

# The Territorial Dispatch

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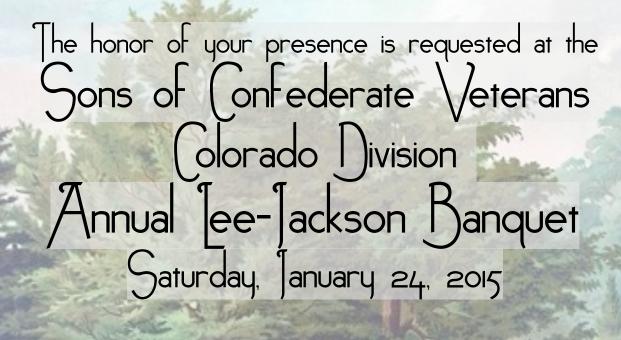
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## Join the Fight!

THIS is the year marking the end of that great struggle. You will never have a better chance to honor your ancestor!





The Village Inn, Castle Rock, Colorado 207 W. Wolfensberger Rd. (exit 182 from IH-25)

Yes! I want to celebrate my Southern Heritage at the 2015 Banquet for Robert E. Lee and "Stonewall" Jackson

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_(#) of adult tickets at \$25 each (total) \_\_\_\_\_ Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_(#) of youth tickets at \$10 each (total) \_\_\_\_ (total) **Amount Enclose** Name Contact telephone





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From your humble Editor,

Gentlemen,

As our cover notes, this year marks the Sesquicentennial of the War Between the States.

There may never be a better time to recognize the heroic contributions of your ancestors and the brave men and women of the South.

Throughout the year, and across the nation, special events are being planned to honor those who fought and died for liberty and brotherhood. Please consider this a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to stand up for your heritage.

Perhaps your contribution is as little as being in the parade at the SCV Sesquicentennial Rally in Shreveport, LA. We have more information for you to plan on being a part of something historic, in the adjacent column.

Consider also, attending the Delta, Colorado event later this year. And it's a sure bet that almost any state which made up the Confederacy will be hosting some historic event.

Lastly, read about the upcoming, 120th National Reunion of the SCV in Richmond this coming July.

What difference does it make?

At a time when lazy scholars have stigmatized heroic figures; while at same time creating false myths about the victors, YOUR presence at any of these events, along with the thousands of other Compatriots, tells the nation, that the battle was neither simple, nor traitorous.

Be there, and tell your children and grandchildren that - like your ancestors before you - YOU did not stay at home, allowing others to fight for honor on your behalf.

#### 2015 SCV Sesquicentennial Rally

#### Louisiana



Sons of Confederate Veterans 150 Years of History, Heritage & Honor Confederate Heritage Rally 2015 Shreveport,La May 30, 2015- 1p.m.

Parade line up and rules. Line up will start at 11:30am, you should be in place no later that 12:30pm. See map page for parking and line up areas.

General Information

Dress- re-enactors in uniforms in compliance with their unit's rules.

Those not in uniform are asked to be appropriately dressed. Any clothing (or message on clothing) that is deemed inappropriate by the organizer will be required to be removed or the individual will not be allowed to march.

Flags acceptable: Any Confederate Flag, State Flags, Division Flags, Camp Flags, Re-enactor unit flags and any historic or current US flag.

Flags not acceptable: novelty type flags, flags of organizations other than the SCV or flags and/or banners with messages deemed inappropriate by the organizers.

http://confederate150.com/2015.html

#### Surrender documents to return to Appomattox Court House

(review of a story in the Lynchburg News, Nov. 2014)



Naturally, this is an interesting story of old documents and materials being returned to the Appomattox Court House. It's interesting to note that the long trail of the <u>inkstand</u>, used beside this table, was given to Sherman's brother, who in turn, gave it to Colorado's Military History museum in the State Capitol building. As of today, we do not know where that artifact is located.

(From the Lynchburg News) When Gen. Robert E. Lee left Appomattox Court House in April 1865 after surrendering to Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, his copy of the terms of surrender left with him.

Now, 150 years later, the documents are returning. "They've never been exhibited publicly before," said Joe Williams, the curator at Appomattox Court House National Historical Park. The artifacts will be on loan from Stratford Hall, Lee's birthplace.

The documents will be among a few never-beforedisplayed artifacts the park is showing as part of its Civil War sesquicentennial exhibits. Most of the items are expected to show for about 18 months beginning in March, with Lee's terms of surrender only in place for the spring and summer.

The author's news story goes on to talk of Lincoln's casket flag from Philadelphiabe displayed. The flag is to be juxtaposed next to the surrender terms, will allow the

park to emphasize the enormity of events from that week in April 150 years ago. The surrender happened on Sunday, April 9, 1865; five days later, Lincoln was assassinated.

To this reviewer, the story found it easy to find Union-oriented artifacts to talk about, and very few from the Confederacy: letters and flags pertaining to Gen. George Armstrong Custer and Col. George Briggs; and Gen. Sheridan's flag.

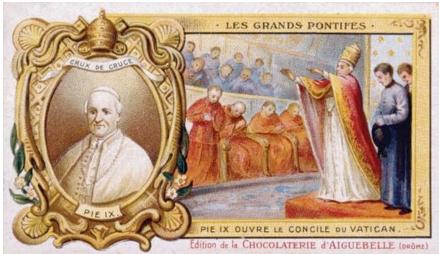
The park already has obtained items on loan from several families.

Over the years, various items taken as souvenirs have made their way back to the village, sitting beside pieces that never left.

Lee's desk from the surrender resides at the Chicago History Museum, and the items pertaining to Grant, including his desk, both generals' chairs and a secretary bookcase, are located at the Smithsonian in Washington.

This summer, the Chicago History Museum declined the park's loan request and will instead display the desk in Chicago in an exhibit entitled, "Unexpected Chicago," opening March 21, 2015, and running until January 2017.





#### Pope Pius IX and the Confederacy

One of the most overlooked facts of the American Civil War Era is the sympathy the South gained from Europe's most influential monarch - the pope of Rome.

Pope Pius IX never actually signed any kind of alliance or 'statement of support' with the Confederate States of America, but to those who understand the nuance of papal protocol, what he did do was quite astonishing. He acknowledged President Jefferson Davis as the "Honorable President of the Confederate States of America."

From this we can glean three things about Pope Pius IX...

- 1. He called Jefferson Davis by the customary title "Honorable."
  - 2. He acknowledged him as president of a nation.
- 3. In doing so, he (at least on a personal level) recognized the Confederate States of America as a sovereign entity, apart from the United States of America.

News of this reached the North, and the Whitehouse was considerably irate about it, prompting a response from the Vatican that the pope's letter did not amount to an "official" recognition in the "formal sense."

The pope's letter to Jefferson Davis was accompanied by an autographed picture of the pope.

There are many possible reasons why this pontiff would be sympathetic to the CSA and her president, but the most likely one was that Pope Pius IX recognized in the traditional Christian culture of the South, a mindset opposed to the advance of liberal Modernism. You see it was Pius IX who composed the famous "Syllabus of Errors," which condemned the Modernist philosophies of liberalism, humanism, secularism and marxism. It is speculated that Pius IX saw in the Confederacy a political movement steeped in European Christian tradition, and therefore a potential ally against liberal modernism on the North American continent. Alas, the Confederacy was ultimately defeated, and President Davis was captured. As the 'Deconstruction' of the South commenced, and Davis awaited his trial, it is understandable why the pope would be sympathetic.

Pope Pius IX was a revered figure in the post war South. General Robert E. Lee kept a portrait of him in his house, and referred to him as the South's only true friend during her time of need. Both Davis and Lee were Episcopalians, as were many Southerners before the War, a denomination which had many things in common with Catholicism before the 20th century influence of Modernism of course. Davis was frequently visited by Southern Catholic nuns during his imprisonment, who delivered messages for him and prayed for his release. He eventually was released, having never stood trial, on the grounds that he committed no real crime. It is believed the majority of justices on the U.S. Supreme Court at that time acknowledged the right of secession.

Southern Americans of today should take comfort knowing that the old Confederacy did have a European friend, and it just happened to be one of the most respected men in the world - not only a head of state, but also the leader of the world's largest Christian religion. The day will come when Pope Pius IX will be canonized as a Saint. He has already been beatified, which puts him well on his way. When that day comes, Southerners will have a special bragging right, not enjoyed by many nations even today. They will not only be able to boast of his sympathies during and after the great War, but they will also have in their collective possession a relic of the man - a hand written letter and autographed photograph.

For a fascinating look at a letter from President Davis to Pope Pius IX, click <u>here</u>, and scroll down the page.

## You are Invited

to the

## Delta County Colorado Civil War Sesquicentennial Commemoration Event

May 7 - 10, 2015 Delta, Colorado

- Living History encampment
- Featured Speaker, Dr. James L. "Bud" Robertson

A lecturer and historian whose reputation extends well beyond the Blacksburg, Va., campus of Virginia Tech, <u>James I. "Bud"</u> <u>Robertson Jr.</u> is a renowned expert on America's Civil War.

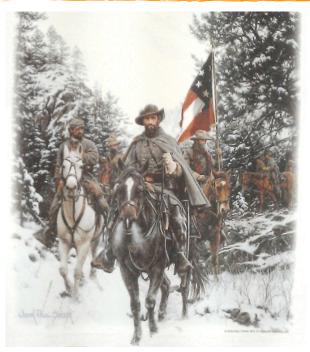
Bud Robertson grew up in Danville, the last capital of the Confederacy, listening to tales from his grandmother about her father's Civil War exploits.

Robertson served as a consultant to the movie "Gods and Generals," becoming good friends with actor Robert Duvall, who played Robert E. Lee.

He authored and edited dozens of books, but Robertson's seminal work is a 957-page volume on Stonewall Jackson, which took five years to research and two to write. It won eight national awards.

The Delta County Historical Society reached out to the Sons of Confederate Veterans during their planning phase. Such a invitation for what promises to be a great event simply can not be ignored. Camping and lodging are available in both Delta, and nearby Montrose. Start making your plans now, and maybe ask around for ride-sharing opportunities. See you there!





#### **Knights of the Confederacy Award**

The Awards Committee Chairman for the Colorado Division of the sons of Confederate Veterans, Bob Milner, would like to notify everyone about the procedures for the Knight of the Confederacy Award.

Starting today, nominations from each camp in the Colorado Division will be accepted for the Knight of the Confederacy Award. Each camp may nominate one person within the Division. Award recipients must be a compatriot in good standing, with paid dues for the year, of course. All camp members are to be given an input to the award, and the camp will send their nomination back to the Awards Chairman no later than January 5, 2015.

The nomination should include a short explanation of the compatriot should be considered. Consider such things as length of membership in SCV; offices held; other awards received, participation in SCV or camp events, monthly meeting attendance, and the passion for his SCV and Southern heritage.

Please include this nomination process in the agenda of your next camp meeting. The Knight of the Confederacy Award will be presented at the Lee-Jackson Banquet on January 24, 2015.

Please do not delay your nomination package. The Awards Chairman's home address is 8033 W. Spanish Peak, Littleton, CO 80127. His e-mail address is goodoldreb@comcast.net.

#### An Insult to Southern Girls

Little Laura Talbot Galt wouldn't sing "marching through Georgia" in her school in 1902.

A strange report comes from a public school in Louisville. It is that "Marching through Georgia" is sung in school there. A special in the Atlanta Constitution states that Laura Talbot Galt, aged thirteen, a pupil, refused to sing "Marching through Georgia." She not only refused to sing "Marching through Georgia," but she put her fingers in her ears when the school was singing the song, and was reprimanded.

Mrs. Laura Talbot Ross, the grandmother of little Miss Galt, is a Daughter of the American Revolution and a Daughter of the Confederacy. She instructed her grandchild to obey her teacher, but to protest against singing that song. The little girl says that Miss Allen, her teacher, refused to listen to her essays in which she gave the Confederates credit for bravery on sea and land

Laura said,"As for putting my fingers in my ears I did that because I would not listen to a song that declares such a tyrant and coward as Sherman and his disgraceful and horrible march through Georgia to be glorious. I felt that forcing Southern girls who were in the room to sing or listen to such a song was an insult that I could not

stand it."



## Jefferson Davis Memorial Highway in Arizona

Compatriot Charlie Hogan brings this important story to us from the hills of Arizona:

Today, I attended the Arizona Division's ceremony honoring President Jefferson F. Davis. The ceremony was held at the site of the Jefferson Davis Highway Monument on US 60 in Apache Junction. The monument, placed by the Arizona Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in 1943, was originally on US 70 near Duncan.

It was moved to the present site during the Centennial of the War for Southern Independence. The Colonel Sherod Hunter Camp has been hosting this ceremony and maintaining the monument for 20 years. Today, they turned that duty over to the newly chartered Colonel Thomas Green Camp 2251 of Apache Junction.







In case you haven't met the SCV Commander-in-Chief, Charles Kelly Barrow, be on the lookout in 2015.

CIC Barrows enjoys "getting out of the office," and visiting Camps across the country. Given the great time he had in Colorado Springs during the leadership conference, it's entirely possible he will return to Colorado.



Have you visited the web page of SCV Sterling Price Camp 676? There, you will find information on our camp meetings, and lots of other events and planned activities

Point your browser to:

http://sterlingprice676.squarespace.com/

The new website is loaded with information on Southern Heritage, the Colorado Division, and much more.

Thanks to Camp 676 Adjutant, Chris Little for setting up such a great site for us all.



#### SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

### 120th National Reunion July 15-19, 2015 Richmond, Virginia

Hosted by the Major General J.E.B. Stuart Camp #1343



The Major General J.E.B. Stuart Camp #1343 is honored to host the 120th National Reunion in 2015 in Richmond, Virginia. We encourage you to sign up for a tour of the Old Dominion State while you are visiting with us.

If we can do anything to make your trip more memorable, please contact us at <u>JEBStuartCamp@Gmail.com</u> and we will get back to you as soon as possible.



For more information on the 120th National Reunion, contact Edwin Ray, Committee

Chairman, 804-517-6587 or send an e-mail to <u>iray250443@aol.com</u>.

Also please send any questions to the officers of the JEB Stuart Camp #1343 at JEBStuartCamp@Gmail.com and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

### Attention to Orders

Jan 1, 1863 Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation

Jan 4, 1863 Grant told to rescind his Order #11 which expelled all Jews from his area

Jan 7, 1862 1st Battle of Manassas

Jan 10, 1861 Florida secedes

Jan 11, 1861 Alabama secedes

Jan 13, 7 pm Camp 676 Meeting

Bennett's BBQ Arvada



Jan 13, 6 pm Camp 175 Meeting

Texas T Bone Steakhouse, Colorado Springs

Jan 19, 1807 Robert E. Lee born in Virginia

Jan 19, 1861 Georgia secedes

Jan 21, 1824 Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson born

Jan 24, 11:00 am Lee - Jackson Banquet Village Inn, Castle Rock



Jan 26, 1861 Louisiana secedes

Feb 1, 1861 Texas secedes

Feb 1, 1864 Lincoln drafts 500,000 men

Feb 8, 1861 Constitution of Confederacy Adopted

Feb 10, 6 pm Camp 175 meeting STEARHOUSE



Texas T Bone Steakhouse, Colorado Springs

Feb 18, 1861 Jefferson Davis Provisional President

Feb 20, 1861 CSA Dept of Navy created

Feb 21, 1862 Battle of Val Verde, NM

Feb 28, 1861 Colorado Territory established to stave off Confederate claims



#### **Events:**

Banquet-style, All-You-Can-Eat Dinner

Chicken Fried Steak

**BBO** Chicken

**Butter beans** 

**Blackeyed Peas** 

**Full Salad Bar** 

Dinner Rolls

The Generals' Birthday Cake

Coffee, Sweet Tea, Soda

and More ...

**Silent Auction** 

**Knight of the Confederacy Award** 

**Special Guest Speaker** 

**Candle Lighting Ceremony** 

Your time to honor your heroic ancestors

**Grand Door Prize** 

You may pay at the door, but we need an accurate count, so let Compatriot Bob Milner know, via phone or e-mail.

Deo Vindice!