

**Next Meeting
March 25th
Rose Center
6:00 PM**

Southern Heritage

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Since I can't help getting older, I make some attempt to get wiser. As a younger man my first impulse in dealing with those from "up north" was to get angry. As we are told in Ecclesiastes, there is a time to get angry but, on most occasions, it is a mistake. More people will listen than I used to imagine. Just this weekend I was able to explain to a lady from Michigan why I don't care for the C.W. label and she understood! To my further surprise her husband, from New York, likes anything confederate!! What a surprise and a perfect lead in to the New York anti war riots which were news to her. So, try the facts before you argue. Will everyone listen to reason? You know better than that but, you can always get angry then.

DEO VINDICE

H. K. Edgerton - At It Again!

The following is a copy of an e-mail that H. K. sent regarding recent activities. We need to support H. K. in his fight to tell the truth about our Confederate Heritage. He is willing and able to go the extra mile and we need to show him that we love him give him our support.

On Friday morning, yesterday, March 17, 2006, I would travel the some 70 miles to Jackson County to the Town of Sylvia, North Carolina which just happens to be a stones throw down the road from Western Carolina University; the site of the Morris Dees lecture I had attended just two weeks prior.

I had come on this day because I could not allow myself to become despondent about the inability of the local news to inform it's citizenry accurately of the encounter I had with Mr. Dees on that evening of February 28, 2006 at the University.

The Sylvia Herald had reported that some black man dressed in a Confederate Uniform had a heated exchange with Mr. Dees, called him a poverty pimp and left. Joined by the local Commander of the Sons of Confederate Veterans of the Jackson Rangers Camp and several other Camp members, I would spend some time on the side of the road that leads north to the college and south to the center of down town Sylva where the offices of the Herald are located; chatting and waving to folks passing by, basking in the love being bestowed because here I stood holding our beloved flag.

After an hour or so Commander Mike Paris and myself

marched the some five minutes down Main Street amidst a great deal of pomp and ceremony as we were greeted by so many folks along the way. We arrived at the offices of the Herald whereupon the Honorable Mike Paris took inside a copy of the Asheville Tribune dated March 9-15, 2006 Vol.10 No.10. In his accounting Mr. Paris stated :(for I was now standing outside the office with my flag , adorned in my beautiful grey Dixie OutFitter jacket taking pictures with all the people who had now began gathering with questions of why a black man stood flying the Confederate Battle Flag on the sidewalk outside the newspaper office) when prompted by an employee of the paper of the reason for me being there, Mr. Paris explained to her that on page 9 in the Commentary section of the Tribune was an accurate accounting of the events of the evening in question, and further that on page 8 of this mighty fine newspaper written by the now infamous Mike Scruggs was an article on slavery that the Herald ought to seek permission from the Tribune also to write. In less than one minute after Mr. Paris had exited the office of the Herald, the doors of the Herald opened, a young white lady came out with the article titled in the Commentary section; HK Edgerton / "Black Southern Patriot "meets "White Southern Poverty Pimp", with a picture of me in a Confederate Uniform, tore it up in shreds, threw at me on my feet, and proceeded to slam the doors of the Herald. I can't describe the looks on the

faces of the people gathered as they witnessed the display of this insult, or the outrage they defined about it happening.

A young man who identified himself as a reporter would eventually come out and request to interview me, as another man from his office would pick up the debris left of the shredded paper while Mr. Paris took pictures of the scene. Reluctantly I told the young man why it was important for the young people, and citizens in this liberal arts college town to ponder why this man who had earned in part his prominence by making fallacious and outrageous statements within the confines of his secured venues, be called out, and yet after delivering a speech only moments before lauding himself and his organization about their programs of teaching tolerance, promoting equity and respect in the classroom and community; yet here he stood, unwilling unable, and sarcastic in his demeanor to answer a simple question on why he had promoted the idea as fact that the League of The South, and the Sons of Confederate Veterans were racist hate organizations. After what I had already experienced here, I ponder how much of the truth will ever be told , and just how many indignities one must bear for just being Southern.



Resident Rebel

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Upcoming Dates to Remember!

**Our March
Monthly Meeting
will be on March
25th at the Rose
Center.**

**Our April Monthly
Meeting will be on
April 29th at the
Rose Center.**

**Our May Monthly
Meeting will be
6:00 PM**

**On May 27th at the
Rose Center**



Resident Rebel (A Look Back)

*The following article on com-
patriot Moffat dates from 1984
and was contributed by compa-
triot Bill Henderson.*



For at least one CN profes-
sor, the Civil War hasn't ended
yet. He is working "to continue
the struggle against the infernal
and hellish Yankee nation."

Our resident rebel is none
other than Dr. Charles Moffat,
professor of history, and to con-
tinue "the struggle," he has
joined the confederate Marine
Corps.

The Corps is a group that
reenacts Civil War battles," said
Moffat.

Moffat's hobby grew out of
another of his passions, Scot-
tish Highland games. "We put
on kilts and have a good time,"
he said.

One spring at the Highland
games in Gatlinburg, Moffat's
son came to him and said,
"Hey, Dad, there's a guy down
there in a Confederate kilt."
Moffat's curiosity sent him
searching for the man, and he
found him dressed in a confeder-
ate jacket and a gray kilt. The
man was Col. Louis Spivey, a
high official in the Army of Ten-
nessee.

Moffat's son wanted to join
the Confederate Marine Corps,
so the Moffats decided to make
it a family affair. One of Moffat's
sons joined as a Cadet, which
is for boys ages 14-18. His
other son, 11, joined as a drum-
mer boy.

Moffat himself is a private
and cannonier. "They tell me
they are going to promote me,"
he said. "But I like being a pri-
vate."

His wife is also involved with
his hobby. "She is either a
nurse or a campfollower," said
Moffat with a chuckle.

The professor feels that he is
the most enthusiastic Corps
member in his family. "I went
berserk," he said.

Company A, Moffat's group,
was formed in June of 1984,
and they went to their first reen-
actment last summer. The
"battle" in which they partici-
pated was the Battle of Per-
ryville in Perryville, Kentucky.

There were some 1000 people
at the reenactment, and Moffat's
troop served as Guard of Honor
for Kentucky Governor John Y.
Brown.

Before the Perryville battle,
Moffat said, their company
looked like "F-troop," but he
was proud of the way they per-
formed at Perryville. "I behaved
with such bravery and gallantry
that you would have been
proud to know me," said Moffat
with a twinkle in his eye.



Dr. Charles G. Moffat
Professor of History

Moffat sums up his hobby in
three words. "I love it."

Stephanie Gray

Dates To Remember

April 21-23 - Ramsey House Living History Skirmish / Dogwood Parade.

For more Information contact the Knoxville Camp.

April 29th - S. C. V. Tennessee Division Reunion

Spencer Mill near Dickson TN

May 12-14 - Battle of Bean Station. WE WILL HAVE A BOOTH FOR THE S.C.V. We need people to work it. Let Mike Beck know what days and times you can work so it will not be hard on everyone. Mike Beck and Stan Dalton will be there all weekend and they need your help.

June 3rd - Memorial Day - we need to discuss what we want to do

June 24th - N. B. Forrest Boyhood home fund raiser.

July - Forrest Picnic (Birthday Celebration for N. B. Forrest)

we need to discuss this further.

August 2-6 - S.C.V. National Reunion in New Orleans

September 15-16 - Battle of Barbourville, KY

September 22-24 - Bethesda Church Living History & Battle

October - Mt. Makins at Rose Center