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It brings much sadness to notify the members of the death of Past Georgia Division Commander, “Charlie” Clements of Buena Vista on November 18, 2017. He died from natural causes after several years of poor health and was buried in his home town.

Charlie was born Nov. 27, 1941, in Columbus, Muscogee County, Ga. He graduated from Oxford College of Emory University in 1962 and received his AA from the University of Georgia in 1965, receiving his AB. He was a former middle grade school teacher.

He joined the SCV in 1981 and the MOSB in 1986. He had held the following offices in the SCV: Adjutant, Lieutenant Commander and Commander of the Alexander H. Stephens Camp 78, (formerly 1317), Adjutant and Lieutenant Commander of the Georgia Division and Commander of the Georgia Division from 1986 to 1994, (four terms). He also served as Chief of Staff of Protocol on the General Staff of the SCV under Commanders-In-Chief William Earl Faggert and Robert L. Hawkins, III.

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Past Georgia Division Commander, CHARLES McCALL CLEMENTS III ~ Laid to Rest ~

Robert E. Lee Birthday Program
Milledgeville ~ January 20, 2018

Gentlemen:

Details for the Lee Birthday (and EC meeting) are set. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, Jan. 20, 2018. We will be back in Milledgeville and the Old Capitol Camp #688 is working hard to make it a great day.

We will be having our parade which will start at 10:45, lineup is no later than 10:30. The parade will head to the First Baptist Church of Milledgeville at 330 S. Liberty St. The Church is blocks away from the historic landmarks in town and they have been gracious enough to allow us the use of their fellowship hall. It seats 150, I think we will have over-flow and that will be great if it happens. Our speaker is Sam Hood. You probably have heard of Sam, he is a collateral descendant of Gen. JB Hood. Sam was excited to get the invite, and refused all offers of a gratuity or any help with travel expenses (I hope we will try and provide with something, even if he turns it down).

Brigade Commanders: Please make sure you start reminding your Camps about this event. We want each Camp to bring their banner, if they have one, and flags. I respectfully ask that each Camp be asked to bring only US flags, CS flags of any pattern but NO "Hank Williams" battleflags, or "bass", "deer" or other types of battleflags. Period correct only, and ask them to make sure they are in good condition (not wrinkled up, faded, etc.) No tea party flags, etc.

This event will be advertised and with the legislature in session, PR might be very big for us.

Thanks in advance,
Scott Gilbert, Georgia Division Commander

Re: Washington College
“Young gentlemen, we have no printed rules here. We have but one rule and that is that every student must be a gentleman.” ~ Pres. R.E. Lee

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Commander Brant Thrift [L] of the Clement A. Evans Camp in Waycross, swearing in Camp Chaplain Randy Wilkinson at the meeting on November 13. The Camp has been without a Chaplain for sometime and we are thankful that Randy has stepped forward to take this Duty.

As a proud descendant of both Confederate and Union ancestors, and a proud member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Camp 165, McDaniel Curtis, I would like for you to post these three photos of my son and myself placing a Cross of Honor at the graves of 2 of my Southern ancestors and a soldier they fought with. William Monroe Richards, W. W. Roy, J L Kendricks. Respectfully yours, Donald Penhale

Chester Christmas Parade: November 18th the Pine Barrens Volunteers Camp 2039 participated in this annual event. See Page 29 for more details.

On Thursday, October 5, 2017 Drew Edge, 16th GA Co. G had the opportunity again this year to present a civil war program to the fifth grade (around 100) students at Hubbard Elementary in Monroe Co., GA.

16th Georgia Volunteer Infantry Regiment, Company G “The Jackson Rifles”
December/January, 2017-18
Fellow Compatriots of the Georgia Division:

Since the previous Georgia Confederate the Georgia Division has been very busy with a number of issues, and projects that are very critical to our mission and our heritage. Foremost is our defense of the current State law that protects our monuments.

Our lobbyist team hit the ground running after our Executive Council vote to retain their services. They began working prior to the contracted date and the results have already been extremely positive. While there are no guarantees, we are confident that this strategy will go a long way in ensuring that no negative changes are made to our monument protection laws during the upcoming legislative session.

We must not count on the lobby team to do all the work. Each of us can contribute to victory by doing the following:

1. Reach out to your respective Senator and Representative early, and often. Short but firm notes/calls re your support for the protection of ALL American military and patriotic monuments, memorials, plaques, street/building names, and battlefields will be of great value. Mention George Washington, World War II, and other time-periods as well. As Southerners (the most patriotic of all Americans) we must defend those that created our country in the beginning and those that have defended it ever since.

2. Write letters to the Editor for your local papers: Brevity, and to-the-point defenses of our Confederate and other American heroes are very useful and inform the general public that we are here, and those that sympathize with us can draw strength from seeing their views expressed in a professional, dignified, and patriotic manner.

I realize that these examples are just two of many and have been mentioned in prior communications. Each of us that are active knows and realizes that many of our members are not active. Please encourage your fellow Camp members, friends, families, and neighbors to join you in reaching out, and speaking out to our legislators and others on this critical subject.

Before I discuss upcoming events, please allow me to report on some very positive events that recently took place in our Division. The Alexander H. Stephens Camp #78 of Americus put on its annual Major Henry Wize Memorial service at Andersonville. As always the Camp did a splendid job of putting the event together. The personal highlight for me was the presentation of the SCV War Service medal to a real grandson who happens to be a retired Army Colonel, and West Point graduate. It was very inspiring to hear this great Southerner with that resume refer to the war as “The War of Northern Aggression”.

Another wonderful event was the Battle of Griswoldville Memorial service held on the battlefield in Jones County. The Camp of the Unknown Soldier #2218 conducted a Living History camp and a memorial service. Cannons were fired, speeches made, soldiers with drum and fife marched and paraded, and a nice crowd showed up to enjoy a beautiful day. The Georgia DNR staff members present were extremely friendly and appreciative of the relationship that the Camp and reenactors have developed over the past years. Both of these events are tremendous examples of how we can demonstrate positive public relations while we work to preserve, protect, and promote our Confederate history and heritage. If your Camp has a historical landmark in your community, and you are not currently involved, make the change and get involved.

On November 28th, I was honored to present the Charter for the newly organized Thomson Guards Camp #91 of McDuffie County. The Camp chartered with 21 members. They are off to a great start and I am confident that they will be a positive force for good in their community. Congrats to the entire Camp, and thanks to 5th Brigade Commander Thomas Miller, and Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow for attending the charter service.

Looking ahead, two very important events are coming up and I personally ask that you support them: On Saturday, January 20th, 2018, the Georgia Division will gather in Milledgeville for our annual observance of the birthday of our great chieftain General Robert E. Lee. A procession/parade will start near the old Governor’s Mansion at 10:45 (lineup by 10:30) and conclude at the First Baptist Church of Milledgeville. At the Church we will have a keynote address by Sam Hood, a descendant of General Hood, and a staunch defender of Southern heritage. Following the service, we will have an Executive Council meeting. All members of the Division are invited to stay for the meeting. If your Camp has a banner with your name/Camp number on it, please bring it.

On Saturday, February 10th, we are having our second annual Georgia Division Chaplains Conference. The conference is open to everyone that is interested in, and supports the hardworking, dedicated men that serve as our Chaplains. Spouses and others are invited as well. The conference will take place at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Chambers Road in Macon. We will start at 11:00 am, and finish at 3:30 pm. Lunch is included with your registration. Division Chaplain Jack Wray is heading up this wonderful event so please honor him by sending in your registration as quickly as possible.

I will close on a very personal note. It is a privilege and an honor to serve as Commander of the Georgia Division. As a young man I would have never dreamed or expected to be elected to such a position. I was raised to honor the memory of my Confederate ancestors, one of whom was Judge A.G. Harris of Henry County. I have known many of his direct descendants, including a half dozen or so of his grandchildren that knew him, and to know that he was Commander of the Georgia Division of the United Confederate Veterans is something so special that I can’t describe it.

I say that to say this: it is my intention to stand for re-election at the Division reunion next June. I appreciate in advance your consideration and support. We have accomplished a number of positive things since last year, but we have many more to work on.

I hope that each of you and your families had a great Thanksgiving, and from my family to yours, we send our best wishes and prayers for a very Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,
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Gentlemen, November 4, 2017

A new Monument Protection Page has been placed on the Division's webpage. This page was prepared specifically to give our Compatriots and public viewers detail instructions on how they can help and join in the fight to protect our Veteran's monuments by contacting their local Representative & Senators. We need to be prepared for the up-coming 2018 Georgia Legislative session that begins in January.

Please follow the directions on this page and contact your Representatives. Forward the below link to all your e-mail list, family and friends. We need to get ready for fight in 2018.

Click Here - Monument Protection
http://gascv.org/monument-protection/

Below is what the new Monument Protection page looks like. We will be referencing this page on the new Monument Protection Leaflets, Road Side Signs, Yard Signs, Magazine Ads and Bill Boards.

Notifications will be sent to you when these items will be available.

Deo Vindice,
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“I do not believe in battles ending this war [Civil War, sic.]. You may plant a fort in every district of the South, you may take possession of her capitals and hold them with your armies, but you have not begun to subdue her people. I know it means something like absolute barbarian conquest, I allow it, but I do not believe that there will be any peace until 347,000 men of the South are either hanged or exiled.”

~ Wendell Phillips, at the pulpit of Henry Ward Beecher's Church [circa 1861]

{Apparently not much has changed in the minds of many northerners in over 150 years. al perry,}

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“Then ye shall let your children know…..” ~ Joshua 4: 22
Minutes of Special Called Georgia Division
Executive Council Meeting for October 14, 2017

Pursuant to the plan established by the EC at the September 23, 2017 Third Quarter Georgia Division Executive Council meeting and as published in the minutes of that meeting Commander Scott Gilbert called for a special EC meeting to be held by electronic vote on October 14, 2017. The purpose of the meeting was to specifically deal with the hiring of a lobbyist firm to support the Division needs regarding monument protection and/or removal legislation that might be proposed for the upcoming 2018 Georgia Legislature term.

Members of the EC were to submit questions to Cmdr. Gilbert and he would put together a concise list of these questions to allow for a more effective meeting format. Cmdr. Gilbert established a conference call format that was available to all EC members who wanted to participate. After the phone conference Cmdr. Gilbert would accept EC member votes by email through 8:00 pm on Saturday, October 14, 2017.

The conference call was held on Friday, October 13 as scheduled and with questions answered by the firm. Commander Gilbert sent out an email on Saturday, October 15 at 8:45 pm announcing that the official vote by the EC was 19 yes and 1 no in favor of hiring the lobbyist firm as presented in the motion at the Third Quarter EC meeting on September 23, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,
David C. Moncus
Ga. Division COS

UCV/USCV/SCV

On July 1, 1896 a successor organization, the United Sons of Confederate Veterans (USCV), later redesignated Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) was founded at Richmond, Virginia, to consolidate the patriotic societies then composed of male lineal descendants of Confederate veterans.
Scenes from the 2017 annual Capt. Wirz Memorial Service in Andersonville: L to R: Muckalee Guards, Past Cic Kelly Barrow, James Gaston [Memorial Service Chairman], Grayson Peters, John Carroll.

Pine Barrens Volunteers hold “school day” at North Dodge Elementary School. See Page 29 for more.

Col. Edmund N. Atkinson Camp #680 Valdosta, Ga. See Page 29

Lest we forget

Attached is an image of our camp recruiting at the Monticello Deer Festival on 04 November 2017. Pictured are, from left to right, Jack Brooks, Kenny Pope and TC Stevens. James Stokes took the picture. We had a great time. We awarded the book “To Live and Die in Dixie” to the high score on a member created quiz; and, we enjoyed the many lively conversations about the cause. James T. Stokes, M.S.Ed.


George Washington monument, Capitol grounds, Virginia
Montgomery Sharpshooters

L to R: Admiring one of the books (from left to right), are David Moncus and Ladson Librarian Rhonda Pullium.

Seated Ladson Librarian Rhonda Pullium and 1st Lt. Commander Rooney Kea, standing is Camp Historian Rudy Namney.

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Cmdr. Al Medcalf spoke in the Confederate Section at the Lantern Tour in Greenwood Cemetery, Barnesville. It was a fundraiser for the Greenwood Cemetery Preservation Association.

Pine Barrens Volunteers 2039 at Chester Christmas Festival. See Page 29 for more.


Dublin’s first annual Veterans’ Day Parade, November 11th. See Page 30 for more. Capt. Hardy B. Smith Camp.

Thank you for your service to our country!

L to R, Robert Ballard, Jarvis Ballard, and David Guest. Each received the military service award for serving in Vietnam, Desert Storm, and Afghanistan.

Georgia Sons of Confederate Veterans, 7th Brigade Commander, Chuck Griffin, is sworn into the 3rd Mechanized Calvary, Company B, by David Guest and Robert Ballard. Camp 680, Valdosta.

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CHAPLAINS CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 10, 2018

Camp Chaplains, remember to register for the Chaplains Conference by January 25. The registration fee is $40; late registration will be $45. This conference is open to any SCV member and spouses, but especially Brigade Commanders and Camp Commanders.

Dr. Rondel Rumburg will be our guest speaker on his recently published book: “Stonewall Jackson’s Chaplain - Beverly Tucker Lacy.” Other topics include Chaplains on the Battlefield, Last Roll and Condolence Letters, and more.

The conference will be held and Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 4074 Chambers Road, Macon, GA, 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

A registration form is enclosed. For questions, contact Division Chaplain Jack C. Wray at 912.596.2950 or jcwray12@gmail.com.

REGISTRATION FEE: $40 (Spouses are invited - $20)
Mail registration form and check payable to The Savannah Militia Camp to: Division Chaplain Jack C. Wray, 33 Oak Park Point, Savannah, GA 31405.
Registration Form

Georgia Division Chaplains Conference

Name:_____________________________________
Address:____________________________________
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Email:_____________________________________
Phone:_____________________________________
Camp Name/Number__________________________
Spouse’s Name (if attending):____________________

Gentlemen,
November 5, 2017

The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans is moving forward with many initiatives for the upcoming 2018 Legislative session that begins in January. We recently hired a professional Lobbyist Firm to represent us at the State Capital and we are moving forward with a big public outreach campaign.

Our primary goal is to have all our Members and Supporters contact their local Representative & Senators to let them know how they (we) feel about the attacks on our Confederate Heritage and ask them to take a stand against these attacks.

The Division would like to announce the creation of the Monument Protection leaflets that have recently been distributed to all Brigade Commanders for distribution to their Camps.

Timothy F. Pilgrim
Georgia Division Adjutant

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In the MOSB, he held the position of Commander of the Colonel Allen S. Cutts Chapter, Americus, and had served as Chief-In-Staff under Commanders-In-Chief Robert L. Hawkins III and Charles Herbert Smith. His last office held was Lieutenant Commander of the MOSB. Commander Clements had received every level of the Dixie Club Award for the recruiting of members for the SCV. The Georgia Division experienced a membership leap from less than 400 members in 1986 to approximately 2,500 by 1994 under his leadership. In addition, he brought to the division the concepts of Brigades, formal EC meetings, an Official Spokesman for the division and the first thoughts of having a “Division Headquarters.” Clements was honorably awarded the Distinguished Service Medal and Meritorious Service Medal by the SCV. He received the Commanders-In-Chief Award for both organizations. He was Chairman of the committee which compiled and published the handbook currently in use by the MOSB.

“Charlie,” as he was usually called, was always friendly, gracious, animated and his energy was unbelievable. I doubt that our Division would be as strong as it is now if had not been for Charlie.

The Georgia Division, through the efforts of Division Chaplain Jack Wray, secured a wreath of flowers on our behalf (with Confederate red and white ribbons) for the funeral service.

Submitted by C. Mark Pollard
Georgia Division Historian

GC Deadlines
~ 2018 ~
Feb. 1st
Apr. 1st
June 1st
Aug. 1st
Oct. 1st
Dec. 1st

New Monument Protection Billboard Campaign
~ Georgia Division ~

Statement of Purpose: GHQ/SCV

We, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, having been commissioned by the Confederate Veterans themselves, retain our responsibility and right to adhere to the founding principles of the United States of America remembering the bravery, defending the honor and protecting the memory of our beloved Confederate Veterans, which includes their memorials, images, symbols, monuments and gravesites for ourselves and future generations.

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CHAPLAIN’S REPORT

“And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him. And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish. And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the sea; and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!”

~ Matthew 8:23-27

We are accustomed to think of Christ in terms of Bible, church, Sunday school and prayer, or in terms of relationships to others; family, friends and beyond to the problems of war and peace, international relationships and starvation. But what does Christ have to do with the world of nature which science is exploring with fantastic results? What does Christ have to do with sunsets and galaxies, space probes and nuclear fusion, or exploring the bottom of the sea? Perhaps we think on these things in terms of God but hardly ever in terms of Christ. For most of us, the name Christ is far cozier than the name God. Christ suggests closeness, intimacy, the neighborhood church and pastor, one to whom we turn for sympathy and love.

What then does Christ have to do with sunsets and galaxies? If nothing, then it is easy to see why our world is plagued with demons, greed, superstition, and anxiety. The very mention of an oil well means one thing - a dollar sign. After all, if Christ is divorced from the natural world, why should we not use it as we please?

On a deeper level, when cancer strikes or a pile-up on the highway, how often do you hear people say, “Why did God...?”. But you never hear, “Why did Christ...?” No wonder we may be ridden with fears and anxieties if we worship Christ the loving shepherd in church and prayer, rarely connecting him to the mysteries of life outside the church. We say, “It must have been God’s will...” but rarely, “It must have been Christ’s will...”

But let’s take another look at the calmed storm story before us. It is in Matthew, Mark, and Luke; a story obviously treasured by the early church. The usual interpretation is, there is no storm in life that can threaten us because Christ is by our side to save and protect us. But the story says far more than that. It says something dramatic about Christ’s relationship to the natural world around him summed up in the disciples’ “What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!” It means Christ is not simply one of us but he is more; he is in some mysterious way linked with the very forces of nature themselves. The fourth gospel writer said, “The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made” John 1:1-3. This means the God of creation is not one thing, some impersonal force cold and heartless, while Christ who is warm, personal, and the very embodiment of love, is another. They are one and the same. It means the God of sunsets, hurricanes, and snowflakes is the same God who comes to earth in a peasant child in a Bethlehem stable. This is why this story has been read in most churches right after Christmas in the Epiphany season. Epiphany means manifest; this story manifests Christ’s greatness within us and beyond us and our abilities to articulate his power. This also means we are not done with the meaning of Christmas until we have seen the relationship of the Christ in the manger to the world around us. Here is another startling paradox: the helpless child in a manger and the stilling of a storm on the sea. The child of Bethlehem who discloses the heart of God as a love that comes down to seek out the lonely and the lost children of men — that love is the love which is at the center of the creative power which brought the world into being in the beginning of time and sustains it in his hands until the end of time.

We now know that behind this vast world there is a will of love, for we have seen that love came alive for us in a child in a stable and we have seen the depth of that love stretch out its arms on a cross. If we are assured that God’s autograph — the Christ — is written across the earth and the galaxies in space, then we have the security of knowing this mysterious place in which we live is a home. It all comes down to this: God, the creator of all, and Christ, the one who comes as a peasant child and dies at the hands of men like you and I, are one and the same. Whenever we use the name God it is filled with all the love and sacrifice we associate with the name of Christ; and whenever we use the name Christ, it is filled with the power of the creator of sunsets and galaxies. The God who hung out the stars in the beginning — this God comes down to earth in Christ to tell us that he knows us, loves us, forgives us all our shabby past, and offers himself to us as our daily companion through all of life’s mysteries now and forever. We are not finished with God or Christ until we say with the disciples, “What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!”

By Jack Wray,
Georgia Division Chaplain

“What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!
Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In His arms He’ll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.

Joseph M. Scriven

“When a nation mistrusts its citizens with guns, it is sending a clear message. It no longer trusts its citizens because such a government has evil plans.” ~ George Washington
The History of the Georgia Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans
Compiled by: Mark Pollard

Part – (11)
1929 – 1930

The year 1929 was very bad for the nation but was good for the John B. Gordon, “Camp 46” of Atlanta. It was the year they recorded their third Commander-In-Chief of the Confederation.

The 39th Reunion of the UCV, (34th for the SCV) was held in Charlotte, North Carolina at the Hotel Selwyn.

Hotel Selwyn – Charlotte, N.C.

Dr. W.R. Dancy of Savannah was elected Commander of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

A copy of the official reunion program shows that the members were very concerned about the economy with a reference to the “crash.” It was a very big reunion anyway due to the effort of several members of Congress who proposed legislation authorizing the Marine Band to play and giving them $7,000.00 in cash as well as over a million dollar’s worth of equipment on loan for the use of the old veterans. This bill was loudly resisted by the Wisconsin division of the GAR but was supported by their CIC in a public rebuke of the Wisconsin action. The Reunion went on.

One action at the Reunion was the creation of a Publicity Committee. The constitution and by-laws were changed to provide for it. It seems that we have always had a need to correctly portray the Confederacy. Nathan Bedford Forrest, III who was on the Textbook Committee and the Executive Committee was a major supporter of this action as he had always been a project of his to make certain that the “boy’s in gray” were correctly rendered.

A sad message was brought to the reunion concerning past CIC (1922-1923) Colonel W. McDonald Lee of Irvington, Virginia who was the longtime President of the Manassas Battlefield Confederate Park has passed away.

The SCV sent condolences to the family.

In other action, there was an effort that may come as a surprise to many detractors of the SCV. Two pages of the official program of the reunion were devoted to a call for support for the Julius Rosenwald Fund which was devoted to construction and financial support of black schools throughout the South. The articles boasted of the millions of dollars that had been donated by Southerners for the fund and showed pictures of the many schools that had been built. All of this was in the same year as the Great stock market crash and during the so-called “disenfranchisement” period. Clearly our ancestors were gentlemen who hated to be taxed but were very generous with donations.

Closer to home, there was activity in Georgia to increase pensions to the remaining veterans and their widows. Only those who were disabled or indigent had been able to receive benefits up until the year 1929, but with the economic conditions as they were, it became clear that they needed help. Remember that there was no Social Security in those days.

A committee headed by John Ashley Jones, Commander-In-Chief, S.C.V., appeared before the Georgia legislature and asked for an increase of pensions for Confederate veterans. The bill, as passed by the legislature, provides for a pension of $30 a month for Confederate veterans, and $30 per month for widows of Confederate veterans. The committee consisted of Judge Peter W. Meldrin, of Savannah; Captain R.L. Lawrence, of Marietta; General A.C. Smith, Atlanta; Honorable A.G. Harris, McDonough; Honorable A.J. Womack, Macon; Mrs. W.A. Ozmer, Decatur.

An article appearing in the Confederate Veteran magazine shed light on the convention at Charlotte and the election of the new Commander In Chief.

“John Ashley Jones, prominent insurance man of Atlanta, Georgia was elected Commander-In-Chief, Sons of Confederate Veterans, at the Charlotte Convention.

At the closing session of the convention, Comrade Jones was elected head of the organization to succeed Captain Edmond R. Wiles, of Little Rock, Arkansas and Charlotte.

At the same time, Charles T. Norman, of Richmond, was elected Commander of the Department of Northern Virginia; J. Edward Jones, of Oklahoma City, Commander of the Trans-Mississippi Department; and A.C. Anderson, of Ripley, Mississippi, Commander of the Department of Tennessee.

Commander Jones has long been active in the affairs of the Sons. He was in the race for the commandership at the Little Rock convention last year, but withdrew in favor of Captain Wiles. He is a prominent civic leader of Atlanta, where he is engaged in business as resident agent of the New York Life Insurance Company. Comrade Jones is also a Shriner, an Elk, an honorary consul to Panama, and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

In the election, Comrade Jones won over Comrade John M. Kinard, of Newberry, South Carolina, with a 212 to 141 vote count. Comrade Jones was placed in nomination by Henderson Hall, of Atlanta, while the name of Mr. Kinard was placed before the convention by D.S. Spivey, of Conway. Each man was praised for his devotion to the ideals of the South and his interest in the affairs of the Sons.”

1930

The interest was high during 1930 and the newspapers carried many articles concerning SCV activities. In January the annual Lee-Jackson ceremony was held in the Georgia Capitol with State Attorney General George Napier as speaker. Many different organizations were present. There was the United Confederate Veterans Camp #159 of Atlanta; the Atlanta Chapter, UDC; The Julia Jackson, Margaret A. Wilson, James McKenzie and Crawford W. Long Chapters, C of C; the Habersham Chapter, DAR; Spanish War Veterans; and World War Veterans.

On 23 January President Hoover signed an order directing the Secretary of War to loan the Governor of Mississippi 250 tents, 10,000 blankets, 500 pillow cases, 500 bed sacks, 10,000 sheets, 25 ranges and 10 field ovens for the reunion planned for Biloxi on June 3-6. The Reunion was sure to be a big affair as such people as Senator Claude Swanson of Virginia and Governor Pollard and family of Virginia was in attendance.

Governor John Garland Pollard was known to be a great friend to the SCV when he ap-
pointed two well know compatriots as state officials. Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, Jr. “now in the Antarctic” and Walter L. Hopkins, Adjutant in Chief, were both so honored. The Governor also hosted a fundraising dinner in Richmond to help fund the Manassas Battlefield Park.

Virginia Gov. John Garland Pollard

At the reunion a new Commander in Chief was elected. He was Charles T. Norman of Richmond and he immediately set about the structural changes mandated by the reunion. CIC Norman believed that such a change would broaden the role of the army commanders so that they could more effectively assist in the carrying out of official Confederation duties.

The Virginians were very active in 1930 as it was learned that the Stonewall Jackson Camp of Richmond began a project to build a monument to Judah Benjamin, the great civil official of the Confederacy. To commence such a project in the midst of the depression was a considerable task.

The big event in Georgia was, as usual, the Memorial Day services at Oakland Cemetery in Atlanta. The city was closed down and the citizens came out in large numbers to see the old veterans march through the streets to historic Oakland. How wonderful it would be to again have a memorial parade which ends at the cemetery.

Since the death of the last Confederate Veteran there has not been such an outpouring of emotion, and oh what good news coverage. It was wonderful how the Atlanta newspaper treated the SCV when the Gordon SCV Camp #46 compatriot “Clarke Howell” owned it. Clarke Howell was a Pulitzer Prize winning and politician from Georgia. He owned the Atlanta Constitution Newspaper. Howell was born on September 21, 1863, in Atlanta. During The War Between the States his mother was in South Carolina while his father, Captain Evan Howell, served in the infantry and commanded a Confederate artillery battery. Clarke Howell died November 14, 1936.

Howell’s Atlanta Constitution newspaper headline read with bold ink:

“Memorial Day March Honors Heroes of 1865.” 5,000 Assemble in Parade and Close 63rd Tribute With Bugler’s “Taps.”

It was a sad day when Clarke Howell sold his newspaper to a business family from Ohio, which afterwards, (Confederate news coverage would never be the same).

The late Georgia Governor, (Lester Maddox) said many times that the Atlanta Constitution newspaper was only good for one thing… “A Fish Wrapper.”

Governor Lester Maddox’s Portrait at Georgia State Capitol with “Fish Wrapper” behind him.

Part (12) - 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. If your SCV Camp has ever held a Reunion in the past, please submit the year and who the elected officers were. Submit that or any other Division information to: Georgia Division Historian, Mark Pollard at: pollardsville@gmail.com

Save your Confederate money, boys, the Christian principles of the South MUST rise again!

...or this country is toast.

Mark Pollard

Dr. W. M. Wroten

“Had Stonewall Jackson lived Hooker’s army would have been cut off from U.S. ford and made prisoners. Either event would have ended the war in our favor.”

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A New Monument Protection Information Page on the Division's web-page

This new section to our Division Web-site was prepared specifically to give our Compatriots and public viewers detailed instructions on how they can help and join in the fight to protect our Veteran's monuments by contacting their local Representatives & Senators. We need to be prepared for the up-coming 2018 Georgia Legislative session that begins in January, 2018.

Please follow the directions on this page and contact your State Representatives and Senators. Please forward the below link to all your e-mail list, family and friends. We need to get ready for a fight in 2018.  WWW.GASCV.ORG/MONUMENT-PROTECTION

Tim Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant

HONOR OUR VETERANS
PROTECT THEIR MONUMENTS

Friends,

Our Veterans’ monuments are under full attack by the radical leftist establishment, hate groups, spineless politicians from both parties, and the liberal media. We must take action immediately to put an end to this madness.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans is at the forefront of the fight to preserve our Veterans’ honor, but we have got to have your help to be successful. We all are in this together and we need to stick together more than ever.

First, they claimed it was just our Flags. They lied. Now they are removing our Veterans’ monuments, destroying our Religious monuments, vandalizing the monuments for our forefathers and other great historical figures that our Nation honors. It will never stop until they remove all vestiges of our great American Heritage or..................

until we stop them.

We must let our State Senators, State Representatives, Mayors, Commissioners, City Council Members and even our US Congresspersons know where we stand on the issue of removing our Veterans’ monuments.

What does a politician fear the most? Its losing their job representing you. The most effective method we all have is expressing our opinions to these politicians by contacting or visiting them.

Take Action:

- First Step: Identify and get to know your local State Senator and Representative by going to www.openstates.org and entering your Zip Code. It will bring up your State Senator and Representative. (openstates.org web link on bottom page)

- Second Step: Click on their name then all their information including phone number, e-mail address and mailing address will come up for you to save.

- Write them a hand-written letter. Try to be polite and to the point. It has been proven that a hand-written letter is the most effective way to get their attention.

- Also send them e-mails, and let them know you're a voter in their district. Make calls, and if you can't speak to them directly, leave a message with their secretary.
- Spread the word. Ask your family, friends and neighbors to do the same. Try to get them involved; it does make a difference.

- Are you a register voter? If not go to below web address for a voter registration form, your vote needs to be counted:
  http://sos.ga.gov/admin/files/Voter_Registration_Application_8-10.pdf
  (Voter registration link provided on the bottom page)

Below are some major points you should stress and a sample letters.

- Always be polite and professional. We are all fed-up and angry with what's going on. There are diplomatic ways of expressing that anger, just don't get nasty. That will hurt our efforts.

- Stress that you are against any efforts to remove or alter any Confederate Veterans' monuments and Flags.

- Stress your concerns over the vandalism that is happening to all of our Nation's monuments by these lawless mobs and cowards in the night.

- Indicate that you are against the State giving any authority to the liberal Mayors, City Council members and County Commissioners to remove any monuments in the name of "public safety" or if they deem them to be "offensive".

- Ask them to support tougher monument protection laws that makes it a felony when violated. That will give citizens standing to sue these entities.

- Ask them to oppose any changes to Georgia's Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial Park.

  **Monument Protection Sample Letter:**

  Dear Representative / State Senator ________________,

  My name is _____________ from your district. My Family and I are appalled with the politically correct onslaught against our Veterans' Monuments all across our Country. These removals of our Veterans' Monuments, are pre-planned overreactions to events that are not remotely related to our Heritage and the sacrifices our Veterans made for their Country and State. It's an agenda by radical leftist and the liberal media to destroy our Nation's history, and we are ashamed that our elected Representatives have allowed this to happen.

  We respectfully ask that you oppose and vote against any legislation that weakens our monument protection law 50-3-1 and any legislation that would give any authority to the local liberal politicians of our Cities and Counties to remove or alter any Veterans monuments. We also would ask that you oppose any legislation that changes any current laws that protects Georgia's Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial Park to anything other than what it was originally designated as... a Confederate Memorial.

  We ask that you do support any modifications to the current monument protection law in code 50-3-1 that strengthen and enforce tougher penalties against those who violate our laws. We want to put an end to these attacks and we hope by strengthening these laws it will deter any future attacks.

  We appreciate your service and consideration. My family feels, as Americans it is our duty to always preserve the honor and sacrifices of our Veterans.

  Thank you,
  (Signed by you and maybe other family members in your household)

"Sample Letter Microsoft Word file link provided on the bottom page for your convenience"
WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO?

- Join the Sons of Confederate Veteran’s "Heritage Alert" e-mail list to get notified immediately on any anti-Veteran legislation and/or Heritage Violations.

  Join the "Heritage Alert" e-mail list by sending an e-mail request to Secretary@gascv.org

- Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/GeorgiaSCV/

  (Georgia Division Facebook link provided on the bottom page)

- Become a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. We will help you find your Confederate Ancestor that will make you eligible for full membership.

  If you know your Confederate Ancestor, Complete a Membership application and contact our Division Secretary at Secretary@gascv.org or call 1-866-728-4642.

  If you need help finding your Confederate Ancestor, Complete an Associate Membership application and mail your application to our Division Genealogist listed on the application.

  (Links to both applications provided on the bottom page)

- Donate to our efforts to protect and preserve our Heritage. You can designate to what you want your generous donation to go toward.

  (Donation link provided on the bottom page)

  - Funding to help cover the cost of our Professional Lobbyist efforts.
  - Funding to help cover our Public Relations campaigns.
  - Monument Protection Literature.
  - Monument Protection yard signs.
  - Monument Protection Billboards.
  - Monument Protection mail outs and grassroots initiatives.
  - Donate to the Flags Across Georgia Project.

Boycott Cities that have already removed our Veterans Monuments:

Florida:
- Gainesville.
- Lake Eola.
- Orlando.
- Tampa.

Georgia:
- Atlanta.

Kentucky:
- Lexington.
- Louisville.

Louisiana:
- New Orleans.

Maryland:
- Baltimore.

Missouri:
- St. Louis.
- Kansas City.

North Carolina:
- Durham.

Texas:
- Austin.
- Dallas.
- San Antonio.
If you have photos you can share for the galleries please submit to Secretary@gascv.org
I was born June 12, 1835, Westmoreland County, Va.; 82 years ago. I was raised at Arlington Heights, in the house of General Robert E. Lee, my master. I was cook for Marse Robert, as I called him, during the civil war and his body servant. I was with him at the first battle of Bull Run, second battle of Bull Run, first battle of Manassas, second battle of Manassas and was there at the fire of the last gun for the salute of the surrender on Sunday, April 9, 9 o'clock, A.M., at Appomattox, 1865. [Circa, 1917]

Rev. Wm. Mack Lee
New Confederate Monuments *Still* being built
~ *even* in Union States
By Kimberly Kindy & Julie Tate

Unlike the century-old Confederate monuments that dot the country, the granite obelisk in this Orlando suburb is modern and glistening. Just 13 years ago, the great-great-grandsons of Confederate soldiers gathered around a banquet table at Fat Boy’s Bar-B-Q and voted unanimously to build a modern-day monument down the street in the city-owned Veteran’s Park. The memorial they had in mind would bear Confederate symbols and names of Confederate soldiers buried in or near the city limits. It would also be a near-mirror image of one dedicated in 2000 in that same park by a group of great-great-grandsons of Union Army soldiers.

Building monuments to the Confederacy, however, is also a contemporary phenomenon. At least 50 smaller Confederate monuments have been built since 1990, including a bronze statue near a courthouse in Cleburne, Texas, and a monument on the grounds of a public elementary school in Prattville, Alabama. Even Union states have them: Two Confederate monuments have been erected in Iowa in the past 12 years.

Newer monuments are popping up mostly in rural towns and tend to honor the common soldiers rather than Confederate generals and political leaders. All but seven are in Confederate states and 60 percent are on public land. They’re often small enough that they can be easily attended to by one person with a step ladder. Some are obelisks, like the one in St. Cloud, while others are stone markers that resemble oversized tombstones or boulders decorated with bronze historical plaques. A majority of the monuments are financed by local Camps of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Most cost less than $5,000, paid for with money raised with chili cook-offs, bake sales and Civil War reenactments.

“We don’t need something massive to do this,” said Michael Landree, who is executive director of the national Sons of Confederate Veterans. “We want to put up a lot of these across the country.”

Members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans say the tributes are meant to honor their ancestors and other Confederate soldiers who they believe fought for noble causes. The North was invading the South, and the soldiers were fighting to defend their homes, their land and their families against invaders who pillaged their towns.

Florida may have been a Confederate state, but St. Cloud was founded in 1909 as a retirement community for Union veterans. The Grand Army of the Republic — a fraternal organization of Union Army veterans — bought a defunct sugar plantation and organized a land company, selling lots for $50 apiece exclusively to Union veterans. The land for Veteran’s Park was also dedicated to the town by the St. Cloud’s Woman’s Club, a group of Union wives “that really wanted to civlize the town,” said Olive Horning, curator of the St. Cloud Heritage Museum. The town’s logo still identifies it as “Soldier City.”

When the Sons of Confederate Veterans sought approval for the Confederate monument from the St. Cloud City Council, no one officially opposed the request. But the monument was vandalized in August, days after a group of white nationalists, neo-Nazis and Ku Klux Klan members gathered in Charlottesville, to protest the planned removal of a statue of Confederate General Robert E. Lee.

“USA. One Nation” was written in black spray paint on the St. Cloud monument over more than a dozen Confederate soldiers’ names that are etched on the obelisk. Small chunks of granite were hacked from an engraved image of a Confederate flag.

One of the most lauded members of the local Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans is 88-year-old Nelson Winbush, whose grandfather was a slave and followed his owner into the War. At the time of his death, he asked to be buried in his Confederate uniform, Winbush said, “My grandfather was just 14 years old and he went along with his master and his sons,” Winbush said, recounting what his grandfather told him during frequent horse and buggy rides together. “I joined because there is so much misinformation about blacks serving in the Confederate Army. My grandfather ended up fighting like everyone else. He felt the South was being invaded by the Yankees.”

*By Kimberly Kindy & Julie Tate*

*Source: Howling Dawg; October, 2017*

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**W. Earl Douglas, a black journalist in Charleston, S.C. said**

the “two greatest lies ever perpetrated by history are number one that the South instigated the War and number two that it was fought by the North for the purpose of freeing the slaves! The Negro was merely used as the excuse for that War while the real reason for it is reflected in every area of our lives where the tentacles of government form the bars of a new slavery: No! Don’t furl that Confederate Battle Flag. Let it wave all across the South to remind Americans that there exists here a yearning for liberty, freedom, and independence that will not be denied.”

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**Lucy Matilda Thompson**

*Known during the WBTS as Private Bill Thompson, Lucy Matilda Thompson Gauss cut her thick hair and disguised herself by wearing a pair of her husband's suits and boarded a train for Virginia to fight alongside him during the early years of the Civil War. He never survived the war but "Private Bill" did -- bringing his body home for burial. Lucy Matilda Thompson was born November 21, 1812 in Bladenboro, North Carolina. She was tall and masculine – though not without feminine charm -- and she was a deft horsewoman, expert with a rifle.*

*Source: - 1995/1996 Sessions HR 233*
THE ANDERSONVILLE HUMAN DISASTER:

100% THE FAULT OF THE LINCOLN ADMINISTRATION
by James W. King---SCV Camp #141; Albany Georgia

In defense of the Confederate government and Confederate prison officials in regards to Andersonville, an article was published in 1876 by the Southern Historical Society, consisting of 9 points that place the blame for deaths and suffering at Andersonville totally on Northern politicians and military authorities. Specifically President Lincoln, Sec. of War Stanton, Asst. Sec. of War Dana, and Gen. Grant shoulder the blame as noted in the following 9 points.

1. It is not denied that great suffering and mortality occurred but it was due to circumstances and conditions beyond CSA control.
2. If the death rate be adduced as "circumstantial evidence of barbarity" the rate of Confederate deaths was higher in Northern POW camps where there was an abundance of food, medicine, and shelter. The Confederacy captured and held about 270,000 Union prisoners from 1861-65 and 22,576 died. The Union captured and held about 220,000 Confederate prisoners and 26,436 died.
3. The Union POW's were given the same rations as Confederate guards and soldiers and equal treatment in hospitals as required by the CSA government and the death rate of CSA guards was the same as POW's. The Northern Federal government did not have this humane policy.
4. The exchange of prisoners was refused by the North before the issue of black Union POW's became an issue.
5. The CSA government requested that Northern doctors and medicine be sent to treat Northern POW's and the request was denied.
6. The CSA tried to buy supplies including bowls and other utensils to use in feeding the POW's. They offered to pay with cotton and gold but the offer was refused by the Lincoln administration.
7. The Federal Government under President Lincoln made medicine contraband causing sufferings and death of Union POW's and all Southerners military and civilian.
8. Prior to the period of greatest mortality the CSA authorities offered to release the Andersonville POW's without exchange but the offer was not accepted by the Lincoln Administration who was told by CSA authorities "we cannot feed or care for them-just come get them". Sherman's barbaric war crimes in Georgia consisting of stealing, destroying, and burning made food and supplies even scarcer and increased suffering and mortality.
9. The Northern press was furnished lies and propaganda by Union Sec. and Asst Sec. of war Stanton and Dana claiming deliberate cruelties and war crimes by the South. The control of Northern POW camps was transferred by Stanton and Dana to vindictive partisan criminal elements and deliberate war crimes of cruelty, torture, and murder were committed against Confederate POW's as proven by a joint resolution of the U.S. Senate and House SR97.

Final proof that the human disaster at Andersonville was virtually 100% the fault of the Lincoln Administration comes from statements by Confederate Col. Ould who was in charge of arranging prisoner exchanges and Union Assistant Secretary of War in the Lincoln Administration Charles A. Dana. Col. Ould is quoted as saying "My government instructs me to waive all formalities in this matter of exchange. I need not try to conceal from you that we cannot feed and provide for the prisoners in our hands. We cannot half feed or clothe them. You have closed our ports till we cannot get medical stores for them. You will not send us quinine and other medicines, even for their exclusive use. They are suffering greatly and the mortality is excessive. I tell you all this plainly, and still you refuse to exchange. What does your government demand? Name your own conditions and I have authority to accept them. YOU ARE SILENT! GREAT GOD, CAN IT BE THAT YOU PEOPLE ARE MONSTERS? If you will not exchange, I will give you your men for nothing. I will deliver ten thousand Union POW's at Wilmington. I will deliver five thousand here. Come and get them. If your government is so damnedly dishonest to want them for nothing, you shall have them. You can at least feed them and we cannot."

Post-War in the New York Sun Newspaper Dana wrote "CSA authorities and especially Jefferson Davis ought not to be held responsible for Andersonville. We were responsible ourselves for the continued detention of our captives in misery, starvation and sickness in the South".

Post-war Union General Grant admitted that he had considered the Andersonville POW’s Expendable.

“My friends the Confederate soldier is fast fading away. It devolves on you, sons and daughters of the Confederacy and those who come after you, to cherish his memory, to preserve and keep alive his glorious deeds. Let this sacred obligation sink into your hearts. Tell the story of the Confederacy into the listening ears of your children until it becomes part of their nature to love, cherish and defend the principles your father’s fought for, bled for, and died for. Do not slight them, for they are sacred now. Guard, shield, protect and defend them from detraction, misrepresentation and abuse, no matter whence it comes, and your children and your children’s children in successive generations, looking back from the distant future, will proudly exclaim: ‘I am descended from a Confederate soldier.’”

~ General John B. Gordon
To: Camp Commanders, Georgia Division  
From: Division Cmdr. Scott Gilbert  
Re: Legislative Efforts 2018

This coming January there will be an assault on the current laws protecting Confederate symbols in our State. The Division leadership is working on a plan that will be unveiled in detail after our September 23rd Executive Council meeting in Macon.

Until then, we need you to do the following as quickly as possible:

1. Identify the legislators that represent any part of your Camps area of operations
   - District numbers/party affiliation
   - Contact information including office phone, email, and office mailing address (at the capitol, and in their district)
   - Committee chairmanships if any
   - Other leadership positions held
   - Notes that may be helpful to the Division staff, especially anything that might pertain to military/history/cultural issues

2. Identify any businesses, local governments, trade organizations, or influential citizens that will, or might be directly involved in defending, or attacking the current law.

3. Prepare a series of positive but firm and concise letters of support for protecting all historical monuments, regardless of the time-period, in our State. Make copies and be ready to distribute to as many people as possible when the time comes for the mass letter writing campaign.

4. Start reaching out now as SCV to those that you think are supportive or can be supportive of protecting the current law. Be positive and friendly, but firm.

5. Begin working to prepare for future petition drives. Details to follow soon.

“Stop the madness. Honor all veterans. Allow all of your citizens to honor and celebrate their heritage. True diversity and inclusiveness is not achieved by destroying the history and heritage of one group of people in order to pacify another.”

~ Susan Hathaway  
VaFlaggers  
[April 18, 2016; Before the Charlottesville, VA City Council]
Gentlemen,

The Monument Protection 4ft. X 4ft. Road Signs and the 4ft. X 8ft. Recruitment Signs are completed and ready to be distributed and erected in prime locations throughout the State. These Road Signs can be one of our most effective and economical tools to get the message to the public in your local area.

We need to get as many of these signs up as possible before January 2018. If you have a good location, please contact the listed Compatriot in your area of the State to arrange a pick-up.

Tim Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant

Contact these Compatriots for Signs in your area:

Southeast Georgia: Chuck Griffin, chuck.griffin13@yahoo.com
Southwest Georgia: Ken Arvin, orphanbn@outlook.com
Middle Georgia: Tim Hawkins, thawkins427@gmail.com
Metro Atlanta: Tim Pilgrim, timfpilgrim@yahoo.com
Northeast Georgia: Michael Dean, csahorsesoldier@gmail.com
Northwest Georgia: PK McDonald, pkscvmc@yahoo.com
Gentlemen,

The Georgia Division PR Committee is pleased to announce that the first billboard of our monument protection billboard campaign will be up at exit 201 on Interstate I-75 on December 18th. We hope every State Legislator travelling to the State Capitol via I-75 will see this billboard and know that the Sons of Confederate Veterans intend to put up a fight to the very end protecting our Veterans’ monuments.

We are currently looking at more locations. If you have any suggestions or leads, please contact Commander Tim Hawkins at thawkins427@gmail.com or Division Adjutant Tim Pilgrim at timfpilgrim@yahoo.com.

Tim Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant

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NEW MONUMENT PROTECTION LEAFLETS NOW AVAILABLE

The Georgia Division announces the creation of the Monument Protection leaflets that have recently been distributed to all Brigade Commanders for distribution to their Camps. Please contact your Brigade Commander for copies.

Tim Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant

HONOR OUR VETERANS PROTECT THEIR MONUMENTS

Is there any difference in the actions of this lawless mob in Durham, NC, and the Terrorist ISIS / Talban Thugs in the Middle East destroying ancient monuments

Is this how we Americans Honor our Veterans who fought to protect their Families and Homes, who did their duty, and who gave the ultimate sacrifice by dying for their Country?

Did you know that a recent NPR/PBS poll indicated that, when asked Registered Voters “If Monuments Honoring Confederate Veterans should be removed”

- 67% of Whites opposed, 25% favored, 8% undec.
- 44% of Blacks opposed, 40% favored, 16% undec.
- 65% of Latinos opposed, 24% favored, 11% undec.

CONTACT YOUR STATE SENATOR & REPRESENTATIVE ASK FOR TOUGHER MONUMENT PROTECTION LAWS

To find your representatives go to: www.openstates.org and enter your Zip code, and/or Call (404) 656-5015

They are already vandalizing, defacing and calling for the removal of our religious monuments and monuments to the great explorer Christopher Columbus.

Our Nation’s Forefathers Presidents Washington and Jefferson are being targeted by the same radical leftist groups.

WHEN DOES THIS MADNESS END?

It ends with you and the efforts you’re willing to help put forth to stop their hateful agenda and to save our American Heritage.

We must hold our political leaders accountable to maintain law and order. Also demand that they pass tougher laws to punish those who break our laws.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans are fighting to strengthen our monument protection laws.

But we need your help!

Go to: www.GASCV.org
To the Monument Protection tab and see how you can help.

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The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans PR Committee has created a Monument Protection newspaper/magazine Ad that we currently have scheduled to run three (3) months in the Georgia Outdoor News magazine starting in December to March and in the Georgia Backroads magazine in the February and March Issues. We are looking to run ads in other rural Georgia Magazines if you have any recommendations, contact me. The Georgia EMC magazine refused to run our monument protection Ad claiming it was too controversial.

We request all the Georgia Division Camps run these Monument Protection Ads in their local newspapers. The Georgia Division will split the cost of these newspaper Ads with the Camps up to $125.

Below is what the Monument Protection Ads looks like. If your Camp wants to proceed with placing the Ad and would like more details contact Division Adjutant at timfpilgrim@yahoo.com. These Ads are available to download from our Division web page, under the MEMBERSHIP RESOURCES menu tab.

Tim Pilgrim, Georgia Division Adjutant
Francis S. Bartow Camp 93

Gentlemen, I know that all of you are aware of what has been going on with our Confederate Memorial in Forsyth Park. You cannot open a SMN or listen to the news and not find or hear some mention about it. It is truly a time when facts, logic, and reason do not matter! I read comments and am completely shocked as to just how little the average person knows about true history. And they don’t care. They make stupid comments that make no sense and the media picks it up as facts!

Anyway, the city has formed a “task force” to determine “the fate” of our beautiful Confederate Monument. I am almost willing to bet a ton of money that no one in the Confederate Community will be happy with their decision. What makes me think this? I personally went to city hall and talked to Mayor Deloach and asked him to allow me to be on this task force. I got a flat out “NO!” Needless to say, I was not pleased and came away with “bad vibes” that something was coming that we are not going to like. I was especially upset when I found out the groups that were represented on this “task force.”

Here they are: Historic Savannah Foundation, Georgia Historical Society, Historic Preservation and Urban Planning of Chatham Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission, Historian and Tour Guide Footprints of Savannah, Historic and Tour Guide Association, Day Clean Journeys, Geechee Kunda, and SCAD!

Do I even have to point out who is not represented? No one from the SCV, the MOSB, the UDC, The Savannah Volunteer Guard, or the Chatham Artillery!! THE VERY PEOPLE WHO PAY OUR RESPECTS “TO OUR CONFEDERATE DEAD” EVERY APRIL!! Does this sound like a “hatchet job?” Needless to say, we are really ticked off, but I really think that it was planned that way! Look at that list again. Does it not look like the Georgia Hysterical Society is “frothing at the bit” to either again put up another politically correct marker so our monument won’t “offend” any tourists or just remove the Monument completely?

I’m really, really ticked, and it has cost me a lot of sleep. The officers of your camp are, as we speak, working on a strategy as to how to combat this totally intended “slap to the face” of the Confederate Community by the city of Savannah and the Georgia Hysterical Society. We’ll have an update at the meeting on the 21st. Be there if you possibly can.

One good tidbit of news, WTOC did their own poll about our Monument and the results were OVERWHELMINGLY IN OUR FAVOR WITH 85% OF THE RESPONDENTS TO THEIR POLL EXPRESSING THEIR OPINION TO “LEAVE IT ALONE!!” Six percent responded to move it; Six percent responded to add “inclusive” signage; And three percent had no opinion. That is great news for us and some good information we can definitely use in our defense. The WTOC Poll had close to 2000 responses and the city’s poll had approximately 5,500. Notice that WTOC was able to give their results immediately but it’s going to be the end of December before we know the results of the city’s poll. Just another little tidbit to tick me off!

Cmdr. Joe Dawson
Francis S. Bartow Camp #93
Savannah, GA
Pvt. Thomas Alexander Cath(e)y

Chick-fil-A's founder, Truett Cathy's great-grand father was Pvt. Thomas Alexander Cath(e)y of Co. F, 53rd GA Inf. Reg. He was born May 22, 1836 in Coweta County, Georgia and migrated to Henry County, Georgia. On May 2, 1862 he enlisted in “The Dixie Guards” in McDonough, Georgia.

The 53rd served in the Army of Northern Virginia and was in the battles of Seven Days, Malvern Hill, Sharpsburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg. In September 1863 the unit was sent to Georgia with Longstreet, but arrived too late for Chickamauga, but went to Knoxville, Tennessee. After Knoxville, Thomas’ unit returned to General Lee in Virginia where they engaged at the Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, in the Shenandoah Valley with Early, then Cedar Creek, Petersburg, Saylor’s Creek and Appomattox.

Pvt. Cath(e)y was hospitalized at Lynchburg, Virginia in January 1865 and furloughed home to Georgia in February 1865.

He was paroled at Macon in May 1865. Thomas lived until February 6, 1902, and is buried in the McDonald City Cemetery in Henry County, Georgia.

Mike Bowen
SCV Life Member
Source: Ancestry.com; Georgia Archives; FindAGrave.com

Gen. Ambrose Wright Camp #1914; Evans, Georgia

Compatriots,
As always, it was good to see those of you present tonight and we missed seeing many of you.

Election Results for SCV Camp 1914 follow. Bit of a surprise for me to be nominated but I am happy to assume the role of your Commander for 2018. I have been active on and off with SCV for 10 years both in Virginia (Camp 1) and now in Augusta & Columbia County.

Brother Carl Tommy Miller Sr will be your Lieutenant Commander for 2018, he needs no introduction!

Brother Tommy Jr has agreed to stay on as our Adjutant and Secretary, relieving brother Alan Anderson who has given 10 years of service in this position. Special thanks to him driving down 2 hours and back as well tonight to be with us.

Brother Bryan Stratton will be continuing in his service to Camp 1914 but now with the title of Quartermaster. Bryan and I will work together to continue to enhance and promote our online presence on the web and in social media as these are among his talents. If you are on Facebook but not a member of the Camp page, please follow this link and join the page as we will be sending more camp communications via this format as well as via e-mail: https://www.facebook.com/SCVCamp1914/

The Very Reverend Brother Gary Haddock would not accept a nomination for higher office but has humbly accepted the office of Camp Chaplain for 2018!

Though you do not all have offices and titles, none of you are less important than the above slate. I will ask for your support and leadership when needed both inside and outside the Camp. You are all ambassadors for the cause of Southern Heritage, Culture and Decency as well as the cause of Historic Preservation, no matter how you serve the SCV. Whether as part of the Mechanized Cavalry, cleaning cemeteries (see below for an event along these lines) or assisting in any way you see fit to get our Camp's name or the GA or National SCV out there, you do us all credit.

While we have help from the Georgia SCV, we can also get potential new members started with their genealogical research needed for them to join the SCV. Don't let any potential member fall through the cracks if they feel this is too much of a hurdle. Please forward any camp communications (this is a perfect example) to anyone you may have been trying to get to join our ranks.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Following a false start on this last month, we decided to meet in Grovetown on Saturday, December 9th at 7PM presentation by local author and Augusta historian Thomas Heard Robertson, Jr who will make a presentation around his recent book, "Albert". For those who missed Tom's last presentation on "Resisting Sherman", you do not want to miss this presentation. Tom will have signed copies of both of his books available for purchase as well.

I am interested to hear from members who want to make presentations or suggest topics for future presentations for 2018. Informative presentations on historical topics concerning the time before, during and after the War will help consolidate and build our membership.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me, Tommy Sr or Jr with anything you'd like to bring to the table.

That's enough for now... let's all work to make 2018 a banner year for our Camp.

Deo Vin dice, Chip

William C.W. "Chip" Lamb
Licensed Professional Auctioneer
Georgia #AU004160 Appraiser -- Broker -- Consultant

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No serious study of the War for Southern Independence is complete without consulting the Official Records. Frequently called the "OR", the 128 volumes of the Official Records provide the most comprehensive, authoritative, and voluminous reference on Civil War operations.

The reports contained in the Official Records are those of the principal leaders who fought the battles and then wrote their assessments days, weeks, and sometimes months later. The Official Records are thus the eyewitness accounts of the veterans themselves. Edited by Robert N. Scott, the books were published between 1881 and 1901.

Also, the Montgomery Sharpshooters, Camp 2164, donated the index to the Lillian Henderson’s "Roster of Confederate Soldiers of Georgia". The Library had an index, but when it relocated the book was lost. The index will save much time when searching for one of our soldiers.

The Montgomery Sharpshooters, Camp 2164, has begun a program to purchase a headstone for all the local graves of Confederate soldiers when there is no mention of their Confederate service on their present headstone. The new headstones will be placed in addition to the existing one.

Camp member Byron Tyson helped place the first marker. The recipient of this stone is Byron’s great grandfather, Virgil Powers Moore, a private in Company H of the 63rd Georgia Infantry.

Ahoy!

Searching for Confederate sailors graves. If you know of one, contact Ross Glover. email: rossgloverjr@comcast.net.

Montgomery Sharpshooters Camp Donates Books to Ladson Library

David Moncus, a member of the Montgomery Sharpshooters, the local camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, donated the entire set of “War of Rebellion, Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies”.

Ham Radio Operators:
Mr. Richard Myers
of Camp 1996.
His contact information is:
105 Oakdale Dr.
LaGrange, GA 30240
Call > (706) 402-6410

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Gen. Stand Watie Camp # 915
PO Box 626  Calhoun, Georgia 30703
Minutes October 12, 2017

Members Present: Joseph Biddy, Stan Chambers, Wes Houston

New Member (waiting for paper work to clear): Stephen Chastain

Commander Joseph Biddy opened the meeting by welcoming those present. Adjutant Stan Chambers led the pledges to the American and Georgia flags and the salute to the Confederate flag. The Commander read the Gen. S. D. Lee charge.

Fair Report: Camp made $1,643 from the sale of merchandise. Thanks to members who worked; Joey Biddy, Stan Chambers, David Mitchell, John Warren, and Buddy Autry.

Membership Report: 20 renewals, 3 non-renewals, and 1 deceased. Membership at 21 counting the new member in waiting. Membership was the highest (41) in 2002.

Camp Officers Election will be at the November meeting.

• The Christmas/Stand Watie Birthday Celebration at Oakleigh
• Will be held at 6:30PM, Thursday, December 14, 2017
• Meal will be catered. Cost $11.50
• Speaker will be Georgia Division Adjutant Tim Pilgrim

Next Meeting: 7PM, Thurs, November 9, 2017 at Oakleigh.

Richard Hobgood, Aide-de-Camp

Stewart/Webster Camp 1607
Camp 1607 handed out several applications for the SCV, OCR and Mechanized Calvary.

Commander James King of the Albany Camp was the guest speaker at the our 5th annual Thanksgiving Meal on the 21st.

The meal consisted of smoked ham and Turkey, homemade cornbread dressing and blackberry cobbler, Dutch mash taters, sweet corn, fried cabbage and rolls. Meal was provided by Ken and Bonnie Arvin. About 30 people were in attendance.

I also hosted a member appre- ciation supper at my residence on the 27th of October. Several members showed up with perspective new members. There was pulled pork bbq, fresh deer bbq, bon fire, flag retirement ceremony and a live band. Thanks to Ed Eachman and Jimmy Wills for the music.

Stewart Webster Camp also went out in support of the Americus camp for the living history weekend in October and the Wirz Memorial in November.

Ken "Sarge "Arvin 9th Brigade Commander
August 2017

Compatriots,

Important!! As you must know by now the Left Wing, Communist Agitators are after our Confederate Monument in Forsyth Park. That Monument is not coming down. Our Lawyers are hard at work to see that does not happen. The Mayor and city council are in no mood for a fight with us or those that would pick a fight with us. If you live in Savannah, write your city council member and the Mayor and let him/her know where you stand on the monument question. Ask your family/friends to write also. DO NOT mention the SCV in any letter you write, be sure to include your district, and ZIP code. Be nice yet firm.

While you are in a writing mode be sure to write your State House member and your State Senator. Let them know that you want them to strengthen our monument law protecting all our monuments. OCGA 50-3-1 sections 2-3-4. And that you will not accept a Republican sponsored, compromise bill, to remove the states protection and turn the monuments over to the cities and counties. Remember the SCV is non-political so do not mention the SCV or your membership in the organization. Ask you friends and family to write. Remember, be nice, be firm, and remind your reps, an election is coming up soon. Remember, we booted Barnes!

Important! Our next meeting will be Tuesday Oct 10th at the Western Sizzling in Pooler, GA. Come early for supper, our program starts at 7:00 PM. We will continue our look at Mr. Lincoln’s War. We had a few surprises last month come and see what the whole story is.

Very Important!! Our Camps Golf Tournament is Friday Oct 13, at the Sterling Links Golf Club in Richmond Hill. We need every member to do something, place a team in the Tournament, sell or sponsor a hole. In this mailing you will find an application for both. This has been our only fund raiser for 8 years, and we have done very well in the past. This year our applications are coming in slow. See what you can do to help.

We can only fight the fights we can fund. We are in one now for the very life of our history. The lawyers working for our cause are some of the best in Georgia, and most of what they do is donated. But there is cost involved. Help us!

Recruit! Our Georgia Division is just a little over 3,000 in membership, it should be 3 million. Help us find the men that have not found us yet.

Write your letters, ask others to do the same. Remember, a true Southern is above all else a True Gentleman. If the haters follow through with their plans to demonstrate near our Monument in Forsyth Park. Remember we have the law on our side. They would love for us to show up out there and give cause for the media to jump on us. The media is not our friends, be careful what you say to them. Make our Confederate Patriot Ancestor Proud to call us SONS.

Sincerely, Don Newman, Commander, Savannah Militia Camp 1657
6th Brigade GA, Division, SCV Commander@SCVSavannah.com
WWW.SCVSAVANNAH.COM
Facebook: Savannah and Coastal Georgia Sons of Confederate Veterans

We are a band of brothers and native to the soil, Fighting for our liberty, with treasure, blood and toil.

Capt. Hardy B. Smith Camp

The Dublin Downtown Authority recently received a proposal from Commander John Hall, Capt. Hardy B. Smith #104, to submit for Tag Funds to clean the Confederate monument in the city. The consensus of the DDA was that they didn’t wish to be associated with the SCV. 4th Brigade Commander Kim M. Beck is in communication with the DDA and City of Dublin concerning the picture they have of the SCV.

On November 8, in the dark of night, a crew came in and professionally cleaned the monument. So, we put our Tag Funds toward another project. I guess it’s the norm that monuments get taken down in the dark of night and monuments get cleaned in the dark of night.

The main concern is, the monument now sparkles in the sunshine! The Capt. Hardy B. Smith Camp #104 with the help of other Camps was a big hit in the Dublin Veterans Parade on Nov. 11. Confederate flags were given to children and no one along the parade route had anything negative to say toward the SCV.

Hopefully this will open the eyes of the Dublin DDA. Thank you to Commander John Hall and Adjutant Jackie Dillon and members of the Hardy B. Smith Camp #104 for pressuring a well done job!

~ John Hall
Habersham Guard Camp 716, Clarkesville, Ga—Commander Kenneth Craig welcomes new members (from left) Dale Barron, Bobby Barron, and Matt Waller. ~John J. Butler

Augusta area re-enactors at the "All Wars Monument", Broad St., Augusta, Georgia on Veterans Day. Photos courtesy Tommy Miller.

Talin Usher of the Stewart/Webster Camp #1607 at the SCV recruitment table at Pig Fest in Richland, GA. See more, Page 29

Bell Research Center; 101 Atlanta Road; Cumming, GA 30040 See Page 21 www.bellresearchcenter.com

The Montgomery Sharpshooters, Camp 2164 member Byron Tyson honoring his ancestor.

Members of the Kenne-saw Battlefield Camp # 700, L to R, William Goldstein, Tim Pilgrim with Lucille Pilgrim and Michael Reither placed two Southern Crosses of Honor at their adopted Garrett Cemetery in Cobb County. The Soldiers are Wilson W. Stephens and his Brother Andrew E. Stephens both served in Co. H of the Georgia 7th Infantry.

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