120th Georgia Division Reunion: June 9 ~ 10
Macon, Georgia

The B/G Edward Dorr Tracy, Jr. Camp #18 will host the Georgia Division Convention/Reunion this year at the Macon Marriott City Center.

Macon is a few miles from the exact geographical center of the State of Georgia, and the Macon Marriott City Center is almost in the center of Macon and easily accessible from the interstate. All SCV business activities will be held in the complex within easy walking distance.

There is a tour planned on Saturday morning, June 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for spouses and guests that will visit Fort Hawkins, Ocmulgee National Monument, Saint Joseph’s Catholic Church, The Hay House, and The Cannonball House.

Room reservations can be made online or by calling 866-882-4465. Camp #18 has arranged a special rate of $99 for the SCV.

All Brigade Commanders will be up for election in 2017. Anyone who will be running for one of those offices can send a short notice to the Editor of the Georgia Confederate to make his formal announcement. The procedure for elections was changed last year in recombination. All Brigade Commanders will stand for election in odd numbered years and all the other elected Division offices will be up for election in even numbered years.

Delegate registration will be from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., Saturday, June 10th at the Centraplex Business Center, with the business session beginning at 9:30 a.m. Early registration on Friday, June 9th will be from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Magnolia Room in the Marriott hotel.

Registration and Delegates are online at www.gascv.org, or can be clipped from this issue of the Georgia Confederate.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact: 4th Brigade Commander Tom Stevens at tstevens43@aol.com or 478-477-7468.

The Macon Marriott City Center
240 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217

All completed registration forms and payments are to be mailed to:
Commander Tom Stevens
384 River North Blvd.
Macon, GA 31211

Make checks payable to:
Edward Dorr Tracy Jr. Camp 18

122nd SCV National Reunion:
Memphis, Tennessee
“First With The Most”

The 2017 Reunion will be held July 20 ~ 22, 2017. You can register now, and late registration for the 2017 National Reunion begins April 1st.

The host Camp will be the N.B. Forrest Camp 215.

In addition to the regular banquets, there will be tours available to Shiloh Battlefield, Mud Island Museum, Forrest’s Memphis Raid site, Historic Elmwood Cemetery & Soldiers’ Rest, and the Memphis Queen Dinner Cruise.

All National elections are held in even numbered years, and although this is not an election year, look for some important Amendments to be presented for consideration.

[See www.scvmemphis2017.org]

The Official Charge
to the Georgia Division

To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the cause for which we fought; to your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier’s good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish.

Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.
The Lt. Dickson L. Baker Camp 926 Hartwell, Ga. presented the H.L.Hunley Award to JROTC Cadet Colby Thomas of Elbert County High School Elberton, Ga. at the JROTC Banquet.

The award was presented by Camp Commander Judson Barton along with Baker Camp members Sgt. Maj. Allen Cartledge,(US Army Retired), and 1Sgt. Robert Williams, (US Army Retired). Also JROTC Army Instructor Major Edward L. Loving (US Army Retired).

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On January 14, 2017, 27th Georgia Regiment Camp 1404, hosted a Dinner in celebration of Generals Lee, Jackson and Longstreet's birthdays at the old Flowery Branch Depot in downtown Flowery Branch, Georgia. Div. Commander, Scott Gilbert was the guest speaker.

The re-located flag at Ringgold. The new location is in the Anderson Cemetery. Patrick Cleburne Camp 2209; Cmndr. Ron Estlinger, 1st Lt. Cmndr. Terry Cain.

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Commander’s Report

January/February, 2017

This past Saturday the Georgia Division held our annual observance of the birthday of Robert E. Lee. As you know, the event was relocated to the Jeff Davis State Park in Irwin County for reasons explained previously in this publication. Despite extreme weather conditions in the morning and later in the afternoon, a very nice crowd was present for fellowship, food, and a great presentation by SCV Chaplain in Chief Dr. Ray Parker.

The morning began with a walk from downtown Irwinville back to the park. A color guard with period Confederate and Georgia flags, along with a contingent of Division members, family, and friends, made the 1.1 mile trek through the countryside. The wind made the flags fly, and several children at a farm house came out and asked “can we go with you?” As I passed by, I told their mother to make sure she teaches her children about General Robert E. Lee. She should. She would. The sound of the drum and the sound of the marching feet made the walk very special.

After the program and dinner (dinner being what Yankees have forced us to call “lunch”) we retired outside for a ceremonial firing of the muskets and two artillery pieces. After a brief intermission, the Executive Council gathered for our regularly scheduled meeting.

I was honored to issue a general order consisting of the following appointments: Dr. William A. “Bill” Thomas as our new Division Surgeon. Dr. Thomas currently works in Augusta and is a retired Air Force Colonel. Johnathan P. Fronebarger is our newest Division Air Force Colonel. John is a former Army Sergeant, a Purple Heart recipient (Iraq) and the proud father of three SCV cadet sons (and one beautiful little girl).

The following new committees were also announced in the general order: Awards, Chairman Ron Colson of Valdosta; Headquarters Study, Chairman Mark Pollard of McDonough; Audit Oversight, Chairman Lee Mize (CPA) of Fayetteville.

I am also want to recognize and thank those that made this past Saturday very special: 8th Brigade Commander Charlie Parks, 9th Brigade Commander and Mrs. Ken Arvin, Division Lt. Cmdr. South Al Perry, Past Division Commander Jack Bridwell, Past Lt. Cmdr. South John Carroll and his men of the Color Guard, Chaplain in Chief Dr. Ray Parker, Division Chaplain Jack Wray, Division Quartermaster Dennis Elm, Park Ranger John Hughes, The Irwin County Sheriff’s Department and many Compatriots whose name I do not know.

Before I move on to another subject, let me also remind all of us that life is fleeting. The weather Saturday was very dangerous, and while we were blessed with safety, there was much concern, especially when we were able to finish our business and begin our journey home. As you know, the very next day destruction was brought to the area by tornadoes and lives were lost. Please keep all of our fellow Georgians and their families that were victims of the weather in your prayers and let us all give thanks to God that we made it home safely to our respective families.

The next few months are very busy ones for our Division. Our first ever Division Chaplains Conference is on February 18th in Macon. Our next EC meeting will be in Macon on March 11th, and at a new location: the Macon Convention and Visitors Bureau. The meeting begins at 11:00 am and as always, all Compatriots of the Division are welcome to attend. I respectfully request that if you do attend please dress just as if you were attending a professional business meeting or a traditional Church.

April brings Confederate Memorial Day and Confederate History and History Month. Please make sure that you let all the Camps in your respective area know when and where your particular ceremony will take place. Support your neighbors so they will support you. Please make sure that you send in a report of proclamations that your Camp receives from your local governments. Most importantly, put on a service that brings honor to those that earned it.

It may sound strange, but June is not far away. Please mark your calendars for Friday and Saturday, June 9th and 10th, and make plans to attend our annual Division Reunion and Convention. All members may attend. Bring your family. Remember that this is a reunion first, business meeting second. If you are not a delegate, come anyway to meet and get to know your fellow Compatriots from different parts of our great State.

There is of course very important business to attend to. We will have elections for all thirteen Brigade Commanders, amendments to vote on and our annual budget will be adopted.

In closing, thanks again to all those that helped with the Lee event, thanks to each of you for the great Lee/Jackson/Longstreet events that were held this month and thank you in advance for all that you do to honor our ancestors that served with what General Lee described as “unsurpassed courage, and fortitude”.

Sincerely,
Scott K. Gilbert, Jr.
Commander
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  - **Members:** Garry Daniell, Richard L. Leake, Jr.

- **TAG PROJECT FUND:**
  - **Chairman:** Philip J. Autrey
  - **Members:** Steven W. Camp, Jeff Robison, John B. Carroll, III, Scott Gilbert, Tim Pilgrim, Dan Coleman

- **TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE:**
  - **Chairman:** Donald M. Newman
  - **Members:** John Culpepper, Tommy McCullers, Richard K. Straut, Thomas Stevens, Karl Hahn, Ken Arvin

- **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE:**
  - **Chairman:** Hank Segars
  - **Members:** Vice-Chairman Mitchell D. Crabbe, Sparks Ramey, John C. Todd, Joe Underwood, Gould B. Hagler, Jr., Mark Pollard

- **CADET PROGRAM COMMITTEE:**
  - **Chairman:** Thomas Miller

- **PROGRAM COORDINATOR**
  - **Calvin Johnson**
  - **Members:** TBA

- **AWARDS COMMITTEE:**
  - **TBA**

- **DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE:**
  - **Chairman:** Tom Jeter
  - **Members:** Ken W. Smith, Grady K. Dukes, Dan Coleman, Jonathan Till, John Campbell, David Cordell

- **DIVISION STORE MANAGER**
  - **Thomas Stevens**

- **GRAVES REGISTRY PROGRAM**
  - **Coordinator:** Garry Daniell

- **BRIGADE REALIGNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE:**
  - **TBA**

- **HEADQUARTERS STUDY COMMITTEE:**
  - **TBA**

- **CHARTER APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE:**
  - **TBA**
CADET PROGRAM

It is truly an exciting time in the history of the Georgia Division as we work to build our future leaders through membership in a totally new Cadet Program. Members of the Cadet Program will not only get a newly designed membership pin denoting them as a Cadet member, but also a membership certificate, camouflage SCV cap, and a subscription to the Georgia Confederate newsletter.

Membership in the Cadet Program is $20 per year, or a one-time $100 payment to cover all years up to age twelve. Cadets who join at the $100 one-time level will also receive a "Legacy" pin, noting their membership at the Legacy level.

Cadet Membership Benefits:
- Subscription to The Georgia Confederate, a bi-monthly newsletter to members of the Georgia Division
- A camouflage baseball cap with SCV logo
- A special "Cadet Member" pin - only available to Cadet members of the Georgia Division
- A "Cadet Member" certificate from the Georgia Division
- Participation in our Georgia Division’s Cadet Program with the ability to earn more pins as you complete new tasks
- The opportunity to attend and participate in your local SCV Camp meetings
- The opportunity to meet other Cadets in your area and participate in "Cadet only" outdoor activities like camping, fishing, and participating in local heritage events

Go to www.gascv.org to download an application.
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Georgia Division
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CAMP GROWTH & RETENTION ????

The best way to build your Camp is to start a CADET PROGRAM !!!! You would be hard pressed to find a more active, loyal member than one who has been nurtured by your Camp through the CADET PROGRAM.

RECRUIT CADETS TODAY.

NEXT DIVISION EC MEETING

March 11, 2017
11:00 a.m.
Macon Convention/Visitors Center
Macon, Georgia

Gentlemen,
I hope you all are having a blessed new year. It was good seeing many of you at the General Robert E. Lee Birthday Celebration at the Jefferson Davis Park in Irwinville. The weather gave us a break and the program and foods were great. Many thanks to 8th Brigade Commander Charlie Parks and 9th Brigade Commander Ken Arvin for organizing the event for us this year. They did an excellent job.

The Georgia Legislative Session began on January 9, 2017, and no anti-Confederate/Southern bills have been introduced to my knowledge. Hopefully all will be quiet on that front.

As of date, Georgia Division membership is 2,984 which is 552 members down from our membership last year which was 3,536. Hopefully we will gain many of them back in the next few months. What’s more concerning is our non-renewal members are 701 which is about 300 members higher than previous years. Non-renewing members usually average around 400. We usually get about half of those members back in the ranks.

I have sent all the Brigade Commanders copies of their Camps’ non-renewals to be forwarded to the Camp Officers. If you haven’t received your roster of non-renewals, please contact me at timfpilgrim@yahoo.com and I’ll be glad to send it to you. We all need to try to reach out to these members and try to get them to renew their memberships.

February begins the prorated period for new and reinstating members’ dues. I have those prorated procedures listed below for both Division and National. If the member can afford to prorate that is definitely his best option. It covers the remainder of this year’s dues and covers next year’s dues.

Georgia Division Dues:
$18 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for new members, joining during Feb, March or April. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year’s dues as well.
$21 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for members reinstating their membership during Feb, March or April. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year’s dues as well.
$15 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for new members, joining during May, June or July. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year’s dues as well.
$18 for Ga. Division prorated Dues for members reinstating their membership during May, June or July. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year’s dues as well.

SCV National Dues:
$50 for SCV National prorated Dues if joining during Feb, March or April. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year’s dues as well.
$42.50 for SCV National prorated Dues if joining during May, June or July. These are prorated to pay for the current fiscal year and pay next year’s dues as well.

If you have any questions regarding your Camp’s non-renewing members or the prorating procedure, please always contact me at timfpilgrim@yahoo.com.

At your service always,
Tim Pilgrim
Georgia Division Adjutant
Sons of Confederate Veterans

January 21, 2017

From: Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr.

General Orders 03-012117

It is my privilege to announce two new Division staff appointments:

1. Dr. William A. Thomas, Jr. of Augusta is hereby appointed Georgia Division Surgeon to rank from January 11, 2017. Dr. Thomas is a retired Colonel with twenty-two years of service in the United States Air Force. He is currently a Physician Executive at the Eisenhower Army Medical Center at Fort Gordon. In addition, he is a medical historian and author. Dr. Thomas is a member of the Barnesville Blues Camp #2137 in his native Lamar County.

2. Compatriot Johnathan P. Fronebarger of the Gen. Lafayette McLaws Camp #79, Fayette County, is hereby appointed Division Aide-de-Camp to rank from January 14, 2017. He served two enlistments in the United States Army (enlisting at age seventeen) which included two tours of duty in Iraq. John is a combat wounded recipient of The Purple Heart, and the proud father of four SCV Cadets.

It is my privilege to appoint the following committees:

1. Headquarters Study Committee: Division Historian C. Mark Pollard of the Colonel Charles T. Zachry Camp #105 of Henry County is hereby appointed Chairman. The following Compatriots shall serve as members of the committee: Robert Bailey, Dennis Elm, David Moncus, and Thomas Stevens.

The committee is hereby charged with determining if the Division needs a permanent headquarters. If the determination is YES, the committee will present a list of points to support the determination. The committee will then determine a geographic area within the State that it feels is most appropriate for any future headquarters. The first report will be due at the March 11, 2017 meeting in Macon.

2. Awards Committee: Commander Ron Colson of the Colonel Edmond N. Atkinson Camp #680 of Lowndes County is hereby appointed Chairman. Committee members will be announced once all appointments are confirmed.

The committee is hereby charged with creating and presenting an awards program outline for consideration to the Division Executive Council at the June 10, 2017 meeting in Macon.

3. Audit Oversight Committee: Adjutant Lee Mize (CPA) of the General Lafayette McLaw’s Camp #79 of Fayette County is hereby appointed Chairman. Members of the committee are Sam Stacy (CPA) and Richard K. Straut.

Pursuant to the authority granted the Division Commander in Article X, Sec. 6 of the Georgia Division bylaws, the committee is hereby charged with preparing a list of various types of audits, with estimated costs, and time-frames for completion of each audit, to the Division Executive Council. The report will be due for consideration at the March 11, 2017 EC meeting in Macon.

Scott K. Gilbert, Jr.
Commander, Georgia Division
cc: file/ec/staff

Will Rogers:
“Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else.”

“I never met a man that I didn’t like.”

“All I know is just what I read in the papers, and that’s an alibi for my ignorance.”
Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans Executive Council Meeting

Ole Times Buffet - Macon, Georgia

24 September 2016

Executive Council Members Present – Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr., Lieutenant Commander North Philip J. Autrey, Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry, Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim, Chief of Staff Curtis Harris Collier, III, Judge Advocate Dan Coleman, 2nd Brigade Commander Karl Hahn, 4th Brigade Commander Thomas E. Stevens, 5th Brigade Commander Thomas Miller, 6th Brigade Commander Robert Whitaker, 7th Brigade Commander Charles W. Griffin, 8th Brigade Commander Charles L. Parks, III, 9th Brigade Commander Ken Arvin, 10th Brigade Commander Joseph Alfred Medcalf, Jr., 11th Brigade Commander Jeff Robison, 12th Brigade Commander Richard L. Leake, Jr., 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Campbell

Executive Council Members Not Present – 1st Brigade David Cordell, 3rd Brigade Commander Tommy D. McCullers (Excused)

· Meeting called to order by Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr.

· Invocation given by Chaplain Jack C. Wray

· Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. led pledges and salute to United States, State of Georgia, and Confederate Flags.

· Chief of Staff Curtis Harris Collier, III called roll. Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry questioned as to why immediate Past Commander Jack Bridwell voting member of Georgia Division Executive Council Meeting.

· Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry put forth a motion to allow Past Commander Jack Bridwell as a voting member of Georgia Division Executive Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by 10th Brigade Commander Joseph Alfred Medcalf, Jr. Discussion was made between Judge Advocate Dan Coleman and Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. on what prevails Immediate Past Commander who served a full 2 year term at one point vs. if Immediate Past Commander’s last term was 2 year term. 6th Brigade Commander Robert Whitaker suggested that Judge Advocate ruling supercedes any other ruling. Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry advised he will withdraw motion if Judge Advocate Dan Coleman’s ruling is accepted. Aide de Camp and Attorney Grady K. Dukes advised Executive Council has power to make an interpretation via vote. Judge Advocate Dan Coleman asked Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry, Chief of Staff Curtis Harris Collier, III called the question to suspend further discussion. 2nd Brigade Commander Karl Hahn seconded. It failed 7 to 12, and the discussion was still open. 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Campbell asked who was voting Past Commander in Commander Jack Bridwell’s administration. Judge Advocate Dan Coleman advised it was Past Commander Charlie Lott. Lieutenant Commander North Philip J. Autrey moved a motion for a secret ballot on whether to allow Past Commander Jack Bridwell to serve as an Executive Council Member, therefore having voting privileges. Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry asked that the vote be a roll call. Judge Advocate Dan Coleman seconded. The vote passed 13 to 6 to allow Past Commander Jack Bridwell to serve as an Executive Council Member. Voting yea were Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry, Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim, Judge Advocate Dan Coleman, 4th Brigade Commander Thomas E. Stevens, 5th Brigade Commander Thomas Miller, 6th Brigade Commander Robert Whitaker, 7th Brigade Commander Charles W. Griffin, 8th Brigade Commander Joseph Alfred Medcalf, Jr., 12th Brigade Commander Richard L. Leake, Jr. Voting no were Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. Motion passed.

· Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. initiated discussion of the termination of the Georgia Division website contract with McBerry Enterprises as a result of Ray McBerry’s membership was terminated from The Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters. Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim advised that although the Georgia Division owns the domain name, the website is non-transferable. Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim made a motion to allow a ninety day contract and a $50 hourly rate with McBerry Enterprises until the Georgia Division establishes a new website, and a thirty day notice upon termination of said contract. The motion was seconded by 10th Brigade Commander Joseph Alfred Medcalf, Jr. Motion passed.

· Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim handed out and discussed the Operating Budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. 6th Brigade Commander Robert Whitaker made a motion to approve the Operating Budget. The motion was seconded by 8th Brigade Commander Charles L. Parks, III. Motion passed.

· Lieutenant Commander South/Editor Allison Perry have his report, including members recognized for recruiting new members. He also gave updates regarding the Georgia Confederates Youth Camp, which is technically a for profit organization even though no profit is really made.

· Gary Daniel of the General Leonidas Polk Camp #1446 spoke of the SCV National Grave Registry, adding that a Georgia Division Graves Committee be established. He would serve a Coordinator of said Committee. Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim made a motion for a Georgia Division Graves Committee be established. The motion was seconded by 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Campbell. Motion passed.

· 5th Brigade Commander Thomas Miller gave updates on the Georgia Division Cadets programs and awards.

· Quartermaster Dennis Elm advised that a Mr. Kelly of Confederate Memorial Camp #1432 makes SCV name plates for meeting, as well as name badges. Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim made a motion to allow name badges be made for Georgia Division Executive Committee members. The motion was seconded by 5th Brigade Commander Thomas Miller. Motion passed.

· Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. advised that he attended nine camp meetings since taking over as Georgia Division Commander since the Georgia Division Reunion on 11 June 2016, adding that he has many speaking engagements going well into next year.

· The proposed Georgia Executive Council meeting for March is 11 March 2017 in the Conference Room at the Macon/Bibb County Visitors Bureau.

· Lieutenant Commander North Philip J. Autrey made a motion for the Georgia Division to donate $500 to Wreaths of America to place wreathes on Confederate graves. The motion was seconded by 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Campbell. Motion passed.

· Judge Advocate Dan Coleman expressed concern if the Georgia Division should return funds for lobbying, considering the Georgia Division has no lobbyists on its behalf yet. Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr. advised that he will look into reviewing the logistics of this and discuss at a later time.

· Meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m. after the Benediction prayer Chaplain Jack C. Wray, followed by a singing of Dixie.
Minutes of Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans
Emergency Meeting November 2016

Meeting called by Commander Scott K. Gilbert, Jr., via email on Tuesday, 29 November 2016 at 7:38 am. The emergency items were identified as:
1. Need to appoint Chief of Staff as “Recording Secretary” to confirm with bylaws.

Motion in favour made by 4th Brigade Commander Thomas E. Stevens; seconded by Lieutenant Commander North Philip J. Autrey; Vote was 13 in favour, one formal “abstain”. Motion passed.

2A: Request for potential motion/vote on having the 2017 Lee Birthday ceremony at Milledgeville and pay the $3,000 min rental fee.

No motion made.

2B: Request for potential motion/vote on having the Lee Birthday event at Wesleyan College in Macon for $1,750.

Motion made in favour by 4th Brigade Commander Thomas E. Stevens; seconded by 7th Brigade Commander Charles W. Griffin; 3 votes in favour, none opposed. Motion failed.

2C: Request for motion to cancel the event for 2017 and move forward with planning for 2018.

Motion made in favour by 3rd Brigade Commander Tommy D. McCullers; second made by 13th Brigade Commander Steven W. Camp; 7 votes in favour, 1 opposed. Motion failed.

Prior to end of meeting, a motion was made by 8th Brigade Commander Charles L. Parks, III to have the event at the Jeff Davis Park in Irwinville. A second provided 9th Brigade Commander Ken Arvin. 12 votes in favour, none opposed. The motion passed.

3. Request for motion to pay a specific legal invoice from the heritage fund for Ms. Sylvia Cotriss (formerly of the City of Roswell Police Department). Total amount requested was $1,144.60. The bill was for preliminary legal research and filings on behalf of Ms. Cotriss in her potential legal action against the Roswell Police Department for terminating her job “for flying a Confederate flag on her home while her police car was parked in the driveway.”

A motion in favour was made by 12th Brigade Commander Richard L. Leake, Jr.; second was made by 4th Brigade Commander Thomas E. Stevens; 12 votes were counted but the motion was amended by Adjutant Timothy F. Pilgrim to include language to the effect that the bill would be paid only after the Division received the proper invoices, and that no further bills would be paid in the future until any and all information related to the matter is reviewed by the Division Judge Advocate. Motion as amended was passed 11-0, and is passed. A potential 12th vote was received after the meeting was adjourned. There were no votes opposing the motion.

Meeting adjourned.

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Gentlemen, please review the camp listing of project donations. If you have made a donation to any of the division’s projects and if your Camp is not listed on the above list, please contact me at 404-416-3303 or timfpilgrim@yahoo.com.

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One (1) DELEGATE REGISTRATION
ONLY $20.
Be sure and include your Camp No. when purchasing.

PACKAGE B.
One (1) DELEGATE REGISTRATION
AND
One (1) FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL: DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY SIMPLE HERITAGE
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One (1) SATURDAY BUSINESS SESSION LUNCHEON.
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AND
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AND
One (1) SATURDAY BUSINESS SESSION LUNCHEON.
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Saturday (9-12 am) with professional guide. Enjoy Macon’s history during the War between the States and visit Fort Hawkins, Ocmulgee National Monument, St Josephs Church, Hay House and the Cannonball House. $30 per person.
Seats are limited and tour subject to cancellation due to lack of participants.
ONLY $30.
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NOTE: These are on-line opportunities.
See Page 11 for USPS and check payment form.

Report of the History Committee,
United Sons of Confederate Veterans [SCV], July 1900:

“We have asked each member of our committee to urge upon each camp in his State the importance of gathering reliable data for the use of the future historian. This is a sacred duty that we owe to the living and to the dead and to those who are yet unborn. The establishment of truth is never wrong.”

The report of the History Committee expressed concern that “tens of thousands of boys and girls are growing up into manhood and womanhood throughout the South, with improper ideas concerning the struggle between the States; and with distorted conceptions concerning the causes” of the war. They sought remedies for this deplorable state of affairs.

Bernhard Thuersam,

Final UCV Reunion
United Confederate Veterans issued May 30, 1951

At its final national reunion in May 1951, a commemorative postage stamp was issued. It was virtually identical to the one printed in 1949 for the last national encampment of the GAR.

Legacy

On July 1, 1896 a successor organization, the United Sons of Confederate Veterans (USCV), later re-designated Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) was founded at Richmond, Virginia, to consolidate the patriotic societies then composed of male lineal descendants of Confederate veterans. A similar association comprising female descendants, the United Daughters of the Confederacy, had been organized two years earlier at Nashville, Tennessee. The U.S. Post Office released a 3 cent commemorative stamp first issued through the Norfolk, VA., post office, on May 30, 1951, commemorating the final reunion of the United Confederate Veterans.

Source: wikipedia
**2017, 120th GEORGIA DIVISION REUNION**

The Marriott Macon City Center, Macon, Georgia

Delegates Form

**Camp name and number:**

**City:**

**Brigade:**

**Camp Commander’s Name:**

**Camp Adjutant’s Name:**

**DELEGATES:**

[Blank lines]

**Commander**

Please Print or Type the top information and have each approved listed in readable format on the form.

The form must be signed by either the Camp Commander or Adjutant of record in the records of the Georgia Division Adjutant. If the form is improperly filled out, your camp may not be allowed your camp’s votes.

Delegates allowed for Reunion Strength

0 Delegates = Less than 7 Paid Members, 2 Delegates = 7 to 24 Paid Members
3 Delegates = 25 to 34 Paid Members, 4 Delegates = 35 to 44 Paid Members
5 Delegates = 45 to 54 Paid Members, 6 Delegates = 55 to 64 Paid Members
7 Delegates = 65 to 74 Paid Members

Delegates will be adjusted for all above these numbers by rounding off to the nearest multiple of 10 members.

**Adjutant**

This Form MUST be certified by either the Camp Commander or Adjutant on record with the Georgia Division Adjutant.

I certify that the above delegates are authorized to represent and vote for this camp.

**DO NOT SEND THIS BACK IN THE MAIL.** Please present this to the credentials committee at the reunion registration table. It will then be checked against paid membership on the roster.

UCV Reunions

The UCV organized many local and national reunions of Confederate veterans. Some of the national reunions attracted thousands of former veterans. In 1875, the Confederate and Union veterans first met in reunion at Bunker Hill. In 1881 Union veterans decorated Confederate graves during Mardi Gras in New Orleans as a sign of respect. Between 1881 and 1887, Federal and Confederate veterans held 24 major reunions together. The 50th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg attracted 8,000 Confederate and 44,000 Union veterans. It was common practice for both the GAR and the UCV to produce medals, ribbons, and other assorted memorabilia to commemorate reunions and gatherings. These items are considered collector's items today and are much sought after.

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Hu Daughtry
The Dixie Guards, Camp #1942
P. O. Box 406, Metter, Ga. 30439
sidada11@yahoo.com
912 687-6153

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You do not have to be a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to purchase this tag.

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rossgloverjr@comcast.net

120th GEORGIA DIVISION CONVENTION/REUNION

REGISTRATION FORM

JUNE 9th & 10th, 2017

The Marriott Macon City Center
240 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217

Host Camp: B/G Edward Dorr Tracy Jr. Camp #18

Name: ____________________________ & Title: _____________________

Camp Name ____________________________ Camp # _____________

Phone # ________________________ email address: _______________________

Spouse and/or Guest’s Name__________________________________________
(Spouse & Guests do not have to pay Registration Fee)

- Registration Fee each (Only Georgia Division members)............. $20 ______
- Late Registration Fee after May 17, 2017 (only Georgia Division members)... $25 ______
- Friday, June 9th Pre-registration at the Magnolia Room 12 – 6
Saturday, June 10th, Convention Starts at 9:30, Registration 7-9am at the Centraplex Business Center.

Saturday Lunch at business meeting $20 each…………..Qty. _____ (x) $20 ______

Historic Macon and Civil War Tour- (Spouse and Guests) Enjoy tales of Macon’s colorful history by a professional guide at preferred choice attractions: Fort Hawkins, Ocmulgee National Monument, Saint Joseph’s Catholic Church, The Hay House, and The Cannonball House on Saturday, June 10th from 9am-12pm. Seating is limited and tour subject to cancellation from lack of interest.

$30 each………….Qty. ____ (x) $30 ______

GRAND TOTAL $_________

Make Checks Payable: Edward Dorr Tracy Jr. Camp 18
Return this form with Payment to:
Commander Tom Stevens at 384 River North Blvd, Macon, GA 31211
Any Questions or Additional Information Contact: Tom Stevens at tstevens43@aol.com or 478-477-7468

Host Hotel Reservation contact info:

Marriott Macon City Center
240 Coliseum, Drive,
Macon, GA 31217

Reference: Georgia Division Sons of Confederate Veterans when making reservations, SCV Room Rate $99

Ham Radio Operators:

Mr. Richard Myers of Camp 1996.

His contact information is:
105 Oakdale Dr.
LaGrange, GA 30240
Call > (706) 402-6410

General Edward Dorr Tracy, Jr., Camp #18
Sons of Confederate Veterans

VENDORS WANTED
126th GEORGIA DIVISION REUNION
MARRIOTT MACON CITY CENTER
June 9-10, 2017
$50.00 per table
Contact: Tom Stevens, Commander
384 River North Boulevard
Macon, Georgia 31211
(Home) 478-477-7468 (Cell) 478-501-5703
SOUTHERN CROSSES OF HONOR
NOW AVAILABLE FOR $66

The bulk order of Southern Crosses of Honor that was purchased by the Division Tag Funds for the Camps/Members of the Georgia Division at the bulk purchase discount price is now available in regional locations through-out the State as follows:

- Southeast Georgia: 7th Brigade Commander Chuck Griffin, Waycross, Ga. 912-816-6078
- Southwest Georgia: 9th Brigade Commander Ken Arvin, 706-662-4532 (Columbus / Albany Area)
- Central Georgia, 4th Brigade Commander Thomas Stevens, Macon Georgia at 1-866-728-4642.
- Metro Atlanta Area & Northwest Ga., Division Adjutant Tim Pilgrim, 404-456-3393, Marietta, Georgia.
- Northeast Georgia, Commander Michael Dean Col. Hiram Bell Camp #1642, at the Hiram Bell Research Center in Cummings Ga., 404-771-6507.

How does the process work?

First, mail your check make payable to the Georgia Division for $66 to the Georgia Division, SCV, P.O. Box 1081, Macon, Ga. 31202. Be sure and include your phone number, e-mail address and list which above location is closest to you.

Second, Division Secretary will e-mail or call you and the above supplier to make you both aware your payment has been received.

Thirdly, The area supplier listed above will contact you to make arrangements to meet you with your Southern Cross.

Remember, these crosses are not for resale and are available to Georgia Division SCV members only.

Thank you, Tim Pilgrim, Division Adjutant

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General Robert E. Lee Birthday Celebration: Jeff Davis Memorial Park

The Lord blessed all our activities at the annual Lee Birthday Celebration held this year in Irwin County. The weather was threatening, but there was none destructive, and the rain held off until all outdoor activities were completed.

Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Ray Parker delivered an excellent program on the Christian character of General Lee.
1920-1921

The year 1920 was the first year of our new CIC’s tenure. The Georgia SCV reunion was held in Atlanta, the membership support ed Nathan Bedford Forrest II as CIC and Past CIC Carl Hinton took over as Adjutant in Chief.

Charles P. Rowland of the Bartow Camp in Savannah, was appointed Commissary in Chief by Commander Forrest; at the Georgia SCV level, Walter P. Andrew of the John B. Gordon (Camp 46) was appointed as the Georgia Division Commander. The Headquarters were held in the Piedmont Hotel, in Atlanta until June of the year.

National events were held at the Reunion in Houston, Texas. There were several items. First, they decided to raise the dues to $1.00 per year, which was a large amount in 1920. There was also a move in store, as the headquarters was located in Washington, D.C. after it was moved from Atlanta. Afterwards, many activities were held in the Nation's Capitol, which were of considerable interest. There was a reception held by the Southern Society, hosted by past CIC Clarence J. Owens, President of the Society at the Willard Hotel and the honoree was the great General Pershing. Colonel Robert E. Lee Jr. made the introduction. Other dignitaries included Miss Margaret Wilson and Mrs. Robert E. Lee, Jr.

Another big affair was when an aging member of Camp #305 in Washington D.C. was visited in a nursing home by King George of England and made Knight of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. This compatriot was none other than General William C. Gorgas, the man responsible for the completion of the Panama Canal. He passed away later in the year and was given a large ceremony.

Earlier in the year, CIC Forrest took on a special project of his own concerning a terrible biased book that had been recently published. It was entitled; "The History of the American People" by Beard and Bagley. He led a fight to keep the book from schoolhouses, as it was directly offensive to the South and blatantly biased in its presentation of history (I have not seen the book so perhaps it was successfully kept off the school book list).

Another publishing enterprise, was one by the SCV itself, called the Gray Book. This publication was written by members of the SCV and was an answer to the flurry of Northern publications that were coming off the press at the time. There were several authors, all members of the SCV. There was A.H. Jennings, Historian in Chief Ewing, the eminent Historian and President of William and Mary College, Dr. Tyler as well as Dr. Randolph McKim who stated in the book: "I was a soldier in Virginia in the campaigns of Lee and Jackson and I declare I never met a Southern soldier who had drawn his sword to perpetuate slavery."

At the 1920 National Reunion, it was announced that a new record for membership was set by a Camp. The Albert Sidney Johnston Camp of Houston reporting 1,310 members eclipsing the previous record of 1,156 - set by the Hardeman Camp of Macon, Georgia. This gives some idea how many members we once had in the SCV.

Later in the year, there was an article in the Confederate Veteran concerning the Confederate Memorial Home in Washington, D.C. It has always been a symbol to the faithful, as the Confederate "embassy." We should all remember this landmark when in the Capitol, and always make it a point to go by and pay our respects. It is also said to hold a lot of old SCV records.

The events of 1921 around the Nation were primarily educational, as well as commemorative.

There was a reception held by the Washington D.C. Camp #405 in January at which, the Executive Council was honored. The Speaker for this event was the respected U.S. Representative from Alabama, W.B. Bankhead. He spoke on the rights of secession under the Constitution and the Reconstruction period in the South. There was a lot of history written and recorded by our Ancestors during that year.

It was reported in the Confederate Veteran magazine that orders for the Gray Book were coming in to HIC Arthur H. Jennings of VA at a brisk rate from libraries and colleges all around the Nation. As an SCV member, this is an important book to have in your library. It seems that the UDC's action at its 1921 Ashville Convention was a complete success. They stated; (The Gray Book was beginning to be seen far and wide).

On the local scene, the Georgia Division elected a new Commander in 1921 in the person of J. Hugh Conley of Augusta. He was named by CIC Forrest early in the year. His tenure did not last long though, as he resigned during the summer and CIC Forrest appointed Mr. D.S. Sanford of Milledgeville to replace him. He commenced the reorganization of the Georgia Division during that year.

Another Georgian, named in events of the year Jesse Anthony Jr. moved to Washington D.C. and immediately was elected as Commander of the Camp in that city. This was a very active Camp whose events were widely reported in the Confederation news of that period.

On October 24-27 of that same year, our 26th Reunion was held in neighboring Chattanooga, Tennessee. The events as usual, were lav-
ish with many old Veterans present. The Southeastern Railroads offered a special low price, as only 1 cent per mile was the charge from anywhere for members or Veterans. Wow, that's a bargain! The members of the SCV elected a new CIC, Judge Edgar Scurry, who took over for the outgoing CIC Forrest. Carl Hinton was our Adjutant, again.

Part (7) - The History of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans will continue in the next issue of the Georgia Confederate.

In an effort to document the history of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, I am in the process of compiling as much information as possible on the Division. Research shows there isn’t much detailed information about the division until around the mid-1920’s. If your SCV Camp has ever held a Reunion in the past, please submit who the elected Division Officer is in that particular year. Submit that or any other past Division information to: Georgia Division Historian, Mark Pollard at: pollardsville@gmail.com

Camp 1404 Lee/Jackson
On January 14, 2017, 27th Georgia Regiment Camp 1404, hosted a Dinner in celebration of Generals Lee, Jackson and Longstreet’s birthdays at the old Flowery Branch Depot in downtown Flowery Branch Georgia. After a delicious catered meal, Commander Ralph Mills started us off wanting to show the families of the members, especially the women how we conduct our meetings opening with prayer, pledges and salute to the flags, and reading of The Charge. Georgia Division Commander, Scott Gilbert was then introduced and presented a program about General Thomas Stonewall Jackson, his military career, early life and family.

In attendance for the evening festivities included, Second Brigade Commander, Karl Haun, as well as members of Camps: Maj. William E. Simmons Camp 96, Col. Hiram P. Bell Camp 1642, Blue Ridge Rifles Camp 1860, and the Longstreet Society. A good time was had by all. Many departed the evening looking forward to the continued birthday celebration of General Longstreet at his graveside at Alta Vista Cemetery, Gainesville, GA., the following day.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Couch, Adj.
Camp 1404
Gainesville GA

Attention all camps:
We had a Bradley Quinlin speak to the Stiles/Akin SCV Camp, Cartersville, Georgia in November and tell us about some valuable records about Confederate Hospital Director Samuel Hollingsworth Stout. The records are located at the University of Texas in Austin at the Dolph Briscoe Heritage Center. Here is a link A Guide to the Samuel Hollingsworth Stout Papers, 1837 (1860-1865) 1902

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Bradley found these when he collected the records of Unknown Confederate Soldiers who died in Hospitals in Marietta but as you can see from the link above there is much, much more to be gotten. Our camp could donate some money and we are looking for other camps to chip in like the Conyers camp. If we could get a few more camps to chip in we could pay Bradley to get the records. I would go myself but the trip is 967 miles 14 hours one way and not to mention a hotel stay. It took Bradley some time to collect this information in about 74 boxes, If Bradley could retrieve information for our camps it would be great to have the names of the Unknowns who died in area hospitals and a unique contribution to our respective communities.

From Steve Camp, Conyers Camp  “FYI a Mr. Brad Quinlin is in the process of copying the records of Dr. Stout, he was at our Camp meeting in Nov. He is asking for donations ($1,200.00) needed to return to Texas for a week to continue his research. He is willing to share the info once it is complete. Dr. Stout kept detailed records of each patient at his hospitals as he moved south ahead of the yankee invasion. There were hospitals in Calhoun, Cassville, Kingston, Rome, Stone Mt, Covington, Oxford, Newnan, Macon, Barnesville and southward to Savannah. The Maj. Gen. Joseph Wheeler Camp in Conyers has set aside funds to go toward Mr. Quinlins’ goal. If any Camp would like to assist in this project please contact me”

Bradley suggested he could do a small booklet on Samuel Hollingsworth Stout in an effort to recoup some of the costs and camps could sell this as a fundraiser. If we could get several camps to chip in we could get the information at a fraction of the cost per Camp.

So basically if this is something you are interested in Contact me Barry Colbaugh at 678-908-3805 email barrycdog@yahoo.com or Steve Camp at 770-480-3879

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L. Commander Carl T. Miller, Jr. inducts 3 new members to the Gen. Ambrose Ransom Wright Camp 1914. R. Commander Hu Daughtry, Georgia Division Genealogist was the Guest Speaker.

The B/G John C. Carter Camp 207, Waynesboro, Georgia held its annual Lee-Jackson Supper at the American Legion Building in Waynesboro. The speaker (pictured) was our own Chaplain, Bill Tinley. Chaplain Tinley's talk was entitled "Lee-Jackson and Other Tidbits of Historical Information."

On January 9th, the Clement A. Evans Camp of Waycross hosted their annual Lee-Jackson Birthday Celebration. John Smith (on left) and Dave Griffin of The Rebelaires entertained. They also told of how the group got its start back in the early 90s with Judge Ben Smith, a long time member and Charter member of this Camp, who passed away a few years ago.

Camp 673 Commander Bearden displays the Flag at the statue of General Stonewall Jackson at VMI.

On January 3rd, 2017, Haralson Invincibles Camp 673 Commander Billy Bearden, Adjutant Kyle Clayton, 2nd Lt. Commander Jimmy Tolbert and his wife Pam, Quartermaster Richard Boarts (pictured) as well as Jerry Segal, Nathan W. Forrester and Sammy Robinson (not pictured) proudly received our 3rd Robert E. Lee and Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson birthdays proclamation from Commission Chairman Allan Poole (shown in the middle) and the Haralson County Board of Commissioners. Compatriot Sammy Robinson is also a County Commissioner.

Div. Cmdr. Scott Gilbert [R] presents Past Cmdr. Rooney Kea [C] a Division Award for his many years of service to the Georgia Division. 6th Brigade Cmdr. Bob Whitaker was on hand for the event to show his appreciation [L].

SCV Camp 1914 and SCVMC Memorial and Headstone Dedication to Priv. Joshua A. Brown, 46th North Carolina Infantry, Co. D. Included in pictures are Major Ron Udell and the Honour Guard from SCV Camp 158. Marie Powell was in Widows Dress.
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Type or Print Clearly in Black Ink Only to Avoid Mistakes

To the Officers and Members of
Camp No. Located at
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I, the undersigned, respectfully petition to become a member of the

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Initial dues are $150.00 which includes a $10.00 recording fee; local and state dues are additional. Go to www.scv.org/camplocator.php to find a local Camp. Submit your application directly to the local Camp you wish to join or to: SCV, P.O. Box 59, Columbia TN 38402-0059 if there is no Camp in your area. Attach a copy of the ancestor’s service record or an approved pension for him or his widow. Also include a simple genealogy family tree listing the applicant to the Confederate Soldier. If accepted, I hereby promise strict compliance to the Constitution and rules of the organization.

The Confederate patriot through whom I petition for membership, and who adhered to the Cause of the Confederate States of America, was my ______________________ whose name was ______________________

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This application has been examined, and from the information which the camp committee has been able to procure, is approved

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There will be a separate section for you to contribute a concise report of your Camp’s activities. [See Page 23] As always, please send in your photos. We have 4 pages of color and I can print other photos in black and white on the Camp News pages. The Georgia Division needs to grow, not for growth’s sake, but to have more opportunities to protect the good name of the Confederate Veterans, your ancestors. Many hands make light work.

There’s still a lot of work to be done. Let’s work together and get busy. Remember, send all information to your Brigade Commander and copy The Georgia Confederate. Editor gaconfederate@att.net

CHANGE IN FORMAT:

CAMP DIRECTORY CAMP NEWS

Sons of Confederate Veterans
CAMP NEWS

Haralson Invincibles Camp 673
The annual Lee-Jackson Day holiday was held January 13th, 2017, in Lexington, Virginia.

Robert E Lee was born Jan 19th, Thomas Jackson on Jan 21st.

Commander Bearden of the Haralson Invincibles Camp 673 traveled up to Lexington, Virginia to pay respects and mark the holiday by representing his Confederate Ancestors, his Camp, his Division and the state of Georgia by joining other SCV members and the Virginia Flaggers in the city where both Lee and Jackson are buried.

Jackson taught at Virginia Military Institute in Lexington before the War, and Lee accepted the Presidency of Washington College in Lexington after the War (now Washington and Lee University).

Submitted by Commander Billy Bearden

Montgomery Sharpshooter Camp 2164
Historical Books Donated
January 20-- Danny Hall, a member of the Montgomery Sharpshooters, Camp 2164 of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, donated his personal collection of two series of books from The Archive Society to the history department of Vidalia Heritage Academy’s Upper School.

One of the series, Confederate Military History, contains 16 volumes of the writings from the leaders in each of the southern states in the Confederacy, while the other series provides the memoirs and recollections of various Confederate Generals.

These two historical series will be added to the Heritage Library as valuable primary sources of the writings of those individuals directly involved in the War between the States.

Submitted by Brigade Cmdr. Bob Whitaker

NOTE: The Montgomery Sharpshooters meet the first Thursday of each month and not the first Tuesday.

27th Georgia Regiment Camp 1404
On January 14, 2017, 27th Georgia Regiment Camp 1404, hosted a Dinner in celebration of Generals Lee, Jackson and Longstreet's birthdays at the old Flowery Branch Depot in downtown Flowery Branch Georgia.

After a delicious catered meal, Commander Ralph Mills started us off wanting to show the families of the members, especially the women how we conduct our meetings opening with prayer, pledges and salute to the flags, and reading of The Charge.

Georgia Division Commander, Scott Gilbert was then introduced and presented a program about General Thomas Stonewall Jackson, his military career, early life and family.

In attendance for the evening festivities included, Second Brigade Commander, Karl Haun, as well as members of Camps: Maj. William E. Simmons Camp 96, Col. Hiram P. Bell Camp 1642, Blue Ridge Rifles Camp 1860, and the Longstreet Society. A good time was had by all. Many departed the evening looking forward to the continued birthday celebration of General Longstreet at his graveside at Alta Vista Cemetery, Gainesville, GA., the following day.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Couch, Adj.
Camp 1404
Gainesville GA
Division Commander, Scott Gilbert was the guest speaker.

“I’m not OK.
You’re not OK.
But, that’s OK.
Jesus loves us any way.”

~ Ken Davis

“Montgomery Sharpshooter Camp 2164
Historical Books Donated”

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“A liberal’s paradise would be a place where everybody has guaranteed employment, free comprehensive healthcare, free education, free food, free housing, free clothing, free utilities, and only law enforcement has guns. And believe it or not, such a place does indeed already exist: It's called Prison.”

Sheriff Joe Arpaio
Maricopa County, Arizona

“Romans 8: 1 ~ 10, 28
There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.

Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.”
Remembering
Mary Surratt; Marylander and Southerner
By Calvin E. Johnson, Jr.

The first woman to be executed in America took place on July 7, 1865. Her name was Mary Surratt.

President Jefferson Davis said;
“I love the Union and the Constitution, but I would rather leave the Union with the Constitution than remain in the Union without it.”

America had not yet celebrated her 85th birthday when the South seceded from the Union in the year of our Lord 1861. Secession was recognized as a God given right that was also exercised by the 13 American Colonies in their separation from Great Britain in 1776 to form the United States of America.

Some say America and the Constitution died a little with General Robert E. Lee and the South at Appomattox Courthouse, Virginia in April 1865.

The courtesy and respect shown by General Ulysses S. Grant and his men to General Robert E. Lee and his weary men at the surrender and Lincoln’s wish for a peaceful re-uniting of the North and South would be short lived. The President’s death would be replaced with a bitter hatred by some in the North toward the men and women of the former Confederate States of America.

It has been written that Maryland sided with the Union but the truth is The State Legislature of Maryland prepared to vote on secession in 1861 to join the Southern Confederacy but Federal troops were sent to squash their attempt. There is little doubt that many Marylanders resented this attack on their States rights and many were sympathetic to the cause of the South including the Surratt’s who owned a boarding house and tavern. The home to the Surratt’s would be named Surrattsville and today is Clinton.

Mary Surratt’s husband John H. Surratt died of a stroke while in Confederate service in 1862 and her son John, Jr. quit his studies at St. Charles College in July 1861 and became a courier for the Confederate Secret Service, moving messages, cash and contraband back and forth across enemy lines.

In 1864 Mary and her children John, Jr. and Anna moved into a townhouse in Washington, D.C.

The Reconstruction Era of 1865-1870 would forever change America.

July 7, 1865 was a dark day in America. On this day Mary Surratt, a Mother, Wife, Marylander, and Southerner would become the first woman to be executed by the United States Federal Government.

Mary Surratt was held at the Old Capitol Prison’s annex and then at the Washington Arsenal. She was brought before a military commission on May 9, 1865, charged with conspiracy to assassinate President Lincoln. Her lawyer was United States Senator Reverdy Johnson.

Mary Surratt’s daughter Anna Surratt pleaded for her Mother’s life to Judge Advocate General Joseph Holt but he refused to consider clemency. She also attempted several times to See President Andrew Johnson, but was denied permission to see him.

Mary Surratt continued to assert her innocence but at noon on July 6th was told she would be hanged the next day. She wept uncontrollably. She was joined by two Catholic Priest’s (Jacob Walter and B.F. Wiget) and her daughter Anna. Father Jacob would stay with her almost to her death.

On July 7, 1865, at 1:15 P.M., Mary Surratt, Lewis Powell, David Herold and George Atzerodt were escorted through the courtyard and up the steps to the gallows as more than a thousand people looked on. Mary Surratt was wearing a black bombazine dress, black bonnet and black veil and either because of weakness from her illness or fear or both she had to be supported by two soldiers and her priest. She declared she was innocent up to her death.

From the scaffold, Powell said, “Mrs. Surratt is innocent. She doesn’t deserve to die with the rest of us.”

Was there a conspiracy against the South and those sympathetic to their cause or were these people guilty of the conspiracy to assassinate President Abraham Lincoln?

Dr. Samuel Mudd an American Physician was convicted and imprisoned for aiding and conspiring with John Wilkes Booth in the assassination of Lincoln. He was pardoned by President Andrew Johnson and released from prison in 1869. His prison record however still stands and his conviction has never been overturned.

To learn more about Mary Surratt read: Mary Surratt: An American Tragedy by Elizabeth Trindal.

By: Calvin E. Johnson, Jr., Speaker, Writer of short stories, Author of book “When America stood for God, Family and Country” and Chairman of the Georgia Division Sons of Confederate Veterans Confederate History and Heritage Month committee.

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"The withdrawal of a State from a league has no revolutionary or insurrectionary characteristic. The government of the State remains unchanged as to all internal affairs. It is only its external or confederate relations that are altered. To term this action of a Sovereign a 'rebellion' is a gross abuse of language."

"Obstacles may retard, but they cannot long prevent the progress of a movement sanctified by its justice, and sustained by a virtuous people."

"Secession belongs to a different class of remedies. It is to be justified upon the basis that the States are Sovereign. There was a time when none denied it. I hope the time may come again, when a better comprehension of the theory of our Government, and the inalienable rights of the people of the States, will prevent any one from denying that each State is a Sovereign, and thus may reclaim the grants which it has made to any agent whomsoever."

"The contest is not over, the strife is not ended. It has only entered upon a new and enlarged arena." Jefferson Davis, address to the Mississippi legislature - 16 years after the wars end.

"The principle for which we contend is bound to reassert itself, though it may be at another time and in another form."

~Jefferson Davis
Source: knowsouthernhistory
Our Heritage Matters

“Our Confederate heritage is being banished to a dark little corner of American life labeled ‘Slavery and Treason.’ The people who seek to destroy our heritage are not folks we can win over by presenting historical evidence and assuring them we are good, loyal Americans free of hate. They could not care less about truth or heritage. We are not in an argument over the interpretation of the past. Our very identity as Southerners -- today and tomorrow, as well as yesterday -- is at stake.

~ Dr. Clyde Wilson

How Firm a Foundation

c. 1787  Anonymous/Unknown

“How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent word! What more can He say than to you He hath said— To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed; For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, Upheld by My gracious, omnipotent hand.

“When through the deep waters I call thee to go, The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; For I will be with thee thy trouble to bless, And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

“When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply; The flame shall not harm thee; I only design Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

“The soul that on Jesus doth lean for repose, I will not, I will not, desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

Robert Edward Lee’s favorite hymn.

( The following article was posted in the Blockade Runner, 2009, the newsletter of the Ebenezer Rifles, Camp # 1901)

Why Just the Battle Flag?

Men, I hope that what I am about to say does not offend anyone in our camp, but I feel it needs to be said.

This past Saturday [July, 2009], along with quite a few Camp members attended the flag dedication on 16. It made me proud to see our men along with such a large crowd at this event. The part of this that didn’t make me so proud was that some of the speakers seemed to feel it necessary to spend as much time, if not more, saying why we should fly the United States flag along with the Confederate Battle flag to commemorate our Confederate dead. We were told about how their Daddy’s, uncles and cousins all fought under the United States flag and how proud they were for doing so. I believe they are 100% right to be proud of their family members, just as I am proud of mine. My Daddy was a gunner on a bomber in the South Pacific during World War II. I was told that my name “Ralph” was after someone he flew with in that war. My daddy was finally sent back to the United States after contracting a severe case of Malaria. I remember when I was a little boy seeing the sweat on the sheets where my daddy had slept caused from that disease. I remember my mother telling me how tears would come into my Daddy’s eyes when he saw a plane fly overhead and he couldn’t go.

I remember my best friend in high school Pat Hughes who died in Viet Nam. I see members of our SCV camp like Gene Griffin who bravely fought in Korea and Viet Nam, David Pritchard who served two tours in Iraq and probably more men in our camp who served this country. This is why we have Memorial Day and Veterans Day, to pay tribute to the men who gallantly served.

But I don’t believe flying the US flag to commemorate Confederate Soldiers does them justice. Why can’t we pay tribute to these men by flying only Confederate flags? They were the men fighting our war for Southern Independence. Just because we haven’t won that war yet doesn’t mean we need to fly a US flag. They were Confederates not Yankees. We should keep their memory pure for the sacrifices they made. I don’t believe the Sons of Union Veterans fly a Confederate Battle flag to commemorate the Yankee dead. We are the Sons of Confederate Veterans; our banner is the Confederate Battle Flag. This flag symbolizes who we are and who our ancestors were. Read the Charge! Our flag does not need to be flown to the side or below any other flag. When we participate in grave dedications, parades or any other function and I get to carry my country’s flag I’m busting with pride and I am a veteran of the US Army. But I’m a Southerner and a Confederate first!

I thank my God, my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ that I am a Southerner.

Deo Vindice
[Past] Commander Ralph Randall
Ebenezer Rifles

[In every picture I have seen of cemeteries in Europe where U.S. soldiers from WW I and WW II are buried, the flag flying over American soldiers graves is the U. S. flag. The French flag does not fly over American graves in Normandy.

The Battle Flag is a soldiers’ flag and should fly over a soldiers’ grave who defended that flag and in services honoring him.

~ Editor]
REMEMBER,
IT IS YOUR DUTY TO SEE
THAT THE TRUE HISTORY OF
THE SOUTH IS
PRESENTED TO FUTURE
GENERATIONS.

Georgia Division’s Flags Across Georgia

Highway Camp Flags in Georgia:
- I-75 Ringgold, 80’/20’X30’ Real Georgia
- I-16 near Hwy. 221, 55’/10’X15’ Battle flag
- Hwy. 80 near Stilson, 55’/10’X15’ ‘56 GA
- Hwy. 82 near Waycross, 60’/10’X15’ Battle flag
- Hwy 91S, Newton 30’ lighted/5’X8’ Bonny Blue, 1-3 Nationals

If your Camp has a flag pole and would like to be recognized on this list, send the information to Editor, Georgia Confederate/ gaconfederate@att.net

Georgia Division’s Flags Across Georgia Flagpole Locations:
- I-85 North near exit 173, 60’/10’X15’ Real Georgia
- Interstate 20 and Wheeler Rd. Augusta, 50’/10’X15’ Battle flag
- I-95 near mile marker 65, 60’/10’X15’ Real Georgia
- I-75 at exit 71, Tift County 120’/30’X50’ Battle flag
- Hwy 520 (Jefferson Davis Hwy) Weston, 70’/10’X15’ Battle flag
- I-75 and Battlefield Pkwy Ringgold, GA 50’/10’X15’ Battle flag
- I-75 Ringgold, Ga, 80’/20’X30’ Real Georgia
- I-16 near Hwy. 221, 55’/10’X15’ Battle flag
- Hwy. 82 near Waycross, 60’/10’X15’ Battle flag
- Hwy. 19 near Albany, 60’/12’X18’ Battle flag

Will Rogers:
“Even if you are on the right track, you’ll get run over if you just sit there.”
“Never miss a good chance to shut up.”

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

SCV Telegraph

Compatriots,

We are just a month away from our 2nd annual Confederate Flag Day. Let’s make even bigger and better than last year. I ask you to make every effort to take part in one of the many events across the Confederation. You can get information on the Flag Day website which is updated as details are provided by your Divisions.

http://csaflag.org

Please share this message on all the lists that you have access to. I look forward to seeing reports of our glorious flags flying all across the land.

Thomas V. Strain, Jr
75th Commander in Chief
Sons of Confederate Veterans

March 4th 2017
2nd Annual
Confederate Flag Day

Hosted by the Haralson Invincibles Camp 673
Georgia Division Sons of Confederate Veterans

Everyone is again invited to come join us in celebrating Southern Heritage and History at Helton – Howland Park on Highway 78!

A Confederate Flag Rally and Ride will begin at 10:30AM, going through Tallapoosa, Cedartown, Dallas, Douglasville, Villa Rica, Temple, Bremen and return to the Park.

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www.history-sites.com. Each state has its own board or forum, and there are also special interest sites for various topics including flags, prisons, artillery, navies, arms and equipment.
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“Never miss a good chance to shut up.”
Hurricane Shoals ~ 2016

The Iron Cross of Honor was in remembrance of the honorable service of Reverend Joey Young’s great grandpa, Russell Porter, who was born in 1828 and who was in the 16th GA Co. D. Captured at Farmville, Virginia a few days before the surrender, he was later released, but would NEVER sign an oath of allegiance to the Union. He was 62 years old when Brother Joey’s grandpa was born in 1890 and 47 when Brother Joey’s mother, Barbara Porter Young, was born, which makes her a direct granddaughter. Russell Porter’s youngest child was born in 1890 and he was Brother Joey’s grandpa, Ernest Porter. Brother Joey says being an old man and still having babies runs in their family! A search to find a picture of Russell Porter has never produced one but it is said he looked a lot like President Benjamin Harrison. The names men from Company D, 16th RegIMENT, Georgia Volunteer Infantry Army Northern Virginia, C.S.A., Madison County, Georgia, the "Danielsville Guards", who did not survive the War, were called and represented by the Confederate flags displayed with the Iron Cross. The 16th Georgia, Co. G was honored to be part in this ceremony.

THE CAMP OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER #2218 of Old Clinton, Jones County, GA meets the third Thursday at Chevy’s Pizza on the Gray Hwy. to eat at 6pm and around 7pm, holds its meeting and program. Thanks to Compatriot John Wayne Dobson for his coverage of the 2016 event at Hurricane Shoals.

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