



Sons of Confederate Veterans
***** Savannah, Georgia *****
Savannah Militia Camp 1657
Chartered in 1994 with 18 Charter members.



May 2009

Compatriots,

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 12th, 7:00 PM Western Sizzling Steakhouse, in Pooler GA. It is going to be an exciting meeting, we are going to celebrate US, that's right. Our Camp and our friends, what we have done and what we plan for the future. It would be nice to have everyone that has worked on our Laurel Grove Cemetery project and those that have marched with us in the St Patrick's Day Parade over the years come celebrate all that it is to be Confederate American.

I do not remember a year like we have had this year. Our camp is growing and reaching out to our community. We are getting a name in the Division as the camp that has had 100% reenlistment for three years. The members we have lost has been replaced by new members and those that left us went on to other camps in the area. So they are still involved in the SCV.

The media coverage we had St Patrick's Day was the best yet. But it was not as good as what we got on Confederate Memorial Day. Front Page Head-line in the Savannah Morning News, (CONFEDERATS CELEBRATED, SOME OF THE FINEST MEN, HONORED) pictures, and article first rate.

Then the Georgia legislature past and the Governor signed into law a bill, making April (CONFEDERATE HISTORY AND HERITAGE MONTH) did I say FOREVER!!

Next month the Georgia Division will be having our reunion. Date June 12-14 Place Fayetteville GA. Our camp is entitled to 8 votes, one of the largest in the Division. Adj. Doug Hansen and I plan to drive up that Saturday morning for the business meeting and then drive home that afternoon. We only need 6 more volunteers, want to be a part of history. I will have registration forms with me on Tuesday evening.

This is a non election year, so things should go quickly and we will be back on the road early. There are a number of amendments to be voted on. I will read them at this meeting so we will know how the camp would like us to vote.

Remember, our meeting Tuesday evening, plan now to be with us and bring a friend that will want to be a part of the best camp in the Sons of Confederate Veterans. How many of us have visited a church congregation that has an older membership? There is not much life, not much growth, not much of the Spirit. We want everyone to join us but we really want a younger more spirited camp. So why not bring your son's and grandson's. Let's build our camp on family. That way we will last the test of time.

Don Newman, Commander