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Pledges

Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America

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 Confederate Flag

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

Salute to the North Carolina Flag

I salute the North Carolina Flag and pledge to the Old North State Love, Loyalty and Faith.

The Charge

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 he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish.

-Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, 1906

FROM THE COMMANDER:

Greetings compatriots and friends, I'm starting off this month by recognizing a special time for our camp. This past February 18 was our camps five year anniversary. We held our first meeting on this day, as it was a special date 150 years exact, that Jefferson Davis was inaugurated as the President of the Confederate States of America on the steps of the Alabama State Capitol. Davis immediately sent a commission to Washington with an offer to pay for any federal property on southern soil, as well as the southern portion of the national debt, but Lincoln refused to even meet with the commission. Davis surely did not want a war, he simply was fulfilling what the founding fathers stated should be done when the government becomes over powerful. Remember that the Declaration of Independence reads; "that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and institute new government." That is why our ancestors fought. Period. Because their fathers and grandfathers fought for the same thing, tyranny of the British crown. So congratulations on five years and the beginnings of a great camp for future generations.

On to other business, our camp has made it our number one goal for this year to have a home to call our own by the end of 2016. I and the other officers have come up with a few ideas to reach this goal, but it is the responsibility of the camp as a whole. One or two or even three cannot make it happen alone, we all need to come together as a unit and move forward. Our March meeting will not feature a program, but rather business to make us successful and ideas to sell ourselves to the public. I would like everyone to attend so we can get input from everyone.



(Camp Charter)

All ideas and suggestions are important. Let's continue what we have started in making Camp 2205 into a fine family camp.

Our Order of Confederate Rose Chapter will have their raffle tickets by the March meeting, so everyone needs to be there to pick up some tickets and move them. The Sara Ann Grice Elliott Chapter 55 has worked hard and found two sponsors for this raffle. The great folks at Cross Creek Outfitters, in Henderson are supplying the guns, and Oxford Car and Truck has pitched in to lend some value to this raffle, so please stop by these establishments and thank them for supporting our Southern Confederate Heritage.

On a personal note, I would like to thank compatriot Kevin Brogden for recently accepting the camps historian position. I will appoint him at our next meeting. This is a very important position, as we are the ones to tell our stories to future generations. I have full confidence that Kevin will do a great job. So if you have anything such as event pictures or articles, please send them to him.

I will close with telling each member and friends that have helped our camp become what it has, THANK YOU, and we are making our ancestors proud.

Your Commander; Joey Dickerson



From the 1st Lt. Commander:

I enjoyed Ellis Selph's program on antique weapons, it was probably my favorite program to date. Ellis' collection on firearms was impressive. I can't help but wonder about history of each individual piece. If those guns could talk, they would tell an amazing story. Where were they built, who bought them, who were the different owners, were they ever fired in anger, if so, who were they fired at, and did the rounds hit their mark? We all have a chance to help our friends and neighbors grow their own firearm collections with the OCR lady's gun raffle coming up. Someday, these guns, like today's antique guns, will likely be passed on to children and grandchildren, and what better way to start the story off than with "your grandpa won this rifle in a raffle to support the SCV". Each gun has its own story, and the SCV will always be a part of these guns' stories. Everybody wins; our group gets some funds to spend in the community, a few good folks get some new guns for next to nothing, and future grandkids will get a cool story. I am going to help the OCR sell as many tickets as I can, and If any of the tickets I sell end up being winner's, I know that I will be tickled pink, and excited for my friend, compatriot, coworker, or family member, etc...

I hate that I wasn't able to attend the cleanup at the Confederate Cemetery. Last year our camp placed a Southern Cross on my Great, Great Grandfather, Anthony Stanton's grave. It was a great experience for my family, and I am extremely grateful. Thank all of you for pitching in and cleaning our brave confederate heroes' eternal resting place. I love seeing the kids out there too. It truly makes me feel more optimistic about our great nation's future. Thanks Kevin, for stepping up into your new position, I'm sure you will do a great job, you have quickly become one of our more involved members. Also, congratulations to Taylor for receiving the Army of Northern Virginia's scholarship award. I know Joey and Dee are proud!

Hope to see you on Tuesday,

Kevin Roberson



From the 2cnd Lt. Commander:

I have always been excited and proud to be in the company of other true southern minded people. Although they are getting to be few and far between, it only makes me cherish my southern family more and more each day. To be able to gather together each month in fellowship and brotherhood is a feeling that only a true southerner could ever understand.

We are a family. We are a people with a long proud history. We have fought Yankee's together, prayed together, worked together, raised our families and taught them the same love for their heritage that we all still hold dear. That heritage is the glue that bonds us all together. If we ever let it slip away, it will be gone forever.

So, at our next meeting, as you shake a compatriot's hand, please pause just a second and realize that this brotherhood has been here for many, many years. It is my prayer that it will be here for many, many more. I thank you all for being my family. As always, please support our camp's building fund and all camp projects to protect this precious heritage.

William Jackson

NEW RECRUITS

When was the last time you tried to recruit a new member for the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Bullock Camp?

Do you ever approach anyone and ask if they are interested?

Try it once in a while and you might be surprised to find out that there are prospective members just waiting to join!

Don't just wait for someone to ask you first.



Words To Remember...

"I love the Union and the Constitution, but I would rather leave the Union with the Constitution than remain in the Union without it."

Confederate President Jefferson Davis

3 Gun Raffle

The fine folks at Cross Creek gun shop in Henderson are working with our camp and providing the guns for our Order of the Confederate Rose ladies raffle. The three guns for 1st thru 3rd place will be an Del-Ton AR .556, a 12 or 20 gauge, TriStar, semi automatic shotgun, and a Ruger 10/22. We are only printing 300 tickets, and the first ticket pulled will have a pick of the three guns. Second ticket pulled will have choice of remaining two guns, and third ticket pulled will receive the gun that is left. Tickets will be sold at \$10 each and all three winners must be able to pass a background check. So get the word out and we should have the tickets next week. We will be doing the drawing at our April 5th meeting. Also would like to give a big thanks to Eddie Caudle at Oxford Car and Truck for being a sponsor of this fundraiser. Be sure to go to his Facebook page at Oxford Car and Truck and like his page. Real fine southern gentleman.







Confiscating Symbols of American Liberty

The graves of Raleigh's Southern dead were not safe from Sherman's army of thieves in 1865; the Northern commander of that city was no better as he ordered the graves removed lest the remains be thrown into the street. Also, anyone possessing symbols of the late Confederate States risked confiscation and arrest.

Bernhard Thuersam, www.circa1865.org

Confiscating the Symbols of American Liberty

"The Ladies Association of Wake County was formed in 1865, when it was necessary to remove from the grounds of Pettigrew Hospital the remains of the Confederate soldiers buried there. It was but a short while after the Federals took possession of Raleigh before the Mayor was notified that they admired the spot where rested the Confederate dead, and ordered that they be removed at once, or they would be thrown out in the country road.

A town meeting was called, and the association formed, [with] Mrs. L. O'B. Branch being made president . . . A resting-place was selected for the re-interment of the beloved dead, and, with the help of the young men and boys of the town, the work was successfully accomplished. The graves were comparatively few at first, but none were safe from Sherman's "bummers," as there were scarcely a newmade grave anywhere but what was opened by these men,

in search of treasures; so it was a sacred trust, most religiously kept by the young men and women, to visit these graves almost daily to see that they were kept in order.

The association grew in numbers and the interest increased. Many Confederate dead from the country were moved to this spot, and the grounds were laid off and improved by [Sergeant] Hamilton, a soldier of the Confederate army who lost both eyes from a wound.

After the death of Gen. Jackson the 10th of May was selected as Memorial Day, when the citizens were to repair to the cemetery to participate in the services there. To raise funds to care for the Confederate dead and erect a monument to their memory, every legitimate means was resorted to by the association.

contraband articles were for sale, such as Confederate flags, a strand of General Lee's hair, pictures of President Davis or any Confederate general: so there would be the sudden appearance of a bluecoat with orders to search the room for these contraband articles."

This was not done without risk, as it was reported that

(Women of North Carolina, Confederate Veteran Magazine, May 1898, page 227)

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Last Months Meeting









Confederate Cemetery Cleanup