



## Sons of Confederate Veterans

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

Savannah Militia Camp 1657

Chartered in 1994 with 18 Charter members.



April, 2009

Compatriots,

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM, at the Western Sizzling Steakhouse, in Pooler GA. I am trying to get Rep Ron Stephens to come share with us what his part was in getting the Georgia State Legislature to pass the law making April Confederate Heritage and History month. That's right we have it, Ron was one of the sponsors' of the bill. All we need now is for Gov Perdue to sign it into law. We don't see that as a problem. Our next camp business meeting, will be Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup> at Aunt B's in Richmond Hill. Members only, 7:00 PM

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I keep telling everyone across Georgia that the Savannah Militia Camp is the most exciting camp in the Georgia Division. Just think about this, for years it has been attempted to get folks interested in doing the work that the SCV is supposed to be about. Most camps just Meet-Eat-and Retreat. That's about all the life they have in them. We don't just talk to talk but we walk the walk.

The on-going work that our Compatriots are doing out at Laurel Grove Cemetery is being talked about all over the state. Members from neighboring camps have come out and worked with us, and we are grateful for all their help. But if it wasn't for men like Ron Coats who is chief honcho and Fred Royal our work detail supply Sergeant it just wouldn't be happening. I was able to make it out Saturday before last and what a great day we had. Good fellowship, hard work, and the satisfaction of knowing you are doing the right thing. Thanks to all for a fine job, lets get it done! Ron and Fred could fine something for you to do.

Compatriot, Rick McCracken could use your help on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> on our monthly trash pickup. In case you forgot we pick up the trash along HWY 80 on one Saturday a month. It is always the Saturday following our meeting.

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What can I say about the St Patrick's Day Parade this year? Well, it was the best yet. We have had a unit march in the parade since 1994 and all of them have been great, but this year we were allowed to fire our muskets' and that added so much to the enjoyment of the crowd. Start planning now, we will do it again next year!!

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This is Confederate Memorial month, why not make this year special ? Pay attention to these dates and events. Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM Green Meld rim House, A Confederate Evening. Call Gayle Dawson for details. Confederate Memorial Day, Forsyth Park, 1:00 PM. Mr. HK Edgerton the Black Confederate speaker. Then on to Laurel Grove's Gettysburg Lot. Come and remember our fallen and see the work your camp is doing to keep their memory alive.

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