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The citizen-soldiers who fought for the Confederacy personified the best qualities of America. The preservation of liberty and freedom was the motivating factor in the South's decision to fight the Second American Revolution. The tenacity with which Confederate soldiers fought underscored their belief in the rights guaranteed by the Constitution. These attributes are the underpinning of our democratic society and represent the foundation on which this nation was built.

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The SCV is the direct heir of the United Confederate Veterans, and the oldest hereditary organization for male descendants of Confederate soldiers. Organized at Richmond, Virginia in 1896, the SCV continues to serve as a historical, patriotic, and non-political organization dedicated to ensuring that a true history of the 1861 - 1865 period is preserved.

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From the Army Commander

Men of the Army,

It was good to see so many members of the Army of Tennessee at the reunion in Kenner. Being together at reunion always recharges my batteries and I return home with a resolve to work harder for the principles that our organization stands for.

I hope this will be the last time that I write about the damage being done by either uninformed members or members that put their own self interest above the interest of the organization. I will not go into specifics but I will tell you that if you have questions concerning how the SCV works, why something is done a certain way or the financial strength of the organization, please start with your Camp Commander and work your way up the chain of command until you get an answer. To many times we take our answer from Facebook or other social media sites from people who sound like experts but really don't have the correct information or information that contains opinions instead of fact.

There were many surprises at this year's reunion. I was floored by the donation of the flag from the 1910 UCV reunion held in Mobile by the Admiral Raphael Semmes camp 11 from Mobile. Even more floored when Commander Joe Ringhoffer of the Semmes Camp presented CiC McCluney with a check for \$50,000 to go to the fundraising efforts for the Museum at Elm Springs. The Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87 from Knoxville presented a check for \$19,000 and the Alabama Division presented a check for \$12,500 to go to the museum. The Mississippi and Tennessee Divisions and individual members also made sizable donations.

Donations to the Forrest reinterment were also plentiful and well appreciated. Two chances were given to obtain a hand made flag. The first was through ticket sales and that raised \$2,403. The second chance was done through an auction and the winning bid was for \$4,200. We left Kenner on Saturday real close to the goal for funding the reinterment of General Forrest and his wife. There are still opportunities to donate to the museum and to the Forrest fund. Check your *Confederate Veteran* or the pages of this newsletter for options.

We are one month away from the largest event the SCV has been involved with in many years. On September 16th through the 18th the Forrest reinterment will be held. The details are at SCV.org. I cannot stress enough the need for a pass to get on the grounds. Without that pass you WILL NOT be allowed through the gate. You must have a separate pass for each member of your family that will be attending. If you are having difficulty

with registering or printing the pass, please reach out to your camp commander or other appropriate people. This registration process is scheduled to end on August 31st. You must either bring the printed version or a saved copy to your phone on the day of the event. On Saturday the 18th the gate will be closed at 10 AM when the funeral starts. Parking concerns and other matters will be updated as information becomes available. I hope to see you there!

Our fall AoT workshop originally scheduled to be held at Elm Springs has been postponed. There is such a flurry of things going on the planners of the workshop felt that it would be better to reschedule for a different date. Once the new date is picked it will be advertised on all of the available outlets.

I know many of you feel we are always coming to the membership for money and you are right. We basically self fund everything we do. It has always been your choice to donate or not. Every donation is appreciated from the smallest to the largest. In this issue I have included two opportunities to help raise funds for worthwhile endeavors. One is for the Florida Division and one is for the Georgia Division. They both are in litigation to protect monuments and that litigation takes money. If an individual, Camp or Division wishes to help save these monuments please consider donating to their tax deductible fund. You can find the information on pages 8 and 19. It will be appreciated.

The Georgia Division will be hosting the 2022 National Reunion at Cartersville, Georgia on July 19th through the 23rd. It will be at the Clarence Brown Conference Center in Cartersville. The host hotel is the Courtyard by Marriott located at 5460 SR20 E in Cartersville. The phone number is (678)721-1660. They are already taking reservations for next year. Be sure to mention the SCV to get the reduced rate. Rooms are going fast. The official reunion website will be up very soon with the schedule of events, etc.

The reunion locations for 2023 and 2024 have been approved. The 2023 reunion will be Hot Springs, Arkansas and the 2024 reunion will be in Charleston, South Carolina. I have seen discussion on social media about other locations in friendlier locales. All I can suggest is to get the Reunion guidelines off of the website (SCV.org) and see if your camp can meet the requirements. If so, put together a package and submit it to the reunion planning committee. I am sure they would love to hear from you. I can think of a few places to hold a reunion. Honolulu would be great. Maybe its time to revive the SCV cruise reunion idea.

Duty, then is the sublimest word in our language. Do your duty in all things. You cannot do more; you should never wish to do less. Robert E. Lee

The quote above from Robert E. Lee is one that means a lot to me. We all have a duty to uphold in our every day lives. As ancestors of Confederate soldiers we have a duty passed down to us through our birth right and exemplified through the Charge given to us as members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans by General Stephen D. Lee.

A duty (from "due" meaning "that which is owing"; Old French: deu, did, past participle of devoir; Latin: debere, debitum, whence "debt") is a commitment or expectation to perform some action in general or if certain circumstances arise. A duty may arise from a system of ethics or morality, especially in an honor culture. Many duties are created by law, sometimes including a codified punishment or liability for non-performance. Performing one's duty may require some sacrifice of self-interest.

People define duty in many ways and apply it in various ways to their lives. In our organization, duty is sometimes thrust upon you when you run for an office or accept a special assignment. For many (and I put myself in this category) it was taught by their parents through talks and examples through their daily lives. I believe you have a sense of right and wrong built into you at birth. How you learn in your formative years gives you your level of duty and honor and it grows as you get older and you accept more responsibility in your daily life. It is easy to say "It's my duty and I'm honored to do it", it is much harder to do your duty when the time comes to make those hard decisions.

There is a true glory and a true honor: the glory of duty done - - the honor of the integrity of principle. Robert E. Lee

Standing up for your principles and your moral beliefs can be difficult but it must be done. Otherwise how do you live with yourself. It is better to walk away than to compromise your integrity. I am doing that today as I have started a new path in my own life as a member of the Tennessee Division.

For the Cause,

Jimmy Hill
Commander
Army of Tennessee



Meet the new mascot of the Army of Tennessee!

T-Rex was voted in as our new mascot at the National Reunion in Kenner, Louisiana in July.

The story begins as a way of honoring Past AoT Commander Jason Boshers. Some Tennessee Division members were wanting to bestow a special title for all of the hard work he did for the AoT as Councilman and Commander. Well we don't have those special titles anymore so I thought about it that night and decided we could do a mascot, it would be based on the attributes of our soldiers and of Commander Boshers. I had not thought of what our mascot could be but some people quickly said T-Rex and it was voted upon.

As you all probably know, the T-Rex was the fiercest of the dinosaurs and it brought fear into its enemies when it was around. It was also a tenacious fighter and never gave up. Our ancestors were the same way. They were fierce under fire; the Rebel Yell brought fear into their enemies whenever they heard it. They were tenacious fighters.

Commander Boshers is definitely a good inspiration for our new mascot. He is a fighter for our Cause and never gives up. During his four years as an officer he logged thousands of miles to be on the front lines of our fight to take back the narrative. He is the same way today as our Lt. Commander in Chief. When given a task he gives it his all to complete on time. He wants this organization to succeed and never offers excuses. His ancestors will be proud of him when he meets them again.

It was an honor to serve with Commander Boshers when I was the Army Councilman and I learned a lot from watching him perform his duties.

Men of the Army of Tennessee I hope you all become T-Rexes! Be tenacious as you go to spread the true history of the South to the ill prepared masses. Never quit fighting.

*Jimmy Hill
Commander*

From the Army Councilman

Why Must the South be Defended?

This and the answers to this question are what we must come to realize as a motivation for our continued efforts to fulfill “The Charge” of S.D. Lee.

In a nutshell, the answer is that “The South IS America.” Think about this- It was a Southerner, Patrick Henry, who initiated our declaring independence from the English Crown when he penned the Stamp Act Resolves. Boston likes to claim credit for this, but as usual, they’re wrong. Henry’s Resolves made their way into other colonies, and up the Atlantic Coast to the Bay Colony, where his opinions heavily influenced, and ultimately led, to the uproar that Bostonians undertook. When the British invasion commenced much of the war was fought in the North, but Southern soldiers were included in those Colonial Armies and when the British undertook their “Southern strategy” it led to their doom as our ancestors came out of the backwoods and broke their back at King’s Mountain and ultimately forced their surrender at Yorktown. Southerners fought for and won our independence.

A Southerner, Thomas Jefferson, penned the Declaration of Independence. The Southern philosophy of State sovereignty and federalism carried the day at Philadelphia and influenced a Constitution “for” the United States. Four of the first five Presidents were from the South and the one Yankee, John Adams, was the only president from the founding generation who was not elected to a second term. Southerners such as Lewis and Clarke explored the West and opened it up for the new territories. American art, literature, music, cooking, religion and virtually everything else associated with “America” was birthed here in Dixie and has a uniquely Southern flavor to it.

Yankees, realizing in the early 1800s that they were unable to dominate the country politically, began to undertake to dominate it culturally. They began taking over the education process, the news papers and began rewriting American history to fit a Yankee narrative. It is from these efforts that we have the fabricated views of the first Thanksgiving being in Massachusetts, Yankees winning our Independence, Yankees as the model for our government, and the completely and absurdly silly notion that “we are descended from Puritan Fathers”. The truth is vastly different, but it is not what is taught. What is reflected in our textbooks, and most modern American “scholarship” is the illustration of a South that has been forever downtrodden and “backwards” as compared to an enlightened and forward-thinking North. Due to this, as an organization as well as a people, we must endeavor to focus our attention outside of the four year period between 1861 and 1865 and look more closely at ALL of Southern history beginning at Jamestown. It is all inter-related.

To answer the question as to why the South must be defended, it is because the South is the last remaining bastion of real America. Our culture and our traditions are what made America “Great” in the first place and these things must be perpetuated if we are to remain not only great, but free. Our flags and monuments are not the endgame for our adversaries. They seek to neutralize and destroy our entire culture and our very existence as these things serve as a roadblock to their real goals of gaining absolute control and instituting a system more horrible than most of us can even imagine. This is nothing new as cultural cleansing has long been a strategy for conquest throughout history. After the Battle of Culloden a set of Acts known as “The Dress Acts” were handed down from the English Parliament to the Scots. These Acts forbade the wearing of kilts, the playing of bagpipes and other traditions that were closely woven to Scottish identity. The idea was that if the Crown could make them forget who they were, they’d be more easily led into a culture that was foreign to them. This same strategy is taking place in the American South as I type this. It must be the mission of our organization to take back the narrative. A narrative of truth. It starts with each of us.

Carl Jones
AOT Councilman
Sons of Confederate Veterans



Sardine Graham Stone, jr., born Alabama, about 1842; original service in the United States Navy, as acting midshipman, from September 29, 1857; resigned, January 14, 1861; entered the Confederate States Navy, April 13, 1861, as midshipman; served aboard the steam sloop CSS McRae, New Orleans station, 1861; promoted 2nd lieutenant, February 8, 1862; later served on the Jackson station, 1862, and aboard the cruiser CSS Florida, 1862 - 1863; appointed 1st lieutenant, Provisional Navy, to rank from January 6, 1864; captured at Bahia, Brazil, October 7, 1864; sent to Fort Warren, Boston Harbor, where he was received November 26, 1864; released January 26, 1865, upon the express condition that he was to leave the United States within ten days; post war occupation as county treasurer at Mobile, Alabama; died Mobile, January 18, 1900; buried at the Magnolia Cemetery, Mobile.

Name: Sardine Stone Jr

Residence: Alabama

Enlistment Date: 13 Apr 1861

Service Record: Commission in Navy Regiment United States.

Resigned Navy Regiment United States on 16 Jan 1861. Enlisted as a

Acting Midshipman on 13 April 1861. Commission in Navy Regiment Confederate States on 13 Apr 1861. Promoted to Full Acting Master on 24 Sep 1861. Promoted to Full 2nd Lieutenant on 8 Feb 1862. Promoted to Full 1st Lieutenant on 6 Jan 1864. Commission in Prov Navy Regiment CSA on 2 Jun 1864.

A note about his service record, the CSS McRae fought with distinction in the Battle of New Orleans engagements

What I surmise about the uniform: It is a rare early grey uniform bearing some hybrid distinctions of the earlier blue CSN uniform. We know the CSS Florida was built in Liverpool and departed the United Kingdom on her commissioning voyage on 22 March 1862. After a perilous cruise in the Caribbean where most of the crew including the Captain, John Newland Maffitt contracted Yellow Fever, CSS Florida reached Mobile, AL. in late 1862. She put to sea again in January of 1863 with Lieutenant Stone aboard. She cruised until August 23rd 1863 when Florida put into Brest, France. It is possible that Lieutenant made his way to England and purchased the uniform while waiting to put to sea again, but unlikely. Captain Maffitt, still weak from his bout with Yellow Fever relinquished command to Lieutenant Charles Manigault, whom I believe to be second in command (the 1st Lieutenant or "the Luff"). We note that on 6 January 1864, Lieutenant Stone is advanced from 2nd Lieutenant to 1st Lieutenant or in other words, second in command of CSS Florida. This would also probably correspond to the approximate date the Captain Maffitt relinquished command to Lieutenant Manigault.

CSS Florida put to sea gain on 12 February 1864, and set course for Barbados to take on coal and then on to the coast of Brazil. On 7 October 1864 against international maritime law USS Wachusett attacked and took CSS Florida in a Neutral port (Bahia). Lt. Stone was captured at Bahia, interned and apparently paroled in Boston on 26 January 1865. The entry of his position as having a commission in a provisional naval regiment is somewhat puzzling, but I will use as an example, the commission of Captain Raphael Semmes of the CSS Alabama, as a General in the Confederate States Army, which was an act of protection making him a potential prisoner of war as opposed to a pirate. This may have been administratively and universally extended to officers of all cruisers as a matter of formality.

As to the uniform in your collection, and as I have stated earlier, I believe it was purchased in England while waiting for CSS Florida's completion and first cruise. This period in the early spring of 1862 would have been about the time that the new gray uniform regulations would have been published, but not many if any uniforms would have been produced. The small loop on the Lieutenant's braid is what would have existed on the early blue uniform still in service during this period. The regulation of the gray uniform called for a loop of three inches and although most uniforms had this as a more or less vertical pointed affair, there were some variations, but all I have seen were in one form or another, 3 inches in width or height. With all of this being said, you may very well have one of the first, if not THE first gray confederate naval uniforms ever produced. It is truly a gem.

The uniform is in the holdings of the Alabama Dept of Archives and History. The Alabama Division SCV is having the uniform conserved as their upcoming project at a cost of \$9,800.

A CALL TO ARMS!

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ONCE THE PURGE OF HISTORY STARTS, WHERE DOES IT END? HELP
STOP THE CANCEL CULTURE. RESIST THIS ATTEMPT TO REWRITE
HISTORY!

General Forrest 200 Society



On July 13, 1821 Nathan Bedford Forrest was born in Chapel Hill Tennessee. Forrest would become one of the greatest self made men in the South, plantation owner, businessman and most importantly one of the most feared Generals during the War Between the States. His legacy to this day is larger than any other Tennessean in all the history of the state of Tennessee. There are more monuments, memorials, streets named and historical markers for General Forrest than any other Tennessean. Honorable William A. Collier, Commander Forrest's Calvary Corps wrote on December 19th 1927: "Every Confederate soldier who did his duty measured up to the highest standard of a man. But no body of soldiers in all history possessed more patriotism or exhibited more courage and determination to do or die for their country than the followers of Nathan Bedford Forrest."

To this day Forrest is still honored and remembered around the world because of his "Charge em' Both Ways" and "Be there First with the Most" tactics. A natural born warrior and leader Ole Bedford was known for many battles including his famous Murfreesboro raid on July 13, 1862 which was his 41st birthday, where he defeated the Yankees and liberated the town from Union occupation. His warning was: "I must demand an unconditional surrender of your force as prisoners of war, or I will have every man put to the sword".

This year is the 200th birthday of General Forrest and the SCV Tennessee Division is offering a limited number of memberships in the General Forrest 200 Society which is for those that revere the great General Forrest. Each member will receive a limited edition Challenge coin, patch, lapel pin (which is pictured above), membership certificate and recognition in the Forrest's Escort magazine. Money raised will go to the Forrest Boyhood Home fund for the events building. Individual, Camp and group memberships are welcomed. Join the General Forrest 200 Society today and ride with Forrest!

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General William J. Hardee



William Joseph Hardee (October 12, 1815 – November 6, 1873) was a career U.S. Army officer, serving during the Second Seminole War and fighting in the Mexican-American War. He also served as a Confederate general, and his pre-war writings about military tactics were well known and widely used on both sides of the conflict.

Hardee was born to Sarah Ellis and Major John Hardee at the "Rural Felicity" estate in Camden County, Georgia. He graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1838 (26th in a class of 45) and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the 2nd U.S. Dragoons. During the Seminole Wars (1835–42), he was stricken with illness, and while hospitalized he met and married Elizabeth Dummett. After he recovered, the Army sent him to France to study military tactics in 1840.

In the Mexican-American War, Hardee served in the Army of Occupation under Zachary Taylor and won two brevet promotions (to brevet major for Medelin and Vera Cruz, and to lieutenant colonel for St. Augustin). He was captured on April 25, 1846 at Carricitos Ranch, Texas, and exchanged on May 11. Now serving under Winfield Scott, Hardee was wounded at La Rosia, Mexico in 1847. After the war, he led units of Texas Rangers and soldiers in Texas.

After his wife died in 1853, he returned to West Point as a tactics instructor and served as commandant of cadets from 1856 to 1860. He served as the senior major in the 2nd U.S. Cavalry (later renamed the 5th U.S. Cavalry) when that regiment was formed in 1855 and then the lieutenant colonel of the 1st U.S. Cavalry just before the American Civil War began. In 1855 at the behest of Secretary of War Jefferson Davis, Hardee published *Rifle and Light Infantry Tactics for the Exercise and Manoeuvres of Troops When Acting as Light Infantry or Riflemen*, popularly known as *Hardee's Tactics*, which became the best-known drill manual of the War between the States.

Hardee resigned his U.S. Army commission on January 31, 1861, after his home state of Georgia seceded from the Union. He joined the Confederate States Army as a colonel on March 7 and was given command of Forts Morgan and Gaines in Alabama. He was subsequently promoted to brigadier general (June 17) and major general (October 7). By October 10, 1862, he was one of the first Confederate lieutenant generals. His initial assignment as a general was to organize a brigade of Arkansas regiments and he impressed his men and fellow officers by solving difficult supply problems and for the thorough training he gave his brigade. He received his nickname, "Old Reliable", while with this command. Hardee operated in Arkansas until he was called to join General Albert Sidney Johnston's Army of Mississippi as a corps commander for the Battle of Shiloh. He was wounded there in the arm on April 6, 1862. Johnston was killed at Shiloh and Hardee's corps joined General Braxton Bragg's Army of Tennessee.

At the Battle of Perryville in October 1862, Hardee commanded the Left Wing of Bragg's army. In his arguably most successful battle, Stones River that December, his Second Corps launched a massive surprise assault that drove Maj. Gen. William S. Rosecrans's army almost to defeat. After the Tullahoma Campaign, Hardee lost patience with the irascible Bragg and briefly commanded the Department of Mississippi and East Louisiana under General Joseph E. Johnston. During this period, he met Mary Foreman Lewis, an Alabama plantation owner, and married her in January 1864.

Hardee returned to Bragg's army after the Battle of Chickamauga, taking over the corps of Leonidas Polk at Chattanooga, Tennessee, besieging the Union Army there. At the Battle of Chattanooga in November 1863, Hardee's Corps of the Army of Tennessee was defeated when Union troops under Maj. Gen. George H. Thomas assaulted their seemingly impregnable defensive lines on Missionary Ridge.

Hardee renewed his opposition to serving under Bragg and joined a group of officers who finally convinced Confederate President Jefferson Davis to relieve his old friend. Joseph E. Johnston took over command of the Army for the Atlanta Campaign in 1864. As Johnston fought a war of maneuver and retreat against Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman, the Confederacy eventually lost patience with him and replaced him with the much more

aggressive Lt. Gen. John Bell Hood. Hardee could not abide Hood's reckless assaults and heavy casualties. After the Battle of Jonesboro that August and September, he requested a transfer and was sent to command the Department of South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. He opposed Sherman's March to the Sea as best he could with inadequate forces, eventually evacuating Savannah, Georgia on December 20. As Sherman turned north in the Carolinas Campaign, Hardee took part in the Battle of Bentonville, North Carolina, in March 1865, where his only son, 16-year-old Willie, was mortally wounded in a cavalry charge. He surrendered along with Johnston to Sherman on April 26 at Durham Station.

After the war, Hardee settled at his wife's Alabama plantation. After returning it to working condition, the family moved to Selma, Alabama, where Hardee worked in the warehousing and insurance businesses. He eventually became president of the Selma and Meridian Railroad. Hardee was the co-author of *The Irish in America*, published in 1868. He fell ill at his family's summer retreat at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, and died in Wytheville, Virginia. He is buried in Live Oak Cemetery, Selma.

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The Historical Significance of Anthony Johnson

By John M. Taylor

We are constantly bombarded with issues instigated by individuals attempting to cause division in America. For example, the 1619 Project (reminiscent of something in the old parody magazine, *National Lampoon*), Critical Race Theory (an outgrowth of Marxism), and a seemingly endless stream of individuals who insist they are victims. What kind of parent would want their children to consider themselves victims? As Booker T. Washington observed: "Nothing ever comes to one, that is worth having, except as a result of hard work."

The "government-approved" version of history claims the first twenty Africans who arrived in Virginia were slaves. However, the first British colony (later called a State) to legalize slavery was Massachusetts (1640), the second was Connecticut (1652), and the third was Virginia (1661). As the saying goes: "Something does not compute."

In August 1619, twenty indentured Africans landed at Jamestown, Virginia, disembarking from the English ship *The White Lion*. It is recorded that the ship's captain "sold" these individuals. In the vernacular of the time, that terminology was used to reference indentured servants, who, of course, were predominantly Caucasian. Roughly equivalent to a work contract, the indentures generally ran from three to seven years. Upon completion of the agreement the servant would be free to go his (or her) own way, having typically learned a trade or skill to become productive and self-sufficient. "Masters" were sometimes guilty of extending indentures based on flimsy evidence of violation of the terms, i.e., indentures could be illegitimately held beyond the legally set time.

One of the indentured servants believed to be in the original group of twenty was Anthony Johnson. Thought to be from Angola and often referenced as "Antonio a Negro," Johnson would become a pivotal figure in American history.

Johnson worked at Bennett's Welcome, a tobacco plantation located on the southern side of the James River. On March 22, 1622, over 350 colonists were killed in an Indian massacre. Fifty-three individuals were killed at Bennett's Welcome; however, Johnson managed to escape. Later in 1622, another ship

arrived at Virginia's shores. On board was "Mary a Negro Woman" (also thought to be Angolan) and she ultimately became Johnsons' wife. They would have two sons and two daughters.

Around 1635 Johnson was freed from his indenture and he immediately started his own farm with his wife. Johnson had servants who worked on his farm. Eventually John Casor became one of those servants.

Casor insisted that Johnson held him beyond his indenture (thought to be seven or eight years). This was considered to be a serious offense during that era. Fearing possible legal repercussions, Johnson let Casor go in 1653. Casor then went to work for Robert Parker. After this relationship unfolded, Johnson sued Parker (who helped Casor gain his freedom), asserting that Casor owed lifetime service to him (Johnson). This was the court case *Johnson vs. Parker*, Northampton County. On March 8, 1655, Johnson won the case. Casor was returned to Johnson's service, and Parker was ordered to pay the costs of the lawsuit. As author Francis W. Springer noted, this entitled Anthony Johnson to be called "The Father of Negro Slavery in Virginia." In other words, a Black "slave-owner" won a lawsuit that established lifetime servitude in Virginia. Springer also noted that Johnson imported his own servants and even established a community of free Blacks. [Some insist John Punch was the first slave in "English" Virginia in 1640; however, his sentence of lifetime servitude was punishment for the "crime" of attempting to escape to Maryland. Of course, Black slaves were said to among the Spanish who came to the Americas in the 1500s.]

A sound argument could be made that anyone who has actually been held as a slave might deserve compensation. Can anyone identify individuals in America who meet those qualifications? Furthermore, any historian with a clue understands the following: Africans sold other Africans in the slave trade, beginning with the Arabs in the 700s, and later the Europeans in the 1400s; the English dominated the slave trade for years; the New England States operated the slave trade in America; and every racial and ethnic group in America owned slaves (White, Jewish, American Indian, Hispanic, Asian, etc.), including at least 3,775 Black slave-owners. (See page 13)

Only about 5% of African slaves were brought to North America, yet, in the modern “media” the Southern and Border States receive the brunt of the criticism for a practice that predates the time Jesus Christ walked on earth.

History shows beyond a reasonable doubt that everyone had a hand in it—even Abe Lincoln admitted that fact. The case of Anthony Johnson is an example of the folly of broad brushing an extremely complicated history by selectively demonizing some people and giving others a free pass.

Sources: “Ambitious Slave-turned-Slaveowner enjoys Farm Success,” George Tucker, from *The Virginia Pilot*, August 21, 1994; “Court Ruling on Anthony Johnson and his Servant (1655)” ; “Anthony Johnson’s place in American history significant, says ASU historian,” Calvin Schermerhorn, *Arizona State University News*; “The First Slave”, Ariana Kyl, from “Today I Found Out: Feed Your Brain”; and *War for What?*, by Francis W. Springer.



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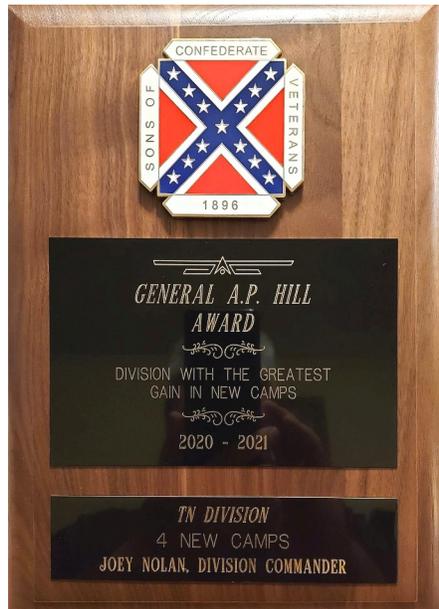
Marshall County Rangers Camp 297 members presented a \$500 check to Georgia Division Commander Tim Pilgrim for legal expenses regarding the preservation of Georgia monuments. Front row: Commander Sean Hill, Back row: Division Commander Tim Pilgrim, Adjutant Wes Pullen and Lt. Commander Robin Minor. The Marshall County Rangers challenges other camps to donate to this worthy cause.



Congratulations to the Kirby-Smith Camp 1209 for winning the “Distinguished Camp of the year”



At the recent SCV National Reunion held in Kenner Louisiana, the Sam Watkins Camp #29 won a National Award for having the most new members. We gained 12 new members over the last fiscal year. Congratulations to the camp.



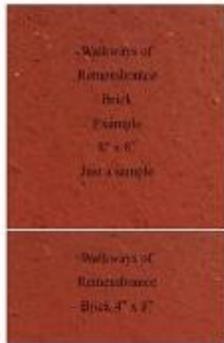
Congratulations to the Tennessee Division for receiving the General A.P. Hill award for the greatest gains in new camps. Net gain of 4 new camps.

Commander Joey Nolan and the rest of the Division is working hard.



The Army of Tennessee received the General Albert Sidney Johnston award for the greatest gain in new camps in the Confederation.

Thanks everyone for your hard work and devotion to the Cause!



Walkways of Remembrance
 Bricks and Pavers For the Walkways for the
 General Headquarters for the Sons of Confederate Veterans at Elm Springs
 and the
 Confederate Museum at Elm Springs

Remember and honor your Confederate Ancestor, a family member or any cherished memory with the purchase of a Memorial Brick to be laid for a walkways at the General Headquarters for the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Confederate Museum at Elm Springs.

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Remember and honor your Confederate ancestor, loved one, family member or organization with the purchase of a Memorial Park Bench. These sturdy, long-lasting and beautiful benches will be placed along the walkways and the Memorial Garden on the property of the scenic General Headquarters of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Confederate Museum at Elm Springs.

The benches are available to individuals, camps, divisions and organizations. The inscription and use of a logo is of your own choosing. The cost for the bench is \$1,800.

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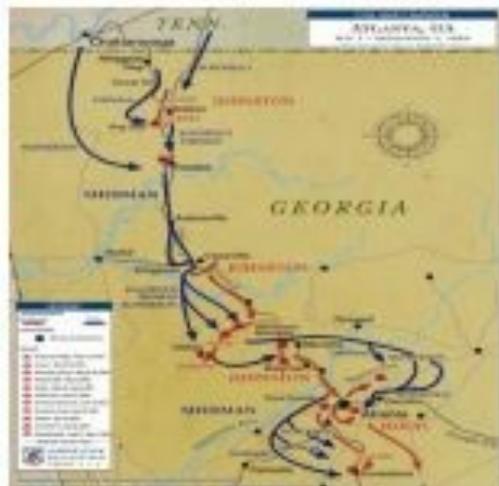


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Help Georgia's Fight For Their Monuments



The Georgia Division is involved in multiple legal cases trying to preserve the monuments where they are currently located or to return them to their original location. The monument take-down effort in Georgia is stronger than any other place except Virginia. If you as an individual, a Camp or a Division can help financially it would be greatly appreciated. Some of the cases they are involved in will set precedents that can be used by other states when applicable. They have spent more than \$150,000 of Division funds plus other monies donated to stop the desecration by the local or county municipalities. All donations sent regardless of size is appreciated. Send to Georgia Division SCV

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Jimmy Hill
AoT Commander





Some of the members of the Tennessee Division who attended the 2021 SCV National Reunion in Kenner, LA. Posing with the newly reintroduced Tennessee Division Flag, which is the Tennessee Secession Flag.



Pictured is a flag used at the 1910 United Confederate Veterans reunion in Mobile, Alabama. It was donated to the Confederate Museum at Elm Springs by Commander Joe Ringhoffer of the Admiral Raphael Semmes Camp #11 in Mobile.



Chaplain in Chief Rev. Dr. Herman White opens the 2021 National Reunion with a word of prayer



Singing Dixie at the 2021 Reunion in Kenner, Louisiana



R. Jackson Photo

CiC Larry McClunney presents Adjutant in Chief Dan McCaskill with the Robert E. Lee award at the 2021 reunion.



R. Jackson Photo

Headquarters staff enjoying the banquet Saturday night at the 2021 Reunion in Kenner.



Tennessee Division Commander Joey Nolan speaks at the AoT meeting about the Friends of Forrest and the CERT program.



Scott Hall, Judge Advocate-In-Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and member of Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87, Sons of Confederate Veterans, presents a check for \$19,000 (contributed by the members of Camp 87) for The National Confederate Museum at the National Reunion of The Sons of Confederate Veterans held in July.



James Patterson of the Tennessee Division talks about the Forrest 200 Society at the AoT meeting in Kenner.



Commander in Chief Larry McClunney addresses the convention in Kenner, Louisiana





Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87, Sons of Confederate Veterans welcomed new members into its ranks at its July Business Meeting held at Bleak House (Confederate Memorial Hall) in Knoxville .Pictured L-R are Commander Earl Smith, new members Kevin D. Cain, John C. Parker, Johnny F. Parker (father and son) and Adjutant John Hitt.



Congratulations to The Judah P Benjamin Camp for winning the best scrapbook award!



Members of Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87, Sons of Confederate Veterans, participated in Pigeon Forge's Welcome Home Veterans Parade, held August 7th. Pictured are back row, Scott Poteet, Sam Miller, G.W. Murphy, Scott Hall. In Trailer, Tom Emmett and Tom Emmett, Sr. In front of the trailer, Richard Park, Kevin Witherell, Tom Emmett and John Hitt.

200th Birthday Celebration of General Forrest at Fort Dixie *Photos by Dale Crawford*



Entrance to Fort Dixie at Selma, Alabama



Past CiC Chuck McMichael was the keynote speaker



Left to Right: Past Alabama Division Commander and Master of Ceremonies Ronnie Simmons, 200th Birthday hosts and owners of Fort Dixie, Pat and Butch Godwin.



The Watermelon stand is always a place to head to when you are at Fort Dixie. Ice cold, locally grown melons are hard to beat when it is 90 degrees in the shade.



Entertainment was provided by "The Band Jubilee"



Lining up for the catfish supper!



The Monument Committee of the Mississippi Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans
Presents

A Monument and Headstone Cleaning Workshop for C.E.R.T. Certification

Join us at beautiful Confederate Memorial Building in historic Greenwood, Mississippi, to receive certification in the “No Harm” cleaning method used by C.E.R.T., the official Confederate Emergency Response Team.

Date: Saturday, September 25, 2021

Time: 9:00 am until

**Place: Confederate Memorial Building
(215 Henderson St., Greenwood, MS)**

Come out and be a part of cleaning and restoring this Southern treasure while gaining valuable knowledge in the proper and safe way to clean monuments and headstones, as well as learning what methods not to use. Many well-meaning people are actually hurting our beloved Confederate monuments and headstones by using improper methods to clean them. Come learn the right way and get certified to teach others. Lunch will be provided.

If you are interested in attending this workshop, please register by emailing Monument Chairman Forrest S. Daws at forrestsdaws@gmail.com



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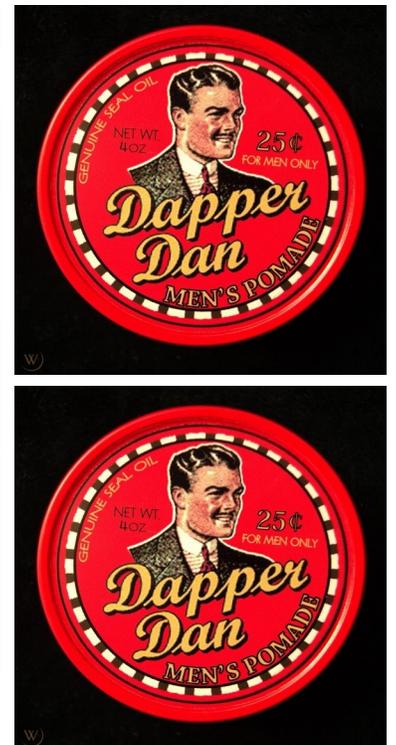
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The Brain Trust behind SCV Chat enjoying the banquet at the National Reunion. Left to right: Harrison “Moose” Daws, George Conor “GCB” Bond and Matt “Candyman” Singleton. Catch them on Monday and Thursday nights at 7 pm on Facebook at SCV Chat.



Which Brain Trust are you going to listen to?





Friends of The Confederate Museum at Elm Springs Annual Membership Application

All memberships are tax-deductible and include the E-Newsletter.

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_____ Is this a Corporate Membership?

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**Division Reports
of the
Army of Tennessee**

Alabama Division

Gordon H. McMurry, Jr., Commander



Just like everyone else the Alabama Division has struggled with the covid scare. Most of our camps found ways to meet. I was proud of the camps thinking outside of the box to overcome this and honor their heritage.

During this time we were able to correct our 501.3c status to 100% of our camps. We lost a few camps, but we gained some new ones also.

We were one of the only divisions to still able to hold our reunion as scheduled in Foley, Alabama. It was an election year and was well attended and a success. We have been able to continue with our business as usual in the division. /we have held three DEC meetings and our semiannual EC meeting. We had to move our R.E. Lee day celebration due to the covid lockdown of the capital and government offices. We celebrated at the Oxford Alabama civic center thanks to the local camp. It was a laid back, well attended event and just what our confederation needed. Everyone was very excited about getting together and socializing.

I have created the Alabama Division Cadet program to go along with the national program. I have also set aside two pages of the Alabama Confederate magazines just for the cadets. Each cadet is given a Division certificate, a membership pin and receives the Alabama Confederate magazines in their own name. We feel this is the future of the SCV and one of the best ways to reach our young potential members.

We have been able to maintain and protect our flag sites for high visibility during these trying times. Thanks to our dedicated site managers due diligence. We also have kept our name and logo out in the publics eye by sponsoring a race car on the Southern All Stars circuit. We gained high visibility during the running of the annual Snowball Run in Pensacola, Florida. We will continue with this endeavor for this season and be working on merchandise for promotional purposes.

All in all, I would say that with the leadership and the dedicated work of our membership that the Alabama Division's future looks bright and continually forwarding the Charge given to us.

Gordon H. McMurry, Jr.,
Commander, Alabama Division

Florida Division

Kelly V. Crocker, Commander



As of this writing Florida House Bill 1 has moved through committees of the Florida House. House Bill 1, or the Anti-riot bill, would offer more protection and in some cases stiffer penalties for vandalizing monuments, including Confederate Monuments. Unfortunately, as of this writing, the Senate companion bill has not moved at all. Insiders say that it will happen.

Camps in the Florida Division have been able to establish many Flag-sites on private property. Flags are flying on Interstate 10, Interstate 295, US Hwy 19 and on US Hwy 231. We are in negotiations now on a Flag-site near the intersection of State Road 50 and State Road 471, north of Orlando.

The Kirby-Smith Camp 1209 has established the Kirby-Smith Memorial Park in Jacksonville along I-295. The Park includes a 50-foot flagpole visible from the interstate and a Monument to all Florida CSA units. Camp 1209 has also taken ownership of the Camp Mooney Cemetery in Jacksonville, previously owned by the Florida Division United Daughters of the Confederacy. Many improvements have already been made there and more will come.

The Florida Division has embraced the C.E.R.T. program for cleaning and preserving headstones and monuments. C.E.R.T. was created in the Tennessee Division. We held our first training in March with 37 attendees. We have had inquiries about doing more training sessions across the State. Our Flag-site at White Springs, FL on Interstate 75 was vandalized by the alphabet groups this year. Our C.E.R.T. training also covered this type of cleaning.

We are still in the business of marking Confederate Graves. The Veterans Administration is still providing headstones when "Proof of Service" and "Proof of Burial" are provided. We are the "Next of Kin". The Florida Division with assistance of Camps and the SCV Mechanized Cavalry have installed over 50 headstones in the past year.

Our membership is slowly growing. The National Web-site Notification System is working very well. Potential members are contacted in 72 hours or less. I believe that we enrolled about 10 percent of those who requested membership information.

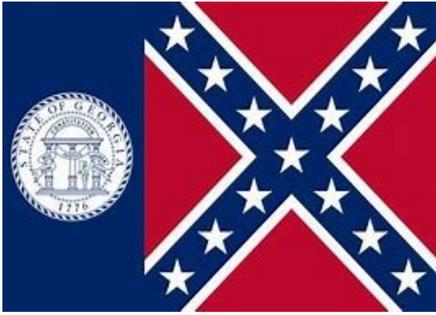
The 2020 SCV National Reunion in St Augustine was a tremendous success, despite distractions going on in our Country. Many Camps in Florida were represented there. The Kirby-Smith Camp 1209 did an excellent job of hosting the Reunion. During the Reunion, many of you either toured the Confederate Monuments in St Augustine or were able to attend the peaceful protest to keep them in place. Unfortunately, the Confederate Monument and the grave of General W. W. Loring were both removed recently. The City had the Confederate Monument moved to private property at the cost of \$350,000. The Loring Monument and the Generals remains were removed by the University of Florida, with consent of the Loring Family. The Loring Monument was put at the same location as the Confederate Monument and the Generals remains were re-interred in a local cemetery.

Monument Battles were lost in Pensacola, Quincy, and Plant City. Monument Battles are still being fought in Lake City, Madison, Palatka, and Ft Myers, FL.

Kelly V. Crocker
Commander, Florida Division

Georgia Division

Timothy F. Pilgrim, Commander



Greetings from the Georgia Division,

I'm pleased to report the Georgia Division is stronger than ever. The Georgia Division remains the largest Division in our Confederation, serving over 3,300 members in 101 active Camps that are located through-out the largest State East of the Mississippi River.

We contribute much of our strength through our communications efforts. Keeping our Division membership informed is one of our primary objectives. We issue email notifications and press releases through our constant contact account, our web-page and social media accounts are up-dated regularly. Our Division Newsletter the Georgia Confederate is sent to our membership every two months.

The Georgia Division has nine (9) major legal battles on-going. One (1) with the City of Alpharetta concerning a 1st Amendment violation and the other Eight (8) lawsuits concerns the removal of our Confederate Monuments. The Confederate Monuments in DeKalb, Clarke/Athens, Rockdale and Henry Counties were removed legally in the middle of the night. Currently we have stay orders in Newton, Glynn/Brunswick and Randolph/Cuthbert Counties. Ware/County is pending to be heard before the Ware County Superior Court. The Georgia Court of Appeals has already heard the Newton County case in April and scheduled to hear the Rockdale case in June with the Henry County case to follow thereafter. We have two (2) lawsuits pending with Gwinnett County and the City of Rome. We have solid monument protection laws and we get rulings that follow the letter of the law we should prevail.

The Georgia Division has created a 501c4 organization that allows the 501c4 organization to engage in funding unlimited lobbyist and legislative activities without involving the SCV's 501c3 status. A separate 527 Political Action Committee has been created called the Veterans Memorial Coalition, Inc. to help support candidates that support Veterans monuments. The PAC's webpage address is www.Vetmc.org.

As of date the Georgia Division has allocated approximately \$597,200 from our specialty tag funds to help our Camps fund local Heritage projects and Division wide projects. In March, 2021 a new Confederate monument was erected at the Greenwood Cemetery honoring 152 Confederate Heroes by the Calhoun Rifles Camp #1855, an aluminum replacement carriage for the GMI memorial cannon at the Marietta Confederate Cemetery has been completed, and two new Bronze Confederate Soldier monuments has been casted awaiting to be erected, all completed using our specialty tag funds.

The Division continues its out-reach effort to new and existing JROTC High School programs to make available the H. L. Hunley Awards that we have in stock for our Camps at our Division HQ Office. The Division also continues to provide a \$250 scholarship to every H.L. Hunley award recipient.

I'm proud to say this is the 6th year the Georgia Division Headquarters Office has been in operation. We have on staff a Division Secretary, Mrs. Kitty Dorety that manages our Division's daily operations. Our Division Office is located in the American Federal Building at 544 Mulberry Street, Ste. 310, Macon, Ga. 31202, 1-866-728-4642. Maintaining a Division HQ Office has been a key element in taking our Division to the next level of growth. The Division has decided to get into the used book business by selling used books that has been donated to the Division (tax deductible). These books are being sold through an on-line book broker AbeBooks.com, and all proceeds are used to help make our Division office operations self supporting. We continue to operate an on-line store making available Confederate Flags, Tags, Stick Flags,

lapel pins, and historical literature and CDs. Please visit our Division's web-site at www.gascv.org to see the store items we have to offer.

Our Camps are aggressively recruiting new members through advertisement initiatives, the implementation of our associate membership program, having a Division Genealogist on staff and having a Division Headquarters Camp for new members who are looking for a home Camp.

The Georgia Division's Flags Across Georgia program is going strong. We have 12 large Division Flag poles across the State of Georgia. The Division purchases these oversize Battle Flags for these Division poles and distributes them to the local Camps that maintain these poles. We are always on the lookout for any "prime" locations to erect new flagpoles. The 3rd Battalion, Company B of the Mechanized Cavalry unit of the Division mans a preventative maintenance crew that inspects and make repairs to our Division poles as required.

As of Date the Georgia Division has distributed over 275,000 "Truth Concerning the Confederate Battle Flag" CDs by Pastor John Weaver throughout the Confederation and the Country. These CDs are distributed by the Division at our bulk purchase cost of .35 cents each which makes our minimum order of 100 CDs for \$35 plus shipping very affordable for individuals and Camps to distribute to folks who need a history lesson and all they have to do is listen. These CD are available at our at our Division store.

The Georgia Division fully supports the Georgia Confederates Youth Camp and congratulates the Youth Camp on their 5th year of successful operations. The Division continues to support the Youth Camp by offering a \$200 scholarship to young men and women to attend a full week of Southern /Confederate Heritage education curriculum modeled after the Sam Davis Christian Youth Camp.

In conclusion, the Georgia Division is the largest and most proactive Divisions in the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Our membership is comprised of some of the most dedicated Confederates in our Confederation. We will continue to lead and to do what we do best, to honor our Confederate Heroes.

Live the Charge,

Timothy F. Pilgrim

Georgia Division Commander

**Mississippi Division
George Conor Bond**



William Faulkner once said "I believe that man will not merely endure: he will prevail. He is immortal, not because he alone among creatures has an inexhaustible voice, but because he has a soul, a spirit capable of compassion and sacrifice and endurance." In the past year we have proven that the SCV will do more than endure we will prevail. Despite a global pandemic and overwhelming cries for the eradication of our heritage, the Mississippi Division SCV is still here. Those people who do not understand what memorials and monuments truly mean thought that we were defeated after New Miss and several other counties voted to relocate monuments. When the politicians in Jackson voted to remove our state flag and replace it with the current banner, they thought they had us in a corner. Well, they do not realize that they have awoken a sleeping giant and despite what they do, we will continue to fight.

In 2021 we sent three original battle flags owned by the Mississippi Department of Archives and History to the conservator. We have funded the purchase of land for a Confederate Monument. We sent money to Beauvoir to help offset the cost of updating security equipment. Camps restarted meeting after a global pandemic threatened to kill our organization. We participated in several national events and made a substantial contribution to the National organization. These are a few of the accomplishments we have had in the past year, but we can not rest on those laurels. We must use that momentum to keep pushing forward.

We are getting ready to push for stronger monument legislation. Legislation that has actual consequences for any government body or individual for tampering with any historical memorials.

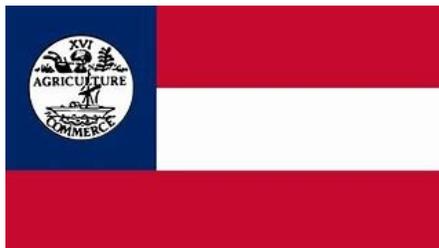
In closing, if I can ever be of assistance, please feel free to reach out.

G C Bond

Commander
Mississippi Division, SCV

Tennessee Division

Joey D. Nolan, Commander



Greetings from the great “Volunteer State” of Tennessee. Thanks to Beauregard, Camp 130 for hosting the Reunion and their Louisiana hospitality. The Tennessee Division is honored to be here.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the Tennessee Division Reunion was postponed from April in Greenville, TN and eventually held in August in Tracy City, TN. Thank you to Greenville for their efforts and hard work, and Tracy City for stepping in to host the Reunion. With elections held, the following gentlemen now hold offices. Joey D. Nolan, Commander; G. Frank Heathman, Lt. Cmdr.; John Blankenship, 2nd Lt. Cmdr.; Lee Millar, Memphis Brigade; Lenny Stover, Jeffery Forrest Brigade; Rick Revel, Fort Donelson Brigade; Matt Singleton, Sam Watkins Brigade; Tom Meadows, McLemore’s Brigade/CERT Coordinator; Wesley Pullen, Starnes Brigade; Mike Williams, Highland Brigade; Steve Troxler, Mountain Brigade; and Mike Beck, Vaughn’s Brigade. Others serving the Division: Tom Wood, Adjutant; Martin Frost, Chaplain; Jason Boshers, Chief of Staff; James Patterson, Finance Chairman; H. Edward Phillips, JAG; Mark Buchanan, Heritage Defense; Dr. Michael Bradley, Historian; Bruce Gibson, Education/Hunley Award; Joshua Cameron, Communications/Newsletter/Agriculture Award; James Turner, Government Relations; Joes Burns, Genealogist; Bryan Green, Color Sargent; Richard Hunter, Aide de Camp/Sargent at Arms; Gene Andrews, Forrest Boyhood Home; Ronnie Headley, Flag Retirement Chairman/Aide de Camp; Kevin Witherell, Photographer/Aide De Camp; Billy Walker, Aide de Camp/Embroiderer/CERT; Jordy Barnett, Aide de Camp/Agriculture Award; and Bill Brown, Scottish Ambassador

In 2020, we started the Confederate Emergency Response Team (CERT). Using a no-harm cleaning method approved by the Cemetery Conservators for Unified Standards, CERT cleans monuments and markers for their preservation and those vandalized. Featured on SCV Chat, CERT training sessions are now held in other states as well as Tennessee.

Gene Andrews, along with Forrest Boyhood Home, Camp 37, have done an amazing job maintaining the FBH. Gene gives guided tours, constantly working to improve the property as an excellent venue for weddings, receptions, and numerous other events. The first annual “Cruise-In With Forrest” was held on November 14, 2020 at the FBH. Along with beautiful classic cars, funds were raised for the planned Forrest Hall Events and Visitors Center. The second event is being planned for Fall 2021.

The Sam Davis Memorial Service was held on November 21, 2020. Thanks to Kurt Huskey and his honor guard, along with the Black Rose Society of the TNSOCR, for making this a great memorial service.

In December, camps participated in Christmas parades, Wreathes Across America, toy drives, and other community events. In January, Lee-Jackson Banquets were held by many camps and brigades.

In February, “Friends of Forrest Boyhood Home” was established with \$25.00 to \$1000.00 membership levels to help build the Forrest Hall Events and Visitors Center. At the 2020 Tennessee Division Reunion, “The Forrest 200 Society” was introduced to celebrate the 200th birthday of General Forrest. The \$200.00 membership goes to the FHEVC, and members get a choice of a specially designed coin, pin or patch.

To encourage involvement in communities, “The Heartland Offensive” was enacted, asking camps to find ways to get involved in their communities.

For years, the Forrest Bust in the state capitol has been a target, with Governor Lee supporting its removal and stacking the deck on the Tennessee Historical Commission. In the Fall of 2020, work commenced on bills to strengthen the Tennessee Heritage Protection Act to protect all Tennessee history. Attorney Doug Jones worked with legislators to get sponsors and support for these bills to go through

committees for vote in the Tennessee House and Senate. Members and non-SCV members contacted their legislators to gain support for these bills. Unfortunately, some so-called conservatives turned on us and the legislation was killed. Although disappointed, we are fighting on to Save Tennessee History.

March 6, 2021, a Confederate Flag Day event was held at the Forrest Boyhood Home, including the second annual Flag Retirement Ceremony to respectfully retire worn Confederate and American flags. Many other camps and brigades held rallies as well, attended by SCV and non-SCV members alike.

We still have our Tennessee SCV license plates, with 2020 as one of the best years in revenue from the sale of the license plates. We will fight until the end to keep them.

The Chattanooga Confederate Cemetery is well maintained by members of N.B. Forrest, Camp 3. Through the tireless efforts of camp members, it is a beautiful landmark to our Confederate dead.

Bruce Gibson, H. L. Hunley Award Coordinator, and Joshua Cameron, William Hicks Jackson Agriculture Award Coordinator, have worked hard getting these awards into schools. These awards give us the chance to be involved in the schools and possible recruitment.

The 2021 Tennessee Division Reunion was held in Humboldt, TN, hosted by Col. R. M. Russel, Camp 209. John Blankenship and Camp 209 put on excellent reunion at The Venue at Twin Oaks.

The following is a list of the winners of Tennessee Division awards this year. As always, it was a hard choice to make with so many hard-working members of the Division.

Nathan Bedford Forrest Award "Man of the Year": Ronnie Headley

Sam Davis Award "Camp of the Year": Forrest Boyhood Home, Camp 37

Sam Davis-Dewitt Smith Jobe "Tennessee Division Icon": Ed Butler, Past TN Div. Cmdr.

Albert Sidney Johnson "Outstanding Camp" Award: N. B. Forrest, Camp 3

Horace L. Hunley "Award of Excellence": Mark Buchanan

Jefferson Davis Award: James Turner, Earl Smith, Don Harrison

Robert E. Lee Award: Joe Pulley (Cooter's Pigeon Forge), David Livingston (Mayor of Haywood County, TN), Bill King (Big Black Creek Historical Association)

Edward Ward Carmack Award: Randy Tindell, Joshua Cameron, Tim Massey

George Ellsworth Home Page/Website Award: Joshua Cameron, Bradford-Rose, Camp 1638

Dr. Rosalie Carter Camp Scrapbook Award: Not yet determined

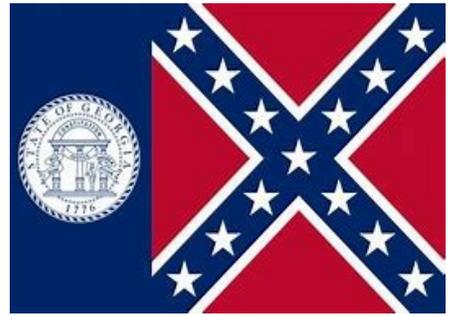
Tod Carter Award: Joshua Cameron, Bradford-Rose, Camp 1638 (Over 50 members)

Robert Trail, Benjamin F. Cheatham, Camp 72 (Under 50 members)

God bless you all, God bless the South.

Deo Vindice!

Joey D. Nolan, Commander
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