


Appendix 5C to
THE HISTORY OF SCOUTING IN SOUTH GEORGIA

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***Photos of other Professional of
Chehaw Council***

(Other than Council Executives and Past Council Presidents,
whose photos can be found in another Appendix, Professional
are pictured here)

THE PROFESSIONALS

	<p style="text-align: center;">Charles F. Barth</p> <p>Charles F. Barth was a District Executive from 1982 until the late 1980s.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">(No Photo Available)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aaron Bensonhaver</p> <p>Aaron Bensonhaver was District Executive for the Aguila District and the first District Executive for the Choc-Taw District of Chehaw Council from 2007 until 2009. He left to become a District Executive in North Florida Council.</p>



P. T. Braun

P. T. Braun was the District Executive for the Lake District in 1972 to 1973. After scouting he taught at the Worth County School System.

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Edward J. Cendroski, Jr.

Edward Cendroski, Jr. was a District Executive in Chehaw Council in 1983. He was an Eagle Scout from Conway, South Carolina.



Jerry Wesley Cox

Jerome Wesley (Jerry) Cox was a Field Executive, beginning in 1956.¹ He was based in Blakley and served the Western District.

¹ "Explorer Scouting," *Americus Times-Recorder*, February 18, 1956.



Buddy Davidson (far left)

Edward (Buddy) Davidson became District Executive for the Central District from January, 1964 into 1965.² He had been a professional scout with various scout councils in Florida before coming to Chehaw Council.



Gordon N. Davis, Jr.

Gordon Davis was hired as the Field Executive for the Flint District in late 1965.³ Gordon was a scout as a youth, an army veteran, and a graduate of Fort Valley State College. He served Chehaw Council until July, 1984 when he took a promotion with the Central Georgia Council.⁴

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Ronald C. Densley

Ronald C. Densley became the District Executive for the East District based in Tifton on April 10, 1972.⁵ It was his first Scouting job. He was a college football player from Brigham Young University and an Eagle Scout with two Palms. He left in 1973 to return to Utah

² "Davidson New Scout Leader," *Americus Times-Recorder*, January 8, 1964.

³ *Chehaw Drumbeat*, Chehaw Council, October 11, 1965.

⁴ *Chehaw Drumbeat*, Chehaw Council, July 25, 1984.

⁵ "East District Scout Exec Announced," *Americus Times-Recorder*, April 1972.



Ralph Ellis

Ralph Ellis received his Eagle rank on March 7, 1939, while a member of Troop 7 of Columbus, Georgia. He was an early member of Chattahoochee Lodge (204) of the Order of the Arrow. He attended the first National Jamboree in 1937. Ralph was a Field Director for the northern half of Chehaw Council from 1943 to 1945 and was based in Americus. He then resigned to take a position in private industry, but by 1947 he was a Field Director with the Okefenokee Area Council. He was present at the meeting of Pilthlako Lodge (229) when their first patch (A1a) was issued. In the 1950s he served with the Pee Dee Council in South Carolina and the council based in Bluefield, West Virginia. After his scouting career he worked for NASA at Cape Canaveral/Cape Kennedy in Florida until his retirement in the 1980s. After retiring from NASA he moved to Americus, Georgia where he resided until his death. He died on June 7, 2011.



Eric Ginter

Eric Ginter, an Eagle Scout and Vigil Member of the Order of the Arrow from Ohio who became camp ranger in March of 1995.⁶ He then continued as Camp Ranger for SGaC.

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From the personal knowledge of Eric Ginter, email of February 4, 2009.

Olin Llewellyn Evans

(Although Rev. Evans professional employment as a Scout came before the formation of Chehaw Council but after the closing of Nochaway Council and his professional Scouting territory would be within the Chehaw Council.)

Reverend Olin Llewellyn Evans, a retired Methodist Minister, was a native of Sumter County who was ordained in 1900. His first church was in Omaha, Georgia and his last was in Richland, Georgia. Following his retirement in 1933, he began his work with the Boy Scouts America in Americus. In the fall of 1934, he organized Troop 3, which was sponsored by First Methodist Church of Americus.⁷ It appears that Reverend Evans became the permanent scoutmaster of Troop 3 even though it was not his plan.⁸ In December 1934, he became "Director of Boys' Work in Americus" on behalf of both the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs.⁹ As part of this job, he started new troops, assumed the duties of scoutmaster when a troop was without a scoutmaster and organized citywide scout events. He also started a troop in Richland in 1934.¹⁰ In 1936, he was camp director of Camp Shehaw summer camp. He continued in his duty as Head of Boys Work in Americus until the opening of Chehaw Council in 1939.

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In March of 1939, Reverend Evans was a member of the original Steering Committee for Sumter County, which formed to consider joining the new council. He was a member of the Americus delegation that attended the meetings to form Chehaw Council in Albany in the spring of 1939. At the March meeting in Albany, Joseph Cook, Chairman of the Americus group, stated that the program begun by Reverend O. L. Evans in 1930s was still active and that Americus would like to be incorporated into the new council.

After the formation of Chehaw Council in June of 1939, Reverend Evans was District Commissioner. He held that post until 1941 after which he was still active as District Commissioner Emeritus. Although Reverend Evans was an adult and was then serving as District Commissioner, he began earning his ranks as soon as Americus joined Chehaw Council.¹¹ Prior to 1952 adults could earn merit badges and ranks also. He reached the rank of Star. He was one of the earliest people to be awarded the Silver Beaver in Chehaw Council. After his scouting career,

Reverend Evans continued to reside in Americus until his death on March 4th, 1955.¹²

⁷ "Scouting on Upgrade Here," *Americus Times-Recorder*, December 13, 1934.

⁸ "Scouts Enjoy Richland Trip," *Americus Times-Recorder*, October 15, 1934.

⁹ "Scouts Appear before Club," *Americus Times-Recorder*, February 1, 1939; "Evans Speaks on Scout Work," *Americus Times-Recorder*, February 8, 1935.

¹⁰ *Americus Times-Recorder*, January 26, 1934; *Americus Times-Recorder*, September 18, 1934.

¹¹ "Americus Scouts Set Merit Badge Mark," *Americus Times-Recorder*, November 15, 1939.



Bill Graff

William C. Graff was East District Executive from 1965 until 1972 after retiring from the Air Force. He is an Eagle Scout. He replaced David Knowlton.

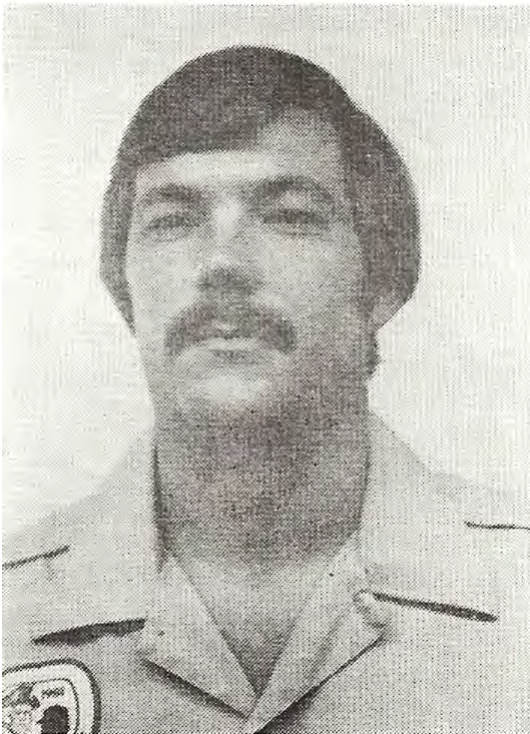


Johnny Griner

Johnny Griner was the Camp Osborn Asst. Ranger until his death in 2011. Johnny died at Camp Osborn while a Ranger.

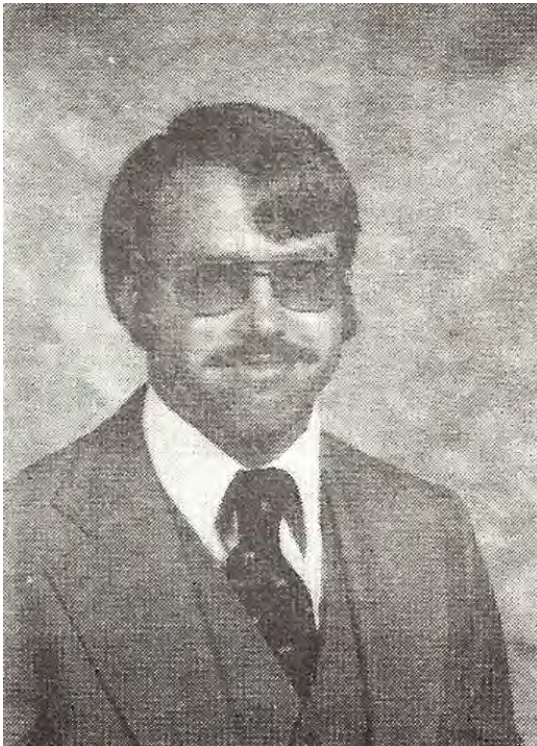
Ed Harvey

Ed Harvey was a District Executive in the 1980s. Later he was a District Executive in Cherokee Area Council in Oklahoma and then the Council Executive.



Tim Lee

District Executive in Chehaw Council in the 1980s.



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J. B. Helms

J. B. Helms was hired in October of 1946 to replace Parke Renshaw and to handle the southwestern part of Chehaw Council. He came to Chehaw Council from West Georgia Council.

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E. Marie Jones

Marie Jones was hired as District Director for Aguila District in July 2007 and served until October 2010. She left Chehaw Council to go to East Texas Area Council. Prior to coming to Chehaw Council, Marie was a Para-Professional with Colonial Virginia Council in Newport News, Virginia in 2001 and 2002. She then became a District Executive with Colonial Virginia Council from March 2002 until June 2007.

(No Photo Available)

David Knowlton

David Knowlton was District Executive from April 1967 until July, 1967. He was from Blackshear, Georgia and had sold insurance before joining scouting.



Brooks Lovelace, (left)

Brooks Lovelace came to Chehaw Council as a District Executive after retiring as a Major in the Air Force in 1969. He was District Executive for the Albany District.¹³ He was an Eagle Scout from the Atlanta Area Council and a Silver Beaver from Chehaw Council. He died on November 3, 2019 in Valdosta.

¹³ "Lovelace," *Sylveseter Local*, August 7th, 1969.



Preston Parker

District Executive for Thronateeska District.

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Jade Powell

Jade Powell was hired in March of 2009 to replace Andy Taylor as District Executive for Thronateeska District. She was replaced by Brad Walbridge in September, 2010.



Jarrett Parke Renshaw

Jarrett Parke Renshaw was a Field Executive for Chehaw Council from 1945 to the fall of 1946 when returned to Emory where he earned a Divinity Degree. In the late 1960s he earned a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Florida. During his long career as a Methodist Minister he served a great deal of time in Brazil. He died September 24th, 2010 in Decatur, Georgia.



Paul Smith

Paul Smith was born in Atlanta, Georgia.¹⁴ He was an Eagle Scout, and he served as an Assistant scoutmaster and scoutmaster in Atlanta. In March 1941, he joined Chehaw Council as Assistant Council Executive, leaving the Atlanta Boys Club. He left Chehaw Council for the Greensboro, North Carolina council on April 10, 1943. In 1947, he left scouting and joined Burlington Mills Corporation in Greensboro.





Max Shumack

Max Shumack was Field Executive for the Lake District of Chehaw Council, beginning in 1964.¹⁵ He replaced Ron Tyson. He left scouting to enter the insurance field in Americus in 1967 and later in Florida.¹⁶



¹⁴ "Paul Smith to Leave Chehaw Scout Council," *Americus Times-Recorder*, April 10, 1943.

¹⁵ "New Boy Scout Executive Hired," *Americus Times-Recorder*, August 26, 1964.

¹⁶ "Shumack Resigns Scouting Post," *Americus Times-Recorder*, January 21, 1967.

	<p style="text-align: center;">James H. Snead</p> <p>James H. Snead, Jr. was East District Executive from 1962 through 1966. He was born and raised in Atlanta. He left to become a District Executive in the Atlanta Area Council. In 1968 he began work for the United Methodist Men's ministries for whom he worked until he retired 21 years later. He died September 11, 2002.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">(No Photo Available)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Henry Snipes</p> <p>Henry Snipes was Field Director for the northern half of Chehaw Council from 1945 to 1947.¹⁷ He replaced Ralph Ellis. Snipes had been a Field Executive for the Okefenokee Area Council based in Valdosta prior to serving in World War II.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">James R. Stott</p> <p>James R. Stott was a Field Executive for Chehaw Council beginning in 1948. He served the Scouts in Terrell County. He resigned in May of 1951 to take a job as Assistant Council Executive of the Coastal Empire Council in Savannah.¹⁸ He then served in the Atlanta Area Council as a District Executive. In 1958 he went to Pee Dee Area Council as Director of Field Services.¹⁹ He died June 1st, 1977 at home in Fitzgerald, Georgia.²⁰</p>

¹⁷ "New Scout Field Executive to Attend Meet Here," *Americus Times-Recorder*, February 27, 1946.
¹⁸ "Chehaw Scout Chief Takes On New Job," *Americus Times-Recorder*, May 25, 1951.
¹⁹ "Georgian Takes Pee Dee Area Boy Scout Post," *Florence Morning News*, July 20, 1958.
²⁰ Obituary, *Florence Morning News*, June 4, 1977.

	<p style="text-align: center;">Mary Alice Shelton</p> <p>A District Executive in Chehaw Council in 1983.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">(No Photo Available)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Leroy Starrett</p> <p>Leroy Starrett was a Field Executive in Chehaw Council in 1956 to 1963.²¹ He was based in Albany. After his service with Chehaw Council he took a position with the Florence South Carolina Council until his retirement in 1981. He died November 7, 1982 in Florence, South Carolina.²²</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">BOTH Andy Taylor</p> <p>Andy Taylor was the District Executive of the Thronateeska District from May 2005 through 2008.²³ He was an Eagle Scout from Tukabatchee Council in Alabama. He replaced Michael Adkins.</p>

²¹ "Scout Leader to Attend Course," *Americus Times-Recorder*, August 21, 1954.

²² Chehaw Drumbeat, Chehaw Council, November 25, 1982.

²³ Information provided by Andy Taylor, 2009.

(No Photo Available)

James Arthur Teeter, Jr.

James Arthur Teeter, Jr. was the District Executive for East District in Tifton from 1959 to 1962. After this he served with the councils in Greensboro, N.C., Greenville, S.C., and as Assistant Scout Executive of the Indian Waters Council, Columbia. After scouting he was in insurance sales for twenty-five years with the James A. Teeter Insurance Agency in Columbia, South Carolina. He was an Eagle Scout, Vigil Honor member in the Order of the Arrow, and Silver Beaver Award recipient. He died on October 7th, 2004 in Columbia, South Carolina.



Reid Tillery

He was Lake District Executive in 1974.



Gil Tripp (right)

Gil Tripp was Field Executive for the Lake District of Chehaw Council from 1967 until 1973. He replaced Max Shumack.²⁴ After which he attended seminar and was a Methodist preacher in the Americus area until his retirement.



Alf Tuggle

Alf Tuggle was a District Executive in 1976 in Albany. In 1979, he was promoted to District Executive in the Atlanta Area Council. In 1982, he was promoted to Field Director in the same council. In October 1985, he became the Scout Executive in the Chattahoochee Council of Columbus, Georgia, in 1990, he became the Scout Executive in the Richmond, Virginia Council, and in 2005, he became the Scout Executive in the Pittsburg Council. On September 1, 2007, he was promoted to Director of the Southern Region and in 2010 he was made Assistant Chief Scout Executive for all of scouting.



Bruce Terrell Tuten

Bruce Terrell. Tuten was Field Director for Chehaw Council from 1979 to 1982. He left to become Scout Executive in Four Rivers Council in Kentucky after which he was Council Executive at Blue Ridge Council in Virginia. He had come to Chehaw Council from Central Georgia Council.



Ron Tyson

Ronald Tyson was a native of Tifton, Georgia, and was educated at Ottawa University in Iowa.²⁵ He earned his Eagle in 1950 and his Explorer Silver Award in 1952. He attended Wood Badge at Gilwell Park in England in 1967. Ron served twice in Chehaw Council. First as District Executive for the Lake District from 1961 to 1964 and then from July, 1967 to August, 1969 as the Assistant Scout Executive. He left Chehaw Council to go to the Orlando Council. His Scouting career also took him to the Far East Council in Japan and the Canal Zone Council in Panama where he served as Council Executive. Following his Scouting career, Ron became an ordained minister and now serves as Director of Spiritual Care at Carondelet Manor in Kansas City, Missouri.



Ron Tyson on his first visit back to Camp Osborn since 1970



Brad Walbridge

Brad Walbridge was hired in September, 2010 as Field Executive of Thronateeska and Achewon Districts. He left in March 2012 for a position in Blue Ridge Council. In 2015 he left scouting to serve with Grace Church in South Carolina.



BOOKER T. WARREN

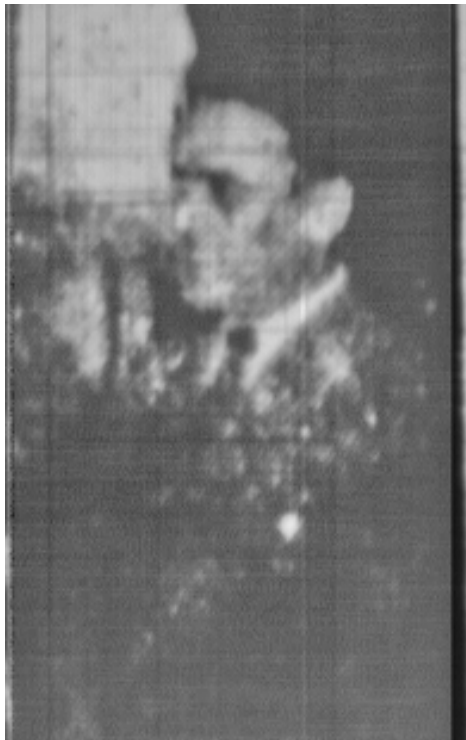
Booker T. Warren

Booker. T. Warren was hired in June of 1947 as a Field Executive for Chehaw Council. He was the first black Field Executive for Chehaw Council.²⁶ He came from the Okefeenokee Council and by 1950 he had left to go to the Spartanburg, SC Council and then the Charlotte, NC Council. He retired from the Calumet Council in 1973. He died on September 28, 1992 in Montgomery, Alabama.



Bob Weldy

A District Executive for Chehaw Council in the 1980s.



Harry Wheeler

Harry L. Wheeler was hired in September of 1951 as a Field Executive to replace James R. Stott.²⁷ He is an Eagle Scout. He came to Chehaw Council from Gulf Ridge Council in Tampa. He served the northern part of Chehaw Council, which later became the Lake District. He left Chehaw Council in 1957 to take a position with the Atlanta Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.²⁸ He later became Scout Executive for the Northwest Georgia Council. He died July 27, 1985 in Brooksville, Hernando County, Florida.



Russell A. Williams

Russell A. Williams was hired in April 1957 as Field Executive to replace Harry Wheeler in the Lake District.²⁹ He was an Eagle Scout and had been a District Executive in the Birmingham Area Council. He was based in Americus. He resigned in May of 1961 to take a position with the Atlanta Area Council.³⁰ In 1976 he was named associate director of Cub Scouting for the National Council. He died on October 17, 2010. His memorial service was held at Boy Scout Camp Wisdom in Dallas Texas.

²⁷ "Chehaw Council Vacancy Filled," *Americus Times-Recorder*, July 7, 1951.
²⁸ "Williams Takes Scout Position," *Americus Times-Recorder*, April 15, 1957.
²⁹ "Williams Takes Scout Position," *Americus Times-Recorder*, April 15, 1957.
³⁰ "Scout Executive Williams Leavings," *Americus Times-Recorder*, May 21, 1961.



The Chehaw Staff in 1971
Wofford (kneeling on right). Standing (from right to left) Brooks, Tripp, & Graff.
Standing behind Graff is Gordon.



(left to right) **Mrs. Josh Molder, W. Y. Compton, Mrs. W. Y. Compton, William E. Nexsen, and Josh Molder**
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W. B. AUSTIN, W. E. HUSKEY.

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The Chehaw Council professional staff in 1944.
Park Renshaw, Welty Compton and Ralph Ellis
at the Council office in Albany, Georgia

The photograph was taken by an Albany Herald reporter.
In order to get a good photo the staff is sitting on the wrong side of the desk.

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