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1 Peter 2:15 "For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:" (KJV)

Commander's



 Corner

Compatriots,

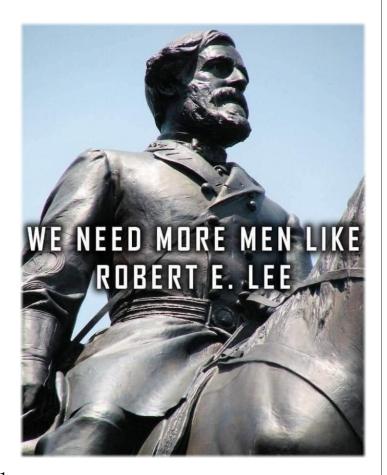
I hope this newsletter finds everyone doing well. We have things happening in our Division and it is good to be a part of it. In addition to gun shows, flag rallies, and festivals where we are being visible to the public, there is some good news concerning our mega-flag. We have had a Compatriot generously offer to have it on his property, in a prime location. Currently, I am checking out the legalities and hope to have further news on this in the near future. At the National Convention in Charleston back in July, I personally spoke with Susan Hathaway-Lee and she said that it would be an honor to speak at our flag dedication ceremony when the time comes.

We are all aware of the devastation of Hurricane Helene which recently hit Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Tennessee, along with Hurricane Milton which brought much devastation to Florida. Let us continue to pray for the welfare of the victims, and donate to reputable relief organizations if we can.

As your Division Commander, I have been trying to be faithful in communicating with the Division by sending out my monthly Commander's Corner newsletter. If you have not received any, or missed some, please let me know and I will be happy to forward that to you. If you have any concerns with which I may be of service, please feel free to contact me.

God Bless Dixie!

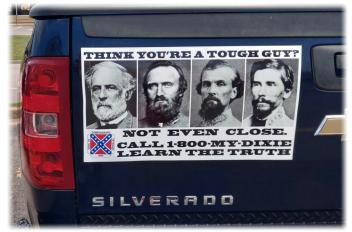
Jeff Paulk
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Major James McHenry Camp 2310 - Broken Arrow, OK CSA

Commander Steve Ward of the unreconstructed **Major James McHenry Camp 2310** of Broken Arrow submitted the following report and photos of the Camp's Third Ouarter 2024 activities:

Our July Camp dinner and meeting was preceded by a visit to the parking lot to admire a new "tailgate billboard" concept designed by Commander Ward and displayed on the tailgate of Lt. Commander Jeff Paulk's truck:



(Photo by Steve Ward)

The right side of the tailgate displays The Charge by Lt. Gen. Stephen Dill Lee.

After our Invocation / blessing of the food, noon meal, and reading of The Charge, we reviewed the comprehensive June meeting and presented our Adjutant/Treasurer's Report and discussed the current Camp membership of 20.

Old business included discussion of "21st Century Confederate Heroes" email announcement with photo of the neck ribbon medal; the Invitation to Secession Camp 4 meeting (Charleston, SC) prior to the National Reunion; HQ is still lax in their concern to find a permanent fix to their database problems, telling us we must wait until after the National Reunion; National Delegate Credentials form was completed for Lt. Commander Jeff Paulk and Compatriot Erik Goepfert; and annual SCV Dues statements have been mailed out, but not many have been returned.

New business included discussing the new informational brochure created by Lt. Commander Jeff Paulk and his trip throughout Dixie; Compatriot Erik Goepfert's Confederate graves project at Park Grove Cemetery in Broken Arrow; past-Division Lt. Commander Kevin Easterling's transfer to a Mississippi Division Camp; the highlights (and lowlights) of the July/August issue of *Confederate Veteran* magazine; and the lengthy discussion of how our Camp delegates should vote on the proposed amendments at the National Reunion. Due to the many proposed amendments being brought up at the National Convention, there was little time left after Annoucements and Events to

discuss Confederate ideology and news to share topics. Lt. Commander Paulk read from his list on how he's been pushing back against the false narrative; Kirk Lyons of the Southern Legal Resource Center is still using legal means in his fight to get the Reconciliation Monument put back in Arlington National Cemetery; Some students and teachers leaving after school board restored Confederate school names in Virginia; and the Virginia NAACP is now suing the school board for reinstating Confederate school names.

Good food and fellowship preceded our August meeting. After our Invocation / blessing of the food, noon meal, and reading of Our Charge, we reviewed the July meeting and presented our Adjutant/Treasurer's Report with 20 members in good standing.

Old business topics included HQ reporting "no progress" to find a permanent fix to their database problems, citing "buried in paperwork" and lack of available help; Still awaiting annual dues from SCV dues statements that were mailed out in June; We enjoyed a lengthy discussion about Lt. Commander (and Division Commander) Jeff Paulk's trip to the National Reunion in North Charleston, South Carolina.

New business covered the following topics:
Communication Lists for ATM Division clarification ~
follow up email from ATM John McCammon; internet and phone system were hacked at HQ on August 7 with the FBI investigating. Due to our lengthy discussion about the National Reunion, there wasn't much time left to discuss Confederate ideology and news to share after Announcements and Events, although Commander Ward did share some nasty emails he received from a disturbed young adult in Norman who was a Confederate "hater", who later apologized for being rude. Commander Ward used this as a perfect example of how our youth are being brainwashed in our government indoctrination centers (public schools and universities) to hate our people, our culture, and our country.

Our September meeting found us a couple members short, as Lt. Commander (and Camp Chaplain) Jeff Paulk and guest member Pastor Charles Jennings attended the Chaplain's Conference at Elm Springs. After our Invocation and blessing of the food, noon meal, and reading of Our Charge, we reviewed the August meeting and presented our Adjutant/Treasurer's Report with 18 members in good standing, down 2 members as a result of 3 members not paying their annual dues (despite several reminders to do so), but elated to have past-Lawton Camp Commander and Graves Registrar Jerry Patrick transfer his membership to our Camp. We welcome SCV Life Member Patrick into our Camp and look forward to communicating with him.

In old business we discussed how HQ is again reporting "slow progress" to processing anything due to lack of help; how the 21st Century Confederate Heroes program goes biblical; and HQ to offer Commander/Adjutant training in September.

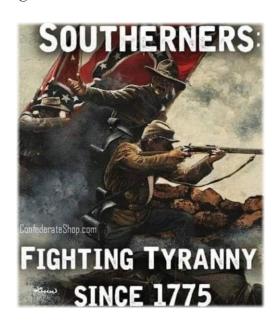
New business topics included discussing the news of Tulsa Camp Commander Joseph Teal returning to Louisiana and resigning his office over to Bryce Hill; the 130th Annual National Reunion will be held in Houston (not Houton), TX 17-20 July 2025; and the discussing the highlights of the September/October issue of *Confederate Veteran* magazine which included letters to the editor from Oklahoma Division Commander Jeff Paulk (page 6) and from Holdenville Camp Commander Garry Solomon (page 52). Well done, gentlemen!

After Annoucements and Events, we began our Confederate ideology and news to share by asking attendees, "What's on your mind? What are YOU doing? How have YOU pushed back?" Commander Ward read from a list supplied by Lt. Commander Jeff Paulk on how he's been pushing back against the false narrative: H.K. Edgerton report on his attendance at the Heritage Fair in Graham Country, NC; Six groups weigh in on removed Arlington Monument litigation in a Southern Legal Resource Group press release; Gen. Lafayette McLaws in Savannah and what he fought for; some nice writing from Aristides Monteiro, Confederate surgeon; the core truth concerning Southern Reconstruction; Debts and Liabilities of the Southern States after the War and after Reconstruction; and an excerpt of a letter to U.S. President Abraham Lincoln confirming official reports that there were "Armed and Uniformed" Black "negro" Confederates engaging federal troops.

As always, the meeting was closed with a Benediction.

Until next time, KEEP PUSHING BACK!

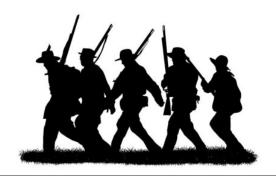
God Save the Southland,
- Steve Ward, Commander
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Friend of the SCV John Nelkorn displays his Southern pride by flying a Confederate windsock (above) and displaying a custom-built wood Confederate flag on his property. Camp 2310 is fortunate to have John participate and be a part of their activities during Camp meetings.





Captain James J. McAlester Camp 775 – McAlester, OK CSA

Commander Patrick Self of the unreconstructed **Capt. James J. McAlester Camp 775** submitted the following report and photographs of the Camp's activities (with the help of Adjutant Steve Ward) for the Third Quarter of 2024:

For the July meeting, Camp 775 members met at the Great Balls of Fire Bowling Alley in McAlester. Eight members were in attendance. Guests included past-Oklahoma Division Commander Allen Harrison, Mrs. Christine Clark, Tamela Clark, and Shelly Clark Nelson. Following the Call to Order, attending members were thanked for their faithful attendance and our guests were introduced.

At this meeting, in our tradition of WE REMEMBER, we honored Ronald Harold Clark who passed from this life on the 1st of July 2019 at the age of 78. Ron served 20 years in the U.S. Army, retiring as First Sergeant with the famed Screaming Eagles of the 101st Airborne. He served 2 tours of duty in Vietnam where he distinguished himself earning a Bronze Star with Valor and 3 (!) Purple Hearts among numerous other awards. Following his military career, Ron was with the Oklahoma Security Commission from where he retired in 1996 as Director of Training. He was a 32nd degree Mason, a member of Military Order of the Purple Heart, VFW, Disabled American Veterans, and the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Ron and his wife, Christine, were married in 1982 and were happily married for 37 years at the time of his passing. At this meeting, we proudly displayed the flag of the 31st Texas Cavalry in honor of both Ron and his ancestor. This particular flag was hand stitched with care and love by Mrs. Christine Clark and now belongs in the Camp 775 archives. (Photo by Patrick Self)



It was a great honor for Camp 775 to have Mrs. Christine Clark (center) and daughters Tamela Clark (left) and Shelly Clark Nelson (right) attend our July meeting. We expressed our deep thanks for their attendance and extended a welcome to attend whenever they can.

Chaplain/Quartermaster Bret Hinds presented our meeting to the Lord and we then gave the Salute to the Confederate Flag. Lt. Commander Bently Couch read the SCV Charge which was followed by a review of last months meeting. The Adjutant/Treasurer Report, prepared by our Adjutant Steve Ward, was presented by Lt. Commander Bently Couch. Our membership remains at 26.

In old business, C/Q Bret Hinds reported on several new additions to the Camp Library. Bret also informed us that the Perryville Battlefield Monument Fund was up \$20 for a total of \$1666.

Under new business, Yearly SCV membership renewal was discussed. All members present had already returned their renewals. We are hoping for 100% retention and hope that none of our 26 members have lost the zeal and dedication to maintain active membership. In today's society, it is difficult, if not impossible, to keep from "offending" someone, sometime, somewhere. But, remember, our ancestors were right! Also, just because you're offended, doesn't mean you're right! Reminders were sent to those who have not yet returned their renewal.

The July/August Confederate Veteran magazine was discussed with emphasis given to items pertaining to the Oklahoma Division and Camp 775. Report on the disbursement of Ron Clark's Confederate memorabilia was given. Attendees at the 16 September 2023 meeting were allowed to select one item each from Ron's collection to make their own. Following, the September meeting, remaining articles were offered for sale at three McAlester gun shows and the annual Oklahoma Division Convention. This is the result of Mrs. Clark donating Ron's collection to our Camp. Camp 775 is deeply appreciative of her thoughtful and generous donation. Members who were present at the September 2023 meeting now also have in their possession a perpetual reminder of our Compatriot, Ronald Harold Clark.

As a small token of our appreciation, Mrs. Clark was called forward and presented with 2 framed photos. One of Camp members holding their selected items at the September 2023 meeting. The second of Camp 775 members at a McAlester gun show with Ron's Confederate memorabilia displayed for sale. We can not adequately express our gratitude and thanks to Mrs. Clark for this very generous donation. McAlester Camp 775 was fortunate to have had Ron Clark join with us. He will not be forgotten.



(Photo by Patrick Self)



Our scheduled program presenter, Adam Lynn, was unable to attend. Lt. Commander Bently Couch (above) stood in with short notice and gave an interesting, informative presentation on the "Lost Cause".

C/Q Bret Hinds gave the Benediction and members then enjoyed a meal and fellowship. A finer group of men has not been assembled. Thank you for your dedicated attendance!

Despite a rainy start to the day, members of McAlester Camp 775 met at our usual time and place for our August meeting. Ten members and guests Susie Fowler and Oklahoma Division Commander Jeff Paulk were in attendance. We were pleased that Vic Fowler was recovered enough from his recent back surgery to be in attendance. Vic reports that his recovery is progressing slowly and that his back muscles need "retraining" from the years of walking stooped over. The Camp wishes Vic a full recovery, even if it seems slow. After CQ Bret Hinds gave the Invocation, we remained standing for the Salute to the Confederate Flag. Lt. Commander Bently Couch read the SCV Charge. We reviewed last months meeting and pointed out that the highlight of that meeting was the remembrance of our Compatriot Ronald Clark. We were honored to have had Mrs. Christine Clark and daughters Tamela and Shelly in attendance to represent Ron. I'm sure Ron would have been pleased.

Lt. Commander Bently Couch read the Adjutant/Treasurer Report that was prepared by Camp Adjutant Steve Ward. The Camp membership remaining at 26. C/Q Bret Hinds reported there were no new additions to the Library and that the Perryville Battlefield Monument Fund remains at \$1666.

Compatriot Billy Gates led a discussion on establishing a Benevolent Fund for the Camp to have to assist members experiencing financial difficulties with annual dues collection. After polling attendees, it was unanimously decided to establish a separate fund (from our Treasury) to be used for member aid in maintaining membership. The Benevolent Fund will hold \$50-\$60 and will be held by the Camp Commander until needed.

Adjutant Steve Ward reported that McAlester Camp 775 had achieved 100% membership retention for the coming year. This is quite an achievement and Camp members are to be congratulated on attaining that goal. By reaching 100% retention, our 26 members have each demonstrated a loyal and unwavering desire to honor their Confederate ancestors(s) and to acknowledge, respect, and honor the REASONS they fought. Thank each of you men for that commitment!

We discussed the publishing of the 2nd quarter Division newsletter. Steve Ward has taken on the task of being the Editor of *The Oklahoma Vindicator* newsletter - a time-consuming task. Please keep Steve in your prayers as he has (willingly) accepted yet another task.

(Photo by Patrick Self)



Oklahoma Division Commander Jeff Paulk (above) was given the floor to review the National SCV Reunion. The most important thing reported was that the proposed amendment to increase the National dues by \$20 had been soundly defeated. Commander Paulk also informed us that he had initiated a new "essay contest" challenge for students of high school age. Essays must be 3000 words or less and focus on why the War Between the States was fought (NOT to defend slavery!), why secession is legal, atrocities against Southern civilians, failures of Reconstruction, and/or what act LEGALLY ended slavery in America. The idea behind this contest is to get more young people armed with the truth about the War Between the States.....and not just the Yankee version. First place will receive \$300, second place \$200, and third place \$100. The prize money has been donated by a private party and will not be taken from the Division Treasury. If you know, or have, youngsters 13 years of age or older, and desire more information, contact Commander Paulk or myself.





C/Q Bret Hinds (above) gave the program on the Battle of Perryville. As our current Camp project is to replace the damaged Perryville Battlefield Monument, it was good to learn a few more details about the Battle. Great presentation Bret! Meeting closed with the Benediction, followed by noon dinner and fellowship.

Our September meeting had Camp 775 Compatriots gathered at our usual time and place. In attendance were ten Camp members and no guests. Following the Invocation by Chaplain/Quartermaster Bret Hinds and the Salute to the Confederate Flag, Lt. Commander Bently Couch read the SCV Charge. The August meeting was reviewed. The Adjutant/Treasurer Report, prepared by Adjutant Steve Ward, was presented by Lt. Commander Bently Couch. We remain at 26 members and are one of three Oklahoma Division Camps to date who have retained 100% membership.

Old business discussions included C/Q Bret Hinds reporting on 2 new additions to our Library. One book titled *Shiloh*, the second, *Illinois in the Civil War*. Bret also informed us that the Perryville Battlefield Monument Fund now has \$1686, up \$20 from last Report. The 2 recruiting brochures (*Slavery* and *Yankee Atrocities*) have arrived. We shared the purchase expenses with the Shawnee Camp resulting in each Camp getting 500 copies of each brochure.

During new business we discussed the letters to the editor from Oklahoma Division Commander Jeff Paulk and Holdenville Camp Commander Garry Solomon published in the Sept/Oct *Confederate Veteran* magazine. 2024-2025 SCV Membership cards were distributed. Members not attending today's meeting will receive their card via U.S. Mail.

Members in attendance were each given a gold-toned CSA lapel/hat pin in appreciation of their faithful attendance and support of Camp activities. C/Q Bret Hinds was called

forward. In honor of his willingness to accept/perform the duties of Camp Chaplain, the Camp presented him with a black cap, with "CS", a "Cross", and the word "Chaplain" embroidered in gold thread.

Members decided to have a recruiting table at the upcoming 12 October ALLTEX Gun Show. Chris Loyd, David Nix, Vic Fowler, Bret Hinds, and Patrick Self will man the table.

Members were informed of a Southern Cross of Honor Dedication Ceremony sponsored by the Tulsa UDC Chapter that will be held 28 Sept at Fame Cemetery in McIntosh County at 11am. Col. Daniel McIntosh will be the recipient. Several Camp 775 members will try to attend.

(Photo by Patrick Self)



The program on Jefferson Davis was presented by Chris Loyd (above). Chris, as usual, gave an interesting and informative thumbnail review of the life of Jefferson Davis with emphasis on the reasons that he was/could not be charged with treason.

Following the Benediction by C/Q Bret Hinds, Compatriots enjoyed a meal together while sharing in Confederate fellowship.

TRUTH CRUSHED TO EARTH IS TRUTH STILL AND LIKE A SEED WILL RISE AGAIN.

- Jefferson Davis -

Take pride in your Confederate ancestry!

Patrick Self, Commander Captain James J. McAlester Camp 775 Sons of Confederate Veterans



Col. Daniel N. McIntosh Camp 1378 – Tulsa, OK CSA

Camp Historian and Newsletter Editor Ken Cook of the **Col. Daniel N. McIntosh Camp 1378** submitted the following report and photos for the Third Quarter of 2024:

Oklahoma Division Lt. Commander Michael Leddy delivering his address during Camp McIntosh's Awards Luncheon August 17.



Tulsa Camp Commander Joseph Teal (left) presenting the Camp's Past-Commander Clint Anderson an award for his service as Commander.



Tulsa Camp Commander Joseph Teal (left) presenting the Camp's Past-Commander Deryk Newberry an award for his service as Commander.



Shecoe's Chickasaw Battalion (Mounted Volunteers)

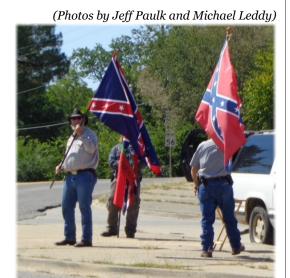
Camp 2331 • Ada, OK CSA

UNRECONSTRUCTED **The Gray Riders** Camp 2340 • Holdenville, OK CSA

Ada and Holdenville Camps had a pretty good Summer! Both Camps, along with Ladies of the OCR and their children participated in the Calvin 4th of July Independence Parade and Celebration. After the parade we set up an SCV recruiting booth and sold merchandise there. The next weekend in McLoud the same active group participated in the Blackberry Festival Parade; the Shawnee Camp was there as well. On 23 July The Gray Riders participated in a joint meeting at the Shecoe's Chickasaw Battalion location. In August, Ada Camp Commander Michael Leddy spoke at the Tulsa Camp award ceremony, with Holdenville Camp Commander Garry Solomon in attendance. Ada Camp welcomes two new members - J.R. Head and his son Willie James Head. On 20 August The Gray Riders monthly meeting was conducted, with discussion of which events/activities to participate in the next quarter. On 08 September in Wewoka we hosted a flag rally. (See photos) Division Commander Jeff Paulk, members of the Broken Arrow Camp, Ladies of the OCR and children participated as well. All in all it was a positive reception with few negative responses. 20-21 September we were at the Murray County Antique Tractor Association Fall Festival and Show. We had an SCV recruiting table there with many positive responses and sold Confederate merchandise to support our camps. That went very well and we'll be there next year! 28 September we participated in the Southern Cross of Honor Dedication for Col. Daniel N. McIntosh hosted by Tulsa's Sarah Watie Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Division Commander Jeff Paulk, Division Lt. Commander Michael Leddy, and Holdenville Camp Commander Garry Solomon spoke at the event, with others from both camps attending the event. Division Lt. Commander Leddy was also in Confederate uniform participating in the Color Guard. The Ladies of the Order of the Confederate Rose were there as well with State Chapter President Britne Leddy saying a few words. It's been a good quarter and we're looking forward to another one to end the year!











Pvt. Grayson and Brewer Camp 2118 – Altus, OK CSA

Commander Bob Findley of the **Pvt. Grayson and Brewer Camp 2118** submitted the following report and photos for the Third Quarter of 2024:

On August 31st my camp was in the Elk City Rodeo parade once again. We had an okay turnout and were well received by the crowd as always. New this year was my "Dixie" horn on the truck which the crowd really liked. Had two of my members and Mechanized Cavalry brothers on the float.





(Photos by Bob Findley)







Col. Tandy Walker Camp 2207 – Shawnee, OK CSA



Allen Harrison holds his Dixie Club Award received from Commander James Bohrer.



Adjutant Bobby Colwell Jr. (R) receives an award as David Netterville looks on.



Dr. George Andrews receives his award from Commander James Bohrer.



Lee Luker proudly displays his award received from Commander James Bohrer.

Past-Commander Allen Harrison of the **Col. Tandy Walker Camp 2207** submitted the following reports and photos for the Third Quarter of 2024:

Camp 2207 convened its 7th meeting of the year with invocation, salute and reading of the Charge. In attendance were 11 members and 4 guests. Reports were given on the McLoud, OK Blackberry Festival and the Shawnee Tractor Show. Camp 2207 was well received by the local folks on both events. An excellent program was presented by Adjutant Bobby Colwell Jr. on the USS Indianapolis in WWII. He had a close relative who survived the war. Discussion was held on upcoming Parades in Harrah, OK and Tecumseh, OK in September.

Our August meeting was held at our regular restaurant, Van's Pig Stand, 3815 N.
Harrison St., Shawnee. Meeting started at 6:30 pm with the salute to the Battle flag and reading of the Charge. We had 13 members and 7 guests in attendance. The program was given by Division Commander Jeff Paulk. Discussion was held on upcoming gun shows and a review of the National Reunion in Charleston, SC. National Awards Certificates were presented to members.

We had 13 members and 2 guests in attendance at our September camp meeting. A report was given on the Harrah Parade and there weren't any negative comments from the crowd. In fact many older people stood up and clapped, honoring our float which is a War Between the States 6 pound cannon belonging to our Camp Commander James Bohrer. The float was adorned with 6 Battle Flags, including Tribal. The crowd in Tecumseh was equally welcoming. After the parade a gentleman from Wanette, Ok invited us to their Flag Day celebration on June 6, 2025. He also asked if we would fire the cannon at the event. Commander Bohrer said "absolutely". Commander Bohrer gave a great presentation on "The Miller Brothers who founded The 101 Ranch". George Washington Miller served in the Confederate States Army.



David Netterville (L) receives an award from Commander James Bohrer.



Dr. Warren Boles, Camp Chaplain (L) receives an award from Commander Bohrer.



Lt. Commander Ron Gwynn (L) receives an award from Commander James Bohrer.



Commander James Bohrer discusses the Miller Brothers who founded The 101 Ranch.

Southern Cross of Honor Dedication for Col. Daniel N. McIntosh Fame Cemetery McIntosh County, OK Saturday, 28 September 2024

(Photo by Carl Fallen)



Tulsa UDC Sarah Watie Chapter President Sandy Downing (left) addresses the attendees as Mistress of Ceremonies Ruth Faulkner looks on.

(Photo by Patrick Self)



Speakers from the Oklahoma Division SCV included Division Commander Jeff Paulk (above) and Tulsa Camp Adjutant Steven Johnson (below).

(Photo by Carl Fallen)



On a hot, sunny Saturday, 28 September, Tulsa's Sarah Watie Chapter #2579 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy led by Chapter President Sandy Downing and Mistress of Ceremonies Ruth Faulkner hosted a Southern Cross of Honor Dedication for Colonel Daniel N. McIntosh CSA at his grave site in Fame Cemetery. McIntosh County. Turnout for the event was good. Speakers from the Oklahoma Division SCV included Division Commander Jeff Paulk, Division Lt. Commander Michael Leddy, Holdenville Camp Commander Garry Solomon, and Tulsa Camp Adjutant Steven Johnson. SCV members from the Tulsa Camp. Broken Arrow Camp, McAlester Camp, Ada Camp, Holdenville Camp and Ladies of the OCR were in attendance. Division Lt. Commander Michael Leddy, David Nix, and Gary Holly volunteered to be part of the Honor Guard. A huge thanks to all who attended and participated in making this event a success.

(Photo by Carl Fallen)



Honor Guard and Oklahoma SCV members group photo.

(Photo by Carl Fallen)



Honor Guard, Ladies of the OCR, Oklahoma UDC and SCV members group photo (above). Col. Daniel N. McIntosh's Southern Cross of Honor (below). (Photo by Carl Fallen)



From the Desk of Steve Ward

Oklahoma Division Adjutant steve@rebelokie.com

Hard to believe another quarter has flown by. Yet here we are in the last quarter of 2024 facing the biggest question mark about out future.

I don't have much to offer in the way of Camp/Division news, but compared to last quarter that could be a good thing. Our Division still has 18 Camps in good standing with one Camp not in good standing for lack of Division dues payment. Our Division Roster shows 262 members in good standing at the time of this writing (down from 331 before the start of the annual dues collection cycle), but that number changes weekly as IHQ processes dues mailed in from Camps. Which is why I urge all Camp Adjutants to become familiar with paying National dues online through the SCV's online membership portal. Paying dues in this manner will immediately keep the members in good standing, an email receipt will be generated and sent, your Camp roster stays current, and it takes the burden off IHQ doing it. If you'd like to learn more about paying National dues online, contact Eric Previti, the National Membership Coordinator at HQ. He sends out a monthly reminder to all SCV members with a valid email address encouraging Commanders and Adjutants to take his Commander / Adjutant training class. If you are a returning Commander or Adjutant, you are welcome to attend as well. In this 2hour online class you will learn about a lot of the responsibilities and how-to's of the job you were elected to do. If you are a Commander or Adjutant, or Treasurer who pays the camp dues, you are eligible for this class. To sign up, send an email to membership@scv.org. In the email, include your name, member number, camp name and office held. If you don't include your member number and office held, you wont be admitted.

We bid farewell to Tulsa Camp Commander Joseph Teal, who has chosen to move back to Louisiana to tend to the care of his ailing mother. We appreciate Commander Teal's efforts while being an Oklahoma Division member, and we applaud his decision to put family first and wish him and his family all the best. It is my understanding that the Tulsa Camp is now in the capable hands of Bryce Hill, who is also our Judge Advocate and Chief of Heritage Operations for the Oklahoma Division.

We had slightly better response for Camp articles and photos since the last newsletter. It takes all camps to make this newsletter a success. My sincere appreciation to those who submitted something for this newlsletter. A Bronx cheer and bouquet of weeds to those who didn't.

We have all seen the devastation that hurricanes Helene and Milton recently unleashed on our beloved Southland. I join our Division Commander Paulk in urging you to donate whatever you can afford to a reputable charity so that we can bring peace and order back into the lives of those who were affected. This is a perfect example of "We the People" taking care of "We the People." Don't expect our tyrannical government to do it. They are no longer hiding their intentions and could care less of your existence. Our Confederate ancestors faced the same tyrannical government who had no problem using lethal force to subjugate us.

Speaking of our heroic Confederate ancestors, we need to support our Southland financially as much as possible. The first step is to STOP BUYING PRODUCTS MADE IN CHINA. Doesn't matter what it is - tools, electronics, clothing, furniture, etc - just stop. That means getting in the habit of reading labels - on everything. If it says, "Made in China", don't buy it. There will be a few must-have things whereby you cannot find an alternative. But many times you CAN find items you're looking for made in other countries, like items made in the USA. They're out there; you just have to make an effort to look for them. If you're dealing with American-made items, take it a step further and see if you can find SOUTHERN-made items instead. The grocery store is an excellent place to find Southernmade items instead of Northern-made items you may currently be using. Do this in every aspect of your life. You'll be surprised how many Southern-made goods and services are available.

Last but not least, we need to be prepared for what's coming. Lay in a supply of food, water, medicine and ammo. Go ahead...call me a conspiracy theorist, but our enemies will do whatever it takes to keep their people in power and our country a disgrace. This is not a surprise to those scant few Camps who discuss current events as they relate back to our Southern history. Contrary to popular belief, our Confederate ancestors would not want us sitting around rehashing details of the War to Prevent Southern Independence while government tyranny runs rampant and we spiral headfirst into communism. They would want us active in saving our Southern lands and heritage from total ruin. That means standing strong and pushing back. Us true Southerners have a history of pushing back. It's what our Confederate ancestors did. Will someone tell me why far too many of us are apathetic to what is occuring right in front of our eyes?

God Save the Southland...and the SCV,

- Steve Ward



The Confederate Voice

Support the SLRC!

WE FILE REPLY BRIEF IN MOTION TO FORCE WOKE ARMY LEADERSHIP TO **RETAIN MEMORIAL**

We were able to file our Reply brief this week after the Army responded to our Motion to prevent the Army from illegally giving the remains of the Reconciliation Memorial to Virginia!

Our Motion to prevent this illegal atrocity was filed by me the DAY before the Hurricane hit Western North Carolina. The Army filed their response last week, completely leaving out of their brief any mention of their legal responsibility to inform consulting parties of their plan to amend their "Programmatic Agreement with Virginia - and make the gift without any further (required) process to the consulting parties (which includes a host of organizations including SLRC and Save Southern Heritage Florida).

From the Reply: In the Opposition Brief, Defendants claim they complied with the Section 106 process by posting a notice on the Arlington Cemetery website. However, the advertised review process was deficient as it only encompassed "how to" remove the memorial but not "whether or not to remove it" or "what will happen to the Memorial after it is removed?" The Defendants violated the NHPA and infringed upon the rights of beneficial parties by amending the Programmatic Agreement to eliminate the mandatory Section 106 notice and review process, as the Army had agreed to do in the district court. Further, by amending the Programmatic Agreement and eliminating the required disposition review, any opportunity for any other disposition option, such as to another state, consulting party, or other entity, was foreclosed, contrary to Law.

Despite losing phone, power and internet in North Carolina and Florida, Lunelle and David McCallister and myself were able to finish the Reply Brief and get it filed Wednesday - a miracle in itself! We will let you know when the court of appeals rule on our Motion!

The Army must respond to our Appeal Brief by 30 OCT our Reply Brief will be due after the Election - I hope everyone fastens their seat belt for the roller coaster ride that will be! We have had power since last week, but phone and internet remain spotty - its a come and go situation. Water is only available for toilet flushing and we may be without house potable water for a month or more. I'm trying to get house damage assessed which includes flooded basement, damaged roof, driveway washed out and 3 100-year-old oak trees that must come down - soon! "Get in line Bub," is heard quite a bit.

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE SUPPORT LAST WEEK! PLEASE KEEP IT UP - between Arlington and recovering from the Hurricane - YOUR DONATION IS OUR SURVIVAL!

- Kirk Lyons

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PS: Keep western North Carolina in your prayers - visited a dear friend in the hospital today - survived his house being mudslided down a mountain - back broke in seven places both lungs punctured and most of his ribs broken - but he is still with us! A miracle!

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Donald Wayne Clark

21 August 1936 - 13 June 2024

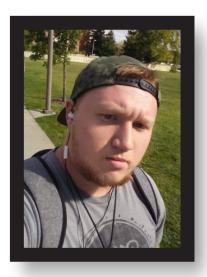


Donald Wayne Clark, age 87, passed away Thursday, 13 June 2024 in Oklahoma City. He was born 21 August 1936 in Elgin, Oklahoma to James Wayne and Clara Ella Elizabeth (Ahlwardt) Clark. Don was the oldest of 5 children and learned the value of hard work early in life. He graduated from Davenport High School in 1955 and would soon meet Peggy Rachel Melton, whom he married on 10 December 1956 in Chandler. After 10 years of marriage, they expanded their family with the adoption of their son, Eric, and 7 months later, welcomed their son Brian. Don was in the Army Reserves for 6 years and he attended Oklahoma State Tech in Okmulgee where he studied to become a diesel mechanic. Don worked a full 40 years as a diesel mechanic with various companies including Detroit Diesel, Equip Service, and United Engines. Don was an avid reader and storyteller. He enjoyed being a part of Civil War reenactments and fired the cannon to start off the Yukon Czech Festival for many years. Don was a devoted Christian and lived his life to serve others. He was humble, kind, sweet, funny, dependable, and loved his family unconditionally. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Charles Harlan Clark; and nephew, Charles "Chip" Harlan Clark, Jr. He is survived by his wife of 67 1/2 years, Peggy Clark; sons and daughter-in-law, Eric Clark and Brian and Lori Clark; grandson, Nathan Clark; sisters and brothers-in-law, Sharon and Lee Cashat, Shirley and James McGavock; brother, James Frederick Clark; as well a host of nieces, nephews, other family, and friends.

Donald was a member of the Brig. Gen. Albert Pike Camp 1367 of El Reno.

Eric Hoffman Willoughby

18 June 2000 - 13 July 2024



Eric Hoffman Willoughby, 24, of Lawton passed away on Saturday, 13 July 2024 in Lawton.

Eric was born on 18 June 2000 in Portsmouth, Virginia to Windle Eric Willoughby and Stephanie (Hoffman) Kuszmaul. As a toddler, the family moved to Lawton where he grew up and attended school, graduating from MacArthur High School in 2018. While in high school, Eric played football, baseball, and tennis. He worked for Oklahoma Department of Transportation as an heavy equipment operator. Eric enjoyed robotics and computers.

He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Stephanie and Erin Kuszmaul, of Lawton; his son, Oden Willoughby; his grandparents, Amy and Authur Hoffman, of Lawton, OK; his aunts and uncles, Tara Hoffman, and Andy and Mark Frailey; his cousins, Noah, Eli, and Millie Frailey; and numerous other loving family members and friends.

Eric was a member of the Pvt. W.D. Chain Camp 2253 of Cooperton.

Richard Allan LeBert

15 December 1954 - 20 September 2024



Richard Allan LeBert, 69, of Centerville, Texas, passed away on 20 September 2024. He was born on 15 December 1954, to Raymon Roy LeBert and Thelma (Perry) LeBert in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

Richard was preceded in death by both of his parents; brother, Bobby LeBert; and sisters, Nancy Albarado and Lovisa LeBert. He is survived by his life partner, Mary Lee; children, Dustin Mann, Desira Evans, Candance Roth, and Faith Gregg, as well as their families; six grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Richard loved to travel and ride motorcycles.

He was a member of the Indian Territory Camp 892 in Poteau.