



The Louisiana True Delta

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OUR HERITAGE IS UNDER ATTACK!!



Compatriots,

It has been a hard few weeks for our Confederate Cause. Because of the act of one misguided individual a firestorm of hatred has been unleashed upon the flags and monuments of our beloved Southland. Crazyness has reached heights previously unheard of but considered to be appropriate by those who would erase an honorable history.

As many of you know there have been calls to remove Confederate statues in New Orleans and Shreveport. Although there isn't enough room here to explain to you the steps that have been taken to counteract these acts of aggression I will say that legal means are being explored and we won't go down without a struggle.

The Division Executive Council has taken the step to finance a mail out concerning the state issued Sons of Confederate Veterans license plate. This issue will be brought up in the next legislative session so now is the time to act. Please apply for and install an SCV license plate on your vehicle. As we have all said, numbers count and if we do not have a decent number of license plates on the road they might not consider us a large enough force to worry about. The DEC also decided to send a donation to Heritage Defense because we know that it is going to be needed. I encourage you to donate also because there will be legal battles coming up and those won't be cheap.

There have been many interviews given to newspapers, radio stations, and to television by the members of this Division. There will be more before the mass hysteria calms down. I hope that if you are contacted to give an interview that you consider the talking points put out by our GEC and sent to you through the Tiger Courier. In dealing with the press please keep your emotions in check even though this is an emotional issue. The important thing is to deal with fact. If you can't back up what you are saying with genuine evidence then don't say it. There is plenty of information to prove our Cause is just without manufacturing evidence.

I hope that many of you are out there talking to people and telling our side of the story concerning our history and heritage. It is important that the public and the media see that we aren't afraid to talk and we won't go away. Remember that you are descended from some of the greatest warriors that the world has ever known. The men who created a nation and a military and who marched into battle in a matter of months against the most powerful army on the planet were your ancestors. Think about that. They created a nation and fought in mere months against a juggernaut who never have believed what would happen at Manassas. We owe those men our best to defend their honor and to keep their good name alive. These men were heroes, not traitors. They believed in constitutional government and they fought for you and me to keep it. Do not let them down. Make your voices heard in a manner of which your ancestor would be proud. I'm proud of you.

Keep up the good fight,

Thomas E. Taylor

Commander ~ Louisiana Division



1st Lt. Commander's Report

The War for Southern Heritage

"In adversity, there is opportunity"

Gentlemen, there is indeed a war going on. The battle lines have been drawn and we seem to be pressed from all sides. We did not ask for this fight. We did nothing to deserve the attacks on our culture. But is it there and we must take the fight to the detractors.

It is not the same kind of war our ancestors fought. It is much different. Our weapons are social media, flag displays and education, etc. As usual, we are outnumbered. That is nothing new.

I am convinced that if we are diligent and we seize the opportunities before us, we will be victorious. Applications for new membership are flooding in. I encourage Brigade and Camp Commanders to not tarry in processing these applications and filling our camps. There is no reason that we cannot significantly increase our membership. If the current trend continues we may have over 500 new members by the end of the year. Let us not lose men because of our negligence. These men are fired up and want to get involved. Many are young men, which is exactly what we need. Seize the opportunity!!

Regarding social media, if your camp is not on Facebook or other social media, get on board. Not only will this improve communication within the camps and the division, but information can reach non-members. Southern Citizens need to know how to fight this war. They expect us, as Sons of Confederate Veterans, to provide leadership and coordination. Communication is our best ally. Get Facebook friends involved. Spread the truth about our Southern Heritage. They will, in turn will share with their friends. Many camps are already taking advantage of social media. It is one of the best weapons we have in our arsenal.

Report bona fide heritage violations so that they may be dealt with properly. Get involved. Let your legislators know how you feel but always conduct yourselves as the Southern Gentlemen that you are.

"Those People" expect us to take what is being shoved down our throats. We will not back down. Stand defiant! Your ancestors did. Make them proud!

Donald Kimbell
1st Lt. Commander



Recognize this pin? This is the original Louisiana Division Pin that many of us own (original is about this size). If you are a new member you may not have one of these as they have long been sold out. If there is enough interest in this pin, the Division may order more. If you are interested in obtaining one of these, please email the Louisiana True Delta editor at latruedelta@comcast.net and tell him "I want an original Louisiana Division pin!"



2nd Lt. Commander's Report

Symbols of Hate



Symbols are used to represent a group or an idea. They can be political, religious or military. Unfortunately, their meaning can be changed from its original intent. The best example is the swastika. For 12,000 years, the swastika was used by cultures from the Ukraine to North America. It meant "Well Being", "Good Luck" and "Peace". P.R. Sarkar, a Sanskrit scholar, said that its deeper meaning is "Permanent Victory". Perhaps that is why Adolf Hitler chose it for the symbol of his Nazi Party. However, that choice changed the meaning in most of the world, because Hitler's ideology was the annihilation of the Jewish race. Now, it is equated with hate.

Our Southern Cross Flag has also been high jacked by the KKK and individuals who want to make racist statements and incite hatred. It was originally just simply a "Battle Flag" and then adopted as a representation of the thousands that fought bravely even in defeat! For this we must remain vigilant in our pursuit of the truth!!!!

The 120th Reunion

The 120th Annual Reunion of the Sons of Confederate Veterans in Richmond, Virginia is now history!!! The LA Division was well represented, considering the distance and not being an election year. We had 16 members in attendance representing 8 camps.

We also brought home our share of the awards. Our Division had 8 Distinguished Service Awards, 5 Meritorious Service Awards, 3 Commendation Awards and 2 Dixie Club Awards. **Special Congratulations** to Chuck Rand for receiving the Special Achievement Award and Paul Grambling for the Leadership Award. The Gen. Richard Taylor Camp received the Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest Award for the camp with the greatest gain in membership (51) and I received the Edward L. Darling Award for top recruiter (72) in the Confederation.

Of note—the Army of Trans-Mississippi also received the award for the army with the most new camps.

J. C. Hanna
2nd Lt. Commander



Louisiana Division Guardian Program

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Chaplain's Comments



Hello once again to you my friends and fellow Compatriots. I know this will come out after the National Reunion so I hope those who went had a great time. I hope to make it back to one sometime in the future. Below is this times Chaplains Corner and I hope it brings a blessing to you. It is taken from an email I received, some time back, from one of our fellow Division Compatriots, and I thought it very thought provoking. I hope you find it the same. Have you ever wondered just how great a God we serve? Well read the below information and just see how wonderful HE is. Most of this I had never even thought of or realized.

How Great is our God!!! Our Creator and Redeemer . . . and do we THINK about it ???

God's accuracy may be observed in the hatching of eggs. . . .For example: the eggs of the potato bug hatch in 7 days; those of the canary in 14 days; -those of the barnyard hen in 21 days; The eggs of ducks and geese hatch in 28 days; those of the mallard in 35 days; the eggs of the parrot and the ostrich hatch in 42 days.

(Notice, they are all divisible by seven, the number of days in a week!)

God's wisdom is seen in the making of an elephant.

The four legs of this great beast all bend forward in the same direction. No other quadruped is so made. God planned that this animal would have a huge body, too large to live on two legs. For this reason He gave it

four fulcrums so that it can rise from the ground easily.

The horse rises from the ground on its two front legs first. A cow rises from the ground with its two hind legs first. How wise the Lord is in all His works of creation!

God's wisdom is revealed in His arrangement of sections and segments, as well as in the number of grains.

- Each watermelon has an even number of stripes on the rind.
- Each orange has an even number of segments.
- Each ear of corn has an even number of rows.
- Each stalk of wheat has an even number of grains.
- Every bunch of bananas has on its lowest row an even number of bananas, and each row decreases by one, so that one row has an even number and the next row an odd number.
- The waves of the sea roll in on shore twenty-six to the minute in all kinds of weather.
- All grains are found in even numbers on the stalks, and the Lord specified thirty fold, sixty fold, and a hundred fold all even numbers.

God has caused the flowers to blossom at certain specified times during the day. Linnaeus, the great botanist, once said that if he had a conservatory containing the right kind of soil, moisture and temperature, he could tell the time of day or night by the flowers that were open and those that were closed!

The lives of each of you may be ordered by the Lord in a beautiful way for His glory, if you will only entrust Him with your life. If you try to regulate your own life, it will only be a mess and a failure. Only the One Who made the brain and the heart can successfully guide them to a profitable end.

The Bible

When you carry the Bible, Satan has a headache, when you open it, he collapses, when he sees you reading it, he loses his strength, AND when you stand on the Word of God, Satan can't hurt you!

I hope you enjoyed reading the above information and learned a little bit that you did not already know.

May the Lord Bless You and Keep you, May HIS face shine down upon you.....
Blessed be the name of the Lord!

For Christ and the Southern Cause Always!

Troy Chandler

LA Division Chaplain, SCV



WELCOME TO THE LOUISIANA DIVISION!!!

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Questionnaire for Fall Assembly 2015

1. Did you attend the 2014 Fall Assembly? _____

2. Do you plan to attend the 2015 Fall Assembly? _____

3. What would you like to see at the 2015 Fall Assembly?

4. Do you have any suggestions to improve your Louisiana Division?

5. Are there problems you feel need to be addressed?

Please send your questionnaire to:
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Serious answers only, please.



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We are up to 4,324 likes!

(This is up from 1,722 last quarter!)

To all Civil War enthusiasts:

The Jefferson Historical Society and Museum is hosting the 4th Annual Civil War Symposium on Saturday, August 15, 2015 at the Jefferson Transportation and Visitor Center, 305 East Austin Street, Jefferson, Texas. Costs are \$60.00 for the seminar with lunch (\$35.00 for students); and, \$25.00 for a special speakers reception, Friday evening.

This year's topics will include:

Donald S. Frazier, Ph.D., "Blood on the Bayou: Vicksburg, Port Hudson and the Trans-Mississippi."

Thomas W. Cutrer, Ph.D., "Braver Men Never Lived," (Walker's Texas "Greyhound" Division).

Christopher L. Stacey, Ph.D., Confederate free market system and relief of the poor in New Orleans.

Frederick R. Adolphus, "The Equine Factor: Harnessing Horse Power for Southern Logistics."

In addition to the speakers, the symposium offers vendors merchandise, historical artifact exhibits, and a catered lunch. The town of Jefferson offers fine dining, numerous bed and breakfast lodging opportunities, a large museum, several historical attractions in the immediate vicinity, and a 1920s-era walking district filled with interesting shops, antiques, bars, coffee houses and good restaurants.

The informational flyer, press release and registration are attached as pdf files. For those who have been to the symposium before, we know we will see you again. For those who haven't made it out yet, it is something you do not want to miss, and once you come, you will be back every year thereafter!

Looking forward to seeing y'all there,
Fred Adolphus

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H. L. Hunley JROTC Awards sponsored by the various camps of the Louisiana Division

Henry Watkins Allen Camp #133 ~ Baton Rouge

Bolton HS Air Force JROTC ~ Cadet First Lieutenant Christian T. Slocum
Riverdale HS Air Force JROTC ~ Cadet Airman Destiny David
West Feliciana HS Navy JROTC ~ Cadet Petty Officer First Class Janet R. Kelly
Buckeye HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet Captain Charles Charrier
Peabody Magnet Army JROTC ~ Cadet First Sergeant Ken'Travius Coleman
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Hahnville HS Air Force JROTC ~ Cadet Philip Adams
L. W. Higgins HS Air Force JROTC ~ Cadet First Lieutenant Jadia Washington
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Belaire HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet Captain Alexis Henderson
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Glen Oaks High Army JROTC ~ Cadet First Lieutenant Charmaine Smith
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South Lafourche HS Army JROTC Cadet ~ First Lieutenant Kenneth J. Gordon
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Bossier HS Air Force JROTC ~ Cadet Master Sergeant Travis Goad
North Caddo Magnet Army JROTC ~ Cadet Staff Sergeant Nathanael D. Batongbakal
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Capt. James Bryan Camp #1390 ~ Lake Charles

Washington-Marion Magnet Army JROTC ~ Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Darrius Simon

Capt. Thomas O. Benton Camp #1444 ~ Monroe

Rayville HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet First Lieutenant Levon Wilson
Warren Central HS Navy JROTC ~ Cadet Lieutenant Taylor Ballard
West Ouachita HS Navy JROTC ~ Cadet Lieutenant Tyler Bounds

Col. Samuel Russell Camp #1617 ~ Natchitoches

Natchitoches-Central HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet Staff Sergeant Makayla Cox
Lakeview HS Air Force JROTC ~ Cadet Second Lieutenant Shayla Christopher
Red River HS Air Force JROTC ~ Cadet Senior Airman Valeri McClelland

Major Jesse M. Cooper Camp #1665 ~ DeRidder

South Beauregard HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet Sergeant Kaitlyn Roberts

Nathan Bedford Forrest Camp #1931 ~ Covington

Fontainebleau HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet Captain Rachael Coyne
Ponchatoula HS Marine Corps JROTC ~ Cadet Staff Sgt. Christina Gomez- Rendez
Kentwood HS Army Cadet Corps ~ Cadet Ricasha Cohn

General Harry Hays Camp #2019 ~ Baton Rouge

Northeast HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet Second Lieutenant Alexis Scott

General Louis Hebert Camp #2032 ~ Lafayette

Franklin HS Army JROTC ~ Cadet Private First Class Ryan Boudreaux
Comeaux High HS Navy JROTC ~ To Be Determined

CSS Arkansas - MOSB Chapter 21 ~ Baton Rouge

NOLA Military & Maritime Academy Marine Corps JROTC ~ Cadet Alexis Nguyen

SCV Mechanized Cavalry Co. B ~ Louisiana

LaGrange HS Navy JROTC ~ Cadet Ensign Devan Bailey



Members of the Louisiana Division,

As you all must know, many things Confederate have taken some serious hits recently be they monuments, the flag, license plates or even our logo. The bad news is that I don't think it is over yet so we must do all in our power to be prepared which is the purpose of this mailing.

The Supreme Court decided that the Texas SCV had no right to a license plate and this decision, along with the hysteria about all things Confederate, could directly affect us here in Louisiana pertaining to our state issued plates. Governor Jindal has said that he was leaving that issue up to the next session of the State Legislature. At another time it came out that the issue of the license plates would be "visited" in the next legislative session. We must do what we can to try and head this off or at least try to combat it when the need arises. Currently there are over 900 members of the Louisiana Division, a number that is rising every day. Less than 200 of our members have an SCV license plate on their vehicle. This isn't a very good average when it comes down to showing an interest in keeping our plates that were fought for so hard. It would look so much better when the legislature looks at the number of SCV plates actually issued if the number was 700 or even 800 instead of less than 200, don't you think?

This mail out is to implore each eligible member of the Louisiana Division to get an SCV state issued license plate before it is too late. There is a cost involved which is according to your vehicle but this issue is worth the price paid. Please do not delay as time is short and come March it may be too late to look back and say, "I wish I had gotten one of those."

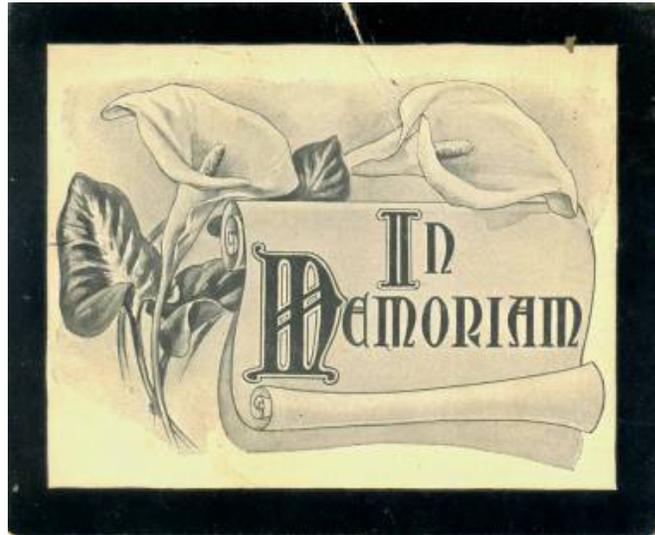
Included in this mail out is an affidavit for a license plate. You can download an application from our website, www.lascv.com. Fill it out, get a camp officer to sign it, get it notarized, and go to your local DMV. It is just that easy. You may also go to www.expresslane.org and enter your plate number, get a cost for the SCV plate and mail it in. Show your pride in your organization and be seen with an SCV state issued license plate on your vehicle. Help us have the kind of numbers that will attract the attention of lawmakers when they think about taking it away from us.

Thank you for helping us all. Thank you for being a member of our Division. Keep up the fight.

Thomas E. Taylor
Commander, Louisiana Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans

RIDE WITH PRIDE!!





Funeral Service for **Mr. Jimmy Baxter Wise, Sr.**, age 77, were held at 2:00 pm, Saturday, April 4, 2015, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel, Springhill, LA, with Bro. Mike Wilkes officiating and Bro. James Hill assisting. Interment followed in Union Springs Cemetery, Shongaloo, LA under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Visitation was held Friday evening, April 3, 2015 at the funeral home.

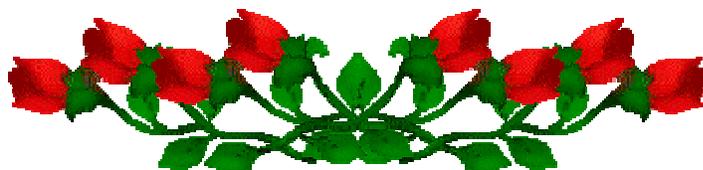
Mr. Wise a resident of Plain Dealing and a former resident of Cotton Valley was born on September 2, 1937 to Kirk Martin and Inez King Wise in Shongaloo, LA and passed away on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 in Shreveport. He was a member of Plain Dealing Baptist Church, retired from Calumet Oil Refinery, Princeton, LA after 42 years of service and was a member of the **Sons of Confederate Veterans**. He loved hunting, fishing, and being around his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his wife, Joy Smith Wise; daughter, Jackie W. Ladatto and husband, Donnie of Baker, LA; two sons, Jimmy B. Wise and wife, Lisa of West Columbia, TX, Jeffrey Wise and wife, Renea of Cotton Valley; six grandchildren, Kirk Wise, Kris Wise and wife, Olivia, Jonathan Ladatto and wife, Lisa, Jessica Gross and husband, Jonathan, Jimmy Blake Wise, Jesse Wise; four great-grandchildren, Samuel Hunter Wise, Courtney Faith Gross, Riley Hope Gross, Gavin Wise; two sisters, Rita Vann of Rome, GA, Pat Mason of Edmond, OK; and a host of other family and friends. Mr. Wise was preceded in death by his parents, wife and the mother of his children, Ruby Bounds Wise.

Pallbearers were Donnie Ladatto, Jr., Allan Rhodes, Robert Bounds, Jr., Tony Howard, Roger Pittman, and Kevin Miles. Honorary pallbearers will be Jonathan Kirk Ladatto, Jesse Wise, Blake Wise, Kristopher Wise and Alan Kirk Wise.

The family wishes to express a sincere thank you to Dr. Royal Becker and staff of Willis Knighton Bossier for their compassionate care.

Compatriot Wise was a member of Brig. Gen. T. M. Scott Camp #1604.





Olan "Buddo" Bunch, 95, passed away Thursday, January 22, 2015 at a local hospital. Mr. Bunch was a lifelong resident and a member of New Hope Baptist Church. He served in the US Air Force for 5 years and 3 months during World War II. He received the first 4 year degree awarded at McNeese in 1952 in Animal Husbandry BS. Mr. Bunch also attended LSU. He was a Coordinator and Shift Foreman for WR Grace for over 30 years. He was in the **Sons of the Confederate Veterans**, belonged to the American Legion and also the NRA. He was a charter member of New Hope Baptist Church and taught Sunday School in the young people's class. He also loved gardening. Survivors include his sons, Jerry Bunch and wife Carolyn, Clayton Bunch and wife Kathy all of Vinton; daughters, Cheryl Doshier and husband Ron of Gillis,

Beth Koop and husband Steve of DeQuincy; brothers, Myron Bunch and wife Polly of Sulphur and Gene Bunch and wife Betty of Houston; 11 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, John & Salina Bunch; his wife Merle Marie Marcantel Bunch; sisters, Mildred Walker and Ola Mae Dietz, and brothers, Nolan Bunch and Earl Bunch.

His funeral service was 2:00pm Sunday, January 25, 2015 in New Hope Baptist Church, the Rev. Roland Hebert and Rev. Jerry Chaddick officiating. Burial was in Masonic Cemetery. Visitation was Saturday, January 24, from 5:00pm until 8:00pm and resume on Sunday at 1:00pm until service time in the church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to New Hope Baptist Church Building Fund.

Compatriot Bunch was a member of Capt. James W. Bryan Camp #1390



Benjamin Joshua Lyons, Jr, 91, died Saturday, March 21, 2015, in a local care center.

Ben was a native of DeQuincy and had been a resident of Sulphur for most of his adult life. He was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran and was a member of the American Legion Post #179, the **Sons of the Confederate Veterans**, and the Sulphur Masonic Lodge #424. He had been a member of First Baptist Church of Sulphur where he was an active member of the Agin' Cajuns. He retired from Citgo after over 35 years of service. Ben enjoyed fishing, whistling, and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his son, the Rev. Benjamin J. Lyons, III and wife, Donna Marie of Vinton; three grandchildren, Kristina Hershberger and husband, Brett, June McBride and husband, Rich, and Allen "Jake" Lyons and wife, Briana; great-grandchildren, Adam, Marley, Dylan,

Aubrey, Kaylee, and Jacob; step-children, Charlotte Daspit, James Grogan Jr, Jeffrey Grogan, Ronald Grogan, Elizabeth McKinney, and Richard Grogan; and numerous nieces, nephews, step-grandchildren, and step-great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his spouses, Mamie D. Wooten Lyons and Ruth McDonald Grogan Lyons; three children, Albert Lyons, Mary Catherine Lyons, and an infant son; and siblings, Beatrice Pharis Banken, Marguerite LeDoux, and Lucille Floyd. His funeral was at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 25, 2015, in First Baptist Church of Sulphur. The Rev. Dr. Andy Buckley officiated. Burial will be in Perkins Cemetery in DeQuincy under the direction of Hixson-Sulphur Memorial Funeral Home. Visitation is from 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home and from 9 a.m. until the time of service Wednesday in the church.

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