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Standing up for the Truth, SCV Display near Denver



*Compatriots Bob Milner and William Rhoades answer wide-ranging questions from visitors to the SCV tent and displays at the 47th Annual Rocky Mt. Highland Games. The Scottish festival is held at Highland Heritage Park in Highlands Ranch over two days in August. With a natural connection between Scots and the South, a lot of **correct** answers were provided.*

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Colorado Division Commander

Greetings Compatriots!

As the days begin to grow shorter we know another summer is moving into the fall transition. In July, the SCV went through its bi-annual transition as well, with the election of new command staff. Michael Givens of South Carolina is our new Commander-in-Chief, and Danny Honnol of Arkansas is the new ATM Commander.

These gentlemen are ready to lead the SCV into the Sesquicentennial and meet the challenges we will surely encounter and bring great success to our noble cause. The Colorado Division will hold its fall convention in October and all Compatriots are encouraged to attend this gathering as we plan our projects and direction for the coming year.

As you all are aware the Sesquicentennial anniversary of the War Between the States begins in earnest on December 24th (the 150th anniversary of South Carolina's secession from the Union). The SCV, as a whole, has many opportunities to tell the true story of the War, to provide educational programs, and to remember our proud history in the coming five years.

I recommend everyone think about becoming a member of the SCV's Sesquicentennial Society. The membership cost of \$200 goes towards two projects. 75% of the funds go into the Confederate Museum building fund at the Elm Springs, TN Headquarters; the other 25% of the funds go into an account to be held to help the SCV finance projects for the bicentennial of the War in 50 years. This is a great way to help perpetuate the memories of our ancestors and provide a legacy for future generations.

This year so far has been very productive for the Colorado SCV. Camps are participating in multiple road clean-up programs, doing historical display programs, our annual Lee-Jackson Dinner and Confederate Memorial Day services were great successes, we've had lots of work on our internment lists, and membership is again on the rise.

With the coming 150th anniversary we have great opportunity to be more public facing, recruit, and provide continued educational programs. This is a golden opportunity for the SCV and with the help of all Colorado Compatriots we can make this a very successful time within our state and for the organization as a whole.

I thank you all for your hard work, dedication, and support of the SCV cause. I look forward to seeing you at the coming state convention and am very excited for the coming Sesquicentennial celebrations.

Confederately yours,

Patrick Gerity
Colorado Division Commander



Sesquicentennial Society

Here is how you can take part. To join it is a minimum payment of \$200. (You can give more if you wish!) You will receive a handsome SCV Sesquicentennial Society Medal and Certificate. This program will end at the close of the Sesquicentennial. You may pay all at once or you can make non-refundable installments of \$50 (you will receive the medal and certificate when paid in full).

Send a check to:

Sons of Confederate Veterans
c/o Sesquicentennial Society
P.O. Box 59
Columbia, TN 38402

Or you can call 1-800-MY-DIXIE to pay by credit card.

You may also use the on-line donation page by clicking [HERE](#)

At this time the on-line page does not have a \$200 option. You can select \$250 (donating an extra \$50) or you can donate \$100 twice. If you choose to pay by installment there is \$50 option.

Be sure to put "Sesquicentennial Society" in the box marked purpose of payment.





Greetings fellow 676 members,

Okay where did the summer go? Didn't we just do Confederate Memorial Day last week? We've had a pretty busy summer haven't we? Even though the summer is ending so quickly, we still have several logs on the fire to look after this coming September.

We start off with Potato Days up in Greeley on Saturday, September 11th at Centennial Park. We will be setting up the display at the park to help out our Greeley camp. If anyone would like to help out please let me know. I will be heading up early on Saturday morning to set up and if anyone would like to carpool up with me, they are more than welcome.

The following week on Tuesday is our camp meeting. 7 PM at the Breckenridge brewery as usual.

Then Saturday the 18th is the Civil War days in Parker. If you would like some more information on that event, feel free to e-mail me. I can send you an information flyer (goodoldreb@comcast.net). This event looks like it's going to be a lot of fun. Although not technically a SCV event I will have flyers and cards available for people.

The Colorado Division, Fall Meeting will be coming up on Saturday, October 9th from 11 to 4 and will be held again at the Dinosaur Ridge Museum on West Alameda just off of C-470. All Colorado division and Camp Officers should make special efforts to attend. However, all members are welcome to attend as well. The meeting rooms are on the second floor of the museum.

At our camp next meeting we will be finalizing the plans for



the Lee/Jackson Banquet in January. As I've mentioned before, this will be the 10th anniversary and we are making big plans for this one. We will be including a special anniversary collectible coin or pin or medal. Also commemorative beer steins will be available for the occasion. More information will be coming after our meeting in September. Looks like Landry's Seafood House restaurant has the early lead among several other locations that we are looking at.

Last but not least I want remind everyone who hasn't done so yet, that our SCV dues are to be sent to Headquarters by the end of October - at the latest. Please don't wait until the last minute and you'll be sure to avoid the late fee.

Well that's all I have for right now. Hope to see y'all at some of the upcoming events and don't forget the immortal words uttered by Gen. Grant after the battle Of Cold Harbor. "I drank what?"

Your obedient servant,
Bob



On the 4th of July, I was out at 4 Mile park in Denver and had a great time. Got to break in my new wall tent, too.

It worked really well having two doors. People were able to walk through, from front to back, which helped the flow. Everyone really liked my displays. I was busy talking to people all day.

We may have gotten some new members out of it. I certainly want to do this next year with more help.

The Yanks made a big mistake in letting me set up on the high ground because I was able to heckle them while they did their drills and stuff. That was fun. Sure got some good laughs from the crowd.



Why is Bob facing the "wrong" direction? Ask him at the meeting.

Colorado Compatriot becomes Charter Member of the Sesquicentennial Society



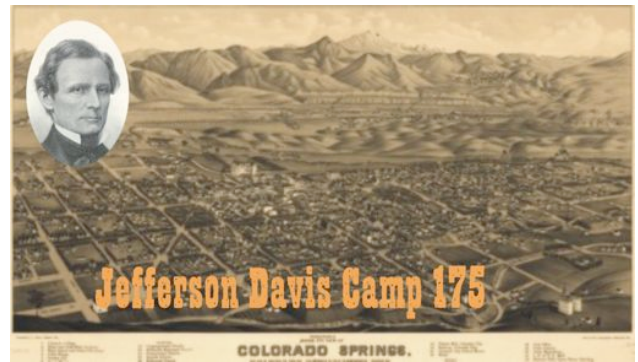
Gary Parrott, Commander of the Governor C. S. Thomas Camp No. 2126, attended the 115th Annual SCV Reunion (July 21-24, 2010) held at Anderson, South Carolina. He was one of several hundred delegates from around the Confederation in attendance during the four-day conference.

During the Reunion Commander Parrott became a charter member of the SCV-Sesquicentennial Society. Members receive a membership pin, ribbon and a beautiful certificate (refer to photo).

Additionally, during his "free time" at the Reunion, Gary was able to visit the grave sites of two of his collateral ancestors (Leacel L. Chiles and Wade H. Chiles) at the New Liberty Baptist Church Cemetery at Travelers Rest, South Carolina.

Private L. L. Chiles was a member of a South Carolina Artillery unit stationed on Sullivan Island prior to the "official" start of "The War for Southern Independence". His battery was one of the gun emplacements that shelled Fort Sumter (April 12-14, 1861).

Upon his return home, Commander Parrott is busy at work on several SCV projects. He is in the final stages of approving the applications of several new members and the presentation of several "War Service Medals".



Meeting called to order by Commander Myers

Old Business

1. Dues status: Camp is in pretty good shape as far as dues are concerned

2. Pagosa Springs interment trip update: We need to complete more research on possible graves before we schedule trip to Pagosa Springs.

3. Compatriots Robert Dobbins and Daniel Rhyne Induction: Still open

4. Grave Registration Project update: 200 Colorado Confederate Veteran Graves have been registered to date.

5. Graves Picture Project update: We have gotten 20 of the 60 needed grave photos for the first phase of the project.

New Business

Upcoming SCV Events for the year:

- Confederate Memorial Day 2011: 30 April 2011, Weather make-up day 7 May 2011
- Scottish Festival, Heritage Park in Highlands Ranch: Saturday and Sunday August 14 and 15th, 2011. Booth and historical display to be set up by Bob Milner.

Note: Commander Myers attended this and it was a great event. Living History, conducted by Bob Milner, Gary Mitchell, and Will Rhoades was outstanding.

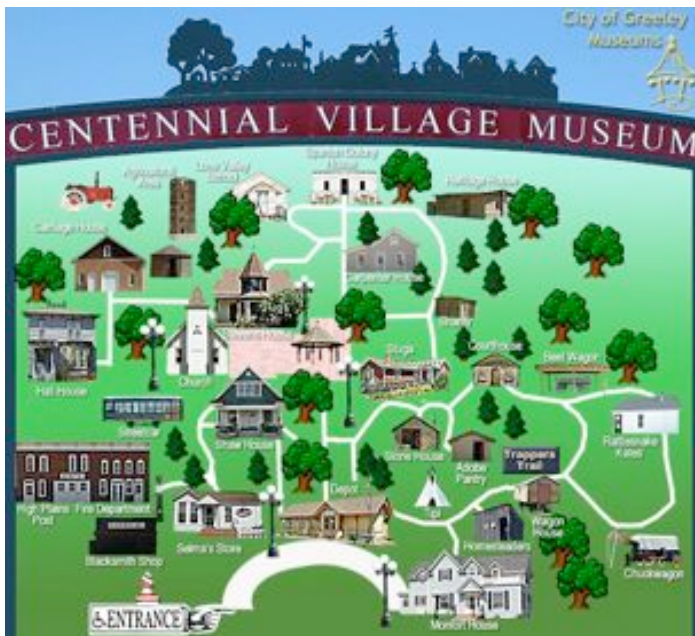
- Civil War Days in Parker, Colorado: September 18th, 2011. This is a new event and the city is looking for re-enactors to participate. Contact Compatriot Sir Gary Mitchell: 303-683-3023
- Colorado SCV Division Meeting: Saturday, October 9th, 2010 at 12 noon. Dinosaur Ridge Museum at C- 470 and Alameda.
- Lee/Jackson banquet will be held on Saturday, January 22, 2012 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Location TBD

Next meeting: Tuesday September 14, 2010 at 6:00 pm at Firehouse Restaurant, Old Colorado City, Colorado Springs.

Benediction given by Compatriot Bobby Smith
Meeting adjourned by Commander Myers

Historic Greeley Potato Days Supports SCV Displays

Once again, the SCV in Colorado will share accurate history at a city-wide event. This time, it's the Potato Days event in Greeley on September 11. Join us at the Centennial Village for a fun day and a chance to live the charge.



Potato Days is a day full of many activities for all ages. There are many demonstrations, hands on activities, entertainment, and even food.

You can learn about how people used to do things a long time ago. Some of the activities may be rope making, butter churning, tortilla making, adobe making, and even washing socks using a tub, washboard, and wringer.

Food and drink are sold by organizations, and of course, there are potatoes! Stuffed baked potatoes with your choice of toppings are one of the many food items enjoyed by visitors to Potato Days.

To reach the Centennial Village historic site from US 34, turn north on 11th St. until you reach A St. Then turn west, and you can't miss it!



CO Confederate Graves Photo Project

In May 2010, I started a project to register all of our known Confederate Veterans Graves in Colorado and am very close to finishing it up. It has been an arduous (and somewhat tedious) task.

The website Interment list has over 480 entries and the MS Word Document which Gary Parrot and Terry Wabnitz provided has over 470. I have researched each entry to verify, as best I could, that they are legitimate Confederate Veterans and are indeed buried in Colorado. I used the Colorado Veterans' Graves Registration website (<http://www.colorado.gov/dpa/doit/archives/military/graves/>); the National Parks Service Soldiers and Sailors System website (<http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/>); the U.S. War Archives website (<http://files.usgwarchives.org/co/>); and several others in my research.

To date, I have completed 412 Grave Registrations, compiling a list of 57 changes which need to be made to the Interment listings; and, I have a list of 68 names to delete from the Interment list.

The entries to be deleted are those names for which I could not verify service to the CSA or for which there is no cemetery information available. We will maintain this list in case someone wants to complete any further research. I am also finishing up research/waiting for more information on another 12 entries.

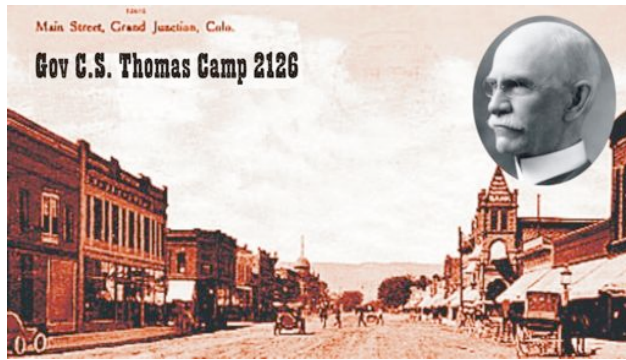
This project will ensure that the Confederate Veterans buried in Colorado will be on file/recorded permanently with the SCV Headquarters in Columbia, TN. This is a great way to honor the memories of the brave Confederate Soldiers and Sailors who served the CSA and who helped to make Colorado such a great State!

Yours, in the Charge,

Scott D. Myers



Western Slope Compatriots



The Sons of Confederate Veterans met for their 115th Annual Reunion at the Civil Center, July 21-24, 2010, in Anderson, South Carolina. In attendance, during this business meeting and gala event, were many Headquarters, Department, Division and Camp officers.

Also, in attendance were many members of Allied Orders (United Daughters of the Confederacy, Order of the Confederate Rose, Children of the Confederacy, etc.) and several public officials.

Mayor Terence Roberts, State Attorney General Henry McMaster and State Representative Dan Cooper were just a few of the keynote speakers that gave “greetings” during the Opening Ceremonies.

Among the VIPs and delegates were two “Real Sons”- James Brown and H. V. Booth. Brown, 98, from Loudon, Tennessee, and Booth, 91, from Elberton, Georgia, are considered two of only approximately 30 known “Real Sons” of Confederate Veterans still alive.

Gary Parrott, Commander of the Governor C. S. Thomas Camp No. 2126 (Grand Junction) represented the Colorado Division. This was the seventh Annual Reunion he has attended.

“This was the best Reunion I have been to, and I plan on being at the next one,” Parrott said.

The 2011 Reunion will be held in Montgomery, Alabama, July 14-16, 2011. More information will be forthcoming in future issues of the Confederate Veteran magazine.



Marching Orders

(Colorado Division Calendar of Events)

Sep 11 th	Greeley Potato Days , all day Centennial Village: from US 34 take 11 th St. north to A St and turn west
Sep 12-15, 1862	Battle of Harper's Ferry
Sep 13-20, 1861	1st Battle of Lexington, MO
Sep 14 th	Camp 175 Meeting 6:00-8:00 PM Firehouse Rest., Old Colo City
Sep 14 th	Camp 656 Meeting 7:00 – 9:00 Breckenridge Brewery, Kalamath Blvd. Denver
Sep 17, 1862	Battle of Sharpsburg (Antietam)
Oct 9 th	Division Mtg 11:00-3:00 Dinosaur Ridge Museum C-470 & Alameda
Oct 12 th	Camp 175 Meeting 6:00-8:00 PM Firehouse Rest., Old Colo City
Oct 12 th	General Robert E. Lee's Death (1870)
Oct 17	Adopt-A-Highway in Lakewood noon
Nov 9 th	Camp 175 Meeting 6:00-8:00 PM Firehouse Rest., Old Colo City
Nov 9 th	Camp 656 Meeting 7:00 – 9:00 Breckenridge Brewery, Kalamath Blvd. Denver
Nov 13 th	Camp 2104 Meeting Centennial Park Library 2227 23rd Ave.
Dec 6 th	President Jefferson Davis' Death (1889)
Decr 14 th	Camp 175 Meeting 6:00-8:00 PM Firehouse Rest., Old Colo City
Dec 24 th	150th Anniversary of South Carolina Secession
Jan 22, 2011	Lee/Jackson Banquet

Division Members Receive National Awards

At the recent Sons of Confederate Veterans – 115th Annual Reunion, several members of the Colorado Division received recognition for outstanding achievements and service performed during the past year.

Five Colorado Compatriots received seven awards. This is believed to be the most ever bestowed upon the division by SCV-HQ for its efforts to preserve and promote Confederate history and heritage in the Centennial State.

Pat Gerity (Division Commander) received the SCV-Distinguished Service Medal (for outstanding service to the SCV during the past year).

Robert Milner (Adjutant of Camp No. 676) received the SCV-Meritorious Service Medal (for rendering exceptional service to the SCV during the past year).

Gary Mitchell (Lt. Commander of Camp No. 1492) received the Leadership Award (for his superior leadership skills during the past year).

Scott Myers (Commander of Camp No. 175) received the SCV-Distinguished Service Medal (for outstanding service to the SCV) and the SCV-Graves Award (for dedication in documenting, marking and caring for - the graves of Confederate Veterans).

Terry Wabnitz (Adjutant of Camp No. 2104) received the SCV-Dixie Club Award (for recruitment efforts) and the SCV-Distinguished Service Medal (for outstanding service to the SCV during the past year).

Sons of Confederate Veterans – It’s Time to Renew!

Dear Compatriots,

Can you hear it?

Tic-toc-tic-toc-tic.

That's the sound of our heritage clock running out!

Every day, our good Southern heritage is being wiped off schools, roads, parks, and memorials.

If not stopped, our detractors will continue to spread their revisionist history views, and their plain hatred of everything Southern.

I have seen this first hand! I have been to schools where our children are being taught that the South and her soldiers were all evil slaveholders, and should be seen as traitors to this country.

Yes, even here in Colorado I've seen anti-Southern hatred rear its deformed head. Certain, national, groups will not stop until every symbol of Southern heritage is destroyed. The Civil War is still being fought, but this time it's about historical truth and regional pride.

In one school in Arkansas, kids were being taught that the Defenders of the Alamo were the bad guys; and that Santa Anna was coming up from Mexico to free the slaves! A national group has lobbied to have Thomas Jefferson's name removed from schools because he owned slaves, besides writing our Declaration of Independence. Richmond's mural of historic figures saw the image of Robert E. Lee vandalized without any concern from the City Council. And a young lady in Tennessee was banned from her high school prom because her dress featured a design of the battle flag.

Of course, it was the SCV who recognized and fought for the heritage and honesty of these issues.

The SCV needs you to continue your support, so they can carry on the fight. Please renew your membership and help protect our heritage.

Your ancestors were not evil! They were loyal to family, to friends, to their states and to freedom.

Please respond to your Camp Adjutant **by September 1st** to avoid any renewal problems.



Sons of Confederate Veterans

Membership Renewal

Name _____ Member # _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ e-mail _____

Annual Renewal \$40

Assoc. Member Renewal \$10

Amount Enclosed _____

