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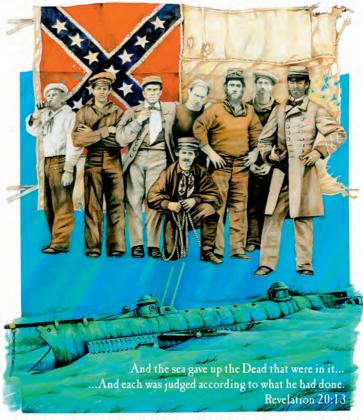
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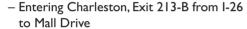
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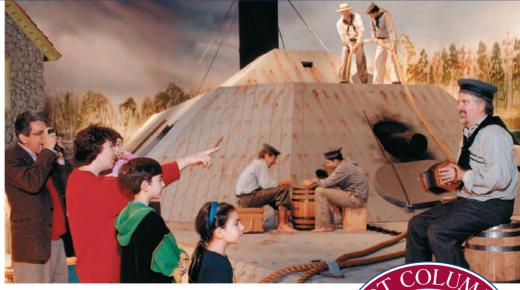
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# FROM THE EDITOR



elcome to our special CSS *Hunley* memorial issue. We have complete coverage of

the event and have added eight pages. However, even with additional pages we still couldn't publish all the articles, photos and letters we received. But I would like to say thank you to everyone who offered submissions. More of the letters and photos will be in the May/June issue.

I was able to attend the funeral of the final crew of the CSS *Hunley* and march in the procession. It was amazing how many people there were, not only participating in the procession but as spectators. It was a great day and a very moving day. If you were not able to attend, I hope the articles and photos in this issue will bring the day to you. Congratulations to the Friends of the *Hunley* and all the SCV members who worked so hard to see to it that these men had a proper funeral. I know all who were in attendance will never forget the service.

Also in this issue you will find a removable section containing the constitutional amendments for our upcoming Reunion in Dalton, GA. If you are planning to attend the Reunion, don't forget to take this section with you.

In addition, the missing Iron Cross from Brigadier General Stand Watie's grave has been located. A huge ceremony is planed for June 26, 2004 by members of the James M. Keller Camp 648, Hot Springs, AR, with the cooperation of the Cherokee Nation. Details are on pages 10-11 of this issue.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our Reunion in Dalton. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Until then, I remain,

Yours in the Cause,

Frank B. Could S



# REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

#### COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF R.G. WILSON

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Fellow Compatriots,

want to spend the first part of this column on the burial of the *Hunley* crew. It was the greatest Confederate event of our lifetime. The crowds at White Point Gardens and at Magnolia Cemetery were something to see. The estimates (by security personnel) ranged from 75,000 to 300,000. The long procession, which begin at White Point Gardens and continued some 4.5 miles to Magnolia Cemetery, was comprised of no fewer than 10,000 (Reenactors, Friends of the *Hunley*, Sons of Confederate Veterans, United Daughters of the Confederacy, and others).

Several Divisions (SC, NC, GA, VA, KY, TN, LA, FL, TX, AL, MS) of the SCV marched as units in this very long and unforgettable procession. Our Lord provided a perfect day for this solemn occasion.

The prepared remarks given at White Point Gardens by several speakers were excellent, appropriate and heartfelt. The long walk from White Point Gardens to their last resting place gave all of us time to reflect not on the crew of the *Hunley* but this time in history and what it meant to be part of something so grand, so spectacular and at the same time so solemn. Those men of the *Hunley* had no idea the night when they went out to sink the enemy's ship

that they would be remembered by so many — so many years later.

I want to take a moment and say THANK YOU to Commander Randy Burbage for making this funeral exactly what it should have been and was.

A final thought on the *Hunley*. We heard all kinds of statements concerning the burial and other events surrounding the *Hunley* week. None of these things happened. It was a marvelous event, clear and simple. If we spent that much energy on recruiting for the SCV as we did warning everyone about something we thought might happen with the *Hunley* Funeral, which never happened — well, we would be probably 50,000+ members.

On April, 17, 2004, I was never more proud to be a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans ... a day I will remember for the rest of my life.

I want to call your attention to the upcoming Sam Davis Youth Camp. It will run from Sunday, June 27, to Saturday, July 3, and it will be held this year at the Alexander Stephens State Park in Crawfordsville, Georgia. An application can be found in this issue of the *Confederate Veteran*.

Last year our camp was a little late and some schools were starting, which prevented some from attending. This year it is earlier, so we are expecting a large turnout. So, please get you application in early! Some have already asked about being a counselor. You must have a letter from both your camp commander and Division commander and a check for \$180. The cost for each camper is \$395, which covers all food and the week at camp.

Our Camp Director is Fred Taylor who did an outstanding job last year in this position. As always, a camp doctor will be on hand for the entire week. Our staff and faculty will be similar to last year, which could not have been better.

This is a week to educate our sons and grandsons about the true history of the South. In today's political correctness — this is the perfect tool for countering the liberal garbage in our public schools.

I believe this is the future of the SCV; I encourage each of you to send your sons and grandsons to the Sam Davis Youth Camps and then join us for the Friday Night Campfire and program. It is the greatest opportunity that the SCV has ever presented to reach our young men. If you want a program on the Youth Camp presented to your SCV Camp, just call your Field Representative or order the Video/DVD from IHQ.

Despite the perilous times, obstacles, and powerful enemies who wish to injure or crush the SCV, we are still moving forward with more force than ever. I am so very proud of our membership. I thank you for all the hard work, money and dedication that you give to the Sons of Confederate Veterans every day. It's because of you that the enemies of the South fear the SCV. It's your power and strength which they recognize.

In closing, I want to welcome aboard the new division commanders in South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Alabama, Louisiana, Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas. I wish you all the best, and you will always be in my prayers. May God Bless each of you.

Your Obedient Servant, R. G. Wilson

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

#### Photo Inspires Young Man To Join SCV

To the Editor:

Thanks for printing our pictures of Camp 1729, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters. We really enjoyed them. I just wanted to share a quick story with you. You printed a picture of my kids in the last issue. It was the one of the three boys, dressed in uniforms, at the Fayetteville Confederate Memorial Day. One of the boys is my cousin, Jacob Bramlett. He goes to the SCV meetings with us, but has never joined. We wanted to let him come to this on his own and not push him. Anyway, when your magazine came, I showed him and the other two boys the pictures. They really got a kick out of it. About 10 minutes after I showed them the picture, Jacob came back into the kitchen and asked me about joining the SCV. You know it was the picture. Okay, thanks again, and we do enjoy your magazine.

Sincerely, Lorenda Todd Sharpsburg, GA

#### Best Confederate Experience Ever

To the Editor:

Wanted you to let everyone know this was the best CONFEDERATE experience that a person could possibly ever have. If someone intentionally avoided the *Hunley* Funeral for some arrogant reason, they shot themselves in the foot. I enjoyed it so much I wish the SCV could compile individuals' pictures and put them in a book and put it on sale, so we could enjoy others' experience. My wife and I had a ball. On Thursday we walked the streets of Charleston. I was in uniform and she was in a beautiful dinner dress. People would stop in the

street and jump out of their cars to take our pictures. We were great for the cause. I know others had the same experiences; just wish someone could gather them and compile them for others to hear. Congratulations are in order for Sen. Glenn McConnell and the *Hunley* Commission and all of those behind the scene who made CONFEDERATES WORLD CLASS. Thanks a million. NOW GO RECRUIT!

DEO VINDICE Jim Bishop States Rights Gist Camp 1451 Roebuck, SC

#### Displeased with Article in Last Issue

To the Editor.

I must express my extreme displeasure with Chief of Heritage Defense Sullivant's "editorial," in which he questions whether the recovery and preservation of the *Hunley*, and the burial of its third crew, is a heritage violation.

Each and every time the *Hunley* sank, it was recovered and its crew given a proper burial. This time was no different. In the preservation process of the submarine, Southern ingenuity has been proven through the discovery of technology used that was far advanced for that time in history. While being "pinned to a card," forensic scientists have not only positively identified each crew member, but have proven that only two of the men were born Southerners. I can only believe that this kind of information will help us in defending the Southern cause.

Compatriot Sullivant derisively mentions tourism dollars. I suppose he feels the same towards the Museum of the Confederacy, Lee Chapel, the boyhood home of General Forrest, along with scores of other landmarks and battlefields we consider sacred, many of which draw thousands of visitors yearly.

My wife and I attended the funeral, and along with thousands, walked in the procession and paid our respects to the gallant men of the last *Hunley* crew.

I will always remember this truly wonderful event, and appreciate more than words can express the work and planning that made it happen.

Compatriot Sullivant has served us well for nearly two years as chief of heritage defense. I question why he waited until now to express his opinions on the *Hunley*, and submit that he should have done so in a letter to the editor. Many compatriots were not able to attend the funeral. Compatriot Sullivant chose not to. It is his loss.

Robert H. Roper, III Past SC Division Commander Brig. General Samuel McGowan Camp 40 Laurens, SC

#### Hunley Funeral Too Big to Keep Under Wraps

To the Editor:

I read in the last issue of the *Confederate Veteran* about a story called "The Hunley Extravaganza."

I agree, it does seem like the *Hunley* Commission is trying to exploit the *Hunley* for money, and that they should have buried the eight men in a quiet and small ceremony (that cost about as much as a small car) and not invite anyone. However, the story of the *Hunley* is so well-known it would be like killing everyone in Iraq without the world press and the news knowing about it.

The *Hunley* is and was a marvel of engineering of its time. But, if the *Hunley* stayed in the water, someone else would have dug her out of the sand and sold everything in or on her.

The price for honoring the eight men in that little sub came at a high cost in order to do it right. Therefore, the *Hunley* Commision had several fundraisers during the week of the funeral to help with the expenses. No federal, state, county or local funds were used to recover the sub and bury the crew.

I am a member of the Charleston Rifle Club in Charleston, SC, and we invited reenactors to stay on our property for free and the money we collected for the breakfast, bag lunches, pig roast and the Rebelaires concert will be donated to the Hunley funeral expense fund. I have also been a member of my SCV camp for one year, and my family and I have known Mr. Randy Burbage and Mr. Glenn McConnell for many years. These two men have the SCV charge burned into their hearts! They would NEVER sell short on the funeral for the Hunley crew nor the care for the sub in any way.

The war is over. But Lt. Dixon and the *Hunley* crew got to sit in heaven and watch as the Confederate States of America and the United States of America rejoined as "One Nation Under God."

John A. Genes II Secession Camp 4 Charleston, SC

#### Last Letter Not Meant To Cause Hard Feelings

To the Editor:

It was not my intention in my last letter, concerning a book by Compatriot Charley Hayes, printed in the Nov./ Dec. issue, to cause any hard feelings or to start a war of words with any fellow compatriots. In fact, the letter was not intended for publication at all. It was my intention, solely, to advise the *Confederate Veteran* of my concerns about Mr. Hayes' book, and I hoped that the magazine staff would be concerned as well. It is now obvious that I failed on all counts.

However, in response to the angry letter from Compatriot Bob Norman of Chandler, Texas, I'm sure Mr. Norman's friendship with Mr. Hayes was the overriding factor behind his anger and his uncalled-for insults of me.

I can assure Mr. Norman that the comment I made about Mr. Hayes' book

was not a gripe, nor was it a bellyache. It was an observation. An observation that should have been made by his close friends, before the book was ever published. Perhaps the misinformation could have been avoided in the first place.

I agree totally with Mr. Norman that there are far too many fair-weather Confederates, a group to which I do not belong, incidentally, that I also wish would be more active in carrying out General S. D. Lee's Charge, but we should also remember a part of the medical profession's oath to *first*, *do no harm* in our efforts to carry out that charge.

I feel that Mr. Norman is the one that doesn't see the "overall picture" as he stated, blinded by his loyalty to his friend.

I tried to explain to Mr. Hayes that although the events shown in the front of his book were actual historical occurrences, they had nothing to do with why the South seceded or why the Confederate States was formed in the first place. The abolition movement of the time, although very vocal and well-funded, was never more than a handful of fanatics, and most were ignored outright until the north needed an excuse to try to justify or excuse what they were doing to the Confederacy. It certainly didn't rate the over exposure it received in Mr. Hayes' book.

The greed of the northern industrial interest, the corruption of the northern legislators in Congress, Lincoln's total disregard for the Constitution, his illegal trade tariffs, and his unconstitutional expenditure of government treasury on internal improvements almost exclusively in the north, were not covered in Mr. Hayes' book.

Remember General Robert E. Lee's statement that "All the South has ever desired, was the Union, as established by our forefathers, should be preserved, and that the government, as origanally organized, should be administered in purity and truth." The South fought for the Constitution, and since the north refused to abide by it, our ancestors sought to form their own government under that same Constitution.

I too am a dedicated Confederate, or I would not have bothered to educate myself, my son and now grandchildren on our cause, and would not have cared what was in Mr. Hayes' book, right or wrong. I stand by my original assessment of Mr. Hayes' book as being misleading in its present form and should be reworked before being used as a teaching tool. If the book contained accurate information, I would be its strongest and loudest promoter.

I regret any misunderstanding of my intent, and hope for the sake of our cause and our organization, that Mr. Hayes will reconsider the info in his well-intentioned book, and make it into an indispensable teaching aid. Thank You.

Gary W. Hearon Col. Christopher C. Pegues Camp 62 Selma, AL

#### Column Inappropriate

To the Editor:

Chief of Heritage Defense Allen Sullivant has crossed the line and abused his office by inappropriately using the *Confederate Veteran* in the guise of "Forward the Colors" to attack the funeral and events surrounding the interment of the crew of the CSS *Hunley*.

While opinions may differ, and certainly Heritage Chief Sullivant is entitled to one contrary to mine, using his column in our magazine to portray the funeral as a "Heritage Violation" or "Steven Spielberg production" is wrong and must be stated for the record. After reading through his comments several times, I cannot honestly understand what would prompt him to make some of the innuendo and comments that he has made without facts to substantiate his insulting remarks.

The *Hunley* Commission, the compatriots of the South Carolina Division SCV and the thousands upon thousands of people who gathered to commemorate and celebrate the home-going of these men on Saturday, April 17, in Charleston took great pride in their accomplishment and heroism.

So what if the media was drawn to cover it? So what if the eyes of the entire world have been focused on the South and the history left for us to defend? I thought that was part of heritage defense? To me, these brave crew-

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# **BOOT CAMP**

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#### A column of helpful tips for Camp, Brigade, and Division operations

This month's subject:

#### Camp Activities, Part II

In Part I on this subject, I discussed some of the basic activities that camps can use as part of their overall program for getting members involved. Here's a quick review of the activities mentioned in Part I:

#### **Basic Activities**

Memorial Services Grave Dedications Graveyard Cleanups

#### Second Level Activities (i.e., they take a lot more time and effort)

Color guards

Reenactment Units

Local Service functions — highway cleanup, blood drives, charity functions, etc.

Adopting schools and libraries

#### Top Level (i.e., expensive and/or time-consuming)

Monument-building Confederate balls Ghost/cemetery tours Civil War Sales Major restorations

There was one basic camp activity I didn't cover in that first article because I assumed everyone understood what was involved. But email I received from members indicated that maybe a few words were in order about how to properly set up and conduct —

#### The Basic Camp Meeting

A few years ago, a camp that had been having difficulty finding a meeting place was offered a nice large meeting room, free of charge. The camp eagerly jumped at the opportunity and met there for many months. Over that time, they lost over half their members. What was the problem? The meeting room was in the rear of a local nursing home. Not a very nice nurs-

ing home, at that (it was closed down by the State a couple of years later). To reach the meeting room, members had to cross through a large communal area filled with depressed, neglected elderly men and women who would have preferred to be anywhere but there. It so depressed many of the arriving members that they quit coming to the meetings altogether. So, this leads to the first "rule" about camp meeting sites:

Pick your meeting site carefully. This is often a daunting task, but one that demands a good effort. Meeting areas should be large enough to accommodate the entire camp, with about 50% expansion space. If located in a restaurant, make sure the food is reasonably priced and at least tolerably edible. Don't hesitate to pay for the meeting space, if necessary. Charging a dollar or two admission for camp members may be necessary, especially in large urban areas, to procure a decent meeting space. Be sure the room is relatively quiet, set off from the rest of the building (don't use a corner of a noisy cafeteria for a meeting space), and easily accessible from the outside. Be sure the building has adequate parking space. Finally, make sure the meeting space will be around for awhile. I had the sad experience once of finding the ideal meeting place, only to have the cafeteria remodel the meeting room out of existence a few months later. Ask the building manager if there are any such plans on the horizon before committing to a space.

Picking a good meeting site is only the starting point for planning camp activities. Another essential element:

Plan programs in Advance. It still amazes me to find out that many camps do not plan any sort of program for their camp meetings, or plan only at the last minute. This is a recipe for disaster and will lose many members over the long-run. Camps not only need interesting, thoughtful programs, but they need to be planned well enough in advance so that proper announcements can be made in the camp newsletter and website. Much as we hate to admit it, members come to camp meetings at least partially to be entertained; neglecting this factor is difficult to overcome, no matter how good our intentions at advancing the Cause. Program chairmen can provide better programs (and make their lives a whole lot easier) if they plan at least six months in advance. Besides, the better speakers are usually booked up months in advance, so some forward-thinking is essential in planning good programs.

The monthly camp meeting is the primary activity for all camps and as such is the main *face* shown to new members and prospective new members. Put simply — boring, disorganized, cliquish meetings will drive off new members faster than a herd of cattle stampeded through a covey of quail. Preventing the social disconnection inherent in such meetings is the responsibility of camp officers, and leads to one final tip on camp meetings:

Keep the meetings lively and be sure all are included. If necessary, assign new prospects and new members to camp officers. Engage them in conversation and find out why they joined or want to join the SCV. I have mentioned this before, but it bears repeating: social disconnection is the #1 reason for new members not *reenlisting* and for prospects not signing up. If new members/prospects do not feel part of the group, they will leave. It's as simple as that.

OK, enough on monthly meetings. Let's consider:

#### **Advanced Camp Activities**

I received so many tips from SCV members about their activities that I can only scratch the surface, but a few of the ideas follow.

**Living History Displays.** Quite a number of camps team with local schools and civic organizations to put on living history displays. This is a very effective mechanism for getting our message across. Frequently, these are done in conjunction with other events, such as 4th of July parades.

**Visiting Other Camps.** Camps vary widely in their format and programs, so sending camp members to visit other camps can be very rewarding. In fact, sponsoring programs/speakers at other camps is one of the judging items for the Best Camp Award.

Temporary Affiliation with Other Heritage Organizations. Planning and conducting events with like-minded organizations is usually a one-time event, but it can give camps a major PR boost. Many camps team up with local churches, other cultural groups, civic organizations, etc. Tim Foster's letter at the end of the column is a good example of such an event.

Participation in Heritage Defense Activities. Heritage defense is not just some activity conducted at national level. True, many heritage defense activities require a national response due to the nature of the adversary. But many such functions can be conducted at the local level, or by helping other SCV units with their heritage defense activities. At least two such major activities are being conducted at this time—the protest vigil at the Dupont plant in Richmond, VA and the vigil in front of the Supreme Court building in Austin, TX. These vigils are the primary responsibility of the local camps, but they would welcome the participation of any SCV member who has the time to venture that way.

Erecting Historical Markers. The requirements for these vary from state to state, but almost every state has some sort of historical marker system. In Texas and several other states, the markers are provided by the state Historical Commission. Markers can be used to commemorate any number of things — historical sites or events; historic buildings; institutions such as churches or businesses; and famous (or infamous) individuals and their achievements. SCV members can do the research, then present the results to the state Historical Commission. If approved, the markers are usually provided and maintained at state expense.

Thanks to the many compatriots who contributed their suggestions and comments to the writing of this article. Some samples:

I am a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Roebuck, SC, founded in 1800 by Revolutionary patriots. As you might imagine, their children and grandchildren were Confederate soldiers and patriots as well. Several years back we wanted to begin a new tradition of honoring those veterans of the church who served, and we chose the annual 4th of July worship service to do that. As a reenactor, I recruited some friends and fellow compatriots to dress as Confederate soldiers, along with Revolutionary war patriots and including soldiers representative of all the wars our church members have served in. This contingent became a color guard which presents the colors at the beginning of the worship service. We stay up front throughout the service, rising to salute the various branches when their anthems are sung. At the close of the service I read aloud the names of the veteran dead from the church cemetery and those who fell on foreign soil; and once again those who served the Confederate States of America are noted. Finally, we lead our remaining vets, including our WWII boys out of the sanctuary where we form up and march with the colors and bagpiper to the cemetery for a volley in memory of the fallen.

—Tim Foster, States Rights Gist Camp 1451, West Springs, SC

Have an annual event such as a banquet where the camp's workers are recognized and awarded for their support of the camp. Also recognize the wives & other ladies that support the organization.

—John Carroll, Camp 78, Georgia Division SCV

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# A Matter of Honor

"... constantly endeavoring to see that events of the War Between The States and the heroic contributions of the Confederate soldiers of Indian Territory are authenticated and clearly written, and that all documents, relics and mementos produced and handed down by those active participants therein properly treasured and preserved for posterity ...."

#### by B. Leon Davis, James E. Keller Camp 648

n the summer of 2003 a very lucky sequence of events al-Llowed the James M. Keller Camp 648, Hot Springs, Arkansas, to recover the Iron Cross of Honor that was hanging on Brigadier General Stand Watie's grave-marker. The cross of honor, from the United Daughters of the Confederacy, was a medal for the living veterans of WBTS to be worn on their uniform or suit and later the larger Cross of Honor cast of iron for marking the grave of the deceased heroes of the South. This particular Cross, which his niece, Mabel Washburn Anderson, president of Chapter 1450 UDC, Pryor, Oklahoma, had purchased and had installed in about 1913, disappeared around 1921. In 1994 the Oklahoma UDC installed a new cross at his gravesite.

Brigadier General Stand Watie and his Cherokee Braves (which later included the Creek, Seminole, Choctaw and Chickasaw troops from the Five Civilized Tribes) served the Confederacy in Indian Territory (Oklahoma did not achieve statehood until 1907), and as some of you are already aware, he was the



Rear view of General Watie's Iron Cross.

only American Indian to attain the rank of general in either Army and was also the last Confederate General to surrender, this occurring at Doaksville in Choctaw Nation of Indian Territory on June 23, 1865. This portion of our past Southern heritage has not received near the attention it deserves.

After discovery of the location of General Watie's Cross of Honor in a Kansas pawn shop and with donations from camps and individuals in Arkansas Division, one camp in north Texas, plus from our own members, it was secured. With the assistance of Mrs. Nancy Brown, Trustee of the Polson Cemetery, the UDC of Oklahoma, Compatriot Lee Matous and various newspaper files we were able to ascertain and prove this was indeed the original one-of-a-kind marker after a few months of research.

With this documentation and the Cross in hand, a committee from Keller Camp, including one collateral descendent of General Watie, Dewayne O. Edwards, and his wife Tracy, Kiowa Native

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The handle of General Watie's Bowie knife is ingraved with his name.

American, accompanied us to the capitol of the Cherokee Nation near Tahlequah, Oklahoma, in mid-December to offer them the return of General Watie's Cross. We had the honor of a special called meeting with the Tribal Council and Principal Chief Chadwick Smith. After our presentation of ideas regarding a ceremony to make the gift, members of the Council asked what would be the cost to the Cherokee Nation. Our answer included the quote at the opening of this article which is from Article II - OBJECT of our camp By-Laws, along with the statement it is "A Matter of Honor" that we are able to preserve this meaningful piece of your history.

The Chief appointed a subcommittee from their Language,



Front view of General Watie's Iron Cross.

Culture and Heritage Committee to work with us to plan an event that would also serve to educate their younger citizens of this period (1861-1865) of the history in Indian Territory and specifically honoring General Watie. The Cherokee Nation has an excellent Heritage Center on their grounds. A few items we helped locate, such as an autographed rare biography of General Watie by his niece, Mabel Washburn Anderson, his sword, his saddle and blanket, and possibly the original Cherokee Braves' Battle Flag which has been found in private hands in Springfield, MO, will be added to a special display to be set up in the center. Annually, in the summer months, a historical drama entitled Trail of Tears is presented in the Tsa La Gi amphitheatre (with seating for 1,800). This drama will be expanded to emphasize this War Between the States period as part of the events during the "Matter of Honor - Stand Watie" ceremony on June 26, 2004.

Plans also include a massive artillery salute after the Cross of Honor return ceremony, a parade and living history encampment. If your interest is peaked by this introduction and you would like to participate or attend and need further information, contact the James M. Keller Camp 648 at PO Box 21701 Hot Springs, AR 71903 bld539@sbcglobal.net or Director Richard Fields at the Cherokee Nation Heritage Center, PO Box 515, Tahlequah, OK 74465 www.CherokeeHeritage.org. Come join the Arkansas Division and Cherokee Nation in honoring the contributions of CSA Veterans



The Watie knife.

from the forgotten flag and this cultural sharing event. We are encouraged by the many inquiries coming from South Carolina, California, Florida and other locations received with only word of mouth going out to reenactor groups in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas. This could develop into one of the greatest opportunities for recruitment our camp, SCV and UDC will encounter for a while.

NOTE: Since the Cherokee Nation and the town of Tahlequah lack an abundance of motel lodgings, we suggest you inquire at the nearest accommodations, which can be found in Muskogee, OK, and Fort Smith or Fayetteville, AR.



Pictured from left, Lee Matous, Dewayne O. Edwards, and Ms. Nancy Brown, trustee of Polson Cemetery where General Stand Watie is buried.

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# Chaplain's Comments

Pastor John Weaver Chaplain-in-Chief



### **How Soon We Forget**

cripture tells us in John 16:21, "A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world." Men, like women, prefer to not remember anguish, trouble, and turmoil. We like to concentrate upon joyful and happy times. It is true that many times our joy and our activity cause us to forget our late unpleasantness. Yet, there is a need to remember. How much more would we appreciate our blessings if we remembered what others suffered in order that we may have them?

I was reminded again this past week of the many sufferings and sacrifices that our people endured for Southern rights. How lightly we take our heritage. How ungrateful we are to those men who stood, fought, and died that we may have a Southern heritage.

I wish to relay two simple in-

cidents from *Life in Dixie During the War* by Mary A.H. Gay. Mary Gay lived most of her life in Decatur, Georgia. She was an eyewitness to Sherman's destruction of Atlanta. She was in her thirties during the war and her maturity is reflected in her writings. Her family sufferings were typical of the sufferings of a multitude of other families.

In Chapter 20 she tells about being on the verge of starvation and of her endeavors to procure food for herself and others. The following conversation is between Mary and her mother:

"What is it, Ma? Has anything happened?"

"No, only Maggie Benedict has been here crying as if her heart would break, and saying that her children are begging for bread, and she has none to give them. Give me a little of the meal or hominy that you have, that we may not starve until we can get something else to eat, and then take the remainder to her that she may cook it as quickly as possible for her suffering children.

"We had spent the preceding day in picking out grains of corn from cracks and crevices in bureau drawers, and other improvised troughs for Federal horses, as well as gathering up what was scattered upon the ground. In this way by diligent and persevering work, about a half bushel was obtained from the now deserted camping ground of Garrard's cavalry, and this corn was thoroughly washed and dried, and carried by me and Telitha to a poor little mill (which had escaped conflagration, because too humble to attract attention), and ground into coarse meal."

Can you imagine our genteel, gracious, Southern ladies picking grains of corn from the cracks of horse troughs in order to have enough to eat? How about picking up grains of corn from the grounds where cavalry horses

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have stood and eaten? It was not simply our men who suffered; it was the women and children as well.

In another instance (Chapter 24) Mary and Telitha picked up minie balls from the battlefield in order to swap them for food. She writes:

"What was I to do? Sit down and wait for the inevitable starvation? No: I was not made of such stuff. I had heard that there had been a provision store opened in Atlanta for the purpose of bartering provisions for munitions of war — anything that could be utilized in warfare. Minie balls were particularly desirable. I therefore took Telitha by the apron, and had a little talk with her, and when I was through she understood that something was up that would bring relief to certain organs that had become quite troublesome in their demands, and she was anxious to take part in the performance, whatever that might be.

"With a basket in either hand, and accompanied by Telitha, who carried one that would hold about a peck, and two old dull case-knives, I started to the battlefields around Atlanta to pick up the former missiles of death to exchange for food to keep us from starving. It was a cold day. The wind was very sharp, and over the ground, denuded of forest trees and undergrowth, the wind was blowing a miniature gale. Our wraps were inadequate, and how chilled we became in that rude November blast! Mark you, it was the 30th of November, 1864. But the colder we were, the faster we walked, and in an incredibly short time we were upon the battlefield searching for lead.

"I made it a point to keep very near the road in the direction of Atlanta, and soon found myself on the very spot where the Confederate magazine stood, the blowing up of which, by Confederate orders, shook the very earth, and was distinctly heard thirtyfive or forty miles distant. An exclamation of glad surprise from Telitha carried me to her. She had found a bonanza, and was rapidly filling her basket with that which was more valuable to us than gold. In a marshy place, encrusted with ice, innumerable bullets, minie balls, and pieces of lead seemed to have been left by the irony of fate to supply sustenance to hungry ones, and employment to the poor, as all the winter those without money to send to more favored and distant points found sure returns from this lead mine. It was so cold! Our feet were almost frozen, and our hands had commenced to bleed, and handling cold, rough lead cramped them so badly that I feared we would have to desist from our work before filling the baskets.

"Lead! Blood! Tears! O how suggestive! Lead, blood and tears, mingled and commingled. In vain did I try to dash the tears away. They would assert themselves and fall upon lead stained with blood.

"God of mercy, if this be Thy holy will, give me fortitude to bear it uncomplainingly, was the heartfelt invocation that went up to the throne of grace from over lead, blood, and tears, that fearful day."

How our hearts should go out in gratitude to those who were willing to endure so much for the sake of principle. How these facts should condemn our compromise and unwillingness to suffer for righteousness sake. I fear that we had better women in the 1860s than we have men today. The repetition of these facts should inspire us to understand, grasp, and apply the principles for which our forefathers stood. Let us not forget! Let us remember in order that we may be willing and able to stand in our day of testing. As Paul said in Ephesians 6:13: "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."

I wish to encourage all to attend the 10th annual Great Revival of the Southern Armies to be held in South Haven, MS (about 25 miles from Memphis, TN) in June. The dates are June 15-17. Commander-in-Chief Wilson, myself, and a host of others will be speaking. There will be preaching, teaching, good fellowship, period dress, reenactors, and a great deal more. I have attended a number of these meetings and I can assure you of a very worthwhile time. For additional information, please contact Dr. Gary Roper at 662-893-3949 or 662-349-9399.

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# The Last Roll

Capt. Thomas H. Hobbs 768 Athens, AL

Elliott R. Matthews, III Fighting Joe Wheeler 1372

Birmingham, AL

Robert Quaite Tucker Michael L. Busby

Col. William C. Oates 809

Dothan, AL

John Byron Yawn

Egbert J. Jones 357

Huntsville, AL

Walter F. Ramey

Raphael Semmes 11

Mobile, AL

Morgan Tyler Swift Charles Hunter Black

Lee-Moses-Dixon Vindicator 408 Mobile, AL

John Carlton McDonald

West-Scott-Baker 1622

Riverside, AL

W. Gregory White Barry Alan White

Col. William A. Johnson 898 Tuscumbia, AL

William Tipton Johnson, Sr.

Alf Fuller 1819

Junction City, AR

Bruce G. Murph

Third Florida Wildcats 1437

Floral City, FL

John Mainor

Kirby-Smith 1209

Jacksonville, FL

Michael B. Snyder

The Confederate Memorial 1432

Stone Mountain, GA

Walter Phillip McCurdy, Jr.

John B. Gordon Memorial 1449

Thomaston, GA

Randy Dwight Self Morris C. Taunton

John Hunt Morgan 1342

Louisville, KY

**Louis Edward Leavell** 

Captain John McKoin 1912

Bonita, LA

Joseph David Entrican, Jr.

Jasper County Grays 1349 Heidelberg, MS

George C. Monroe, Jr.

Jefferson Davis 635

Jackson, MS

**James West Thompson** 

William D. Cameron 1221

Meridian, MS

Ronald Wade Johnston

Maj. Egbert A. Ross 1423

Charlotte, NC

Don Max Teeter

Fayetteville Arsenal 168

Fayetteville, NC

Lattie Curtis Edge

Michael Wayne Hurt

Col. John Sloan 1290

Greensboro, NC

**Paul B. Phipps**The CSA Unknown Soldier 1753

Matthews, NC

**Edward Payne Savage** 

Miss Constance Cary 1913

New York, NY

Rodger D. Cary

Capt. Clem Vann Rogers 481

Oklahoma City, OK

Wilburn R. West

Pee Dee Rifles 1419

Florence/Darlington, SC

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Sgt. Berry Benson 1672

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Captain W. H. McCauley 260

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**Timothy Wade Trotter** 

Col. William A. Dawson 1821

Dyersburg, TN

Mack Harris Scott, III

Tod Carter 854

Franklin, TN

**Robert Corey Ford** 

M/G Benjamin F. Cheatham 722

Manchester, TN

**Carl Stevens** 



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LTC Euge L. Johnson

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Col. John S. Mosby 1237

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Maurice F. Manuel

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Magruder-Ewell 99

Newport News, VA

John W. Churchill Fincastle Rifles 1326

Roanoke, VA

Ronald M. McCulloch

David R. Myers

Buren W. Hall

W. Frank Meacham, Jr.

Princess Anne 1993

Virginia Beach, VA

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Walker-Terry 1758

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#### The Southern Cross of Honor: Historical Notes and Trial List of Varieties

Author Peter Bertram gives full measure of reverence to this Confederate award. He states "The Southern Cross of Honor stands unique in the lore of American

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OF HONOR:

Historical Notes

Trial List of Varieties

military medals and awards because it was presented to its recipients after the fact—after the Cause for which it was given was lost. The Crosses recognized the valor of the Confederate soldier and sailor and represented the thanks of a grateful nation that fate denied. They were conceived, produced, and awarded by that nation's Daughters in the absence of its fallen government."

After the War Be-

tween the States ended, years of cruel and inhuman Federal Reconstruction left scant time for disenfranchised Southerners to concern themselves with monuments and memorials. Formation of the United Confederate Veterans in 1890 at last concentrated emphasis on the thinning ranks of Confederate Veterans. Then in 1894, the United Daughters of the Confederacy was formed. These Daughters took up the torch of remembrance and assumed a sacred duty to honor those men who fought for the Confederacy and to pass our heritage to future generations of Confederate descendants.

While attending the 1898 UCV reunion in Atlanta, Mrs. Alexander S. Erwin, daughter of Georgia Confederate Howell Cobb and a true daughter of the Old South, conceived the idea of a Cross of Honor for valor and patriotism to be bestowed on Confederate Veterans. She presented the idea to her Athens UDC Chapter and was asked to formulate this idea into a set of resolutions. The Georgia UDC Division endorsed her resolutions for a Cross of Honor. These resolutions were finally adopted by the UDC General Convention. Mrs. Erwin was a member of the original committee appointed to select a design

for the Cross. During 1899, the committee solicited designs from UDC membership, Southern jewelers, and, regrettably, some Northern firms. All rejected the idea of such a medal as too costly to produce. After years of frustration, Mrs. Sarah E. Gabbett recorded these attempts to design a Southern Cross of Honor in an April 22, 1912, letter to Mrs. C. Helen Plane. Their suggestions of "Deo

Vindice" and the Great Seal of the Confederacy were later accepted into the design.

Author Bertram has filled this small book with drawings of prototypes of the Southern Cross of Honor. He has done exhaustive research about various designs and manufacturers. Included for the edification of Southern historians are Mrs. Erwin's Resolutions and Rules for the Bestowal of the Southern Cross of Honor. Listed also are the recipients of the Athens Crosses and the Atlanta Crosses. This book will be of great interest to Southerners who wish to learn the history of the Southern Cross of Honor.

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— Reviewed by Ann Rives Zappa

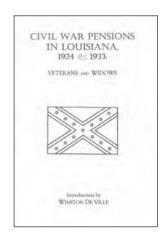
#### Civil War Pensions in Louisiana, 1924 & 1933 Veterans and Widows

This edition of the official War Between the States Pension records in Louisiana for the years 1924 and 1933 was reprinted in August of 2003. The Louisiana Constitution had previously set forth eligibility guidelines for Confederate Veterans and their widows and had defined residency requirements for those not native-born. Their Constitution also provided for collection of a statewide tax to fund these pensions. In today's economy, monthly amounts appear minuscule, but probably allowed some Confederate Veterans to eat better.

In 1924, the Louisiana pension rolls contained 4,102 names. Veterans from all thirteen states of the Confederacy were listed as eli-

gible to collect pensions from Louisiana. A state-by-state count in cluded seven Veterans from North Carolina.

A quick perusal of t h e s e records re-



veals interesting information about the names and service branches of Confederate units originating in Louisiana. For example, twenty-eight Veterans living in Iberia Parish had served in Fournett's Battery. In St. Martin Parish, fourteen members of Fournett's Battery resided in Breaux Bridge.

By 1933, only 2,106 Confederate Veterans and their widows were still

alive. All seven North Carolinians had died. Texas Veterans and widows numbered twenty-three, the most of any Confederate state still drawing Louisiana Confederate pensions.

This pension roster is an additional genealogical research source for anyone seeking Confederate ancestors in Louisiana.

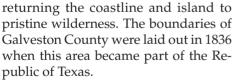
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#### Military Presence in the 19th and 20th Century Galveston County, Texas

Dorothy Burns Peterson writes a wellresearched and interesting history of the military fortifications of Galveston

County, Texas. In the introduction, she traces the lawless beginnings of this geographical area, specifically the mainland coast and Galveston Island. Spanish explorers, pirates, and adventurers of every persuasion used the sandy beaches and marshes as a base of operations, driving out several nomadic American Indian tribes. These swashbuckling elements disappeared about 1814,



Readers who enjoy adventure stories with unlikely heroes and heroines will relish Mrs. Peterson's saga of early Galveston County. Texas served as a magnet and melting pot for American citizens, as well as conquerors from Mexico. Greed and corruption on both sides of the struggle finally precipitated the war for Texas Independence.

Author Peterson begins her military history with Fort Travis on Bolivar Peninsula and ends with the United States Naval Air Station and the Galveston Army Airfield. She provides evidence that each of these fortifications resulted from the needs of its time.

In 1861, the Confederates prepared to defend the entrance to Galveston harbor from union ships and built an earthen fort on Bolivar Peninsula called Fort Green. The Confederates recaptured the city of Galveston from the federals on January 1, 1863, and set up an extensive series of fortifications to protect the harbor, using Fort Green. This fort became headquarters for several Confederate units in 1864.

The port of Galveston was recognized for its vital strategic location early in the War Between the States by both Confederate and union forces. Brigadier General Paul O. Herbert established the Military District of Galveston on October 2, 1861, which included Galveston Island, Virginia Point, the adjacent coast, and Bolivar Peninsula. He immediately ordered batteries to be built at Virginia

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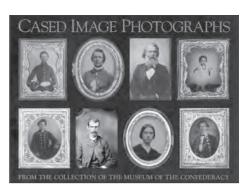
Point and Galveston. General Herbert's fortifications proved successful. Author Peterson states "Although still under federal blockade at the end of the War in 1865, Galveston was one of only two Southern ports remaining in Confederate hands."

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#### Cased Image Photographs From the Collection of the Museum of the Confederacy

This collection of cased image photographs is the third in a series of catalogues featuring specific categories in the Museum's collection. Every photographable item in the collection has been included. In addition, this catalogue presents technical descriptions of various photographic processes of that era.



In her introduction, Corrine P. Hudgins states "The Museum's cased image collection consists of more than 300 items, including fine examples of the three main mid-19th Century non-paper photographic processes: daguerrotypes, ambrotypes, and tintypes. The collection also boasts examples of variations and technological advancements on these processes. These photographs were originally placed in frames, jewelry, albums, and most often hinged-two-compartment cases."

The War Between the States increased the desire for photographic images of loved ones as husbands, fathers, sons, and brothers volunteered for the Confederacy and departed from home. Soldiers wanted images of wives and children to carry on their bodies during battles and their long years of separation.

Readers will relish photographs of Confederate heroes, rank-and-file soldiers, devoted women, and vulnerable children. All information known about the subjects has been included beneath the images. Interesting is a picture of J.E.B. Stuart without his famous beard, taken about the time of his graduation from the U.S. Military Academy.

Many of the donated photographs are unidentified. The Museum would welcome information that Confederate descendants may have to help in attaching names to all of these incredibly touching photographs. Images in this catalogue freeze in time faces of our beloved ancestors and provide another glimpse into our Confederate heritage.

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# THE SOUTH UNDER SIEGE 1830 – 2000 By Frank Conner

#### **HOW HISTORY IS SHAPING THE SOUTH OF TODAY**

You don't have to be a rocket scientist to see that our Confederate heritage is being vilified worse each day by the national media, and that unless we swiftly defeat the national campaign being waged against us and our culture, soon our Southern viewpoint will officially be labeled hate speech, and be totally suppressed. Even now, some Internet providers refuse access to Southern-heritage websites.

What can we do to defend our heritage? First we need to know exactly what's happening to it. We need to know who the traditional South's enemies are, what they are doing to us, why they say they are doing it, why they are really doing it, how they are doing it, and what the results are. We need to know the history of these attacks, to learn just how much progress our enemies have made.

The fact is that various groups of Northern liberals have been waging an ideological war against the conservative Christian South at least since the 1830s, and now they are perilously close to winning that war. But the history books don't track the progress of that culture war (or even mention it). The textbooks treat the unending disasters that have devastated the South for the past 170 years as random accidents of history (which, however, we richly deserved). Recently a few brave souls (such as the Kennedy brothers, Charles Adams, and Thomas DiLorenzo) have written excellent books about the real causes and effects of the War of Northern Aggression and Reconstruction. But nobody had tied together all of the campaigns against the South in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, to identify the real nature of the ideological war that is now destroying the South. That is where Frank Conner's book comes in.

The South Under Siege 1830 – 2000/A History of the Relations Between the North and the South is the only book which focuses upon the ideological war the North has been waging against the South for the past 170 years. When you have read that book, the events of today which are tearing the South apart will at least make perfect sense to you; you will understand just what is being done to us, and for what despicable reasons; and you will know how we can fight back effectively.

For details, or to order **THE SOUTH UNDER SIEGE 1830 – 2000** by credit card, visit http://collards.phantacom.net. To order by mail, US residents (except Georgians) please send check or money order for \$34.95 (Georgians send \$37.40) to Collards Publishing Co., P.O. Box 71996, Newnan, Georgia 30271. Postage is prepaid.

# Hunley Crew's Final Honors

An Inside View of the Last Week of Preparations

by Henry E. Kidd Army of Northern Virginia Executive Councilman

We did it all for eight men. We did not do it for personal glory or gratification. We buried eight brave Confederate heroes. They were the last identified Confederate warriors to receive a proper burial. We know who they are and we know what they accomplished. Their deeds of valor and sacrifice will live forever.

From Monday, April 12, to Saturday, April 17, 2004, they received the highest honors that we could bestow. With dignity, love and respect, we laid them to rest. Forever they will sleep beside the first two crews of the *H.L. Hunley*. To quote the Lt. Commander of the ANV and the Chairman of the Hunley Funeral Committee, Randy Burbage, "I know they are looking down on us and they must be thinking, God, they think a lot of us."

What you will read in the next few pages is now a matter of history. I relate the events as how I witnessed and participated in them. I am humbled to have been a small part of the *Hunley's* final tributes. I arrived in Charleston on Easter Sunday, April 11, 2004. Randy Burbage and his lovely wife Judy invited me to spend the week in their home. For the past four years, Randy had spent countless hours and days preparing every detail of the Hunley funeral. He had assembled a team of dedicated volunteers to assist him with the preparations and execution of this enormous task. I was just one of the volunteers.

Earlier, Virginia Division Commander Brag Bowling asked me to find men to serve as pall-bearers and honor escorts for the only Virginian on the *Hunley* crew, Frank G. Collins. Randy Burbage had previously placed me in charge of the Confederate Medal of Honor bearers after I had recommended to the *Hunley* Funeral Committee that the medals, which were issued to the crew on August 4, 2000, should be carried on pillows behind each casket in the funeral procession.

On Monday morning, April 12th, I accompanied Randy to the Warren Lasch Conservatory. We had a very important duty to perform. With all dignity possible, Burbage, Randy Dangerfield, his son Zach, Louie Warmouth, Mike Squires and I (all SCV members) commenced to seal the remains of the Hunley crew inside their coffins. The remains of each individual crew member were already inside of locked copper boxes that measured approximately two by three feet and one foot deep. The boxes were marked with lettered codes to indicate who was inside.

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The following is a detailed list of exactly what was done to prepare each casket for burial: affix identification name tags to the lid and the head end of the coffins; drill holes and screw the copper boxes to the bottom of the coffins; affix Hunley Honor Guard medals (serial numbered one through eight) to the inside head of the coffin with two small brass nails; place the bottom and top halves of the lid on the coffin and glue the dowel pins into place; drill six countersunk holes to secure the lid to the coffin with screws; glue and plug each countersunk hole with a wooden dowel, then cut the dowel to the surface of the coffin; finally, drape each coffin with a Second National Confederate Flag.

Maria Jacobsen, the archaeologist who found Lt. Dixon's gold coin, asked that we notify her before we sealed the coffins so she could come downstairs and pay her respects and say goodbye. This was an emotional moment for all of us. We were the crew's surrogate family. The Hunley crew had never been more than a few feet away from their submarine in more than one hundred forty years. For the past four years their home had been the Warren Lasch Conservatory. Although the crew had been silent, their absence would be sadly missed. Maria is a brilliant Danish woman who speaks seven languages fluently. She has no blood ties to the Hunley crew, but she grew to love, respect and admire them. She was obviously saddened as we closed the coffins.

I asked Maria how she felt when she found Dixon's coin. She



Photo byHenry Kidd

Flag-draped coffins of the CSS Hunley crew lie in state at the John Wesley United Methodist Church in Charleston, SC.

replied, "Even before I saw it, I knew what it was when it fell between my fingers. Every hair on my body stood up and my hands were trembling. It was if Dixon was speaking to us when I saw the inscription." She said later that it would not be the same around here without them, that things would be different. After meeting Maria for the first time, I knew instantly that the crew had been in the care of loving hands.

On Monday afternoon, Randy and I arrived at Patriot's Point to await the arrival of the Hunley crew. At 5 o'clock, eight identical black hearses drove slowly down the long pier leading to the WWII aircraft carrier, USS Yorktown. Eight sets of Confederate pallbearers stood at attention as the hearses pulled into position. The hearses were opened and the pallbearers simultaneously marched into place to receive the caskets. The decks and the stairs were crowded with mourners waiting to pay their respects. Members of the Hunley Commission, including South Carolina Senator Glenn McConnell and

Randy Burbage waited on the dock underneath six flags flying at half-mast. The flags represented the states and the nation for which the *Hunley* crew had fought and died. They consisted of the Alabama, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and Second National Confederate Flags. In a military funeral step, the pallbearers carried the caskets up the long stairs and onto the hanger deck of the USS *Yorktown*.

It was fitting that on their way to the *Yorktown*, the *Hunley* crew passed a WWII submarine moored at the dock. As I watched the crew carried onto the *Yorktown*, I wondered how many sons, grandsons and great-grandsons of Confederate soldiers and sailors had died, fought, and served onboard this massive ship. It may even be possible that a descendant of one of the *Hunley* crew had served onboard this battle-scarred vessel.

The flag-draped coffins laid side by side in front of a large black drape. Funeral director Mike Squires made sure that ev-



Pictured from left; Jim Speicher, Randy Burbage and Henry Kidd in Magnolia Cemetery in front of the Confederate monument.

erything was perfectly in place. Everywhere the Hunley crew laid in state that week, Mike was there to care for them. One at a time, I handed Mike the Confederate Medals of Honor and he placed them at the foot of each blackdraped funeral bier (a stand for a casket). Honor Guards were posted and they stood motionless at attention. Next, the members of the Hunley Commission signed the funeral visitation book and the mourners were invited in to pay their respects. After signing the funeral visitation books, they filed quietly by the caskets. Every fifteen minutes, the Honor Guards were ceremoniously changed. They presented arms and a ship's bell was rung eight times. Thousands of people visited the Hunley crew onboard the Yorktown. At the close of the evening, all of the uniformed pallbearers and Honor Guards sang Dixie for the men of the Hunley.

On Tuesday, an old friend of Randy's, retired Colonel Jim Speicher, arrived from Kansas City to also stay at the home of Randy and Judy. Jim is a member of the SCV, a reenactor and had started a reenacting club at the Citadel when he worked there. I mention Jim here because he and I were Randy's extra pair of hands that week. I cannot begin to tell you how many lastminute details Randy had to attend to before the funeral. It also seemed that everyone had questions for Randy besides all the reporters who wanted to speak to him. I am honored that Jim and I were able to help with many of the final details.

On Tuesday, the crew lay in state all day, with honor guards constantly watching over them. That evening in the ship's theater, the first memorial service of the week was held, and the crew was serenaded by the Charleston Men's Choir. Once again at the end of the evening, the honor guards sang Dixie to the crew. It is only fitting that I recognize the man who was in charge of the honor details, Mark Dangerfield. Mark and the other volunteers did an outstanding job, and I would like to thank them all. I was honored to take my turn under their command and stand my tour of duty as one of the Honor Guards.

On Wednesday the Hunley crew lay in state in a large hall at John Wesley United Methodist Church. That evening they were moved into the sanctuary for the first of three church memorial services. I was moved by the pastor's remarks that evening. She talked about the crew's family. She said, "Their mothers' and their wives' tears have long since dried away. They had no comfort of a graveside to visit and mourn. There was no closure for the familv and the sweethearts who loved these men. So, we will take the place of their families and mourn for them." Randy Burbage read the names of the crew while an Honor Guard member and I rang a ship's bell.

I witnessed many acts of Southern hospitality while in Charleston. Everyone knew what it meant to other volunteers to be part of the Hunley funeral. I saw no acts of selfishness, only kindness and giving. Men went out of their way to make sure that everyone who wanted to participate had their chance. One particular act of kindness occurred at John Wesley United Methodist Church. The Hunley Commission struck a very special Honor Guard Medal that was only issued to the people who served as Honor Guard for the crew while they were at the Warren Lasch Conservatory. Some people traveled great distances to stand at attention over the coffins of the Hunley crew. A descendant of Joseph Ridgaway arrived at the church in uniform and asked to



Confederate Medal of Honor bearers stand in front of the platform while pallbearers place the Hunley crew's flag-draped caskets on the funeral biers.

serve as an Honor Guard. After serving his duty, another Honor Guard, Mr. Presley, unpinned his medal and presented it to Ridgaway's descendant. I will never forget this unselfish act of giving.

The Hunley crew moved to the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist to lie in state on Thursday. Once again Jim and I served as Honor Guards. At 2 pm the first of three rehearsals for the pallbearers and honor escorts started at Magnolia Cemetery. Randy Burbage addressed the men who had assembled from all over the South. "I want to thank each of you for coming today. We have a lot of work ahead of us. But we have to remember what all of this is for. We are doing this for eight men. This is not about you or me. It is about those eight men, the crew of the Hunley. I need you to be

patient and don't worry if things don't exactly go right here today. We have a lot of details to work out. On Monday the pallbearers rehearsed all day. They messed up and couldn't keep in step. But when crunch time came and the caskets arrived with the crew of the Hunley, they performed flawlessly. And I know that you will as well." Next, Randy introduced Mark Dangerfield who was in command of both pallbearers and honor detail. Mark was also directly in command of Lt. Dixon's pallbearers. Then Randy introduced the men in charge of each pallbearer crew. These men were known as drivers.

A six-foot-high platform had been constructed beside the Confederate monument in the cemetery. Rows of headstones marked the graves of eight hundred Confederates buried around the monument, including thirtysix who had been recovered from underneath the stadium at the Citadel. Eight funeral biers awaited the arrival of the caskets. Time and time again, the pallbearers rehearsed carrying the caskets up the stairs and onto the proper bier. With so much attention to the pallbearers, I realized that no one had rehearsed the military escorts. Mark could not help because he had his hands full with Dixon's pallbearers. I informed Randy of the minor problem and asked him if he would like me to drill the escorts. Randy and I discussed the escorts' role, then I drilled the escorts until they were comfortable with their duties. The day ended with a moving memorial service at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. During the service, Randy Burbage once again read

the names of the *Hunley* crew, and I rang the ship's bell after each name.

That evening at Randy's home, he concentrated on some last-minute details for the funeral procession. Jim and I were also discussing the funeral. After some serious thought, I looked at Jim and said, "You know, the crew of the Hunley started their last journey in unison with the command on one man, Lt. Dixon. Those eight men started their final journey in life together. I believe that symbolically they should start their final journey in death as they had done in life. All the pallbearers need to lift their caskets simultaneously and start their final journey together by the orders of one man. I believe that that one man to represent Lt. Dixon should be Randy. He has done more work in preparation for this funeral than anyone. If anyone deserves this honor, it is Randy." Jim agreed wholeheartedly with me. We waited for Randy to return to the living room and then we discussed the idea with him. He seemed to be honestly moved. The next day at the rehearsal I explained my idea to Mark Dangerfield and the other detail commanders. Everyone also wholeheartedly agreed.

Friday, the last day before the funeral, was extremely busy. The *Hunley* crew was lying in state at the Church of the Holy Communion. The pallbearers, military escorts, Confederate Medal of Honor bearers, and the color guard had two practices that day, 9 am and 2 pm. With men coming from all over the Confederacy, there were some who, for one reason or another, did not show. Jim

Speicher's dream came true, and he filled in for a missing pallbearer. Two entire military escort details were missing, and Mark Dangerfield assured me that one of them was standing honor guard at the church and the other one would be there soon. Also half of another detail was missing, and I replaced them with substitutes. Both rehearsals went well and we all felt confident that everything would go as planned on Saturday. I was still concerned that one military escort detail had not shown for either practice.

We had done all we could do to prepare for the *Hunley* funeral. Jim and I attended the memorial service at the Church of the Holy Communion along with Randy, Judy, and their two lovely girls. This was the highest Mass that an Episcopal Church can offer. Everyone wanted to say farewell to these men in the most dignified way.

At 6 o'clock on Saturday morning, we arrived at the parking lot beside Magnolia Cemetery and caught a shuttle for White Point Gardens, otherwise known as the Battery. Here, thousands of people assembled for the fourand-a-half-mile procession to



The Confederate Medal of Honor for Seaman Frank G. Collins.

Magnolia Cemetery.

At 8 o'clock, the hearses arrived with the Hunley crew, and submarine veterans served as pallbearers to place them on the funeral biers in front of the Confederate Monument. At 9:15, the final memorial service was held. Father James Parker and Randy Burbage spoke. It was at this moment I realized just how much a part of Randy's family the men from the Hunley had become. Randy spoke as if these men were his brothers. He loved these eight men and he had done everything humanly possible to give these men the most dignified military funeral that one can give. I thought about these eight brave men, and I knew that they represented not only the Hunley and the first two crews to perish, but they were the embodiment of the entire Confederacy. This was their funeral and these were the men that represented my greatgrandfathers in the 13th North Carolina Infantry and the Virginia Artillery—and every greatgrandfather of everyone at the funeral with Confederate blood flowing in their veins.

The memorial service finished, and eight horse-drawn caissons from all over the Confederacy rumbled into position. The pallbearers marched to their places beside the caskets and awaited their orders. Commander Randy Burbage slowly gave the commands, and the crew of the Confederate Submarine *H. L. Hunley* started their final journey in death as they had started their final journey in life. One man gave the orders each

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# Magnolia Cemetery

#### by Randy Burbage

Magnolia Cemetery in Charleston, SC, is a special kind of place, peaceful and beautiful in its own special kind of way, called "the most beautiful of the cities of the dead" by William Gilmore Simms in his poem "City of Silence." First used as a cemetery in 1836 on the site of a former rice plantation, many of Charleston's elite citizens are buried within her brick walls. I remember visiting the cemetery as a child, intrigued by the ornate ironwork and intricate tombstones found on many of the graves. My sister and I often played hide-and-seek among the stately moss-covered oaks that grow there. A gigantic oak tree near the center of the cemetery is thought to be more than 1600 years old, its huge branches touching the ground in several places.

School, raising a family and other interests kept me away from Magnolia Cemetery for more than thirty years. An interest in genealogy and Confederate history brought me back. A love affair blossomed from that visit that has lasted for more than twenty years.

During the War Between the States, the Confederate Government requisitioned a plot of land in Magnolia Cemetery for the burial of soldiers who gave the ultimate sacrifice for a cause they



Photo by John Gregory

*Just a small part of Magnolia Cemetery, the final resting place of the CSS Hunley crews.* 

believed in. Over eight hundred men killed at Fort Sumter, Fort Moultrie, James Island, and Battery Wagner are interred there in neat rows, their headstones silent reminders of the tragic cost of that war. Soldiers Ground is an aweinspiring, powerful place, with soldiers from Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina buried within the confines of its hallowed grounds. It is there in Soldiers Ground on row four, grave eight, that I found him. Private Alexander Burbage, who served in Co. F, Palmetto Light Artillery on James Island, first cousin to my great-greatgrandfather, a boy of nineteen, dead at such a young age with so much life ahead of him. His life was sacrificed defending his state against the Northern invader.

Not far away are the graves of eighty-four South Carolinians recovered from the Gettysburg battlefield in 1871 by the Ladies Memorial Association of Charleston, Confederate soldiers from South Carolina regiments killed in July of 1863, buried by their friends on a farmer's land, only a wooden slab for a tombstone to mark their final resting spot.

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# The Confederate Cause Lives Again

#### As The Crew of the CSS Hunley are Honored and Laid To Rest

by Robert Slimp

ith about 40,000 people participating, the eight Confederate heroes who lost their lives in a valiant effort to break the Yankee blockade were finally laid to rest 140 years later. For Southerners who honor their heritage, it was a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

These men went on their dangerous mission knowing that they probably would not return. Had they succeeded, a few more submarines would undoubtedly have been assembled, and the Confederate States would have won their independence.

This was a cause so great that to these gallant men, it was worth any risk. They almost succeeded. Shortly before dusk on February 17, 1864, the crew launched their submarine from Sullivan's Island and set out on their mission, which was to torpedo and sink the USS *Housatonic*, the biggest of the ships that both blockaded and bombarded Charleston. The crew of the *Housatonic* had been warned that they might be attacked by a small ship, and they were watching that night. One of

the spotters thought he saw a log in the harbor, but he realized that it was a log moving against the tide. Before the ship's big guns could be trained on the object, the Hunley crew cranked furiously onward and soon the little sub was too close and two low for the Housatonic's big guns. Next, the crew managed to jam the 135pound torpedo into Housatonic amidship. Then the crew backed their sub away as the 150-foot detonation rope played out. The torpedo exploded, setting off barrels of black powder stored in the *Housatonic's* hold. The big Union ship rocked, burst into flames and settled on the sea bottom, but its tall masts stuck out of the waves in the shallow water, enabling the crew to cling to the rigging. Only five of the Yankee sailors drowned.

As planned, Lieutenant George Dixon turned the *Hunley* back toward Sullivan's Island, shining a blue lantern toward the shore — a signal that the mission was successful and that the Confederate watchers were to light a fire so that the *Hunley* could be

guided safely back home.

The shore was only four miles away, but something went wrong. The Hunley failed to return. The mystery has not been solved. It would not be seen again for 131 years when it was discovered by divers in 1995. In August 2000, it was raised with much fanfare and taken to the Warren Lasch Lab in North Charleston for restoration. There the *Hunley* was thoroughly cleaned on the inside, the remains of the crew recovered, and it was time for these heroes to have a funeral at last and be buried with full military honors.

As I witnessed the Memorial Service at White Point Gardens at the Battery and then hurried to get to Magnolia Cemetery, I was amazed at the huge crowds of people, many in period dress, ladies in mourning dress of the 1860s, and thousands of men in Confederate uniforms. I realized that this was a day of not only memories, but a revival of Confederate pride. It was a spiritual renewal of the wonderful feeling that all Southerners have for our

beloved Dixieland. I remembered Stephen Vincent Bennett's poem which ended, "if there has ever been a land worth saving, in Dixieland, I'll take my stand to live or die for Dixie." I felt this truth, and most everyone I met did as well.

It was thrilling and inspiring to stand at the gates of Magnolia Cemetery and watch the 10,000person procession approach and then pass by in review. It was led by South Carolina state Senator Glenn McConnell, dressed as a Confederate lieutenant general and carrying a commander's sword. He was followed by fellow Hunley Commission member, Randy Burbage, dressed as a major general, and state Senator David Thomas of Greenville, SC, also wearing the uniform of a major general. Then came the horse-drawn caissons carrying the caskets of the heroes. There were four horses pulling each caisson, one of which was without a rider to represent the hero who had given his life for his country. Each casket was covered with the Second National Flag. They passed slowly. The last caisson carried the earthly remains of Lieutenant George E. Dixon, the commander. His riderless horse followed his caisson in accordance with military courtesy.

The men, at least three of whom were not native Southerners, were Lt. George E. Dixon, originally from Kentucky, an engineer on a steamboat which traveled between St. Louis and Cincinnati. He enlisted in the 21st Alabama Infantry. He was wounded in the Battle of Shiloh, where his life was spared by a twenty-dollar gold piece, given to



Photo by Robert Slimp

Randy Burbage and SC Senator Glenn McConnell lead the funeral procession.

him by his sweetheart, Queenie Bennett of Mobile, Alabama. The two met when Dixon went to Mobile to recover from his wounds and to work for Horace Lawson Hunley, a financier and inventor who designed the submarine. While in Mobile, he joined the Masonic Lodge, where Queenie's father was Worshipful Master, in 1863.

Less is known about the other crew members. Seaman Arnold Becker, thought to be a native of Germany, operated the bellows and snorkel tubes and the air circulation system that enabled the crew to breathe. Becker was assigned to such a critical position because he had to be familiar with the operation and navigation of the submarine. For this reason, in an emergency, he would probably take command if anything happened to Dixon. The others were Ouartermaster C. Simpkins, Seaman Frank G. Collins, Corporal J. F. Carlsen, probably from Northern Europe, Private J. Miller, Boatswain Mate James A. Wicks and Quartermaster Joseph Ridgaway. One thing

is certain, the *Hunley* was far ahead of its time in engineering and design. Had the submarine had a good motor and been able to descend and rise rapidly, it would have easily accomplished its mission. It was not until 50 years later, in 1914, that a German submarine would sink an enemy ship. The German U-boat had a very similar design.

During the funeral service which began at 1:30 pm and lasted until 3:30 pm, Senator Glenn McConnell said, "We are here to honor their bravery, their courage and their sacrifice and to give them the burial that fate denied them...to the crew of the *Hunley*, Welcome home. Your journey is now complete."

Ron Wilson, Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, said, "We can only imagine how history would be different. There are some who have scoffed at our efforts to pay tribute to these men, saying that because they were Confederates, they don't deserve so high an

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# Educating Our Youth – The Successes of the First Sam Davis Youth Camp

By Fred D. Taylor, Camp Director

No people can ever become a great people by exchanging their individuality, but only by developing and encouraging it. We must build on our own foundation of character, temperament, and inherited traits. We must not repudiate, but develop. — North Carolina Governor Charles B. Aycock, 1903

ucked away in the small northeast Alabama town of Mentone is the Ponderosa Bible Camp, a site with eighty acres of beautiful property atop Lookout Mountain, running alongside the banks of DeKalb County's Little River. From August 3-9-, 2003, this exquisite setting was transformed into the home of the SCV's first Sam Davis Youth Camp. Started by Commander-in-Chief Ron G. Wilson, the Sam Davis Youth Camp serves as a camp of immersion into Southern studies, supplemented by plenty of exercise and recreation for an active youth. Being our first year, this camp proved to be a successful one, and brought together over thirty Southern youths between the ages of 12 and 20 from across the Confederation, from Texas to Florida and up to Virginia.

A typical day started early for the campers, with reveille at 7 AM. Oftentimes hesitantly, the youths rolled out of bed and began getting ready for the day. By 7:45 the campers and counselors



Campers and counselors pose for a group photo at the 2003 Sam Davis Youth Camp.

assembled at the flagpole for the morning Confederate flag-raising, salute, and devotion time with the SCV's Chaplain-in-Chief John Weaver.

After this ceremony and prayer, all marched into the mess hall to kick the day off with a hearty breakfast. Once breakfast was concluded, the campers listened to a morning session of speakers in the camp's spacious

chapel. Typically, there were two speakers during this session, with a short break in between. Once these speakers were finished, dinner was held around noon each day. For both dinner and supper, the meals ranged from hamburgers and hot dogs to pasta, and a variety of sandwiches. Needless to say, as "camp" food goes, we were well fed for the week!

After dinner, our afternoon

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session began with another speaker. Following this program, the campers were given the rest of the afternoon off as an activity period. Among the facilities available at the camp were a 30' x 70' pool, a multi-purpose gymnasium with basketball and other games available, a large ball field, a sand volleyball court, hiking trails, and canoes available on the river. By the time evening came, campers and counselors alike had built up an appetite from their afternoon's ventures, and gathered for supper. After supper, all gathered again at the flagpole for the flag-lowering ceremony.

Next, the campers moved on to the chapel for the last session of the day, followed by a question-and-answer period for all of the previous speakers. Once the Q & A session concluded, campers retired to the enjoyment of a blazing campfire for music, stories, and a little downtime before they called it a day. Led by our able Camp Music Director Kirk D. Lyons, the campers and counselors joined together to learn and sing a variety of Southern favorites! Oftentimes, the music was accompanied by Counselor Jeff Mabrito of Texas and Mrs. Weaver on the fiddle, Counselor Van Gunter of Alabama on the banjo, and camper Jonathan Mabrito on the guitar. As our fire slowly died out each night, our day would close with a rousing verse or two of Dixie and a closing prayer from Chaplain-in-Chief Weaver. By 10:30 PM, the day quietly ended with lights out.

Nevertheless, this typical description of our day-to-day activities does not do justice to either

the importance of this camp or the successes and experiences of it on the whole. Without having been there to see it for yourself, one could not even begin to describe how a lengthy program into the theological issues of the war might trigger an hour's worth of questions from the campers, which often ran into their own activity time. These programs were not "sleepers," but, rather, enlightening, educational, and enriching. Our speakers for the week included Chaplain-in-Chief John Weaver, Commander-in-Chief Ron Wilson, ANV Field Representative Jack Marlar, AOT Field Representative Skip Earle, Kirk D. Lyons, Professor Michael Bradley of Motlow State Community College and H.K. Edgerton. Along with these sessions, the camp also featured a lesson in military drill in which the campers learned to load, fire, and clean a musket, a program on the artillery which included a night firing of a cannon, and a number of other fun and exciting lessons.

Similarly, our last day together could not have been any better, as we invited the parents for a night of experiencing the Sam Davis Youth Camp for themselves. The evening also featured an awards ceremony in which we inducted almost a dozen new members, and honored distinguished campers in each of the three cabins, and an overall camper of the week. In the cabins, our three distinguished campers were Stephen Storck of North Augusta, SC; Daniel Curtis of Lake Charles, LA; and Ross Hill of Timmonsville, SC. Our

evening finale for the youth camp also featured what no SCV event can be without, an Oratory Contest. The contest's theme was "Why Should My State Secede?" and campers used the knowledge they gained from the week's speakers and their own creativity to come up with a speech. The first-place prize for the Oratory Contest went to camper Joe Warnke of Dawsonville, Georgia. Similarly, Joe also won the Camper of the Week award due to his dedication and devotion to our numerous activities throughout the week and his leadership abilities demonstrated among his fellow campers. For all of the campers I can say, however, that if they are any sign of the future of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, we are in capable hands!

After such a dynamic and successful week, plans for making the next youth camp bigger and better is in the making. The 2004 Sam Davis Youth Camp will be held from (Saturday) June 26 to (Saturday) July 3 at the Alexander H. Stephens State Park in Crawfordville, GA. We are truly blessed to be near such a historic site as the home of the Vice-President of the Confederacy, as well as have the freedom of the park's more than 1,000 acres of land and lakes. On the historic end, the park features a Confederate museum with one of the finest collections of War Between the States artifacts in Georgia, including uniforms and documents. Vice-President Stephens' home, Liberty Hall, is also renovated in its 1875 style, fully furnished, and will be available for us to tour while we are there that week.

We are also very fortunate to have with us again this year a number of dynamic speakers — some old faces and some new ones as well. We have accommodations for up to 120 campers and counselors this year, but with the spread of the success of last year's event, I am sure that reservations will go quickly. Also, if you are interested in being a counselor or are recommending someone, please contact me as soon as possible, as we only have limited positions available.

If you have not seen the video from last year's Sam Davis Youth Camp, you and your camp are in for a treat! These videos are available from your SCV Field Representatives, ANV Jack Marlar (864-616-0042) or AOT Skip Earle (615-790-8682) and National Headquarters. The tapes are sold at cost (\$15 + S&H), and are available in either VHS or DVD format. They are approximately 40 minutes long, and would make an excellent tool to recruit campers at your next meeting!

An application for this year's camp is available on the opposite page, and is due by June 15, so get it in quick. Should you have any questions about the camp, you may contact your field representative or me, and I very much look forward to your help in promoting and encouraging our second year. We hope to make this one even better than the last, but cannot do it without your support!

As a new mission for the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the Sam Davis Youth Camp took a leap forward to fulfill Lt. General Stephen D. Lee's Charge, and "to see that the history of the South is presented to future generations." As individuals and as camps then, we should do no less, and support the sending of our younger members to an inspirational week of fun, learning, and fellowship with like-minded Southern youths. I look forward to seeing you all in June!

Fred D. Taylor of Suffolk, Virginia, is the Director of the Sam Davis Youth Camp, a member of the National Heritage Defense Committee, and a Camp Commander. Fred may be reached via e-mail at samdavisyouthcamp@att.net or at 757-537-7495 for more information.

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Home Phone:		
Name & Number of Sponsoring SCV Camp:		
Date of Birth:		
Important Note: If the camper is not already a member of the Sons of Conf submit a completed membership application and necessary documentation v		1 0 1
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Medical Release Form		
Registration cannot be processed without the signature of the camper's parer	nt or guardian on	this release form.
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Payment is due when your completed application is submitted. The cost for room, board, and all activities and needed supplies is \$395.00 for each camper.

Make checks payable to The Sam Davis Youth Camp. Address to send payment and completed application: Post Office Box 59, Columbia, TN 38402. When your registration has been received and processed, you will receive a confirmation by mail, followed by details regarding camp facilities and scheduled activities. **Registration Deadline: June 15th.** 

# Hallowed Ground



#### Graves & Monuments Committee Mike Mitchell – Chairman

Dear Friends and Compatriots:

#### **Committee Report**

The Graves Committee is starting to make great strides (even with several stumbles) toward the CGR, or the Confederate Graves Registry. The CGR is a massive undertaking just to set up, and will take several years to get it up and running. We are concentrating our efforts on organizing the group and trying to disseminate information.

Many people have spent untold time and effort towards documenting, marking and preserving our heroic ancestors. I consider those to be as much a hero as our ancestors because they back up their beliefs with actions by working as hard as they do.

It is therefore my utmost honor and pleasure to be able to make the following announcement. Our first major effort as a committee has been approved. On March 13, at the General Executive Committee meeting at Elm Springs, a new award was presented and approved. The requirements for the **Graves Award** will be finalized and added to the SCV Awards book soon.

The design for both the miniature medal and certificate will be a bit of a departure from that to which we are accustomed.

Both are more up to date with a more modern appearance. The shape is of a VA gravestone with a spiked tympanum on top. Although not really used until circa 1928 after most veterans had passed away, visually it is the most recognized common shape in use. It will have a gray granite colored cloisonné or enamel with a gold-tone wreath wrapping the bottom and a gold-tone Southern Cross of Honor in the center.

The ribbon will be a white background for purity and honor with a one-third black mourning stripe in the center, a Victorian era color for a sign of grieving. This design is up to date but yet dignified, and we hope it will stand out in a cluster of other awards.

The certificate will have a representation of the medal on the left quarter and a stripe to separate the quadrants, similar to what we currently have for other awards. The right three-quarters will be extra-special. The noted painter and SCV member Henry Kidd has (if it's possible) outdone himself. Mr. Kidd photographed his wife in a black mourning dress in a cemetery leaning against a gravestone. His son is behind her and is faded, similar to a ghost. His beautiful art will be watermarked behind the SCV logo and award statement.

The certificate will be excel-

lent for framing for its pride value as well as its artistic value.

Each Graves Committee member from each respective division will submit the name of his "area's best" to the army commander, who will in turn forward them to the CIC for presentation, ensuring representation throughout the organization. This will limit the number from 20 to 25 per year, hopefully making them somewhat more prestigious.

In order to disseminate information above and beyond this column, there will be a cemetery workshop scheduled for Dalton, similar to the Asheville, Memphis and New Orleans National Reunions. Check the web on the reunion for dates, times and locations. Several of the graves committee members will also be there so we can have a more diverse forum. We should also have the times in the program and on bill-boards in the lobby.

For some reason I will not be able to obtain an information table this year, so I will have some free time! If any one would like to do a short road trip to one of the better-known Confederate cemeteries, we can form a car pool, so please feel free to contact me; Resaca is just a few miles south of the Reunion.

This year's reunion will bring a first for us. All Graves Commit-

tee men are asked to check the Reunion website for the date and time of our first formal meeting. Looking forward to meeting the few members of the committee I haven't had the pleasure of meeting yet.

#### Graves Report – Possession of stolen cemetery art/artifacts

The severity of laws varies from state to state, but possession is still a crime in all of them. Possession in respect to cemetery items range from body parts to bronze grave markers to bushes, and everything in between. Iron fencing, gates and statuary such as angels can be found in antique stores all the time. In many cases it's hard to prove where the artifacts came from.

The Iron Southern Cross of Honor, United Confederate Veteran (UCV) markers, and Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) markers are also items occasionally found in recycling businesses, flea markets, e-Bay and antique stores.

If it's a UCV or GAR marker, simply put, *They Were Stolen*. No ifs, ands, or buts about it. *Call the police*. There is no manufacturer of these markers in this day and age. In Florida, pursuant to Florida Criminal Code Chapter 872.02, it's a third-degree felony with up to \$5,000 fine and up to five years in prison. Someone has desecrated a veteran's grave — maybe not your ancestor, but someone's.

With the Southern Cross of Honor, UDC, SCV or MOS&B markers, use a bit of discretion. Call the police and make them explain where it came from. 98%



Pictured from left, a Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) grave marker, an Iron Southern Cross of Honor with a piece broken off and a United Confederate Veteran (UCV) grave marker.

of the time it was stolen. There are manufacturers out there, but chances are they won't be able to give you a name. If your group is placing a cross or marker, have the receipt with you just in case you're stopped.

Something that will greatly strengthen any case is if someone etches the name of the cemetery, the county, the state and the name of the veteran in an inconspicuous place before it's stolen.

Be prepared to press charges and take them to court. Try not to let them plea-bargain. To strengthen your case, solicit the help of your local historical and genealogical societies.

If it's a Union or Confederate Veterans' circular aluminum or steel disk on a pole, these are flag holders; don't bother calling. These flag holders are a dime a dozen and almost every manufacturer makes them. It's impossible to prove anything.

A discouraging fact is that two

personal bronze name plates with the date of birth and date of death can be bent beyond recognition and turned in as scrap iron or bronze for recycling. This scrap metal will only buy a wino one six-pack of beer.

A great idea is to photocopy this article and distribute it to any and all recyclers, flea market vendors and antique stores in you city. They should already be aware of your local laws, but it will show them someone is watching.

#### Genealogy quips

My family coat-of-arms tie in the back ... is that normal? My ancestors must be in a witness protection program!

Yours in Preservation and Southern Pride,

Mike Mitchell scvgraves@aol.com

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## Army of Northern Virginia





Compatriot Gene Atkins, a member of the Major Charles Q. Petty Camp 872, Gastonia, NC, with the first marker placed for his great-great-grandfather, Wilson Adkins, in Ramseytown, NC. Pictured from left, Gene Atkins, great-great-grandson from Grover, NC; Daniel Adkins great-great-great-grandson from Connely Springs, NC; Nick Peterson, cousin from Sioux, NC; and David Edwards, a cousin from Erwin, TN.



The Maryland Division Color Guard at Confederate Navy Day, March 6, 2004. This annual event is sponsored by the **Captain James I. Waddell Camp 1608**, Annapolis, MD, and takes place at the grave of the camp's namesake. It is held in Old St. Anne's Cemetery in Annapolis, the final resting place of a number of Maryland's Naval heroes.



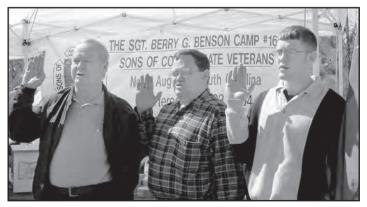
Members of the Captain Julius Welch, Camp 229, Waynesville, NC, were present for the grand opening of the New Grassy Mountain Flea Market near Candler, NC, on Saturday, March 6, 2004. Pictured above are Camp Commander Shawn Eplee and Camp Editor Derrick Shipman.



Anderson attorney Ronnie M. Cole recently donated an authentic Mountain Howitzer cannon to the Battle of Anderson County Reenactment program. This reenactment is sponsored by the **John Thomas Ashley Camp 43**, Belton-Honea Path, SC. Shown are Ronnie M. Cole, John Busbin, President, Hampton's Legion Reenactors Unit, and Camp 43 Commander Allen Ashley.



Members of McNeill's Rangers Camp 582, Moorefield, WV, attended the Lee-Jackson Day services in Lexington, VA, on January 17, 2004. They participated in the wreath-laying at the grave of Stonewall Jackson and attended the memorial service at Lee Chapel. Pictured at Stonewall Jackson's statue in front of VMI are Brett Ware, Kenny Shobe, Cmdr Woodrow Simmons, Rodger Ware and Dennis Neff.



On Saturday, February 21, 2004, three generations of the Sutton Family were inducted into the **Sgt. Berry G. Benson Camp 1672**, North Augusta, SC. The three Sutton men joined under Pvt. Joseph Martin Sutton of General Joe Wheeler's 6th Tennessee Cavalry. Pictured from left, Thomas R. Sutton; his son, John M. Sutton and his son, Stephen Mark Sutton.

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



Commander-in-Chief Ron Wilson visits the **Rutherford Rifles Camp 2044**, Forest City, NC. Pictured from left, Camp Commander Creighton Lovelace, CIC Ron Wilson. 2nd Row: Burts Roper, Bud Ruff, Jim Kennedy. Back Row: Larry Hardin, Doug Atchley, Tim Ruff, Pat Patterson and Randy Patterson.



The Stonewall Brigade Camp 1296, Lexington, VA, leads the annual Lee-Jackson Day Parade in Lexington, VA, on January 17, 2004.



Members of the **Captain Andrew T. Harllee Camp 2010**, Dillon, SC, Honor Guard performed honor guard duties at the site of the *H.L. Hunley* submarine in Charleston, SC, on February 21, 2004.



On March 20, 2004, members of the Lee-Piedmont Camp 1761, Jonesville, VA, and the Wise County's Partisan Rangers Camp 1756, Norton, VA, joined with Co. E, 37th Virginia Infantry reenactors & Ladies Auxiliary in cleaning the Pennington Cemetery in Dryden, VA. Pictured are Scott Walden, Ashley Eldridge, Priscilla Eldridge, Cathy Eldridge, Jesse Parsons, Tom Flanary, Denny Haynes, Jim Byington, Allison Byington, Steve Martin, Donna Byington, Jerry R. Parsons and Joel Flanary.



Newly elected officers for 2004 for the **Pvt. Lorenzo L. Bennitt-Pvt. Robert F. Duke Camp 773**, Durham, NC. Pictured from left, Robert Sharpe, Camp Commander William G. O'Quinn, Fleming Bell and Larry W. Wheless.



Pictured is Commander-in-Chief Ron Wilson issuing the oath of office to the 2004 officers of the Rivers Bridge Camp 842, Fairfax, SC, at their annual Lee-Jackson Banquet in January.

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



Members of the **Colonel Samuel McDowell Tate Camp 836**, Morganton, NC, visits with all the 5th-grade classes at Salem Elementary School in Morganton. Pictured from left, Jim Pierce, Randy Deal, Black Rose Iris Fleming, OCR Chapter President Greta Pierce, Darrell Fox and Shanon Fox, relic owners. Kneeling in front is Camp Commander Bruce Fleming.



Pictured is the Rivers Bridge Camp 842, Fairfax, SC, quartermaster's tent set up at the Battle of Broxton's Bridge, March 6-7, 2004.



Compatriot Scott R. Johnson, a member of the **Brigadier General Barnard E. Bee Camp 1575**, Aiken, SC, has placed a Confederate marker on the final resting place of Lt. James W. Turner, Co. B, 19th SC Volunteers.



Funeral Procession led by **Maryland Division** Commander Carl Berenholtz as Maryland pays tribute to CSS *Hunley* sailor Seaman Joseph Ridgaway.



On March 20 and 21, 2004, the remains of Boatswain's Mate James A. Wicks of the CSS *Hunley* lie in state at the NC Museum of History in Raleigh. The **North Carolina Division** SCV held a memorial service to honor his memory.



Pictured is 8-year-old Miss Savannah Shifflett of Elkton, VA, and her friend, Chuck Eberle of Van Wert, OH, representing General Robert E. Lee at the Confederate Heritage Parade on April 4, 2004, sponsored by the **Virginia Division**.



# Army of Northern Virginia



Army of Northern Virginia Commander Chris Sullivan addresses the audience at the 15th Annual Robert E. Lee Birthday Celebration on January 19, 2004, at the NC State Capitol in Raleigh, NC. Earlier, Commander Sullivan raised the Stars and Bars over the Capitol dome. The event was sponsored by the Captain James I. Waddell Chapter, MOS&B, and the Captain Samuel A. Ashe Chapter, UDC, both of Raleigh.



The Second National Flag flies in the backyard of Compatriot Thomas M. Richardson, commander of the **Sixth Brigade**, **Virginia Division**. His property overlooks I-81 in Wythe County, Virginia.



The Maryland Division Color Guard passing the General JEB Stuart monument on Monument Aveune in the April 4, 2004, parade in Richmond, VA.



Pictured are James Carrigan, Ben Hines, Alexander County register of deeds and David Connolly preparing to raise General Lee's head-quarters flag at the Alexander County courthouse on Saturday, January 17, 2004. James and David are the two youngest members of the Rocky Face Rangers Camp 1948, Taylorsville, NC.



Compatriot Lester Lee Anderson, a member of the **Garden State Gray Line Camp 1505**, Keyport, NJ, designed the logo on his motorcycle pictured above. It is also displayed on his trailer that hauls both his and his son's bikes.



On February 28, 2004, the **Brig. General Nathan G. Evans Marion Camp 24**, Marion, SC, and the **Captain A. T. Harllee Camp 2010**, Dilion, SC, participated in a ceremony in which five new footstones were placed, honoring Confederate veterans at the Tranquil Methodist Church Cemetery.

# Army of Tennessee





The **Fighting Joe Wheeler Camp 1372**, Birmingham, AL, held their annual Lee-Jackson Banquet on January 24, 2004. Pictured from left, Jeff Young, Camp Commander Tim Steadman, Randy Peacock and Mike Brashier.



The rechartering service for the **Lt. Colonel R. B. Roberts Camp 386**, Tracy City, TN, was held by TN Division Commander Skip Earl Tuesday, February 17, 2004, at the Tracy City Water Department Auditorium. Commander Earle presented certificates to the new members; and after swearing in the new members, he presented the charter to Camp Commander Curtis.



The General George "Tige" Anderson Camp 453, Anniston, AL, sponsored two billboards which displayed pictures of General Robert E. Lee and General Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson, during the months of January and February. Over forty-thousand vehicles passed these billboards each day.



On September 17, 2003, the **Captain James V. Knox Camp 2022**, Waynesville, GA, had its commissioning ceremony. Pictured is GA Division Commander Jack Bridwell congratulating the camp.



Members of The Captain Winston Stephens Camp 2041, MacClenny, FL, at their charter ceremony along with descendants of Captain Stephens holding his sword. The camp's charter ceremony was 140 years to the day Captain Stephens was killed.



Pictured from left, Commander Joel Fetner of the **Coweta Guards Camp 715**, Newnan, GA; Past Commander Bill Poe of the **Sharpsburg Sharpshooters Camp 1729**, Sharpsburg, GA; State Representative Lynn Westmoreland and Commander George Piner of the **Sharpsburg Sharpshooters Camp 1729**, Sharpsburg, GA, at their recent memorial service.

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



Cobb County, Georgia, Commissioner Woody Thompson reads the proclamation for Confederate History and Heritage Month for April, 2004. From left, Commissioner Thompson, Calvin E. Johnson, Jr. of the **Chattahoochee Guards Camp 1639**, Mableton, GA; Commander Harry Eubanks and Jim Bishop of the **Robert E. Lee Camp 2005**, Cobb County, GA; Georgia NW Brigade Commander Tim Pilgrim and **Leonidas Polk Camp 1446**, Smyrna, GA, member Martin O'Toole. This is the third consecutive year that Cobb County has made this presentation.



The Cumming, Georgia, Christmas Parade on December 13, 2003, had fine representation from four SCV Camps. Camps included, 52nd Georgia Regiment Camp 1418, Cleveland, GA; Blue Ridge Rifles Camp 1860, Dahlonega, GA; Brig. Gen. T.R.R. Cobb Camp 97, Athens, GA; and the Col. Hiram Parks Bell Camp 1642, Cumming, GA. During the parade, Camp 1642 was proud to display a banner that read, "Keep Christ in Christmas."



TN Division Commander Skip Earle presents a membership certificate to Marine Corps Private Charles Issac Roberts. Private Roberts is a second generation SCV member of the Lt. Robert D. Powell Camp 1817, Blountville, TN.



The **Murfreesboro Camp 33**, Murfreesboro, TN, won first place in two categories in the Murfreesboro Christmas Parade: best horse and carriage and best horse and rider. Camp members Sam Tune and Randy Smotherman rode up front, with Jason Richardson in the back, riding shotgun. Also in the back were Callie Patterson, president of the John Hunt Morgan CofC Chapter 877 and Carlyn Towry of 877. There were 22 Confederate Flags on the horses and carriage.



Members of the **St. Clair Camp 308**, Ashville, AL, held a joint meeting with Ashville Chapter 1488, United Daughters of the Confederacy on December 27, 2003, at the Western Sizzlin in Pell City, AL, where the Sons installed their new officers for 2004-2005. Pictured from left, Lt. Commander Paul Vaughn, Commander Van Gunter and Adjutant Edwin Camp.

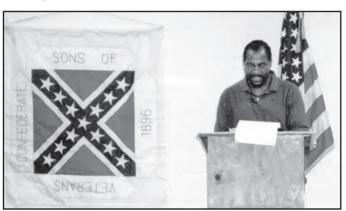


Pictured is Commander George Piner, a member of the **Sharpsburg Sharpshooters Camp 1729**, Sharpsburg, GA. Taken in Spring 2003.

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



The **John K. McNeill Camp 674**, Moultrie, GA, has joined the Adopta-Mile program and picks up litter four times a year. Pictured from left, Fred Maxwell; Camp Commander Jim Graham; Charles Parks; Danny McHann, Jr.; Phil Fitch; Keith Taylor; Pete Cowart; Danny McHann, Sr.



Daris Merriweather of Nashville, TN, gives a presentation on black Tennesseans in the Confederate Army at the February meeting of the **Captain Ed Baxter Camp 2034**, Fairview, TN.



On February 28, 2004, members of the **John Hance O'Steen Camp 770,** Trenton, FL, spent a workday at Cedar Keys Cemetery. They cleaned and leveled 76 veterans' headstones. Pictured from left, Allen O'Steen, Ivan Chubb, Mike Kaminski, Archie Matthews, Tim Kaminski, Wilbur O'Steen, Skee Hutson, Lindsey Hutson, Lindow Lindsey, John Aulick, Jr. On front row, Arnold O'Steen and Clement Lindsey.



Members of the **Isham Harris Camp 109**, Paris, TN, at their Lee-Jackson Dinner at Tom's Steak House. From left, seated, Eddison Moody, Clarence Paschall, Camp Commander Tillman Paschall and Bobby Bland. Standing, from left, Paul Russell, Richard Vance, Joe Lankford, Clint Diggs, Jim Dumas, Jim Olive, Mark Atkins and Franklin Sanders.



Larry Blair of the **Kennesaw Battlefield Camp 700**, Marietta, GA, and his brother Ronald recently placed a time capsule in the new, under-construction platform base of the Georgia Military Institute cannon monument in the Marietta Confederate Cemetery.



On February 17, 2004, the **Robert E. Lee Camp 16**, Auburn, AL, was joined by the Robert E. Lee, Opelika, and the Raphael Semmes, Auburn Chapters of the UDC. The annual event was to honor the ancestors of those present and for the preservation of these ancestors' history.



# Army of Tennessee



Members of the **Major W. M. Footman Camp 1950**, Ft. Myers, FL, and the Ft. Myers UDC dedicate a military marker for Pvt. Reuben Corbitt, GA Troops, in Immokalee, FL, on January 31, 2004.



Members of the Lt. Dickson L. Baker Camp 926, Hartwell, GA, took part in the 2003 Hartwell Christmas Parade.



Pictured is Frank Lackman of the John C. Carter Camp 207, Waynesboro, GA, as he found his 3rd great-uncle, 1st Lt. Josiah Blair Patterson's grave in the Confederate Cemetery in Spotsylvania, VA.



Eddie Erwin at right, a member of the **Franklin Sharpshooters Camp 1111**, Winnsboro, LA, and his son Jeremiah Erwin, place a Confederate tombstone on their ancestor's grave, 1st Lt. James Andrew Erwin, Co. K, 2nd LA Cavlary.



The **Dixie Camp 1861**, Cross City, FL, sponsored a float in the Battle of Olustee parade held in Lake City, FL, on Saturday, February 14, 2004. Titled Dixie Pride, the camp's float is always the largest and nicest float in the parade. Compatriot J.V. Brock is pictured along with two Southern Belles.



Georgia Guardsman Darryl Drake poses with the Battle Flag at Tallil Airbase, Iraq, in January 2004. Compatriot Drake is a member of the **Brigadier General John C. Carter Camp 207**, Waynesboro, GA, and was deployed with the 165th Airlift Wing from Savannah.

## Army of Trans-Mississippi





The Walter P. Lane Camp 1745, Orange, TX, 2004 Lee -Jackson Banquet was held Saturday, January, 24, 2004, at 7:00 PM in the Oak Leaf RV Center Banquet Room. Their guest speaker this year was Mr. Eric Sandifer, in uniform, from the Wallisville Camp. Camp Commander Kenny Peveto is on Mr. Sandifer's right.



Pictured are the new officers for the **W.W. Heartsill Camp 2042**, Marshall, TX, being sworn in. Pictured from left, Frank Crisp, Jr., Camp Commander Frank Smith and Douglas Young. Texas Brigade Commander Barney Hilburn is officiating.



Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710, Sierra Vista, AZ, Commander and Mrs. Dwaine Bright lead the Grand March at a Victorian Ball held by the St. David Historical and Cultural Arts Society in St. David, AZ. The ball was held to raise funds to restore the original elementary school in St. David. Camp 1710 was pleased to aid this effort.



On March 28, 2004, members from the Col. E. W. Taylor Camp 1777, Bedford, TX, and the Smithfield Light Infantry Camp 1466, Smithfield, NC, met at Oakwood Cemetery in Ft. Worth, TX, to restore the Confederate Cross that was stolen from Col. E. W. Taylor's gravesite. Pictured from left, Camp 1777 members Bob Gresham and wife Dana, Gary Cannda, Adjutant Ron Parker, David Stewart and Camp Commander Mike Stark. Camp 1466 member Keith A. Johnson and sons Cody, Ryan and Michael.



The 1st Colorado Brigade, comprised of the Jefferson Davis Camp 175, Colorado Springs, Co, and the Pvt. William T. Bridwell Camp 2020, Canon City, CO, participated in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Colorado Springs, CO, on March 13, 2004. Marching were Compatriots Paul Bennett, Tom Monaco, Bill Hutto, Div. Cmdr. Nick Warren, Dennis Horn, B. J. Blackerby, Damien Hart, Michael Moore, and Bob Milner.



The Colonel Joseph C. Porter Camp 2055, Shelbina, MO, is shown receiving its charter from Missouri Division Commander Gene Dressel.

# Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, California, Iowa, Kansas, Washington and Oregon Divisions



On January 19, 2004, the **Cross of Saint Andrew Camp 2009**, Alto, TX, held a Confederate Heroes Day ceremony at a local cemetery to honor all CSA veterans who served the South during the War. A roll call of veterans was read and a rifle and cannon salute was then fired in their honor. The ceremony was concluded with the singing of *Dixie*.



On September 27, 2003, a marker dedication service was held at Noler Cemetery in Moody, TX, for John Newton Alexander, Co. E, Cobbs Legion, Georgia Volunteers. Pictured are participants from the Felix Robertson Camp 129, Waco, TX, and the J.L. Halbert Camp 359, Corsicana, TX.



Members of the **Ambassador John Slidell Camp 1727**, Slidell, LA, participated in both the New Orleans and Slidell St. Patrick's Day Parades on March 13 and 14, 2004. Pactured from left, Reinhard Dearing, Bobby Merrit, Roger Cannon, Matthew Cannon, Andrew Burkhard, Dave Holcomb and Charles Williams. In front is Anastasia "Annie" Cannon and saluting in back is Nathaniel Cannon.



Members of the **General John B. Hood Camp 1208**, Los Angeles, CA, at Rose Hills Cemetery in Los Angeles. Pictured from left, John McNabb, John Roberts, Vern Padgett, Wayne Bibee, Garland Courts and Ro King.



Members of the **Silver State Grays Camp 1989**, Las Vegas, NV, pictured at their February meeting. Pictured from left, Don Babbs, George McLendon, Dr. John Minor and Camp Commander Pete Carnes. Bottom row, Michael McKenzie, Stan Armstrong, Ron Gregrich and Don Hotchkiss.



A large contingent of the **James P. Douglas Camp 124**, Tyler, TX, at the Treasure Show in Tyler. From left, Camp Commander Johnny Holly, Wayne Jones, Blake Jones, Mathew Lee, Archie Anderson, Leland Carter, Don Majors and Bob Davidson.

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Marjorie Reeves, Robert E. Lee Chapter 885, UDC, Lt. Commander Jerry Hogan and Commander Rick Delcoure of the **R. E. Lee Camp 587**, Seattle, WA, at the GAR Cemetery in Snohomish, WA, commemorating the 139th anniversay of the ending of the War Between the States.



Robert Warren Sabaté, a member of the **P.G.T. Beauregard Camp 130**, New Orleans, LA, honored his mother's mother's father, 2nd Sgt. Robert Emmet Warren, Crescent City Guards, with a harmonica medley of WBTS favorites during the dedication of a monument for his grave.



On March 13, 2004, a grave dedication was held in honor of Pvt. Lewis Mitchell, Co. E, 17 LA Infantry. Members of the **Major Thomas McGuire Camp 1714**, West Monroe, LA, color guard were on hand. Pictured from left, James W. Miller, Gerald Graves, B. Carter Campbell and Ted Kincannon.



Members of the J. N. Dark Camp 2026, Kountze, TX, at the gravesite of the camp's namesake, Major J. N. Dark, 25th TX Cavalry. Pictured from left, Jimmy Hill, Don Arnold, Jim Lyons, Dr. H. A. Hooks and Bobby Laugnlin.



The **General Walter P. LaneCamp 1455**, Longview, TX, participated in the 15th anniversary of the Mardi Gras Up River celebration in Jefferson, TX, on February 21, 2004.



The Colonel John "Rip" Ford Camp 869, Universal City, TX, and the Bexar Co. Buffalo Soldiers worked together to educate students at Tejeda Middle School History Fair in San Antonio, TX. Pictured from left, Camp Commander J.D. Massey, Tina, Sgt. Vaughn and Bob Mann.



# Army of Trans-Mississippi



AZ Division and Captain Sherod Hunter's Arizona Rangers Camp 1202, Tucson, AZ, Commander Bob Morris presents a .50 cal. Hawkins rifle to Colton Powers of Bisbee, AZ, during the two-day reenactment of the Battles of Valverde, Glorieta Pass and Picaho Pass.



Pictured are members of the Lt. Dixon — CSS Hunley Camp 2016, Sparks, NV, after their Confederate Memorial Day Service on April 24, 2004, at the Mountain View Cemetery in Reno, NV.



At the April 13, 2004, meeting of the **Walter P. Lane Camp 1455**, Longview, TX, Camp Commander H.M. Meredith and Chaplain Jerry Haymes congratulate new member James Ray Buil, Jr.



The **Albert Sidney Johnston Camp 983**, Decatur, TX, inducted new member Mike Merrett at their March 9, 2004 meeting. Pictured from left, Lt. Commander Bramlett, Chaplain Ware, Merrett and Camp Commander Haynes.



The John Bell Hood Camp 1208, Los Angeles, CA, held a Confederate Memorial Day Service on April 24, 2004, at Hollywood Forever Cemetery. Pictured from left top row, Mike Foxworth, Vern Padgett, Ro King, Mike Presswood, Ben Miles, Mr. Snead, Farrell Cooley and Steve Smith. Bottow row from left, Chuck Ellingson, Steve Feldmeyer, Danny Miles, Lester Gilbert, Margaret Alley and John Quessenberry.



Members of the **East Texas Brigade** helped dedicate a marker for 2nd Lt. Thomas Jefferson Hamm, Co. F, 51st Tennessee Infantry. Camps from Tyler, Marshall, Longview and Sulphur Springs saluted with muskets and cannon.

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# Carry Me Back

### by Bill Young

# The Flag Without A Country

In the summer of 1955, I was lucky enough to attend the 8th World Boy Scout Jamboree at Niagara-on-the-lake in Canada. Boy Scouts came to Canada from sixty-two different countries to live together in a vast tent city that sprawled across acres and acres of ground.

For ten straight days the cultures of sixty-two different countries lived side by side. Since I was an American who had seldom been

outside the State of Virginia, the Jamboree was a real eye-opener for me. I saw Arabian Scouts sitting crosslegged in a circle as they are roast

lamb from tiny, wooden bowls and puffed away on exotic water pipes called hookahs. I watched English Scouts peel a watermelon and slice the pink insides into thin pieces. They said it was "the strangest cucumber they ever saw; it was so big and way too sweet."

I saw French Scouts the day after they burned a batch of poison ivy in their campfire and walked through the smoke. Their faces swelled up so much that their eyes were almost closed. They kept groaning over and over, "We have the ivy poison. We have the ivy poison." On Sunday morning I marched to church down the main street called The Queen's Highway. The Scouts of Scotland stood beside the road and played church call on their bagpipes. Their brawny faces were beet red, because making the pipes squeal was

hard work.

Swapping was one of the most popular activities at the Jamboree. Everything was fair game, but some items were at the top of almost everybody's list. The French Scouts all wanted the Americans' bright red, windbreaker jackets. "Change' weenjackeet rouge?" they would ask. Every American Scout wanted a Scottish kilt and an Indian tur-

ban, but nobody had enough quantity or quality of things to trade to clinch such a deal. The saying was, "Sure

you can get a kilt or a turban — if you're willing to give an arm and a leg plus a quart of your life's blood!"

I brought a bunch of American Scout cloth patches from home to trade, and I was able to turn them into cloth Scout patches from all over the world.

I was usually able to swap one for one, but every now and then I had to throw in an extra one, two, or three patches to get something extra-special. By the end of the Jamboree, I had an impressive stack of foreign Scout badges plus two French

berets, a Scottish tarn, and an English shirt with the words "Clayton Die-Hards" sewn on the shoulder.

I made my best swap at the last minute on the last day of the Jamboree. I was about to get on the bus to go home when I spotted a Dutch Scout wearing a beautiful neckerchief. The big triangle of cloth was sky blue and decorated with a rampant lion

embroidered in heavy, gold thread. Luckily for me, the Dutch boy spoke good English. (In fact, his English was better than mine.)

"I'd like to trade for your neckerchief," I said. "I don't think so," he replied in an uninterested voice. "I'll give you all these," I said as I pulled my entire stock of remaining Anerican Scout patches out of my pocket.

"No, thank you," the Dutch boy said politely. "I don't want patches for it."

"What do you want?" I asked persistently.

"I like unusual flags," he said. "Do you have the flag of an unusual country?"

A light came on inside my head. "Yes, I do," I said. "How would you like a flag without a country?" I reached into my other pocket and pulled out a small Confederate Battle Flag. I had carried it with me throughout the Jamboree — mainly to qet a rise out of the Yankee Americans. The Dutch boy's eyes grew wide as he examined the blue cross of Saint Andrew bearing thirteen white stars on a red field. He had never seen anything like it.

"What country does this flag represent?" the

Dutch boy asked.

"The Confederate States of America," I replied proudly. "The Confederacy was a country for four years. From 1861 to 1865. It fought bravely against the United States, but the federal government was too much for it. It is a country that exists today only in the minds and hearts of the people of the South."

"This was actually the flag of a separate, American country?" the Dutch boy asked in wonder.

"Yes, sir. It sure was. Even had its own post office."

"I'll trade," the Dutch boy said as he took off his neckerchief and handed it to me. I handed him a replica of the Battle Flag of the Army of Northern Virginia.

As the bus began to drone across the long miles from Canada to Virginia, I settled back into my seat and thought about the good trade that I had made. I got the beautiful neckerchief that I wanted, but I also got in a plug for the old South. I knew for certain that somewhere in Holland there would be at least one symbol of the Confederacy. Life was good.

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Tour of Chickamauga Battlefield, Other Stops and Southern Barbecue with Music at Gordon Lee Mansion ( <i>Friday</i> , <i>July 30</i> )	\$50.00		
Southern Barbecue and Music Only	\$40.00		
Grand Banquet and Grand Confederate Ball (Saturday, July 31)	\$50.00		
Extra Official Program	\$10.00		
Extra Reunion Medal	\$25.00		
Numbered Collector's Medal (Numbers 1 - 109) **	\$109.00		
Unnumbered Collector's Medal	\$75.00		
Wine (Gen. Patrick Cleburne - red) §	\$12.00		
Wine (Col. James C. Nisbet - blush) §	\$12.00		
Wine (Gen. John B. Gordon - white) §	\$12.00		
Numbered and Signed Patrick Cleburne Print (Numbers 1 - 109) **	\$109.00		
Unnumbered and Unsigned Patrick Cleburne Print	\$20.00		
	GRAND	TOTAL	

Mail completed <u>REGISTRATION FORM</u> and all other pertinent forms, along with a <u>CHECK</u> payable to <u>2004</u> <u>DALTON REUNION</u> to:

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Specific numbers subject to prior selection.

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#### **OFFICIAL 2004 ANCESTOR MEMORIAL FORM**

(For Inclusion in 2004 Official Reunion Program)

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Ancestor's Rank	Ancestor's Rank
Ancestor's Name	Ancestor's Name
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Unit(s)	Unit(s)
Descendant's Name	Descendant's Name
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- If purchasing more than two Memorials, please use additional forms -

Ancestor Memorial deadline is **June 15, 2004**. Mail completed <u>ANCESTOR MEMORIAL FORM</u> and <u>CHECK</u> payable to <u>2004 DALTON REUNION</u> to:

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Full Name of Debutante		Date of Birth		
Address	City	State	Zip	
Telephone (Day)	(Evening)			
E-mail	Fa:	x		
Preferred Name for Badge				
Name of School				
Class in School	(Freshn	nan, Sophomore, Juni	or, Senior)	
Name and Rank of Confederate Ancestor				

#### DEBUTANTE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Debutantes must be between the ages of 16 and 23, never been married, and related to an active SCV member.
- ATTIRE For her presentation on Saturday evening, Debutante must wear a floor length white dress and white evening gloves. Dressy day wear is suggested for Saturday luncheon.

EVENT	QUANTITY	COST	AMOUNT
Debutante Registration includes registration, Debutante luncheon, floral bouquet, banquet, Debutante presentation and Debutante ball	1	\$100.00	\$100.00
Guest Ticket(s) for Debutante Luncheon Saturday, July 31, 2004		\$20.00	
NOTE: Guest Tickets are required for mothers, sisters, aunts or grandmothers - anyone attending luncheon other than Debutante		TOTAL	\$

Debutante registration deadline is **July 1, 2004**. Mail completed <u>DEBUTANTE REGISTRATION FORM</u> and <u>CHECK</u> payable to <u>2004 DALTON REUNION</u> to:

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### SCHEDULE AS OF 1/2/2004 (Subject to Change) 2004 National Reunion - Dalton, Georgia July 28, 29, 30, 31, 2004

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 2004

- 12 Noon to 5:00 p.m. Vendor Set-up Trade Center
- 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration Trade Center
- 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Credentials Trade Center
- 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Patrick Cleburne Society Program Holiday Inn
- 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. SCV General Executive Council Holiday Inn
- 5:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Social Time Holiday Inn

#### THURSDAY, JULY 29, 2004

- 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Confederate Lodge Breakfast Holiday Inn
- 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration Trade Center
- 8:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Opening Ceremony Trade Center
- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Credentials Trade Center
- 9:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. SCV Business Session I Trade Center
- 12 noon to 1:50 p.m. Luncheon Trade Center Speaker, Bill Scaife
- 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. SCV Business Session II Trade Center
- 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Bus Tour Stone Church, Capture Site of the *General*, Ringgold Gap, Tunnel Hill
- 8:00 p.m. to? Bluegrass Concert Location to Be Determined -- This is a part of the bus tour
- 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Riverboat Cruise on Tennessee River

#### **FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2004**

- 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration and Trade Center
- 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Forrest Cavalry Corp Breakfast Holiday Inn
- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Credentials Trade Center
- 9:15 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. SCV Business Session III Trade Center
- 12 noon to 1:50 p.m. SCV Awards Luncheon Trade Center
- 2:00 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. SCV Business Session IV Trade Center
- 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tour of Chickamauga Battlefield, Lee and Gordon Mill, Gordon Lee Mansion, Crawfish Springs and Shopping in Downtown Chickamauga
- 8:30 p.m. Barbecue Garden and Lawn of Gordon Lee Mansion
- 10:30 p.m. First SCV Oratory Contest Balcony of Gordon Lee Mansion\*\*

#### SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2004

- 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. SCV Prayer Breakfast Trade Center Speaker, Chaplain-in-Chief John Weaver
- 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Registration Trade Center
- 9:00 a.m. to ?? Credentials Trade Center
- 9:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. SCV Business Session V Trade Center
- 12 Noon to 1:15 p.m. Patrick Cleburne Luncheon Trade Center
- 12 Noon to 1:30 p.m. Debutante Luncheon Holiday Inn
- 12 Noon to 1:15 p.m. SCV Mechanized Cavalry Holiday Inn
- 1:30 p.m. to 2:50 p.m. Memorial Service Trade Center
- 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. SCV General Executive Council Trade Center
- 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Debutante Rehearsal Trade Center
- 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Commander-In-Chief Reception Trade Center
- 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Seating and Line-up for Introductions Trade Center
- 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Grand Banquet Trade Center
- 9:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Debutante Assembly and Presentation Trade Center
- 9:30 p.m. to 11:45 p.m. Grand Confederate Ball Trade Center
- \*\* General John B. Gordon Delivered An Address From This Balcony During the 1889 Reunion.

- Host Camps -

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# NOTICES From Around the Confederation

### Forrest Homecoming — A Southern Heritage Festival

Forrest Homecoming — A Southern Heritage Festival & Fundraiser for the Nathan Bedford Forrest Home Saturday, June 19 — 9 AM to 8 PM. Website info and 2003 photos: http://duckriverrifles.50megs.com/photo2.html or http://www.dixiedrifter.com/bedford-homecoming04.html

Confederate cavalry, infantry and artillery reenactors, musical entertainment, storytelling, crafts, auction, historical lectures and tours.

On the grounds of the Forrest Boyhood Home on Pyles Road, off Hwy 99 between Hwy 31-A and I-65 near Chapel Hill, TN. Sponsored by the Army of Tennessee Department, Sons of Confederate Veterans. Admission: \$5 per person, under 12 free. Barbeque supper (5 PM). Reservations, send \$8 per person to: Forrest Homecoming, Sons of Confederate Veterans, PO Box 59, Columbia, Tennessee 38402. Home/sutler/vendor/reenactor info: Gene Andrews, 615-833-8977,Boots Nix, 931-364-5968. Online contact TN Division Commander Skip Earle: ritter63@yahoo.com.

We need silent auction donations: 1-800-MY DIXIE ext. 201. Email Bryan Sharp at membership @scv.org for flyer & map.

Y'all come! Let's make this one even better than last year!

#### Monument to be Rededicated

On Saturday, August 14, 2004, at 10 AM, Stuart's Horse Artillery Camp 1784, SCV, and the Hamilton-Wade Chapter 949, UDC, will hold a joint ceremony to rededicate the Confederate Monument at the courthouse of Floyd County, Virginia, on its 100th anniversary. This is located at the intersection of Rt. 221 and Rt. 8. south of Roanoke. The general public is invited. If you wish to attend in uniform, you may do so. 1904 attire is also encouraged. If your camp or chapter wishes to present a wreath, please let us know. Hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Interim Commander Dana Jackson, Camp 1784, Floyd, VA

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by artist Hong Min Zu







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# Magnolia Cemetery

These men were tearfully left behind in enemy territory. Their friends swore they would come back for their remains some day. At a time when money was hard to come by in South Carolina, the Ladies Memorial Association recovered the bodies of those men, having to pay some farmers to remove the remains of their loved ones from the property.

Nearby, a monument dedicated to the Sailors and Marines who died defending Charleston, led us to the forgotten Mariners Cemetery beneath Johnson Hagood Stadium, home of the Citadel Bulldogs football team. Mariners Cemetery was built over in 1948 and forgotten for many years. We recovered the bodies of thirteen Confederate Sailors and Marines in 1993 and twenty-eight more bodies in 1999. Thirty-six of these men are buried in Soldiers Ground.

Among the bodies recovered in 1999 from beneath Johnson Hagood Stadium were five crewmen from the Confederate Submarine H.L. Hunley, who perished in August of 1863 when the submarine sank for the first time in an accident near Ft. Johnson in Charleston Harbor. Their bodies were re-interred in the plot requisitioned by the Confederate government in October of 1863 to bury Horace L. Hunley and the second crew that died tragically aboard the submarine Hunley. The *Hunley* plot is located at the



Photo by John Gregory

The coffins of the final crew of the CSS Hunley, as funeral attendees pay their last respects with floral tributes.

back of Magnolia Cemetery near the marsh. A nice breeze usually blows off the Cooper River, the Spanish moss swaying with the wind in a hypnotic, soothing fashion. A good friend once told me his grandfather believed wind was the "breath of the dead."

On April 17, 2004, we interred the bodies of the third and last crew of the *Hunley* next to their shipmates in a solemn and honorable ceremony. Their final mission was now complete, though delayed for 140 years. The quiet solitude of Magnolia Cemetery, with a soft breeze from the Cooper River blowing across the graves, is their final resting place. Lt. George Dixon reunited with

Horace L. Hunley and Thomas Parks, never to be parted again. Godspeed, George E. Dixon, Arnold Becker, C. Simpkins, J. Miller, J.F. Carlsen, Frank G. Collins, James A. Wicks, and Joseph Ridgaway. Your life was celebrated on Saturday, April 17, 2004, and you were honored as the American heroes that you are. We are justifiably proud of our Confederate heritage. On April 17, I realized just how proud I was to be an American.

Randy Burbage, Lt. Commander, Army of Northern Virginia Department SCV SC Hunley Commissioner

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### **Hunley Crew's Final Honors**

time to set them on their path with destiny.

Thousands upon thousands of people lined the funeral route. Many stood in silence with their hands over their hearts as the procession passed. The Hunley Commissioners led the processional, followed by the color guard and the *Hunley* crew. The pallbearers marched beside each caisson, followed immediately by the pallbearer driver. Behind each driver was a single Confederate Medal of Honor bearer in front of the armed military escort. A riderless horse followed Lt. George Dixon's casket. Behind the last caisson followed the nearly ten thousand people who marched the entire funeral route. They marched in the following order: Virginia Military Institute Band, reenactors, SCV, UDC, other organized groups and then civilians. It was nearly 1 o'clock when the head of the procession arrived at Magnolia Cemetery. Everyone was tired and footsore, but we held our heads high in remembrance of the Hunley. The cemetery was packed with people awaiting our arrival. The police later told Randy that there were at least one hundred thousand people in the cemetery. We marched down the lane and halted as each crewman was lovingly removed from the caisson and taken to the funeral biers waiting on the platform. One at a time the Medal of Honor bearers assembled in front of the platform. I was given the honor of carrying the medal for Virginian Frank G. Collins in the funeral. When everyone was in position, the marchers were given a short break.

At 1:30, the funeral began. I was struck by the image of the Confederate reenactors massed among the rows of Confederate graves. They were tired, hot, hungry, thirsty, and footsore. They were the perfect image of the Confederate Army on the move.

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All of our speakers are members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans

I also noticed something else about them. They held themselves with a sense of pride. They listened intently to every word of the funeral service. I was proud to be among such men who love their Confederate ancestors. When the minister prayed for the Hunley crew, they removed their hats and prayed to God. I know the crew is already in Heaven, but I feel that we formally introduced them to St. Peter. The service ended and I marched the Medal of Honor detail out in front of the crowd to retrieve the medals where we had placed them on a funeral bier in front of the platform. Lt. George Dixon's pallbearers brought his casket down from the platform to the lower bier for a Masonic Funeral Service. I marched the medal detail to the gravesite where we

awaited the crew.

When the Masonic Service was over, the funeral procession continued to the rear of the cemetery to the gravesite. The family members of the crew walked past the grave and assembled close by. The Hunley Commissioners came next and stood across the narrow path from the grave. I formed the medal bearers behind the family; then I took my place beside an Honor Guard holding a ship's bell. We stood among the first and second *Hunley* crews, beside the open grave. Then the color guard led the pallbearers to within a few feet of the grave and then stepped aside. The flags on the caskets were folded and the Honor Guards presented them to each family and slowly saluted. Then the family members presented the flags to the Hunley Commission for safe keeping until they can be properly displayed in a museum yet to be built. Senator Glenn McConnell read the final roll of the *Hunley* crew, and I rang the ship's bell for each man one final time.

Lt. George E. Dixon, Seaman Arnold Becker, Crewman C. Simpkin, Seaman Frank G. Collins, Corporal J. F. Carlsen, Seaman Miller, Boatswain Mate James A. Wicks, Quartermaster Joseph F. Ridgaway.

My eyes moistened and a tear ran down my cheek. I watched Lt. Dixon and his crew descend into the grave. I thought of them in their tiny submarine, descending, so many years ago, beneath the waves. I salute Lt. Dixon and his crew. May God bless them and keep them. They have completed their journey home.

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#### Dispatches From the Front

men gave us an opportunity to demonstrate, in a magnificent way the truth and message that comprise the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Chief Sullivant may well have fulfilled his promise to kneel at the grave of a lone forgotten Confederate veteran on April 17. I will not judge him weak for doing so, but I will not accept his report as one that speaks for the entire Confederation or Divisions that make up the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Mr. Sullivant would have been less scrutinized, perhaps, had he used the venue of the editorial section in the magazine to purvey his opinion as a compatriot rather than his column for speaking as chief of heritage defense. His action oversteps the boundary of his office and is a violation of the trust and authority granted to him by our organization.

Mark A. Simpson, Commander Brig. General Samuel McGowan Camp 40 Laurens, SC

#### No Better Way to Honor Brave Men

To the Editor:

Someone did not do his or her homework before printing this article. One of the greatest things that the SCV does is preserving our heritage (History). The *Hunley* being raised and preserved for all future generations to see, hear and read about is one of the greatest deeds that the SCV has presented to society, notwithstanding all the technology that has been created and will continue.

My family attended the service Saturday, April 17, 2004, and it was a very moving and honorable event to witness. If you did not have tears in your eyes at some time during the service, you are not very knowledgeable of our history. These eight men will change the way our history books are written for our youth to learn the true history of the South.

Mr. Sullivant has every right to express his opinion on the subject and I respect that right. I also have the right

to debate his article. I disagree with most of what he has written.

May the SCV continue to educate this generation with the correct history.

Not one of the eight men was from the great State of South Carolina, but they volunteered to defend her with their lives, without hesitation. I know of no better way to honor these great men this past week, and giving them an honorable funeral that will live in the lives of thousands that were present — and who knows how may watched it live on ETV, channel five, four and two.

Thank you for your time.

Dennis E. Skelton Gordon Capers Camp 123 St. George, SC

#### Some People Never See the Good Side

To the Editor:

I just wanted to express my displeasure at the "Forward the Colors" article on the *Hunley* Extravaganza by Allen Sullivant.

I've been a long-time SCV member and I've never been involved in another undertaking that has held as much honor as the burial of the *Hunley* crew is getting. There will always be a tourist attraction to this large of an undertaking and somebody selling T-shirts, but the good press that we are getting from this for our cause is unbelievable. And it's nice for a change to be getting good press and have people not ashamed to thank you for what you are doing.

This not only makes me wonder whether Compatriot Sullivant just makes up these heritage violations to fill a page, but because the *Confederate Veteran* would publish it causes me to wonder if some of the reenactors that I have met care more about our ancestors than the high and mighty SCV does anymore.

My opinion may not count for much, but some people spend so much time looking for the bad side of things that they never see the good.

Respectfully yours, W. L. Weatherford Secession Camp 4 Charleston, SC

### The Official Charge to the SCV

To the Editor,

I felt, after reading the letter by Kevin Spargur concerning the Charge to the SCV, I needed to send a rebuttal to help the membership understand better what took place during the United Confederate Veterans / United Sons of Confederate Veterans Reunion at New Orleans in 1906. There were questions as to who did my research since there were many omissions in my article. I would like to point out my article consisted of only three paragraphs to introduce General Stephen D. Lee's speech. I tried only to give an abbreviated history to set the stage for what followed. I assure you I wrote those three paragraphs. The remainder was a reprint from the Official

I originally took the Charge from the Official Minutes of the 1906 United Confederate Veterans. I used this as my primary source. In the referenced letter to the editor, it states, "The Official Minutes of Record is a good primary record at best but not the only acceptable primary source and should only be fully accepted in lieu of any other primary record or source if there is no other primary source to refer to." Due to this statement, I felt further research was needed. It was brought to my attention both of the New Orleans papers — *The* Daily Picayune and The Daily States reported about the Reunion. In both papers, they dedicated page after page to cover details concerning all events during the Reunion, including General S.D. Lee's speech. The speech in the Official Minutes of the 1906 UCV records is printed word for word in both papers. In the letter to the editor, it was stated that since the Sons were not in the room at the time of the speech, the Charge is not valid. Due to the wording in my original three paragraphs, I made it appear the Sons were not in the room; but this was incorrect. Before General Stephen D. Lee presented his speech, Charles Payne Fenner of Camp Beauregard 130, USCV was on the dais. He gave the Address of Welcome on behalf of his camp. The Sons were to march in after Fenner's speech, but were late and arrived during Lee's. They re-

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mained outside until the conclusion of the speech, at which time they marched into the room.

Mr. Spargur mentions that with the absence of the Sons, the official voice and organ of the USCV is the *Confederate Veteran*, not the Official Minutes. He states General Stephen D. Lee wrote and approved for publishing a different speech and charge then what is reported in three primary sources. Unless there is official documentation to prove General Lee did write and approve what was published, there is a possibility the editor of the *Confederate Veteran* took literary liberties when publishing the speech.

After much research, it is my assertion the official Charge to the SCV by General Stephen D. Lee is the one printed in the Official Minutes of the United Confederate Veterans, The Daily States, and The Daily Picayune: "To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of these principles which he loved, and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious, and which you also cherish."

Deo Vindice! Charles Kelly Barrow Historian-in-Chief

### An Open Letter to all SCV Members

Compatriots,

Four years ago Confederate Flags and symbols were arbitrarily banned at the DuPont plant in Richmond, Virginia.

The Confederate Flag was banned even though the plant site fronts on Jefferson Davis Highway, even though the plant sits on the site of a historic plantation, even though the graves of Confederate soldiers are on site.

The Confederate Flag was banned even though the overwhelming number of DuPont employees at the Richmond plant have Confederate ancestry.

The Confederate Flag was banned even though it had not caused ANY racial disruption. In fact, banning the flag has RAISED racial tensions at the plant. Even though every conceivable type of group, people or association (including homosexuals and lesbians) is allowed a DuPont-sponsored employee network, we as Southerners were denied the right to display our symbols or form a network.

We, the SCV members who work at DuPont, put management on notice that the Confederate Flag was a venerated symbol of our ancestry, that it was a symbol of our Christian religious faith and that banning the flag had increased, not decreased, racial tension at DuPont.

Starting in May 2000, several DuPont employees began a weekly flag vigil in front of the plant, to protest this outrageous violation of our heritage and rights. The vigil continues to this day, every Thursday at 4PM on Jefferson Davis Highway.

After repeated cries for assistance to local Richmond attorneys got nowhere, the Southern Legal Resource Center agreed to help us. The SLRC filed discrimination charges against DuPont with the EEOC, alleging discrimination based on race (banning the flag stigmatizes us as racists), religion (because we view the Confederate Battle Flag as a Christian symbol) and national origin (because the Confederate Battle Flag is a venerated symbol of our ancestry, i.e. we are Confederate Southern-Americans.

In May 2003, Kirk D. Lyons filed a federal lawsuit on our behalf against DuPont, alleging discrimination based on race, religion and national origin (there is no 1st Amendment protection in the private sector workplace). Attached to the lawsuit was an impressive array of affidavits supporting our claims. They included those of: Commander-in-Chief Ron Wilson, Chaplainin-Chief John Weaver, Virginia Division Commander Brag Bowling, South Carolina Division Commander Robert Roper, Pennsylvania Division Commander John Care, Florida Division Commander John Adams, Past Heritage Chief Roger McCredie, H.K. Edgerton, SCV Member Nelson Winbush, and Cherokee Tribal Judge Charles Yow who all affirmed that they considered themselves Confederate Southern-Americans and were entitled to the protections of federal law

under the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Pastor Weaver and Past Chaplain-in-Chief Alister C. Anderson swore to the Christian symbolism inherent in the Confederate Flag. Past Heritage Chief McCredie detailed under oath the ongoing persecution against all things Confederate.

Dr. Clyde Wilson and Dr. Winston McCuen offered sworn affidavits that Confederate Southern-Americans were, and could be proven to be, a distinct, definable people that were qualified to be considered a *national origin* group as defined by federal law.

The resolutions of Kentucky and Florida Divisions were attached where they resolved that their respective memberships were made up overwhelmingly of Confederate Southern-Americans.

DuPont moved to dismiss the case, and even before it could be heard, filed sanctions (a punishment imposed by the court, usually the other side's attorney's fees) against Mr. Lyons. Our local counsel (a respected Richmond Civil Rights attorney) had already bailed out, leaving Mr. Lyons to face the coming juggernaut alone. With the threat of sanctions hanging over our case, not one attorney in Richmond would help us. The local federal rules required local counsel - it seems DuPont would win by default. Mr. Lyons scoured attorneys available to find an attorney willing to stand up to DuPont, but such an advocate could not be found. Finally the judge broke the local rules and allowed Mr. Lyons to practice without local counsel.

Then the pace picked up. Shortly after Thanksgiving, the Court dismissed ALL our claims. The court's 40-page opinion completely ignores all the affidavits filed in the case, as if they had never been submitted.

The Court then asked the parties to file a legal brief on the appropriateness of sanctions against Mr. Lyons and attorney fees against us and scheduled a hearing for January 30 to be held in the federal courthouse in Richmond, which happens to be the old Confederate Treasury building and the site of Jefferson Davis' aborted treason trial. To impose sanctions and attorney fees, the Court would have to find that Mr. Lyons

brought the lawsuit in bad faith and that it was "frivolous," "unreasonable" and "without foundation."

At the hearing the judge called Mr. Lyons an "honorable man," and applauded his stand on principle. The court chastised DuPont for spending 250 attorney hours on a case if they felt it was indeed "frivolous."

The court seemed to indicate in the hearing that the judge would impose attorney fees on us, but not sanction Mr. Lyons. But in his written opinion later, the court lowered the boom on us. Judge Hudson assessed \$27,550 in attorneys' fees against us and \$10,000 against Mr. Lyons personally. \$37,550 total.

OUR LAWSUIT AND OUR CONFEDERATE HERITAGE IS NOT FRIVO-LOUS, IS NOT UNREASONABLE AND IS NOT WITHOUT FOUNDATION!!!! No matter what a federal judge says about it! It seems in federal court, there is one rule for Confederates and another rule for everybody else.

We are now in the process of appealing this outrageous decision. We know that if we give up the vigil, DuPont would probably make peace with us – but this we will not do.

To appeal we will have to post an appeal bond for the entire amount of the judgment, plus interest. DuPont has already begun attempts to levy against Mr. Lyons. They have even attempted to levy against the SLRC (which was not mentioned in the judgment)

Brothers, we need your help and we need your prayers. Our jobs are at stake. This is every SCV member's fight! In the mountains of legal paperwork filed in this case, DuPont has been particularly insulting to the SCV. You can make this fight your fight by sending a tax-deductible donation, marked "for DuPont 7," to the SLRC (PO Box 1235, Black Mountain, NC 28711).

We send our heartfelt thanks to the generous financial help already provided by the Virginia Division Executive Council and the General Executive Council.

Every SCV member can help by participating in the vigil held every Thursday in front of the DuPont plant on Jefferson Davis Highway. Call DuPont 7 member Jimmy Jones at 804-350-7579 or e-mail at jcuda8@aol.com. SCV mem-

bers in other states can start vigils in DuPont plants near them. We can still win this.

Does our flag have a place in the Southern workplace? We believe it does and that it is a principle worth fighting for. If we lose this struggle, it is only a matter of time before our Confederate symbols are completely cleansed from the businesses and factories across the South.

Deo Vindice: The DuPont 7 Kevin Chaplin, Jimmy Jones, R.C. Lewis, Marvin Oliver, Lynn Ritenour, Dave Rowlette, Steve Turley

PS: There is an informative website detailing our struggle at DuPont that can be found at www.DuPont7.com.

#### Past Commander-in-Chiefs Continue to Serve

To the Editor:

As a Past Commander-in-Chief of the SCV I have been the silent recipient of many slings and arrows. I believe it is now time to refute the personal attacks currently so divisive to the SCV. Granted that until now these attacks have been en masse rather than individual, the slurs and charges pertinent to PCiCs on the General Executive Council (GEC) have been baseless and self-promoting.

The main charge against the PCiCs is that they are unelected. If there is something wrong with there being unelected members of the GEC, then why has there been no outcry by the CiC against the appointed officers on the Council? The present CiC has appointed six of the current members of the GEC! Without the PCiCs on the GEC the CiC would completely dominate the GEC, as his total possible opposition could be the six department officers if they so chose. The result? A one-man rule! I certainly don't think that's in the best interest of the SCV.

The PCiCs have in truth stood in the path of the current CiC, but not due to any bloc determination to dominate the GEC or the SCV. Instead, their individual goals have been adherence to the Constitution of the SCV and maintenance of the growth and purpose of the

organization. Among claims are the often-repeated depictions of the PCiCs as a cohesive group of ego-driven men conniving to obtain or retain perks and prestige through control of the SCV General Executive Council. First of all, as one long out of office, I must ask "What perks and prestige?" I certainly haven't enjoyed any that I'm aware of, not even minor expenses. We PCiCs still stand in line for most events and wait for dinner like everyone else. (That's a statement, not a complaint.) On the other hand, I do recognize responsibilities. Those responsibilities include one to place the best interest of the SCV ahead of the best interest of self. That is the reason that the PCiCs often vote alike in the GEC. When the decision is to vote for what is constitutional and right or unconstitutional and wrong, it doesn't require coordination to cast a vote. Such coordination is required for efforts to ignore the SCV Constitution and/or to try to advance personal agendas and goals. Placing past commanders on the General Executive Council was nothing done by any of the current PCiCs. However, it has worked well for the SCV. (By the way, before anyone else brings it up, I'm one of the PCiCs with a poor attendance record, but that has been the result of poor health, not intention. I'm still pretty well confined at home and walking with difficulty.)

Remember — The CiC becomes a Past CiC and if he in reality wishes to help further the goals of the SCV, he can continue to contribute his services through his membership on the General Executive Council!

Ralph Green General W.L. Cabell Camp 1313 Dallas, Texas

### Additional Information on Captain Wirz

To the Editor:

Thank you for the article in the *Confederate Veteran* (November-December 2003) by Chaplain Robert Slimp, entitled "Captain Henry Wirz: A True Confederate Martyr." I write to clarify a statement in his article.

Chaplain Slimp wrote: "In 1956

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Colonel and Mrs. Thomas Spencer of Maryland placed a beautiful gravestone at the head of the grave, and an SCV cross was installed on a stone of Georgia granite."

The cross, which is an original Confederate Government Burial Cross dating back to the period of the war, was not placed at Captain Wirz's grave in 1956. It was erected forty-seven years later in 2002, after several years of intensive negotiation on the part of Past Chaplain-in-Chief of the SCV, Father Alister Anderson, with the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington. The installation of the cross could not have been accomplished without the help of Monsignor William O'Donnell, and the aid of Mrs. Ann Sheridan of the St. Ignatius Society.

Captain Wirz, a devout Roman Catholic, was buried first in an unmarked grave and was denied, after his unjust execution, his religious right of a Mass of Christian Burial by the Federal Government. Through the efforts of Charles Goolsby, Past Commander of the Maryland Division of the SCV, a Memorial Mass was arranged finally for Captain Wirz in a Roman Catholic Church in Washington, DC in 1990.

The above information would have enriched Chaplain S1imp's article. Furthermore, these facts underscore the great length of time it has taken us Southerners who know the truth about Captain Wirz and Andersonville to overcome the US Government's lies about this tragic episode.

Rev. Fr. Alister Anderson Past Chaplain-in-Chief, SCV Frederick, MD

#### National Park Service Might Get the Message

To the Editor:

Today, April 14, 2004, I received a solicitation by mail from the Civil War Preservation Trust, return address in

Hagerstown, MD, and which appears to be affiliated with the National Park Service. Its request for financial help is in behalf of saving the Manassas I site from builders and developers. At first reading, their effort appears noble and worthy of support. This is the second such request I have had from them, and I will reply to this one the same as I did the first.

Included in their packet was a letter of appeal written by Mr. Edwin C. Bearss, Historian Emeritus, National Park Service. I am writing across the face of it, and returning it in their postage pre-paid envelope, "Remove the Lincoln statue from Richmond and restore our national battlefield sites, which you applaud as being worthy of preserving, to themes of true history instead of anti-slavery statements, then ask me again. Better that they be lost than to be saved only to be used as tools to brainwash the American public into believing lies about their own nation's history!"

I'd assume that all SCV and MOS&B members are receiving these same solicitations on behalf of the Civil War Preservation Trust, as they no doubt have our names on their mailing list from our membership rolls. If you agree with my response to them, you might do likewise. If enough of us respond in the same manner, we MIGHT get their attention, and they MIGHT even go so far as to get the message.

Bob Arnold Major James Morgan Utz Camp 1815, Florissant, MO

#### Pledge Insults Our Ancestors?

To the Editor:

Does it occur to SCVers that the part of the pledge of allegiance that says "one nation ... indivisible" insults our Confederate ancestors and what they believed in and fought and died for — and we insult our ancestors by repeating it?

It's time all SCV camps and meetings edit the pledge to this only: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands.

Period.

Respectfully, Bruce Marshall Past Commander: Trans-Mississippi Department Texas Division Camp 59 and Camp 67 Austin, TX

### Suggestions for More Appropriate Photographs

To the Editor:

I am very pleased with the expansion of the photographs section on the various armies. This is a good thing, and every camp should contribute to it.

I am appreciative of those who choose to wear period uniforms in the photographs and have made efforts to do so correctly. I'd like to submit some suggestions for more appropriate photographs. Ditch the sunglasses. The cartridge box goes on the right hip behind the right arm, the cap pouch just in front of the right arm; the haversack and canteen go on the left hip, behind the left arm, with the bayonet just in front of the left arm. You hold the musket by the trigger guard, barrel against your right shoulder, or hold it by the butt with the lock plate beside your right ear. No medals were worn.

Of course, on the non-period uniforms, anything goes, or appears to. I believe that these suggestions can be easily accomplished at minimal cost. Perhaps a short paper, with drawings, could be furnished to each camp with their annual dues statement.

Fraternally, James C. Starbird Battle of Massard Prairie Camp 1830 Van Buren, AR

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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. 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.

### The Confederate Cause Lives Again



Photo by Robert Slimp

Confederate reenactors pulling one of the CSS Hunley crew's caisson into Magnolia Cemetery on April 17, 2004.

honor. But they are wrong. It is our highest duty to respect and remember these brave individuals." Randy Burbage, who is a member of the Hunley Commission and who devoted most of his time in the past months to help organize this event and who had been prominent in the raising and excavation of the Hunley, said, his voice shaking and eyes filled with tears, "We have not forgotton you; we will not forget you. It is hard to say good-bye. We have come to regard you as family. May your sacrifices never be forgotten." The people attending the event were very supportive. Reenactor and SCV member H.K. Edgerton, known as the Black Confederate, who walked all the way from his home in Black Mountain, NC, to Charleston carrying a Confederate Flag to be part of the processions and participate in this great event, said, "I am very proud to be here to-

day. I want to remind people that there were many Blacks who served in the Confederate Army, and we too are Southerners. If we had defeated the Yankees, who are a different people, we would have wonderful race relations here in the South. Had we won the War, slavery would soon have disappeared and because of the good will involved, we Southerners would have gotten along fine. Bad race relations were caused not by the War for Southern Independence, but by radical Northern Reconstruction."



H.K. Edgerton

Saturday April 17, was a day that belonged to the Confederacy. Oh, there were detractors, especially among the media. Southbaiting John Monk, a reporter for the left-leaning State newspaper of Columbia, South Carolina, wrote on April 11, "This week's six-day funeral of the crew of the Hunley will be a celebration of a thin slice of history ... nowhere in all the hoopla will be mentioned that if the eight-man Hunley crew had been on the victorious side of the Civil War, four million black people would have continued to be slaves...." But John Monk in Charleston was in a small minority with his views — but he and others were, as usual, writing anti-Southern propaganda. The vast majority of the people were celebrating their Southern heritage and no one could take this uplifting and spiritual experience away from them.

A couple of reporters wrongly

said that "This funeral would be the last act of the Civil War." But even they knew better. It's not true. The War will never die, until the Southerners are accepted as a people who are different and have a unique love for their homeland.

The South, in general, and Charleston in particular is a land where ghosts are still said to return to remind us of our past and of wrongs done. Until the Southland is respected as a part of America that really is different and has a right to its own heritage and even peculiarities, the ghosts will continue to do what ghosts do best, haunt us.

The *Hunley* funeral made my Southern pride soar. I know that we are a proud and different people, and our heroes, like those who died on the *Hunley* 140 years ago, have given us the right to feel this way.

Robert Slimp is an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church in America and a retired US Army Chaplain with the rank of Lt. Colonel. He has been honorably retired from the pastorate since 1996, although he still frequently preaches.

Not many years ago, an event like the *Hunley* funeral would have attracted politicians from all over the South. Fourteen governors from Southern states were invited to attend. All sent their regrets, citing other commitments. Not even South Carolina Governor Mark Sanford attended. He sent his Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer in his stead. South Carolina Attorney General Henry McMaster attended as did US Congressman Henry Brown of Charleston. Several state senators and scores of SC House members came because they were very proud of their Southern heritage. Many of them were members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

A reminder of the fate of many political leaders who desert the South was evident by a single-engine airplane flying for two hours prior to the funeral carrying a banner with a large Confederate Flag and the words "Dump Beasley Again." Former Governor David Beasley was defeated for re-election in 1998 for attempting to remove the Confederate Flag from flying atop the State House. He is now a candidate for the United States Senate. Most of those who saw the banner vowed that they would vote against him again. Other Southern Scalawags should take notice.

On Sunday April 18, the day following the funeral, thousands of people came to Magnolia Cemetery to lay flowers and a few wreaths on the new graves of the *Hunley* crew members. The crowd was calm and respectful, but their purpose was best stated by SCV member, Ralph Meetze of Columbia, SC, who said, "I wanted to take my family to share some of the wonderful spirit of what transpired yesterday. The large crowd here on this beautiful Sunday proves to me that this occasion and these gallant men will never be forgotten. Our Southern heritage will continue until our Lord comes again, and perhaps it will even continue in Heaven."

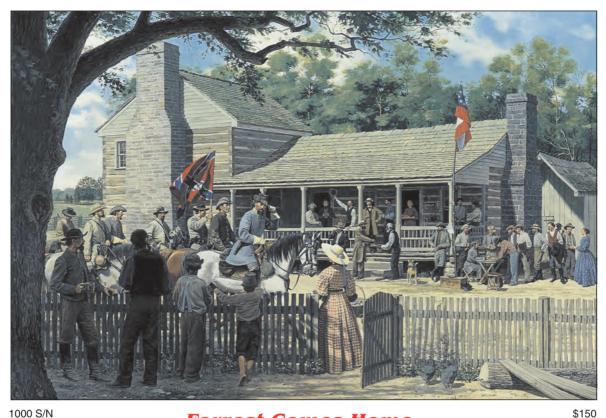
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### CHARGE!

# The Last Confederate Funeral

### by Rene Williams

A bright light shined in Dixie On that sunny April day. When thousands came to Charleston The past became the present With last respects to pay.

The Hunley crew were overdue A long eternal rest, Since each man on the submarine Had sailed his final quest.

On the seventeenth of April, In the year 2004, The eight men on the Hunley sub Were buried with decor.

Resurrected from the water That had frozen each in time, The salty graves were now replaced With boxes made of pine.

Some say the war had ended But we know it wasn't true, Until the last man left behind Received his final due.

For anyone who doubted That the South would rise again, Saw proof this day our heritage Is not gone with the wind.

Eight men who showed such valor For a righteous Southern cause, Reminds us of the courage Of the many men we lost.

And those who still remember What we fought for all those years, Embarked on one last journey Bringing hearts still filled with tears.

For time cannot divide us, From the memories or the pain, Of the life that once defined us That we'll never see again.

But, captured in a moment, As the caissons rolled along. On that journey five miles long.

It started from the battery And marched along the bay, Battalions came from every state To escort all the way.

Each unit wore their colors In their wool and cotton garb, Each boot marked time in slow dirge To the cemetery yard.

The crowds they passed were silent, You could not hear a word. Just "clip-clop" from the horses and the carriages were heard.

The sounds of drums and bagpipes, Echoed strains of Southern past, The men in kilts from Citadel Made music that will last.

The ladies in their hoop skirts, Black dresses, veils and gloves, Sang Dixie from the balconies In voices filled with love.

The streets were lined with mourners. Some waving Battle Flags, Some soldiers kissed the sacred cloth In reverence as they passed.

The Southern belles with parasols That shaded silk and lace, Could hardly hide their Southern pride Our loved ones did not die in vain With such amazing grace.

The funeral march continued, Down the slow and winding path, 'Til gates of Magnolia Cemetery Were finally seen at last.

And though the streets had all been lined With mourners all the way. Thousands more were waiting At the gravesite on that day.

The road was small and narrow Once they passed on through the gates, Parading by the mourning crowd Who stood in final wait.

The flags were furled as drums kept beat And caskets traveled on, Then each was raised upon the stage To honor souls now gone.

Each casket draped with stars and bars Was honored there by all, For mission served and job well done In answering to the call.

And each was hailed for valor shown, As brave and fighting men, Now committed to the earth they loved, They've all come home again.

This story with an ending Took one hundred forty years, But even with such span of time Continued bringing cheers.

The fifty-gun salutes that came from cannons and the guns, Reminded each that gathered there That Southern pride has won.

For long as hearts remember All the heavy price we paid, And legacies are made.

The Hunley men reminded us That heritage lives on. We lost the war but not the cause And only winds are gone.



### Jeff W. Massey Commander General

Gentlemen,

The Spring is here and I hope Confederates everywhere will be celebrating Confederate Memorial Day, National Memorial Day and President Jefferson Davis' Birthday. As commander general of The Order it is incumbent to recall the history of our hallowed organization and to remember the efforts by the leadership of the United Confederate Veterans and the commanders of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Many do not recall that within the initial membership of the "Order of Stars and Bars" there were five past commanders-in-chief of the SCV, and three UCV commanders-in-chief. Here is a brief history composed for your review.

#### The 1938 - The Year of Decisions

The dawn of 1938 proved to be inspiring yet sobering to the United Confederate Veterans. While several in the upper hierarchy of the UCV planned on attending the reunions at Gettysburg and Columbia, SC, there was constant threat of incapacity and infirmity. Only 200 Confederate veterans had attended the 1937 convention in Jackson, MS. Most veterans knew that the 75th Anniversary of Gettysburg on June 30 -July 3 would be the largest and last national event for the soldiers of the War Between The States. Indeed, more than 2,000 Confederate and Union soldiers gathered at Gettysburg for the dedication of the Oak Ridge Memorial eternal flame. President Franklin Roosevelt traveled by special train to see the old soldiers and to dedicate the monument as "an enduring light to guide us in unity and fellowship."

Several thought the reunion at Gettysburg and in Columbia would be a fitting farewell for the United Confederate Veterans. Others were not convinced. The competing internal politics and competing interests made for great intrigue within the UCV and The Sons (SCV). The SCV was empowered to conduct business and recruitment in the individual states, but only when a UCV member was not present. This continued subservience of the younger organization to the "paternal" organization often caused friction, confusion and some rancor. The limited communications of the day, combined with the continued infirmities of the UCV officers, created more than necessary hurt feelings, uncoordinated activities and disjointed interaction. This disorganization would fuel the eventual separation between the UDC and "the Sons" (SCV and MOSB) when joint reunions were terminated after the Final UCV Reunion in 1951.

The few remaining commissioned officers of the Old Confederacy were not satisfied to go "quietly into the good night." They had begun discussions in 1936 in Richmond, VA, regarding an organization which would pay homage to the unique sacrifices of the Confederate Officer Corps. Born not out of pride or animosity, the remaining Confederate officers sought to honor their former friends and commanders with an organization unique in its scope and pur-

pose. The primary proponents were Past UCV CIC Homer Atkinson, Past SCV CIC Col. Walter Hopkins, Esq., Past SCV CIC Dr. William R. Dancy, Past SCV CIC Dr. George Tabor, Past SCV Division Cmdr. Clement Wood and UCV Commander-in-Chief John M. Claypool. All were senior statesmen in



the General Executive Councils of the UCV and SCV. Planning for the Columbia reunion, they sent letters and invitations to all the known surviving Confederate commissioned officers and their progeny. They were all invited to an organizational meeting at the 48th Annual UCV Reunion in South Carolina (August 30-31, September 1-2, 1938).

On the first day of the reunion, 17 commissioned officers and sons of Confederate officers assembled in the Columbia Hotel in downtown Columbia. "General" Atkinson presided over the meeting of the old soldiers. A constitution would be drafted, memberships offered, and lapel pins and certificates designed. Thus, the Order of the Stars and Bars (it would not attach "Military" to the front of the name until 1976) was born. In a sobering reflection of the times to come, 4 of the 17 attending officers would "Rest in The Shade of the Trees" within six months of the Columbia meeting.

The OSB met the next year (1939) with the UCV and SCV in Trinidad, Colorado. They met in 1940 in Washington, DC and in Chattanooga in 1942. General Atkinson answered the Last Roll in 1945. Dr. George Bolling Lee, grandson of Robert Edward Lee, became Commander-in-Chief. In 1948, Walter Scott Hancock, Past SCV CIC was elected CIC of The Order and served until 1953. The MOSB has met continuously with the SCV since its inception in 1938.

I hope that as brothers in arms and bearers of the sacred standards that we will never forget our shared history or permit our constitutional preambles to go unheeded. What the original veterans joined together, let no man put asunder. I look forward to seeing you all in Dalton.

Jeff Massey, Commander General Military Order of the Stars and Bars

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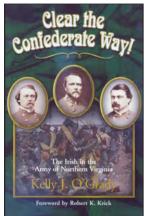
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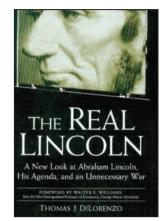
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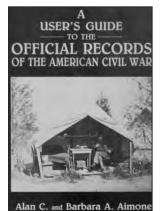
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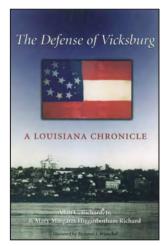


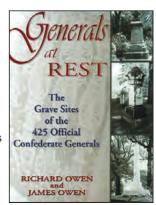
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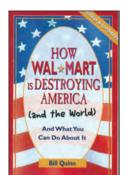
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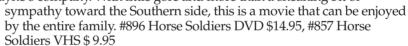
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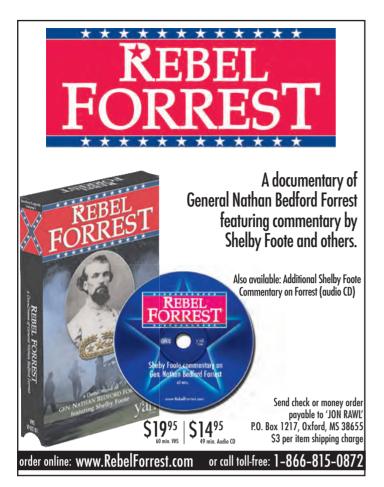
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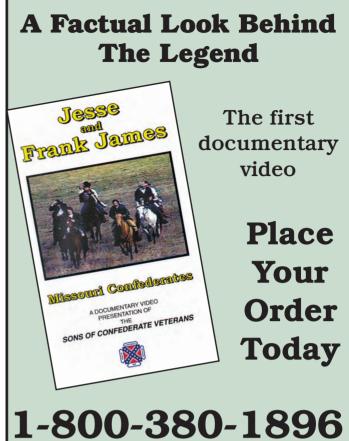


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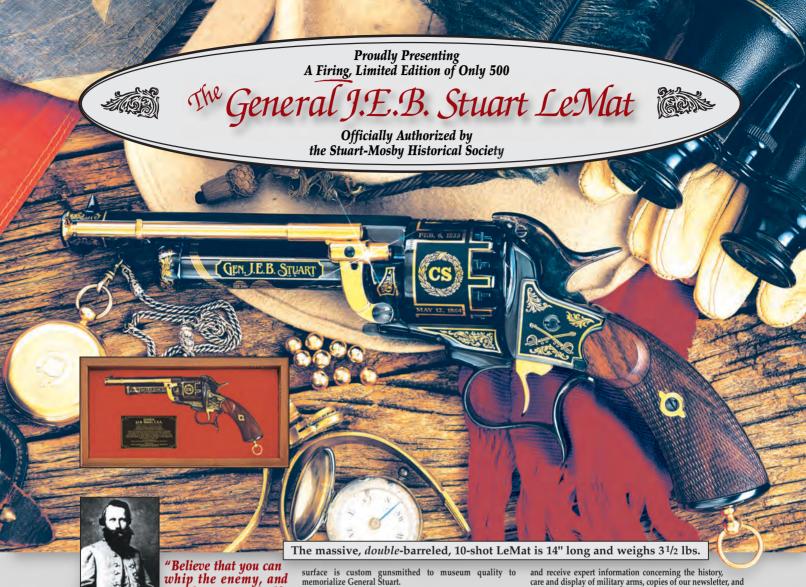
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