

SCV *Gray Line*

News from International Headquarters

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Information contained in the *Gray Line* is for use by all members. Commanders are encouraged to copy those items which directly affect their membership into their camp newsletters, or to include the *Gray Line* in its entirety as a part of your newsletters. Communication throughout the organization is very important and the *Gray Line* offers us a means to provide members with the most up-to-date information on many different topics.

SCV Membership

SCV Membership which includes 3,017 Life Members and 77 Real Sons, peaked at 36,194 in late 2004 prior to the most recent dues submission cut off date when 5,973 members were dropped from the rolls. Please do your part to encourage these men to reinstate now while the SCV experience is fresh in their minds. If you would like a mailing list of your camp's recently departed members, please request it by contacting your appropriate army secretary.

Personnel Change of Army Secretary- please note email address changes as well

The IHQ is pleased to report that Jodie Stinson has been hired State of TN Department of Parks and Recreation as a Park Ranger which will enable her to use her Wildlife Management degree from Tennessee Tech University. Jodie has been an exemplary employee and will be greatly missed, and the SCV wishes her much success in her new career. The new ATM secretary, who will also handle the Georgia Division, is Stephanie Bible who will begin work the week of February 14, 2005. Deanna Nay continues to provide services to the Army of Tennessee, less Georgia, and Nikki Thornton for the Army of Northern Virginia. Their email addresses have changed to ATMdesk@scv.org; AOTdesk@scv.org; and ANVdesk@scv.org. The telephone extensions remain ATM- 203; AOT-202 and ANV- 204.

Telephones

Please use the member toll free line (800) 380-1896 or (800) MY DIXIE whenever calling the IHQ for normal business. (800) MY SOUTH has been redesigned to be our recruiting line as it is featured on the recruiting coins and literature. This line rolls over to an answering service whenever the staff is unable to answer it quickly as well in the evenings and on weekends. The SCV has to pay the answering service for each call answered, so please reserve this line for RECRUITING. You are asked to not call the IHQ from pay telephones because Bell South notified the SCV that any calls to one of our toll free 800 numbers, made from a pay telephone, will contain a surcharge of \$0.65.

Does your Camp have to file a tax return?

Camps and divisions that have subordinate tax identification numbers under the SCV umbrella Group Exemption Number (GEN) 8500 may be receiving booklets from the IRS entitled 2004 Returns for Organizations Exempt from Income Tax. Please be advised that camps and divisions DO NOT have to file a 990 tax return unless their revenues for the fiscal year (August 1 through July 31st) exceeded \$25,000 for the fiscal year.

Are Your Dues Current?

Compatriots who are dues current are shown as status 2004 on camp rosters are paid through July 31, 2005 plus the three month grace period that ends on October 31, 2005. Camps are encouraged to explain the dues year situation to current, prospective and new members to ensure there is no misunderstanding about the time period covered by dues and when men are required to be pay dues again.

Elms Springs Repairs

The General Executive Council in October 2004 approved a new copper roof for the remainder of the adjoining buildings at Elm Springs which is the board room/McCain Library and the Merchandising Section in the back. The plaster repair work on inside walls has been completed and a final few rooms will receive fresh paint by the time spring begins. The membership, families and guests are invited to visit Elm Springs which is about 40 miles south of Nashville, 9 miles west of I 65 just off TN Route 50 next to the bowling alley.

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Gray Line

The Gray Line is only being sent out by internet! Any member may receive the Gray Line; however, please be sure that your Army secretary has the current email addresses for your Camp Commander and Adjutant. If the neither the Camp Commander nor Adjutant has an email address, please furnish an alternate email address to the IHQ. Please send any additions to the Gray Line email list to exedir@scv.org.

Confederate Veteran Magazine

The publication of the Confederate Veteran magazine continues to be behind schedule by the cover date shown on the issue. The November December 2004 edition is in the postal system now and members have already begun to receive them. In spite of the cover date the material is current, and an effort is being made to get the magazine back on the publication date schedule. Any photographs submitted to the Editor in Chief for publication in the camp news section should be sent electronically, if possible, to eic@scv.org or mailed directly to Frank. B. Powell III, 9701 Fonville Rd, Wake Forest NC 27587. Additionally, the GEC has approved a CV magazine subscription rate of only \$10.00 per year for libraries and schools when purchased by a SCV member or camp. Please take advantage of this unique offer to ensure your local area is exposed to our magazine.

Stand Watie Scholarship Program

Did you know that the SCV offers a one time college scholarship of \$750 to excellent students who have completed at least one year of college? This program is open to both male and female students who must be descended from a Confederate serviceman as evidenced by active membership in the SCV, UDC, or Children of the Confederacy. Please contact Scholarship Committee Chairman Charles W. Britton, 6500 NW Grand Blvd #118, Oklahoma City OK 73116, (405) 840-2755 for an application and additional information.

Future Events

Additional information is shown below concerning upcoming 2005 events: Forrest Homecoming Celebration; Sam Davis Youth Camp; and the Annual General Reunion/Convention in Nashville TN. The IHQ has a limited number of Sam Dais Youth Camp videos (135 VHS and 50 DVD). Camps interested in sponsoring a 2005 camper, may obtain a free copy on a first come first serve basis, to show at a camp meeting or to parents of prospective campers. Please contact your Army secretary or the Merchandising section to request a copy.



FORREST HOMECOMING 2005
A Southern Heritage Festival & Fundraiser for the
NATHAN BEDFORD FORREST BOYHOOD HOME

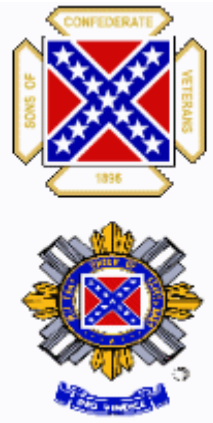
Confederate Cavalry
Infantry &
Artillery Re-enactors
Live Music, Crafts,
Storytelling,
Auction, Tours &
Historical Lectures

Sponsored by the
Army of Tennessee
Sons of Confederate
Veterans
1-800-MY DIXIE
Admission:
\$5 per person
under 12 free

SATURDAY JUNE 25TH / 9AM~5PM
PYLES RD. off Hwy 99 / between Hwy 31-A & I-65
NEAR CHAPEL HILL, TN
Info: Gene Andrews 615-833-8977
forresthome.5u.com

Silent auction and monetary donations are requested~ All funds go toward restoration of the home
SCV~ Forrest Home Fund P.O. Box 59 Columbia, TN 38402-0059

The 2005 Reunion will be held in Nashville, Tennessee's Music City Sheraton on July 18 - 23, 2005.



Preserving *the* Legacy
The 110th Reunion of the
Sons of Confederate Veterans
The 67th Reunion of the
Military Order of the Stars and Bars

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Sam Davis Youth Camp 2005
~ Mentone, Alabama ~



This summer, for one week, our Southern young men (ages 12~17) will be gathering to hear the truths about the War for Southern Independence. This year's camp will be held at the Ponderosa Bible Camp in Mentone, Alabama, atop beautiful Lookout Mountain. It will begin on Sunday, July 31st and conclude on Saturday, August 6th.

For one week, this camp (named for the great young Confederate Sam Davis) will combine fun and recreation with thoughtful instruction in Southern history, the War Between the States, the theology of the South during the War, lessons on Southern heroes, and examples of great men of the Faith.

This is the third year the Sons of Confederate Veterans has offered such a wonderful event for our sons and grandsons. I urge you to take advantage of this great opportunity. It is our responsibility to teach our Southern history and culture to the future generations. For more information, please contact:

Fred D. Taylor, Director Sam Davis Youth Camp
Email: SamDavisYouthCamp@att.net
Phone: 757~537~7495

The Sam Davis Youth Camp 2005 Registration Form

Full Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home Phone: _____

_____ EMail Address: _____ Date of Birth: (must be born on or before

August, 1993) _____ Name, Number, & Location of Sponsoring SCV Camp: _____

Important Note – If the camper is not already a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the sponsoring camp must submit a completed membership application and necessary documentation with this registration form.

Parent/Guardian With Whom Camper Lives: _____ Parent/Guardian Work or Emergency

Contact Phone Number: _____

Required Medical Information

Please attach additional information as needed. Date of Last Tetanus Booster: _____

Prescribed Medication Taken, if any: _____

Reason for Taking Medication: _____

Specific Allergies: _____

Type of Reaction: _____

Does Camper Have Asthma or Hay Fever? _____

Specific Activities to Be Restricted (Please state reason): _____

Insurance Information (Group/Plan Number & Phone Number) Please attach copy of Insurance Card:

Medical Release Form

Registration cannot be processed without the signature of the camper's parent or guardian on this release form.

In case of medical emergency, I understand every effort will be made to contact parents or guardians of campers. In the event that I cannot be reached, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Sam Davis Youth Camp to hospitalize; secure proper treatments; and order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child as named. I also understand that the Sam Davis Youth Camp reserves the right to review any information given and determine camper capability based upon that information.

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Payment Information

Payment is due when your completed application is submitted. The cost for room, board, and all activities and needed supplies is \$395.00 for each camper, and \$200.00 for each counselor. An early bird rate of \$325.00 for each camper is available if registration with payment is postmarked by May 31, 2005.

Make checks payable to The Sam Davis Youth Camp, and mail to:
Post Office Box 59, Columbia, TN, 38402. When your registration has been received and processed, you will receive a confirmation by mail, followed by details regarding camp facilities and scheduled activities. Registration Deadline: July 15, 2005