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Manse Jolly Camp 6 Will Host 2009 State Convention

ANDERSON COUNTY—The South Carolina Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans selected Anderson County as the host location for their March 2009 state convention. Anderson County was already selected recently as the site of the 150th National Reunion in 2010.

“We are looking forward to bringing our convention to Anderson County in March 2009,” said SC SCV Division Commander Randy Burbage. “We anticipate a great convention in this wonderful venue.”

A delegation from Anderson County including Councilman Ron Wilson, Anderson County Administrator Joey R. Preston, Sports and Entertainment Center Director Charles Wyatt, Civic Center of Anderson Events Coordinator/Assistant Manager Dan Brawley, Anderson Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Glenn Brill and Anderson County Public Information Officer Angela Stringer pitched Anderson County as the location for the 2010 National Reunion during the 2008 Annual Convention in Mobile, Alabama. This, in turn, led to the County acquiring the 2009 SCV state convention.

“The convention industry is synonymous with significant economic impact,” said SC Representative Daniel Cooper, District 10. “Attracting convention business to our area gives us an op-

portunity to showcase the rich heritage, beautiful landscape and unique southern hospitality that our beautiful county has to offer. Anderson County has been a hidden treasure that the convention industry has just discovered. The County is to be commended for competing with much larger venues and winning the bids.”

“The preparation and effort to outline Anderson County’s assets in a professional format had a direct impact on being awarded this convention,” said Anderson County Councilman Ron Wilson. “Our county has the facilities and amenities to attract conventions such as the SCV. As a matter of fact, Anderson County’s presentation was so well received that the SCV requested to use it as a model for what they desired in a bid proposal.”

“The investment our team put into landing the 2010 National Reunion has resulted in millions of dollars that will flood our County over the next 2 years,” said Anderson County Administrator Joey R. Preston. “Once we pulled the information together and made our presentation to the SCV for the 2010 National Reunion proposal, we had a foundation template that we can customize for other convention/conference bids. We were able to pitch the county to the CFSA immediately after our January Upstate Sustainable Agricultural Sum-

mit, which resulted in Anderson County being chosen to host their convention this October. This weekend, we received word that we have been selected as host for the 2009 SC SCV Convention. Anderson County has much to offer as a convention destination. This is a great beginning.”

The South Carolina Division of SCV has sixty-eight chapters, or Camps, with approximately 3,500 members. Camps activities include sponsoring living history demonstrations in schools, reenactments, marking Confederate graves, preserving historic sites and supporting an annual statewide Confederate Memorial Day observance in Columbia.

For more information about the SC Division, SCV, visit the web site: www.scscv.com.

By Angela Stringer, Anderson County Public Information Officer

Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations."

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee,
Commander-General,
United Confederate Veterans,

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This Month in History

1861
March 4, Lincoln's Inauguration. At Lincoln's inauguration the new president said he had no plans to end slavery in those states where it already existed.
March 9 - Address of George Williamson to the Texas Secession Convention
March 11, Confederate Constitution.
1862
March 1862 -- McClellan Loses Command. On March 8, President Lincoln -- impatient with General McClellan's inactivity -- issued an order reorganizing the Army of Virginia and relieving McClellan of command.
March 6-8, Pea Ridge / Elkhorn Tavern
March 8-9, Hampton Roads / Battle of the Ironclads
March, 1862 -- The "Monitor" and the "Merrimac." In an attempt to reduce the North's great naval advantage, Confederate engineers converted a scuttled Union frigate, the U.S.S. Merrimac, into an iron-sided vessel rechristened the C.S.S. Virginia. On March 9, in the first naval engagement between ironclad ships, the Monitor fought the Virginia to a draw, but not before the Virginia had sunk two wooden Union
March 14, New Berne
March 23, Kenstown
March 23-April 26, Fort Macon
March 26-28, Glorietta Pass
1863
March 1863 -- The First Conscription Act. Because of recruiting difficulties, an act was passed making all men between the ages of 20 and 45 liable to be called for military service. Service could be avoided by paying a fee or finding a substitute. The act was seen as unfair to the poor, and riots in working-class sections of New York City broke out in protest. A similar conscription act in the South provoked a similar reaction.
March 3, Fort McAllister I
March 5, Thompson's Station
March 13-15, Fort Anderson / Deep Gully
March 17, Kelly's Ford / Kellysville
March 20, Vaught's Hill / Milton
March 25, Brentwood
March 30-April 20, Washington
1864
March 2, Walkerton / Mantapike Hill
March 14, Fort DeRussy
March 25, Paducah
1865
March 4 Abraham Lincoln Second Inaugural Address
March 6, Natural Bridge
March 7-10, Wyse Fork / Wilcox's Bridge / Second Southwest Creek
March 10, Monroe's Cross Roads / Fayetteville Road / Blue's Farm
March 16, Averasborough / Smiths Ferry / Black River

Next Meeting
April at 9 a.m.
at the
Powdersville Library and Government Center

2008 State Convention Welcomes Manse Jolly Camp

COLUMBIA, SC—

Within a very few months, the Manse Jolly Camp 6 of the South Carolina Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans is beginning to make its mark.

This is in part due to the cooperation of many heavy-weights in the state joining together into one camp. Former national Sons of Confederate Veterans Commander Ron Wilson is the first camp commander and S.C. Representative Dan Cooper is the Lieutenant Commander.

Many local and state politicians have joined as well and this should bode well for the future of the camp.

Manse Jolly was such a character in Anderson County history and a lightning rod for speculation regarding his motives and actual deeds. This is the perfect title for a group of Southern gentlemen and history buffs trying to change the dialogue of how we are being characterized in the wake of the political correctness movement.

With this in mind the Camp sent a delegation to the South Carolina Division Convention in Columbia on March 14-16. The Camp made a great showing and we are esteemed by their good works and recognitions.

*Captain Ewell Sturgis,
Camp Historian*



Photo of Camp 6 members (left to right) Tom Tucker, Ron Wilson, Mike Barnes at SCV convention, Mar 15 2008, Columbia, SC

Adjutant's Call Major Joey R. Preston, Camp Adjutant



Thank you to everyone for your help in getting the Camp organized and off to a good start.

Naturally, any organization that wants to thrive will have to meet it's operational expenses and cover any overhead that might occur between meetings. This is a long way of saying please support the Camp

as it supports you and our cherished heritage and ancestry by staying current on your dues and paperwork.

We will have the miniature charters available soon.

Please remember the Manse Jolly biographies for sale. They are called MANSE: One Man's War by Wilton Earle. They are available for \$25 payable to the Manse Jolly Camp 6, Sons of Confederate Veterans. For more information,

contact Adjutant, Maj. Joey R. Preston at 260-4031

Our Historian is also soliciting any articles for the newsletter, speakers and historical topics of interest.

We look forward to another great meeting in April and another wonderful breakfast provided by Compatriot Forest Thomas and Brushy Creek BBQ. The cost will be \$8 per person again. So come hungry.

Barnes Recognized As Camp 6 Guardian

By Captain Ewell Sturgis, Camp Historian

COLUMBIA, SC—Anderson County native and Manse Jolly Camp Compatriot Michael Barnes was recognized for his work in protecting and beautifying the graves of our ancestors by earning the Guardian Pin at the 2008 South Carolina Division Convention.

Compatriot Barnes was awarded the Guardian Pin by South Carolina Division Commander Randall Burbage in a ceremony on March 15. This award was for his work in caring for the grave of a soldier of the Confederacy, George Maurice (Morris) Girardeau.

George Maurice (Morris) Girardeau was born in 1842 in Charleston County, SC. The son of John Bohun and his second wife, Morris enlisted on May 19, 1861 and served in the 2nd South Carolina Infantry Regiment. He later served in Manigault's Battalion of the South Carolina Artillery Regiment until he was discharged in May, 1865 in Bentonville, NC.

In 1921, the elder Girardeau fathered Ed Girardeau. Ed Girardeau lived a long fruitful life in Anderson County. He honored his father and became a Son of Confederate Veterans. He was a WWII veteran and retired after a career with the Michelin Tire Corporation. Compatriot Girardeau was preceded into Glory by his bride Elizabeth Campbell Girardeau. Compatriot Girardeau was honored by the Manse Jolly Camp 6 as the last remaining True Son of a Confederate Veteran in Anderson County before his passing on November 14, 2007.



The History of the Bonnie Blue Flag

By Color Sergeant Brooks Brown, IV

The earliest known use of this flag dates to 1810. On September 11, 1810 the West Florida Dragoons set out for the provincial capital of Baton Rouge under this flag. They captured the city, imprisoned the

Spanish Governor and on September 23, 1810 raised the Bonnie Blue flag over the Fort of Baton Rouge. Three days later, the President of the West Florida Convention signed a Declaration of Independence and the flag became a symbol of the new Republic. On December 10 of that year The US flag replaced the Bonnie Blue after President Madison issued a proclamation declaring West Florida under Federal control. With this rebellion in mind, Texas used the single star from 1836 until 1839 as the official flag of the Republic of Texas.

On January 9, 1861 The Convention of the People of Mississippi adopted an Ordinance of Secession. With this announcement, the Blue flag was raised over the Capitol building in Jackson. Irish actor Harry McCarthy was so inspired that he wrote the song called "The Bonnie Blue Flag", bonnie being the Scottish word for beautiful. This song, in turn, became the second most popular song of the Confederacy. The Confederate Government did not officially adopt this flag but the people did (see battle flag), and the lone star flags were used in some form in 5 of the Southern States that adopted new flags in 1861.

Manse Jolly Camp 6 2008 Meeting Schedule second Saturday, Every	
April	12
June	7
August	9
October	11
December	13