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Do you have a photo that would make a great cover for our division newsletter? Check inside for more information and see how to submit your picture as a potential cover for our quarterly magazine. Or, do you have a story about your ancestor to share? Submit your ancestor's history for all to enjoy.
Compatriots of the Tennessee Division:

I hope that all is well with you and your Camp; it’s hard to believe that we are already into the second month of 2019. There have been a lot of good reports about Lee-Jackson banquets from across the Division. I attended the Highland Brigade Lee-Jackson event in Smithville and it was a top shelf event with over 150 in attendance, SCV CIC Paul Grambling was the guest speaker. Thanks to Highland Brigade Commander James Lovelace and Mike Corley with the Savage-Goodner Camp for making the event a success. The attacks on our Heritage are ramping up again and CIC Grambling asked the question “are you as committed as our enemies’ are?” I now ask each of you the same question, are you as committed as our enemies’ are? Have you recruited new members, have you attended Camp events and events with other SCV Camps, have you volunteered to help with a Camp projects or ran for a Camp office, have you donated money to the SCV Confederate museum, are you going to the Tennessee Division Reunion? All of these questions should be answered with a yes!

Since the November election we have already seen several attacks on our Confederate Heritage here in Tennessee. On January 2nd the Tennessean ran an article and asked newly elected Governor Lee about moving the Forrest bust in the state capitol; he said he opposed its removal. This is great news and a big turnaround from the previous Governor. The following day the Tennessean ran an article and asked newly elected Governor Lee about moving the Forrest bust in the state capitol; he said he opposed its removal. This is great news and a big turnaround from the previous Governor. The following day the Tennessean ran another article, which had been previously printed in August of 2017, listing Confederate monuments across the state of Tennessee. It has been obvious for some time that the Tennessean is anti-Confederate and has an agenda to provoke more attacks against our Confederate Heritage. Last year a slanted article was ran in the Tennessean on our SCV license plates, with comments from a Memphis legislator condemning our tags. Gannett publishing owns USA Today and six of the major newspapers in Tennessee: The Commercial Appeal in Memphis, The Tennessean in Nashville, The News Journal in Murfreesboro, The Knoxville News-Sentinel, The Jackson Sun and The Clarksville-Leaf Chronical. In addition Gannett owns 100 daily newspapers and 1,000 weekly newspapers. With that much of our news controlled by one company, it’s no wonder we have so much agenda driven fake news!

There has recently been an attempt to change the way the Tennessee Historical Commission places members on the board and the process for getting a waiver for monument removal. Bill HB0022 would have done that, fortunately it was pulled after it was sent to a committee. More attacks are coming, as most of you have seen it’s happening across the country with attempts to rewrite Heritage Preservation acts. We all have to be vigilant and when you get an email or message to contact public officials follow up on it! Once again I ask, are you as committed as our enemies’ are?

On a sad note, SCV member Paul Metz who lived behind the Forrest home, passed away suddenly. He was a great help to Gene Andrews and did most of the repair work on the equipment. Paul will be missed in many ways, may he rest in peace.

There are several events coming up and I hope that each of you will be able to attend one or all of them. Our Confederate Flag Day commemoration will be on Saturday March 2nd, each Camp should hold a flag rally or participate in one with other Camps. This year we will once again make the Forrest home in Chapel Hill the rally point for those that can make it. At 2:00 pm we will have a few words and time for some fellowship.

On Saturday April 6, 2019 12:00 noon, there will be a memorial service at Stone Mountain in Georgia. It will be held at the memorial plaza which is in front of the carving. CIC Paul Grambling will be the keynote speaker. Also in April is our Tennessee Division Reunion at Pickwick landing. If you haven’t made plans to attend, do so asap. This will be a great Reunion and I hope to see you there.

Keep the faith, live by the charge.

Deo Vindice!

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

James G. Patterson, Commander

Tennessee Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans

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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 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
Brothers of the TN Division,

I trust you and your family had a blessed Christmas and great start to the new year. As I am sure you all will agree, 2018 was eventful to say the least. I trust each of us has been active in promoting our Southern heritage. Although the attacks on our heritage have not ceased, our resolve has been steadfast with many great accomplishments in the fight.

It has been a true blessing to be able to travel to several states, big cities and small towns in 2018. Everywhere my family and I have traveled, we have seen Southern heritage displayed, whether in the form of monuments, statues, yard flags, mega flags, signs, or many other ways. Our heritage is still loved and respected by a vast number of those in the South, and other states.

I had the honor of speaking at the 2019 Lee - Jackson Banquet for the Col. Jeffrey Forrest Brigade, hosted by Bells Partisans, Camp 1821, in Trimble TN on Saturday January 19. This was the second consecutive year that I and my family have been privileged to visit and attend this event.

I personally as well as my home Camp of Cumberland Mtn. Rifles, Camp 386, is starting the "Us - Now" campaign, to take control of the narrative, and the initiative, in promoting "our" heritage. Although it is my wish that I could take credit for this, the inspiration actually comes from Army of Tennessee Commander, Jason Boshers. As he has so encouragingly stated concerning taking control of promoting our Southern heritage, "If not us, who? If not now, when?" It is up to us, not the liberals in Hollywood, news media or social media, to promote the truth about our Confederate ancestors. We cannot allow them to continue to be portrayed as traitors, but tell the truth of their bravery and exercising their right to fight for independence.

I urge us all to be encouraged and increased in our desire and knowledge concerning our Confederate history and heritage. We must learn all we can, while we can, so we can properly teach our children and future generations. As the Bible teaches us, we should study to show ourselves approved. We must be armed with knowledge and truth, because they are our greatest weapons.

I will conclude with three questions. 1) When was the last time you recruited someone into the SCV? Don't be afraid to ask someone if they are interested. If they say no, ask others. And concerning recruitment and promotion: 2) If not us, who? 3) If not now, when? Let us stand up and in the gap for our ancestors, because they took a stand for us.

God bless America, and God bless DIXIE!

Your humble servant,
Cumberland Mtn. Rifles, Camp 386
SCV/TN Div. Life Member

Bylaw Changes

Proposed Constitutional Amendment

To amend the Division Constitution to **require a Brigade Adjutant** be chosen.

Reasoning: currently the Brigade Adjutant is an optional office and, for consistency among brigades, this Amendment modification simply requires that each brigade have an adjutant. It provides for a more uniform organization of each of the Division’s brigades.

In addition, the Bgde Adjutant could also fill in as an official Brigade representative for the Bgde Commander or Bgde Lt Cdr at brigade functions if those men were not available.

To amend Article VI – DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 6, to state that the Brigade Commander **SHALL** appoint a Brigade Adjutant.

The Articles / Sections shall be amended with these modifications:

**Article VI – DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Section 6 -- The Brigade Commanders shall aid the Camps assigned by the Division Commander to their Brigade and fulfill all duties as required by the Commander. Each Brigade Commander **may shall** appoint an adjutant to assist him in his duties.

Submitted by Lee Millar, N. B. Forrest Camp 215, Jan 26, 2019
**Proposed Constitutional Amendment**

To amend the Division Constitution to recommend that the annual Division **Reunion be held on the fourth weekend in April** of each year.

**Reasoning:** The Division needs a uniformly consistent timeframe for the annual Reunion so that members and potential host camps can make more efficient plans and consistent schedules for this recurring event.

In the past, the Division has held the annual reunion on the fourth weekend of the month of April. In recent years, however, a variety of April weekends have been selected which has caused members to be unable to make consistent yearly plans to attend the reunion, and caused conflicts with other established events. With our reunion scheduled on a set date each year more members and host camps can plan for the event by knowing for years in advance the dates of the reunion. The fourth weekend in April, as traditionally held, has the fewest conflicts with other regional and national events that could cause hardships and potentially draw our members elsewhere.

To amend Article IV – STATE ORGANIZATION, Section 5, to add that the Reunion shall be held on the **fourth weekend of April**, or that, upon special request of a host camp citing extenuating circumstances, the date can be changed with an affirmative vote of the Division Executive Council.

The Articles / Sections shall be amended with these modifications:

**Article IV – STATE ORGANIZATION**

Section 5 – The annual date for the Tennessee Division Convention shall be the **fourth weekend** in April in conjunction with the annual Reunion. **Upon special request of a host camp citing extenuating circumstances, the date can be changed with an affirmative vote of the Division Executive Council.** Each Camp shall be notified forty-five (45) days in advance of any Division Convention. The rules of procedure at Conventions shall be those set forth in "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised" except wherein they may be altered by the Convention.

A quorum shall be established when one-third of the current Camps in the Tennessee Division are present. A current Camp is defined as a Camp that has a membership of at least seven members that have paid their National and Division dues.

Submitted by Lee Millar, N. B. Forrest Camp 215, Jan 26, 2019

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**Proposed Constitutional Amendment**

To amend the Division Constitution to **add the office of Brigade Lieutenant Commander** as an authorized brigade officer. This officer would represent the brigade in the absence of the brigade commander.

**Reasoning:** The Brigade Commander represents up to several hundred members and if for some reason the Brigade Commander cannot attend a DEC meeting then currently those hundreds of men have no voice or no vote. This amendment provides for a brigade lieutenant commander or then some other selected brigade member to represent the brigade and cast any vote that may arise thus including the brigade and its members in Division administration.

In addition, the Bgde Lieutenant Cdr could also officially fill in for the Bgde Commander at brigade functions if the brigade commander is not available.

To amend Article IV – STATE ORGANIZATION, Section 2, to add that a Brigade and the camps thereof shall also **elect a Brigade Lieutenant Commander** to support the Brigade Commander. **This Brigade Lieutenant Commander shall be elected in the same manner as the Bgde Commander.**

In all subsequent Articles, such as V – OFFICERS, Section 4, and VI – DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 6, the term “Bgde Commander” will likewise confer the same duties/requirements, etc, interchangeably upon the Brigade Lieutenant Commander if the Brigade Commander is not available.

The Articles / Sections shall be amended with these modifications:

**Article IV – STATE ORGANIZATION**

Section 2 – The Tennessee Division shall be divided into Brigades. The Brigade Commanders shall be elected at the Division Convention by a majority vote of the delegates of the Camps within their respective Brigades. **A Brigade and the camps thereof shall also elect a Brigade Lieutenant Commander to support the Brigade Commander.** The Brigade Lieutenant Commander shall be elected in the same manner as the Brigade Commander, and hereinafter all references to the Brigade Commander will likewise confer the same duties/requirements, etc upon the Brigade Lieutenant Commander as shall be applicable to the Brigade Commander and will represent the Brigade in the absence of the Brigade Commander.

Submitted by Lee Millar, N. B. Forrest Camp 215, Jan 26, 2019
Tennessee Division Reunion
April 12-13, 2019    Pickwick Landing State Park
Host: Battle of Shiloh Camp #1454
Location: The Inn at Pickwick Landing

Name: ____________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________
Home Phone: _________________________ Cell Phone: _________________________
Email: ____________________________________________________________
Camp/OCR Chapter Name and Number: ________________________________
Camp/Brigade Office Held: ___________________ Spouse/Guest: ______________

Registration: Fri. 4 pm – 8 pm. Sat. 8 am – 12 pm. Thru Mar. 1, 2019 $35 – Mar. 2 – Apr. 12, 2019 $40.
Saturday Business Session: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm (Business session registration is for SCV members only).  # of persons ____ Total $________

Friday Evening Low Country Boil: 5 pm – 9 pm. FREE to All Attendees. A generous donation to the maintenance and upkeep of the Shiloh Log Church would be greatly appreciated.  # of persons ________

Saturday Luncheon: 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm. Members/guest: $25 each (Must receive by March 22, 2019) # of persons ____ Total $________
Menu: Smoked Bone-In Chicken, Pulled Pork BBQ, Potato Salad, Buns, Brownies.

Saturday Awards Banquet: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Members/guest: $27 each (Must receive by March 22, 2019) # of persons ____ Total $________
Menu: Fried Whole Catfish, Pork Loin, Southern Style Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Salad, Cornbread Muffins, Peach Cobbler.
Program: TBD

Shiloh Battlefield Tour: Join Shiloh Museum owner and SCV member Larry DeBerry for a personal tour of the Shiloh Battlefield. Participants will leave The Inn by bus promptly at 2:30 pm for the short trip to the Battlefield. The tour will last from approximately 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Cost is $45 per person. (Limited to the first 40 who sign-up).  # of persons ____ Total $________

Vendor Fee: $10 – Vendor supplies own tables. (Table rental $5 per table plus $5 fee – 24"x60" table) # of Tables ____ Total $________

Lodging – The Inn at Pickwick Landing State Park, 120 Playground Loop, Counce, TN 38326
Standard Rate - $100.00 AARP/AAA Rate $90.00. Please use Group Code 6610.
Confederate Ancestor Memorials: (1/8 page) $5 (Four lines, Must Receive by March 15, 2019)

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# Memorials ____ Total $________

Reunion Business/Organization Advertising: 1/8 Page $20; 1/4 page $25; 1/2 page $50; Full Page $75
Send all advertising information (business cards, etc.) with payment. Must receive by March 15, 2019. Ad Size ________ Total $________

GRAND TOTAL: $________

Make checks payable to: Battle of Shiloh Camp #1454 (Memo – 2019 TN Reunion) and mail to:

P.O. Box 98 · Shiloh, TN 38376

Questions: Email: scvcamp1454@gmail.com   Facebook: 2019 SCV Tennessee Division Reunion
Awards & Nominations

April 12-13, 2019 SCV, Tennessee Division Reunion, Chapel Hill, TN

Awards and Nominations Criteria and Guidelines

Nominations must be mailed to:
G. Frank Heathman, 2nd Lt. Cmdr., TN Division
4937 Shadowlawn Drive, Hermitage, TN 37076
For more information or questions call: 615-948-2035;
e-mail: gfheathman@gmail.com
(Please do not email nominations)

Nominations and supporting documentation (newspaper articles, photos, etc.) are solicited from all camps in good standing across the division. A selection committee is established and each nominee will be examined and evaluated.

The Sam Davis Award (Camp of the Year Award) Presented to the camp with the best combination of the following attributes:
• Excellent representation of the SCV to the public at large
• Participation in and/or sponsorship of community service events
• Participation in and/or sponsorship of SCV and other Southern Heritage events
• Completed and/or pursuing an outstanding project
• Shows a rapid growth and/or high retention in membership
• The entry should note all camp activities
Entry should include a narrative of 75 words or less, name of camp, location, and contact person. Identify any supporting documentation (photos, articles, etc.) and provide proper reference to attachments included with entry.
Number of awards: One

The Jefferson Davis Award Presented to a member(s) of the Tennessee Division who has rendered outstanding service to the organization or contributed to the maintenance of our Heritage. Entry should include a narrative of 75 words or less, member name, name of camp, location, and contact person. Identify any supporting documentation (photos, articles, etc.) and provide proper reference to attachments included with entry.
Number of awards: Limited to Three

The Robert E. Lee Award Presented to individuals or organizations outside the ranks of the SCV who have rendered valuable service or support to any camp, the SCV, or our Southern Heritage. Entry should include a narrative of 75 words or less, individual or organization name, name of camp, location, and contact person. Identify any supporting documentation (photos, articles, etc.) and provide proper reference to attachments included with entry.
Number of awards: Limited to Five

The Edward Ward Carmack Award Presented to an individual “Man of the Year” that has shown dedication to the charge of the SCV. This member has gone above and beyond to demonstrate their devotion of preservation, continuation of the memory of our Confederate Ancestors, educates, promotes, is constantly active, and uses all available resources. Individual must include a narrative of 75 words or less, name of newsletter editor, name of newsletter, name of camp, location, and contact person. Judging is based on the following criteria:
Format
• Editorials
• Camp News
• Historical Content
• Original articles and material on the war
• National and Division News
• Current events/news pertaining to the SCV
• Commentary on events of interest to the SCV
• Visual appeal
• Use of photos
• Includes contact information
Number of awards: Two ; (1) Camp with 50 or more members; (1) Camp with less than 50 members

The George Ellsworth Camp Home Page / Web Site Award Presented to the Webmaster of the camp with the best web site. Winner of this award must be a member of the SCV Tennessee Division. Entry should include a narrative of 75 words or less, webmaster name, website name, name of camp, location, and contact person. Identify any supporting documentation (photos, articles, etc.) and provide proper reference to attachments included with entry. Camp Facebook pages may be entered.
Judging will be based on the following criteria:
• Site loads and displays easily and quickly
• Easy to navigate
• Readable and appealing
• Constantly updated
• Informative
• Colorful/use of graphics
• Includes contact information
• Includes information on becoming a SCV member
Number of awards: One

The Dr. Rosalie Carter Camp Scrapbook Award Presented to the camp with the best scrapbook. Camp scrapbooks must be submitted to the 2nd Lt. Commander by 9:00 am on the Saturday of the Convention (time zone in which Convention is held). Entry should include a narrative of 75 words or less, name of camp, location, and contact person. Judging will be based on the following criteria:
• The scrapbook must be brought to the Convention in order to be judged
• Only material dating from last year’s Convention to the present will be considered (all previous years’ works must be removed from the scrapbook)
• Visual appeal is important, and will be considered
• All Scrapbooks must be the work of a camp member of the camp entered
Number of awards: One

The General Nathan Bedford Forrest Award Presented to the individual “Man of the Year” that has shown dedication to the charge of the SCV. This member has gone above and beyond to demonstrate their devotion of preservation, continuation of the memory of our Confederate Ancestors, educates, promotes, is constantly active, and uses all available resources. Individual must be a member of the SCV Tennessee Division. Entry should include a narrative of 75 words or less, name of member, name of camp,
Awards & Nominations (continued)

Number of awards: One

Guidelines For Tennessee Division Awards:
- The deadline for Division award nominations is March 10, 2019
- The year eligible for awards runs from April 2018 – March 2019
- If a camp enters the competition, at least one representative from that camp must be present at the Awards Banquet or that camp will be disqualified
- All entries become the property of the SCV Tennessee Division with the exception of the scrapbook
- Proper documentation must accompany all nominations in order for them to be considered:
  - Include a 1 page cover narrative of 75 words or less, name of camp submitting entry, location, and contact person
  - Identify supporting documentation (photos, articles, attachments, etc)
  - Provide proper reference to attachments (photos, articles, etc)
  - Be specific – sponsored or co-sponsored event and/or participated in event
  - Focus on events and projects the camp was involved in

Send all entries and nominations by certified mail to be received by March 10, 2019 or before (entry may be disqualified if not sent certified mail) to:
G. Frank Heathman, 2nd Lt. Cmdr., TN Division
4937 Shadowlawn Drive, Hermitage, TN 37076
For more information or questions: 615-948-2035
gfheathman@gmail.com

Grave of Douglas the Confederate Camel

Among the 5,000 grave markers for Confederate soldiers in the Soldier’s Rest section of Cedar Hill Cemetery in Vicksburg, Mississippi, one pays tribute to Old Douglas, the camel of the 43rd Mississippi infantry, Company A, nicknamed “The Camel Regiment.”

It is not known how Douglas, a dromedary (one hump) camel, came to serve with the 43rd Mississippi infantry during the Civil War. He was a gift to Colonel W. H. Moore, who assigned him to carry the instruments and knapsacks for the regimental band. Douglas participated in the Battles of Iuka and Corinth under Major Generals Sterling Price and Earl Van Dorn, respectively, before being shot by a union sharpshooter on June 27th, 1863, during the siege of Vicksburg.

Douglas was well loved by the humans of his regiment, less so by the horses. On one occasion, Douglas is said to have spooked one of the horses into stampeding through a camp near Iuka, injuring horses and soldiers, possibly killing some of the former. Soldiers climbed trees to get out of the path of destruction.

Douglas routinely broke free of his tether, but usually used his freedom to graze, never wandering too far from the regiment.

On that fateful day in 1863, though, he wandered into no man’s land between the Union and Confederate armies, and paid the ultimate price.

The Union army responded to the camel’s death, according to legend, by eating him, since food was scarce, and making war souvenirs out of his bones. The Confederates responded by making a point of severely wounding the sharpshooter who had killed their beloved camel.

Douglas was not the only camel in the United States during the Civil War. Before he became president of the Confederacy, Jefferson Davis was the U.S. Secretary of War, and implemented the Texas Camel Experiment in the 1850s to see how useful camels would be in the American Southwest where horses were beginning to have trouble on long trips. Camels can carry immensely heavy loads for long distances with little water. They are also not nearly as tamable as horses, though Douglas was called “faithful” and “patient” by those who knew him best.

Camels were brought over from the Mediterranean and North Africa, and used for exploring the Southwest. The Civil War took the steam out of the experiment, and the camels eventually dispensed. Many were sold at auctions in 1864 and 1866 to work in circuses and mines, as postal carriers and pack animals and racing camels. Some even escaped or were set free, and feral camels were occasionally spotted roaming the American Southwest for years after.

Lest the contributions of camels in the Civil War be forgotten, the Texas Camel Corps promotes their stories with reenactments and hosts camel rides. Two of the camels are descendants of Old Douglas.
**Starnes’ Brigade Report**

**Dr. James B. Cowan Camp 155**

The Dr. James B. Cowan Camp 155 of Tullahoma provided a donation to the Wreaths Across America campaign to include the Maplewood Confederate Cemetery. Officer elections were held at the well-attended annual Camp Christmas dinner and past Tennessee Division and Camp Commander Dr. Michael Bradley was thanked for his service. Camp 155 meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the former Camp Forrest Red Cross building located on Jackson Square in Tullahoma.

*Jody Baltz*  
Commander, Camp 155

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**For Cumberland Mtn Rifles, Camp 386**

For Cumberland Mtn Rifles, Camp 386, 2018 was eventful to say the least. Camp 386 was active in many areas, trying to promote our Southern heritage in many ways.

- The camp displayed a great float in the Monteagle and Tracy City July 4th parades.
- We had a booth and a living history camp site at the Grundy County Fair, where we were well received. Many Confederate flag stickers, as well as small flags, were given to kids and teens, or anyone else who wished to display one.
- Members of Camp 386 worked locating and cleaning the graves and headstones of Confederate soldiers buried in Grundy County.
- The 2018 Christmas Dinner was held at the Episcopal Church Parrish House in Tracy City. Our special guests were Tom and Dottie Meadows. We were blessed to have nearly half of our camp members four Cadets, along with their families, in attendance.
- Camp 386 is now running a Spring campaign to raise money for the purchase of military markers for those with nothing showing their Confederate service.
- The camp is also preparing to install a monument honoring all Confederates buried in the City Cemetery in Tracy City.
- Since November, three new members and two Cadets have been added to the camp roster. This brings our total to 45 members and 7 cadets.
- Camp 386 is starting the "Us - Now" campaign, to take control of the initiative in promoting "our" heritage. The inspiration for this comes from Army of Tennessee Commander Jason Boshers. As he has so encouragingly stated concerning taking control of promoting our Southern heritage, "If not us, who? If not now, when?"

*God bless America, and God bless DIXIE*

*Cumberland Mtn. Rifles, Camp 386*  
*Tracy City, TN*

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**Mountain Brigade Report**

N.B. Forrest Camp # 3 in Chattanooga ended 2018 with an informal Christmas get together for Camp members and their families. The event was well attended and the barbeque meal and door prizes were enjoyed by all. Wreaths Across America was celebrated at the historic Chattanooga Confederate Cemetery with a record number of wreaths being placed on most of the graves. As usual, the new calendar year started with the annual Lee-Jackson banquet at the historic Dent House. Army of Tennessee Commander Jason Boshers and his wife Linda were the guests of honor. Commander Boshers presented an inspiring message on upholding and preserving our Southern traditions. He reviewed the ongoing heritage battles in Tennessee and in other areas of the Southland. He mentioned the recent desecration of the Silent Sam monument at UNC which generated a lively group discussion.

Camp meetings and programs for the year have started. Several outstanding speakers and programs have been scheduled. Recruiting new members is steady and the Camp has retained most of the membership from last year.

Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp # 87 in Knoxville continues to remain one of the largest and most active Camps in the Confederation. They retained a high percentage of their membership and continue to recruit quality new members. Their 26th annual Lee-Jackson Celebration was the highlight of the winter season. Recent Tennessee House of Representative member Steve McDaniel was the featured speaker and presented an inspiring talk entitled "We are in a Political Battle, Not a Historical Debate". As usual, the event attracted many community leaders, members of other SCV Camps and many UDC ladies and their families.

Upcoming Camp activities include: Confederate Flag Day in March, the Tenn. Division Reunion in April, and Confederate Memorial Day in June.

*Terry Siler, Commander*  
Mountain Brigade
Brigade Reports:

Sam Watkins Brigade Report

Several camps within the Sam Watkins Brigade have been busy and doing their duties in maintaining “The Charge” given to us by Stephen D. Lee. The Rawdon-Spears Camp #2113 out of Summertown has been very busy placing bricks and memorials at the Summertown Memorial Park. The attached pictures shows some of the work they have accomplished lately. The George H. Nixon Camp #214 out of Lawrenceburg has kept themselves busy cleaning up cemeteries and cleaning up stones. The attached pictures shows the camp working.

Past Reunions
Brigade Reports:

Highland Brigade Report

With the last quarter of the year upon us the Highland Brigade has never slowed down. With the many parades, dinners and other functions happening, we stepped up and took part. We also continued to recruit new members. Swearing in 4-5 members in the last two months.

We stood guard over our monuments proudly from one end of the brigade to the other. But we are most proud of the relationship we have with the cities and the people in them. Our ability to take part in the city events like the Christmas Parade’s, Street festivals and other activities comes back to our relationship with the people.

Many camps held their last meetings in December with a Christmas Banquet. The Sgt William A Hamby Camp held it’s Christmas Banquet at the Cumberland Mountain State Park with a record number of members attending. Many of the camps have begun to hold planning meetings for the next year to set plans for events and areas to work in and on. By planning out those events early they have more time to get things done. With many events happening early in the year it’s a must to plan for them in the last quarter of the year.

The Highland Brigade holds it’s self to a high standard in our efforts to work with the cities, local law enforcement and other groups within our cities. We work hard to recruit new members each month. By adding those new members we have camps that have doubled their size in the last year. Teaching the truth to our new members and working with them to learn.

These new members also bring in other friends and family members who join our camps also. So as a Brigade we must continue to grow. If we fail to grow then our camps will die off as our members pass on. The Highland Brigade wants to continue to grow and take part in our areas. And we do this simply by being in front of the people of our cities. The Key is they Know US!

Forward the Colors

James Lovelace
Highland Brigade Commander
Crossville, Tennessee
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865 548 5487

The Sparta Camp, Gen. George Gibbs Dibrell Camp '875 took part in the Cities Harvest Festival and set up a booth on the square. They collected two pages of contacts and possible new members.

The Hamby Camp continues to swear in new members almost each month. In November we swore in 3 new members. Pictured L/R Lt Commander Greg Davis, Tony Cannon, Chris Miller, Gary Green and Camp Commander Charles Ervin.

Bobby “Cobb” Smith at the Livingston Camp in November.

The Jim Davis Camp 1425 had a float in the cities Christmas Parade.

The men of the Sgt William A Hamby Camp and the 5th Platoon 7th Squad marched in the City of Crossville Veterans Day Parade. This was the first time we were invited to attend by the City and the VFW.

The Sgt William A Hamby camp 1750 held it’s annual Christmas Banquet in December. We had the largest group of members and visitors ever at this banquet. We also used this event to swear in another new member.

Michael Boles and Harlan Ogle swearing in Michael Boles and Harlan Ogle swearing in Michael Boles and Harlan Ogle swearing in Michael Boles and Harlan Ogle swearing in Kenneth Ray Smith at the Livingston Camp in November.
Compatriots of the Tennessee Division,

Please see the newspaper photo and caption of the H.L. Hunley JROTC Award present by Envoy, Martin Frost at Lexington, TN. Martin staged the photo and wrote the caption in a succinct exemplary manner. Notice all the information included in only a few words. This is what newspaper editors look for. I suggest camps presenting the Hunley Award make a copy of Martin’s caption and use it as a tool by plugging in names specific to your location.

Bob Gentry, Hunley JROTC Award Coordinator for the Tennessee Division

Hatton Camp presents first H. L. Hunley Award

Several members of the Hatton Camp were on hand to present the camp’s first ever H.L. Hunley award to Junior R.O.T.C. cadet Mary DesJardins at Lebanon High School. We could not have asked for a better reception from the staff and faculty, or a more gracious recipient and her family. It was a great evening. Our camp was well represented, and it was a special evening for everyone!

As appeared in the local newspaper, The Lebanon Democrat
News From Around the Division:

Guest speaker Patrick Stewart of Scottsboro, Alabama presented artifacts from his WBTS collection at the January 2019 meeting of the Dr. James B. Cowan Camp 155 meeting in Tullahoma.

Stuart Ulseth stands ready to collect toys for Toys-For-Tots fundraiser held at the annual Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 Sons of Confederate Veterans’ Christmas Supper held at the Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Knoxville in December.

A portrait Of 1st Lt. Charles Mansfield Allred, Co. H, 25th TN CSA was rescued from a Kentucky antique shop by the Capt. Champ Ferguson-Standing Stone Camp #2014, Sons of Confederate Veterans. Lt. Allred was believed to be killed by Union guerrilla “Tinker” DAVE Beaty and men. He is buried at the Falling Springs Cemetery, in Overton County. Pictured from left, camp members Josh Harris and Jack Looper said the portrait is on loan to the Monterey Depot Museum. Museum hours are Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Photo: Dale Welch

Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 Sons of Confederate Veterans raised $250 along with toys for the Marine Corps’ Toys-For-Tots toy drive at their annual Christmas Supper held at Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Knoxville in December. Pictured L-R are Commander Earl Smith, Santa Claus (Joe Smithson) and Adjutant John Hitt.

An enthusiastic group of compatriots gathered on Windstead Hill November 25th for the annual memorial march to the Carter House. Many thumbs up and accolades were received by passersby.
Ron Jones and John Hitt, members of Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 Sons of Confederate Veterans, received an award from Debra Wilson, President of the UDC Chapter 89 for their work with Bleak House in Knoxville. The award was presented at the January meeting of Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 Sons of Confederate Veterans at The East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville.

William Anderson received his Life Membership certificate in the Sons of Confederate Veterans at the December business meeting of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 held at The East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville.

Charlotte Bowers, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity for Anderson County and a Libertarian Party Member was the speaker at the December business meeting of the Sons of Confederate Veterans’ Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 held at The East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville.

Ronnie Slack accepts the position of Parade Coordinator for the Sons of Confederate Veterans’ Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 at their December business meeting held at The East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville. Picture L-R are Ronnie Slack and Commander Earl Smith.

Sons of Confederate Veterans’ Longstreet Zollicoffer Camp 87 inducted new members into its ranks at their January business meeting held at The East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville. Pictured L-R are Commander Earl Smith, new members Dan H. Lites, Dr. Cleo Eugene Jackson, William C. Figg and Adjutant John Hitt.

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Tyler Ebbert, Bridget Ebbert and Summar Ebbert provided special music at the 26th Annual Lee-Jackson Dinner Celebration held in Knoxville at The Foundry in January and sponsored by the Sons of Confederate Veterans Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87.
Ken Stark, 1st Lieutenant Commander of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87, received the Military Service Award from the UDC Chapter 89 at the Confederate Memorial Hall in Knoxville on 19 Jan 2019. Debra Wilson, president of UDC Chapter 89, pinned the medal on Ken Stark while Brenda Hall McDonald looks on.

Martin Frost (right) presents Robert Towson the Pvt. James L. Barry Man of the Year award at the General Robert H. Hatton Camp 723 Christmas Banquet. The award is given annually to a camp member who has gone above and beyond in support of camp activities. Robert Towson is the Great Great Grandson of General Robert H. Hatton, the camp’s namesake and who stands atop the Confederate Monument in Lebanon’s town square.

David Halbrooks received the Robert E. Lee Freeman Award for Mr. Halbrooks’ outstanding service to the Sons of Confederate Veterans Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87. Mr. Halbrooks received the award at the 26th Annual Lee-Jackson Dinner Celebration held in January at The Foundry in Knoxville and sponsored by the Sons of Confederate Veterans Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87. Pictured L-R are David Halbrooks and Commander Earl Smith.

Commander Earl Smith presented the Clark M. Roberts Memorial Award to David Thomas Kesterson from the Sons of Confederate Veterans Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp 87 at the 26th Annual Lee-Jackson Dinner Celebration held in Knoxville at The Foundry in January. Mr. Kesterson received the award in recognition of his devotion to the cause of Southern Heritage and support of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and Camp 87. Pictured L-R are Commander Earl Smith and David Thomas Kesterson.

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Lebanon, Tenn—The monument to Confederate Veterans with General Robert H. Hatton atop sits in Lebanon’s Public Square at the intersection of Hwy. 70 and Hwy. 231. Pictured through the years: Installation, as shown on a vintage postcard and today with a full moon illuminating the sky behind. Erected 1912.
Help Needed at the Forrest Boyhood Home

The N B Forrest boyhood home in Chapel Hill is one of several SCV owned properties. Gene Andrews spends countless hours at the site keeping it in excellent condition. Here are a few projects that he would like to have some help on:

- Finish the rock wall at front gate and finish walk down to well, $500 donated from the NBF Camp. This will take working with concrete and mortar.
- Paint and repair gables on the boyhood cabin, which will take a ladder and scaffolding.
- Finish sloping sides to the sink hole and remove six small trees and clean up tree limbs.
- Remove rock and sew grass beside drive, some of the rock can be use on the walk down to the well.
- Build a cedar rail fence around the cave, help with Eagle Scout project.
- Clear area and set fence on the East side of the property, there is some chainsaw work left to do and then the fence can be set.

If your camp or Brigade would like to take on one of these projects let Gene know to schedule a work day.

The annual Forrest homecoming this year we will be on Saturday June 15th and we need some Camps to volunteer to help with the setup, take down and a few other areas. There will be set up days on Thursday June 13th and Friday June 14th. Contact Tim Morrison to volunteer: tenn32rebel@yahoo.com

Brigade Reports:

Memphis Brigade Report

Memphis Brigade Camps
N. B. Forrest 215 (Memphis) Simonton-Wilcox 257 (Covington)
Capt. John W. Mebane 319 (Somerville) James R. Chalmers 1312 (Memphis)
Wigfall Greys 1560 (Collierville) Dewitt-Smith Jobe 1637 (Bartlett)
Robert E. Lee 1640 (Germantown)

The Memphis Brigade is proud to announce the re-activation of the DeWitt-Smith-Jobe Camp 1637 in Bartlett, TN. Initially established in the 1990’s the Jobe Camp was extremely active in heritage issues and frequently staged rallies and letter campaigns. Thanks to Cdr Perry Short for bringing this camp back to the firing line.

The NB Forrest Camp and the Forrest Family continue to do battle with the City of Memphis over the removals of our Confederate monuments, including the Forrest Monument/headstone. One lawsuit has been heard but there has been no ruling issued yet, and for the other two no court dates have been set yet.

Our Lee-Jackson-Chalmers Banquet was very successful again this year with 90 members and spouses attending. Of special mention was the attendance of Kevin Bradley, G-G-grandson of General N. B. Forrest, and Mrs. Brenda McDonald, president of the Tenn Div UDC, and several other officers. Virginia Flaggers president Susan Frise Hathaway was our excellent featured speaker, along with entertainment by the 52nd Regimental String Band, and concluding with our very moving candlelight remembrance. We are saddened by the passing of 6 brigade members this year. In a special ceremony we presented Forrest Camp commander Alan Doyle with his SCV 50-year membership pin. Congratulations Alan for these decades of loyal service to the SCV. UDC Tenn Div president Brenda McDonald was presented the prestigious Forrest Silver Pin for her work leading the UDC is preserving our state heritage.

The Lee Camp and the Chalmers Camp will again sponsor the annual Mid-South Military History and Civil War Show on March 30-31 at the Shelby County Agricenter. Scores of vendor tables of relics, books, paintings, reenacting gear, ladies dresses, weapons, WWII vehicles, and more. Admission is $10, or free for military.

Lee Millar
Memphis Brigade Commander
Greetings from the McLemore Brigade.

The camps of the Brigade are in winter quarters as I write this report. However that certainly does not mean they are inactive. Camps are making plans for the many events in the upcoming months.

The Joseph E. Johnston camp is currently working toward an Easter Sunrise Service at Confederate Circle in Mount Olivet Cemetery. I would like to encourage everyone to come and join the Joe Johnston camp for this event. More details will be forthcoming as the date approaches. The Commander and Chief has declared March 2nd, Confederate Flag Day. Camps in the Brigade have been working on various activities in their areas. Murfreesboro Camp 33 will be meeting at their monument at the courthouse that day, then proceeding to the Nathan Bedford Forrest Boyhood Home. There will be a flag rally at the home at 2pm on that day. Everyone is certainly invited to join in to help us honor and celebrate Confederate Flag Day. The Bate Camp in Gallatin has planned and announced a wonderful confederate memorial day service on June 2nd at the City’s Confederate Circle in the cemetery. Their speaker will be former CIC Thomas Strain. This should be an outstanding event. Murfreesboro Camp 33 also will be changing out the flag at Evergreen Cemetery on the same day and honoring the memory of the soldiers buried there.

On the subject of Confederate Memorial Day, the Hatton Camp in Lebanon is working on a new event. They are working on finalizing having their camp meeting on the Square near the General Hatton Monument and having an open public meeting there. To honor, celebrate and educate the public about our rich Confederate history, I commend this camp for thinking outside the box.

The men of the McGavock Camp are excited for this year’s Memorial Day. After a long hard fight, the flags will be returning to the graves of those soldiers at the Hermitage. I congratulate this camp on their persistence in this hard struggle.

Sam Davis Camp in Brentwood continues its hard work on Winstead Hill. They have been working on a retaining wall to help support the ground around the new Florida Monument. They are also looking at plans for placement of future monuments on Winstead Hill. There is a possibility that in the future there could be five more states adding monuments to Winstead Hill.

The Nathaniel Cheares Camp held its Lee-Jackson Banquet. This was held at the Atheneum in Columbia and Thomas Cartwright was the speaker. This was the third year for their event which is growing in popularity every year.

In closing I would like to say that all camps in the upcoming year will be focusing on recruitment and changing passive supporters into active supporters.

Tom Meadows McLemore Brigade Commander
Jeffrey Forrest Brigade Report

January 31, 2019

Greetings Compatriots of the Tennessee Division. I hope this letter finds that each of you are doing well. The brigade is continuing to honor the Charge that was given to the Sons in 1906. Below, I will highlight a few things the camps in our brigade have done.

The largest project that has been completed is in Union City. Camp 176 has spearheaded the restoration project of the Unknown Confederate Soldiers Monument. This monument is one of the first erected after the War. It was completed in 1869. Thanks to all who have donated and assisted with this project. A rededication is planned in late 2019.

The Col. R.M. Russell Camp 209 in Humboldt has replaced the “Confederate Garden” sign with a new one. The original sign was placed in the late 1980’s and was made of wood. The new sign is metal and has the SCV logo incorporated into the design. The camp is still in the process of cleaning up this garden in Rose Hill Cemetery.

The Jeffrey Forrest Brigade had a booth at the Gibson County Fair this past fall. The booth is always well received. This year we took home 2nd Place Premium. Thanks to all who helped man the booth. The Hill-Freeman Camp 1472 & the Col. R. M. Russell Camp 209 partnered together on the booth.

The brigade continues to maintain the mega flag site at Trimble. The Parks Cemetery Ridge Confederate Memorial Plaza draws many visitors from all over the South and the US. The Bell’s Partisans Camp 1821 and the Otho F. Strahl Camp 176 assist with the site. Thanks to all who help make this a great memorial to our Confederate ancestors.

The brigade held it’s annual Lee-Jackson Banquet in Trimble. The Bell’s Partisans Camp 1821 hosted the event. The guest speaker for the evening was Joey Nolen, Lt. Commander of the Tennessee Division. We enjoyed his presentation plus it was great to see his family. There was great food, music, and fellowship. Great job to all who assisted! We are looking forward to next year.

It is a great honor to be able to serve as your Brigade Commander. Thank you to each of you for all you do to honor and remember our Confederate ancestors. If I can be of assistance to you, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

John Blankenship, Commander, Col. Jeffrey Forrest Brigade Sons of Confederate Veterans
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Camps: Otho French Strahl #176, Col. R.M. Russell #209, Col. Jeffrey Forrest #323, Pvt. Ike Stone #564, Hill-Freeman #1472, Crockett Rangers #1774, Bell’s Partisans #1821
In my readings recently I came upon “The Charge” that was given to the Sons of Confederate Veterans by General Stephen D. Lee, and began thinking more deeply about his statement. We are all familiar with the “Charge” as we have all heard it many times. We have all read it, said it, repeated it in meetings and events, and some of us may even be able to quote it from memory, but does it have an impact on our lives? To bring it into focus and to remind us once more, let me begin by quoting that famous statement which is the foundation of our organization. “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. Remember it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.”

We all accepted the premise of General S.D. Lee’s statement when we became members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. His request for us to vindicate the cause for which they fought charges us to prove them right or justified in their actions fighting against an invading army from the north. Another term he used in his statement was for us to perpetuate the principles of the Confederate soldier. This charges us to preserve, guard, continue, sustain and carry on those principles that our Confederate ancestors held dear and were willing to give the ultimate sacrifice to defend. We were given the strength to continue to defend our ancestor’s good name and to follow in their steps in fighting against this immoral injustice. He finishes his Charge to us with the following; “Remember it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.”

This begs the question on how am I doing, and how are each of us doing in continuing to follow his Charge. We need to ask ourselves several questions, including; are we comfortable with our knowledge about our heritage to be able to discuss it with those that misunderstand and distort the true history? We have to ask ourselves, how involved are we with our organization in continuing the Charge? Are we showing our colors by proudly wearing our lapel pins and clothing reflecting we are Sons of Confederate Veterans outside of our meetings, or only when we are together and feel safe? Do we attend meetings regularly to support each other and draw strength from one another? Are we aware of the attacks on our heritage and standing up to fight this ignorance and distortion of the truth? Do we volunteer when asked to assist in, or attend an event? Have we volunteered to hold an office, or are we willing to hold an office in the organization? If the answer to these questions is “no”, or perhaps the involvement is not what it once was, perhaps it is time for a renewing of the spirit. Remember, there is strength in numbers and each one of us is important in this constant and continuous fight for our heritage. Many have served but many more are needed to fight the good and honorable fight.

Thomas H. Wood, Tennessee Division Adjutant
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[Detailed list of individuals and their affiliations can be found in the original text.]
Compatriots,
The battle to preserve our Confederate Heritage has been a long and costly campaign. To continue to fight, and there will be more attacks, we must have the funds to forward the banner of our Confederate ancestors. Please consider donating to the Tennessee Division Heritage Defense fund. At the January DEC meeting it was voted to request from each member this able, donate at least $20 to go toward the important cause. Deo Vindice.

Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City: __________ State: ___ Zip code: _______
Phone: __________ Email: ___________________

I am sending the following amount to help continue the legal fight to defend our Confederate ancestors good name.

$20 _____ Send your much needed payment to: Tennessee Division SCV, P.O. Box 782, Lebanon, TN 37088
$50 _____
$100 _____ Be sure to designate for the Tennessee Division Heritage Defense Fund
Other $ _____

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Compatriots,
The Memphis City Council, in the dark of night, removed the Forrest Equestrian Statue from Forrest Park and is threatening to dig up the graves of General Forrest and his wife MaryAnn from beneath the statue. The SCV and the Forrest family descendants must raise money to fight the city in this second attack on General Forrest. We need your help.

Help us save the graves and monument of General Forrest! Will you or your camp donate $100, $500 or $1,000 to the defense?

Please sign me up as a supporter. No membership fee.

Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City: __________ State: ___ Zip: __________
Email: ________________________________

Signature: ________________________________ Date: ____________________

Contribute through PayPal at our ally at: www.citizenstosaveourparks.org

Please donate to our cause: Amount $ __________ check number _______

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