

**Next Meeting  
October 25th  
At The  
Rose Center  
After Mtn  
Makins**

# Southern Heritage

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It is customary for those of us in middle age to discuss what is wrong with the world. As SCV members, one of the most common topics is to decry the teaching of false history concerning our war for independence and cultural history. Certainly "politically correct" and other revisionist approaches to "history" have been a thorn in our flesh. Recently, I am encountering a new version of history: No History at All! I find many school kids who can't tell you who we fought in WWII, why, when or where. They aren't dumb; they aren't being taught. For us the clean slate may be better, but it's no wonder kids can seem lost. They are denied the light to guide one's feet called history.

DEO VINDICE

*Larry W. Watkins*

## Visit us at Mountain Makins

Be sure to visit the Mountain Makins festival at the Rose Center on October 25 and 26. Our annual living history display is one of our camp's foremost public relations successes. The encampment draws much attention and many questions, providing an opportunity to "set the record straight" for the open minded. Besides our camp's display, there are many Appalachian arts and crafts for your family to enjoy. This is a fine opportunity to acquaint children, or out of town relatives, with some of the traditions of the ar-

ea. The meeting will follow the day's activities, around 5:00 PM or so.

We need to be about our plans for the Camp Christmas. Please plan to attend the meeting and help us plan another enjoyable get together.

**DUES ARE NOW OVERDUE!**

If any dues are unpaid, they are seriously in the arrears. Please take

care of this as soon as possible.



## Boy Scouts Threatened in Portland Schools

First they came for the communists, and I did not speak out-- because I was Not a communist;  
Then they came for the socialists, and I did Not speak out-- because I was not a socialist;  
Then they came for the trade unionists, and I did not speak out-- because I was not a trade unionist;  
Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out-- because I was not a Jew;  
Then they came for me-- and there was no one left to speak out for me.  
Martin Niemoeller - Outspoken opponent of Nazism.

This famous historic quote

seems the perfect lead in to this item. While we are not affiliated with the Scouts, these are the same people who will "come for us".

### Boy Scouts Threatened In Portland Schools

When I was in elementary school, the local Cub Scout pack would send an occasional pile of recruitment literature to my teacher for distribution. The brochure would make it home to my parents with a stack of graded spelling quizzes and weekly progress reports. I didn't actually join the Scouts until I was older, but many of my friends signed up to be Cub Scouts as a result of the literature they took home.

Last week, Steven Wagen-

hoffer of Portland, Ore., filed a complaint against his sons' elementary school for its continued distribution of Boy Scout promotional flyers. The homosexual "father" claims that the school violates the First Amendment by offering his sons an opportunity to swear, "On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country" and to remain "morally straight."

On Wednesday, Oct. 8, Oregon's Portland public schools' Community and Staff Relations Committee will meet to discuss proposals to prohibit the Boy Scouts of America from distributing literature to Portland elementary school students.

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## Upcoming Dates to Remember!

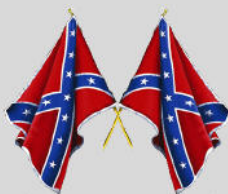
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Monthly meeting  
will be at**

**The Rose Center on  
November 22nd**



## Upcoming Events

### November

1-2 Atlanta  
**Fight**

8-9 Ft. Dickerson  
**Living History**  
29-30 Bleak House Christmas

## Boy Scouts Threatened continued

Scouting for All, Wagenhoffer said that the committee will be "reviewing the District's position related to non-school group activities in its buildings. In particular, the Boy Scout issue will be an item on the agenda." Wagenhoffer encouraged activists in Portland's homosexual and atheist communities to bring protest signs with such slogans as "Out the Scouts," "On my honor I will do my duty to Boot the Scouts from the Schools," and "Scouts Dishonor."

For over a decade, the Portland Public Schools have been barraged by pressure from opponents of Boy Scout recruitment in classrooms.

In 1996, Portland Cub Scout parents decided to hand out wrist-bands reading, "Come Join Cub Scout Pack 16! Round-Up for New Cub Scouts for Boys in Grades 1-5." First Grader Remington Powell went home excited to join the Cub Scouts with his friends. But his mother, atheist Nancy Powell, told him he could not join because he was forbidden to believe in God. Ms. Powell spent the next two years harassing school-district administrators at every level.

In 1998, Ms. Powell called on the American Civil Liberties Union to file a lawsuit against the Portland schools, alleging discrimination against her son. On the Tom Leykis radio talk show, Ms. Powell fumed: "I, personally, am on a campaign – again, personally on a campaign to avoid the Boy Scouts in every possible way ... the Boy Scouts of America don't belong in public schools. They are a religious organization, and we have separation of church and state."

After a court told the Portland schools that Scouts could continue to recruit in classrooms, Powell and the ACLU appealed to the Oregon Supreme Court

where the suit remains pending today.

Obviously, the Boy Scouts are not the only organization that sends recruiters and promotional material to Portland schools. College and university admissions officers, military recruiters and volunteer service solicitors are frequent fixtures in public high schools anywhere. So why aren't Steven Wagenhoffer and Nancy Powell concerned about the presence of recruiters from controversial places like Multnomah Bible College, Planned Parenthood (which works with sex education programs in half of Portland's high schools and was co-directed by Julia Brim-Edwards, a member of the school board Community and Staff Relations Committee), or the U.S. Marine Corps?

In 1995, the Portland schools became the only school district in the country to ban military recruiters from high schools. With the implementation of No Child Left Behind in September 2002, Portland was forced to reverse its policy and allow the armed forces recruiters back into cafeterias and career centers.

There have long been pacifists and anti-war advocates concerned about military recruiting in schools. But until recently, the Boy Scouts' public presence had never been perceived as a threat to the public domain.

When the Boy Scouts was founded in 1910, school administrators and leaders of the National Education Association celebrated the or-

ganization as a solution to youth social problems like boredom, substance abuse and gang activity. Today, the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Tiger Cubs continue to provide crucial after-school activities to inner-city children, character development for boys with crumbling families, and practical life skills for typical adolescents seeking a cause larger than their own self-interest.

Despite the inability of Ms. Powell to persuade the Portland schools that Boy Scouts are detrimental to children, the school board Community and Staff Relations Committee appears to be renewing discussion of the Boy Scouts issue with Mr. Wagenhoffer. This Wednesday, radical atheist and homosexual activists will take time off of work to lobby the committee to exclude the Boy Scouts from on-campus recruitment.

Portland citizens who support the Boy Scouts can also attend the meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 8, at noon, at Portland's Blanchard Education Services Building (501 North Dixon Street).

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