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Honoring the Gray

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Commander's Comments

As you read this newsletter I hope all of you had a joyful Christmas with family and friends to celebrate our Savior's birthday.

Those of you that missed the parade in Lowery missed a good time. We had 22 members on one float with two ladies and one young man. Members of the sixth were with us on the float. I think we threw out about 80 pounds of candy. Some older spectators saluted as we went by. Special thanks goes out to Laddie Parrish and Barney Lundy for the use of their tractors and trailers we used as a float. Without their equipment we would have to purchase horses for this parade. Of course Vernon Terry was behind us with his cannon and that always draws a lot of attention and gives us all more exposure to the cause.

This coming year I would like to have at least two cemetery work days. Chris Sims and I talked a little about Laurelwood in Rock Hill. Maybe we can locate another in need also.

I would also like to restart a book program which gives York County Library one book per quarter. We need our young people to have the opportunity to read about the true history of the war.

Remember it is your duty to see that the true history of the south is presented to the future generations.

Confederately yours,
Jim Floyd - Commander

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Camp Meeting

January 13th 2009

Regularly scheduled meeting at the Mayflower Seafood Restaurant @ 7:00 PM.
Our speaker for this month will be Charles Hanson. He will be speaking on the "Election of 1876".

Chaplin's Comments

“Forget not the ancient landmarks thy fathers have set...” Proverbs 22:28

Dear Compatriots of the “Southern Cause”:

I hope this writing finds you and yours doing well.

I have always been impressed with the returning Confederate soldiers after the Appomattox surrender. What amazes me is that they returned to a ravaged southland, homes destroyed, family members dead or killed, lack of funds, crops destroyed and occupation by the Union troops and their mistreatment of our people. It reminds me of a certain scripture found in Proverbs 10;30: *“the righteous will never be shaken, but the wicked will not dwell in the land”*. In 1989 San Francisco was shaken with an earthquake that shook and rumbled as people there held their breath and tears flooding their eyes. Days after the quake there was one survivor who was miraculously preserved and pulled from the rubble to safety. He was pulled from the ruins of his home actually.

TRUTH: You know, when life falls to pieces around us, God preserves us! The Confederate soldier as destitute as he was in later years pulled themselves out of the rubble of the Northern aggression and destruction. They rebuilt the Southland so successfully that thousands move here from the north and never return. The South is a jewel of a place to live. But let's return to the main theme here again. We may lose all we have materially in this life, but if we have invested in spiritual things,



no tragedy that can happen in this fallen world will ever touch us. The beloved hymn “Amazing Grace” says it best: “ Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come; Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home” It was this sort of spiritual drive that led the Confederate soldier to become productive citizens and rebuild their lives, homes and cities. Please feel free to call me or e-mail me of your prayer concerns or if you know of a compatriots’ need. 684-9446 or 230-1175 or jdspiele@bellsouth.net.

COME EARLY TUESDAY TO PATRONIZE OUR MEETING PLACE BY EATING THERE. THEN ENJOY FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER DIXIE BOYS FOLLOWED BY OUR GENERAL SESSION MEETING AND SPEAKER.

*Rev. Dan Sipe,
Chaplain and Past Commander*

Prayer Closet: January 2009

- Pray for Lindsay Waldrop recovering from hip surgery.
- Please continue to pray for our President & government leaders. The SCV, national, division and brigade.
- Pray for our children as they return to school.
- Pray for our service men and women protecting our freedom.
- Pray for the families of our troops.



Romans 1:9

"For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of His Son, That without ceasing I make mentions of you always in my prayers."

BG Micah Jenkins SCV Camp 1569 Officers for 2009



from l to r: **Lindsay Waldrop** - Camp Historian; **Dan Sipe** - Chaplain; **Ray Baker** - Color Sergeant; **Jim Floyd** - Commander; **Chris Sims** - Camp Adjutant and **Brad Blackmon** - 1st Lt Commander. **Davis Timmerman** - 2nd Lt Commander (not shown).

War Between the States Timeline: South Carolina in the Civil War (1861-1865)

From the State of South Carolina, the following units were formed for service in the Civil War:

33 regiments, and 2 battalions of infantry
7 regiments and 1 battalion of cavalry
1 regiment, and 1 battalion of heavy artillery
29 batteries of light artillery

The total loss of the Confederate Armies in killed and mortally wounded will never be definitely known, and can be stated only in round numbers. A summing up of the casualties at each battle and minor engagement - using official reports only, and in their absence accepting Confederate estimates indicates that 94,000 men were killed or mortally wounded on the Confederate side during the war. Almost one quarter of these men were from South Carolina. An estimated 23,000 were killed in the war. To understand the full meaning of these figures one must keep in mind the sparse population of these States. The "military population" of South Carolina in 1861 was 55,046.

South Carolina lost in killed over 23 per cent of her entire male population. Add to this the loss by disease, and the maimed or crippled for life, and the result becomes extraordinary in its heroic aspect. York County had the highest death rate of any county in South Carolina, 805 out of an adult white male population of 4,379, or 183.8 per 1000.

**Congressional Record of
March 2, 1928**

**Reports Senate Joint Resolution
No. 41 wherein Congress recog-
nized the title War Between the
States as proper:**

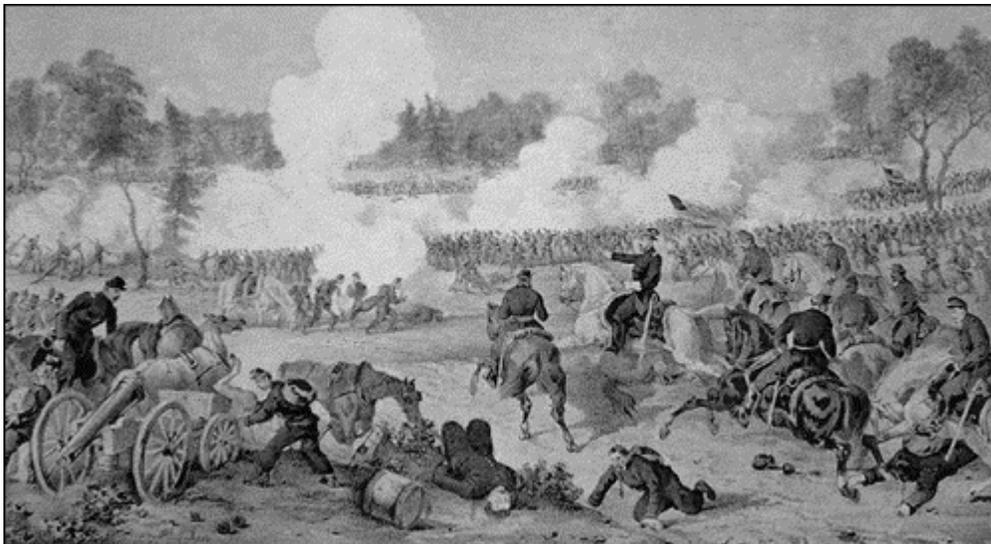
A War was waged from 1861 to 1865 between two organized governments: the United States of America and the Confederate States of America. These were the official titles of the contending parties. It was not a Civil War as it was not fought between two parties within the same government. It was not a War of Secession, for the Southern States seceded without a thought of war. The right of a State to secede had never been questioned. It was not a War of Rebellion for sovereign, independent States, coequal, cannot rebel against each other. It was a War Between the States, because twenty-two non-seceding States made war upon eleven seceding States to force them back into the Union of States. It was not until after the surrender of 1865 that secession was decided to be unconstitutional.

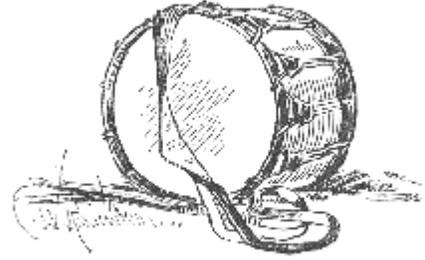
**Do you have an article for
*Honoring the Gray?***

If so, please send to Jerry Brown at boston96@comporium.net or call Jerry at 803-327-2834. Articles may be funny or serious as long as it reflects the ideals and purpose of the SCV. Please limit the size of articles to one page for mailing purposes.

**Stop the Wilderness
Walmart**

Walmart is planning on building a 141,000 sq. ft. Superstore next to the Wilderness and Chancellorsville Battlefields. If you want to help preserve the site Micah Jenkins was killed please contact the Civil War Preservation Trust at www.civilwar.org.





Roll of Honor

This month we honor D. W. Conner's Confederate ancestor Private J. A. Parrish of Co. H 1st South Carolina Cavalry "Robin Jones Cavalry"

Residence York County SC, 16 years old
Enlisted as a Private (date unknown).

He also had service in:
"H" Co. SC 1st Cavalry

Engagements:

Battle of Dumfries VA
Battle of Fredericksburg VA
Battle of Occoquan River VA
Raid on Dumfries & Fairfax Station VA
Battle of Brandy Station VA
Battle of Gettysburg PA
Battle of Hunterstown PA
Bristoe Campaign VA
Mine Run Campaign VA
Battle of Chapman's Fort, Ashepoo River SC
Carolinas Campaign NC
Battle of Moccasin Swamp NC

History of the 1st South Carolina Cavalry:

The First South Carolina Regiment of Cavalry was formed in 1861 using the SC 1st Infantry Battalion as its nucleus. The men were from Charleston and the counties of Abbeyville, Allendale, Chester, and Georgetown. It served in South Carolina, then moved to Virginia and was assigned to General Wade Hampton's, M.C. Butler's, W.H. F. Lee's, and P.M.B. Young's Brigade. The regiment fought at Chambersburg, Fredericksburg, Brandy Station, Upperville, Gettysburg, Bristoe, Kelly's Ford, and Mine Run. Ordered south, it served under Colonel G.P. Harrison and later Generals Bonham and Logan. It was prominent in the defense of Savannah and the campaigning of the Carolinas. This unit had 339 effectives at Gettysburg, but only 46 were present in February, 1865. It was included in the surrender of the Army of Tennessee.

Sources:

Index to Compiled Confederate Military Service Records
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The Civil War in South Carolina
<http://www.researchonline.net/sccw/unit67.htm>



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The South Was Right

“Any people anywhere being inclined and having the power have the right to rise up and shake off the existing government and form a new one that suits them better. This is most valuable, a most sacred right – a right which we hope and believe is to liberate the world. Nor is this right confined to cases in which the whole people of an existing government may choose to exercise it. Any portion of such people that may revolutionize and make their own so much of the territory as they inhabit.”

*Abraham Lincoln
January 12, 1848*