

## **Sons of Confederate Veterans**

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

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



## December 2011 MERRY CHRISTMAS

Compatriots,

I want to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Let us not leave Christ out of Xmas.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday Dec 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM at the Western Sizzling Steakhouse, in Pooler. We have planned a great program for us all to enjoy. Our speaker will be National SCV spokes-person Compatriot Jack E. Marlar. Jack will present a, Confederate vs. Yankee Christmas. You will want to bring

the Ladies to this one. It should be fun and entertaining.

This Saturday morning, Dec 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM we are going to dedicate three Confederate Grave Markers. These markers were placed earlier this year by the Tattnall Invincible Camp #154. They are for three members of the same family. All of them served in Company C 61<sup>ST</sup> GA Inf. They were Pvt. Robert R. Rewis, Pvt. James J. Rewis and Pvt. General Ebenezer Rewis. Compatriots Dale Stokes of our camp and Compatriots Brian and Thad Beckum of the Ebenezer Rifles Camp are decedents of these men.

We need the support of all our members and members of surrounding camps. Reenactors please turn out for this one.

Directions--from I-16 exit # 104 Metter, GA exit. Come to yellow light in Cobbtown GA, turn right, go .07 miles turn left on Lynntown Rd, go 2.2 miles to marked dirt road Ray Lively Rd, turn left, .01 miles to cemetery.

We are looking into the possibility of our camp taking over the custodial cam of the flag pole down in Liberty County. It is the 55 ft pole that you may have seen going south on I-95, it is on the right. It is in dire need of care. We are becoming known as a camp that can do and will do what is needed. Division Chairman of the Flags over Georgia program Joel Coleman has ask us to look into this project.

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I can not begin to tell you folks what an honor it is for me to serve with you in this camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Our membership is now at 121 members and growing. Got a call from a gentleman living in the great state of Texas last night. He was born in Savannah but now lives in Texas, he saw our web-site and is now going to join our camp. <a href="www.scvsavannah.com">www.scvsavannah.com</a> we have had over 5,000 hits since we started the website last year.

I can tell you now we have reenlisted 100% of our membership for six years now. If that don't make you feel a little proud of your membership in this camp nothing will help you. We put our hand to the plow and are not looking back.

There is so much to involve yourself in, meetings, work details, parades, reenactments, livings histories, memorial services and dinners. Get involved become a working part of this, your camp. This camp is doing very well.

Please, don't forget the 2012 Stephen D. Lee Institute, to be held in Savannah February 3-5. You need to sign up for this once in a life time experience. http://www.stephendleeinstitute.com/register\_form\_full.html

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