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Sons of Confederate Veterans Leadership Workshop August 25, 2012 Colorado Springs, Colorado



While it's true some people appear to be natural-born leaders, others need a bit of help to learn how to effectively manage a group. Leadership training is a type of business training that aims to help people develop the skills they need to be able to supervise those who are working with them.

The content of a leadership training class can vary widely. Some of the common topics covered in leadership training include team building, presentation skills, and motivating a group which includes people with varying personality types. Depending upon the trainer, public speaking; overcoming stage fright; and basic "sales" training may also be included under the general umbrella of leadership training.

SCV Leadership Workshops are serving the needs of leaders at all levels. Tools and techniques will help all members fulfill "The Charge." Be sure to register using the form in this edition, or via internet.



Colorado Tourism Accepts SCV Brochure!

Bob Milner and Gary Mitchell have been haunting the halls of the Tourism Board for Colorado, seeking approval to have our SCV brochures, "Confederate Gold in Colorado," placed in the major visitor centers along the interstate highway.

Oh and One Last Thing! I received an e-mail from the Colorado Board of tourism and they have approved of our Confederate gold booklet and we can now submit them to tourists and welcome centers all over the state.

This is a great accomplishment! And could lead to even greater things in the near future. The Confederacy is still alive folks! And it is living here in Colorado!

Thanks for your kind attention, your obedient servant,
Bob.



SCV National Leadership Workshop

As we process through the challenging years of the Sesquicentennial, leadership training has become even more important to the defense of our Southern heritage. In an effort to insure that our members better understand the challenges of leadership roles and to aid our leaders in acquiring the knowledge to better perform their duties, the SCV has scheduled a Summer National Leadership Workshop.

This year's event will be held August 25, 2012 at the Holiday Inn Express, 1855 Aeroplaza Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80916. It will be hosted by the Colorado Division. A tentative schedule for the day is posted below along with registration and lodging information.

Please note that this event will include relevant presentations and individual workshops for more specialized training for Commanders and Adjutants; however, ALL members are invited to attend!

8:00 - 8:15 Welcome & SCV Protocol Div. Cmdr.
Patrick Gerity

8:15 - 8:30 Introductions & Overview Lt. CIC Charles
Kelly Barrow

8:30 - 9:15 Commanders & Command CIC R.
Michael Givens

9:15 - 9:30 BREAK

9:30 - 10:15 Adjutants & Administration AIC

10:15 - 10:30 BREAK

10:30 - 11:15 Recruiting & Retention Lt. CIC Charles
Kelly Barrow

11:15 - 12:30 DINNER

12:45 - 1:30 Heritage Defense Chief of Heritage
Defense

1:30 - 1:45 BREAK

1:45 - 2:30 Commander's & Adjutant's Workshops
CIC, Lt. CIC & AIC

2:30 - 2:45 Concluding Remarks & Discussion Lt.
CIC Charles Kelly Barrow

Benediction

Registration, which includes lunch, is only \$10 each and will be handled through our General Headquarters at Elm Springs. You may mail a reservation with a check or call 1 (800) 380-1896 ext 209 (Cindy) or email accounting@scv.org with credit card information (MC, VISA or AMEX)

"Leadership is the capacity and will to rally men and women to a common purpose and the character which inspires confidence."

Field Marshall Montgomery, WWII Allies

Registration Sheet, SCV Leadership Conference, Colorado Springs, August 25

Name _____ Address _____

_____ Email address _____

Camp number _____ Check enclosed for \$10 () or

Credit Card (MC, VISA, or AMEX) Number _____ Expires _____

Send to: Cindy Crowe, Business Manager
Sons of Confederate Veterans
PO Box 59
Columbia, TN 38402



Adjutant's Report

Greetings,

Bob here at your friendly neighborhood camp adjutant. Coming to you semi-live from my desk at the ranch here in Littleton. Just thought I would drop a few notes on coming events for both camps 676 and the division.

First off let me apologize for not being more up to speed and communicating with everyone on a more regular basis. Things have settled down at my work since the management change and hopefully I can get back to a normal routine. Anyway enough about me, This looks like we are going to have a busy summer full of events and the opportunity to get the word out about us, our cause, and most importantly to bring in new members.

In July it will be time to start thinking about the annual dues. Please get your checks to your camp adjutant's as soon as you can. I would like to see everyone paid up early this year.

July 4 was the first Colorado event out at 4 mile historic Park. I was there with my big wall tent starting Tuesday, July 3rd and all day July 4th. This was a great opportunity to meet and greet people. The last two years I've done this I have had tons of people pass through my tent viewing my displays and taking lots of brochures. Last year was my busiest year yet. I got to talk to a lot of people about the SCV. I even managed to convince two Denver University students about what the Confederate flag really stands for. That's the part I enjoy the most.

Next is our July 10th camp meeting. 7 p.m. at the Breckenridge brewery as usual. I'm sure we will be doing final preparations for the leadership conference. We definitely would like to see as many of you there as possible because we have a lot to do and we're going to need as many volunteers as possible.

August 4th and 5th is the Highland games At Heritage Park in Highlands Ranch. This is another big opportunity to get out and meet and greet the public. And volunteers are always helpful so come on out if you can.

Next is possibly the biggest event this division has ever had. The annual SCV leadership conference. This year's event will be held August 25, 2012 at the Holiday Inn Express, 1855 Aeroplaza Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80916. It will be hosted by the Colorado Division.

Please note that this event will include relevant presentations and individual workshops for more specialized training for Commanders and Adjutants; however, ALL members are invited to attend! If you are planning on attending there is a registration form available. The fee is \$10 to attend. If you wish to stay at the hotel there is a special rate for the conference of \$99. There are also two alternate hotels across the street and \$69 and \$49.

If you wish any more information or phone numbers to make reservations please give me a call or e-mail me. Information can also be had on the SCV webpage. This event is very important and we need to show headquarters that we are a viable and strong division. Volunteers will be needed and attendance if at all possible is vital. Besides this will be a great opportunity to show off our state and to show the SCV higher ups that we are doing some great things out here. Well that's it for now. Again if you need any information on any of the coming events and would like to come out or volunteer to help. Please contact me at Milner Bob goodoldreb@comcast.net



Honor Guard Formation



At the SCV Leadership Conference in Colorado Springs, on August 25, we will begin the day by saluting our USA and CSA flags.

This time, however, we will have our honor guard bring the flags into the hall. The honor guard will also retire the flags at the end of the day's activities.

If you would like to be a part of this meaningful and important ceremony, please contact color Sergeant Gary Mitchell at jngmitchell@earthlink.net.

We have a number of flags, above and beyond the USA and CSA flags, so your commitment will determine which ones we honor.

Since about 1900, historians and the general public have assumed that 618,222 men died on both sides. That number is probably a significant undercount, however. New estimates, based on Census data, indicate that the death toll was approximately 750,000, and may have been as high as 850,000.



2012 Colorado H.L. Hunley Award

The Colorado Springs District 20 Junior ROTC Awards Ceremony was held on May 7 at Air Academy High School.

Compatriot Scott Myers presented the H.L. Hunley Award on behalf of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to Cadet Senior Airman Phelan Castellano. The award is presented to a rising second year cadet who has demonstrated the qualities of Honor, Courage and in particular Commitment to his/her unit throughout the school year. Phelan is just a terrific young man and will do the SCV proud!



Here is what the head of the JROTC Program, Col Huber sent Scott regarding Phelan:

Phelan is an outstanding young man. He is excelling academically. He is on the baseball team and has one of the highest Presidential Fitness Challenge scores out of all of our 230 cadets. He was selected to represent his 350 classmates on the Principal's Council.

He is also a "repeat request" from Student Services to allow new students to shadow him due to his outstanding character. He was one of the students I nominated to attend a Leadership Seminar at the Air Force Academy. He was also selected to be Flight Commander for his class. He is hoping to attend the Air Force Academy and serve in the military after high school.

I think you will be very impressed when you meet him.



Because of the naval theme of the award, the program was initially developed for Navy and Marine Corps JROTC Units in the state of South Carolina only. After many inquiries from the Army and Air Force the Program was expanded to not just Army and Air Force Units in South Carolina, but throughout the country. The award should go to a rising second year cadet who has demonstrated the qualities of Honor, Courage and in particular Commitment to his/her unit throughout the school year.

A Remarkable Compatriot!



Commander Gerity,

Sir! And Gentlemen of the Colorado Division,

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Ken Garrison. I am a Lifetime Member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. I am currently a member of Camp #2126 in Grand Junction, Colorado.

I am very happy to announce to you and the Colorado Division that I have located an unmarked Confederate Grave in Mesa County, and have ordered a VA Marker last week for Pvt William N Washburn of Co. I, 6TH Missouri Cavalry. Please find Muster and Census attached. Our Camp will of course hold a Dedication Ceremony when the Marker arrives and hope as many Division Camps as possible will attend.

I would also like to take this opportunity to offer a Grave Registration Form for Richard C. McCoy of Co I, 4th Missouri Cavalry. You will find the form attached along with some photos of the grave and other supporting documents. I have copied the Grave Registrar on this communication and pray that he will forward to National Headquarters after uploading to the Division website.

If I may, at this time, I would like to present to Division Commander Gerity, as a symbol of my friendship and loyalty, the unregistered Confederate grave of Pvt. Luke W. Terrill of Co. A, 5th Kentucky Cavalry who is buried in the Fairmont Cemetery in Denver in Block 82, Lot 100, Plots 2, 4 and 6 with his family. There is one stone marking them all, sir. He is yours to register and decorate at your convenience.

In closing, I would like to say that I am a long time, Lifetime Member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and I love the Confederate Soldier with all my heart and enjoy working for him every day of my life. If the opportunity ever arises, please consider me for the high honor of Commanding a Camp in the Colorado Division. If you require a reference, Mrs. Amy Ward, Secretary of the Army of Trans-Mississippi and Georgia is acquainted with my activities in the SCV.

Thank you Commander Gerity and please believe me very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

Kenneth Garrison

P.S. I do not have a computer but can be reached at this email: chris@jackanddicks.kscoxmail.com

Los Angeles Mounted Rifles, CSA

The arrival of Albert Sidney Johnston in Richmond, Virginia, in mid-September 1861, created considerable excitement. His arrival had been eagerly anticipated by his friend, Confederate President Jefferson Davis, who quickly appointed him General and assigned him to command the Confederate forces in "the West."

The story of his long journey from California, across the desert Southwest to Texas, and then on to Richmond, has become almost legendary. Most accounts of his journey mention that there were others with him - generally referred to as "Johnston's escort." They were members of a bona fide company of California Militia - the Los Angeles Mounted Rifles. As the only Free State militia unit that "went Confederate," their story is unique in itself.

On the eve of the Civil War, Los Angeles was a city of between 3,500 and 4,000 inhabitants. Its people were a mixture of Mexicans, Indians, Americans (both Southern and Northern in origin) and German Jews. There were only a few Chinese (mostly engaged in laundering) and Blacks. The houses were all one-story, built of adobe (sun-baked bricks) with thick walls and flat roofs.

From its inception, the Los Angeles Mounted Rifles had been known to be pro-Southern. Indeed, organizers Gift and Captain Ridley both in later years acknowledged that the unit's purpose was to serve the Confederacy. Initially, perhaps, there had been some hope - even a real chance - that their service would be in a seceded, or at least neutral, California. They were a definite worry to Union authorities. In April, Brigadier General Edwin V. Sumner, commander of U. S. forces in the State, wrote the War Department about conditions in California. Of Los Angeles he wrote that, "There is more danger of disaffection at this place than any other in the State. There are a number of influential men there who are decided Secessionists, and if we should have any difficulty it will commence there."

There were numerous rumors and great fears that Johnston would use his position to force California and other far western areas out of the U. S. and onto the side of the Confederacy.

Though their history as a unit was brief, the Los Angeles Mounted Rifles made an impact upon the Civil War. It is doubtful that Albert Sidney Johnston could have escaped California if the Rifles had not already been organized, vigorously led, and ready to take him along with them to the Confederacy. His arrival in the Confederacy boosted morale considerably and held portents for great things until his untimely death at Shiloh.



"The Rebels"

They call our sons "the Rebels"
because they wore soldiers' suits of butternut and gray;
but I want to set the record straight for you
before the sun goes down today.

They say they fought as traitors
to the Northern Union cause,
and that they fought for a country
that never really was.

They say so many hateful things,
so ugly and so untrue;
those Yankees have rewritten history
to suit the Union view.

It wasn't us but that "Old Abe"
who chose the course for us;
it was him that sent his soldiers South
and started all that fuss.

We only wanted in peace to live
apart from the Union tyranny,
and to carry on the way our founding fathers
always meant for things to be.

The northern states would not uphold the Constitution
or our sovereign rights defend;
they only wanted to tell us what and how to do
and then have their way again.

Then their soldiers came in their suits of Federal blue
across this sacred land of ours;
'twas only then our brave soldier sons from every town
took up the Stars and Bars.

From Old Virginia down to Florida,
and from the east coast out to the far away west,
they fought them long, they fought them well,
and they gave it their level best.

They fought to save their homes from spoil
and the ravages and destruction brought on
by Mr. Lincoln's army that came into our country,
our souls to tread hard upon.

Our soldier boys ran out of time and luck,
and out of men and ammunition too;
they could not hold them back,
all those endless hordes of Federal blue.

So many of our brave soldier lads
lay moldering beneath the sod;
gone now but not forgotten,
they sleep ever peacefully with our loving God.

They call our sons "the Rebels"
because they wore soldiers' suits of butternut and gray;
it's time we all took off our hats and shouted
to our Southern boys in unison, "Hurray, Hurray, Hurray!"



Civil War Prisons Worse than Battlefields

Editor's Note: This is an excerpt of commentary written by Jon D. Pyle of the Urquhart Gillette Camp No. 1471.

In 1864, President Abraham Lincoln and Gen. Ulysses S. Grant stopped the practice of prisoner exchange.

This forced both the North and the South to build prisons to hold the large number of war prisoners. All of these prisons were terrible, but the Southern Andersonville prison is the only one that is talked about.

The living conditions there were terrible, and the death rates were high. Because of the federal blockade, there were few resources for civilians, soldiers or prisoners in the South.

There were very few blankets, clothing, tents for housing, food or medicine even though there were repeated requests for such needs.

After the war, the commandant of Andersonville was tried, convicted and hanged for his mismanagement of the prison and the high death rate.

What most people don't hear or read about is there were three Northern prisons with worse death rates by percentage of prisoners than those at Andersonville, and the North had plenty of resources to supply the prisons.

Camp Douglas in Illinois had terrible conditions and a higher death rate than Andersonville.

Point Lookout, Md., was open for a little more than a year. It was an open stockade, meaning there were no buildings or roofed shelters for the prisoners. It had few tents, almost no blankets and very little clothing other than the rags the prisoners were wearing when they arrived.

In February 1865, hundreds froze to death. More than 3,000 died there in the few months it was open.

In Elmira, N.Y., the prisoners did have some barracks but were almost never furnished any fuel for the stoves. In the first months, prisoners with money were allowed to buy fruit and vegetables from local farmers who would come and sell through the cracks in the stockade wall.

But then word came down from Washington to stop this. Records show that when meat shipments came in, a good percentage was declared unfit and did not go to the prisoners but usually showed up in the guards' mess instead.

The Elmira prison opened July 6, 1864, and closed July 11, 1865. During that one year 12,123 Confederate prisoners entered its gates and 2,950 are still there buried in Woodlawn Cemetery. Almost 25 percent of the prisoners at Elmira died.

There is a factual book on Elmira prison called "Elmira, Death Camp of the North" by Michael Horigan.

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Now is the Time to Renew



Gentlemen,

As we approach the last two months of our fiscal year I have spent considerable time reviewing new member / reinstatement trends for this year and several years past. I am very pleased to report that the letter, mailed in mid-March of this year to several thousand members who became delinquent in December 2011, resulted in 296 reinstatements. Those previously lost Compatriots further demonstrated their commitment to our Cause by contributing \$1,725 in much needed funds to the Heritage Defense!

The addition of nearly 300 previously lost members represents an easily explained membership increase in the past two months but partially disguised some other less favorable trends that are do not vary from year to year. June and July are consistently months that are low in new member applications and strikingly low in reinstatement figures. Perhaps there is a lull in these activities since it is the last two months of the fiscal year but perhaps it is because members, both current and delinquent, do not realize that the prorated membership program is still available for those months. Dues proration can be especially useful to help the SCV recover those members, who for some unknown reason have been lost to our ranks. Please make a special effort to recover these men and the strength that they will add to our efforts by encouraging their return at the prorated dues amount of \$42.50, which will extend their membership until July 31, 2013!

Start a new trend! Continue the spike and let's return another 300 members in the next 60 days! If one letter can return 296 members imagine what letters and telephone calls from 875 Camps can do!

Deo Vindice!
Charles Kelly Barrow
Lt.Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Confederate Veterans

Marching Orders

Calendar of events and meetings of interest to Compatriots in the Colorado Division

Jul 10, 1861 Battle of Laurel Hill, W VA

Jul 10 7:00 pm **SCV Camp 676 Meeting**
Breckenridge Brew Pub and BBQ



Jul 20, 1864 Sherman battles defenders of Atlanta

Jul 13, 1862 Battle of Murfreesboro, TN

Jul 13-17, 1863 Draft riots in New York City

Jul 21, 1861 Battle of 1st Manassas

Jul 22, 1861 Congress passes resolution to whit: War is to "preserve the Union, NOT to end slavery"

Aug 10, 1861 Battle of Wilson's Creek, MO

Aug 14 6:00 p **SCV Camp 175 Meeting**
Firehouse Restaurant
Old Colorado City



Aug 21, 1863 Quantrill raids Lawrence, KS

Aug 25, 2012 Sons of Confederate Veterans Leadership Conference
Holiday Inn Express
Aeroplaza Drive
Colorado Springs, CO

Aug 29-30, 1861 Battle of 2nd Manassas

Howdy everyone,
If anyone is interested Will Rhoades has some camp items for sale. If you are interested in anything on the list please contact him or me via e-mail. Bob

I started to go though things but have been very busy so I think I will just send you this short list for now and then send future list when I can so give this list to Gary Thanks
Skillet : stamp steel with rolled handle 7inch \$10.00
Cast iron 2 qt sauce pot with lid 10.00
Cast iron Dutch oven 2 qt 10.00
William Rhoades

