

Confederate Legion Soldiers for Freedom

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"The principle for which we contended is bound to reassert itself, though it may be at another time and in another form," President Jefferson Davis, C.S.A.



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VIRGINIA'S STRUGGLE IS OUR STRUGGLE

It is obvious to all that the neo-Marxist enemies of Southern heritage and history are vigorously attacking Virginia. The Old Dominion State of Virginia, the "Mother of Presidents," and home of some of America's most notable patriots must not yield to these attacks. The world is watching to see how we respond to these attacks in Virginia. As goes Virginia, so goes the rest of the Confederation. In other words, what happens in Virginia will impact all Southern States. If we lose in Virginia by only offering a weak ineffective fight, that could be the death-knell for Southern heritage. If we lose after putting up a strong defense, that would be sad, but other Southern States, which are in a better political situation, would at least understand they have a good chance of winning. But gentlemen, if we win in Virginia all of our heritage will be much safer from attacks **throughout** the South.

Let me explain. In Mississippi there is an on-going effort to remove the Confederate emblem from the state flag. If we lose the battle in Virginia without a strong effort on our part, elected officials in Mississippi will conclude that supporting Southern heritage is a losing effort and they would be politically better off by not supporting the Mississippi flag. Multiply this situation by all the Southern States and you see why it is a Confederate-wide issue that Virginia, to quote a noted Virginian, "must combine to resist, and that effectually, these encroachments." If we lose the struggle in Virginia without a manly and aggressive fight, I fear that all is lost.

This is why the Confederate Legion is contacting every SCV camp in Virginia to offer our assistance in promoting a positive view of our Southland to Virginia's general public. We have already purchased radio ads and are creating a "Virginia" issue of the 'Southern Defender' to be distributed across Virginia. We will be establishing a system to assist the local camps to keep pressure on the Virginia Legislature via phone, email, and snail-mail letters to protect Confederate monuments, and holidays, as well as defending our 1st and 2nd Amendment Rights. Today, we the people of the South find ourselves in the same position as described by that great Virginian, John Randolph of Roanoke: "We must combine to resist, and that effectually, these encroachments, or the little upon which we now barely subsist will be taken from us."

GOING ON THE OFFENSE: ATTACK-ATTACK

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As is explained in the January/February issue of the *Confederate Veteran* magazine, 'Forward the Colors,' the SCV is a well-kept secret. At times like this we need to be known as an active and therefore very strong organization defending Southern Rights. Unfortunately, as a group founded in the 19th century and maturing as an organization in the 20th century, we tend to fight our enemies with 19th and 20th century weapons and tactics. Unfortunately, our enemies are using 21st century weapons and tactics. Think of it like this; If the most powerful WWII (20th century) military force was attacked by a very small but well equipped 21st century military force the 20th century force would be defeated. The same is true for the SCV, if we continue fighting our enemies using outdated weapons and tactics.

The relentless attack by the leftist political/social establishment in Virginia is a perfect example of why the SCV must have a better system of defending and promoting our heritage. Consider these past relentless attacks upon our heritage/history: Charleston, Charlottesville, and Virginia. Notice how fast our enemies can respond to these events and therefore capture the attention of the majority of Americans for their narrative. Now consider how long it took and even now takes the SCV to respond. In WWII as German Blitzkrieg was over-running France, the French military headquarters did not have wireless or telephone connection with its field commanders—headquarters was still using WWI style runners with written messages for communications—the French military did not keep up with technology, the Germans did. This is the state of affairs today as we witness a continuation of the destruction of Southern heritage.

This is not a criticism of previous SCV leaders. They had to work with the tools they had at the time. What the SCV needs to do is to update our ability to respond to our enemies. This cannot be done by volunteers. The Confederate Legion's ability to respond to any attack is hampered by lack of manpower and resources. What is needed is a full-time department at headquarters that will be responsible for reaching out to SCV Divisions, Camps, and members as soon as an "incident" or attack takes place and give those Division, Camps, and members a working plan of action to counter the attack upon our history/heritage. This new full-time department should also daily be working to place SCV information on radio, print media, and social media. At this time, those of us working in the Confederate Legion are attempting to do all of this and more on a volunteer basis. The positive results we are accomplishing with volunteers (4-5 people) can be multiplied a hundred times with a full-time individual. Also, the benefit of a quick and timely response to the news and social media will give us a chance to put our narrative before the public quickly and therefore help stem the tide of anti-South bigotry.

If we do not give new SCV leaders the tools to fight our enemies in a 21st century method, the SCV and our Southern Heritage is as doomed as the French military facing the German Blitzkrieg. We can win this fight but we must fight smart—the question is, "Does the SCV have the will to jump into a 21st century fight?"

(The preceding is the opinion of Walter D. Kennedy, Chief of Heritage Operations and has not been endorsed by anyone other than his twin brother!)

Legislative Victory in Louisiana

The headline above may be shocking to Louisiana SCV members because in the last two legislative sessions we have been thoroughly defeated by our neo-Marxist opponents. But this has not always been the case! The SCV did win a major legislative victory in our efforts to protect Confederate flags. It occurred back in 1989 when I (Ron Kennedy) was LA Div. Commander. With the help of a friend who was a lobbyist, the LA SCV was able to turn back an effort to remove from state law the legal protection for Confederate flags. The effort taught me an important lesson on how to win in any legislative effort.

I first went to the legislature and met with my representative who immediately dismissed me by curtly informing me that, "I did not come to Baton Rouge to engage in a civil rights fight!" My lobbyist friend told me that I and the SCV were, at best, an unknow entity and at worst "racist." He told me that if we wanted to influence folks in the legislature, we must first demonstrate influence back in their home districts. At the time we only had slightly over 300 members in the Division and around a dozen camps. None-the-less, I contacted activist members in various camps and we began a telephone, fax, and letter writing campaign. For a while the telephone switchboard was very busy handling our calls! We wrote letters-to-theeditor in various newspapers, copied them and mailed them to all legislators. We worked with local groups (VFW etc.) who were sympathetic to protecting historic flags. Through back channels, I made sure certain political "leaders" knew that we planned to use the state's recall mechanism to recall any legislator in conservative districts who voted to remove the Confederate flag from statutory protection. I got word back that the general feeling in the state house was that they did not want to "get those Confederates stirred-up." In the end we won!

The lesson is simple: you do not win a political fight by relying on "truth and justice." In the political world only two things matter—money and votes (this is sad commentary on American politics). We cannot match our enemy's access to money but we can outdo them when it comes to mobilizing voters! Remember, opinion polls document that we have around 70% support among our fellow Southerners. We win by first mobilizing our passive supporters and turning them into active supporters; by flooding our representatives with our demands, and when necessary hiring the right lobbyist. We can win if we use the correct tactics, tactics tied to a strategic plan for ultimate victory!



Donnie enjoyed meeting at Parson Camp in MO

NETWORKING AND COMMUNICATONS

No battle, let alone a war, can be won without good communications. We of the SCV are woefully lacking in this area but our man, Brain McClure, is working on putting the SCV into the 21st century communications network. It appears that within the SCV there are at least 160 Facebook accounts and 110 websites. Each of these media outlets need to be networked with Heritage Operations and with each other. Please help Brain get this job done.





Donnie promoting Confederate Legion at Lee/Jackson Banquet in Northeast LA

Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Liberty

Christians, Confederates, Conservatives—Failure

Last week, while working on a manuscript, I ran across a rather sad and shocking fact. In an article about the Federal Supreme Court's rulings to remove prayer and Bible reading from public schools, the author stated that when the first case was heard **no** Christian church or organization filed an amicus brief (friend of the court—filed by a non-party but one who has an interest in the case's outcome). Were Christians asleep back in 1962-3? In the first chapter of Reclaiming Liberty I detail how conservatives spent the 20th century in continuous retreat as liberals and progressives assaulted our Constitutional rights and liberties. In the first chapter of Dixie Rising-Rules for Rebels I describe how even when "conservatives" win elections, we still manage to loss the struggle. In 1994 the Kennedy Twins published the second edition of *The South Was Right!* in which we predicted that a campaign of cultural genocide was on its way unless we the people of the South took immediate and audacious social and political action to defeat our neo-Marxist enemies. Many took the warning seriously but most in the SCV and other Southern heritage groups denied the prediction, arrogantly declaring, "that will never happen here," and then, as if to prove their point, they branded the Kennedy Twins as "extremists." I recall Barry Goldwater's famous 1964 speech declaring that "Extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice. Moderation in pursuit of justice is no virtue." Senator Goldwater did not mean bomb-throwing violence when is used the word "extremism," he meant that we the people must be extremely vigilant when it comes to protecting our liberty. Our neo-Marxist enemies are actively disarming us, censoring our freedom of speech and working to make atheism and secular humanism the only religion allowed in America's public square. We the people must become vigilant or we will become slaves!



Want to learn more about our neo-Marxist enemies? Click links below:

Truth No Longer Matters:

https://www.abbevilleinstitute.org/blog/the-truth-no-longer-matters/

The Left's March Through Southern Institutions:

https://www.abbevilleinstitute.org/blog/the-lefts-march-through-southern-institutions/

White Privilege or Yankee Privileges:

https://www.abbevilleinstitute.org/blog/white-privilege-oryankee-privilege/





Renew Your
Confederate Legion
Membership

Give us the ammunition need to win this War!



With a few members we have accomplished a lot in the first year. Be on the lookout for your renewal notice. What we have accomplished so far will be "small potatoes" compared to what we shall accomplish when we have a minimum of 1000 members in each Army! With three thousand members we will initiate a revolution in how modern-day Southerners think about their South. Deo Vindice.

Informing Your Neighbors and Local Community

The Southern Defender

Thanks to Mississippi Division SCV member, Ray Shores, we now have the capability to print copies of the Confederate Legion's broadsheet the *Southern Defender*. Ray has produced broadsheets for Mississippi, and Virginia with plans to do one for Louisiana. They are printed in his office in Flora, Mississippi.



The *Southern Defender* is four pages (can be larger), color, and can be customized to your state. It can be used as an insert in weekly newspapers, as free handouts at reenactments, gun shows, living histories, or left in waiting rooms. More information about costs and how to obtain copies available at www.makedixiegreatagain.com

Proposed SCV Billboard

HONORING OUR HISTORY



1-800-MY-DIXIE

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A friend who owns a billboard company told the Kennedy Twins that a billboard is a 3-7 second ad. The message must be quick and easy to read. He said that it would cost around \$800/Mo. X six months to put one up in a high traffic area in Monroe, LA. We need them across the South!

CONFEDERATE LEGION ACTION REPORT SUMMARY

The following is an abbreviated review of the pro-South activities that your money and assistance has allowed the Confederate Legion (C.L.) to accomplish. With your assistance and the effort of volunteers working with the C. L., we are making a difference in this struggle. I want to thank these volunteers who daily take the time to make this effort possible. These activities include but not limited to: (1) Radio Free Dixie; creating 12 sixty second radio ads—said ads have been run on radio stations in Virginia, Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, Louisiana, and Texas. Working with local SCV camps, the C. L. assisted camps in these States and other States to run our ads; (2) created and produced pro-South videos which supported over six Confederate Counter Attacks and posted these videos on YouTube, Facebook, and our MDGA website; (3) created and posted "sample" letters to be use by local camps to promote our pro-South actions; (4) made direct U.S. mail and e-mail contact with SCV Division and Camp leaders to encourage members to get involved in spreading our pro-South message; (5) monthly created two or more ten minute Commander's Comment with C-i-C Gramling explaining what is currently going on with the SCV, posted on MDGA, Facebook, and YouTube. This is a sample of what is being done with your membership (donation) to the C. L. Please share these videos and articles on your social media, thereby increasing the viewership and impact of this effort. Our volunteers are currently contacting C.L. members seeking renewals so our efforts can continue. They are also working on a more streamlined method of C. L. membership payment. Please renew your membership.