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CONFEDERATE VETERAN DESCENDANTS AND KINDRED TOPICS

Official Organ Of The
Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29
Sons of Confederate Veterans



December 13, 1862:

A Fredericksburg, VA home reveals the damage from the Union Bombardment.

Monday, March 12, 2007

Headquarters of the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29
COLUMBIA, TENN.

Dear Membership of Camp 29:

Those of you that missed our February 20th meeting did not get a chance to see the movie *Black Confederates; The Forgotten Men in Gray*. It was very informative and a real treat for those that were present.

Mule Day:

Don't forget Mule Day is coming up fast and will be held on Saturday April 14th. The Tennessee Division has secured a place in line and many SCV members will be arriving from out of State to participate in OUR local parade. Come and march in the parade if you can.

Remember, April is Confederate Heritage and History month!

Camp Legal Expenses:

CAMP, WE NEED YOUR HELP !!! The legal expenses for the Friends of Liberty Church Cemetery have exceeded Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) to date. We were fortunate to have received 1,000 from the Tennessee Division and a discount from the attorney, but the balance is still \$3164.25. Please help if you can.

Furthermore, If you have any ideas on what we could do to raise money, feel free to contact Jack or me. If every member gave something, it would be a great help.

I hope to see everyone at the meeting on March 20th.

Kenneth Lovett
Commander

Please make all donations for our legal expenses made out to the *'Friends of Liberty Church of Christ Cemetery'*

'C/o Jack Taylor

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Top 10 most endangered Civil War battlefields 3/13/07

The Civil War Preservation Trust's list of the 10 most endangered Civil War battlefields, in alphabetical order:

CEDAR CREEK (Va.) - An early morning, surprise attack by Confederate troops here in 1864 nearly reversed momentum after a string of Southern defeats in the Shenandoah Valley. But the federal army launched a crushing counterattack and won the battle.

FORT MORGAN (Ala.) - Completed in 1834, this fort in Mobile Bay was the last big holdout as Union ships and troops ultimately shut down the Confederate-held port in 1864's Battle of Mobile Bay. It also was used in the Spanish-American War and both world wars.

GETTYSBURG (Pa.) - The 1863 battle here was the war's bloodiest with some 51,000 casualties and marked a turning point in the war, ending Robert E. Lee's Confederate push into the North. It also is the site where President Lincoln delivered his famous address.

HARPERS FERRY (W. Va.) - The site of John Brown's failed slave rebellion also saw an 1862 battle in which Maj. Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson surrounded and captured a 12,500-man Union garrison.

IUKA (Miss.) - This Union victory in 1862 came after a pitched battle raged for hours and required Union reinforcements to arrive the next morning.

MARIETTA (Ga.) - Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman's Union army drove Confederate soldiers out of several strategic positions, including the Marietta area, outside Atlanta in 1864.

NEW ORLEANS FORTS (La.) - Several forts here - Jackson, St. Philip and Pike - were built to defend New Orleans from a nautical assault but failed to prevent the Union occupation of New Orleans in 1862.

NORTHERN PIEDMONT (Md., Pa. and Va.) - A vast rural area stretching across three states that was one of the most contested regions during the war.

PETERSBURG (Va.) - Eighteen major battles were fought in the area around Petersburg, and soldiers built networks of tunnels and trenches as far as 30 miles from the city.

SPRING HILL (Tenn.) - Known as a missed opportunity for the South, Confederate troops failed to mount a serious attack an isolated Union column here as it retreated to nearby Franklin. In the subsequent Battle of Franklin, some 6,200 Confederate troops were wounded and killed.



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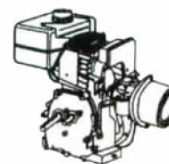
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**SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS CHIEF LAMENTS DEPARTURE OF NAACP CEO —
March 7, 2007**

"The Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) regrets hearing the news of the departure of the Chief Executive of the NAACP, Bruce S. Gordon." said Christopher M. Sullivan, Commander in Chief of the SCV.

Continuing, Sullivan said "We had high hopes of seeing a strong businesslike approach to the concerns of the rank and file black person in America today. We believe Mr. Gordon represented that philosophy. Unfortunately, it appears as the power structure in the NAACP wants to continue a program enunciated in the early nineties which emphasizes defamation of symbols while ignoring issues of substance."

According to press reports "Gordon cited strain with board members over management style and future operations."

Gordon said, "I believe that any organization is going to be effective if the board and the CEO are aligned. I don't believe we are aligned."

Commander Sullivan said "It is obvious to all close observers that Mr. Gordon was trying to direct the NAACP away from ineffective boycotts like they are engaged in South Carolina, which have had little economic impact except negative effect on black business owners. The NAACP program of removing monuments and attempting to revise or eliminate American history dishonors the heritage of all Americans, including those blacks who served honorably in various roles for the Confederate States of America"

Mr. Gordon stated "While the NAACP is an advocacy organization, it needs to be more focused on service and finding solutions."

"We in the Sons of Confederate Veterans agree. We are concerned about the well being of all of the citizens of the United States, especially the South. We believe the role of the NAACP would be better served working toward improved education solutions to improve all opportunities for progress in the high percentage of failing students. We believe soaring teenage pregnancy is a priority along with increasing crime and runaway drug use in certain demographic areas. In this regard, rather than feuding over symbolism, we would welcome working with enlightened leadership in the NAACP toward the type constructive programs Mr. Gordon embraced," Sullivan said.

Concluding, Commander Sullivan said "Both the NAACP and the SCV can uphold our heritage and our advocacy for it, without compromise. We can both work toward more meaningful needed programs for all society. With leadership like Mr. Gordon tried to furnish, we had hopes for businesslike progress within the NAACP after more than a decade of unnecessary programs of divisiveness."

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February 20th Minutes

On Tuesday February 20, 2007, the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 assembled for the second official meeting of the year.

7:00PM- meeting called to order by Camp Commander, Kenneth Lovett. Meeting begins with prayer. Following prayer, the Camp says pledges to the U.S. Flag and salute to the Camp Confederate flag.

7:04PM- Commander makes motion to accept minutes from last meeting as posted in the Webfoot newsletter— motion was seconded by Thomas Coghlan. All in favor; motion passed.

7:05PM- Old Business:

Adjutant Jack Taylor goes over with the camp regarding the Liberty Church of Christ cemetery dilemma. Taylor gives the camp an in-depth report on the matter and shows the camp a detailed map of the cemetery boundary as it should be and based it on the original 1849 cemetery deed. All camp members present agreed that the fence that is encroaching upon the cemetery should be moved and that Attorney, Tom DuBois needs to push the issue and move forward with it.

The cemetery issue was discussed by Taylor and the camp for approximately twenty minutes.

7:27PM- Lovett reads to the camp a letter from the Tennessee Division Commander, Dr. Michael Bradley. In the letter Bradley asks the Commander to reach out the six members who stood in arrears with the camp. Lovett read off the names of the men and asked Taylor to contact them in some fashion to see if they will re-instate their memberships.

New Business:

Comatriot W.H. Roberson makes mention of Cheeks Bend Cemetery and tells the camp that a member of the 48th Tennessee infantry Regiment is buried in the cemetery and that he was interested in clean it up.

PRESENTATION:

Lovett presents to the camp a video entitled 'Black Confederates: The forgotten men in Gray' by Desert Rose Productions. Video runs for approximately 30 minutes and at the conclusion, Lovett asks for a motion to adjourn.

8:52PM—Meeting adjourned

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7PM...**

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BY

ROSS MOORE

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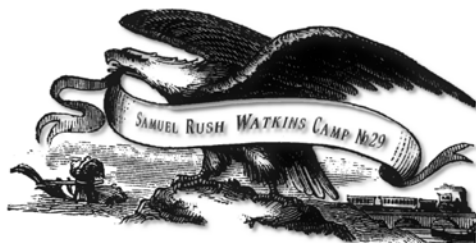
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