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South Carolina State Parks

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December 7, 1941 -- 80 years ago today.....Have you ever noticed that the rock wall on the right side of the entrance to Lake Greenwood State Park is unfinished? Here's the story....

The CCC workers at Lake Greenwood began construction on the entrance wall to the park in the fall of 1941 but were interrupted following the bombing of Pearl Harbor on December 7. As word of the attack reached the park, the men of the CCC (working there) stopped their work. The country had entered World War II, and the CCC boys building the rock wall at Lake Greenwood were deployed to fight. They traded their axes and shovels for rifles and ammunition.

The CCC never returned to finish their work at the park, and until this day, the rock entrance wall remains unfinished -- a symbolic reminder of what happened that day. <https://fal.cn/3ksUN> See less



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Linda Richters Szymkiewicz I saw this while there two years ago. What a great reminder.
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Drew Smith Interesting part of our history.
at 1:11:21 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Marguerite Long Interesting!
at 1:14:46 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Mary I. Shriner Is there a plaque there telling the story? If not , there should be
at 1:18:39 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Grace Downey Beth Downey
at 1:20:14 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Shane Alfieri Jennifer Wilder
at 1:21:56 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Jordan Lane



at 1:27:25 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Vanessa Lee Mary I. Shriner there is a wayside sign telling the story right past the entrance wall overlooking the stones in the woods.
at 1:27:48 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Terra Wilson Chastie Wesley Chastie
at 1:27:58 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Samantha McGowan Whittaker Suzanne McGowan Sperring
at 1:29:48 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Mary I. Shriner Vanessa Lee great, thanks
at 1:30:10 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Nancy Nielsen Very interesting historical fact I never knew this until today thanks for sharing
at 1:30:30 on 12/08/2021 UTC



David Simpson Very interesting. Sharing
at 1:30:35 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Penelope N Art Southerland Clearly "as you were...." Is important to HEROES!!!!
at 1:31:54 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Neal Cowe December 7, 1941 was a Sunday the Civilians Conservation Corp had one day a week off Sunday. On Monday morning December 8, 1941 most of the country signed up for military service. Back then you signed up for the duration, if not you were conscripted.
at 1:32:03 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Gary Mitchell Sabbatino Interesting

at 1:32:21 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Erin Elizabeth What an amazingly sad story, I will have to make a trip there to witness the wall in person. Thanks for sharing this unique moment in history.

at 1:33:22 on 12/08/2021 UTC

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Shannon Kelly Bernardez Heather Simmons Jones Thought you and Trace might enjoy this story if you don't know it already.

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Faye Drake Mcalister My Dad was in the CCC, but helped build Paris Mtn and Oconee State Parks. Was a great organization us

at 1:35:08 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Maggie Ruth Cochrane God bless that generation of fighters and protectors and patriots. Thank each of you and God bless you. If not for your dedication, we would not be the country we are today! usususususususus
God bless America!

at 1:36:24 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Gert Wells Thank you for sharing

at 1:36:30 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Ruby Lee Browning What a touching memory! Thank you for your services & sacrifices. My granddad was enlisted in the CCC.

at 1:36:44 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Marie Maynard Saw this everytime we went camping there. One of the rangers told us the history of the wall.

at 1:37:48 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Becky Campbell Meredith Hudgins Little bit of local history.

at 1:40:50 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Lawson Sellers Jordyn Sellers this is neat!

at 1:44:25 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Ellen Harbin Fascinating and Priceless S.C. History...God Bless....Thank you for sharing

at 1:48:43 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Missy White How did those men do in the war? Did they all make it home?

at 1:51:49 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Wade Waters Wellabdam

at 1:52:07 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Alex Morgan Michaela Morgan

at 1:53:24 on 12/08/2021 UTC



David N Alicia Tallent Missy White that's what I was wondering. I was hoping to find the answer in amongst the comments.

at 1:54:35 on 12/08/2021 UTC

Danny Bright What is the CCC ?



at 1:57:35 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Katie Ulam Kathy Ulam

at 1:58:45 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Deno Contos Thank God for a forwarded thinking leader, hard to find today.

at 1:59:14 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Chris Murray Becky Campbell we love lake greenwood. We told Landry and Kendra the story.

at 2:00:29 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Patricia O. DeTreville Amazing. Ty for sharing

at 2:00:54 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Belle Boone I was immensely touched when I visited this park and read about the history. An amazing tribute by simply leaving the wall alone.

at 2:05:39 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Wanda Wood Thank you for sharing this information, had missed the plaque when visiting this park explaining why wall was not completed.

at 2:07:05 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Jonathan Kyle Pearson Todd Pearson

at 2:12:46 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Dylan Howard Aurelio Martinez

at 2:13:00 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Mary Robertson-Hendricks My dad was in CCC at Walhalla State Park when he was early 20's. When my brothers and I were children he would take us on fishing trips to Lake Greenwood. I had never heard that story. Thanks for sharing.

at 2:15:37 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Amanda Brown TJ Brown

at 2:17:33 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Mark Trout Vanessa Lee don't tell anyone, they will get offended and want it torn down. I mean, they've just got to America, they should rule it, right?

at 2:19:19 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Jarred-Amber Spencer Philip Spencer

at 2:19:45 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Josh Rogers Eric Smith

at 2:21:24 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Robbie Gawrys Thomas Phillips

at 2:24:51 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Ron Smith Wow! I have seen it. But had no idea of the connection. Thanks G. Merry Christmas

at 2:25:52 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Brian Smith Did not know. Thanks for sharing.

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Bill Turner Awesome reminder of how the world stopped that day...



at 2:37:27 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Ronnie Dawkins The woods behind it have the unused stone laying scattered about. Make sure and visit the state park visitors center. It has a great exhibit on the CCC.

at 2:39:12 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Elizabeth Miller Battle What a testament!

at 2:39:25 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Hannah Farr Vinson David Vinson

at 2:42:31 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Jayne Wilson Thanks for sharing this. Very interesting.

at 2:44:33 on 12/08/2021 UTC



David Keever That's a story I did not know.

at 2:52:37 on 12/08/2021 UTC



David Keever I hope no one wants this history taken away

at 2:54:41 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Robin Haner Neel Derrick Neel

at 2:57:25 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Anthony K. Byars Thanks for sharing

at 2:57:51 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Nat Daless Wow that is really interesting!

at 3:02:54 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Tubo Owens Danny Bright cc camp is all I know they built lodge at foster park

at 3:02:58 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Carol Coleman Mark Trout, way to ruin a wonderful post.

at 3:03:39 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Allen Farr Saw it many times, never knew ,thanks for sharing

at 3:06:28 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Alice Selle Christina Dawn Tanner Schmittle Kevin Selle

at 3:33:38 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Haskell Parler That's very interesting. On our property there are still ditches that were dug by the CCC back in the late 1930s.

at 3:41:16 on 12/08/2021 UTC



David Covington Faye Drake Mcalister just curious how did he help build state parks?

at 3:49:11 on 12/08/2021 UTC



David Covington What does ccc stand for?

at 3:51:41 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Faye Drake Mcalister David Covington just know they lived on site and built rock walls and really don't know all the details of all they actually did, but when Paris Mtn park was remodeled (the rock building) he was asked to come and cut the ribbon for their celebration. I was very proud for him.us

at 3:53:26 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Calvin Leneve There's also the same granite stones across the road don't know about them
at 4:15:13 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Ashley Black Finger I live 5 minutes from the lake Greenwood state park.
at 4:15:31 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Donna Richbourg Rhodes What does CCC stand for?
at 4:18:36 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Mitch Stone Never knew this
at 4:22:47 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Brenda Thurman Thank you for this information!
at 4:23:11 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Jennifer Turner Fleetwood Ernestine Hall Turner Brian Fleetwood
at 4:34:05 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Nace Few Thank you very much. That's a great story...
at 4:39:04 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Barbara Gassman J Alan Falls Interesting. Did you know this tidbit?
at 5:15:16 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Maddie Gordon Sharon Artrip reminds me of Uncle CB, Poppy, and Joe
at 5:30:20 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Kathy Ulam Katie Ulam Wow! Very interesting
at 5:46:00 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Ron Fortunato My Dad left home to join the Navy, and help defend the USA from the attack, from Japan.
at 6:30:31 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Noelle Pruitt Logue Todd Logue
at 10:05:12 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Michelle Rickard Vaughn Steve Rickard
at 10:20:43 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Cindy Stanley Middleswarth Karen Hanke, Chris Hanke never knew this history! Great lesson for the boys.
at 11:31:30 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Vicki Rockville That's really interesting
at 12:05:44 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Marty Johnson Civilian Conservation Corp.
at 12:38:31 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Kerry Fry Thanks for sharing. In our travels to many State parks we see the beautiful architecture done by the CCC. It's so well done and has stood the test of time.
at 13:38:07 on 12/08/2021 UTC



South Carolina State Parks David Covington Civilian Conservation Corps:
<https://southcarolinaparks.com/education-and-history/ccc-history>



at 13:39:26 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Faye Drake Mcalister Mary Robertson-Hendricks my Dad was there too..maybe they served together. Maybe prior to 1936 because that was the year he got married and he was eighteen years old💕

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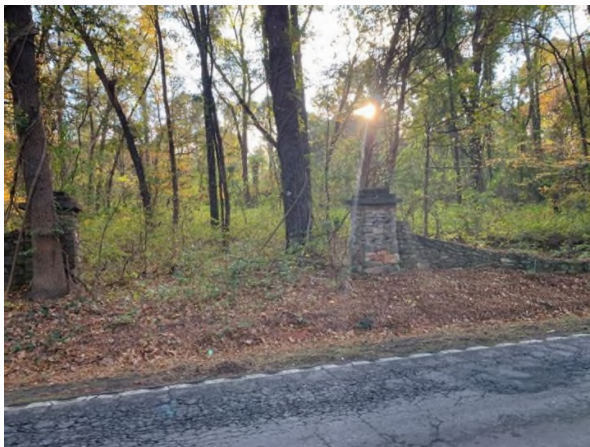


Deacon Steve Burdick This was the attitude of America's "Greatest Generation" ! They understood and stepped up and beat back totalitarianism on multiple fronts! The world owes them a great debt!

at 13:49:49 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Terry J Crolley Is this work right up the road part of it too? Seems odd this is kinda out there all by itself, and clearly it's very old since a tree is now grown in the middle of where a road would be.



at 13:53:14 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Jeanette Alderman Grew up camping and fishing there. I remember my Daddy telling us about the wall.

at 14:33:07 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Janice Griggs Mary S Fox, did you know this?

at 14:39:44 on 12/08/2021 UTC

Jimmy Davis Intresting



at 15:08:27 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Michael DiYorio Dakota Little Hawk Simerly
at 17:08:14 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Carolyn Langley Thank you for sharing the story. So many of us did not know this story, glad you told it. There were lots of jobs the CCC did.
at 17:15:24 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Kenneth Frady Think it would be a good idea to finish to honor and remember those men.
at 17:23:14 on 12/08/2021 UTC



BrèAnna Leigh Katie Inscho
at 17:44:06 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Garrett Furr The true hero's
at 18:02:25 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Janet Shifflett So good to know; thank you!
at 18:10:06 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Indar Ted Singh Good to know thank you.
at 19:29:53 on 12/08/2021 UTC



James Dallas Turk A good reminder of things gone by. Isn't that what our statues and monuments were built for.
at 19:34:46 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Loretta Treusch Thanks for sharing this very touching
at 21:06:48 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Faye Carter A good story!
at 21:17:49 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Jean Lou Withnell I've long appreciated that the CCC gave the US a corps of young men who were disciplined and ready to fight. Given our isolationist policy and widespread unemployment, we would have been far worse off without this head start.
at 21:35:28 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Matthew Childress We should get some volunteers out to fix this.
at 21:39:29 on 12/08/2021 UTC



Thomas Phillips Max Hyde
at 23:24:50 on 12/08/2021 UTC



J Alan Falls Barbara Gassman No I didn't.
at 23:40:03 on 12/08/2021 UTC



William 'Bill' Vaughan Lee Youngblood Greene Jr.
at 0:38:09 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Anna Samra My Father and many others built the wooden fences you see along the Blue Ridge Parkway during that same period and, then, off to war they went...
at 0:39:06 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Patricia Dale Wow
at 0:40:01 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Barbara Gassman J Alan Falls we'll have to be sure to look for the plaque when we go.
at 1:03:01 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Russell Simonaro Very interesting story. Hope the wall remains there
at 2:17:15 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Robert Aldridge How many other CCC projects met similar ends?
at 2:40:06 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Douglas Ketcham CCC?
at 2:45:36 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Claudia Greene Stokes I live in Greenwood and have seen the wall! A stark reminder!
at 2:49:52 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Frankie Elgin It would be a great tribute to the men that went to war to finish it and dedicate it to them.
at 3:43:44 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Mark Nix Someone will try to find a reason to take it down js
at 4:19:31 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Devera Henderson I never knew this until today
at 7:08:26 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Dorethea Hoffman RIP SOLDIERS!!!!
at 8:12:26 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Gib Tollison Ryan Traynham Mitchell Traynham
at 12:34:46 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Jim-Linda Abel Thank you for sharing this history.
at 19:42:37 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Daniel Riddle BBB us
at 20:31:33 on 12/09/2021 UTC



CaSandra Stonecypher Davis Thank you for sharing
at 23:15:21 on 12/09/2021 UTC



Roger Mitchell I have to look every time I go by !
at 0:32:12 on 12/10/2021 UTC



Max Hyde Thomas Phillips Fascinating. Thank you for letting me know, Thomas.
at 2:36:37 on 12/10/2021 UTC



Jane Chapman Wright Jim Chapman
at 18:22:58 on 12/10/2021 UTC



Morris Franklin Amazing story! Marcella Johnson Franklin
at 21:03:04 on 12/10/2021 UTC



Phil Labonte Jerry Loescher very cool
at 21:53:30 on 12/10/2021 UTC



Larry Hilgeman I hope they keep it untouched.
at 23:14:59 on 12/10/2021 UTC



Darlene Briggs I don't think I've ever been told that but I don't remember if I was so thanks for sharing. I'll make sure I pay attention to that when I go there
at 23:55:24 on 12/10/2021 UTC



Nancy L. Hoffmann God bless those who served our country.
at 2:43:58 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Cookies Bar Let's hope it gets to stay. 🇺🇸
at 2:48:07 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Ned Bal Trump 2024
at 2:50:29 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Lorenzo Coglianese My father served in the CCC then went into the Navy served on the USS Texas and the USS Cowpens
at 3:33:27 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Joshua Bailey I still have my great grandfather's CCC foot locker
at 12:28:53 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Sandy Plappert Thanks for sharing.
at 13:11:17 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Nancy Canter Meushaw Yes, a very interesting Story
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at 16:41:34 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Joseph French The moment the whole world changed
at 18:21:24 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Pam Bethea Thanks for sharing
at 23:59:17 on 12/11/2021 UTC



Patricia Mchale-French My Dad was proud of his 3C and then World War II..
at 13:27:56 on 12/12/2021 UTC



Robert Graham Thanks for sharing
at 16:16:39 on 12/12/2021 UTC



Chuck Donaldson I strongly believe the physical training of the CCC contributed mightily to our success in WWII.
at 16:53:31 on 12/12/2021 UTC



Ryan Shirah This is neat.
<https://scparkstore.com/products/civilian-conservation-corps-trucker-hat-adi01471>



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