment NC Troops Camp SCV, Wake Forest**

# Chapter News

News From Across  
The North Carolina Society

## Raleigh Waddell Chapter

**RALEIGH**—The Captain James Iredell Waddell Chapter 32 met November 16th at Chow Pizza & Wings. NC UDC President Peggy Johnson gave the program on the *History of the United Daughters of the Confederacy*. There were members from four different UDC Chapters in attendance boosting the meeting's attendance to 32, the largest number of attendees to a chapter meeting since 1994.

Chapter Commander Byron Brady presented a new membership certificate to Hampton Cooper of Raleigh. Hampton is the youngest member to ever join the Capt. Waddell Chapter.

The Chapter will co-host the 29th Annual Robert E. Lee Birthday Celebration to be held at the NC State Capitol on January 20, 2018.



*Hampton Cooper, youngest member to ever join the Captain Waddell Chapter, is shown receiving his membership certificate from Commander Byron Brady at the November 16th chapter meeting. Shown at left is his father Joel and (at right) his mother Carolina Cooper, a member of the Capt. Samuel A. Ashe Chapter UDC, Raleigh. Hampton's sister, Claire, was awarded a MOS&B scholarship in 2016.*

## Two Waddell Chapter members to received MOS&B Military Service awards January 20th

**RALEIGH**—The Captain Waddell Chapter is proud to announce that two of their chapter members have been awarded the MOS&B Southern Cross of Honor for their service in our country's armed forces. Both presentations will take place at the Robert E. Lee Birthday Celebration at the State Capitol January 20th.

George R. Pearson, has been awarded the MOS&B Southern Cross of Honor for his service in the United States Air Force.

Robert J. Broyles has been awarded the MOS&B Southern Cross of Honor for his service in the United States Coast Guard.



*Mrs. Peggy Johnson, President of the NC UDC (shown at left) joins members of four UDC chapters in attendance at the Captain Waddell chapter meeting in Raleigh November 16th.*

# Chapter News continued

## Greensboro Garnett-Pettigrew Chapter

### Garnett-Pettigrew Chapter 67 offers life memberships

**GREENSBORO**—The Garnett-Pettigrew Chapter 67 has begun offering chapter life memberships. Shown below are the first of those membership presentations at the chapter's most recent meeting.



**Larry Brown received his  
life membership**



**Lawrence McFall received  
his life membership**



**Ronnie Roach received his  
life membership**



**Dwayne Roberts received  
his life membership**



**Damon Webb received his  
life membership**



**John Williams received his  
life membership**

# Chapter News continued

## Wilmington

### W.H.C. Whiting Chapter

**WILMINGTON**—The Major General W. H. C. Whiting Chapter 305 of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars has elected officers for the 2017-2019 term.



Shown are left to right: Bob Newton, Chaplain; Donald Watson, Commander; George Valsame, Lieutenant Commander; Jeff Holliday, Genealogist/Color Guard; and Howard Talley III, Treasurer (not shown, Glenn Kye, Adjutant).



On November 16, MOS&B member Larry Brown teamed with Order of the Confederate Rose ladies to present a program to 4th graders at Cape Fear Academy, a private school in Wilmington. The team acted out the parts of a story about famous Confederate spy Rose O'Neal Greenhow, who drowned off the coast of Ft. Fisher. Larry mesmerized the kids with his rendition of the captain of the blockade runner Condor, that ran aground and was the ultimate demise of Rose.



On November 10, 2017, Howard Talley III (left) presented a check for \$100 on behalf of the chapter to the Friends of Oakdale (Bert Williams, right) for the \$1.9M Oakdale Cemetery Capital Campaign 2017 in Wilmington. The historic cemetery is raising funds to renovate and preserve the 100-acre sanctuary, which was established in 1852. There are over 1,000 Confederate soldiers buried there, including a Confederate Mound that contains the remains of 550 soldiers, most whom died during the fall of Ft. Fisher. Union soldiers and veterans of all other wars, including relocated Revolutionary War era graves, are also buried in the cemetery. They are proud to help secure its future. *Pictures and articles by Linda Lashley*

A new Facebook page has been established for the General Whiting Chapter, and we invite you to follow us. Search on the full chapter name and it will open. Please be sure to "like" us and your comments are most welcome.



# International Headquarters News

Post Office Box 18901, Raleigh, North Carolina 27619-8901

## MOS&B revises requirements for War Service Medal

**BILOXI, MS**—The General Executive Council of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars has revised their requirements for qualifications for the MOS&B War Service Medal. The new requirements, proposed by Col. Gregory Eanes, USAF (Ret.), follows the same requirements established by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The new language is as follows: *The War Service Medal is presented to an active member of the Military Order of the Stars & Bars who have served our nation honorably. Qualifying service for the War Service Medal is the same as that established by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. Please see the Veterans of Foreign Wars Eligibility requirements for full criteria that must be met as these are periodically updated and amended.*

Applications must be approved by the MOS&B War Service Committee. The cost of these medals is \$70.00 for each award. This cost includes a large and miniature engraved medal.



MOS&B GEC  
to meet next on  
March 10, 2018

**MOUNT PLEASANT, SC**—The next meeting of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars General Executive Council will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018. The site of the meeting will be announced at a later date.

# 2018 Military Order of the Stars and Bars National Convention

**July 12-14, 2018**

**Capitol Hilton, Lafayette Street  
Baton Rouge, LA**



Louisiana Society  
*Military Order of the Stars and Bars*

Convention Headquarters. The 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary General Convention of the Military Order of the Stars & Bars will be held July 12 through July 14, 2018 at the:

Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center  
201 Lafayette Street  
Baton Rouge LA 70801  
Tel: (225) 344-5866 (Main)  
(800) 955-6962 (Reservations)

Rates: \$139.00 + 14% tax = \$158.46 per night (Single or Double)  
\$159.00 + 14% tax = \$181.26 per night (Single or Double) (Executive level)  
\$10.00 + 14% tax = \$11.40 per night (extra each for 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> person per room)  
Booking Code: **MOSB**

**DEADLINE FOR MAKING RESERVATIONS:** Wednesday, June 20, 2018.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** 24 hours before scheduled arrival.

The above rates will also be in effect beginning July 8 and lasting to July 18, 2018, subject to availability.

To make a reservation, you must call the Reservations number shown above, identify yourself as a member of the MOS&B group, designate the date of arrival and date of departure, make any special room requests at time of making the reservation and either give the reservationist a valid credit card number or mail an amount equal to the first night's room and tax for each room reservation. Unless you notify the front desk before checking in that you are departing before the date of departure given when making the reservation, you will be charged with an amount equal to the first night's room and tax for each room reservation.

**PARKING.** Valet parking, 24-hour in and out, is \$20.00 per 24-hour period + 14% tax. There is also a self-park and lock open lot (no fence) on the north side of the hotel. This lot operates independent of the hotel.