

IN THE TRENCHES

A NEWS LETTER OF THE
LT GENERAL JOHN C. PEMBERTON CAMP 1354
VICKSBURG MISSISSIPPI
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

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Commander
Editor



What have you done to meet his Charge today?

Stephen Dill Lee

Sept 22, 1833 - May 28, 1908

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
soldier's good name,
- The **guardianship** of his history,
- The **emulation** of his virtues,
- The **perpetuation**:
 - Of those **principles** which he
loved and which you love also,
 - And those **ideals** 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.

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee
Commander-General
United Confederate Veterans
New Orleans, 25 April 1906



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS

Sons of Confederate Veterans

"Historic Elm Springs"

14 August 2017

Compatriots,

As an organization we are still trying to wrap our heads around the events that occurred in Charlottesville, VA over the weekend. While it is of yet unclear to us exactly who the individuals and organizations were that were involved, the one thing that is absolutely certain is that the Sons of Confederate Veterans had no connection to this event.

From all appearances there seems to have been multiple groups of antagonists who showed up with helmets, shields and clubs which serves as evidence that they fully expected a violent confrontation. In addition to this, it seems that the city's authorities stood idly by and allowed the situation to get out of hand until it was too late. Where is the logic in any of this, and precisely what did it accomplish? As could have easily been expected, the outcome had tragic consequences and the SCV deplors the violence and loss of life that resulted from such emotionally-charged, irrational and calamitous circumstances.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans organization was given the charge by the Veterans themselves to carry on the legacy of our forebears- to vindicate the Cause, defend the Confederate soldier's good name, to guard his history, emulate his virtues, and to perpetuate those principles which he loved. This mission was handed to us, the Sons, by the Confederate soldiers themselves in 1896. No other group can legitimately make this claim and no other group or individual has any just authority to define, re-define or represent the true Cause and history of the Confederate soldier.

Robert E. Lee said "I pray that, on this day when only peace and good-will are preached to mankind, better thoughts may fill the hearts of our enemies and turn them to peace." In this spirit we denounce the hatred being leveled against our glorious ancestors by radical leftists who seek to erase our history, and we will continue to fight these battles in court or by any and all other lawful and peaceful means. We likewise mourn the loss of life and repudiate in the strongest terms attempts by any group that advocates hatred, bigotry or violence towards others to use our symbols, or otherwise undertake to tarnish the good and glorious name of the Confederate soldier.

Carl V. Jones II
Chief of Heritage Operations
Sons of Confederate Veterans

Commander's Column

Gentlemen,

With all that has been going on with our Flag and Monuments, I just wanted to say a few things to all of you before the next meeting. You hear so much on the News that it gets discouraging and of course, they tend to sensationalize everything. A case is a headline of Fox, " Mad dash across the country to take down Confederate monuments" Of course, this is what the left wants to do, create a panic. The only places where I heard that they were removed was in Baltimore and Gainesville, which was going to take place before all of this happened. Other cities are looking into the matter, but arrest have been made in Durham and in Memphis, where someone tried to cover up the Forrest statue with a sheet. We still have the lawsuits in Memphis and Charlottesville pending and we are highly favored to win them. This is an attack against western civilization and Christianity. I heard on the news tonight that a statue of Father Sierra, Catholic priest who brought Christianity to California, was vandalized with the word "Murderer" painted across it. California is now getting a taste of its own medicine.

I just want to urge everyone to stay calm and if you are on Facebook, please be careful with what you say. We always want to present ourselves like Southern gentlemen, in the model of Lee and Jackson. Thankfully, the SCV was not mentioned in the reporting at all and that is good. We have public opinion on our side and that hasn't changed. I recently took a poll from two city newspapers, Dallas and Richmond, which asked if the monuments in those cities should be removed, both polls were an overwhelming "No".

Every night I pray for our cause, remembering our motto, Deo Vindice. Remember that Prayer is the best and greatest thing that you can be doing.

Please come to our next meeting on September 5. Our speaker will be Brandon Beck, a friend of mine and a friend of our Camp. Mr. Beck is a fantastic Historian and a Professor of History at East Ms. Community College, near Columbus. His talk will be on "Defeating Grant: Forrest and Van Dorn save Vicksburg, December 1862. Please come and bring a friend.

God Bless all and God Bless the South,
Edward Campbell,
Commander

Upcoming meetings

Our meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month starting at 7:00 pm. Our meeting location is 216 Miller Street in the Disabled American Veterans building. Our website contains direction to the meeting location. Visitors are always welcome. Bring a visitor to our next meeting. Thanks to Commander Edward for providing great programs. Below are the list of upcoming meetings and speakers. Commander Edward Campbell is looking for members to volunteer to present a program next year

<i>Date</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Sept 5	Brandon Beck	Defeating Grant: Forrest and Van Dorn save Vicksburg
Oct 3	Pat Strange	TBA
Nov 7	Grady Howell	Thanksgiving Day in Mississippi
December 5	All	Christmas Bash
January 2	Thomas Dabney	"Politically Incorrect papers: A defense of the state flag of Ms."
Jan. Lee Jackson	Brandon Beck	First Lee Jackson meeting
Feb	Sam Price	

August meeting

Brian Skipworths' brought Mr. and Mrs. Crysop to our September meeting. If you know them, contact them and thank them for attending.

The meeting was well attended with about 25 members plus the two guests, newly elected 1st Lt. Commander Conner Bond and Brigade Councilman John Evans. Mrs. Pat Parrish, Ms. Division President of the UDC had a very good talk on "How the War made me who I am". The presentation centered on our legacy as Southerners. The Business meeting was short, A report on the National Convention was given.

Upcoming Events

Dr McMillin Open House	September 30- Oct 1
Fall Flea market	Oct 7
Lee Jackson	January 10 (tentative)
Confederate Memorial day	April

From the Brigade Commander

We are living in the Darkest Days of our Confederate Heritage and History being destroyed right before our very eyes. The Evil Force that we face is Very Superior in Numbers and is growing more and more everyday, Our very own Young People who even have Confederate Ancestors are joining this widespread Evil Communist Epidemic in Great Numbers and are denouncing there Heritage and History all because they were told to in Schools, Collages, TV ,the Internet as the Wide Spread Lies are everywhere and it seems it can not be stopped. There are very few of us Fighters who have been pressing on with this situation trying our dammedest to gain ground but sometimes it seems almost impossible as our own people who you see say we are sick and tired of this do nothing but cower down to the Black Liberal Racist or White Liberal Racist all cause they are scared to death they will be labeled a racist if they do take action ,well let us be racist then if that means we are protecting our History our Confederate Heritage our rights and everything else that we are fighting for and damn any others who thinks otherwise and label us as such.The Communist Liberal Agenda is spreading more and more and has become a Cancer that you cannot kill simply cause of manpower just like our Brave Heroes faced in the War for Southern Independence. Old Ways will not defeat this, look at how they are well organized and are putting stuff out there to use against us on TV the Internet all of that , we have to play the Game and do the same thing that needs to be done !! A New Strategy is needed bad and if we do not come together and get one soon we will be nothing more than a Foot Note in History after Evil rewrites it for there Agenda that they are set out and hell bent on accomplishing. They will not stop unless stopped !!

We must keep up the fight, show no fear, Forward the Colors, Press on and Go where Glory Awaits !!

Congratulations to Bryan Skipworth



At our August meeting. Brain Skipworth was presented an award of merit from the National organization for his work at soldiers Rest. Good job Bryan.

Ceremony

Bryan Skipworth set a marker at Soldiers Rest a few months ago and the family will be coming down September 29th at 9am for a small ceremony to unveil the marker. Anyone who wishes please attend. A family member will talk about the Soldier and the plan is to have an opening and closing prayer, someone tell about the Unit (46th Ms. Inf.), Joel read a poem and have a group sing, Dixie. The family may want to take a tour of the Park if anyone is interested

What did they think

"I am with the South in life or in death, in victory or in defeat . . . I believe the North is about to wage a brutal and unholy war on a people who have done them no wrong, in violation of the Constitution and the fundamental principles of government. They no longer acknowledge that all government derives its validity from the consent of the governed. They are about to invade our peaceful homes, destroy our property, and inaugurate a servile insurrection, murder our men and dishonor our women. We propose no invasion of the North, no attack on them, and only ask to be left alone."

Patrick Cleburne

Fall Flea Market

On October 7, the John C. Pemberton Camp 1354 will have a booth for the Vicksburg Fall Flea Market. Put in on your calendar and come spend some time with the camp. This is a great time to put our face out to the public with a positive spin.

I am Offended

I am offended by all things Confederate is the "battle cry". When presented with the point "there is no guarantee to be not offended", the Marist cry is "I am offended and the offending thing is sanctioned by a government entity therefore, I am supporting what offends me". "This gives me the right to demand the removal of the offending item."

So I am offended by many things. I am offended that the likeness of Lincoln resides on Government property in DC. I am offended by his likeness on the 5 dollar bill. So I call for removal of all things Lincoln from government property. Lincoln waged a war against our ancestors, He invaded a sovereign country and made war not only on the army of the country but women, children and old men regardless of their color. Take him down.

We Must Be Careful

We must be careful who we take as allies on common causes and who we appear with at rally's. As my mother used to say if you lay with dogs, you will get fleas. Our organization has been very careful to distant ourselves from racist, but if we appear with them in any common cause, we will be painted with the same brush.

A Crushing Blow



Jerry McWilliams, Artist

A Crushing Blow • July 4, 1863

"Quickly, run tell Mother and Father that the Yankees have arrived in Vicksburg."

These are the approximate words of Louisa, the twenty-two year old Fleckenstein daughter, to her sixteen year old sister Emma and her fourteen year old brother Alexander. Mother is inside the second floor home and Father is in the grocery store.

On September 30 and October 1, there will be events celebrating Preservation Weekend. This event will feature the preservation of the 1839 building "Catherine's Palace", the former Fleckenstien - Cocco grocery. For more information contact 601-218-7392. It is from this balcony the children saw the Confederate Army enter Vicksburg after the defeat at the Big Black and the entry of the Yankee Army after the surrender on 4 July. Thanks to Doctor McMillin for this effort. The painting was done by our friend and artist Jerry McWilliams

A Time Gone With the Wind



The Sugar Bowl in 1960 was played in Tulane stadium on January 1, 1960. The second ranked Ole Miss Rebels defeated the third ranked LSU Tigers 21-0. They both have now abandoned their heritage.

Do you remember when AM radio's signed off at dusk in the South with Dixie?

The Terrible Truth about Lincoln and The Confederate War,

by Michael Hutcheson

Lincoln was the greatest tyrant and despot in American history. In the first four months of his presidency, he created a complete military dictatorship, destroyed the Constitution, ended forever the constitutional republic which the Founding Fathers instituted, committed horrendous crimes against civilian citizens, and formed the tyrannical, overbearing and oppressive Federal government which the American people suffer under to this day. In his first four months, he:

- Failed to call Congress into session after the South fired upon Fort Sumter, in direct violation of the Constitution.
- Called up an army of 75,000 men, bypassing the Congressional authority in direct violation of the Constitution.
- Unilaterally suspended the writ of habeas corpus, a function of Congress, violating the Constitution. This gave him the power, as he saw it, to arrest civilians without charge and imprison them indefinitely without trial—which he did.
- Ignored a Supreme Court order to restore the right of habeas corpus, thus violating the Constitution again and ignoring the Separation of

- Powers which the Founders put in place exactly for the purpose of preventing one man's using tyrannical powers in the executive.
- When the Chief Justice forwarded a copy of the Supreme Court's decision to Lincoln, he wrote out an order for the arrest of the Chief Justice and gave it to a U.S. Marshall for expedition, in violation of the Constitution.
 - Unilaterally ordered a naval blockade of southern ports, an act of war, and a responsibility of Congress, in violation of the Constitution.
 - Commandeered and closed over 300 newspapers in the North, because of editorials against his war policy and his illegal military invasion of the South. This clearly violated the First Amendment freedom of speech and press clauses.
 - Sent in Army forces to destroy the printing presses and other machinery at those newspapers, in violation of the Constitution.
 - Arrested the publishers, editors and owners of those newspapers, and imprisoned them without charge and without trial for the remainder of the war, all in direct violation of both the Constitution and the Supreme Court order aforementioned.
 - Arrested and imprisoned, without charge or trial, another 15,000-20,000 U.S. citizens who dared to speak out against the war, his policies, or were suspected of anti-war feelings. (Relative to the population at the time, this would be equivalent to President G.W. Bush arresting and imprisoning roughly 150,000-200,000 Americans without trial for "disagreeing" with the Iraq war; can you imagine?)
 - Sent the Army to arrest the entire legislature of Maryland to keep them from meeting legally, because they were debating a bill of secession; they were all imprisoned without charge or trial, in direct violation of the Constitution.
 - Unilaterally created the state of West Virginia in direct violation of the Constitution.
 - Sent 350,000 Northern men to their deaths to kill 350,000 Southern men in order to force the free and sovereign states of the South to remain in the Union they, the people, legally voted to peacefully withdraw from, all in order to continue the South's revenue flow into the North.

to be continued

State Flag

In the present clamor to remove all things Confederate, The fight to remove our state flag continues with a new battle front opening every day it seems, A new city follows suit with the heritage haters and removes our state's flag from a position of honor in city and county offices. It is like they have all drunk the same "Kool Aid" and have this vision that with out the battle flag as a part of our state flag all other problems will melt away. Some cities and counties in our great State have rebuked the haters and have voted to continue to fly our state flag. The haters of our heritage never give up. After a failure, they not only double down on that strategy but develop a new and innovative way to destroy the symbols of our heritage. A case study of this strategy is the war against our flag of the great state of Mississippi. You all know the efforts of the past to force removal of our present state flag. Popular votes, court cases, arm twisting of legislatures and proposed constitutional amendments are all examples that have so far failed. These efforts have all been opposed by the majority of the people of the state but a very vocal minority continue to carry the fight against our heritage. Their lack of victories has left, our left leaning cities and universities to lower our beautiful state flag. Now with a very important event to our state, the bicentennial of our statehood, will come a new effort to change our state flag, a flag to celebrate the bicentennial. This flag will fill the empty flag poles around the state and there will be resolutions celebrating our bicentennial and the flag developed to celebrate the occasion. Along with this fell good movement, there will be a continued effort to change our state flag in the legislature. One of the "hate the flag" strategies is to over the year of our bicentennial to gather momentum to have this flag to replace our current flag. My position is as always no compromise no surrender. Contact your Representative and Senator in Jackson and voice your opinion on our state flag. The speaker of the house will continue his effort to erase our proud heritage. The Clarion Ledger, in an attempt to fuel the fire decided to ask for proposed flag designs. Untold amounts of money flow into the flag fight from outside the state. The bulls eye is on us. Politicians at all levels are trying to "read the tea leaves" and come down on the side of winning their office in the next election. Let them know that is not a winning strategy

Confederate General Confederate Birthdays in September

Lt General Stephen Dill Lee 22 Sept 1833

Lt General Joseph Wheeler 10 Sept 1836

Admiral Raphael Semmes 27 September 1809

Admiral Raphael Semmes



Semmes was born in Maryland. He graduated from Charlotte Military academy and entered the United States Navy as a midshipman. He commanded several ships in the Gulf of Mexico during the Mexican war. When Alabama left the union, he resigned his Commission and offered his services to the Confederate navy. The rest as they say is history. As Captain of the C.S.S. Alabama, he led the ship to be the most successful commerce raider in maritime history. His book *Memoirs of Service Afloat during the War Between the States* is a great defense of the Lost cause. He died from complications following food poisoning from eating contaminated shrimp and is buried in Mobile's Old Catholic cemetery.

Admiral Semmes on Guard at the Old Tunnel in Mobile



Mississippi Division Executive Council Meeting

The next E council meeting is Sept 16 at the War Memorial Building in Jackson

Honor Your Ancestor

I challenge every one to prepare a short presentation about your Confederate ancestor to present at a camp meeting. If your presentation is about 5 minutes, we will have a spot on the agenda every month for a short presentation. Contact Eddy to be placed on the agenda. If your presentation is longer, contact Edward to make your presentation as one of our camp programs. Also if you have a picture of your ancestor, bring a copy to put on our Wall of Honor. Commander Campbell has added a picture of one of his ancestors to our Wall of honor.

Newsletter,

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If anyone has read a good book, visited an interesting place, would like to post a bio of their Confederate ancestor, or just has a thought they would like to share with the membership, Please forward the article to me (charlescresap33@att.net) and I will place it in the next newsletter.

Southern Gentleman's Brown Bag Lunch Club

Like minded individuals gather every third Tuesday of the month for a Brown bag lunch and pleasant conversation. You pick what is in your brown bag for lunch and what you want to talk about. There is no protocol, agenda, or speaker just good fellowship. This next event will be on Sept 19th at high noon at 216 Miller Street in the Disabled Veterans Building. The John C. Pemberton Sons of Confederate Veterans will be the host for the luncheon. Ladies are welcome. SCV memberships is not required. This is one of the high points of my month.

Vicksburg "War to Prevent Southern Independence" (Civil War) Roundtable

A round table has been organized in Vicksburg. The group meets on the third Monday of each month . They meet in the Baer house at 7:00 PM. The Baer house is located at 1117 Grove street.

Dues, The South Needs All its Sons

Our annual dues are due on 1 Aug and late on 31August. The new late date is a change from previous years. With issues with our printer and the Post Office you will not get the normal notification of dues from the Mississippi Division Adjutant. The check for dues and donations should be sent to the John C. Pemberton Adjutant Larry Holman at 61 Rollingwood Dr, Vicksburg,, MS 39183. There are three levels of dues. National dues of \$30, State dues of \$10, and camp dues of \$7. You must be current in all three levels to remain a member in good standing. Life membership at the national and or state level exempts you only from that level of annual dues.

Poets Place,
Thanks Joel

A SOLDIERS MOTHER

*She doesn't wear a uniform
She doesn't carry a gun
She's the mother
Of a soldier son*

*She's the one who waits
And prays every night
That he'll be safe
If he has to fight*

*She tells him she's proud
For what he chose to do
And to keep the faith
God will see you thru*

*She's a very special person
And not like any other
For God chose her
To be a soldiers mother*

by: Joel T. Bailey

Chaplain's Corner Thanks Bryan For the Brethren

For the Brethren

In the St. Paul's first epistle to the Thessalonians (5:3-9) he wrote, For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye... are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief... For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ. Scripture teaches us that such is not a question of if but when. For while we have not been given the day or the hour, an integral part of our Christian witness has been to proclaim our Lord's return so that more will turn unto Christ and be saved. Now our adversary the Devil has sought to use the reticence of God to deceive men that they might continue living in sin. He has insinuated into the hearts of the unregenerate the notion that our Lord will not be returning anytime soon so they should just "live it up." He has also led men to believe that peace and safety can be had by their own works apart from a lively faith in the LORD their God. He has over the ages convinced men that the things of this world are worth the effort because it holds for them glory, honor and wealth—vehicles which swell their pridefulness and pave the way for their ultimate downfall. Consider the verse from First Thessalonians 5:3, For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. How many treaties have actually led to a lasting peace between men and nations? Not a single one of them has brought lasting peace nor allayed mankind's fears of further confrontations. In fact, the ideals of Peace and safety seem to be wafting away as I write this message. For with each new attempt at conflict resolution, the potential for new and even more devastating conflagrations have increased. As a result, our government has become like the mythical Sisyphus: who was cursed by the gods to perform a seemingly never-ending task. Couple that with our country's unique ability to determine the time of victory in a conflict apart from an end to hostilities, and you have the makings for a tragedy of epic proportions. Can't you hear our leaders now? "Well, there it is— we've won; the conflict is resolved; the issue has been handled; our people are safe; and the homeland has been secured; and it was all due to the efforts of President So-in-So or Ambassador Such-and-Such." Translation, "It was all about mortals and had nothing to do with God." But God has everything to do with any good we might experience because we know that every good gift and every perfect gift is from above

and cometh down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variableness, neither shadow of turning (St. James 1:17).

Truly, our country was once blessed by Almighty God — as one collect reads— “with substantial industry, sound learning and good manners.” We possessed those things because we used to be a people who were for the most part true believers in the Godhead and accepting of his word.

Unfortunately, our country has been in decline for many years. Look about our society and you will find an ever-diminishing number of Bible-believing Christians. There should be little doubt that our declining national life is directly proportional to the actual number of truly regenerated souls who are present within our society. Nevertheless, you will still hear people extolling the notion that recovery is just around the corner a la Happy days are here again... etc. If one really desires to see what is coming in our national life, we need only look at II Chronicles 36:15-16 regarding the kingdom of Judah wherein it was written that ... the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place: but they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy. The Bible tells us that God’s patience with the people of Judah had run out. And so, by extension, would you think he will do any less regarding our wicked society? Either we repent and turn from both our national and our personal sins and trespasses, or the Lord will deal with this country in his hot displeasure. But God will not remove his hand from around those who have been born- again of the Spirit; neither can such be taken from his hand by the evil one. No, my friends, we have not been called to experience the wrath of God, only his mercy and grace. The wrath of man, yes; but not God’s wrath. The word of God to the apostle Paul in our epistle lesson is sure and certain: But ye... are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief... For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ. Our principal duty then as Christians is to serve our Lord by being obedient to his word. While we cannot change God’s plan for this world, we ought to commit our cares and concerns to him concerning our roles in these last days. We ought to trust and not worry about the state of things which must come to pass. We are suppose to occupy till his comes again, which means that we should be working, studying , and living our lives in faith. We ought to be engaged in intercessory prayer for those who oppose themselves across the whole of our society, that God would give them the spiritual insight to see the dangers ahead (II

St. Timothy 2:24-26). As Abraham asked of God for a stay in his plan to deal with the wicked of Sodom and Gomorrah, so we must also pray that our country and its leaders will see the error of their ways and turn back before it is too late (Genesis 18:23-32). The Peace and safety crowd will eventually declare victory whether it is after a horrible world conflict, or after some global leader has convinced the nations to accept his offer of universal peace via their participation as members of a global superstate. The prison planet is coming. It might already be here. As terrifying as that may sound, we ought to keep in mind that those things are going to come to pass and to prepare our hearts for the second advent of our Saviour. Our Lord repeatedly warned us to avoid deception and so let us go forward each day serving him by proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ who has offered us true peace and safety in his coming kingdom. Let us pray,
Father, we pray for your divine assistance as we fight the good fight of faith, and stand our ground in this time of our mortal life; that in our warfare and in our work we might do those things which are pleasing and acceptable to thee as we occupy until our Lord Jesus Christ returns; for these things we ask in his most blessed name. Amen.

Cooper's Well Stones come to Vicksburg



Stand by for a dedication ceremony this fall. The Pemberton Camp has coordinated with others in the third brigade to set an initial 47 stones in one of the lots we control in Cedar Hill. Thanks to Trent Lewis for being the sparkplug for this effort, Wayne McMaster for being the camp's point man in setting up this effort and Bryan Skipworth for repairing the broken stones and placing many stones in the ground. These men died at Mississippi Springs and were buried at Cooper's well. The Coopers Well location is not available for Confederate stone placement so these stones have laid on the ground for 15 years waiting for a home. A memorial service is being planned in the fall. The last stones have been delivered and are set. A plaque is being developed to be placed in the lot explaining these veteran's story. Thanks to all who were a part of this effort. Go to:

http://freepages.history.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~taleese/soldiers_rest_vicksburg/cooper_wells/cooper_wells.htm

Thanks Anna !

They Fell in Defense of Their Homes, That is the Context Did Karma Visit Ole Miss?



Ole Miss has installed a context plaque at the Confederate monument on campus. The monument needs no context as its meaning is clear and etched in stone. Translated from the Greek inscription in memory of the University Grays: Very powerful!!

"Go, stranger, and to Sparta tell, that here, obeying her commands, we fell"
The University Grays had a 100% casualty rate during the fateful charge on the third day of Gettysburg. The story of the University Grays could be a learning moment about courage and devotion to duty. The grays left the comfort of the University to defend its newly found county from a brutal foreign invader. Instead of embracing this concept, the university continues to distance itself from this powerful lesson in their Marist quest for excellence. The university will continue their quest to remove all things pertaining to its past. Watch out for the stain glass windows in Ventress hall and the Confederate cemetery. The University is like Sherman, on the march destroying history in a Taliban style. If it does not fit their narrative, they intend to change or destroy it.

John C. Pemberton Camp Website

Go to <http://scv-camp-1354.com/> to view our website. Thanks to our Webmaster Bill Fryer. Bill has creating a "Wall of Honor" for our ancestors. Check it out on the web site and add your ancestor. Also find directions to our meeting location You will also find over three years of archived newsletters

John C. Pemberton on Facebook

Thanks to Sid Johnson, Larry Holman and Jeff Cartwright, the John C. Pemberton camp has a facebook page. It looks real good, thanks guys. Now we have to continue using this social media page to our advantage in educating the uninformed on the true history of our cause. Ask your friends to checkout our page

Flag Restoration

In many cases the old veteran's battle flags are our last physical link to their valor. Many of their flags are in possession of the State of Mississippi Archives and History. There they are rotting away to dust. It is up to us as decedents of these brave men to preserve their battle flags for our descendants to see. There are three funding activities. Direct donations, SCV car tags, and sale of coffee cups. Our camp has a supply of coffee cups. Ask me about cups. You get the SCV specialty tags at the court house, just ask.

Beauvoir



Remember, We, The Mississippi Division, own Beauvoir. We should visit and support this beautiful spot. This is the last home of the only President of the Confederate States of America.

Friends of Beauvoir

Beauvoir the Home of Jefferson Davis is Owned and Operated by the Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Here is an Invitation to give the Past a Future!

Go to http://www.beauvoir.org/Support_Beauvoir/index.html for details

Bricks for Beauvoir



The plans are for a brick plaza around the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Each brick would cost \$50.00 and would have the name of a Confederate ancestor of members of the SCV who give to the effort. "The Bricks for Beauvoir" Project is spearheaded by Larry McCluney, Past Commander of the Mississippi Division. Thirteen columns, in a crescent, will represent the 13 States of the Confederacy and will fly the flag of each respective State. The project is drawing near the end. It is projected the project will be complete by Fall Muster. By all reckoning there are 153 more spaces left in the archway. Contact *Evelyn "Ellie" Provost, Administrative Assistant at (228) 388-4400 ext 211 or eprovoat@beauvoir.org*

Fall Muster

Place October 20-22 on your calendar, This date is the weekend of Fall Muster at Beauvoir.

Upcoming Mississippi Division Reunion Locations

2018 Private Samuel A. Hughey camp 1452 Southaven, Ms

2019 The Rankin Rough and Ready's camp Brandon, Ms

2020 John C Pemberton 1354 Vicksburg Ms

Upcoming National Conventions

2018 Franklin Tennessee

2019 Mobile Alabama

2020 Jacksonville, Florida.

The Camel Regiment

A new book to consider by W. Bell

The 43rd Mississippi Infantry of the Confederate States of America is the only regiment to have used a camel militarily east of the Mississippi. Referred to as the Camel Regiment, it was organized in 1862 and surrendered in 1865. Using a variety of resources, the author provides a roster of the regiment along with detailed information on the formation, battles, and controversies surrounding the men. From the acquisition of the African dromedary Old Douglas to carry baggage and musical instruments through his death at Vicksburg and the fate of his fellow soldiers, Bell provides an entertaining historical narrative of this little-known chapter in American history

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