



## The Covington News

Tom Spigolon

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**COVINGTON, Ga.** — Judge John Ott said he wanted an order he issued today “personally served” on County Chairman Marcello Banes after he said Banes planned to defy his order not to remove the Confederate statue while a case seeking to keep it on the Covington Square was being appealed.

Ott said in an order today, Sept. 22, in Newton County Superior Court that he was issuing a stay against further action by both parties in the case “and absolutely forbids any further action on the removal of the Confederate Monument.”

☞ The 114-year-old Confederate memorial statue is a centerpiece of the park in the middle of the Covington Square. - photo by Tom Spigolon



## NEWTON COUNTY CONFEDERATE MONUMENT FIGHT GOES BEFORE THE GEORGIA COURT OF APPEALS APRIL 13TH, 2021 at 10:30am

The Sons of Confederate Veterans case in Newton County is moving into the oral argument stage at the Georgia Court of Appeals. Then the sister case of T. Davis Humphries v. Newton County will be heard thereafter.

The hearing will be conducted virtually, so no in-person attendance will be permitted. We encourage all Compatriots to go to the Georgia Court of Appeal's Webpage and listen in to the oral arguments through a live link. Below is the information:

Go to the Court of Appeals website [www.gaappeals.us](http://www.gaappeals.us). There on the left side of the home page you will find a link to the live stream. Later a video should be archived.

The hearing is set for April 13th, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. The assigned judges for the panel are: Stephen Louis Dillard, Amanda H. Mercier and Verda M. Colvin.

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 10:30 AM, Nathan Deal Judicial Center, 2nd Floor.

### FOURTH DIVISION:

Stephen Louis A. Dillard, Presiding Judge

Amanda H. Mercier, Judge

Verda M. Colvin, Judge

A21A0734, SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS et al. v.

NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A21A0735, T. DAVIS HUMPHRIES v.

NEWTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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L to R: Sharon Posey, Judie Posey, Carl Tommy Miller, Leo McDonnell, Emma Givens, and Jim Davis. Descendants and Compatriots pay their respects for Berry Benson.



L to R: Commander's Award Judge Advocate Rodney Hutchinson, Camp Award Chaplain Jerry Etheredge and Poet Laureate George Ray Houston Special Recognition Award. Yancy Independents



Compatriot Michael Davis (R) is sworn in as new member of the Clement A. Evans Camp.



Camp Historian Steve Rathbun, of the Buckhead-Fort Lawton Brigade, Camp No. 2102, swore in the Camp's 2021-2023 officers at the Camp's January meeting in Milen. (L-R): Steve Rathbun, Commander Dale Thompson, First Lieutenant Commander/Quartermaster Neil Dickey, Adjutant James Saxon, and Color Sergeant Luther Welden.



Members of the Clement A. Evans Camp and OCR members setup at the Waycross Motor Speedway to promote Confederate history.



Sevmc Troop 3 Battleground Guard swearing in 4 new members at the Confederate monument in Augusta, Ga. And a group picture with support from Georgia Sevmc Troop 2 , Troop 3 and Troop 4. Corey Harrelson

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## Commander's Report

Gentlemen,

As Christians and Southerners, it's our first inclination to conduct ourselves as gentlemen, with manners and respect toward others, that's the way most of us were raised. Even in business dealings the same principles apply, we conduct ourselves as professionals and gentlemen, willing to walk away from the negotiations if required. I bring this up due to my frustrations with our dealings with the Stone Mountain Memorial Association's CEO and operating manager. We have gone to great lengths to work with them months prior to our Annual Memorial Service beneath the carving so we can promote the service to have a successful event. This year we started the talks in October 2020 and asked them to pick a date in April that works best for their operations and they selected April 17 and indicated it could be conducted the same as our 2019 Service. All this is in writing, but on April 1, 2021 we received a letter from Stone Mountain Memorial Association's CEO indicating they have cancelled the Memorial Service. We had members in Georgia and throughout the South that already had hotel reservations. We had equipment rented and cannons scheduled to be there. These people have no honor at all. Their word means nothing. Sadly, they are Southerners as well. We included a copy of their letter in this issue. I do hate it for our members who made reservations and plans based on the date approved by SMMA for the annual service. This is why we need to be a stronger force in the operations of Stone Mountain. WE must have our members appointed as board members of the Stone Mountain Memorial Association.

As printed on the front page of this issue, the Newton County

Monument lawsuit goes before the Georgia Court of Appeals on April 13. I would encourage you to listen in on the on-line oral arguments. Our Attorneys have been preparing for this for months and I'm positive they will present our case very well. Both the Rockdale and Henry County monument cases will be before the Georgia Court of Appeals by May 2021, otherwise our other cases are still pending. We have another situation brewing with the City of Waycross who claims they don't own the Confederate Monument and have issued a letter to the local UDC chapter and the Gen. Clement A. Evans Camp to remove the monument. So this matter will more than likely end up as a lawsuit against the City of Waycross.

We have received 6,000 copies of Georgia Voter Registration Applications at our Division HQ Office ready to be mailed to our membership upon request. We have boxes of the three-fold SCV membership application brochures available for our membership. Gentlemen we have got to get serious about getting our supporters registered to vote and recruited into our ranks. If we don't counter the cancel culture mob's efforts to get their supporters out to vote here in Georgia, we will be headed down the path that Virginia has gone. Please get on board with this campaign. Email our Division Secretary Kitty Dorety at [secretary@gascv.org](mailto:secretary@gascv.org) or call her at (866) 728-4642 to get the applications sent to you and put them to good use.

Gentlemen the Georgia Division is getting into the used book selling business. We have an opportunity presented to us by the Hiram Parks Bell Research Center. The Bell Center, after many years of service to the Northeast Georgia Area as a Research Center and Library is closing their doors. Much of their collection will be going to the Forsyth

County Historical Society. The rest of the collection has been donated to the Georgia Division. Currently the Bell Center has been selling their used books on-line through *AbeBooks* and been averaging \$500 to \$600 a month and our Division office will be

using the same business model using *AbeBooks*. The funds raised in our endeavors will go to pay for our Division office and our Division Secretary to make us self-sustaining. Any remaining funds will go to Heritage Defense.

If you have any used books or know of anyone who wants to donate any used books for tax deductible purposes, please contact our Division Secretary Kitty Dorety at [secretary@gascv.org](mailto:secretary@gascv.org) or call her at (866) 728-4642. We hope this will be a great revenue generator for our Division.

Please put it on your calendar, the 124<sup>th</sup> annual Georgia Division Reunion will be held at the Macon Marriott City Center on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. This year we have our Brigade Commander Elections and a few proposed by-law amendments that will be voted on. It's important that our Camps are represented fully at our Division reunion. Please make sure that all your Camp Delegates are able to attend the Annual Division Reunion.

In closing I ask each of you to please get some Georgia voter applications and SCV member applications in your possession and use them. We need to enlist more supporters. There are many young folks who are not registered to vote and even many more folks our age that are not registered. We have to get them in our ranks, and we can make a difference. Please give to our Heritage Defense fund to support our legal battles. It's the necessary force



that keeps our efforts moving forward in the legal arena.

Always at your Service,  
Tim Pilgrim

Georgia Division Commander

## Georgia Division Used Book Store

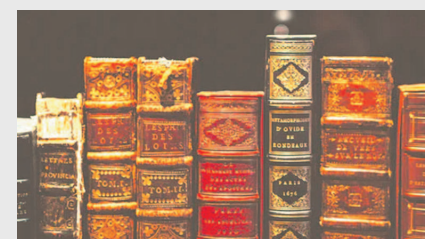
Thanks to a generous donation by the *Hiram Parks Bell Research Center*, we are offering used books for sale through our Division Store.

Donate books or purchase valuable period history books through the Store.

Contact our Division Secretary Kitty Dorety at

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for more details.



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Members: Al Perry, Michael Reither

**Schedule**  
**Executive Council Meetings**  
May 1; 10:30 a.m.  
Ole Times Buffet; Macon

June 5; After Reunion  
Centraplex, Macon



In Defense of Southern Rights  
By: George Ray Houston  
Poet Laureate Georgia SCV  
Charter Member  
Yancy Independents Camp 693,  
Sylvester, GA

Never shall we succumb  
to beliefs held,  
Pressured from tyrants' naïve,  
The thoughts linger  
from minds compelled,  
The lives our heroes gave.

Gallantry possessed  
from our countrymen's past,  
Those of valor we crave,  
Ventured into the front line cast,  
Their courage in death they gave.

We confront today  
our enemy liars  
Through the summer days  
and winter nights,  
As we defend our  
Confederate sires,  
We are being deprived  
our civil rights.

Changing history will benefit  
their goal  
To rid our heritage strong,  
Ne'er from the thief  
our history stole,  
In our minds forever  
the memories belong.

Defense of our monuments  
in the passing years  
We stand loyal and proud,  
In defending our kin  
with strength and tears,  
They are dressed in gray  
clad shroud.

Poet Laureate, Georgia Division  
George Ray Houston

Georgia  
Division  
Executive  
Council  
Meetings:  
May 1  
10:30 a.m.  
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After  
Reunion



124th GEORGIA DIVISION CONVENTION/REUNION



REGISTRATION FORM

JUNE 4th & 5th, 2021  
The Marriott Macon City Center  
240 Coliseum Drive  
Macon, GA 31217



Hosted by: The Georgia Division

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ & Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
To be used on name badge

Camp Name \_\_\_\_\_ Camp # \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ email address: \_\_\_\_\_

- Registration Fee each (Only Georgia Division members)..... \$25 \_\_\_\_\_
- Late Registration Fee after May 28, 2021 (only Georgia Division members)... \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

Friday, June 4th Pre-registration at the Magnolia Room 12 – 6 pm.

- Meet-n-Greet Supper: 6-9 PM Magnolia Room \$22 each..... Qty. \_\_\_\_\_ (x) \$22 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Carved Roast Supper with the fixings and dessert)

Saturday, June 5th, Convention Starts at 9:30, Registration 7-9am the Centraplex Business Center.

- Saturday Award Luncheon at business meeting \$22 each ..... Qty. \_\_\_\_\_ (x) \$22 \_\_\_\_\_  
( Deli Buffet with a variety of meats with all the fixings and dessert)

GRAND TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable To: Georgia Division, SCV  
Return this form with Payment to:  
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240 Coliseum, Drive,  
Macon, GA 31217  
Georgia Division, SCV Room rate \$112

Reservations: 866-882-4465  
Hotel: Macon Marriott City Center Hotel  
Group Name: Sons of Confederate Vets June2021

Proposed Amendment #1 2021

To commit and insure that the impartial history of the South will be taught to each generation, current and future, in accordance with the “Charge” given to the Sons of Confederate Veterans by Lt. Gen. Stephen Dill Lee, Commander-in-Chief of the United Confederate Veterans, in his speech on April 25, 1906 at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans being held in New Orleans, Louisiana.

*“To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldiers’ good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you also love and to those ideals which made him glorious, and which you also cherish.”*

This will be the mission statement for all current and future members of the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Inc. as defined within these By-Laws and Constitution.

Scott K. Gilbert, Jr.  
Commander, Sharpsburg Sharpshooters Camp #1729  
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**DEADLINES**  
*The Georgia Confederate*  
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~ 2021 ~  
June 1st  
August 1st  
October 1st  
December 1st  
**gaconfederate@att.net**  
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Proposed Amendment #2 2021

ARTICLE VI. DIVISION OFFICERS

Section 2. *[Line through deletions; Additions bold]*  
Any Division officer ~~desiring to run for another~~ **or qualified Georgia Division member who wants to run for a State-wide elected** Division office ~~before the term of his current office expires~~ must announce his candidacy in written form to the Division Adjutant and Division Commander at least ~~sixty (60)~~ **forty-five (45)** days prior to the Annual Division Convention. This ~~Officer shall remain qualified to run for his vacated office should he not be elected to the new position.~~ **The current position of the Division Officer running for the State-wide elected office** will be considered an open position to be voted on at the same Annual Convention regardless of whether it is an even or odd year.

The purpose of the amendment is to have candidates declare for State-wide Division office in time to give Camps an opportunity to discuss their preferences.  
Submitted by: Al Perry, Editor Georgia Confederate  
co-sponsor: Tim Pilgrim, Georgia Division Commander

The first three sections from Article VI. for reference:  
**ARTICLE VI. DIVISION OFFICERS**  
Section I. All Officers and Appointees must be members in good standing as defined in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Article XI and XV.  
Section 2. At each Division Convention held in a year the date of which is an even number, the Georgia Division shall elect a Division Commander, two Division Lieutenant Commanders (one North and one South), a Division Adjutant and a Division Judge Advocate. At each Division Convention held in a year the date of which is an odd number, Brigade Commanders for each of the Brigades in the Georgia Division will be elected. Any Division officer desiring to run for another Division office before the term of his current office expires must announce his candidacy in written form to the Division Adjutant and Division Commander at least sixty (60) days prior to the Annual Division Convention. This Division Officer’s position will be considered an open position to be voted on at the same Annual Convention, regardless of whether it is an even or odd year. This Officer shall remain qualified to run for his vacated office should he not be elected to the new position.

Section 3. Any Candidate for Division level Office shall have at least two years member-ship in the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and must have held an elected position of Camp Commander, Lieutenant Commander, or Adjutant. Except for the two (2) year member-ship requirement in the Georgia Division, this Section does not apply to a candidate for Division Judge Advocate. Further, this section shall not apply where no candidate who is qualified as to length of service or elected position presents himself, in which case any member in good standing may stand for Office.

*O.C.G.A. § 1-4-20*  
GEORGIA CODE  
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\* Current Through the 2019 Regular Session \*  
TITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS  
CHAPTER 4. HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES  
§ 1-4-20. **Designation of Confederate History and Heritage Month**

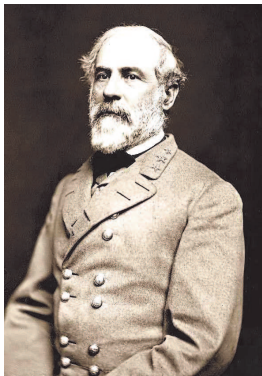
(a) The General Assembly hereby finds and determines that tourism is a great economic resource in Georgia; and historical, heritage, and cultural inheritance are among the tourism industry's most popular attractions. Georgia's Confederate heritage, physical artifacts and battle sites, and historic events and persons not only attract visitors, they are potentially of even greater importance and benefit to our state's economy. Increased development of our state's Confederate history and heritage as part of the tourism industry will be enhanced through recognizing, celebrating, and advertising that heritage and history.

(b) The month of April of each year is hereby designated as Confederate History and Heritage Month and shall be set aside to honor, observe, and celebrate the Confederate States of America, its history, those who served in its armed forces and government, and all those millions of its citizens of various races and ethnic groups and religions who contributed in sundry and myriad ways to the cause which they held so dear from its founding on February 4, 1861, in Montgomery, Alabama, until the Confederate ship CSS *Shenandoah* sailed into Liverpool Harbor and surrendered to British authorities on November 6, 1865.

(c) Officials and departments of state, county, and municipal governments, boards of education, elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, businesses, and all citizens are encouraged to participate in programs, displays, and activities that commemorate and honor our shared history and cultural inheritance throughout each April during Confederate History and Heritage Month.

**HISTORY:** Code 1981, § 1-4-20, enacted by Ga. L. 2009, p. 207, § 2/SB 27.

**“Do your duty,  
in all things.  
You cannot do more,  
you should never wish  
to do less”**  
..... General Robert E. Lee  
**The South has produced the  
greatest Statesmen and Soldiers  
in our Nation’s history. When the  
South was invaded,  
these patriots did their duty to  
protect their families, homes  
and country. These heroes asked  
for nothing in  
return. It’s our  
duty to remem-  
ber and to honor  
them for their  
sacrifices.**



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[www.scv.org](http://www.scv.org)  
NEW ADJUTANT  
TRAINING AT GHQ.

**Call for all Georgia Division  
Camps to Donate at least \$500 to  
our Legal Fight to  
Save our Monuments.**

Brothers, we have spent nearly \$110,000 on Legal Fees since July 2020 fighting the good fight to save our Confederate Monuments and to protect our 1st Amendment Rights. Both the Newton County and Rockdale County cases go before the Georgia State Appeals Court in April and the Henry County case in May. We either stand or die, having the funds to cover our Attorneys fees is paramount to achieve Victory. Please give to the Division's Legal Fight Fund.

|                                                                          |                                |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| Camps that Answered the Call to Support<br>Heritage Defense Legal Fights |                                |            |
| 1552                                                                     | Camp McDonald                  | \$4,000.00 |
| 78                                                                       | Alexander H. Stephens          | \$2,400.00 |
| 1446                                                                     | Gen. Leonidas Polk Camp        | \$2,000.00 |
| 97                                                                       | Brig. Gen. T.R.R. Cobb         | \$2,500.00 |
| 91                                                                       | Thomson Guards                 | \$1,700.00 |
| 700                                                                      | Kennesaw Battlefield           | \$1,500.00 |
| 1404                                                                     | 27th GA Regiment               | \$1,490.00 |
| 2137                                                                     | Barnesville Blues              | \$1,365.00 |
| 158                                                                      | Brig. Gen. E. Porter Alexander | \$1,250.00 |
| 1449                                                                     | John B. Gordon Memorial        | \$1,200.00 |
| 941                                                                      | Ogeechee Rifles                | \$1,070.00 |
| 2102                                                                     | Buckhead - Ft. Lawton Brigade  | \$1,050.00 |
| 96                                                                       | Maj. William E. Simmons        | \$1,000.00 |

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**Fort McAllister State Park**  
In June 1861, construction began on a large earthen fort on the south bank of the Ogeechee River south of Savannah, Georgia, as part of the defenses of that port city. Originally, this earthwork was called the Genesis Point Battery. It was later named Fort McAllister. Joseph McAllister, the local rice planter and Lieutenant Colonel in the Confederate army who donated the land the fort was built upon, asked that the fort be named after his father, George W. McAllister.  
The fort was armed with both heavy artillery and lighter field guns, plus one 10 inch heavy mortar battery. The number of officers and men assigned to the garrison over the course of the war varied but topped

off at about 300. In 1862 and 1863, the Union Navy Ironclads shelled Fort McAllister several times, generally inflicting little damage to the giant earthwork, although one attack killed garrison commander Major John B. Gallie and another killed Tom Cat, the fort’s cat mascot, much to the dismay of the men. The fort’s big guns made several hits on the Ironclads, but also inflicted little damage. The U.S.S *Montauk* did have one success, sinking the blockade runner *Rattlesnake*, also called *Nashville*, on February 28th, 1863 on the river near Fort McAllister.  
In December 1864, Major General William T. Sherman’s army was nearing the end of its March to the Sea from Atlanta. Sherman’s final objective in the march was Savan-

nah, but Fort McAllister stood in the way. The fort also kept Union supply ships offshore from steaming up the Ogeechee River and resupplying the Federal army. Sherman picked Brigadier General William B. Hazen’s division to make an assault on Fort McAllister on December 13th. Despite greatly outnumbering the defenders, taking the fort by land would not be easy. The Confederates had a dry moat around the fort with sharpened sticks on the bottom, plus other impediments including land mines, called torpedoes at that time. Despite this, upon reaching the earthen walls, the much larger Union force overwhelmed the Confederate garrison in a 15 minute battle and captured the fort. Sherman was resupplied and completed his March to the Sea by

marching into Savannah on December 21st.  
The site of Fort McAllister was essentially abandoned after the war. Henry Ford took an interest in the historic fort and bought the site in the 1930s, and began to restore it. The International Paper Company bought the site from Ford’s estate, and gave it to the State of Georgia in 1958. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1970.  
*Source: Iron Brigadier, Civil War Info and Resources*  
Submitted by Gregory C. White,  
Editor Mountain Muster, Newsletter of David W. Payne Camp #1633

Her Gray Clad Hero  
By: George Ray Houston  
Poet Laureate Georgia Division SCV  
Charter Member Camp 693, Yancy  
Independents  
Sylvester, GA  
From the veranda of her plantation  
home  
With shutters of grassy green,  
She sees a soldier walking alone  
And upon his face sad eyes are seen.  
The scars upon his sunburned face  
With his war-torn suit of gray,  
Gave proof of his gallant chase  
Through the battlefield fires  
of yesterday.  
Her gray clad hero in years was spent  
In defense of his Confederate nation,  
A freedom's quest was his intent,  
\*Liberty destroyed  
through subjugation,  
For four long years of battle cry  
He witnessed death  
on the bleeding field.  
He would commend his soul  
if he should die  
And his spirit into Heaven  
he would yield.  
Her gray clad hero a startling surprise,  
A gift from God  
through her teary eyes;  
She ran to him through April's clover  
And praised kind Providence  
the war was over.  
The cannons would roar during his  
sleepless nights  
His vicious screams in disturbing  
dreams  
On the bloody fields of battle  
he fights.  
When Lee surrendered reconstruction  
began  
With wickedness upon our land;  
The defeated warriors;  
the gray clad man  
In defiance again took a stand;  
Confronted by the foe,  
gallantly he stood,  
He faced the enemy the best he could;  
Captured by the foe, our Dixie's land  
Ruled by tyrants in blue,  
Never willing with a helping hand  
The pillaging Yankee crew;  
For years on end and around the bend  
Their brogans deep in the soil,  
Building their farms  
with love and charms  
Under the summer's sunny boil,  
Soon they would plant  
for cotton was king  
With stacks of bales so high,  
While the field hands would  
pleasingly sing  
And the crops would soon  
reach the sky. (continued) 📖

**Georgia Military Institute Cadets**  
**By Garry Daniell**

Authorized during the Georgia General Assembly's 1851-1852 session, the Georgia Military Institute was incorporated December 8, 1851 with eleven stockholders, who were designated trustees. All were residents of Marietta, Cobb County and they selected a site on Powder Springs street, approximately a mile southwest of the town square. Opening on July 1, 1851, the campus consisted of 110 acres.

The first Superintendent was Arnoldus Vanderhorst Brumby. He was a graduate of West Point, veteran of the Seminole Wars, a civil engineer in Alabama, instructor at the University of Alabama, and Superintendent of the Alabama Military Institute. He was Aide-de-Camp with the rank of Colonel to Governor Howell Cobb of Georgia from 1852 to 1854 and to Governor Johnson from 1854 to 1856. In 1853, he was also a member of the Board of Visitors to the US Military Academy. Brumby is considered the founder of the Institute. He served in that capacity until resigning on July 17, 1861 to accept an appointment as Colonel of the 14<sup>th</sup> Georgia Volunteer Infantry.

Seven students started classes in July of 1851 and enrollment

increased to 28 by the end of the first year. Under Colonel Brumby's leadership, G.M.I. became so successful that it was referred to as the West Point of Georgia. Upon Colonel Brumby's resignation in 1861, Francis W. Capers, a native of Savannah, accepted command of G.M.I. in Marietta. Frank, as he was known, was a graduate of the College of Charleston, a member of the original faculty at The Citadel and Superintendent of The Citadel.

As the war progressed, Cadets were furnished at training camps to serve as drill instructors and to impart training in military tactics, while other Cadets volunteered or were drafted into Confederate service. In the spring of 1864, 281 Cadets ranging in age from 16-20 years were organized into two companies, forming a battalion known as Caper's Georgia Military Academy Cadets with Capers commanding and holding the rank of Brigadier General.

When Sherman began his campaign through Georgia in May of 1864, the Cadets were called to assist in stopping him. They served under General Johnston, then General Hood, opposing the Union Army to Savannah and were on the march into North

Carolina when they were diverted to defend the arsenal and powder works in Augusta. They were disbanded and paroled there in May of 1865.

When Sherman's troops occupied Marietta the (now empty) Institute and Colonel Brumby's home (located on the edge of the campus) was used as a hospital. The Institute buildings were burned as Union troops departed Marietta, but they spared the Brumby home. G.M.I. was not rebuilt, but instead replaced by the North Georgia Agricultural College (now Georgia Military College) in Dahlonega.

Today, the Brumby home is used as a "Gone With the Wind" museum and most of the Institute's campus is occupied by the Hilton Conference Center and the City Club Golf Course.

Upon locating a roster of the battalion, I found that of the 281 young men, only 30 had been recorded in the Confederate Graves Registry. I was able to locate the graves of another 72, which puts us a little over 36% of the battalion. Your assistance is needed toward locating the final resting place others that served in this Battalion is appreciated. ❖

Garry Daniell, Chairman  
Ga Division Graves Project  
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February 23, 2021

Her gray clad warrior  
and loving hero  
With his hair now turning  
of gray  
Will live in decades  
from long ago  
To celebrate Memorial Day.  
The warriors attended from  
miles around  
On horse and buggy rides,  
They saluted their flag and the  
pipes would sound;  
They held hands  
with their aging brides;  
The haunting taps  
will forever play

For our heroes who  
wore the gray.  
They stood proud  
with saluted hands  
While Dixie was played by  
Southern bands;  
Now she lives  
with her soldier in gray  
In their Heavenly home above;  
United forever on Memorial Day  
With her gallant gray clad love.

George Ray Houston  
Poet Laureate Georgia Division  
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**Camp Commander, Wm. Thomas Overby/Coweta Guards  
Camp #715**

**Michael Larry Webb** passed away Monday, March 15, 2021, at his home in Newnan. Mike grew up in Decatur, Georgia, and attended North Georgia College and West Georgia College, earning a bachelors in Business Administration. He and his wife, Dianne, married in 1979, creating a new family with 4 precious children, to which they soon added another cherished son. Mike was a wonderful and loving husband and father, not to mention brother, nephew and friend. Faith and family were most important to him as evident by the life he lived.



He was preceded in death by his son-Jonathan Webb, grandson-Greer Jackson, parents- Nellie and Melvin Webb, and in-laws Willene and LP Overstreet.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Dianne Overstreet Webb, children Chris Stephens, Amy Jackson (Eric), Margaret Mulkey (Tim), Jill Smith (David), 18 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren, sister Rannee Webb Bullard (Larry).

Mike loved military and family history. He was Commander of the local Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp. Mike especially loved his church and church family.

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“I love the Union and the Constitution,  
but I would rather leave the Union with the Constitution  
than remain in the Union without it.”  
~ Jefferson Davis  
Submitted by Tim Lively; *Carter’s Confederate Courier*  
February 2021  
Brig. Gen. John C. Carter Camp #207

## After the Confederates, Who's Next?

By Patrick J. Buchanan  
Friday - May 31, 2017

On Sept. 1, 1864, Union forces under Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman, victorious at Jonesborough, burned Atlanta and began the March to the Sea where Sherman's troops looted and pillaged farms and towns all along the 300-mile road to Savannah. Captured in the Confederate defeat at Jonesborough was William Martin Buchanan of Okolona, Mississippi, who was transferred by rail to the Union POW stockade at Camp Douglas, Illinois.

By the standards of modernity, my great-grandfather, fighting to prevent the torching of Georgia's capital, was engaged in a criminal and immoral cause. And "Uncle Billy" Sherman was a liberator. Under President Grant, Sherman took command of the Union army and ordered Gen. Philip Sheridan, who had burned the Shenandoah Valley to starve Virginia into submission, to corral the Plains Indians on reservations. It is in dispute as to whether Sheridan said, "The only good Indian is a dead Indian." There is no dispute as to the contempt Sheridan had for the Indians, killing their buffalo to deprive them of food.

Today, great statues stand in the nation's capital, along with a Sherman and a Sheridan circle, to honor these most ruthless of generals in that bloodiest of wars that cost 620,000 American lives. Yet, across the South and even in bor-

der states like Kentucky, Maryland and Missouri, one may find statues of Confederate soldiers in town squares to honor the valor and sacrifices of the Southern men and boys who fought and fell in the Lost Cause.

When the Spanish-American War broke out, President McKinley, who as a teenage soldier had fought against "Stonewall" Jackson in the Shenandoah and been at Antietam, bloodiest single-day battle of the Civil War, removed his hat and stood for the singing of "Dixie," as Southern volunteers and former Confederate soldiers paraded through Atlanta to fight for their united country. My grandfather was in that army.

For a century, Americans lived comfortably with the honoring, North and South, of the men who fought on both sides. But today's America is not the magnanimous country we grew up in. Since the '60s, there has arisen an ideology that holds that the Confederacy was the moral equivalent of Nazi Germany and those who fought under its battle flag should be regarded as traitors or worse. Thus, in New Orleans, statues of Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederate States of America, and General Robert E. Lee were just pulled down. And a drive is underway to take down the statue of Andrew Jackson, hero of the Battle of New Orleans and president of the United States, which stands in Jackson Square.

Why? Old Hickory was a slave owner and Indian fighter who

used his presidential power to transfer the Indians of Georgia out to the Oklahoma Territory in a tragedy known as the Trail of Tears. But if Jackson, and James K. Polk, who added the Southwest and California to the United States after the Mexican-American War, were slave owners, so, too, were four of our first five presidents. The list includes the father of our country, George Washington, the author of the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson, and the author of our Constitution, James Madison.

Not only are the likenesses of Washington and Jefferson carved on Mount Rushmore, the two Virginians are honored with two of the most magnificent monuments and memorials in Washington, D.C. Behind this remorseless drive to blast the greatest names from America's past off public buildings, and to tear down their statues and monuments, is an egalitarian extremism rooted in envy and hate. Among its core convictions is that spreading Christianity was a cover story for rapacious Europeans who, after discovering America, came in masses to dispossess and exterminate native peoples. "The white race," wrote Susan Sontag, "is the cancer of human history."

Today, the men we were taught to revere as the great captains, explorers, missionaries and nation builders are seen by many as part of a racist, imperialist, genocidal enterprise, wicked men who betrayed and eradicated the peace-

loving natives who had welcomed them. What they blindly refuse to see is that while its sins are scarlet, as are those of all civilizations, it is the achievements of the West that are unrivaled. The West ended slavery. Christianity and the West gave birth to the idea of inalienable human rights. As scholar Charles Murray has written, 97 percent of the world's most significant figures and 97 percent of the world's greatest achievements in the arts, architecture, literature, astrology, biology, earth sciences, physics, medicine, mathematics and technology came from the West.

What is disheartening is not that there are haters of our civilization out there, but that there seem to be fewer defenders. Of these icon-smashers it may be said: Like ISIS and Boko Haram, they can tear down statues, but these people could never build a country.

What happens, one wonders, when these Philistines discover that the seated figure in the statue, right in front of D.C.'s Union Station, is the High Admiral of the Ocean Sea, Christopher Columbus?

*This was an article from 2017. It is fascinating to re-read it and gauge its accuracy almost 4 years later*

Source: Across the Satilla

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☞ L to R: 'Christmas with the Soldiers' remembrance gathering at the Milner Confederate Cemetery in Milner, Georgia on Sunday, December 6, 2020; Camp Member Dennis Calvin Rich was awarded *The Sons of Confederate Veterans Commendation Medal* s for meritorious service; Camp Adjutant Robert Franklin (Frank) Abbott was awarded *The Sons of Confederate Veterans Distinguished Service Medal* ~ Barnesville Blues #2137  
See Page 22  
Submitted by Lt. Div. Cmdr. N George Crawford



☞ Pictured Above: Terkeitha Moyer Library Assistant, Windy Ward Assistant Manager, Kristi Swan OCR Vice President, Buffy Hill OCR President, Deana Patrick Library Assistant  
Pictured Below: Windy Ward Assistant Manager, Kristi Swan OCR Vice President, Buffy Hill OCR President, Daryl Hill Camp Commander, Joey Gibson Camp Member, Deana Patrick Library Assistant . McLeod-Moring Camp#1386.  
See Page 21



☞ Top: 9<sup>th</sup> Brigade Commander Ken Arvin presents past Adjutant Bobby Tully of Lt. Lovett Allen Tully Camp 2071 in Colquitt, GA an award for outstanding service to the SCV.  
Lower: Adjutant Rod Bryan delivers a program to Lt. Lovett Allen Tully camp 2071 In Colquitt, GA on Richard Kirkland (The Angel of Marye's Heights) of Company E 2<sup>nd</sup> South Carolina Volunteer Infantry who was awarded the Confederate Medal of Honor by the SCV.



☞ In recognition of Georgia's Confederate History & Heritage Month and Confederate Memorial Day, the Buckhead-Fort Lawton Brigade, Camp No. 2102 (Millen), placed flags on the graves of Confederate veterans throughout their county. The Camp used military service records for the first time to ensure that each veteran actually received the flag of the Army (Tennessee/Northern Virginia) in which they served.  
Steven S. Rathbun, Historian  
Buckhead-Fort Lawton Brigade, Camp #2102



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L to R: Chaplain Russ White, Pete Price, Commander Terry Swanson, and Rick Cessutti. New members General Nathan B. Forrest #469



L.Cadet Captain Brandon Nestor of the Elbert County JROTC receives the H.L. Hunley medal and a \$250.00 scholarship from the Lt. Dickson L. Baker Camp and the Ga. Division SCV. Sgt.Maj. Lovin presented the award in the name of Camp Baker.  
It is an honor for our Camp to be able to participate in the JROTC events.  
Cmdr. Jud Barton



Tater of Battleground Guard promoted to Sgt



Greg Murphy, Ryan Murphy, Carl T Miller, Carl T Miller Jr., Carl T Miller III, All SCV Members.

Top: The Gen. Leonidas Polk Camp 1446, Smyrna, Ga. Commander Garry Daniell, on left, is presented SCV National's Distinguished Service Medal by Tim Pilgrim, Commander of the Georgia Division SCV.  
Below: . 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander David Sapp, on left, is presented SCV National's Distinguished Service Medal by Tim Pilgrim, Commander of the Georgia Division SCV.  
Submitted by George Burkett



Carl T. miller with my Great Grand Son > Declan Mavrick Murphy

L. Newest member of the Gen, James Longstreet Camp 1289 Robert Paul Crochet, who joined on his ancestor Joseph Bernard Sanchez, Co. E 4th LA Inf., being presented his certificate by Commander Doug Brown.  
Charles Garvin, Adjutant





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☞☞☞ L to R: Carl Tommy Miller, Lt.Cmdr.; Speaker Max Maxwell; CMdr. Carl T. Miller, Jr. presenting a hand blown crystal Bonnie Blue ornament. Speaker for the meeting was Scott Max Maxwell. Max has a large collection of Southern made war between the states weapons R. Goose keeping Stickums entertained or Vice Versa General Ambrose Ransom Wright SCV Camp 1914, Columbia County



☞☞ A little over 50 attended the first headstone dedication for Private Enoch Allen Norris, of the Capt. Campbell's Georgia Siege Artillery. This was lead by the Sons of Confederate Veterans' Camp #2314 "CSS Chattahoochee" of Seminole County, Georgia

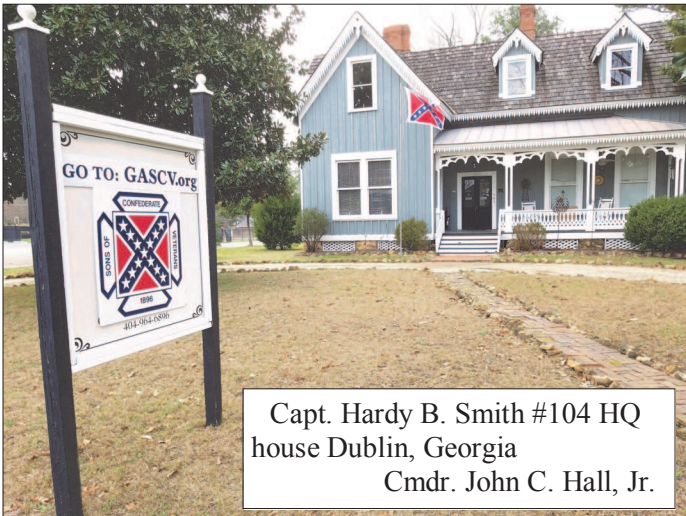


☞The Confederate Rose of the Grand Ship "CSS Chattahoochee" started off with the induction of 7 new members into our Ladies Auxiliary. ☞ This has been a great month for Camp #2314 "CSS Chattahoochee" in Seminole County, Georgia, with 4 new members and 2 new officers standing with Captain Jack C. Cowart (It is a Navy thing) "CSS Chattahoochee" Camp 2314





👉 SCVMC Troop 3 Battle-ground Guard member and our fallen brother Gary 'Mayo' Reynolds funeral. With members of Clinch's Crew and CSRA Squad attended.



Capt. Hardy B. Smith #104 HQ  
house Dublin, Georgia  
Cmdr. John C. Hall, Jr.

Lest  
We  
forget



👉 L. Compatriot David Pigg was inducted into General William Hardee #1397 on March 22. His ancestor was Private Solomon Griffith; Co. E, 62<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Mounted Infantry. R. Compatriot Justin Leinbach (left) was inducted into Kennesaw Battlefield #700 during a camp meeting on January 21. His SCV patriot was Corporal William Vernon Holmes; Co. A, 2<sup>nd</sup> North Carolina Junior Reserves. Michael Reither, 12th Brigade Commander



👉 Easter Egg Hunt at Higgston, Ga. Sponsor by the OCR Chapter 16 Confederate Belles with members of Battleground Guard and Clinch's Crew of Troop 3 Mechanized Cavalry.



👉 L 1st LT Shadow of Scvmc Troop 3 top pic 1st Sgt Ratlecan of Clinch's Crew promote to 2nd LT. Of Clinch's Crew squad R.Scvmc Troop 3 Battleground Guard with 2nd LT Batman receives certificate of appreciation for everyone hard work for last year Christmas in Dixie and Trunk N Treat



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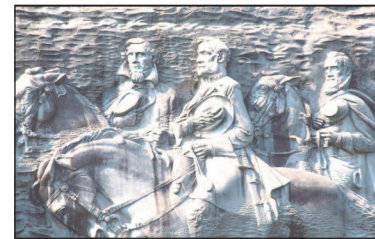
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Gentlemen, my name is Tim Hawkins, I am announcing my candidacy for Georgia Division 4th Brigade Commander. Since I have been a member of the Sons of Confederate veterans I have been very active in supporting our heritage, the Georgia Division as current Chief of Staff and my Camp, Lt. James T Woodward 1399. I have been Commander of my Camp for 6 years supporting activities of my local Camp and the Georgia Division. I am also an active member of the Mechanized Cavalry serving as the Colonel. I have a degree in business and logistics. I am an Air Force Veteran and retired from a 40 plus year career in Government service. I have the skills and background necessary to fulfill the many duties of the Georgia Division 4th Brigade Commander. In support of the Georgia Division I have actively supported our Cause through advertising on billboards, supported Flags across Georgia, recruitment sign and Southern Cross of Honor distribution. When elected my goals will be to work with the Commanders of the 4th Brigade, the Georgia Division Commander and the Executive Council to protect our Heritage, our Monuments and support all Georgia activates in the protection of our History. I am asking for your vote and support as we move forward protecting our Heritage and supporting the Georgia Division.

Tim Hawkins  
Division Chief Of Staff,  
Commander, Lt. James T. Woodward Camp 1399

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***“Disregard public opinion when it interferes with your duty. When in company, do not endeavor to monopolize all the conversation unless such monopolization appears necessary, but be content with listening and gaining information, yet converse rather than suffer conversation to draw to a close unnecessarily.”***  
**Jackson’s Maxims [1850 ~ 1853]**

**Jack Cowart**  
**Candidate for 9th Brigade**

Compatriots, my name is Jack C. Cowart, I have been asked to seek the position of Commander of the 9th Brigade. I sought the advice of other leaders on the division level and requested the thoughts of many of my peers and all have agreed I should take this step and that I would have their support.

I have always sought to help any camp in their efforts to fulfill our “Charge” given to us by General Stephen D. Lee. Over the past 28 months I have attended on the average of 8 SCV camp meetings a month in Georgia, Alabama, and Florida. I have helped with many programs, flaggings, cleaning of cemeteries, headstone dedications, and community events. I am the author of 11 history books and booklets with more on the way. I have had published many articles in both Florida and Georgia newspapers.

It has been my privilege to help raise funds to place monuments to our heroes and have stood guard to protect several monuments recently. I travel to speak in person and on radio in defense of our flags, history, and heritage. It has been my privilege to speak in high schools and college classes both private and public. The past three years I have made several visits and worked the phones with many Georgia Senators and Representatives, as well as the Governor’s office of Georgia dealing with issues we are involved with as members of the SCV. Also, I have done the same in three states in relation to Private, Christian and Home School Education for over thirty years.

I have recently started camp #2314, “C.S.S. Chattahoochee” and as of now I serve as its Commander. In just over one year we have recruited 23 members. We are working now to reactivate camps in Dothan, Alabama, Newton, Georgia, and Blakely, Georgia. I have a master’s degree in Education and supported myself and my family as a professional truck driver, Martial Arts instructor, educator, and ordained minister. I am now retired.

I would be more than happy to serve where I am needed. If you should see fit to vote for me, please do so. With or without the vote, I am willing to help any camp, in any way I can.

Deo Vindice,  
Jack C. Cowart



**BRUNSWICK. YOUR HISTORY IS BEING DESTROYED!!**



Our local history is under attack by the “Cancel Culture”. Several Brunswick elected officials have joined this culture. and now have threatened to remove the Confederate Veteran Memorial that has stood at its location since 1902, or 119 years,  
“We will appreciate any help you can give to help defend our Monument and History”

Please send your tax-deductible contribution to:  
THOMAS MARSH FORMAN CAMP 485, SCV  
PO BOX 1022  
BRUNSWICK, GA 31521-1022

### Fifth Brigade Commander Candidate

My name is Tom Holley and I am running for Commander of the Fifth Brigade. I have been an active member of the SCV since 2003. I published three books regarding Confederate soldiers that mustered in from Columbia County: The Ramsey Volunteers, The Thomson Guards and The Hamilton Rangers. I have been an active speaker on



Confederate topics at many camp meetings. I was the Lt. Commander of the Lt. General Ambrose Ransom Wright Camp 1914 for six years. I created and maintained the camp website and wrote the camp newsletter which won best in the Georgia Division. I helped organize the Augusta Confederate Harvest Balls and organized numerous Confederate grave dedication events. I am currently a charter member and commander of Thomson Guards, Camp 91 in Thomson, GA.

I hold both undergraduate and masters degrees in business administration. I ran several very large prosperous businesses before creating my own successful international company, Asphalt Plant Products. I enjoy excellent health. I have been married to the same wonderful woman for fifty years. She is a member of the UDC and encourages, assists and participates in my endeavors.

I researched, documented and registered with the National SCV over thirty great great grandfathers or great great grand uncles that served in the CSA. I am strongly motivated to see the "charge" fulfilled on their behalf.

If elected, I am committed to honorably and faithfully serving the Fifth Brigade and our GA Division. I will attend all state meetings and functions. I will strive to regularly attend our Fifth Brigade camp meetings to share information and assist wherever possible. I also understand the proper use of both email and text. I will strive to keep good communications with the camps. I would be grateful for your support.

Thank you, Tom Holley  
706-466-3678 [thomas3456@aol.com](mailto:thomas3456@aol.com)

**"It Is Better To Have Fought And Lost  
Than To Not Have Fought At All"**  
(Confederate Monument- Cassville, Ga.)  
Submitted by Tim Lively; *Carter's Confederate Courier*  
February 2021  
Brig. Gen. John C. Carter Camp #207

### Bo Slack for 8th Brigade Commander

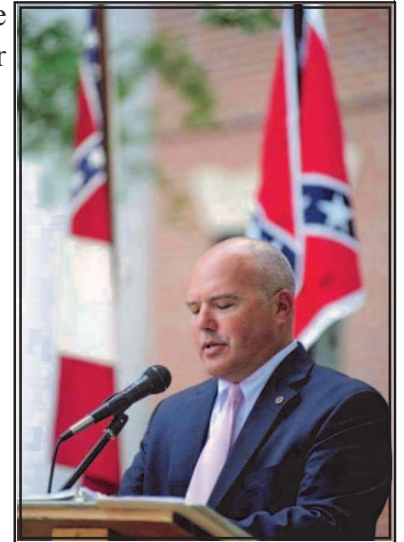
The platform:

Since joining the Sons of Confederate Veterans I have been involved in various leadership roles. Currently I am the camp commander of the Yancey Independents and spokesman for public relations in the 8th Brigade. Our camp has undertaken several important projects to raise the visibility of the national, state and local organization. One such project is the raising of the Battle Flag along US Highway 82 in Worth County. This project is self funded through local donations and book sales honoring our Confederate Heritage. As your next brigade commander I plan to strengthen our local camps through regular visitations and hosting an annual Lee-

Jackson Dinner. Also, I plan to work more closely with the division leadership in developing programs that will improve retention and recruitment in South Georgia. I most humbly ask for your prayers and support as we fight for our Heritage.

Roll Dixie!  
Roll!

Bo Slack



### Christmas 1862 ~ Berry Benson

By Kirby Ashe

During the Christmas season of 1862, Union and Confederate pickets across the Rappahannock River just outside of the town of Fredericksburg, Virginia was the scene of fraternization between the Confederate and Yankee soldiers. The river was largely frozen over that winter and the gap between both banks was only a few hundred feet across in many places. The lines were so close on the Rappahannock during the winter of 1862 - 1863, that personal contact between the soldiers of both sides became commonplace.

While the officers usually discouraged such contact, the common soldiers would make their exchanges by small, hand-made boats that the soldiers called "fairy fleets." Using these toy boats, both sides would exchange of coffee for tobacco from across the Rappahannock River. These men and boys often met together on rocks, or small islands in the river where Confederate troops exchanged Southern tobacco for the coffee ration issued to Northern soldiers. Sometimes they even met to play cards, and other times they just exchanged stories.

These stories were reported many times by soldiers of both sides. In the spirit of the Christmas Season, stories of these encounters told the point of view of men who served on both sides of the Rappahannock near Fredericksburg that fateful Christmas and winter following the major battle that took place there in December of 1862. The following account is taken

from the memoirs of Sergeant Berry G. Benson, 1st South Carolina Infantry Regiment, born in Hamburg, South Carolina, and a resident of North Augusta, talking about his remembrances from the winter of 1862-1863 when Benson's unit was assigned picket duty several miles downstream from the town of Fredericksburg:



*"We picketed the Rappahannock at Moss Neck Church, one's turn to picket coming every few days, 24 hours being the term. We became quite friendly with the enemy's pickets posted on the opposite side, and used to talk with them and exchange newspapers. The exchange was made by taking a piece of board or bark, fixing a stick upright in it as a mast, with the paper attached to this as a sail. By setting the sail properly, the wind would carry it across from one side to the other, as it was wanted to go. Once a Federal band came down the river and played 'Dixie.' We cheered them vociferously, of course. Then it played 'Yankee Doodle,' and the enemy cheered. Then 'Home, Sweet Home,' and the cheer went up loud and long from both sides of the river."*

- Berry Benson

For them, if only for all-too-brief a time, it was the war that was the real enemy, and not each other. The common bond of being Americans; the divine spark of humanity overcoming the darkness of human nature.

- Kirby Ashe

March 2, 2021

## Atlanta's Oakland Cemetery and Veterans' Monuments Vandalized Again. The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans offers a \$5,000 Reward

Over the weekend of February 27 officials discovered that Atlanta's Oakland Cemetery property and its Veterans' monuments had been vandalized again. Markings indicate it was done by domestic terrorist groups of Black Lives Matter and Antifa.

There have been no reports in the media as of date. Where is the liberal establishment outrage? Where is the National Guard? Veterans' graves and monuments are being desecrated at Oakland Cemetery approximately 600 yards from the Georgia State Capitol Building. It has been suggested that the State of Georgia should take over administration of the Historic Oakland Cemetery from the City of Atlanta where at least some effort can be provided to protect this hallowed ground and Georgia's sacred monuments.

After previous terrorist acts, the Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans made an offer to the Historic Oakland Foundation to help purchase security cameras and to raise monetary donations to secure these areas, but the Foundation declined, stating "they have it under control". Well, it's evident they don't have it under control.

The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans is outraged and saddened by these terrorist acts against these Grave markers and Georgia's Veteran monuments and is offering a **\$5,000 reward leading to the arrest and conviction of the guilty party**. Please contact Atlanta's Crime Stoppers with any information at (404) 577-8477 or Cell: 678/232-8638 [atlantapolicefoundation.org](http://atlantapolicefoundation.org)

For further information contact:

Martin K. O'Toole

Spokesman, Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Inc.

[GASCVPR@gmail.com](mailto:GASCVPR@gmail.com)

In July of 1864, Confederate General John Bell Hood stood on a hill and watched the Battle of Atlanta just a couple of miles away. So, it is only fitting that there be a large area of unmarked graves from this battle. It is said that some three thousand soldiers are buried in several mass graves here. Their only monument is the beautiful marble "Lion of Atlanta". This monument represents the Confederate soldiers who died defending their beliefs. The monument of the mortally wounded lion is lying down, signifying defeat in battle. In his paw, he clutches a fallen battle flag, and he seems to be pulling his beloved banner toward him. Standing on the grass beside the lion, one can almost sense the thousands of souls interred here and the great sadness of the Confederacy.

This place commands – and demands – reverence.

March 17, 2021

## Division Recruitment and Voter Registration Campaign

Gentlemen,

Following up on the Division's Recruitment and Voter Registration Campaign: We have received 100 packs of voter registration applications at our Division Office ready for distribution.

Brothers, I can't emphasize enough how serious our situation is. If we don't get our like-minded Georgians registered and out to vote, Georgia will be headed down the same path as Virginia has gone. We can't let the leftist in Fulton and DeKalb Counties determine our State's future.

This Recruitment and Voter Registration Campaign is an action that we all can take part in, and it will make a substantial difference. Make it a personal goal to get 5 to 10 like-minded Georgians registered to vote and try to recruit them in the ranks of the SCV.

Have a stack of voter registration applications available at Camp events, booths, and meetings along with SCV membership applications. A copy of the individual's ID is required to submit along with the application. Purchase a cheap printer so you can make a copy for them on the spot to get it ready to mail.

We have made it easy to get voter registration applications and recruitment brochures:

Email or Call Division Secretary Kitty Dorety at [secretary@gascv.org](mailto:secretary@gascv.org) or (866) 728-4642. We have both voter applications and SCV membership brochures available that she can mail to you.

Email the Secretary of State's office, Rachell Simmons at [rsimmons@sos.ga.gov](mailto:rsimmons@sos.ga.gov) and request that she ship you a few packs of voter registration applications.

Go to your County's Board of Elections office and ask for a pack of voter registration applications.

Go on line to the Secretary of State web-page and register to vote on line : **[www.registertovote.sos.ga.gov/GAOLVR/beginRegistration.do](http://www.registertovote.sos.ga.gov/GAOLVR/beginRegistration.do)**

Brothers, we can do something about the direction our State is heading. Get some voter registration applications and SCV membership applications on hand to give out. Keep some in your vehicle, you never know when the opportunity will present itself. We have plenty of like-minded young men and women that need to be registered to vote and in the ranks of the SCV.

If you're interested in serving as the Voter / Recruitment coordinator for your Camp or Brigade please email me or give me a call. [timfpilgrim@yahoo.com](mailto:timfpilgrim@yahoo.com) or 404.456.3393.

# THE ANTEBELLUM FESTIVAL OF DUBLIN, GEORGIA



## SATURDAY APRIL 24TH

### COOKOUT

AT THE  
CAPTAIN HARDY SMITH HOUSE  
12:00

### CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

AT THE DUBLIN MONUMENT  
2:30

### PRIVATE SHOWING OF GONE WITH THE WIND

DUBLIN THEATRE  
@ 5:00

FOR RESERVATIONS AND  
MORE INFORMATION:  
CONTACT COMMANDER JOHN C. HALL, JR.  
OF THE HARDY SMITH CAMP #104 AT  
SCV104DUBLIN@GMAIL.COM





March 31, 2021

Mr. Timothy Pilgrim  
Georgia Division Commander  
Sons of Confederate Veterans  
P.O. Box 1081  
Macon, Georgia 31202

Stone Mountain Event  
**CANCELLED**  
By SMMA

Dear Mr. Pilgrim:

I am writing in response to your application to conduct the Sons of Confederate Veterans 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Confederate Memorial Day Service at Stone Mountain Park on April 17, 2021. We must decline approval of the Public Assembly Permit for the event. This decision is based on several factors:

1. Stone Mountain Memorial Association Ordinance 5-102 E 8 states no public assembly events shall be conducted when it presents a clear and present danger to the public health or safety. With the volatile nature of events of the immediate past and ongoing today, there is a clear and present danger to members of the SCV, potential counter protesters, Park employees and guests. The Stone Mountain Park Department of Public Safety does not have adequate resources to protect the event participants, employees and guests.
2. The Memorial Plaza Lawn is assigned to Stone Mountain Park/Silver Dollar City as part of the leased premises as outlined in the lease agreement. As such, the Stone Mountain Memorial Association has been notified by Stone Mountain Park/Silver Dollar City that their decision is to not allow group access to the lawn. To do so, as stated to us would be a violation of the lease agreement between their company and the Stone Mountain Memorial Association.
3. Based on existing state and CDC guidelines concerning COVID 19 which discourages gatherings of large groups, Stone Mountain Park/Silver Dollar City has cancelled the Easter Sunrise Service held annually in the Park.

We will be glad to review an application for 2022.

Respectfully,

  
Bill Stephens, CEO

2027 Old Hugh Howell Road • Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083  
[www.stonemountainpark.org](http://www.stonemountainpark.org)



The *CSS Hunley* Crew

\*{The CSS Hunley sank the battleship USS Housatonic, February 1864 in Charleston Harbor. The Hunley was the first submarine to sink an enemy battleship. The crew of eight never made it back to shore. All eight sailors aboard perished when the Hunley sank to the bottom of Charleston Harbor. The eight heroes of CSS Hunley rose from the floor of the harbor 140 years later. In April 2004 the crew was given a Christian and Confederate Military funeral at Magnolia Cemetery, Charleston, South Carolina. The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate veterans, was there, led by our Georgia Division Commander Dr. Jack Bridwell. Many thousands of Confederate descendents were present on that warm April day dressed in Confederate battle attire. The sailors of the Hunley were pulled by horse drawn carriages five miles from the Battery to Magnolia Cemetery. The procession lasted for several hours. I was honored to play a very small part with our Georgia Division.} By Georgia Division Poet Laureate,

George Ray Houston  
See “SONNET” Page 21

“Confederate Veteran M.W. Rasburry  
~ First Atlanta Police Officer Fatality”

Mansell W. Rasburry was born in Paulding County [Georgia] in 1836. In 1855 his father moved the family to Atlanta. When the War began, Mansell served as a Captain in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade, Georgia State Troops. On February 4, 1864 he enlisted in the Fulton Dragoons as a private. The Dragoons were assigned to Cobb’s Legion Cavalry, when on April 26, 1865 they surrendered at Greensboro, North Carolina.

In 1867, Rasburry became an Atlanta police officer. On March 5, 1872, while on patrol at the corner of Decatur and Pryor Streets, a well-known gambler, Penn Bedell

approached the officer. With Bedell was an unknown stranger. Rasburry began scrutinizing him because a bank had been robbed earlier. The gambler Bedell reacted to this perceived affront by arguing with Officer Rasburry, who drew his pistol. Bedell grabbed the police officer’s hand when the gun discharged. The round hit the officer’s abdomen and proved fatal two days later. Officer Mansell Wilkinson Rasburry became the first Atlanta Policeman to be killed while on duty. He is buried in historic Oakland Cemetery in Atlanta. His name is on the National Police Officers’ Memorial in Washington, D.C.

By Mike Bowen, SCV Life Member



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.  
*NOTE: The Official Georgia Division  
Charge [2011] uses no quotation marks, and  
does not specifically attribute our Charge to  
any person. .editor.*

JROTC Hunley  
Awards

Division H.L. Hunley  
Award Liaison

Scott E. Seay  
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Calendar 2021  
Add to your  
Camp's newsletter:

[ [Stone Mountain](#)  
[April 17th](#)  
**CANCELLED**  
**SMMA 1**

Annual Division Re-  
union  
Macon  
June 4, 5

Georgia Division Program Speaker Roster  
Sons of Confederate Veterans

| Speaker              | Bri-<br>gade | Phone        | Email                                |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Dr. Max E. White     | 3rd          | 706-677-2043 | 89sensei@gmail.com                   |
| John C. Hall Jr.     | 4th          | 404-964-6896 | scv104dublin@gmail.com               |
| Kim Beck             | 4th          | 478-290-3885 | pinebarrensvolun-<br>teers@yahoo.com |
| Hu Daughtry          | 5th          | 912 687-6153 | sidada11@yahoo.com                   |
| Michael A. Mull      | 5th          | 912-314-0350 | michaelanthony-<br>mull@gmail.com    |
| Maxwell (Max) Scott  | 5th          | 912-225-3607 | maxwellsctt@aol.com                  |
| David Butler         | 5th          | 706-564-2433 | dabutler288@gmail.com                |
| Adam Bazemore        | 5th          | 912-978-1526 | abazemo2@gmail.com                   |
| Nicholas Cammaroto   | 6th          | 301-609-0687 | NJCammaroto@gmail.com                |
| David Moncus         | 6th          | 706-840-9439 | davidcmoncus@yahoo.com               |
| Sterling Skinner     | 6th          | 608-346-9786 | ski-<br>pandlynn@windstream.net      |
| John Turrentine      | 7th          | 706-847-7666 | johnnyturren-<br>tine@gmail.com      |
| Bo Slack             | 8th          | 229-343-2345 | abacowboy@hotmail.com                |
| George Ray Houston   | 8th          | 229-272-6703 | grhsyvlester@aol.com                 |
| James W. King        | 9th          | 229-854-1944 | jkingan-<br>tiquearms@bellsouth.net  |
| Ken "Sarge" Arvin    | 9th          | 706-662-4532 | orphanbn@outlook.com                 |
| Jack Cowart          | 9th          | 229-379-6714 | jackcsa@yahoo.com                    |
| Scott Gilbert        | 11th         | 404-449-2521 | scottgilbert@bellsouth.net           |
| Brian Hooper         | 11th         | 404-403-8004 | bjhooper@gmail.com                   |
| Martin O'Toole       | 12th         | 678-232-8638 | gascvpr@gmail.com                    |
| Van Wing             | 12th         | 404-784-8950 | van_wing@yahoo.com                   |
| David Aderhold       | 13th         | 678-409-5790 | aderholds-<br>wat@bellsouth.net      |
| Eli Stancel          | 13th         | 724-562-0239 | arkstate@gmail.com                   |
| Charles Kelly Barrow | 13th         | 770-468-4246 | barrowscv@inbox.com                  |

Speakers from other Divisions and  
Non SCV offering Programs

|                            |               |              |                       |
|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Tim Kent                   | Ala-<br>bama  | 256-366-7363 | alacsaed@yahoo.com    |
| Peter Mullen               | Florida       | 904-879-4931 | ppmullen39@yahoo.com  |
| Vincent Balducci           | New<br>Jersey | 908-328-2912 | veganvinny@gmail.com  |
| Phillip Whiteman           | Non-<br>SCV   | 770-587-2172 | GA6thDist@gmail.com   |
| Robert Jones               | Non-<br>SCV   | 678-772-2008 | jone442@bellsouth.net |
| Donna Faulkner Bar-<br>ron | Non-<br>SCV   | 678-908-3555 | royafulkner@yahoo.com |
| John McKay                 | Non-<br>SCV   | 678-230-9194 | mrmckay@bellsouth.net |

Contact the speaker to see what programs are available.

This list was compiled from speakers who replied to a Divi-  
sion wide email, if you would like to be added to the list,  
please send the following information to:

**[chuck.griffin13@yahoo.com](mailto:chuck.griffin13@yahoo.com)**

**Your Name, Phone Number, Email Address, and Brigade Number.**

If you are sending information for someone else, please get their permission  
before doing so.

**TRR Cobb, Camp #97  
Sons of Confederate Veterans'  
Historical Presentations Series**

***"Revisionist Historians  
and Their Numbers"***

by Robert Collins, Historian, Researcher

This talk, "Revisionist Historians", as a talk, began as a counter to changing History by numbers (For example, 'Grant is a better general because he lost a smaller percentage of his army.'). The talk by the speaker progressed and grew and now it focuses on a conspiracy that began in early 1864 and involved the era president, his cabinet, (especially Secretary of War Stanton), the Chief of Staff, and officers of the Army of the Potomac down to Division commanders. Clues of this began to appear in the 1960's in preparation for the War Between the States' Centennial Celebration when computers were first used to accumulate casualty figures (deaths, wounded, captured, and deserted). The numbers were way off for Battles in 1864. The speaker ended with battle presentations with 2 sets of numbers, those we have used for 150 years and those since accumulated. Then, numerologists and mathematicians gave us the 1870 Census. Those numbers would make deaths in the War Between the States 750,000 and 850,000 which were more in line with the computer models. Professor Burke Davis (North Carolina) believes the number is closer to 1 million when civilian casualties are added (He reminds us that a number of Southern cities were heavily shelled by Union forces including Fredericksburg, Vicksburg, Atlanta, Richmond, and many others). What if the numbers are wrong? What if they are wrong on purpose?? What if what we have read for 150 years was a fabrication??? The speaker will present this as if the meeting is a trial: "I am the prosecution and the audience is the jury. With charges this serious I would have to present a witness, one that is credible, one that is recognizable, and one that pressed the point and no one had listened! I have that witness and it all did happen! I now call it, 'A Deal With The Devil'".

Join us as the speaker reveals his findings on Revisionist History and the potential for Counter Culture.

The meeting is open to the public. This presentation is part of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp #97 monthly series of historical talks about the South, the War Between the States, the Confederacy, and other historical aspects of the era, and is provided as a public service. The talks are presented by authors, historians, and researchers. The meeting is held at 7:00 pm, the first Thursday of each month, at the Smith House, 1760 Old Epps Bridge Road, Athens, 30605. Because of the corona-virus pandemic in Georgia, and that we have many members in the 'at-risk' group, social distancing will be practiced and masks are strongly encouraged. Masks and hand sanitizer will be available at the door.

For more information, please contact Lowry Harper, [lowry.harper@gmail.com](mailto:lowry.harper@gmail.com) (706-769-9770)

**"Georgia's Last Real Son  
of a Confederate Veteran"**

(A Personal Interview)

By Clark Williams, Member, Camp #97  
for the **TRR Cobb, Camp #97  
Sons of Confederate Veterans'  
Historical Presentations Series**

*The program for  
the **March 4  
(2021)** regular  
meeting of the  
Sons of Confederate  
Veterans,  
TRR Cobb Camp  
#97, provided by  
the above histo-  
rian.*



H.V. Booth as a child with his father, Isham, a veteran of the War Between the States.

In June of 2013, Camp Member Clark Williams and his wife, Clare, went

to a nursing home in Elberton to visit and interview Georgia's last real son of a Confederate veteran, H.V. Booth. The visit was timely as he passed away two years later in June, 2015, at the age of 96. For two hours, Clark and Clare visited with and asked him questions about his dad, Isham (who was a guard at Andersonville), about himself, and his family. Mr. Williams will talk about his impression of Booth and what Mr. Booth told him of his memories (of which he had clarity). This interview is likely one of the last done with Georgia's last real Son of a Confederate Veteran.

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**McLeod-Moring  
Camp 1386**

On February 4, 2021, the McLeod-Moring Camp #1386 Sons of Confederate Veterans and Heritage Roses Chapter #15 Order of Confederate Roses with the cooperation of Library Manager Gladys Collins donated a selection of books to Franklin Memorial Library. See photos Page 11

**Sonnet**

**At Magnolia Cemetery  
They Sleep**

By: George Ray Houston  
Poet Laureate Georgia SCV  
Charter Member Camp 693,  
Yancy Independents

At Magnolia Cemetery  
they sleep,  
Raised from the harbor  
of the sounding deep,  
We salute the cause  
and their final rest,  
Their sepulcher rose from the  
iron clad chest.  
Eight perished  
on the bottom of the sea,  
Impossible escape;  
hopeless to flee,  
February sixteen of sixty four  
The Hunley crew sank  
to the harbor floor.  
Southern sailors would  
breathe their final breath.  
Diminutive capsule;  
suffering death;  
We honor their gallantry;  
duty made,  
Sacrificed for country;  
their lives they gave,  
They sank \*Housatonic;  
enemy knave.  
We epitomize their valor;  
the brave.

George Ray Houston  
Poet Laureate Georgia SCV



## CAMP NEWS

The Georgia  Confederate

Send your "CAMP NEWS" to [gaconfederate@att.net](mailto:gaconfederate@att.net)

### The Barnesville Blues #2137

Division Lt. Cmdr. North George J. Crawford spoke at our February 4th Camp Meeting in Barnesville. He spoke on the history of Stone Mountain, highlighting the medals issued by the fledgling Stone Mountain Confederate Monumental Association in efforts to raise the estimated 5 million dollars to complete the carving in 1915. He also highlighted Division Cmdr. Pilgrim's push to register voters statewide before the 2022 midterm elections. ❖

### *B/G John C. Carter Camp 207 Sons of Confederate Veterans*

#### Confederate Memorial Service

**April 25, 2021  
3:00 PM**

### **WAYNESBORO CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL CEMETERY**

**Memorial Address Presented  
By:  
Dr. David Hollingsworth**

### **SCV CAMP & OCR CHAPTER DONATE BOOKS TO FRANKLIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

On February 4, 2021, the McLeod-Moring Camp #1386 Sons of Confederate Veterans and Heritage Roses Chapter #15 Order of Confederate Roses with the cooperation of Library Manager Gladys Collins donated a selection of books to Franklin Memorial Library. Previously the library was found to be short on selections published from Southern authors during the 1800s. The SCV and OCR have made it a priority to find these books and donate them to the library for the community to be able to borrow. The first selections donated were:

The True Story of Andersonville Prison by James Madison Page 1839-1924. Page was a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant of Company A Sixth Michigan Cavalry for the Union Army. He was captured in September of 1863 and spent 13 months in Southern military prisons, seven months were spent at Camp Sumter near Andersonville Georgia. Page wrote the book in defense of Major Henry Wirz, the former commandant of

the prison who was accused of murder. The book was first published in 1908.

A Constitutional View of the Late War Between The States by Alexander H. Stephens, Volumes I & II, first published in 1870. Alexander H. Stephens 1812-1883, was a Lawyer, a US Congressman from Georgia before the war, served as Vice President of the Confederate States of America during the war and served as Georgia's governor from 1882 until his death in 1883.

The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government by Jefferson Davis Volumes I and II-first published in 1881. Jefferson Davis 1808-1889. Jefferson Davis was a former Lieutenant in the United States Army, who served as a Colonel of a volunteer regiment during the Mexican-American War from 1846-1848. He served as in the 29<sup>th</sup> Congress and as a Senator in the 30<sup>th</sup> United States Congress for Mississippi where he served thru 1851. He was later appointed Secretary of War in 1853 under President Franklin Pierce. He served as the President of the Confederate States of America. ❖

### **Southern Tribune Letter-to-the-Editor**

Re: Confederate Monument

February 8, 2021

Dear Editor:

Apparently, the Cuthbert City Council has succumbed to the toxicity of the cancel culture. The citizens of Cuthbert must realize the lawsuit filed against your city government will prove costly to defend in the long run. Your elected leaders have disowned their history by voting to remove the Confederate Veteran's statue. Such actions were similar to the Jacobin behavior during the Radical Phase of the French Revolution and the Bolsheviks in the Russian Revolution.

First of all, the monument erected in your city was to honor all former and living Confederate veterans. The Cuthbert monument erected in 1896 under the auspices of United Confederate Veterans and the Randolph County Ladies Memorial Association (Source: G.B. Hagler *Georgia's Confederate Monuments*) paid tribute to those men who fought in the war. The funds for the monument were contributed by widows and surviving family members living in the community at the time. These monuments brought closure for those whose lost loved ones never returned home to be buried in their own county. In the North monuments were raised to honor the Union Veterans for similar reasons. The war memorials and statues erected in the North and South became an important component of reconciliation not political statements. The same applies to the naming of military bases across the nation that honored Civil War veterans on both sides. Now your congressman has voted to remove those names of military heroes that fought for the Confederacy!

Almost 100,000 Georgians served in the Confederate military. Many died of wounds sustained in battle and others by disease. 90% of the men who fought for Southern Independence did not own any slaves or significant amounts of property. They served because of patriotism and necessity in defending their homeland from invasion. The South suffered the greatest percentage of casualties among its population than the North when one accounts both the total civilian and military deaths. Of course, this did not include the unmeasured psychological costs associated with fighting the war that people once called the "Soldier's Heart" or better known as Post Traumatic Syndrome. This served as another reason for honoring their sacrifice just as America has always done for veterans who fought in wars throughout our national history.

Unfortunately, historical revision has infected our educational system including your city leaders. Our children have been taught that our Confederate ancestors are unworthy of honor. I would remind any potential critic to study the 1958 Public Law 85-425 passed by the US Congress. This law afforded Confederate Soldiers, Sailors and Marines the same respect as all American veterans. Recent proposed legislation in our General Assembly, House Bills 237 and 238 seek not just the removal of our statues but erasing our State's history.

The famous writer Santayana once said, "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

Do not allow this to happen in your community!

Sincerely,

Bo Slack, Commander, Yancy Independents Camp 693



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**Georgia Division,  
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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 Veteran's monuments, memorials, or grave markers and will assist law enforcement in any way possible to vigorously pursue the prosecution of these heinous violations to the fullest extent of the law.

We hold the services 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 honors 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.

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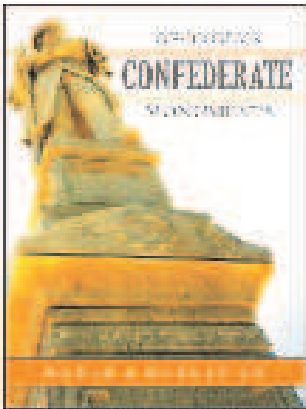
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