



Sons of Confederate Veterans
General Executive Council

Elm Springs, Columbia, TN 38401

8:30 AM; March 6, 2021; Approved July 21, 2021

Call to Order by Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. at 8:30 am

Invocation given by Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White

Pledge to the U. S. Flag led by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill

Salute to the Confederate Flag led by Chief of Staff Darrell Maples

Charge recited by Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow

Roll Call: Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill

Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr.	P	Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill	P
Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Bosshers	P	Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott Hall	P
ANV Commander Kevin Stone	P	Chief of Heritage Ops Walter D. Kennedy	P
ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan	P	Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White	P
AOT Commander Jimmy Hill	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr.	P
AOT Councilman Carl Jones	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Tom Strain, Jr.	A
ATM Commander J. C. Hanna	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow	P
ATM Councilman Robert Edwards	P	Executive Director Adam T. Southern	P
Chief of Staff Darrell Maples	P		

Eligible Voting Members: 15 PRESENT: 15 ABSENT: 0

9 Members necessary to conduct business; Quorum is PRESENT

Note: Past CIC's are not obligated to attend General Executive Council meetings and therefore, only if present shall they, or any one of them, be counted in the computation of a quorum. (Reference: Section 7.5.2 of the SCV Constitution). The quorum is based on the eligible voting members.

Non-voting member: Executive Director Adam T. Southern.

First Order of Business: Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. asked for a motion to approve the October 10, 2020 General Executive Council Minutes and Teleconference Minutes since October 10, 2020. Chief of Staff Darrell Maples made a motion to approve the Minutes. The motion was seconded by AOT Commander Jimmy Hill. Hearing no discussion, Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. called for the vote and the motion passed.

Second Order of Business: Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. would entertain a motion to re-instate Ben Sewell as a member of the Investment Committee for the three-year term. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made the motion to re-instate Ben Sewell as a member of the Investment Committee for three years. Motion seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow. Motion passed. For our information, Committee members James Turner has one year remaining and Frank Powell with two years.

Third Order of Business: Financial Report and Membership Update by Executive Director Adam T. Southern. Executive Director Southern reported current membership of the Confederation stood at 28,066 as of March 3, 2021. Delinquencies for the year have increased by 6,226 with much of this number being offset by new recruitments. It was requested of the Executive Director to breakdown the delinquencies going back five years so Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers would be better at addressing the problem of retention with a letter he intends mailing out to delinquent members. ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan knows someone who would do this for him pro bono. Membership on the SCV Telegraph has increase dramatically. Each new member who has an email address is automatically enrolled for the SCV Telegraph. Executive Director Southern gave a brief overview of the Financials deferring a detailed report to the Investment Committee Report later in the meeting. Along with the financials there is a slide showing the increased in operating costs of the museum since obtaining the Certificate of Occupancy. The complete report will be attached to these minutes.

Fourth Order of Business: Investment Committee Report - Executive Session

At 9:20 am, a motion was made by Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow for the General Executive Council to go into Executive Session for the purpose of hearing the Investment Committee Report and Recommendations presented by Chairman Ben Sewell. ATM Councilman Robert Edwards seconded the motion and the motion passed. Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. asked for a motion to allow Frank Powell, Adam Southern and Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Nelms remain. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr. made the requested motion and was seconded by AOT Councilman Carl Jones. The motion passed.

At 10:26 am, Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr. made a motion for the General Executive Council to exit the Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

The GEC adopted the recommendations of the Investment Committee as follows:

1. Following the memorandum of 24 March 2018, the GEC will make the first \$100,000 principal payment to the Brooks Fund that was due on January 1, 2021. If this is prorated based upon the size of debt to the Baird and Stifel accounts, Baird is 72% and Stifel is 28%. Additionally, all Brooks Fund interest due through December 31, 2020 should be paid which is \$31,031 to Baird and \$12,152 to Stifel.
2. The GEC hereby reclassifies the monies previously drawn from the Investment Committee accounts from internal debt to GEC approved draws and eliminates any interest associated with these draws for the following amounts: Katen Miller Fund, \$977,925; Life Member Fund, \$440,000; and Rosen Mowery Fund, \$350,000.
3. The Judge Advocate-in-Chief and the SCV's CPA firm conducting the annual audit, will review any paperwork associated with the original bequests in order to confirm these funds are not restricted in any way which would preclude taking this action.

These recommendations were adopted without objection.

Fifth Order of Business: Heritage Operations Report - Chief of Heritage Operations Walter D. Kennedy gave a very passionate report to the General Executive Council. Here are some highlights: 1) The Aerial Banner that flew over NASCAR races is now the property of the SCV and it is recommended to fly it over the skies at the National Reunion in Kenner, Louisiana, 2) every Division needs to compile a list of SCV friendly media outlets to help get our message to the public, 3) use social media platforms to share the SCV message at no cost, 4) the Confederate Legion does a "counterattack" every two months and needs to get all SCV Camps involved. They can do this by downloading a form letter from the Legion site and using it to get the message out to educate the public of the true story of our struggle because many fears losing their jobs for being associated to the SCV or similar organizations, 5) increase membership in the Confederate Legion. More money you have means there are more things you can do to get the message out, 6) to help spread the message, make videos and utilize the SCV Telegraph to disseminate the videos.

Sixth Order of Business: Budget and Finance Committee Report by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill. A Request for Grant had been received from the Georgie Division in the amount of \$72,046 needed to bring to conclusion eleven lawsuits involving the removal and threatened removal of Confederate Monuments and/or statues. The George Division has spent to date \$108,074.81 of Division funds. The Budget and Finance Committee determined that a positive message needed to be sent to the membership that the General Executive Council was doing something to defend Confederate Monuments.

The recommendation of the Committee to the General Executive Council was to advance the Georgia Division \$50,000 with \$25,000 each coming from the Heritage Defense Fund and Rosen-Mowery Fund with the option to request the balance of \$22,000 at a later date. A motion was made by Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow to accept the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by AOT Councilman Carl Jones. After further discussion, Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow called for a Roll Call vote. Result of the vote was:

Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr.	-	Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill	Yes
Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers	No	Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott Hall	Yes
ANV Commander Kevin Stone	Yes	Chief of Heritage Ops Walter D. Kennedy	Abstain
ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan	No	Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White	Yes
AOT Commander Jimmy Hill	Yes	Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr.	Yes
AOT Councilman Carl Jones	Yes	Past Commander-in-Chief Tom Strain, Jr.	Absent
ATM Commander J. C. Hanna	Yes	Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow	Yes
ATM Councilman Robert Edwards	Yes	Chief of Staff Darrell Maples	Yes

Yeas – 11; Nays – 2; Abstaining – 1, motion passed.

General Executive Council recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon to reconvene at 1:00 pm.

Seventh Order of Business: Lloyd Tilghman House - Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers laid out a proposal for consideration by the General Executive Council to offer the Lloyd Tilghman House located in Paducah, Kentucky plus the money from the sale of the property that the encroached generator seats to the Lloyd Tilghman Camp # 1495 in Paducah, Kentucky. The Tilghman Camp has shouldered the complete responsibility of maintaining the home. A motion was made by AOT Councilman Carl Jones to divest the Lloyd Tilghman House, parking lot, Flag Park and the money from the property sale and to offer said properties and

funds to the Lloyd Tilghman Camp. The motion was seconded by ATM Councilman Robert Edwards. After further discussion, it was learned that the money from the sale of the property where the generator sets has not been received by National Headquarters. ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan made a substitute motion to table the transfer of properties and funds until the Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott Hall resolves the sale of the property where the generator sets and Headquarters receives the money. Then revisit the transfer of properties and funds at a later date. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow. With no further discussion, the motion passed.

Eighth Order of Business: Forrest Project Update - Compatriot Lee Millar gave the following update on the re-interment of General Forrest and his wife. In April or May depending on weather, disassembly of the plaza around the Forrest grave site will begin on a date coordinated with Greenspace. With good weather, this process will take about three weeks. The remains will be exhumed and stored in Memphis by a local funeral home at no cost until Elm Springs is ready for the re-interment. Because of the ground at Elm Springs, an architect has to design a pedestal that will support the 3-ton statue before the re-interment can proceed. The re-interment may happen in the September – October time frame.

Ninth Order of Business: Display Committee Report - ATM Councilman Robert Edwards, the Committee Chairman stated before any display cases can be built and installed, he needs to know what his operating budget will be. Currently the anticipated budget will consist of money from the sale of property in Arkansas for \$14,500 and another \$18,000 for sponsorship of a race car that no longer is running for a total of \$32,500. A bigger problem the Committee discovered were new cracks in the museum floor. Before installing any display cases, ATM Councilman Robert Edwards made a motion to hire a registered Professional Structural Engineer within the State of Tennessee to analyze the floor and develop recommendations to prevent future cracks. The motion was seconded by ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan. Motion passed.

ATM Councilman Robert Edwards stated that the Loan Agreement for the artifacts needs to be signed by all parties. With concerns about the Loan Agreement, Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers suggested that the Judge Advocate email each member of the Executive Council a copy of the Agreement for them to read. Before proceeding further with the display issue, ATM Councilman Robert Edwards wanted to know what his budget will be. He was told by Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. his current budget was \$32,500 from the sources stated earlier unless more funds were raised.

Tenth Order of Business: 501(c)(4) Update - ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan reported that the cost to set-up a 501c4 and PAC would cost \$7,500 to set-up both which he thought was high. Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers made a motion to table the issue for further investigation. The motion was seconded by AOT Councilman Carl Jones. The motion passed.

Eleventh Order of Business: SCV_Chats – Mississippi Division Commander Conor Bond made a presentation on SCV Chats a weekly interactive podcast on Facebook on to reclaim the narrative on the SCV, Southern Heritage and proud to be Southern. SCV Chats was started by Conor Bond, Harrison Daws, Matt Singleton, and Adam Southern. This concept was pitched at the 2020 National Reunion started in Fall of 2020 broadcasting on Twitch but changed to Facebook when Twitch banned the Confederate Flag. The regularly scheduled shows are every Monday night at 7:00 pm CDT on Facebook. To date there have been over 28,000 views and 50,000 reaches. The target audience is age 54 and below. Future goals are to expand programming to have special programs and partner with Heritage Operations to help “Take Back the Narrative.”

Twelfth Order of Business: Museum Fund Raising - Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers stated the Fund-Raising Committee consists of Ben Sewell, Joe Ringhoffer, James Patterson, Ray Ganon and Kevin Stone. First Fund Raising letter in the Confederate Veteran raised \$62,280. Other letters will go out in the next two issues of the Confederate Veteran. Afterwards, the style and message would be changed to appeal more to those who have contributed and run for another three issues. Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers stated he would compile other fund-raising ideas in an email and sent it out to the membership. Additional fund-raising methods would be discussed in a future Zoom Conference.

Thirteenth Order of Business: National Convention Bid - Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. announced that a bid for the 2024 National Reunion had been received from Secession Camp # 4 in Charleston, South Carolina for July 17 – 20, 2024. Committee Chairman is Rick Little. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr. made a motion to accept Secession Camp #4 bid for the 2024 National Reunion in Charleston, South Carolina. The motion was seconded by Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White. The motion passed.

Fourteenth Order of Business: 125th Anniversary SCV Book – Editor Frank Powell reported the number of submissions to date were not sufficient to warrant the book so he recommended that the 125th Anniversary Book be killed due to lack of interest. ANV Commander Kevin Stone made a motion to kill the 125th Anniversary Book. The motion was seconded by ATM Councilman Robert Edwards. The motion passed.

Fifteenth Order of Business: History of SCV-CIC Book - Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow reported he had updated this book which is twenty years old using multiple sources. Also, he has contacted the living Past Commander-in-Chiefs and received bios from all except one.

Sixteenth Order of Business: Resolutions by ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan - ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan reported on advice from Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott Hall to table the Resolutions concerning the Past Commander-in-Chiefs until all their information can be verified before anything is published.

Resolution concerning Ranks and Titles stating no rank or title not listed in the SCV Constitution and Standing Orders would be printed in any publication. This Resolution shall be made part of the SCV Manual of Policies and Procedures. ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan made a motion that this resolution be adopted by the General Executive Council. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow. The motion passed. The full Resolution will be attached to the minutes.

Seventeenth Order of Business: Proposed Constitutional Amendment - ATM Commander J. C. Hanna presented his proposed amendment to Article 13.21 for the General Executive Council to endorse and sponsor so the Commander-in-Chief can deal with members who are arrested for a felony more quickly. A motion was made by AOT Commander Jimmy Hill to recommend the adoption of the proposed amendment. Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers seconded the motion. After a lengthy discussion, ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan submitted the following substitute amendment for the General Executive Council to consider adopting:

13.4.

“Charges shall be proffered in writing to the Commander-in-Chief who shall promptly refer the matter to the Disciplinary Committee. The accused shall be presented a copy of the charges and invited to provide a timely response. The Committee or sub-committee may conduct additional inquiries as necessary. A two-thirds majority shall be necessary to decide any question of guilt. Once charges have been proffered to the Disciplinary Committee, the accused’s membership shall be temporarily suspended until the charges are resolved or the General Executive Council votes to lift the suspension.”

ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan’s submission of the Substitute amendment was voted on using the original motion and second. With no further discussion, the motion passed.

Eighteenth Order of Business: Proposed Standing Orders Amendment - Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow proposed an amendment to Article 10 of the Standing Orders to add Section 10.9 to have all Division, Camps, and subdivisions or subordinate organizations add to their Constitution and/or By-Laws the adopted “Charge”.

Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White made a motion that the General Executive Council **not support** this proposed amendment but would not prevent this amendment being proposed by an individual. The motion was seconded by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill. After further discussion, the vote was called and the motion passed.

Nineteenth Order of Business: A proposal was made by Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. that 2021 be declared the "Year of Forrest" in celebration of the 200th birthday of General Nathan Bedford Forrest. A motion was made by AOT Councilman Carl Jones to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr. and with no further discussion, the motion passed.

Twentieth Order of Business: A resolution to recognize 2021 as the 160th Anniversary of the War for Southern Independence was withdrawn.

Twenty-first Order of Business: New Membership Declaration Form – Chief of Genealogy / ATM Commander J. C. Hanna presented a Member Declaration Form to help Camps with vetting new members. ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan pointed out several questionable parts of the declaration. After further discussion, Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. asked ATM Commander J. C. Hanna and ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan to work out the problems by the end of March and present their solution at a teleconference or "Zoom" meeting.

Twenty-second Order of Business: Social Media Policy – ATM Councilman Robert Edwards made a motion that the General Executive Council accepts the SCV Social Media policy as presented at the October General Executive Council Meeting. Seconded by ANV Commander Kevin Stone. ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan noted some needed changes and Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers stated he would make the needed changes and email the amended policy to Council members for consideration in a future teleconference or Zoom Conference.

Twenty-third Order of Business: Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White had submitted an amendment to the Reverend J. William Jones Christian Award and made a motion that the General Executive Council adopt the proposed changes. ATM Councilman Robert Edwards seconded the motion. During the discussion, several changes were made and those changes were included in the original motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed. The adopted changes will be forwarded to Awards Chairman Randy Burbage by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill.

Twenty-fourth Order of Business: Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. introduced proposed changes to the Graves Award for adoption by the General Executive Council. A motion to adopt was made by Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White. The motion was seconded by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill. After making two minor changes in the proposal, the motion to adopt was passed. The adopted changes will be forwarded to Awards Chairman Randy Burbage by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill.

Twenty-fifth Order of Business: The proposed changes to the Heritage Defense Medal were presented by Chief of Heritage Operations Walter D. Kennedy who also made the motion to adopt the changes. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul Gramling, Jr. seconded the motion. During discussion two typographical errors were corrected. The motion to adopt passed. The adopted changes will be forwarded to Awards Chairman Randy Burbage by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill.

Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. asked members of the General Executive Council to be thinking of ways the Confederation can cut costs to help facilitate paying off the Museum debt and be prepared to discuss those measures at the next General Executive Council Meeting.

Twenty-sixth Order of Business: Disciplinary Actions – Executive Session

At 4:37 pm: A motion to go into Executive Session was made by AOT Councilman Carl Jones for the purpose to discuss disciplinary actions. Past Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow seconded the motion. The motion passed.

At 5:11 pm: AOT Councilman Carl Jones made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White seconded the motion. The motion passed. The General Executive Council accepted the Disciplinary Committee's Report; granted the North Carolina Division's request to sue the State of North Carolina to restore their SCV Car Tag and resolved a complaint about posting links on the National SCV Website.

Compatriot Terry Arthur of the Calhoun Avengers Camp # 1969, Calhoun City, MS made a quick presentation to make the General Executive Council aware of the Camp's efforts to acquire land needed to set-up a Confederate Monument and its need for funds to complete the project. Terry was directed to the Adjutant-in-Chief Dan McCaskill for assistance in filling out a Request for Funds.

Old Business: At the October General Executive Council Meeting, the Council voted to recognize the Wade Hampton Camp for their assistance with the NASCAR fly-overs but did not decide on how. AOT Councilman Carl Jones recommended that this be left to the discretion of Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. and Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers.

Since the General Executive Council will be using the conference room at Elm Springs for future meetings, Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Jr. decided to make the first Saturday in March and October as the meeting dates for the General Executive Council and will instruct Executive Director Adam T. Southern to reserve those dates. This would aid Executive Director Adam T. Southern in scheduling future events in the conference room at Elm Springs.

Coming Events: 1. May 1st – Pilgrimage at Elm Springs
2. Forrest Boyhood Home Celebration – June 19th
3. Forrest Reinternment Updates

With no other business coming before the General Executive Council, a motion to adjourn was made by ATM Commander J. C. Hanna, seconded by ANV Commander Kevin Stone and the motion passed.

The meeting was closed with a prayer from Chaplain-in-Chief Dr. Herman White and the singing of Dixie.

Signed,



Dan A. McCaskill
Adjutant-in-Chief

GEC Agenda – March 6, 2021 (Revised as of 3/2/21)

1. Call to Order 8:30 AM
2. Prayer – Bro. Herman White
3. Salute to Flags – (US, Confederate, Charge)
4. Put all phones on mute, refrain from sidebar conversations, and remember to be recognized by the chair before speaking
 - When making a motion, the Adjutant-in-Chief asks that you state your name and your motion
5. Approve the minutes from the October 10, 2020 GEC meeting and the teleconferences
 - Items #1-5
6. Business
 - Vote to Reinstate Ben Sewell to the Investment Committee for three year term -
 - Executive Director's Report – Adam Southern
 - 1. Membership Update -
 - 2. Financial Status -
 - a) Investments – Ben Sewell — Execution Session #4
 - b) Forrest Reinternment Fund
 - c) Museum Donations/ Acquisitions update -
 - d) Friends of Elm Springs Collections -
 - e) SCV Telegraph updates -
 - Heritage Operations Report – Chief of Heritage Operations Donnie Kennedy -
 - Budget and Finance Committee Report – AiC Dan McCaskill – Item # 6 -
 - Judge Advocate-in-Chief's Report – Scott Hall -
 - a) Update on Paducah, Kentucky Property - Lt. CiC Jason Boshiers / Scott Hall -
 - b) I-65 Statue / Property Update – Scott Hall -
 - National Confederate Museum at Elm Springs
 - a) Museum Committee – ATM Councilman Robert Edwards -
 - b) Museum Fund Raising Committee - Lt. CiC Jason Boshers -
 - 501c4 (Does this need to be revisited – ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan -
 - SCV Chat Program – MS Division Commander George Conor Bond -
 - National Convention Bids – Convention Committee - Item #7 -
 - 125th Anniversary Book Revisited – Frank Powell -
 - History of the SCV-CiC's Book – PCiC Kelly Barrow -
 - Resolution Proposals by ANV Councilman Chris Sullivan -- Items #8-10 - TABLE
 - Amendment Proposals to the SCV Constitution and Resolutions:
 - a) Amendment proposal - JC Hannah ATM Commander – Item #11 -
 - b) Constitutional Amendment for Standing Orders – PCiC Kelly Barrow – Item 12 -
 - c) The Year of Forrest – 200th Birthday of General NB Forrest Resolution -
 - d) 160th Anniversary of the War for Southern Independence Resolution with draw

- **Membership Application Update - Chief of Genealogist / ATM Commander – JC** —
Hannah – **Item #13**

1. Needs vetting approval signed by Camp Commander/ Camp Adjutant —
2. SCV Telegraph (Require all New Members) Subscription

- **Social Media Policy – CiC Larry McCluney – Item #14**

- **Streamlining Awards in the Awards Manual – Item #15, 16, 17**

1. Reverend J. William Jones Christian Service Award – Dr. Herman White —
2. Graves Award - Mike Mitchell
3. Heritage Defense Medal Revision – Donnie Kennedy —

- **Cutting Costs and Expenses suggestions**

- **Executive Session – Disciplinary issues – (Frank Heathman, Tim Steadman, Kenneth Ramsey, Kevin Nelms, and Executive Director Adam Southern are asked to stay)** A

1. Charter Suspension of James Younger Camp Appeal
2. 6 cases out of Tennessee – **Item #18**

3. **Request from North Carolina to Sue – Cmd Kevin Stone**

7. Old Business

- **Recognize the Wade Hampton Camp for their Contributions to the SCV Fly Overs –**
Was approved in teleconference but not decided how we should recognize

8. Events and Updates

1. May 1st – Pilgrimage at Elm Springs Event – **Item #19**
2. Forrest Boyhood Home Celebration June 19
3. Forrest Reinternment Updates

9. Close and Adjourn

- **Prayer Bro. Herman White**
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Executive Director's Report

Adam Southern

Executive Director

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2,410 contacts in 2020

Now 15,000 and counting

Every member is automatically added to the Telegraph list

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Membership Statistics

3/23/2019

10/12/2019

3/14/2020

7/12/2020

10/9/2020

3/3/2021

Active Members (Not LM)	26183	20988	24267	24664	17069	23082
National Life Members	4468	4496	4533	4578	4600	4575
Real Sons	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cadets	839	838	449	460	468	409
Total Active	31492	26322	29249	29702	22137	28066
Delinquent	74349	77563	65287	65132	64510	71513
Total SCV	105841	103885	94536	94834	86647	99579
Friends of SCV	330	264	220	261	203	244
Total Membership	106171	104149	94756	95095	86850**	99823

** Grace period was extended through 10/31/2020

381 members were reported to HQ as deceased 1/1/2020 through 12-31-2020

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Online Training

Starting last week, Eric Previti began online training for Commanders and Adjutants

Topics include how to use Salesforce for paying dues, accessing rosters, and using the member's only discussion forum

Classes are Wednesday evening or by appointment

Financials			
Fund:			
	Mar-20	Oct-20	Mar-21
Brooks Fund (baird)	\$ 1,704,038.00	\$ 1,813,386.00	\$ 1,936,022.00
Brooks Fund (Stifel)	\$ 801,860.00	\$ 792,372.00	\$ 848,063.00
BiCentennial Fund	\$ 53,211.00	\$ 59,993.00	\$ 60,355.00
Building Fund Donations	\$ 294,132.00	\$ 299,162.00	\$ 252,147.00
Building Fund loan	\$ 34,236.00	\$ 34,240.00	\$ 34,241.00
Forrest Home	\$ 61,110.00	\$ 74,498.00	\$ 64,570.00
Heritage Defense	\$ 105,194.00	\$ 107,686.00	\$ 107,422.00
Heritage Promotion	\$ 14,469.00	\$ 14,469.00	\$ 13,597.00
K.T. Miller	\$ 664,936.00	\$ 122,639.00	\$ 98,402.00
Life Member	\$ 776,218.00	\$ 814,127.00	\$ 868,969.00
Rosen Mowery	\$ 700,380.00	\$ 731,383.00	\$ 788,620.00
SW Scholarship Fund	\$ 99,604.00	\$ 109,931.00	\$ 110,231.00
Total Investments:	\$ 5,309,388.00	\$ 4,973,886.00	\$ 5,182,639.00
SCV Operating Account	\$ 509,918.00	\$ 39,155.00	
Confederate Legion	\$ 8,232.00	\$ 22,358.00	
Relief Fund	\$ 27,861.00	\$ 28,004.00	
Relief Fund CD	\$ 33,295.00	\$ 33,295.00	
Total Cash Funds	\$ 579,306.00	\$ 122,812.00	

Museum Costs			
Utilities/Service			
	Costs Prior to Museum	Current Costs	
Electric & Water	\$ 896.00	\$ 3,086.00	
Gas	\$ 261.00	\$ 726.00	
Phone & Internet	\$ 2,517.00	\$ 2,026.00	
Janitorial	\$ 280.00	\$ 400.00	
Mortgage Payment	\$ -	\$ 12,908.00	
Average Monthly Expenses:	\$ 3,954.00	\$ 19,146.00	
Average Yearly Expenses:	\$ 47,448.00	\$ 229,752.00	
23,082 dues-paying members X \$3 (dues increase to service debt) = \$69,246			
23,082 dues-paying members X \$5 (total dues increase) = \$115,410			
Other Costs	Prior to Museum	Current Costs	
Seven months of mowing	\$ 2,870.00	\$ 8,120.00	

Forrest Reburial Fund	
\$9,295	

Museum Update	
• Loan & Gift Forms prepared • Latest fund-raising letter generated \$62,280 • “Friends of the Museum” • Research Library 500 items cataloged	



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Museum Update

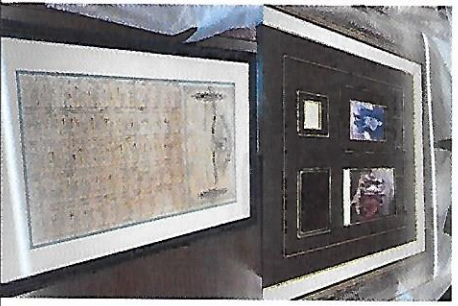
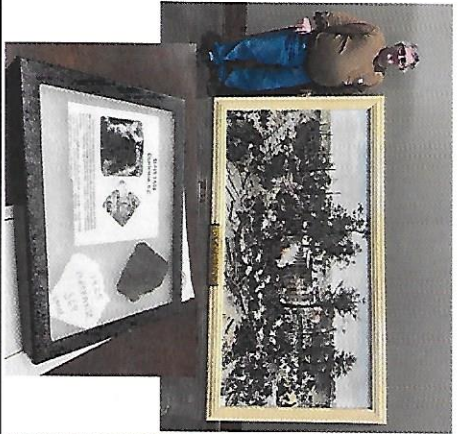


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Recent Arrivals



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Historic Elm Springs

- Working to make Elm Springs a better tourist attraction
- Making “Elm Springs” pay for itself
- “Friends of Elm Springs”
- “Elm Springs” account \$3,177

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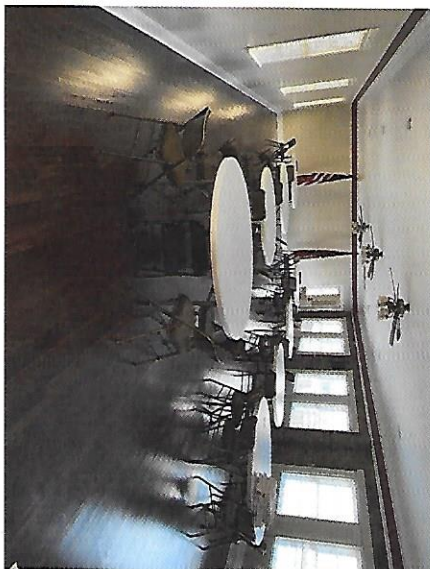
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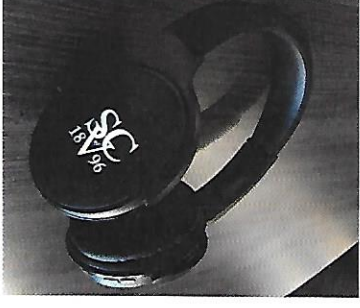
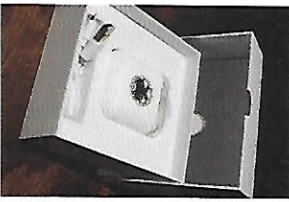
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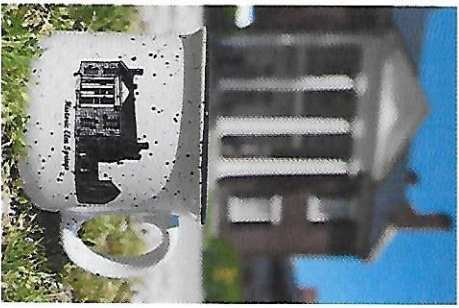
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Recruiting Items



Staff Update

Adam Southern
Executive Director

Cindy White
Office Manager

Holly Pittman
Merchandise Manager

Staff:

Alicia Hoke (part-time)

Eric Previti
Membership Coordinator

Staff:

Matt Singleton
Phil Hulsey (part-time)
David Cost (part-time)



Sons of Confederate Veterans

GEORGIA DIVISION ★ ★ ★ ARMY OF TENNESSEE

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February 20, 2021

SCV National
Attn: Budget and Finance Committee
P.O. Box 59
Columbia, TN. 38402

Re: Funding Request Application

Dear Members of the Budget and Finance Committee,

Enclosed is a funding request application and supplementary documentation for your review and consideration.

As I'm sure you all have been experiencing in your respective Divisions the on-going attacks and removals of our beloved and centuries old Confederate Monuments. In Georgia we are fortunate to have some strong State Laws protecting our monuments, but we have local city and county politicians who ignore and blatantly violate State Law and have removed our Veteran's monuments. Then we have State Attorney General who will not enforce these law to hold the rouge municipalities and counties politicians accountable.

Therefore, the Sons of Confederate Veterans have been compelled to file Temporary Restraining Orders and lawsuits to stop the removal of our Confederate Monuments. Unfortunately in at least (6) cases these municipalities and counties have removed our monuments in the middle of the night, leaving us with the only option to file a lawsuit against them.

Currently (3) cases have been ruled on by the local Superior Courts in favor of the Counties based on the claim that they have sovereign immunity*. We have case law from the Georgia Supreme Court that rule they don't have sovereign immunity when State Code gives citizens and organizations standing as does 50-3-1. Hence have a very strong case against the local Superior Court rulings and have these (3) cases currently filed and before the Georgia Court of Appeals. On another (3) cases we have been able to get a content/hold order with the local Superior Courts until a ruling is made by the Georgia Court of Appeals or the Georgia Supreme Court. These monuments are still standing.

* On the November, 2020 ballot a Constitutional Amendment to repeal sovereign immunity was approved by Georgia's voters by 75%, therefore can be used as a defense anymore for cases after 1/1/21.

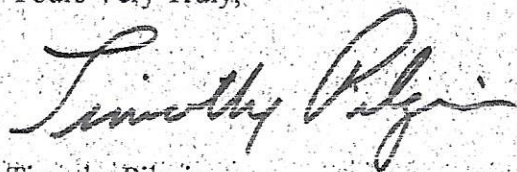
The Georgia Division has made every effort to be self efficient with our these legal fights, keeping SCV National up-dated on our efforts. Currently we have funded \$108,074.81 pulling from our nearly depleted reserve account, and membership / supporters donations. We estimate that we should have an answer from the Georgia Court of appeals by the Fall of 2021 and estimate we are approximately 60% through the legal process and need another 40% of the estimated total cost of \$180,120 which would be \$70,046 as indicated on the funding application.

In my seventeen years as a Division Officer this is first time I'm aware that the Georgia Division has ever asked for monetary assistance from SCV National, as stated above we make every effort to be self supporting, but with the volume of legal fights our cross has become too heavy to bear on our own and we humbly ask for some assistance.

We feel have strong legal defense to prevail on these cases we just need to see them through the process. These fights to preserve our Confederate monuments when we have a strong defense, is essence of our Charge and are good fights for our organization. It sends a message to our membership, supporters, the public, politicians and those who would destroy us that the Sons of Confederate Veterans will hold the line to protect and preserve our Confederate Monuments.

Please feel free to contact me anytime at 404.456.3393 or timfpilgrim@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

Yours Very Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Timothy Pilgrim". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

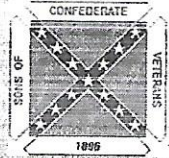
Timothy Pilgrim
Georgia Division Commander

CC: File Division Office

REQUEST for GRANT

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Office of the Adjutant-in-Chief
Budget and Finance Committee



I. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Organization making request.

Organization Name

Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans

Mailing Address 1

P.O. Box 1081

Mailing Address 2

City, State, Zip Code

Macon, Ga. 31202

A. What is the relationship of this organization with the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV)?

Subsidiary

B. If this organization is not part of the SCV, is it qualified as a tax-exempt organization by the IRS? (Please provide tax-exempt number and certificate.)

58-1329941

C. If tax-exempt, is your organization required to file a form 990?

☒ Yes

☐ No

II. CONTACT INFORMATION (Applicant):

Primary Contact (Name)

Timothy Pilgrim

Mailing Address 1 (If different from above)

20 Old Fuller Mill Rd NE

Mailing Address 2 (If different from above).

City, State, Zip Code

Marietta, Ga. 30067

Telephone

404-456-3393

Email Address

timfpilgrim@yahoo.com

Title

Georgia Division Commander

Date

2/19/2021

Signature



III. PROJECT INFORMATION:

A. Project Title

Confederate Monuments & 1st Amendment legal fights

B. Briefly summarize the nature of the project.

The Ga Division, is requesting funding to offset legal cost and to continue the legal fights currently on-going. Currently the Division has (9) nine monument removal lawsuits violating State Code 50-3-1 and (1) one 1st Amendment lawsuit pending. (3) of the monument removal cases are before the Ga Court of Appeals and the one 1st Amendment is pending before the US 11th District Court of Appeals. If we get favorable ruling in the Ga Court of Appeals most of the monument removals will be resolved.

C. At what stage is this project?

- ☐ Planning
☒ Underway
☐ Complete

D. What is the anticipated date of completion?

Hard to determine with the court system, hopefully by December 2021.

E. What is the total dollar cost of this project?

Est. \$180,120

F. What amount of money are you requesting from the SCV?

\$72,046 est amount to complete

G. Identify other sources of money for this project (i.e. who are the other partners in this project?).

Division reserve account, membership and supporters donations.

H. What portion of the total funding is already raised and pledged?

Pledged:

Incurred \$180,074.81 to date

Incurred \$108,074.81

Cash (in hand):

i. How will the SCV benefit by supporting this project?

It will save and re-erect century old Confederate Monuments that have been illegally taken down and establish legal precedent regarding Georgia monument protection laws protecting all monuments. The 1st Amendment case in the US 11th District Court of Appeals will give every Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp the right to participate in public parades carrying the Confederate Battle Flag honoring their Confederate Ancestors.

J. What type of recognition will the SCV receive for participating in this project?

The positive recognition from our membership, the public and lawmakers that the SCV will defend and protect the monuments that honors our Confederate Veterans. Also recognition from those who would destroy us "cancel culture mob" that there will be legal ramifications if our monuments are tampered with and if they exclude the SCV from participating in a public forum.

IV. SUPPLEMENTAL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION (As an appendix to this application provide the following information):

- A. A general budget for the entire project.**
- B. A specific budget showing how the money from this grant will be used.**
- C. A time-line identifying the project's major stages and expected date of completion.**
- D. Any additional descriptive material (graphic designs, photographs, etc.) which might provide clarification of the project.**
- E. Evidence of tax-exempt status from the IRS (including IRS exemption letter and copy of most recent form 990 if applicable).**

Georgia Division, SCV

Request for Funding

Budget Based on Current Cost

1	Funds from Division Reserves and Donations to date. Estimated at least 60% through the legal process.	\$	108,074.81
2	Additional 40% needed to finalize litigation. The amount being requested on Funding Application.	\$	72,046.00
3	Total Estimated Budget Amount.	\$	180,120.81

Legal Cost Incurred to Date Summary

	DATE	INVOICE	AMOUNT	LAW FIRM
1	11/17/2019	33579	\$ 3,314.30	Hodges, McEachern & King
2	12/8/2019	1027	\$ 4,469.38	Hodges, McEachern & King
3	2/2/2020	1099	\$ 2,808.85	Hodges, McEachern & King
4	5/31/2020	1284	\$ 795.48	Hodges, McEachern & King
5	6/28/2020	1407	\$ 4,477.37	Hodges, McEachern & King
6	8/11/2020	1477	\$ 17,771.41	Hodges, McEachern & King
7	8/16/2020	1527	\$ 2,095.32	Hodges, McEachern & King
8	9/19/2020	1579	\$ 7,506.63	Hodges, McEachern & King
9	10/29/2020	1642	\$ 152.00	Hodges, McEachern & King
10	11/8/2020	1674	\$ 5,805.16	Hodges, McEachern & King
11	12/6/2020	1765	\$ 3,957.54	Hodges, McEachern & King
12	1/25/2021	1862	\$ 11,436.88	Hodges, McEachern & King
13	1/18/2021	internal	\$ 43,484.49	Summary from O'Toole
			\$ 108,074.81	TOTAL COST TO DATE

Georgia Division Pending Litigation Report

City of Cuthbert, Randolph County - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

On December 14, 2020 the City of Cuthbert City Council voted to remove the Randolph County Confederate Monument. The Georgia Division will be filing for a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) and filed a lawsuit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1. All the City Council members will be listed individually as defendants.

Status:

On January 19, 2021 the Georgia Division filed for a Temporary Restraining Orders and filed a lawsuit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 against the City of Cuthbert and the City Council Members as individuals. The City offered an temporary motion to stay to place a hold on any action to remove the monument. The SCV agreed to the terms of the motion to stay and the Superior Court Judge issued a consent order.

City of Brunswick, Glynn County - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

On November 18, 2020 the City of Brunswick City Council voted to remove the Glynn County Confederate Monument. The Georgia Division has filed for a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) and filed a lawsuit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1. All the City Council members will be listed individually as defendants.

Status:

The city of Brunswick file a motion to dismiss our case. Then offered an temporary motion to stay to place a hold on any action to remove the monument. The SCV agreed to the terms of the motion to stay and the Superior Court Judge issued a consent order.

Newton County - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

The Newton County Board of Commissioners voted to remove the Newton County Confederate Monument. The Georgia Division filed for a Temporary Restraining

Order (TRO) and filed a lawsuit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1. While the Newton County Superior Court Judge did not issue a TRO, he ruled that nothing would happen to the Confederate Monument until the final ruling was issued.

As expected, the Newton County Superior Court Judge John Ott issued an order in favor of the County Commission's action stating that the doctrine of sovereign immunity applied. The Georgia Division, SCV immediately filed a motion to appeal. The next day the County Commissioner Chairman was attempted to have the Confederate Monument removed. This action, violation of the understanding reached at the earlier hearing, prompted Judge Ott to issue an Order to stay and forbid the removal of the Confederate Monument until the final decision is made.

Status:

The Georgia Court of Appeals has set a court date on April 17, 2021 and has agreed to hear oral arguments.

Rockdale County - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

Chairman Oz Nesbitt, Jr., Chairman of the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners made an "executive decision" to remove the Rockdale County Confederate Monument. No formal discussion or vote was obtained from the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners. The Monument was removed that night under the cover of darkness. Georgia Division filed a suit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 in Rockdale County Superior Court. We have sued the Chairman both as an individual as well as Chairman of the Commission.

Status:

Rockdale County Superior Court issued a ruling in favor of the county on the basis of sovereign immunity. The Georgia Division has filed the case to be heard by the Georgia Court of Appeals. The Georgia Court of Appeals set the date of January 11, 2021 for the SCV to file their pleadings to the Court of Appeals and was filed on January 7, 2021. We are currently waiting on a ruling from the Georgia court of Appeals.

Henry County - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

The Henry County Board of Commissioners voted to remove the Henry County Confederate Monument. The Georgia Division filed for a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) and filed a lawsuit for the actions proposed in violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1.

The Henry County Superior Court Judge did not issue a TRO. He accepted the County's defense based on the doctrine of sovereign immunity. The Georgia Division filed a motion to reconsider after finding a lease agreement between the County and City showing the property where the Monument was standing was leased by the City of McDonough. Therefore, the County had no standing to remove the Monument.

Status:

Henry County Superior Court issued a ruling in favor of the county on the basis of sovereign immunity. The Georgia Division has filed the case to be heard by the Georgia Court of Appeals. Our Attorney is currently working on the pleadings to file in the Georgia Court of Appeals.

City of Athens/Clarke County - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

City of Athens Clarke County Consolidated Government (ACCG) stood by and permitted "mostly peaceful protestors" to vandalize the 1871 Clarke County Confederate Monument located at the intersection of Broad Street and College Avenue. The ACCG voted to remove the Confederate monument to an obscure location in Clarke County at the end of a dead-end, rubbish-strewn road. They claim the move is necessary for a pedestrian walk-widening project that has been the works since 2019. The plans received under an open records request clearly shows that proposed relocation of the Confederate monument was not considered until May 2020. The Georgia Division filed for a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) and filed a lawsuit for ACCG's violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1. The Superior County of Clarke County denied the Georgia Division a TRO based on the doctrine of sovereign immunity.

Status:

The Georgia Division lawsuit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 is awaiting a court date. The Georgia Division filed an amendment adding the mayor and city commissioners to the lawsuit as individual defendants.

Gwinnett County - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

The Gwinnett County Solicitor Brian Whiteside filed a lawsuit claiming the that the Gwinnett County Confederate Monument at the old historic County Courthouse was a "nuisance" and is a public safety issue and could cause injury or even death. The Georgia Division and the Major William E Simmons Camp #96 file a motion to intervene to be a party to the suit. On January 24, 2021 Gwinnett County removed the monument in the middle of the night.

Status:

Gwinnett County Superior Court Judge issues a ruling in favor of the SCV to grant the motion to intervene. After the County removed the monument the Georgia Division filed a lawsuit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 is awaiting a court date.

City of Rome - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

On January 18, 2021 the City of Rome removed the General Nathan Bedford Forrest statue of f the top of the monument in the middle of the night.

Status:

Being the City of Rome removed the Statue of Forrest the Georgia Division will be filing a lawsuit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1.

City of Alpharetta - Old Soldiers Day Parade- 1st Amendment violation

Synopsis:

The Georgia Division filed for a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. The TRO was denied by Judge William Ray and Georgia Division then filed a suit against the City of Alpharetta for violation of their 1st amendment rights.

The City's defense was that since the City was the primary sponsor the parade was considered to be "governmental speech" and therefore not a First Amendment violation. The City argued that permitting the Confederate Battle Flag in the City-sponsored parade might cause viewers to believe the City was endorsing the Confederacy or the SCV. The SCV provided proof the VFW was the primary sponsor and there were other participants in the parade. The Democratic party of Fulton County was one such group. It displayed a banner. Other businesses advertised their trade with signs and banners. The SCV argued that the City was not concerned about endorsing the Democratic Party or these businesses and therefore censoring the SCV for its viewpoint.

Judge William Ray again ruled against the Georgia Division citing that the parade was governed by the concept of governmental speech. The SCV has filed a motion for reconsideration with the United States District Court of the Northern District of Georgia based on based upon the issue of forum analysis.

Status:

Judge William Ray ruled against the motion to reconsider. The Georgia Division as filed an appeal with the United States 11th Circuit Court of Appeals. Attorney Walker Chandler as filed an entry of appearance and pleadings with the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals.

City of Columbus - Linwood Cemetery - O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 violation

Synopsis:

General Henry Benning Camp #517 entered into an agreement, formally adopted by resolution with the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus on October 4, 1994. The SCV was permitted to erect two 35 foot flag poles flying the Confederate Battle Flags in the Confederate Sections of the Linwood Cemetery. Sometime in 2016 the Battle Flags were removed and replaced with 1st National Flags. The Camp made various attempts to resolve the issue with the Mayor by rotating the flags with the many different flags of the Confederacy, but the Mayor refused. The Camp then placed, as clearly permitted under the Agreement, a Battle Flag back on one pole. The Mayor and Council responded by having the Memorial Flag poles cut at the base, destroying and removing them.

Status:

Georgia Division filed a suit for violation of O.C.G.A. § 50-3-1 in Muscogee County Superior Court, awaiting a court day to be set. The Georgia Division filed an amendment adding the mayor and city commissioners to the lawsuit as individual defendants.

Cotriss Case - 1st Amendment violation

Synopsis:

Silvia Cotriss was a police sergeant with the Roswell city police. She was fired for flying a Confederate Battle Flag in front of her home. A black pharmacist complained because she had a city police car parked at her home. According to her attorney, the car was in the shop on the day in question. She sued based on the city firing her when she was exercising her 1st amendment rights at her home.

The case went before United States District Court of the Northern District of Georgia and Judge William Ray ruled against her.

Status:

The case was appealed and now is awaiting a ruling from the US 11th circuit court of appeals. The SCV has assisted in expenses in this vital case. If upheld, the precedent could be set that no Confederate heritage supporter has a right to a government job.

Sons of Confederate Veterans 127th Annual Reunion

Clarence Brown Conference Center, Cartersville, Ga.

Preliminary Schedule:

Tuesday, July 19, 2022

- Dinner at the Antique Car Museum (120 est.)..... 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

- Vendor Set-up and Sales CBCC..... 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Registration - Lobby CBCC 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Credentials - Lobby CBCC 8:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- Tour to Chickamauga, Box Lunch (120 est.) 11:00 am - 5:30 pm
- GEC Meeting CBCC 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Dinner at the CBCC (150 est.) 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Thursday, July 21, 2022

- Vendor Sales CBCC 7:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Registration - Lobby CBCC 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Credentials - Lobby CBCC 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Opening Ceremonies CBCC..... 8:00 am - 8:30 am
- Business Session #1 CBCC 8:45 am - 12:00pm
- Tour to Kennesaw Mountain, Box Lunch (120 est.) 12:30 am - 5:30 pm
- Dinner at the Booth Museum (200 est.) 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Friday, July 22, 2022

- Vendor Sales CBCC 7:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Registration - Lobby CBCC 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Credentials - Lobby CBCC 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Prayer Breakfast CBCC (50 est.) 7:00 am - 8:00 am
- Business Session #2 CBCC 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Heritage Luncheon CBCC (140 est.) 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
- Tour to Cheatham Hill, Box Lunch (120 est.) 12:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Saturday, July 23, 2022

- Mechanized Cavalry Breakfast CBCC (50 est.) 7:00 am - 8:00 am
- Vendor Sales CBCC 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Registration - Lobby CBCC 7:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Credentials - Lobby CBCC 7:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Army Meeting CBCC (3 Armies) 8:00 am - 9:15 am
- Business Session #3 CBCC 9:30 am - 12:00 pm
- Award Luncheon CBCC (est. 230) 12:15 pm - 1:30 pm
- Tour to Atlanta History Center 1:45 pm - 5:45 pm
- Vendor break-down 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- GEC Meeting CBCC 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Banquet and Grand Ball at CBCC (300 est.) 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm



Confederate Museum Committee Video Conference February 23, 2021

Present for the video conference: Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney, Lt. Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers, ATM Councilman Robert Edwards, Executive Director Adam T. Southern and Tim Steadman.

Commander-in-Chief Larry McCluney opened the meeting at 8:05 pm. Commander McCluney asked ATM Councilman Robert Edwards to give his report on the display cases for the museum.

Councilman Edwards reported Tim Steadman met with Clark Home Improvements to discuss the layout of the cases per designs by Tim Steadman and what was needed to properly display the Steven Phillips Collection. An estimate has been received from Clark Home Improvements for one display case at \$27,596 which does not include Plexiglas or glass for doors nor staining the display case. Staining would cost an extra \$2,500 which includes material and labor. During the ensuing discussions, an additional estimate would be obtained to show Plexiglas versus glass for the sliding doors.

Tim Steadman presented a need for four (4) Display Benches for the artillery artifacts with one already built which could be on site as early as March 15th. The estimated cost for one complete bench would be \$5,000.

ATM Councilman Edwards also voiced concerns about financing for the display cases for the museum. Current funding for this project comes from the sale of property in Arkansas, \$14,500 and diverting funds from the defunct NASCAR sponsorship, \$ 18,000 for a total of \$32,500. Councilman Edwards asked if \$17,000 could be taken from the Museum Fund to give him \$50,000 to start construction of display cases.

With such a large collection being donated to the museum, a concern from the donator arose concerning a curator ensuring the collection would be handled properly. The question was asked can the organization afford a curator. Executive Director Adam T. Southern stated at this time there is no money appropriated for a curator. There is a possibility for a part-time curator starting on August 1, 2021 at a salary of \$20,000.

Goals of the Committee: Get at least one additional estimate for construction and setup of the display case to include staining, Plexiglas vs glass, labor and proposed labor contract; a signed Agreement to Receive the Phillips Collection; impact of increased insurance cost for the Confederation for the collection and to have displays cases in place with artifacts by May 1st.

Confederate Museum- proposed timeline/ sections

Here is a draft, subject to changes, some section maybe larger than others. Some could also be combined or split

1. Pre war

settlement of the South, peoples and traditions

economic basics

2. road to secession

fundamental differences, reasons for, right to, why they did

3. The Confederate government and constitution

compare and contrast to US

4. Start of war and early war

battles , significant events and personalities 1861-1862

5. Mid war

battles , significant events and personalities 1863-1864

6. The Confederate Army

The average soldier, army life, army command structure, leaders (likely the largest section) diversity-race ,education, ethic background, economic status etc

7. Confederate Navy

Naval warfare, battles, ships, significant people

8. Irregular troops

partisan rangers, home guards etc

9. The Home front

effects of war on civilians, political development, foreign involvement .

10. Late War

battles , significant events and personalities 1865-surrenders

11. The occupation (reconstruction)

atrocities against civilians, corruption, decimation of wealth and resources

12. Formation and history of the UCV

Confederate veterans contributions to society

13. Formation and history of the SCV

including biographical on illustrious members

14. Why we continue today

where history is being destroyed and we are fighting to save it

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TO: Sons of Confederate Veterans; c/o Chris Sullivan
FR: Jesse R. Binnall
RE: Proposal for Creation of 501(c)(4) and Super PAC
DA: March 5, 2021

Members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans are interested impacting public discourse and legislation on issues involving southern heritage and the preservation of history free from propaganda. The creation of a non-profit organization created pursuant to 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code and an independent expenditure political action committee ("SuperPAC") would allow these members vehicles to communicate their message and impact political discourse. These organizations could be loosely affiliated with the SCV but could not be funded directly from the SCV, because it is a 501(c)(3) organization.

The 501(c)(4) can advocate for legislation and citizen education on the relevant issues. The SuperPAC can fund independent expenditures to advocate for the election or defeat of candidates and initiatives. These organizations will need governing documents and procedures that allow them to be effective while also complying with their relevant legal duties.

The Binnall Law Group would be honored to serve the cause advanced by the SCV and its membership by creating these entities. The service will include overseeing the creation of the relevant entities and drafting the relevant documents, such as articles of incorporation, bylaws, policies, and procedures. The estimated reduced cost for creating both entities is \$7,500. This estimate includes initial filings with state and federal entities, drafting governing documents, and consulting with the initial boards of directors. Please let me know if you have any thoughts or questions.

1 ADOPTING A POLICY OF STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE
2 REQUIREMENTS OF THE SCV CONSTITUTION AND
3 STANDING ORDERS RESPECTING TITLES, RANKS, AND
4 HONORIFICS.

5 *Presented by Christopher M. Sullivan ANV Councilman*

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7 **Whereas**, the SCV has adopted organizational instruments in the
8 form of a Constitution and Standing Orders which preempts any
9 subordinate rule or decision; *and*

10 **Whereas**, the SCV's organizational instruments specify, to the
11 exclusion of all others, the duties and titles of all officers, as well
12 as the criteria and nomenclature for all awards and honorifics; *and*

13 **Whereas**, it is important that the General Executive Council
14 respect, protect, and defend the integrity of the SCV's
15 organizational instruments; *now therefore be it*

16 **Resolved**, that no publication of the SCV shall contain any title of
17 distinction, grade, or military rank for any officer or Compatriot
18 which is not specified in the SCV's organizational instruments; *and*
19 *be it finally*

20 **Resolved**, that this policy shall be made patent and recorded in the
21 SCV manual of policies and procedures.

Reasons for resolution regarding disclaimer for certain PCIC bios

Summary

In February 2005, a group of GEC members including the then-Lieutenant Commander-in-Chief, two Department officers, and eight Past Commanders-in-Chief held a teleconference without notifying the CIC or other members. In this meeting they voted to remove the elected Commander-in-Chief, Denne Sweeney, and install the Lt. CIC in his place. Comdr. Sweeney was not even notified about the meeting, in violation of our Constitution. This event became known as "The Coup".

The actions of these men during the Coup constitute a dark time for the SCV and a black mark on their reputations. The SCV should be cognizant of our own history and these actions deserve to be recorded, however modestly, for posterity.

Background

At that time, every PCIC was entitled to a lifetime seat on the GEC, which means some of these men had not actually stood for election in decades but continued to have a vote on GEC business. As a result, PCICs frequently constituted a majority of members of the GEC.

When this illegal teleconference was called to order by the Lt. CIC he asked Jeff Massey, who was not a current GEC member, to call the roll. When the duly appointed Adjutant-in-Chief asked why, he was told "it is none of your business who is calling the roll."

For the record, PCIC Lynn Shaw participated in the call to help them get a quorum, but voted against removing any officers including CIC Sweeney.

In addition to Comdr. Sweeney, they also removed the Commander of the Army of the Trans-Mississippi, Adjutant-in-Chief, Chaplain-in-Chief, Judge Advocate-in-Chief, Chief of Staff, and Editor-in-Chief without cause (the Editor-in-Chief was a voting member of the GEC prior to 2006). The Adjutant-in-Chief was replaced by Jeff Massey whose brother lost to Comdr. Sweeney in the previous election.

Furthermore, two Past Commanders-in-Chief who had been suspended pending a decision about their status at the next General Convention were reinstated. One, an attorney, had been

disciplined for taking money from his clients; the other had been caught casting votes for a Camp he was not a member of in the previous election. They also reinstated a man from North Carolina who had been expelled for leading the so-called Save the SCV group which was being used to attack the SCV.

Other actions included withdrawing a \$50,000 grant to the Virginia Division for the restoration of Confederate graves at Oakwood Cemetery and gifting \$35,000 to the Oklahoma Division for a "history room". The Oklahoma Division had fewer than 300 members. The motions to remove the CIC and other officers was PCIC Charles Smith, who along with Beau Cantrell and Jeff Massey were all from Oklahoma. By the way, when I was in Oklahoma on business seven in 2014, I insisted on being allowed to visit this \$35,000 "history room" which was locked. It was nothing but storage of paper records.

Ominously, the Coup-plotters also canceled an approved employment contract for Ben Sewell and sent a bogus corporate resolution transferring control of our operating account and what at that time were substantial investment accounts to Jeff Massey. Despite these threats, Ben determinedly refused to turn over any records or allow any checks to be cut.

Unfortunately, the Coup GEC was able to get a judge to temporarily approve their actions due to a quirk in the non-profit law which uniquely affected the SCV, and which necessitated us eventually relocating our corporate status to Texas.

In taking these actions, these men attempted to use the civil courts to undo the decisions made by the membership and the elected leadership. In fact, the judge also issued an order that allowed the participants in the coup d'état to fire the SCV's attorney and replaced him with Massey and Cantrell who ended up sticking the SCV with some serious legal bills; *i.e.*, the SCV was forced to pay these men to drag us into court.

The judge ultimately ruled in Comdr. Sweeney's favor and nullified the removal of Comdr. Sweeney, but these actions ended up costing the SCV tens of thousands of dollars in legal fees.

Ultimately we held the SCV's only Special Convention to amend the Constitution to remove lifetime tenure for PCICs.

The Perpetrators

Some background on a few of the key players among the Coup-plotters are the following.

Bob Hawkins: Sanctioned by unanimous decision of the Missouri Supreme Court for stealing from his clients. After being barred from practicing law and leaving Missouri, his friends got him the job as director of Beauvoir. When his sordid past was discovered, the board fired him.

Earl Faggert: As a member of the board at Beauvoir, he supervised the investigation and removal of Hawkins as Executive Director, but proceeded to cover it up so that no one at the national level of the SCV would find out. Faggert was forced to protect Beauvoir from Hawkins' malfeasance, but would not act to protect the SCV.

Peter W. Orlebeke: After growing concerns about people casting ballots for Camps not in attendance at the national convention, GHQ cut off all "pre-convention transfers." These transfers are used to transfer someone to a Camp he is not usually a member of so that he can cast that Camp's votes at the meeting. Despite the executive order banning the practice, Orlebeke illegally procured credentials and cast ballots at the 2004 convention anyway.

Patrick Griffin III: During his administration as CIC, Griffin personally hired a woman to handle PR and marketing who worked out of her home in Louisiana. After a review by the ED, it was determined that the program was actually losing money and recommended that she relocate to GHQ so she could be supervised by the ED or else the position be eliminated. Griffin, supported by the other PCICs, forced a vote to not only overrule the business decision of the ED, but they also gave her a new two-year contract with a pay raise.

Norman R. Dasinger: During his term in office, the SCV hired its first Executive Director: Bob Betterton. Due to some internal conflict, the GEC fired Mr. Betterton. Under Dasinger's leadership, they even went farther, accusing the man of stealing artifacts from Elm Springs and demanding that local authorities prosecute him criminally. Betterton pled not guilty and was

acquitted. He turned around and sued the SCV for malicious prosecution, among other things, and the SCV's insurance company settled for an undisclosed amount.

Conclusion

The men who caused this unfortunate episode need to be marked and remembered for their deeds.

1 A RESOLUTION TO ACCURATELY RECORD THE
2 INVOLVEMENT OF CERTAIN PAST COMMANDERS-IN-
3 CHIEF IN THE "COUP" OF 2005.

4 *Presented by Christopher M. Sullivan, ANV Councilman*

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6 **Whereas**, in 2005 a group of renegade GEC members attempted to
7 over throw the legitimately elected leadership of the SCV by
8 voting to "remove" then-Commander-in-Chief Denne Sweeney
9 and replace him with then-Lieutenant-Commander-in-Chief
10 Anthony Hodges in an operation known colloquially as "The
11 Coup"; *and*

12 **Whereas**, those same renegade officers forced the SCV into costly
13 and unnecessary litigation in an attempt to retain their hold on
14 power, which litigation resulted in great disruption to the SCV's
15 fraternal spirit and operational capability; *and*

16 **Whereas**, although the matter was ultimately resolved by the
17 courts in Comdr. Sweeney's favor, that favorable result came at a
18 tremendous cost of time, money; *and*

19 **Whereas**, the group of GEC members who perpetrated this act
20 included the following Past Commanders-in-Chief:

21 Charles Herbert Smith of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (1982
22 - 1984),

23 William Ralph Green of McKinney, Texas (1986 - 1988),

24 William Earl Faggert of Heidelberg, Mississippi (1988 -
25 1990),

26 Robert Lewis Hawkins III of Jefferson City, Missouri (1992
27 - 1994),

28 Norman Roy Dasinger of Jacksonville, Alabama (1994 -

1 1996),
2 Peter William Orlebeke of Dallas, Texas (1996 - 1998), and
3 Patrick Joseph Griffin III of Darnestown, Maryland (1998 -
4 2000); *now therefore be it*

5 **Resolved**, that, henceforth, when and if any biographical
6 encyclopedia of Past Commanders-in-Chief by whatever name
7 known is published or any new editions are issued, that the entries
8 for the Past Commanders-in-Chief named herein, whether living or
9 dead, shall be appropriately designated, to wit:

10 “In 2005, [name of PCIC] joined with other officers in an
11 attempt to over throw the legitimately elected Commander-
12 in-Chief by removing him from office and replacing him
13 with another officer. Although the court subsequently
14 overturned their actions and reaffirmed Comdr. Sweeney as
15 Commander-in-Chief, the controversy proved very costly
16 in time and money to the SCV's operations.”

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18 **Resolved**, that this policy shall be made patent and recorded in the
19 SCV manual of policies and procedures.

Proposed Amendment to SCV Constitution

In the form of an Amendment to the SCV Constitution, the below Paragraph is proposed to amend the Constitution by adoption of the below Paragraph as a new Paragraph / provision of the Constitution under Article 13 (Discipline and Administration).

13.21 Notwithstanding any provision of Article 13 to the contrary herein:

13.21.1 If a member is charged and arrested for a Class 1, 2 or 3 felony (or the designation of A, B or C, depending on the charging jurisdiction's designations) by a duly authorized law enforcement agency and upon written notice from an Officer of the member's Division, the member's membership will be immediately suspended without any Disciplinary administrative action beyond recording the suspension in the records of the SCV.

13.21.2 If a member, whose membership is in suspension for a Class 1, 2 or 3 felony (or the designation of A, B or C, depending on the charging jurisdiction's designations), is cleared of the charge or found not guilty, his membership will be immediately reinstated.

13.21.3 If a member is found guilty of a Class 1, 2 or 3 felony (or the designation of A, B or C, depending on the charging jurisdiction's designations), his membership will be immediately terminated.

13.21.4 If a member appeals his guilty determination to a higher court and is found not guilty, the member will be eligible to apply for reinstatement.

13.21.5 If a member is charged or found guilty of a Class 4 or 5 felony (or the designation of D, E, or less, depending on the charging jurisdiction's designations), the status of his membership will be determined by the Division in which he holds membership. If the Division decides that the charges are serious enough, a vote can be held to move his membership to the Headquarters Camp with the recommendation that it be submitted to the SCV Disciplinary Committee for further review.

this should stay in the Division

18 (12)

An Amendment to the Standing Orders of the Sons of Confederate Veterans

Sponsored by the SCV General Executive Council

Under 10. SEAL, BADGES, MEMORIAL DAY

ADDED:

10.9 All Divisions, camps, and subdivisions or subordinate organizations with the Sons of Confederate Veterans will incorporate in their Constitutions and or By-Laws the following Charge from Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee and nothing will be added or removed from said Charge to keep it in historical accuracy as published in The Constitution of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

"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."

Any current or future publications of the said Charge of Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee or similar to the said Charge will have the Charge as adopted and approved above.

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Final



SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

New Member Declaration

1. The Sons of Confederate Veterans "neither embraces, nor espouses acts or ideologies of racial and religious bigotry".

Do you agree with this statement? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you ever belonged to an organization that is contrary to these beliefs? Yes ☐ No ☐

state organization?

2. The Sons of Confederate Veterans is "patriotic", "non-political" and "non-sectarian".

Do you agree with this statement? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you ever belonged to an organization that is contrary to these beliefs? Yes ☐ No ☐

3. The Sons of Confederate Veterans "condemns the misuse of its sacred symbols and flags" in a manner that represents violence and/or bigotry to another citizen.

Do you agree with this statement? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you ever belonged to an organization such as the KKK or a Neo Nazi Group that is contrary to these beliefs? Yes ☐ No ☐

4. The Sons of Confederate Veterans as a benevolent fraternal organization expects all members to "perform his full duty as a citizen" and be upstanding in his community.

Do you agree with this statement? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you ever belonged to an organization that is contrary to these beliefs? Yes ☐ No ☐

5. The Sons of Confederate Veterans admits applicants who are "men of good character".

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, what were the charges? _____

By your signature, you attest that you have answered all questions honestly and do not have reason or intent to bring discredit to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Any untruths will be grounds for immediate expulsion from the Organization.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Reviewed by: _____



Sons of Confederate Veterans

General Headquarters
Elm Springs
Maury County
Columbia, Tennessee

Social Media Policy

Social Media is a term that describes the engagement in internet-based social platforms that are visible to others. Social media tools allow for the creation and exchange of user-generated content. All social media is trackable, traceable, and discoverable. These networks include (but are not limited to):

- Audio/video sharing (podcasting, TikTok, YouTube, Webinars, Vimeo, etc.)
- Blogs and blog comments
- Commenting on news stories and other platforms online
- Document sharing (Dropbox, Scribd, Slideshare, etc.)
- Gaming sites
- Geotaging and review (Foursquare, Google Reviews, Nextdoor, TripAdvisor, etc.)
- Information sharing (Chat Rooms, Listservs, Forums, Message Boards, etc.)
- Micro-blogs (Twitter)
- Photo sharing (Instagram, Snapchat, Flickr, Pinterest, Photobucket, Shutterfly, etc.)
- Professional and social networks, and publishing platforms (Facebook, Forbes, Tumblr, WhatsApp, LinkedIn, Skype, etc.)
- Q&A (Quora)
- Social bookmarking (Pocket, Reddit, etc.)

New platforms and applications for electronic devices (mobile, TV, PDA's, etc.) are being launched regularly. All of these increase the users' virtual footprint, introduce new business development, marketing, and public relation opportunities, and add to the amount of trackable, traceable, and discoverable information online.

At the Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters, we believe that the use of social media can support the transfer of information within membership, assist with recruitment and retention and promote the organization. We are aware of, and understand, how social media can affect relationships with membership, the media and those outside of our organization. We also understand that social media often is used personally and not exclusively for the business of the organization.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters Social Media Policy/ Procedures provide realistic guidelines for online by members of our organization. As new tools are introduced, and new challenges emerge, the Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters Social Media Policy/Procedures will evolve to reflect those changes.

Individual Profiles

You are personally responsible for any online activity you conduct. We respect your right to privacy and free speech as they apply to online activity conducted on your personal social network and email address. However, what you publish on such personal sites should never be attributed to the Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters and should not appear to be endorsed by or originated from the Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters. If you choose to list your affiliation on a social network, then you should regard all communication on that network as you would in a professional network. Online lives are ultimately linked, whether or not you choose to mention the organization in your personal online networking activity.

Content and Language

- Never disclose or use proprietary, privileged, or confidential information in any form on online media.
- Be respectful of personal privacy.
- Obey the law. Do not post any information or conduct any online activity that may violate applicable local, state, or federal laws or regulations.
- Do not post anything using the Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters logos, trademarks, flags, etc. with racists or inflammatory remarks.
- Be wary of hostile communications. If a reporter, blogger or any other online influencer posts a statement with which you disagree, and you feel a comment is warranted, be very careful in your use of words. Vulgar or derogatory language should be avoided at all cost. In some states, online harassment is a misdemeanor or a felony.
- Responding to the media requires approval. If you are contacted directly by a journalist regarding issues of concern to the Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters, bring the query to the attention of an officer.

Nondiscrimination and Anti-Racism

The Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters ^{will not tolerate discrimination or} ~~has a zero-tolerance~~ ~~discrimination and~~ ~~anti-racism~~ policy, any online discourse in violation of our discrimination and anti-racism policy, including shared content online, may be cause for disciplinary action up to and including expulsion.

Consequences for Violating Social Media Policy/Procedure

If anyone is found to have violated the Sons of Confederate Veterans General Headquarters Social Media Policy/Procedure, appropriate disciplinary action up to and including expulsion may be taken.

Amendment submitted by Rev. Dr. Herman White, Chaplain-In-Chief

Reverend J. William Jones Christian Service Award

Purpose: For professed Christian SCV members to emulate and perpetuate the orthodox Christian faith demonstrated by the soldiers and citizens of the Confederate States of America. This is a convention / reunion award.

Number of Awards: Only one of these awards will be presented annually.

Eligibility: This award is limited to SCV members **in good standing**.

Selection Criteria: Church Service: The candidate will emulate and perpetuate the convictions of the typical Confederate soldier and citizen, including his devotion to Christian principles by professing Jesus Christ as the Lord and Savior and the Bible as the infallible Word of God. In addition to maintaining membership in a Christian congregation, weekly church attendance and demonstrated financial commitment, the candidate will be a leader in the Christian faith by having served the Lord in a called, elected, appointed or volunteer position within his congregation for a minimum of 12 continuous months. ~~And: Confederate Christian Heritage: The candidate will educate others by sharing with them at least one example of the deep orthodox Christian foundation evidenced in the Confederate States of America. This illustration of faith will be in the form of a published article of no less than 500 words or an oral presentation of no less than 20 minutes.~~

The candidate must have also have served the Sons of Confederate Veterans in a position of responsibility at the ^{Camp} Division, Army or National level in an exemplary fashion. His service in the SCV must be documented in the nomination form.

Selection Process: Any SCV chaplain, or Camp officer, **Division Commander, Army Commander, or GEC member** can nominate a candidate for this award. A letter of recommendation and verification will be provided by the candidate's congregational leader (ie, minister, pastor or priest) detailing the Church service rendered. The candidate will provide a copy of his Confederate Christian Heritage presentation. The Division Commander or Army Department Commander if no Division exists, will endorse the recommendation and send it to the Chaplain-in-Chief for his review and recommendation, prior to sending it to the Commander-in-Chief for approval.

Deadline is April 15th of each Year.

Form of Award: This award consists of two items; (1) a medal and (2) a certificate.

Presentation: This award is presented at the National Reunion during the Awards luncheon.

Cost of Award: Cost of this award will be borne by the SCV HQ.

Feb. 10, 2021

Proposed Amendment to Graves Award criteria in Awards Manual:
Submitted by Mike Mitchell, Tennessee Division gostpiper@aol.com

Graves Award

Purpose: This medal is presented to those individuals who have shown significant dedication to our Southern Heritage, above and beyond that which is expected of an SCV member, by recording for posterity the graves of our fallen heroes, as stipulated in the Selection Criteria. This is a convention / reunion award.

Number of Awards: No more than one award per Division may be awarded annually.

Eligibility: Any SCV member **in good standing**.

Selection Criteria: The candidate must complete at least two of the criteria listed below:

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- Through research, identify ~~ten~~ Confederate Veterans buried in their state and not currently listed within the Graves Registry.
- Place a gravestone on two previously unmarked Confederate Veterans' graves ~~in their state~~. Headstone can be from the Veterans Administration or of a similar type. Gravestones must show Confederate service.
- Install ten or more iron Southern Crosses of Honor on the graves of Confederate Veterans.
- Compile a book on the Confederate Veterans buried in one of the counties in your state. Books should include cemetery maps with the Confederate Veteran's graves locations, pictures of headstones and be indexed.
- Transcribe 3 Work Project Administration (WPA) surveys and post them on their respective USGENWEB county website, place a copy in the local historical society and the SCV's National Confederate Museum, and ensure all previously unknown names are added to the state's database.

- Or complete another significant independent project that brings honor to the Confederate Veteran.

Selection Process: Nominations for this award can be submitted by any SCV member to their Division **Commander**. ~~Graves Committee member or the Graves Committee may submit the name of their state's most qualified member. Nominations should be submitted to their Division Graves Committee member no later than April 1. Division Graves Committee members will be responsible for submitting one name from his Division to the Graves Committee Chairman. Nominations from Divisions must be submitted to the Grave Committee Chairman no later than April 21 of each year. The Graves Committee Chairman will review and forward all properly documented nominations to the Commander In Chief no later than May 17 for his approval. Events covered in the nomination must have occurred within the previous 12 months prior to the nomination (April 1-March 31).~~ **The Division Commander will then forward his top choice to the Awards Committee.**

Form of Award: This award consists of two items: (1) A miniature medal and (2) a certificate.

Feb. 10, 2021

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Kennedy

Participation in
→ *Promote + action upon Council*

HERITAGE DEFENSE MEDAL

Criteria

Camp → Div → ADE
3 members
C HO + Asst H & A
C-1-C

The purpose of the Heritage Defense Medal is to recognize an SCV camp member who has worked "above and beyond" what is normally expected of a member of the SCV to promote a positive image of Southern History and Heritage. Each SCV Camp may nominate one member from their camp. Any camp exceeding 50 members may nominate one additional member; any camp exceeding 100 members may nominate a total of 3 members. Camp shall forward to their Division Commander their nominee for his approval and he shall forward said nomination to the Chief of Heritage Operations no later than April 21. Following the maxim that "the best defense is a good offense," this award will promote first and foremost camp member's action in "taking back the narrative." To be nominated for this award, the nominee must have completed the required actions as noted in number I (at least 3 of the 5 options listed), in number II (at least 2 of the 4 options listed), & in number III (at least 3 of the 5 options listed). Note that number IV is a bonus option. If these criteria are met and verified, the camp's nominee will receive the Heritage Defense Award/Medal.

I. Camp member's action that promotes a positive view of South. (minimum ²/~~3~~ of 5)

- 1. Published letter-to-the-editor in local or national media outlet.**
 - a. Must provide copy of letter with date, time, and where published.
- 2. Successful phone call-in to radio/internet show.**
 - a. Provide date, time, and media outlet name of call-in and short (100 words maximum) description of information provided to program. May be local, nationwide, and/or internet.
- 3. Presentation to elected groups, local, state, or national.**
 - a. Speaking to an elected body and providing a positive view of Southern heritage. This may be done in a formal (requested) presentation or in a public meeting of elected officials (city council, school board, commission, etc.) or as an individual speaking in response to a question as a private citizen in an

open meeting. Must provide date, time, name of organization, and short summary of information provided.

4. *Speaking to civic and/or patriotic groups.*

- a. Speaking to a non-elected body such as Lions Club, Rotary Club, etc. or patriot organization not affiliated with SCV and providing a positive view of Southern heritage. This may be done in a formal (requested) presentation or a question-and-answer session in a public meeting. Must provide date, time, name of organization and short summary of what information provided, oral or written.

5. *Attending and supporting fellow SCV members with items c, & d, above.*

- a. Assisting in organizing meeting and/or distributing information about a positive view of Southern heritage at meeting and/or giving moral support to SCV member speaking to group by attending such meeting and working with the group's members to obtain the invitation for the SCV spokesman at the meeting.

II. Public Display of Positive Southern Heritage (minimum 2 of 4)

1. *Attending public SCV sponsored pro-flag/monument events.*

- a. Attending and supporting public events that display a positive view of Confederate flags, monuments, and/or heroes. These events must be sponsored or approved by an official SCV group, camp division, or national. Must provide evidence of attendance, such as, photo, document from official of sponsoring group, or three SCV members' signed statement testifying to nominee's attendance and support—members signing statement must provide name address, phone number, camp name and number. **NOTE:** Public events are events that are open to the general public or easily viewed by the general public.

2. *Organizing or assisting in public SCV events, living history events, displays at gun shows, etc.*

- a. Public events are events that are open to the general public or easily viewed by general public. Must provide evidence of attendance, such as, photo, document from official of sponsoring group, or three SCV members' signed statement—members signing statement must provide name address, phone number, camp name and number.

3. *Organizing the raising of C. S. flag, monument, or memorial service seen by public.*

- a. Either as an individual or as a valued member of a group that is responsible for the erection of and public display of a Confederate flag, monument, or memorial. Must provide evidence of activity such as, photo, document from official of sponsoring group, or three SCV members' signed statement of nominee's attendance and support of event—members signing statement must provide name address, phone number, camp name and number.

4. *Leading efforts or assisting in efforts to repair or replace C.S. flags, monuments, or memorials,*

- a. Either as an individual or as a valued member of a group responsible for the replacing or repairing of a publicly viewed Confederate flag, monument, or memorial. Must provide evidence of attending and supporting activity such as, photo, document from official of sponsoring group, or three SCV members' signed statement attesting to nominee's efforts—members signing statement must provide name address, phone number, camp name and number.

III. Taking Back the Narrative (minimum 3 of 5).

1. *Current member of Confederate Legion.*

- a. Date when nominee joined Confederate Legion

2. *Promotes bi-monthly Confederate Legion counter-attack in his camp.*

- a. Statement from camp leader of nominee's support of counter-attacks—such as individual's letters sent to local civic clubs etc.
- 3. *Actively supported and encouraged his camp to buy SCV radio ads in local market and/or personally made financial contribution to camp for purchase of ads.***
 - a. Statement or invoice from radio station for ads if purchased by nominee or signed letter from camp official of nominee's financial support of camp purchasing radio ads in local market.
- 4. *Distributes 'Southern Defender.'***
 - a. Camp leader will provide a statement testifying that the nominee personally distributed 'Southern Defenders' and specify how many 'Southern Defenders' the camp or nominee purchased for local distribution.
- 5. *Uses social media to promote SCV/CL videos and radio ads.***
 - a. Screen shot of any social media activity nominee has taken to promote SCV ads and videos. If nominee does not have a social media account, he may provide evidence from a friend or family member who posted at member's request links to SCV ads or videos.

IV. Bonus Criteria (Check box and Identify which of the listed criteria in I, II, or III is being substituted with this bonus criteria if bonus criteria is used).

A nominee may use the following criteria once to fulfil a requirement in either Roman Numeral I, II, or III if needed.

The cleaning, repairing, or setting of any headstone or cleaning and maintenance of cemetery associated with the War for Southern Independence provided public notice is made of the event. Public notification must include identifying the SCV and what activity took place. Announcement of completed action shall consist of: news release, radio or television announcement, letter-to-the-editor, or social media photos with report of effort. Said social media notification (posts) must consist of 20% of camp members or their family social media platforms.

The Chief of Heritage Operations will nominate one individual from each Army for special recognition of their efforts promoting a positive view of Southern heritage. Each camp's nominee as well as Chief of Heritage Operations' nominees will be subject to review and approval by the Heritage Defense Award Committee, said committee shall be composed of the Chief of Heritage Operations, Assistant Chief of Heritage Operations, and one member appointed by the Commander-in-Chief.

2023 SCV Reunion Report

Gentlemen of the GEC,

The following is an update on the James M. Keller Camp #648 progress report on the 2023 SCV National Reunion to be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas. First, the bad news. The 2020 Covid Pandemic could not have come at a worse time to plan for a National Reunion. Our reserved camp meeting place was closed as was other public meeting venues which also delayed any type planning for said Reunion. That being said, we lost several months that were crucial for formulating plans and ideas to host this event.

Now the good news. The meeting place restrictions were eventually lifted at our regular meeting place but not in the manner that was conducive to conduct business due to distractions beyond our control. Therefore, I took it upon myself to host these meetings in my home beginning in January which immediately produced better results. We began with a skeletal Schedule of Events and now in the process of adding programs that will coincide with our traditional events.

A Reunion Medal has been designed by one of our camp members and waiting for a final replica picture from the company we have selected to fashion and produce them. A committee is currently idealizing the main theme of the Reunion which will be reflected on the medals and Reunion Program cover. Dress attire for the host camp has been approved, the initial deposit to the Arlington Hotel has been paid, a volunteer to oversee the vendors has been selected, lanyards, name tags, and tote bag designs are being researched by various members of the Planning Committee, and bids for the Reunion Program are being finalized.

We will continue to have monthly meetings during 2021 to plan for this Reunion and they will gradually intensify as the event draws closer. Even though we initially lost valuable time to conduct business on planning for the Reunion, we have dedicated ourselves to make up for this unproductive time by working in an efficient manner. We also have the benefit of experience since our camp has previously hosted a National Reunion and we realize the urgency of taking care of the tasks at hand in a timely manner in order to have a successful Reunion. If there are any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Your obedient servant,

Loy Mauch

Commander, James M. Keller Camp #648

GEC Agenda Addition II

#19

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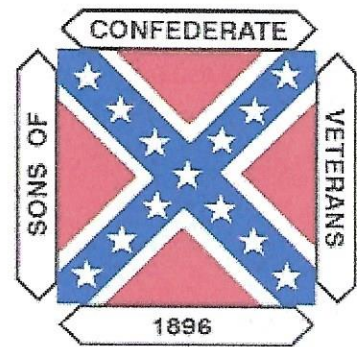
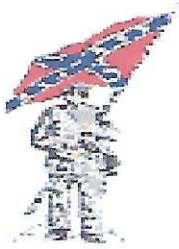
Another addition to the Agenda for March 6 GEC...

I need to add an item for after the closed session. Permission for the NC Division SCV to sue the state of NC in order to get our SCV tags back. No funds will be requested from SCV HQ.

Thanks

Kevin Stone

Commander NC Division SCV



Sons of Confederate Veterans
Calhoun Avengers
Camp # 1969
Organized: February, 2002

Subject: Memorial Cost for The Calhoun Avengers Camp 1969

The following is an estimated cost for starting the development of the Confederate Memorial in Calhoun County, Mississippi.

Statue:

1.	Confederate Statue	\$8000.00 (PAID)
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Land:

1.	Memorial Lot	\$5000.00 (PAID)
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Statue Foundation:

1.	Concrete	\$3000.00
2.	Blocks	\$400.00
3.	Rebar	\$500.00
4.	Visqueen	\$100.00
5.	Fill dirt	\$1000.00

Dirt:

1.	Foundation Dirt	\$3000.00
2.	Drive Dirt	\$1000.00
3.	Parking Lot Dirt	\$2000.00

Gravel:

1.	Gravel	<u>\$4000.00</u>
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Total:

\$28000.00

Labor on Concrete

1,200.00
29,200.
- 13,000
16,200



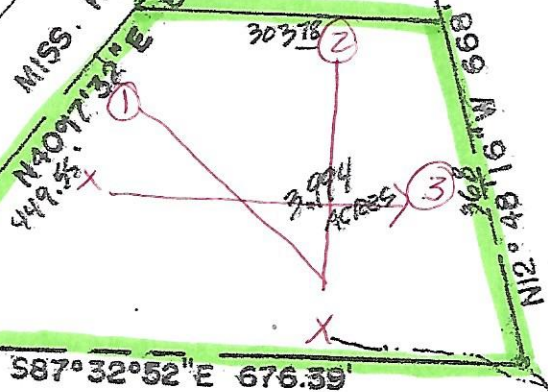
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N39°21'06"E 491.13'

S42°29'33"E
140.30'

S02°24'40"E

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