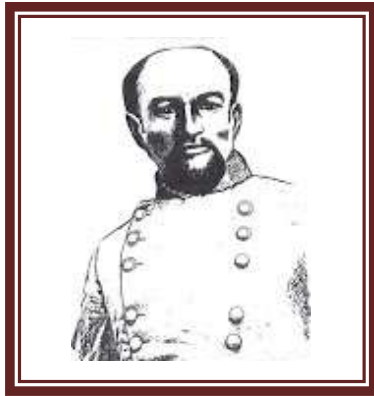


CALCASIEU GREYS

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Captain James W. Bryan

NEXT MEETING

[Web Site: calcasieugreys.blogspot.com]

The next meeting of Captain James W. Bryan Camp 1390, Sons of Confederate Veterans, will be from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, at Ryan's Buffet at 4051 Ryan St., Lake Charles, La. Our guest speaker is Ben Head of the Richard Taylor Camp in Shreveport. His program will be on his Confederate ancestor, Pvt. Levi Marion Head, 20th Texas Cavalry and the Battle of Honey Springs, Okla. We'll also have plenty of information on upcoming events and heritage news. Please come and enjoy great Confederate fellowship, and delicious food.

UPCOMING GUN SHOW

Captain James W. Bryan Camp 1390 will have an information table at the Don Rich Gun & Knife Show, August 24-25 at the Lake Charles Civic Center, promoted by our friends at Gator Gun & Knife Store in Sulphur.

We always need help with manning the table on Saturday and Sunday. Please consider volunteering whatever amount of time you can spare for this event on either or both days. This is a prime opportunity for us to get out our positive message about Confederate heritage and contact potential new members.

The hours for Saturday, Aug. 24, will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There are usually food vendors on site, plenty free parking and restroom facilities.



SCV NEWS

Mike Jones, editor/historian

The *Calcasieu Greys* newsletter is available by email, regular postal mail and online at calcasieugreys.blogspot.com. Generally, I have the newsletter out about a week before the next scheduled meeting so the meeting will hopefully be fresh on the minds of members. If you have any trouble with email delivery or regular mail, please contact me at m4082jon@msn.com, or P.O. Box 1318, Iowa, La. 70647 or by phone at 337-582-6154.

On a social media web site someone posted about how General Robert E. Lee was against Confederate monuments. This is a gross distortion of a remark made in a letter just after the war, and was certainly not his opinion in general. He was only advising against a monument to be made just then, right after the war, and to wait awhile for a better time. The proof of his support for Confederate monuments is that he personally supported various monument projects both during and after the war.

During the war, in 1863, Lee was asked to pose for some photographs to be used as studies for a sculptor in Europe, Edward Valentine, to make a statue of Lee that was to be sold at a bizarre in Liverpool, England for the benefit Confederate soldiers in squalid Yankee prisoner of war camps.

After the war, Lee allowed Valentine to come to his home in Lexington, Va. to take precise body measurements of him to use in his sculpting projects. Lee also went to Valentine's studio to sit for sketches he made of Lee for his projects. The sculptor made a beautiful bust of Lee, and the full size "recumbent Lee" statue in Lee Chapel at Washington and Lee University's Lee Chapel, and the bronze statue of Robert E. Lee in the National Statuary Hall in the U.S. Capitol building. (See photo page 2)

CONFEDERATE NEWS

Confederate Monument removed

SANTA ANA, Calif. – A Confederate monument was vandalized at a Southern California Cemetery and then completely removed by the Orange County Cemetery District as being “an unsightly public nuisance.”

The California Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, responded in writing, saying “Santa Ana spits on its own History.” The monument had honored Orange County’s founders who had served in the Confederate Army during the War for Southern Independence.

Atlanta, Ga. to add context’ to monuments

ATLANTA, Ga. –Thwarted by Georgia state law from removing Confederate monuments, the City of Atlanta is reportedly going to add “context” markers which delineate “what they represent and don’t represent.”

The city has previously changed the names of streets which honored the Confederacy or its leaders.

Jefferson Davis’ name removed at Fort Monroe, Va.

FORT MONROE, Va. – At the request of Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam, the name of Confederate President Jefferson Davis has been removed from a memorial arch at the Fort Monroe historic site, by the Fort Monroe Authority board of trustees.

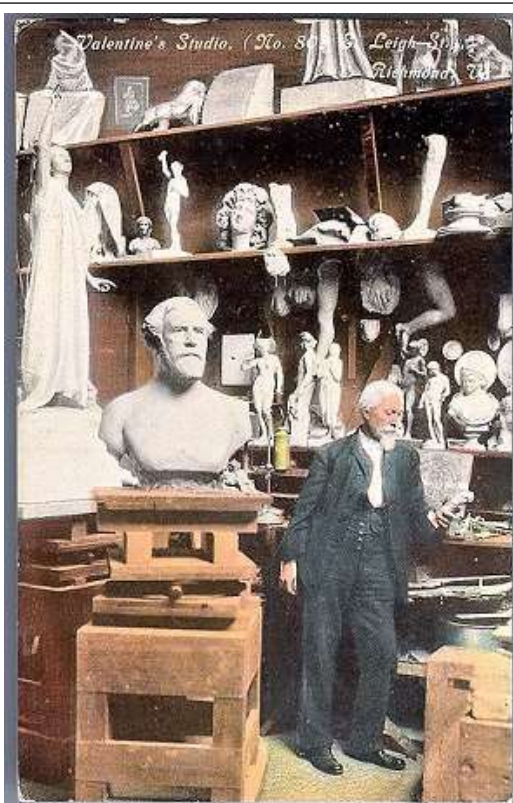
The arch had been erected in the 1950s to honor President Davis, who was held captive at Fort Monroe by his Yankee captors for two years after the war.

After confessing that he had appeared in “black face” at a party in the 1980s, Northam promised to remove Confederate symbols from his state. Northam was also nicknamed “Coonman,” by his college classmates.

Virginia supplied approximately 155,000 troops to the Confederate Army, as well as General Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and many other generals. Five percent of those Virginians were killed in battle and another 10 percent died of disease. It state capital, Richmond, also served capital of the Confederate States of America.

Dallas blocked from removing memorial

DALLAS, Tex. –The Dallas City Council has been temporarily blocked from removing a Confederate War



Sculptor Edward V. Valentine in his Richmond, Va. studio. A bust of Lee is at his left. (From a period postcard)

Memorial from Pioneer Park Cemetery in July by the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals. The suit was filed against the city by the group “Return Lee Park,” which argues that the city violated the Texas Open Meetings Act and the Texas Antiquities Act in its attempt to remove the historic war memorial.

The motion for a temporary stay of removing the monument was granted by Justice Bill Whitehill. The intricate memorial includes statues of Confederate President Jefferson Davis, Generals Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson, Albert Sydney Johnston and a Confederate soldier atop the 60 foot high center column.

The monument was designed by sculptor Frank Teich and dedicated June 25, 1896. It is also notable for possibly being the city’s oldest public monument. At one time the iconoclastic monument haters were wanting memorials to be moved to cemeteries, now they just wanted them all removed. The City of Dallas has kept a black tarp over it while awaiting the go ahead to remove it.

**NATIONAL CONFEDERATE MUSEUM
AT HISTORIC ELM SPRINGS**

COLUMBIA, Tenn. – **Please donate to the National Confederate Museum fund at:**

Send checks to:

Sons of Confederate Veterans
c/o TCM Building Fund
P.O. Box 59
Columbia, TN 38402

Or you can call 1-800-MY-DIXIE to pay by credit card.



This is a rendering and the floorplan for The National Confederate Museum to be built at our Headquarters in Columbia, TN. Groundbreaking will commence soon, but we have only a small portion of the funds required to build our museum. We need your help! Education is the long term solution to upholding Stephen D. Lee's Charge and our museum will be the preeminent museum dedicated to the Confederate Veteran! Who else will tell the truth about our ancestors? The media? Academia? Schools? No one!

We need you to donate now!

Tax Deductible



The National Confederate Museum at Elm Springs
Please donate today – our ancestors need their story told truthfully!
Make Checks payable to Sons of Confederate Veterans and note Museum Fund
Mail to: Sons of Confederate Veterans, PO Box 59, Columbia, TN 38402

THE EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE FOR CONSTRUCTION IS DEC. 1, 2019

**MUSEUM VITAL TO
CONFEDERATE HISTORY**

Modern historians have been massively deriding the Southern version of the War for Southern Independence as being part of the so-called “Lost Cause Myth,” and promoting the Northern version of the war, which is nothing but hateful Anti-Southern, wartime, propaganda. The below is from the National Confederate Museum web site on how it will combat the ongoing hate campaign against the South.

The truth about the South's struggle to form a new nation is under attack as never before. The National Battlefield Parks have been taken over by the “it's all about slavery” provocateurs. Museums have changed their collections and interpretations to present what they call the cultural history of the War for Southern Independence. In reality this new perspective is nothing more than South bashing. The forces of political correctness (Continued on page 4 col. 1)

“MAKE DIXIE GREAT AGAIN”

Greetings Compatriots,

The Southern Victory Campaign and its motto, "Make Dixie Great Again," is taking the fight to our adversaries. It is the movement for the Sons of Confederate Veterans to take back the narrative from the Cultural Marxists & Cultural Cannibals that have declared war on the South. We have been on the defensive for too long during the Second Reconstruction. It is time to hoist the colors high and deliver the truth about our History... our Heritage to the general public.

Getting that message out has an advertising expert. In order to place traditional & digital ads in markets that will ultimately activate our fellow Southerners, we need money to pay for those ads-thus, the Confederate Legion. The Confederate Legion is a volunteer group of people. SCV and non-SCV members, who donate a minimum \$50 per year to the Cause. These funds will be used to fund the SCV's on-going PR campaign. No less than 90% of the funds collected will be used to buy pro-South ads and point the general public to our web site for more information.

With ads purchased by the Confederate Legion plus those purchased by local camps for their local stations, the SCV will cover the South with positive news about our honorable heritage. This will have a positive impact on the political establishment that up to now has had little to do with us-but with your help that will change!

Join the Confederate Legion today!

Or if you would rather use traditional mail for checks etc., Send them to:

MAKE DIXIE GREAT AGAIN

Confederate Legion

www.makedixiegreatagain.org

P.O.Box 59, Columbia, TN 38402

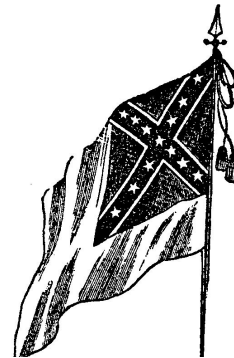
800-My-Dixie (800-693-4943)

A soldier in the Cause,

Brian McClure

National SCV Deputy

of Communications & Networking

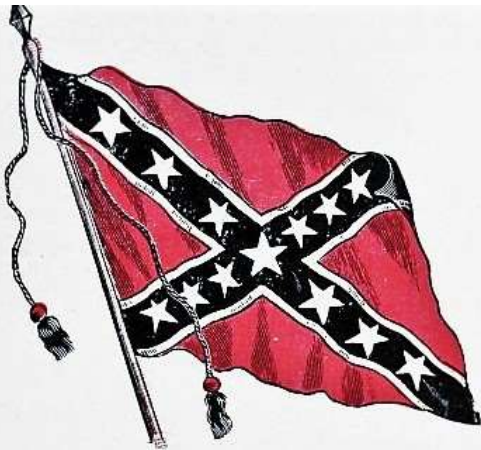


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have gone into high gear. They attempt to ban any and all things Confederate through their ideological fascism.

There needs to be at least one place where the people of the South and others can go to learn an accurate account of why so many struggled so long in their attempt to reassert government by the consent of the governed in America!

The General Executive Council of the Sons of Confederate Veterans made the commitment in October of 2008 to start the process to erect a new building that will have two purposes. One of the uses of this new building will be to give us office space and return Elm Springs to its original grandeur. However the main function is to house The Confederate Museum. We are planning a museum that will tell the truth about what motivated the Southern people to struggle for many years to form a new nation. At the SCV Reunion in July of 2009 the GEC set up a building fund for this purpose. One of the goals is to provide an accurate portrayal of the common Confederate soldier, something that is currently absent in most museums and in the media.



“THE SOUTHERN CROSS.”*

GOD SAVE OUR BELOVED SOUTHLAND!

LOUISIANA CONFEDERATE TROOPS

Louisiana provided approximately 56,000 men to the Confederate Army during the War for Southern Independence. Additionally, about 10,000 boys and older men served in home-guard units and fought in various invasion campaigns during the war.

In addition, 982 military companies were raised in Louisiana for the Confederate Army. In addition, there were some 400 state militia companies raised for the war.
--Source: Booth's Records.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 2019

First Saturday of the Month • Port Hudson State Historic Site, Jackson - *First Saturday of the Month Hike*, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. A guided hike of Commissary Hill. Explore the stories of Hot Hill, Lower Commissary, and Upper Commissary "The High Ground" of the Confederate defenses of the men from Arkansas, Tennessee, and Mississippi. It is recommended that participants wear closed-toe shoes, bring drinking water, bug repellent, and a hat. For more information call 888.677.3400 toll free or 225.654.3775 locally.

8/17/2019 • Port Hudson State Historic Site, Jackson - *Summer Dialogue: Predicament at Plains*, 11 a.m. The final installment of the 2019 Summer Dialogue Series will uncover the story why Union Corporal Charles M. Searles wrote a poem that inspired those who fought to prevent the shattering of the Union. It will also cover the mighty power of Boone's Louisiana Battery in the opening stages of the Battle at Plain's Store. For more information call 888.677.3400 toll free or 225.654.3775 locally.

AUGUST 2019

8/10/2019 • Mansfield State Historic Site, Mansfield - *"Civil War Vittles"*, 2 p.m. Participants will learn how soldiers and officers of the American Civil War perfected cooking and eating while on the march and in camp. Learn about hard tack, the origins of canned goods, making "coffee without coffee" and campfire "delicacies." At the program's conclusion, small cups of chicory coffee will be available for guests to sample. For more information call 888.677.6267 toll free or 318.872.1474 locally.

