



Misinformed Miscreants Murder Helpless Veteran!

Compatriots,

On the night of August 30, a group of unknown cowards toppled and destroyed the Screven County, GA Confederate Monument. The monument was originally erected by the UDC and SCV in 1909, and has been in the cemetery since the 1950s. Investigators say a reward will help those who know something come forward. We have raised almost \$10,000, but need your help to turn up the heat. We must catch those guilty of this heinous crime! We must set an example for others who wish to erase American history. Remember, an attack on the Confederate soldier's good name is a personal attack on your family.

We thank you in advance for your courage and generosity. If you prefer a return of the unused reward money due to lack of an arrest and conviction, please indicate that on the memo line of the check.

Please remit checks to:

SCV Camp #549

141 Bell Pond Road

Sylvania, GA 30467

Sincerely, Adam Bazemore
Commander

Black Creek Volunteers Camp
#549

Sons of Confederate Veterans
Sylvania, GA

Commander Pilgrim issued the following:

Gentlemen,

I just issued a statewide media press release regarding the toppling of the Screven County Confederate Monument.

I have been in contact with local Camp Commander Adam Bazemore with the Black Creek



Volunteers #549. He has been on site to take photos and has met with the Screven County Sheriff's Dept. I took it upon myself to offer a \$2,000 reward on behalf of the Georgia Division, for any information leading to the arrest and conviction. The local Sheriff's Department and the local newspaper are aware of the reward.

Lets hope they are able to bring these criminals to justice. Looking at the photos it appears the soldier is beyond repair.

5th Brigade Commander Thomas Miller will keep us updated and let us know what the local Camp recommends regarding repairs / replacement.

Deo Vindice,
Timothy F. Pilgrim
Georgia Division Commander

Counting amounts pledged by individuals, the reward is up to \$10,000.00. Editor

This is destruction of private property valued in the 100s of thousands of dollars. What would any sane person do if a criminal destroyed their home, private property valued in the 100s of thousands of dollars?

Unrestrained and unpunished violence of this nature is the prelude to anarchy. And the explanation for overlooking and ignoring these behaviors? Someone is offended, they are suffering anguish, and their feelings are hurt.

Wake up, folks. Who will be targeted next? .al perry.

"I myself see in this war, if the North triumph, a dissolution of the bonds of all society. It is not alone the destruction of our property, but the prelude to anarchy, infidelity and the ultimate loss of free responsible government on this continent."

~Thomas Jonathan Jackson

*[Like children say on a long trip:
"Are we there yet?"]*



The 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.

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STOP THE IGNORANCE AND HATRED, NOW !



Sylvania City Square At Night, Sylvania, Ga.



The Screven County Confederate Monument was "erected by the Screven County Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Sons of Veterans, April 26, A.D. 1909." It was originally located in downtown Sylvania, but in the 1950s a regretted decision was made to modernize the town. The beautiful courthouse was torn down brick by brick and replaced with an ugly block fountain. The park was paved over into a parking lot. With no room for the monument, it was relocated to the new Screven County Memorial Cemetery. There it remained a lone sentry, unscathed until the recent atrocity. On the night of August 30, criminals toppled the pillar and destroyed the statue.

The GBI, Screven County Sheriff's Department, and Sylvania Police Department have been investigating. There have been few leads, but no suspects have materialized.

Camp #549 wishes to thank all Compatriots who have pledged money towards the reward for the arrest and conviction of those guilty. The reward now stands at \$10,000. We also thank the Georgia Division leadership, namely Commander Tim Pilgrim, for aggressively taking action in the aftermath of this tragedy. Press releases and large color newspaper ads have gotten the word out that the SCV means business, and will not take this lying down.

Thankfully, the monument base bearing inscriptions was not damaged. It reads:

"To the Confederate soldiers who went from Screven County to fight for the South in the War Between the States, and who from 1861 to '65 nobly illustrated Georgia on the field of battle, this monument is erected by their descendants as a memorial of their deeds.

"When the call came they left all for the front, and for four years, without recompense or reward, they fought bravely for local self government and the rights of the states.

"No nation rose so white and fair, or fell so pure of crime."

In large text on front, reminds us of our "Confederate Dead", including 150 men from Screven County.

The fallen pieces of the monument are being held in storage by the City of Sylvania, until we determine when and how to resurrect it. Our camp is seeking estimates for its' repair and replacement. In the meantime, donations for the repair/replacement of the monument may be sent to: SCV Camp #549, 141 Bell Pond Road, Sylvania, GA 30467

Submitted by:

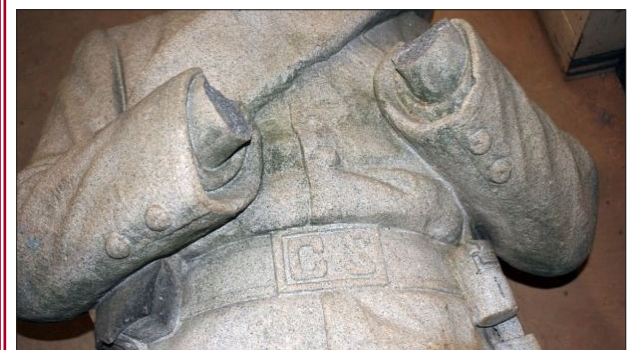
Adam Bazemore, Commander

Black Creek Volunteers Camp #549



**Destruction
of private property
is a gross violation
of human law !**

What, or who will be next ?



***Remember
Myrtle Hill***

Commander's Report

Gentlemen,

We are off to a good start. A special Thank You to all who attended the Media Training Workshops at Jeff Davis Memorial Park and the Bennett Center in Cumming. Led by professional Public Relations Expert, Dr. Joe Trahan, who is also on the executive board of the Georgia Battlefield Association, both meetings were very productive. Dr. Trahan specializes in training groups and individuals in the art of engaging with the media and crisis management. Camp officers and members, your Brigade Commander will be working with you to select the right man in your Camp to handle this very important mission to convey the truth and our positions on various issues. Brigade Commanders Hershell Smith and Michael Dean did a great job in lining up the facilities at Jeff Davis Memorial Park and the Bennett Center in Cumming. Great food always works to strengthen us and Brigade Commander Ken Arvin and his wife came through again with their special BBQ and fixins' at both locations.

The crime committed in Screven

County is still under investigation, and at press time, no perpetrators have been revealed, captured or convicted. The reward is at \$10,000 for the capture and conviction of the criminal who performed this cowardly act of violence.

We are preparing for the 2019 Georgia General Assembly session now. We are actively communicating with our lobbyist firm Hooks & Dunn and expect a good result concerning our monument protection legislation.

I encourage all members, especially Camp Commanders and Adjutants to sign up for the Georgia Discussion list and to have a Communications Officer and Camp Spokesman actively working the other resources we have implemented to keep all Camps and members informed.

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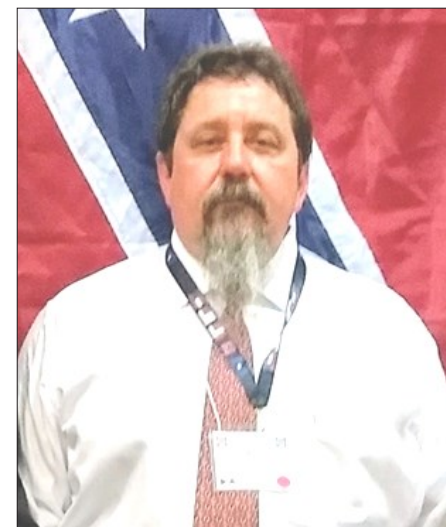
Join the Georgia Division's E-mail Discussion Group for up-to-date news and great heritage related postings, just send an e-mail to our Group Moderator, Commander Barry Colbaugh at barrycdog@yahoo.com

Camp members, if you have friendly contact with an attorney in your area, please let your Brigade Commanders know who that person is. We anticipate an active agenda when the criminals are caught who are wantonly destroying private property and violating our rights to honor our ancestors.

Our Chief of Staff Tim Hawkins is actively working our Division-wide billboard initiative and has ordered more 4ft X 4ft monument protection road signs, along with some 18" X 24" 2-sided monument protection yard signs.

Also if you're **NOT** on our Division-wide Email list please contact and send an e-mail to our Division Secretary (Kitty Dorety) at secretary@gascv.org and be sure and let her know your Camp number.

Camp Commanders and Adjutants please send your updated Camp E-mail list to Division



sion Secretary at secretary@gascv.org so she can update our rosters and Division's e-mail list.

Brothers, we have a lot to do. Faith, family, and career are important priorities in all our lives, but our ancestors made time to take a stand, can we do less? We are the defenders of our Confederate Heroes, their sacrifices, values and virtues. Showing the public that we are taking a stand and being visible will make the difference.

At your service, always,

Tim Pilgrim

Georgia Division Commander.

Get on board ! Join in today ! Get connected ! Know what's going on !

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Join the Georgia Division's E-mail DISCUSSION Group for up-to-date news and great heritage related postings, just send an e-mail to our Group Moderator, Commander Barry Colbaugh at barrycdog@yahoo.com

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GC Deadlines
~ 2018 ~
Dec. 1st

The Georgia  Confederate

Division EC meeting dates:

- November 10, 2018
(Ole Times Country Buffet; Gray Hwy, Macon)
- January 19, 2019 (Lee Event in Irwinville)

"The forbearing use of power does not only form a touchstone, but the manner in which an individual enjoys certain advantages over others is a test of a true gentleman. The power which the strong have over the weak, the employer over the employed, the educated over the unlettered, the experienced over the confiding, even the clever over the silly -- the forbearing or inoffensive use of all this power or authority, or a total abstinence from it when the case admits it, will show the gentleman in a plain light. The gentleman does not needlessly and unnecessarily remind an offender of a wrong he may have committed against him. He cannot only forgive, he can forget; and he strives for that nobleness of self and mildness of character which impart sufficient strength to let the past be but the past." ~ Robert E. Lee

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November 10, 2018
(Ole Times Country Buffet)

January 19, 2019
(Lee Event in Irvinville)

March 30, 2019
(Ole Times Country Buffet)

Welcome to the Sons of Confederate Veterans Member Community

Division Adjutant's Report

Compatriot, welcome to the Sons of Confederate Veterans' community. This capability marks a dynamic shift in the SCV's way forward by modernizing our communications and management capabilities, reducing the administrative work on our leaders, empowering our members with certain aspects of their information, and creating SCV communications tools.

Here you can update your information; pay your camp, division, and national dues; make donations; and have a range of actions at your fingertips. The SCV Headquarters is working to provide you more access and control over your personal information and empower you to better connect within the SCV. If you are in a leadership role, you will have more control over the management of your camp, brigade, division, or army; whichever level you lead at. If you are not in a leadership role, you can still be more active with these new tools - and the headquarters will be building more capabilities as we move forward.

So welcome to our new community where we use modern tools to support our perpetual and long standing mission of honoring our Confederate ancestors and living up to General Stephen D. Lee's 1906 Charge.

To utilize these tools you must first obtain a login at the website: <https://sonsofconfederateveterans.force.com>

Each SCV member can obtain a login. The Adjutant of each camp is encouraged and should go ahead and obtain a login where he can utilize it to pay dues by wire transfer from the camp bank account or credit card very similar to Amazon or other online retailers. Once Logged in it can be used to update member information pay State or National dues and verify status. Each member can also use it to pay both State and National Dues but we would prefer each adjutant continue to mail a check to the Division for their members as we are unsure what the turn-around time is from National with this tool. Once you pay through this website you will receive a confirmation email. It should take around 24 hours for the funds to be withdrawn from the designated account.

If you have difficulty or questions do not hesitate to contact me 770-851-3395 or scvbear@bellsouth.net

yours for the cause,

Richard Straut

Adjutant

The Georgia Division SCV



July 10, 2018

PR Committee Press Release

The Georgia Division Public Relations Committee is proud to announce the unveiling of our first interstate billboard to reach the public of Georgia with our message in monument preservation. The sign will be up through the end of this year. This is the first in our billboard campaign. We are working with Georgia outdoor advertising companies to put up more signs on rural highways advocating the protection of our Veterans Monuments.

We are continuing the 4'X8' and 4'X4' foam sign campaign as another method to reach the public on our organizations mission. Work with land owners to put up a sign in your local area. At request we are working on 24"X18" H wire yard signs also. We currently have the 4'X8' and 4'X4' available, small yard signs coming soon.

Another venue we are using to reach the public is local magazines. We are in the process of placing a half page add in the Southland magazine for the next 18 months. This allows us to change the add every two months to make sure we continue to reach the public with our message. I have also discussed with the magazine editor placing an article during April Confederate History month. We are reaching out to other advertising sources advocating the protection of our Veterans Monuments.

Tim Hawkins

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Georgia Division

Executive Council Meeting August 11, 2018

Macon/Bibb Conference Center, Macon, Ga.

Executive Council Members Present:

Division Commander

Tim Pilgrim Present

Division Lt Commander – North

George Crawford Present

Division Lt Commander – South

Al Perry Present

Division Adjutant

Richard Straut Present

Division Judge Advocate

Dan Coleman Present

Division Chief of Staff

Tim Hawkins Present

Past Division Commander

Scott Gilbert Present

1st Brigade Commander

Barry Colbaugh Present

2nd Brigade Commander

Michael Dean Present

3rd Brigade Commander

Curt Collier Excused Absent

4th Brigade Commander

Kim Beck Excused Absent

5th Brigade Commander

Thomas Miller Excused Absent

6th Brigade Commander

Don Newman Present

7th Brigade Commander

Chuck Griffin Present

8th Brigade Commander

Hershell Smith Present

9th Brigade Commander

Ken Arvin Present

10th Brigade Commander

Al Medcalf Present

11th Brigade Commander

Jeff Robinson Present

12th Brigade Commander

William Lathem Present

13th Brigade Commander

Steve Camp Present

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order at 10:05:

Commander Tim Pilgrim

Invocation:

Div. Chaplain Jim Cavanah

Pledges and Salute to the Colors:

Commander Tim Pilgrim

Reading of the SCV Charge:

Lt Commander South Al Perry

Roll Call of the Executive Council:

Div. Chief of Staff Tim Hawkins

Adoption of June EC meeting minutes

Commanders Report:

Tim Pilgrim

Commander Pilgrim commended everyone for a job well done since the June reunion. Special mention of Lt Commander South for an excellent job on the Georgia Confederate, 5th Brigade Commander Miller for another successful Georgia Confederates Youth Camp, Chief of Staff Tim Hawkins for all the work done on the Public Relation Committee with signs and billboards, 1st Brigade Commander Barry Colbaugh for maintaining and updated the Divisions Facebook page, LinkedIn and Instagram pages, Lt. Commander North George Crawford for leading the Divisions Communication Committee and the Division Adjutant for all the hard work taking on the adjutant position.

We have been negotiating with the lobbyist group Poole and Dunn. Our direction to the group is we are looking to strengthen the laws this legislative session and not continue with status quo. 2nd Brigade Commander Michael Dean was instrumental in the meeting and negotiations. He has also led the development of the Veterans Group Coalition resolution.

At my direction most of the Brigades have appointed a Brigade Spokesman, Heritage Defense Officer and an Attorney. This is a must for the Brigades to lead in the defense of our Monuments and Heritage. Brigades leading, backed by the Division is the proposed strategy for defending against heritage violations.

We have hired a professional Public Relations Expert, Dr. Joe Trahan, to conduct two media training sections. The first on September 8th at the Jefferson Davis capture site in Irwinville and the 2nd on September 15th at the Ben-

nett Center, room Bennett A, in Cummings Ga. Both sessions will begin at 0815. Please RSVP to Lt. Commander Al Perry South and Lt. Commander George Crawford if you plan on attending. Thanks to 9th Brigade Commander for cooking at each session.

Commander Pilgrim identified the Division's primary objectives that we should all strive to provide to the Camps:

Provide more services to our Camps

Strengthen our position with our State Legislators

Improve our internal and external communication

Increase our public exposure

Have legal assistance readily available

Robert E. Lee Birthday event will be held at the Jefferson Davis Park in Irwinville on January 19th. 8th Brigade Commander is leading the event, more to come.

Thanks for the good turnout at the National Reunion in Franklin Tennessee.

Lt. Commander South Al Perry Report:

Stressed we need more campers for the Georgia Confederates Youth Camp. SCV Camps should be actively working to send a camper next year, co-ed, ages 12 - 17.

The 2019 Camp session will be 23-28 June at Ebenezer Historic Campground.

Lt. Commander North George Crawford:

Commander Crawford stressed the importance of the Brigade Commanders, media Spokes Persons attending the Media Training session in the area. This training will provide the needed one-on-one role-playing training to teach you how to handle the media.

Started a Twitter account, we have started utilizing the new communication tools to reach younger people.

From a Division and Brigade level we need to start communicating better with the Camps. This is a must if we are to provide better services to the Camps.

Adjutant Richard Straut Report:

Provided an overview of the Georgia Division budget

Scanned thousands of documents to digitize Georgia Division records

Purchased a standalone laptop to manage Georgia Division budget transitioned to Quicken to provide budget management and real time status

Motion made by 2nd Brigade Commander Michael Dean and seconded by 1st Brigade Commander Barry Colbaugh to reimburse Richard for the cost of the laptop. Motion passed

The Brigade Commanders for each Brigade represented at the Executive Council meeting provided a report. Written reports provided are attached to the minutes. All Brigades actively working to support their respective Camps.

During the 7th Brigade report Commander Chuck Griffin made a motion to fund the Bainbridge Georgia JROTC awards banquet, seconded by Past Commander Scott Gilbert. This would be a one-time event to reach the youth at the JROTC banquet. A limit of \$1500 was set during the discussion. Motion passed.

Division Chief of Staff, Tim Hawkins:

Division COS and PR Committee Chairman reported that our Monument Protection Billboard off I-75 has been renewed for another 6 months. Also, a new Billboard has been secured on HWY 441 and will be up on August 16th. 100 more 4ft X 4ft monument protection road signs have arrived along with new monument protection 18" X 24" yard signs which were distributed to all the Brigade Commanders that were in attendance for distribution to their Camps.

COS Hawkins also mentioned that recruitment ads have been placed in *Southland* magazine and will be entering new ads each month making them available to the Camps from our Division webpage.

COS Hawkins mentioned that we are

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EC: Continued looking for other Billboard locations and asked Brigade Commanders for recommendations from them and their Camps.

Division Chaplain, Rev. Jim Cavanah:

Announced the appointment for Deputy Chaplains, Bobby Bradford in Ellijay and Kim Beck in Eastman. Chaplain Cavanah mentioned his personal appreciation to Past Division Commander Gilbert and Past Division Chaplain Jack Wray for establishing the office of Deputy chaplain and his desire to expand this position.

Chaplain Cavanah mentioned that a roster of Camp Chaplains is being created and encouraged all Camps to send their Camp Chaplain's information to our Division Secretary. He indicated that a Division Chaplain's article will be in the Georgia Confederate, that every Camp Chaplain needed a Chaplain's handbook and will be working to make that available, and is creating Division Memorial Certificates for deceased members. Chaplain Cavanah also mentioned that when he accepted the position of Division Chaplain that he was informed that the Past Division Chaplain and Commander wanted to continue to coordinate the Chaplain Conference, and it is his understanding that was no longer the case.

Time and Place Report Commander Stevens:

HQ Office running very well and self-supportive

2018 Georgia Division Reunion went well with registration going a lot smoother than previous years. All the reunion medals were sold. Made \$4600 to fund the Division Office. 2019 will be the same venue at the Macon Marriott. 2020 may be a different venue.

Heritage Offense:

The City of Alpharetta instructed the Roswell Mills Camp that they could not fly the Confederate Battle Flag in this year's Old Soldiers Day parade and indicated this was a violation of their 1st amendment rights. With reserva-

tions the Camp agreed that they would honor the City's request this year if they could display the SCV logo. During the process it was discovered that in 1996 the same issue occurred in the City of Roswell and the SCV sued the city and the SCV received a favorable judgment. This will be the basis for any legal action that is required for next year's parade.

The City of Atlanta councilwoman Carla Smith of District 1 has entered City Legislation to change Confederate Ave. and Confederate Ave. East. Division Commander Pilgrim asked 11th Brigade Commander Jeff Robinson being this was in his area of command to get with the John B. Gordon Camp in Atlanta to discuss options and report back to Lt. Division Commander North Crawford with their recommendations and plan of action.

New Business

Motion made by Commander Pilgrim to fund the lobbyist, seconded by Adjutant Richard Straut. The original quote was 36K and was negotiated to 34K with Poole and Dunn and 2K to Martin OToole to assist. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Commander Pilgrim and seconded by Lt Commander South Al Perry to adopt the Veterans Coalition resolution that was drafted and read by 2nd Brigade Commander Michael Dean. Motion passed unanimously.

Commander Pilgrim informed the Executive Council that Martin OToole has expressed an interest for the position of Division spokesman. Compatriot OToole's professional services would be needed for assisting with the legislation/lobbyist efforts, compiling and assisting with legal issues and spokesmen services. A motion was made by Commander Pilgrim and seconded by Adjutant Richard Straut that the Division cover Martin OToole's rate and expenses for his professional and legal services. Motion passed unanimously.

To support the monument repair cost in Rome Ga. A motion was made by Commander Pilgrim and seconded by 1st Brigade Commander Barry Colbaugh to provide the \$4,865.00 needed to begin repairs of the Rome monument. The City of Rome provided a letter to the SCV stating that if for some reason unknown the monument project didn't get finished that the SCV donation would be refunded. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Executive Council meeting will be held at the Ole Times Country Buffet in Macon on November 10th, 2018.

Meeting Concluded with Benediction by Division. Chaplain Jim Cavanah

Singing of Dixie to dismiss at 3:30



GRISWOLDVILLE NOVEMBER 17TH

We are making plans and preparations for our annual Griswoldville Battlefield Memorial Service. The ceremony will begin promptly at 12 Noon on Saturday, Nov. 17, 2018 ON THE BATTLEFIELD. A living history program, including a 10:30am battlefield tour will be conducted prior to this event from 9:30-11:30am. If you are not a member of the host unit or have not been contacted about displays, artillery or infantry activities (no cavalry, please), you need to be pre-approved by State authorities - I will be coordinating these contacts, so please advise/notify ME.

A portion of this service includes reading the names of those who participated in the Nov. 22, 1864 fighting. We have done this for a number of years but someone always seems to be left off the list or a name or rank is reported in error. Now is YOUR chance to advise us concerning your ancestor. Even if he has been on the list before, please re-submit for verification.

We're filling slots for 1st person impressions during the ceremony - these fill up fast but if you are interested in portraying your ancestor or any participant, including local civilians of 1864, contact me ASAP! Hope to see you there, Wayne Dobson
16th GA / SCV Camp 2218

Clarification:

From page 6 of the July-August issue, "Sons of Confederate Veterans 121st Georgia Reunion Macon, Georgia June 9, 2018 Meeting Minutes":

"2. 2nd Brigade Commander Michael Dean presented a request from Camp 716 for \$31,950.00 to erect a Wall of Honor for the Confederate Veterans buried in the cemetery at Demorest, Ga. The Camp has already raised the 10% funding requirement. There are 1,102 Confederate Veterans buried there. The other U.S. Veterans groups have completed their wall sections."

The Wall of Honor lists the names of those from Habersham County who served in the Confederate armed forces. These men may or may not be buried in Habersham. As with all Confederates, some returned home, lived out their lives and are buried in the county (not necessarily just Demorest). Others fell in service and are buried elsewhere; the location often unknown. Still others settled in places other than Habersham County for a host of reasons, and are at rest there.

The Wall of Honor commemorates their service to the CSA, unrelated to their final resting place location.

Michael Dean

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“Duty...the Sublimest Word in Our Language”

By GA Div. Chaplain James L. Cavanah II, Th.D.

“And God spake all these words, saying, ² I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage ... ¹² Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee” [Exodus 20:1 and 12, KJV]

“And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them. ² The Lord our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. ³ The Lord made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day ... ¹⁶ Honour thy father and thy mother, as the Lord thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee” [Deuteronomy 5:1-3 and 16, KJV]

There is no question that we are descendants of the Christian South. That is in no way to say we or our fathers before us were perfect, sinless, or without fault in the eyes of Almighty God our Creator and our Redeemer. It is to say that our fathers and all those fathers and mothers that came before us, knew the Word of Truth, the Holy Scriptures; they knew the importance of God’s Law and His gracious Gospel.

As we consider the readings from Exodus and Deuteronomy, we are confronted with what we know as our “duty”. Every Christian possesses two duties. These two duties are clearly defined and even commanded of us in God’s Law. We know His Law as the Ten Commandments and in it He reveals to us: (1) our duty to Him and (2) our duty to each other. As you read the Ten Commandments this two-fold duty is seen in what God requires of us in our relationship to Him and what He requires of us in our relationship with one another.

With this in mind, let us consider the words of General Robert

Edward Lee who said, “Duty...is the sublimest word in our language. Do your duty in all things...You cannot do more – you should never wish do to less.” General Lee wrote those words in a prewar letter to his son.

“Light Horse Harry” Lee, the revolutionary hero and father of Robert E. Lee left his family to travel to the West Indies when young Robert was a young boy. “Light Horse Harry” was hoping to restore his health. He often wrote to his oldest son, Charles Carter Lee, a student at Harvard University. In one such letter the senior Lee asked, “What is happiness?” Having posed the question he answered it himself with these words: “My dear Carter, what is happiness? ... Peace of mind based on piety to Almighty God, unconscious innocence of conduct, with good will to man; health of body, health of mind, with prosperity in our vocation; a sweet, affectionate wife; ... children devoted to truth, honor, right, and duty, with love and respect to their parents; and faithful and warmhearted friends, in a country politically and religiously free – this is my definition.”

In that same letter we find the earliest statement known about Lee’s character. “Light Horse Harry” wrote: “Robert was always good and will be confirmed in his happy turn of mind by his ever-watchful mother.” Five years later on March 15, 1818, Richard Henry “Light Horse Harry” Lee died at Cumberland Island, Georgia. Robert was only eleven years old at the time.

Lee’s upbringing had depended almost exclusively upon his devoted mother. Ann Carter Lee was the daughter of Charles Carter, a member of the wealthy and prominent Carter family. She was a faithful mother, like Solomon’s “virtuous woman,” [see Proverbs 31:10-31] is to be valued “far above rubies.” Lee was blessed to have such a mother. The Reverend Dr. J. William Jones, a chaplain in the Army of Northern Virginia, said that Mrs.

Lee “stayed with her household, and by her womanly arts, graces, and virtues made a home for her children ... Refined, cultivated, pious, and very tactful, she nobly met her obligations, and reared her children for humanity, for God, and for truth.”

Ann Lee was a godly and faithful mother who taught her children to honor God above all else. At home, daily prayers were faithfully held, and on Sunday, attendance at the Episcopal Church of Alexandria – George Washington’s church – was expected and routine. Robert’s mother taught him the rudiments of reading, and writing. Robert manifested in his later life the fruits of his mother’s faithful discipline. He quickly learned from his mother “to practice self-denial and self-control, as well as the strictest economy in all financial concerns,” virtues which governed him throughout his life. So great was the influence of Ann Carter Lee upon her son, Robert, that Chaplain J. William Jones wrote, “Alongside of Mary, the mother of Washington, among American women, should stand Ann, the mother of Lee.”

As he grew, so did his love for the outdoors and sporting activities. Lee loved riding, swimming, and hunting. Consequently, he developed a strong muscular frame and began the physical, mental, and emotional growth into manhood.

It was not long before Lee’s mother would begin the long slide into invalidism and there were no other siblings to help her. It was Robert’s duty as a son to take up the care of all and he did so willingly. We are told that Robert would “hurry home from his studies to see that his mother had her daily drive, and might be seen carrying her to her carriage, affectionately arranging her cushions, and earnestly endeavoring to entertain her, gravely assuring her that unless she was cheerful she would derive no benefit from her airing.” If she were in low spirits, he would cheer her. If she were worried, he would comfort her.

One of Lee’s cousins said that the most impressive characteristic of Robert at that time in his life was his devotion to his mother. “He was her housekeeper, relieved her of all domestic cares, looked after



the horses, rode out in the carriage with her, and did the marketing for the family.” Later, as her condition worsened he would also become her nurse. This almost constant companionship between Robert and his mother was, without question, the dominant influence in his life.

The discipline, patience, and faithfulness Lee had learned along the side of his mother gained him an appointment to the United States Military Academy. West Point had been established for the purpose of training soldiers and soldiers had to learn to endure hardship and harshness. The first two months at the Academy for the entering freshmen was spent in tents. No classes were held. Four hours a day were dedicated to military drill and the rest of the day was spent in maintaining the camp. Following these two months the cadets were moved into the barracks, four to a room, and kept on a strict schedule from dawn to dusk.

The day began with reveille at sun up. After room inspection and study, breakfast was served at seven. Then came four hours of mathematics, an hour for dinner, and two hours of French, followed by two hours of drill before supper at sundown. Study lasted until 9:30 P.M. and lights went out at ten o’clock.

The food was notoriously bad, there was no heat in the winter and widespread sickness was the norm for the student body during the cold months. Success for any student came only through strenuous effort and determined persistence. Final exams for the cadets consisted of a series of five oral exams of one hour each administered by a

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special board of visitors. This examination board was allowed to ask any question of any student regarding any subject the student had studied during the past year.

Lee finished second in his class taking top honors in artillery and tactics. Yet, his most amazing accomplishment over his four-year course of study at West Point was the fact that he never earned a single demerit for a breach of the rules or neglect of duty.

Joseph E. Johnston, a classmate of Lee's and later his compatriot in arms, described him with these words: "[No] other youth or man so united the qualities that win warm friendship and command high respect. For he was full of sympathy and kindness, genial and fond of conversation, and even of fun, while his correctness of demeanor and attention to all duties, personal and official, and a dignity as much a part of himself as the elegance of his person, gave him a superiority that everyone acknowledged in his heart."

In all four years at West Point, Lee had been listed as one of the "distinguished cadets." As a class leader, he was given the privilege of choosing the branch of the service in which he desired to be commissioned. He requested the Engineer Corps, which utilized his imagination during his course of study. In 1829, Robert E. Lee was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army, Corps of Engineers. Young Robert was not twenty-two years old. He had received the very best of training and education. His preparation was complete, he was ready to carry out his duty to God and his duty to others (i.e., his family and his country). The entire life of Robert E. Lee is

illustrative of his own words, "Duty...is the sublimest word in our language. Do your duty in all things...You cannot do more – you should never wish do to less."

What of you? Are you faithful to the duty that has been entrusted to you? Just over 100 year ago, Stephen Dill Lee said: "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."

"Honor thy Father and thy mother..." This is the first commandment with a promise, "that thy days may be long in the land the Lord thy God is giving thee." As members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, you have been given both a rich legacy and a godly command. As Southerners, our history is filled with examples of godly men and women who gladly accepted the duty entrusted to them. Now is our time. Today is our day. The duty is ours. The High King of Heaven has appointed us for this very day and such a time as this.

As General Stephen D. Lee said, "...Remember it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generation." The question that each one of us must answer is this. "Will you faithfully carry out the duty that has been entrusted to you?" May we all say together, "I will, with God's help!"

Chaplain James L. Cavanah II, Th.D.

"When a sizable percentage of your family goes off to defend your home and never returns, and you have no idea what happened to them or where they are for the rest of your life,

you will begin to understand why

there are Confederate monuments and memorials."

~ Billy Bearden

Lest we forget.

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Compatriots:

I wanted to let you know about a project that Commander Pilgrim initiated that has just completed – at least the first phase. Now the rest of you can throw your shoulders to the wheel as well.

The last two Saturdays we held training sessions in South Georgia (Irwinville) and then North Georgia (Cumming). The sessions were well-attended by the Division Commander, Brigade Commanders and Brigade Spokesmen as well as other compatriots. The goal was to learn how to deal with the media – most importantly the broadcast media.

Our training was Lt. Col. (ret.) Joseph Trahan. Dr. Trahan has trained four-star generals, secretaries of defense and many others. He is descended from Confederate veterans who served in the Louisiana Tigers. (Folks around Stockbridge ought to see if you can recruit him into your camp!)

I am sure that everyone in attendance took away many pointers.

I mentioned that everyone can help. Here are two ideas that emerged from the sessions.

1. We need a list of the services that the SCV provides the people of Georgia. For example, did you know that we have turned \$1,250,000 in revenue to the people through the sale of our Specialty Plates? In addition, \$500,000 has been spent by the SCV for restoration, preservation and construction of historical monuments. The Chamber of Commerce types, I am told, claim that the multiplier effect for spending is 18x. If so, we have contributed \$9,000,000 to local economies.

I would like a list of other things,

such as specific cemeteries that have been cleaned, highways that are maintained, programs for schools, etc., to be able to show the public that the SCV is a responsible part of the community.

2. This is well-known to us (in general), but certainly not known to the media or the general public. A comprehensive listing can be given to the media or the public.

We also need to assemble a listing of the following two categories broken into three subgroups:

Confederate

- Confederate monuments, etc. that have been vandalized;
- Confederate monuments that have been removed by governmental or private entities;
- Confederate monuments that are under threat of removal (including street names or any other Confederate memorialization).

Other Historical monuments

- Monuments that have been vandalized;
- Monuments that have been removed by governmental or private entities; and
- Monuments that are under threat or removal.

The first part will be used as public relations to show the general population what we do. The second part will be used to recruit support among other historically-minded groups and veterans' groups that our history needs protection by a strong law that will deter the kind of behavior we have seen in Screven County, Conyers and Rome.

Please feel free to post them here or email me directly at MKOT@aol.com

Martin K. O'Toole
Lt. General Leonidas Polk
Camp #1446

SOUTHRONS ! UP !

The recent neo-Marxist attack upon a veteran's memorial in Chapel Hill, NC is just one more attack upon everything good and decent about America. The South and especially our Confederate Veterans are hated by the lovers of big government because the South has always stood for Christian values and small government. Today the neo-Marxist left assaults Confederate Monuments. If these thugs are not stopped, this Marxist rabble intends to topple everything of American value including the Constitution itself. As the newly appointed Chief of Heritage Operations for the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) let me assure you that we are even now in the process of acquiring the tools necessary to take this fight to the enemy. The GEC of the SCV has already given the go-ahead for Cmd. Gramling's Southern Victory Campaign. In the upcoming 'Confederate Veteran' magazine you can read about the plan and how you can be a part of our "Make Dixie Great Again" campaign. "Southrons! Hear your country call you! Up! Lest worse than death befalls you!"

W. D. Kennedy
Chief of Heritage Operations
GEC
Sons of Confederate Veterans

"The North fought for empire which was not and never had been hers; the South for an independence she had won by the sword, and had enjoyed in law and fact ever since the recognition of the thirteen 'sovereign and independent States,' if not since the foundation of Virginia. Slavery was but the occasion of the rupture, in no sense the object of the war." Let me add a statement which will be confirmed by every veteran before me, --no man ever saw a Virginia soldier who was fighting for slavery.

Judge George L. Christian
October 4, 1898

Source: Southern Historical Society Papers. Vol. XXVI. Richmond, Va., January - December, 1898

An Item from the GASCV-DISCUSSION List

I live in upstate New York, but my relatives are from Social Circle and the Atlanta area; yes, my great-grand father, his brother and their father all fought for the Confederacy with the Georgia Infantry! They are the very blood within my veins and my Southern roots are deep. These "sociopaths" are trying to erase our history to establish their own and they don't even know their own history; they will never erase ours! I served my Country honorably in the United States Marine Corps for 7 years-Cuban Missile Crisis (out of Country) and Vietnam; I would like to know what these people have done for our Country, or perhaps it really isn't their Country? Who are they and what are their credentials to change our history-like it or not! Like you said, blacks and whites fought beside each other to defend their state, each other and their loved ones; what right does this woman have to denigrate what they have done, some with their very lives. How are name changes going to contribute to our way of life and our Country's good? She is causing a bigger separation than she realizes. She will probably tell you she is an educated person wonderful.....I have a Master of Justice Administration degree and am a member of the National Criminal Justice Honor Society. Educated people do "good-positive things" for our Country, not denigrate it, regardless of race or religion. Is this her contribution? Very sad....If she doesn't like where she lives, then she should move, if she isn't going to present positive change which reflects on everyone, not just her isolated whims.. Name changes, ruining cemeteries and monuments is not American, this is not what we do and has nothing to do with positive change! I can tell you, upstate New Yorkers are saddened at what is happening "down South" and are against these attempts to change our history. Deo Vindice!

Semper Fi!

Paul W. Gresham-Annetts-
SCV-Georgia Infantry-M.J.A.

Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans Position on Monument Removal, Defacement and Name Changes.

The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans condemns in the strongest terms possible the vandalism, removal, and defacement of any Veterans' monuments, memorials, or grave markers and will vigorously pursue the prosecution of these heinous violations to the fullest extent of the law.

We hold the service and sacrifices of our American veterans to be sacred and any acts against these heroes and patriots should be deemed by all patriotic Americans as an act of terrorism equivalent to the atrocities performed by the Taliban and ISIS to erase the heritage and culture in their region.

Our organization also opposes in the strongest terms possible the removal, renaming, modification, or reinterpretation of any monument, memorials, or the names of streets and governmental institutions that are named after and that honor veterans of *any* conflict, or the Founding Fathers and Historical figures. Removal and modification are nothing more than an attack on true historical facts and is highly dangerous and evil.

Most of the Confederate monuments were erected over 100 years ago. They were financed by the mothers, wives, daughters, and sisters of Confederate veterans to honor their service and sacrifices.

Confederate Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines are American veterans designated by an act of Congress in U.S. **Public Law 85-425: Sec. 410 approved 23 May 1958**. They deserve the same respect as all American veterans and we believe that an attack on one set of veterans is an attack on all American veterans.

Thanks,

Timothy F. Pilgrim, Georgia Division Commander

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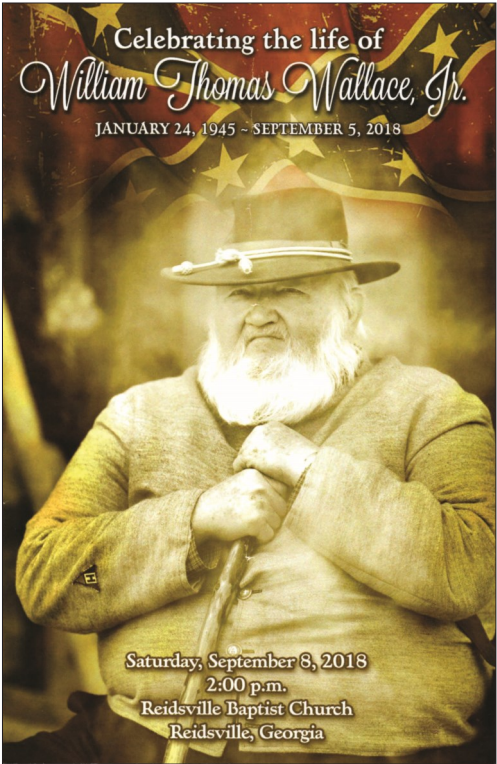
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Union Casualty (Fatality) Estimates:
Battle Deaths: 110,070
Disease, etc.: 250,152
Total Deaths: 360,222

Confederate Estimated Losses
(Fatalities):
Battle Deaths: 94,000
Disease, etc.: 164,000
Total Deaths: 258,000

A short explanation of socialism:

"What is a socialist,
but one who has yearnings
For equal division
of unequal earnings.
Idler or Bungler or both, he is willing,
To fork out his copper
and pocket your shilling."
A 19th Century British ditty....



William Thomas Wallace, Jr. ~ January 24, 1945/ September 5, 2018
Commander, Tattnell Invincibles Camp #154

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Old Soldiers Day parade, Alpharetta: See Page 17 for update on a possible 1st Amendment violation against the Sons of Confederate Veterans.



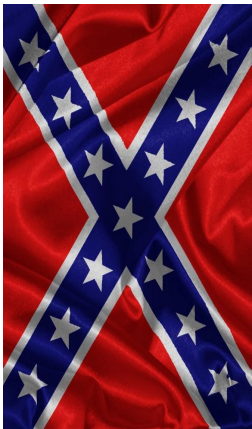
Gentlemen,
I'm sad to report the passing of Donna Mull, wife of Commander Mike Mull of the Ogeechee Rifles Camp # 941. Donna was the President of the Georgia Division Order of the Confederate Rose and she was very active working with the Georgia Division SCV.
Timothy F. Pilgrim
Georgia Division Commander
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Commander:

Thank you and the Division for the beautiful floral arrangement sent for Donna's funeral. Your compassion and sympathy is deeply appreciated. Attached is a photo of the arrangement.

Mike



A new flag flies over the unknown Confederate dead in Kingston, Georgia. Thank you Stiles/Akin Camp #670. Right is Dale Black, Tim Bryson, Jason Wesley and Matthew Beard. Griff Ransom purchased the flag.





The History of the Georgia Division Sons of Confederate Veterans

*Compiled by: Mark Pollard
Georgia Division Historian*



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1939

The year 1939 was special in Atlanta and in the world. The movie, "Gone With the Wind" was the rage in Atlanta and World War II was about to begin with ferocious energy.

The Georgia Division Sons were fairly quiet with regard to activity as 1938 had about worn out the members with the Jefferson Davis highway dedication and the huge 75th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg event.

The Annual Division Reunion was held in Covington, Georgia at the First Baptist Church. Orwell E. Eve was elected Georgia Division Commander and J.R. Jones was elected the UCV Division Commander.

The National Reunion was held in Washington D.C.. Thomas Gilbert Wood of Roanoke, Virginia was elected Commander. McWhorter Milner of the John B. Gordon Camp 46 in Atlanta was elected Army of Tennessee Commander for 1939. He had held every level position even Commander-In-Chief.

As the year moved along there was much talk about the making of the "Gone With the Wind" movie. Even before the movie had started filming, the Daughters of the Confederacy campaigned against Vivian Leigh.

The Ocala, Florida chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy were greatly offended that a British actress had been chosen to play such an iconic Southern character. However, when they were told that the role could go to Katharine Hepburn, they stopped their protest; "Better an English-woman than a Yankee." But, when the news hit the nation that the World Premier of the movie would be played at the Lowes Grand theater in Atlanta, the excitement of the movie could not

get here fast enough. Margaret Mitchell's book had been a phenomenal best seller, and the film was hotly anticipated. Over a million people poured into Atlanta just to be in the festive atmosphere of the premiere. The Governor of Georgia declared the day of the premiere a state holiday, and the mayor of Atlanta organized three days of parades and parties. Citizens took to the streets in hoop skirts and top hats, celebrating what was to them the faded glory of their homeland. Tickets were scalped at \$200 a head (in 1939 money). Attendees of the premiere included the Vanderbilts, the Rockefeller's, the Astors, J.P Morgan, and all the Governors of what used to be the Confederacy.

Many stars "fell" on Atlanta for 3 days, highlighting the events of the "War for Southern Independence" and its aftermath, and overshadowing, at least for a while, the ongoing events of the current war, World War II.

Ann Rutherford, who played Scarlett O'Hara's sister (Carreen O'Hara) was first to arrive in Atlanta. She said one of the first things she wanted to do in Atlanta was greet Confederate Veterans at the Old Soldiers Home on Confederate Avenue near Grant Park.

Governor Eurith Dickinson (E. D.) Rivers declared a three-day holiday and politicians were asking that Georgians dress in period clothing. Governor Eurith D. Rivers proclaimed a Statewide holiday, prepared to call out the National Guard. Atlanta's Mayor William B. Hartsfield proclaimed a three-day festival. Mayor Hartsfield urged every Atlanta woman and maid to put on hoop skirts and pantalets, appealed to every Atlanta male to don tight trousers and a beaver felt hat, sprout a goatee, sideburns and Kentucky colonel whiskers. He also requested citizens not to tear off the clothes of visiting movie stars, as happened

in Kansas at the premiere of "Dodge City."

To Georgia it was like winning the Battle of Atlanta 75 years late, with a little Yankee good will thrown in and the direct assistance of Selznick International, (which made the picture). (Just imagine any of these things happening today)...



Many of the Hollywood stars got to witness the lighting of the "Eternal Flame of the Confederacy", an 1855

gas lamp that survived the 1864 Battle of Atlanta. The lamp remained for many years on the northeast corner of Whitehall and Alabama Streets. A short history of the gas lamp was given by Atlanta's John B. Gordon Camp 46 member, Wilbur Kurtz.

Compatriot Kurtz was also the movie's official Historian while it was in production. Mrs. Thomas J. Ripley, President of Atlanta Chapter No. 18 United Daughters of the Confederacy, re-lit the great light with Mr. T. Guy Woolford, Commandant of the Old Atlanta Guard by her side.



One of the highlights of the 3 day event was a "Gone With the Wind" costume ball, held on the night before the premiere. It was attended by 6,000 celebrants, movie stars and executives galore, Governors of five former Confederate States. Belle of the ball was Vivien Leigh, who nearly everybody agreed looked right like Scarlett O'Hara. Darkly grinning, Clark Gable's head was in a whirl.

He loudly proclaimed, "I was surrounded by thousands of the prettiest women I've ever seen in my entire life at the ball!"

The Atlanta Premiere of "Gone With the Wind"

Friday, December 15th... It was the climax of three days of festivities which included a parade of limousines featuring stars from the film, receptions, thousands of Confederate flags and a costume ball. An estimated three hundred thousand residents and visitors to Atlanta lined the streets for up to seven miles to watch a procession of limousines bringing the stars. Crowds larger than the armies that fought at Atlanta in July 1864 waved Confederate flags, tossed confetti till it seemed to be snowing, gave three different versions of the Rebel yell, whistled, cheered, goggled.



Spotlights swept the Atlanta sky with huge beacons of light. Peachtree at Pryor Street was closed to traffic. An enormous crowd, numbering 300,000 people cheering the playing of "Dixie", waving a red sea of Confederate flags and shouting Rebel Yells according to the Atlanta Constitution had lined the streets on this ice-cold night in Atlanta. Confederate flags flapped from every building. Car after car paused at Lowe's Grand theater as the stars came out. Wild cheers greeted each celebrity as they braved the cold to participate in a brief radio interview.

The loudest rousing ovation of the night were not for a particular celebrity, but were for a small group of Confederate Veterans who were the guests of honor. One of the veterans who stepped out of one car was past Georgia Division Commander of the United Confederate Veterans, A.G. Harris of

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McDonough.

Harris was part of a small group which "Represented the Confederacy" at the premiere. Margaret Mitchell, the hometown Pulitzer Prize-winning author of the book personally asked the veterans to attend. Mrs. Mitchell also received an enthusiastic reception. The shy writer appeared truly humbled by this honor.

Four of the honored guests were veterans who had fought in the Battle of Atlanta. These men who were all in their nineties, were residents of the Georgia Confederate Soldiers Home, which was a ten-minute ride from the Lowes Grand theater. Clark Gable had invited the four and had made sure that they would all have seats near the front of the Lowe's. The audience greeted the veterans with applause as they walked down the aisle to their seats.

Dressed proudly in their grey army uniforms of the Confederate States of America, the veterans willingly posed for photographers, participated in newsreels, and spoke unhesitatingly over national radio. When Margaret Mitchell entered the theater a few minutes later dressed in her pink tulle, she paused to shake hands with and speak to each of the four before taking her seat. Mitchell was paying tribute to the evening's real heroes: the survivors of the Battle of Atlanta. All of the Confederate Veterans invited except for one of them had never been to a movie theater before.

Tributes made... The recognition of and tributes to Margaret Mitch-

ell, the Confederate Veterans, the film, and the stars continued throughout the evening. The Confederate Veterans watched intently and even leaned forward in their seats; to hear better at times, they cupped their ears in their hands. The stars were escorted to their seats directly in front of the Confederate Veterans by Atlanta Mayor Hartsfield.

Inside festivities were kept to a



James Reed Jones, Confederate Veteran

minimum because the movie would consume most of the night. As the curtain rose and the trademark "Gone With the Wind" theme music filled the auditorium a hush fell over the crowd. Four and a half hours later the people left the theater in the same manner they had arrived, excited!

At the end of the premiere, a reporter asked ninety-two year old Confederate Veteran J. A. Skelton what he thought of his first movie. Skelton described it as the "goldarndest thing he had ever seen."

The eldest - and the most talkative - of the small group of Confederate Veterans in attendance

was ninety-five-year-old General James R. Jones. He claimed to be "the ladies man" of the group and volunteered to kiss any woman if he had the opportunity. General Jones was able to boast after the evening that he had kissed the gold lame-clad Vivien Leigh two times! His comment on the film was that indeed it looked just like the War had looked.

At the end of the film, one of the veterans stood up from his seat, raised his cane, and barked that the movie was what he had been trying to tell them all along, but Peggy Mitchell had told what happened for him.

The crowd waiting outside was a little smaller, but just as vocal, but still large by Atlanta standards.

Talk to anybody that was living in Atlanta on this date and they will tell you the city was abuzz with the excitement; however, some northern people say that it wasn't the movie that caused the excitement, it was the celebrities. Months of standing room only lines for "Gone With the Wind" tickets tend to disprove that statement.

President Jimmy Carter would later recall it as "the biggest event to happen in the South in my lifetime." Premieres in New York and Los Angeles followed.

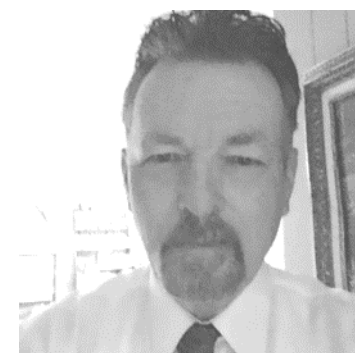
Time Magazine wrote: "The film has almost everything the book has in the way of spectacle, drama, practically endless story and the means to make them bigger and better. The burning of Atlanta, the great "boom" shots of the Confederate wounded lying in the streets and the hospital after the Battle of Atlanta are spectacle enough for any picture, and unequaled."

"Do you mean to tell me, Katie Scarlett O'Hara, that Tara, that land doesn't mean anything to you? Why, land is the only thing in the world worth working for, worth fighting for, worth dying for, because it's the only thing that lasts." - Deo Vindice



Left to Right - J. C. Dodgen, 92; J. A. Skelton, 91; and J. R. Jones, 94

Part (17) - 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



Confederate Veteran J. C. Dodgen is escorted into the theatre by officer Charlie Preston.



These four Confederate veterans are seated in the theatre before the premiere - left to right: James R. Jones, 95; J. A. Skelton, 92; J. C. Dodgen, 93; J. T. Pittman, 91. Standing behind them is Colonel Talemone Cuyler, famed Georgia raconteur. At left, Governor Ed Rivers is explaining that the motion picture would be shown on a big white screen above the stage.



L/R Bobby Duskin, Charles Abanathy- Kim M. Beck, 4th Brigade Commander. See Page 19

From left, first row: Adjutant Don Bazemore and First Lieutenant Commander Donny Mallard (Black Creek Volunteers), Commander Michael Mull and First Lieutenant Commander Deke Cox (Ogeechee Rifles); and second row: Commander Adam Bazemore (Black Creek Volunteers), First Lieutenant Commander Dale Thompson and Adjutant James Saxon (**Buckhead/Fort Lawton Brigade**). See Page 19

Pine Barrens Volunteers #2039 Compatriot Tony Crumbley and Camp Commander Corey Harrelson putting up new signs. Thanks to the Lowery Family for the view.

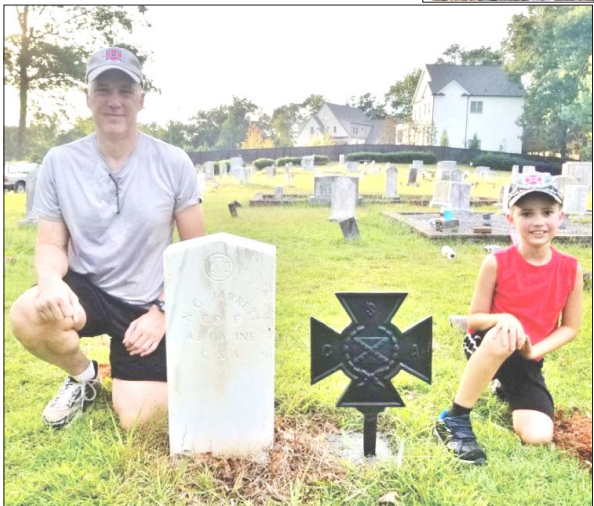
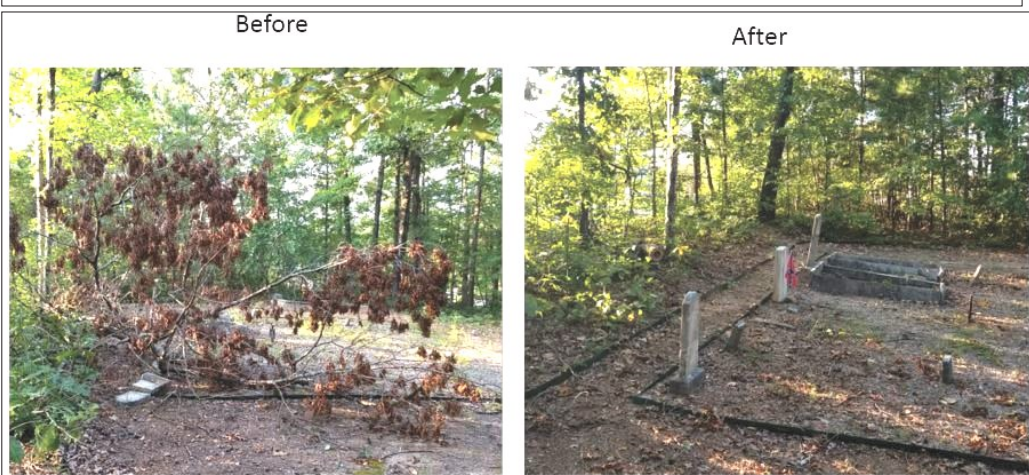


Compatriot Tony Crumbley from Pine Barrens Volunteers 2039 supporting the SCV #14 Chevy driven by Sterlin Marlin in Cordele, Ga.

Division Adjutant Straut did an excellent program on the "The Truth of the War Conspiracy" at the joint meeting of the Kennesaw Battlefield, Robert E Lee and Chattahoochee Guards Camp meeting. See Page 19



Kennesaw Mountain Camp #700 recently cleaned up Mt. Beulah Cemetery in Cobb County. A tree had fallen inside the cemetery and was removed by the Camp. Private John Bailey Stell (Company C, Georgia Light Artillery) is buried here.



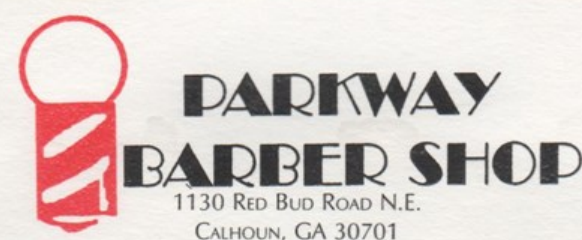
Cadet William Reither and his father Michael installed three *Southern Crosses of Honor* for Confederate soldiers buried at Holly Springs Cemetery in Cobb County, GA on behalf of Kennesaw Battlefield #700, Gen. Robert E. Lee #2005, and Chattahoochee Guards #1639. The soldiers being honored were: Pvt. Nathaniel G. Jarrett, Pvt. William F. Groover, and Pvt. James W. Morris.



**43rd Annual Capt. Henry Wirz
Memorial Service
November 11, 2018
2:30 p.m.
Andersonville, Georgia
Alexander H. Stephens SCV #78
Guest Speaker**

Major [ret.] Glen LaForce
Music by *Southern Sounds*

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Statement of Purpose

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.

GHQ SCV



Mount Vernon, Va., April 2, 1893---"Uncle" Dan Emmett, the composer of the celebrated and soul-searching song, "Dixie," was living in Virginia on the bounty of friends and from charity forwarded to him from time to time by the Actors Fund of New York. When asked about his composition of "Dixie," Mr. Emmett said:

"In 1859, I was connected with Bryant Brothers' Minstrels of New York. One Saturday night Jerry Bryant came to me and said: 'Uncle Dan, can't you write me a hurrah walk-around, something to make a noise with, and bring it here for rehearsal Monday morning?' I told him I thought I could. He said, 'Do so and bring it.'"

"Going home, Sunday being a rainy day, I composed 'Dixie' for him, and he was so delighted with it that he made us rehearse it all day Monday for the evening performance. It was a hit right from the start. However, when the War broke out, we were forbidden to sing it. It became so unpopular in the North that when the band played it in the streets of New York they were hooted and jeered at."

Source: unknown

[I heard he took it from two downtrodden, runaway slaves in New York City who "wished they were [back] in the land of cotton", and that it was one of "Honest Abe's" favorites. .al perry.]

Ahoy!

Searching for Confederate sailors graves! If you know of one, contact

Ross Glover. email:

rossgloverjr@comcast.net.



GC Deadlines

~ 2018 ~

Dec. 1st

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Mr. Richard Myers of Camp 1996.

His contact information is:

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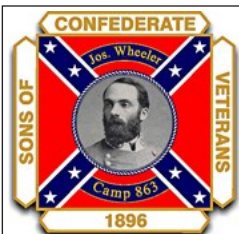
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Major General Joseph Wheeler Camp 863

Invites you to our
31st Annual Lee-Jackson Dinner
January 19, 2019

Philologia Masonic Lodge #178
1005 Milstead Avenue
Conyers, Georgia 30013
7:00 pm

Dress: Sunday Best or Period WBTS Military or Civilian
Wives, family and guest are encouraged.

Guest Speaker: Dr. James A. West

The cost is \$20.00 per person. Please send checks to;
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For reservations please contact Commander Mark Camp at 770-540-7636 or by e-mail at JMCDLGC@aol.com or Adjutant Steve Camp at 770-480-3879 or by e-mail at confederatesteve1861@yahoo.com. More information to follow in the next issue of Georgia Confederate.

Nash Farm Battlefield Park

100 Babbs Mill Rd.; Hampton, GA 30228

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155th Anniversary April 12, 13, 14, 2019!

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Come experience the Battles

Saturday: 2nd days fighting at Jonesboro

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Enjoy the arts, crafts, vendors, authentic sutlers, demonstrations, and competitions. Walk through the camps and back in time as you visit with our reenactors as they recreate life during the War.

Saturday 9-5 p.m. Sunday 9-4 p.m. Battles at 2p.m.!!
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The Georgia Confederates Youth Camp [GCYC]

June 23 ~ 28, 2019

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National Confederate Memorial Day

COMPATRIOTS: - It's not too soon to start thinking about attending the 18th National Confederate Memorial Day Service at Stone Mountain Park in front of the world's largest monument to the Confederate soldier.

We need a very good turnout of the members of the Georgia Division of the SCV.

We need to show the public and our politicians we will not let the memory of these Confederate heroes be forgotten.

Bring all your Camp members, be sure to bring the family and enjoy a picnic lunch after the service.

BE THERE! Saturday April 6, 2019 at 1:00 P.M.

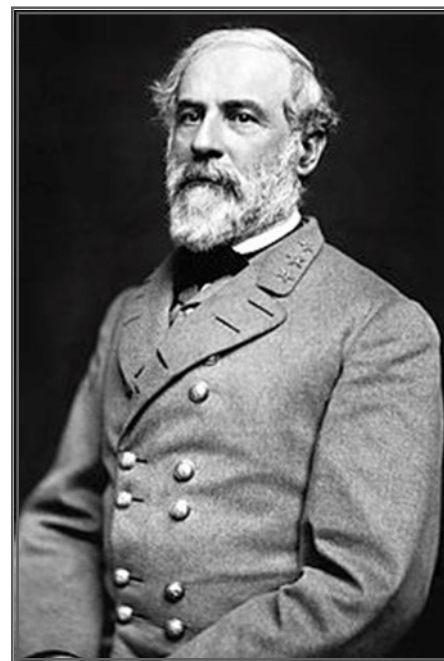
RAIN or SHINE!

Compatriots: If you have an artillery piece or serve on a crew of a gun, we need your cannon or if you are a reenactor and would like to serve in the Honor Guard and participate in the 18th National Confederate Memorial Service at Stone Mountain Park in front of the world's largest monument to the Confederate Soldier, WE NEED YOUR HELP. Contact David Denard 404/372-3420, P.O. Box 669, Washington, GA. 30673, denardodian@bellsouth.net or Dave Floyd, 770/979-2637, 4696 Kellogg Dr. S.W., Lilburn, GA. 30047-4408, or dlfreb@msn.com. We need your contact information (Phone, address, e-mail). The service will be held on Saturday April 6, 2019 at 1:00 P.M. Please come and bring your cannon!

January 19th, 2019

Robert E. Lee Birthday Celebration
Guest Speaker: Pastor John Weaver

Jeff Davis Memorial Park



Executive Council Meeting to follow Celebration.



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July 20, 2018

Mr. Jessie Pinson
Commander
Roswell Mills Camp 1547
Georgia Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans

Dear Mr. Pinson:

Thank you for your ongoing communication with us in regards to the Old Soldiers Day Parade and the participation of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. I appreciate that the issue of the display of the Confederate Battle Flag is one of importance to you, and I respect your views and position on the matter.

The purpose of the Old Soldiers Day Parade, an event that is co-sponsored by the City of Alpharetta, is to unite our community to honor the soldiers who have served our nation in battle. There are those who may disagree on the issue of whether or not such an event should include Confederate soldiers, however, the City recognizes that most of the Civil War Era soldiers who lived in Alpharetta fought on the side of the Confederacy, and we believe that it is reasonable that those who want to celebrate the service of those individuals participate in the parade.

We also recognize, however, that the Confederate Battle Flag has become a divisive symbol that a large portion of our citizens see as symbolizing oppression and slavery rather than the service of the men and women who fought for what they considered, for a variety of reasons, to be their nation. Regardless of one's personal position on the flag itself, that the Confederate Battle Flag is today a symbol that is dividing individuals, populations, and even entire communities is something that we must acknowledge.

And it is that divisiveness that would draw the spotlight away from every soldier's service and would be in conflict with the very purpose of the Old Soldiers Day Parade.

So, the City of Alpharetta will maintain its decision, supported unanimously by Mayor Gilvin and the City Council, to not allow the Confederate Battle Flag to be flown in the Old Soldiers Day Parade.

We do, however, welcome the participation of the Sons of Confederate Veterans; absent the Confederate Battle Flag. Use of the Sons of Confederate Veterans logo is permissible, even though that logo does incorporate the Southern Cross, as would be the display of flags such as the "Bonnie Blue", the first national flag of the Confederate States (often referred to as the "Stars and Bars") and the Georgia Militia Flag of the Civil War Era. The use of the logo will clearly communicate to parade-goers your organization's identity, while the display of these other flags under which your ancestors fought respects the service of those individuals and the heritage of your members.

If the Sons of Confederate Veterans can agree to and will comply with these terms, then the City of Alpharetta will happily approve your application and welcome the participation of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. As I believe you to be a man of honor, I am confident that if you agree to these terms you will ensure that the members of your organization comply fully; after all, the application that you signed indicated that you would be responsible for the actions of your group and its members.

Still, it is important that I make clear that, should you agree to participate under the aforementioned terms and limitations but your members participating in the parade do not honor them, future participation by the Sons of Confederate Veterans in the Old Soldiers Day Parade and/or any event sponsored or coordinated by the City of Alpharetta will be forfeit and prohibited.

While I understand that you may not agree with the City's decision in this matter, I hope that this letter helps to clarify our reason and intent. Too, I sincerely hope that you will agree to participation in accordance with the City's terms so that we can together move forward in advancing our common goal of honoring the soldiers who have served.

I look forward to receiving your positive response.

Respectfully,

James T. Drinkard
Assistant City Administrator

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City of Alpharetta selects SCV for special "treatment"

Is this "discrimination" ????????

Discrimination, n. A distinction, as in treatment; esp., an unfair or injurious distinction.

The Georgia Division Sons of Confederate Veterans Resolution and Position on the Confederate Battle Flag

WHEREAS, the Confederate Battle Flag is the most recognized symbol of the Confederate States, the Southern region of America and has always been a symbol of Southern Patriotism and Valor; and
WHEREAS, the Confederate Battle Flag is a symbol recognized worldwide as a symbol of a people's struggle against tyranny, fighting against overwhelming odds, and the struggle for freedom, and liberty; and
WHEREAS, the Confederate Battle Flag was not a governmental flag, but was the primary flag of the common Confederate soldier that flew with them during battle, while on the march, and in Camp; and
WHEREAS, most of the early Southern people of the Americas were of Scots and Irish descent and recognized the Saint Andrew's cross on the Confederate Battle Flag, (sometimes referred to as the "Southern Cross") as a symbol of their ancestral countries of Scotland and Ireland, which had spiritual meaning to them; and
WHEREAS, the Sons of Confederate Veterans are the true inheritors of legacy and symbols for which the Confederate Veterans fought and died; and
WHEREAS, the Sons of Confederate Veterans has always condemned the misuse of the Confederate Battle Flag or any of our Nation's flags or symbols by any extremist group or individual, by whatever name they may use,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, does hereby condemn in the strongest terms possible the slander spoken against the Confederate Battle Flag, or the removal and banning of the Confederate Battle Flag from any memorial, forum and display where the Confederate Battle Flag is being flown as tribute and in honor of the services and sacrifices of the Confederate Soldier.
LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans encourages the citizens of Georgia, America and the people of the world to learn more on the true meaning of the War for Southern Independence and to display the Confederate Battle Flag proudly in honor of the Confederate Veterans and for the principles for which they fought.

Timothy F. Pilgrim Georgia Division Commander

CAMP NEWS

Tattnall Invincibles Camp #154

William Thomas (Tommy) Wallace, Jr., age 73, passed away on Wednesday September 5, 2018 at his home after an extended illness. To say that Tommy lived a life of selfless service to his community, state, and nation would be an understatement. He began his career of service to the State with the Department of Correction in 1964. During his career he rose through the ranks, beginning as a corrections officer and ultimately retiring as a regional director with multiple prisons under his charge and with the special honor of receiving the Golden Parachute to the Governor award. After his retirement, he did not sit idle; beginning his second career with the probation division. Additionally, he served as Chief Inspector for the Tattnall County Code Enforcement Office, a reserve deputy with the Tattnall County Sheriff's Office, a member of the Tattnall County Tax Equalization Board, and past president of the State Prison Wardens Association. Tommy's service to State and Nation did not end with his full-time job. One of his best acts of service was as the member of the Tattnall County Board of Elections, where he was charged to ensure that our civic right to vote was carried out lawfully and freely for many years. In his other acts of civic service; he was a founding member of the Historical Committee. This love of history helped lead him to establish the annual "Battle of Manassas" in 2000. He served as Colonel of the Artillery for 10 years at the annual Battle of Manassas. Tommy is fondly remembered by many re-enactors from across the nation for his attention to detail and commitment to the preservation of historical accuracy. This mindful dedication to detail was evident when the National Civil War Artillery Association named him the Regional Inspector and Training officer in 2002. Tommy was a Mason for

over 41 years, most recently serving as Treasurer of the Ezel Lodge and a dual member of the Rising Sun Lodge. He was also a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 154. No matter how full his schedule was, he always carved out time for his love of the outdoors. Tommy's favorite pastime activities included hunting and fishing, but also raising animals on his farm. He cared for goats, hogs, and horses at one point pursuing his hobby! In 2012, he decided he and his wife had to much free time on their hands and he decided to buy a saw mill. The pair would spend countless hours hewing timbers from across the county; ultimately producing some of the finest rough-cut lumber a builder could desire. His years were lived in service to others, and as such, his passing surely will leave a void that will be impossible to fill. He is preceded in death by his parents W.T Wallace, Sr. (Sue) and a sister, Ann Wallace Hebert.

Left to carry on the memories of a life made together are his wife of over 42 years, Elaine Wood Wallace of Manassas; daughters, Cindy Wallace (John) Key of Kathleen, Ga, Mondie Wallace (Mike) Gagliardo of Claxton, Ga, Paige Wallace (Ashley) Sikes of Hagan; sons, Roy C. (Erika) Wallace of Jacksonville, FL and Scott (Jincy) Wallace of Reidsville; ten grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 am on Saturday, September 8, 2018 with the funeral service to follow at 2:00pm at the Reidsville Baptist Church. Interment will be in the Reidsville City Cemetery with honors rendered by the Georgia Artillery Battalion and the Georgia Volunteer Battalion.

Pallbearers will be Ricky McGlashan, Keith Blaxton, Hank Sikes, Tyler Wallace, Gregory Ellerbee, Greyson Gagliardo, and Pace Gagliardo.

Low Country Cremation and Burial is serving the Wallace family.



Update: Rome, Georgia

Myrtle Hill Cemetery

The monument was erected by "the Women of Rome" in 1887 as a memorial to Confederate soldiers.

The Monument can be repaired, and the company is called Carveworks out of Elberton. The city took bids from several contractors. The lowest bid was \$42,000. There was insurance through the Georgia Municipal Association around \$25,000. The city raised funds of \$515 through GoFundMe. \$2,500 was donated through the Myrtle Hill Association.

~ Barry Colbaugh

Ogeechee Rifles Camp #941

Donna Newton Mull, age 66, died Tuesday at Ogeechee Area Hospice Inpatient Facility after an extended illness. She was a resident of Statesboro and had lived there most of her life. She was a member of the Statesboro Primitive Baptist Church, a graduate of Marvin Pittman High School, and attended Swainsboro Technical College. She was active in Southern history and heritage movement and had served as Executive Director of the Order of Robert E. Lee and President of the Georgia Division, Order of Confederate Rose. Donna was preceded in death by her parents, Hubert L. and Mazie W. Newton. She will be remembered for her love and compassion for her family, her friends, and her animals.

She is survived by her husband of 41 years, Michael A. Mull of Statesboro; a daughter, Christy Mull of Statesboro; an uncle, Dent Newton of Brooklet; cousins, Roger Webb of Summerton, SC, Becky Newton Miller of Jacksonville, FL, Nancy Newton Thomas of Screven, GA, J.J. Newton Wiggins Kimberly Newton, and Bonnie New-

ton Cook, all of Statesboro, Faye Newton Nelson of Marshallville, GA, and several other cousins. In addition, she is survived by her sister-in-spirit and life-long friend, Debra Beacham.

The family will receive visitors on Friday from 5:00pm until 7:00pm at Joiner-Anderson Funeral Home in Statesboro. A graveside service will be held on Saturday at 11:00am at Eastside Cemetery with Hu Daughtry and Darryl Drake officiating.

Active pallbearers will be Hu Daughtry, Deke Cox, Darryl Drake, Robert Black, Jody Wiggins, and Roger Webb. Honorary pallbearers will be Paul Harmon, Michael Sorrell, Tommy Palmer, Ron Armistead, Michel Turnage, the members of the Ogeechee Rifles Camp #941, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and members of other Sons of Confederate Veterans camps. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Order of the Confederate Rose, C/O Marcelle Cail- President, 134 Mark Circle, Savannah Ga. 31405 or to the Ogeechee Rifles Camp #941, 17 South Mulberry St. Statesboro, Georgia 30458.

Recruitment/ Genealogy Officer

Hu Daughtry
The Dixie Guards ,
Camp # 1942
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sidada11@yahoo.com,
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CAMP ADJUTANTS YOUR KIND ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED.

GHQ has expanded their genealogy efforts. Commander Al Medcalf has been appointed as the Georgia Division representative on the National SCV Genealogy Committee. **Hu Daughtry is still our Division Recruitment/ Genealogy Officer.**

When a person from Georgia contacts GHQ before they contact the Georgia Division, Commander Medcalf will assist in that effort to locate a Confederate ancestor.

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU:

When Commander Medcalf sends you an eMail concerning a potential member for your Camp, **PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THAT EMAIL WITH A REPLY TO COMMANDER MEDCALF:**

owlwho55@aol.com

Thank you,
GC Editor, al perry.

Joint Camp Meeting

Division Adjutant Straut did an excellent program on the "The Truth of the War Conspiracy" at the joint meeting of the Kennesaw Battlefield, Robert E Lee and Chattahoochee Guards Camp meeting.

He presented some official documentation from the Department of Navy that confirmed Lincoln's true intentions to start a war with the South. I would highly recommend his program.

Tim Pilgrim

'No arsenal, or no weapon in the arsenals of the world, is as formidable as the will and moral courage of free men and women.'
- Ronald Reagan

Buckhead-Fort Lawton Brigade

An inspiring example of inter-camp teamwork to further "The Charge," recently occurred within the Georgia Division's 5th Brigade. Compatriots of the Ogeechee Rifles Camp #941 and Buckhead/Fort Lawton Brigade Camp #2102, joined forces with the Black Creek Volunteers Camp #549 in its ongoing mission to erect a flagpole on U.S. Hwy 301 North, in Screven County. The Ogeechee Rifles generously contributed a flagpole to the project, while First Lieutenant Commander Dale Thompson of the Buckhead/Fort Lawton Brigade volunteered his time and heavy equipment to clear the site.

Thomas Marsh Forman Camp 485

August 30th was a monumental day for the Thomas Marsh Forman Camp #485 and the State SCV. It was on that day that we finally achieved the completion of placing a monument to the local men who volunteered to serve as well as those who died in defense of their homeland during the War of Northern Aggression. The monument just doesn't recognize their efforts, but points out the families of these men who suffered through the war as well.

The project was in the works for about two years. We were first lead to believe that we would be able to place the monument on Glynn County Courthouse grounds by a local commissioner. when we notified him that we were ready to proceed with the project the commissioner pulled his support and would not present the project to the whole board of commissioners for approval. We took the project to the city commissioners and Brunswick mayor to discuss placing the monument in Hanover Square in location next to the existing Confederate monument that was placed by the local UDC in the early 1900's. Again we were met with much opposition.

The search for a site became a major priority since the Division approval was nearing an end. A message was sent to all members in hopes that someone would be found who could offer us a site for the monument. Camp member Jay Kaufman came forward and donated a plot in his great-great-grandfather's section located in Palmetto cemetery. His ancestor Thomas W. Lamb was a member of the 4th Georgia Cavalry and served as a mayor of Brunswick, sheriff of Glynn County, a State representative and Collector of customs for the port of Brunswick.

Buckhead-Fort Lawton Brigade

Sponsors Public Event

The Buckhead-Fort Lawton Brigade, Camp No. 2102, of Millen, GA, recently sponsored an evening of Bluegrass, Gospel, and Celtic music at the historic Pal Theater, in downtown Millen. The Christian family group "Dixie Jubilee," of Woodstock, GA, wowed the audience for more than two hours with an incredible display of instrumental and vocal talent. The event, co-sponsored with the Jenkins County Chamber of Commerce and Development Authority's "Main Street Millen" program,



ty's "Main Street Millen" program, was the camp's latest community relations event. "Dixie Jubilee" also performed at this year's Division Reunion in Macon.

Marietta Confederate Cemetery

This is a continuation of a recent report on projects to eliminate erosion and improve the appearance of the historic Marietta Confederate Cemetery which covers 7 acres and contains the remains of over 3,000 Confederate Veterans.

The cemetery was started with the remains of Tennessee soldiers killed in a train wreck during troop movements on the W&A Railroad just prior to the Battle of Chickamauga. Marietta being an established hospital town, also resulted in hundreds of additional burials and many veterans were allowed to be buried there during the early 1900's, all of them identified.

The scope of work accomplished included slightly raising the tree canopy to allow additional sunlight in the target area, delivery and spreading 10 cubic yards of topsoil and laying 1500 square ft. of zoysia sod. Also cleanup and removal of limbs and logs and an on going watering schedule will continue through the summer.

The site is located among the many Confederate veterans' graves that are located in Palmetto Cemetery and stands tall among the other monuments.

The Camp thanks all the members and the Georgia Division SCV for the funds to complete the project. A special thanks goes to Jay Kaufman who graciously donated the much needed space for the monument.

A dedication ceremony will take place on Saturday Dec 1st at 10:00 am in the Palmetto Cemetery in Brunswick. All SCV members and their families are invited to attend.

J. C. Carter, Adjutant

Logan E. Bleckley Camp 1998

It was a privilege to honor Charles Abanathy of Logan E. Bleckley Camp #1998, Cochran, Georgia. Compatriot Abanathy's dad, Carl Abanathy, had filled out his membership application and passed away before it was processed. I was able to present Charles with a memorial certificate in honor of his dad. Thank you to Division Commander Timothy Pilgrim and Division Secretary Kitty Dorety for helping make this possible.

Magnolia Cemetery, Augusta

Members of B/Gen E Porter Alexander Camp #158 & Gen. Ambrose Wright Camp 1914 celebrated the 200th anniversary of the Magnolia Cemetery, Augusta, GA.

The Confederate Dead section and all Confederate Areas of this Cemetery are cleaned and taken care of by the Alexander Camp including six Jewish Officers in the Jewish Section directly behind The Confederate Dead Section. Seven Confederate Generals and over 600 Confederate Soldiers buried here!

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Silent Sam and Me

By Ben Jones August 22, 2018

In September of 1961, I left my job at a basket factory in Wilmington, North Carolina and hitch-hiked up to Chapel Hill to become a student there. I followed in the path of UNC's very first student, a boy named Hinton James, who had famously walked those roads up from Pender County back in 1789. As befits the first student at the first State University, he did not come by carriage.

My last ride was in the cab of a well-weathered farm truck. The grizzled driver wished me well and let me out in the middle of town. "You'll like it here," he told me with pride. "My little grandbaby went here and she became a schoolteacher!"

I was pointed the way to Battle Dormitory which faced Franklin Street, Chapel Hill's "main drag." My room, 8 Battle, looked out over McCorkle Place, the "upper quad" of the campus.

It was from there, over the next two years, that I watched the changing of the seasons on the campus grounds, the blazing autumn hardwoods and those seductive dogwood and magnolia spring-times, not to mention the passing coeds with their skirts, far too long in those days.

I was told that Thomas Wolfe, the author of *Look Homeward, Angel* had lived in that room, next to that same window back in 1916. I could not believe my good fortune in having landed in this "Southern Part of Heaven." Like Wolfe, I was overflowing with ideas and dreams and confusion. And like him I chased the elusive girls of the night and drank the last drop that was to be had.

The one constant outside that window, in every season, was the noble statue of "Silent Sam," the Confederate soldier who stood vigilant watch over the campus. "Sam" represented those young students who had left the campus when "the War" came, and who went off to do their duty. It was said that UNC gave more students to the Southern Cause than any

other school. It is "likely" true.

Just a few weeks after my arrival, I joined thousands of other students as we tramped through the campus to Kenan Stadium, to listen to a speech by the nation's young President, John F. Kennedy, on the occasion of the University's Founders Day. Then in his first year in office, JFK was in full form, at his handsome, youthful and charismatic best.

And here is how he dealt with the South's past and the War Between the States. Here is what this liberal Democrat from Massachusetts said then of the Tar Heel State:

"There is, of course, no place in America where reason and firmness are more clearly pointed out than here in North Carolina. All Americans can profit from what happened in this State a century ago. It was this State, firmly fixed in the traditions of the South, which sought a way of reason in a troubled and dangerous world. Yet when the War came, North Carolina provided a fourth of all of the Confederate soldiers who made the supreme sacrifice in those years. And it won the right to the slogan, 'First at Bethel. Farthest to the front at Gettysburg and Chickamauga. Last at Appomattox'."

I was still a student at Chapel Hill when, a little over two years later, John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas. It had a profound effect upon me. He had asked at Chapel Hill, echoing Goethe, "Are you going to be a hammer or an anvil?" Within days I was marching and demonstrating in the Civil Rights Movement. It was my way of dealing with his death.

The "Movement" was dangerous and heady. In the next few months, I was sucker punched, shot at, threatened often, and spent more than a few nights in jail during the sit-ins.

In the end, the Public Accommodations Act settled the issue, but those heady times were always a point of pain and pride

when we all reminisced about the "the Sixties."

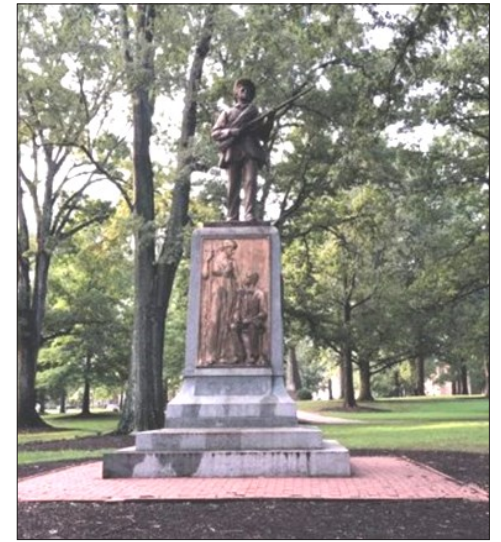
I had grown up in a railroad "section house" without electricity or indoor plumbing. The folks around us were in the same shape, except that they were all black. So I guess I felt I owed this to them, to those neighbors who got the short end of things.

That idealistic leap into political reality was the beginning of something else that was pushing to the front of my passions. During the summers of 1962 and 1963, I had a job on a work train clearing right-of-way along the railroads in the deep South. I loved it, every second of it. I began to realize that my Southernness was more than just a birthright. I came to believe that it was an honor bestowed upon me by my Maker. I still feel that way.

The period just after the Civil Rights Movement was critically important to the South. I remember how proud I was when a group of kids from Charlotte went up to Boston during that city's violent busing crisis to show the kids up there how to get along with one another. It seemed to me that left to ourselves, outside of any political climate, Southerners would get along as Southerners. For we had always shared a culture, that whole cultural menu of language and weather and food and music and work and laughter. We have far more in common than that which would separate us. That shared culture is being forgotten in these radical times.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. never contemplated the destruction of historic monuments or the removal of historic symbols. His entire thrust, reiterated again and again, was for Southern white and blacks to "dine together at the table of brotherhood." He longed for the "integration" of our different "histories" as essential to our common future. A simple acceptance of the past is all that is necessary. With that comes forgiveness. It may not be easy, but it is necessary.

Fifty plus years ago I would look out at Silent Sam from my



window in Battle Dorm and try to imagine what it must have been like to have gone off to war in those days. I thought of Sam as maybe a youth from somewhere like Tarboro or Clinton or Hickory. He was of good heart, I figured, maybe 18 or 19, a bit thin, a bit afraid. He was of that tough North Carolina stock, that "salt of the earth" fellow whose character is reflected in the State's motto: "*Esse Quam Videre*." To be rather than to seem.

He could have been my great-great Uncle Gabriel Jacobs, who was killed at Fraysor's Farm pursuing McClellan in his escape to the river. He was 21. He, in turn, was named for his great-great-grandfather Gabriel Jacobs, a slave who was freed by his master John Custis in Northhampton County, Virginia in 1695.

Our South is a land of many secrets and many truths.

The radical trash who tore down Silent Sam and those academic idiots who enable them are not worthy to walk on the same ground as Gabriel Jacobs. Silent Sam will rise again, and we, not they, shall overcome.

"It is easier to find a score of men wise enough to discover the truth than to find one man intrepid enough, in the face of opposition, to stand up for it."
~ A.A. Hodge

Who will stand with us?
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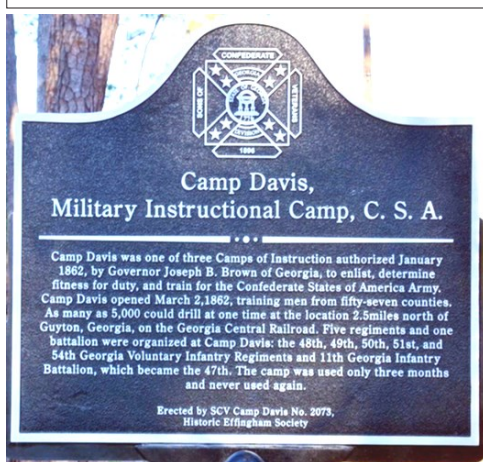
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The Camp of the Unknown Soldier #2218

On June 16, 2018 Compatriot Bobby Waldrop crossed over the river to rest 'neath the shade of the trees.

Bobby was an ardent re-enactor and loyal member of the Camp. He will be missed and he will be remembered.



For 4' X 4' yard signs,
contact your
Brigade Commander

Commander James King Answers Critic

It is my policy to confront those who wrongly condemn Capt. Henry Wirz, the Commandant of Andersonville POW Camp, with the facts.

I sent the article posted below to this Anthony Howell who compared Wirz to the infamous NAZI doctor Mengele.

James King--SCV Camp 141 Commander; Albany, Georgia

Mr. Howell,

The Union POW at Andersonville in the article posted below said Wirz was as kind hearted as any man he ever knew.

You have wrongly condemned Wirz by comparing him to the NAZI Mengele. You need to educate yourself and then apologize for making such a comparison due to your gross ignorance.

James King--SCV Camp 141 Commander Albany Georgia

Edward Wellington Boate POW at Andersonville

The True Story of Andersonville Told By A Federal Prisoner,
by Edward Wellington Boate.

"The Confederate doctors were, as I have already said, themselves startled and alarmed at the progress of disease and death. But they seemed powerless to check it. I can honestly say -- and every man who was connected with the hospital department will bear me out -- that the twenty five or thirty Confederate surgeons who were in attendance at the hospital and in the stockade, acted with as much humanity toward the prisoners as the disheartening circumstances would permit. We were often a fortnight without being able to get medicine. They had no quinine for fever and ague; they had no opium for diarrhea and dysentery. Our (US) government made medicine a contraband of war, and wherever they found medicine on a blockade runner, it was confiscated, a policy which indicated, on the part of our rulers, both ignorance and barbaric cruelty; for, although no amount of medicine would save many of our men who

have laid their bones in Georgia, I am as certain as I am of my own existence, that hundreds of men died, who, if we had had the right sort and proper quantity of medicine, would have been living today and restored to their families."

"Captain Wirz, the Commandant of the prison, who was generally regarded as being very harsh. But his position should be considered. He was a mere keeper of prisoners -- a work which can never be popular. The Yankees were nightly and indeed daily trying to run away, as they were bound to do; but he said he was bound to catch them wherever he could find them. Between the jailer and the jailed, there could not and never can be any peculiar love; but, under a rough exterior, more often assumed than felt, this Captain Wirz was as kind hearted a man as I ever met. Being myself at headquarters I learned his character, and the opinion I formed of him when in the stockade, which was one of a bitter kind enough, I had to change when I came really to know the man."

"You rulers who make the charge that the rebels intentionally killed off our men, when I can honestly swear they were doing every thing in their power to sustain us, do not lay this flattering unction to your souls. You abandoned your brave men in the hour of their cruellest need. They fought for the Union, and you reached no hand out to save the old faithful, loyal, and devoted servants of the country. You may try to shift the blame from your own shoulders, but posterity will saddle the responsibility where it justly belongs."

New York News in July, 1865

What They Don't Tell You About Andersonville and The Treatment of Union P.O.W.s!

Below is a letter of Col. Ould of the Confederate States Army pleading with Gen. Mulford of the United States Army for an exchange of prisoners of war—in vain. Lincoln at Grant's behest had already shut off prisoner exchanges. This quote

is from a book entitled *Three Years with Grant* by war correspondent Sylvanus Cadwallader, edited in 1955 by Benjamin Thomas. Cadwallader made a point of stating in the book that he had verified this quote with several sources and considering its horrible nature, it was well that he did so. Thomas frequently corrected historical mistakes in Cadwallader's writings but he made no correction of this information neither did he mention it in any way or call it into question. The matter of prisoners of War will be covered in depth in later issues. For far too long, the South has suffered calumny without cause while Northern war crimes remain unaddressed and virtually unknown. Who really were the monsters here?

*"My government instructs me to waive all formalities and what it considers some of the equities 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 needed 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 will show you my authority to accept them. You are silent! **Great God!, can it be that your people are monsters?** If you will not exchange, I will give you your men for nothing. I will deliver ten thousand Union prisoners at Wilmington any day that you will receive them. I will deliver five thousand here on the same terms. Come and get them. If your government is so damnably dishonest to want them for nothing, you shall have them. You can at least feed them and we cannot. You can give us what you please in return for them."* ♦

Why does the "misinformation" continue?

He who tells one lie must tell twenty to cover the one !

Captain Max Van De Corput

The Captain Max Van De Corput Camp #669 made a presentation of a check to the City of Rome for the repair of the Rome Monument that was vandalized last year. Terry Swanson and Jason James presented the check to City Manager Sam Rich



Gen. Stand Watie Camp # 915

PO Box 626
Calhoun, Georgia 30703

The Camp welcomed three new members in July. Camp membership, 28.

Members manned the booth at the July 4th Celebration at the Fairgrounds.

Camp 915 continues to support the Calhoun-Gordon County Library as a Friend with annual membership.

Stan Chambers represented the Camp at the National Reunion in Franklin, TN, July 18-21.



John Bidy and The General Stand Watie Camp #915 at the Northwest Georgia Fair, Calhoun, GA., Sept.7-15.

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Georgia Division Holds Two Media Training Workshops

Brigade Spokesmen, members of the Georgia Division, and Division leaders met on September 8th and 15th at Jeff Davis Memorial Park and at the Bennett Center, Cumming, Georgia to hone their skills in presenting the truths that have been misrepresented for so many years by most Americans to the public through media interviews.

Dr. Joseph V. Trahan III led both sessions entitled "Media Relations 101." He gave an overview of the material to be presented:

"Participants will learn the three parts of an effective Media Relations Interview: Preparation for the interview, conducting the interview, and interview evaluation. The seminar presents techniques for delivering effective 10-12 second media soundbites that bridge to your key messages every time you speak to reporters.

"Additionally, the four tenets of effectively dealing with the Media: Accessibility-Honesty-Humility and Accountability will be discussed during the workshop."

Commander Pilgrim stated, "Our goal for this media training workshop is to learn how to address the media and others with a unified voice as an organization. We want to convey a common message that gets presented accurately to the public, that sets the record straight about where we stand as an organization."

Division Spokesman Martin O'Toole introduced both sessions: "You are the spokesman for your Camp, Brigade or Division. Therefore, you need to reflect the opinions of the SCV, not your opinions. This will be difficult for anyone, like me, who is brimming with opinions.

"What do you do when the media asks you the same question over and over again? Remember, a hostile editor back at the station is less likely to permit your most effective expressions to go out to the world."

Dr. Trahan's method? Develop at least three main talking points and three supporting messages.

When asked a question ~ LISTEN-PAUSE-THINK-ANSWER. Then "bridge" to your key messages. Be concise, and STOP when you're finished with your messages.

The participants learned some words to never say, and some effective, positive words to use when presenting our message. Some examples: "The Key issue is..." "It's important to note that..." "What we're focused on is..." "It's imperative that we remember..."

Dr. Trahan gave some examples of handling belligerent interviewers. "Don't be afraid to say 'No.' calmly." Then, "What I said was..."

Always "bridge" over to the prepared messages. Never introduce "spin." It's a good idea to personalize the message by presenting some personal anecdotes about your own ancestor. "These were my kinfolks." "This represents my true family history." Remember, when someone misrepresents our history, it DOES NOT change what really happened.

Dr. Trahan warned:

Stay calm; never give up the high ground; be honest; use concrete examples; stay calm and stay positive.

Dr. Trahan stressed the importance of PREPARATION. He recommends one hour of preparation for each minute of the interview. Once an interview is in the camera, you cannot change what was said.

It is estimated that folks remember 85% of what they SEE, and 15% of what they HEAR. While your words are important, your appearance, body language, facial expressions, and attitude [which is almost impossible to hide, physically] are ALWAYS seen by other people.

Local, home-town media is the most accessible, and, often, the most "fair and balanced." If you are called for an interview, contact your Brigade Commander and Brigade Spokesman. It's always good to have a team on your side.

Remember ~ LISTEN-PAUSE-THINK-ANSWER.

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Dr. Trahan conducting training interview.

Some of the attendees at the Jeff Davis Memorial Park session.





Left to right: Michael Carter, Ronnie Chapman, Commander Bo Slack and Ray Hathcock. Camp honors local law enforcement.



Commander Thrift swearing in new member William Griffin, Clement A. Evans Camp 64, Waycross.



New monument erected in Brunswick by the Thomas Marsh Forman Camp 485 See Page 19



#1 Adjutant Chuck Griffin swearing in new member Clyde Royals, who has also accepted the position as Brigade Attorney for the 7th Brigade.
#2 Grace Howell a camper at this year's GCYC presenting the program for the August meeting. She Thanked the Camp for sponsoring her, so she could attend. She spoke of the activities at the Camp such as candle making, making ice cream with a hand powered churn, weaving, and period dancing. She also spoke of some of the program speakers at the Camp and told us why Monuments are important to her.
#3 Commander Brant Thrift swearing in new member John E. Pfaff II.
Clement A. Evans Camp 64, Waycross.



R. Jonathan Williamson of Mount Vernon, Ga. Being sworn in at the Courthouse Confederate Monument in Mount Vernon, Ga.



Our real Georgia flag on I-85 north at mile marker 160. The pole is 60 ft. tall and the flag is 10'X15'. It has been hidden by tall trees but for some reason, DOT just came by and cut the trees that have been blocking this flag and pole for the last few years.
Joel Coleman



3rd Battalion Company B Mechanized Cavalry Members were in attendance to install the new marker for Confederate Veteran Dale Champion Palmer. Bam Bam Michael Swalls, Cowboy David C Myers, and Hollywood Tony Pilgrim. Col. Charles T. Zachry Camp 108
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