My comments are short in this Escort for I want my fellow Compatriots to see all that is going on across your Tennessee Division. As the 150th approaches, I want to see more from each of you. This is YOUR Division Newsletter so send your information and articles to Jason at jasonboshers@charter.net

In Nashville on Friday, November 12-13, the State of Tennessee officially recognized the start of The 150th Anniversary of the War Between the States. I was pleased to be a part of history being made. A well-deserved Thank You goes to the Randal W. McGavock Camp #1713 as color guard in the Opening Ceremonies at the Tennessee Performing Arts Center. That night, at the State Museum, I had the honor and privilege to present another check from our Division to Candace Adelson to further the conservation of our Confederate Flags.

“Get A Tag ~ Save A Flag “

I want to remind everyone this is OUR time to make our ancestors proud, LETS GET IN STEP TOGETHER and Work for the common cause. Many eyes are and will be upon us, so lets be True Honorable Tennessee Southerners.

Remember the Charge!!!
Mike Beck
Tennessee Division Commander

The Get A Tag ~ Save A Flag money at work. At Friday nights ceremony Tennessee State Museum Senior Curator of Fashions and Textiles Candace Adelson (center at the podium) was presented three checks for Confederate flag restoration and preservation.

From left, Tennessee Division Commander Mike Beck with a check to the State Museum from the GATSAF fund.

The gentleman in the center is Bryan Roehrig from the Order of Southern Cross.

On the right is Ronny Mangrum with the Roderick, Forrest Warhorse Camp #2072 with a check for the restoration of the 20th Tennessee Infantry flag.
General Orders
No. 1

International Headquarters
Columbia, Tennessee
9 September 2010

Communications Initiative

To all Camp Commanders:

Our heritage is under attack! We live in the land of the free, yet, the simple act of placing a Confederate Battle Flag on the grave of a soldier that gave his life to protect his country and home from invasion has been denied many times over throughout our Southland. SCV Camps have been disallowed to join other patriotic organizations in parades and other civic displays of local pride. Our children are taught from books written in the North by Northern authors that at best, leave out the great stories of our valiant Southern heroes or at worst, paint them as demons.

Some of our battles may be best fought with small local units, more accustomed to the local climate and political terrain. But there are situations that require the full force and might of a well-educated and determined army. The key to victory in all battles is communication.

From the battle of Bannockburn to Bagdad, man’s greatest armies have relied on communications to get their men in the best possible position for attack or defense.

The Sesquicentennial of the War for Southern Independence has begun. The SCV needs to improve communications. If you want to be involved with the coming battles to protect and strengthen our grand heritage then heed the following directive:
Camp Commanders

1. Appoint a Communications Officer in your Camp. His responsibilities will be to receive information from the Division, Army and National levels and report to you. Either he or you will relay outcomes, successful or not, back up the line so we may learn from the outcomes.

2. Create a Camp email address strictly for this project. I suggest using a free Internet account such as gmail, hotmail or the like, so that the mail can be accessed from any computer. If you do not have a computer, check with the local library or a friend. Instruct your communications officer to regularly check this account and/or do this yourself.

3. Once you have the email account send the address to your Division Commander.

4. Also, send an email to Bryan Sharp, SCV membership coordinator, with a request to be signed up to receive the SCV Telegraph. Bryan’s email address is: membership@scv.org (I encourage you to offer this option to all of your members with current email accounts.)

5. At the conclusion of your term as Camp Commander, pass the email address and password on to your successor.

Division Commanders

1. Collect an email address from all Camps.

2. Send the addresses to the office of Jim “Spike” Speicher, Chief of Staff, colspike@hotmail.com or one of his designated deputies.

Once this system is in place, each Camp will receive the SCV Telegraph and all other important information from the national office in a timely manner. You will be busy conducting your own Camp activities, which may include local battles concerning our heritage. But there will come the time that we will be tested on a large scale. We must be ready. Help me put this mechanism in place and we will win our battles and help secure a bright future for our own Southern progeny.

By the order of the Commander-in-Chief

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October 16, 2010 marked the date that a project of some years came to fruition when the General William Brimage Bate Camp 34 SCV dedicated a monument to honor CAPT H L Hunley. The Confederate genius, Horace Lawson Hunley, was born in eastern Sumner County Tennessee in 1823. It seemed only proper that a monument should be erected in the general vicinity of Hunley's birthplace. Additionally, one of Camp 34's compatriots, Charles Henri deLeusomme, was a 1st cousin, 4 times removed from H L Hunley. Sadly, Charlie deLeusomme passed away in March of this year and did not get to see the monument honoring his Confederate ancestor.

Hunley lived as a small boy in Sumner County Tennessee and went on to invent, with others, three submarines of which the most famous, the CSS H L Hunley, conducted the first successful attack on an enemy war ship in Naval history. The CSS H L Hunley sank the USS Housatonic on February 17, 1864 in Charleston harbor. Horace Lawson Hunley perished on the CSS H L Hunley during testing on October 15, 1863. This event marked the second time the CSS Hunley sank during testing with the first being on August 29, 1863 with H L Hunley aboard the first time as well.

The keynote address was delivered by past Tennessee Division SCV Commander Dr. Michael Bradley. Dr. Bradley's address, "Rebel Ingenuity", focused on the fact that although the South was comprised of people of the soil, at the outbreak of The War Between The States, these farmers produced all the material necessary to defend the South from Lincoln's invading armies. Transportation systems were developed to supply the Confederate States Military where none existed before. Of course, the topic of the day was the CSS Hunley and more importantly the man who invented it.

Tennessee is the birthplace of Confederate heroes like Lieutenant General Nathan Bedford Forrest and General Benjamin F Cheatham. Sumner County Tennessee is the birthplace of Camp 34's icon, Major General William Brimage Bate. Now, by the dedication of this magnificent stone monument, people will know that another Confederate hero, CAPT Horace Lawson Hunley, was also born on Tennessee soil in Sumner County.
The Sesquicentennial (150th) Anniversary of the Cause for Southern Independence is upon us! The Sons of Confederate Veterans has established a unique way you can show support for our efforts and build a legacy for the future. It is the SCV Sesquicentennial Society! By joining this prestigious group you will help in supporting two projects very important to the future.

First- the General Executive Council made the commitment in October of 2008 to start the process to erect a new building on our property at Historic Elm Springs. One of the uses of this new building is to give us office space and return Elm Springs to its original grandeur. However the main function is to house The Confederate Museum. We are planning a museum that will tell the truth about what motivated the Southern people to struggle for many years to form a new nation. It will give an accurate portrayal of the Confederate soldier, something that is lacking in most museum and in the media.

75% of the money received through this effort goes to that building fund.

Second-we need to leave a legacy for our Compatriots who will be the members and leaders of the SCV when the Bicentennial of the Cause for Southern Independence arrives 50 years from now. One can only guess at the obstacles they will have to face in putting forth an accurate commemoration. 25% of the money will go into a fund to be used by the SCV at that point in time.

Here is how you can take part. To join it is a minimum payment of $200. (You can give more if you wish!) You will receive a handsome SCV Sesquicentennial Society Medal and Certificate. This program will end at the close of the Sesquicentennial. You may pay all at once or you can make

non-refundable installments of $50 (you will receive the medal and certificate when paid in full).

Send a check to:

Sons of Confederate Veterans
c/o Sesquicentennial Society
P.O. Box 59
Columbia, TN 38402

Or you can call 1-800-MY-DIXIE to pay by credit card.

You may also use the on-line donation page at https://scv.secure-sites.us/donation.php

At this time the on-line page does not have a $200 option. You can select $250 (donating an extra $50) or you can donate $100 twice. If you choose to pay by installment there is $50 option.

Be sure to put Sesquicentennial Society in the box marked purpose of payment.

We hope that all Compatriots will take advantage of this opportunity to make a stand for the future. You can proudly wear your medal and display your certificate as a symbols of your commitment to teaching the true history of the South to future generations.
Compatriots,

With Commander Beck's permission I have taken it upon myself to arrange for bus transportation to the rally in Montgomery, Feb 18-19, 2011.

Should there be enough interest I would like to arrange bus pick-up from the Nashville, Knoxville and Chattanooga areas. Seats may be purchased by and for SCV members and families. Each of these three buses, once filled, would then travel directly to Montgomery.

As for pricing, each bus costs $800.00 per day, (Normal price is $1100.00, per day, plus a fuel surcharge), we are not being charged for fuel. The two day trip would then be a total of $1600.00. With a total occupancy of 56 passengers per bus you can see the total cost of transportation to and from would be less than $30.00 per person. I don't believe you could drive there for less. Not to mention the camaraderie of being able to travel with like minded people. Imagine the pride of having three buses pull into Montgomery with that large of a TN delegation.

I need to know as soon as possible if there is enough interest in this trip. Please email or call and let me know. The deadline for payment will be Jan 5, 2011.

Please remember to get the best price per rider we will need to fill each bus.

You will need to make your own hotel reservations. See the information below for the host hotel information. Also, to avoid a third day charge we will depart Montgomery Saturday afternoon after the re-enactment. To stay for the banquet would require another overnight stay plus the cost of the buses.

Thanks and I hope to see you in Montgomery!!

Lynn Hammond, LM
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Host Hotel: Embassy Suites - downtown Montgomery, AL. The SCV has a block of rooms reserved for Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Single and doubles $116.00 per night, triple $126.00, and quads for $136.00 per night.

Vendors: Friday, February 18th, 2011 and Saturday the 19th vendors will be setup in the hotel.

Reception: Friday evening the Alabama Division will have a meet and greet with entertainment from 7pm to 9pm at the host hotel.

Saturday Events: Confederate Parade on Dexter Avenue - 12 Noon - details to be announced shortly. Cannons are also need for a firing of a salute on the grounds of the State Capitol. Swearing in of President Jefferson Davis will take place after the parade on the steps of the Alabama State Capitol Building. There will be speakers after the swearing in on the Alabama State Capitol grounds.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT FORREST ESCORT IS February 1, 2011

Please email all items that need to go in the next Forrest Escort to me at jasonboshers@charter.net. If you mail me a copy of a flyer, I will have to scan it and it might not look as well as you like as copies never look as good as the original. If you mail me a copy of a letter, I will have to retype the letter and you bring in the potential of a whole lot of errors. Please email me any correspondence. I can handle WORD, PDF, EXCEL and plain TXT files.
Calendar of Events

January 29: Officers Call at Elm Springs (International Headquarters). An officer from each camp in the TN Division needs to be present.

February 5: Lee/Jackson Dinner hosted by the Greeneville Camp. Tickets are $25 and it starts at 6 PM. Tickets will be available from the General Morgan Inn or from camp members after January 1, 2011.

February 19: SCV 150 Rally in Montgomery, Alabama to relive and celebrate the start of the Confederacy. Re-enacting of the swearing in of Jefferson Davis and the raising of the first Confederate Flag.

March 12: DEC meeting
March 26: Blue & Gray Ball at Old Spencer Mill in Burns TN. Tickets are $25 per person and contact Dale Qualls at 615-446-8939 or dalesquickprint@bellsouth.net.

April 12: Firing on Fort Sumter. Re-enacting of the firing on Fort Sumter. Batteries will be at Patriots Point and other locations around Charleston. The firing will begin at 4:30 AM. Living histories all day.

April 29 & 30: Tennessee Division Reunion on Cookeville TN.

June 18: Forrest Homecoming held at the Forrest Boyhood home in Chapel Hill TN

May 7: Confederate Heritage Festival in Tracy City TN. From 8 AM to 2 PM. Living histories, artillery and infantry demonstrations and educational speakers. Contact Joey Nolan at 931-592-6125.

Aug 26 - 28: Smokey Mountain Relic Show

Sept 17: DEC meeting

Nov 19: DEC meeting

The Forrest Seminar was held September 25th at the Colonnade Civic Center in Ringgold, GA. It was titled “Forrest at Chickamauga”. A great group of speakers was present and a battlefield tour was enjoyed by all. A special “Thank You” goes to Terry Siler and the Nathan Bedford Forrest Camp #3 for being superb host.
Tennessee Division Reunion 2011

April 29-30, 2011

Hosted by the Dillard - Judd Camp 1828

Location: Clarion Inn, 970 S. Jefferson Ave., Cookeville, TN 38501
Phone # (931) 526-7125 - FAX (931) 520-7944
Special rate for Executive Room - $55.99/night

Attention SCV Members: Guarantee your room reservation, rate, and meals, register early. Cutoff date for early registration – 16 April, 2011

Note: Saturday Noon Dinner - $8.00/person & Dinner Theatre - $25.00/person. Guarantee your place at the table, include meal costs w/registration.

Program Schedule

Friday - April 29
3:00 - 6:30 PM    Registration: $25.00/SCV Member (only)
6:30 PM -
Gen. Dibril’s Pistol - A Historical Review and Viewing
7:00 PM -
Fellowship/Mixer - hors d’oeuvres, Cash Bar, & Period Music

Saturday - April 30
7:30 AM    Registration
8:00 AM    Sutlers
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM    Morning Business Session
12:00 PM    Dinner
1:30 PM    Rededication of Confederate Monument at Cookeville City Cemetery
7:00 PM    Dinner Theatre & Division Awards

Sons of Confederate Veterans - A Heritage of Honor
1776
Not for glory, but for honor, did they face the tyrant grim,
Not convinced of victory, not certain they could win,
But love and duty called them, though their chances were so slim,
Against great odds they conquered, and our liberty did win.

1861
Their grandsons decades later, were challenged to a fight,
Their homes and firesides threatened, resistance was their right,
Not for glory, but for honor, did they resist invasion grim,
Love and duty called them, though their chances were so slim,

Today
Our heritage is threatened, we must fight again today,
Not for glory but for honor, to stand and speak what’s right,
If you stand with the Sons united, you will never rue the day,
That saw you worthy of the heritage, that calls you to the fight.

Though the odds are great against us, we must bravely face the fray,
For the honor of those who went before, those who wore the Grey,
Those brave men never faltered, though many a brave man fell,
And since God said, “Honor Thy Father,” by honoring them we do well,

The Future
Our grandchildren decades later, may be challenged to some other fight,
Their homes and firesides threatened, resistance will their right,
Not for glory, but for honor, may they resist invasion grim,
Thinking of those who went before, resisting when victory seemed so dim,

Washington’s men in buff and blue, Lee’s men wearing grey,
If the truth be told, they inspire us yet, and will help us win the fray.

Dr Jim Brooks
Tennessee Division Chaplain

Please welcome a new camp into the Tennessee Division. Brigadier General Thomas Benton Smith Camp #2177 located in Nashville.

Some of the TN Division award recipients. Left to right: Ron Jones, Dr Michael Bradley, Bill Foster, Steve Settle, Frank Heathman, Martin Frost and Jerry Raymer
Ninth Annual
FORREST HOMECOMING
AND
SOUTHERN HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Saturday 18 June 2011
9:00 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission $5

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Google Map Info @: 4435 Pyles rd. Chapel Hill, Tenn37034
Forrest Home Info @: ELMSPRINGSCSA.COM
The weekend of August 28-29, 2010, witnessed an historic event, as the Smoky Mountain Convention Center welcomed vendors and living historians to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The event was hosted by the Tennessee Division, SCV, Longstreet-Zollicoffer SCV Camp #87, and Ellen Renshaw House Chapter 2624, UDC, both of Knoxville, Tennessee, in collaboration with the lovely facilities of the Smoky Mountain Resorts. The two day extravaganza was in the capable hands of the event coordinator Lynn Hammond, and Pete Smith, Sales Director, Smoky Mountain Resorts. Lynn Hammond, the show coordinator stated, "On behalf of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, TN Division, Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp #87 and Ellen Renshaw House Chapter 2624, United Daughters of the Confederacy, it was our pleasure to bring this event to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, in hopes of educating in an entertaining fashion the true history of the Southland and her people. We are extremely pleased with the results and plan to return next August 27-28, 2011, in the same location, to once again bring history to life." Indeed history came alive as several came in persona to pay homage to the War Between the States.

The event was called Smoky Mountain Civil War and Relics Show. It lived up to its name and proved to be exceptional. Over fifty vendors were present with displays and wares from Native American Artifacts, the Civil War relics through World War II uniforms. The art display was spectacular with well known artists selling their paintings and prints. The prices at the vendors’ merchandise ranged from a few dollars to a flag priced at $90,000. The merchants were all gracious and professional. They traveled from throughout the South but also Gettysburg, PA, and Indiana. An example of the response is seen in that Jack Hinson's rifle had never been displayed in such a large event as this weekend. A wide variety of artifacts and collectibles were displayed and for sale. They ranged from bullets to bayonets, swords, knives, and uniforms. Displays ranged from American Diggers, weapon exhibits of all sorts, book signings by authors, UDC and SCV information and metal detectors were for sale. The Smoky Mountain Resorts offered excellent security throughout the weekend.

The Hunley crew (Dangerfield and Cutter) was present, along with a group of compatriots encamped at the top of the hill. The 8th Tennessee and 63rd Tennessee offered an impressive living history. On Saturday they had a duel to the delight of the crowd. Sunday witnessed a public execution. Throughout the day, every hour on the half hour, the Maury artillery announced the presence of the encampment and relic show with a boom that shook the building. Smoke bellowed from the cannon and descended into the valley. H. K. Edgerton walked along the street, as he waved to the vehicles with his Cross of St. Andrews, beckoning all to come and visit the Convention Center. The people responded in droves and the halls were filled with serious buyers, shoppers, browsers, and the inquisitive.
The doors opened at 9:00 with a prayer. Several generals, including presentations by a Blockade Runner, ladies of the North as well as the South, and period dance demonstration was offered for those needing a break from shopping and wishing to sit for awhile. The agenda included General Grant (Ron Perrin), General Buckner (Greg Baize), General Polk (J. W. Binion), Mrs. Jefferson Davis (Joan Howard), Mrs. Stuart (Pam Jones), Mrs. Grant (Marty Perrin), Mrs. Polk (Donna Binion), General Armistead (Jerry Parsons), General Kemper (Keith Cornelius), H. K. Edgerton (Color SGT), General Longstreet (Bill White), General Forrest (Stan Dalton), General Jackson (Dan Buckner), General Hampton (Eddie Rogers), General Pendleton (Ken Creswell), Colonel Fullerson (Joe Adkins), General Stuart (Wayne Jones), General Lee (David Chaltas), President Jefferson Davis (Ron Jones), Carol St. Clair and her son, Steve. They offered a dramatic demonstration of a waltz. Prior to the dance, Steve St. Clair took on the persona of a blockade runner and enlightened the audience regarding their mission and purpose. Butternut presented his latest book next to the book display of Frank Scarpino. Robert Seelye and Randy Seals volunteered to take pictures of the historical occasion. One of the surprises of the event was the voice of Heather Cornelius singing Amazing Grace during a presentation.

On Saturday, a wondrous Fashion Show was sponsored by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Ellen Renshaw House Chapter 2624. There were more than thirty ladies and children who participated in the Fashion Show, and several men in both civilian and military attire who also participated. Ladies attire ranged from day dresses to ball gowns. Each lady offered eloquence to the show, as several hundred pictures were taken.

The encampment had several spectators visit and the men educated the public about camp life, artillery firing, cavalry life and cooking. They shared day to day life of a soldier, told stories, answered questions, and demonstrated military drill for the receptive audience. The Hunley crew talked of the three different mission attempts made by the Hunley and explained the operational process of the ship. The Hunley was the first submarine to sink a ship but unfortunately, it sank and remained hidden in the Charleston Bay for over one hundred forty years.

Church service was held on Sunday morning and Chaplain McKiven offered the main service. He invited other persons to participate including Greg Baize, J.W. Binion, and Fred London. Mrs. Debbie Smithsonian did a wondrous job in singing Way Faring Stranger.

On a one to ten, this event is considered to be a ten by these reporters and a must see for the serious lover of history and heritage. We were very impressed with the décor, the atmosphere, friendliness of the staff and the willingness to please shown by all. Next year plan to be there on August 27-28, 2011, and experience one of the finest Civil War and Relic Shows ever produced. For further information contact C. Lynn Hammond, southerncross1861@gmail.com regarding the 2nd Annual Smoky Mountain Relic Show and Sale, Smoky Mountain Convention Center, 4010 Parkway, Pigeon Forge, TN (Just past Red light #9), Hours: Sat. 9-5, Sun 9-3. The After Action Report is submitted with humility by the generals and ladies attending the historical event.

David Chaltas
General Lee

Left: A picture of the display area inside the convention center.
Above: The TN Div recruiting and information booth.
At the GEC meeting on July 21, 2010 the GEC approved a new initiative to raise funds. Each contributor will receive a pin designating him/her as a Founder of the Confederate Museum. Also there will be a list of names in the Museum of all Founders prominently displayed.

To make payment by credit card, please contact GHQ at 1-800-330-1896 or mail the form with a check.

Stonewall Jackson Level
Contributors who make a donation of at least $1,000 are eligible for this designation. If they are already a member of the Sesquicentennial Society that contribution will be taken into account and the minimum contribution for them to upgrade is $850. For some one who is not already a member they can get both the original Sesquicentennial Society membership and also the new Stonewall Jackson level for $1050 with the $50 going to the Bicentennial Fund.

Robert E Lee Level
A contribution of at least $5,000 is required to achieve this designation. If the individual is not already a member of the Sesquicentennial Society it will be included as benefit of this level.

Confederate Cabinet Level
A contribution of at least $10,000 is required to achieve this designation. If the individual is not already a member of the Sesquicentennial Society it will be included as benefit of this level.

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- **Financial** - It cost quite a bit of money to print and mail each issue. In future issues of the Forrest Escort, the email copies will be in color but printed copies will only have color on the first page. Color print is extremely expensive.
- **Speed** - Through email you get the Escort immediately. The procedure for printing is the Escort is sent to the printer and after printing I take it to the post office for mailing. It has taken some area of the state a week for them to get the newsletter. The general time frame from sending to the printer to in hands is 2 weeks.
- **Storage Space** - Once saved to a hard drive or a backup drive, they can be recalled with just a click.

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**2010 IRS Annual Electronic Notice Filing Requirement**

SCV camps with gross receipts less than $25,000 a year are not required to file an IRS Form 990 tax return; however, beginning August 1, 2010, the day after the previous fiscal year ended, all camps are required to submit an annual electronic notice by December 15, 2010. Shown below are some simple instructions to assist you in the task of completing the IRS E Notice:

1. Obtain your camp's tax ID number and copy it into your computer memory or have it written down and readily available. GHQ can provide this number to you if needed.

2. Go to this site and follow the instructions: [http://epostcard.form990.org/](http://epostcard.form990.org/)

   **Important Notice:** You must register first, and then be patient and wait for the IRS to immediately send you a return email with a link for you to log back on line to actually complete the E postcard. If you use zip plus four put a dash in between the first five and last four digits.

3. Take your time and carefully enter the numbers. The entire process should not last more than 5 to 10 minutes.

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A couple of pictures from Ronnaroo. It was a great event and a great deal of money was raised for the 20th Tennessee flag. Pictured on the left is Bryan Sharp, Tennessee Division Commander Mike Beck and Tennessee State Museum Senior Curator of Fashions and Textiles Candace Adelson. The picture on the right is Cmdr Mike Beck with Ronnie Mangrum on his right and Bryan Sharp displays the 150th Sesquicentennial logo flag.
A couple of pictures from the Forrest Homecoming held at the Forrest Boyhood Home in Chapel Hill
To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit 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 THE PRINCIPLES HE LOVED and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that THE TRUE HISTORY OF THE SOUTH IS PRESENTED TO FUTURE GENERATIONS

Stephen D. Lee 1906