



GENERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Southern Heritage Center, Columbia, Tennessee

8:30 AM CST; March 4, 2023

Approved May 22, 2023, Zoom Meeting

Call to Order: 8:30 AM CST by Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers.

Opening Devotional and Prayer: Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle

Pledge of Allegiance: ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret

Salute to the Confederate Flag: Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott D. Hall

Reading of The Charge: Chief-of-Staff Darrell L. Maples

Roll Call: Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill

Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers	P	Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill	P
Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy	P	Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott D. Hall	P
ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone	P	Chief of Heritage Ops James Ronald (Ron) Kennedy	P
AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill	P	Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle	P
ATM Commander J. C. Hanna	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr.	A
ANV Councilman Kenny Ramsey	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr.	P
AOT Councilman Carl Jones	P	Past Commander-in-Chief Tom V. Strain, Jr.	A
ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret	P	Executive Director Adam T. Southern	P
Chief-of-Staff Darrell L. Maples	P		

Basis for Quorum 14 voting members: Present: 14, Absent: 0; Required for Quorum: 8. Quorum is present

Note: Past CIC's are not obligated to attend GEC 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

The First Order of Business – Adopt Minutes: Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers entertained a motion to adopt the January 30, 2023 Zoom Conference Minutes as distributed by Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. made a motion to adopt the minutes. The motion was seconded by ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret. Asking for any discussion and seeing none, the motion passed without objection.

Museum Donations – First, Past Commander-in-Chief Chuck McMichael presented to the Museum the uniform of Richard Taylor Camp Member Will Mason which he wore to all the Reunions and Will was the first recipient of the Real Grandson Medal. Also, in front of the Caddo Parish Confederate Monument which was moved was a marker place by the UCV to commemorate the 1936 Unite Confederate Veterans Reunion held in Shreveport and under the marker was a time capsule. The time capsule, its contents and a flash drive recording the opening of the capsule will be donated to the Museum. Second was James Patterson who had two items to present. Mr. John Rigus did a lot of research on Confederate Medal of Honor recipient Dwight Smith Job and wrote a book. He is donating all his research and a copy of the book to the Museum. Secondly, donated the Jefferson Davis Challis of Past Commander-in-Chief Lynn Jackson Shaw who passed away a few years back to the Museum. Finally, Donnie and Ron Kennedy had several items to donate but talked about only two. One being an 1866 edition of The History of Slavery in Massachusetts by George H. More in mint condition and second was an 1861 Edition of the United States Infantry and Rifle Tactics that was issued to a New York infantry unit.

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The Second Order of Business – Executive Directors Report: Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers gave the floor to Executive Director Adam T. Southern for his report. The Director's Report is attached to these minutes. One point that was discussed at length were the delinquent members. To recover delinquent members, letters and emails were sent to delinquent members from the past five years. AOT Councilman Carl Jones suggested that money from the renewing delinquent members be used to fund the mailing expense for future mailings of the letters to delinquent members. Make this program self-sufficient. Eric Previti presented a policy change in membership renewal to allow delinquent members who have been out of the SCV for more than two years to prorate their dues like new members in an effort to get them back in the SCV. ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone made a motion to accept this policy change presented by Eric Previti. AOT Councilman Carl Jones seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection. Director Southern reported on the sale of Flags that flew at the Museum for one month at \$200 per Flag and that they were booked through 2024. AOT Councilman Carl Jones suggested erecting a flag pole and flying a Flag at the gravesite of General Forrest and sale that Flag for the same amount as a fundraiser for the Forrest Plaza. AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill suggested changing the Flag at the Museum every two weeks for sale thus doubling your revenue. Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers suggested we take up those ideas at a future Zoom Meeting. At the conclusion of the Director's Report and the question-and-answer session, Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy made a motion to accept the Director's Report as presented. ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers announced the Investment Report from Investment Committee Chairman Christopher Sullivan is postponed because Chris's mother fell and is in the hospital. He will present his report at a future Zoom Meeting.

The Third Order of Business – Museum Fundraising Committee Report: Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers opened the report with some numbers: Bank Pay-off as of today - \$2.3 million; daily accrued interest at 3.9% - \$238; monthly Principle & Interest Payment - \$13,000. This Balloon Note comes due July 16, 2025. When we renew, the interest rate will increase so we must reduce the debt owed the bank. The bank has agreed to renew to note for two (2) years at the existing interest rate at renewal. In addition to the bank note, there is \$3.4 million dollars to be paid back to this organization. This debt is limiting what this organization can do. Members of the Committee, James Patterson, Dan Dorrill and Ray Ganon will elaborate on ways to help solve this problem. Mr. Patterson was first to speak. Mr. Patterson stated this organization does not ask for donations often enough. Organizations like the NRA and St. Jude's ask continually and don't worry about the complainers but worry about those who do donate. Mr. Patterson proposed a three-tiered National Museum Fundraising Challenge. The Challenge needs to be driven from the top-down. First, set a goal of \$5 million and start the Challenge at the National Reunion in Hot Springs. The three-tier Challenge is as follows: from CIC to the Armies, Army Commanders to Divisions and Division Commanders to the Camps and continue until the \$5 million is raised. Annual Awards to be given to the Army that raises the most money; the Division in each Army that raises the most money; and the Camp within the Army that raises the most money. This will get every Camp involved. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made a motion to accept the Fund-Raising Challenge as presented by James Patterson. The motion was seconded by AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill. During the discussion of the motion, Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott D. Hall expressed the fact the organization would not loose the Museum but acknowledged the "Gloom & Doom" urgency presented to the Council but this urgency should to be presented to the membership in a positive manner with a solution. ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone echoed Scott Hall in a different manner. The motion passed without objection.

Second to speak was Dan Dorrill who develops fundraising for various organizations. One point Mr. Dorrill brought out in people donating, they will give to an organization whose story will create two levels of impact. The first being the impact of lives changed, false ideas changed, the impact of real Truth. The second was something the donors would get behind and support. They want to give to something that will have an impact. The question is "What kind of impact do we want for this place to have now and on future generations?" The name is most important and how to revise the name to draw those who may become donors. A name that will project the Museum and Elm Springs as alive and something that will impact lives. Proposed names for the entire property submitted were "National Confederate Heritage Center"; "National Confederate Museum and Heritage Center"; "Confederate Museum and Heritage Center at Elm Springs"; "Southern Heritage Center". As CIC Boshers stated, we are not renaming anything. We are creating a Southern Heritage Center, the entire 80 acres, which includes the National Confederate Museum and Historic Elm Springs. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made a motion to name the 80-acre property Southern Heritage Center. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

At 10:30 AM, the General Executive Council took a ten-minute break.
At 10:47 AM, the General Executive Council reconvened.

The Fourth Order of Business – Museum Committee Report: AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill reported not much has been done lately because his helper had family obligations but this will change shortly. Need help from the Commander-in-Chief to get the QR Codes uploaded which were to be done by mid-January. Commander Boshers stated he will be creating an IT Committee whose purpose is to work on the various websites. Commander Hill reported there are plans to construct display cases for \$450 each that meet our needs versus purchasing display cabinets for \$1,000 each that will not meet our every need. Plus, build “white walls” to go in the center of the Museum in conjunction with the cabinets. A UDC Chapter in Tennessee is going to donate the Confederate memorabilia of the father of a late Chapter member plus photographs of UCV Reunions showing this daughter and the original white dress and hat she wore. These items will be used for a special display. Have authors come to the Museum on Saturdays for talks and book signings to help promote Saturday Museum Openings. Use special displays and events to help draw visitors to the Museum. Lee Millar has agreed to donate a 1862 Studabaker ambulance to the Museum captured by General Forrest at Brice’s Crossroads.

The Fifth Order of Business – Heritage Operations Report: Chief of Heritage Operations James Ronald (Ron) Kennedy gave a quick report on the Stephen D. Lee Institute that was held in Tampa, FL. He has received a preliminary report from Dave McAllister with a participation report that will be made available to the GEC Members. No dollar amounts yet. Had a total of fifty-two paid participants. With the help of Chuck Mc Michael, there will be a S. D. Lee Institute Procedural Manual Policy for conducting future Institutes. We are developing National ads featuring the Confederate Museum and the SCV and will be broadcast on Rick Revell’s History Highway on AME TV. The Confederate Legion is down to \$5,000 which is the lowest it has been and finally, working to update the Confederate Legion Website.

The Sixth Order of Business – Lt. Commander-in-Chief Report: Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy stated the best way to eliminate some of the financial problems in the organization is to increase the membership. A four-ad series, one a week, will be coming out in April in the Epic Times which is a Nationally syndicated newspaper going to 500,000 to 2 million people promoting the Confederate Museum, the South and the Sons of Confederate Veterans. It is imperative to fix the Museum website by April so potential supporters see what we have and who we are. Retention works when you are out promoting your organization. There will be a poll on Southern Heritage and Culture conducted on the National level. When the results are collected, the Confederate Legion will email the results along with the ads to its members for distribution to the public.

The Seventh Order of Business – Historian-in-Chief Report: Historian-in-Chief Forrest Daws started out by donating a limited-edition “Memoirs of the Confederate War for Independence” by Colonel Heros von Borcke, which contained an original page from his manuscript, who came to America to fight for the Confederacy. A pin from the 1906 UCV Reunion. As members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans much has been done documenting our Confederate Ancestors but what about the organization? To remedy this, there will be a two-phase process initiated. First, have the Armies appoint an Army Historian to help with this process to go along with Division and Camp Historians. The First Phase is from this point forward, have all Camps submit digital copies of applications and any information connected to the Camp on flash drives up the chain of command to the Historian-in-Chief to stop the accumulation of paper documents. The Second Phase is to have the Camps and Division scan any and all historical pictures and documents and follow the same procedures for submitting as stated earlier. The goal is to have a digital file on every Camp, Division and Army in the Confederation. Eric Previti reported that since 2019, nothing has been added to the paper files upstairs. Everything is now digital except for Camp Newsletters. There is over 100 years of paper documentation upstairs.

The Eighth Order of Business – 2025 National Reunion: Mr. Michael Hurley, 1st Lt. Texas Division Commander from Tyler, Texas and Chairman of the Texas 2025 National Reunion Committee presented an update on the proposed 2025 National Reunion. The date will be July 16 – 20, 2025 in Houston, Texas with the host hotel being the Marriot. The Marriot has agreed and this is in the Agreement that they will project the SCV Logo in the lobby for the duration of the Reunion. The Texas Division will be the host of the Reunion instead of a Camp. ATM Commander J. C. Hanna made a motion to accept Mr. Hurley’s proposal for the Texas Division to host the 2025 National Reunion in Houston, Texas and recommend it to the Reunion. The motion was seconded by ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone and the motion passed without objection.

New Bern, North Carolina may be the site of the 2026 National Reunion.

The Ninth Order of Business – Mississippi Division to enter Litigation: Mississippi Division Commander Conor Bond petitioned the Council for permission to allow the Mississippi Division to enter litigation against Grenada County for violating Mississippi's Monument Protection Law by covering the Confederate Monument in the city of Grenada for the past two – three years. The Mississippi Attorney General has done nothing to date. The Division will be suing as co-plaintiffs with the SCV members living in Grenada County. The Mississippi Division will cover all costs and is therefore asking for no funds. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made a motion to allow the Mississippi Division to enter into litigation. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. and the motion passed without objection.

At 12:04 PM, the General Executive Council recessed for lunch with Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle offering the blessing. The Council is to reconvene at 1:15 PM.

At 1:00 PM, the General Executive Council reconvened in the Confederate Museum to view the contents contained in the UCV Time Capsule uncovered in Shreveport, Louisiana. All contents are being donated to the Museum.

At 1:20 PM, the General Executive Council reconvened.

The Tenth Order of Business – Adjutant-in-Chief: Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill reported he had two items to present. First: after the Reunion at Cartersville, there was a question about the proper procedure of establishing a quorum. Section 8.5 in the Constitution states a quorum is present when one-third of registered delegates are present. Adjutant McCaskill contends the only way to properly establish a quorum would be by roll call of the camps. After discussing the issue at length, this issue was tabled until a future Zoom Meeting.

Second: report from the Budget and Finance Committee. The Old Brunswick Camp # 512 in Lawrenceville, VA made a request for \$5,000 to help with their project to raise a monument in Hollywood Cemetery to B/G William Starke. The recommendation passed by the Committee was to grant the request by earmarking \$5,000 in the Rosen-Maury Fund for this project but not to disburse the funds until the Camp had raised the 75% of the projected cost of the project which was \$30,000. An updated funding report was received showing the Camp had raised 76% of the needed funds so the recommendation was amended to disburse the \$5,000 from the Rosen-Maury Fund to Camp 512 for this project. AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee with the caveat to hold the funds until a letter from Hollywood Cemetery has been received that the monument would remain in place for perpetuity. The motion was seconded by ANV Commander R. Kevin Stone and the motion passed without objection.

The Eleventh Order of Business – Sale of Arkansas Property: Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers reported an offer has been made on the Helena, AR property and he is working with Executive Director Adam T. Southern to complete the sale.

The Twelfth Order of Business – Constitution Amendments & Resolution Committee Report: Chairman Chuck McMichael asked for a policy change that when the proposed amendment is published in the Veteran Magazine that it includes the author's reasoning for change and the Committee's reasons for adoption or not adopting the amendment. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. made a motion to accept the recommendation for this policy change as presented. AOT Councilman Carl Jones seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

At 1:28 PM, CST, a motion was by Chief-of-Staff Darrell L. Maples for the General Executive Council to go into Executive Session allowing Chief Investigator Roy Hudson and Executive Director Adam T. Southern to remain. The motion was seconded by ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret and the motion passed without objection.

During the Executive Session, the General Executive Council heard and acted on three recommendations from the Disciplinary Committee for disciplinary action against three members. The Council heard the Judge Advocate-in-Chief's opinion on qualifications for membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans voted to write a policy to clarify the issue. Lastly, the Council heard two issues originating in the Mississippi Division and took appropriate actions.

At 2:28 PM, CST, ATM Commander J. C. Hanna made a motion for the General Executive Council to exit Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy and the motion passed without objection.

AOT Councilman Carl Jones made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded Chief-of-Staff Darrell L. Maples and the motion passed without objection.

Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle dismissed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, with

Dan A. McCaskill

Dan A. McCaskill
Adjutant-in-Chief
Sons of Confederate Veterans

SCV GEC Meeting Agenda
March 4, 2023

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation/Devotional – Gary Carlyle
3. Pledge to US Flag/Salute to Confederate Flag/Reading of the Charge
4. Put all cellphones on mute, refrain from sidebar conversations, please be recognized by the chair before speaking. When you make a motion, please make sure the Adjutant-in-Chief recognizes.
5. Roll Call
6. Donations and loans
 - a. Chuck McMichael
 - b. James Patterson
 - c. Forrest Daws
7. Approval of minutes
8. Adam Southern – Directors Report
9. Museum Fundraising Committee:
 - a. James Patterson – Challenge
 - b. Dan Dorrill – Naming the campus
10. Jimmy Hill – Museum Committee Report
11. Ron Kennedy – Heritage Operations Report
12. Donnie Kennedy – Lt. Commander-in-Chief Report
13. Forrest Daws – Historian-in-Chief Report
14. Michael Hurley – 2025 National Reunion
15. Chuck McMichael: Constitution Amendments and Resolutions
16. Connor Bond – Permission to enter into a lawsuit
17. Larry McCluney – Sale of Arkansas Property
18. Dan McCaskill – Reunion quorum & Grant request
19. Public Relations:
 - a. Army Councilman and Commanders work with Division Commanders to define people who can address the media and we will provide training and assistance.
 - b. Develop a handbook with the ideas and procedures. From joining the Chamber of Commerce to making friends with the local newspapers.
 - c. Expand the duties of the Army Councilman to handle public relations.
20. Event Approval:
 - a. Pilgrimage and Homecoming
21. Work in Progress:
 - a. Employee Handbook
 - b. Property Use
22. If lunchtime ask Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle to bless the food.
23. Sing Dixie
24. Executive Session



GENERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
Zoom Meeting Minutes
7:00 PM CST; January 30, 2023
Approval Pending

Call to Order: 7:00 PM CST by Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers.
Opening Prayer: Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle

Roll Call: Adjutant-in-Chief Dan A. McCaskill

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Non-voting member: Executive Director Adam T. Southern

The First Order of Business was the adoption of General Executive Council Minutes. Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers stated the first Minutes to be considered were the September 27, 2022 General Executive Council Zoom Meeting. ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented. AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

The second set of minutes to be considered were the Executive Session Minutes of the September 27, 2022 General Executive Council Zoom Meeting. AOT Commander Jimmy D. Hill made the motion to adopt minutes as presented. ANV Councilman Kenny Ramsey seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

The third set of minutes to be considered were January 12, 2023 General Executive Council Zoom Meeting. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made the motion to adopt the minutes as presented. ATM Commander J. C. Hanna seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

The fourth set of minutes to be considered were the Executive Session Minutes of the January 12, 2023 General Executive Council Zoom Meeting. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made the motion to adopt the minutes as presented. Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy seconded the motion and the motion passed without objection.

The Second Order of Business was a report from the Awards Committee Chairman Randy Burbage concerning some modifications in the criteria for a few awards. The report will be attached to these minutes. Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy made a motion to adopt the modifications as presented in the report. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers felt although he has the authority to approve the modifications, this needs to be approved by the General Executive Council. After a brief discussion, the motion passed without objection.

The Third Order of Business was to consider changes to the Heritage Defense Medal criteria presented by Donnie and Ron Kennedy. Donnie Kennedy reported they had simplified the Nomination Form for the award because of the many

complaints of how confusing the old form was. Next year a change will be made to the proposed new form to allow each Army Commander to make one nomination. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made a motion to accept the changes to the Heritage Defense Medal as presented by Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy and Chief of Heritage Ops James Ronald (Ron) Kennedy. The motion was seconded by Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. and the motion passed without objection.

The Fourth Order of Business was to consider the sell of the Helena, AR property. Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers gave the floor to Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. for the report. Commander McCluney gave a brief overview of the property that is owned by National, the history of the property and the desire to sell the property. The current value of the property is \$300 due to the demographics and condition of the neighborhood. The only ones purchasing property in Helena is the Delta Cultural Center because they are trying to safeguard any property with historical value. The Director of the Delta Cultural Center placed a bid of \$800 for the property with Commander McCluney by telephone. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. made a motion to sell the Helena, AR property for the \$800. The motion was seconded by ATM Councilman Charles L. Lauret and the motion passed without objection.

Past Commander-in-Chief Larry A. McCluney, Jr. made a motion that the proceeds from the sell of the Helena, AR property be placed in the Museum Acquisition Fund. The motion was seconded by Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy and the motion passed without objection. Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers stated he would confer with Judge Advocate-in-Chief Scott D. Hall to learn what the closing costs would be if any.

The Fifth Order of Business was a report on the property bequeath and the opening of the National Confederate Museum on Saturdays. Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers gave the floor to Executive Director Adam T. Southern for his report. Director Southern talked with the gentleman wishing to make the bequeath about concerns of not being able to sell the property and multiple owners. After the conversation, this gentleman was not interested in pursuing the matter.

Director Southern reported the National Confederate Museum will begin opening one Saturday per month starting with Saturday, February 4, 2023. There will be a event page created on Facebook to announce which Saturdays the Museum will be open for each month.

The Sixth Order of Business was an update on the Arlington Reconciliation Monument. Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers reported National is entering litigation to defend the Arlington Monument and that we are on our own. We will work with others who have a common goal in protecting the monument. Also, Commander Boshers was contacted by a gentleman who asked if National was working with Defend Arlington which we are not and asked if National would make donation to their lawsuit. The answer was no because we had to fund our own lawsuit. Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. asked the question "Will National have standing in this lawsuit?" Commander Boshers stated in a conversation with Attorney Ed Phillips, this would not be a problem. AOT Councilman Carl Jones made the point that with descendants of Veterans buried in Arlington willing to join the lawsuit this should give us standing. At this point, 62 descendants have been found and are being contacted and so far each has been willing to join the lawsuit. Various members of the General Executive Council encouraged the Commander-in-Chief to make an official announcement to the Confederation as soon as possible because Defend Arlington is already asking for donations that would siphon funds away from the National's effort.

The Seventh Order of Business was an update report on the Stephen D. Lee Institute. Chief of Heritage Ops James Ronald (Ron) Kennedy reported registration is up to forty-one (41) which puts us past the reserved rooms and the discounted room rates have been extended for a few days.

At 7:59 PM, CST, Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. made a motion for the General Executive Council to go into Executive Session allowing Executive Director Adam T. Southern to remain.

At 8:10 PM, CST a motion was made by Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. for the General Executive Council to exit Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Lt. Commander-in-Chief W. Donald Kennedy and the motion passed without objection.

The General Executive Council discussed guidelines to follow in an investigation of a Camp and the investigation of a member

Final Business: Commander-in-Chief R. S. Jason Boshers reminded the General Executive Council members of the scheduled meetings on Saturday, March 4, 2023 and October 7, 2023 at Elm Springs, Columbia, Tennessee. The March 4th Meeting, there will be an evening meal at the Confederate Museum Friday evening, March 3rd with Carl Jones doing the cooking. Have heard good things about the Baymont and will be trying to get a corporate rate with the Baymont. Get agenda requests to Chief of Staff Darrell Maples as soon as possible. We will be addressing the need for a Press Officer and will be choosing a name for the property at Elm Springs.

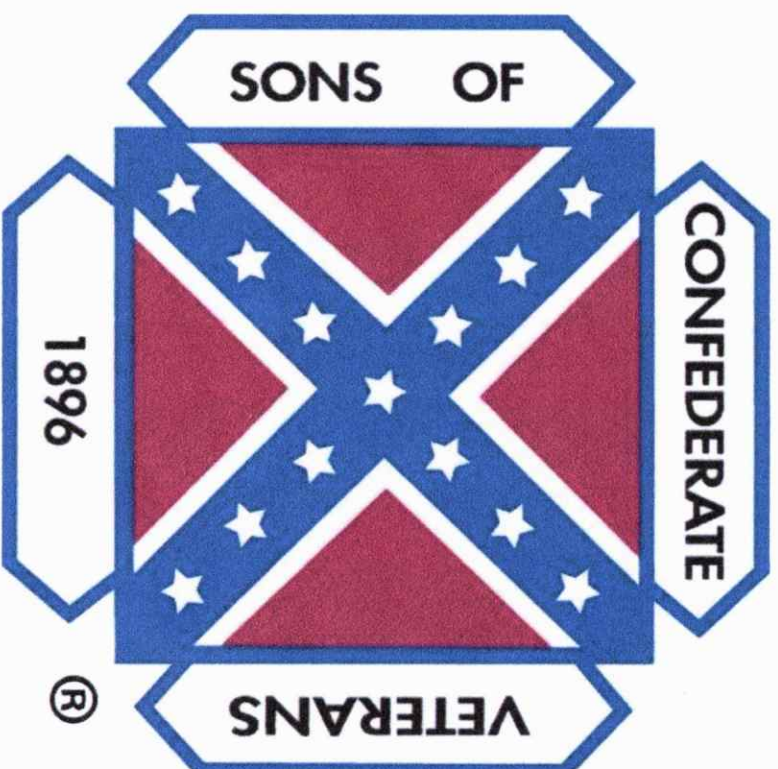
Past Commander-in-Chief Paul C. Gramling, Jr. made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by AOT Councilman Carl Jones and the motion passed without objection.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer from Chaplain-in-Chief Gary Carlyle.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan A. McCaskill". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dan A. McCaskill
Adjutant-in-Chief
Sons of Confederate Veterans



Executive Director's Report

Adam Southern

Executive Director

March 4, 2022



Membership Statistics

	7/13/2021	10/8/2021	3/5/2022	7/15/2022	1-Oct-22	3/4/2023
Active Members (Not LM)	23910	18283	22403	23095	17704	21456
National Life Members	4587	4576	4606	4613	4619	4624
Cadets	435	444	355	357	315	288
Total Active	28932	23303	27364	28065	22638	26368
Delinquent	70958	82798	73598	78987	78490	78209
Total SCV	99890	106101	100962	107052	101128	104577
Friends of SCV	286	302	228	351	198	127
Total Membership	100176	106403	101190	107403	101326	104704
Additional Information:						
CV Subscribers:	0	0	150	138	150	152
Real Grandsons:	0	69	80	87	80	87



Financials

SCV Account Balances

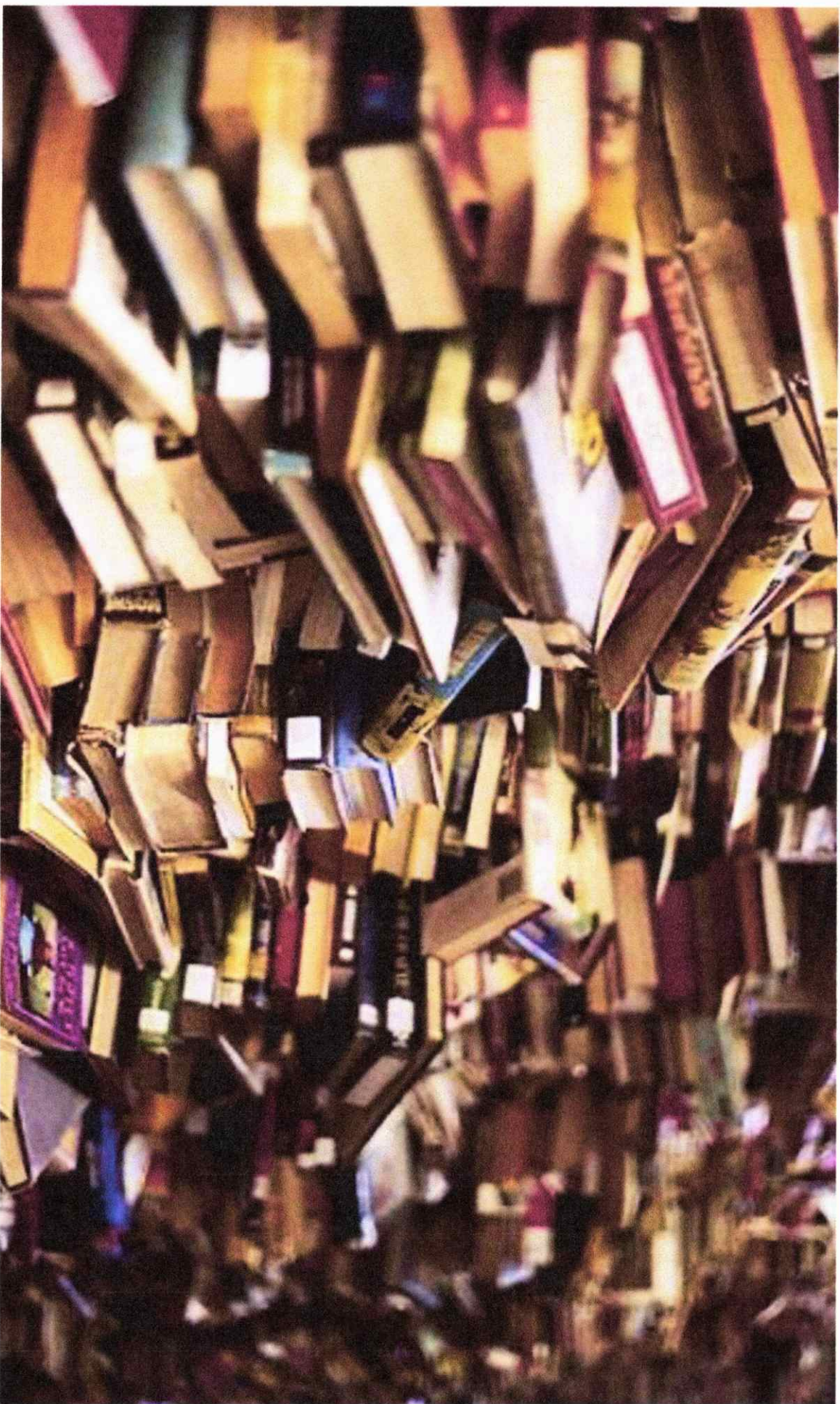
Fund:	Mar-21	Jul-21	1-Oct	Mar-22	22-Oct	Mar-23
Brooks Fund (Baird)	\$ 1,936,022.00	\$ 2,144,898.00	\$ 2,171,942.00	\$ 2,128,140.00	\$ 1,947,656.00	\$ 2,117,432.00
Brooks Fund (Stifel)	\$ 848,063.00	\$ 970,087.00	\$ 948,111.00	\$ 964,581.00	\$ 894,703.00	\$ 911,441.00
Bicentennial Fund	\$ 60,355.00	\$ 71,023.00	\$ 71,228.00	\$ 69,680.00	\$ 61,651.00	\$ 63,627.00
Building Fund Donations	\$ 252,147.00	\$ 197,683.00	\$ 197,696.00	\$ 206,063.00		
Building Fund Loan	\$ 34,241.00	\$ 34,245.00	\$ 44,473.00	\$ 47,021.00	\$ 66,183.91	\$ 113,045.00
Forrest Home	\$ 64,570.00	\$ 27,549.00	\$ 27,619.00	\$ 51,211.00	\$ 50,796.00	\$ 29,033.00
Heritage Defense	\$ 107,422.00	\$ 82,790.00	\$ 82,790.00	\$ 79,136.00	\$ 88,572.00	\$ 119,449.00
Heritage Promotion	\$ 13,597.00	\$ 13,599.00	\$ 13,600.00	\$ 15,284.00	\$ 11,863.00	\$ 12,092.00
K.T. Miller	\$ 98,402.00	\$ 158,072.00	\$ 157,893.00	\$ 150,529.00	\$ 133,340.00	\$ 137,080.00
Life Member	\$ 868,969.00	\$ 982,080.00	\$ 982,565.00	\$ 976,753.00	\$ 829,864.00	\$ 828,879.00
Rosen Mowery	\$ 788,620.00	\$ 841,089.00	\$ 856,032.00	\$ 841,852.00	\$ 744,989.00	\$ 744,989.00
SW Scholarship Fund	\$ 110,231.00	\$ 132,939.00	\$ 132,317.00	\$ 132,176.00	\$ 116,047.00	\$ 116,047.00
Total Investments:	\$ 5,182,639.00	\$ 5,656,054.00	\$ 5,686,266.00	\$ 5,662,426.00	\$ 4,945,664.91	\$ 5,193,114.00
SCV Operating Account	\$ 39,155.00	\$ 60,649.00	\$ 567,446.00	\$ 184,803.00	\$ 369,426.00	\$ 112,063.00
Confederate Legion	\$ 22,358.00	\$ 20,416.00	\$ 23,501.00	\$ 20,049.00	\$ 10,361.00	\$ 5,346.00
Relief Fund	\$ 28,004.00	\$ 28,150.00	\$ 24,690.00	\$ 28,336.00	\$ 29,893.00	\$ 32,203.00
Relief Fund CD	\$ 33,295.00	\$ 33,462.00	\$ 33,462.00	\$ 33,462.00	\$ 33,559.00	\$ 33,559.00
Elm Springs Donations		\$ 4,175.00	\$ 5,044.00	\$ 9,091.00	\$ 14,645.00	\$ 17,505.00
Forrest Reinterment		\$ 73,346.00	\$ 65,506.00	\$ 64,967.00	\$ 61,091.00	\$ 68,026.00
Total Cash Funds	\$ 122,812.00	\$ 220,198.00	\$ 719,649.00	\$ 340,708.00	\$ 518,975.00	\$ 268,702.00

Headquarters



Elm Springs

Library





Book Donations & More





Elm Springs Rentals



10 rentals from October 2022 to March 1, 2023

11 scheduled rentals from March 1 to the end of the year



Bus Tours

5 bus tours currently scheduled





Tickets



Past & Upcoming Events



Now open at least one Saturday a month

car show— a night at the museum—
dessert parties— paranormal
investigations— short concert series





Maury Christmas Tour



Museum & House open December 1 & 2, 2023 for tour



Scheduled Visits

- February 24 & 25– SDLI, Tampa, FL
- March 24-25– Missouri Division Reunion
- April 8– Speaking to Rankin Grays Camp
- July 19-22– National Reunion, Hot Springs National Park, AR



Current Staff

- Cindy White, Office Manager
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items for discussion GEC March 4

From: jasonboshers@charter.net

To: jasonboshers@charter.net

Gentlemen of the GEC and the Museum fundraising Committee,

1. Having seen how people act and react inside the museum, I feel we should prepare some pamphlets they can leave with and continue to educate themselves. My first thought is a pamphlet ... Ten things to know about The South and Southern Culture. A second thought is more direct and is questions and answers such as ... Was slavery the cause of the war? Were Confederate soldiers' traitors? Who bought the slaves and transported them to the Americas? ... etc. We could place these pamphlets in the timeline where the subject matters are discussed. Use the facts in the timeline and make additional educational material available to patrons so they can continue the education.
2. Public relations in the sense of how we can educate our members to better represent themselves in their communities. Public relations as making press statements is a different process that also needs to be discussed. My thought is to better educate our members on how, when, where to get involved in the local community. This idea is not a new idea; however, we need to develop the process and then provide education through zoom meetings using Army, Division and most importantly Brigade Commanders. Note: The Commander and Adjutant training Eric Previtti is doing is working and successful and we can build on that.
3. The naming of the property. The National Confederate Museum is getting some attention but nothing like it should. A third outlet to promote, educate and fundraise can be beneficial. Some National advertising is being done and this would allow an extra option. **NOTE: THE NATIONAL CONFEDERATE MUSEUM AND HISTORIC ELM SPRINGS NAMES WILL NOT CHANGE. WE ARE GOING TO DISCUSS NAMING THE ENTIRE PROPERTY.**

I would like to discuss this at the GEC meeting so please have some thoughts, ideas and suggestions.

Jason

A Challenge to our Compatriots

Compatriots,

As you're all aware we have built a museum at our Headquarters in Columbia, Tennessee. I use the word museum, but in reality it is much more than that. When I think of a "museum" generally, based on prior experiences, what comes to mind is a building that houses relics from the past. In many museums that focus on the War of Northern Aggression you will typically have some cannonballs, muskets, swords and maybe a uniform or two. Certainly, these things are of interest to many people, and especially those of us who are interested in the history of the war our ancestors fought. That said, our museum goes well beyond this. It tells a story. Our story. Succinctly put, it tells the story of the South and our unique culture from 1607 and includes Southern representation in American history from the first permanent colony in Virginia, to the Declaration of Independence, the American Revolution, the framing and ratification of the Constitution, the ravenous treatment suffered by our people during the so-called "reconstruction" era, and right up to the present day, including the use of Confederate symbols in modern pop culture. All of this is from a historically accurate perspective. There is no other place on earth of this magnitude that gives our side of American history and serves to refute the 200 plus year high-jacking of that history by Yankee revisionists. Our museum is a platform from which our story is projected to the world and will do so for many generations to come. It is the launching point for our efforts to "reclaim the historical narrative".

All of that said, there is debt to be paid on the museum and the sooner we can pay off the loan associated with this facility, the sooner we can redirect the monthly payments to other projects that will promote our Heritage. This is where you come in. I know you're probably saying to yourself "here comes the request for money". Yes, I'm going to ask you to raise money, not write the check yourself. And I'd add that if we don't fund the defense of our Heritage, who will? Rather than writing a check or donating to the museum, Army of Tennessee Commander Jimmy Hill and I are issuing a challenge to each camp to raise \$25 per member of your Camp to be donated to the museum fund. That's it- \$25 per member.

At the AoT meeting in July, at the National Reunion in Hot Springs, we will be giving out awards for the Camp and Division that raise the most money ***per member***.

Keep in mind, I really do not want the Camp or member to write the check out of their treasury or their own pockets because that defeats the secondary purpose of our challenge- to get out into the public! Public relations and presenting a positive image to our local communities is crucial in, not only raising money, but to attracting people to join our organization and to support our Cause! Fund raising can be done a multitude of ways- Car washes, turkey shoots, golf and fishing tournaments, Barbecue sales, the sky is the limit. Other civic organizations such as the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs raise thousands of dollars every month like this and we should be doing the same. Such efforts likewise provide an opportunity for fellowship among your members, as well as creating relationships within your local area.

Poll after poll has shown that in spite of the efforts of our enemies to tear down and besmirch our history and the good names of our forbears, the American public, especially in the South, is not buying it. To the contrary, overwhelmingly the polls show that the majority of Americans see our story and our

symbols as important parts of American history. Here's our opportunity to sway them further to our side and their opportunity to help us protect and promote the truth!

The second part of this is that Commander Hill and I are asking the Armies of the Trans-Mississippi and of Northern Virginia to join us in this program. Again folks, the sooner we get the museum paid for, the sooner we can use that money for further projects. We need your help.

Please remit payments by Camp with a note entitled "AOT Challenge" to SCV Headquarters at PO Box 59, Columbia, TN 38402.

Deo Vindice,

Carl Jones

AoT Councilman

Sons of Confederate Veterans