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Our camp is based in North Charleston, South Carolina. We meet the second Thursday of every month at Breck's on Rivers Avenue at 7:00pm.

CHARGE TO THE SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

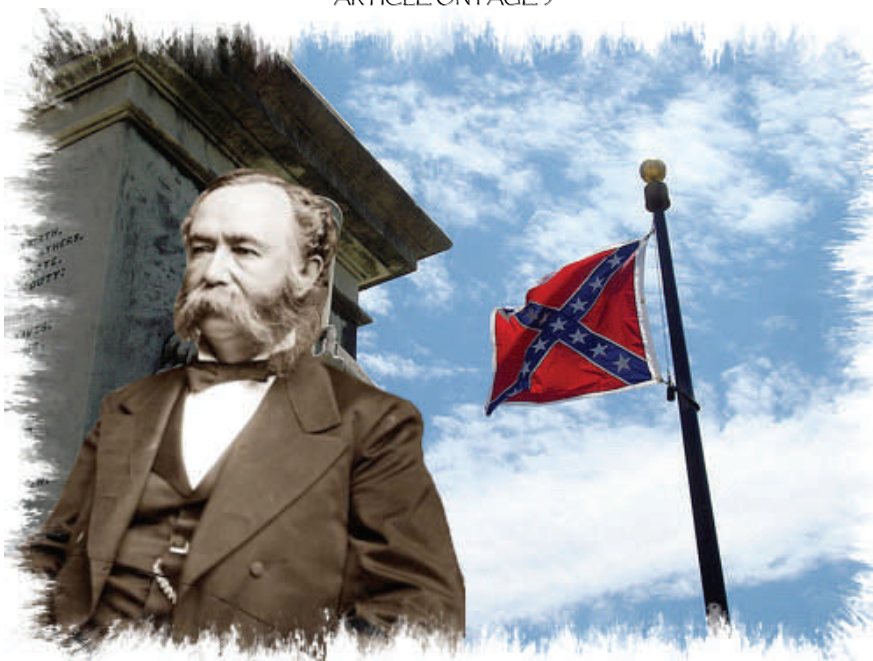
"TO YOU, SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS, WE WILL COMMIT THE VINDICATION OF THE CAUSE FOR WHICH WE FOUGHT. TO YOUR STRENGTH WILL BE GIVEN THE DEFENSE OF THE CONFEDERATE SOLDIER'S GOOD NAME, THE GUARDIANSHIP OF HIS HISTORY, THE EMULATION OF HIS VIRTUES, THE PERPETUATION OF THOSE PRINCIPLES WHICH HE LOVED AND WHICH YOU LOVE ALSO, AND THOSE IDEALS WHICH MADE HIM GLORIOUS AND WHICH YOU ALSO CHERISH."
- STEPHEN DILL LEE, 1906

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"UNFULFILLED HOPES, THEN AND NOW"

BY BRIAN LEE MERRILL

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LAST MEETING MINUTES

We gathered at Brecks on June 9, 2011 for our monthly Camp meeting. After breaking bread together, we conducted the business portion of our gathering:

- Chaplain Cleon Brown opened the meeting with a prayer
- Commander Chris Ross read us the Charge of the Sons of Confederate Veterans
- Color Sergeant Tony Smith lead us in the pledges to the American, South Carolina, and Confederate flags
- Adjutant Ricky Herndon read the minutes from the last meeting, which were approved by the membership
- Treasurer John Rembert, Jr. read us the treasury report
- We then discussed and voted on, and passed a motion to organize and host the First Annual 10th Brigade BBQ and Golf Tournament (see page 6 for more information)
- We then discussed and voted on, and passed a motion to allocate \$500 from the treasury to aid in organizing the 2014 National SCV Reunion and Convention to be held in North Charleston, SC
- Our obligation to perform road cleanup on Huguinen Road (in front of Magnolia Cemetery) was discussed, and a date of June 18th, 8am was chosen
- Com. Ross (our camp Graves Registration Committeeman) brought to our attention to continue our work on this important project ... he also asked from transcriptionists to help put our collected info into the database
- We then concluded our meeting and adjourned after a closing prayer and singing "Dixie"

NEXT MEETING

Our next camp meeting will be on July 14, 2011, 7pm at Brecks on Rivers Avenue. Contact a Camp member or officer for details. Speaker and program TBD.



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG

I Pledge Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



SALUTE TO THE FLAG OF SOUTH CAROLINA

I salute the flag of South Carolina and pledge to the Palmetto State love, loyalty, and faith.



SALUTE TO THE CONFEDERATE FLAG

I salute the Confederate Flag with affection, reverence, and undying devotion to the cause for which it stands.

10TH BRIGADE INFO



Secession Camp #4

3rd Tuesday at 7:30 PM, at the Knights of Pythias building on Belgrade Avenue at Sam Rittenburg Boulevard (Hwy. 7, West Ashley) in Charleston, SC.

www.scv4.org

Cmdr. Edward Moon (828) 342-7475

Moultrie Camp #27

3rd Thursday of each month at The Point Grill, 176 Patriots Point Rd., Mt. Pleasant, SC, at 6:45pm.

www.scv27.org

Cmdr. Clayton Martin (843) 884-1740

Fort Johnson Camp #1201

Meeting information forthcoming
Cmdr. James Wheeler (843) 795-6070

General Ellison Capers Camp #1212
3rd Thursday at The Black Eyed Susan on East Main St. in Moncks Corner, SC.

The meeting starts at 7:00pm.

<http://camp1212.scv.org>

Cmdr. Wyman Woods (843) 761-7779

Star of the West Camp #1253

1st Thursday (Sept - April) at Bond Hall, The Citadel, 171 Moultrie Street, Charleston, SC.

Cmdr. Henry Dominick (803) 271-2878

Fort Sumter Camp #1269

Meets at the Charleston Club, East Bay Street, Charleston, SC, on 2nd Thursday (irregular).

Adj. William Nuttall (843) 881-4039

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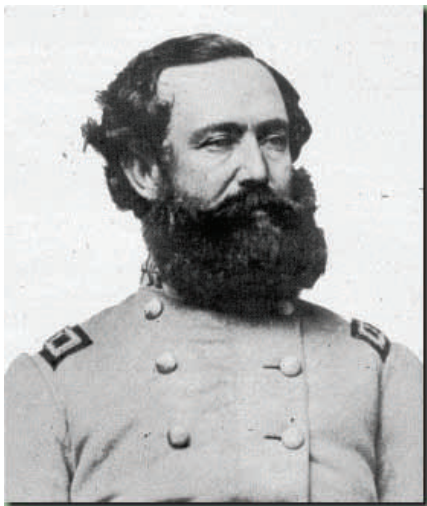
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UNFULFILLED HOPES, THEN AND NOW

(BRIAN LEE MERRILL)

As a student of factual history, I often find articles that require transcribing into digital format, and take it upon myself to do so. Contrary to those who would denigrate our Confederate heritage based on screeching attacks based on emotional posh, I find fulfillment in vindicating their cause by the honorable means of finding, studying, and presenting solid references from historical sources. While on one of these missions, I ran across an article from the July 27th, 1875 edition of the New York Times which quotes Wade Hampton at the first post-war reunion of the Hampton Legion.



I would be hard pressed to find someone in our circle that would categorize General Wade Hampton as anything other than brave, honorable, and wise. Yet, his words in this article are sadly unfulfilled, but, as I suspect, his words are more likely ones filled with hope and longing than ones of prophesy. Perhaps he gave more credit to the descendants of the victor, and the stooges that follow them, based on his own code of honor, and the hope that they would exhibit the same.

Here are his words as reported in the New York Times:

"You have not forgotten, my comrades, that dear old flag? As you think of it again does not a flood of proud but sad memories sweep over

your hearts? You must remember with tender emotion that it was the gift of the noble women of our State. You recall the scene when, just before you marched forth to battle, the honored Chief Magistrate of the Confederate States presented it to you on behalf of the women of Carolina and conjured you to protect it from stain or dishonor and to defend it with your lives. You recollect how proudly and defiantly it was ever borne in the thickest of the fight. You remember that on its torn and hallowed folds are emblazoned most of the glorious battle-names of the war. You recollect how many of our brave comrades were stricken down as they were bearing it to victory, and how many men, alas, fell beneath its folds as its pathway through the battle was marked by death. I know, I feel, that you remember all these things, and thank God that with them you can remember too with pride and exultation



that in all the varied scenes through which that banner has passed not one breath of dishonor or of disloyalty, not one stain of cowardice or of cruelty, has tarnished its unblemished folds. Torn by cannon shot and shell, riddled by rifle balls, to the eye of faith, as lustrous as when it was first unfurled in all its pride of beauty, and rich in a glory that defeat can never sully. [Here Gen. Hampton unfurled the Legion flag, which was met by a deafening yell.] Comrades of the Legion! I bring back to you, as the fittest offering to grace our first reunion in peace, that banner which you so nobly illustrated in war. Though it will never again 'brave the battle and the breeze,' yet as long as one shred of its battle-scarred folds clings to another, it will tell you in language more eloquent than words, of the imperishable renown you won for it and for yourselves. It will speak constantly to your hearts of our dead comrades, and it will serve to remind you always that, when you furled it forever, you pledged your soldierly honor to observe inviolate the terms on which you have surrendered. It will thus stand, as a perpetual symbol of your plighted faith, not alone in

the past, but for the future. It will be the strongest guarantee to those who so often met it in the deadly fight, that the men who proved themselves so true to it while it claimed their allegiance, cannot prove false to the new obligations they have incurred. All brave men who met you in battle will honor you for honoring the flag you once upheld so bravely, clung to so devotedly, and which you now cherish as a memorial of your fallen brethren. And while you cannot expect them to sympathize with the cause in which it was borne, they will not fail to respect the men who bore it in so loyal and knightly a fashion.

The people of Carolina can point with pride to one historic banner which exacts to-day the homage of the whole country. When your forefathers and mine followed the heroic Washington, as his meteor flag swept to victory at Cowpens and Eutaw, they could scarcely have hoped that their descendants should see that flag honored by forty millions of Americans or the young Republic for which they gave their blood had attained the first century of its existence. The brave people who were our enemies 100 years ago, forgetting now the animosities and [?] which them arrayed England and America in arms, forgetting that they once called Washington, and Rutledge, and Laurens, and Sumter, and Pickens and Marion 'rebels' this day pay willing honor to the devotion, the patriotism, and the courage of our Revolutionary sires. If justice, truth, moderation, conciliation, and statesmanship direct the councils of those who were the victors in the recent war; if free citizens of free and equal States can maintain and perpetuate in this great confederacy, under the Constitution our forefathers established, the liberties for which they fought, then it may be that when another century has rolled by this banner of yours will be deemed by others than ourselves worthy as representing truth, faith, honor, and courage, to be ...

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SCV Telegraphs

June 16, 2011

The Sons of Confederate Veterans are pleased to announce that the 2012 Stephen Dill Lee Institute will be held in the spectacularly Southern city of Savannah, Georgia. Hosting the event will be the oldest hotel in the City, the Desoto Hilton, centrally located in the historic old section of Savannah.

The theme for 2012 will be "The Costs of Lincoln's War" and will be once again led by Dr. Thomas DiLorenzo, author of many Lincoln books including the smash bestseller *The Real Lincoln*.

Dates for the event are February 3-4. More info will be forthcoming. Please mark your calendars.

*Brag Bowling, Director
Stephen Dill Lee Institute*

June 21, 2011

Compatriots,

The Credentials Form for the 2011 Reunion, July 13-16 in Montgomery, Alabama, is available at the link below on scv.org. <http://www.scv.org/pdf/2011Credentials.pdf>

Delegates from camps must have this form to vote on matters that may require a written ballot at the Reunion.

I look forward to seeing you in Montgomery!

*Chuck Rand
Adjutant-In-Chief*

May 23, 2011

Compatriots,

The deadline for early registration for the Reunion in Montgomery, AL (July 13-16, 2011) is June 15, 2011. Until this date registration is \$45 and afterward registration is \$60.

The link below will take you to the reunion registration form:

<http://www.scv.org/pdf/2011ReunionRegForm.pdf>

It is time to get those registrations in for the upcoming reunion.

See you in Montgomery!

*Chuck Rand
Adjutant-In-Chief*

1ST ANNUAL PVT JOHN S BIRD JR - PALMETTO GUARD BRIGADE BBQ & GOLF TOURNAMENT

The golf tournament will be a Captains Cup consisting of four man teams. Max 72 players divided into two groups of 36 people. There will be a morning Tee time for the first 36 that will start at 9:30 am and a afternoon Tee time for the second group of 36 that will start at 1:00 pm. There will be 18 holes played. There will be trophies for each team member for the 1st place team, 2nd place team, and 3rd place team. Participation plaques will be given to all other participants. Tickets for the golf tournament are \$35.00 per person which includes refreshments and golf cart. The BBQ dinner will start at 6:30 pm. Tickets for the BBQ are \$25.00 per person which includes the meal along with Ice tea, ice cold lemonade, and ice water. There will be a cash bar available for those who wish to have a cold beer or a mix drink. There will be guest speakers along with a live auction. There are pool tables available for play, along with music after the dinner and auction. This is a casual dress event for everyone in the 10th Brigade to get to meet each other from the different camps and just have a good ole time. 25 tickets will be available to each camp for the BBQ for a total of 150. 12 tickets will be available to each camp for the golf tournament for a total of 72. All funds must be turned in by Sept. 15, 2011.

For more event information, more tickets for your camp, or payment information, please contact:

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**SEE FLYER ON PAGE 6
Help Us Spread The Word And
Make This Event A Success!**



SC DIV Gen. Order 4

20 June 2011

SC Div. Grave Registration Initiative

To all camps and compatriots, SC Division, SCV:

Whereas, the South Carolina Confederate Veterans Grave Registration Committee and Initiative is a "Standing Committee" of the South Carolina Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans as determined in annual convention and supported in the Constitution of said organization in Article XVII, section 1 paragraph G; and

Whereas, all subordinate Camps are expected to comply with South Carolina Division Programs and Initiatives, including the guidelines and criteria established by the Committee as sanctioned by the Division Executive Council and as outlined in the Constitution of said organization in Article IX, section 4 and 5; and

Whereas, the chairman of the SC Confederate Graves Registration Committee serves as an appointed officer and at the pleasure of the Division Commander with full authority to manage and direct the program as it is designed and outlined.

Therefore, all South Carolina Division subordinate Camps are expected to participate and remain in compliance with all prescribed guidelines as directed by the Committee Chairman including the use of proper Division format and documents for transmission to the Division archivist; and

Finally, all Camp Commanders are directed to respond to their respective Brigade Commander acknowledging receipt of this General Order # 4 including a time line and plan outlining the action intended by their Camp in regard to this specific Division Program.

Given under my hand this 20th Day of June, in the year of our Lord, 2011

*Mark A. Simpson, Commander
SC Division*

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placed by the side of the honored flag of Eutaw! It may be given to our children to see this auspicious day. To us who are standing on this great dividing line which separates the first century of our country's life from that unknown future which lies before us, will remain only the aspirations and prayers of the patriot. Cheered by these we can at least re-echo the words of Carolina's gifted and lamented patriot and poet:

'Bid Liberty rejoice!

Aye, though its day

Be far or near,

these clouds shall yet be red

**With the large promise
of the coming day.'**

In the meantime solemnly appealing to the Great Tribunal on high to vindicate the purity of our motives in peace and in war, we tenderly and reverently place among our most precious relics our loved though conquered banner."

General Hampton, as we also do, only wanted "those people" to, not necessarily sympathize with, but recognize that our ancestors were fighting for a cause noble and worthy enough for the bravery and sacrifice they put forth in it's defense. If General Hampton were with us now, I feel he would understand our uphill fight, and would also proclaim that the symbolic battle standards of the SCV be fit to stand beside those literal battle standards of our Confederate ancestors.

In Hampton's words cited here, we can find rejuvenation of our energies and affirmation of our cause. Is it not an undeniable sign that the wishes of Hampton in this article are periphrastically The Charge of the Sons of Confederate Veterans? I believe this goes to show that we are certainly on the same page as our Confederate ancestors, and they left us with plenty of ammunition to fight the proverbial battle to set factual history on the right course. It is simply up to us to find it, present it, and with honor, we will bring the wishes of Hampton as stated in this article, and therefore our wishes in the form of our very Charge, into reality.

Forward! March!



IN JULY 1861

- 5th Engagement at Carthage, Missouri
- 7th Skirmish at Laurel Hill, Virginia (now West Virginia)
- 11th Engagement at Rich Mountain, Virginia (now West Virginia)
- 18th Engagement at Blackburn's Ford, Virginia
- 21st War's first major battle erupts at Manassas (Bull Run), VA
- 25th Maj. Gen. McClellan appointed first commander of the Union force
- 26th Federals evacuate Fort Fillmore, New Mexico Territory
- 27th George McClellan put in command of the Federal Division of the Potomac
- 27th Union Maj. Isaac Lynde surrenders command at San Augustine Springs, NM Territory



LAST SC REBEL VETERAN

South Carolina's last Confederate veteran was Pvt. Arnold D. Murray of Co. H, 11th SC Volunteer Infantry. Pvt. Murray joined late in the war and was in training in 1865 on Sullivan's Island when Charleston was evacuated. He was only 19 years old at the end of the war. Murray said, "I volunteered and joined up when I was a

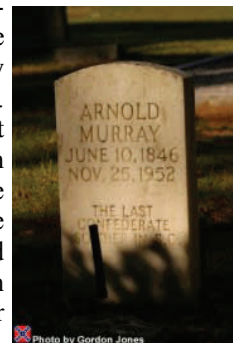


youngster, because my Pa and my brother was way up yonder somewhere in Virginia fighting."

Arnold Murray was 106 when he died.

He was a retired farmer living near Orangeburg, SC. He lived in a 3 room cabin and was cared for by his son. His wife Laura died in 1930 and he had two daughters that lived near by. He received a monthly \$60 Confederate pension from the State. He enjoyed sitting on the porch listening to the radio in his last years.

Two years before Mr. Murray's passing, Governor Strom Thurmond, discovered that Mr. Murray was South Carolina's last veteran of the War between the States. Thurmond formed a committee for a grand funeral, with the family, for when Mr. Murray would pass. The funeral was the talk of the State in 1952. The funeral procession left that Sunday from Dukes-Harley funeral home and made its way to the White House United Methodist Church Cemetery. The group included Governor James Byrnes, Senator Strom Thurmond, the United Daughters of the Confederacy, The sons of Confederate Veterans, Spanish-American war Veterans, a color guard from the American legion, Citadel Cadets as pallbearers and more than 100 family members. Mr. Murray's casket was draped with the Confederate Flag. There were an estimated 5000 people in attendance for the service.



*The 1st Annual
Put. John S. Bird, Jr. - Palmetto Guard*



BRIGADE BBQ & GOLF TOURNAMENT

*Come out and fellowship with your Compatriots
from the other 10th Brigade camps!*

Captain's Cup Golf tournament with trophies awarded for
1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams, refreshments & cart
\$35 per person (refreshments & cart included)

BBQ supper with beverage and dessert
\$25 per person

Live Auction for WBTS related items

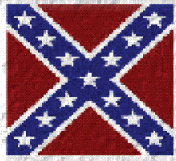
Billiards and Cash Bar available

**TICKETS LIMITED!! GET YOUR'S NOW!!
ALL FUNDS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEP 15, 2011**

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October 1st, 2011

The Oaks Country Club - Goose Creek, SC



IN MEMORY OF OUR CONFEDERATE ANCESTORS

Pvt. Marcus Lauriston Baldwin
Co G, 11th SC Reserves (90 days,
1862-63)
14th SC Militia

Pvt. Daniel W Bodiford
Howell's Co, GA Light Artillery

Pvt. Jesse Brown
Co B, 14th SC Volunteer Infantry

Pvt. Edmond C Cribb
Co A, 21st SC Volunteer Infantry

Pvt. Moses Davis
Gist Guard Heavy Artillery

Pvt. Joel J Dobbins
Co I, 50th NC Volunteer Infantry

Pvt. Phillip Herndon
Co A, 3rd SC Cavalry

Pvt. Warren Middleton Hughes
Co F, 2nd SC Heavy Artillery

Sgt. John Owens
Co A, 21st SC Volunteer Infantry

Cpl. John Owens
Co A, 21st SC Volunteer Infantry

Pvt. Tilmon Poole
Co. I, 20th SC Volunteer Infantry

Pvt. Wainberry Ross
Co B, 11th SC Reserves (90 days, 1862-
63)

Capt. Hugo Grotius Sheridan
4th SC Cavalry

Pvt. Jesse William Smith
Co G, 20th SC Volunteer Infantry

Cpl. Thomas W B Smith
Co G, 20th SC Volunteer Infantry

Pvt. Ezekiel Starnes
Co I, 20th SC Volunteer Infantry

Pvt. George Washington Wimberly
Co H, 11th SC Volunteer Infantry



IN MEMORY OF OUR FALLEN CAMP COMPATRIOT



WAYNE "DOC" MURRAY, 2008

POEM FOR CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY by Oliver Reeves

*How many springs have gone since they
Who wore the uniform of gray
Last looked upon summer snow of dog-
wood, blooming below
Their southern skies and friendly sun,
Or watched the winding rivers run
Or knew when spring wind's gentle hand
Stretched forth to heal their wounded land.
They sleep where the azaleas spread
Their glorious colors, where the red old
hills
And mountain peaks
Stand listening while nature speaks.
And from the woodlands sound the strains
Of memories; where coastal plains
Run down to join the ceaseless tide
Ebbing and flowing as they died.
Let us remember them as time
And tide move on in endless rhyme.
When spring is wearing her bouquet
For the lost legions of the gray.
While bud and blossom, hill and tree
Remember them, so shall we.*

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