

# SOUTHERN CONSTELLATION



## Message from the Commander

Commander Jeff Frank

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While 2017 continued to bring attacks on our heritage, monuments and memorials, there was some good news during the year as well. A recent email/blog posting by the Virginia Flaggers entitled "*Despite An All Out Assault, The Confederacy Marches On*", highlighted numerous "wins". Please visit their blog, [vaflaggers.blogspot.com](http://vaflaggers.blogspot.com), to see the complete list. The defense of our heritage is never ending, but that is our Charge!

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Lt. Commander Don Saunders was presented an Honorary Associate Membership from the UDC Guilford Chapter 301.

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**2018 Lee Birthday Celebration** on Saturday, January 20th, at 1:00 pm in the Historic House Chambers (Second Floor) of the North Carolina State Capital Building. The event is sponsored by the MOS&B, SCV and UDC.

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Our **Lee-Jackson Banquet**, held on our regular meeting night, Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, will feature Stan Clardy providing an evening of Southern music. Dress for this event is suit and tie, and period dress/uniform is always welcomed as well. The catered buffet will include chicken, pork tenderloin, smashed potatoes, green beans, salad, tea, coffee and dessert. The location will be the same as last year, the Oak Branch Event Center (23 Oak Branch Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407).

#### Directions

- Turn onto Oak Branch Dr., which is located directly across from the CarMax dealership on West Wendover Avenue.
- You will pass Triad Lanes bowling center and The Club fitness center on your right.
- The Oak Branch Event Center is located in the next building on your right. The sign at the entrance states, "Greensboro Regional REALTORS Association".

### This Month's Program

Stan Clardy will provide an evening of Southern music.

"...(Robert E. Lee) in my estimation, one of the supremely gifted men produced by our Nation...selfless almost to a fault...noble as a leader and as a man, and unsullied as I read the pages of our history. From deep conviction I simply say this: a nation of men of Lee's caliber would be unconquerable in spirit and soul. Indeed, to the degree that present-day American youth will strive to emulate his rare qualities...we, in our own time of danger in a divided world, will be strengthened and our love of freedom sustained."

- President Dwight D. Eisenhower

## In case you missed it...

If you were not able to attend last month's meeting, here is what you missed.



Dennis Barbour presenting his program on General Robert E. Lee.

- Guests attending included...
  - Tom Hughes (High Point Camp)
- John Shea and his wife, Connie, were in attendance again this month. John was an existing SCV member that has transferred into our camp. Welcome!
- The 2017 annual financial report was provided by Adjutant Josh Myers. A few highlights from the report are provided below. (Members not attending the meeting may contact the Adjutant for any financial details.)
  - Net profit from the annual Vidalia Onion fund raiser, \$1,684.18 (368 bags sold)
  - Total donations from the Col. John Sloan Camp was \$2,349.00.
    - \$859 – Direct from camp members (with membership renewals)
    - \$1000 – For the Yadkin Gray Eagles Flag conservation project
    - \$500 – NC SCV Heritage Defense Fund
- Joyce Phillips graciously provided deserts for the evening! Much appreciated!
- Fred Bame announced that he would open his home, the Issac Beeson House (circa 1704) for Christmas Tours.
- Dennis Barbour presented his program on, "Lee...A Man of Few Words". A few tidbits from his program...
  - Lee's handling of the capture of John Brown at Harpers Ferry, illustrated his quick decision making.
  - 1861, Winfield Scott recommends Robert E. Lee to command the U.S. Army.

- Lee's acceptance speech when taking command of the Virginia troops took 20-30 seconds. The longest speech he ever made!
- At the Battle of Chancellorsville (Lee's greatest victory, in Dennis' opinion), Lee's response to Jackson's planned flank attack, "Well, go on."

## Lee-Jackson Day Celebration

Lee-Jackson Day will again be celebrated in Lexington, Virginia. The current schedule is provided below. Refer to the event website, <http://leejacksonday.webs.com/>, for detailed information.

**Lee-Jackson Symposium** – Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, at the Hampton Inn Col Alto (401 E. Nelson Street, Lexington, VA).

- 1:00 pm – Travis Toombs, *Confederate Monuments*
- 2:00 pm – Fred Taylor, *Robert E. Lee: Husband & Father*
- 3:00 pm – Creighton Lovelace, *A Threefold Cord: Lee, Jackson, and their Faith*
- 3:45 pm – Break
- 4:30 pm – Kenny Rowlette, *Binding Their Wounds – The U.S. Christian Commisions's Aid to Lee's Troops at Appomattox*
- 5:15 pm – Dr. Chris Smith, *Texas before and after the War*

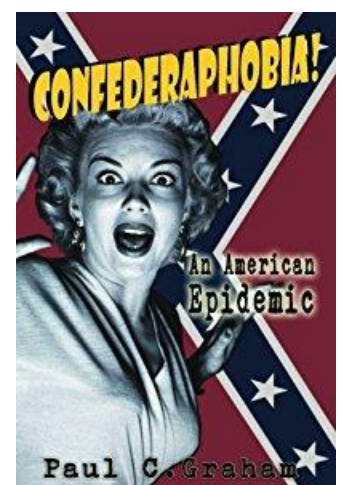
**Lee-Jackson Day Ceremonies** – Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

- 10:30 am – Wreath Laying and Military Salute in the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Cemetery
- 11:15 pm – Lee-Jackson Day Parade (tentative, based on approval of parade permit)
- Noon – Memorial Service at the Hampton Inn featuring Rev. Creighton Lovelace (topic: *In Dixieland I'll Take My Stand*)
- Luncheon – Hampton Inn Col Alto (Reservations Required, \$20/person)

## Confederaphobia: An American Epidemic by Paul C. Graham

Update For 150 years Confederate monuments and other memorials dotted the American landscape. Few people objected. After all, a third of the American people are descended from Confederate soldiers and Congress has officially and legally declared Confederates to be "American veterans."

That time has passed.



There is an epidemic of hate and fear sweeping the land; a wave of hostility and intolerance that shows no sign of slowing or stopping; its fury is directed at Southern symbols—flags, monuments, and other displays—in fact everything Southern now appears to be a target. Paul C. Graham has courageously examined this case of mass hysteria; a condition he has aptly dubbed “Confederaphobia.”

“It’s one thing,” writes Graham, “to acknowledge that the meaning of symbols is one of perspective. It’s quite another thing to have the meaning dictated by ideologues who are not participants in the cultural tradition . . . Southern symbols mean to the Southerner exactly what they say that they do . . . speak for those people for whom Southern identity is a living reality.”

Southern people are growing weary of the ongoing demonization; of being bullied and harassed; and have begun to realize that Confederaphobia is not a matter of monuments, but a campaign to expunge their identity.

If you are a self-identified Southerner, you are a potential target!

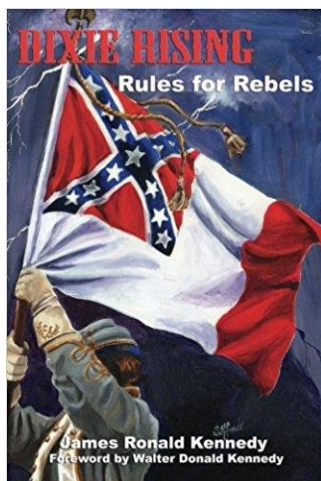
It’s not too late to inoculate yourself from the dangerous effects of this disease, but this is only possible if you recognize the problem.

The problem is not Confederate flags, monuments, markers, belt-buckles, stickers, do-dads, knick-knacks, what-nots, or Dukes of Hazzard re-runs—the problem is Confederaphobia!.

## Dixie Rising: Rules for Rebels

by James Ronald Kennedy/Walter Donald Kennedy

Since the publication of their bestseller classic *THE SOUTH WAS RIGHT!* in 1994, the brothers James Ronald Kennedy and Walter Donald Kennedy have been recognized spokesmen for the South. By the South they do not mean a political position or a collection of quaint attitudes. Southerners are a people—and as a people have a right to be governed by their free consent. But “at no time since Appomattox have the freedom, the heritage, and the culture of the South been under greater attack.”



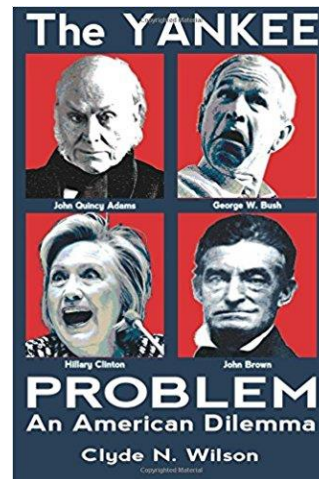
The Southern people are in a struggle for their existence as a people. If things continue as they have been, we will lose. In

*DIXIE RISING: RULES FOR REBELS* the Kennedys propose nothing less than a radical change of approach to the struggle—an approach that discards the losing game of conventional politics. This book is a field manual for what they call “irregular political warfare.”

*DIXIE RISING* provides the tools by which activists can change the current situation and move towards restoring the original Constitutional federal union of self-governing States that our forefathers established. If such a program succeeds, it will be a boon not only to Southerners but to all freedom-loving Americans.

## The Yankee Problem: An American Dilemma by Dr. Clyde N. Wilson

Granny Clampett, on the TV sitcom *The Beverly Hillbillies*, described the War Between the States as “when the Yankees invaded America” and, indeed, it was!



Their invasion of America, however, goes back much farther than the conflict of 1861-1865. It began as soon as they dropped their anchor in Plymouth Bay. Since that time, they have meddled, cheated, and lied their way into every nook and cranny of American life.

The Southern people warned others about the radical utopians of New England, and even went to war to get away from them, but to no avail. Now all Americans, not just Southerners, are subject to the whims of “those people” and their never ending mission to recreate, not only America, but the entire world in their bizarre, sanctimonious image.

Dr. Clyde Wilson, in this first installment of *The Wilson Files*, takes the Yankee problem head-on. After decades of historical research and personal observation, he exposes and explains these pesky purveyors of mischief and mayhem!

If you want to understand America, American History, and the upside-down dystopian nightmare in which we all live, you have to understand the problem.

We do not have an economic problem, a race problem, a class problem, a gender problem, a toilet access problem, a drug problem, a gun problem, or any other ideological or social problem at the root of America’s dysfunctional anti-culture – we have a Yankee problem!

## Calendar of Events

### Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

### Annual Lee-Jackson Banquet (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, Reception 6:00 pm, Meal 6:30 pm  
 Program of Southern music performed by Stan Clardy.  
 Oak Branch Event Center  
 23 Oak Branch Dr.  
 Greensboro, NC 27407

### Robert E. Lee's Birthday

Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup> (1807)

### 2018 Lee Birthday Celebration

Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm  
 Sponsored by the MOS&B, SCV and UDC.  
 North Carolina State Capital Building  
 Historic House Chambers (Second Floor)  
 1 East Edenton St.  
 Raleigh, NC 27601

### Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson's Birthday

Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> (1824)

### 2018 Winter DEC Meeting

Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
 Sampson County Agri-Expo Center, Heritage Hall  
 414 Warsaw Road  
 Clinton, NC 28328

### 415<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm for Meal, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm  
 Capt. Bill's Seafood, 6108 West Market St., Greensboro, NC 27409  
 Speaker: Brian and Alex Green will present a program on the "Confederate Generals' Mail During the War".

## Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought; to your strength 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 principals he loved and 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, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1906

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