



Barksdale's Mississippian's

"If thy sons in the coming times shall learn the lesson of the heroism their lives inspired and their deeds declared, then not one drop of blood was shed in vain."



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Our August meeting of the Barksdale Camp will be Thursday 28 August at 6:30 P.M. at Buffet City on Hwy 45 in Columbus, MS!

COME JOIN US!

14th Southern Heritage Conference and Ceiledh

The week end of August 15 and 16 saw the 14th Southern Heritage Conference and Ceiledh at Laurel Mississippi sponsored by Jones County Rosin Heels Camp 227.

On the program was writer Al Benson, Jr speaking on Lincoln, Mississippi Division Commander speaking on "The Disappearing South" and "Does Heritage Matter?" and SCV Chaplain-in-Chief Dr Cecil Fayard speaking on The Cause for the War for Southern Independence.

The musical portion of the program included Piper Zoe Brumfield, Fiddler Bonnie McCoy and gospel music played and sung by Ruby Pruitt, Geneva Myers and Michael McKnight. Photos of conference on following page.

Confederate Birthdays for August

Brig. General Nathaniel Harrison Harris - 22 Aug. 1834 - Natchez, Miss.

Brig. General Benjamin Grubb Humphreys - 24 Aug. 1808 - Claiborne Co., Miss.

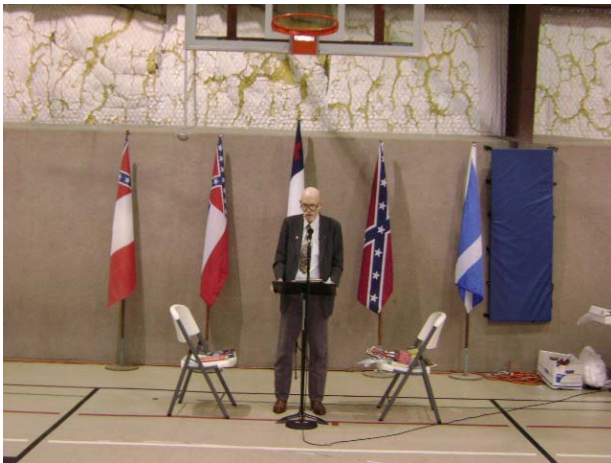
Brig. General Carnot Posey - 5 Aug. 1813 - Wilkinson Co., Miss.

War Between the States Trivia

What part of the U.S. Constitution was adopted verbatim into the Confederate Constitution?
(answer on last page of this newsletter)



Camp 227 Commander George Jaynes opens the 14th Southern Heritage Conference and Ceiledh



Writer Al Benson, Jr <<http://www.albensonjr.com>> author of the Copperhead Chronicles speaks about Lincoln & his relationship to Modern Marxism and the Dahlgren Papers.



Al Benson Jr, with the Officers of the Mississippi Division, l to r Carl Ford, Judge Advocate, Jim Strickland, Adjutant, Bill Hinson, Fourth Brigade Commander, Jeff Barnes, Lt. Commander, Mr Benson, Larry McCluney, Commander and Dr Cecil Fayard, Chaplain-in-Chief of SCV.



UPCOMING EVENTS!

The Mississippi Division Executive Council will meet at 10 AM on August 23, at the War Memorial Building in Jackson.

All members are welcome and urged to attend.

Requests for floor time must be made in advance to Commander McCluney.



**Sam Davis Camp #596
Mississippi Division,
Sons of Confederate Veterans**

Friends,

On August 29th 2005, Hurricane Katrina severely damaged our beloved Beauvoir and interrupted a 20-year run of Beauvoir Fall Muster(s). For the past 2 years the Sam Davis Camp #596 SCV and 32nd Mississippi Infantry endeavored to continue the Fall Muster weekend offsite. And with great support from you and units like yours, we were able to maintain the spirit of the Fall Muster. For this we would like to thank you. Also we are proud to invite you to participate in this year's Event.

On October 18-19th 2008 we will bring Fall Muster back to Beauvoir!

No Reenactor registration fee this year.
New and improved Battlefield.
Saturday Night Food and Dance...
You'll See Two Great Bands,
Kracker Dan and Un-Reconstructed
What else can we say, It's Beauvoir!!!!

Respectfully yours,

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Tennessee Teen Fights for Right to Wear Confederate Flag

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Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. —

Tommy DeFoe wore his Southern pride on his Confederate flag belt buckle Wednesday as he argued in federal court that a school dress code banning such items violated his free speech rights.

"I am fighting for my heritage and my rights as a Southerner and an American," said the lanky DeFoe, 18, during a break in his trial.

DeFoe says his great-great uncle served in the Confederate army and "died for the South" in the Civil War.

But heritage was not the issue for Anderson County school officials who suspended DeFoe more than 40 times before he received his certificate of completion from the county vocational school last fall.

DeFoe's trial, which began Monday and is being heard by an all-white jury, is the latest in a string of cases across the South since the 1990s challenging dress codes that banned Confederate flag apparel: a prom gown in Kentucky, purses in Texas, T-shirts in Kentucky, South Carolina and Georgia.

It is unusual for such cases to go to a jury trial, however. Most were settled with a payment to the plaintiffs, said DeFoe attorney Kirk Lyons, who has been involved in many of the cases as chief trial lawyer for the North Carolina-based Southern Legal Resource Center. Others were thrown out by the judge.

DeFoe's lawyers claim the issue is whether the school system can ban the Confederate flag, a symbol of racism to some, if it causes no substantial disruption, Lyons said.

But officials in Anderson County, in East Tennessee not far from Knoxville, said they feared racial tension and violence if DeFoe continued to wear his Confederate flag shirts and belt buckle to class.

All sides agree his clothing failed to draw much notice at Anderson High School, where one of 1,160 students is black, or at the vocational school, where all 200 students are white.

But officials worried about the impact at Clinton High School six miles away, where about 100 of 1,200 students are black. Clinton High was the first public school desegregated by court order in the Old South in 1956 and

was rocked by three massive explosions that temporarily closed the school in 1958.

"If he had worn at Clinton High what he wore at Anderson High it would have been a riot, somebody would have clobbered him," said county school board chairman John Burrell, one of several officials DeFoe is suing.

Yet Burrell said DeFoe clearly was "challenging the system. He knew the dress code. His father knew the dress code. He signed the dress code. He was challenging it."

Until 2001, the dress code for all Anderson County schools specifically banned the Confederate flag. Then the policy was rewritten to more general language "because we were afraid we would leave something out," Burrell said. Still, he said it was understood Confederate flag apparel was not allowed.

DeFoe's lawsuit questions why other symbols aren't banned, including the Mexican flag, the Canadian flag, political campaign buttons and images of Martin Luther King Jr.

He said other students wore Confederate flag clothing without consequence.

"I felt like I was the one who stood up for" what he believed in, he said.



THE BIBLE ON THE BATTLE-FIELD

Among the dead of one of the battlefields before Richmond was a Confederate soldier who lay unburied several days after the conflict. Already the flesh had been eaten by the worms from his fingers, but underneath the skeleton-hand laid an open copy of the Bible, and the fingers pressed upon those precious words of the twenty-third Psalm--- *"Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me."*

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Answer to Trivia Question

The first 12 Amendments

(The Complete Book of Confederate Trivia by J. Stephen Lang copyright 1996)



Submission Deadline for the September Newsletter is Monday, 16 September.