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

-Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, 1906

From the 1st Lt. Commander:

Camp,

Merry Christmas everyone! Our next meeting is on January 5th at Bob's, as usual. We have a Christmas dinner planned for December 19th at a location yet to be determined. There are a few things in the works right now. First, it sounds like the NC Division is making headway with its giant flag project, with a possible location found for their flag. Also, The Roxboro Grays are working on their own flag project. Locally, keep your eyes out on highway 15 near 56, because our Adopt a Highway signs should go up anytime in the next month or two. Extremely short notice, but there is a very Confederate friendly parade in Mechanicsville VA, coming up on Sunday. The Virginia Flaggers and some SCV camps are taking part. The Roxboro Grays are also going to be in the Roxboro Christmas parade on December 12th.

Kevin

Words To Remember...

"I am nothing but a poor sinner, trusting in *Christ* alone for salvation."

Robert E. Lee

FLAGS ACROSS THE CAROLINAS

The SCV Mechanized Cavalry of North Carolina is proud to announce that the "FLAGS ACROSS THE CAROLINAS" fund has been officially established to raise money to support the project of the placement of mega size Confederate flags in many high profile locations on private land across the Carolinas.

This exciting project was adopted by the NCSCVMC in a partnership with the North Carolina Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to post the Confederate Battle Flag like the mega flags flying currently in other States all over the South like the twelve new flags flying in the State of Virginia.

There is a minimum donation of \$5.50 required to receive one of these new North Carolina Division pins but all money donated above the minimum amount will be collected and donated by NB Forrest Camp 803 to this project to fly our **Flags Across The Carolinas!**

These pins can also be individually ordered as gifts or extras. Consider our mission by adding extra money for postage with your order. Please submit completed form & check payable to NB Forrest Camp 803 and mail to:

Adjutant Chris Nance
210 High Ridge Drive, Apt. H
Sanford, NC 27330

Additional Info or Would Like to Donate Land for a Flag – Contact:

Commander Kevin Stone
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DONATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Qty: _____ Donation: _____

Thank You for Your Support!!!



The Roxboro Grays are proud to announce that we will have another entry in the annual Christmas parade here on December 12th 2:00 pm.

Entry fees are covered. Want to ride your Motorcycle , we will have slots open for this. Want to ride on the float, that's optional also. Want to march out front that's also possible if we can get enough manpower. Uniformed or not, bring your flags and the spirit. Asking that you bring some throw out candy for the little ones.

Va Flaggers 2015 Mechanicsville Rotary / Ruritan Christmas Parade

On Sunday, December 6th, the Virginia Flaggers will once again participate in the Mechanicsville Rotary/Ruritan Christmas Parade. This is a wonderful Richmond area tradition, with over 100 units participating in the two mile route, drawing huge, Confederate friendly crowds. This year, the parade starts at 2:00 p.m.

At a time when many localities and civic organizations across the country are banning our organizations and our Battle Flags from parades, the folks in charge of this parade actually contacted us to request we bring as many Confederates and Confederate flags as possible! We hope to oblige their request!

We will be joined once again this year by the Edmund Ruffin FireEaters Camp #3000, SCV, the Sally Tompkins Chapter #2, OCR, and the Army of Northern Virginia/MC...and are excited to have a replica Dukes of Hazzard "General Lee" Dodge Charger coming to be a part of our unit.

We would like to invite you to join us, as we forward the colors, represent our Confederate ancestors, and helping in the Christmas season!

We are in **Division 7**: All participants need to be at the Division 7 staging area between 1:00 and 1:45. You cannot park at the staging area. If you would like a ride to the staging area, find us on Elm Drive near the Mechanicsville Rec Center (1054 Elm Dr, Mechanicsville, VA 23111) by 12:30 pm. Otherwise, you will need to be dropped off at the staging area, or walk from Elm Drive. There will also be shuttle buses running to the staging area.

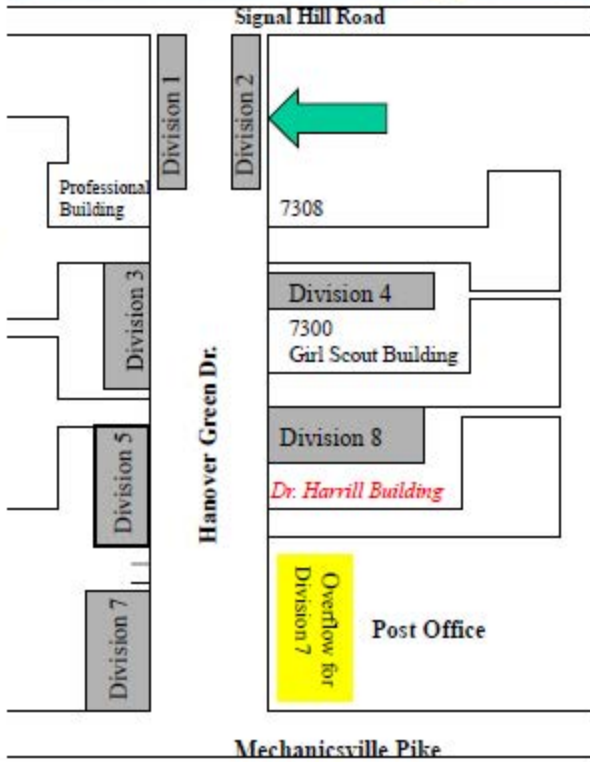
The parade's theme is "Memories of Christmas". If you have period attire, please consider wearing it, or adding a Christmas touch to street clothing. Participants will have the option of walking with flags, or riding on a flat bed trailer/float with seating.

Please bring a bag of candy, a smile, and a flag, and join us!

RSVP/Questions? email info@vaflaggers.com

Susan Hathaway

Va Flaggers



The South's Invincible Bravery



The South believed the invader of their land inferior and recalled that Hannibal had destroyed more than ninety percent of a vastly superior Roman army; Frederick the Great defeated an army twice the size of his in 1757; and Zachary Taylor defeated 15,000 Mexicans at Buena Vista in 1847 with 5,000 troops. Historian Bell Wiley noted: "Indeed, it is doubtful that any people ever went to war with greater enthusiasm than did Confederates in 1861."

Bernhard Thuersam, www.Circa1865.com

The South's Invincible Bravery

"General Robert E. Lee had decided to disregard the advice of a division commander [to] assault the strong Federal position [at Malvern Hill]. For the task he selected country boys and men from the Deep South . . . together with regiments from North Carolina and Virginia. These were proud soldiers, even a bit cocky now because for nearly a week they had been pushing Yankees back . . . [the enemy general] thought they came on with "a reckless disregard for life . . . with a determination to capture our army, or destroy it."

At Sharpsburg a Federal remembered that the advance of his unit was stopped by a "long and steady line of rebel gray . . . sweeping down through the woods."

Another Northerner recounted the "invincible bravery" of the attacking Confederates and how his regiment "opened a withering, literally withering, fire on the rebels . . . but they still advanced. A color-bearer came forward within fifteen yards of our line, and with the utmost desperation waved a rebel flag in front of him.

Our men fairly roared, "Shoot the man with the flag! And he went down in a twinkling and the flag was not raised in sight again. Several charges at Sharpsburg cost the Twenty-sixth North Carolina Regiment sixty-two percent of its 325 men. One company lost all but five of its 30 men; two-thirds of the men and all of the officers in another company were killed or wounded.

The South lost 175,000 soldiers in the first twenty-seven months of combat. This number was more than the entire Confederate military service in the summer of 1861 and it far exceeded the strength of any army that Lee ever commanded. More than 80,000 Southerners fell in just five battles. At Gettysburg, three out of every ten Confederates present were hit; one brigade lost sixty-five percent of its men and seventy percent of its field officers in a single charge.

A North Carolina regiment started the action with some 800 men; only 216 survived unhurt. Another unit lost two-thirds of its men as well as its commander in a brief assault."

(Attack and Die, Civil War Military Tactics and the Southern Heritage, Grady McWhiney and Perry Jamieson, University of Alabama Press, 1982, pp. 3-5)



Bernhard Thuersam is the chairman of the North Carolina war Between the States Sesquicentennial Commission. Please visit his weblog at www.Circa1865.com

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.





The Family and I took a recent trip to Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond. Jefferson Davis' grave is pictured.