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UP-Coming Events During The “Sesquicentennial”

June 23

**Nicholson Camp Meeting
Pizza Inn, Ruston**

July 10

**Ward Camp Meeting
Johnny’s Pizza
Farmerville, LA**

Meeting Date:

Monday,

June 23, 2014

Pizza Inn

1108 Cooktown Rd.

Eating At 5:30 P. M.

Meeting at 6:30 P.M.

For Directions :

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June 28

**Confederate Memorial
Service & Ruston Peach
Parade**

July 15

**Benton Camp Meeting
Catfish Cabin
Monroe, LA**

July 1

**Jackson Volunteers
Camp Meeting
Weston Firehouse**

July 16-19

***SCV National Convention
North Charleston, S.C.***

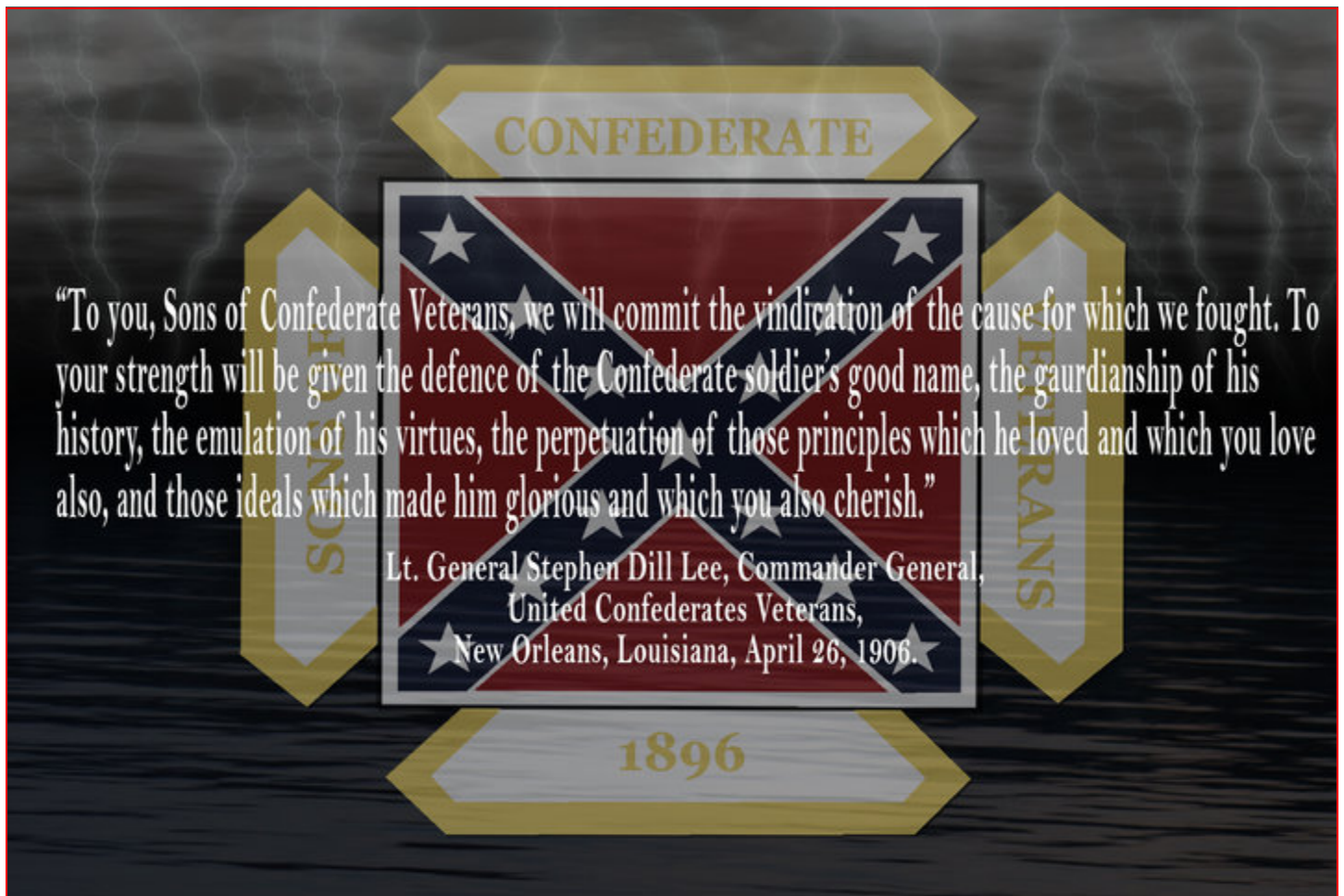
July 8

**McGuire Camp Meeting
BBQ West
West Monroe, LA**

July 28

**Nicholson Camp Meeting
Pizza Inn, Ruston**





Salute to the Confederate Flag

I salute the Confederate flag with affection, reverence, and undying devotion to the cause for which it stands.

June 23rd Meeting Program

!!!Camp Elections!!! Please Be in Attendance

Discussion of Confederate Memorial Day Service,

Sat June 28th, 8:00 AM, Greenwood Cemetery

&

Ruston Peach Festival Parade, Sat June 28th We will line up in the cemetery after the Memorial Service

Commander's Corner

The Lost Cause? A Call to Arms

If you are like me, you do a lot of reading about the War, the Confederacy and the men who fought... and we ought to. And if you do any reading on the subject you have noticed a variety of titles commonly used for the "Civil War". Anti-southerners had their own labels, all incorrect. They called it the War of the Rebellion, the Southern Rebellion, the War for the Union, the War Against Slavery, the War for Abolition and "the Lost Cause". Southerners had other names for the war. Below is a sampling:

The War for Constitutional Liberty
The War for Southern Independence
The Second American Revolution
The War for States' Rights
Mr. Lincoln's War
The War for Southern Rights
The Second War for Independence
The War to Suppress Yankee Arrogance
The Brothers' War
The War of Secession
The War for Southern Nationality
The Civil War Between the States
The War of the Sixties
The War Against Northern Aggression
The Yankee Invasion
The War for Separation
The Confederate War
The War of the Southrons
The War for Southern Freedom
The War of the North and South
The Lost Cause

Notice the last, the term, "The Lost Cause". It was and is still used by a lot of northern and a few Southern writers.

Quite frankly, we should resent the use of that term and I know this is "preaching to the choir", but bear with me. Why, you ask should we resent this phrase? Simply put, it implies that "all is lost". It says that what was once a glorious undertaking is now abandoned, and worst of all, it tries to resign us to the suggestion that thousands of The South's Finest died in vain; not to mention came home mutilated or came home to nothing. When we see that phrase, "The L--- C-----" we should treat it like a vile curse word and spit it from our mouth. We should remove it from our vocabulary and chastise anyone using it.

Our cause is not lost and will never be!

Lt. Commander's Corner

Servant Leadership, Jackson Style

While reading a very interesting diary entitled *The Grayjackets; How They Lived, Fought and Died for Dixie*, I came across wonderful account of General Stonewall Jackson. The entry was attributed to a James R. Randall. It reads:

The Rev. Dr. Moore, of Richmond, in a sermon in memory of the much loved and lamented Stonewall Jackson, narrates the following incident:

“Previous to the first battle of Manassas, when the troops under Stonewall Jackson had made a forced march, on halting at night they fell on the ground exhausted and faint. The hour arrived for setting the watch for the night. The officer-of-the-day went to the general’s tent, and said, “General, the men are all wearied, and there is not one but is asleep. Shall I wake them?”

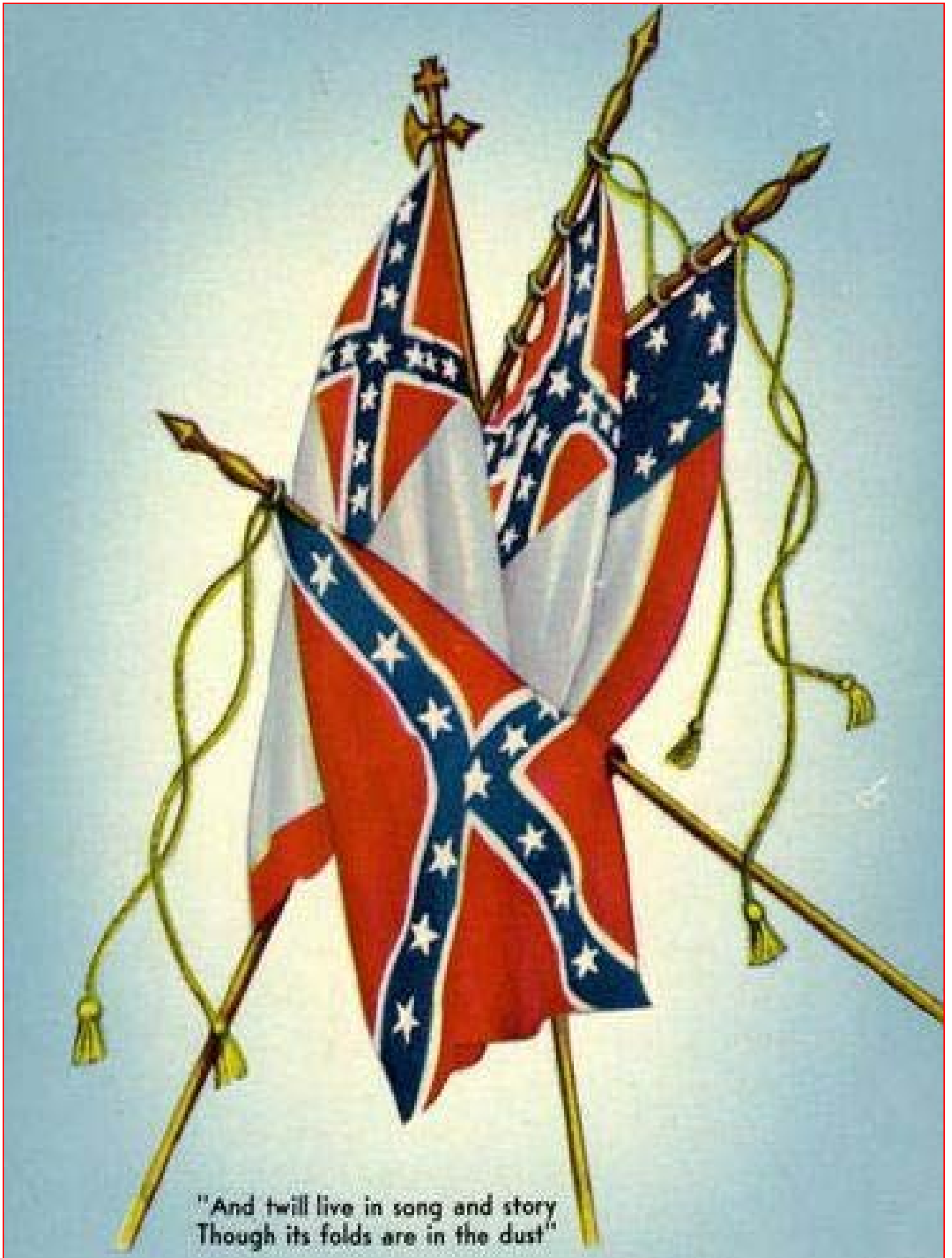
“No,” said the noble Jackson, “let them sleep, and I will watch the camp to-night.”

“All night long he rode round that lonely camp, the one lone sentinel for that brave but weary and silent body of Virginia heroes. And when glorious morning broke, the soldiers awoke fresh and ready for action, all unconscious of the noble vigils kept over their slumbers”

(This is also documented by his widow, Mary Anna Jackson in her 1895, *Memoirs of Stonewall Jackson*.)

I have heard it said that an ounce of example is worth a pound of preaching. This account needs no further expounding. Simply put, if we are to “emulate the virtues” of the Confederate Soldier, General Jackson is a good place to start. This is servant leadership at its best.

Donald Kimbell
Lt. Commander



"And twill live in song and story
Though its folds are in the dust"



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ATM Chaplain's Corner

A Christian Nation ??

The question was asked recently, "Can the United States survive as a Christian Nation?" I don't wish to be argumentative, but to me the answer is obvious. No! How can any nation survive being something it isn't to begin with? Perhaps a better question would be, "Can the United States return to being the Christian nation our founding fathers and first settlers envisioned?"

Before anyone gets bent out of shape, allow me to ask you this. If the United States is a Christian nation, why has prayer been removed from our schools? If this is a Christian nation, why is same sex marriage even being considered? If this is a Christian nation, why is aids a problem and abortion an issue? If this is a Christian nation, why is there plywood over a cross in a California desert? If this is a Christian nation, why was the Ten Commandments removed from a court house, and nativity scenes not allowed on the grounds? If this is a Christian nation, why are so many churches almost empty, while sports arenas are packed? If this is a Christian nation, why is there so much nudity, immorality, and vulgarity on television, and why do so many people, not only watch it, but enjoy it?

Naturally I could go on and on, and so could many of you, so allow this to suffice: If the United States is a Christian nation, could, or would, it's current president stand up in front of the world and pronounce, "America is not a Christian nation." and say it with pride, as if it were a good thing? The answer to all these questions is, no. A Christian nation would not permit such things.

There is a reason for this decay of the principles upon which this country was founded, and God has not left us to wonder what it is. As the Apostle Paul was sitting in a Roman prison awaiting his execution, God inspired him to write, "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come." (2 Tim. 3: 1) Then, in the following three verses he explains why. "For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent (no self control), fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God." You might want to read that list again. It would seem as if God were looking two thousand years ahead at most of the people in the United States.

The question is, was he looking at you. I don't know if God will save the United States. I can't even say He will save the South, although I hope so. But, I do know He will save you. If you have not committed your life to Christ, accepted Him as your Lord, and been saved by His power and grace, then I pray that under His convicting Spirit, you will do so. Because, this country may not survive as a Christian nation, but you will survive as a Christian person.

Eternally!

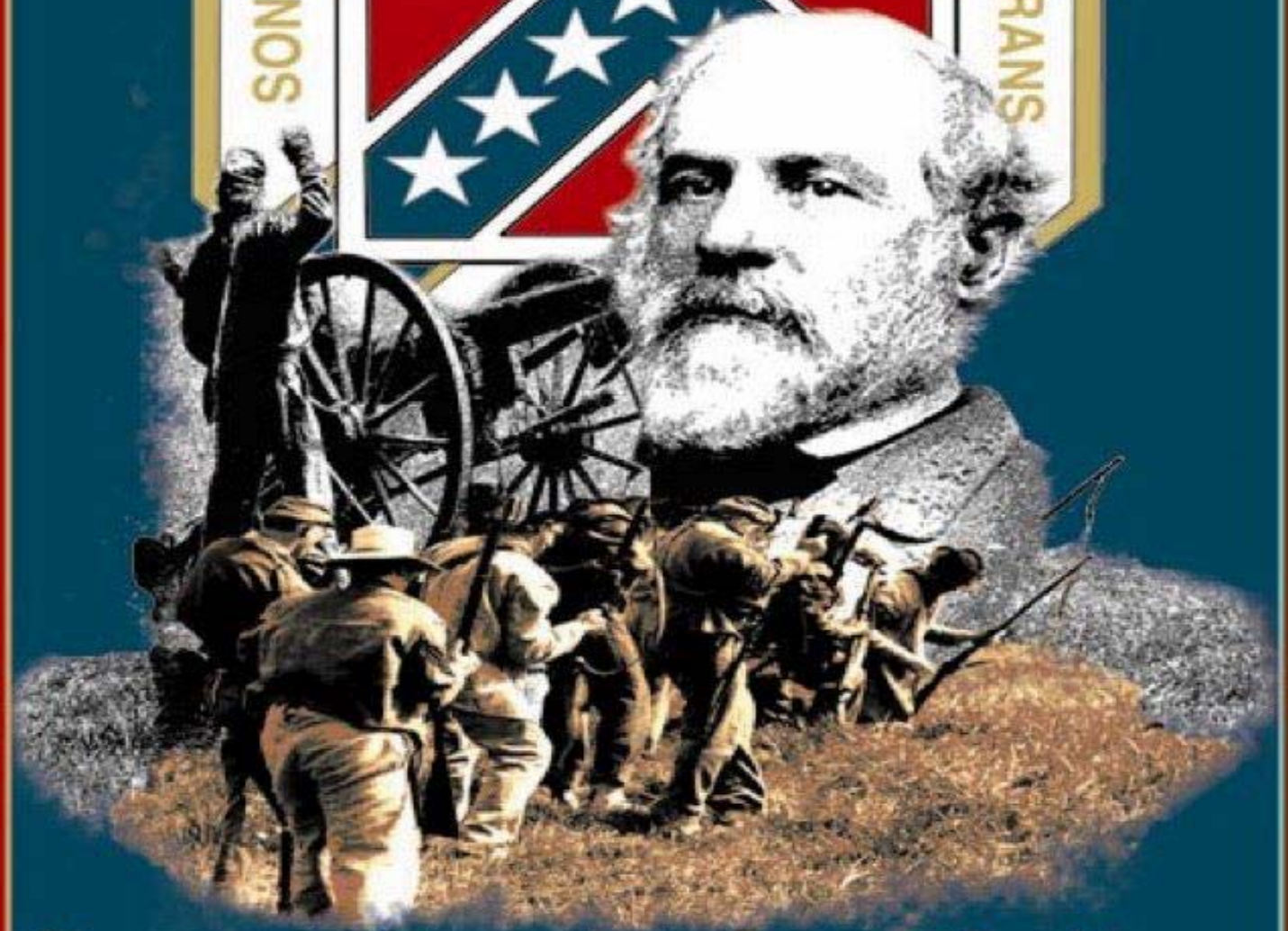
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