

Joe Nokes, Commander

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# The Delta General

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

October 3 – Camp meeting

October 11-13 – Battle of Farmington, MS

October 17-19 – Fall Muster at Beauvior

November 7 – Camp Meeting

November 8-10 – Wirt Adams Raid in Natchez, MS

December 5 – Camp Meeting

### Camp News: Commander's Corner: Joe Nokes

Compatriots and Friends,

Fall is finally here!

And with Fall (season) comes Fall Muster at Beauvoir: October 18-20. If you have not already made plans, you have less than three weeks. The preparations are still going on, and there is a very full schedule of events that are sure to please everyone. At our September meeting, we discussed food for our Lee-Jackson Banquet in January. We have a working plan, but if anyone has alternate suggestions, please bring them to



the meeting the October meeting where we will make final plans. (Remember if you do not come to the meeting, you cannot be heard.)

Allow me to segue into yet another fast approaching topic: Camp Elections. At the December meeting (in two months), we will hold elections for camp officers. Several names have already been submitted, but as always, nominations are taken from the floor during the meeting. And for those of you that may or may not know, if you are not at the December meeting, you cannot decline your nomination. In other words, if you miss the meeting, you might get elected to an office.

Last, but most important, by now most if not all of you have been exposed to the SCV National Headquarters new ad campaign. At the October meeting, we MUST discuss how best to implement this campaign in our area. Commander Michael Givens and the Executive Council have provided a variety of ideas for putting the word out there. But we need to decide what is best for OUR camp and OUR community. We need everyone at the October meeting to help with this decision. We must formulate a viable, impactful plan. This is not some "oh well, we'll let it linger" issue. This WILL go forward. And it WILL go forward in a positive manner.

To close, I want you all to know that I am proud of all that you do to help our camp, our division, and our Cause. As I said last month, we ARE having a positive impact. We need to continue to have that positive impact. As always, come to the meeting and bring a friend.

Deo Vindice!!! Joe Nokes

# Welcome New Member and Welcome Back Old Member

Welcome Brent Mitchell to our Camp. Bent is a descendant of his Great, Great Grandfather Pvt. Thomas William Dugan, Company H, 7th Texas Infantry. When you see Brent please take the time out to welcome him and his lovely wife Ryan to our Camp.

We also would like to take this opportunity to welcome back an old member who has moved back into the area, Bryan McRaven. This brings our membership up to 58.

# Guest Speak for Camp Meeting on October 3rd



Our guest speaker is TBA. We will have a lot of business to discuss and need our members to show up.

The OCR will once again have the raffle, dinner, and "Capture that Elusive Yankee". The pot is over \$100.00 now. Will someone finally capture him?

# Dues are Now Due \$\$\$\$

If you have not paid your dues and are already a member you need to send them into Dan McCaskill our adjutant. You should have received a notice in the mail. Please forward before October 31 or there will be a penalty and this could be your last issue of the Delta General.

# Adjutant's Report for September 5, 2013 – Dan McCaskill

7:00 pm Commander Joe Nokes called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Meeting was opened with an invocation and blessing by Brother John Hallman. Joe welcomed all members and guests attending the Meeting and then invited all to partake in the evening meal provided by the ladies of the Ella Palmer Chapter # 9, OCR. After the meal, Joe reconvened the Meeting. 2nd Lt. Commander Junior Stillman led the members and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and salutes to the Flag of Mississippi and the Battle Flag of the Confederacy. Commander Joe Nokes then read "The Charge" given to us by Gen. Stephen D. Lee. Commander Nokes had the pleasure of inducting Brent Mitchell as our newest Camp member.

Announcements: The 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Chickamauga will be the weekend of September 21-22 near the original battle field; Fall Muster at Beauvoir will be the weekend of October 18-19, 2013; Camp Officer elections will be in December, members are encouraged to seek the office of their choice.

**Officer Reports:** 1st Lt. Commander Larry McCluney had no report; Camp; 2nd Lt. Commander Junior Stillman had no report; Adjutant Dan McCaskill reported that 31 of the Camp's 58 members had renewed their membership. This represents 53.45 of the membership. Dan also reminding the members that **the grace period would expire on October 31st**. Past Camp Member, Bryan McRaven had transferred his membership back to the Camp. ; The Camp has \$ 1,431 in the checking account and the Church Fund empty. The Camp's Annual Report to the IRS has been e-filed with the IRS; As Camp Editor, Larry inquired about everyone receiving the Camp Newsletter, he also announced that there is only 9 hard copies being mailed; AOT Councilman Larry McCluney announced he would pick-up more AOT pins in October and would be available at the November Camp Meeting, Larry also announced that he would be seeking the office of AOT Commander at the 2014 National Reunion, finally, a court date has been set for September 28th in Memphis to determine if the names of Forrest , Jefferson Davis and Confederate Parks can be changed by the city council; OCR Society President Missy Stillman that anyone wanting to donate items for the Lee-Jackson Banquet Raffle can start bringing them to any OCR member.

**Camp Business:** Lee – Jackson Banquet: it was decided that the Camp would again provide the meat for the Banquet. It will be voted on what meats will be provided. The name of Kirk Fields, who portrays U. S. Grant, was placed on the floor as our speaker at the Lee – Jackson Banquet. A motion was made by Kenneth Ray to accept Kirk as the speaker, 2nd by John Hallman, motion passed. A motion was made and seconded to hold the Lee – Jackson Banquet the evening of January 18, 2014 at the 1st Presbyterian Fellowship Hall in Indianola, motion passed.

**Program:** Our speaker for the evening was Mike Hurley of Victoria, TX who presented a program on the 30th Mississippi Infantry and the character of the Confederate Soldier. Mr. Hurley's Ancestor was captain of Company I of the 30th. Mike's focus was on the character of the Confederate Soldier. Mike listed nine characteristics: True Americans, Defenders of the Constitution, Believers in God, Belief in Hard Work, Love of Family, Defenders of their State, Good Citizens, Love of Land, and Belief in Honor and Duty. These are the things we, as Sons, perpetuate in the "Charge"

**Raffle:** The raffle was conducted by the ladies of the OCR. Kenneth Ray won the video and Robert Strawbridge won the wine glasses. The "Yankee" is still at large. The Meeting was closed with a word of prayer from Camp Chaplain Earl McCown. Attendance was 24.

Respectfully Submitted, Dan McCaskill, Adj.

### Order of Confederate Rose Report: Annette McCluney

#### Ladies,

Fall is finally here and we can start putting the hot days of summer behind us. The leaves are turning and before you know it Thanksgiving and Christmas will be upon us. I have some new and refreshing raffle prizes from Beauvior. For the Black Tie event held at Beauvior in honor of the opening of the Library and Jefferson Davis' 205<sup>th</sup> Birthday, I have wine glasses that were used at the event and mason jars with handles that were used to serve beer. All of these have the Beauvior logo on them and make a great addition to your wine glass collection. Remember, these proceeds from the raffles pay for the meal we serve every month. Our Capture the Yankee is now over \$100.00 and is doing well.



We need to start thinking about our Lee/Jackson raffle and start gathering raffle prizes. I know its early, but, never too early to gather prizes. Also, election time is coming up and we need to be thinking of new officers for the 2014-2016 term. This year marks the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Chapter we have come a long way and have seen many faces travel through our Chapter and some have crossed over during those 15 years. Thanks goes out to our founding members as we look forward to another 15 years.

Annette McCluney, President

# Interested in joining the Mechanized Cavalry, See Richard Dillon for more details!



### Mississippi Division News: Beauvior Needs Volunteers

• <u>Christmas at Beauvoir 2013</u> November 7th through January 5<sup>th</sup> 4:30pm-8:30pm every Thursday-Sunday(except Thanksgiving)

We hope you'll join us for the fun and excitement of celebrating the season in the spirit of giving as volunteers generously contribute their time, talents, energy, and enthusiasm to help us bring this event to life and to create a source of holiday joy for many. This will be our second annual Christmas at Beauvoir celebration. We will greatly appreciate any offering of your time and hope that we will see each volunteer more than once throughout the season. We are looking not only for volunteer workers but also entertainers.

Entertainment: We would like to fill our evenings with music and acting on stage. This year we are reaching out into the community and hope that we will be privileged enough to have entertainment from every corner of the community from student groups to veterans. Here is a list of a few performances we hope to have, however we welcome other ideas if you can think of something besides what is listed below:

- Choir (singing Christmas chorals)
- Orchestra or Band (playing Christmas themed music)
- Theatre (plays or acts centered around Christmas)
- Acted out Christmas stories
- Individual singers or musicians

Workers: This year we will need several volunteer workers that are willing to work 5 hour shifts from 4pm to 9pm, however we can be flexible. As the season progresses the list of jobs may change or even get longer! Please note that positions may vary from night to night and you might be asked to move from one to the other. However we will do our best to place volunteers where they will be the most successful. Here are the positions we are hoping to fill:

- Set up and Break down- Right before we open at 4:30 and after we close at 8:30 we will need 2+ volunteers to set up and break down. Also cleanup right before and after the event as well. Possibly helping breakdown and setup with stage entertainment throughout the night.
- Parking lot attendant- 1 to 2 volunteers will be needed in the parking lots along with our regular security to help with traffic and directing guests from the parking lot to the front entrance.
- Greeters- 2+ volunteers inside the front entrances to direct people towards the ticket counter, and make sure the first thing every guest does is purchase their admission ticket. Also handing out programs and answering general questions.
- Gift shop assistants- 2 volunteers inside the gift shop to assist guests in finding what they are looking to purchase, and to help in loss
  prevention (make sure guests don't walk out without making their purchases). This does not include being behind the register
  counter.
- Gift-wrapping extraordinaires- 2-3 volunteers to wrap gifts purchased in the giftshop.
- Direction experts- 2 volunteers stationed at the rear doors giving directions to locations of interest out on the property
- Theatre/Beauvoir Room- 2-3 volunteers to hand out snacks and refreshments.
- Crafts- 2-4 volunteers to help with the crafts booth. This will be a busy area full of kids making pomanders, pew dolls, gingerbread cookies, Christmas cards, etc.
- Games- 1 volunteer to supervise the game area and make sure games run smoothly and stay fun for all guests. We will have games such as corn hole, horse shoes, and human checkers.
- Train- 1 volunteer to collect train tickets at the train station, entertain guests waiting for a train ride, also help guests board the train.
- Santa's helper- 1 volunteer to greet the children who have come to see Santa and maintain the line.
- Santa's photographer assistant- 1 volunteer to help Santa and the photographer.
- Storyteller- 1 volunteer to tell Christmas stories throughout the night.

\*\*\*\*Please note that Christmas at Beauvoir is an old fashioned wonderland set in the year 1889. We would like to see volunteers dressed for the time period however it is completely optional. If you are interested in wearing period costume let us know! Everything will have to be pre-approved.\*\*\*\*

If you are interested in volunteering the sooner you let us know the better! Please Contact: Kali Beavers at <u>kbeavers@beauvoir.org</u> or 228-388-4400 ext 217 Michelle Rodriguez at <u>mrodriguez@beauvoir.org</u> or 228-388-4400 ext 211 Andi Oustalet at <u>andioustalet@gmail.com</u> or 228-234-4950. The volunteer deadline is November 1, 2013. WE HOPE EVERYONE IS AS EXCITED ABOUT THE UPCOMING HOLIDAY SEASON AS WE ARE!! HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE AT THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS AT BEAUVOIR!!!

### Third Saturday of the Month Living History

This is a chance to help every third Saturday of the month at Beauvoir have a history encampment for the visitors. Terry Bailey said just come and help in any way you can. If you are dressed in uniform with a rifle or don't have a rifle, you can still be of help. If you have any kind of display of artifacts ( they do not have to be original), then have them there and explain about each of the items. If you wish to set up a tent that is fine, but if you don't have one come and just be a part of the group. There is no particular uniform required. The main thing is to have something for the tourists so they can talk to the participants and learn the facts about the war, reconstruction, the politics that were involved and etc. It's a chance to allow the children to not only look at what the soldiers carried but, to actually hold the items. It's also a great chance to let the children (little and big), to shoot the rifles and muskets. This is a great idea and if you can go down and help for as long as you can. There is no requirement on your time. These events will last until it is time for Fall Muster at Beauvoir. For contact information get in touch with Terry Bailey.

twbailey@live.com

### Terry W. "Beetle" Bailey, Alabama Division, SCV Friends of Fall Muster

# Fall Muster

This year the event will be **October 18 - 20.** If anyone can go down to help cut some firewood or take some down their it would be most helpful. As usual this is an important time for the MS SCV to showcase Beauvoir house and the new Jefferson Davis Library & Museum. There will be plenty of vendors with food, t-shirts, flags, car tags, etc. Of course there will be the good ole fashion sutlers with all their goodies. The soldiers will be camped as usual on the backside of the property and the battles will most likely take place beginning about 2 PM. on Saturday and Sunday. It is usually good weather and plenty to see and do. Lets make sure that we tell folks about this by word of mouth, telephone, email or the jazzed up email called Facebook, if you have it.





# Cemetery Heritage Walk October 8, 2013

For the first time we will be having a Cemetery heritage walk at Beau-voir. I am looking for some SCV members or reenactors to be part of a camp set up in the cemetery. I am also looking for a reenactor about the age of 16 to stand at the grave of the Unknown Soldier. There will be a short speaking part. If anyone is interested please contact me. This event representing our heritage could turn into a good annual event.

Wallace Mason Beauvoir harrywjrmason@bellsouth.net

# 2014 Mississippi Division of Sons of Confederate Veterans State Meeting Corinth Mississippi, June 6-8 2014 - Information

#### Compatriots!

The Colonel William P. Rogers Camp is honored to host the 2014 State Convention. The following is some additional information that may be helpful to you. The registration forms are available at this site - battleofcorinth.com.

#### Motels

Headquarters Motel – Holiday Inn Express is located at the junction of Routes 45 & 72, the Hampton Inn is across the street. The SCV rate of \$89 a night is good if rooms are booked before May 23, 2014. The price is the same at both motels.

#### Historical Tours:

1. We are offering an early bird tour of the Davis Bridge Battlefield on Friday June 6, at 1:00 pm. The tour will be led by NPS Ranger Tom Parson the leading expert on the battle. This is a pristine site that is seldom seen by visitors. A real treat!

2. On Saturday afternoon we will offer a bus tour of the many battlefield sites in Corinth- (Limited to 55 persons). A driving/walking tour will also be available for those who want to do it on their own.

We do need to know the number of persons wanting to go on these tours so we can provide guides and buses so please indicate your interest on the Registration Form.

3. On Sunday we recommend a tour of nearby Shiloh and the Brice's Crossroads Battlefields.

#### • For the Ladies:

Corinth has a number of very interesting shops with many different choices. On Saturday morning from 8:00 am to approximately 3:00 pm there will be Corinth's monthly "Green Market" where local persons sell their Arts and Crafts and homemade items like jellies, pickles, baked goods, clothes, and jewelry. No trip to Corinth would be complete without a trip to Borroum's Drugstore (opened in 1865) for an old fashion ice cream treat and a "Slugburger." Directions will be provided.

#### • Friday Evening Reception:

Our Friday night opening reception will be held at the Corinth Civil War Interpretive Center. It is a wonderful building on the Corinth Battlefield with great exhibits on the Battle of Shiloh and the Battle of Corinth.

We look forward to having you in Corinth where history comes alive!

# **Publication History**

The **Confederate Veteran** published its first issue in 1893. No issue copyright renewals can be found for this serial. It ran until 1932. A new incarnation of the magazine, published by the Sons of Confederate Veterans, began in 1984. You can read old issues of the Confederate Veterans magazines online by going to the link below. Go to: <u>http://onlinebooks.library.upenn.edu/webbin/serial?id=confedvet</u> Thanks to Bill Hinson, Editor, **Sunny South News**, Lowry Rifles Camp #1740 - Rankin County, Mississippi

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<b>SCV before May 23, 2014 \$30.00</b> AT THE REUNION \$35.00 <b>OCR before May 23, 2014 \$10.00</b> AT THE REUNION \$15.00					
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### National SCV News: National Reunion in Charleston, SC

Editor's Note: If you plan to attend the Reunion in Charleston, SC in 2014, then you need to at least reserve a room at the Embassy Suites as soon as you can. I reserved my room on July 24 and the impression they gave me was they were going quick. But never fear, if you cannot get a room there, or if you want something within your budget, go to <a href="http://www.scv2014.org">http://www.scv2014.org</a> and see what they offer. Early registration form for the Reuion is offered on the next page.



# HAVEN'T WE HAD ENOUGH LIES ABOUT GENERAL FORREST AND FORREST PARK?

1. General Forrest was exonerated by Congress in 1871 of having anything to do with the KKK. The General knew his name was being used, and demanded that the organization disband. The General also challenged one of the liars to a duel to defend his good name. (http://openlibrary.org/books/OL14038263M/Report\_of\_the\_Joint\_Select\_Committee\_to\_Inquire\_into\_the\_Condition\_of\_Affairs\_in\_the\_L ate\_Insurrecti)

2. General Forrest was accused of a "massacre" at Ft. Pillow. This lie was repeated by newspapers in Ohio to gin up support for the war. General Forrest was absolved completely from any wrong-doing by Congress; and General WT Sherman admitted that the General had done nothing wrong. General Forrest wrote the Union General Washburn who was in charge of Memphis, and demanded that he have the lies retracted. (see *A Rebel Born-A Defense of General Nathan Bedford Forrest*; Seabrook Searaven Press, and http://groups.yahoo.com/

#### group/AltHistory/message/8)

3. General Forrest answered the call of his home state of Tennessee, to defend her from illegal invasion. While slavery was an issue in the war, it was not the reason for the war. The North wanted to prohibit the entrance of blacks into the territories, free or slave; and many states amended their constitutions to say so. Lincoln himself said he wanted the territories to be for

whites.http://www.fold3.com/page/2725\_jim\_crow\_laws/. General Forrest enlisted 45 of his own servants to fight with him, and freed them 18 mos before the war was over because he was afraid he would be killed in battle and wanted to make sure they were free. Of the 45, 44 of them stayed with him. http://angie497.\_hubpages.com/hub/Little-known-facts-about-Nathan-Bedford-Forrest

4. General Forrest had one of his servants, Napoleon Winbush, serve as Chaplain for his troops. This was unheard of in the Union army. Chaplain Winbush's grandson is a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to honor the service of his grandfather to the Confederacy. <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\_detailpage&v=YF-QIJyLhKQ</u>

5. In 1958, Congress declared that Confederate veterans were indeed American Veterans, and as such entitled to the same benefits and respect as every other American Veteran. http://www.veteranstoday.com/2011/04/14/confederate-soldiers-are-american-veterans-by-act-of-congress/

6. By sneaking around at night, stealing the FORREST PARK marker under cover of darkness, the city of Memphis has publicly insulted every other historic monument, park, and cemetery set aside by Americans to honor the service of our Veterans.

7. General Forrest has been more slandered, more maligned and more lied about than any other Confederate hero. The lies have been printed in the history books by the victors, who could say whatever they wanted. It's time for the lies to stop. The Mid-South Flaggers speak for those who have no voice. Join with us in denouncing the sneaking actions of the Memphis city council in their attempts to erase our history.

### Forrest Statue Vandalized in Memphis

(Memphis) Vandals left their mark on a controversial statue in the heart of the city's medical district. The Nathan Bedford Forrest statue, located off Union Avenue, has been in the middle of a heated battle since the city removed a marker and renamed the park. A city employee had his hands full cleaning up the statue of Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest.

Late Thursday night or early Friday, someone poured bright red paint on the side and sprawled graffiti on it. "It's just a shame they don't have anything better to do or have more respect for historical items or city property or other people's property," said Lee Millar, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Millar's group put up the statue in 1904 and it's listed among the



most famous of Civil War monuments. However, it has also been at the center of controversy for years because of Forrest's ties to the Ku Klux Klan. It was also a topic of concern recently when the city voted to rename all of the Civil War parks.

Still, some say this isn't the way to handle the situation. "I'm not a fan of Nathan Bedford Forrest but I'm not a fan of people defacing public property, also," said Harvey Smith of Memphis.

Millar says there has been vandalism over the years that's why there's a sealant on the statue so graffiti is easier to wash off. He says now they're considering partnering with either the city or nearby University of Tennessee to put surveillance cameras there. He thinks that might deter vandalism and help them catch guilty culprits. "We've asked the UT police just to keep a closer eye on the statue and the grounds so it's better protected for the citizens," said Millar.

If you're caught defacing this statue, it's possible you could be charged with more than just vandalism. It's also the burial site of Forrest and his wife, and the penalty for damaging a grave site is stiffer.

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Sons of Confederate Veterans 119<sup>th</sup> National Reunion North Charleston, SC July 16-19. 2014 1864 – H. L. Hunley - 2014



**Grand Total** 

Individual Member Registration (Basic Registration is required for ALL members attending the reunion)

Early Registration (Inru March 31, 2014) (\$55.00 Each)	Qty	x 55 =
Late Registration (After March 31, 2014) (\$65.00 Each)	Qty	x 65 =
Wed, July 16: Harbor Meet & Greet Tour (\$65.00 Each)	Qty	x 65=
Thurs, July17: General Forrest Cavalry Breakfast (\$30.00 Each)	Qty	x 30=
Thurs, July17: C. Irvine Walker Preservation Luncheon (\$35.00 Each)	Qty	x 35=
Thurs, July17: General Johnson Hagood Heritage Dinner (\$35.00 Each)	Qty	x 35=
Thurs, July17: Ladies Tour (\$35.00 Each)	Qty	x35=
Thurs, July 17: Fort & Battlefield Tour (\$35.00 Each)	Qty.	x35=
Fri, July 18: Gen. Ellison Capers Chaplains Breakfast (\$30.00 Each)		x 30=
Fri, July 18: Lt. Richard Kirkland Awards Luncheon (\$35.00 Each)		x 35=
Fri, July 18: H.L. Hunley Tour (\$40.00 Each)	Qty.	x 40=
Sat, July 19: Mary Boykin Chesnut Debutante Luncheon (\$30.00 Each) (Debutantes Free)		x 30=
Sat, July 19: Gen. Wade Hampton III Grand Banquet and Debutante Ball: (Single: \$70.00)		x 70=
(Couple: \$130.00)	Qty	
Numbered Medal (\$150.00 Each) (Limited to 150 Medals)		x 150 =
Additional Reunion Medals (Non Numbered) (\$35.00 Each)	Qty.	x 35=
Ancestor Memorials (Printed in Program) (\$10.00 Each) (Attach Ancestor Memorial Form)		x 10 =

#### Make Check payable to Low Country SCV and mail to address below

Due to the nature of tour booking and catering demands, all tour and meal purchases are considered to be final. No refunds will be issued. The 2014 National SCV Reunion Committee does reserve the right to limit or cancel any tour prior to the reunion due to limited booking of reservations. In the event there is a cancellation of any tour, the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part

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Contact the Embassy Suites, North Charleston, SC at 1-843-747-1882 for room rates, availability and reservations. Ask for the 2014 SCV Reunion Rate.

Tenth Brigade, South Carolina Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans David Rentz, 2014 SCV Reunion Chairman, www.scv2014.org Mail Checks To: Low Country SCV, P. O. Box 1170, Ladson, SC 29456-1170



### Are you eligible for membership in the MOSB?

The members of the MOS&B are descendants of the Confederate Officer Corps and elected government officials. We are dedicated to the preservation and education of the memory of our ancestors and the traditional values of our Southern Heritage.

Address all general business or advertising correspondence to MOS&B IHQ, P O Box 1700, White House, TN 37188-1700. Or you can contact Earl McCown for information. Join in the fight to preserve the memory of the Officer Corps.

### Commander General's Message

Following is a portion of the C-G's Message for this month. It explains why the MOB exists.

"Membership in the Military Order of the Stars and Bars is a way that we can honor the service of our Confederate ancestors and to take a vicarious trip down memory lane on their behalf and to see where they served and lived. As long as we remember, they endure. They are a part of who we are. We are enlarged through knowledge of our forebears. There are Scriptural promises for us when we honor our heritage. Consider Malachi 4: 5-6 and John 8:32."

#### Respectfully,

Toni Turk, Commander General

# Heritage Rally 2014

Compatriots,

The Budget and Finance Committee will review funding requests prior to the Fall GEC (General Executive Council) meeting. Those requests <u>must be received no later than September 23, 2013</u> and <u>must be received in one of two formats</u>, to be considered at that time! It is preferred that requests and supporting documentation be sent as attachments to an email message directed to Adjutant-in-Chief Ritchie (aic@scv.org) and Executive Director Sewell (<u>exedir@scv.org</u>).

If you send the request and supporting documents in hard-copy format, <u>they must be sent to AIC Ritchie, Executive Director Sewell and Army</u> <u>Commanders Earnest, Strain and Owens</u>, who also serve on the Budget and Finance Committee. Mailing addresses can be found on the National Committee page at: <u>http://www.scv.org/committeeView.php?cid=BF</u>.

Those requesting funds should read the Funding Proposal Guidelines found on the Forms and Documents page of scv.org at: http://www.scv.org/pdf/FundingProposalGuidelines.pdf

The form to be used to make a Funding Request is also on the Forms and Documents page at: http://www.scv.org/pdf/SCVFundRequests.pdf The information requested on the form is the minimum that is needed to consider a request. Those making requests are encouraged to

submit supporting information if it helps clarify the purpose and other particulars of the project.

If you have any questions regarding the guidelines, form or process, please contact me.

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### Sesquicentennial Of the War for Southern Independence Articles: Siege of Chattanooga "Supply Lines Severed" Sept 23-Nov 25,1863

Following the disastrous defeat in the September 19-20, 1863, Battle of Chickamauga, the demoralized but unpursued Union Army of the Cumberland retreated to Chattanooga, TN. Their commander, Gen. William S. Rosecrans, put the men to work digging defensive entrenchment's around the city and wired Washington for reinforcements. The Confederate Army of Tennessee, commanded by Gen. Braxton Bragg, arrived at the outskirts of Chattanooga on September 23 and seized the surrounding heights- Missionary Ridge to the east, Lookout Mountain to the southwest, and Raccoon Mountain to the west- and established a line of outposts that connected all three.

From their lofty positions, the Confederates could not only direct long-range artillery fire onto the Union entrenchments but also sweep the major rail and river routes that supplied the Union army. Bragg, disappointed that Rosecrans did not evacuate Chattanooga, decided to lay siege to the city and starve the Union force into surrendering. The usual route of supply into the city was a one-hour trip by rail from Bridgeport, 27 miles to the west. With that route and the alternative river route severed, Rosecrans's only supply line was a torturous 60-mile wagon road through the Sequatchie Valley and over Walden's Ridge that could take anywhere from eight to 20 days to traverse.

In the struggle to move the supplies over the steep mountain roads, as many as 16 mules would be hitched to each wagon. A whip-bearing soldier was assigned to each mule, while more soldiers pushed the wagons from behind. The hard work and shortage of forage and rations were debilitating to man and beast, but the overworked mules suffered the most. The road from Bridgeport became littered with mule carcasses. One soldier reported that "laid lengthwise, they would easily cover the whole distance." To put more pressure on the besieged Union army, Bragg unleashed Gen. Joseph Wheeler's cavalry into the Sequatchie Valley to capture wagon trains and destroy bridges.

**Fascinating Fact:** Food became so scarce in Chattanooga that the Union soldiers stole feed from the horses and picked out of the mud the crumbs of food that fell through the cracks of the rattling wagons.

### Wheeler's Raid "A Rush For Sequatchie Valley" October 1 - 9, 1863

After losing the Battle of Chickamauga, Union Gen. William S. Rosecrans's Army of the Cumberland had retreated to Chattanooga, TN, where they were soon besieged by Rebel Gen. Braxton Bragg's Army of Tennessee. A narrow, winding road through the Sequatchie Valley was the sole, tenuous supply line to the Union army. Bragg ordered Gen. Joseph Wheeler to take three divisions of cavalry and disrupt the Sequatchie Valley lifeline to Rosecrans's hungry army. Wheeler protested that his men and horses were too worn out for such a "desperate mission", and many of his officers predicted that at least half of the command would be lost, but Bragg was adamant.

Wheeler led his men northeast from Chattanooga up the south side of the Tennessee River. Along the way they were watched from the other side by Union cavalry who were ready to dispute any attempted crossing. On October 1, 1863, Wheeler, annoyed at the persistent Union shadow, ordered his men to force their way across the river near Washington, TN. A storm of gunfire from the opposite bank greeted the Rebels as they forced their horses through the swift three-foot-deep current. Ignoring the cries of their wounded, they pushed on across the wide river, emerged on the opposite bank, charged into the woods, and routed the blue-clad enemy. Thus began one of the most audacious and successful raids of the Civil War.

Union cavalry Gen. George Crook notified Rosecrans that the Rebels had crossed the river. The next day, while Wheeler's troopers plodded up Walden's Ridge- the height that separated them from the Sequatchie Valley- Rosecrans hurriedly began assigning reinforcements to protect his precious supply line. Just before dark on October 2, the Confederate horsemen reached the crest of Walden's Ridge and looked down into the darkening valley. At the same time Crook, with Rosecrans's admonition- "They must not be allowed to enter Sequatchie!"- echoing in his head, arrived at the base of the ridge.

**Fascinating Fact:** "It was impossible for me to resist the crossing, as there was no ford at the river where they crossed, until they made it last night", was the explanation Crook gave Rosecrans for the Rebels' successful crossing of the Tennessee River.

### Battle Of Farmington "Rebels Brought To Bay" October 7, 1863

For six days, Gen. Joseph Wheeler and fewer than 4,000 Confederate cavalrymen had raided behind Union lines in the Sequatchie Valley. They destroyed nearly everything in the valley that aided in the supply of Gen. William S. Rosecrans's besieged Union army at Chattanooga, TN. They captured or destroyed millions of dollars of supplies from more than 1,000 Union supply wagons and huge supply depots at McMinnville and Shelbyville. They also ripped up many miles of railroad tracks and destroyed five critical bridges.

Union Gen. George Crook and 25,000 cavalrymen had scrambled after Wheeler's raiders in a desperate effort to catch them and stop the devastation. Despite almost constant fighting with the Rebel rear guard, Crook's troops were not able to bring on an engagement with the Confederates until October 7, 1863. Having done all the damage possible in the valley, Wheeler was heading toward the Tennessee River and the safety of the other side, but was forced to stop and fight the Yankee pursuers at Farmington, TN.

"For five hours and a half, over seven miles of country, the unequal contest continued", wrote commander of the Rebel rear guard. "My gallant brigade was cut to pieces." Upon reaching Farmington, the rear guard passed through the rest of Wheeler's command, which had formed a strong defensive line.

As the Union pursuers came rushing up, they were swept with a murderous fire of artillery and small arms. The Yankees reformed and charged again but could make no progress against the Rebel defense. After two hours of heavy fighting, the Union line began to waver. Wheeler unleashed a charge by some of his saber-wielding mounted troopers, who slashed and hacked at the fleeing Union ranks. Nightfall brought an end to the Battle of Farmington, and both sides got a few hours' rest before continuing the race for the Tennessee River at dawn the next day

Fascinating Fact: Both sides gave disputed casualty figures for the battle. Wheeler claimed to have inflicted 188 Union casualties while suffering fewer than 50. Crook reported the Rebel losses at 223 and the Union losses at 111.

### Battle of Wauhatchie "A Southern Retreat" October 28 - 29, 1863

Shortly after midnight on October 29, 1863, Gen. Micah Jenkins's brigade of South Carolinians launched a rare night attack on Gen. John W. Geary's Union corps at Wauhatchie, TN. The Union line, in the shape of a V with sides facing to the east and the north, was fiercely attacked on both fronts by screaming Rebels rushing out of the darkness. Though the sudden attack pushed the Union soldiers backward until the two fronts were almost back to back, Geary's stalwart men managed to fight off Jenkins's attackers and hold their positions.

Three miles away at Brown's Ferry, Gen. Joseph Hooker, commander of the XI and XII Union Corps, heard the sounds of battle at Wauhatchie and dispatched two divisions to Geary's assistance. Marching toward the boom of the guns, the lead division, commanded by Gen. Carl Schurz, took the wrong road and got mired in the swamp. Geary's men continued to hold fast. Schurz's troops eventually extricated themselves and marched on toward Wauhatchie, only to run into the Rebel brigade of Gen. Evander M. Law, which was positioned on a small hill that dominated the road from Brown's Ferry. Law's men were greatly outnumbered and almost encircled by Schurz's division, but the hilltop position was naturally strong, and several vigorous Union assaults were repulsed with great slaughter. Then Gen. Adolph von Steinwehr's division reinforced Schurz's men, and together they drove the Confederates off the hill with a furious bayonet charge.

As the Union reinforcements began arriving at Wauhatchie, Jenkins realized that the attempt to capture Wauhatchie was failing and ordered his troops to withdraw. A rumor circulated through the Yankee camps that Union mules that were stampeded by the fight had made the Rebels believe they were being attacked by cavalry, causing the Southern retreat. Union losses in the battle were 78 killed, 327 wounded, and 15 missing. Confederate losses were 34 killed, 305 wounded, and 69 missing.

**Fascinating Fact:** The Union quartermaster whole mules supposedly made the charge forwarded the following recommendation to Gen. Ulysses S. Grant:"I respectfully request that the mules, for their gallantry in this action, may have conferred upon them the brevet rank of horses."

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