



Sons of Confederate Veterans

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

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



January 2016

Compatriots,

I hope each of you enjoyed a great holiday season with family and friends. Our Family Covered Dish Supper was an outstanding success, bigger and better than last year. We had 84 members and family members present. My 90-year-old Momma said y'all are the friendliest group of people she has seen in a long time. A good time was had by all. Why not plan to be with us next year?

Our first meeting of 2016 will be on Tuesday January 12th, at the Western Sizzling in Pooler, Ga. Try to come early so you can find a seat, our meeting is about to outgrow our meeting room. Be there by 6:00 pm to eat and fellowship, we will start our program at 7:00. Remember your wife or lady friend is always welcome at our public monthly meeting. Find a friend to invite to this meeting.

Our First Quarterly Business Meeting of 2016 will on Tuesday, January 19th at 7:00 pm. We will meet at Aunt Bee's Restaurant at I-95 and Hwy 144 in Richmond Hill, GA. All members are invited and encouraged to attend. Remember, we don't discuss our camps business at our public meetings. We have nothing to hide, we decided to handle business this way in the hope of moving our public meetings along and not boring our guest with the mundane business of running the camp. Remember, every member is welcome and encouraged to attend and participate in our business meetings.

Compatriots, our next major event will be our annual participation in Savannah's St Patrick's Day Parade, on March 17th. This be the 24th consecutive year we will have had a unit in the parade. There is no other venue in the world where we are more welcome to display our colors to the public. Make your plans now to be a part of this great event.

Have you noted that those who have used the shooting in Charleston to attack our heritage and symbols have lost some of their momentum? In our area we have won a number of victories. Statesboro, Bulloch County, still has the Confederate Veterans Monument on the Courthouse grounds. Effingham High School is still known as the Rebels, their mascot is still The Little Rebel and Dixie is still their fight song. Even in the media we have had some good coverage.

We have decided that we will not play Mr. Nice Guy, with these people. When they come after our heritage and symbols, we will fight them every way we have to. We are called to defend the Confederate Veterans good name. When they seek to make cash off of his good name, they will pay. We don't care about how offended they become about the truth of history, we will not set back and let anyone rewrite it.

How can you help? Be vigilant. When you see a problem let us know so we can get right on it. Support your camp, attend our meetings, pay dues on time. Tell others that you or a member of this camp and invite them to visit our meetings.

Our division reunion in June will be held in Conyers GA. This is an election year, right now we are entitled to 17 delegates. Please consider being one of them. We will make our own good time.