



## Sons of Confederate Veterans

\*\*\*\*\* Savannah, Georgia \*\*\*\*\*

Savannah Militia Camp 1657  
Chartered in 1994 with 18 Charter members.



### Sons of Confederate Veterans Savannah Militia Camp 1657 January 2009

Compatriots,

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the Western Sizzling Steakhouse in Pooler GA. You are invited to be with us and bring a friend. Our speaker will be Commander Newman and he will be speaking on Why it is never be over for us.

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We have an important WORKS Project we need to talk about at this meeting. Compatriot Ron Coats has spoken with the director of cemeteries for the city of Savannah and we have been invited to come and paint the Confederate Iron Cross's in the city cemeteries. This is something we have done in the past and a worthy work. If we can get enough of us to turn-out we can do this on a regular schedule. We can do some good work and have some fine fellowship. Color Sergeant Rick McCracken still has his trash pick-up along US HWY 80 he could use some help. Why not give Rick a call and see what you can do to help out. 912-484-4446

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Compatriots, in the last month we have had to two prospective members that are working on their application and I am hoping they will be ready to join us by next Tuesday. That is all we need to do, reach out to our friends and family members. Thank to all of you that share the vision of a growing and living camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Just think about it if we only recruit two new members a month for the year of 2009 we will well go over our goal of having a 100 member camp. At last count we were 81 strong more are less one.

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-- I want you all to be aware of a few things that are going on in our Georgia Division. Our Commander Jack Birdwell has appointed as his Chief of Staff Ray McBerry who is the director of the League of the South for Georgia. Which is a stated secession political party. Our new editor for the Georgia Confederate, (Division News Letter) is Mike Crane who is the President of the Southern Party of Georgia. You might note that you have not gotten your division news letter since September. At our reunion it was proposed that we reduce the news letter from 12 issues a year down to 6 issues. Funding being sited as the problem. The motion failed and the delegates voted to continue to fund 12 issues

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At the very first meeting of the division EC in September it was decided to continue 12 issues, 6 issues mail to the membership as it always has been and 6 issues published on the internet. Bad idea, we have 4,000 members that the mail-out is mailed to monthly.

These mailed newsletters keep all our members informed about division activities. Less than 200 members are on the division e-mail list. Our Compatriot Mitch Morgan has been upsetting a few folks, he has paid his dues and thinks he deserves to get his news letter just like he has been getting it for years. And so do I. I want the minuets of the EC meeting published in our newsletter, monthly don't you? We all need to know what is happening at every level of the SCV. Why not give Mitch a call 912-927-6247

Adjutant Doug Hansen needs to hear from every member. We want to update our roster we need you name, address, phone number and email address. You send this information to Doug by email at [DCMRHANEY@ATT.NET](mailto:DCMRHANEY@ATT.NET) phone number 912-234-4049 are by snail mail at.

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Last Saturday evening Jeanette and I attended the Lee/Jackson Dinner in Statesboro GA. It was a great event they had 102 in attendance. The meal was just right and the fellowship was second to none. The speaker for the evening was Lt CIC SCV Michael Givens from Beaufort SC. He is an inspiring speaker and we are going to have Michael speak to our camp soon. He spoke on the virtues' of our Confederate leadership and Gen. Lee wiliness to seek Gods will.

Our speaker for next month will be Ted Evan Lewis, noted historian and writer. I am sure Mr. Lewis will have some good stories to share with us.

On January 16<sup>th</sup> I will be speaking to the SCV Camp in Millen GA. That will be on a Friday evening, their meetings start at 6:30 PM we are going to leave my house at 4:30 PM if any of you would like to go with us let me know.

We will also attend the Lee/ Jackson Dinner at the New Ebenezer Retreat on January 24<sup>th</sup> cost for the event will be \$20.00 per person. Contact Henry Lee for info [hsleejr1952@planters.net](mailto:hsleejr1952@planters.net) 912-728-3475 they may be sold out. Call to see if you can have a seat.

Brothers, we will have our members only meeting on Tuesday January 20<sup>th</sup> 7: PM at Aunt'Bs in Richmond Hill. It has been proposed that our Ladies be allowed to attend these meetings. This would be an amendment to our by-laws, we will vote on it at our next meeting.

I am excited about the progress we have been making and what this new year will bring. Remember, that what is not growing is starting to die.

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