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"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 those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish." ~ ~ Lt. Genl. **Stephen D. Lee**, CSA, Commander, United Confederate Veterans, 1906

SCV Camp 155 holds its regular monthly meeting on the second **Tuesday** of each month at the historic Harton House, located on Jackson Street in Tullahoma, TN. Our next meeting will be on this **Tuesday, February 9th, 2010 at 7:00pm.**



DR. JAMES B. COWAN



Congratulations to **Dr. Michael Bradley** for being appointed by the Governor's office as a member of the Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission.!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Tennessee Department of Tourist development and the Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission have launched the Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial web site.**
www.tncivilwar150.com
- **The Tennessee Civil War Round Table meets the second Thursday of each month at the Elks Lodge, 725 Franklin, Huntsville, AL at 6:30 p.m. The TCWRT is free to the public and visitors are welcome. A chicken dinner buffet is available at 5:30 p.m. for \$7.95 Call 256-890-0890 for more information. NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, 2010. "Misery Unparalleled: The Confederate Retreat from Nashville, Tennessee, December, 1864" will be presented by David Fraley, Historian and Interim Executive Director for the Carter House.**

**** Commander's Corner ****

Dear Compatriots,

During a recent business trip to New York State I was introduced to a gentleman who after learning I was a member of the SCV informed me that his Great Great Grandfather was a former Lt. Governor of New York and best friends with Abraham Lincoln, to which I replied "I'm sorry about that." Failing to see the humor or realizing the sincerity of my statement, a brief exchange of disagreeing opinions ensued. While I encounter such individuals on occasion, most folks I meet north of the Mason-Dixon Line are enamored by the Southern way of life and frequently comment on the Southern charm and hospitality they have run into when visiting our beloved Southland. I like to think they know deep inside "The South was Right."

But, perception is everything, we must stand vigilant in defending our Southern heritage and

imagine. Visit about any flea-market and one can find t-shirts and bumper stickers emblazed with the Confederate Battle flag alongside some hollow ode containing obscenities. A billboard on I-75 South of Chattanooga for the Tunnel Hill Georgia Historical Center boasts, "Sherman thought it (Tunnel Hill) was a great place to visit, what about you?" Personally I don't believe a visit from a murderous scoundrel and his merry marauders is such a positive event. More appropriately the gallant men that defended their homes and families against Sherman and his invading forces should be honored on a billboard high above the current day invaders. I have written an email to the Tunnel Hill Historical Center expressing my displeasure, and encourage each of you to speak up and voice your opinion when you encounter a disapproving statement or symbol towards our Southern heritage. After all it is your God given right, and your duty to the Cause.

Deo Vindice,
Commander Robert Boswell

STUPID QUESTIONS TOURISTS ASK

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(Gettysburg National Military Park)

"Why were so many Civil War battles fought in National Parks?"

"Were many of the monuments damaged during the battle?"

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See you at our meeting Tuesday evening.!