# TEXAS DIVISION Sons of Confederate Veterans



## **DIVISION AWARDS**

## **MANUAL**

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#### INTRODUCTION

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this <u>Texas Division Awards Manual</u> is:

- a. to augment the current National SCV Awards and Insignia Guide;
- b. to identify the National and Division awards for which members of the Texas Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) may be eligible;
- c. to identify Division awards for which non-members may be eligible;
- d. to inaugurate new Division awards;
- e. to define the applicable details for each award, including eligibility and nomination deadlines.
- f. to institute the guidelines for the Division Awards Committee;
- g. to provide standardized Division Award forms;
- h. to record annual individual and Camp winners of major Division awards; and
- i. to provide protocol guidelines for wearing various levels of medals, badges, etc.

#### **General Guidelines**

Both Division and National award nominations are to be sent to the Division Awards Committee Chairman for further processing. It is the responsibility of the nominator to read the applicable portions of the on-line Division and National Awards Manuals and to provide all required information, on the correct form (Division or National), including name of recipient (as listed on the official SCV roster; not his common nickname), his camp name and number, and sufficient justification for the level of award proposed. SCV membership number is desirable, especially in the case of common names or when a "Senior" and "Junior" are in the same camp. Pay particular attention to any minimum membership time required for award eligibility, which is measured as of the date of the Division Reunion at which the award is to be presented. The Awards Committee will research previous awards for the years 2010 and on, where we have records. Otherwise the Committee has neither time nor responsibility to research incomplete information, nor to transcribe provided information to the proper form. If a deserving compatriot spends a full year supporting the Division and the SCV, it is a reasonable expectation for the nominator to spend a few minutes properly preparing the award nomination form.

The completed nomination form should be submitted (scanned attachment to e-mail or USPS mail) to the Awards Committee Chairman, for processing and distribution to the rest of the Committee, in accordance with the Awards Calendar. The chairman's contact information is listed in this manual and on the Division website. Telephone or other verbal requests, or a simple list of names and proposed awards cannot be accepted.

Division-level Cross awards are for exceptional and consistent performance, above and beyond what is expected of every member, and nominations should be limited to maintain the prestige of these awards. Division-level awards should reflect consistent contributions at a higher level (Brigade and Division), not just "time in service" and contributions solely at the Camp level.

They are NOT "Good Conduct" medals for regularly attending meetings or participating in an occasional local event. A camp may consider purchasing camp-level Bronze or Silver Crosses for this level of contribution.

Even those who are deserving of higher awards are expected to work their way up the levels, Bronze > Silver > Gold. Nominations that "skip" one level will be considered on a case by case basis if there is sufficient justification, but a Gold Cross will very rarely be awarded to someone who has never received even a Bronze Cross.

Camps are expected to maintain the prestige of the Division-level Cross awards by keeping the annual number down to a reasonable level. As a general guideline, limit the total Division Crosses to no more than 20% of a camp's membership or 10 Crosses, whichever is lower. Similarly, annual Honor awards should be limited to no more than 3 awards per camp. An exception may be considered for 1-time special situations, such as a Division reunion host camp which had contributions from a larger than normal percentage of the membership. The Awards Committee will not unilaterally "cull" excess nominations but reserves the right to return all nominations back to the originator and request that he resubmit only those that will fit under a reasonable "cap". Camps that wish to bestow more Bronze and Silver Crosses or Honor Awards can purchase these as Camp-level awards.

There is no rule that an officer cannot nominate himself if an award is otherwise deserved, but since they are often reluctant to do so, Brigade officers are expected to assure that Camp officers in their jurisdiction receive any warranted recognition, while Division officers are expected to do the same for Brigade and other Division officers.

#### **Camp Awards Committee**

Each Camp is encouraged to establish a Camp Awards Committee to review the awards listed herein, and make recommendations for those which their Camp, individual members, or applicable non-members are eligible. A committee resolves the issue of a deserving camp officer in charge of recommending awards not wanting to nominate himself. The committee recommendations, along with all relevant background information, should then be forwarded to the applicable Camp, Brigade, or Division Executive Council (DEC) officer who is authorized to make the actual nominations.

Camps are encouraged to initially recognize all members deserving of an award because of their participation in previous years, then consider members with more recent service. Camps should spread their awards over a number of years, rather than clustering them all into one year, both to maintain member interest and to keep within the "cap" guidelines for Cross and Honor awards.

#### **Division Awards Calendar**

By 16 March	• The Awards Committee Chairman will request the Awards Calendar be sent by e-mail to all DEC members, as well as Camp Commanders and Adjutants
By 1 April:	<ul> <li>Awards Committee notifies Division Executive Council to submit nominations for <i>Deo Vindice, Confederate of the Year, Lucy Pickens,</i> and <i>Lifetime Achievement</i> awards.</li> <li>Applications for <i>Distinguished Camp</i> are due to Awards Committee</li> <li>Nomination for the <i>Best Newsletter</i> due to Awards Committee</li> </ul>
By 15 April:	• DEC nominations for <i>Deo Vindice</i> , <i>Confederate of the Year</i> , <i>Lucy Pickens</i> and <i>Lifetime Achievement</i> awards are due to Awards Committee.
By 19 April:	• Ballot for <i>Deo Vindice</i> , <i>Confederate of the Year</i> and <i>Lifetime Achievement</i> awards sent to Division Executive Council by Awards Committee Chairman.
By 26 April:	• DEC votes for <i>Deo Vindice</i> , <i>Confederate of the Year</i> and <i>Lifetime</i> **Achievement* awards are due to Division Awards Committee Chairman.
By 1 May:	<ul> <li>Community Service Award applications due to Awards Committee.</li> <li>Nominations from Brigade Commanders for 4 Star Camp award due to Division Adjutant and Awards Committee.</li> <li>Web masters must notify Awards Committee that they wish to enter their websites in competition for the Best Website award.</li> </ul>
	• Nominations for SCV National Awards, Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service and Honor Award are due to Awards Committee.
By 4 May:	• Division Adjutant notifies Awards Committee of <i>Camp Growth</i> winners and confirms <i>Distinguished Camp</i> and <i>4 Star Camp</i> nominees have paid their dues on time (31 July).
By 7 May:	<ul> <li>Awards Committee forwards its recommendations for <i>Distinguished Camp Award</i>, <i>Community Service Award</i>, <i>Texas Division Crosses</i>, <i>Honor Award</i>, <i>Lifetime Achievement Award</i> and <i>Lucy Pickens Award</i> to the Division Commander for final selection.</li> <li>Awards Committee forwards nominations for SCV <i>National Awards</i> to the Division Commander for approval and forwarding to IHQ.</li> </ul>
One Week before Reunion:	Deadline for Awards Committee to procures all awards.
Day before Reunion (by 1900 hours):	• Scrapbooks submitted to Awards Committee for judging, unless later submittal has been coordinated with the Awards Committee Chairman

#### SECTION 1: COORDINATION WITH NATIONAL AWARDS

#### **Use in Conjunction with National Awards Manual**

This manual is designed to be used in conjunction with the <u>National SCV Awards and Insignia Guide</u> as posted on the national SCV website. An electronic copy of the current <u>National Guide</u> may be downloaded from the SCV web site at <a href="http://www.scv.org/new/forms-and-documents/awards-manual/">http://www.scv.org/new/forms-and-documents/awards-manual/</a>. An electronic copy of this <u>Division Awards Manual</u> may be downloaded from the Texas Division web site <a href="http://scvtexas.org/texas-division-awards">http://scvtexas.org/texas-division-awards</a>

#### **Summary of National Awards**

Any member of the Texas Division may be recommended for a National award by his Camp, Brigade or Division Commander, although the formal nomination may have to be made at a higher level. Nominations shall be made on the applicable form and submitted to the Division Awards Committee Chairman, who shall review all nominations for required information and then submit them to the Division Commander for concurrence and forwarding to the National Awards Committee Chairman. The rules and guidelines for each National medal or award are set forth in the current *National SCV Awards and Insignia Guide*, as posted on the National web site. An appropriate certificate accompanies each medal and award. The medals and awards, in the order of importance by classification, starting with the highest classification are as follows:

- (1) Our Highest Honors
- (2) National Merit Awards
- (3) Local Merit Awards
- (4) National Achievement Awards (Competitive)
- (5) Certificates

#### Order of Precedence of Texas Division Medals with National Medals

Medals awarded by the Sons of Confederate Veterans should be worn in the following order or priority, with the highest medal worn first (top row on the inside and proceeding to the wearer's left and additional rows as needed). Insignia medals are worn at the same level on the right See Appendix III of this Manual and the <u>National SCV Awards and Insignia Guide</u> for further guidelines. While one may wear all medals to which they are entitled, most observers find excessive medals as too gaudy, so one should consider wearing just the highest awards in each category.

- 1. Medal(s) awarded by the National level of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, in the order specified in the *National SCV Awards and Insignia Guide*;
- 2. Next should be medal(s) awarded by the Military Order of the Stars and Bars (MOS&B);
- 3. Next should be Texas Division medal(s) in the following priority:

#### SCV Commendation Medal

(Note: this is a National medal, but awarded at the Division, Brigade, or Camp level)

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Deo Vindice Medal
Texas Confederate of the Year Medal
Texas Division Gold Cross for Meritorious Service
Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service
Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service
Full Guardian Medal
Other Division, Brigade, or Camp-awarded medals

# SECTION 2: TEXAS DIVISION INDIVIDUAL AWARDS SCV MEMBERS

#### **Deo Vindice Award**

- **Purpose:** The *Deo Vindice Award* is the highest award that is bestowed by the Texas Division to an individual. It is awarded to a member of the Texas Division for <u>long and outstanding</u> service to the Division.
- **Number of Awards:** Only one award may be presented annually, but there is no requirement that the award be presented.
- Eligibility: A nominee must be a current Texas Division SCV member and must have been an SCV member and demonstrated outstanding contributions to the SCV for at least five years. An individual may receive this award only once. (See Appendix II for previous winners.) There is no requirement that the recipient must have first received the *Texas Confederate of the Year Award*, or other SCV awards to be eligible for the *Deo Vindice Award*.
- Selection Process: By 1 April each year, the Chairman of the Division Awards Committee will notify each member of the Division Executive Council (DEC) that nominations are due for this award. Each member of the DEC is permitted to nominate one candidate annually. DEC members may solicit suggestions for nominations but must select and endorse the one submitted. Each nomination must be made on the "Division SCV Member Awards Nomination Form", accompanied by a narrative of at least 50, but not more than 150 words, explaining why the nominee is deserving of the award. All nominations must be submitted no later than 15 April. The Division Awards Committee Chairman shall then prepare a ballot, with a summary of accompanying narratives, which will be sent to each member of the Division Executive Council by 19 April. The ballot will list all candidates for this award. Completed ballots must be returned to the Division Awards Committee Chairman by 26 April. The nominee receiving the largest number of votes will be declared the winner. In case of a tie, the nominee with the longest continuous SCV membership will be declared the winner.
- **Form of Award:** Engraved plaque and *Deo Vindice Medal*. The medal will be a gold-colored replica of the Great Seal of the Confederacy, with a light blue ribbon.
- **Cost of Award:** The cost of the award will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.
- **Presentation:** The *Deo Vindice Award* will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion, by either the Division Commander or the Division Awards Committee Chairman.

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#### **Texas Confederate of the Year Award**

Purpose: The *Texas Confederate of the Year Award* is presented to a member of the Texas Division for truly outstanding service to the Texas Division since the last Division Reunion. (It is NOT in recognition of years of service to the Division, or as a "secondary award" to the Deo Vindice award.) This is the second highest award that is bestowed by the Texas Division to an individual.

**Number of Awards:** Only one award may be presented annually, but there is no requirement that the award be presented.

Eligibility: A nominee must be a current Texas Division SCV member and <u>must have been a member of the SCV for at least three years</u>. An individual may receive this award only once. (See Appendix II for previous winners.) There is no requirement that the recipient must have first received any other SCV award to be eligible for the *Texas Confederate of the Year Award*.

**Selection Process:** Same as for the *Deo Vindice Award*. (See above description.) Each DEC member may nominate one candidate annually for each award.

**Form of Award:** Engraved plaque and *Confederate of the Year Medal*. The medal will be a silver-colored replica of the Great Seal of the Confederacy, with a light blue and white striped ribbon.

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the award will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The *Texas Confederate of the Year Award* will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion, by either the Division Commander or the Division Awards Committee Chairman.







#### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

**Purpose:** The *Lifetime Achievement Award* is a prestigious Texas Division award, to be presented to the family of a deceased Compatriot who provided long and outstanding service to the SCV and the Texas Division before his death.

**Number of Awards:** This award will normally be limited to one to two recipients, but there is no requirement that it be presented annually. However, at the discretion of the Division Awards Committee and Division Commander, additional awards may be given when justified by special circumstances.

Eligibility: The deceased nominee must have been a member of the Texas Division, whose distinguished service met the intent of this prestigious award, and it is desirable that the nomination be made within a year or two of his death. There is no requirement that the nominee received high-level Texas Division or National awards during his lifetime, nor does the receipt of such awards preclude this posthumous recognition of his service. <u>Since this is a "Lifetime Achievement" award, a nominee is generally expected to have made significant contributions to the SCV for at least 10 years prior to his death.</u> Exceptions will be on a case-by-case basis.

Selection Process: By 1 April each year, the Chairman of the Division Awards Committee will notify each member of the Division Executive Council (DEC) that nominations are due for this award. Each member of the DEC is permitted to nominate one suitable candidate annually. Each nomination must be made on the "Texas Division SCV Member Awards Nomination Form", accompanied by a narrative of at least 50, but not more than 150 words, explaining why the nominee is deserving of the recognition. Qualified nominees will be submitted for DEC balloting, using the same process and schedule as that for the *Deo Vindice* and *Confederate of the Year* awards, except each DEC member may vote for two *Lifetime Achievement* nominees. After the DEC voting is complete, the Awards Committee, with concurrence of the Division Commander, will select one to three of those receiving the highest number of votes and best meeting the distinguished service requirements, unless circumstances merit additional awards. The nominating DEC member and applicable Camp Commander will be asked to notify the Compatriot's family and to invite them to the Division Reunion. Family expenses will be the responsibility of the family or the deceased Compatriot's Camp.

Form of Award: An engraved plaque:

The Great Seal of the Confederacy at the top and the words:
PRESENTED TO
(NAME OF RECIPIENT)

In Recognition of Outstanding
Achievement and Dedication
To The Cause
Texas Division,
Sons of Confederate Veterans
(Year)

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the plaque will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The plaque will be presented to a family representative at the annual Division Reunion by the Division Commander, or at his discretion, by the DEC officer making the nomination. If a family representative cannot attend the Reunion, it should be presented to the family by a Division or Brigade officer, with an appropriate ceremony at a meeting of the deceased Compatriot's Camp.

#### **SCV Commendation Medal**

**Purpose:** The *SCV Commendation Medal* is a National award that may be presented at the local level to members for meritorious service at the Camp, Brigade or Division level. This is the highest ranking <u>National</u> medal that can be given without the approval of the Commander-in-Chief.

**Number of Awards:** There is no annual limit on the number of *SCV Commendation Medals* that may be awarded within the Division, although individual Camps are expected to maintain its prestige by limiting them to one or two per year.

**Eligibility:** Any SCV member in good standing is eligible. Camp, Brigade and Division officers may be given this award for exceptional leadership skills in their respective offices. The medal should be awarded only for service above and beyond that which would normally be expected of SCV members.

There is no requirement that a recipient of the *SCV Commendation Medal* must first be awarded any of the three levels of the *Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service*, although it would normally be expected that an individual would progress up the ladder of medals in the order of importance.

Selection Process: Any member of the Division Executive Committee or any Camp or Brigade Commander may make nominations for the *SCV Commendation Medal*. Each nomination must be made on the current "National Awards Nomination Form", available on the National SCV web site, and sent to the Texas Division Awards Committee Chairman for further processing. All nominations must be submitted no later than 1 May. The Division Awards Committee shall review the nominations submitted and submit its recommendations to the Division Commander by no later than 7 May. Recommendations for *SCV Commendation Medals* must be approved by the Division Commander, before being forwarded to the National Awards Committee for processing.

Form of Award: An SCV Commendation Medal and a certificate.

**Cost of Award:** If given at the local level, the cost of the award will be borne by the nominating Camp or Division. Awards given by the Commander-in-Chief will be paid for by SCV General Headquarters. Contact General Headquarters for information on purchasing this award at the local level at (800)-380-1896 ext. 205 or <a href="mailto:mktadm@scv.org">mktadm@scv.org</a>

**Presentation:** The *SCV Commendation Medals* are presented at the <u>National Reunion</u>. If the recipient is not present at the National Reunion to receive the award in person, the award should be presented by a Brigade officer at an appropriate local ceremony. If the award is being purchased by the Camp, the award should be presented by a Brigade officer or Camp Commander, at an appropriate local ceremony.





#### **Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service**

The *Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service* are awarded to Texas Division SCV members for OUTSTANDING AND EXEMPLARY patriotic achievement and community service of statewide or local importance to the community and/or to his SCV Camp, Brigade or Division, which furthers the ideals outlined in General Steven D. Lee's "Charge" to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

THE MEDAL SHOULD BE AWARDED FOR SERVICE ABOVE AND BEYOND THAT WHICH WOULD NORMALLY BE EXPECTED OF SCV MEMBERS. For example, regular attendance of Camp meetings is expected, so a Cross should be reserved to recognize those who make significant contributions beyond consistent meeting attendance and occasional event participation. As a minimum, they should regularly participate with their Camp in area parades, cemetery ceremonies, etc. Those considered for higher levels of the Cross should regularly participate in events beyond their immediate Camp area, i.e., support SCV activities around their Brigade, the Division, and nationally. COMPATRIOTS SHOULD NOT BE NOMINATED FOR A HIGHER AWARD SIMPLY FOR "TIME IN SERVICE", BUT RATHER HIGHER AWARDS SHOULD REFLECT CORRESPONDING HIGHER ACHIEVEMENT. Even for those who are deserving of higher awards are expected to work their way up the levels, Bronze > Silver > Gold.

Activities which may be considered as patriotic achievement and community service are as follows:

- 1. Active participation in the local Camp, Brigade, Division and/or National Society of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, for at least the minimum time applicable to the award; including, but not limited to working on SCV Camp, Brigade, Division or National projects; serving on a Camp, Brigade, Division or National committee; serving as an Officer at the Camp, Brigade, Division or National level; regular attendance at Brigade, Division or National events; and/or providing significant financial support to these activities or other heritage defense issues.
- 2. The Division Awards Committee may also consider:
  - a.) The member's participation as a leader in non-SCV organizations at the local, state, or national level (such as patriotic, military, veterans, religious, business, civic, professional, genealogical, hereditary, historical, school, Scouting, or youth sports organizations), if that outside participation portrays the SCV in a favorable light. To insure the non-political nature of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, political involvement or activity may not be considered toward qualification of the award.
  - b.) Authorship of genealogical, patriotic, military, historical or hereditary books, magazines, historical or genealogical society journals, internet forums, newsletter articles, letters to the editor; and/or presentation of speeches which are designed in part to:
    - 1) Correct distorted historical facts about the Confederacy; the War for Southern Independence; causes for the war; or Reconstruction;
    - 2) Portray a favorable impression about the South, the Confederacy, the Confederate soldier or statesman, Confederate or Southern icons (such as the Confederate Battle Flag), or the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

- 3) Educate the public (including SCV members) about the true history of the South, the Confederacy, the Confederate soldier or statesmen, the War for Southern Independence and/or Reconstruction.
- 4) Assist members or the public in genealogical research to locate and identify Confederate ancestors or their graves.
- 5) Convey information about the individual war efforts of Confederate Veterans or the status of Southern civilians during the conflict and/or during Reconstruction.
- c) Actively participate in the management of a Confederate Veterans Cemetery or care for Confederate veteran graves in public or private cemeteries under the Guardian Program; -or-
- d) Actively participate in a Civil War Reenactment Group or in the establishment, restoration or defense of Civil War Monuments, flags, plaques, markers, etc.

It shall be the duty of the SCV Texas Division Awards Committee to ensure that the *Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service* medals are awarded not only to Division, Brigade, and Camp officers, but also to deserving individual members at the Brigade and Camp levels.

**Number of Awards:** There is no limit to the number of Crosses awarded by the Division annually, but each Camp is expected to stay within the annual limits described in the General Guidelines.

Selection Process: Nominations for the *Texas Division Cross for Meritorious Service* may be made by any member of the Division Executive Committee or any Camp Commander. Each nomination must be made on the "Division SCV Member Award Nomination Form". All Division-level nominations must be submitted no later than 1 May. The Awards Committee shall submit its award recommendations to the Division Commander, no later than 7 May. Division-level awards are presented only at the annual Division Reunion. Brigade-level and Camp-level Silver and Bronze awards can be made at any time and do not require the Division Commander's approval.

#### **Summary of Approval Authority for Texas Division Crosses**

- Texas Division Gold Cross for Meritorious Service may be awarded only by the Texas Division Commander
- **Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service** may be awarded by the Division, Brigade, or Camp Commander
- *Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service* may be awarded by the Division, Brigade, or Camp Commander

**Form of Award:** The applicable level of *Texas Division Cross for Meritorious Service* medal and a Certificate. If a Compatriot receives the same award again, he shall receive a star for his ribbon, in lieu of another medal, up to 4 stars. A 5th award will be represented by an

Oak Leaf Cluster, replacing the 4 Stars. Subsequent Awards will be represented by additional Stars. (Note that the Division, Brigade, and Camp levels are considered separate awards.)

#### **Cost of Award:**

- At the Division level The cost of the Division level award will be borne by the Texas Division.
- At the Brigade and Camp level The certificate and medal may be purchased from the Texas Division Awards Committee Chairman, by the recipient's Camp.

#### **Presentation:**

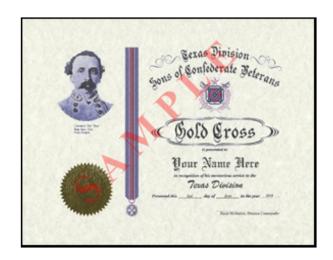
- At the Division level The award is to be presented by the Division Awards Committee Chairman at the Division Reunion.
- At the Brigade and Camp level (or if the recipient is not present at the Division Reunion to receive a Division-level award in person) The award should be presented by a Brigade officer at an appropriate local ceremony.

#### **Texas Division Gold Cross for Meritorious Service**

**Purpose:** The *Texas Division Gold Cross for Meritorious Service* is awarded to Texas Division SCV members for *HIGHEST LEVEL* of OUTSTANDING AND EXEMPLARY patriotic achievement and community service of statewide or local importance to the community and/or to his SCV Camp, Brigade or Division.

Eligibility: Active participation in the local Camp, Brigade, Division and/or National Society of the Sons of Confederate Veterans for <u>at least three (3) years</u>. It is not mandatory that a recipient of the *Texas Division Gold Cross for Meritorious Service* must first be awarded the *Texas Division Silver* or *Bronze Cross*, although it is expected that an individual would normally progress up the ladder of medals in the order of importance. Nominations that "skip" one level will be considered on a case by case basis if there is sufficient justification, but a Gold Cross will very rarely be awarded to someone who has never received even a Bronze Cross. A member may receive the award more than once.





#### **Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service**

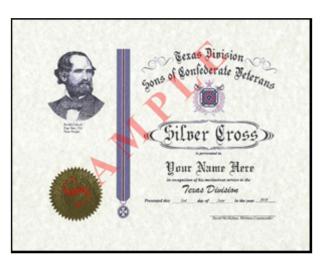
Purpose: The *Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service* is awarded to Texas Division SCV members for OUTSTANDING AND EXEMPLARY patriotic achievement and community service of statewide or local importance to the community and/or to his SCV Camp, Brigade or Division, but which is less than that required for award of the *Texas Division Gold Cross for Meritorious Service*.

The *Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service* may be awarded at either the Camp, Brigade, or Division level and these are considered separate awards. The level of the award should reflect the scope of the nominee's contributions and service.

The *Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service* is the second highest award (after the *SCV Commendation Medal*) that may be presented by the local SCV Camp Commander or the Brigade Commander.

Eligibility: Active participation in the local Camp, Brigade, Division and/or National Society of the Sons of Confederate Veterans for <u>at least two (2) years</u>. It is not mandatory that a recipient of the *Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service* must first be awarded the *Texas Division Bronze Cross*, although it is expected that an individual would normally progress up the ladder of medals in the order of importance. Exceptions will be determined on an individual basis. A member may receive the award more than once.





#### **Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service**

Purpose: The *Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service* is awarded to Texas Division SCV members for OUTSTANDING AND EXEMPLARY patriotic achievement and community service of statewide or local importance to the community and/or the SCV Camp, Brigade or Division, but which is less than that required for award of the *Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service*.

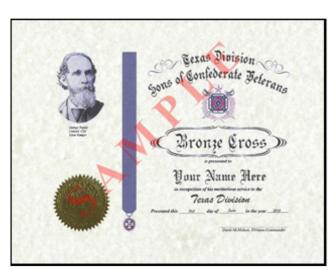
The *Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service* may be awarded at the Camp, Brigade, or Division level and these are considered separate awards. The level of the award should reflect the scope of the nominee's contributions and service.

The *Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service* is the third highest award that may be presented by the local SCV Camp Commander or the Brigade Commander.

**Eligibility:** Active participation in the local Camp, Brigade, Division and/or National Society of the Sons of Confederate Veterans for <u>at least one (1) year</u>. A member may receive the award more than once.

The Camp Commander may also present *Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service* to deserving Camp Cadets (see Cadet Awards; Section 3) as well as one each year to a non-member (male or female) who has supported the activities of the camp. See also the *Texas Division Honor Award* in Section 3 for non-members. Cost of the award will be borne by nominating Camp





#### SECTION 3: TEXAS DIVISION AWARDS – SCV MEMBERS, CADETS OR NON-MEMBERS

#### **Texas Division Honor Award**

- **Purpose:** The *Texas Division Honor Award* may be awarded to camp cadets and non-members for service to the community or to the Camp, Brigade, or Division. This award may also be given to new members whose length of membership does not qualify them for the *Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service Medal*.
- **Number of Awards:** There is no limit to the number of Honor Awards bestowed by the Division annually, but each Camp is expected to stay within the limits described in the General Guidelines. Annual Honor awards exceeding that Guideline should be purchased for Camp presentation.
- Eligibility: Any SCV member, cadet or non-member, upon the recommendation of an SCV Camp, Brigade, or Division Commander. However, if qualified by length of membership, an SCV member should be presented with the *Texas Division Silver or Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service Medals*. Non-members may receive the *Honor Award* more than once.
- **Selection Process:** Nominations for the *Texas Division Honor Award* may be made by a member of the Division Executive Committee or by any Camp Commander. Each nomination must be made on the "Division SCV Member Award Nomination Form". All nominations must be submitted no later than 1 May. The Division Awards Committee shall submit its award recommendations to the Division Commander, no later than 7 May.

Form of the Award: Certificate.

- **Cost of Award:** The cost of the certificate will be borne by the Texas Division for those presented at the annual Division Reunion, or a Camp may purchase it for presentation at other times. To purchase use the "Texas Division Brigade and Camp Medals Order form".
- **Presentation:** The Texas Division-level *Honor Award* will be presented, for members, at the annual Texas Division Reunion, by the Division Awards Committee Chairman. If the recipient is not present at the Division Reunion to receive the award in person, or the award is being purchased by the Camp, the award should be presented by a Brigade officer or Camp Commander, at an appropriate local ceremony.



Honor Award

#### **Certificate of Appreciation**

**Purpose:** The *Certificate of Appreciation* is presented to members, camp cadets or non-members, individuals or organizations, in appreciation for services rendered to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Typically, it is awarded to speakers at Camp, Brigade or Division meetings, who may or may not be SCV members. It may be presented to a committee chairman or member; an officer; convention delegate, or member for a job well done; to a restaurant where the camp meetings are conducted; to a business (or individual) which promotes the cause of the Confederacy, etc. This award will normally not be given at the Division level, since the *Honor Award* will be presented.

**Number of Awards:** There is no limit to the number of annual awards.

**Eligibility:** Any SCV member, camp cadet, non-member, or organization, upon the recommendation of an SCV Camp Commander.

**Selection Process:** A printed certificate may be purchased from the Texas Division Awards Chairman. Contact him with the "Texas Division Brigade and Camp Medals Order form along with name of the recipient, the awarding Camp's name and number, and other applicable details.

Form of Award: Certificate

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the certificate will be borne by the nominating Camp.

**Presentation:** The certificate will be presented by a Camp officer, either at a Camp meeting or at the recipient's place of business.



Certificate of Appreciation

#### **Advance the Colors Certificate**

**Purpose:** The *Advance the Colors Certificate* is presented to a business (or individual) which regularly flies one of the flags of the Confederacy in a respectful manner.

Number of Awards: There is no limit to the number of annual awards.

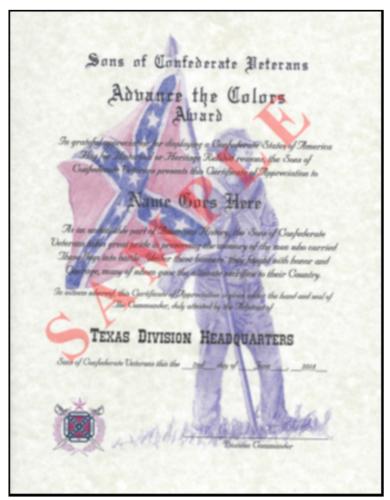
**Eligibility:** Any SCV member, non-member, or organization, upon the recommendation of an SCV Camp Commander.

**Selection Process:** Same as for the Certificate of Appreciation.

Form of Award: Certificate

Cost of Award: The cost of the certificate will be borne by the nominating Camp.

**Presentation:** The certificate will be presented by a Camp officer, either at a Camp meeting or at the recipient's home or place of business where the flag is flown.



Advance the Colors

#### **Cadet Awards**

**Purpose:** To reward those deserving Camp Cadets for service to the community or to the Camp, Brigade, or Division.

**Number of Awards:** There is no limit to the number of annual awards but should use discretion. **Eligibility:** Any Camp Cadet, upon the recommendation of an SCV Brigade or Camp Commander.

- **Selection Process:** Texas Division Nominations for any cadet award may be made by a Brigade or Camp Commander. Each nomination must be made on the "Division SCV Member Award Nomination Form" and forwarded to the Texas Division Awards Chairman along with the "Texas Division Brigade and Camp Medals Order form".
- Available Division Awards: Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service, Honor Award and Certificate of Appreciation.
- **National Cadet Awards:** National Cadet Awards should be submitted on the National Awards Nomination Form and submitted to National HQ. Contact HQ for their current prices and policies.
- Available National Cadet Awards: SCV Commendation Medal and the SCV Leadership Award.
- Cost of Award: The cost of the award will be borne by the nominating Camp or Brigade.

**Presentation:** The award should be presented by a Brigade officer or Camp Commander, at an appropriate local ceremony.

# SECTION 4 - DIVISION INDIVIDUAL AWARDS – NON MEMBERS

#### **Lucy Pickens Award**

Purpose: The *Lucy Pickens Award* is the highest honor given by the Texas Division SCV to women who make an OUTSTANDING AND EXEMPLARY contribution to support the Cause. This award is named for Lucy Pickens, known as the "Queen of the Confederacy". Her husband, Colonel Francis Wilkinson Pickens, served as a wartime governor of South Carolina. Lucy Pickens joined the Confederate effort, selling jewels given to her by the Russian royal family in order to outfit the "Lucy Holcombe Legion." Her likeness appeared on three issues of Confederate currency--the one-dollar bills of 1862 and 1863 and the one-hundred-dollar bill of 1864--making her one of the few women whose likeness has appeared on a national currency, a tribute usually reserved for heads of state.

- **Number of Awards:** This award will be limited to one recipient per year, but there is no requirement that it be presented annually. However, at the discretion of the Division Awards Committee and Division Commander, multiple recipients (usually limited to three) may receive the award when justified by outstanding work of a committee or other special circumstances.
- **Eligibility:** This award may be presented to a lady who has provided exemplary service to the Sons of Confederate Veterans, United Daughters of the Confederacy, other historical and patriotic organizations, or who has otherwise made outstanding contributions to further the ideals outlined in General Steven D. Lee's "Charge" to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

An individual may receive this award only once. (See Appendix II for previous winners.)

Activities which may be considered as contributing to exemplary service include the following:

- 1.) Active participation and leadership in applicable historic / patriotic organization(s) for at least three (3) years, with significant contributions to projects that support the "Charge";
- 2.) Authorship of genealogical, patriotic, military, historical or hereditary books, magazines, historical or genealogical society journals, internet forums, newsletter articles and letters to the editor; and/or speeches which are intended to:
  - a) Correct distorted historical facts about the Confederacy; the War for Southern Independence; causes for the War; or Reconstruction;
  - b) Portray a favorable impression about the South, the Confederacy, the Confederate soldier or statesman, Confederate or Southern icons (such as the Confederate Battle Flag) or the Sons of Confederate Veterans or other organizations supporting the honor of the Confederacy.
  - c) Educate the public (especially young students) about the South, the Confederacy, the Confederate soldier or statesmen, the War for Southern Independence or Reconstruction.
  - d) Assist in genealogical research to locate and identify Confederate ancestors or their graves. And/or assist in caring for the graves of Confederate veterans.
  - e) Convey information about the war efforts of individual Confederate Veterans or the status of Southern civilians during the conflict and/or during Reconstruction.
- 3.) Active participation in the management or restoration of a Confederate Veterans Cemetery, or registration of or care for Confederate veteran graves in public or private cemeteries
- 4.) Active participation in the management or preservation of a battlefield or other wartime historical site.
- 5.) Active participation in the collection, restoration, and public display of artifacts from the War for Southern Independence.

6.) Establishment, restoration or defense of Confederate monuments, flags, plaques, markers, etc.

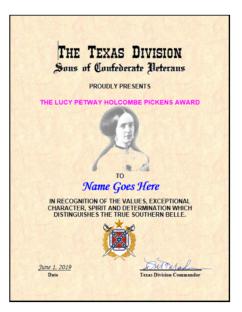
**Selection Process:** Each member of the Division Executive Committee (including Brigade-level officers) may submit one nomination annually for the Lucy Pickens Award. These DEC members may solicit recommendations from any Camp Commander and then determine which nominee should be forwarded to the Division Awards Committee. Each nomination must be prepared on the "Division Lucy Pickens Award Nomination Form" and must be submitted to the Awards Committee Chairman no later than 15 April. The Division Awards Committee shall review the nominations and submit its recommendation to the Division Commander by 7 May.

Form of Award: The award consists of a certificate and medal. The certificate inscription is: "IN RECOGNITION OF THE VALUES, EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER, SPIRIT, AND DETERMINATION WHICH DISTINGUISHES THE TRUE SOUTHERN BELLE."

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the award will be borne by the Texas Division.

**Presentation:** The award shall be presented by the Division Commander or the Division Awards Committee Chairman at the annual Texas Division Convention. If the recipient is not present at the Division Reunion to receive the award in person, the award should be presented by a Division or Brigade officer at an appropriate local ceremony.





#### **Ladies Appreciation Award**



While the Division Honor Award is more appropriate for most non-member contributors, the Ladies Appreciation Medal and certificate is a National award that should be considered for a lady who deserves even higher recognition in assisting in active support of camp functions and carrying out the missions of the SCV. This is not a national convention award; but it is a purchased award for presentation by the Camp, not one that is given at a National or Division Reunion.

**Selection Process:** Any SCV unit where the recommended lady resides may submit recommendations, with a detailed narrative outlining the service of the nominee, should be submitted to the Texas Division Commander and with his approval then, submit to the Executive Director at Headquarters for consideration thru the Executive Director at exedir@scv.org

Cost of the Award: The cost of this award is borne by the requesting camp. Contact the SCV Merchandise Dept for cost including shipping & handling: (800)-380-1896 ext. 205 or <a href="mailto:mktadm@scv.org">mktadm@scv.org</a>

**Presentation:** The award should be presented by a Brigade officer or Camp Commander, at an appropriate local ceremony.

#### **LEADERSHIP OR STUDENT AWARDS**

The SCV's *Leadership Awards* are intended to give the Camps of the Texas Division an opportunity to work with their local high schools, colleges, Junior and college ROTC, and the Boy Scouts, to make a favorable SCV impression on faculty and students alike. These awards are a very good public relations tool, at a small cost to the participating Camp.

"Surrender means that the history of this heroic struggle will be written by the enemy; that our youth will be trained by Northern school teachers; will learn from Northern school books their version of the War; will be impressed by all the influences of history and education to regard our gallant dead as traitors, and our maimed veterans as fit subjects for derision." --- General Pat Cleburne, CSA

#### **General Robert E. Lee Leadership Award**

**Purpose:** The *General Robert E. Lee Leadership Award* is intended to give the Camps of the Texas Division an opportunity to work with the local high schools and colleges in their area that have JROTC and ROTC programs.

**Number of Awards:** One annual award per JROTC or ROTC program, but a Camp may present the award at more than one program in their area.

**Eligibility:** The *General Robert E. Lee Leadership Award* should be presented to the JROTC / ROTC student, who in the judgment of that school's senior JROTC / ROTC advisor, best emulates the leadership principles, moral character, and dedication to duty that was so superbly personified by General Robert E. Lee.

"Do your duty in all things. You cannot do more; you should never wish to do less."

"I think it better to do right, even if we suffer in doing so, than incur the reproach of our consciences and posterity."

"All that the South has ever desired was that the Union as established by our forefathers should be preserved and that the government as originally organized should be administered in purity and truth." - General Robert E. Lee

**Selection Process:** Brigade and local Camp Commanders will serve as the local Points of Contact and liaison with the student advisor within their geographic areas. The Division and Brigade Commanders will address contact with those schools not served by a local Camp and also resolve responsibilities when an area is served by two or more SCV Camps.

#### **Procedure for Camps wishing to participate in the program:**

- Contact the *Texas Division Leadership Awards* "Student Awards Coordinator" to verify that the school you wish to honor hasn't already been selected by another Camp.
- Contact the senior advisor of the school's JROTC / ROTC program, and tell them that our organization would like to present the SCV Texas Division's *General Robert E. Lee Leadership Award* to the cadet of their choice.

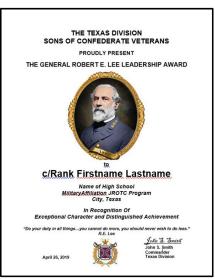
- Give the advisor a copy of the selection criteria for their review. Ask that they allow at least five weeks from time of nomination to the award presentation date, to allow ample time to create and mail the award.
- Nominations shall include: (Please double-check all spelling and other information)
- Recipient's full name, including rank, as it is to show on certificate, (example: C/SFC John D. Doe)
- Branch of service of the cadet's JROTC/ROTC program (Army, Navy, Air Force, etc)
- College / High School (school name and city) of the cadet to be honored,
- Date of the presentation, and
- The name and return address of the presenter.
- Forward the award information and fee to the Leadership Awards POC at least five weeks prior to the presentation ceremony.
- When the presenter receives the certificate, it should be reviewed by the nominating advisor for completeness and accuracy, allowing enough time for any needed corrections.

**Form of Award:** The award consists of a certificate, medal and ribbon bar. In addition, the presenting Camp may wish to include an appropriate gift, such as the book, *Robert E. Lee on Leadership: Executive Lessons in Character, Courage and Vision*, by H.W. Crocker III. This book may be purchased from the SCV General Headquarters on-line store.

**POC** and Cost of Award: POC: Student Awards Coordinator. There is a \$15.00 fee to cover costs of the certificate, ribbon bar, medal and mailing, which will be borne by the presenting Camp. Make checks payable to "TEXAS DIVISION SCV".

**Presentation:** The award should be presented in an appropriate ceremony by the nominating SCV Camp Commander or a Brigade officer.





#### Jefferson Davis Leadership Award

**Purpose:** The *Jefferson Davis Leadership Award* is intended to provide an opportunity for Camps to work with all Texas high schools and colleges, and to recognize worthy students outside of a JROTC or ROTC program.

It is also intended to recognize the good citizenship and leadership achievements of Eagle Scouts. While the awards may be given to deserving long-time Eagle Scouts, the primary intent is to present the award at the time a Scout receives his Eagle rank.

**Number of Awards:** One annual award per high school or college, but a Camp may present the award at more than one school in their area. No annual limit on the number of awards to Eagle Scouts.

Eligibility: The *Jefferson Davis Leadership Award* should be presented to the student, who in the judgment of that school's senior student advisor (or to an Eagle Scout, who in the judgment of his Scout Master), best emulates the leadership principles, moral character, and dedication to duty that was so superbly personified by Confederate President Jefferson Davis. Home-schooled students, who have demonstrated and documented high level accomplishments in the judgment of the nominating SCV officer, are also qualified to receive the award.

"Experience ... has taught me that care and toil and disappointments are the price of official elevation. You will have many errors to forgive, many deficiencies to tolerate, but you will not find in me either a want of zeal or fidelity to a cause that has my highest hopes and most enduring affection."

- CSA President Jefferson Davis, Inaugural Address, Feb. 1861
- "We feel that our cause is just and holy; we protest solemnly in the face of mankind that we desire peace at any sacrifice save that of honor and independence; we ask no conquest, no aggrandizement, no concession of any kind from the States with which we were lately confederated; all we ask is to be let alone; that those who never held power over us shall not now attempt our subjugation by arms."
- CSA President Jefferson Davis
- "Nothing fills me with deeper sadness than to see a Southern man apologizing for the defense we made of our inheritance. Our cause was so just, so sacred, that had I known all that has come to pass, had I known what was to be inflicted upon me, all that my country was to suffer, all that our posterity was to endure, I would do it all over again."
- Jefferson Davis

**Selection Process:** Brigade and local Camp Commanders will serve as the Points of Contact and liaison with the student advisor or Scout Master within their geographic areas. The Division and Brigade Commanders will address contact with those schools and Boy Scout Troops not served by a local Camp and also resolve responsibilities when an area is served by two or more SCV Camps.

#### Camps wishing to participate in the program should:

• Contact the SCV Texas Division Leadership Awards "point of contact" to verify that the school (or Eagle Scout) you wish to honor hasn't already been selected by another Camp. .

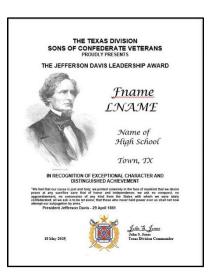
- Contact the school's senior student advisor (or Scout Master) and tell them that our organization would like to present the SCV Texas Division's *Jefferson Davis Leadership Award* to the student of their choice.
- Give the student advisor (or Scout Master) a copy of the selection criteria for their review. Ask that they allow at least five weeks from time of nomination to the award presentation date, to allow ample time to create and mail the award.
- Nominations shall include the recipient's Name (as it is to appear on the certificate),
- College/High School/Scout Troop (name and city) of the student to be honored,
- Date of the presentation, and
- The name and return address of the presenter.
- Forward the award nomination information and fee to the Leadership Awards POC at least five weeks prior to the presentation ceremony.
- When the presenter receives the certificate, it should be reviewed by the nominating advisor for completeness and accuracy, allowing enough time for any needed corrections.

Form of Award: The award consists of a certificate and medal.

**POC and Cost of Award:** POC: Student Awards Coordinator. There is a \$15.00 fee to cover costs of the medal, certificate, and mailing, which will be borne by the presenting Camp. Make checks payable to "TEXAS DIVISION SCV".

**Presentation:** The award should be presented in an appropriate ceremony by the nominating SCV Camp Commander or a Brigade officer.





#### **Santos Benavides Heritage Award**

**Purpose:** The *Santos Benavides Heritage Award* is a Texas Division award to be presented to high school students in recognition of exceptional character and scholastic achievement, as well to as recognize the contribution of Tejanos to the Confederate cause.

Colonel Santos Benavides, commander of the 33rd Texas Cavalry Regiment, was the highest ranked soldier of the 12,800 Tejanos who served in the Confederate Army. His ancestors founded the city of Laredo and his troops protected the cotton trade through Mexico to support the war effort. In March 1864, although gravely ill, he and thirty of his soldiers defeated a Union force of over 300 who attempted to capture and burn Laredo. He was a brave soldier and a proud champion of local, non-centralized government, a longtime business and government leader, and a hero to working people of all races.

**Number of Awards:** One annual award per high school, but a Camp may present the award at more than one school in their area.

**Eligibility:** A high school student nominated by his or her teacher or student advisor. The student should have exceptional character and citizenship, as well as distinguished scholastic achievement in history, geography and social studies. Although the award recognizes the contribution of Tejanos to the Confederate cause, the recipient does not have to be Hispanic.

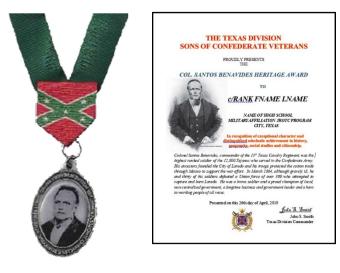
#### **Selection Process:**

- Contact the award "Point of Contact" to verify that the school you wish to honor hasn't already been selected by another Camp.
- Contact the applicable school administrator and tell them that our organization would like to present the award to the student of their choice.
- Give the administrator a copy of the selection criteria for their review. Ask that they allow at least five weeks from time of nomination to the award presentation date, to allow ample time to create and mail the award.
- Nominations shall include the recipient's Name (as it is to appear on the certificate), High School (school name and city) of the student to be honored, Date of the presentation, and name and return address of the presenter.
- Forward the award nomination information and fee to the awards POC at least five weeks prior to the presentation ceremony.
- When the presenter receives the certificate, it should be reviewed by the nominating advisor for completeness and accuracy, allowing enough time for any needed corrections.

Form of Award: The award consists of a certificate and medal.

**POC** and Cost of Award: POC: Student Awards Coordinator. There is a \$15.00 cost for the award to cover costs of the medal, the certificate and mailing; costs will be borne by the presenting Camp. Make checks payable to "TEXAS DIVISION SCV".

**Presentation:** The award should be presented in an appropriate ceremony by the nominating SCV Camp Commander or a Brigade officer.



#### **Sergeant James Washington Memorial Award**

**Purpose**: The *Sergeant James Washington Memorial Award* is a Texas Division level award to be presented to high school students of Black, American Indian, or other non-Hispanic minority heritage in recognition of their exceptional character and scholastic achievement, as well to as recognize the contribution of such minorities to the Confederate Cause.

It is named in honor of Sergeant James Washington, the highest ranking, documented Black soldier serving within the regular component of the Confederate Armed Forces. Sergeant Washington was designated as the Third Sergeant, Company D, 34th Regiment, 11th Texas Cavalry – also known as Terrell's Texas Cavalry.

Unit rosters showed the 34th to be of multiracial makeup – White, Black, Hispanic and Seminole Indians. Company A had 25 Hispanic and two Black troopers; Company C had 28 Hispanics and five Blacks; Company D was commanded by Capt. Jose Rodriguez and had a Black 3rd Sergeant, James Washington.

**Number of Awards**: One annual award per high school, but Camps may present the award to more than one high school in their area

**Eligibility**: Nominees should be a 12th grade student of Black, American Indian or other non-Hispanic minority heritage that served the Confederate Cause. The student must be nominated by his or her teacher or student advisor and be eligible for graduation upon completion of the current school year. The student should have exceptional character and citizenship, as well as distinguished scholastic achievement in history, geography and social studies.

#### **Selection Process:**

- Contact the award "Point of Contact" to verify that the school you wish to honor hasn't already been selected by another Camp.
- Contact the applicable school administrator and tell them that our organization would like to present the award to the student of their choice.
- Give the administrator a copy of the selection criteria for their review. Ask that they allow at least five weeks from time of nomination to the award presentation date, to allow ample time to create and mail the award.
- Nominations shall include the recipient's Name (as it is to appear on the certificate), High School (school name and city) of the student to be honored, Date of the presentation, and name and return address of the presenter.
- Forward the award nomination information and fee to the awards POC at least five weeks prior to the presentation ceremony.

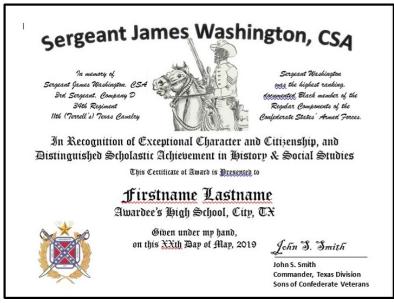
• When the presenter receives the certificate, it should be reviewed by the nominating advisor for completeness and accuracy, allowing enough time for any needed corrections.

Form of Award: The award consists of a Certificate and a medal.

**POC** and Cost of Award: POC: Student Awards Coordinator. There is a \$15.00 fee to cover costs of the medal, certificate and mailing, which will be borne by the presenting Camp. Make checks payable to "TEXAS DIVISION SCV".

**Presentation:** The award should be presented in an appropriate ceremony by the nominating SCV Camp Commander or a Brigade officer.





#### H. L. Hunley Junior ROTC Award

**Purpose:** The *H. L. Hunley* Award was created by the SCV South Carolina Division, to recognize deserving Junior ROTC cadets who have demonstrated the qualities of Honor, Courage, and Commitment to his or her unit throughout the school year. The award honors the crews of the Confederate submarine *H. L. Hunley*, the first submarine to sink an enemy vessel in combat.

The program has been expanded beyond the Navy / Marine JROTC program to all branches of service and beyond the state of SC to any interested school in the United States. Typically, the award is given to a rising second year cadet identified by his / her JROTC instructors and is presented by a member of the local SCV Camp.

**Selection Process:** Details of this **SCV National award**, including an application, may be found at:

http://www.scv.org/pdf/JROTCHunleyAwardProgramWithApp.pdf

#### **POC** and Cost of Award:

<u>National POC</u>: Master Chief Petty Officer Alexander Wilson III USN (Ret) has asked that each division begin coordinating orders for the Hunley Awards effective 01AUG2016. Texas Division has established a Division POC specifically for ordering and processing these awards; orders sent directly to the National POC will be returned to the requestor. However, should you have questions that the Division POC cannot answer, you may contact MCPO Wilson at {tripwilsonnavy@earthlink.net; (843) 618-5217}

<u>Texas Division POC</u>: Student Awards Coordinator Frank Crisp. There is a \$30.00 fee to cover costs of the medal, ribbon, certificate and mailing which will be borne by the presenting Camp. Make checks payable to "TEXAS DIVISION SCV".





### **SECTION 5: TEXAS DIVISION CAMP AWARDS**

### **Distinguished Camp Award**

**Purpose:** The *Distinguished Camp Award* is presented to the most exemplary camp in the Texas Division for the year preceding the Division Reunion, as determined by the total scoring of all the various categories on the award entry form. These categories cover membership growth / retention, and a number of other characteristics of an active, energetic camp. There is also a tie breaker question.

Members of the Camp who made significant contributions to the Camp's success should be considered for award of the *SCV Commendation Medal* or the appropriate level of *Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service* by the Camp Commander.

**Eligibility:** Any Texas Division Camp, which has been chartered for at least 12 months by April 1<sup>st</sup> of that year.

**Award Entry Form Required:** An entry form can be downloaded from the Texas Division Website at: <a href="http://scvtexas.org/texas-division-awards">http://scvtexas.org/texas-division-awards</a>

**Selection Process:** Camps must submit an entry on the current years' form with supporting documentation to the Awards Committee Chairman by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Entries will be scored by the Awards Committee. In the event of a tie, tie breaker listed on the entry form will determine the winner. If a tie still exists, the Camp with the greatest annual membership growth percentage will be declared the winner. The camp with the highest score on the award entry form will be presented the Distinguished Camp Award, a Yellow Streamer and a Certificate at the Annual Texas Division Reunion.

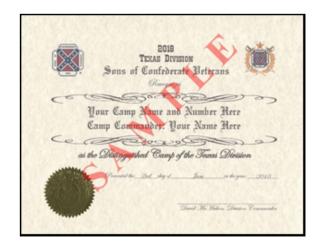
The second highest scoring camp will be presented a "Superior Camp Award." The "Superior Camp Award" will consist of a Red Streamer and Certificate.

The third highest scoring camp will be presented an "Outstanding Camp Award." The "Outstanding Camp Award" will consist of a Gray Streamer and Certificate.

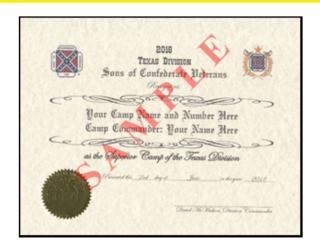
Form of Award: A Streamer to be placed on the staff of the Camp flag, and a Certificate.

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the award will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The *Distinguished, Superior and Outstanding Camp Award* will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion, by either the Division Commander or the Division Awards Committee Chairman.



### (YEAR) TX DIV SCV DISTINGUISHED CAMP



### (YEAR) TX DIV SCV SUPERIOR CAMP



(YEAR) TX DIV SCV OUTSTANDING CAMP

#### **Four-Star Camp Award**

**Purpose:** The *Four-Star Camp Award* is given to recognize active Camps that meet regularly and participate in a wide range of SCV-related activities.

Number of Awards: No annual limit.

**Eligibility:** This award is available to any Camp meeting the following criteria:

- 1. Conducted at least 11 monthly meetings or alternative major events during the year.
- 2. In the opinion of its Brigade Commander, has made above average contributions to furthering the ideals outlined in General Steven D. Lee's "Charge" to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. This includes consistently good Camp participation in outside activities such as area parades, cemetery ceremonies honoring Confederate veterans, Memorial and Veteran's Day ceremonies, Confederate History Month events, annual banquets honoring Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, or the Camp namesake, etc.
- 3. Attendance at both State and National SCV Reunions by at least one member.
- 4. Dues substantially paid (a minimum of 90%) to both Division and IHQ by 31 July.
- 5. Publishes a Camp newsletter at least quarterly (newsletters in combination with other Camps are acceptable).
- 6. Has a Camp Website. (A Facebook page is also encouraged; but doesn't count as a website).
- 7. Camp reports made on time. (Includes Cmdr's quarterly reports & Adjutant's annual report).

**Selection Process: Brigade Commanders** will submit the proper application form for Camps deserving the *Four Star Camp Award* to the Division Adjutant and the Division Awards Committee Chairman by 1 May. The Division Adjutant shall verify to the Division Awards Committee Chairman by 4 May that the nominated Camps have submitted their dues in compliance with the criteria.

Form of Award: A Blue Streamer to be placed on the staff of the Camp flag and a Certificate.

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the awards will be borne by the Texas Division SCV

**Presentation:** The *Four-Star Camp Awards* will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion by the Division Awards Committee Chairman.



### (YEAR) TX DIV SCV FOUR STAR CAMP

### **Community Service Award**

**Purpose:** The *Community Service Award* is awarded to the Texas Division Camp deemed to have contributed the most outstanding contributions to community service and activities. Qualifying contributions are expected that benefit the community as a whole, not just "showing the flag" by participating in parades, fairs, gun shows, etc.

Members of the Camp who made significant contributions to the Camp's success should be considered for award of the *SCV Commendation Medal* or the appropriate level of *Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service* by the Camp Commander.

**Number of Awards:** Only one award shall be presented annually, but there is no requirement that the award be made. If less than three (3) Camps apply, any award will be at the discretion of the Division Awards Committee after reviewing the application(s).

Eligibility: Any Texas Division Camp

**Selection Process:** Camp Commanders who wish to submit their Camp for consideration for this award shall submit a written narrative of 150 - 250 words accompanied by such supporting data as deemed pertinent, to the Division Awards Committee Chairman by 1 May. Supporting data shall include, but is not limited to local newspaper publicity; flyers prepared by the Camp announcing an activity; photos of Camp activity; letters from public officials or community organizations. The Awards Committee will submit its recommendation for this award to the Division Commander for final approval by 7 May.

Form of Award: A Green Streamer to be placed on the staff of the Camp flag and a Certificate.

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the award will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The *Community Service* award will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion by the Division Awards Committee Chairman.



### (YEAR) TX DIV SCV COMMUNITY SERVICE

#### **Camp Growth Awards**

**Purpose:** The *Camp Growth Awards* are to recognize the Camps that have been most successful in recruiting new SCV members (as well as retaining current members) in the 12 months ending on 1 May. Both a *Small Camp* (under 50 members) and a *Large Camp* (over 50 members) award will be presented.

Members of the Camp who made significant contributions to the Camp's success should be considered for award of the *SCV Commendation Medal* or the appropriate level of *Texas Division Cross for Meritorious Service*.

**Number of Awards:** One award shall be presented annually in each category.

**Eligibility:** Any Texas Division Camp in existence for more than one year. New Camps, less than one year old, are not eligible.

**Selection Process:** The Division Adjutant determines the winners of this award and will notify the Division Awards Committee Chairman of the two winning Camps by 4 May. In case of ties, the award shall be given to the Camp with the highest percentage of growth. Camps will not be penalized for the loss of members due to death.

**Form of Award:** A Turquoise Streamer to be placed on the staff of the Camp flag and a Certificate.

Cost of Award: The cost of the awards will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The *Camp Growth* Awards will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion, by the Division Awards Committee Chairman.



### (YEAR) TX DIV SCV CAMP GROWTH

### 100% Camp Retention Award

**Purpose:** The *100% Camp Retention Award* is given to recognize active Camps that meet 100% Retention for the previous year.

Number of Awards: No annual limit.

**Eligibility:** Any Texas Division Camp in existence for more than one year. New Camps, less than one year old, are not eligible.

**Selection Process:** The Division Adjutant determines the winners of this award and will notify the Division Awards Committee Chairman of the winning Camps by 1 Nov of the previous year. Camps will not be penalized for the loss of members due to death.

Form of Award: A Burgundy Streamer to be placed on the staff of the Camp flag and a Certificate.

Cost of Award: The cost of the awards will be borne by the Texas Division SCV

**Presentation:** The *100% Camp Retention Awards* will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion by the Division Awards Committee Chairman.



### (YEAR) TX DIV SCV 100% CAMP RETENTION

#### **Best Division Newsletter Award**

Purpose: The *Best Division Newsletter Award* is presented to the editor of the Texas Division Camp publishing the best newsletter. Entries for this award shall be judged on format (including color, photos and graphics), news content (including current Camp, Brigade, Division and National news), historical content (including history of War for Southern Independence events, biographies of Confederate veterans, and review of applicable books), editorials and general interest.

The winning editor and any other members of the Camp who contributed to the Camp's success should be considered for award of the *SCV Commendation Medal* or the appropriate level of *Texas Division Crosses for Meritorious Service* by the Camp Commander.

**Number of Awards:** First, Second, and Third Place awards shall be given annually, assuming sufficient award-quality newsletters are submitted.

**Eligibility:** Any Texas Division Camp publishing a newsletter each month in which they meet for the year prior to cutoff for submittal. Combined Camp newsletters are eligible for consideration but only one award will be given.

**Selection Process:** Editors should submit copies of the 12 most recent issues for the year preceding the Division Reunion (usually April of the previous year through March of the current year) to the Division Awards Committee Chairman by 1 April.

- The preferred method is by providing a link to the Camp's website if the website "posts" the previous year's newsletter issues.
- Alternatively, <u>a pdf format</u> copy of each issue for the preceding year may be e-mailed to the Division Awards Committee Chairman for distribution to the rest of the Committee. (Care should be taken to not overload the system, so do not attach issues totaling more than about 10MB in a single e-mail. Use multiple e-mails if required.)

- Alternatively, three Flash Drives, each containing a copy of each of the previous year's issues may be mailed to the Chairman.
- Alternatively, at least three hard-copies of each issue can be mailed to the Chairman. (If the original newsletter format is in "color," and the submittal is going to be via "paper" (hard-copies), then at least one of the three copies must be in "color".)
- Newsletters should contain original content and AI generated content *is not permitted*, any detected AI generated content will disqualify your entry.

A good newsletter should be suitable for either camp members or prospective camp members. As a minimum, it should include a list of primary camp officer contact information, the time and place of monthly meetings, details of upcoming events, and summary of recent past events. Photos should be of good quality, reasonable size, and captioned to identify the event and (for small groups) the people shown. Camp officer editorials, significant Division and National news event, Confederate-related history, book reviews, etc. are encouraged. However, it should be kept short enough to maintain reader interest, not a large "monthly magazine"; recommend 8-20 pages. The Division Awards Committee will evaluate each issue of the newsletter, based on the designated criteria and arrive at a composite score for the Camp Newsletter. Camps will be ranked according to the composite score, with an award to the top three.

**Form of Award:** Certificates for First, Second and Third Place, one for each camp newsletter editor and a Purple Streamer for First Place

Cost of Award: The cost of the awards will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The *Best Newsletter* awards will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion, by the Division Awards Committee Chairman.



(YEAR) TX DIV SCV BEST NEWSLETTER

#### **Best Division Website Award**

**Purpose:** The *Best Division Website Award* is given to the Camp or Brigade maintaining the best Internet website in the Division.

**Number of Awards:** First, Second, and Third Place awards shall be given annually, assuming sufficient award-quality Websites are nominated.

Eligibility: Any Texas Division Camp maintaining a high quality Website.

**Selection Process:** Camps or Brigades should notify the Division Awards Chairman by 1 May that they wish to enter their website into competition. Scoring will be based on generally recognized criteria for web site excellence. Websites should be up-to-date, attractive looking, relatively fast-loading, with easy navigation, and with the purpose of the site clearly understandable to a visitor. All pages should have title tags and navigation. Of course, valuable content is always a positive: information about the SCV for visitors, links to other useful sites, or features useful to members (upcoming events, ways to stay in touch, etc.) If a camp has both a web site and a newsletter, it is generally best to include the more static items on the website and the more current issues and future events in the newsletter.

While website designs are a very subjective issue, perhaps more guidance can be gained from looking at some negative impressions from past evaluations, looking at a variety of sites:

- Color combinations too splashy or gaudy (black, red, yellow, green)
- Text too hard to read (e.g., red text on black background)
- Font sizes too large, too small or too bold
- Font faces not consistent between pages
- Color scheme not consistent between pages
- Pages with no navigation, or way to get back
- Pages that are very slow to load or broken links
- Bad grammar or spelling, or lack of paragraph breaks
- Popup ads (while not specifically forbidden, they do not give a good impression)
- Sites that work in Internet Explorer, but not in other browsers (Firefox, etc.)
- Sites that obviously were created years ago and have had little or no update since

**Form of Award:** Certificates for First, Second and Third Place, one for each camp's website webmaster and a Black Streamer for First Place

**Cost of Award:** The cost of the awards will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The *Best Website* awards will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion by the Division Awards Committee Chairman.



### (YEAR) TX DIV SCV BEST WEBSITE

### **Best Division Scrapbook Award**

Purpose: The *Best Division Scrapbook Award* is given to the Camp maintaining the best record of its activities for the previous year, June-May. Entries for this award will be based on content, appearance, clarity, and applicability to Camp activities. "Homemade" scrapbooks with obvious creativity and individual effort are preferred over "professionally slick" covers and contents. Scrapbooks should be under one cover, not exceeding 100 numbered pages. Each scrapbook should contain as a minimum: Cover, Title Page, Table of Contents, current Camp Roster, Camp Events, Memorial Page (if applicable for recently deceased members), and Namesake Biography Page (as applicable for Camps named for a Confederate veteran or political official). Photos should be of good quality, reasonable size, and captioned to identify the date, event, and (for small groups) the people shown.

**Number of Awards:** First, Second, and Third Place awards shall be given annually, assuming sufficient award-quality scrapbooks are submitted.

**Eligibility:** Any Texas Division Camp maintaining an annual scrapbook.

Selection Process: Scrapbooks should be delivered with an Application for Best Division Scrapbook to the designated table at the Division Reunion registration by 7:00PM on the day before the Saturday Division Reunion Business Session. If that is not feasible, prior arrangements should be made with the Division Awards Committee Chairman. Any Scrapbook delivered after the 7:00PM cut off will be accepted and evaluated at the sole discretion of the Awards Committee. The Division Awards Committee will evaluate the entries based on the designated criteria of Cover, Content, Organization, Artistic Quality and Overall Effect and rank them accordingly, with an award to the top three.

Form of Award: Certificates for First, Second and Third Place and a White Streamer for First Place

Cost of Award: The cost of the awards will be borne by the Texas Division SCV.

**Presentation:** The *Best Scrapbook* awards will be presented at the annual Texas Division Reunion Banquet by the Division Awards Committee Chairman. Winning Scrapbooks will be displayed in a conspicuous Reunion location and must be picked up before the night's end.



○ (YEAR) TX DIV SCV BEST SCRAPBOOK

### SECTION 6: THE TEXAS DIVISION AWARDS COMMITTEE

### **Division Awards Committee Selection**

The Texas Division Awards Committee Chairman shall be selected by the presiding Texas Division Commander. The remaining Committee members shall be nominated by the Division Awards Committee Chairman and shall be approved by the Texas Division Commander.

It is preferred that Committee members represent different Brigades. In any event, no Camp may be represented by more than one member on the Committee, unless that individual is a dual Camp member.

### **Duties of the Texas Division Awards Committee**

The Awards Committee shall review and administer awards as defined herein, including Campand Brigade-level purchased awards. The Texas Division Award Committee shall be charged with the responsibility of disseminating information about all Division Awards. It shall update this Texas Division Awards Manual annually and assure that the current approved version is posted on the Division Web site. To the extent feasible, current nomination forms will be posted on Division web site. The Committee shall be responsible for the design, purchase and distribution of all Medals, Certificates, Streamers and other awards. The Chairman shall advise the Division Executive Committee of any new awards for approval or expenditures above normal operating expenses.

The Division Awards Committee Chairman shall assure that a reminder is posted on the Division e-mail distribution, including a copy of the Division Awards Calendar and indicating that award nominations are due, in a timely manner before the first deadline. Follow-up reminders will be posted as necessary, for both nominations and DEC voting.

The Committee shall encourage the nomination of deserving officers and non-officers from each Camp, as well as officers at the Brigade and Division level. Award nominations may be made by Camp, Brigade, and Division Commanders, as well as by members of the Division Awards Committee.

Only completed nomination forms, received in accordance with the Division Awards Calendar, will be assured consideration for that Reunion's awards. It is not the Committee's responsibility to research required information or rewrite nomination forms, so late nominations or incomplete forms will only be considered at the sole discretion of the Committee.

The Division Awards Committee shall make its award recommendations and announce the voting results to the Division Commander no later than 7 May. The Committee shall advise the Commander of all nominations made to which it does not concur. It may recommend that another medal or award be presented, other than the medal or award on the nomination. The Committee shall advise the Commander if a member has been nominated by more than one Compatriot, Camp or Brigade. The Awards Committee shall review all submitted National award nominations, to assure they meet the National criteria, before the Chairman forwards them to the Division Commander for his concurrence and submittal to National.

Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit a Camp or Brigade Commander from awarding a Camp or Brigade-level *Texas Division Silver Cross for Meritorious Service* or the *Texas Division Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service*, or *Honor Award* if a nominated individual is rejected for the Division-level award.

Nothing herein shall prohibit a Compatriot from being awarded the same medal at the Camp, Brigade and/or Division-level in any given year. An individual SCV Compatriot shall be eligible to wear as many as three of the same medals if awarded separately by the Camp, Brigade and the Division, although one would normally wear only the highest award. However, a subsequent award at the same level shall consist of a star for the ribbon, in lieu of a second medal.

Once an award has been approved and presented, the recipient's Camp Adjutant is encouraged to make an appropriate entry on the Individual Awards Record Form (see Appendix I) and file it in the Camp personnel records. Alternatively, the Adjutant can maintain a composite data base of all Camp members and their awards. The Awards Committee shall maintain a data base of Division level Cross award recipients, as well as Appendix II of this Manual, which lists previous winners of major individual and Camp awards, especially the Deo Vindice, Confederate of the Year, Lifetime Achievement, and Lucy Pickens awards, which can only be given once to an individual.

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### **APPENDICES**

**APPENDIX I: FORMS** 

APPENDIX II: PREVIOUS DIVISION AWARD WINNERS

APPENDIX III: PROTOCOL FOR WEARING MEDALS, DECORATIONS, BADGES AND INSIGNIA

### **APPENDIX I: FORMS**

# TEXAS DIVISION SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS SCV MEMBER AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

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To:	Chairman, Division Awards Committee	Date:
	(See <a href="http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees">http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees</a> for name an	nd contact information)
From:	:	(Name and Rank)
		(Brigade / Camp & Number)
		(Mailing Address)
	(Tel.#)	(E-Mail Address)
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To:	Chairman, Division Awards Committee Date:				
	(See <a href="http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees">http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees</a> for	name and contact information)			
From:		(Name and Rank)			
		(Brigade / Camp & Number)			
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### **Texas Division Distinguished Camp Award Entry Form**

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Category	Description	Criteria	Points
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1. Membership Growth	Annual percentage.	Add 1 point per 1% increase.	0 to 15
2. Membership retention	Annual percentage.	Deduct 1 point for each 1% decrease	-15 to 0
3. Newsletters	Camp publishes a monthly	Deduct 1 point for each month a	-12 to 0
4. Time also assigned as	newsletter	newsletter is not published	20 to 0
4. Timely submission of dues	Dues become past due after July 31.	Deduct 3 points for each month dues are past due in each category	-30 to 0
dues	31.	(National and Division).	
5. Attendance at	At least one member must attend	Add 1 point for each member	3 to 12
Conventions	the Division Convention; at least	attending Division Convention, up to	0 10 12
	one member must attend the	6 members/6 points. Two points for	
	National Convention.	each attendee at National	
		Convention, up to 3 members/6	
		points.	
6. Regular Monthly	Number of regular monthly	Deduct 1 point for each month no	-12 to 0
Meetings	meetings conducted during the	meeting is held.	
	year		0 / 10
7. Programs at Meetings	How many meetings featured a	Add 1 point for each. Max: 12	0 to 12
8. Memorial Services	key speaker, film, video, etc.  Camp conducted Confederate	Add E points for each auch convice	0 to 15
o. Memorial Services	Memorial Day, marker dedication	Add 5 points for each such service, up to 3 services.	0 10 15
	or memorial services at a	up to 5 services.	
	cemetery, battlefield, etc.		
9. Annual Report	Annual reports are due to SCV	Deduct 5 points if not submitted on	-5 to 0
	GHQ by July 1.	time.	
10. National or Division	Contributions in time or money	Add 3 points for each Division	0 to 24
Projects	made to established projects.	project: Max: 3 projects/9 pts.	
	H. L. Hunley JROTC Award is	Add 5 points for each National	
	considered a national project	project: Max: 3 projects/15 pts	
11. Local Project	Programs established at camp	Add 3 points for each project, max: 3	0 to 9
Participation	level. e.g., school historical	projects/9 points	
	programs, recruiting at state fairs		
	or gun shows, Confederate ball,		
	etc. Project must support SCV goals; general community service		
	projects are not acceptable.		
12. Speakers or	Did the camp provide speakers or	Add 1 point for each; up to 3	0 to 3
Programs	programs to other camps or	Add 1 point for each, up to 5	0 10 0
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13. Sponsorship	Camp sponsors a major support	Add 5 points for each. Max: 3	0 to 15
	unit. e.g., Re-enactor unit, color	sponsor-ships/15 points	
	guard, living history group,		
	museum support group, etc.		
14. Training	Did camp conduct or participate in	Add 10 points	0 to 10
	formal training for camp officers?		
15. Website	Does camp maintain a website?	Add 5 points	0 to 5
16. Meeting Attendance	How many members attend	Base is 25%. Add 1 point for each	0 to 15
	regular camp meetings, on	1% over 25%. Max 15	
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### **Explanation of Terms**

**How criteria were established:** Some factors are judged as positives, some as negatives, depending on whether or not the "average" camp is expected to meet those criteria. For example, all camps — not just the "best" camps—should have 100% of their dues paid on time. Therefore, the highest point value for this category is zero points; points are deducted in judging if dues have not been paid on time. However, not all camps would be expected to provide speakers to other camps. Therefore, this value is always a positive number, starting from zero and going up. Eligibility period for all categories is April 1— March 31.

- 1. **Membership Growth**. The key element of a camp's survival. List your total membership as of last July 31 on line 1a. List the number of new members gained on line 1b. Do not include transfers from other SCV camps.
- 2. **Membership Retention**. List the number of members lost through non-payment of dues. Do not include losses due to death or transfers to other camps.
- 3. **Newsletters.** List the number of newsletters your camp published last year. Contributions to and support of a combined camps newsletter are considered the equivalent of a camp newsletter.
- 4. **Timely Submission of Dues.** All dues are past due after July 31. This date determines the points in this category. Both Division and National dues must be paid on time to score in this category. Points are deducted for each partial or whole month the dues are late. Paying camp dues is considered submitting payment for at least 75% of the current members of the camp.
- 5. **Attendance at Conventions.** Indicate the number of members who attended your Division Convention last year. Enter the number of members who attended the National Convention last year.
- 6. Regular Monthly Meetings. Indicate the number of regular monthly meetings conducted by your camp.
- 7. **Programs at Meetings.** Indicate the number of meetings in which your camp had a "featured" program. This could be a local author, speaker, historian, film on some WBTS subject, etc.
- 8. **Memorial Services.** These include graveside services at a local cemetery where Confederate soldiers are buried; services held as a special event at a local church or synagogue, or similar events. It does not include brief memorial events held during regular camp meetings, or attendance at memorial services conducted by other camps, UDC, etc.
- 9. **Annual Report.** The annual report is due at GHQ and Division not later than July 1. Check www.scv.org for the proper format.
- 10. Division or National Project Participation. Participation in a Division or National special project. Participation could include fund-raising or significant amounts of members' time. Some examples: Stand Watie Scholarship Fund (National), Heritage Defense Fund (National/Division), Flags Across Texas (Texas Division), Confederate Legion (National). List each project.
- 11. **Local Project Participation.** These are special projects or events established at the camp level. Examples: school historical programs, recruiting at state fairs or gun shows, Confederate Ball or cotillion, etc. Projects must support SCV goals by advancing the cause of Confederate heritage; general community service projects are not acceptable.
- 12. **Speakers or Programs.** Did your camp provide a speaker or special program to another camp or organization? Examples: Camp members who give programs on WBTS at Civil War Round Table forums, or similar. List the number of such speakers/presenters, up to 3 speakers.
- 13. **Sponsorship**. Does your camp sponsor a special unit? Examples: Camp color guard that marches in local parades, re-enactor units, living history units, etc. The camp must actively sponsor these units.
- 14. **Training**. Did your camp conduct or participate in formal training for new camp officers? This is normally done at Brigade or Division level, but a camp can conduct its own program. The program must be established in writing, with formal presentations, and at least several hours spent on the training of each officer.
- 15. **Website.** Does your camp actively maintain a website? It must be regularly updated and provide basic, up-to-date membership to current members and potential applicants. If "yes", show URL.
- 16. **Meeting attendance.** What percentage of your members regularly attends camp meetings? You should maintain a sign-up roster for each camp meeting.

**Tie Breakers.** In the event of a tie, the answers to the following two questions will be used to determine the winning camp. If a tie still exists, the camp with the highest percentage of positive growth will be the winner.

- A) Did the camp receive the 4-Star Camp Award last year?
- B) Does the camp maintain a Facebook Page? Provide the name of the page.

## Application for 4-Star Camp Award (TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY)

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To:	Chairman, Division Awards Committee	Date:
	(See <a href="http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees">http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees</a>	for name and contact information)
From:		(Name and Rank)
		(Brigade / Camp & Number)
		(Mailing Address)
	(Tel. #)	(E-Mail Address)
Name	& Number of Camp Nominated:	
Locati	ion & Brigade of Camp	
Note e Manu	-	egory, as defined in the Texas Division Awards
1. Nu	umber of Camp meetings held in the previous	12 months
2. Na	mes of Camp members attending previous To	exas Division Reunion
3. Na	mes of Camp members attending previous N	ational Reunion
4. Na	me of Camp Newsletter	
5. Nu	umber of Newsletters published in the previou eb Site address:	as 12 months
7. Me	embership Retention (as of 31 July): Percent:	Number Lost to SCV*:
8. We	re Camp reports made on time?	* Not counting deaths
partici or Vet	ipation in area parades, cemetery ceremonies teran's Day ceremonies, Confederate History	Charge" in the previous 12 months, including honoring Confederate veterans, Memorial Day Month events, annual banquets honoring sake, etc. (attach supplemental sheet if needed).

### **Texas Division**

### Brigade and Camp Medals Order Form Revised 2025

To:	Chairman, Division Awards Committee				
	(See <a href="http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees">http://www.scvtexas.org/Committees</a> for name	rmation)			
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Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service – Miniature \$10.00					
Star fo	r Subsequent Cross Award	\$3.00		\$	
Honor	Award Certificate	\$3.00		\$	
Advance the Colors Certificate \$3.00					
Certificate of Appreciation \$3.00					
Total amount of order					
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Postage and Handling for store or configurate only \$2.00 (see notes)					

#### Notes:

1) There is no extra Postage and Handling charge for a "Star" or a Certificate, if ordered in conjunction with other medals. If ordered alone, please add \$3.00.

**Total amount submitted with the order:** 

- 2) The SCV Commendation Medal and Ladies Appreciation Medal are also available for presentation at Camp/Brigade level. These are National medals and must be ordered from IHQ.
- 3) Completed SCV Member Award Nomination forms must be attached for each award requested.

Make checks payable to Bill Elliott/SCV Awards and mail along with this form to:
Bill Elliott

315 Jasper Dr.

Marshall, TX. 75672-2713

### TEXAS DIVISION, SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

	CONTINUENT
STUDENT AWARDS	100
ORDER FORM	

Texas Division makes five Student Awards available to eligible High School students and Eagle Scouts. Refer to the Awards Manual for specific eligibility requirements, etc.

Sponsoring Camp		_Camp NumberCity	
POC	Address	City	TX
POC email		POC Phone	

### Send Awards to Camp POC to JROTC Unit











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### **Individual Awards Record Form**

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Name of Compatriot: SCV # of Compatriot:	
Compatriot's Camp, Number, & Location: Address of Compatriot:	
Offices Held:	
Awards & Medals	Date Presented and by whom (National, Division, Brigade, Camp)
National: a) Distinguished Service Medal b) Meritorious Service Medal c) Superior Achievement d) SCV Leadership Award e) SCV Commendation Medal f) National Guardian Award g) Name of Other Award(s)	
Texas Division:  a) DEO VINDICE  b) TEXAS CONFEDERATE OF THE YEAR c) Gold Cross for Meritorious Service d) Silver Cross for Meritorious Service e) Bronze Cross for Meritorious Service f) Honor Award h) Texas Division Guardian Award	
<b>Brigade:</b> Name of Award(s)	
Camp: Name of Award(s)	
Camp Award for which Compatriot made a Major contribution:  Name of Camp Award:  Date Presented:	
Committees Served:	

# APPENDIX II: PREVIOUS DIVISION AWARD WINNERS

### **Individual Awards**

### **Deo Vindice Award**

An individual may receive the **Deo Vindice Award** only once.

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Year	Winner	Camp
1979	Msgnr. Anton J. Frank	
1980	Dr. Buddy D. Patterson	
1981	Ralph Green	
1982	Craig C. Watkins	
1983	George J. Polk, Sr.	
1984	John E. Hunter	
1985	Dr. Laurance E. Arnold	
1986	Dr. Charles R. Walker	
1987	H. Chilton Cook	
1988	Dr. Ralph W. Widener, Jr.	
1989	Col. Harold B. Simpson	
1990	Frank T. Harrowing	
1991	Bill Hollowell	
1992	Dr. Melvin E. Bradford	
1993	{no award}	
1994	James N. Vogler, Jr.	
1995	Peter W. Orlebeke	
1996	Bill Willmann	
1997	Evetts Hailey, Jr.	
1998	Douglas Moore	
1999	Carl Lehmberg, Jr.	
2000	John Perry	
2001	{no award}	
2002	{no award}	
2003		
2004		
2005	{no award}	
2006	Bill Kuhn	Camp #1313, Gen. W.L. Cabell
2007	George H. Ballentine	
2008		
2009	Gregg Manning	Camp #1250, Major Robert M. White
2010	Joseph G. Ginn, Sr.	Camp #1938, Hill Country
2011	Dr. Ray James	Camp #1457, Sul Ross
2012	Johnnie Lee Holley, Jr.	Camp #124, James P. Douglas
2013	Granvel Block	Camp #1745, Walter P. Lane
2014	Gary D. Bray	Camp #1588, William H.L. Wells

2015	Dennis Beal	Camp #1457, Sul Ross
2016	John McCammon	Camp #153, Hood's Texas Brigade
2017	Cooper Goodson	Camp #124, Capt. James P. Douglas
2018	William Edward Boyd	Camp #1457, Sul Ross
2019	David Paul McMahon	Camp #1613, General Tom Green
2020	Michael Hurley	Camp #2042, W. W. Heartsill
2021	Frank B. Bussey	Camp #1904, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier
2022	Shelby Little	Camp #502, Williamson County Grays
2023	Tommy May	Camp #1588, William H. Wells
2024	Johnny L. Anderson	Camp # 502, Williamson County Grays

### **Texas Confederate of the Year Award**

An individual may receive the Texas Confederate of the Year Award only once.

Year	Winner	Camp
1979	Dr. Ralph W. Widener, Jr.	
1980	Ralph Green	
1981	John E. Hunter	
1982	Dr. Laurence E. Arnold	
1983	Don A. Whitworth	
1984	George J. Polk, Sr.	
1985	Dr. Charles R. Walker	
1986	Keith A. Hardison	
1987	Dr. Buddy D. Patterson	
1988	James N. Vogler, Jr.	
1989	Peter W. Orlebeke	
1990	William J. Willman	
1991	Gregory T. Hector	
1992	Clyde Heron	
1993	Carl Lehmberg	
1994	Mack Neal	
1995	Jimmy Moore	
1996	H. A. Schaffer	
1997	Jim Dark	
1998	John Perry	
1999	HW Irby	
2000	Ray Satterfield	
2001	Denne Sweeney	
2002	Charlie Nettles	
2003		
2004	Steve Von Roeder	

2005	Jerry Patterson	
2006	Greg Manning	Camp #1250, Major Robert M. White
2007	Ed Krevit	Camp #1441, Dunn-Holt-Midkiff
2008	David Moore	Camp #239, Robert E. Lee
2009	Mark Vogl	Camp #2109, Upshur County Patriots
2010	Gary D. Bray	Camp #1588, William H. Wells
2011	Johnnie Lee Holley, Jr.	Camp #124, James P. Douglas
2012	William Ray Wainner	Camp #153, Hood's Texas Brigade
2013	C. Marc Robinson	Camp #2156, John H. Reagan
2014	John F. McCammon	Camp #153, Hood's Texas Brigade
2015	Don Taylor	Camp #1938, Hill Country
2016	Cooper Goodson, Jr.	Camp #124, James P. Douglas
2017	William E. Boyd	Camp #1457, Sul Ross
2018	David Paul McMahon	Camp #1613, General Tom Green
2019	Henry A. Van Slyke	Camp #1745, Walter P. Lane
2020	Allen Hearrean	Camp #2292, Brig Gen Richard M. Gano
2021	Craig Steven Stone	Camp #2292, Brig Gen Richard M. Gano
2022	William "Bill" Elliott	Camp # 314, W. W. Heartsill
2023	J. Barry Turnage	Camp #239, Robert E. Lee
2024	Joe "Festus" Allcock	Camp #239, Robert E. Lee

### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

Recipients listed in alphabetical order in cases of multiple awards in a given year.

Year	Deceased Recipient	Camp
2013	James W. Benton	Camp #441, J.M. "Matt" Barton
"	Thomas Harrison	Camp #1904, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Frontier Guards
"	Gene Kinsey	Camp #1588, W.H. Wells
"	Bruce J. Pastusek	Camp #1648, Col. M.T. Johnson
2014	Len Patterson	Camp #1241, Howdy Martin
"	Jimmy Turner	Camp # 0349, Reeves 11th TX Cavalry
2015	Wayne Prouse	Camp #1295, Dick Dowling
2016	Bobby Gene Davidson	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2017	Col. James L. Boone, Jr.	Camp #1457, Sul Ross
2018	Rudolph "Rudy" C. Krisch	Camp # 1325, Alamo City Guards
2019	None Awarded	-
2020	Jack Grady Dyess	Camp # 2235, Col W. H. Griffin
	Russell S. Lane Jr.	Camp # 1325, Alamo City Guards
2021	Rocky Jim Sprott	Camp #2256, Sidney Sherman
	J. Pat Baughman	Camp #2313, Lt. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest
2022	Craig Steven Stone	Camp #2292, Brig Gen Richard M. Gano

	Wayne Elgin Pricer	Camp #239, Robert E. Lee
	Joseph G. Ginn, Sr.	Camp #1938, Hill Country
2023	Donald D. Lawrence	Camp #1953, Texas Lonestar Greys
2024	James B. "Jimmy" Moore	Camp #958, Gen. John Gregg

### **Lucy Pickens Award**

An individual may receive the *Lucy Pickens Award* only once. Recipients listed in alphabetical order in cases of multiple awards in a given year.

Year	Winner	Winner	Winner
2010	Liz Brinegar-Caraway	Jane M. Ginn	Deena Harrison
	Norma Holley	Sue Ann Kinsey	Mona N. Lawrence
	Eileen Lehmberg	Andrea Prouse	Frederica Wyatt
2011	Bernice Mistrot	-	-
2012	Susan Sager	Danis Surface	-
2013	Golda Foster	Linda Miller	-
2014	Pam Wilhoite	-	-
2015	Rita Brand	-	-
2016	Sandra Y. Bray	-	-
2017	Louann Rubel	Esther Linton	Donna Stotts
2018	Virginia Kuhn	Bonnie Taylor	Linda Turner
2019	Mary June Goodson	Jerri Putman	-
2020	Jo Ann W. Seiler	-	-
2021	Gail Allcock	Becky Bussey	Gail Walker
2022	Debbie Hearrean	Sue F. Mennell	Tami Hurley
2023	Ann Brannon	Jennifer Figley	-
2024	Peggy Sue Harvey	Brenda Guise	

### **CAMP AWARDS**

### **Outstanding Camp**

Year	Winner
2002	Camp #1904, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District
2003	
2004	
2005	Camp #1904, Major Robert M. White – Temple, Texas
2006	
2007	1 <sup>st</sup> Place: Camp #2009, Cross of St. Andrews; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: Camp #0415, William H.
	Parson's; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: Camp #1455, Walter P. Lane

2008	
2009	
2010	(Not initially awarded due to insufficient nominations) (DEC subsequently revised rules to allow Awards Committee discretion; then awarded retroactively to Camp #1588, William H. Wells)
2011	Camp #0124, Captain. James P. Douglas
2012	Camp #0239, Robert E. Lee
2013	Camp #2156, John H. Reagan
2014	Camp #1325, Alamo City Guards
2015	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2016	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2017	Camp #2270, 1st Lt. David Richard Reynolds
	Award changed to the Best Camp Award with three separate categories

### **Best Camp**

	Distinguished	Superior	Outstanding
2018	1st Lt David R Reynolds	Gov Samuel W.T. Lanham	Capt. James P. Douglas
2019	Capt. James P. Douglas	Hood's Texas Brigade	Gov Samuel W.T. Lanham
2020	Hood's Texas Brigade	1st Lt David R Reynolds	Robert E. Lee #239
2021	Robert E. Lee #239	W. W. Heartsill #2042	1st Lt David R Reynolds
2022	W. W. Heartsill #2042	Robert E. Lee #239	34 <sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry #2283
2023	Robert E. Lee #239	W. W. Heartsill #314	Albert S. Johnston #983
2024	W. W. Heartsill #314	Albert Sidney Johnston	Hood's Texas Brigade
		#983	# 153

### **Community Service Award**

Year	Winner
2002	
2003	
2004	
2005	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2006	Camp #0359, J. L. Halburt
2007	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas; Camp #1455, Walter P. Lane
2008	
2009	
2010	

2011	Camp #0124, Capt. James P. Douglas
2012	Camp #0349, Reeves 11 <sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry
2013	Camp #2198, Capt. Bob Lee
2014	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2015	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2016	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2017	Camp #2270, 1st Lt. David Richard Reynolds
2018	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2019	Camp #0124, Captain James P. Douglas
2020	Camp #0153, Hood's Texas Brigade
2021	Camp #2042, W. W. Heartsill
2022	Camp #239, Robert E. Lee
2023	Camp # 314 W. W. Heartsill
2024	Camp # 314, W. W. Heartsill

Note: The Albert Sidney Johnston Camp #67 received an award due to \$10,000.00 donation to restoration of Beauvoir following damage caused by Hurricane Katrina – around 2005, 2006???

### **Camp Growth Awards**

Year	Winner (Best Percentage Growth)			
2001	Camp #1904, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District			
2002	Camp #1790, Col. Phillip A. Work			
2003				
2004				
2005	Camp #0713, Colonel A.M. Hobby- Corpus Christi, Texas			
2006	Camp #1565, 13 <sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry Regiment			
2007	Camp #0359, J. L. Halbert			
2008				
2009	Camp #239, Robert E. Lee			
2010	Camp #0901, Stonewall Jackson			
2011	Camp #0282, Capt. Jessie Amason			
2012	Camp #2193, Red Diamond			
Year	1st Place Winner	2nd Pl	ace Winner	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Winner
2013	Camp #1352,	Camp #04	64,	Camp #0502,
	Tom S. Lubbock	Plemmons	-Shelby	Dixie
2014	Camp #2226,	Camp #004	49,	Camp #0901,
	Lt. Alexander Cameron	Colonel A.	.H. Belo	Stonewall Jackson
Year	Best Percentage Growth Best Net Growth			

2015	Camp #0901, Stonewall Jackson	Camp #2193, Red Diamond	
	Michael Upchurch, Camp Commander	Phil Maynard, Camp Commander	
2016	Camp #2234 Lone Star Defenders	Camp #1325, Alamo Guards	
	Thomas Anderson, Camp Commander	Russell Lane, Camp Commander	
Year	Small Camp	Large Camp	
2017	Camp #2182, Maj. Gen. Patrick	Camp #2109, Upshur County Patriots	
	Cleburne's 7 <sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry	Phillip L. Davis, Camp Commander	
	Bob Mennell, Camp Commander		
2018	Camp #2270, 1st Lt David R. Reynolds	Camp #1325, Alamo City Guards	
	Rex McGee, Camp Commander	David Calandra, Camp Commander	
2019	Camp #59, Col. A. H. Belo	Camp #586, Gov. Samuel W. T. Lanham	
	James Henderson, Camp Commander	Larry Martin, Camp Commander	
2020	Camp #1745, Walter P Lane	Camp #1565, 13 <sup>th</sup> TX Infantry Reg't	
	Hank Van Slyke, Commander	Frank Dietz, Commander	
2021	Camp #2182, Gen. Cleburne's 7 <sup>th</sup> TX	Camp #1937, Terry's Texas Rangers	
	David R. Underdown, Camp Cmdr	Steve Wells, Camp Commander	
2022	Camp #2254, The Medina Greys	Camp #1250, Maj Robert M. White	
	Charles Paul Thacker, Camp Cmdr	James Edward Bozeman, Camp Cmdr	
2023	Camp #2103, Waul's Texas Legion	Camp #1325, Alamo City Guards	
	Ernest "Dusty" Kobs, Camp Cmdr	Christian Lee, Camp Cmdr	
2024	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District Camp #1904	Camp # 2103, Waul's Texas Legion	
	Dave Guise, Camp Commander	Ernest "Dusty" Kobs, Camp Commander	
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### **Best Division Newsletter Award**

	1st Place Winner	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Winner	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Winner
2002	Camp #0124	-	-
	Capt. James P. Douglas		
2003	-	-	-
2004	Camp #1904	-	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District		
2005	Camp #0124	-	-
	Capt. James P. Douglas		
2006	Camp #1250	-	-
	Major Robert M. White		
2007	Camp #1588	Camp #1904	Camp #0441
	William H. Wells	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier	J.M. "Matt" Barton

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		District	
2008	Camp #0153	-	-
	Hood' Texas Brigade		
2009	Camp #0153	-	-
	Hood's Texas Brigade		
2010	Camp #0124	Camp #0239	Camp #0178
	Capt. James P. Douglas	Robert E. Lee	O.M. Roberts
2011	Camp #0124	Camp #2156	Camp #2129
	Capt. James P. Douglas	John H. Reagan	Thomas Jewett Goree
2012	Camp #0124	Camp #2156	Camp #0239
	Capt. James P. Douglas	John H. Reagan	Robert E. Lee
2013	Camp #0239	Camp #1325	Camp #0124
	Robert E. Lee	Alamo City Guards	Capt. James P. Douglas
2014	Camp #2156,	Camp #0124	Camp #0153,
	John H. Reagan	Capt. James P. Douglas	Hood's Texas Brigade
2015	Camp #2156	Camp #0586	Camp #1241
	John H. Reagan	Gov. Samuel W.T.	Maj. W.H. "Howdy" Martin
		Lanham	
2016	Camp #2109	Camp #0124	Camp #2156
	Upshur Patriots	Capt. James P. Douglas	John H. Reagan
2017	Camp #2270	Camp #2109	Camp #1457
	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt David Richard Reynolds	Upshur County Patriots	Sul Ross
2018	Camp #2270	Camp #1457	Camp #0124
	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt David Richard Reynolds	Sul Ross	Capt. James P. Douglas
2019	Camp #1457	Camp #0124	Camp #2109
	Sul Ross	Capt. James P. Douglas	Upshur County Patriots
2020	Camp #2292	Camp #2270	Camp #2109
	Brig Gen Richard M. Gano	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt David R. Reynolds	Upshur County Patriots
2021	Camp #2270	Camp #239	Camp #2292
	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt David Richard Reynolds	Robert E. Lee	Brig Gen Richard M. Gano
2022	Camp #239	Camp #2292	Camp #1250
	Robert E. Lee	Gen Richard M. Gano	Major Robert M. White
2023	Camp #239	Camp #1904	Camp #314
	Robert E. Lee	2 <sup>nd</sup> TX Frontier District	W. W. Heartsill
2024	Camp #314	Camp #1904	Camp # 983
	W. W. Heartsill	2 <sup>nd</sup> TX Frontier District	Albert Sidney Johnston

**Best Division Web Site Awards** 

Year	1st Place Winner	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Winner	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Winner
2002	Camp #1250	-	-
	Major Robert M. White		
2003	_	-	-
2004	_	-	_
2005	Camp #2009	_	_
	Cross of St. Andrew		
2006	Camp #0441	-	_
2000	J.M. "Matt" Barton		
2007	Camp #2009	_	_
2007	Cross of St. Andrew		
2008	-	_	_
2009	_	_	_
2010	Camp #2156	Camp #1848	Camp #2129
2010	John H. Reagan	Lee – Bourland	Thomas Jewett – Goree
2011	Camp #2156	Camp #1648 Col.	Camp #1479
2011	_	Middleton Tate Johnson	<u> </u>
2012	John H. Reagan Camp #2156	Camp #1648 Col.	Granbury's TX Brigade Camp #1325
2012	John H. Reagan	Middleton Tate Johnson	Alamo City Guards
2013	Camp #2156	Camp #0124	Camp #0049
2013	John H. Reagan	Capt. James P. Douglas	A.H. Belo
2014	Camp #2156,	Camp #0124,	Camp #0153,
	John H. Reagan	Capt. James P. Douglas	Hood's Texas Brigade
2015	Camp #2109	Camp #0049	Camp #1777
	Upshur County Patriots	Colonel A.H. Belo	Colonel E. W. Taylor
2016	Camp #2109	Camp #1938	-
	Upshur County Patriots	Hill Country	
2017	Camp #2270	Camp #2109	Camp #1904
2010	1st Lt David Richard Reynolds	Upshur County Patriots	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier
2018	Camp #2270	Camp #586	Camp #2109
2019	1st Lt David Richard Reynolds Camp #2109	Gov Samuel W.T Lanham	Upshur County Patriots
2019	Upshur County Patriots	Camp #153, Hood's Texas Brigade	Camp #586 Gov Samuel W.T Lanham
2020	Camp #2270	Camp #2292	Camp #153
2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt David Richard Reynolds	Brig Gen R. M. Gano	Hood's Texas Brigade
2021	Camp #1325	Camp #1904	Camp #2270
	Alamo City Guards	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt David R. Reynolds
2022	Camp #153	Camp #2292	Camp #1325
	Hood's Texas Brigade	Brig Gen R. M. Gano	Alamo City Guards
2023	Camp #1325	Camp #1904	Camp #2283
	Alamo City Guards	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier	34 <sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry
2024	Camp #1904	Camp # 153	Camp # 2283
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier	Hood's Texas Brigade	34 <sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry

### **Best Division Scrapbook Awards**

Year	1st Place Winner	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Winner	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Winner
2002	Camp #1904	-	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District		
2003	-	-	-
2004	-	-	-
2005	-	-	-
2006	Camp #0441	-	-
	J.M. "Matt" Barton		
2007	Camp #2107	Camp #0441	Camp #1904
	New Salem Invincibles	J.M. "Matt" Barton	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District
2008	-	-	-
2009	Camp #1904	-	-
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District		
2010	Camp #0441	Camp #1904	-
	J.M. "Matt" Barton	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District	
2011	Camp #1904	Camp #0441	Camp #0869
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Texas Frontier District	J.M. "Matt" Barton	Bonnie Blue
2012	Camp #0239	Camp #0869	Camp #0992
	Robert E. Lee	Bonnie Blue	Gen. Jerome B. Robertson
2013	Camp #0441	Camp #0239	Camp #2109
	J.M. "Matt" Barton	Robert E. Lee	Upshur County Patriots
2014	Camp #0239	Camp #0441,	Camp #2235,
	Robert E. Lee	J.M. "Matt" Barton	Col. W.H. Griffin
2015	Camp #2235	Camp#2182 – Mag. Gen.	-
	Colonel William A. Griffin	Patrick Cleburne's 7 <sup>th</sup>	
		Texas Infantry	
2016	Camp #0441	Camp #1790	-
	J. M. "Matt" Barton	LTC Philip A. Work	
2017	Camp #586	Camp #1790	-
	Gov. Samuel W. T. Lanham	LTC Philip Alexander	
		Work	
2018	Camp #2109	Camp #1325	-
	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt David Richard Reynolds	Alamo City Guards	
2019	Camp #2226	Camp #239	Camp #153
	Lt. Alexander Cameron	Robert E. Lee	Hood's Texas Brigade
2020	{no award}	-	-
2021	Camp #239	Camp #2226	-
	Robert E. Lee	Lt. Alexander Cameron	
2022	Camp #502, Williamson	-	-
	County Grays		
2023	-	-	-

### **APPENDIX III:**

### PROTOCOL FOR WEARING MEDALS, DECORATIONS, BADGES AND INSIGNIA

### **General Guidelines**

The prestige and influence of the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) depend largely upon the loyalty of its members. It is therefore deemed especially important that every member should display the official insignia of the SCV on all suitable occasions. Beyond that, wearing one's SCV insignia of office and individual awards is an individual decision. SCV members may also wear medals of the *Military Order of the Stars and Bars* in conjunction with their SCV medals.

This protocol has been prepared in order that members of the SCV may bring credit to the organization by the proper display of their SCV/MOSB medals and insignia. National SCV rules, as given in the current National SCV Awards and Insignia Guide, should be adhered to carefully when at a significant formal SCV function. For less formal occasions, including routine wear at Division and National Reunions, they can be considered "guidelines" rather than "hard-and-fast rules", but of course Compatriots are expected to display their medals in a respectful and professional looking manner at all times. While every member is responsible for wearing his medals and insignia correctly, it is also the responsibility of all SCV officers to encourage their members to wear all medals and insignia in an appropriate manner. A compatriot may wear all medals to which he is entitled, but most consider it poor taste to "look like a 3<sup>rd</sup> world general" with a chest full of medals. One is thus encouraged to limit himself to a reasonable selection of his highest awards and those of which he is most proud.

The SCV insignia and decorations worn vary with the type of dress, whether "formal" or "informal". On informal occasions when business suits, blazers or sport coats are worn, SCV Division and National officers may wish to wear neck ribbons to indicate past or present office. On such non-formal occasions, SCV custom has been to wear full size medals with business suits, blazers, or sport coats at SCV meetings.

At SCV formal occasions, where a tuxedo or dark suit and tie are indicated, miniature medals should be worn. At no time should full-size medals be worn with tuxedo, but members may wear full-size medals on a dark suit at formal gatherings.

#### **Terminology**

- Formal Dress includes tuxedo or dark suit with tie
- Informal Dress includes the business suit, the blazer jacket, and sport coat. Insignia are not worn on an overcoat.
- Award Medals those worn by an individual through personal effort. Award Medals should only be worn at formal and semi-formal functions (banquets, reunions, memorial services, or similar occasions where the accepted wear is a suit, sports coat or Confederate uniform).
- Insignia Medal Name tag and badges of office (Commander, Lt. Commander, Adjutant, etc.). Camp and Brigade officer insignia consists of the SCV membership medal, with the applicable office designation on top of the ribbon. The Division Commander's insignia consists of an SCV emblem attached to a neck ribbon. Division Commanders may add a distinctive emblem of their choosing to the neck ribbon to symbolize their particular state.

• Service Medal – medals given to groups for a particular service or participation, such as SCV Life Membership or Honor Guard, as well as reunion or other event commemorative medals. {Note: the SCV War Service Medal is considered a National "Award", not a "Service" medal.}

### **Mounting of Medals on Clothing**

On formal or informal attire which have breast pockets:

- Award Medals should be pinned just above the top edge of the left breast pocket, with no more than four full-size medals or five miniature medals in a single row. If more than one row of medals is needed, the medals should be evenly divided between upper and lower row. The upper row should overlap the lower, with the rows staggered slightly to allow a small amount of ribbon of the lower row to show. More than three rows are discouraged.
- Insignia Medals should be centered on the right breast, at approximately the same level.
- Service Medals should only be pinned on the lapels.

On Confederate uniforms or formal attire without breast pockets:

- Award Medals should be centered on the left breast, approximately 10" from the top seam.
- Insignia Medals should be centered on the right breast, at approximately the same level.

Service Medals should not be routinely worn on Confederate uniforms or formal attire, with three exceptions:

- The SCV Life Membership and/or Texas Division Crest may be worn, centered on the left breast and slightly above the Award Medals.
- An Honor Guard medal (National, Division, or Camp) may be worn on the right breast, at the same level and to the right of any Insignia Medal.
- An individual may choose to wear an event's commemorative medal while at the event or when giving a report on the event back at his Camp, and then remove it thereafter. If worn, such an event medal should be mounted separately, below any Award Medals. In any case, all rows of medals should be above the top edge of the left breast pocket.

### **Precedence of Medals**

Award Medals should be mounted just above the top edge of the left breast pocket, with the highest-ranking SCV National medal on the top row, inside, then proceeding to the wearer's left. Next should come the Military Order of the Stars and Bars medals, and finally Division, Brigade, and Camp medals.

The complete ranking of SCV National Award Medals is given in the current <u>SCV Awards and Insignia Guide</u>, but the more common individual medals are ranked as follows:

- SCV Commendation Medal
- SCV War Service Medal
- SCV Membership Medal

At formal SCV occasions, medals from other heritage groups of which the wearer is a member are acceptable, but must be worn last, regardless of their ranking.

Insignia Medals should have the individual's highest office on the inside and then proceeding to the wearer's right.

### Some Basic "Don'ts":

- Don't mix miniature and full-size medals in the same grouping if practical. Since the SCV is moving toward standardization to all miniature size medals, members who desire to wear all earned medals have two options as follows: (1) once a member receives a miniature-size medal, he is encouraged to purchase and wear miniature versions in lieu of any previously awarded full-size Award Medals, so as to have a consistent set; or (2) to save inordinate personal expense, as of 01 Jul 2018, members are authorized to group and wear miniature medals above previously earned full-size medals. If a member chooses to mix miniature and full-size medals, they must be grouped according to size and precedence. The miniature medal groupings must also be properly located with and above similar full-size medal types i.e. Award Medals above left breast pocket; Insignia Medals on right breast and Service Medals on lapels. Don't mix Award Medals, Insignia Medals, or Service Medals in the same grouping
- Don't wear Award Medals on informal outerwear. However, compatriots may wear a Confederate-style vest, with office insignia and a few selected medals, to warm-weather SCV meetings and events.
- Don't wear medals on a Confederate uniform during reenactments or similar events, where one is portraying a Confederate soldier in "battle dress". Some medals may be worn during parades, cemetery ceremonies or other similar events, but one should use caution to not "over decorate", with an appearance that distracts the audience to that individual, rather than the prime purpose of seeing all the SCV participants as a group, honoring our Confederate ancestors.
- Don't wear medals you didn't personally earn
- Don't wear non-SCV medals (except as noted above) to SCV functions

