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SCV LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN COLORADO A HUGE SUCCESS FOR THE ARMY OF THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI

Lt Commander-in-Chief Kelly Barrow (pictured at the podium, above) found a warm and enthusiastic welcome from the members of the Colorado Division, and compatriots from across the ATM. Lt C-I-C Barrow did double-duty, standing in for C-I-C Givens who had last minute problems with attending.

Unquestionably, between the knowledge and passion brought by Lt C-I-C Barrow, and the incredible contributions and dedication of Adjutant in Chief, Steve Ritchie (in the dark suit to the left of the audience), this was an outstanding event. Imagine being able to ask direct questions, and get direct answers from two of the top leaders in the SCV.

Compatriots from Texas, Arizona, South Dakota, Kansas, Indiana and Colorado were all part of a conference to bring the SCV membership rolls to 50,000 strong, while ensuring our heritage expertise in every community.



I'm a New Guy, Do I Really Belong at a Leadership Conference?

At least, that's what was running through my mind as I found the conference room for the SCV Leadership Conference in Colorado Springs.

I've been with the Sons of Confederate Veterans for about five years now. I've helped out with color guards, with a newsletter, and a few other events. And about six months ago, before I knew what happened, I found myself as the new, Lt Commander of Sterling Price Camp 676 in Denver.

But a leader? No. I'm more like a corporal who counts his short "career" successful, when you meet the Commander and tell him you're mustering out.

If the Commander says, "Who are you?" then it's been a successful career!

But there I was, Saturday morning, looking for the welcome table.

Ah! Great! There's Charlie, signing folks in. Always a smile, a laugh, and a sense I really belong to the Camp when I'm around Charlie.

I take a glance at Charlie's check-in sheet and notice states from Georgia, South Dakota, Kansas, Indiana, Arizona, Texas and more. I think to myself again, "I'm just a newbie Lt Commander, what am I doing here with real leaders?"

It's too early to get a seat in the back, so I hang around the hallway, looking for familiar faces. Not too many of those, just the "usual suspects" from our Division. Somebody I don't recognize is coming down the hall, and everyone's greeting him. Hmmm. It looks like the guy in the Confederate Veteran magazine who's the Lt Commander-in-Chief, Kelly Barrow.

Wait a second! He's stopping in front of me, and introduces himself. I explain I'm from Denver. His

welcoming of me to the Leadership Conference is as sincere as Charlie's, my good friend. At least I don't feel like I shouldn't be here.

As Lt C-I-C Barrows begins to give his opening remarks, we quickly learn this is not about rank, but about a fraternity of men who believe we owe something to our ancestors and to the future. He becomes "Kelly" to the crowd, and we are known to one another as Greg, or Doug, or Rocky.

It soon becomes clear that Kelly is here because he wants to serve the SCV, The Cause, and the men who make up compatriots across the nation. And Kelly will be there for all of us, whether the conference is big or small. By the end of the day, taking away just one idea or concept or goal for every man is a great achievement.

We began with understanding the vision of the SCV: how it developed; what it reflects about us; where it will take us; and how it will bind us together.

Now, if I can retreat to my "newbie" role for a moment, THIS is the kind of thing which will give me confidence to serve. It's also a pretty good road map for some of the things I can do which truly will make a difference.

Kelly went on to describe the 12 key areas for successful operations in a Division or Camp, and I was quietly pleased to realize the Colorado Division has its feet firmly planted in support of these areas. Nonetheless, some of the ideas about what Camps can do to enhance these areas were exciting to consider for our Camp 676.



At the sign-in desk are Compatriots Doug Atkinson and Charlie Hogan



Together, Steve and Kelly clarify a point for one of the Leadership conference attendees

Next up as a speaker was the SCV Adjutant in Chief, Steve Ritchie. Steve's story sounded a little bit like mine. He was quietly working for the Camp and Division, and had even put his name forward as a Commander, when he got a call from Commander-in-Chief Givens. The short version is that Steve was asked to vacate his candidacy and instead, accept an appointment as the Adjutant-in-Chief of the SCV. And I have to say I really thank Steve and all of the Adjutant's who serve, because their's is a job I don't think I'd ever have the skills to do!

Steve's discussion of the resources and processes for Adjutants was incredibly enlightening. Although I may not need many of the forms, I know they're all available on the website. I also learned

any member can use the pull-down menu item, "Services," and then select "Check Your Data" to make sure the correct mailing address for your *Confederate Veteran* magazine or the correct e-mail address is listed for the *Confederate Telegraph* messages.

The day seemed to race on, great insights, lunch with new-found friends, and back for more speakers. In fact there I was so much being shared, that I began to wonder where to start. I mean, I wanted to do a good job, and these ideas were beginning to make me believe I could make a small contribution. Then, Kelly reminded everyone that the SCV is developing online leadership training. The training is available at www.scvli.org. The "commanders" and the "new members" training is up now, and we'll shortly have the "adjutants" training available. Even though I'm not a new member, I think I'll go to that course first, so I can be more helpful to newcomers at our Camp meetings. Then, I'll check out the commanders course.

Well, the day wrapped up too soon. And I have no doubt I DID belong at the Leadership Conference, whether I'm a leader or not. And I took away a lot more than one idea I can put to use immediately. If you belong to a camp, whether as an officer or not, make the time and space in your calendar to attend one near you. You'll sense the friendship, the honor, and the dedication of so many compatriots, that you'll want to find more ways to get involved.

Sons of Confederate Veterans Dedicate Headstones in Westcliffe and Silver Cliff



The Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) dedicated the headstones of two Confederate Veterans buried in Westcliffe and in Silver Cliff on Friday 17 August.

The first dedication was for the headstone of Pvt. William Schoolfield who served in the 5th Kentucky Cavalry Regiment and is buried in Rosita Cemetery. He was born on September 1, 1843 and died on 13 August 1909.



The second dedication is for Sgt. Joseph Haralson who served in Co. H of the 1st Confederate Cavalry and is buried in Silver Cliff Cemetery. He was born in 1834 and died in 1902.

Participants in the dedication included the American Legion Westcliffe Post #170 Honor Guard and SCV Jefferson Davis Camp 175 from Colorado Springs.

SCV Camp 175 would like to thank Ginnie Holloway and Greg Shields formerly of Silver Cliff Cemetery and Jacqueline Hobby of Rosita Cemetery for their help getting these headstones ordered and put in place; and American Legion Post 170 for providing Military Honors for these two Confederate Veterans.



There's a lot of hard work to set a new headstone for a Confederate soldier; but the results are worth it!

Leadership Conference Feedback



Compatriots of the Colorado Division and of the Jefferson Davis Camp 175, Lt CinC Barrow, AiC Ritchie,

On behalf of the Arizona Division and our five delegates to the SCV Leadership Conference, I wish to express our great appreciation for the outstanding event hosted by y'all in Colorado Springs! The hospitality and welcoming environment made the event even more worthwhile! Lt. CinC Barrow has asked our Division to look at hosting a similar event later this year and the Colorado Division has certainly set the standard! I was pleased to be able to speak at the conference and I truly appreciate the certificate y'all gave me! It has a place of honor on my office wall!

Curt Tipton
Adjutant, Arizona Division SCV
Adjutant, Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710 SCV
Fort Huachuca, Arizona



Compatriots,

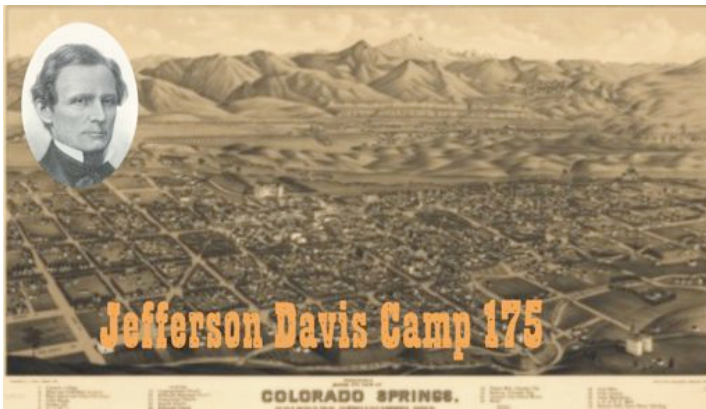
On behalf of the Colorado Division, I want to sincerely thank you all for your participation yesterday in the SCV National Leadership Workshop here in Colorado Springs. We trust you enjoyed your stay and that your time was well invested for the betterment of our great organization.

If you are interested, I have loaded the SCV Vision, Recruiting and Retention, Public Relations presentations that were given yesterday online. They are located at <http://issuu.com/jeffersondavicamp175>, which is our web publishing site. They can be viewed and downloaded as a .pdf, but if you would like to have the power point versions, just drop me a line at this email and I'll send them to you.

Also, if you have a Facebook account, I have posted the pictures from yesterday's workshop on the Camp #175 page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Jefferson-Davis-Camp-175-Sons-of-Confederate-Veterans/130812513656402>. Please check them out and "Like" our page. If you would like a particular picture in better resolution, again drop me a line and I'll send you the actual .jpg.

Again, thank your attendance yesterday and commitment to our cause. Safe travels back home and we look forward to future opportunities to work together to honor our Confederate heroes and ancestors.

God Bless Dixie,
Greg S. Gentry
Colorado Division Leadership Workshop Coordinator
Adjutant, Jefferson Davis Camp #175
Sons of Confederate Veterans



During the Leadership Conference, we had the great opportunity to share in the official swearing-in ceremony of Compatriot “Buck” Dugger. There’s no doubt that Buck is a valuable member of Camp 175, as he offered the invocation to all, as part of the opening ceremonies of the first-ever Leadership Conference for the Army of the Trans-Mississippi.

Welcome, Buck! We can’t wait to meet you!

Meeting Minutes for August 14, 2012

Old Business

1. Final coordination for SCV National Leadership Workshop on Saturday 25 August 2012:
 - We will meet at the Holiday Inn Express at 6:00 PM on Friday 24 August to set up and go to dinner afterwards.
 - We will get there Saturday 25 August by 7:00 AM to set up registration/finalize everything.
2. Meeting Program: Scott Myers will conduct program on Glorieta Pass. We will do this at the October meeting as Thunder and Buttons was not conducive to conducting a program.

New Business

1. Welcomed new member Buck Dugger to our Camp!
2. Need to find new meeting place as the Firehouse has closed. Scott Myers to research.
3. Voted new member Buck Dugger to serve as Camp Chaplain.
4. Dues status for upcoming year (\$40 total for SCV, Camp and Division Dues). We have all National Dues except for one Compatriot. Greg Gentry to follow up.
5. Headstone setting and dedications in Westcliffe and Silver Cliff 8/17/12 at 5:00 PM. We will set headstone at Rosita Cemetery around 3:00 PM and the dedication will be at 5:00 PM. NOTE: Highway 67 has a bridge washed out, so we will have to go through Pueblo.
6. Next Camp 175 Meeting: Tuesday 9 October. 1012 6:00 PM, location TBD.



Now is the Time to Renew



Yes! Here we are again, reminding you that your dues - if not yet paid - are now due.

Actually, they were due at the end of July, but there is a - sort of - “grace period” for compatriots to get their dues in. But that grace period is rapidly drawing to a close, and you’ll need to pay an additional \$5 to reinstate your membership and start up delivery of the Confederate Veteran.

Your Camp Adjutant should have already sent you a notice, with the amount for your National Dues, Your Division Dues, and your Camp Dues.

We don’t want to lose you as a Compatriot and lose the passion you bring to honoring the true heritage of your ancestor.

If you can’t find your dues notice, contact your Camp Adjutant today.

SCV 2012 NATIONAL REUNION

News & Results

Proposed constitutional amendments one and two pertaining to allowing camps to secede from their divisions were defeated. Proposed constitutional amendment three dealing with a minor wording change to section 13.4 dealing with discipline was approved.

Proposed standing order amendment number one was withdrawn by the author, and proposed standing order amendment number two, clarifying language dealing with the prohibition of SCV members, camps and divisions from filing lawsuits without prior express consent of the GEC, was approved.

A paper ballot was used to select Richmond, Virginia as the 2015 site of the 120th SCV Annual General Reunion.

Officers elected for 2012-2014

Commander in Chief- R. Michael Givens

Lt. Commander in Chief- C. Kelly Barrow

ATM

Commander- M. Todd Owens

Councilman- Charles E. Lauret

AOT

Commander- Thomas V. Strain, Jr

Councilman- Larry Allen McCluney

ANV

Commander- Britton Frank Earnest ,Sr

Councilman-Randall B Burbage

Also selected to serve on the General Executive Council

Chief of Staff- Charles L. Rand III

Adjutant in Chief- Stephen Lee Ritchie

Chief of Heritage Defense- Eugene G Hogan II

Chaplain in Chief- Mark W. Evans

Judge Advocate in Chief- Roy Burl McCoy

2012 National Awards

Dr. George R. Tabor Award is presented to the most distinguished camp in the SCV. The winner of this prestigious award, which is an extremely close competition every year, is the Finley's Brigade Camp 1614 of Havana FL, Graham F. Smith, Commander.

Edward R. Darling Award for the top recruiter in the Confederation is awarded to Kyle Sims, a member of the COL Middleton Tate Johnson Camp 1648, Arlington TX. Compatriot Sims recruited 37 new members.

Hoover Law and Order Medal was presented to Sheriff Larry Dever, Cochise County, AZ.

Robert E. Lee Gold Medal, the second highest award which can be given to a SCV member, has been presented to Eugene G. Hogan II (SC), B. Frank Earnest Sr. (VA), and Thomas Y. Hiter (KY) for their exceptional contributions and service to the SCV.

Marching Orders

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

Sep 11, 7:00 pm SCV Camp 676 Meeting

Breckenridge Brew Pub and BBQ



Sep 13, 1861 1st Battle of Lexington, MO

Sep 17, 1862 Battle of Munfordville, KY

Sep 19, 1863 Battle of Chickamauga, TN

Sep 27, 1864 Battle of Fort Donaldson, TN

Sep 15, 1862 Harper's Ferry surrenders to CSA

Oct 9, 6:00 p

SCV Camp 175 Meeting

location To Be Announced, call
Camp Commander Scott Myers
if you need directions:

719-576-2601 (Home)

719-244-3234 (Cell)



Oct 12, 1870 Robert E. Lee died

Oct 15, 1861 Battle of Glasgow, KY

Oct 21, 1861 Battle of Balls Bluff, VA

Oct 21, 1864 Battle of Blue River, MO

Oct 25, 1864 Battle of Mine Creek, KS aka
Battle of the Osage



Your Name...

*You got it from your father, it was all he had to give,
So it's yours to keep and cherish for as long as
you shall live,*

*It was clean the day he got it, and a worthy name
to bear,*

*When he got it from his father, there was no
dishonor there,*

*So protect and guard it safely, for when all is said
and done,*

*You'll be proud the name is spotless when you
give it to your son.*