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The brave will honor the brave, vanquished none the less.*

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ON THE COVER — Remember Confederate Memorial Day. The Falls Baptist Church steeple on an early spring afternoon. *Photo by Frank Powell.*

Secession Hill Memorial Park

Historic Abbeville, SC

Help the Southern Cultural Centre provide a permanent monument to our Confederate ancestors by building a park on Secession Hill, Abbeville, South Carolina. At this location on 22 November 1860, occurred the first meeting to select delegates for the South Carolina Secession Convention. That event ultimately led to the formation of the Confederate States of America. On this two acre site the Southern Cultural Centre, Inc. will build a memorial park to honor the Southern men who wore the gray and the women who faithfully supported them. In addition to the many monuments that will be placed in the park, it will feature an enclosing 1000 foot by 8 foot "Wall of Honor" faced on the inside with memorial tiles. Each tile will display one of the names of the more than 18,000 South Carolina Confederate soldiers who died during the War.

They gave their all that their posterity might live free. We should, we must, we will remember them.

Names for the tiles for the *Wall of Honor* will be taken from Mr. Randolph Kirkland's book *Broken Fortunes*. You may also help finance this important project by obtaining one or more personalized bricks and/or pavers with your name, the names of your children, your Confederate ancestors, your SCV camp, your UDC chapter, your business, etc. These names will be laser engraved into the bricks, tiles and/or pavers. You will receive, at no additional cost, a corresponding mini-brick, mini-tile or mini-paver. Each mini-brick, paver and/or tile will have the same inscription as on the larger one you order and will make a valuable keepsake for your family.

The park will contain a museum/gift shop/meeting room and an amphitheater with stage for musicals, plays and speeches. Also a tombstone will be placed at the grave-site of the unknown Alabama Confederate soldier.

Walkway Bricks

4" X 8" X 2 1/2"

The bricks will be used to construct the walks throughout the park.

Mini-bricks 1 1/2" X 3" X 5/8"

Quantity	Cost per brick	Total
1 brick	\$100.00	\$100.00
2 bricks	90.00	180.00
3 bricks plus	80.00	varies

Pavers

8" X 8" X 2 1/4"

The pavers will be used to pave the walk areas around the various monuments in the park

Mini-pavers 3" X 3" X 5/8"

1 paver	250.00	250.00
2 pavers	225.00	450.00
3 pavers	200.00	varies

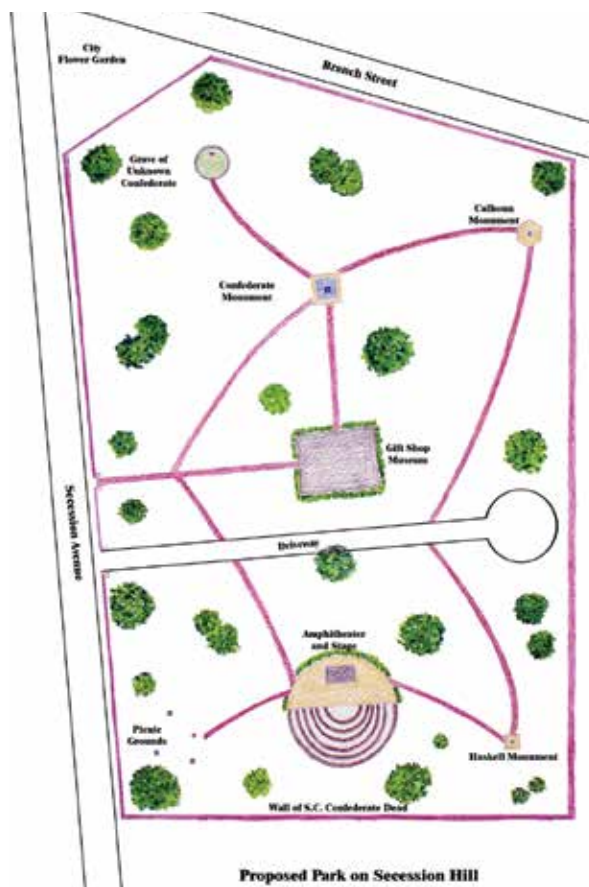
Tiles for Wall of Honor

4" x 8" x 1/2"

The memorial tiles will be used on *Wall of Honor* and will contain the names of the South Carolina Confederate dead.

Mini-tiles 1 1/2" X 3" X 5/8"

1 tile	\$50.00	\$50.00
2 tiles	47.50	95.00
3 tiles	45.00	varies



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limit per line.

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FROM THE EDITOR



Photo by John Gregory

Spring is a wonderful time of the year, with more mild temperatures and beautiful colors. The weather reminds us of vacations and trips — and this issue looks ahead to our national reunion in New Orleans (see pages 19-23).

Please send in your registration as soon as possible! This is an election year, and we want each and every vote to count. Attendance at these gatherings is heavy, as you know, so make your reservations this week. No need to wait until later, when you may not be able to get the accommodations you want.

All of us value our Confederate heritage, and we support the goal of publishing records of the past and present. Real Sons continue to be one item of important focus along with historical information about their lives and memories. Please take some time and write about the Real Son in your camp or area. I have no Real Son articles currently on hand. We also welcome historical articles, stories and poetry.

You have an opportunity to contribute to the Cause we live for, and so I remind you to celebrate Confederate Memorial Day. Attend a celebration or two to pay tribute to our brave Confederate heroes. It comes but once a year, although the day is recognized on different dates throughout the South. Your presence shows support and cohesiveness as a group. By the way, I plan on attending two, maybe more if time permits. Let's show everyone where our hearts are!

My collection of camp photos from the Army of Tennessee is huge, twice as many as the other two departments. How about sending in more material and photos, those of you in the Army of Trans-Mississippi and the Army of Northern Virginia? There is a lot of interest in camp activities, and it's always good to see the faces of fellow compatriots — we are the heart of the Cause!

Please read the Notices section in this issue. You will find valuable information there.

Your letters also are a highlight of each and every issue, so keep them coming in. I enjoy reading your thoughts and recommendations, and we receive good feedback from you.

Contact me anytime with your questions and concerns. Until then, I remain,

Yours in the Cause,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Frank B. Powell, III". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "F" and "P".

Editor-in-Chief



REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

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More New Beginnings

I am very encouraged by what is happening at the camp level. All over the South, new camps are being formed at a rapid rate. I received charters for two new Texas camps in one week alone, and the same pattern is being repeated in many other states.

Our membership numbers are down a bit from last year, but this is to be expected. As Executive Director Ben Sewell reported in the latest issue of the *Grayline*: "Historically, the SCV has lost 12 to 20 percent of its membership at dues-renewal time. This year was no exception." This amounts to roughly 3,600 - 6,000 members *lost* each year at renewal time. Although it is no higher than the losses reported by most other volunteer organizations, many members may be shocked at those numbers, but it shouldn't be any surprise. There are many reasons for these losses. As I reported in my column three years ago, there are four major causes for these losses:

Time Conflicts — Some members just don't have time for SCV activities, or won't make the time. I'm not sure what they expected when they joined, but apparently attending meetings once a month, reading the *Confederate Veteran*, and attending a memorial service now and again is too much for them.

Politics and Personality Conflicts — Although the coup conspirators and their supporters like to crow about all the alleged members leaving the SCV due to the political turmoil at National last year (more about that in a minute), most of the members who leave for political/personality reasons do so for reasons created at the local level.

Lack of Activity — Camps that don't have any sort of planned programs or projects will lose those members who joined specifically to *do something*. Obviously, this reason clashes with the first reason, so there is always going to be dilemma — if the camp is stagnant, it will lose some of the members who wanted lots of activities; if the camp is very active, it will lose those members who wanted a quiet little study group. On balance, though, an active camp will lose fewer members.

Social Isolation — This is still our biggest loss factor. Camps that *isolate* their new members, either intentionally or otherwise, will lose them within a year or two. My own personal feeling is that this accounts for as much as 80 percent of our losses. Members who do not feel part of a group will not stay with it; members who feel welcome will generally *ride over* the rough times. When other factors intervene — such as personality conflicts — those who feel that they are part of

the camp will work for solutions; those who don't will leave. It's really as simple as that.

It may well be that the political turmoil at national cost us some members last year. We can definitely identify only about 500-700 who left due to the coup, all of them supporters of the conspirators. This turmoil was the Fifth Factor that affected retention rates last year, but I must emphasize that the first four factors are still the most important, especially the factor of social isolation — and they are factors every year.

So what is our membership status? All of these factors that effect the ebb and flow of membership make it tough to pin down our membership level accurately. For example, our membership on July 1, 2004, stood at 32,852. Around the first of July is usually our peak each year. This is after all delinquents have been dropped and we have completed most reinstatements. As of February 28, 2006, we stood at 29,007. The dissidents will interpret this by saying we have *lost* more than 3,800 members in that 20-month period. Of course, they have been crowing that we *lost* 12,000 members in the last year alone, but their wild exaggerations and deliberate lies are subjects for another time. This 3,800 *lost* is an illusion — we are gaining reinstatements and new members at the rate of 600 - 1,000 per month. This cycle is repeated every year — we lose a lot of members at renewal time, then gain many of those back through reinstatements between then and July 1. With new members added during that same period, usually we have gained in total members or come out even by July 1. By the time of our next membership snapshot on July 1, 2006, I predict we will be close to 32,000 again.

More importantly, the new members are coming into a more positive atmosphere, which should help our retention rate. We are also being more selective about reinstatements. Those members who quit the SCV with a history of trouble-making or support for the old oligarchy, or who have shown a great desire to otherwise undermine the SCV, are simply having their checks returned. Although this may cut down our actual reinstatements somewhat, the gain in member morale in the camps more than offsets the losses in raw numbers. We are not obligated by our constitution or by corporate law to reinstate members who are known saboteurs.

Nowhere is this more true than in the Oklahoma Division. The old Division leadership was very instrumental in chasing off more than 75 percent of their members. As I reported in the last *Veteran*, I *fired* the old Division leadership by revoking the Division charter when they drove their camp level down

below the five required for a full division. Most of the old leadership dropped their memberships, although two Life Members (Jeff Massey and Charles Smith) were expelled for their continuing efforts to undermine their own division and the SCV. The new leaders, under the capable command of Provisional Division Commander Les Tucker, are rapidly rebuilding the *new* Division. A new Division Constitution will be voted on by the members at their convention on April 8, and it contains none of the special voting privileges allotted to the *anointed* by the old constitution. Apparently the dissidents realized that they were losing control and could not count on the remaining members to support them, so they have been sending in reinstatement requests at a rapid rate — sometimes dozens at a time — hoping to recapture the Division leadership positions and defeat the new constitution. Many of these reinstatements are being refused.

Update on the Lawsuits

Oklahoma: As part of their effort to undermine the SCV, the dissident leaders in Oklahoma took some sinister actions. First, they refused to bring down the website that purported to represent the Oklahoma Division. Web surfers who come across this website have no way of knowing that it does not have an affiliation with the SCV anymore. Secondly, they refused to release the Division Corporation. Oklahoma Division, like many other divisions, registered itself with the State as a non-profit corporation some years ago. Usually such incorporations are done for tax purposes, to pursue a heritage defense lawsuit (e.g., the Texas Supreme Court plaques case), or to otherwise give the Division *standing* in the eyes of the state law courts. These corporate entities are supposed to be the legal reflection of the divisions, not entirely separate beings. But, much as in Mississippi and in another lawsuit in Florida, the dissidents are claiming that “Oklahoma Division, Inc. — Sons of Confederate Veterans,” in spite of the name and the obvious historical connection to the SCV, has nothing to do with the SCV. They have refused to turn over the Division treasury to the new adjutant and in all ways are holding out that *THEY* are the real Oklahoma Division, Inc., even though none of the listed board members are SCV members anymore. This whole matter has been documented in a lawsuit that was filed on behalf of the SCV in federal court. Jeff Massey is serving as the legal counsel for the dissidents in this lawsuit. The major purpose of their efforts is to wreck havoc on the SCV in general, and ultimately to drain us of needed resources.

Mississippi: I attended a court hearing on February 8 in regard to the lawsuit filed by SCV member Robert Murphree. Technically called a *motion to intervene*, Mr. Murphree has filed at least 12 separate sub-motions under the same general heading. His latest ploy is to demand that the SCV pay back all the administrative fees that it collected from the Brooks Fund over the last 10 years or so. No ruling has been issued by the judge as yet.

Tennessee: The coup conspirators’ lawsuit to get their legal fees paid is on appeal. We probably won’t hear anything until later this year. In the meantime, we did have to place about \$40,000 in an escrow fund since the judge ruled against us on the first round.

Words of Wisdom

I couldn’t think of a better statement of where we are and where we are going than one I found in *The Blockade Runner*, the newsletter of the Florida Division. Commander Keith Cornelius of the Major General John C. Breckinridge Camp 1786 in Oxford, Florida, had this to say about the current situation in the SCV:

“I recently talked to a monument artist in reference to putting a monument in our local cemetery to honor our Confederate heroes laid to rest there. The man said, ‘There have been more requests for SCV-sponsored monuments this year than ever before.’

What I’m saying is, we are growing and prospering. The nay-sayers should step back and stop attacking people, and stop complaining about how the sun is setting on the SCV and realize the sun is shining on the SCV instead.”

Well said, commander — my sentiments exactly. ❏



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Dispatches From the Front

A collection of letters to the editor from our members.

Important bicentennial events coming up

Compatriots:

Major bicentennial events are coming up over the next several years, two of which will be great opportunities for the Sons of Confederate Veterans to honor the 200th anniversaries of the births of our great Southern heroes, General Robert E. Lee and President Jefferson Davis. The Lee Bicentennial will be coming up first, January 19, 2007, followed by the Davis Bicentennial June 3, 2008. I would like to see the entire bicentennial years devoted to confederation-wide observances of these two great men. Of course, another person, the one opposing Southern Independence, Abraham Lincoln, will also be having a bicentennial observance in 2009. That person's bicentennial observance is actually already well underway. Congress created a Lincoln Bicentennial Commission in 2000, and while they've already started holding events, they plan to stretch it officially from 2008 to 2010. So expect to be increasingly deluged with the Lincoln myth. I just hope we take the opportunity of the Lee and Davis bicentennials to not only honor our great Southern heroes, but to also educate the public on the greatness of the cause for which they sacrificed so much for our beloved Confederacy. I haven't heard of anything being planned for the Lee and Davis observances other than by Stratford Hall Plantation, but I'm sure there are things to come that haven't been announced yet. I'm also sure each and every SCV camp can find many creative and appropriate ways to honor Lee and Davis during their bicentennial years. Here are some of the things I plan to recommend to my camp for 2007: a specially designed bicentennial banner to be displayed at all our meet-

ings and events in the bicentennial year; yard signs with the bicentennial logo for every member to display in his yard; rededication of a local statue of Robert E. Lee; an extra-special Lee-Jackson Banquet; produce a brochure or booklet honoring Robert E. Lee; and a symposium and/or art show featuring Robert E. Lee. I would like to hear the ideas and plans of other camps in this column as 2006 progresses.

*Confederately,
Michael Jones
Captain James W. Bryan Camp 1390
Lake Charles, LA*

Looking for relatives of Confederate veterans

To the Editor

I've been trying to locate relatives of two fallen soldiers without success for the last two years. Would you consider running the following in the next issue so that we may someday cause closure for these two brave men? My research indicates that their final resting place is not known to their families.

On 11 March 2006, a dedication ceremony was held at the Adams' family cemetery located approximately three miles south of Pulaski, Tennessee. Two of the soldiers honored were Adams, who served the Confederacy in the 3rd Tennessee Infantry and the 6th Tennessee Cavalry. Adams' family members traveled from far to participate and observe the ceremony. Unfortunately, the other two soldiers had no family members to participate in the ceremony. For the last two years I have tried to find the relatives of Captain Ed Daly and Private Thomas J. Koonce (both of Shelby County, TN and assigned to A and E Company, respectively), 12th Tennessee Cavalry. Private Koonce

joined the 12th on 11 October 1862, was wounded on 27 September 1864 approximately three miles south of Pulaski, TN. The wounded Koonce was taken to the Adams' house where Mrs. Caroline Adams (who had three sons in the Confederate Army) tended to him for 23 days until he died, on 19 October 1864. Captain Ed Daly joined the 12th Tennessee on 1 October 1862 and was killed in action leading the 12th Tennessee on 27 October 1864 on or near the Adams' homestead. Both men are mentioned in Waldon Loving's history of the 12th Tennessee, titled *Coming Like Hell*. If you have any information on Koonce or Daly, please contact Mark Curley via e-mail m.curley@mchsi.com or by regular mail at 113 Tanglefoot Drive, Huntsville, AL 35811.

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Hopes anti-semitic attitude is not popular

To the Editor:

I don't usually write letters to the editor; however, the letter from Gene Andrews, *Can't afford to be intimidated*, January/February 2006, stuck in my craw. I was born and raised in these United States, and can trace my family roots back to the French and Indian War. I, too, am Jewish. I keep up on the news in the Middle East, and Mr. Andrews is blowing the typical anti-Semitic smoke. Israel is being run presently by lackeys of the United States government. According to the biblical history of the land of Israel, all of Gaza was given by God to Moses, with it going to the tribe of Judah. Yet here we are, watching the president pressure the prime minister into caving, and giving the Arab dissidents, better termed *murder bombers*

rather than suicide bombers so that they may be closer to the heart of Israel for my death and destruction.

For this very reason, I was hesitant to join SCV, even though I knew it was trying to preserve our Southern heritage. That heritage does not include supporting people who would kill innocent men, women, children and the elderly. It was not Israel who desired to come to the table to meet with terrorists — it was an order from the president, a president who leads the current and previous prime minister around by the nose. If you are truly intent on knowing what the news of the Middle East [which our faith depends on], you would look at the news sources other than the very prejudiced European and American press.

It is my fervent hope that this anti-Semitic attitude is not popular among my Southern Compatriots.

Micah Ben-Yehudah
Major General William D. McCain
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Correction to camp information

To the Editor:

I just received my copy of the January/February 2006 issue of the *Confederate Veteran*. Upon reading the news of the various camps, my eyes stopped on a once familiar camp name and number, The Battle of Sharpsburg Camp 1582. The picture and caption on page 31 leads the readers to believe that this is a new camp just receiving its charter. In the interest of historical accuracy, the following is respectfully submitted. From: *Brief History of the Maryland Division Sons of Confederate Veterans For the Division's Tenth Anniversary*, April 1992. Edited by Historian J.B.Couch

The Battle of Sharpsburg Camp 1582 was chartered on February 22, 1992, the 130th anniversary of the establishment of the government of The Confederate States of America. The camp is named after the Battle of Sharpsburg that occurred on September 17, 1862. Outnumbered nearly two to one, General Robert E. Lee and the Army of Northern Virginia repelled

five major assaults on the *Bloodiest Day in American History*.

The founding members of the camp are

Austin G. Rinker, Jr. Commander
Randall C. Smyth, Adjutant
Martin S. Flowers, Chaplain
Bob Neikirk, Color Sergeant
Vernon J. Lewis, Jr.
Lyndon F. Moser
Daniel M. O'Connell
Austin G. Rinker, Sr.
William C. Bilke

Thank you for the opportunity to set the record straight on this camp's history.

I am very pleased to see that the compatriots listed in the January/February 2006 issue are carrying on the name and traditions of the camp that is celebrating its 14th anniversary as this is written. And I do hope someone still has the original charter of our old Camp 1582.

Martin S. Flowers
Major General William D. McCain
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Need to focus on really important issues

To the Editor:

Today I received my second issue of the *Confederate Veteran*. I was excited to get into it. Unfortunately, I got bogged down in reading the letters-to-the-editor column first. I read all of the letters, pro and con. I appreciated the intelligent insight put forth by several members. I found little to critique, not that that was my intent. Your magazine is excellent.

At 73 years of age and a new member, I look forward to my membership in the SCV. I am proud of my eight Johnson cousins who fought in the War of Northern Aggression and the six that rode with Mosby and the 43rd Virginia Cavalry Battalion. This, as well as being born and bred in Virginia qualifies me as a bona fide Southerner and proud of it. For all my compatriot brothers, that is the bottom line — or should be. For some of you, quit your whining and complaining. I hear all the weak arguments with little tangible merit. Hav-

ing a financially supportive whiskey ad isn't going to kill anyone. Just viewing things on TV during family hours is ten times as bad, unless you feel that Viagra isn't offensive. Other than that, dummy up, or join the ACLU if you don't agree with the SCV's perceptions. We are Sons of Confederate Veterans and for the most part Southerners, and damn well proud of it. The War was an unpopular war, just as this current debacle for the SCV is for some. I am sure that history and intelligent opinion will judge it correctly after we're all gone. Unlike some opine, the Wars' precursor was not slavery. It was mainly one faction or segment of America trying to cram their view down someone else's throat without benefit of reasonable negotiation or debate.

Liquor ads, no liquor ads — stay on really important issues like leave our Stars and Bars alone, you Yankee Semper Fi.

Keep up the good work.

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Compatriot not at fault in his defense

To the Editor:

I would like to say a few words in defense of Compatriot John Hoopes. As readers may remember, a letter of his appeared in the November/December 2004 issue in which he protested anti-Semitic remarks that appeared in the previous issue of the *Confederate Veteran*. The word *neo-con* was used pejoratively. Also, Compatriot C. A. Kirkpatrick championed the theory, found in Frank Conner's book *The South Under Siege 1830-2000* that blames the War, Reconstruction, etc. on a socialist movement begun by two groups broadly labeled as "Northern radicals...industrial giants..." and a very precisely named religious/ethnic group — "Eastern European Jews."

Subsequently, Compatriot T. Duke Duvall wrote a letter (First Quarter 2005) condemning Mr. Hoopes for making a *false charge* of anti-Semitism.

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REPORT OF THE LT. COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

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Creators versus Critics

Although we think of Robert E. Lee as the perfect mortal, in his own time he had his detractors.

In the antebellum years, as a United States Army officer in charge of a major engineering project in St. Louis, Lee was the target of constant criticism from the press. In the end, his bold plans proved successful and his critics were stymied.

Lee was not the sort of man to spend a lot of time defending himself. He preferred to let his actions speak for themselves.

He no doubt recalled his brushes with the press when he found himself commanding the Southern armies during the War, when Lee was again the target of editorials critical of his strategies.

He memorably replied that it is "Too bad that all our worst are in command of the armies and all our best generals are editing newspapers."

He meant that it is much easier to criticize the work of others than to actually do something oneself.

I was reminded of this remark recently when I read a very interesting essay entitled *Creators vs. Critics*, written by the eminent British historian Paul Johnson. Published in the business magazine *Forbes*, Johnson's essay notes that

One of the fascinating things about studying history is to see the way in which man's extraordinary creative and inventive faculties are in a continual battle with his critical and destructive faculties. If only the first were in operation, humanity would have advanced far more rapidly.

As I read this article, my mind immediately

leapt to our own SCV, and how it seems that some portion of our membership are locked in a nearly perpetual argument. The topics change, but the tactics and the practitioners seem to be constant.

In my hometown of Greenville, SC, my camp (16th Regiment, South Carolina Volunteers) operates a small Confederate museum. It is a wonderful place, owned and operated entirely by the local camp. Since we have no paid staff, the museum is operated by camp members and other supporters. By the way, I'd like to take this opportunity to invite everyone to come down and visit.

One afternoon last December, I was working at the museum but there were no visitors. (I guess everybody was out at the mall stocking up for Christmas.) To bide my time I went into the library and began to peruse some of the volumes. We have there a complete bound set of the old *Confederate Veteran* magazine, founded by Sumner Archibald Cunningham and published from 1893 to 1932. So, to occupy my mind, I took down the 1905 volume to see what was happening in the Confederation 100 years ago.

As I looked through its pages, I came across a section dedicated to news about the United Sons of Confederate Veterans, as our organization was known in those days. In that section was reprinted a sort of inaugural address from the newly elected commander-in-chief. In his remarks, the new CIC made a point of declaring that in his term he wanted to emphasize

the *United* part of the name in order to “stop all the infighting” that was plaguing the organization.

I was stupefied. To think that a century has passed and we seem to have the same problems.

A few days later, I was talking to my friend and Compatriot Allen Sullivant. I mentioned this story to him. He pointed out that at the beginning of the twentieth century, Cunningham himself was embroiled in a lawsuit with other veterans. The argument then was over where the Battle Abbey would be located. Cunningham was an advocate for Nashville and was sued in 1901 over the issue.

“There is nothing new under the sun,” as the preacher says.

It is, I presume, in the nature of the Southern tradition to fight. Having been a member of the SCV for nearly 25 years, I have seen some of the turbulence that can arise from the expression of strongly held opinions. I have also seen the problems that can arise when men feel pressured not to express their opinions.

The real problem is not that we fight, but that we sometimes fight so hard with each other. We ought to go out of our way to make sure that we are fighting the real enemies of our heritage, like the Southern Poverty Law Center and the NAACP. These enemies are tireless in their work of denigrating the service of our Confederate heroes and love nothing better than when we scrap amongst ourselves.

We face a crisis in America. Our heritage and our culture are being beaten down, plowed up, and paved over.

If we are going to fulfill that part of the charge which demands that we see to it that the truth of Southern history is told to future generations, we had better get busy. If we allow ourselves to be distracted by pettiness, we may still be able to tell about Southern history, but we won't have much to show for it.

The SCV must develop a strong and intelligent response to these attacks. We must become capable not only of answering our critics but also of creating a positive image of the Confederate soldier.

The dog barks, but the caravan moves on.

To accomplish this, we will have to confront two challenges that face us.

The first is how to modernize the SCV without giving up our unique character. We live in a twenty-first-century world and we all use modern tools in both our business and private lives.

In order to be an effective and useful voice in opposition to those determined to tear down our Southern symbols and hoary traditions, we will have to take the initiative by taking the fight to the enemy.

Our Confederation needs to be bigger, richer, and more active in the pursuit of our mission. The only way we will ever get there is if all of our members are pulling in the same direction.

The second challenge is the seemingly perpetual internal feuding that carries on between our own Compatriots.

Honestly, I'm not sure exactly how to resolve this last challenge. It is formidable.

I can only hope that as the Confederation gets farther away from our recent troubles that we can focus our energies on our external enemies.

We are fortunate in that even though our critics (internally and externally) are quite loud, they are no match for energetic, positive activity. By working together, we can make the SCV the best organization it can possibly be.

It should be our resolution to be creators and not critics — to be thoughtful as well as bold in devising new and better ways to fulfill the Charge.

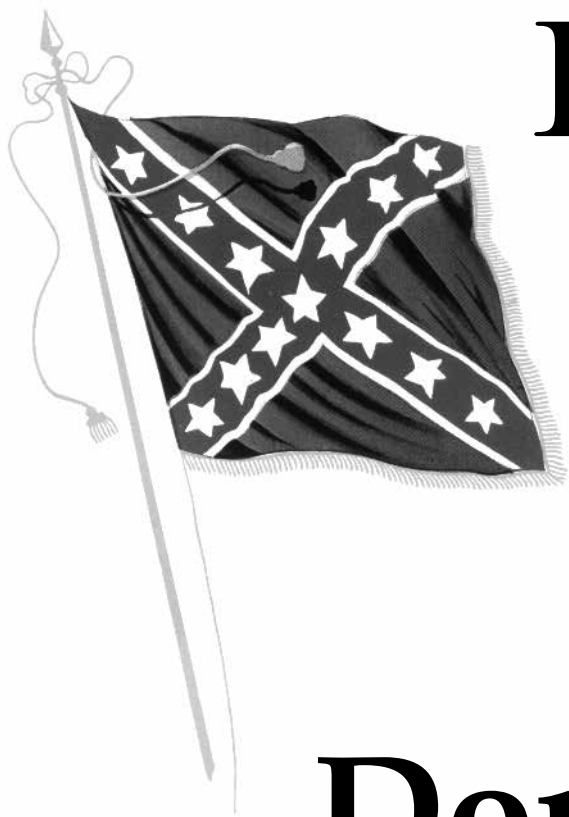
Paul Johnson concluded his essay by noting the encouraging way creativity has of triumphing over the nastiest naysayers and the severest critics.

Left to themselves, the creative forces in society will always deliver, but keeping them reasonably free to do so is a perpetual, grinding battle. It is one that must never be lost.

Let this be a lesson to us as well. Free men engaged in the preservation of the truth of history can be a powerful force.

Each of us has a choice. We can sit around the house watching cable news and complaining about how bad things are. Or, we can get up and do something about it. If you're a mind to get up and do something about the loss of our cultural

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Forward The Colors

AN EDITORIAL FROM
THE CHIEF OF
HERITAGE DEFENSE

Don't Drift

To Forward The Colors means we must stay the course. To do this, it is imperative we *Don't Drift*. This issue, my article reveals some signs of drifting.

I. Lack of Concern is a Sign of Drifting

A. Finding reasons not to participate in SCV activities on the Camp or Division level it is a lack of concern as is

B. Allowing people we come in contact with to *put down* or ridicule our Confederate heritage and symbols without challenging them and

C. Becoming casual supporters

1. Casual-occurring by chance-not planned-irregular-unconcerned-dispassionate-ran-

dom-incidental-haphazard-neglectful

a. A casual supporter is a non-committer.

b. A by-stander — you must be involved to have an an impact. Referees are in the game, but they are not involved. No one is impressed with the won/lost record of the referee.

c. An excuse-maker —

2. Ten most-used excuses:

10. That is his job, not mine.

9. I'm waiting for an OK.

8. How was I to know this was different.

7. That is not in my department.

6. That's the way we have always done it.

5. I didn't know you were in a hurry for it.

4. Wait until the boss comes

back and ask him.

3. I didn't think it was that important.

2. No one told me to go ahead.

1. I forgot.

In order for us to succeed, we must get rid of our excuses and be concerned about the eradication of our heritage.

II. Insensitivity is a Sign of Drifting

A. Insensitivity — a lack of mental perception causing a lack of response to the needs or feelings of something or someone.

B. We become insensitive and lose track of what our ancestors endured during the Northern invasion.

III. Change of Attitude is a Sign of Drifting

Attitude — a state of mind, behavior or conduct as indicating one's feelings, opinion or purpose.

A. Dangerous Attitudes of the Heart

1. Jealous attitude

Jealousy (or envy) — Greek word means, to boil

It refers to an inner boiling, seething over something somebody else has or could have

2. Basic kinds of jealousy

a. Superficial jealousy says "I want what you have!"

b. Deep-rooted jealousy says "I wish you didn't have it!"

"If I can't have it, I don't want you to have it!"

"I don't want you to have it even though I have it!"

c. Examples of jealousy in the SCV:

1. Someone wins an award for contribution and work. He's criticized and scoffed at because someone else feel they should have won, instead of finding encouragement in the winner's work.

2. Someone wins an election and is ridiculed and accused of buying that election, instead of working for the common good and what is best for the SCV.

3. A sign of jealousy is when we can't celebrate with those who do celebrate.

4. One main cause of jealousy is what seems *unfair*.

5. Unfairness is no excuse for jealousy. Jealousy has no excuse.

6. Jealousy breeds contempt. If we have contempt for our Southern brothers and sisters, our detractors win.

B. A vengeful attitude

1. Revenge — the act of returning injury to obtain satisfaction

2. How to recognize a vengeful attitude

a. If you have a grudge (a harboring resentment)

b. If you gloat over someone's failures

c. A discriminating tongue
The tongue is the number one weapon of a vengeful heart.

d. Gossip, rumors and false judgments

e. If you get revenge, you are really the loser

f. You may not know it, but revenge will cause you to cease to function in carrying out the duty as charged to us by Stephen D. Lee

C. Attitude About Yourself

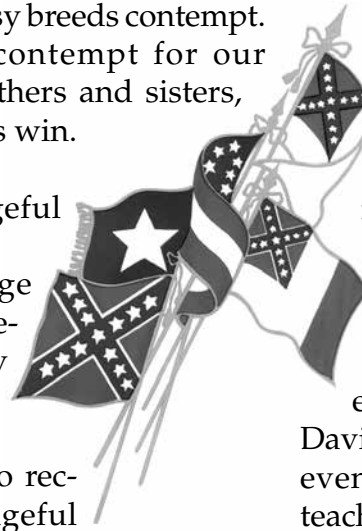
1. Discouragement is a sign of drifting.

An old man saw a boy at a Little League baseball game:

- Asked score — "We're behind 14 to nothing."

- Man replied — "You don't look very discouraged."

- Boy replied — "Discouraged? Why should we be discouraged? We haven't been up to bat yet!"

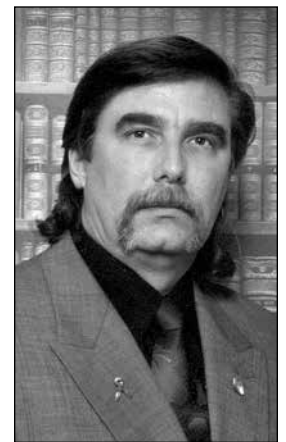


IV. We need to be more like that little boy. If you have a reason to be discouraged, just remember, our detractors are at bat now; but just wait until we have our turn!

A. After the Battle of Gettysburg, General Robert E. Lee wrote to Jefferson Davis, "We must expect reverses, even defeats. They are sent to teach us wisdom and prudence, to call forth greater energies and to prevent our falling into greater disasters."

B. We won a victory recently with the Jacqueline Duty case in Kentucky by not drifting off course.

C. Question: Are you in the same boat with those who are fighting to save our heritage or are you drifting?



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Chaplain's Comments

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The Martyrdom of Albert Willis

Doesn't that look like someone hanging in that tree?"

"Indeed it does!"

The men were riding upon the road in Rappahannock County toward Chester Gap in the Blue Ridge as the distant object was hanging and swaying. "Is this more of Custer's work?"

"From here he doesn't look much more than a boy." These were some of Mosby's men who came upon the scene as the body revolved slowly in the gentle breezes of the lovely sunlit autumn day. As they drew closer they realized this was one of their compatriots. "There is a sign fastened to the front of the poor fellow." They read the placard, "Hung in retaliation for a Union soldier said to have been killed

by one of Mosby's men."

This was more of Lincoln's *total war* concept. Sheridan was Lincoln's prime perpetrator of this concept in Virginia, and Custer, his underling, was a willing worker. His underlings were willing to fight the unarmed; since they could not win battles legitimately, they began a war on babies, children, women, old men, disarmed prisoners and property. This sounds like a concept of war that is in vogue today.

The scene previously described occurred in late October 1864 at the command of US Brigadier General William H. Powell. What follows are two eyewitness accounts which have been left us. "I was within a short distance of (Willis) and heard the Federal officers and soldiers talking. They

said they had one of Mosby's men and did not know whether they would hang him, shoot him or cut his throat." Another witness described, "After capturing him (young Ab. Willis), they selected a spot where stood a tall, slender white oak sapling. Man after man ascended to the top, until their weight bore it to the ground, where they held it firm while they pinioned his arms behind him and placed a halter around his neck. Then, making the halter fast to the extreme end of the sapling, at a given signal they simultaneously relinquished their hold, when he could be seen swinging back and forth, until the sapling had spent its force, his lifeless body dangling in the branches close to its trunk."

This was the body of Albert

"Bertie" Gallatin Willis. He was just a 20-year-old Baptist divinity student. Many Baptist ministers joined fighting units and were warriors as well as witnesses of their blessed Redeemer. Willis' early service in the Confederacy was as a colporteur, which was also his ministry prior to the war as he prepared to be a preacher. However, ten months prior to his murder, he had joined the 43rd Battalion of the Virginia Cavalry, also called by some as Mosby's Partisan Rangers. He enlisted as a private on the 1st of November 1863 in Company C. William Chapman enlisted him into the Confederate service in Fauquier County. Chapman's brother Sam, a Baptist preacher, was captain in the 43rd as well.

Mosby's men, when not fighting, had to blend into the countryside. Why? For Mosby's Confederacy often had the presence of the invaders, and they could not camp in the open. Willis, as a member of Mosby's Confederacy boarded at Rev. Thaddeus Herndon's house at Scuffleburg, in Fauquier County, along with James Foley Kemper, who became a minister. They escaped the Federal cavalry that was under the command of General Powell on the 12th of October in 1864, by dropping out of a second-story window.

"Bertie" Willis was captured at Gaines' Crossroads by Powell of Averill's Second Cavalry Division; this division was camped on the Marlow farm in Rappahannock County, at the foot of the Blue Ridge. Another man whose name we do not know had also been captured. One of them was to

die to satisfy the vengeful and frustrated enemy. Willis was to be spared, but he found out that his compatriot was married and had children. The man broke down and begged for his life because of the sake of his family. The young preacher, who had experienced eternal salvation from sin through faith in the substitutionary sacrifice of Jesus Christ, God's eternal Son, told the guard he would take the man's place. Willis was at peace with God and ready to depart this life, as all men should be. Jesus said, "Therefore, be ye also ready." Powell's officer said it was of no consequence which one died as long as they had someone to execute.

On the 14th of October 1864 at around eleven in the morning, the henchmen took Willis to the place of execution. This place was near the Marlow farm on the side of the graded road leading to Chester Gap near Sandy Hook. It was there that the previously described hanging took place. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." Herein "Bertie" Willis emulated his Saviour. His body was eventually removed from the tree by John Ricketts, Robert Deatherage and William Bowling. They carried the body to the burial grounds of the Flint Hill Baptist Church, where it was interred.

The murder of Willis along with six other men in the 43rd led to the *lex talionis* (the law of an eye for an eye). Mosby's murdered men were on his mind, and the Yankee atrocities against the civilian population were

horrendous. What should be done? October 29th Mosby sent General Lee a message detailing the atrocities and his desire to hang an equal number of Custer's men. Lee put his approval on Mosby's request and sent it to the Secretary of War, who granted the request. Mosby was hopeful the execution of seven of Custer's men would stop any future atrocities of the kind against his men. Then Mosby wrote General Sheridan a letter on November 11th, explaining the situation and stating his desire to treat prisoners with kindness "unless some new act of barbarity shall compel me, reluctantly, to adopt a line of policy repugnant to humanity."

Reverend Barnett Grimsley proposed to the Shiloh Baptist Association that a monument be erected to the memory of Reverend A. G. Willis, a member of that body who had been cruelly and wantonly murdered by Federal soldiers. *The Religious Herald* for September 6, 1866, reported, "Brother Willis was an earnest-hearted, lovely Christian, and for years labored as colporteur within the bounds of this association. He was taken from his horse and hung to a ... tree, and kept hanging there for two days. The same day, within a few miles of the place where this man of God was murdered, another party fired upon Reverend B. Grimsley as he was attending to his official duties as a minister of the gospel. They took from him his horse, rifled his pockets, required him to take off his boots and coat, all of which they

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The Last Roll



Brigadier General E. A.
Perry 285
Pensacola, FL
Thomas S. McCaskey

Brigadier General
Evander M. Law 1323
Lakeland, FL
John Perry Blackwelder

Finley's Brigade 1614
Havana, FL
Jon Stanton Beazley

Major General John C.
Breckinridge 1786
Oxford, FL
Joe Rivers Strickland

Alexander H. Stephens 78
Americus, GA
James H. Murray

Lee Guards 1697
Leesburg, GA
Erskine R. Edgil

Brigadier General Robert
H. Anderson 1919
Hinesville, GA
**Gilbert Franklin
Proudfoot**

Camp Douglas Memorial
1507
Chicago, IL
Andrew C. Wilson

Forrest's Orphans 1744
Calhoun, KY
Kaleb R. Stratton

Camp Moore 1223
Tangipahoa, LA
**Bill W. Bowden
James Elmo Fayard**

Major Jesse M. Cooper
1665
De Ridder, LA
Bennie Frank Frazier

General James H.
McBride 632
Springfield, MO
Harold Lee Palmer

Brigadier General Mosby
Monroe Parsons 718
Jefferson City, MO
Paul P. Polly

Col. John T. Coffee 1934
Stockton, MO
Harold Lee Hicks

Captain C. B. Vance 1669
Batesville, MS
James E. Hopper

The McDowell Men 379
Marion, NC
Willie Bruce Anglin

Pvt. Thomas E. Caldwell
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Clover/York, SC
Dewey Ted Jones

Joseph B. Kershaw 82
Camden, SC
Paul I. Bostick

Captain Moses
Wood 125
Gaffney, SC
**Stanley Jerome
Fowler**

General Ellison Capers
1212
Moncks Corner, SC
William Gregg McCants

Palmetto Sharp Shooters
1428
Anderson, SC
Joseph Levis Shirley

Battery White 1568
Georgetown, SC
Carl Monroe Long

Sam Davis 1293
Brentwood, TN
John Robert Paysinger

Freeman's Battery
Forrest's Artillery 1939
Savannah, TN
Uyless Lee Glover

Col. Thomas Alonzo
Napier 2040
Waverly, TN
John Hedge Whitfield

Hood's Texas Brigade 153
San Antonio, TX
**Charles Cater Berkeley
Adolph H. Russi**

George Overton Stoner
1000
Victoria, TX
Jack Richard Pickle

Captain Ike Turner 1275
Livingston, TX
Barney Monroe Poole

Magruder-Ewell 99
Newport News, VA
Edward H. Bittenbender

A. P. Hill 167
Colonial Heights, VA
Michael Sean Sours

J. E. B. Stuart 1343
Richmond, VA
Peter Charles Bance

Gen. Robert E. Lee 1589
Midlothian, VA
James Claiborne Mills

Wise Partisan Rangers
1756
Norton, VA
Darrell Roger Begley

Walker-Terry 1758
Wytheville, VA
Sam Hale Ward

Death, in its silent, sure march is fast gathering those who I have longest loved, so that when he shall knock at my door, I will more willingly follow.

— Robert E. Lee, 1869

Confederate Images

by C.E. Avery



Private Richard M. Redd *Co. A, 5th Missouri Cavalry*

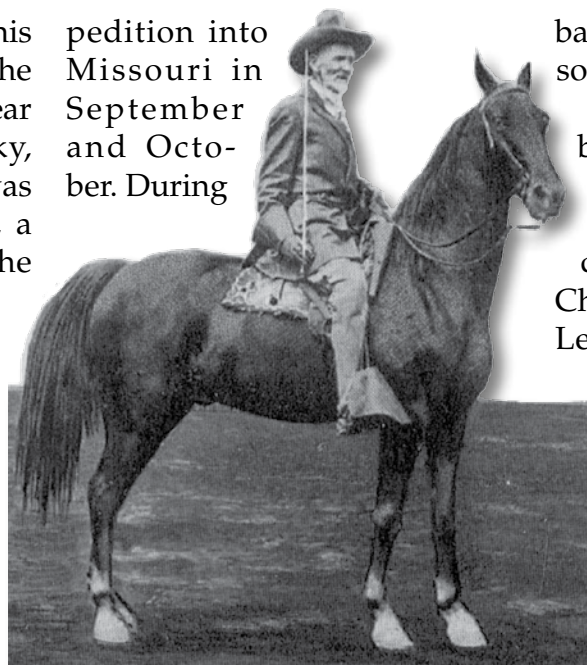
Richard was born in his ancestral home on the Georgetown Pike near Lexington, Kentucky, in 1840. His mother's sister was married to Matthew Jouett, a famous portrait painter of the period.

Some time prior to the war the family had moved to Missouri. He had three older brothers, all of whom served in Southern armies.

The exact date of Richard's enlistment is unknown but it is reported that he took the place of his brother, Captain O. F. Redd, who was captured in the battle of Helena, Arkansas, in January 1863.

The 5th Missouri Cavalry Regiment was assigned to Shelby's Brigade in the Trans-Mississippi Department. They took part in General Marmaduke's raid into Missouri and attack on Helena, Arkansas, in July of that year. They also took part in the operations against Union General Steele's expedition from Little Rock to Camden, from March to May 1864. Next, they took part in General Price's Missouri ex-

pedition into Missouri in September and October. During



this raid the 5th Missouri received its highest casualties, with 15 killed, 50 wounded and 41 men missing.

During this time Richard was stricken with scarlet fever and taken to Memphis, Tennessee, then later moved to Fayette County, Kentucky, to his home near Lexington. It was some time after Richard had enlisted that the family had returned to their home, and it was here that Richard was nursed back to health.

The 5th Missouri was dis-

banded in mid-May 1865, and the soldiers returned home.

Richard was a devout member of the Presbyterian Church; although he wasn't an ordained minister, he frequently conducted services at the Belmont Chapel, which he had erected in Lexington. He also became active in Confederate veteran affairs, being secretary of the Confederate Veteran Association at Lexington and honorary member of Morgan's Men Association.

Dick Redd also organized Bethel Chapel, where he was chaplain and where members of nine different denominations worshiped God.

He became commander of the John C. Breckenridge UCV Camp and eventually earned the rank of colonel within the UCV. The newspapers of the day reported him as a colorful figure in Confederate parades in his broadbrimmed hat, gray uniform, red sash and saber, and mounted on his horse, Major.

Dick died at his home in Lexington, Kentucky, on October 6, 1932, aged ninety-two years. ❧

William Henry Sebring

By E.W. Fredrickson, George Davis Camp 5, Wilmington, NC

William Henry Sebring was born Christmas Day, 1840 and began studying law under Thomas D. Eldridge in the year 1858. On April 1, 1861, he enlisted in the 2nd Tennessee Regiment, CSA, also known as the Carolina Greys (Co. E). The regiment was sent to Virginia, where Henry fought in the Battle of 1st Manassas. In February, 1862, he reenlisted at Corinth, Mississippi and was placed in Company D.

After fighting in the Battle of Shiloh, William Sebring suffered a stomach wound at Tupelo, Mississippi and was sent to make a slow recovery in the Confederate hospital at Enterprise, Alabama. While he was hospitalized, his regiment was sent to Kentucky. Sebring requested to accompany them, but being still too weak for duty, was refused.

When Sebring was released from the hospital, he was sent to Chattanooga, Tennessee, where he was assigned to be a clerk at the Camp of Direction. Later, he was promoted to adjutant,

and then brevet third lieutenant. In 1863, he was transferred to the Confederate Secret Service, under the command of General G.J. Haines. Sebring served as a carrier of military dispatches from the Confederate War Department in Richmond, Virginia and General Kirby Smith of the Army of Trans-Mississippi in Louisiana and General Holmes in Arkansas.

Sebring was captured by the Missouri Militia and some Kansas Jayhawkers on July 15, 1863, in Jacksonport, Arkansas, which was behind Federal lines. He was taken to St. Louis, where he was placed in the Gratiot Street Prison. He was quickly tried as a spy, and condemned to be shot. During that period, there had been so many Confederate prisoners executed after quick trials that Lincoln had issued an executive order stating that no one else could be executed by the military courts unless he, himself, had approved the order. Sebring's uncle, Abram Requa of New York, sent a letter to Lincoln on November 2, 1863 and then followed up

with a telegram that read "Pray don't act in the case of Lt. Sebring convicted at St. Louis of acts contrary to rules of war before Henry Winter Davis and Moses F. Odell can be heard in his behalf. Please answer by telegraph."

In December, William Sebring and three fellow prisoners attempted to escape from the prison. When their attempt was discovered, as a punishment they were handcuffed to a post outside in freezing weather and forced to spend several days and nights out in the elements. Eventually, the men were spotted by several young ladies who, from a balcony across the street, witnessed their sufferings. These women complained to the Commanding General, who ordered them released. Four prisoners did manage a successful escape on June 18, 1864 — one of them was William Sebring, who managed to make it back across the Federal lines to Richmond.

After he rejoined his detachment of Secret Service agents, he was sent on another dangerous mission to release Confederate

prisoners being held at Camp Douglas in Chicago. News of the attempt leaked out and several were recaptured. Lt. Sebring managed to elude the Federal captors once again, and make his way south. After being unable to return to Richmond, Lt. Sebring joined the 10th Kentucky Cavalry. He was made captain of Company C, and was with them when they surrendered at Mount Sterling on April 30, 1865.

In June, 1865, William met his future wife, Miss Annie Perdue in Memphis, Tennessee. They married on June 6, 1866, before a large gathering. Miss Perdue was from a distinguished Southern family. During her early years, she studied under a private tutor, and later attended a seminary for young ladies in Baltimore, Maryland. When she was thirteen, she began to show great promise as an artist, so she was sent to study painting under the famous artist George Healy, who had studios in Washington, DC and Rome, Italy. When war broke out in 1861, Annie was living in Memphis with her family. She became so active in working for the Southern Cause that her activities came to the attention of the Federals during the occupation of Memphis, and she was arrested and held as a spy. The bond for her release was \$10,000, a large sum in 1861. Annie had so many friends willing to sign her bond that more than \$10,000 was raised. After her release, she renewed her efforts to aid the South by carrying mail and dispatches through the Federal lines. She was discovered and returned to prison, but she was again released when the required bond was given. After being captured a third time, Annie was escorted south to the Confederate lines and released to a detachment of General Forrest's cavalry, who escorted her to Selma, Alabama. There she lived with friends, nursing the Southern wounded and making clothing for the men in the army. In March, 1908, she organized the Annie Perdue Sebring Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, in Jacksonville, Florida. She devoted much of her time to her chapter's welfare, until her death in 1913.

In 1871, William Sebring moved from Louisville, Kentucky and settled in Florida, where he



William Henry Sebring in his UCV general's uniform about 1901.

lived a life of distinction. He was County Judge of Levy County, Florida, for four years, beginning in 1877. He was commissioned a brigadier general of the Florida Militia in 1884. He was selected as a delegate to the Southern Immigration Convention and served as a delegate to the National Convention that nominated Grover Cleveland for president. In 1885 Sebring served as one of the commissioners of the World Cotton Centennial in New Orleans, Louisiana. Finally, from 1909-1913, William Sebring served as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida.

In 1915, Sebring was 75 years old and past commander of Camp Lee of the United Confederate Veterans. His war record was regularly called into question by a chronically disgruntled member who could not find Sebring's name listed in the war records of Company C, 10th Kentucky Cavalry.



William Henry Sebring and his wife Annie Perdue.

Sebring discovered that he had been erroneously recorded as *deserted* because his records had not followed him after he left the hospital at Enterprise and reported to Chattanooga. Determined to set the record straight, Commander Sebring compiled 43 pages of evidence of his Confederate service from 1861 until his surrender on April 30, 1865. He gathered letters from the generals and other officers he had served under, as well as many written statements from old comrades who had served under him, and presented them to the officers of his camp for a formal decision.

Report of Committee of R.E. Lee Camp 58, United Confederate Veterans:

The Verdict: "Your Committee exonerates their comrade, William H. Sebring, from even a suspicion of the charges brought against his good name. William helped to raise the Carolina Greys in Memphis, Tennessee. To the day he surrendered under General Giltner, your Committee fails to find any time he lost serving his country, and beyond our love for our Comrade and Neighbor, we take keen delight that we have been instrumental in clearing up the record of a good soldier."

William H. Sebring, gallant soldier, lawyer, and politician died February 14, 1926. ☒

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Chaplain's Comments

appropriated for themselves, leaving this venerable and distinguished minister to make his way home shoeless and coatless. Brother Grimsley said that once every month he visits the grave of poor Willis, which is at present in a dilapidated condition. He felt that the Shiloh Association should, through all coming time, keep watch over the ashes of that loved and honored martyr."

The Sons of Confederate Veterans exist to remember Albert "Bertie" Gallatin Willis and other noble martyrs to the Confederate Cause, for their lives were given for freedom and honor. But most of all, Willis' was also for the glory of God. Willis evidenced self-sacrifice like that of his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. On the 23rd of September 1899 a monument was unveiled at Front Royal, Virginia,

in memory of Mosby's men who were so cruelly murdered after surrendering. Willis was one of the seven. They have become known as "The Seven Martyrs." Deo Vindice

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Our convention luncheons will feature two world-class speakers, including Thomas DiLorenzo, author of *The Real Lincoln*, and William C. Davis, author of *Look Away! A History of the Confederate States of America* and *Jefferson Davis: The Man and His Hour*.

We are offering an all-day ladies' tour (includes lunch) to beautiful Nottaway and Oak Alley plantations. Let our deluxe motorcoach whisk you away to romantic River Road, where the Old South still lives!

An SCV memorial service will be held Friday, August 4, at historic St. Patrick's Catholic Church, a beautiful church with some great Confederate history. We are pleased to announce that our Grand Banquet and Ball will feature the music of a very talented Alabama Confederate band, Un-Reconstructed. Some of their previously released CD's include *Thistle-N-Dixie*, *Cotton Bales and Barley*, and *Christmas 1864*.

We look forward to seeing you all in New Orleans, the Queen City of the Old South!

Accommodations: Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, 500 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA (504) 525-2500. Room Rate \$98/night + tax (Single or Double). Ask for the SCV block of rooms.



Tentative Schedule – 111th SCV Annual Reunion

New Orleans, Louisiana – August 2-5, 2006



Wednesday, August 2

- 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Vendor Set-up & Sales
10:00 am- 3:00 pm SCV Registration & Credentials
4:30 pm – 9:00 pm Pre-convention Tour – Destrehan Plantation Dinner Dance & Buffet

Thursday, August 3

- 7:00 am – 4:00 pm SCV Registration & Credentials
8:00 am – 5:00 pm Sutlers/IHQ Merchandise Sales
8:00 am – 9:00 am Opening Ceremonies – 111th Annual Reunion
9:15am – 12:30 pm SCV Business Session I
10:00 am – 5:00 pm Ladies' Tour (*Nottaway & Oak Alley Plantations*) – Museum Shuttle Begins
12:30 pm-2:30 pm PGT Beauregard Luncheon – *Thomas DiLorenzo, Speaker*
2:30 pm – 5:00 pm SCV Business Session II

Friday, August 4

- 8:00 am – 3:00 pm SCV Registration & Credentials
8:00 am – Noon SCV Business Session III
8:00 am – 5:00 pm Sutlers/IHQ Merchandise Sales
9:00 am- Noon Confederate New Orleans Bus Tour I
12:15 pm – 1:45 pm SCV Awards Luncheon – William C. Davis, Speaker
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm SCV Department Meetings
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm SCV Memorial Service – St. Patrick's Catholic Church
9:00 p.m.-10:30 pm SCV Oratorical Contest

Saturday, August 5

- 8:00 am – 1:00 pm SCV Registration & Credentials
8:00 am – 3:00 pm Sutlers/IHQ Merchandise Sales
8:00 am – 1:30 pm SCV Final Business Session
9:00 am - Noon Confederate New Orleans Bus Tour II
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm Debutante Luncheon
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm Debutante Rehearsal
2:30 pm – 5:00 pm GEC Meeting
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Commander-in-Chief's Reception
7:00 pm - Midnight Doors open – Grand Banquet, Debutante Presentation & Confederate Ball

This schedule is subject to change. Final Schedule will be printed in the Official Reunion Program.

2006 SCV Debutante Information

We are planning a lovely, traditional New Orleans-style debutante presentation in 2006. Each young lady's photo will appear in the Official Convention Program. Cost of this year's presentation is \$250, which will include luncheon and banquet tickets, as well as other amenities. **For an information packet outlining amenities, dress code, etc., please contact Beauregard Camp 130, PO Box 6035, Metairie, LA 70003, or call 504-888-9288 and one will be mailed to you.**

Deadline for debutante registration is June 1, 2006.

Basic Debutante Registration Requirements:

Debutantes must be between the ages of 16 and 23 (inclusive) at the time of the presentation, have never been married or had marriage annulled, must never have given birth, and must be related to an active SCV member who will formally present her at the Ball. She shall never have been presented previously at any other SCV National Reunion.

Official 2006 Ancestor Memorial Form (For inclusion in 2006 Official Reunion Program)

\$10.00 per ancestor

Heading of Your Choice _____
(30 characters max.)

Ancestor's Name/Rank _____

Company/Unit _____

Descendant's Name _____

If purchasing more than one memorial, please use additional forms

Deadline is June 1, 2006. Mail completed form and check payable to **SCV Convention Corp.** to:

SCV Convention Corp.
Beauregard Camp 130
PO Box 6035
Metairie, LA 70003

You do not have to register for the convention to have an ancestor memorial in the program.

EVENT	QTY x	COST=	AMOUNT
Registration(s) <i>until June 1, 2006</i>		\$ 80.00	
Cabinet Level Membership <i>until June 1, 2006</i>		\$125.00	
<i>Registration required of all SCV members Attending all or any part of the convention.</i>			
Ancestor Memorial		\$ 10.00	
<i>(include Ancestor Memorial Form)</i>			
Convention Kick-off Supper Dance & Buffet at Destrehan Plantation		\$ 55.00	
Ladies' Day Out – <i>Lunch & Tour of Nottaway Plantation and Tour of Oak Alley Plantation</i>		\$ 55.00	
<i>_____ Shrimp Creole or _____ Chicken Iberville</i>			
Confederate New Orleans Bus Tour		\$ 27.00	
<i>_____ Friday, Aug. 4 or _____ Saturday, Aug. 5</i>			
PGT Beauregard Luncheon, Thursday, Aug. 3		\$ 28.00	
<i>Speaker: Thomas DiLorenzo _____ Chicken & Andouille Jambalaya or _____ Medallions of Pork w/fig glaze</i>			
SCV Awards Luncheon, Friday, Aug. 4		\$ 28.00	
<i>Speaker: William C. Davis _____ Fried Cornmeal Catfish or _____ Smoked Pork Ribs</i>			
Debutante Luncheon, Saturday, Aug. 5		\$ 30.00	
<i>Guest Ticket</i>			
Grand Banquet & Confederate Ball		\$ 65.00	
<i>_____ Oven Roasted Pork Loin or _____ Gulf Fish topped w/shrimp & crabmeat Please note: to attend the ball you must purchase a banquet ticket – no exceptions.</i>			
Extra Program & Reunion Medal		\$ 30.00	
Total:		\$	

Make Checks Payable to:

SCV Convention Corp.

Mail to:

Beauregard Camp 130, PO Box 6035, Metairie, LA 70001

****** Note:** *All tours subject to cancellation if insufficient number sign up by tour deadline. If no meal selection is made, we will assign you the first meal selection. No meal or tour tickets will be sold at the convention. All meal/tour ticket requests must be postmarked no later than July 1, 2006.*

Vendors: Contact Dave Holcombe, Beauregard Camp 130, PO Box 6035, Metairie, LA 70001.
Deadline July 1, 2006 or until tables are sold out.

2006 Annual Reunion Sons of Confederate Veterans Registration Form

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SCV Title _____

Preferred Name for Badge _____

Spouse (First and last name – for Badge) _____

Guest (First and last name – for Badge) _____

SCV Camp Name _____ Camp # _____

Registrations - General Membership

- August 11, 2005 to June 1, 2006 - \$80
- **Late Registration** After June 1, 2006 (including walk-ins) - \$80

All pre-registered members will receive a name badge, a ribbon with logo and slogan, a reunion medal, program, and a reunion bag (filled with goodies). (Late registration members will get only a name badge. Programs and reunion medals may not be available).

Cabinet Level Membership

- August 11, 2005 to June 1, 2006 - \$125 - **unavailable after this date!**

Cabinet Level Membership includes all the items of general membership with the addition of a special cabinet member ribbon, a **numbered** reunion medal, a commemorative bottle of Rebel Yell Whisky, and a commemorative set of re-strike pins, including a pin that **only** cabinet members will receive.

Membership General ☐ Cabinet Level ☐

Cash _____ Check No. _____ Total _____

–make checks payable to “SCV Convention Corp.”
and mail to Camp Beauregard, PO Box 6035, Metairie, LA 70003

Today & Tomorrow

Your lasting gift can help save the South



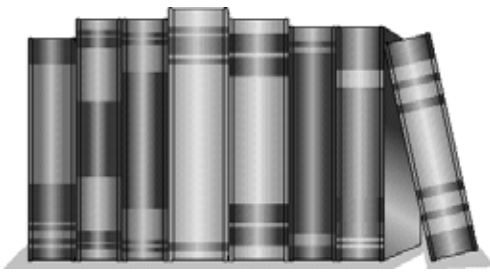
Today, your generous contribution of time, energy, and influence is helping to preserve the vibrant Southern culture handed down to us from our forefathers. Your bequest to the Sons of Confederate Veterans can help preserve our Southern heritage for tomorrow.

Making a lasting contribution to the Sons of Confederate Veterans is not just for the wealthy. Our donors come from all walks of life. By remembering the Sons of Confederate Veterans in your will, you will be giving one of the most powerful gifts one can give—helping to ensure the future of America's oldest heritage defense organization for the next generation of Southerners.

For more information on how you can make a bequest to the SCV, contact Executive Director Ben Sewell at 1-800-MY-DIXIE.



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Books in Print

The Hogs of Cold Harbor

Author Richard Lee Fulgham is a native of Georgia and a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. He remembers growing up with his grandfather in the Appalachian foothills of Alabama and hearing War stories about his great-grandfather who wore his Confederate uniform every day for the rest of his life after returning home from his service to the Confederate States of America.

Author Fulgham has based this novel on the original and unpublished diary of Private John Henry Hess, CSA, with permission of Barry Hess, his great grandson. In his Foreword to *The Hogs of Cold Harbor*, Fulgham states "Imagine a skeleton found with no clues to its bodily appearance. This is what I began with, the bones of a man who no longer exists."

The flesh that Fulgham molds onto the skeleton of John Henry Hess is remarkable. This "work of creative nonfiction" begins in the Clinch River Valley of Russell County, Southwest Virginia, when Johnny is eighteen years old, in 1861. The War Between the States had already started. John's best friend was Napoleon Bonaparte Garrett, who had an older brother Isaac. They had read about what was happening in the Confederate States of America and listened to any news that came their way. They discussed the War at length and believed in their guts that they would have to enlist to protect their homes, loved ones, religion, and treasured farmland from the hated Northern invaders.

In this part of Southwest Virginia and in many other parts of the South, wild hogs outnumbered people. Johnny

Hess already farmed many acres and had become accustomed to the ravage raids of the wild hogs, especially on his corn fields. He had observed, though, that as merciless and destructive as these wild hogs were, they never destroyed their own kind. During his journey through battle and bloodshed of the War, all the way to Cold Harbor, Johnny learned the truth of his bestial analogy. Yankee soldiers did what wild pigs would not do.

John married Anna Catharine Miller on March 19, 1862, and enlisted eighteen days later. He, Napoleon, and Isaac joined the 29th Virginia Infantry Regiment under CSA General Humphrey Marshall. General Marshall had formed the Army of Eastern Kentucky, made up of the 29th Virginia

Infantry Regiment, the 5th Kentucky Infantry Regiment, the 54th Virginia Infantry Regiment, Dunn's Infantry Battalion, Jeffress Artillery Battery with two guns, Simmonds Artillery Battery, and a Cavalry Regiment known as Bradley's Mounted Rifles. General Marshall was a smooth-tongued orator who saw his duty to keep his tiny Army at home and protect his beloved part of the South.

Major Squealing Porcino, second in command to General Marshall, chafed under these conditions and plotted to have the 29th Virginia Infantry transferred to the lethal environs of East Virginia. Through his maneuvering, the Regiment was transported to Richmond and eventually placed under the command of Generals Pickett and Longstreet. General Marshall, humiliated by these developments, resigned from the Army of Eastern Kentucky and was later elected to the Confederate Congress.

Part 3: 1863 begins with this sentence: "The horror for Johnny Hess began March 25, 1863." Author Fulgham narrates in fascinating detail the remaining months of the War that Hess took part in.

The Hogs of Cold Harbor is required reading for all Confederates who appreciate War history. Author Fulgham has indeed *fleshed* out the skeleton of Johnny Hess. His battle research is impeccable and his fiction creates the *you are there* feeling through his characters. Included in this volume is the Diary of John Henry Hess, which readers will enjoy. Fulgham has also compiled a thorough bibliography that gives readers additional sources for their own research and perusal.

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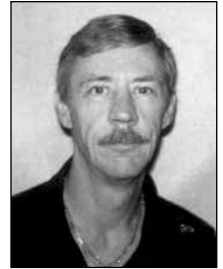
The Second Georgia Infantry Regiment

The author F. Mikell Harper is a graduate of the Citadel and the University of South Carolina Law School.

He is well qualified to write a book about a military unit in combat, not only because of his Citadel experience, but because he is a Vietnam War Veteran. In 2001 Harper retired from his law practice in Beaufort, SC, to the small village of Rabun Gap, GA. Since then he has been engaged in independent research and writing in the United States and Northern Ireland, with an emphasis on his Scotch-Irish heritage. He is a member of the Augusta, GA,

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Hallowed Ground



Graves & Monuments Committee

Mike Mitchell – Chairman

Dear Friends and Compatriots;

Committee Report

From a deluge of emails on my last column, it seems as if more people read it than I thought. I'm pleased. Let me see if I can clarify something for you. My first emphatic point is that nothing should be secretive. Our ancestors' accomplishments and glories should be shouted from the highest mountains. Our lists, databases, rosters, and registries should be easily accessible to ALL, even non-members. They should be filed with your state archives, state cemetery boards, state historical and regional library, posted on the Internet: FREE! This is the way the CGR (or Confederate Graves Registry) will be when complete. We will not charge members or others to research some secret archive, they will be able to do it themselves.

However, I believe in copyright. Always give credit to the folks that did the work. The CGR will be protected by copyright, to prevent illegal or scandalous use of it or changes made to a portion or all of it.

This brings me to the second point, PROFIT. Personally, I have sold several books and registries in the past to cover the cost of printing/publishing but never sold them for profit, and never will. To place these in different archives, schools and libraries takes some capital. Recently one SCV group and one non-SCV group have reformatted and added some information to someone else's

list, and sold these rosters for club/camp fundraisers. Just for profit. They are benefiting on your time and labors by stealing your work in the name of money. THIS IS WRONG.

Mississippi Workshop update

The weather was bad and the attendance even worse. Although it was for the MS Division SCV, we were graced with the presence of the UDC and even George West from two states away, Texas. Overall, I would call it a success, though. At the Beauvoir Confederate Cemetery, a total of 39 toppled stones from Hurricane Katrina were reset, the tomb of the Unknown Confederate Soldier restored, Iron Crosses painted and debris removed.

At the Old Biloxi Cemetery three Confederate veterans' graves were restored, along with three others. I only wish we could have done more with the level of destruction done here in the old section. We even received favorable TV coverage. Check out <http://www.wlox.com/Global/story.asp?S=4552982&nav=6DJI>

My thanks to the MS Division SCV, the MS Heritage Trust and my own Miami-Dade Heritage Trust for their help. Another shining star was Greg Stewart of the SCV for his help. Also many thanks to Gary Streeper and Dan McCalkill for their efforts.

Preservation Notes:

Cleaning Gravestones

Preservationists' credo: Do no damage; do nothing that can't be reversed.

Cleaning grave markers is one of the first topics people ask about during workshops, but one of the least-important topics when preserving any historical burial ground. If it's done wrong, it can actually cause irreversible damage. Ruth Brown with the Connecticut Gravestone Network puts it this way, "Enough with the wire brushes! Do you clean your teeth with a wire brush? Bleach? No!" This is where we get our negative nickname of "Headstone polishers."

A few terms and definitions:

Patina: a thin layer of corrosion, usually brown or green, that appears on copper or copper alloy as a result of oxidation

Vintage: of a year or period of origin; a vintage car of 1924. Of or pertaining to a vintage, of very high quality, of the best or most distinctive

Antique: of ancient times, especially those of ancient Greece or Rome. An object of special value because of its age, especially a work of art or handcrafted piece more than 100 years old

Biological growth or biogens: mold or fungus is usually black, but sometimes can be found in green, gray, red, brown yellow or orange, though orange is rare. Lichens are rosettes about the size of a dime or quarter and look like a plant or flower, gray to green in color. Both thrive in dark, damp conditions

Stains: transient stains are bird droppings, berry stains from trees, decaying matter from leaf or grass

clippings. When it rains and ground cover is sparse, dirt splashes up on the stone and lingers.

The first thing to consider when choosing a method should always be “Does the stone truly need cleaning?” Many people mistake the vintage look or the patina for dirt. To aggressively clean this is to rob it of its history. They have taken 100 or in some cases 200 years to look this way. Is it a biogen? Aggressive cleaning can cause irreparable damage. Sorry, folks, but it will only grow back. If you start a program of washing it, you’ll find you need to do it every few months and you greatly increase the chance of damage, no matter how gentle you are.

Five to maybe ten percent of biogens can be removed without even touching the stone. In heavily shaded areas, cut out all dead branches and a few of the living branches, if possible, to bring in more sunlight and improve air flow around the stone. This brightens up the area. Sun retards the growth of molds and kills some of what is there. This has a great side effect: it protects the stone from deadfall coming down and damaging or breaking the stone. As a byproduct, you protect the stone from the damage of falling limbs and bring in more light.

If you feel compelled to *clean it*, two issues should be addressed — condition and composition. Are there any cracks? Is it leaning? Is it splaying? This is where the tympanum or top starts to split along the bedding plains as the rock was laid down when it was formed. If any of these conditions exist, do not clean it. Is it sugaring? Italian marble is less porous and carries a slightly higher shine; whereas, American marble is more porous and duller. Most of our exposure is American. When they have been exposed to acid rain or strong chemicals they sugar. This is where you can rub your hand on the stone and small flakes will appear on



George West and Doris Simmons at the tomb of the Unknown Confederate at Beauvoir.

your palm. How thin is the stone? Thin stones will crack at the base if you lean on them while cleaning or pushing hard when scrubbing. If it’s a $\frac{3}{4}$ or one-inch or up to two inches, clean very carefully by putting equal pressure on the other side of the stone as you scrub.

Marbles are handled differently from slate, shiest, sandstone and limestone. Granite also receives different treatments. Then you have iron, bronze, white bronze, wood and other materials. These later materials will not be addressed here.

Lots of water is the secret. Take your rings off. With garden hoses, cut the metal end off to prevent nozzles from being added. This will prevent scratching the stone. Some municipal water companies will provide a water pressure of 100 to 120 pounds per square inch. This is the same pressure used for sandblasting and etching monuments.

I use just water — yes, that’s right, just water. In rural or farmstead cemeteries where there is no water source you will need to bring your own water. Soak a towel in water and wrap the stone. This supersedes the growth and can be scraped off with a popsicle stick or tongue depressor. Four water jugs are needed. One to clean with, the

second to rinse with, the third to rinse again. The fourth is to drink. Dehydration can be a problem, and something I personally forget.

Brushes should be a natural pile or bristle, not plastic — and never wire. The softer the better! I also keep a few old toothbrushes around for deep inscriptions. Other options will be covered in the next issue of the *Confederate Veteran*.

Potpourri

“Park Open 5:00 AM to 10:00 PM.” Yes, it’s true, and in Jacksonville, FL, for the City Cemetery.

Cemeteries should not be open before sunup or after sunset, or IN THE DARK! This cemetery does not have lighting.

Genealogy Quips

Isn’t genealogy fun? The answer to one problem leads to two more!

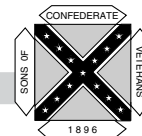
Yours in Preservation and Southern Pride,

Mike Mitchell
Chairman, Graves and Monuments Committee

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Army of Northern Virginia



The **Secession Camp 4**, Charleston, SC, sponsored the First Annual Heritage Motorcycle Ride in September 2005. Approximately 350 bikers turned out to ride a course that took them to WBTS historical sites in the Charleston area. Pictured are volunteers from Secession Camp who worked the event. From left, back row, Andy Langdale, Jamie Parks, Woody Weatherford, David Rentz, Bill Baber, Jesse Bryant, Manning Williams, Wayne Dukes, Robert Moorer, Don Pace, Perry Patrick, Gene Patrick and Merrill Hanna. Front row, from left, Buck Perry, Bill Norris, Chris Dukes, George Nauman, Randy Burbage and Loren O'Donnell.



Pictured is **Rivers Bridge Camp 842**, Fairfax, SC, Commander Buzz Braxton setting the stage for the reenactment of blacksmithing, soap-making, care of armaments, and the firing of the cannon at the Second Annual Youth Day Camp at Barker's Mill. There were more than thirty youth in attendance, with many parents and other interested adults present.



The members of the **Colonel D. H. Lee Martz Camp 10**, Harrisonburg, VA, are working with the CWPT to restore "The Coaling Site" on the Port Republic Battlefield. This is a continuing project to restore the site to the appearance shown in an 1880 photograph. Pictured from left, Mark Thompson, Tom Campbell, Keith Robinson, Doug Meadows, David Cash, Eric Wimer, Tom Chastin, Phil Way, Dan Goodson, Rod Clark and John Mann IV.



Since 1987 the **Colonel Harry W. Gilmor Camp 1388**, Baltimore, MD, Color Guard has led the Confederate Brigade at the annual Remembrance Day Parade at Gettysburg, and on November 19, 2005, the Gilmor Guard led it again. Pictured from left, Bob Lyons, Bruce Null, Steve Smith, John Wood and Ron Glazier.



Pictured at left is David S. Clarke, a member of the **Turner Ashby Camp 1567**, Winchester, VA, inspecting a new helicopter ramp at Balad, Iraq. The second picture shows a MS state flag flying over the USAF compound at Talil Air Base, outside the southern Iraqi town of An Nasiriyah. Compatriot Clarke is now back home.



Pictured is **Mingo Camp 1717**, Spivey's Corner, NC, Commander Ronald Horne at the Aversboro Battlefield Living History Event, informing the public about SCV and selling tickets to the drawing for the John Paul Strain print seen in the background.

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



The **Rocky Face Rangers Camp 1948**, Taylorsville, NC, held a headstone dedication service on Sunday afternoon August 7, 2005, at the Friendship Lutheran Church. Pictured is Josh Baker, who is the son of adjutant Arlice Baker. Eleven Confederate headstones were dedicated.



On September 24, 2005 the **Private John Wesley Culp Memorial Camp 1961**, Gettysburg, PA, held their second-annual Trap Shoot in Waynesboro, PA. The event was attended by members from the Lee's Keystone Division and the Maryland Division. The winners were, from left, 1st Place 16 yds., James Palmisano II, Culp Camp; Women's 1st Place, Becky Palmisano; 2nd Place 16 yds., Jim Geary; 1st Place Overall, Gary Sutphin, **Private Wallace Bowling Camp 1400**, La Plata, MD; Women's 2nd Place, Sharon Palmisano, OCR Chapter 34, Gettysburg, PA; 2nd Place Overall, Gary Funk, Bowling Camp; 1st Place Handicap, Tom Gary, **Colonel William Norris Camp 1398**, Darnestown, MD; and 2nd Place Handicap, Jim Palmisano, Commander, Culp Camp.



Pictured is the **Captain William L. Day Camp 2091**, Orange, VA, Color Guard at the wreath-laying ceremony for the rededication of the UDC Confederate Monument at the Cedar Mountain Battlefield on Saturday, August 6, 2005.



Members of the **Samuel McDowell Tate Camp 836**, Morganton, NC, at a recent cleanup at the Walker Top Church and grounds. The church is the oldest log church east of the Mississippi River and was built by Confederate veterans.



The **Colonel Charles F. Fisher Camp 813**, Graham, NC, held its 1st Adopt-a-Highway trash pickup in January, 2006. Sixteen members and their families participated. The family atmosphere made it a fun outing. They will do this four times a year.



On December 11, 2005, the **Appomattox Rangers Camp 1733**, Appomattox, VA, held a living history at Clover Hill Village. Pictured from left, Joseph Buchanan, Jesse Osborne, Mike Keesee and E. Wayne Phelps.

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Delaware Grays Camp 2068, Seaford, DE, Compatriot Claude E. Eldreth was awarded the SCV War Service Medal by his grandson and Camp Adjutant Robert B. Eldreth, Jr. Compatriot Eldreth served in the Army during WWII in the American Theater Campaign within the 376th Infantry, Co. L, and witnessed the surrender of Berlin, Germany. Compatriot Eldreth received the Victory Medal and three Bronze Stars and was field-promoted to sergeant. He is the great-great-grandson of Private Levi Eldridge, 5th KY Mounted Infantry, Co. F & H. We thank Claude for his service!



On the weekend of November 12 and 13, 2005, members of the **Captain Jonas Cook Camp 888**, Mt. Pleasant, NC, participated in the 24th Annual American Heart Association Ride-a-Thon at Myrtle Beach, SC. Pictured from left, Gene Pennell, Mike (Possum) Long, and Mike (Doc) Mock.



Members of the **McDowell Men Camp 379**, Marion, NC, placed a stone for Private John L. Goodson in Ebenezer Cemetery in Old Fort, NC. Pictured from left, Mack Wilson, Barry Spratt, David Padgett, David Lawing, Al Mewborn, Norman Bradley and Greg Hensley.



The **Palmetto Sharpshooters Camp 1428**, Anderson, SC, selected the Hospice House of the Upstate as its 2005 Christmas Charity. The camp collected monetary donations and purchased much-needed supplies for the Hospice House. Pictured from left, Camp Commander Jamey Wentzky, Hospice Nurses Sandra Pettigrew and Jenny Whittle, Jason Corder and Angie Corder.



Pictured are the seventh-and eighth-grade classes of Clarendon Hill with their teachers and Compatriot Billy Syftett, who gave a presentation on a soldier's life during the War Between the States. It was sponsored by the **Colonel Henry Laurens Benbow Camp 859**, Manning, SC.



Danny Turner, Sr., and Danny Turner, Jr., members of the **Major Egbert Ross Camp 1423**, Charlotte, NC, stand beside the newly arrived tombstone of their ancestor, David W. Turner, a member of the 30th NC Troops, Co. E.



Army of Northern Virginia



General Robert E. Lee addresses members of the **General Lewis A. Armistead Camp 1302**, Jacksonville, NC. General Lee had attended the camp's successful 8th Annual Encampment at the County Museum Fairgrounds.



Members of the **Lane-Armistead Camp 1772**, Mathews, VA, manned a booth at the Mathews Market Days on September 8 and 9, 2005. It is an annual event at the county courthouse. Pictured in the booth are Compatriots Ralph Anderton and Morgan Pritchett.



The **Jefferson Davis Camp 7**, Easley, SC, hosted the descendants of Sergeant James Benjamin Hester, 2nd SC Cavalry, at a November 19, 2005, Southern Cross of Honor dedication ceremony at his grave in Easley. Pictured in back, from left, Herb Hester, Drake Hester, Marshall Hester, Camp Commander Ken Nabors, Jim Forrester, Joe Hester, Stuart Hester, Jerry Hester, unidentified, Scott Hester and Newell Hester. Children in front, from left, Shannon Alice Hester, Benjamin Hester and Rebecca Hester.



Rockingham Rangers Camp 1835, Mayodan, NC, Commander Derek Webster, center, welcomes two new members, Hunter Coleman, left, and Mark Bradshaw, right, at their September 2005 meeting.

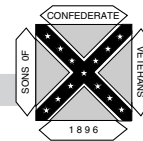


On July 12, 2005, members of the **Kemper-Fry-Strother Camp 19**, Madison, VA, marched in the Madison Fireman's parade. Compatriot Butch Brown and his son Brad rode in Butch's 1972 Chevy pickup. Pictured from left, Jim Embree, Butch Brown and son Brad, Chris Knight, David Curtis, Camp Commander Bill Graham and L.T. Fox.



Pictured is the Confederate Memorial Day Service held by the **Rivers Bridge Camp 842**, Fairfax, SC, at the Bamberg County Confederate monument.

Army of Tennessee



The **Brigadier General E. Porter Alexander Camp 158**, Augusta, GA, held a Memorial Service and Marker Dedication for Lt. Thomas Jasper Carr 43 GA Infantry, one of the Immortal 600, at Sunrise Cemetery in Maysville, GA, December 17, 2005. Pictured from left, Ernie Franklin, David Powell, Ben Creech and Jack Bailie.



The **Kirby-Smith Camp 1209**, Jacksonville, FL, passed a Confederate kepi at their Christmas party and \$300 was collected for the Jacksonville Children's Home Society. On December 21, 2005, Adjutant Calvin Hart and 1st Lt. Tim Burris donated a check from the Kirby-Smith Camp to Nick Geinosky, a CHS director.



On November 13, 2005, **The Yancy Independents Camp 693**, Sylvestor, GA, held a double-headstone dedication in the Poulan, GA, City Cemetery for Charles and Peter Pelham, brothers of the famous Major John Pelham, referred to by General Robert E. Lee as "The Gallant Pelham" of Alabama. Charles served as a lieutenant and Peter as a private in Co. C of the 51st Alabama Cavalry Regiment, Partisan Rangers. The compatriots of Camp 693 were assisted by members of several other camps, including those in Albany, Cochran, Leesburg, Moultrie, Nashville and Ocilla, GA.



The **General William Wing Loring Camp 1316**, St. Augustine, FL, held a highway cleanup in January 2006. Pictured from left, Judy Davis, President of the Ancient City Chapter UDC; Sheila Greenleaf, UDC; Dana Cooper, UDC; Angie Bender, UDC; Jim Davis AOT Chief of Staff; FL Division Deputy Director Jan Parham and Camp Commander Randy Bender.



Pictured are members of **A. Livingston Camp 746**, Madison, FL, doing a living history at the Hickory Grove Baptist Church Reunion in October 2005. Pictured from left, Dale Wetmore, Bill Wright and Scott Coody.



The **Colonel John Singleton Mosby Camp 1409**, Kingsport, TN, had Compatriot Frank Scarpino of the Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp in Knoxville as guest speaker on the Fort Sumter Crisis. Other guests included 1st LT Commander Dave Roberts of the Powell Camp in Blountville and Compatriot Richard Johnson of the Clinch Mountain Rangers in Gate City, VA. Also pictured is Mosby Camp member Compatriot Max Middleton.

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The **Fort Heiman Camp 1834**, Murray, KY, with assistance from Tilghman-Beauregard Camp 1460, Mayfield KY, sponsored a Ghost Walk at Maplewood Cemetery in Mayfield, KY, on September 17, 2005. Pictured is Colonel Edward Crossland, portrayed by Sandy Forrest, beside his tent.



On September 24, 2005, The **Captain James Knox Camp 2022**, Waynesville, GA, participated in the dedication of three Confederate gravemarkers at the Knox Cemetery, Nahunta, GA. The eldest member of the soldier's family received a Confederate Battle Flag as part of the ceremony, donated by the Lawton-Gordon-Evans Brigade Chapter 2637 UDC, Nahunta, GA. Past Adjutant Huey Ham was the eldest member of the Noah Wainright family attending the Ceremony, and received the folded Battle Flag in his memory.



Justin C. Wilkinson, a member of the **Clement A. Evans Camp 64**, Waycross, GA, graduated from Georgia Southern University on May 7, 2005. During the ceremony he placed a real GA State Flag and a "Let Georgia Vote" sticker on his mortarboard.



AL Division NE Brigade Commander Gary Carlyle, principal at Sylvania, AL, High School, is shown at his office desk with no shortage of Confederate symbols.



On the morning of November 12, 2005, members of the **General David E. Twiggs Camp 1462**, Wauchula, FL, assisted by the **Major W. M. Footman Camp 1950**, Ft. Myers, FL, held an Iron Cross Dedication to honor two Confederate veterans buried in the Ft. Ogden Cemetery, Desoto County, FL. Pictured from left, Matthew Tomlinson, Dennis Cline, Terry Hudson, Camp 1462 Commander Graylin Smith, Tony Perry, Leon Arthur and Camp 1950 Commander Robert Gates. The widows in black are UDC members Evelyn Arthur and Ladonna Perry.



Pictured are members of the **John C. Breckinridge Camp 100**, Lexington, KY, the **Roger Hanson Camp 1844**, Winchester, KY, and the **Private E.F. Arthur Camp 1783**, Corbin, KY, after marching in the Clark County Old-Fashioned Days' Parade on July 30, 2005. They were awarded the first-place trophy for Best Marching Unit in the parade.

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On Saturday, July 2, 2005, **Freeman's Battery Forrest's Artillery Camp 1939**, Savannah, TN, and the **Winston County Grays Camp 1788**, Haleyville, AL, went in action at Circuit Judge Bobby Aderholdt's yearly 4th of July celebration. AL Supreme Court Justice Parker also attended. Pictured from left, Todd Richardson, Dan Schmidtkofer, Congressman Aderholdt, Steve Turner, Seb Hunter, Tommy Hunter and Robert Parrish.



Pictured are some of the many **Florida Division** Compatriots in attendance at the Confederate Ball at our National Reunion, held July 2005 in Nashville, TN.



Members of the **Brigadier General Roswell S. Ripley Camp 1535**, Worthington, OH, hold a service to honor the 2,260 Confederates buried at Camp Chase in Columbus, OH, each year. The service in 2005 was held on Memorial Day Sunday.



Randy S. Miller, a member of the **Colonel W.M. Bradford/Colonel J.G. Rose Camp 1638**, Morristown, TN, and H.K. Edgerton walk past the Chevrolet-Buick dealership in Morristown as part of H.K.'s march to Maryville, TN, to protest local school officials banning Confederate symbols.



Quinton Paul, a charter member of **Finley's Brigade Camp 1614**, Havana, FL, with the restored graves of Captain Abner Smith's family. Captain Smith's gravemarker had fallen down. More than 1,800 pounds of concrete mix was used to repair the foundation.



Harold Calhoun, a member of the **Robert A. Toombs Camp 932**, Vidalia, GA, located the unmarked grave of his great-grandfather Private James I. Calhoun, 61st GA Infantry, and secured a military marker for his final resting place. He then brought his son Donald, grandson Shannon and great-grandson Colby to celebrate the occasion.



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Pictured is the **Private E.F. Arthur Camp 1783**, Corbin, KY, float at the Nibroc parade in Corbin in August 2005. Ten infantry soldiers made up of camp members followed the float.



The **N.B. Forrest Camp 3**, Chattanooga, TN, honored Matthew Walker, Jr. at his Eagle Scout Court of Honor on July 16, 2005. Matthew's Eagle Scout project provided maintenance and renovation at the Chattanooga Confederate Cemetery. Pictured from left, Bill Shackelford, Matthew Walker, Jr., Terry Siler and Eddie Ivester.



The third-annual picnic for the **John Hance O'Steen Camp 770**, Trenton, FL, was held at the O'Leno State Park. There were a total of 58 members, families and friends, including five SCV Camps and five UDC Chapters, attending.



On November 6, 2004, the **Stewart-Webster Camp 1607**, Weston, GA, headed a double-memorial headstone-dedication ceremony at the Sardis Baptist Church Cemetery, Yeoman's Community, Terrell County, GA. Confederate veterans honored were Private Abner Wade Faircloth, Co. E, 1st GA Regulars and Private Narcissus Franklin Harrell, Sr., Co. F, 46th GA Infantry.



Pictured is Compatriot MSG James W. Borum, Jr., a member of the **Major General William D. McCain Camp 584**, Columbia, TN, and a member of the Texas Army National Guard with the 1st Cavalry Division from Columbia, TN, holding a Battle Flag in the Green Zone in Baghdad, Iraq. The flag is signed by the soldiers in the unit and is now on display at Elm Springs.



The **Lt. Colonel William Luffman Camp 938**, Chatsworth, GA, celebrated Confederate Memorial Day Saturday, April 23, 2005, at Spring Place Cemetery, Murray County, GA. Pictured is Milton Clarke along with his granddaughter Kaylee Parker, placing a memorial wreath at the camp namesake's grave.

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On Veterans' Day, 2005, members of the **R.E. Lee Camp 239**, Fort Worth, TX, and The Order of Confederate Gray assembled at Rose Hill Cemetery in Fort Worth to dedicate the restored Southern Cross of Honor at the grave of Major James M. Handley. The Honor Guard was composed of Camp Commander Johnny Wells, Dennis Hudgens, David Moore, Paul Martin, Bruce Pastusek, Floyd Cox and William Ray.



The **Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710**, Sierra Vista, AZ, took part in the 76th Annual Helldorado Days in Tombstone, AZ, on October 21-23, 2005. The "Town Too Tough To Die" has celebrated its founding every year, beginning with its 50th anniversary in 1929. Camp 1710 provided a mounted Color Guard, a marching infantry detachment and a buckboard pulled by a matched team of mules. Pictured is the Color Guard preparing to move out for the parade. Pictured from left, Les Cogar, John Rogers, Curt Tipton, Herb Sampson and Dwaine Bright.



The **Governor Sam Lanham Camp 586**, Weatherford, TX, along with the TX Division Mounted Color Guard participated in the Weatherford Christmas Parade honoring Texas National Guard troops on December 17, 2005.



The **Walter P. Lane Camp 1745**, Orange, TX, installed a Texas State Historical Marker on the Orange County Court House lawn. Pictured from left, Kenny Peveto, Rick Smith, Ray Broomes, Allen Connel, Granvel Block, Bobby Tisdale, Mike Bean and Greg Lambert.



Pictured at the October 2005 monthly meeting of the **General John Gregg Camp 958**, Longview, TX, are from left, John Hardin, Camp Commander Sam Mercer and Lt. Commander John Bolton standing by the new Gregg Camp banner made by Compatriot Jim Wallace.



The **General Nathan Bedford Forrest Camp 1931**, Covington, LA, gave a subscription of the *Confederate Veteran* magazine to the St. Tammany Parish Library in Covington. Pictured from left, Lt. Commander Jim Falterman, library genealogist Al Barron and Camp Commander George Gottschalk.

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Brigadier General William Steele Camp 1857, Leavenworth, KS and the Colonel Allen R. Witt Camp 615, Conway AR, honor Compatriot Tyrone Williams' ancestor, Private William Thompson, 16th SC Infantry, by placing a Confederate headstone on his grave. Pictured from left, Camp 1857 Commander Ed Kennedy, Camp 615 Commander Roger Mills, Compatriot Tyrone Williams and Colonel Marc Williams, next to the recently-placed headstone at the rural cemetery in Conway, AR, on January 15, 2006.



W.W. Heartsill Camp 2042, Marshall, TX, Commander Frank Smith, Jr., presented the "Advance the Colors" certificate to Dean Turlington, a local barber in Marshall who flies the Battle Flag outside his place of business and has CSA memorabilia on display in his barber shop, at their October, 2005 camp meeting.



Compatriots from five East TX Brigade Camps participated in a marker dedication in Henderson, TX, on February 26, 2006. The camps were the Walter P. Lane Camp 1455, Longview, TX; James P. Douglas Camp 124, Tyler, TX; J.M. "Matt" Barton Camp 441, Sulphur Springs, TX; W.W. Heartsill 2042, Marshall, TX; and the Stone Fort Camp 1944, Nacogdoches, TX.



The Colonel John T. Coffee Camp 1934, Stockton, MO, held a memorial service for Colonel D.C. Hunter at the Deepwood Cemetery in Nevada, MO, on October 1, 2005. Pictured from left, Keith Ayers, Brian Steward, Gary Ayres, Dave Reif, Kelly Ayres, Pat Brophy and Eldon Steward.



Members of the General Wade Hampton Camp 2023, Modesto, CA, participated in the 2005 Gettysburg reenactment. Pictured at the Blackstone cemetery, Blackstone, VA, gravesite of Colonel James S. Gilliam, 9th VA Infantry, from left: Ron Heiskell, Tommy Souza, Jared Greene, Joshua Chiulli, Preston Gilliam and Mark Wilson. Preston Gilliam wears a reproduction of his great-great-great-grandfather's uniform and holds a flag of the 9th VA.



At the 2nd Annual Moonlight and Magnolia Antebellum Ball and Banquet held on January 21, 2006, hosted by the J.L. Halbert Camp 359, Corsicana, TX, Compatriot Forrest Green was presented the SCV War Service Medal. He was a member of the Flying Tigers in World War II. Pictured from left, Brandon Ford, Camp Commander Jay Smith, Forrest Green, Greg Manning and Chad Weldon.

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The **General Felix H. Robertson Camp 129**, Waco, TX, hosted a marker-dedication at Blevins Cemetery, Blevins, TX, on October 22, 2005. Honored was Private Daniel Bowers, Co. A, 29th MS Infantry. Pictured standing, second from left, is Compatriot Ken Gates, great-great-grandson of Bowers.



On December 10, 2005, the **2nd Texas Frontier Camp 1904**, DeLeon, TX, and the Cactus Rose Chapter OCR held their Christmas in Dixie Celebration. Guest speaker Brad Johnson, a member of the **William H.L. Wells Camp 1588**, Plano, TX, presented The Origin of the Rebel Yell. Pictured from left, Brad Johnson, Karla Johnson, Comanche County Judge James Authur, Thomas Harrison and Richard Burney.



Members of the **Major Thomas McGuire Camp 1714**, West Monroe, LA, received a banner for the local UDC at their December meeting. Pictured from left, Jim Miller, Gerald Graves, Carter Campbell, Mike Moss and Danny McDowell.



Pictured is Allen P. Harrison, a member of the **Chief Black Dog Camp 1829**, Coffeyville, KS, after installing a new Confederate headstone for his great-grandfather in May, 2005. Private Samuel Houston Hensley, Co. I, 26th TX Cavalry rests in the South Bethel Cemetery, Braggs, OK.



At the Christmas meeting of the **Colonel Samuel D. Russell Camp 1617**, Natchitoches, LA, Camp Commander Dr. Robert Morris Peters, left, presented Ladies' Appreciation Medals to Mrs. Thomas (Carla) Custis, center, and Mrs. Richard (Brenda) Baker.



On June 18, 2005, the **Jefferson Davis Camp 474**, Lafayette, LA, held a Jefferson Davis luncheon in honor of President Davis' birthday. Pictured is Dr. James Wilson of the Center for Louisiana Studies at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, receiving an SCV Certificate of Appreciation from Camp Commander Al Bethard.



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Pictured are LA Division members at the Battle of Corinth on October 2, 2005. Front row, from left, Ben Head and David Hill of the **Lt. General Richard Taylor Camp 1308**, Shreveport, LA, and Steve Cook, a member of the **Major Thomas McGuire Camp 1714**, West Monroe, LA. Back row, from left, Thomas Taylor, a member of the **Captain Thomas O. Benton Camp 1444**, Monroe, LA; Bobby Herring and Scott Summers, members of Camp 1308; Eddie Emory, a member of Camp 1714 and Ed Rlayburn, 13th LA Infantry.



On October 29, 2005, members of the **Colonel E.W. Taylor Camp 1777**, Bedford, TX, met at Oakwood Cemetery in Fort Worth, TX, to clean and refurbish the mausoleum of Colonel Taylor, who served in the 19th TX. Pictured from left, David Stewart, Tim Pringle, George Birkholz, Bob Gresham, James Alderman, Tom Trawick, Ron Parker, Robert Gay and Steve Harriman.



At the Old Washington, AR, reenactment held on November 4-6, 2005, near Hope, AR, the crew of the Lane Battery, a unit of the **General Walter P. Lane Camp 1455**, Longview, TX, took time out to pose for a photo. Pictured from left, Eddie Nichols, Michael Cook, Robert Sullivan, Jerry Blding, Travis Rousseau, Mac Meredith, and Ben Hay. Kneeling from left, Lynn Kuenstler and his son Cody.



Members of the **Albert Sidney Johnston Camp 983**, Decatur, TX, installed a bronze plaque in the Thomas Cemetery, in west Wise County, honoring William A. Chitwood, Co. F, Williams Regiment, Missouri Cavalry. Pictured back row from left, Frank Perrin, Clyde McMurray and H.L. Ross. Kneeling in front are Clayton Woodruff and W.B. Woodruff.



The **Frontier Guards Camp 996**, Junction, TX, presented a program to the Fifth-grade class of the Sonora Public Schools on May 11, 2005. Camp and OCR members in the back row, from left, Chap Traylor, Camp Commander Roy Timms, Ceil Conner, Gaylan Harrison, Joletu Traylor, Stephanie Morris and Monica Traylor.



At the Lee-Jackson Ball, Henry Lester of the Brigadier General **Thomas Moore Scott Camp 1604**, Minden, LA, Camp Commander Jim Wise presented his Real Grandson Medal. Compatriot Lester also has a Real Great-Grandson Medal.

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Dedicated to those veterans who await the Resurrection in long-forgotten plots scattered throughout our Southland. These countless heroes of old lay forgotten in some little grave plot above terraced woodland and river bottoms that once were plowed and tended by them. The forgotten men of the land offer each of us descendants a heritage that should be held dear.

Traversing through forgotten wood, I chanced upon a site
long since removed from human view, yet beaconing
to alight.

The low rock wall breached here and there by massive
forest timber
held within its moss-draped stone an epic to remember.

No history would recount the lore now cradled beneath
the stone;
no tower standing sentinel to this sacred spot alone.

For within the confines of the wall a story nonetheless
lay beneath the leaf-strewn sod of a hero's great
duress.

Among the field stones still in place near the corner of
the lot
stood the only granite marker, above his resting spot.

The pointed top with words below revealed no revered
name,
but state and regimental mark spoke volumes all the
same.

His mortal members long since changed into this
hallowed soil
gave up no secrets from the grave of blood and sweat
and toil.

The dates upon this weathered stone told how his youth
was spent.
He marched with heroes of the South, his very soul he
lent.

Five hundred miles from hearth and home he sacrificed
his will —
upon the fields of battle, ground in death's horror mill.

He knew his neighbor's splattered blood upon his
sunburned cheek —
the agony of fighting on with rations oh so meek.

He knew he had to leave behind his childhood friend
in need,
'neath the rock-strewn Round Top Hill, left only for to
bleed.

He knew the heartbreak he had felt when stacking arms
that day,
when all was lost and his just cause seemed so fast to
fade away.

Returning home to conquered land beneath this wooded
slope,
he farmed the bottoms and red clay hills for no reward
save hope.

Beside him, faded name scratched in, lay his beloved
wife and
about him graves of his offspring, testimony to his life.

For me, among these lonely stones, his story does
unfold,
a common man who farmed this land as the generations
rolled.

He was one of many, but the only one placed here
who spilt his youth in four long years in defense of what
was dear.

His name lives not in historical account save on some
archival roster —
School children will not sit spellbound or greatness none
will foster.

But beneath this sod lies hero great in hallowed ground
to molder,
facing east awaiting the trumpet's call lies an enlisted
Confederate soldier!

Ralph West Mills is a member of the 27th Georgia Regiment Camp 1404, Gainesville, GA.

Carry Me Back

by Bill Young

A Visit To **Bannerman's**

How many times have you heard a collector talk about the good old days when you could buy top-quality relics of the War Between the States for next to nothing? I remember the good old days when a US oval belt plate cost \$2.50, a US cavalry saber with scabbard was \$5, and a US Springfield rifle musket in mint condition went for \$25. The low prices didn't do me any good; I was too young to have any money. The stuff might as well have been a million dollars.

When I was 13 years old, my father went to New York City on business. I was on spring vacation from school, so he took me with him. I had seen the Bannerman catalog, so I knew about the world's first Army/Navy store that opened in 1865. My father took me to Bannerman's,

and I was surprised to find it on Wall Street in the heart of the stock market district. It was a dark, dingy, dirty little storefront stuck in the middle of the block between two skyscrapers. It looked out of place, but maybe that was because it got there first.

There was a sign over the door with the name FRANCIS BANNERMAN & SONS painted on it in

large, faded, black letters. I opened the rickety wooden door and walked into the shop. As my eyes grew accustomed to the dimly lit interior, I could see that every inch of space — the display cabinets, the walls, and even the floor — was jumbled and jammed with the things that soldiers carried to war. There were piles of round canteens, stacks of canvas knapsacks, and a torn poster that showed a ship blowing apart over the bold words "REMEMBER THE MAINE! TO HELL WITH SPAIN!"

"Wow!" I said as I turned my head in all directions. I didn't want to miss anything. I had been saving my allowance, so I had a grand total of \$3.10 to spend. Luckily for me, \$3.10 went a long way at Bannerman's. I bought a Union bullseye canteen

complete with cloth cover and sling for 50¢. It was stamped on one side in neat, block letters A, 3rd Ct.

I bought a set of three Union brass cap badges, crossed sabers, crossed cannon, and a bugle for 10¢ each. They were still pinned to their original cardboard backs — unissued. I paid 10¢ each for three

Union officers' hat cords in red, blue, and gold and 25¢ each for three sets of 1st Sergeant's stripes in red, blue, and yellow from the Indian Wars.

10¢ EACH



W.A.Y.

Bannerman had Confederate items, too. They were what I really wanted, but not a one of them was less than \$3.00. I had to put them out of my mind and settle for the Union things.

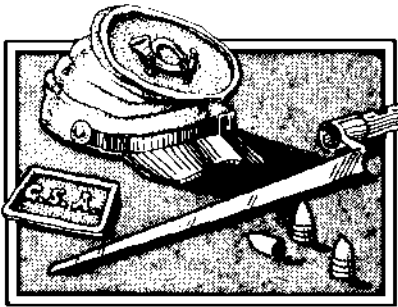
Old Mr. Bannerman himself waited on me. (He must have been about the last one of the sons.) As he put my treasures into a paper sack for me to take home, I said, "Gee, Mr. Bannerman, you sure got neat stuff. And you got so much of it."

"There's plenty more where that came from," he replied. "I've got an island in the middle of the Hudson River with a castle on it. It's chock full of things. Whenever I run low on something in the store, I just get in my little boat, row out to the island, and get some more."

"Wow!" was all I could think of to say at first. Then I asked, "Who guards the castle for you when you're not there?"

"No one. No need to. The guns of the *Hartford* line the parapet. The *Hartford* was Admiral Farragut's flagship. He was standing on her deck when he gave the famous order, 'Damn the torpedoes! Full speed ahead!'"

"Wow!" I said for the third time. I walked out

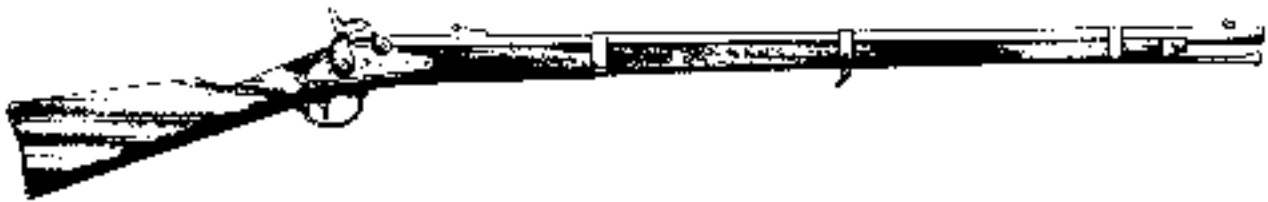


of the store that day with my bag of relics clutched tightly in my hands. I turned to my father and said, "I did okay, huh, Dad? I got all this neat stuff, and I still have \$1.25 left over."

I secretly wished that I could have bought one of the Union infantry accouterment sets: leather belt with oval, brass plate; leather cross belt with round, brass, eagle plate; leather cartridge box with tin liner and triangular bayonet with leather scabbard. The whole set was on special for \$7.50, but I didn't have the money.

Many years have passed since my visit to Bannerman's. Old Mr. Bannerman is gone now. The little store on Wall Street is gone. The castle on the island is gone; it burned to the ground years ago. The relics that Bannerman's once sold for a few pennies now command a tall stack of bills. I thought I did well to spend only \$1.85 at Bannerman's and to come home with \$1.25 in my pocket. In light of today's prices, I should have spent the whole \$3.10.

I think of all the things I saw in Bannerman's shop that day so long ago. I think of their prices, and my mouth waters. ☒



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Books in Print

Genealogical Society and the Scotch-Irish Society of the United States.

Originally, the book was to be about Harper's own family's involvement in the War Between the States, but as he pointed out, "as I started writing, the story kind of got out of hand." The end result is the *Second Georgia Infantry Regiment*, which is a microcosm of what many units were like in the Confederate Army.

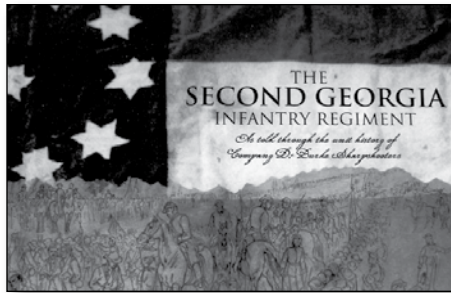
The 2nd Georgia Infantry Regiment was organized in April 1861 and was composed of nine companies raised in the Middle Georgia counties of Burke, Meriwether, Muscogee, Banks, Fannin, Cherokee, Whitfield, Marion and Stewart. It had a strength of 880 men. The 2nd Georgia served in General Toombs' and later General Benning's Brigade, known as the Rock Brigade, comprised of the 2nd, 15th, 17th and 20th Georgia Infantry Regiments. It fought in the Army of Northern Virginia, except when it was detached with General Longstreet at Suffolk, Chickamauga and Knoxville. The 2nd also fought at Manassas, Malvern Hill, Sharpsburg, Gettysburg, Fredericksburg, and, finally, at Petersburg. At the time of its surrender at Appomattox there were only 12 officers and 146 men present.

The author has gathered letters, diaries, official documents and many photographs from the men who fought in the 2nd Georgia. The accounts of the soldiers telling their own story are so fascinating you almost feel that you are with them in their deadly struggle.

Among the highlights of the book is the story of how members of that regiment were part of the only group to break through Union lines during

the Battle of Gettysburg, before having to retreat.

The Diary of Catharine Whitehead Rowland, of Ivanhoe Plantation, near Waynesboro, Georgia, is most interesting. She was a 26-year-old Southern belle, married to an officer, Charles Alden Rowland. While he was away with the Army she remained at Ivanhoe with their little son. She and her mother ran the plantation in the absence of her husband. This journal alone is worth the price of the book. Mrs. Rowland is a devout Presbyterian Christian. She and her mother prayed that God



would protect them from General Sherman, whom they knew was close by during his march from Atlanta to Savannah. Suddenly her home was occupied by the charlatan Cavalry Brigadier General

Kilpatrick, an important commander in General William T. Sherman's Army. Kilpatrick told the women that he was making their house his Headquarters. But before his troops could do any harm, Kilpatrick was told that Confederate General "Fighting Joe" Wheeler and his Cavalry were at hand and already some of Kilpatrick's troops were retreating. Immediately Kilpatrick ordered the evacuation of the home, and he ordered a retreat to Waynesboro. Within minutes, General Joe Wheeler himself appeared and asked the women if they were all right. He posted several sentries at their plantation before continuing his pursuit of Kilpatrick. The women knew their prayer was answered.

Mrs. Rowland wrote in her diary about her meeting with General Wheeler, "I like General Wheeler very much indeed. He is very pleasant and perfectly unassuming. God has sent him to save us and our neighbors from destruction from Sherman and the ruthless Kilpatrick."

Mrs. Rowland also wrote about the loyalty of her servants. "All of our Negroes remained faithful and though they were offered every inducement to

go off with the Yankees, not one of them left. Grandison, Jacob and Frank have immortalized themselves and stood by us more like brothers than servants and I feel we can never do too much for them."

The starkest illustrations of the hell of war come from some of the journals kept by the soldiers of the Second Georgia.

This book is truly a must-read for all Southerners. We may be very proud of the Rowlands, General Wheeler and the gallant heroes of the 2nd Georgia Infantry Regiment.

The photographs, handwritten notes, and direct quotes make the reader almost feel the presence of these Confederate heroes. The book is truly a masterpiece.

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Reviewed by Rev. Robert Slimp

The Atlanta Campaign, A Civil War Driving Tour of Atlanta Area Battlefields

Being a native of Louisiana, I have had to find publications and/or people to help educate me about the



history during the War Between the States in and around Atlanta. This handy guide offers the basic person interested in the Battle of Atlanta Campaign a driving tour of many important sites.

It gives you short accounts and notes the movements of the commanders on

both sides during the battles. Prior to the actual driving tour, this information sets the stage in your mind, especially with the pictures of that era and hand-drawn maps to help as visual aides. In the narratives, it pinpoints the exact location of an incident by giving you the driving directions. Pictures of the locations are more than twenty years old and, in most cases, the area has changed so much that they are not helpful.

This book is a must for any out of town guest or, like me, a transplant to Georgia trying to learn its history. It helps the readers to become educated on the travesties that took place during the Battle of Atlanta Campaign. I would not recommend this book to historians of this area. They would find the information and writing style elementary and the hand-drawn maps amateurish.

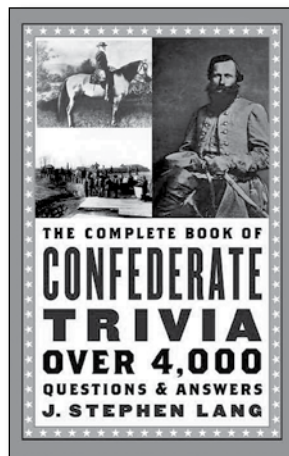
Before using this book as a driving tour, I recommend you pre-read the tour you are going to take. In addition to that, you need at least one other person in the vehicle to help you navigate. This will ensure a pleasurable and safe journey. Happy travels!

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Reviewed by Cassie A. Barrow

The Complete Book of Confederate Trivia: Over 4,000 Questions and Answers

Do you know which Confederate General was also an Episcopal Bishop? Or what distasteful ingredient was often added to drinking water as a disease preventive? Well, the answer to the first question is Leonidas Polk, Bishop of Louisiana, and the other is tar. This is but a glimpse of what you could learn from *The Complete Book of Confederate Trivia*. The wealth of information in this book is engaging not only to the historian of the War Between the States but the casual reader. With 4,000 questions



and Other Naval Novelties, Grand Old Flags, Taxes, Mail Call, Courts, Crimes and Punishments. The author states, "The focus here is not on the war itself, but on the new Southern nation." There is a topic that will appeal to most everyone.

The research for this book is evident with the amount of material covered. This is not a book a writer can put together in a few months, but years of intense searching are needed. The bibliography offers evidence of his extensive work.

This is not a book to sit down and read cover-to-cover but to pick up and read a section here and there. It is a great resource for camp or chapter meetings to have their own trivia game to test the knowledge of the members. It also gives tidbits of information to make you think, and desire to investigate further. The possibilities for this book are endless. Every professional needs to have it in his/her office for clients to learn about the war. What better way to educate the public?

The author J. Stephen Lang lives in Richmond, VA. He has other titles including *The Complete Book of Bible Trivia* and *The New Book of America Trivia*. He is also a member of the A.P. Hill Camp 167, SCV.

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 Hardcover: \$7.99

Reviewed by Cassie A. Barrow

and answers, many topics are covered, such as Star Generals, Dress Grays and other Uniforms, Dating the Battles, Weaponry, Confederate Indians, Chaplains, Ironclads, Submarines,

Separated Souls

Beginning in December 1851, this novel tells you the story of a family who lives in Virginia and Tennessee before and during the War Between the States. This author writes as if she is on staff with Harlequin Romance. The characters' lives are hard to follow throughout the book. With the choppy writing style, you are not able to enjoy to what little bit of a story line there is. The romance for the couples is steamy and not appropriate for younger readers. I would not even recommend it for adults.

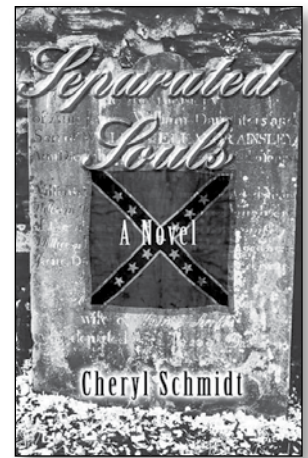
Many of the male characters join the 25th Virginia Cavalry, but the author does not go into detail about their activity or hardships. The author does not reflect with her writing an in-depth

research on this particular unit. Her observations are purely fiction, with little to no fact to them.

Along with many typographical errors, sentences typed twice and other grammatical issues, I feel this book is not a book you need to read. Hopefully I have saved you some time for another book that is worth your while.

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Reviewed by Cassie A. Barrow



Calling All Sons and DAUGHTERS to the 4th Annual Sam Davis Youth Camp



Find us on the web at... [Http://samdavis.scv.org](http://samdavis.scv.org)

Boys Camp: Sunday, June 11 - Saturday, June 17, 2006
At Camp Grace, near Lumberton, North Carolina

Co-Ed Camp: Monday, July 10 - Sunday, July 16, 2006
At the Shepherd of the Ozarks Christian Center, located near Harriet, Arkansas

Why should your son or daughter attend the Sam Davis Youth Camp?

In a survey conducted by the Center for Survey Research and Analysis in 2000, 65% of college seniors **failed** to pass a high school equivalent American history test:

- Only 23% correctly identified James Madison as the "Father of the Constitution."
 - Yet, 98% knew that "Snoop Doggy Dog" is a rapper.
- Just over half, 52% knew that George Washington's Farewell Address warned against establishing permanent alliances with foreign governments.
 - Yet, 99% correctly identified Beavis & Butthead.

In 1864, Major-General Patrick Cleburne prophetically warned: *If the South should lose, it means that the history of the heroic struggle will be written by the enemy, that our youth will be trained by Northern school teachers, will be impressed by all of the influences of history and education to regard our gallant dead as traitors and our maimed veterans as fit subjects for derision.*

Today, his words ring all too true. There is no question that the youth of today must run a terrible gauntlet, and that many are struck down along the way by one or more of the politically correct influences which flourish in our schools. Sometimes these youths are from the best homes, with strong families and religious training. With even the most conscientious parenting though, oftentimes in high school or college, even these best & brightest finally succumb to the liberal, *politically correct* view of history.

This summer, you can help turn the tide. For one week, our Southern young men and ladies (ages 12-17) will gather to hear the truths about the War for Southern Independence. This camp (named for the great young Confederate Sam Davis) will combine fun and recreation with thoughtful instruction in Southern history, the War Between the States, the theology of the South during the War, lessons on Southern heroes, examples of great men of the Faith, and for the first year, special programs and sessions for our Southern ladies!

This is the fourth year the Sons of Confederate Veterans has offered such a wonderful event for our sons and grandsons, and the first year we offer the program for our daughters. We urge you to take advantage of this great opportunity. It is our responsibility to teach our Southern history and culture to the future generations.

Need more details? Interested in becoming a counselor? Please contact:

Fred D. Taylor, Director
Sam Davis Youth Camp

E-mail: FDTaylor@cox.net
Phone/Voice Mail: 757-537-7495

The Sam Davis Youth Camp - 2006 Registration Form

Full Name: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Sex: _____ Male _____ Female

Date of Birth: *(must be born on or before July, 1994)* _____

Which SD Youth Camp will you be attending? _____ North Carolina (Boys) _____ Arkansas (Co-Ed)

Name of Sponsoring SCV Camp: _____

Parent or Guardian With Whom Camper Lives: _____

Parent/Guardian Work or Emergency Contact Phone Number: _____

Required Medical Information

Please attach additional information as needed.

Date of Last Tetanus Booster: _____

Prescribed Medication Taken, if any: _____

Reason for Taking Medication: _____

Specific Allergies (including type of reaction): _____

Does Camper Have Asthma or Hay Fever? _____

Specific Activities to Be Restricted (Please state reason): _____

Insurance Information (Group, Plan Number & Phone Number) (Please attach copy of Insurance Card)

Medical Release Form

Registration cannot be processed without the signature of the camper's parent or guardian on this release form.

In case of medical emergency, I understand every effort will be made to contact parents or guardians of campers. In the event that I cannot be reached, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Sam Davis Youth Camp to hospitalize; secure proper treatments; and order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child as named. I also understand that the Sam Davis Youth Camp reserves the right to review any information given and determine camper capability based upon that information.

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Payment Information

Payment is due when your completed application is submitted. The cost for room, board, and all activities and needed supplies is \$495.00 for each camper. Make checks payable to The Sam Davis Youth Camp, and mail to: 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 1, 2006

NOTICES *From Around the Confederation*

Confederate Memorial Day Service in Richmond

The Lee-Jackson Camp 1, Richmond, VA, is holding its annual Confederate Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 29, at 10 AM. Please join us at the Confederate War Memorial Chapel, 2900 Grove Ave, Richmond, VA, to honor the 265,000+ men who gave their lives fighting for the Confederacy. Commander-in-Chief Denne Sweeney will be the featured speaker.

New Member Dues Can Now Be Prorated

The SCV annual convention in Nashville, TN, in late July 2005, approved an amendment to prorate dues beginning this fiscal year and going forward in the future. This policy began on February 1, 2006.

The SCV operates on a fiscal year (not calendar) beginning August 1 of one year and going through July 31 of the following year. The current fiscal year, August 1, 2005, through July 31, 2006, is shown as status 2005 on your roster, which means those members are paid through July 31, 2006. Additionally, there is a three-month grace period from August 1 through November 1 when members are still current while the camps work to collect the \$20 dues for the next fiscal year. After November 1 of each year, a \$5 late fee is applied to the normal \$20 dues.

If someone joins right now in February, March, or April (which is technically the 3rd quarter of our fiscal year), he can pay his \$20 yearly dues and the new member processing fee of \$5. Plus, he has the option to pay an additional \$10 to initially join for both the current fiscal year as well as the next fiscal year, a total of \$35, meaning his dues will be paid through July 31, 2007. If someone joins in May, June or July (which is technically the 4th quarter of our fiscal year), he can pay his \$20 yearly dues and the \$5 new member processing fee, plus he

has the option to pay an additional \$5 to initially join for both the current fiscal year as well as the next fiscal year, a total of \$30 — meaning his dues will be paid through July 31, 2007.

IMPORTANT: Please remember that this prorated dues option is only available when the member pays dues for both the current and next fiscal years. **There is not an option to pay only the partial dues for the remainder of the current fiscal year.** This new amendment adopted at the Nashville Convention is a great improvement over the past practice when men who joined during the last six months of the fiscal year had only one option, which was to pay the entire \$25 for the remaining months in the fiscal year and then pay again come August 1, before the November 1 grace period.

SCV War Service Medal Criteria Change

The GEC met on February 11, 2006, at Elm Springs, at which time they approved a change in the eligibility criteria for the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) War Service Medal (WSM) to allow men and women of Confederate descent to be honored for their military service during wartime. The camp will inspect the required proof of honorable service of the proposed recipients' ancestor and make its recommendation to the GEC. The application must be accompanied by a copy of the individual's DD 214. Also, the government's National Personnel Record Center (NPRC) has provided a computer website delineated specifically for military veterans to more easily access their military files, <http://vetrecs.archives.gov>.

The NPRC is working to make it easier for veterans with computers and Internet access to obtain copies of documents from their military files. This may be particularly helpful when a veteran needs a copy of his/her DD 214 for the SCV War Service Medal or other pur-

poses such as employment, or to obtain a VA guaranteed loan to buy a home. Military veterans or the next of kin of deceased former military members may use this site.

Awards Program for National Reunion August 3 – 5, 2006 New Orleans, LA

The SCV Awards Manual was revised in February 2006. All awards will be in accordance with this revised edition. The Awards Manual may be downloaded from the SCV website. Previous editions of the Awards Manual are obsolete.

Awards Display

The SCV Awards Display will be setup for the National Convention in New Orleans near the SCV Headquarters table by noon on Wednesday, August 2, 2006. This is the drop-off and pick-up point for all SCV awards at the convention.

Best Camp Award

Camps wishing to participate in this competition should print a copy from the SCV website or they may request one from IHQ if they have no Internet access. Entry forms should be sent to

**Compatriot Chuck Norred
Best Camp Competition
16526 Karen Rd
Madera, CA 93638**

All entries should be on the new form, approved effective July 1, 2002. Any forms from previous years will not be valid. Please check and make sure you have the current form. Up-to-date forms should be available on the SCV website. Deadline for *best camp* entry forms is July 1, 2006.

Newsletter Awards

To be entered in the newsletter competition, four (4) copies of each newsletter issued during the eligibility period must

be submitted to the National Awards Committee by July 1, 2006. Eligibility period is July 2005 issue through June 2006 issue. See the Awards Manual for all details that must accompany the entry. Newsletters should be sent to

Compatriot Greg O'Neal
SCV Newsletter Competition
1651 Sunburst Way
Kissimmee, FL 34744-3717

Scrapbook and Historical Project Award

Entries for the scrapbook or historical project awards must be delivered to the awards display table no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, August 3, 2006. No entries will be accepted after that time. Camps must arrange to pick up their entries on Saturday, prior to the dismantling of the Awards Display Table. Entries not picked up will be discarded at the end of the convention. See the Awards Manual for requirements and details for these awards.

Best Website Award

SCV units interested in competing for this award should send notification to the SCV Webmaster at technical@scv.org no later than June 20, 2006. Notification should include website URL. Judging will be by experienced webmasters outside the SCV, based on generally recognized criteria for website excellence. Judging will take place at a randomly chosen time between June 20 and July 20, 2006.

Presentation of Awards

All awards will be presented at the Awards Luncheon on Friday, August 4, 2006, or at the Saturday night banquet on August 5, 2006.

SCV Membership Update

Historically, the SCV has lost 12 to 20 percent of its membership at dues-renewal time each year, and this year was no exception. Membership peaked at 34,300 in early November 2005, and it is now smaller due to this normal annual attrition rate. It is, however, rapidly building back up with reinstatements that were 633 in November, 1,180 in December, 1,065 in January, and 501 so far in February; whereas, new membership applications received were 300 in November, 271 in December, 287 in January and 235 through February 23.

SCV membership is healthy and growing again after the annual dip. Some former SCV members, the naysayer types, have been telling anyone who will listen that the SCV lost 10,000 members, which is pure fantasy. Please be assured that the membership numbers are fine, and the SCV needs every member to continue to recruit new members while working diligently to retain the ones we have now.

Rebel Yell Makes Donation to CWPT

Rebel Yell Kentucky Straight Whiskey has awarded a \$5,000 donation to the nation's largest non-profit battlefield preservation organization, the Civil War Preservation Trust.

Representatives from Rebel Yell presented the gift February 23 at the Trust's headquarters in Washington, DC.

"The 'rebel yell' is one of the enduring legends of the War Between the States," said Todd Nickodym, Executive Manager of Marketing for Luxco, producer of Rebel Yell. "We're proud to support the Civil War Preservation Trust as they work to protect and preserve this rich and storied era of American history."

Rebel Yell will continue to donate a percentage of sales from every bottle sold to the CWPT.

Duty Case Settled Out of Court

Nearly two years after she was barred from her high school prom for wearing an evening dress patterned after a Confederate Flag, Southern Legal Resource Center client Jacqueline Duty was vindicated, as her former school board agreed to settle her lawsuit against it out of court.

The SLRC's local counsel in the case, Kentucky Attorney Earl Ray Neal, confirmed the settlement, adding that the precise terms of the settlement, including the amount of damages awarded, will not be disclosed under mutual agreement by attorneys for both sides. The case had been scheduled for trial in August 2006.

Ms. Duty's case attracted international media attention, and the school board's withdrawal is already being hailed as a highly significant and far-reaching Southern heritage victory. The SCV funded the lawsuit.

"STONEWALL" — LEE'S RIGHT ARM

McCormick Civil War Institute's 15th Annual Spring Tour
May 17-20, 2006



"Stonewall" Jackson

In the spring of 1862 the Southern Confederacy stood on the brink of defeat. Yet by that fall, the South stood closer to independence than at any time in the war. "Stonewall" Jackson — Robert E. Lee's "right arm" — led the way to a "military miracle." This McCormick Civil War Institute follows "Stonewall" Jackson's wing of the Army of Northern Virginia as he fulfilled all the hopes of the South and attracted the admiration of the North as well.

Tour highlights include:

- Winchester to Manassas, Harpers Ferry and then beyond the Potomac into Maryland and the Battle of Sharpsburg, with historians Dr. Brandon H. Beck, Stephen Lee Ritchie and Dr. Charles P. Roland
- Admission, transportation, lunches and banquet included

Reservations and information at www.TheKnowledgePoint.org
Shenandoah University, Winchester, Virginia 22601
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Dispatches From the Front

Mr. Duvall claims that Compatriot C. A. Kirkpatrick "was simply discussing factual events," and "stating that an influx of Eastern European Jews...chose to settle in the NYC area." Mr. Kirkpatrick's letter (and Mr. Conner's book), however, go beyond merely stating facts. They promote a theory — a very dangerous theory — in which they contend that a particular religious/ethnic group (Eastern European Jews) played a major role in the destruction of the Union.

Compatriot Gene Andrews, in the January/February 2006 issue, has added his condemnation of Compatriot Hoopes for his alleged "liberal, socialist name-calling," explaining how "neo-cons...whine anti-Semitism when they get criticized for the disastrous foreign policy of this country being pulled around by the nose by Israel." First of all, Compatriot Hoopes correctly charged anti-Semitism for the pejorative use of *neo-con* and for the wholesale condemnation of Eastern European Jewish immigrants. No one, as I recall, said anything about pro-Israel influence on US foreign policy. Compatriot Andrews offered this opinion as a gratuitous slur against *neo-cons* (thus proving the anti-Semitic connotations of *neo-con*).

Let's review, then. One member of the SCV expresses the belief that a concentration of Jews in New York City in the 19th century helped spawn a socialist movement that led to civil war and endless reconstruction. Another member voices the belief that Jewish support for Israel has enslaved today's America in a "disastrous foreign policy." Folks, this same type of rhetoric was heard in Germany in the 1930's. Furthermore,

when this kind of right-wing theorizing about Jewish conspiracies to "take over the country" appears in *Confederate Veteran*, then that is what earns the SCV the label of *bigots* and *racists*.

Compatriot Hoopes is not at fault. He should not have to be silent in the face of the same type of anti-Semitism that, unfortunately, Judah P. Benjamin and many other lesser-known Confederates had to endure as they yet loyally served the South.

James D. Rosson
General B. F. Cheatham Camp 72
Manchester, TN

Don't bring sectarianism into our ranks

To the Editor:

Lately while reading the letters to the editor, I've become very sad. Many of our compatriots seem to imply that in order to be a good Confederate or a good Southerner, one has to be a good Protestant of the fundamentalist variety. That is a very false and misguided assumption. As a reference point, Roman Catholicism is the single largest denomination represented in my SCV camp. All of my Confederate ancestors were either Roman Catholic or Episcopalian.

A large portion of the Southern aristocracy and the leadership of the CSA was Episcopalian (Jefferson Davis, Lee, Polk, Stuart, Pendelton, Hampton, etc). That was especially true of the Virginians all the way back to George Washington.

In South Louisiana and much of the Gulf Coast, Roman Catholicism was and remains the predominant religious denomination (Beauregard, Mouton, etc). Lee's Tigers, commanded by Rideau Wheat, were mostly Roman Catholic. Father A. J. Ryan, a Roman Catholic priest, was and is recognized as the Poet Priest of the South (*The Conquered Banner*, etc).

I would also like to point out that General N. B. Forrest was, according to most accounts, a self-described agnostic. Judah P. Benjamin was born of the Jewish faith, as were thousands of brave Confederate officers and soldiers.

I ask my compatriots not to bring sectarianism into our ranks. It does not belong here. Our common convictions should be a devotion to our ancestors, our heritage, our Southland and our Cause. Our common goal should be to uphold those convictions publicly with honor and dignity.

Reinhard J. Dearing
Ambassador John Slidell Camp 1727
Slidell, LA

Suprised by courage of Rebel Yell

To the Editor:

Apparently most camps in the SCV, as well as special programs like the Civil War Preservation Trust, Camp Moore Confederate Museum and Cemetery, Heritage Defense and many others, are strapped for cash.

Advertising is the lifeblood of most, if not all, magazines. Without income from advertising, most magazines wither and die.

I noticed the Rebel Yell advertisements in two issues of the *Confederate Veteran* in 2005. They were attractive and well-done and I was not offended. Because an advertisement appears in a magazine does not mean an endorsement of the product or service, which is pointed out in the September/October 2005 issue.

It is highly doubtful that publications with the quality of the *Confederate Veteran* can continue indefinitely with advertisements of only clothing, flags, books, emblems, etc. of a Confederate nature. Certainly other SCV programs will suffer.

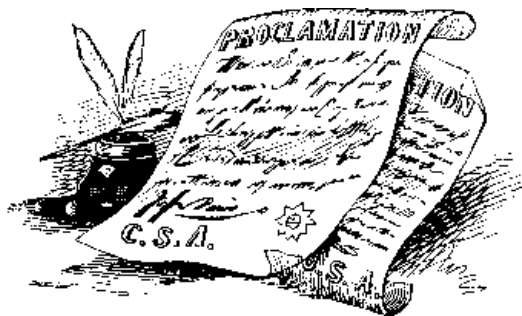
I have noticed in *Dispatches From*

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the Front several letters critical of advertisements of Rebel Yell Whiskey. The ad notes "For every bottle sold, a contribution will be made to the Civil War Preservation Trust." What do those critical of the ad have to offer in its place? None of substance, I am afraid, so I stand with Dan D. Williams, Camp 1437, Brooksville, FL and George R. Reese, Camp 1708, Mesa, AZ. More advertising should be sold for other products, so long as it is in harmony with SCV and its programs, certainly not critical. Actually, I was very surprised Rebel Yell had the courage to advertise in *Confederate Veteran*, lest some sort of boycott be mounted against it by the diversity and political crowd.

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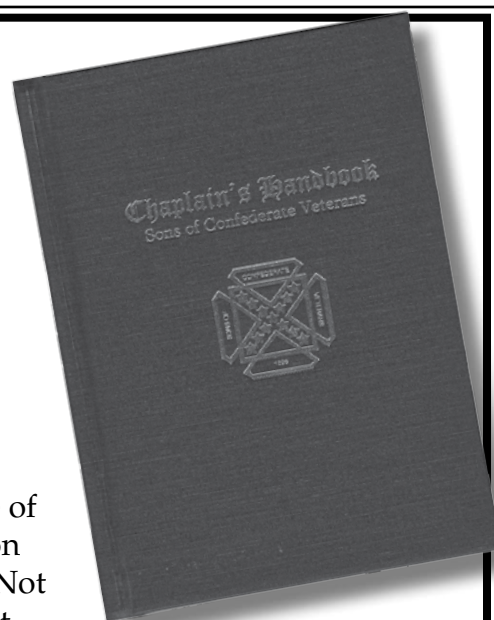
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The *Chaplain's Handbook* is bound in gray cloth, is printed on acid free paper, is printed in signatures that are sewn, is 131 pages long, and measures 5¼ by 7¼ inches. Thus the book is produced in a form much like books of the Confederate era.

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From Chaplain-in-Chief Rumburg



REPORT OF THE RECRUITING AND RETENTION COMMITTEE

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Barker's Mill: Pride of Ownership

A drive through almost any town will reveal that there are many civic organizations that own their own building. Some may have marble columns, while others are mere shacks. The one thing in common is that the members have pride in owning their meeting place, which lends itself to recruiting and retention. The SCV is the largest hereditary organization for men to honor Confederate soldiers, so it stands to reason that many of our local camps should have their own clubhouse. While many of us are apt to balk at the idea because of the initial expense or small membership, we should be inspired by the following article which was submitted by Commander "Buzz" Braxton. He was involved with this project from start to finish. Camp 842 proves that SCV Camps can own their building if they are willing to be creative and put forth some *sweat equity*!

Rivers Bridge Camp 842, located on Highway 321 between Sycamore and Fairfax, SC, was re-chartered in January, 1995. It holds the record for having 123 members when it chartered in this modern era. We met in the community building at Rivers Bridge Confederate Memorial Grounds. This property was donated to the State of South Carolina by John D. Jenny and the Rivers Bridge Confederate Memorial Association to serve as a memorial to the Confederate soldiers who fought and died there. The SC Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism is in charge of its operation and maintenance. They called it a State Park, and now call it a Historical Site.

The land is on the Salkehatchie River and was the site of a two-day battle where the Confederates delayed Sherman's destructive advance across South Carolina. General Lafayette McLaws was in command

of the Southern troops, who were comprised of primarily Georgians, with Texans, South Carolinians and others rounding out the outnumbered force. The fortifications and a mass grave with a tombstone identifying some of the men killed in the battle are the center point of the Memorial Grounds today.

Camp 842 paid a nominal rental fee to meet in the community house each month. Since anyone can rent this building and *political correctness* being what it is, very little, if anything pertaining to the Confederacy or the history of the site was present in this building. This always bothered us. About four years ago, we were told that a partition wall would divide the main room in half and it no longer would be able to accommodate our group, and that we should begin looking for another home. To date, no partition has been erected. But looking back, that statement on that night started the wheels in motion on a new adventure and, ultimately, our new property and building. We would miss being near the hallowed ground our camp is named for, but now our destiny is in our hands.

A search soon began for property to build our new camp facilities, but all the locations that would keep us near the battlefield were unavailable for an assortment of reasons. After a shift in focus, an existing recreation facility became our primary target. It had been a popular gathering place for swimming and dancing, but vandalism and inattention had left it in less than great condition. After viewing the property and discussing its ad-





The lower kitchen with picnic area on the side.



Camp 842's main sign beside highway.

vantages and disadvantages, the camp overwhelmingly — but not 100% — voted to proceed and have several of our camp members continue talks with a prominent local family who owned this property. Several sons and grandsons in the family were charter members of Camp 842. After a period of discussions, the family sold Camp 842 the two acres of land with the two-story building and a Quonset hut for the sum of \$1.00.



Speaker's podium in the main meeting room.

Our property is about one mile south of Sycamore, SC, on US 321. The Barker family had a grist mill and sawmill at this location on Jackson Branch. This was part of the several-thousand-acre Sycamore Plantation that the Barker family owned. A small skirmish occurred at or near this site where Sherman's scoundrels passed

through, and one Confederate soldier is buried nearby. Camp 842 recently paid for a historical marker to be erected on the shoulder of the highway at this site.

In April of 2003, the work began on Barker's Mill. Compatriots with construction equipment cleared and grubbed underbrush and trees. The exterior stairs to the upstairs area, which contained what would become the meeting room and adjoining kitchen/serving area, were replaced. A six-foot chain-link fence with barbed wire, which had been taken down at an area high school, was purchased and erected around the property by camp members. Grass seed was obtained and planted by members. Wholesale cleaning of the interior was also underway. New ceiling tiles were installed. Some windows were blocked up and new energy-efficient ones replaced the others. Bathrooms were installed upstairs and new floor tiles were installed in the serving area. The old bandstand was demolished, and the hardwood floor was repaired and completely refinished. The contractor/artisan who performed this work never billed us, as apparently he believed in *The Cause*. New lighting, insulation, plumbing and electrical work was performed by camp members. A nearly new HVAC unit that had come off Hilton Head Island was purchased, and a camp member, in that business, installed it for the camp. We decided to build a cover over our exterior stairs. Here again, camp members provided the labor. We were fortunate to have a camp member whose employers

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Meet Our Real Daughters...

Clara Neves Lanford

By John Messer, Sergeant Adam Ballenger Camp 68, Spartanburg, SC

Clara Neves Lanford is a very petite, unique lady. Born on April 29, 1911, she is a real Confederate daughter, which means she is the daughter of a Confederate soldier who fought in The War Between the States. Her father, John Poole Neves, was a member of Company H, 3rd South Carolina Light Artillery. He and two brothers fought for the Confederacy from the onset, 1861, to the conclusion, 1865, of the war. Her father was 49 at the time of his marriage to her mother, who was 20. John Neves sired a total of 18 children, seven by his first wife and 11 by Clara's mother. Clara had a half-brother who was 44 years old when she was born, and she had numerous nieces and nephews who were older than she.

Mrs. Lanford does not remember a great deal about her father, who died when she was five. She does remember that her father worked as a farmer and blacksmith, or farrier. She was born near Tigerville, SC, where her great-great-grandfather settled from Ireland in the early 1800s. Her father's youngest brother, also a war veteran, was a member of a group of area men who realized the value of a good education, and he donated \$500 and ten acres of land in 1892 toward the building of what is now North Greenville College.

Mrs. Lanford remembers the occasion of her

father's death, when she was in the room, and hearing others saying, "We better get the money for his eyes." In those days, it was customary to put coins over the eyes of the deceased, which would keep them closed through funeral proceedings. John Neves' body was placed in the parlor (living rooms were not common at that time), and Clara remembers that the first automobile she ever heard was the undertaker's hearse, in which he had come to measure the decedent for a coffin. John Neves and his two Confederate soldier brothers are buried in the Mush Creek Church Cemetery, and each gravesite is marked with the iron cross, denoting service in the Confederate Army.

The Neveses moved to Motlow Creek when her father died. Mrs. Lanford has one surviving peer, Jean Coley Allen, of Motlow Creek Baptist Church, with whom she has not had recent contact.

Mrs. Lanford has some hearing loss, but does

not require a hearing aid. She is ambulatory, but uses a walker since breaking her hip. She uses glasses only for reading or sewing. Her favorite book is the Holy Bible, and she has a gigantic, much-used Webster's Dictionary, since she corresponded regularly, by mail, with

as many as 15 people, until recently. She does not like misspelled words.

She worked in a dress plant from 1947-1959,

*Mrs. Lanford would
"hate to do without" her washing
machine, electric refrigerator
and electric stove.*



Mrs. Lanford is shown with, from left, Camp 68 Lt. Commander Henry Dobey, Camp Commander Scott Edge, Mrs. Lanford, her son Reverend Ray Lanford, and Camp Adjutant Cibby Krell. These officers of the Sergeant Adam W. Ballenger Camp 68, Spartahnsburg, SC, presented Mrs. Lanford with a Real Daughter Certificate and Medal in August 2005.

but her main career has been that of homemaker. She had five children, with 14 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren. She has lived at her present Spartanburg, SC, area location since 1941. For 40 years of this time, she had a prolific garden, in which she raised and sold lilies, thrift and bulbs, but has since given up this hobby for crocheting. She continues to make Christmas crafts, refrigerator magnets, pot holders and unique decorations which can be used as Christmas tree ornaments or mailed as cards.

For perspective: in 1911, the year of her birth, William H. Taft was president of the United States; the Philadelphia Athletics beat the New York Giants in the World Series; a new house cost \$4,190; the average annual wage was \$629; a loaf of bread was five cents, and a half-gallon of milk was 17 cents. The most amazing technological event in her lifetime to date has been the moon-landing and space shuttles. The most welcome invention for Mrs. Lanford, along with autos, was the evolvement of the sewing machine, since her mother was an accomplished seamstress who taught Clara, using a Sample machine (Singer patent), operated with a foot treadle, purchased new at Roe's Store in Tiger-

ville. Mrs. Lanford would "hate to do without" her washing machine, electric refrigerator, and electric stove, which replaced hand-washing in tubs with scrub boards, ice boxes, and wood-burning stoves, respectively. One concession to her diminutive size is a smaller-scale electric range, allowing her to reach the entire cooking area.

Mrs. Lanford is the oldest surviving member of Harvest Baptist Church, formerly Wingo Heights, where she played piano for more than a quarter-century. She also sang duets with her daughter, at the request of her pastor, who conducted funerals for those having no church affiliation. Her son, the Reverend Ray Lanford, was the first pastor at Harvest Baptist Church in the new Asheville Highway location.

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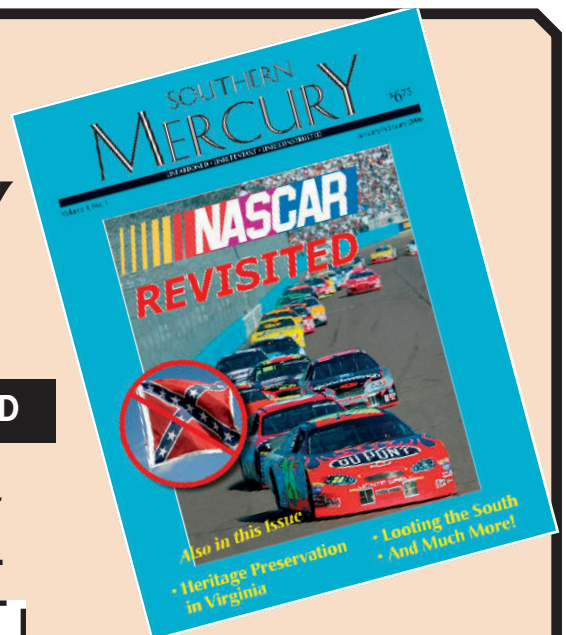
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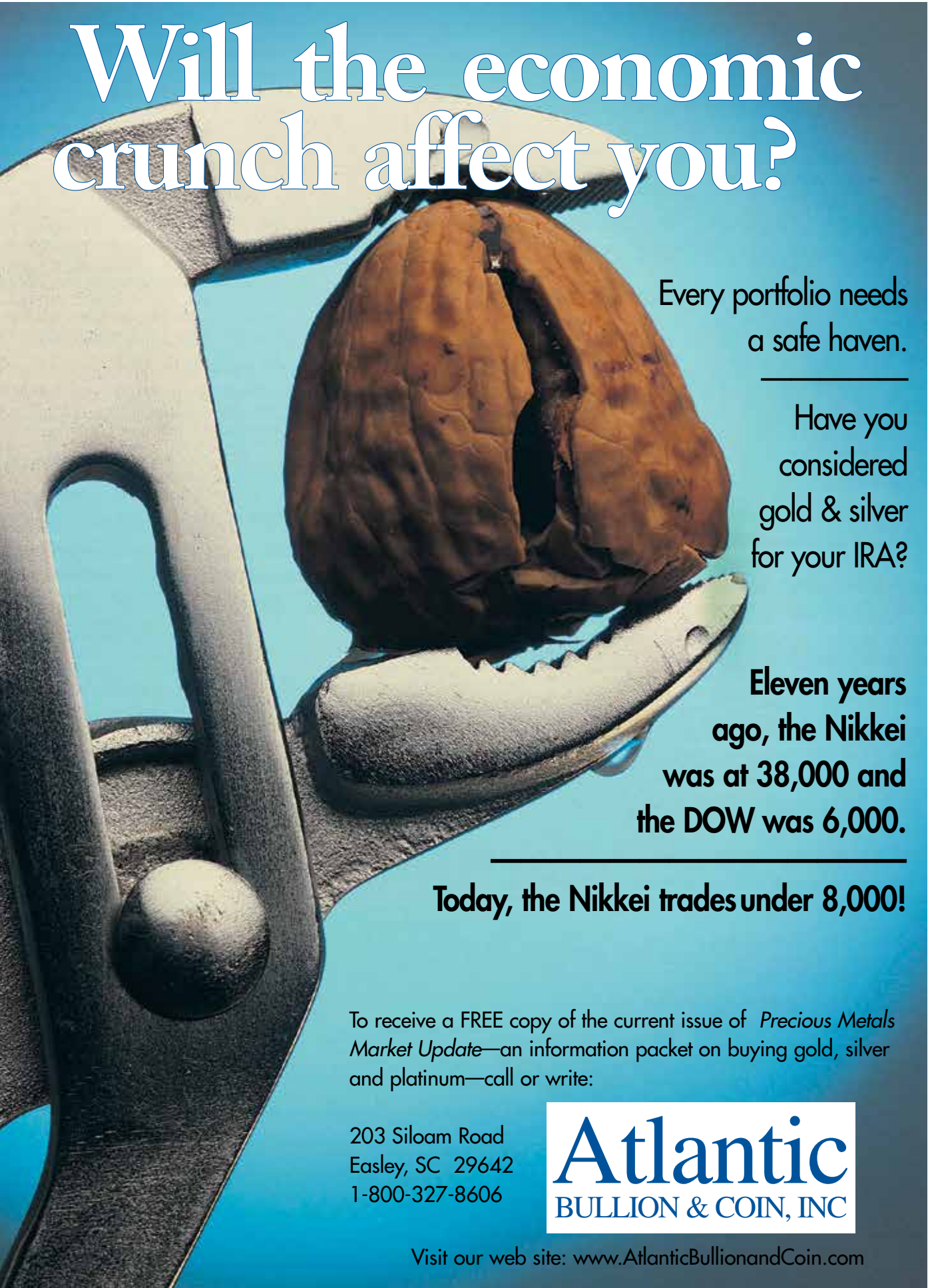
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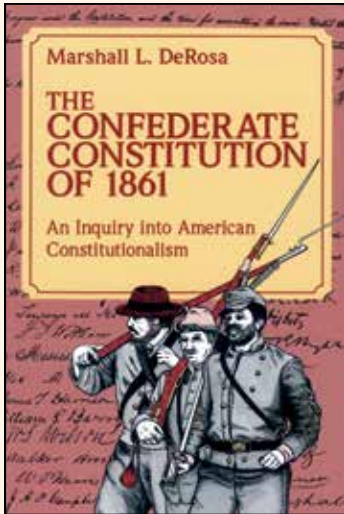
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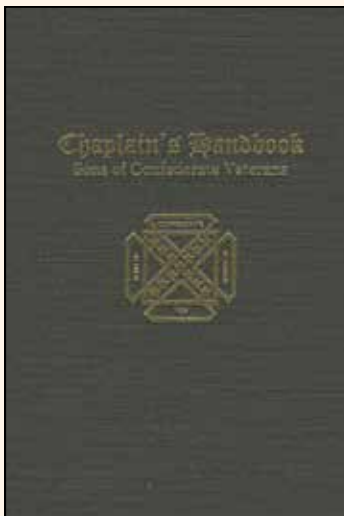
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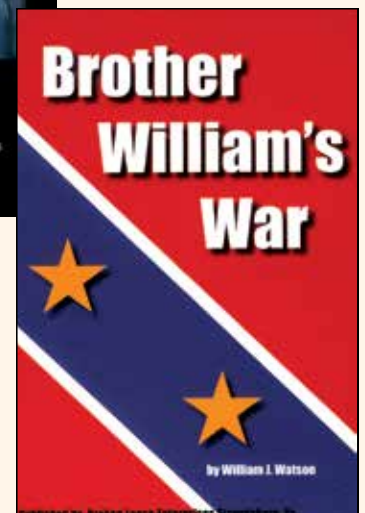
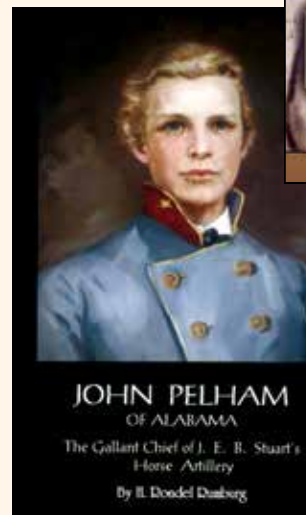
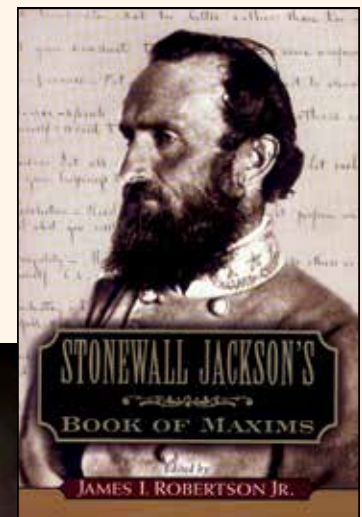
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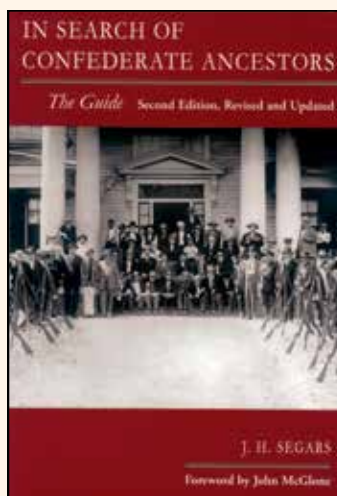


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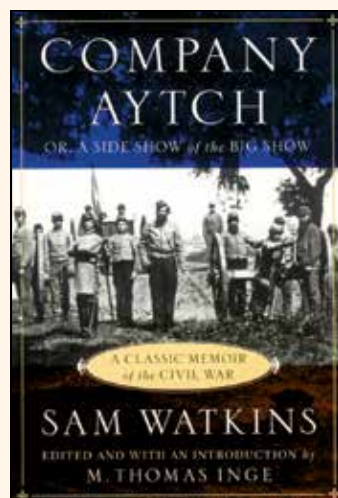
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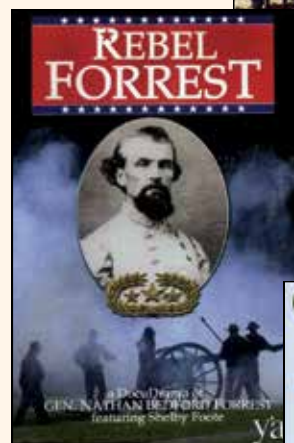
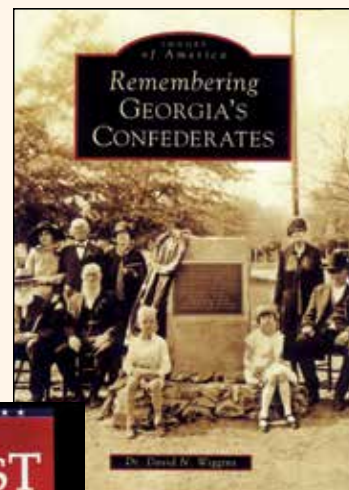
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Pride of Ownership

were very generous when we needed lumber, which seemed to be very frequently. We had a security system installed; large SCV 842 letters and numerals were donated and installed; and a flagpole was donated and installed. During this entire process, the swimming pool was filled in and grass planted.

It was now December of 2003 and we had our regular camp meeting in *our* building. Our annual banquet was held there in January of 2004. We have had three annual banquets, more than two years of meetings, and two Southern Heritage Youth



The awards and library case.

ing rooms downstairs. We also hope a display of artifacts will soon be a reality. We have already started a camp library for books and videos.

We have decided not to rent out our facilities since it would present additional challenges that we don't feel we can take on now.

Our camp had several lawyers who do-

nated their services for closing costs and other legal work. We were fortunate to have a nest egg laid aside from the sales generated by our Quartermaster tent. There have been financial and material donations that have helped along the way. We would do it all again, even though we're 3-4 years older and have lost some of our members to death or leaving to start new camps closer to their homes.

It has been well worth the blood, sweat, and tears. We have insurance and power bills to pay, but to own your own land and building is worth everything.



The quartermaster's corner.

Day events that help introduce local youngsters to many things that school textbooks don't teach them. We have an annual camp barbeque, which allows us to take advantage of downstairs cooking facilities and a screened-in serving-and-eating area. Weather permitting, the overflow crowd can take advantage of the wide open spaces to enjoy the food and music.

Hopefully, in the future, we can make use of the two remain-



The main meeting room.



An exterior view of Camp 842's headquarters.

I forgot to mention that we keep our camp parade float in the Quonset Hut. Participating in these parades is a good way to meet new people and show a positive example of what we are all about.

More information about Camp 842 can be found at: <http://www.geocities.com/scv842/index.html>. 

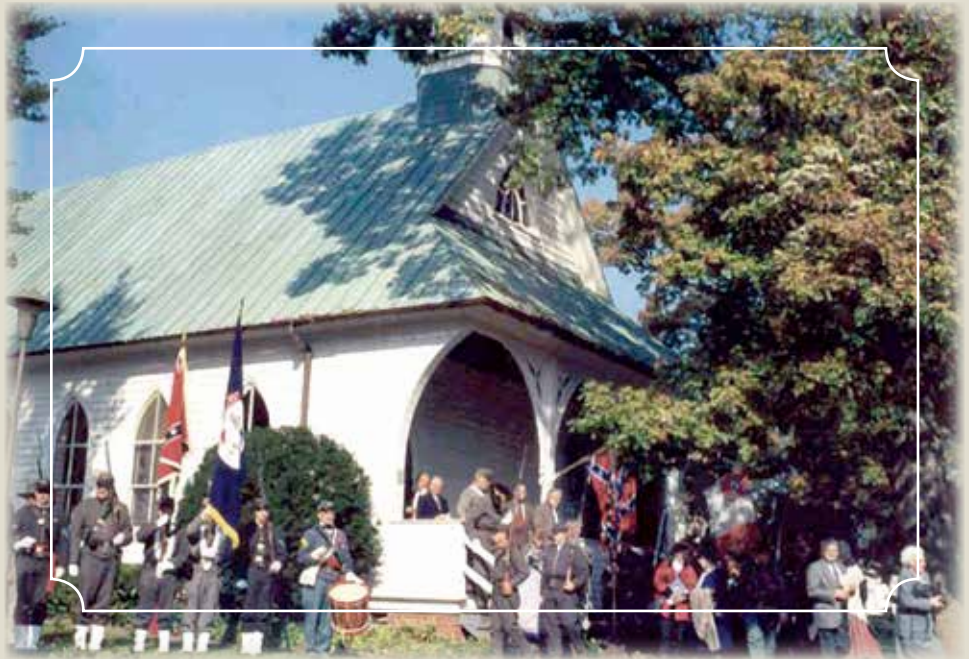
Confederate War Memorial Chapel

Dear SCV Compatriot;

The Lee-Jackson Camp 1, Richmond, VA, would like to request your assistance in helping the Lee-Jackson Camp 1 keep the **Confederate War Memorial Chapel** open to the public.

The Chapel was built in 1887 (on the grounds of the R.E. Lee Camp 1 UCV Soldiers' Home in Richmond). Many of the *old soldiers* provided the labor to construct this hallowed Chapel. More than 2,000 funerals of Confederate veterans were held at the Chapel. U.S. Grant contributed \$500 to the building of the Chapel. We would like to ask SCV members to help us to continue to keep it open to the public. It is the only existing **War Memorial** to the entire Confederate Military in Richmond

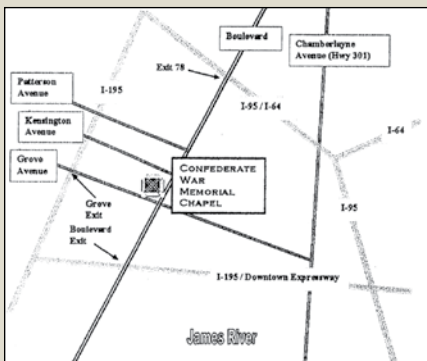
(the *old soldiers* dedicated the Chapel with the following inscription in gold guild above the altar: "DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THE CONFEDERATE DEAD")



The Lee-Jackson Camp 1 has held the lease to the Chapel since 1993. We have kept it open five days a week to the public (free of charge). Nowhere else (in inner city Richmond) does the BATTLE FLAG fly five days a week! We also hold the annual Confederate Memorial Day program at the Chapel, which is always a BIG success.

The assistance we are requesting would enable us to increase public awareness (through advertising), keep the Chapel open five days a week, and educate the public regarding the true cause of the Confederacy. We have an excellent video presentation with actual footage of the *old soldiers* at the home (before the last *old soldier* passed away in 1941 at the camp), as well as a history of the Battle Flag. The video is very inspiring, and often draws tears to the eyes of the visitors! We entertain school groups, and make the Chapel available to SCV, UDC, and Children of the Confederacy camps. We also use the Chapel as a *recruiting tool*, passing out SCV brochures to perspective new members.

Without your assistance (and the assistance of others who have helped us in the past 12 years), we will be faced with cutting back the hours of operation. Won't you PLEASE help us in this very worthy cause by joining the **Friends of the Confederate War Memorial Chapel Association**? Any amount you would like to contribute would be greatly appreciated. All who contribute will have their name on permanent display in our honor roll of donors in the Chapel.



For any donations, the check should be made out to:

Friends of the Confederate War Memorial Chapel

c/o Lee-Jackson Camp 1, SCV

PO Box 71256, Richmond, VA 23255-1256

Phone: 804-740-4479 (for additional information)

Please Join Us For the Annual Confederate Memorial Day Service in the Chapel. The Date is Monday, May 29, at 10 AM. Commander-in-Chief Denne Sweeney will be Our Featured Speaker.

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Sunday 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

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