

On May 22, 1863 the Bureau of US Colored Troops (USCT) was established to recruit, train, outfit and deploy what would become a force of 200,000 African American soldiers.

"Without the military help of the black freedmen, the war against the south could not have been won."

-President Abraham Lincoln, 1865

"Once let the black man get upon his person the brass letters 'US,' let him get an eagle on his button and a musket on his shoulder and bullets in his pockets and there is no power on earth which can deny that he has earned the right to citizenship in the United States." _ Frederick Douglass, 1862

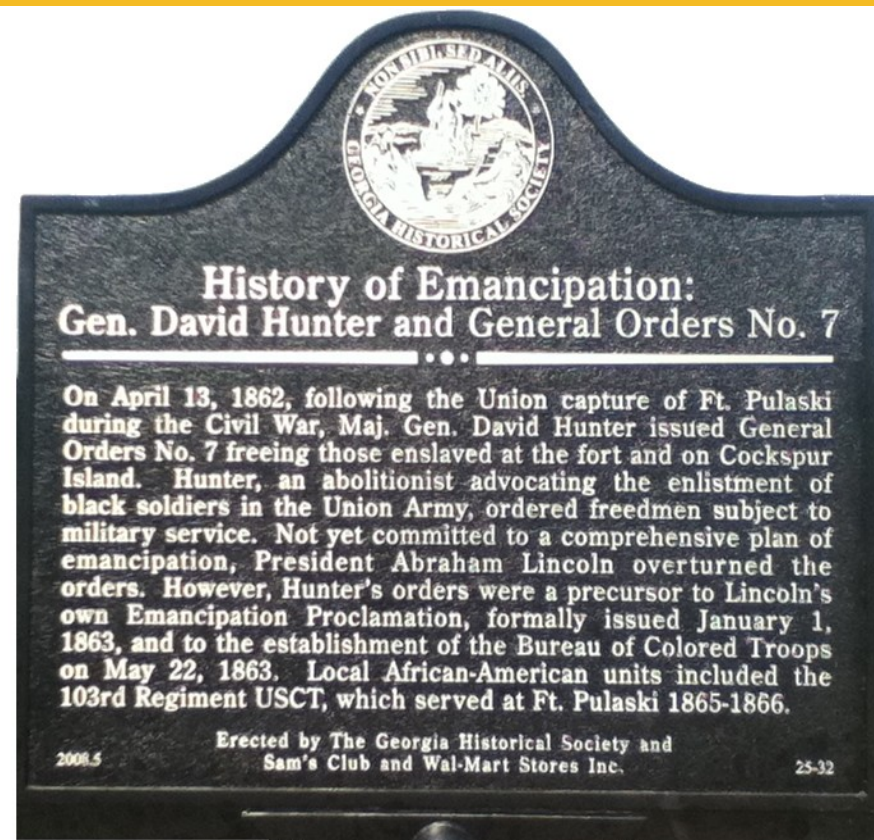


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Friday April 13th, 2012

African-American Civil War Memorial Freedom Foundation

United States Colored Troops - Sesquicentennial event

7pm ~ 9pm_Thursday April 12th, 2012

(912) 652-3600

Bull Street Library
202 Bull Street
Savannah Ga, 31401

The USCT Legacy of National Redemption and Democracy

*(How Black Civil War Veterans Reconstructed the Union
and Established Democracy in America)*

Presentation by Asa Gordon_Sec. Gen. S&DUSCT

In the aftermath of America's Civil War it was accepted that the union had been saved, but "The reinauguration of the national authority-reconstruction" (*A. Lincoln*) and the establishment of full participatory democracy was still very much in doubt. This lecture will expose ignored historical facts, and reveal the hidden Civil Rights legacy of how Black Civil War veterans reconstituted the nation in alignment with the DECLARATION and established the foundation of citizens' voting rights in the United States of America.



How the facts of American history have in the last half century been falsified because the nation was ashamed. The South was ashamed because it fought to perpetuate human slavery. The North was ashamed because it had to call in the black men to save the Union, abolish slavery and establish democracy.

-W.E.B. Du Bois, *Black Reconstruction in America*, (1935).

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History of Emancipation: Marker _ Visitor Center

Tybee Island in Chatham County, Georgia_ (Savannah, Ga.)

1:30pm ~ _Friday April 13th, 2012

(912) 786-5787

Program:

The USCT and the Road to Emancipation

To commemorate the 150 anniversary of Maj. Gen. David Hunter's issue of General Orders No. 7. Gen. David Hunter (July 21, 1802 – February 2, 1886) was a Union general in the American Civil War. He achieved fame by his unauthorized 1862 order (immediately rescinded) emancipating slaves in three Southern states: Georgia, Florida and South Carolina, comprising the military department of the south. Gen. Hunter also served as the president of the military commission trying the conspirators involved with the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

- **History of Emancipation Marker** _ Gloria Lee - Chief of Interpretation & Visitor Services
- Film: **Fight For Freedom** (*The Inspiring Story of African American Civil War Soldiers*)
- **"Prelude to Emancipation"** _ Presentation by Asa Gordon - Sec. Gen. S&DUSCT
(*How the action of abolitionist Generals and enslaved African-Americans transformed the Union army of re-union into an army of liberation in the Civil War*)
- 54th Massachusetts _ Civil War Re-enactment
- AACWMFF _ Commemorative acknowledgment of the Georgia Historical Society