

FROM the desk of Pastor John Weaver, Chairman Sam Davis Youth Camps LLC, Past Chaplain-in-Chief SCV

Dear Compatriots,

As an SCV member this is probably the most important letter you will read in 2017. The future of the Sam Davis Camps is literally in your hands.

Since 2003 the Sam Davis Youth Camps have done a peerless job in preparing our youth for the future. Now in our 14th year, more than a thousand young men and women have gone through our one week program of Confederate history, etiquette, culture, dancing and Christian instruction and fellowship. Many tell us the Sam Davis Camps are the "best thing the SCV does."

Help us to continue that tradition. Because of liability issues, the General Executive Council has decided and the Sam Davis Youth Camp LLC Board has agreed to separate the two entitities. As soon as practicable the Sam Davis Camp LLC will independently incorporate and seek its own tax-exempt status. When tax-exempt status is achieved, the current funds and assets of the LLC will be turned over to the new corporation.

The Sam Davis Youth Camp LLC Board has asked for a commitment from the SCV General Executive Council to help raise an additional \$100,000 for the new Sam Davis Camps as they begin to operate independently of the SCV. Our goal is for the new Sam Davis Camp entity to be up and running with tax-exempt status by Summer 2018. As an allied organization, independent of the SCV, the Sam Davis Camps will continue to recruit campers from SCV Divisions, camps and members, will continue to report on our activities at Reunions, will continue to run free or low-cost ads in the *Confederate Veteran*, fund raise among Compatriots, and recruit adult staff from SCV members — BUT as an independent organization.

The Sam Davis Board does not see the GEC's decision as backing away from the Camps, but as a better and safer way to foster the future and growth of the Sam Davis Camps.

The work of the Sam Davis Youth Camps are vital to secure the future of the SCV and all related heritage groups. Think how many future Commanders-in-Chief of the SCV may have already graduated from a Sam Davis Camp. Your Tax deductible gift to the Sam Davis Camp LLC will help to make this bright future a reality.

Send checks to: Sam Davis Youth Camp LLC c/o SCV PO Box 59 Columbia, TN. Thank you for helping us to secure for our ancestor's good name — a future!

Sincerely,

John Weaver, Chairman

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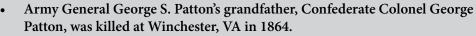
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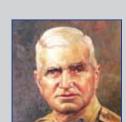


# Did you know these famous Americans were also descendants of Confederate Veterans?

- 13<sup>th</sup> Commandant of the Marine Corps General John A. Lejeune's father was Confederate Captain Ovide Lejeune.
- Marine Lt. General Lewis "Chesty" Puller's grandfather was Confederate Major John Puller, 5th VA Cavalry killed in 1863.



- Army Lieutenant General Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr. was killed on Okinawa in 1945 as the Commander of the US 10th Army. His father was Confederate General Simon Bolivar Buckner.
- US Army Air Corps Brigadier General Nathan Bedford Forrest, III was shot down and killed over Germany in 1943. His great grandfather was Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest.
- President Theodore Roosevelt's uncle was Georgian Confederate chief foreign agent Captain James Dunwoody Bulloch, CSN.
- President Woodrow Wilson's father, Reverend Dr. Joseph Ruggles Wilson, was a chaplain in the Confederate Army.
- President Harry S. Truman was a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans on the record of William Young, a trooper in Upton Hayes Company of Missouri Partisan Rangers.
- More than 70 million Americans are descended from these men, many of whom have served honorably in our armed forces.
- Confederate Generals Joe Wheeler, Fitzhugh Lee, Thomas Rosser and Matthew Calbraith Butler, Colonel William Oates and Captain William Washington Gordon II all served our nation after the war as generals in the Spanish-American War in 1898.









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After the War, Union and Confederate Soldiers, Sailors and Marines came together in a national spirit of unity and reconciliation. If the men who fought against each other came together in reconciliation, then why can't we honor all American veterans? If we don't honor all veterans today, then we will set the precedence to dishonor our veterans tomorrow. Help the Sons of Confederate Veterans honor them, their monuments, their symbols, and their memories.



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# FROM THE EDITOR

Summer is upon us and our work never ceases. It seems at times we are being attacked from all directions, but to quote General Forrest "charge on both sides!" We must prevail, for if we lose, our glorious heritage will be lost forever. On a more positive note, some of our Divisions are on the offense, so continue the fight until we are all on the offensive.



Congratulations to the men of the Joseph Kanaka CSN Camp 2288 in Hawai'i who have formed our first camp in the islands. Compatriot Byron Brady and myself met with Camp Commander Steve Brock in February in Oahu and offered advice and support. I'm glad to see they are up and running. We should have more about Hawai'i Confederates in a future issue.

Once again, one of our sesquicentennial authors, James Ronald Kennedy, returns to our pages this issue with his essay on *Brexit: Dixie's Homecoming*. All articles from the Kennedy brothers are excellent, and this one does not disappoint. Ron gives us an overview of our current situation as second-class citizens in our own country. But, there may be hope yet as Southerners are beginning to wake up with all these attacks on our heritage.

Compatriot Loy Mauch shares with us his latest thoughts with his essay on *What Our Confederate Ancestors Were Fighting To Save*. I feel this is the perfect companion article to Ron Kennedy's and I hope everyone will read and study both. We need to fully understand these points if we are to be successful in protecting our heritage.

We've heard about Confederate monuments being taken down, how about an article on one going up? We have a great story about a new Confederate monument erected starting on page 28 of this issue. Congratulations are in order to the members of the Major George W. Littlefield Camp 59, Austin, Texas, for their efforts to erect this monument to our Confederate ancestors.

We will be a few weeks away from our annual National Reunion when you receive this. I hope to see many of you in Memphis. Please keep sending in photos of your camp activities and your letters to the editor, both pro and con. Until then, I remain,

Yours in the Cause,

Editor-in-Chief



# REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

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# Continue to fight!

Compatriots,

hope your summer has been going well thus far and the humidity hasn't hit your area very much yet. In this article it is my goal to discuss a few issues that we, not only as an organization, but as a society are facing today in 2017. We as proud Southerners are being attacked on all flanks by individuals and groups who "think" they know how we need to live and honor our families. These groups are well funded by the liberal left and much like what happened in Germany in the 1930s are trying to change history or better yet erase it. First we need to discuss a little background on these monuments and other items honoring our ancestors and the founding fathers of the country we live in today.

In the early 20<sup>th</sup> century the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the United Confederate Veterans, and many other civic groups in the Southern states (Northern as well) erected monuments honoring the soldiers who fought, and in some cases died, during the War Between the States. These groups raised huge amounts of funds to have these works of art designed and produced. After the money was raised and the monuments built they would "donate" them to the cities or counties where they would be erected as a reminder to where we as a country had been. Some of these monuments had special instructions attached to them that if they are ever removed the property they sit on would revert back to the families who had donated the property like Lee Park in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Many have asked why did the various groups "donate" or "give" these monuments to these public entities and not place them on private property, the simple answer is that times have changed drastically over the past one hundred years or so. In the 1920s and 30s the public perception of Confederate Veterans (and the Founding Fathers) was much different and you must also realize the truth of the causes of the war were well known by all Americans.

A few years ago the Sons of Confederate Veterans were made aware of an issue in New Orleans, Louisiana, and their liberal Mayor Mitch Landrieu wanting to remove some monuments in the city. The Louisiana Division and National joined in a series of lawsuits fighting the removal of these priceless works of art to no avail. The lieutenant governor and attorney general pleaded with the governor to stop these removals but their pleas fell on deaf ears. Keep in mind Governor Bell is a West Point graduate and knows full well of Robert E. Lee's contributions to the United States Army for more than 32 years, turned his back on Lee, Davis and Beauregard. The local community had no issues with the statues other than a small group and I feel certain if the issue would have been brought up for a vote the statues would still be standing but that vote never came. The reason the vote never took place is because the corrupt and liberal mayor knew if it did he would lose and his agenda wouldn't be complete, which is to destroy these monuments. He has been approached by many

communities offering to take control of these monuments and after much debate has stated they will go to the highest bidder (we all know who that will be). While the murder and crime rate is steadily on the increase he decided to use city resources in removing these monuments and all the while giving the police on the scene a "stand down" order while people with no training removed them.

Many have asked what we did to stop the tragic removal of these one hundred year plus monuments; this question has been asked by both members and non-members. Some asked politely while others were not polite at all! Much like Andrew Jackson (he is also on his hit list) we have been fighting the "Battle of New Orleans" for more than two and a half years. We will continue to fight but the law isn't on our side because many of the Judges were appointed by Mary Landrieu, Mitch's sister, when she was a senator and they owe the Landrieu family. When the first monument came down I called for a Boycott of NOLA and encourage each of you to let both your friends and family know why we are boycotting the town and honestly it just isn't safe in the city any longer. The mayor and city council have shown they are more concerned about erasing history than the safety of those who visit their once great city.

Recently the city council in Charlottesville, Virginia, voted to remove the Lee and Jackson statues from a local park. The Virginia Division and some local concerned citizens joined forces to take the city to court to block their removal. The judge granted a six-month injunction to halt the removal but didn't block the renaming of the park. There is a push on the campus of the University of Virginia to remove the statue of one of our founding fathers who also founded the University of Virginia, Thomas Jefferson. The reasoning behind the movement was the statue was so large some of the students "didn't feel safe walking past it." That is correct, they are scared of a statue! To think these are the same people who will be entering the workforce in a few years! Our ancestors who have fought in all the wars our country has been involved with over the years are rolling over in their graves as you read this!

In closing, I am looking forward to seeing many of you in Memphis for the annual National Reunion in July. It looks like the host committee has done a fine job planning different events and tours. We also will have a fair amount of work to do during the business sessions as we begin activating some new operating systems on the National level.

Deo Vindice,

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# Dispatches From the Front A collection of letters to the editor from our members

### The Battle Flag is an integral part of us

To the Editor:

I subscribe to missives from Dr. Charles Stanley. One thing he sent regarding the Christian life is a card of tips for "staying on track." Compatriots, we need to stay on track regarding why we are in the SCV. That is simply stated in the Charge of Stephen D. Lee. Our mission is to honor the Confederate soldier. The Battle Flag is an integral, inseparable part of that mission.

Although the SCV is not affiliated with a particular faith, the principles embodied in the charge closely reflect what Philippians 4:8 states: "Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things." The Confederate soldier and his flag definitely fall within that Scriptural description. Any other uses or misuses of the flag are totally immaterial to its true identity to the noble Confederate soldier.

Furthermore, I admonish you to read Acts 11:26, 1 Cor 3:4-9, and Eph 4: 31-32 in regard to denominational allegiances. Our Charge is like the Word of God, unchanging and not subject to the whims of "progressive" society.

Michael Harden General Wade Hampton Camp 273 Columbia, South Carolina

### 'Disavow divisive sectarianism'

To the Editor:

This is in response to "The Highjacking of Southern History" by H. Rondel Rumburg, published in the May/ June 2017 edition of *Confederate Veteran*. At this critical time in our group's history, when descendants of Confederate veterans should be united and stand together against the enemies of the Confederate soldier's good name, Mr. Rumberg has used the *Confederate Veteran* as a platform to promote his divisive sectarian vision of the "true South." "Western society" was "rooted in the Reformation?" "Southern history ... was built upon the same Biblical premises as the Puritans?" "The South of Lee, Jackson, Davis, [etc.] was Calvinistic, Protestant, and postmillennial." Oh, yeah? And anyone who doubts these "truths" is somehow "anti-Southern?"

Mr. Rumburg is certainly entitled to his own religious beliefs and philosophy of history, but his pseudo-academic vitriol against Eric Voegelin is used as a vehicle for a thinly-disguised general attack upon all things and persons Catholic. He seems to emphasize that Catholic priests made up only three percent of the Confederate army's chaplains, as if "counting noses" is an accurate measure of their personal influence on their flocks and the Southern Cause. (Did Mr. Rumburg ever hear of that obscure person named Abram Joseph Ryan? Or Father John Bannon? Or Father Emmeran Bliemel? Or Father James Sheeran? Or Father Louis-Hippolyte Gauche?) Any objective review of the Roman Catholic army chaplains and priests supporting the Confederacy would demonstrate that their influence was vastly greater in proportion to their relatively small numbers. Were Catholic Confederate soldiers (like my four great-grandfathers) any less "Southern" soldiers than their Protestant comrades?

Mr. Rumburg's discourse eventually degenerates into rambling and disjointed gobbledygook about "antipostmillennialism" and other arcane religious doctrines. Perhaps his next contribution will be a treatise on how many angels can do the Virginia Reel on the head of a pin.

I challenge this Confederation to publicly disavow the divisive sectarianism (I would call it something else outside of polite company) of Mr. Rumburg and to focus on our true mission. Let's leave religious doctrine and fanatical opinions on what constitutes true "Southern culture" out of it. The foregoing are my personal opinions and not those of my camp.

Denis Gaubert General Randall Lee Gibson Camp 470 Thibodaux, Louisiana

#### Pleased to read Chaplain Rumburg's article

To the Editor:

The current issue (May-June 2017) of your publication is quite possibly the best I've ever read. Great work from cover to cover. I was especially pleased with "The Hijacking of Southern History" by H. Rondel Rumburg. Succinct, accurate, truthful. The article had me shaking my head in affirmation from beginning to end.

Thanks for a great periodical! It's always at the top of my reading list.

Douglas R. Delong Roswell S. Ripley Camp 1535 Kingston, Ohio

### Don't surrender our Battle Flag

To the Editor:

I had two great-grand uncles who fought for the Confederacy and who were brothers. One was killed in action in 1862 after the Battle of Shiloh. The other died in a prisoner of war camp in Illinois in 1864. They both fought and died under the Battle Flag as did tens of thousands of other men. If they were willing to die under this flag for what they believed in, then we should be willing and honored to fight to keep

this flag and the monuments honoring our descendants.

William R. Morris Gen. Leroy Augustus Stafford, Camp 358 Alexandria, Louisiana

#### Never surrender our Battle Flag

To the Editor:

I was outraged by the two letters in Volume 75, Number 4 of the Confederate Veteran magazine suggesting we, the keepers of the faith, guardians of the good name, the true historians of Confederate-American history, entrusted by Stephen Dill Lee with the safe keeping of the truth of Confederate history and the emblems, symbols, monuments; that we should seriously consider surrendering THE ONE THING which symbolises who we are — the Noble Banner of the South, the Confederate Battle Flag. To do this concedes our enemies are right. And WE, are wrong! That our whole organization is in the wrong. That the South was wrong — wrong to secede, wrong to defend their homes from military invasion, wrong to adhere to the Founding Principle found in the Declaration of Independence which is that "governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed." Well, they were NOT wrong and neither were the Founding Generation!

I remind all reading this of the observation from the Yankee General Joshua Chamberlain, "Bayonets were affixed to muskets, arms stacked, and cartridge-boxes unslung and hung upon the stacks. Then, slowly and with a reluctance that was appealingly pathetic, the torn and tattered battle-flags were either leaned against the stacks or laid upon the ground. The emotion of the conquered soldiery was really sad to witness. Some of the men who had carried and followed those ragged standards through the four long years of strife rushed, regardless of all disci-

pline, from the ranks, bent about their old flags, and pressed them to their lips."

And much later from the *New York Times* 4 May 1901, "The flags which they still carried were objects of undisguised affection. These Southern banners had gone down before overwhelming numbers; and torn by shells, riddled by bullets, and laden with the powder and smoke of battle, they aroused intense emotion in the men who had so often followed them to victory. Yielding to overpowering sentiment, these high-mettled men began to tear the flags from the staffs and hide them in their bosoms, as they wet them with burning tears."

Such was the intense emotional attachment to these Noble Banners, ennobled with the blood, sweat and tears of our heroic Confederate forebears. They stacked arms stoically, but cried when furling their flags. Surrender our FLAG? NEVER!!!!!

Jimmy L. Shirley Jr. James Patton Anderson Camp 1599 Palm Springs, Florida

### Never appease our enemies on the Battle Flag

To the Editor:

It is a sad day, indeed, when members of the SCV are willing to roll over, give up, and "retire" our Battle Flag, or replace it with another. Our ancestors fought and died under that flag. It represents a people who defied tyranny and fought overwhelming odds to defend their families and homes from an illegal invasion.

Those who have decided to roll over have become "Reconstructed" and given in to the whims of the enemy. The enemy will not stop at the removal of our flag, our monuments, the rewriting of our history, or changing the names of our schools and streets. Anyone who thinks they can be appeased is only lying to themselves. "Retiring" our flag makes as much sense as "retir-

ing" and putting away any monuments we have of George Washington. People need to know our history, the TRUE version, and why there was a war that didn't have to be. Those who are willing to appease the enemy have no place in the SCV and need to take a long hard look at what they are saying. That flag represents my ancestors and I display it with pride. They can't speak from the grave, so it is up to their descendants to let people know the truth of why they fought, and of the rape, plunder, and destruction visited upon them by Lincoln's army, with his full approval. Those willing to give up and roll over need to either find their backbone, or stay out of the way so the rest of us can continue to fight. I will NEVER surrender the displaying of the flag, and will forever remain "Unreconstructed."

Jeff Paulk Daniel N. McIntosh Camp 1378 Tulsa, Oklahoma

### Should SCV have an unofficial logo?

To the editor:

I would like to comment on the proposals to change the SCV logo. I support the use of the Confederate Battle Flag in the SCV logo. The CBF is the flag of the Confederate Veteran. If the SCV was to change our logo we would not be given any concessions. It would be used against us. The next headline would be the Confederate Battle Flag has become so divisive even the Sons of Confederate Veterans have stop using it.

That doesn't mean we can't have an unofficial logo. What about an unofficial SCV logo with the Bonnie Blue Flag, 1st National, Lee's Headquarters or even your state flag? With computers or a pair of scissors you could make your own. An unofficial logo could be used on a members car or truck without having to worry about vandalism. It could

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Letters to the editor are welcome. Please e-mail to eic@scv.org or you can mail to 9701 Fonville Road, Wake Forest, NC 27587. Please include your camp name, number and city. Space is limited; try to keep to 500 words or less, but longer letters may be edited and/or printed, space permitting. Differences of opinion are invited; attacks on fellow compatriots are not and will not be published.



# REPORT OF THE LT. COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

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### 'You Have to Walk to the Table'

n the last issue of the *Confederate Veteran*, I wrote about the ATM Recruiting, Retention and Heritage Operations Seminar held in Texarkana, TX. In this issue I want to tell you about the AOT Seminar which was held a month later.

Members of the Sam Watkins Camp 29 did an excellent job of hosting the AOT Seminar at the Henry Horton State Park in Tennessee on March 18. AOT Councilman Jason Boshers and ATM Commander Larry McCluney did an outstanding job of advertising and publicizing this event. The accommodations were wonderful. The food was great. A mountain of information was shared by the knowledgeable speakers. The weather was pleasant on that particular day. EVERYTHING about the event was great ... but one noticeable detail. Out of 16,000 members in the Army of Tennessee, there were 35 people in attendance at the Recruiting, Retention and Heritage Operations Seminar. Yes, you read correctly, 35 out of 16,000 members. (Let that sink in for a moment ... Jeopardy music playing in the background.)

Maybe I should conduct a seminar on how to get members to attend a seminar ... just saying. Of course, if the other 15,965 members in the AOT already know all there is to know about recruiting, retention and heritage operations, then by all means, we need to talk, because I learn something at every event.

Seriously, I made the statement a few years ago, "We (National) can prepare the table for you, with everything you need, but *YOU* have got to walk to the table, sit down and pick up the fork. No one can do it for you." The National leadership has made this information available for its members through seminars, but you have got to want it and take it.

My third scheduled seminar in the ANV will take place in High Point, NC, on September 16, 2017. Please make your plans to attend. A wealth of information is shared at these seminars which will help your camp grow, as well as ways to better interact with your community.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans has been involved for many years trying to come up with the magic solution to increase retention. Well, there is not any such magic cure. Every camp is different. What works for one may not work for another. However, the one thing which remains constant is the fact that men fill out applications, join and then leave.

What I would like to do is find out what is on the minds of these new members. My Recruiting/Retention Committee and I have put together a list of questions which can be found under Forms and Documents on the SCV website. The questionnaire should be filled out at the time a new member is filling out his application for membership or when he is being voted in by the camp. Hopefully, this



AOT Recruitment/ Retention and Heritage Operations Seminar at the Henry Horton State Park in Tennessee.

will give the camp leaders and membership a better insight into what it will take to keep a certain member from "walking out that door." Of course, this is another tool which will only work if used.

For the members who do not have Internet access, I have listed the questions below:

How did you learn about our organization?

Why do you want to join our camp/the SCV?

What is your perception of who the Sons of Confederate Veterans are and what we do?

What do you expect to gain by being a member of our camp/SCV?

What does the Confederate Battle Flag mean to you?

Are you proud of your ancestor's accomplishments?

What can we (camp/SCV) expect from you?

List some of your experience/expertise that might benefit the camp/SCV or our members.

What activities/events would motivate you to be actively involved with the camp?

Do you keep abreast of the on-going debate about removing all things Confederate?

What means of communications do you use i.e. e-mail, Facebook, text, etc?

Are you willing to share your Confederate heritage with your family, friends and business associates in order to expand the membership of the Sons of Confederate Veterans?

As I conclude my column for this issue, I would like to throw out some food for thought.

There are well more than 700 members of "Friends of the SCV." Many of these members are attached to local camps. I know there are a few who work with my camp, the General Richard Taylor Camp. It has been my experience that the majority of the "Friends of the SCV" work as hard if not harder than most members of the local camps.

I believe this is an excellent resource for camps to grow their membership numbers. With the dedication of these individuals who believe in our Cause, they can be instrumental in bringing in prospective members.

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AN EDITORIAL FROM
THE CHIEF OF
HERITAGE OPERATIONS

The Time Is Now!'

Compatriots,

**7** e have seen the evil which exists in the hearts of politicians who have no regard for our history, our ancestors or, frankly, their own constituents. In the dark of night the mayor of New Orleans, with snipers standing at the ready to shoot down any who obstructed his foul plan, initiated the removal process of monuments to our heroes which have stood for more than a century. From the local SCV Camp, to the Louisiana Division, and all the way up the chain of command, we fought this travesty every step of the way. The SCV spent more than \$30,000 in legal battles trying to prevent this tragic destruction of the history of a once great city. Upon ultimately losing this battle, Commander-in-Chief Strain has called for a boycott of that city, and I wholeheartedly concur with that action. I'll never spend any more of my money there. We have other similar battles going on such as in Charlottesville, Virginia. Thankfully, Virginia has a monument protection law which we hope is going to be of assistance in our efforts to preserve the monuments in that town.

But, as I told you at the Army workshops in Texarkana, Texas and Chapel Hill, Tennessee, reacting to these situations is not enough. It is absolutely imperative that we take a proactive approach to the protection of our history and the vindication of our Cause. This can only be achieved at the local level and with every Division, Brigade and camp involved and fully committed. The SCV must have a presence and a voice in your local community in order to establish "preventative measures" regarding these situations. Building relationships in your area is essential, as is on-going training of our camps in public relations, fund raising, and simply building a successful camp. Every Division should develop a training program for their camps, and every brigade commander must be on board with ensuring that Brigade workshops are carried out, at least annually, in an effort to properly prepare the camps under their purview. I recommend amending your Division Constitutions to require that brigade commanders hold at least one training workshop per year.

I advised you at our Army Workshops to join your Chamber of Commerce, and to attend the meetings. This is a starting point to gaining influence in your local area. As members of the local Chamber, you will be afforded a level of legitimacy in your community and the monthly meetings will bring you into contact with other local leaders and other civic organizations. In our networking efforts we must adhere to our principals as a patriotic,

charitable organization and, in a nut shell, simply be who we are — members of this organization. *Keep your message positive!* You will find that in your networking efforts, your recruiting numbers will likewise begin to grow, as will the opportunities to present our message to other groups where we typically could not get our foot in the door. I've seen this at work in numerous instances and it is this simple — the camps who are in touch with their local community are thriving and, as a result, the probability of Heritage attacks ever getting off the ground there are greatly diminished. In short, networking leads to relationships, and relationships lead to opportunities.

Gentlemen, we have a lot of forces working against us. But, with the proper approach, we can

prevail. The general public is overwhelmingly on our side, however, as I've mentioned previously, this moral support must be harnessed and converted into activism for our side. Our Cause of preserving our history and our ancestral honor is the Cause of all true Southrons. With more than 800 camps in the organization, by taking the approach outlined above, we can project a much stronger message than those who are attempting to thwart our efforts. This must be done, and the time is now.

Deo Vindice,
Carl Jones
Chief of Heritage Operations
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# Chaplain's Comments

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# Dreams, Destruction, and Destiny

The Dream of Independence

The Southern States in the early to mid-1800s sought resolution to the many differences which existed between them and their Northern neighbors. The differences, of course, were many — religious differences, political differences, cultural differences, economic differences, social differences — and the list goes on. For decades debate, discussion, legal and political maneuvering, and praying were applied to the tenuous situation which existed between North and South. The Southern desire was to perpetuate the Constitutional style of government established by the country's founding Fathers in the 1700s; a style of Constitutionalism from which the Federal Government seemed to be drifting. The Federal Government moved from the united States of America to the United States of America. "United" moved from an adjective describing the States to part of the official name of the country. In this view, States were subservient to the Federal Government; a view foreign to the Constitution.

With the election of Abraham Lincoln, the country had a regional president. Lincoln won no Southern States and only 40 percent of the popular vote. He did sweep the North along with the Pacific Coast states of California and Oregon thus earning 180 electoral votes, enough to give him the White House. With this turn of events, the South feared the growth of a totalitarian Federal Government which would threaten the Constitutional independence so important to the Founding Fathers. Jefferson Davis wrote of this time, "The announcement of these results caused the smoldering fire in a majority of the Southern States to burst into flame" (Davis, p. 36).

Thus, after years of seeking some form of reconciliation with their Northern neighbors, the South felt the need to protect Constitutional liberty. Led by South Carolina, Southern States began to declare their independence. Jefferson Davis expressed the dream of the Southern people when he said, "The hope of our people may be stated in a sentence: it was to escape from injury and strife within the Union; to find prosperity and peace out of it" (Davis, p. 47). The Southern States saw themselves as "defenders of the original principles on which the fathers founded our system of government" (Davis, p. 48).

Lincoln's response to Southern independence is well documented. Mr. Lincoln called for the States to provide 75,000 volunteers to put down the rebellion in the South. Lincoln never recognized the right of the South to live in independence or peace. Lincoln referred to the Southern movement as a "combination too powerful to be suppressed by the ordinary course of judicial proceedings" and he called for "the persons composing the combinations to dispense." It is interesting to note that "the persons composing" this combination were States acting in compliance with the vote of the people. "Under any view of constitutional law the calling for

an army to invade the Southern States was a palpable violation of the Constitution, and the usurpation of undelegated powers which had been sacredly 'reserved to the States or to the people'" (Davis. pp. 72-73). Upon hearing of Mr. Lincoln's call for Southern invasion, other Southern States seceded and joined the Confederate States of America.

Even under the threat of armed invasion, the people of the South continued to dream of independence under Constitutional government. The Confederate government was formed. The Confederate Constitution was adopted. The Confederate Army was recruited. The people gathered in their churches to pray for the new government and to pray for an honorable peace. One Southern minister offered this prayer: "Give unto the officers of the Army and of the Navy of the Confederate States, enterprise, fortitude and undaunted courage; teach them the ways of war and the winning of victory. Guard and preserve, O Lord, the President of the Confederate States and all officers, who have the welfare of the country truly at heart. Bless all my fellow citizens, and guard them against sickness and famine! May they prosper and increase!" The dream of independence was strong.

#### The Destruction of the Dream

The Southern States, of course, were outgunned and outmanned by the Federal Forces who would eventually march through the South practicing total war. Southern military leaders and soldiers fought with courage, duty, and determination. Federal Forces believed the War would end

quickly. It did not. Southerners did not take kindly to being invaded and forced to give up their independence. They fought with the totality of their strength and ability. They fought against overwhelming odds. They utilized every resource at their disposal. They applied every military tactic available. However, the destruction of the dream would eventually come. The South could not replenish the men and material lost in battle. The North could. The North fought without the destruction of their cities, the dispersal of their populations, and the blockade of their sea ports. Life in the North continued in a normal fashion because they were not invaded and fighting everyday for survival.

Eventually, General Robert E. Lee, greatly outnumbered and out supplied, came to Appomattox Courthouse, Virginia. Federal General Stewart L. Woodford wrote of the Confederate Army, "Tattered and hungry, worn by ceaseless marching and fighting with no hope of victory, with little possibility of escape, they closed their lines with fidelity of discipline and soldierly resolution, to which words can do little justice, but which each soldier's heart must recognize and honor" (Bennett, p. 424). Truly, the Confederate Army was the greatest army to ever take the field of battle. These good men deserve our honor and respect.

General Lee met General Grant and surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia. Eventually the Army of Tennessee and the Army of Trans-Mississippi would also surrender. President Jefferson Davis was captured at Irwinville, Georgia. The dream of Southern independence was destroyed by force of Federal bayonet.

#### **Historic Destiny**

During the War there was a great revival which swept through the Southern Army. Thousands of men were converted and baptized. This salvation experience produced historic destiny for these good men. Their faith sustained them in the years of conflict. Many moved from fields of battle to the eternal presence of their Savior. When the conflict ended, those who survived returned to their communities with their Christian faith. Churches were spiritually strengthened. The gospel of Christ was proclaimed. The Southern culture was Christianized. The South became known as the Biblebelt and the bed-rock of conservative values.

W. W. Bennett wrote, "Strange as it may seem to many readers, the call to preach the gospel came to the hearts of the men of war on the tented field; and no sooner were their carnal weapons laid aside than they buckled on the Divine armor, and, seizing the sword of the Spirit, entered the battle against the powers of darkness. In this we find one of the strongest proofs of the genuineness of the Army Revival. Truly, its fruits are still enduring" (Bennett, p. 427).

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## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings, Compatriots and Heirs to the Old South!

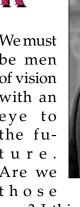
t's National Reunion time and we are just a few short weeks Laway from coming together in Memphis for the 122<sup>nd</sup> Reunion of the SCV. We have so much to work through and I hope you will join us in General Forrest's hometown. By now, we will be operating under the new membership system and the headquarters staff is currently assisting members and the SCV leadership. There's a lot of discovery learning so patience is requested as we work the bugs out of this new system. For those attending the reunion, the SCV GHQ staff will be set up in the afternoons for training sessions. I hope everyone with questions will take the opportunity to interact with our staff to make your camp's experience with the new system worthwhile.

In addition to the new membership system, the grounds at Historic Elm Springs are changing daily. We have already cleared the tree line where The National Confederate Museum is being built and the ground is being transformed for placement of the museum. The actual construction will commence very soon and we are on schedule for a grand opening during the 2018 annual reunion in Franklin/Columbia, Tennessee. We need money to build our museum and we are asking everyone to dig deep and pitch in to make this museum a reality. Yes, it is a lot of money for the museum, but when I look at the cost of other,

less significant structures, these are being built by even smaller organizations than our own. I am reminded that throughout human history no obstacle is too great, no hurdle too high, no sea too deep, and no gulf too wide that we can't achieve our goals if we place our hearts into our work. How much do you believe in the future? What are you willing to give to ensure that the story of our ancestors is told truthfully?

Mankind is always drawn to something greater than ourselves. Life is sometimes so drab in the practical application of it that we seem to get caught in the minutia over just existing; so we are drawn by the spirit to belong to something greater than our own individualism and to leave behind some sort of permanent mark of our accomplishments. The SCV is definitely something greater than our individual selves and our museum will be a lasting accomplishment for future generations. Those who join as a museum founder will have their names permanently displayed at our museum — the only national museum dedicated to telling the truth of our Confederate ancestors and their struggle for responsible constitutional government in the world. What is your legacy? Where do you wish to have your name permanently displayed showing the principles you believed in so strongly? I hope it's the SCV and your museum. Please, we need everyone's assistance and it won't be built if you are expecting others to carry your musket.

We must be men of vision with an eve to the future. Are we those



men? I think so and I believe in you and our organization!

Just as much as our museum is a positive step towards our future, we must think through our times. Sure, we must be men of our times and address the issues which face us, but we also must be able to have the vision to see into the future and anticipate the issues our posterity will face. What are those issues? How can we prepare now and set the conditions to gain advantages tomorrow rather than being surprised when they happen? It is easy to get caught in the "here and now" and focus all our energies on the short term victories which we so desperately need to achieve. But we also must spend a fraction of time looking forward, anticipating issues, planning, and then setting in motion those actions which will bear fruit long after we are gone. Surely those who have set out to destroy all we hold dear have had insidious designs in place for a very long time — and, unfortunately, those seeds are blooming into briar patches and smothering our roses; but briars can be cut and forests reclaimed. Our outlook must be further than our patience.

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# Brexit: Dixie's Homecoming

By James Ronald Kennedy

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outherners know better than most, when economic circumstances force you to leave home, it is then, when you are away from your home, that you begin to really appreciate your natural love of place and people. For Southerners, the land is more than mere soil — it is hearth to kith and kin — a place which evokes emotions of mythical proportions because our Southern homeland has been sanctified by the blood of her heroic sons and daughters defending her from cruel and evil invaders.

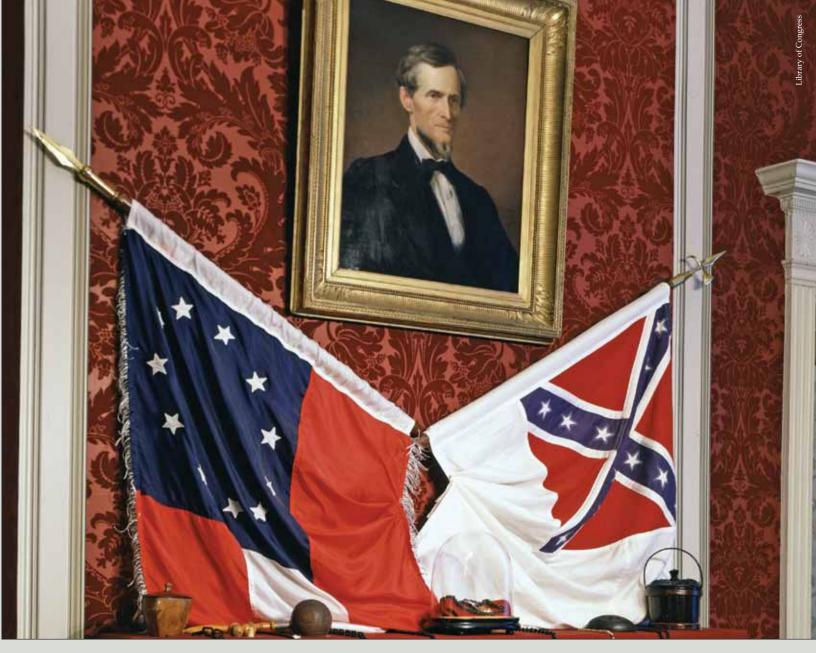
The sanctified soil of our homeland entombs the earthly remains of our people who have passed from this life and she patiently and lovingly awaits the time in which our earthly remains will also one day sleep securely entombed in her sweet embrace awaiting Gabriel's Trumpet's call.

Homecoming is a celebration not of what we have accomplished while away from home but it is a distillation of the truth-to-self realizations we received while dwelling in faraway places. Like Pilgrims in a dry and thirsty land, we the people of the South have traveled through 150 years of bondage. But today we long for our ultimate homecoming; a return to a

land of freedom; to a homeland once again free and prosperous; a homeland where Southerners once again embrace Patrick Henry's admonition "The first thing I have at heart is American *liberty*, the second is American *union*."

Some may ask "What does Brexit have to do with the South's homecoming?" Distance, both time and space, gives a better perspective on the oppressions passively endured by the people of a captive nation. The idea that the South is a captive nation may be shocking to some, but ignoring reality will not make reality disappear. The unspoken reality is that the South is a captive nation within the current Federal Empire. But the average Southerner does not fully comprehend his secondclass status in this "one nation indivisible." After generations living as passive, docile, and obedient subjects of Lincoln's Federal Empire, Southerners are only now beginning to question the logic of remaining loyal to a system that is determined to destroy everything we hold dear.

Post-Appomattox Southerners suffer from a malady of memory. A malady of memory when confronted with the Federal Empire's denial of our right to live under a government ordered upon our free and unfettered consent. To give this uniquely Southern malady a name I would call it the "Surrender Syndrome." Richard Weaver



Crossed flags under a portrait of President Jefferson Davis adorn the mantle in the parlor of the White House of the Confederacy in Richmond, Virginia.

in *The Southern Tradition at Bay* lamented the fact that Southerners took the results of Appomattox too literally and never again went on the offensive.<sup>2</sup> The reality of being subjugated by Lincoln's Federal Empire and being forced to accept a perverted form of government — a government based not upon consent but on conquest — this painful reality has been repressed and reinterpreted, by Southerners, to rationalize or to repress the acknowledgement of the Southern

people's current second class social, economic and political status in Lincoln's Federal Empire.

According to a reading of the Declaration of Independence any government not based upon the "consent of the governed" is illegitimate. The passing of time does not bestow legitimacy upon an illegitimate government — especially governments imposed upon a conquered and occupied people. Bloody bayonets may impose an illegitimate government upon a conquered

people but those bayonets do not make legitimate a form of government our Colonial forefathers denounced as being illegitimate!

The Southern people were denied the right to form a government based upon their free and unfettered consent. Psychologically, post-War Southerners could not admit that their post-War governments, both state and federal — were and still are in fact illegitimate. Our current governments, both state

and federal, are kept in place by an overwhelming outpouring of slanderous anti-South propaganda from the Empire's lackeys in the media, education and political institutions backed-up by a veiled threat of force. The proof of their illegitimacy is that these governments were not based upon the Southern people's free and unfettered consent. They were, in fact, governments imposed at the point of bloody bayonets. The radically negative post-War change in the South's status vis-a-vis the rest of the United States happened suddenly as a result of invasion, conquest, occupation and continuing exploitation.<sup>3</sup> This disastrous and pernicious change happened so completely that it was psychologically impossible for the post-War generation to make any rational "sense" out of their new impoverished and *subjugated* condition.

The South's "Surrender Syndrome" is not that different from the "Vichy Syndrome" that French people suffered as they tried to reconstruct the painful memory of the French people's passive and sometimes active cooperation with the Nazi invaders of France.<sup>4</sup> Some memories are just too painful; therefore, society reconstitutes the memory in order to form a psychologically rational (socially acceptable) version of the experience. So it was with the post-World War II French who had lived in Vichy France and so it has been with post-War/Reconstruction Southerners — including the majority of this current generation of Southerners.

Southerners interpreted the post-Reconstruction period as a victory for the South. This pretend victory in some manner psychologically compensated for defeat and surrender. It facilitated the establishment of an imaginary détente between the victorious North and the vanquished South.<sup>5</sup> A self-imposed requirement for this imaginary North/South "détente" was for the Southern people to swear unquestioned allegiance to the Federal Empire — the "one nation indivisible" Empire masquerading as a legitimate Republic. The South's reward for supplicating before Lincoln's Federal Empire was that the Federal Empire's victorious ruling elite in Washington, DC, would allow the appearance of self-government down South. It was and still is only the "appearance" of self-government because the Empire's ruling elite had replaced real states' rights with states' privileges — privileges which could be exercised only with the Federal Empire's approval. The original, constitutionally limited Republic of Republics as

established by America's Founding Fathers was dead — it died when Lincoln and company invaded the Confederate States of America! Nevertheless, life went on for 150 years after Appomattox with Southerners pretending that they were still equal citizens living in America's original Republic. It was and is a fantasy, a self-induced illusion that could not last forever.

The turning point — the point in which Southerners have begun to consider coming home to a free South — came with the current politically correct (PC) assault upon the last remaining vestige of Southern culture. The current PC effort to complete the extermination<sup>8</sup> of the traditional conservative and religious South has caused an awakening — small yet vibrant and full of the potential for freedom. The new wave of anti-South cultural genocide has created a push-back by folks who heretofore have never been actively involved in the Southern heritage movement — their sense of being Southern was at an unconscious level. This awaking is the homecoming of a potential army of aroused Southerners. A homecoming, if you will, of a new generation of Southerners; a generation not encumbered with the guilt of slavery — an institution which was imposed upon the South by thrifty Yankee merchants; a generation not encumbered with guilt of Jim Crow, white supremacy racism — a culturally distorted system of race relations **not** native to the South but imposed upon the South by the North.<sup>10</sup>

When demands are made to remove Confederate monuments and other symbols of our Southern Heritage, Southerners begin to feel the stirring of a sense of revulsion or even anger. Generations of slanderous anti-South propaganda has not extinguished our people's pride in their Southern homeland. And then along came the fresh breeze of Brexit and suddenly the spark becomes an ember and who knows but with the proper encouragement the ember may yet burst forth into flame — a flame which may yet again light the torch of freedom in Dixie.

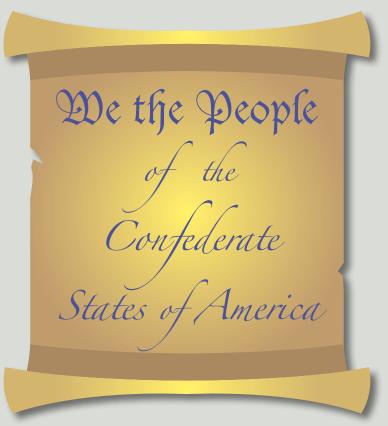
Brexit did indeed cause the beginning of the rethinking of that trite Yankee response to folks expressing their Southern pride. The "go to" insult Yankees often make when faced with a Southerner who refuses to cower before the arrogant Yankee: "The War is over, we won, get over it!" According to this Yankee logic the exhaustion of the South's military resistance to Yankee invasion and domi-

nation in 1865 settled for all future generations the question of secession and henceforth we the people of the South no longer have a right to be free. According to this Yankee logic we are now forever bound as the Federal Empire's subjects. But is it over? Was Appomattox the final word as to the right of the Southern people to be free?<sup>11</sup> Did Appomattox destroy our right to live under a government based upon our free and unfettered consent? Did Appomattox negate that portion of the Declaration of Independence that proclaimed that legitimate governments are based upon the "consent of the governed?" Or should the proper reply for Southerners — when faced with such arrogant Yankee sneers — be to proudly proclaim that the War is not over until freedom is won!

Shortly after the Brexit vote several articles were published in national media regarding the possibility of "devolution" here in America. These articles all mentioned secession movements in places like Vermont, California, Oregon and Hawaii. Conspicuous by its absence was any mention of Southern secession. Brexit — the secession of England from the European Union — stands in sharp contrast to a politically docile and pacified South. Yet, this contrast — secessionist activity in England vs passive submission to Federal tyranny in the South — has caused no small number of Southerners to reconsider supposedly settled issues. Issues such as the right of we the people of Dixie to be governed by a government based upon our free and unfettered consent. Brexit from a distance is causing the reemerging of a desire of Southerners to go home — a Southern Homecoming of Freedom.<sup>12</sup>

What is it about the South that makes it so special? Why would Southerners remain loyal to the South even after so many generations of living as pacified subjects in Lincoln's Federal Empire? Why would we remain loyal to our natural home even after the South has been made into the scapegoat for the sins of Northerners? Why would we love this our homeland after being forced to remain for generations firmly seated upon the stools of everlasting repentance?<sup>13</sup> The answer is simple even if it is more felt than understood by rank-and-file Southerners.

The South is not an ideology, although conservative political ideas are part of our heritage. The South is not a religion, although our faith in



Biblical truth is a strong underpinning of our social relations. The South is not an economic system, although a free market is the essence of our potential economic prosperity. The South is all these things but much more — we are a people; a people who view ourselves as kith and kin and who look to government to protect our borders from foreign enemies and then to simply leave us alone. 15

The Cause of the South is the Cause of freedom. Freedom from oppressive government. It is not a "Lost Cause," it is a good Cause — a Cause worthy of the blood gallantly shed in its defense. As John W. Daniel noted at the funeral of General Jubal Early, "Indeed, my countrymen, it is impossible to conceive that a cause espoused by such men as Davis, Lee, Jackson, the two Johnstons, Early and their compatriots was wrong, while that country led by Lincoln, Seward, Stanton, Sherman, Thad Stevens, and Ben Butler, was right."16 The South values things of the spirit and therefore it stands in sharp contrast with our nemesis to the North. And this contrast has generated in our Northern nemesis both envy and hatred for all things and people, black and white, of the South.<sup>17</sup>

The New England Yankee's vision of man and society is radically dissimilar from that of the South's. The Yankee has a materialistic worldview

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# What Our Confederate Ancestors Were Fighting To Save

By Loy Mauch

ars are seldom won by the side who continually assumes the defensive position. Instead, a counter-offensive must be initiated, such as the brilliant tactical maneuver which was devised by Confederate General Robert E. Lee and his fellow Virginian, General Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson at Chancellorsville during May of 1863, which allowed an army inferior in numbers to completely overwhelm a far larger army on the field of battle. Unfortunately, General Jackson was lost during this counter-offensive maneuver but it was not due to his taking a defensive position; he was probing the enemy lines in order to continue the rout of Lincoln's Army the next day. That, in turn, led to the Confederate defeat at Gettysburg largely by timid defensive-minded generals who lacked Jackson's keen sense of military urgency and driving desire to destroy the enemy, which of course, is almost always accomplished by taking the offensive.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans can and should take the offensive if we truly desire to educate the public and preserve the legacy of our Southern forebears. This will be achieved by illustrating the Constitution of 1787 and Bill of Rights as they were originally intended and written. After all, "this Constitution shall be the supreme Law of the Land" as articulated in Article VII, means both federal and State authorities were sworn to abide by it.

I want to bring to the reader's attention four very important truths of this period in American history by enumerating what was proposed, debated, and eventually drafted during the Convention of States in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1787. It is my opinion no one will never understand the illegal hostilities commencing in 1861 until they know and comprehend the Constitution of 1787 and the Bill of Rights as they were proposed, debated, written, and eventually ratified by the founding generation. Those documents were to be obeyed and certainly not challenged as has been the case since the Abraham Lincoln Administration violated the armistice between the sovereign State of South Carolina and the US Government which was agreed upon on December 6, 1860, before Lincoln's Inauguration, March 4, 1861.

*Truth number one* is the legal fact that when the former British colonies seceded from the mother country in 1776, they instantly became sovereign nations in every respect. The word sovereign has been defined in many ways but the very best definition is "answers to no one" just as God Almighty is our Sovereign and He answers to no one. That is precisely how those sovereign states were to govern themselves after they had adopted their state constitutions. Let it be known that Virginia was the very first state (nation) to propose and adopt its own constitution and that it did on June 29, 1776, a full week before the Declaration of Independence was proffered as the legal argument for each state's secession from Great Britain. Therefore, each individual sovereign state, being an independent nation, was commonly understood by each and every citizen of every one of these states. That was substantiated and reaffirmed by the US Supreme Court decision, Bank of Augusta v. Earl in 1839 and should be one of our offensive weapons when this war is debated and discussed. The crux of that decision was stated in the court's majority opinion which declared:



An artist's idea of Generals Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee meeting on the battlefield.

The States between each other are sovereign and independent. They are distinct separate sovereignties except so far as they have parted with some of the attributes of sovereignty by the Constitution. They continue to be nations, with all their rights, and under all their national obligations, and with all the rights of nations in every particular; except in the surrender by each to the common purposes and objects of the Union, under the Constitution. The rights of each State, when not so yielded up, remain absolute.<sup>1</sup>

The above quote is just a minor portion of that very lengthy Supreme Court opinion in which each and every one of those federal judges made the distinct affirmation the states are indeed nations time and time again and throughout that landmark decision. No clarification from any particular legal mind was needed as it was commonly understood, just as the sun rises in the east and sets in the west.

Truth number two is what the majority of not only Americans but Southerners in particular do not realize is the fact that the original intent of the Bill of Rights applied to the federal government and the federal government only! It did not limit or apply to the several states! The omission of a Bill of Rights was one of the justifications the Anti-Federalists so vehemently opposed in the Constitution of 1787 and rightfully so. They viewed this newly created federal government with a predictable degree of mistrust, and by now it should be evident that the skepticism of these men was more than well-founded. They insisted these guarantees should be written out in black ink on white parchment paper for both sides of the political factions to read and understand, not only in order to prevent any conflict among themselves, but among future generations as well.

Many of the founding generation considered the Tenth Amendment to be the most important of those guaranteed rights which was authored and proposed by Richard Henry Lee, the greatuncle of Robert E. Lee. That amendment drew a line in the sand limiting the powers which were delegated to the federal government by the several states and the reserved powers of those same states (nations), meaning they possessed them

both before and after the Constitution's ratification. For what it is worth, the Ordinance of Secession is a reserved power just as all the other powers which were not delegated to the federal government. The undeniable proof that the Bill of Rights both limited and applied to the federal government *only and not the states* is reaffirmed in the US Supreme Court decision, *Barron v. City of Baltimore*, 1833. Chief Justice John Marshall wrote the majority opinion and it declared:

Had the framers of these amendments intended them to be limitations on the powers of the State governments, they would have imitated the framers of the original Constitution, and have expressed that intention. Had Congress engaged in the extraordinary occupation of improving the constitutions of the several States, by affording the people additional protection from the exercise of government, in matters which concerned themselves alone, they would have declared this purpose in plain and intelligible language.2

There was no national outcry from the media or citizenry from that unanimous (8-0) decision due to the simple fact that it was commonly understood to be the original intent of the Bill of Rights, both before and after its ratification in 1791. It should be further noted there was not one word of dissent from US Attorney General Roger B. Taney, President Andrew Jackson or anyone of his Cabinet, both houses of Congress, twentyfour state legislatures, governors, state attorney generals, or state supreme courts inclusive. This is not so in today's political climate since the liberal and neo-conservative talking heads insist the Bill of Rights also originally applied to the sovereign states when all the above proved otherwise. The main culprit of course is government education. Wouldn't common logic dictate the fact these sovereign nations would in no way consensually hand over their dearest rights to an entity they had created due to the fact these very rights were already protected in their state constitutions?

Since it has been factually determined the sovereign states were indeed nations in every respect, truth number three is the fact the federal government was not delegated one single, solitary power to levy war on any of those nations. When a Convention of States (nations) was convened in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1787 to amend the Articles of Confederation, but instead conceived and proposed a Federal Constitution for the several States either to reject or ratify, various plans were presented to the delegates. Among them was the Virginia Plan which was sponsored by Edmund Randolph, the New Jersey Plan which was sponsored by William Patterson, and the Pinckney Plan which was sponsored by Charles Pinckney of South Carolina. The Virginia Plan was more acceptable to the convention delegates and was eventually chosen as the model to be used for this newly idealized Federal Constitution. Resolve 6 of the Virginia Plan will be the focus of what I will illustrate and it reads in its entirety:

Resolved that each branch

ought to possess the right of originating Acts; that the National Legislature ought to be empowered to enjoy the Legislative Rights vested in Congress by the Confederation and moreover to legislate in all cases to which the separate States are incompetent, or in which the harmony of the United States may be interrupted by the exercise of individual Legislation; to negative all laws passed by the several States, contravening in the opinion of the National Legislature the articles of Union; and to call forth the force of the Union against any member of the Union failing to fulfill its duty under the *articles thereof.* 

In the book *Miracle At Phila-delphia* by Catherine Drinker Bowen, there is a special consideration of the last part of this resolve which I previously italicized and it reads as follows:

On the last clause of Resolve 6: "to call forth the force of the Union against any member of the Union failing to fulfill its duty under the articles thereof"— Madison asked for a postponement. He was, he said, strongly in favor of enumerated, distinct powers granted to Congress. The more he reflected, the more he doubted the practicability, justice and efficacy of using force against a state. It would look "like a declaration of war," Madison said.

On the motion of postponement, "Agreed," said Madison's notes, "nem. con." In the end the Constitution was to contain no clause calling forth a national army against a state or section. "The Committee of the Whole," wrote Madison, "then rose and

the House adjourned."<sup>3</sup>

There were no exceptions in James Madison's notes or written into the Constitution and the Convention of States took extra precautions by inserting Article III, Section 3 which defines treason as levying war against any State. The fact of the matter is this very issue was written in "plain and intelligible language" for all the delegates of that committee to consider, examine, and debate before it was unanimously rejected. Those sovereign nations not only insured their safety by inserting Article III, Section 3, but it was plainly reinforced by adding the Tenth Amendment which conclusively illustrates the federal government was not delegated the power to coerce any sovereign nation that signed onto that document!

Therefore, just the term "Civil War" is a legal indictment against the entire Northern chain of command, beginning with Abraham Lincoln who knew better, according to his First Inaugural Address when he plainly declared: "... the lawless invasion by armed force of the soil of any State or Territory, no matter under what pretext, as among the gravest of crimes," of which he was 110 percent correct. Yet he did an about face, usurped constitutional authority, and committed that crime anyway, thus making him an undeniable war criminal. Sadly this felon has been accepted by the general populace not only as a courageous president exercising his legal authority but the savior of this nation due to the falsehoods taught by liberal academia. Once again this issue is

not to be found in any American Civics or History book for the simple reason that our Yankee education masters do not want the students to be troubled with this factual information.

Truth number four is the institution of slavery being sanctioned in the US Constitution and is referred to in that document no less than four times which is illustrated in the following provisions:

Article I, Section 2, Clause 3: "Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union, according to their respective Numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole number of free persons, including those bound to service for a Term of Years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three fifths of all other Persons."

That language was used to determine the number of elected federal Representatives based on population of the legislative district and it made each slave count officially as three-fifths of a person. That was demanded by the Northern States, not the Southern States, since they deemed it would give the Southern States an unfair advantage due to the proportion of the slave population.

Article I, Section 9, Clause 1: "The Migration or Importation of such Persons as any of the States now existing shall think proper to admit, shall not be prohibited by Congress prior to the Year of one thousand eight hundred and eight, but a Tax or duty may be imposed on such Importation, not exceeding ten

dollars for each person."

That language gave Congress the power to regulate the importation of slaves until 1808 by placing a tax on them.

Article IV, Section 2, Clause 3: "No Person held to Service or Labour in one State, under the laws thereof, escaping into another, shall, in Consequence of any Law or Regulation therein, be discharged from such Service or Labour, but shall be delivered up on Claim of the Party to whom such Service or Labour may be due."

This clause in the Constitution makes it crystal clear that any runaway or fugitive slave who escapes to another State shall be delivered back to his or her rightful master regardless of the State in which he or she escaped.

Article V: "... Provided that no Amendment which may be made prior to the Year One Thousand eight hundred and eight shall in any manner affect the first and fourth Clauses in the Ninth Section of the First Article."

This language means no Amendment can be added to this Constitution which will affect in any form or fashion the previously mentioned Article I, Section 9, Clause 1 which deals with slavery prior to 1808.

Four times the framers of the Constitution referred to the institution of slavery, thus making it constitutionally guaranteed. Each and every one of the original thirteen State Ratification Conventions and every new State upon entry into this

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# Confederate Images by C.E. Avery



#### 19th Louisiana Infantry Regiment

riginally organized with eight companies at Camp Moore, Louisiana, in November 1861, a month later two additional companies were added to bring their strength to 873 men total. The regiment spent the winter in New Orleans but was sent to Mississippi in February 1862.

At the Battle of Shiloh they lost about one-fifth of their total men present. During the Corinth Campaign they remained in the trenches at Corinth to protect the brigade's camps and supplies, in May. From here they were sent to Mobile, Alabama, for garrison duty in July.

In April 1863, the regiment received orders to report to the Army of Tennessee at Tullahoma. They became part of the Louisiana Brigade in this army. The brigade moved on Jackson, Mississippi, to join General Johnston's army. They participated in the Siege of Jackson from July 5 to 25 and repulsed an attack on its trenches on July 12. From here they fought in the Battle of Chickamauga, September 19-20. Of the 350 officers and men en-



1863 photo of an unidentified soldier in a uniform type worn by several Louisiana Regiments.

gaged, they lost 153 but captured two cannons.

Two months later the regiment repulsed several attacks during the Battle of Missionary Ridge on November 25 but had to retreat when Union forces outflanked them. For the remainder of the winter they camped near Dalton, Georgia.

During the Atlanta Campaign they fought at Mill Creek Gap, May 8-11; Resaca, May 14-15; and at New Hope Church, May 25-28. Two months later they fought at Atlanta, July 22; Ezra Church, July 28; and Jonesboro, August 31.

Following the army into Tennessee they arrived too late to participate in the fighting at Franklin on November 30. However, they did see heavy fighting during the Battle of Nashville, December 15-16.

From Nashville they were sent to Tupelo, Mississippi, where they remained for several months trying to recuperate. Next, the regiment was sent to Mobile, Alabama, to participate in the defense of Spanish Fort, March 27-April 8, 1865. With the evacuation of Mobile, the regiment was consolidated as part of a new unit, the Pelican Regiment. They merged with the 4th Louisiana Battalion; 20th and 25th Infantry regiments. Companies A, E and I of the 19th now became Co. A; Companies C, F, G and K became Co. D; and Companies B, D and H became Co. E of the Pelican Regiment. As such, they surrendered at Gainesville, Alabama, on May 8, 1865.

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# My Father's Flag By Tony Johnson

Born on the battlefield of carnage and loss.

Patterned from the banner of Saint Andrew's Cross.

Conceived of the need to distinguish foe from friend,

Carried by my father 'til the war's bitter end.

Laid to rest for decades, not thought of or seen,

A symbol of defiance resurrected again.

Adopted by evil ones not fit to live.

Hated by ignorance unwilling to forgive.

I fly my father's flag, misunderstood though it is,

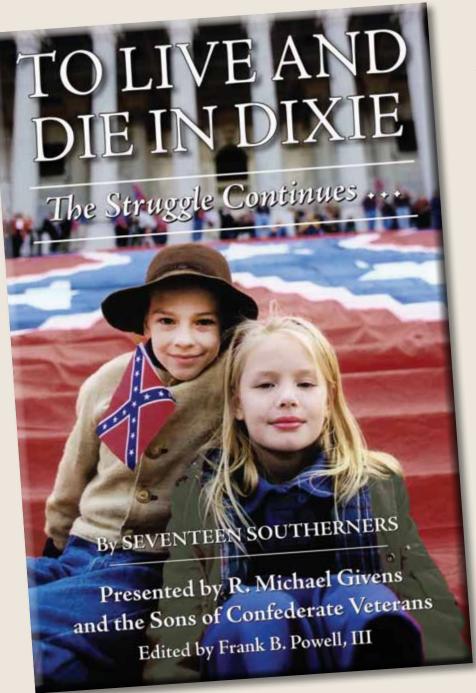
I fly it with pride, for once it was his.

Looking down from above my father would say,

"It is only my flag, just leave it that way."

Tony Johnson is a member of the Marshall Rangers Camp 297, Lewisburg, Tennessee

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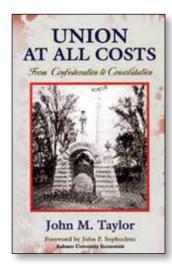
# Books in Print

### Union At All Costs: From Confederation to Consolidation

You may recognize this book from our January/February 2017 issue. Author John M. Taylor was kind enough to allow us to publish an excerpt from his upcoming book and we published chapter thirteen, "Colonel Baldwin Meets Mr. Lincoln."

*Union At All Costs: From Confederation to Consolidation* is a fresh look at the

Abe Lincoln myth which is so prevalent in today's society and educational institutions. Taylor's purpose is to show how Lincoln's view of the Declaration of In-



dependence, state sovereignty and understanding a voluntary coalition of governments were vastly different from what our Founding Fathers intended. I think, he not only succeeds in his goal, but puts it into a format and story line which makes it easy to understand.

Taylor starts with a brief background of Lincoln's family and points out his desire for power at an early age. He quickly aligned himself with the large Northeastern banks and railroads because of their economic power.

Lincoln always championed special interests above the general welfare of the people and Taylor tracks the various coalitions he made to achieve his goals.

This reviewer likes the fact the author starts at the Declaration of Independence and goes through the end of the War for Southern Independence, a total of 35 chapters. Plus, this book is heavily footnoted, with source material on almost every page.

I highly recommend this book for all Southerners, as it will give you a better understanding of our history. I also recommend you have an extra copy on hand to give to your Yankee friends.

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Reviewed by Frank B. Powell, III

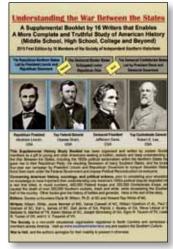
#### Understanding The War Between The States

The Society of Independent Southern Historians is a non-profit educational organization registered in North Carolina and was founded by Clyde N. Wilson, PhD, of South Carolina and Howard Ray White of North Carolina. Editors and authors Wilson and White characterize this slender volume as "A Supplemental Booklet by 16 Writers that Enables A More Complete and Truthful Study of American History (Middle School, High School, College and Beyond)."

The sixteen writers contributing to this booklet are as follows:

Editors Wilson and White Joyce Bennett of Maryland Vance Caswell of North Carolina William Cawthon of Alabama Paul C. Graham of South Carolina Earl L. Ijames of North Carolina Gail Jarvis of Georgia Patrick J. Kealey of California Steve Litteral of Illinois Barbara G. Marthal of Tennessee Karen Stokes of South Carolina Joseph Stromberg of Georgia Egon R. Tausch of Texas Lesley R. Tucker of Oklahoma H. V. Traywick of Virginia Some Society members have been teachers and professors, many have pursued careers in other fields, some are retired. All have a passion for the truthful telling of history and share an extensive knowledge of Southern history that

includes the culture and literature of the South. Their interests range from the settlement of Iamest o w n in 1607 to 1940. They



maintain their "independence" because they are not obligated to any organization or agenda.

The motto for the Society of Independent Southern Historians is this: "In all endeavors always seek the truth, for 'The Truth Shall Set You Free."

The booklet contains seven sections. Information in the forty chapters covers topics dealing with every aspect of the South, such as "The Evolution of Two Cultures — North and South — From 1607 to 1860" to "African Americans in the Southern Culture" to "The War Between the States, Including State Secession, President Lincoln's Response, Four Years of War, The POW Story and the African American Story." Two appendices include brief biographies of the sixteen writers and an Overview listing further sources of research.

Written in language easy to comprehend, *Understanding The War Between The States* will efficiently fulfill its purpose. To bring truth about the War and the South to students brain-washed by

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# Confederate Monument at Oakwood Cemetery, Austin, Texas

By Carl K. Crowther, Chaplain/Past Commander Major George W. Littlefield Camp 59

n April 16, 2016, a newly erected ten-foot obelisk was unveiled in Austin, TX. The monument is dedicated to the nearly 400 Confederate veterans buried within the grounds of Oakwood Cemetery in Austin. The unveiling was an extremely special occasion, considering several major challenges which were overcome during the process of making this project a success. First, the Major George W. Littlefield Camp 59 in Austin had extremely limited funds and resources when in July 2008 they voted to pursue this ambitious project. And, for several years, there were various forms of opposition by the local governmental bureaucracy to permit the project. But, during the course of the next eight years, the camp's prayers, faith and perseverance paid off. Around this country, many more things Confederate were being taken down than were going up when this monument was dedicated in Austin in April, 2016.

City owned Oakwood Cemetery in Austin has always been a special place for Camp 59, as it is the burial place of the camp's namesake, Major George W. Littlefield. For years, Camp 59 has conducted many ceremonies in Oakwood Cemetery. The initial idea of putting up a monument to honor the Confederates buried at Oakwood Cemetery began as the vision of the camp's late-Compatriot and Past Commander, Anthony "Tony" Johnson. Tony was fascinated with the beauty and history of Oakwood Cemetery, where many past prominent government and business leaders from the days of the early Austin Settlement, the old Republic of Texas and Texas's first days of Statehood are laid to rest. Tony joined Camp 59 in the early 90s, and during the next

ten years, spent countless hours walking through the cemetery in search of graves of men who were of fighting age during the War Between the States. He recorded the men's names and then researched them through the Austin History Center to find records of each man's Confederate military service. Over time, Tony identified nearly 400 Confederate veterans buried at Oakwood Cemetery and then persuaded the camp to put up a monument in their honor. Unfortunately, Tony did not live to see his dream come to fruition, losing his battle to cancer in May of 2012.

At the project's beginning, Camp 59 was hoping to raise enough money to purchase a plot within the cemetery grounds costing thousands of dollars. In late 2009, Mike Young joined Camp 59. At one of his first camp meetings, during a discussion about acquiring land in the cemetery, he said his family owned a 25 x 30-foot plot they would never use. Mr. Young and his family graciously donated their plot to the camp. The plot contains a single grave, a boy (descended from a Confederate Veteran) who died in infancy. The donated land is in an advantageous location within the cemetery, with good visibility from the nearby University of Texas' baseball stadium as well as from the street intersection at the corner of the cemetery. This cemetery plot is also a short distance from Major George W. Littlefield's gravesite.

Camp 59 agreed upon a plan which included an obelisk which would be made of granite, a meditative bench and curbing with a short fence around the edge of the lot. The granite obelisk was consistent

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## Army of Northern Virginia





Members of the James Keeling Camp 52, Bristol, TN, and Sam Campbell of the Captain John McElhenny Camp 840, Lebanon, VA, with 6th Brigade Commander Bill Dennison, and wife Jackie, of UDC Chapter 754, in center, honored Confederate Nurse Kate Korff Sexton in East Hill Cemetery, Bristol, VA.



Billy Phyler, right, and son Joshua Blake Phyler won and were presented a signed and numbered print of Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson by **Moses Wood Camp 125**, Gaffney, SC, Adjutant Robert Little.



The **General R. F. Hoke/Colonel W. J. Hoke Camp 1616**, Lincolnton, NC, cleaned a cemetery and then went to Newton, NC, to help their camp for Confederate Memorial Day.



The **Battle of Sharpsburg Camp 1582**, Sharpsburg, MD, swore in its newest member recently in Sharpsburg, MD. William Dempsey Johnson, II, joined upon the verification of his ancestor, Private William H. Matheney, Co. A, 6th VA Infantry. Pictured from left: Camp Commander Michael Wasiljov, William Johnson, II and Camp Chaplain Toby Law.



Confederate Memorial Day Services were held at Stuart, VA, Courthouse by the **Wharton-Stuart Camp 1832**, Stuart, VA, with members from the **Rockingham Rangers Camp 1835**, Mayodan, NC; **Stuart-Hairston Camp 515**, Bassett, VA and the **Private Lorezo Dow Williams Camp 1456**, Reidsville, NC, participating.



Members of the **Pittsylvania Vindicators Camp 828**, Callands, VA, attended a grave marking ceremony for Private Green Berry Adkins, 38th VA Infantry, Company B, who was a true Pittsylvania Vindicator. The event was sponsored by the Anne Eliza Johns Chapter UDC, 164 Danville, VA. Shown from left: Lee Moore, Frank Harvey, Ivan Nielsen, Ricky Pritchett, Sr., Ricky Pritchett, Jr. and Wayne Byrd.

# South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania Divisions



Mike Hollingsworth on behalf of the **Columbus County Volunteers Camp 794**, Whiteville, NC, conferred the *H. L. Hunley* JROTC award to the cadet at West Columbus High School who most demonstrated the core values of honor, courage, and remarkable commitment to their unit during the year. The award was proudly bestowed upon Cadet Lazabion Odom.



**Captain Moses T. Fowler Camp 1721**, Fountain Inn, SC, members James Rodgers, Adjutant Larry Yelton and Billy McWhite worked the merchandise table at Pioneer Days in Gray Court, SC. Not pictured were Lamar Bright and Paul Tucker, who also worked the event.



Members of the **Yadkin Gray Eagles Camp 1765**, Yadkinville, NC, pose with the actual regiment flag at the NC Museum of History in Raleigh, NC. The camp is planning on restoring the flag.



Maryland Line, CSA Camp 1741, Upper Marlboro, MD, Compatriot Bob Ward saw the sign regarding Private Benjamin Owens and took it upon himself to not only order a new sign, but he took the time out and replaced it as well. Our camp is successful because of our great members like Bob Ward.



From left are **Major General Fitzhugh Lee Camp 1805**, Spotsylvania, VA, member Al Moore, new member Robert Williams, VA Division 5th Brigade Commander Mike Virts, Adjutant Larry Lambrose and Commander Kenny Everly.

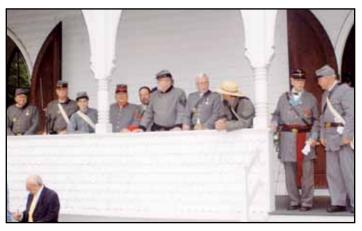


Members of the **Gaston Guards Camp 1822**, Stanley, NC, placed 11 Southern Iron Crosses on graves of Confederate Veterans buried at Hollywood Cemetery in Gastonia, NC.

#### South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania Divisions



The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints held an artillery and living history demonstration. Camps participating in events were **Stuart-Hairston Camp 515**, Bassett, VA, which supplied the cannon, and the **Rockingham Rangers Camp 1835**, Mayodan, NC.



The **Captain William Latané Camp 1690**, Mechanicsville, VA, Color Guard gathered at the Confederate Memorial Chapel for the Memorial Day service.



Pictured from left are Commander Charles Clevenger, Chester Stiltner, Brandon Newsome, all members of the **Lieutenant Colonel Vincent A. Witcher Camp 1863**, Grundy, VA, and 6th Brigade Commander Bill Dennison of the **Walker-Terry Camp, 1758**, Wytheville, VA, who all participated in a recent Haysi, VA, parade.



The General William Dorsey Pender Camp 1916, Wilson, NC, provided a new headstone for Duncan Bushrod Braswell, Co. B, 16th Battalion NC Cavalry and commemorated his service with a brief graveside ceremony. Camp Commander Ken Hill led the ceremony presenting an overview of Braswell's life and highlights of his service during the war. Present at the ceremony were descendants, Allen Braswell and daughter Allison.



The annual Colonel George Washington Flowers Scholarship, sponsored by the **Rocky Face Rangers Camp 1948**, Taylorsville, NC, was awarded to Alexander County High School senior Alek Watts by camp member Harold Dagenhart. Alek will attend Applachain State University.



**General John Randolph Chambliss Camp 1779**, Emporia, VA, Commander Williams and Adjutant Bradley attended a memorial service for General A. P. Hill.



# Army of Northern Virginia



Michael Keith Ramsey becomes the newest member of the **Capt. David Williams/Holly Shelter Volunteers Camp 2267**, Burgaw, NC. Commander Kenny Ramsey presents his membership certificate.



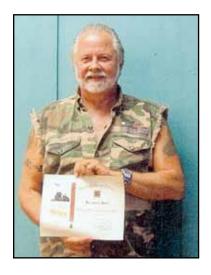
Douglas Winn of the **Old Brunswick Camp 512**, Lawrenceville, VA, purchased and installed a headstone for his great-grandfather, Doctor Franklin Haizlip, Company A, 42nd VA infantry in the Haizlip Family Cemetery in Ridgeway, VA.



**Delaware Grays Camp 2068**, Seaford, DE, hosted a monument fund raiser and historical display at the World Championship Punkin Chunkin in Bridgeville, DL.



**Davidson Guards Camp 1851**, Davidson County, NC, Adjutant Gary Hall was presented a 20-year service award from Commander Michael Scott, along with Joe Hamton.



Wes Hancock received a SCV War Service Medal from the **Walker-Terry Camp 1758**, Wytheville, VA.



Members of the John Thorpe Family met at the Thorpe Family Cemetery to dedicate the grave stone. Pictured from left, Mickey Stephens, Buck Thorpe, Ruth O'Berry, Newit Thorpe, Maggie Bendell, Earl Thorpe and Michael Stephens. The **General John Randolph Chambliss Camp 1779**, Emporia, VA, presented the ceremony.

# **Army of Tennessee**





Members of the **Captain C. B. Vance Camp 1669**, Batesville, MS attended the Nathan Bedford Forrest Birthday Celebration in Memphis, TN. From left are Jamie Johnson, Commander Donald Wright, Jr., Mike Griffis, Kevin Woods and Ricky Beard.



**N. B. Forrest Camp 215**, Memphis, TN, Commander Alan Doyle presented camp member Robert Riley with his SCV Life membership certificate. Compatriot Riley became the 65th Life Member of the camp.



Turkey Town Valley Camp 1512, Etowah County, AL, commemorated the 151st anniversary of the Battle of Turkey Town. Pat Sherrill presented a historical account of the battle and the 1864 Turkey Town Valley Campaign. Kevin Glenn gave an account of Union atrocities against his great-great-great-grandfather's family during Sherman's march to Atlanta.



O. B. Wilkinson and Larry Williams from the **Major General Benjamin F. Cheatham Camp 72**, Manchester, TN, and Terry Siler from the **N. B. Forrest Camp 3**, Chattanooga, TN, participated in a recent Honor Flight from Middle Tennessee honoring WWII and Korean War vets.



Members of the **Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87**, Knoxville, TN, participated in the Blue & Gray Reunion festivities at Krutch Park in Knoxville. Pictured from left are Donnie Anderson, Danny Buckner, John Hitt, Scott Hall and Bill Bolt.



AL Division NE Central Brigade Commander Frank Leatherwood, center, welcomed and swore in new members to the **Emma Sansom Camp 253**, Gadsden, AL. Shown, from left, Dakota Torrez, Mr. Leatherwood and Curtis Whited.

# Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin Divisions



Members of the **Brigadier General E. Porter Alexander Camp 158**, Augusta, GA, observed Veterans' Day at The All Wars Monument.



Habersham Guard Camp 716, Demorest, GA, Commander Kenneth Craig, left, welcomes new member Clarence Mason, center, to the SCV. Looking on is fellow compatriot and son-in-law Rick Smith.



**Captain William H. McCauley, Camp 260**, Dickson County, TN, inducted its youngest member, 14-year-old Lee Cathey. Pictured are Commander Barry Mayberry, Lieutenant Commander Shannon Hafner and Lee Cathey.



Pictured from left are **Currahee Rangers Camp 935**, Toccoa, GA, Commander Bobby Watkins, presenting membership certificates to new members, Allen Murphy, George Stanfield and Benjamin Stanfield. Congratulations to these three men.



Two SCV members were honored with Military Service Awards from the Augusta Jane Evans Wilson Chapter 2640, UDC. Honored were **Judah P. Benjamin Camp 2210**, Tampa, FL, member Doyle Mullins, Jr. with a Vietnam Cross, and **Major General William D. McCain HQ Camp 584**, Columbia, TN, member Houston A. Tucker, Jr. with Global War on Terror Cross, National Defense Service Medal - Vietnam and Armed Forces Expeditionary Service Medal - Panama Operation Just Cause. Compatriot Tucker also accepted a WWII Cross, posthumously for his father Huston A. Tucker. Camp 2210 Compatriot James William Blum accepted a WWII Cross on behalf of his father James Blum.



A memorial service honoring Private Wesley Bowen Winfree, 44th/55th TN Infantry, with the uncovering of a new military marker was held on a beautiful fall afternoon in Gordonsville, TN. More than 100 people were in attendance including an honor guard of SCV members from seven SCV camps from the **Highland and McLemore Brigades** and Black Rose OCR mourners. The family was very moved and appreciative of all the SCV and OCR did to honor their ancestor.

# Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin Divisions



Members of the Kirby-Smith Camp 1209, Jacksonville, FL, participated in the Mandarin Museum of History's Winter Celebration at the Walter Jones Park in Jacksonville. The camp displayed a wide variety of War Between the States artifacts and drew a lot of attention from people who attended the event.



Pictured from left are Lieutenant General Nathan Bedford Forrest Camp 1353, Hattiesburg, MS, Camp Commander Jessie Sanford, Camp member SFC Luckie McDonald and Mrs. Celeste Young, past to SFC McDonald for his service in Afghanistan.



Members of the Battle of Shiloh Camp 1454, Shiloh, TN, attended the Sam Watkins Brigade Christmas Dinner at Elm Springs. Attending, from left are, Brady Jobe, Mickey Young, Mike Moore, Mike Young and Sam Jobe.



Members of the Covington Rifles Camp 1586, and Thomas Randolph Thomasson Chapter 2471, UDC, both of Andalusia, AL, gathered for their annual Christmas dinner meeting. Past Camp Commander Francis McGowin spoke on "Christmas in Dixie," and later the group enjoyed a covered-dish dinner. Both groups have been quite successful in recruiting new members recently.



George Wallace and daughter Robin presented their War artifacts at a Fort Heiman Camp 1834, Murray, KY, meeting. His collection included period rifles, shotguns, rifle bullets, cannon rounds, Confederate swords and Confederate money.



The Shieldsboro Rifles Camp 2263, Bay St. Louis, MS, met at the Library in Kiln, MS, for an organizational meeting prior to having a number or charter. Fifth Brigade Commander Don Green helped to facilitate the initial meeting.



# **Army of Tennessee**



The Major General Patrick Ronayne Cleburne Camp 2257, Grand Rapids, MI, held their first annual Christmas party at a 150-year old general store in Blanchard, MI. Musicians performed Southern music and Christmas tunes.



Sergeant William A. Hamby Camp 1750, Crossville, TN, Commander Robert Pearce delivers copies of the camp book to Kristan Tabor of the Cumberland County Public Library and to Loreda Davis of the Cumberland County Archives. The book lists all veterans from Cumberland County who participated in the WBTS.



The Camp of The Unknown Soldier Camp 2218, Jones County, GA, petitioned for and received SCV tag fund dollars to finance the installation of Southern Crosses of Honor on every Confederate grave at the Old Clinton Methodist Church cemetery in Jones County, GA. The camp's portion of this expense came entirely as a noble donation by one of our own members, Compatriot Cres Keys.



Members of the **General Ben Hardin Helm Camp 1703**, Elizabethtown, KY, in Cloverport City Cemetery recently installed a grave marker for Captain Addison English who was with Woodward's 2nd KY Cavalry which rode with General Nathan Bedford Forrest. Pictured are Compatriots John R. Clark, Lieutenant Commander Daryl Nottingham, David Nottingham, Damon Lasley and Commander Tim Bowman.



The **Private William Carney Camp 2088**, Atmore, AL, held a free genealogy workshop in Canoe, AL. Speakers included Don Sells (pictured) Jerry Fisher, and Lou Vickery. Participants learned about resources available in the search for family history.



The **Fort Blakeley Camp 1864**, Baldwin County, AL, inducted four new members at their regular meeting in Foley, AL. Pictured from left: Bill McInnis, Richard Kozik, Joe Taliaferro, and Rick Byrd recite the SCV oath administered by Chaplain Jerry Rowley.

# Army of Trans-Mississippi





The General Horace Randal Camp 1533, Carthage, TX, was honored to have Texas State Historian Bill O'Neal speak on the life of Sam Houston at a recent meeting. Standing with Mr. O'Neal is Camp Adjutant Lieutenant Dave Fleming.



The **Iowa Division** held a Memorial Service for the 2,000 Confederate POWs in the Confederate Cemetery at Rock Island Arsenal Island. The speaker was Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow and the Kentucky Orphan Brigade Band participated with the IA Division Honor Guard.



Anxious for the start of the LA Division Reunion in Amite, LA, seated left, **Colonel Samuel D. Russell Camp 1617**, Natchitoches, LA, Lt. Commander Hovis Johnson, Jr., Brittany Cryer and Adjutant Cryer; seated, right, UDC member Shirley Porter, Cadet Aiden Cryer and Williams (Pete) Cryer. At this meeting, Brittany Cryer was presented the ATM Ladies Appreciation Medal for her assistance with camp activities and being editor of the *Cane River Dispatch* newsletter.



Recently members of the **O. M. Roberts Camp 178**, Waxahachie, TX, gathered to clean the Beck-Wilson Cemetery on private property in Italy, Ellis County, TX. Only three graves are marked, one being that of Private George M. Wilson, Co. C, 19th TX Cavalry. All three markers will be repaired, cleaned and reset as a camp project. Pictured from left, Cole Holley, Steven Holley, Randy Muirhead, Larry Wilhoite, John White and Past Commander-in-Chief Denne Sweeney.



The Colorado Division was invited to present SCV Leadership Awards to three highly deserving cadets at the annual University of Colorado-Boulder Reserve Officers Training Corps Tri-Military Awards Ceremony. Pictured from left: CO Division Adjutant and Jefferson Davis Camp 175, Colorado Springs, CO, member Buck Dugger; USAF Cadet Carly Smith; US Army Cadet Galen Brunk and USMC MIDN Steven Wember.



Cadet Tech Sergeant Tabbitha N. Gill of Jewel Sumner High School Civil Air Patrol was presented the *H. L. Hunley* award. This award is given to the cadet who has most demonstrated the core values of honor, courage, and commitment throughout the school year. The award was presented by **Camp Moore Camp 1223**, Tangipahoa, LA, member Will Karr.

# Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, California, Iowa, Kansas, Utah and Pacific Northwest Divisions



At the Governor Samuel W. T. Lanham Camp 586, Weatherford, TX, Lee-Jackson Banquet new officers were installed. Pictured from left, Historian Jerry Walden, 3rd Lt. Commander Chris Lusk, Adjutant Vaughn Oliver, 2nd Lt. Commander Devin Lindsey, 1st Lt. Commander Gary Rozzell, Quartermaster Wyatt Savage, Camp Commander Larry Martin and TX Division 1st Lt. Commander David McMahon who swore in the new officers.



While in Kuwait, CW2 Cy Haines of the Lieutenant Colonel Jackson F. McCurtain Camp 513, Moore, OK, displays the camp flag of the Gen. Richard H. Anderson Camp 47, Beaufort, SC, of which his father, Dr. Joe Haines, is a member. Camp 47 Compatriots Jeff Holiday and Gerald Wynn previously carried this flag while actively serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.



**Brigadier General J. J. Alfred A. Mouton Camp 778**, Opelousas, LA, Commander George Gremillion presents the *H. L. Hunley* Award at Northwest High School. Receiving the award on behalf of Cadet Corporal Drake Lee is Cadet Sgt. Major Austin Doucet who had received the *Hunley* Award from the camp in May, 2013 as a Cadet Corporal himself.



It is tradition for officers of the Major W. H. "Howdy" Martin Camp 1241, Athens, TX, to wear uniforms for installation ceremonies. Pictured from left, Commander Jimmy Abney, 2nd Lt. Commander Jim Ogburn, 3rd Lt. Commander/Historian Luke Freeman, Chaplain Jim Day, 1st Lt. Commander Ron Freeman, Quartermaster David Miller and Adjutant/Treasurer Don R. Bentley.



The **Captain Hunter's Arizona Rangers Camp 1202**, Tucson, AZ, observed Confederate Memorial Day with a ceremony in Evergreen Cemetery in Tucson.



New member Brian Claxton is sworn into the **Albert Sidney Johnston Camp 2048**, Tehachapi, CA, by Commander Jon Fowler and Adjutant Steve Browning. Brian serves as a drummer in the Sons of the American Revolution honor guard. He quickly assumed the same duty in his camp honor guard.

# Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, California, Iowa, Kansas, Utah and Pacific Northwest Divisions



The Captain Ike Turner Camp 1275, Livingston, TX, celebrated Captain Turner's Birthday and honored four other Confederate Veterans in the Jas Turner Cemetery for Confederate History Month. Shown, from left: back, Wade Nail, Mike Farrar, Rex Hendrix, Josh David and Bill Maddox; front, David Walters, Jon Maddox and Cutter Lowe.



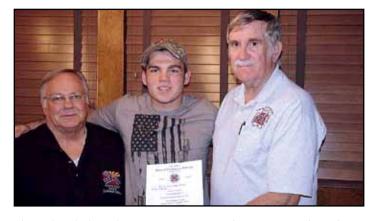
Each year the **Captain Granville H. Oury Camp 1708**, Scottsdale, AZ, honors the top nurses at the Veterans Hospital in Phoenix. Shown, from left, Linda Jones, RN, Pat Crawford, UDC, Lynn Crawford, SCV and Marva Greene, Deputy Nurse Officer. Linda said she loved caring for her "GI Joes." She is from the Philippines and told us in the Philippines all Veterans are lovingly called "GI Joes."



**Alamo Guards Camp 1325**, San Antonio, TX, 1st Lt. Commander Raymond Reeves, presents a replica of the coin carried by Lieutenant George Dixon on board the *H. L. Hunley* to friend of the camp, David Astwood, after speaking to the camp about "The Faith of General Thomas Jonathan 'Stonewall' Jackson."



Sara Kay Bierle presented to the **Captain James I. Waddell Camp 1770**, Orange County, CA, first person as Ms. Margaretta McGuire, a family friend of General Jackson and his wife. She has a BA is History and published a book titled, *Blue*, *Gray & Crimson*, a story of civilian courage at Gettysburg. Shown with Ms. Bierle is Camp Commander Scott Price and Farrell Cooley.



The **Colonel Sherod Hunter Camp 1525**, Phoenix, AZ, inducted new member Quinn Hansen into the SCV. Pictured, from left, AZ Division Lieutenant Commander Dr. Robert Massey, Quinn's grandfather; Quinn Hansen and Camp 1525 Commander Dan Huskisson.



**Lone Star Defenders Camp 2234**, Lufkin, TX, new members receive membership certificates. Pictured from left, Raymond Vann, Hal Davis, Dr. Ed Domingue and Commander Thomas Anderson.



# Army of Trans-Mississippi



Members of the **Colonel Thomas Green Camp 2251**, Apache Junction, AZ, led by Adjutant Rob Guyton, took part in the Old Tucson Studios "Civil War Days." Many well known western movies have been filmed here. Adjutant Guyton is the officer standing at the rear of the rank of riflemen.



Medina Greys Camp 2254, Hondo, TX, Commander Hawk Bennett, displays the camp's new flag at a recent meeting. This flag is based on a Texas version of the Bonnie Blue, as inspired by Terry's Texas Rangers.



The Governor Samuel W. T. Lanham Camp 586, Weatherford, TX, joined with the Colonel E. W. Taylor Camp 1777, Bedford, TX; Colonel Middleton Tate Johnson Camp 1648, Arlington, TX; Colonel William H. Griffin Camp 2235, Haltom, TX; Stonewall Jackson Camp 901, Denton, TX and the William H. L. Wells Camp 1588, Plano, TX, to dedicate a military grave marker to John B. York, a Tarrant County sheriff and Confederate Veteran killed in the line of duty.



Members from the **Inland Empire Camp 1742**, Inland Empire, CA, and **Albert Sidney Johnston Camp 2048**, Tehachapi, CA, joined forces with the Mechanized Cavalry for a flag run through the mountains of Southern California. Thousands of tourists from around the world were in the area to view the greatest spring wildflower bloom in many years. The team is pictured here at Fort Tejon.



The Washington Rifles Camp 2211, Franklinton, LA, held their meeting in the historic Mile Branch Settlement at the Washington Parish Fairgrounds. Also in attendance were several members from Camp Moore 1223, Tangipahoa, LA, to discuss the upcoming LA State Reunion. Compatriot Mike Webb also visited and gave a presentation about chaplains in the Confederate Army.



The Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710, Sierra Vista, AZ, celebrated the 20th anniversary of its charter with a supper held at Contessa's Cantina in Bisbee, AZ. Pictured, back row from left, Curt Tipton (with flag) Cheryl Barton, Mary Tipton, Jim Sober, Bill Konkle, Keigan McCloud, Rob McCloud, Donnis Davis, Ben Middleton; front, Bill Barton, Priscilla Cook, J. O. Sober, Janet Grams, John Mangum, Priscilla Davis, Rosemary Middleton and Larry Bowman.

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# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We must not expect instant gratification. We must also not lose faith that Christ has a master plan for His people and we must accept anything we do must fall into His grand design. We are going to have set backs — to believe otherwise is only setting yourself up for disappointment. Every victory our detractors receive must come at such a great struggle that we wear them down. We must also resist the temptation to turn our anger and frustration upon our friends, compatriots, and leaders. We must not allow ourselves to shift our frustrations from those tearing down our monuments to our own organization. We are also going to have victories — this is not the time to rest on our laurels. If you have grand schemes and brilliant plans, then step forward and be counted. But a word of caution: you cannot undermine another leader and then demand adherence from others. You cannot also complain without giving recommendations. Except for the six employees at Elm Springs, all

our elected and appointed leaders in the SCV are volunteers — they get no payment for their service. So please give them the benefit of the doubt. Give them a helping hand. Assist our leadership at all levels of the SCV in being the best leaders they can be. All our leaders wish to be successful — let's assist them and let's build ourselves up. We must come together when the world is against us. We must stand strong and support each other.

Lastly, in the past two years and especially recently, I have had to resist the temptations of hatred towards those who attack us and our ancestors. Like everyone else, I abhor the spectacle in New Orleans and other places around our country. I am a leader of Marines. I am a warrior so I have lived the life of danger and sacrifice with a piercing gaze through my eyes and deep calculated breaths through my nostrils towards my enemy. I am responsible for the deaths of many men who were at war with our country and our way of life. Take it from me: this is not the

time to allow our emotions and our desires for perceived or real vengeance to get the better part of us. We must be calculated. We must be smart and we must not fall into the traps those who wish to destroy our culture are setting. We must be patient, even though your emotions tell you otherwise. There is a time for all things under Heaven, but this is not the time for violence. It will undermine all we are striving for and give our detractors legitimacy in their attacks upon us. We must be like our ancestors who did everything in their power to prevent violence, but did their duty once it was forced upon them. This is not the time. We are not there yet and we must resist it if at all possible. Put away your pride and do something positive.

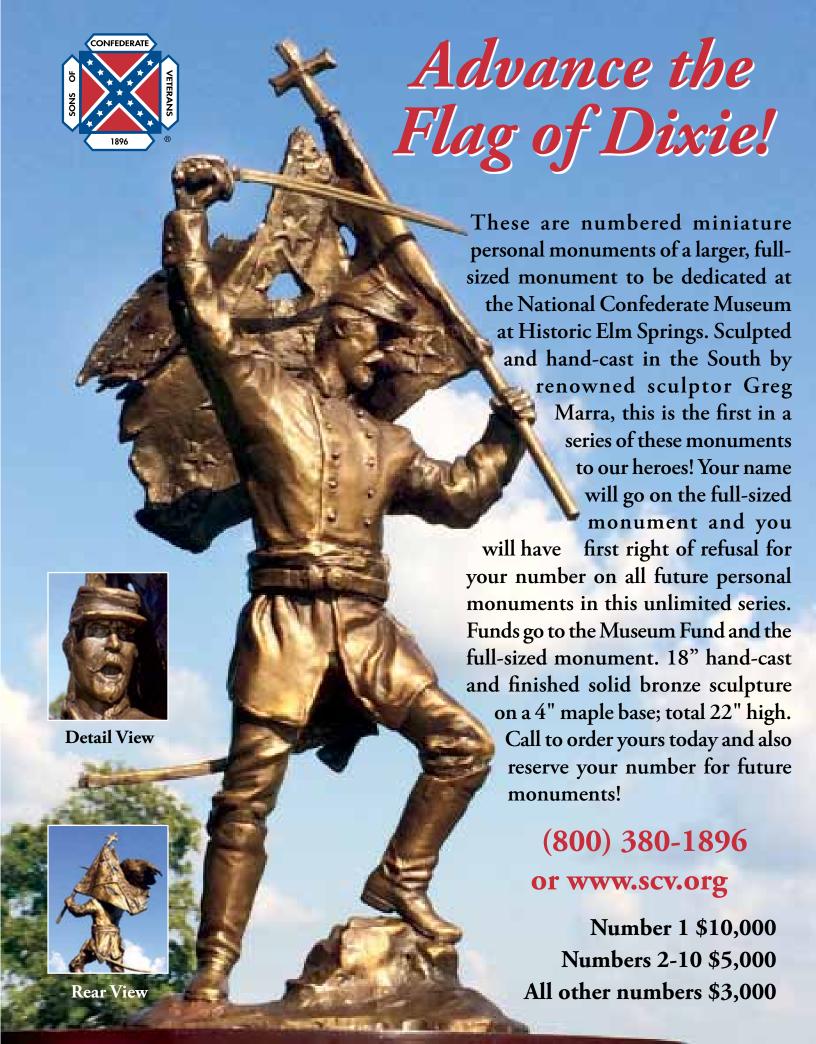
May God bless each and every one of you for all you do for our organization and our ancestors!

Lt. Col. Mike Landree USMC, Retired exedir@scv.org

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# NOTICES From Around the Confederation

## Museum contractors

If you would like to submit a bid as a sub-contractor on the new museum, please contact our general contractor, Brindley Construction LLC, 747 West College Street, Pulaski, Tennessee 38478 or (931)363-4544. Individual points of contact are either Kathy Pigg kpigg@brindleyco.com (931)424-2455 or Robbie Masucci rmasucci@brindleyco.com (931)424-2464.

# Museum artifact donations and Confederate images

The SCV is asking for worthy donations of Confederate and SCV historical items for our museum. Please contact us at exedir@scv.org for donations or loans before sending them to GHQ. We currently do not have room to store them, but we would like to have an idea on what to expect and plan for its display once the museum is open.

In addition, we would like to collect images of all our Confederate veterans. Please send images of your ancestor to membership@scv.org or PO Box 59, Columbia, TN 38402. Please annotate the name, rank, unit, and as much information you can about the individual(s) you are submitting. These will be available for perpetual research for our visitors and members as well as use in the museum.

# Dues proration changed

On March 11, 2017, the General Executive Council (GEC) in meeting at Elm Springs, Columbia, Tennessee voted the following changes:

Beginning with the 2017-2018 fiscal year (basically August 1, 2017) proration of dues will no longer be available for delinquent, renewing members. Proration of dues will continue as an option for new members. The appropriate page on the National website will be corrected to reflect this change.

Beginning with the 2017-2018 fiscal year (basically August 1, 2017) the grace period for payment of annual dues will

be lowered from ninety (90) days to thirty (30) days. This means members whose dues are not postmarked by August 31st each year will be considered delinquent.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas W. Nash, Jr. Adjutant-in-Chief

# Update on New Orleans monument removal

Compatriots,

Like most of you, I am saddened about the catastrophe in New Orleans. The ISIS-like effort to erase history and culture should be a crime, but when the anarchist and Marxists control the government then "New Orleans" is what we get.

With regard to New Orleans' effort at cultural cleansing, please know and pass along notice that the Sons of Confederate Veterans have gallantly and rigorously fought for about a year and a half to prevent what has recently occurred (i.e., removal of monuments created to honor historical and community heroes and leaders). The SCV was fighting before most people knew that a City run by leftist fanatics began their plot to erase Southern history.

Question: What will the SCV do about monument removal and destruction in New Orleans?

Answer: The SCV has waged a legal and political battle in New Orleans. The SCV lawsuits resulted in a Federal Court first granting an injunction, and then ruling that New Orleans could remove the Monuments. The SCV fervently lobbied politicians of Louisiana to enact an Historical Preservation Act, and such is belatedly coming to fruition. And, the SCV will continue the legal and political battle.

What the SCV does not do is break the law and promote armed rebellion (although our ancestors would have already done so before now, under the circumstances). The SCV has for many years throughout the United States, and for more than 1.5 years in New Orleans, waged the legal and political battles to preserve Southern History.

Who sued New Orleans and kept the monuments standing for at least 1.5 years longer than they otherwise would have stood? Answer: The SCV. Who has sued Charlottesville, VA, to protect the Lee and Jackson Statues? Answer: The SCV. Who is waging legal war in Memphis to protect the Forrest Monument and Confederate Parks? Answer: The SCV. Who is responsible for enacting Tennessee's Historical Preservation Act? Answer: The SCV.

Many people, including SCV members, learned just a few weeks ago of the wicked effort of leftist, Marxists in New Orleans. But the SCV (particularly SCV HQ and the Louisiana Division) has been fighting the legal and political fight there for years. Years!!! The courts and politicians let us down; not the SCV.

Short of armed insurrection against New Orleans, the SCV has pursued all reasonable and practical efforts to defend Southern and Confederate Heritage. Few other groups have come close to matching what the SCV does every day.

Please spread the good word about the SCV and its leadership, and let's keep up the fight. There is no one else around to protect Southern history.

Thank you for being a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Scott D. Hall, Esq. Judge Advocate-in-Chief

## **Amazon Smile Actions**

Amazon Smile is a great opportunity for members and non-members to support the SCV with their donations by just shopping on Amazon. While Amazon doesn't carry Confederate merchandise, they still provide support indirectly to the SCV through Amazon Smile. However, the SCV as a whole has more than 650 accounts — most of which are titled "Sons of Confederate

Veterans." Only a few identify themselves by camp name. Some are only distinguishable by the location, while some camps have Columbia, TN, as their location — making it impossible for people to donate to the organization they desire. This has become an administrative nightmare since many camps are indistinguishable from others, members who wish to give to a certain camp or national cannot distinguish between accounts, and many camps have not followed through with the financial information with Amazon to close the financial loop. All camp leaders with Amazon Smile accounts need to go into their accounts and place their camp name and number in their description so we can distinguish them from the national organization and also to ensure that all the administrative actions have been completed so the camps can actually receive these donations designated for them.

# Camp Museum Fundraiser Challenge

Compatriots,

As you may know, the SCV is moving forward rapidly with the new Confederate Museum at our Headquarters at Elm Springs. With about \$500,000 in our account, we are going to need to raise more than \$2.5 million to turn this dream into reality.

The 47th Regiment NC Troops Camp 166 in Wake Forest, North Carolina, has issued a challenge to each of our camps to raise and donate at least \$1,000 for the Confederate Museum. As I believe competition is normally healthy, I would like to accept this challenge for our Confederation, and I will have a prize for the camp which donates the greatest amount of money for the building of our museum. What that prize is will be a secret, but I can assure you it will be worthy of the momentous sacrifice to achieve it.

The start date of the competition was August 15, 2016, and the date we close this competition will be December 31, 2017, so each camp has a little less than eight months to collect and donate their monies for this significant camp prize. You do not have to make just one donation — we will keep track of each donation for each camp, no matter how small or large. As a reminder, any person

or camp who donates \$1,000 or more will be included on a plaque at the new museum.

As much as I look forward to this competition, let us work together in a true spirit of brotherhood as the ultimate prize is our museum. I ask each camp to try to match this challenge and, if possible, exceed it, so we may pay off the debt which we are surely going to incur to make this a reality. Our museum is so essential to our long-term mission for providing *THE* educational venue for teaching our ancestors' story properly and with truth. Let us build this museum together for our posterity!

Deo Vindice,

Thos. V. Strain Jr. 75<sup>th</sup> Commander-in-Chief Sons of Confederate Veterans

## Please remember the SCV

If you are getting out of reenacting and would like to donate your weap-on and/or gear, please contact Executive Director Mike Landree about this, along with your tax write-off. Also, please consider giving to the SCV when writing your will or buying an Insurance policy.

# Be informed — join an SCV e-mail list

If you are an SCV member in good standing and would like to become a subscriber to the SCV Telegraph or SCV History List, please apply at www.scv. org/services/maillistSubscription.php. You will receive an e-mail with a link you must click to complete the process.

Only SCV members in good standing will be subscribed to the SCV Telegraph and History lists. Your membership status will be verified by SCV General Headquarters. This may take several days, and is scheduled at GHQ's discretion.

As an SCV Telegraph list member you will only receive official posts, which are authorized by the commander-in-chief. Subscribers will probably not receive more than two posts a week. Subscribers cannot post replies to the list. Posts presently reach about 2,000 SCV members.

As an SCV History list member you

can expect between 20 and 30 posts per day. As a subscriber, you will receive an e-mail every time one of the other subscribers makes a post. These can add up very quickly if you do not check and process your e-mail on a daily basis.

# Notify General Headquarters of any leadership changes

With any change in camp leadership, please furnish the current e-mail addresses for your camp commander and adjutant to your Army secretary as well as current mailing addresses. If neither the camp commander nor adjutant has an e-mail address, please furnish an alternate e-mail address to General Headquarters.

# Help replenish our Heritage Defense Fund

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# Chaplain-in-Chief Website

Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Ray L. Parker has developed a web page to help with your spiritual and SCV needs. When you have a moment, please pay a visit to http://chaplain-in-chief.com. You will be impressed.

# Need help with your Confederate research?

Need help with your Confederate research?

Make a posting on The Civil War Message Board on www.history-sites.com.

Each state has its own board or forum, and there are also special interest sites for various topics including flags, prisons, artillery, navies, arms and equipment.

Gregory C. White David W. Payne Camp 1633 Blairsville, Georgia

Confederate Veteran

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# Dispatches From the Front

even become a conversation starter. If someone asked what that symbol is we could respond, "It is a historic organization, would you like to sit down and talk about it sometime?"

Todd Thompson Kirby Smith Camp 1209 Jacksonville, Florida

# Why even consider not using Battle Flag?

To the Editor:

Why would we consider using another flag in our logo? The Battle Flag of the Army of Northern Virginia has been there more than a hundred years. Now someone thinks we should change it because it is offensive and has become a liability. It seems political correctness has even invaded the SCV!

A concern was expressed about the decline in membership. Are we as an organization more concerned about quantity than quality? As with any organization, people will come and go. Those who are really dedicated to our cause will stay.

Lyndal Britt General Ben Hardin Helm Camp 1703 Elizabethtown, Kentucky

# Most don't understand collective history

To the Editor:

I was profoundly interested in Chaplain Rumberg's "The Hijacking of Southern History" in the May/June issue of Confederate Veteran. Tragically, Chaplain Rumberg is correct when he identifies Calvinism as the dominat religious thought in the Ante- and Post-bellum South. John Calvin's cruel, pitiless, inhumane and ultimately unbiblical theology, as revealed the *The Westminster Confession of Faith*, resulted in an era of ignorance and repression from which all Christianity is only now recovering.

On another note, all praise to my

camp compatriot Mike Rodgers for his letter on the Confederate Flag. I join Compatriot Rodgers in arguing that protecting the Confederate Flag is more honorable and far more productive than flaunting it. Try as we might, we will never convert those who choose to reduce Southern history to a simple equation. This is especially true of earnest Millennials who believe the world was created on the day they were born. Rare is the person who understands that collective history, not selective history, defines a culture. Our opponents believe that erasing the past will confirm their own moral superiority, all the while ignoring the fact, to paraphrase Tennyson, we are a part of all that we have met.

Howard Bahr Jefferson Davis Camp 635 Jackson, Mississippi

# We should take on more civic, social programs

To the Editor:

For decades the Sons of Confederate Veterans has valiantly toiled to defend the flag of the Confederate States and its history. Any reasonably informed person understands that those brave souls who died defending their homes, not the institution of slavery, deserve to be remembered with honor. But the disconnect between our movement and society at large is only growing deeper and our beliefs more misunderstood, or worse, distorted. The federals were compelled to "frame" the War based on the liberation of a race, otherwise it would be impossible to justify the turmoil, the loss of life and the economic cost to the country. And over the last few decades as Americans largely forgot their history, these "framers" have done a very effective job pushing their agenda.

Like virtually everyone else who reads this publication, I had ancestors who gave their all. Unfortunately, most of America really doesn't care or worse, focuses only on stereotyping all Southerners as slave owners while conveniently forgetting the slave holding Northern states. To counter this, I have been encouraged to see the SCV "natural disaster" fund initiated. What better

way to debunk the claim that those of us working to preserve our heritage are a bunch of flag waving idiots. Instead, by helping our fellow citizens, we again show we are patriotic Americans who are like everyone else and just want to see all of factual history respected. And through actions like the disaster relief fund, we are working in a positive way to help all Americans.

But how about we build on this initiative with an even bolder outreach? What if we identified well deserving minorities, among others, who espouse our traditions and values and provided them scholarship opportunities or other creative support? What better way to deflate the distorted notions now eroding the collective memory of those Southerners who died for their country? Then, when we fight for our heritage and all that it includes, we can point to these actions and dare anyone to say we are trapped on the wrong side of history.

I don't see this as any kind of compromise, I see it as a forceful move by the SCV towards a more viable future. Otherwise we will become more and more isolated, facing a downward spiral with every lost monument fight which will lead eventually, unfortunately for our brave forefathers, to total irrelevance.

Gregory L. Wade Sam Davis Camp 1293 Brentwood, Tennessee

# Our opponents choosing place of battle

Dear Editor:

The letter ("We should consider using another flag") in the March/April 2017 issue will probably generate much opposition, but I have been thinking the same thing for several months.

Heritage defense almost exclusively involves preserving Confederate monuments or the flying of the battle flag on public property. So far as the flag goes (but the monuments are part of this too), that's easy to understand: we have let the flag become synonymous with outlaw biker gangs and white supremacist groups by default. Photos of Klan leader David Duke and mass murderer Dylan Roof posing in

front of the flag have burned this impression into the public consciousness.

In other words, we are allowing our opponents to choose the place of battle and have conceded the high ground to them. Well, why can't we pick another battleground more favorable to us without altogether abandoning this one?

So as the writer of that letter suggests, we can begin to think about replacing the Battle Flag of the Army of Northern Virginia with a more universally Confederate flag.

We might also consider, since our resources are limited, to put more into preserving our heritage in places under our control. The huge flag raised by the Pensacola, FL, camp on land owned by them is a good example. (Any camp could think of a similar project within its own means.) I myself contribute monthly to The Confederate Museum at SCV HQ in Columbia, TN. Beauvoir, Jefferson Davis' home on the Mississippi coast, is another worthy cause.

Bill Hairston General William Barksdale Camp 1220 Columbus, Mississippi

# Advocates moving Yankee monuments

To the Editor:

We are all aware of the campaigns to remove Confederate monuments and the crises they have precipitated over the past few years. I think they are the result of the teaching of "politically correct history," which has been going on for generations, and the result of the emergence of anti-Confederate hate groups which are pushing the envelope because they can. Their strategy is to claim they are offended by the monuments because they have decided they stand for "white-supremacy" and "slavery" which is justified by the false history they have been taught.

I state the obvious to introduce a strategy I think we should consider. Monuments to Lincoln, Grant, and Sherman — to name a few — offend me because they were war criminals and because of what they did to my Country. I think we should consider advocating the removal of their monuments because if "those people" have

the right not to be offended, so do we!

I suggest this not because I think it is a good idea to remove historical monuments, but because I think it might be a way to make our point.

William Dyer Friends of the SCV John B. Gordon Camp 46 Atlanta, GA

# Confederate names on schools saved

To the Editor:

I made several speeches at the school board in Houston to keep the names of schools with Confederate soldier's names from being changed.

Later the school employees told me they were actually told, literally ordered, not to speak to me.

We needed Stonewall's help after leaving the assembly room. Then days later, when in the court room before a judge for all this, those employees told us they liked my speeches. Really got the bad guys blood pressure up! YES!

Finally my wife is really proud of her mate (me). She has Confederate Vets in her family too.

The commander of the camp I'm in gave the following letter to me. Please put the letter in the magazine. My wife would enjoy that. She is in cancer therapy given six months to live two years ago.

Here is what it says.

Dear Compatriot Charles Cupp.

For your selfless service in defense of our proud heritage, for exhibiting the volunteer spirit of the Confederate soldier and Texas you are awarded the commander's Silver Cross of Valor by Mark Thomas of Wauld's Texas Legion Camp 2103 of Katy, Texas this day of 12 Dec. 2016. We are honored to present this award in recognition and thanks for the efforts you made to prevent the Houston ISD from dishonoring those that served us so well from removing the memorial names from our schools. Your are an example to us all and have answered the call set forth in Gen. S. D. Lee's charge to the SCV.

Ernest Knobw, IV - Adjutant Wauls's Texas Legion 2103 Katy, Texas

# Generals Taylor and Lee were distant cousins

To the Editor:

I enjoyed the article on Lt. General Richard Taylor by Tom M. Root in the March/April issue. Mr. Root mentions General Taylor's great-grandfather Zachary Taylor's marriage to Elizabeth Lee making the two generals cousins.

It might be interesting to note that they were already distant cousins through the Plantagenet family. Their lines branch off at the two sons of John King of England.

General Taylor descends twice from King Henry III and General Lee descends from Henry's younger brother, Richard, Earl of Cornwall, King of the Romans. Generals Taylor and Lee were 16th cousins three times removed.

Ron Hollerand Captain J.J. Dickison Camp 1387 Melbourne, Florida

# Our Battle Flag will always stand

To the Editor:

I read with disgust the several letters proposing the retirement of the Battle Flag. Those letters represent defeatism in our own ranks. As far as I'm concerned, the Battle Flag stands, and will always stand. And so will I. Crawling over to the other side to appease them will never work. Nothing we do will ever be enough for them. It will destroy our organization

Charles B. Loper John Wesley Culp Memorial Camp 1961 Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

# Confederate Veteran Deadlines

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# Books in Print

lies published in textbooks and reference material by Yankee victors is the avowed purpose of every red-blooded Southerner.

A perusal of this booklet will reinforce facts about the War for all lovers of the Confederacy. Many chapters give a fresh insight to knowledge we Southerners already possess.

Editors Wilson and White and the Society of Independent Southern Historians deserve congratulations and accolades for assembling this booklet to shine the light of truth into the fog of untruths and propaganda foisted upon the suffering Southerners.

Editors: Howard Ray White and Dr. Clyde Wilson Publisher: Society of Independent Southern Historians www.southernhistorians.org Paperback: \$6.99 or Free download

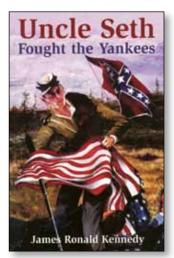
Reviewed by Ann Rives Zappa

# Uncle Seth Fought the Yankees

As in all their publications, the Kennedy Twins really tell it like it is!! And so it goes with *Uncle Seth Fought the Yankees* written by James Ronald Kennedy. Stories handed down from one generation to the next have created areas of culture all over the world. *Uncle Seth Fought the Yankees* is a unique compilation of historical fiction tales which focus on the Southern determination to be left alone by the federal government and their dedication to God, home and community.

Mr. Kennedy uses the "everyman" character of Uncle Seth to represent the courageous and rugged individualists who combined the best of the Scotch-Irish, German and other fiercely independent peoples who found refuge in the South because of racial or religious persecution. He shares atrocities with those young ones who will listen to pro-

vide insight into a situation that reflects the horrors of subjugation and anti-Christian behavior that could easily be repeated if the listeners don't stand



to fight for their rights and freedoms.

Uncle Seth's stories include subjects such as the Confederate Gray Ghost Colonel Mosby, General Robert E.

Lee's Coffin, Money: The Yankee's One True God and Cause of the War, just to name a few. Most stories conclude with a Deo Vindice snippet which vindicates Southerners.

One particular story tells of a young girl giving her shoes to a drummer boy who had no shoes, as it was late in the war. The young drummer boy would not listen to her but she would have no part of that. She wanted him to have her shoes. "If you can march with bloody feet to defend me, I can walk barefoot to the church to pray for you and your friends. God preserve you and give you victory." Many war-hardened veterans were with the drummer boy. When they saw this exchange, there wasn't a dry eye in the army.

While these stories are historical fiction, someone's ancestor may have been a real life Uncle Seth and had very similar experiences. Any similarities to actual individuals is purely coincidental. The stories are not lengthy but are an interesting read. Every dedicated Southerner should have this book to help remind them that we all need to stand and fight, now more than ever.

Deo Vindice!

Author: James Ronald Kennedy Publisher: Pelican Publishing Co. 800-843-1724 Hardback \$29.95

Reviewed by Sara N. Powell

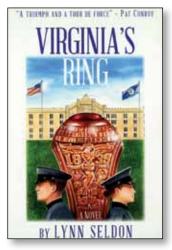
# Virginia's Ring

Lynn Seldon is a 1983 graduate of the Virginia Military Institute. He served as an officer in the United States Army and has had a long-time career as a free-lance journalist. Seldon and wife Cele live in Oak Island, North Carolina, and often return to their native state, Virginia.

Virginia's Ring is Seldon's first published novel. Nick Adams narrates in first person this story of three teenagers who meet in the Barracks by chance after choosing to matriculate at VMI. Nick is the son of an English professor at Virginia Commonwealth University, an admirer of Ernest Hemingway and recent suicide. Chip Shields is the son of a wealthy tobacco heir and VMI graduate who lives on Monument Avenue in

Richmond. Bradley Bell from Charleston has defied father and older brother who are Citadel graduates and selected VMI.

A u thor Seldon writes



from his own memories of life at this famous military school. In Part One of *Virginia's Ring*, Nick details Ratline experiences endured by the three roommates in their first year. One interesting detail from the Rats' Bible was they had to memorize the names of the ten VMI cadets who were killed at the Battle of New Market on May 15, 1864.

Also, Nick relates the deepening bond with Chip and Mr. and Mrs. Shields. From the first Thanksgiving vacation spent at their mansion, they step in with ease as surrogate parents for this youth thrown out into the world alone and searching for the reason his father shot himself. Nick and his father had lived in an apartment near the campus of Virginia Commonwealth and close to the Shields' home. But he and Chip had

grown up in different worlds, and their paths had never crossed.

Virginia's Ring tells of the friend-ship forged among Nick, Chip, and Bradley as each VMI year ends, and they survive the rigors of this institution. Interspersed with life at school are the Thanksgiving and Christmas visits Nick spends with Chip and his family. Bradley, completely estranged from his Charleston family, soon becomes like another son and is invited to celebrate holidays at the Shields' mansion.

Without divulging the plot, Part Two: Virginia, 2000 – 2001, is narrated by Virginia, Chip's daughter, nearly twenty years later. She is among the first female cadets at VMI and illustrates imperceptible changes in Ratline. Her part of this story is sweet and poignant.

Virginia's Ring is a reminiscence by Lynn Seldon that illustrates character, friendship, family love, and the will of the human spirit. Some readers may enjoy concentrating on details of VMI institutional life, but other Southerners will delight in the lives of Nick, Chip, and Bradley.

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Reviewed by Ann Rives Zappa

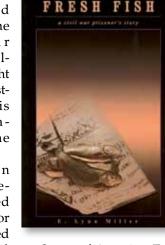
# Fresh Fish A Civil War Prisoner's Story

Ernest Lynn Miller is a Professor Emeritus at Penn State University and a Veteran of the Korean War, serving in the US Navy. He states the credit for this narrative must go to his Genetics Professor at West Virginia University. The class assignment was to prepare a family tree which would trace several genetic traits such as eye color and hair color for at least five generations. With his mother's help, Author Miller found enough information to cover the back of a piece of wallpaper. The assignment in Genetics class passed muster and was stored away in a paper box at his parents' house.

Years had passed when Author Miller's mother handed him the roll

of wallpaper and said, "One of your grandchildren might be interested in this information some day."

Lynn Miller remembered an ancestor had served



the Confederate States of America. Excited about his great-great-grandfather Isaac Moore Gregory, Miller began years of extensive research into Confederate and Union enlistment and war records to find out about him.

In the Allegheny foothills of Braxton County, Virginia (now West Virginia), on an August day in 1862, Isaac Moore Gregory kissed his wife goodbye and went to join the Confederacy. He was then thirty-four years old. No information gave a reason for Gregory to choose the Confederacy rather than the Union. Miller found conflicting information about Gregory's enlistment. One source indicated he enlisted in Braxton County on August 20, 1862. A second record indicates he enlisted in Pocahontas County on August 21, 1862. He originally became one of Col. John D. Imboden's "Partisan Rangers."

Records in the National Archives show that brother Asa Gregory joined the Union Army on May 3, 1862, only to desert from Camp Hardstuff on October 15, 1862. He went into hiding in a cave at Copper Rocks in Braxton County. National Archives also indicate Asa and younger brother Perry joined Isaac in the Confederate Army on February 22, 1863. Another brother James became a "bushwhacker" and fought both sides. Tales of his adventures and exploits and hiding in stands of mountain laurel were told by many old-timers. Regimental records in later War years show him as a member of the 14th Virginia Cavalry. James was captured, imprisoned at Camp Chase and Ft. Delaware, and paroled in February of 1865.

Isaac and his two brothers were transferred into the 62nd Regiment, Virginia Infantry, under the command of General John D. Imboden. On Monday, April 20, 1863, troops marched from camp at Shenandoah Mountain to take part in the Jones-Imboden Raids to eliminate the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, obtain beef and horses, and recruit soldiers for the Confederacy.

Once again, Author Miller found conflicting information about Private Gregory. National Archives indicate he was captured on May 11th by the 151st New York. General Imboden's official report lists three sentries captured on May 5th near Jane Lew. The author gives more credence to this date. For the next eleven months, Confederate soldier Isaac Moore Gregory would travel 1,500 miles and be imprisoned in three Union prisons.

Author Miller characterizes this narrative as "A Civil War Prisoner's Story." Yet, no scrap of writing from Isaac Moore Gregory, no memories, no reflections on the War Between the States or his prison experiences exist. Details of Private Gregory's life are from War records alone. He was paroled from Point Lookout Prison in April of 1864 and eventually made his way home to a new state, West Virginia.

Fresh Fish becomes a history of Camp Chase, Johnson's Island and Point Lookout Prisons rather than the prison remembrances of a Confederate soldier. The book's title comes from the shouted greeting of already-captured Confederates to a new group being herded into Yankee hells.

Author Miller includes an impressive family tree and pages of research Notes. Southerners and lovers of the Confederacy may find this book interesting because of much War Between the States history.

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Reviewed by Ann Rives Zappa

# Brexit: Dixie's Homecoming

which in its essence is a vision of unrestrained private ambition and the use of government force to sustain and feed that ambition — ambition too big to fail. Those "elect of God" who reside in that "City upon a Hill"18 see a world held together by trade, sustained by government force and commercial law and by a working relationship that is created by mutually profitable commercial enterprise. Politically they were first Federalists, then Whigs, then Republicans and finally today they are the ruling elite and donor class of both national political parties.

With the political power of the Federal government in hand they enacted protective tariffs, paid by Southerners and enforced by an ever more oppressive centralized Federal government.19 Their only guiding principle is profit — principles must serve profits. Principles are viewed as malleable because if principles begin to hinder profits, then those hindering principles are changed in order to promote and secure more profits. Anything or any people hindering profits are evil and therefore must be destroyed — anything that promotes profits is good, including massed bloody bayonets. Political power and profits are supreme and must be secured and maintained regardless of how crooked or bloody the pathway toward ultimate Yankee victory. Since 1861 this materialistic nation has used massed bayonets and gunboat

diplomacy to enforce its will upon a resistant world — beginning first with the invasion of the democratically elected, sovereign nation, the Confederate States of America.

Am I being too harsh on "those people" who reside in that "City upon a Hill?" To those who think so, I would suggest they visit the thousands upon thousands of graves across our homeland that have gravestones engraved with the letters C.S.A, and recall that the vast majority of these men had no interest in chattel slavery — "slavery," that magic wand used by Yankees to mystically transform their illegal invasion, conquest, and impoverishment of the Southern people into a work of pure charity. And then try to visit the thousands upon thousands of unmarked graves of black and white sharecroppers who died as virtual slaves during the 100 years after Lee's surrender at Appomattox.20 Make these pilgrimages first and then tell me I am being too harsh upon those who have used the power of their Federal Empire to wrap themselves in flattering robes of self-righteousness — robes made necessary in order to hide their blood-soaked hands and their hideous crimes against our people; a people who only asked to be left alone in order to live under a government ordered upon the American principle of the consent of the governed.

The tired, discouraged, and defeated among us may ask why

I think this Southern homecoming is so imminent? It is imminent because our people know that they deserve to be free — to be free of the clutch of secular humanist radicals who control the Federal Empire.<sup>21</sup> This knowledge or desire is, for most Southerners today, at an unconscious level. Yet it remains waiting for those of us who understand; waiting for us to call forth a great awaking of the Southern spirit. Even some here tonight may think the odds against us are too great. But I ask you were the odds too great against Gideon?22 Were the odds too great against the forty Irish Confederates facing more than 6,000 Yankee troops and numerous Yankee gunboats at the Battle of Sabine Pass?<sup>23</sup> Were the odds too great against the Irish who fought for almost seven centuries before they drove the English invaders out of their homeland?<sup>24</sup> There is an old Southern saying "It is not the size of the dog in the fight but it is the size of the fight in the dog!" When the people of the South see folks in England voting for secession, when they see people in California and Oregon gathering names on petitions for a vote to secede,25 when these things happen Southerners begin to think that it is no longer a joke to proclaim, "Save your Confederate money boys, 'cause the South shall rise again!" The truth is that it was never a joke — it was a captive people's veiled prayer! A prayer which only a people



under captivity could understand and that "understanding" was only at a subconscious level. An understanding better described as a "feeling" because to openly declare such emotions would give the South's Northern masters an excuse to subject the people of the South to a renewed round of Reconstruction.<sup>26</sup> But the progressives' application of modern day Reconstruction has actually liberated the Southern people from the past. Now that secular humanists/progressives have renewed Reconstruction on, not only the South but, all of America — we the people of Dixie no longer need to joke about the South rising again — we no longer need say our prayer for freedom in secret or disguised as a joke.

Those of us here tonight who feel the awaking spirit of a free

Southern people are indeed few but that is no reason for discouragement. We who believe in the South are a few thousand but we remain despite generations of slanderous "one nation pro-Lincoln proindivisible" paganda — propaganda forcefully administered to generations of Southern children and paid for by conservative Southern taxpayers. Despite all the media, education and political propaganda efforts, our people still love their Southern homeland. You see the evidence every time a Confederate flag is raised next to a Southern highway. You saw it when the people of Mississippi voted overwhelmingly to keep their state flag. It was demonstrated in Louisiana when a poll was taken recently asking if we should keep Confederate monuments on public

property — more than 73 percent of the people declared they wanted to keep our Confederate monuments.<sup>27</sup> In both the Mississippi and Louisiana examples a substantially large number of African Americans voted or expressed their desire to keep our Confederate heritage.

There is a huge, silent and as yet untapped reservoir of support for our Southern heritage — we are not few — we are not alone. This reservoir of support is just waiting for us to motivate it into action. The problem has been that we have never made a consistent and long-term effort to reach and motivate this silent majority — a majority that is like a slumbering giant. One thing is certain — old, tried and failed tactics will not motivate this potential reservoir of supporters. Something other than the tra-

ditional efforts to "educate our opponents about the true reasons the South fought the War" is required. Our enemies do not want our education — they want to exterminate us! We need something different than traditional "educate our enemies" or traditional political efforts to elect good Republican conservatives — after all, let us never forget that Nikki Haley is a "good" Republican.

It has been reported that during the War, General Forrest warned his better educated fellow officers, "You West Pointers are going to cause us to lose this war."28 He, along with others who were not encumbered by a West Point education, understood that the better equipped and more numerous Northern forces wanted a Napoleonicstyle war. It would be a war where the North's military and industrial advantages could be brought against the South's weaknesses. General Forrest irregular preferred warfare. General Forrest preferred a war in which the North's advantage in men and material would be turned into targets for Southern Partisan raiders. A war in which strategic victory would be obtained, not on the battlefield, but by exhausting the enemy's political will to continue the struggle.

So it was then and so it is with us today. We raise flags beside Southern highways — which is good — but we fail to make long term education efforts directed, not at our enemies, but at the huge reservoir of potential supporters. We fail to spend time and money in efforts to educate the people who see these flags. We fail to educate them as

to what the flag stands for; we fail to connect our Confederate flag with the cause of freedom; limited government; and, resistance to Federal tyranny. We fail to set-up shadow governments in every Southern state in order to lobby state legislatures for heritage protection legislation and then to consistently punish<sup>29</sup> those "conservative" Republicans who fail to vigorously support our legislative initiatives. Legislative initiatives would include legislation defining "racism" as advocating the denial of civil liberties based on racial characteristics. And then make it a hate crime to libel or slander someone by falsely accusing them of racist motives for supporting traditional Southern heritage and political ideas. We fail to understand that we cannot win political contests against the Federal Empire's chosen puppet politicians using traditional political campaign tactics.<sup>30</sup> We fail to concentrate our efforts to elect one of our own people and use that elected office as a "Bully Pulpit" to protect and advance our Southern heritage — our traditional conservative political, religious and social values. A "Bully Pulpit" the occupant of which will act as a "circuit rider" traveling in every Southern state advocating one cause — regaining our freedom in a true Constitutionally limited Republic of Republics enforced by real states' rights.

Today, we have the potential for the final vindication of the Cause for which our Confederate ancestors fought. Two things stand in the way of a final vindication of the Cause. The first is the fact most Southerners still

suffer from Surrender Syndrome - people even in the Southern heritage movement falsely believe they are free citizens in America's Republic instead of understanding they are subjects of Lincoln's Federal Empire; and second, as yet we who believe in the South remain on the defensive and have not taken bold steps to construct an active and effective means to reclaim America's original constitutionally limited Republic of Republics enforced by real state's rights — such an America is the very definition of the Cause for which our *Confederate ancestors fought — the* Cause we are honor-bound to vindicatel

The means by which the final vindication of the Cause can be accomplished is fully detailed in Dixie Rising — Rules for Rebels.31 I will not belabor the point any further. It is enough simply to again emphasize to my fellow Southerners that we have the means, we have the potential support, but the unanswered question is, "Do we have the people who are willing to take the bold and audacious stand necessary to finally vindicate those principles for which our Confederate ancestors fought?" The people of the South are yearning to come home — come home to a homeland of free and prosperous people; a land where kith and kin knows no color line; where government is kept off of our backs and out of our pockets! Southerners — it is time to come home to a land of Freedom.32

Deo Vindice!

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# ... Fighting To Save

American Union vetted every single article, section, clause, sentence, and punctuation mark of that Constitution. No smoke nor mirrors, deceit, nor coercion would entitle any State whatsoever to cry foul after its ratification.

That being said, there is an all-important question we should propose to our liberal and neo-conservative detractors: Why was it necessary to fight a war, especially one as unconstitutional as the "Civil War" was over a right which is sanctioned in the US Constitution or any other right for that matter? This is a highly legitimate question and we should demand a legitimate answer. Also the institution of slavery did not just magically appear in this country during the eighteenth century. The first slaves were introduced in America in 1619 at Jamestown, Virginia, which was a full 168 years before the Constitution was proposed and 241 years before the nation of South Carolina seceded from the Federal Union. That is a mighty long time for any type of legal institution to be considered abhorrent by the New England States beginning in 1789!

Those former sovereign nations ceased to exist as they were originally intended after the military coercion of Abraham Lincoln's Administration destroyed their State governments and they are now mere tributaries to Washington, DC, and virtually stripped of all their reserved powers as articulated in the Tenth Amendment. The Bill of Rights was essentially neutered at Appomattox Court House in 1865 and furthermore rendered impotent with the criminal enactment of the fraudulent Fourteenth Amendment. This was the vehicle which literally stripped the former sovereign nations of their reserved powers and illegally transferred them to the dictates of nine unelected federal judges. None of this would have occurred had Abraham Lincoln not launched a premeditated and criminal invasion of those sovereign nations which was indeed rejected by the Committee of the Whole in 1787. If the federal government can get away with this

usurpation of the Constitution, then unfortunately it can get away with anything else it chooses to do since Appomattox Court House. Northern history books and the main stream media cover all this up with a total whitewashing of the greatest war crime in the history of the western world. Basically our Northern masters manipulate the minds of our children by falsely instructing them to believe Southern slavery was the root cause of that "war" and the South was the aggressor and deserved the burning, looting, raping, and scorched earth policy of Saint Abraham. They also imply the so-called legitimate war once and for all settled the dispute between the right of secession and dominant federal authority. No, it did not — due to the absolute fact those issues were settled before the drafting of the Federal Constitution in 1787 and its eventual ratification by the several States (nations) in 1788.

According to liberal logic, the North was compelled to wage a war against a rebellious South in order to save the Union and abolish their slave labor. However, according to the US Constitution, which is the supreme law of the land, the Lincoln Administration committed treason to abolish a right that was sanctioned by federal law written in "plain and intelligible language." Once again the federal government was not created to determine which rights those individual nations were to have due to the fact these rights were already worded in their state constitutions previous to the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia in 1787.

Undeniably, the South has assumed and continued the defensive position in a cultural war against antagonists who blindly accept the northern myths which are in conflict with the true American idea of a *Republican Form of Government*. It is high time we take the offensive by challenging academia and the mainstream media with the original intent of the Convention of States in 1787, for this was what our Confederate ancestors were fighting to preserve!

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with the style of many other monuments within the cemetery and would also look very distinguished in its particular location. Stolz Memorials, Inc., from La Grange, TX, agreed to cut, inscribe, and erect Camp 59's monument for just under \$25,000. Stolz Memorials is known in the Austin area for constructing many elegant monuments in both the Oakwood and Texas State Cemeteries as well as the Gold Star Mother's Memorial across from the Texas Governor's Mansion.

But first, Camp 59 had to raise the money and then to obtain the permits required by the City of Austin. Over time, Camp 59 raised the money for the price of the monument in three ways: contributions from the camp members themselves during monthly camp meetings when a coffee can with a little Confederate flag went around the room as the camp members were asked, "Please, throw in your 'Lincolns,'" private donations from non-camp members including the Texas Society, Order of Confederate Rose; and generous contributions from Camp 59 member John Tarlton, D.V.M. who donated money raised through his Saturday pet vaccination clinics. From July 2008 to July 2015 the camp raised more than enough funds to cover the \$25,000 cost of the monument.

Raising money for the monument proved to be the simpler of the two main challenges. Gaining the city's approval was much more cumbersome. Two specific stages of approval were required. The first stage was that of the City of Austin's Historic Landmark Commission. The second was with the Parks and Recreation Department, who has dominion over city-owned cemeteries.

In June 2012 the Historic Landmark Commission readily approved the camp's monument design including the other features of the project. Following that approval, the camp's experience with the Parks and Recreation Department involved several months of their not contacting the camp as well as not replying to the camp's many phone calls and e-mails to the Department. Eventually, the camp received very limited telephone response from PARD representatives in which the camp's monu-

ment project was referred to as "controversial" and a "hot topic of conversation." After a year and a half, Camp 59 received an official letter from Parks and Recreation denying approval for their monument, stating their monument did not comply with Parks and Recreation Department policy, since it was "not for a particular person" buried at that grave site. After the camp made public information requests that PARD show the camp the policy they were basing their denial upon, the Department produced none. Also, the camp obtained and studied all of the Cemetery regulations and found that no such legitimate policy existed. During this time of bureaucratic stagnation, Camp 59 stayed hopeful and continued to pray and raise funds. Eventually, a representative from "Save Our Cemeteries Austin," a non-profit cemetery preservation organization, met with the Parks and Recreation Department and advocated for the camp's monument. Eighteen months after the camp received PARD's denial letter, the Department sent the camp a new letter stating the camp now had "approval to move forward with the commemorative monument to Confederate soldiers buried at Oakwood Cemetery."

By this time, Camp 59 had all of the money in hand for the cost of the monument and installation. Although the cost of the materials had escalated significantly since the original quote was given by the monument company several years earlier, Stolz Memorials kindly honored the original quote given to the Camp. Stolz Memorials even went a step further by obtaining beautiful granite stone from the Stone Mountain, GA, area, instead of the Chinese granite discussed in the beginning. During the next several months, the camp's stone was transported by rail from Georgia to Texas, cut into pieces and engraved. Meanwhile, Camp 59 members met with an archaeologist at the site and dug soil samples to insure no traces of unknown burials existed at the spot where the monument was to be placed. Camp members also dug the hole for the concrete foundation. In early April 2016, the Stolz crew installed each of the monument pieces on the plot in the cemetery using a boom-crane.

On April 16, 2016, a crowd gathered for the monument's unveiling ceremony. The monument was completely draped with black cloth. To begin the ceremony, a kilted bagpiper played as a detachment of grey and butternut uniformed banner carriers and musketeers marched in. The invocation, pledges and SCV Charge were spoken. The camp commander told the story of the project and awarded certificates of appreciation to those individuals who played instrumental roles in the monument's success. Moments of silence were observed for the late-Compatriot Tony Johnson as well as the latestone craftsman, L.W. Stolz, both having passed away before seeing the monument come to fruition. The bagpiper then played a moving rendition of Amazing Grace. As the final droning bagpipe note went silent, the black veil around the monument dropped. The polished glaze of the grey-streaked granite monument shone smartly from the tip of its ten-foot peak to the bottom of its four foot wide footing. On the shaft of the obelisk is inscribed "LEST WE FORGET" with the seal of the Confederate States of America beneath. On the base is inscribed "DEDICATED TO THOSE MEN WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE CONFEDER-ATE STATES OF AMERICA WHO ARE BURIED WITHIN THESE HALLOWED GROUNDS."

The ladies of the Order of Confederate Rose and Friends of Camp 59 sprinkled rose petals at the base of the monument. This was followed by a detachment of Confederate musketeers firing a 21-gun salute. The ceremony concluded with a benediction thanking the LORD for His provision and asking for His protection and fulfillment of His purposes for the monument. The crowd then sang *Dixie* and roused a Rebel Yell.

At the National SCV Reunion in July, 2016, Camp 59 was presented with the Dr. James B. Butler Award for Best Historical Project, 2015 – 2016 in recognition of the Oakwood Confederate Monument project. Following the Monument's dedication, both the Texas Division and SCV National have provided contributions for the remainder of the project and perpetual care.

The Confederate Monument at Oakwood Cemetery continues to look very handsome and distinguished where it can be seen easily from either of the city streets at the northeast corner of the cemetery. During the day, the sunlight reflects upon the polished surface of the monument, casting a nice halo around it. For Camp 59, the monument has been a wonderful place to gather for ceremonies such as observances for General Robert E. Lee, President Jefferson Davis and Major George W. Littlefield. SCV Camp members from out of town have also enjoyed coming to the monument and exploring the charming old historic cemetery.

However, Camp 59 is not yet finished with the monument project itself. The camp is currently in the process of placing a vintage style 6-foot park bench with footings beside the monument.

The camp plans to encircle the perimeter of the 25 x 30-foot lot with white pigmented concrete curbing which will retain a layer of crushed granite and a two-foot tall decorative fence of obelisk-shaped cast concrete posts supporting a horizontal pair of glazed steel poles.

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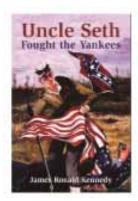
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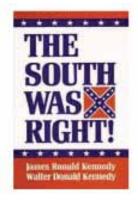
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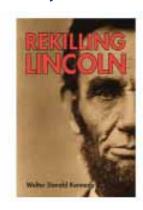
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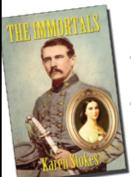
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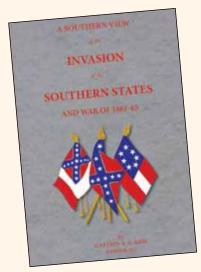
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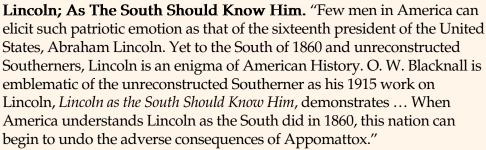
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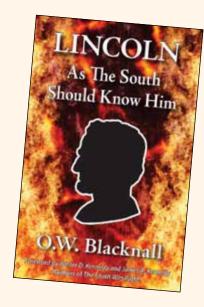
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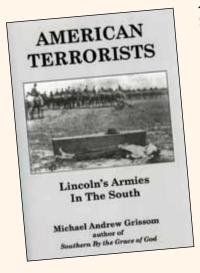


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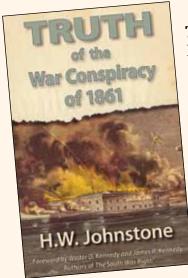
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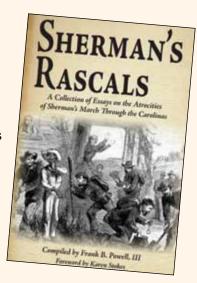
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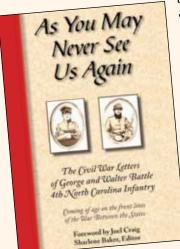
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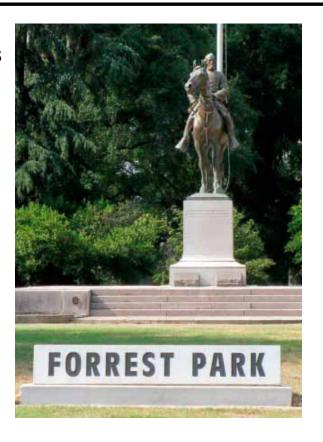
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