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### From the Captain

Men,

As you have seen over the last month or so our historical environment has changed in how our heritage is seen by the media and by some in the general public. Not all are on the attack but many crazy fanatics are after our flags, monuments, car tag and in some cases the sacred graves of our heroes.

*“Nothing fills me with deeper sadness than to see a Southern man apologizing for the defense we made of our inheritance. Our cause was so just, so sacred, that had I known all that has come to pass, had known what was to be inflicted upon me, all that my country was to suffer, all that our posterity was to endure, I would do it all over again.”*

*President Jefferson Davis, C.S.A.*

Each of us are doing what we can to show support for our heritage in supporting flag rally’s, monument remembrances or rally’s and fly our flags more just to let people know we care. All of these heritage attacks, as I call them, are meant to obliterate our history even more than how it is being taught today in our schools. We as SCV must stand together united supporting our Georgia Division Leadership when they request support but we must also respond at the Camp level and at Mechanized Cavalry level. We are distributed all over the State and can support flag rally’s, monument remembrances, rather quickly when called to do so if we divide and support as many as possible. It’s time to step it up and start getting the word out to those at the rally’s and let them know who the SCV is and what we are about. If they are carrying a flag at a rally give them a brochure and introduce them to the SCV, tell them what we are about. There are many new members that can be gained from these rally’s, men of like mind but have never really thought about joining until now. Just be cautious when supporting some of the rallies, make sure it’s not sponsored by someone pushing a hate or racism, that’s not what we are about. I will be at the Stone Mountain rally on Aug 1 to hand out brochures, applications and to talk to people supporting the rally about the SCV.

***“Everyone should do all in his power to collect and disseminate the truth, in the hope that it may find a place in history and descend to posterity. History is not the relation of campaigns and battles and generals or other individuals, but that which shows the principles for which the South contended and which justified her struggle for those principles. ”***

***Robert E. Lee***

Bo has begun sending out the handouts, CD's, coins and applications to the Troop. Please use these recruitment tools and a venue to open the door to new members. We can order more if needed to get them out to all Mechanized Cavalry men across the Troops. I am also looking at reproducing a pamphlet on the true cause of the war that came out a few days ago. The author gave permission to reproduce and distribute. We have to make the truth available to everyone we can.

Our Camp also buys about 8 subscriptions to the Confederate Veterans Magazine and distributes to local schools and libraries. It cost about \$80 a year to make it available, a worthwhile effort to get the word out. You may want to look into something like that within your Camp.

Publicity, can't say it enough. We need to engage in a major charity event in each Troop annually if possible. We have the ability to organize, raise funds and make a difference in someones life. We get the joy and helping someone and they receive the needed assistance.

Cemetery cleanup is another way we can move into the spotlight and cleaning up some of the abandoned cemeteries that have Confederate Veterans. Troop 3 has already begun working with a local cemetery that had been forgotten about for almost a 100 years. They are cutting grass, raking leaves, setting knocked over headstones back in place and bringing it back to a place of honor. It could also be the place you chose to have a Memorial Day event each year bringing the public in as part of the event.

I am already in the planning stages again this year for the Dublin Veterans event on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in September, Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>. This always turns out well but this year I want to kick it up. We are already gathering stuff for the gift bags we take up to the rooms. If you have access to note pads, ink pins, soap, magazines and any other items they may use please gather them up and I will make arrangement to collect them. We are hitting up stores like Walmart, auto parts and other stores that may donate. In the past our September Quarterly was the Sunday after the Dublin event. It will be the same this year and I an working to lock down the Lodge in Forsyth.

The Georgia Resurrection (Annual) is drawing near. We have all but one or two rooms filled in the cabins and I think a few staying in the local area attending the event. This type of event has been talked about for some time. Where we could get together across the State and get to know one another and just relax for a couple of days. This is what this event is supposed to be, a low pressure event with time for family and fellowship with your Mechanized Cavalry Brothers. The

\$30 dollar registration covers your food and all of the refreshments. We will have full access to the kayaks and pond for cooling off. Troop 1 is organizing a nice ride on Saturday for those that wish to ride through the hills. Troop 4 is promising hamburgers and chicken second to none. Also each Troop please bring items to raffle for your Troop, all proceeds from your items go back to your Troop. I will bring the raffle tickets for everyone to use. The 20 primitive bunk spots are still open at no charge. Hope to see you there and please get your registration in by 15 August so we can get the right amount of food and refreshments. It's your event and let's make the best of the two days in the hills.

September 25-27 will be the annual Troop 2 ride to the hills in Suches Georgia at the Wild Cat Lodge. Last year was great and this year will be another great event. I will ride up and like I did last year for the dice run.

Troop 4 is planning another Camp out at the Jefferson Davis Capture site in Irwinville Ga. later this year on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in November. more to come on that event. Last year was great, good food and fellowship. On Sunday they ride to the Wirtz Memorial dedication in Andersonville.

Trigger

Compatriots,

We are in trying times. The month of July has certainly brought much turmoil to our Confederate Heritage. We are being attacked from every angle. From racial slurs, end of life accidents, and everything in between. Through it all, we must remain honorable and dignified. Every action we make in the public eye, should be nothing less. Proper communication is the key to a common understanding. We must educate the public while forwarding our cause. All events should include some form of public speaking identifying who we are and what we are about. Simply driving around displaying a flag, although showing your Confederate pride, is not the most constructive way to actively promote the charge. We must respectfully and honorably interact with the public to educate them. Hand out Literature, recruitment items, and educational materials. Do this in groups, with one person who can relay our history properly in case of media being present, or questions from onlookers.

We must take a stand and fight, but it is not time to draw the sword and throw away the scabbard. Violence is a last resort. The politically correct, the hate groups, the media, and

government officials are chomping at the bit waiting for this day to come. Understand, this is not just about the Confederate Flag anymore. This is about our rights as Americans. Our Constitution is being ripped apart. If we resort to violence, or any appearance thereof, they will have us where they want us.

We should start holding demonstrations around a monument every weekend. Present your plan to Captain Trigger. Make sure you have all necessary permits for a public gathering. Line up some qualified speakers, living history demonstrators, and re-enactors. Advertise around the state and make it a productive event. Publicize it on Social Media. This will properly educate the public, unite our pro- Confederate groups, help protect our monuments, and let our voices be heard. There are more than enough Monuments in Georgia to rally a different one every weekend of the year, and maybe enough to cover Saturday and Sunday of every week. If we run out of monuments, we can add in cemeteries. It certainly does not have to be Confederate Memorial Day or Confederate History month to visit a cemetery. Use your imagination, just do it properly with Honor, Respect, and Dignity.

Above all, stay vigilant. The threat is real. There are racial threats against us tagged in local bathroom stalls. Social media accounts and email addresses are being hacked. People's homes and automobiles are being watched, and some are being targeted. I personally have received phone calls from the offense attempting to join, or at least an attempt to get my personal information. I am receiving similar trying to gain access to the websites. We have people filling out bogus SCV applications. Do not let your guard down. Watch for followers while riding or driving. Protect yourselves, your families, and your property. Regularly change your email, and social media passwords. Promote the cause, Forward the Charge, and Recruit, Recruit, Recruit.

Have a Great Dixie Day!

### **From the Safety Officer**

Saw a thing on fb that putting your helmet on the pavement behind your bike if you're broke down or hurt is an international sign of distress. A couple of thoughts on that; What about in a State with no helmet law, and if you're a girl wouldn't some cleavage or leg do a better job? This not to diminish the unwritten rule of checking on any parked rider to see if they need help, whether they have good cleavage or not.

Updated safety rules from a Honda manual (not sure if they apply to non-metric bikes):

## HOW TO RIDE MOTORCYCLES

1962 Safety Rules from Honda

Taken from a 1962 Honda Motor Cycle Instruction Book. Translated by Honda for the American Motorcycle Rider

1. At the rise of the hand by Policeman, stop rapidly. Do not pass him by or otherwise disrespect him.
2. When a passenger of the foot, hooves in sight, tootel the horn trumpet melodiously at first. If he still obstacles your passage, tootel him with vigor and express by word of mouth, warning Hi, Hi.
3. Beware of the wandering horse that he shall not take fright as you pass him. Do not explode the exhaust box at him. Go smoothly by.
4. Give big space to the festive dog that makes sport in roadway. Avoid entanglement of dog with wheel spokes.
5. Go soothingly on the grease mud, as there lurks the skid demon. Press the brake foot as you roll around the corners, and save the collapse and tie up.



As your safety officer I can't recommend this maneuver so don't let me see any of y'all doin' it. And look the other way if I do.

Finally, I believe most of y'all have at least passing familiarity with the 'skid demon'. We should watch for him with unblinkered eye sockets. I just got a rear tire and on the first excursion got all sideways when it broke loose on a left turn from a stop. Once I roughed up the tread a little it acted fine. Beware the skid demon. Killer



"Never stand and take a charge,... charge them too."  
Nathan Bedford Forrest



**Never Forget The Scarifice**

## Registration

2015 Georgia Reconfederation 28-29 August

Hidden Hollow

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\$30 per person covers food and drinks Friday and Saturday evenings

Number of people: \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$: \_\_\_\_\_

Return registration by 15 Aug

Make checks payable to Tim Hawkins

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