

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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Our Southern Heritage and the Orwellian Memory Hole

In George Orwell's classic novel *1984*, one of the major efforts of Big Brother's government was the removal from the historical record of anything that may upset Big Government. Thus, sycophants of the all-powerful government would remove anything they deemed "unpatriotic" from books, periodicals, and other media. Anything removed was placed into what was termed the "Memory Hole." The Memory Hole was simply a conduit to an incinerator. Recently, while visiting the National Military Park in Vicksburg, I was given a brochure by an attendant which gives the story of the Park. Nothing in this brochure, photographs or text, gave any account of the Confederate Veterans or the Cause they were defending. Only photographs and artwork depicting the victorious Yankees were to be seen. The only flag displayed was the invaders' flag and of course the reader is assured that the invader brought "freedom and equality," to Vicksburg. What is true for Vicksburg Military Park is true for the media, academia (K through post graduate college), and the political establishment. Our neo-Marxist enemies are actively consigning the history and the culture of the children of the invaded and conquered South to their neo-Marxist Memory Hole.

Here are a few questions: "Are we going to stand by and allow only one side of this story be told?" "Are we willing to do what is necessary to assure that 'the rest of the story' about the Cause of the South is going to live beyond this generation?" And lastly, "Are we willing to fight this battle in a manner that can bring ultimate victory or are we only going to do those things which we have always done?" The last question is not an attempt to condemn those efforts and men who have, since the late 19th century and all of the 20th century, nobly defended the Cause of the South. Rather it is intended to point out that we now live in the 21st century and our enemies are 21st century enemies. We must adapt, improvise, and overcome our enemies in a 21st century manner. This has been the objective of the Heritage Operation Committee since the election of C-i-C Gramling, who commissioned not just the Heritage Operation Committee but the entire SCV to "Take back the narrative." The noble narrative of the defense of home, family, and freedom which was once commonly embraced has been replaced by the odious neo-Marxist narrative of a racist, defender-of-slavery, South. In this issue of the *Confederate Legion Newsletter*, we will discuss some of the efforts that have already been put in place and, with your continuing help, others yet to come. But if we are to be successful, the SCV must become an activist organization in a 21st century effort to Vindicate the Cause.

Southern Victory Campaign

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Join the growing counter-offensive to Make Dixie Great Again!



Mississippi SCV Division Reunion & Civil War Relic Show

The Southern Victory Campaign "Make Dixie Great Again" Team. From left to right: Deputy Chief of Heritage Promotions Ron Kennedy, Chief of Heritage Operations Donnie Kennedy, SCV C-i-C Paul Gramling, Jr., and Deputy of Communication & Networking Brian McClure. Photo taken June 8 at display table at Relic Show. Also, manning the display table full time both days was SCV member Ray Shores Heritage Operations Marketing Manager, plus his wife and daughter. Hundreds of pamphlets describing the Confederate Legion were handed out at this display.

See You All in Mobile National SCV Reunion

July 10-13, 2019

- Be sure to register for the Heritage Luncheon Thursday July 11th
- Confederate Legion first 200 members recognition certificates given out to attendees
 - * Certificates for those not attending will be given to their respective Division Commanders to forward to appropriate camp commander for presentation at regular camp meeting.
- Luncheon speaker: James Ronald Kennedy
- Speaker's topic: Celebrating Southern Heritage Victories



If you love these flags, then you understand that our Confederate ancestors were fighting for the same thing our Colonial ancestors were fighting for—the right of selfdetermination, the right of selfgovernment—Freedom! Join the Confederate Legion and help the SCV spread the truth about the War for Southern Independence.



The Confederate Legion A Ten-Month Review

The Chief of Heritage Operations and the Deputy Chief for Heritage Promotions met in Flora, Mississippi Wednesday June 12th to record a video presentation

giving а short update on the activities and accomplishments of the Confederate Legion since its inception-only а short ten months prior. It is hoped



that every SCV Camp will take the opportunity to review this presentation.

During last years' campaign for Commander-in-Chief of the SCV, Paul Gramling, Jr., declared that, that if elected, he intended to set in motion a strategic plan to reclaim the narrativeto establish the Southern narrative about the War for Southern Independence. C-i-C Gramling stressed during his 2018 campaign that this effort-The Southern Campaign-would Victory be а strategic, i.e. long-term effort, requiring an effort different from anything the SCV has done in the past. Below are some of the main accomplishments thus far:

- Purchased domain names for MDGA website
- Designed-modified-redesigned MDGA website (ongoing effort)
- Purchased cameras and sound equipment to produce SCV videos

(All equipment paid for by Kennedy Twins and Ray Shores)

- Ray Shores dedicated one of his offices in his business headquarters in Flora, Mississippi to serve as a sound/recording room. (Eventually National HQ will need to establish a complete 21st century media division in the National SCV HQ)
 - Produced & posted numerous videos to MDGA website under "The Rest of the Story" as well as several videos from other Southern friendly sources.
- Produced monthly Commander's Comments providing updates on SCV activities & posted to MDGA.
- Established Radio Free Dixie and provided one-minute ads downloadable for local camp use
- Established Internet Free Dixie allowing SCV to post geographically targeted online ads
- Initiated Confederate Counter-Attack. Provided sample letters and suggestions for use by camps
- Established Confederate Legion to provide finances to pay for ads
- Purchased several thousands of dollars' worth of radio and internet ads.

This is only a small listing of our activities over the past ten months—all done by volunteers working with SCV members nation-wide to Vindicate the Cause!

Heritage Operations Staff and Duties

Listed below are the new members of the Heritage Operations staff and a short description of their duties. You will be hearing from these men as we push the SCV's *Southern Victory Campaign*. Please assist these gentlemen as they work to Make Dixie Great Again!

Walter D. (Donnie) Kennedy, Chief of Heritage Operations

The Chief of Heritage Operations with the advice and consent of the Commander-in-Chief, will design and implement activities that will advance the role of the SCV in vindicating the Cause of Confederate Veterans. He will, with the advice and consent of the C-i-C, appoint all members of the Heritage Committee other than the Chief and Deputy Chief of Heritage Operations. He will assist in coordinating all heritage defense activities so as to support the overall goal of the SCV as described in the Charge given by General S.D. Lee.

Carl Jones, Deputy Chief of Heritage Operations

Advise and assist the Chief of Heritage Operations in the discharge of his duties as described above. Fulfil the functions of the Chief of Heritage Operations when necessary as determined by the C-i-C.

James R. Kennedy, Deputy Chief of Heritage Promotions

Assist in the production of pro-Confederate information to be distributed to SCV camps, members, and the general public. In performing this duty, he will review all information coming to headquarters which are both positive and negative news and/or social media reports and offer suggestions for response.

Ray Shores, Marketing Management

Maintain an up-to-date web site, MDGA, create quality video and audio media to be placed on MDGA website, YouTube, and SCV related sites. Provide information on appropriate marketing tools to be use by SCV camps for promoting a positive view of the Cause of the South.

Dr. Sandy Mitchem, Jr., Heritage Operations Historian

Assure historical correctness of any information released by the Heritage Operations. Answer inquiries from Media outlets when a certified, i.e., credentialed historian is requested.

James Brian McClure, Jr., Communication and Networking

Assist the Chief of Heritage Operations in establishing and maintaining an up-to-date SCV communication network and establish an intra-SCV system of knowledge sharing for SCV leaders and members.

Strategic Planning and Tactical Support

Assist Chief of Heritage Operations in planning new and improved ways of communicating our message to the general public and the discharge of the activities of this committee. Our message will concentrate on presenting a positive view about the Confederate Veterans, the Cause for which they fought, true Southern history, and a positive view of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. One individual from each Army of the SCV will be appointed to assist in the implementation of the projects of the Heritage Operations Committee within the army in which they represent.

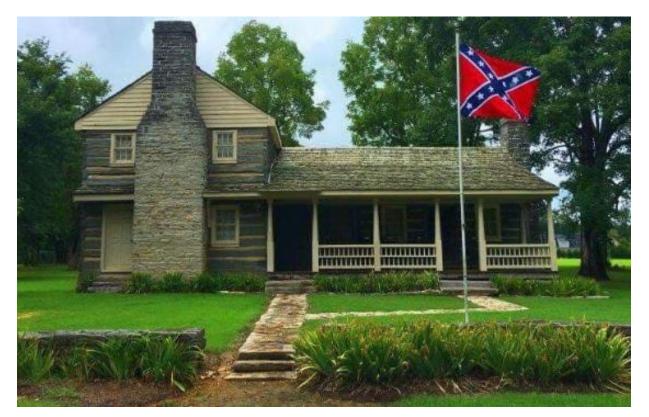
David Loy Mauch, ATM

<u>Tom Hiter, AOT</u>

Mike Scruggs, ANV

By working together, the members of the SCV can Make Dixie Great Again. Please work with these men as they help us to reclaim the narrative, defeat the neo-Marxists, and Vindicate the Cause of Freedom for which our Confederate and Colonial ancestors so courageously fought!

Boyhood Home of General Nathan Bedford Forrest Chapel Hill, Tennessee



17th Annual Southern Heritage Festival June 15, 2019

Photos below: Susan Lee, Virginia Flaggers, with Gene Andrews TN SCV, Donnie Kennedy, Chief Heritage Operations SCV, and Dr. Sandy Mitcham, Jr., Heritage Operations Historian.



Dr. Mitcham, Jr is also the author of Bust Hell Wide Open: The Life of Nathan Bedford Forrest

Among the numerous speakers were Susan, Donnie, and Sandy. Gene Andrews has played a key role in helping to save and restore the Forrest Home. The Home is now owned by the Sons of Confederate Veterans.