

# The Louisiana True Delta

Newsletter of the Louisiana Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans Fourth Quarter – October 2018

## **Division Reunion Information Inside!**



Compatriots:

Our Fall Assembly and DEC meeting on September 22 at Fort Randolph SHS in Pineville was productive and well attended, with 56 compatriots representing 19 camps. Those of you who attended, were able to engage with DEC members during the Division Executive Council meeting. Our CIC, Paul Gramling, gave an encouraging update on the status of our SCV Confederate Museum at Elm Springs. He also explained how each division is being asked to submit a division flag to be flown in the museum. A poll of members on hand reached a consensus (unanimous) for the LA Republic Flag.

Our Chief of Heritage Operations, Donnie Kennedy, presented the National Heritage Initiative, asking all members and camps to join the Confederate Legion. I ask all who are able to join the Legion and make Louisiana proud!

Sanders Camp Commander Steve Alvarez documented procedures being developed for our giant flag pole program, and his work on an idea of his about a potential new First Responders Medal. Much thanks to NE Brigade Commander Brian McClure and others who gave presentations, as well as the Stafford and Liddell camps for lunch and especially SW Brigade Commander Randy Chenevert for coordinating.

SCV entries in parades in Farmerville and Marthaville were well supported. One upcoming (the West Baton Rouge Parade of Veterans in Port Allen) will again have an SCV Confederate marching entry. The event will start at 1:30 sharp with a Washington Artillery opening shot, the Sunday (Nov. 4) before Veterans Day.

Various other worthy events will be held statewide through the end of the 2018.

The Mechanized Cavalry has their big Ninth Annual Gator Run on October 5 thru 7 [Always the first weekend] at Lake Bistineau State Park. Support the Liddell Camp at the Fort Beauregard Confederate Museum Display dedication, inside the Catahoula Parish Courthouse, Harrisonburg on October 26.

State historic sites are again holding Halloween programs. Mansfield SHS will have their Annual "Ghosts of the Past" on the Battlefield on Saturday October 27, and Port Hudson SHS will offer: "Thy Soldier Brave is Sleeping" - a presentation on burial practices, on Sunday October 28.

Join Beauregard 130 at Camp Parapet Living History in Jefferson, LA on Nov. 3 (only time it is open). The Camp Moore Annual Re-enactment is always held the weekend before Thanksgiving, this year on the weekend of November 17-18.

Various camps and brigades are planning their Lee-Jackson Banquets in January (see elsewhere in this LTD edition). And it is not too early to make your plans for attending the 2019 Division Reunion, Metairie (Note: It's NOT in Orleans Parish).

Thank you for allowing me to serve our great division.

Deo Vindice, Randy Jarreau, Commander Louisiana Division





God Save the South!

Kevin Adkins Lt. Elijah H. Ward Camp #1971 1st Lt. Commander Louisiana Division Sons of Confederate Veterans

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Compatriots of the Louisiana Division,

It was wonderful to see all of you fill the meeting room at Ft. Randolph/Ft. Buhlow! The sight of SCV compatriots participating in our Division event while standing in the museum my belief that our heritage is alive and well. I wish to thank the management of this great facility for hosting our annual event for the last few years.

The SCV Mechanized Cavalry continues to increase its presence at Division events. Help promote the SCV by promoting the Mech. Cav. to your friends and family. I look forward to seeing you again soon!



Gentlemen of the Louisiana Division,

As I sit and write to y'all I cannot help to think of all the people I have met and will meet by being a part of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Be it parades, conventions, ceremonies, or banquets, etc.; everlasting friendships are made every time I attend an S.C.V. function. I encourage all to be an active part of our organization and enjoy for yourself what the S.C.V. has to offer. January will soon be

upon us; and with that our Lee-Jackson Banquets, with at least three scheduled three weeks in a row with one in between. From north to south Mardi Gras parades will roll in February, and our State and National Conventions are on the horizon. Commander-In-Chief Paul Gramling Jr.'s "Southern Victory Plan" campaign has been launched in order to "Make Dixie Great Again ! ". There is ample opportunity for each and every one of us to Forward The Colors and show our pride and Heritage for all to see. In closing, thanks to all who attended our Fall Assembly, see you for sure at State Convention in May.

George D. Gremillion 2nd Lt. Commander, Louisiana Division <u>gdg4scv@yahoo.com</u>



# **Ride With Pride !!**

If you are a member of the Louisiana Division Sons of Confederate Veterans and eligible to register your vehicle in Louisiana, you can show your support for the SCV by purchasing a specialty Louisiana SCV license plate. Ask your Camp Commander to help you get started. You can obtain an application form from the Louisiana Division website or by clicking the following link: www.lascv.com/files/aff.pdf





But I say unto you, love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you. Matthew 5:44

The Importance of Forgiveness

At our recent Fall Assembly; I was able to briefly touch on the topic of forgiveness. Several compatriots approached me afterwards with words of encouragement on my devotional. I felt lead to expound on the reasons we must practice forgiveness.

My human nature sees no reason to forgive these liberal progressives (Pinheads) who unlawfully or by questionable "lawful" means are tearing at the fiber of our heritage and beliefs. I fully believe they are enemies of God; therefore, they are my enemies. Also, my human nature wants to see immediate justice and judgment meted out in any form or fashion God deems.

But I am a follower of Christ. I do my best to emulate Him, to follow His ways and to present myself as one who is as Christ-like as I can be. It is one of the most difficult things I, a natural man, can do. It is only through the power of the Holy Spirit and prayer can I even come close.

God sent his only son, Jesus, as a sacrifice to die a most hideous death upon that cross. Jesus was God in human form, 100% Man, 100% God. He had the power to call down thousands of angels in his defense and did not. There were seven sayings from the cross that fateful day. In his agony, Jesus cried out, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do". Jesus Christ FORGAVE his executioners, he FORGAVE those who cheered his crucifixion. And through His death, our sins were crucified on that cross with Our Lord. We are forgiven.

We must forgive because we are forgiven. Hatred, animosity and unforgiveness cannot have a hold on us because it presents a barrier to direct communication with our Heavenly Father. That direct link is infinitely more important that any negative feelings we may harbor. So, I encourage you to do a self-examination, as I frequently do, to see if you may be holding on to some unforgiveness. Regardless of to whom it may be directed, you can pray to Him who has the power to take if from you and replace it with peace and joy. Try it. God is good at His promises. HE will deal with "those people"

Deo Vindice

Donald Kimbell, Chaplain

### WELCOME TO THE LOUISIANA DIVISION!!!

Wayne Allen Cook, Jr. – Col. Charles D. Dreux Camp 110 – New Orleans Joseph Penn Childress – Col. Charles D. Dreux Camp 110 – New Orleans Bradley John Hill, Sr. – Col. Charles D. Dreux Camp 110 – New Orleans
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### "Ghosts of the Past" Halloween Event at Mansfield State Historic Site

Greetings All,

Our 25th annual **"Ghosts of the Past" Nighttime Battlefield Tours** will be held Saturday night, **October 27**, from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. We look forward to seeing and working with all of you again this year.

As you hear me say each year, your participation and support of this event makes a difference and helps us to continue to operate. We are so very appreciative of our volunteer support without which we could not conduct the program. To that end, we are hoping for a strong reenactor turn-out this year so that we can continue to offer "Ghosts of the Past" to the public. So please help us keep it going by taking part in this year's program!

Here are some important details:

- On the evening of the event (Oct. 27), we plan to serve pizza and drinks for all <u>participants</u> at **5:00 pm**. Please help us have enough by limiting the food to participants only, that is, those who are actually taking part in the scenes. I would love to feed friends and family who are not participating, but we are limited and appreciate your help in this area.
- After the meal, a meeting of **anyone and everyone taking part in the scenes** will be held at **5:30 pm.** If you plan to take part as a reenactor in the scenes, you need to make every effort to be at the park by 5:30 for this meeting. This will include our usual walk-through of the trail and scene assignments. If you can't make it by 5:30 because of work, etc., don't worry- we'll find a spot for you so come on.
- As some scenes involve lying on the ground, a wool or gum blanket may come in handy so bring one if you have it. Also, please bring your candle lantern as your scene may need it. This is also for simple safety while maneuvering along and about the trail-- the woods get quite dark once the sun sets.

Thanks everyone. We look forward to another great event and to seeing you all on October 27th!

Scott Dearman Park Manager Mansfield State Historic Site <u>mansfield@crt.la.gov</u> 318-872-1474









### LOUISIANA DIVISION 2019 REUNION REGISTRATION MAY 17-19, 2019 METAIRIE, LOUISIANA

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## Jefferson Historical Society of Louisiana Camp Parapet Day

CAMP PARAPET DEFENCES OF NEW ORLEANS

#### Saturday, November 3, 2018 Gates open at 9 am for Exhibitors 10 am – 3 pm for Public Admission is Free

Originally, Fort Morgan was a massive Confederate fortification in Jefferson Parish on the Mississippi River built to defend the City of New Orleans from Federal assault. After capture by Federal forces and renamed Camp Parapet, the fortification was expanded to defend against retaliatory Confederate assault. All that remains today is one of its powder magazines.

During this once-a-year event, go inside the powder magazine and imagine soldier conversations that were spoken within its walls. Be part of flag raising ceremonies representing the progression of the War. Meet and visit with Civil War reenactors. View displays of weapons, clothing and artifacts, while being entertained by vintage musicians and dancers. Relive life in the Camp through letters from soldiers. See a highly detailed diorama, with soldiers and artillery figures, of the Camp as it appeared during the War. Enjoy lunch on the grounds.

Exhibitors attending include Louisiana Lt. Governor's Office of Tourism, National Park Service, Jefferson Historical Society, Destrehan Plantation, Camp Moore Museum, Beauvior, Audubon Historic Site/Oakley House, and other historic organizations and sites.

Located off of S. Causeway Blvd. between Jefferson Highway and River Road in Old Jefferson (Metairie). Free parking in the median of S. Causeway Blvd. Entrance is located at the dead end of Arlington Street.

## Where Confederate and Union Soldiers Trod



### **CAMP PARAPET DAY OPEN HOUSE**



10:00AM GATES OPEN TO PUBLIC 10:15AM **RAISING OF THE LOUISIANA SECESSION FLAG** LA VICTOIRE EST À NOUS MUSIC: 11:00AM **RAISING OF THE LOUISIANA REPUBLIC FLAG** MUSIC: LA MARSEILLAISE 12:00PM **RAISING OF THE BONNIE BLUE FLAG** MUSIC: **BONNIE BLUE FLAG** 1:00PM RAISING OF THE 1<sup>st</sup> NATIONAL FLAG OF THE CONFEDERACY MUSIC: DIXIE 2:00PM RAISING OF THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MUSIC: HAIL COLUMBIA THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER

3:00PM GATES CLOSE TO PUBLIC

THROUGHOUT THE DAY, VISITORS WILL BE ENTERTAINED BY PROFESSIONAL PERIOD MUSICIANS AND DANCERS. ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN IN AND LEARN HOW TO DANCE LIKE YOUR GREAT, GREAT GRANDPARENTS.

THERE WILL BE NUMEROUS EXHIBITS ON SITE INCLUDING LETTERS FROM SOLDIERS AT CAMP PARAPET, NATIONAL AND STATE PARK SERVICE DISPLAYS, PERIOD CLOTHING AND WEAPONS DISPLAYS, FLAGS OF THE CIVIL WAR, DETAILED DIORAMA OF CAMP PARAPET, LOUISIANA OFFICE OF TOURISM, AND HISTORIC SITES FROM AROUND THE STATE. FOOD AND BEVERAGES WILL BE AVAILABLE.



You are cordially invited to join us for our annual gathering to celebrate the birthdays of our Southern Heroes, Generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas J. Jackson.

Host: Brigadier General/War Governor Henry Watkins Allen Camp 133 **Sons of Confederate Veterans Baton Rouge, Louisiana** Co-host: C.S.S. Arkansas Military Order of the Stars & Bars Chapter 21

Date: Saturday January 19, 2019

Time: 6:00 pm Sign-in ~ 6:30 pm Program Start

Place: Bergeron's Cajun Meats Restaurant, 760 Lobdell Highway (Hwy 415), Port Allen, Louisiana

Cost: \$30.00 (RSVP REQUIRED by Monday 1/14/19 – After that date, contact Randy to assure we can accommodate you. NOTE: You MUST indicate entree AND dessert selection, as we must notify restaurant beforehand.)

### **Program: "Lee's Tigers Revisited"**

### Keynote Speaker: Terry Jones (ULM professor emeritus of history, author, and historian)

With the release of his latest book, "Lee's Tigers - Revisited, The Louisiana Infantry in the Army of Northern Virginia" (2017, LSU Press), "Civil" War Scholar Terry Jones dramatically revised and expanded his 1987 acclaimed history of the famed Louisiana unit. The Tigers consisted of approximately 12,000 Louisiana infantrymen. Sometimes derided as the "wharf rats from New Orleans" and the "lowest scrappings of the Mississippi," the Louisiana Tigers earned a reputation for being drunken and riotous in camp, but courageous and dependable on the battlefield. To honor them, LSU adopted the Tiger nickname for its football team at the turn of the 20th century, and the Louisiana National Guard's 256th Infantry Brigade is known today as the Tiger Brigade. Join us for a great talk, buy a book or two & get Dr. Jones' autograph.

He is the author or editor of 8 books, incl.: "Lee's Tigers" (1987), "Louisiana in the Civil War: Essays for the Sesquicentennial" (2015); "Historical Dictionary of the Civil War - Vol 1 & 2" (2002), "Campbell Brown's Civil War – With Ewell & the Army of Northern VA" (2001), and "The Civil War Memoirs of Captain William J. Sevmour – Reminiscences of a LA Tiger" (1991)

Dr. Terry Jones, a native of Winn Parish, served ULM for 25 years as a professor in the History program. He retired in 2016. He earned his Ph.D. in history from Texas A&M University. Jones has contributed greatly to the study of Civil War History in Louisiana. The original "Lee's Tigers" (1983) was a History Book Club selection and won the General L. Kemper Williams Prize, an award that recognizes the best book published on LA History each year. In 2014, he was awarded the Dr. Arthur W. Bergeron, Jr. Award by Civil War Round Table of Central LA.

\*\*\*\*\* MEAL CHOICE \*\*\*\*\*

Choice of one entree: > 1) BBO Brisket, 2) Baked Chicken, 3) Baked Catfish The following (or a savory substitution) comes with each entree selection: Green Salad (with house dressing), Twice Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Iced Tea or Soft Drinks **Dessert Selection (Choice of Pecan Pie or Bread Pudding)** 

An RSVP is REQUIRED, with CHOICE of both ENTREE & DESSERT, and should be RECEIVED by Monday January 14, 2019. (After that day, we can still probably accommodate you but please verify availability with Randy.) For RSVP & questions, email Randy Jarreau: rgyro@yahoo.com or call 225-933-4694.

Submit payment of \$30 per person, payable to: Allen SCV Camp #133

Mail payment to: Clay Ainsworth, Camp Adjutant, 2036 Marsden Place West, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

[Again, please also email Randy with the meal selection (entrée AND dessert).]

Please join us on Saturday, January 12, 2019, to celebrate the birthdays of our beloved Confederate Generals Robert E. Lee (January 19th, 1807) & Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson (January 21st, 1824); the 158th Anniversary of the Secession of Louisiana; and the 18th Birthday of the Brig. Gen. J.J. Alfred A. Mouton Camp.

Special Quest Speaker : SCV Commander-In-Chief Paul Gramling Jr.

Doors open @ 5:00 p.m. w/ supper being served @ 6:00 p.m.

Menu : your choice

Grilled chicken breast, (seasoned or unseasoned); grilled vegetables, twice baked potatoes;

or Hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, grilled vegetables.

Both choices include a salad and bread pudding with Rum Sauce.

Cost: \$12.00 per person.

Please RSVP with your meal choice no later than 01/09/2019.

George D. Gremillion, Commander, 423 N. Cane St. Opelousas, LA. 70570.

Questions: call (337)-351-5746 or e-mail gdg4scv@yahoo.com.

Payment in cash or check only can be made at the door however you are still asked to RSVP.

VFW hall is located at 1223 Liberty St., Opelousas, LA. Directions: Hwy 190 westbound, 6th red light, turn right, 2nd block on left ; Hwy 190 eastbound, 3rd red light, turn left, 3rd block on left.

Note: cokes, tea, and water are complimentary, it will be a BYOB event, and there will be Door Prizes !!!

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### The Louisiana Division needs your help!

The Division Executive Council recently approved the purchase of twelve 35 foot tall flag poles. These were acquired at a significant savings versus the cost of new poles. Our intent is to place these poles at various locations across the state.

Here is where we need help. The poles are presently being stored at a secure location in the Metairie area. We are in need of a means to transport the poles to installation sites to be determined.

We also need advice on the size footing that will be needed to mount the poles in the ground. They have a 4 hole flat base that we have the schematic for, but need recommendations on the base size and design, amount of concrete needed, etc.

If you, or someone you know can help with this project, please contact Division Commander Randy Jarreau at <u>rgyro@yahoo.com</u> or 225-933-4694.

# The Last Roll

**Clarence H. Bonin, Jr.** Gen. Louis Hebert Camp 2032 Lafayette



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