

THE SHARPSHOOTER

COMMON MEN UNCOMMON DEVOTION TO THE CAUSE

We are the first and last defense of Southern Heritage

Commander's Corner

THE Most Active Camp in the S.C.V.

To my fellow Compatriots:

It's time to renew your membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans and Kirby-Smith Camp #1209. You are part of a grassroots network of men in communities across the country. Without your participation and dues support, the S.C.V. could not fulfill its commitment to defending the Honor and Heritage of our gallant Confederate Soldiers and remain a voice for Southern culture. Kirby-Smith Camp #1209 is where hands on work to safeguard Confederate History leads to civic awareness and improvement. Join the S.C.V. and be directly involved in shaping the important issues to keep our Southern Heritage strong, safe and vibrant. Your membership means that Kirby-Smith Camp #1209 can continue to be an active and vital part of the community. We cannot do it without you!

Through the support of members like you, we are now the largest camp in the Sons of Confederate Veterans and our camp activities have established us as the authority of Confederate history and defense. Your participation and dues make these and other valuable services possible. Every member strengthens Camp #1209's civic clout. Even when you don't have the time to be personally involved, your membership dues support the actions of other camp members who work tirelessly for the defense and recognition of your ancestor's values. As a member, you make everything we do possible. Please renew your membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans by returning the enclosed renewal form before the end of the month so you can continue to receive mailings without interruption. Thank you for your membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Your involvement is important and very much appreciated.

God Bless the South! Commander Calvin J. Hart
Kirby-Smith Camp #1209
Jacksonville, Fla.

Attention Associate Members;

Due to rising mailing cost, if you wish to continue to receiving the newsletter, please renew your associate membership of \$20.00

New Member Joining the Kirby-Smith Camp #1209

Rick Buchanan - Ancestor Hartford Daniels — Ala. 5th Cavalry
Transfer James McIlvaine from Camp #584



CAMP #1209 CALENDAR

- ◆ Camp Meeting: "“
September 20, 2016 @
7pm at the
Museum of southern
History
- ◆ Cemetery Work Day
Saturday Sept. 24,
2016 @ 8:30am Old
City Cemetery
- ◆ Rifles, Rails &
History, Sept. 23-25
2016 Tavares, Florida
- ◆ Executive Board
meeting At Uncle
Dave's Oct. 3 @
6:30pm



Welcome Southern Brothers to the S.C.V. The Last Defense for Southern Heritage



THE CRITTENDEN COMPROMISE -THE LAST CLEAR CHANCE TO PREVENT SECESSION

By Camp Judge Advocate Robert Fuller

In a prior issue of the Sharpshooter, Camp Judge Advocate Fuller discussed the so-called Crittenden Compromise. As readers will recall, by the end of December 1860, it was evident that the Union was breaking up. John C. Calhoun, the fiery Senator from South Carolina, had argued that the Southern states secede from the Union. With Lincoln's inauguration weeks away, Senator John J. Crittenden of Kentucky offered proposals which he hoped would resolve the impasse. Fuller explained the details in the prior issue. Now... as to the fate of Crittenden's proposals.

A Select House Committee of Thirteen debated Crittenden's proposals. The proposals provided for, among other things, extending the Missouri Compromise line dividing slave states from free states. This was directly in conflict with the 1860 Republican Platform and Lincoln's personal views. The committee rejected the compromise on December 22, 1860, 7-6. Crittenden later brought the issue to the floor of the Senate as a proposal to have his compromise made subject to a national referendum. The Senate rejected that on January 16, 1861, 25-23.

An ad hoc committee of fourteen congressmen from the lower North and upper South considered a modified version of the plan, believed to be more attractive to Republicans, several times between December 28 and January 4. The House rejected a version of their work on January 7.

On February 6, Congress formed a committee consisting of one representative from each state, charging it to draft a proposal for the entire convention to consider. The final product was a proposed seven-point constitutional amendment, differing little from the Crittenden Compromise. It addressed the key issue, slavery in the territories, simply by extending the Missouri Compromise line to the Pacific coast with no provision for newly acquired territory. This section barely passed, 9-8, and sent to Congress.

Aftermath

Lincoln's hard-line Publicans turned down this compromise since it failed to limit the expansion of slavery to all new territories.. The convention finished its work only a few days before the final session of Congress. The Senate rejected the proposal 28-7 and it never came to a vote in the House.

With Congress adjourned and Lincoln inaugurated, the only remaining avenue for compromise involved informal negotiations between Unionist southerners and representatives of the incoming Republican government. This never took place. The first shots were fired at Fort Sumter.



Today's politically correct crowd says that the Confederate soldiers were traitors. We see it differently. Outmanned and out-supplied but never out-fought, Confederates battled against a homeland invasion and set new standards for bravery, patriotism and honor. If you want Confederate history and symbols to remain a part of our culture please renew today. Our organization is dedicated to preserving the reputation of men like Robert E. Lee, Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson and your great grandfather. Recruit Family and Friends for Kirby-Smith Camp #1209.

Clipped from St. Louis Post-Dispatch, 17 Jul 1885

Lee at Gettysburg.

From the Chicago Herald.

“I went to see the panorama in Chicago.” said an elderly passenger on a Rock Island train the other day: “I’ve seen it dozens of times, but I never go to the city without looking in on it, if only for a few minutes. It has a fascination for me which I cannot shake off. I was at the battle of Gettysburg myself, and an incident occurred there which largely changed my views of the Southern people. I had been a most bitter anti-South man, and fought and cursed them desperately. I could see nothing good in any of them. The last day of the fight I was badly wounded. A ball shattered my left leg. I lay on the ground not far from Cemetery Ridge, and as General Lee ordered his last retreat he and his officers rode near me. As they came along I recognised him, and though faint from exposure and loss of blood, I raised up on my hands, looked General Lee in the face and shouted as loud as I could, ‘Hurrah for the Union!’ The General heard me, looked, stopped his horse, dismounted and came toward me. I confess I at first thought he meant to kill me. But as he came up he looked down at me with such a sad expression upon his face that all fear left me, and I wondered what he was about. He extended his hand to me, and grasping mine firmly and looking right into my eyes, said:

“My son, I hope you will soon be well.”

“If I live a thousand years I shall never forget the expression in General Lee’s face. There he was, defeated, retiring from a field that had cost him and his cause almost their last hope, and yet he stopped to say words like those to a wounded soldier of the opposition who had taunted him as he passed by. As soon as the General had left me I cried myself to sleep there upon the bloody ground.



Proclaim Your Southern Heritage!
Join Now
KIRBY-SMITH
 Camp #1209
 Jacksonville, FL
www.scv-kirby-smith.org
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS





Upcoming Cemetery

Clean Up Day

***Sept. 24, 2016 at Old City
Cemetery @ 8:30am***



On August 20, 2016 Kirby-Smith divided in troops into two projects. The first Reaper Crew started in Old City Cemetery to complete our clean up and maintenance duties. The second Reaper Crew went to the warehouse to prepare exhibits for 'Rifles Rails and History' event. The main purpose of the exhibits is recruitment for the Sons of confederate Veterans. As a camp we are making a dedicated effort in recruitment this year, this is where each member can help. If you know of interested individuals have them look at our web-site (www.scv-kirby-smith.org) or visit David Nelson at Uncle Davey's Americana.

September Camp Meeting



**Topic: "The letters of G. Boston Scott; a
Southern Soldier of the 50th Virginia Infantry
Regiment, "**

Speaker: JERRY BAYER

**Museum of Southern History Sept. 20, 2016
@ 7pm 4304 Herschel Street
Jacksonville, Florida**

Biography of Speaker

Jerry Bayer

A MARYLANDER, CURRENTLY LIVING IN THE VILLAGES. GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE IN 1971 WITH A DEGREE IN BUSINESS. A MEMBER OF VARIOUS HISTORICAL GROUPS, AND LIFE MEMBER OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS. HE IS THE PAST SCV DIVISION COMMANDER OF MARYLAND. HAS BEEN BOTH CIVILWAR REENACTOR AND PARTICIPANT IN SEVERAL HISTORICAL MOVIES INCLUDING "KILLER ANGELS", "GODS AND GENERALS" AND THE HISTORY CHANNEL'S "THE MEN WHO MADE AMERICA" WITH HIS WIFE, MARIANNE. HE IS AN AVID COLLECTOR OF ANTIQUE WEAPONS AND MEMORABILIA.

Compatriots,

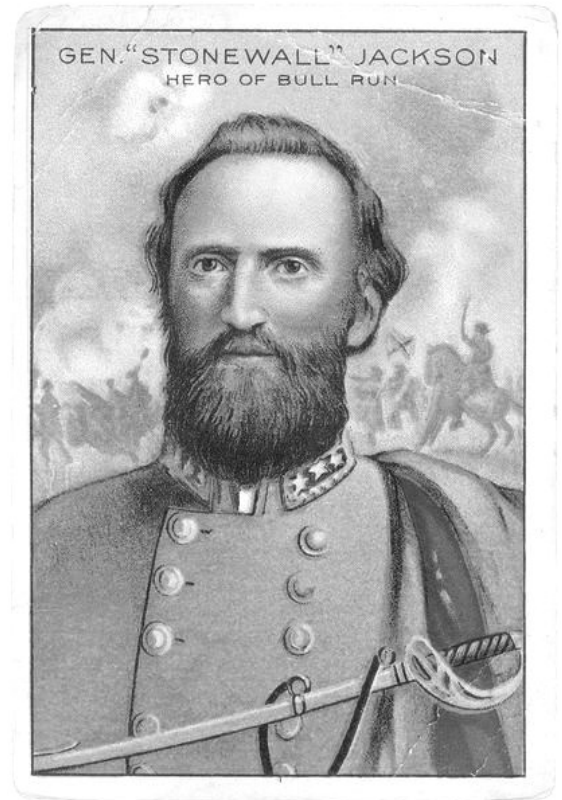
On Sunday January 15th 2017, our camp will come together to celebrate the birthdays of two of the greatest men in American history. Generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson. This years celebration will be held at Maggianos Little Italy Restaurant at 5:00pm. It is located at 10367 Midtown Parkway in the Town Center shopping area. We are very fortunate to have as guest speaker Danny Buckner for this event . He offers a first person interpretation dedicated to the life and times of General Thomas Jackson. Cost for the event is \$45 for adults and \$20 for children 5-11 years of age. Reservations and payment for the event should be mailed to Camp Commander Calvin Hart 4884 Victoria Chase Court Jacksonville Florida 32257. Please make your reservations with Commander Hart as early as possible as we plan on a large turnout and seating may be limited. This is a family event so please plan on joining us as we pay tribute to these two great men as well as our Confederate ancestors who sacrificed life and property fighting for our independence. I hope to see you all there.

**2nd Lt. Commander
Hal Schemer**

It's time We Go on the Offensive in Jacksonville

Kirby-Smith camp #1209 is actively searching for a small piece of property located near a major highway to raise a Confederate battle Flag and build a park dedicated to Confederate Veterans. If you know of such a piece of property please contact Calvin Hart (904-730-0343) or Chris Bunton (904-777-5111).

We are working on ideas to become an active part of Southern Heritage Defense and a flag flying near a heavily traveled area in Jacksonville would accomplish this goal.



***Special Notice:
Let's Welcome
Mark Brandenburg
to His New Position
Camp Adjutant***

RIFLES, RAILS & HISTORY



**STEAM
BACK
to the
NORTH
AND
SOUTH**

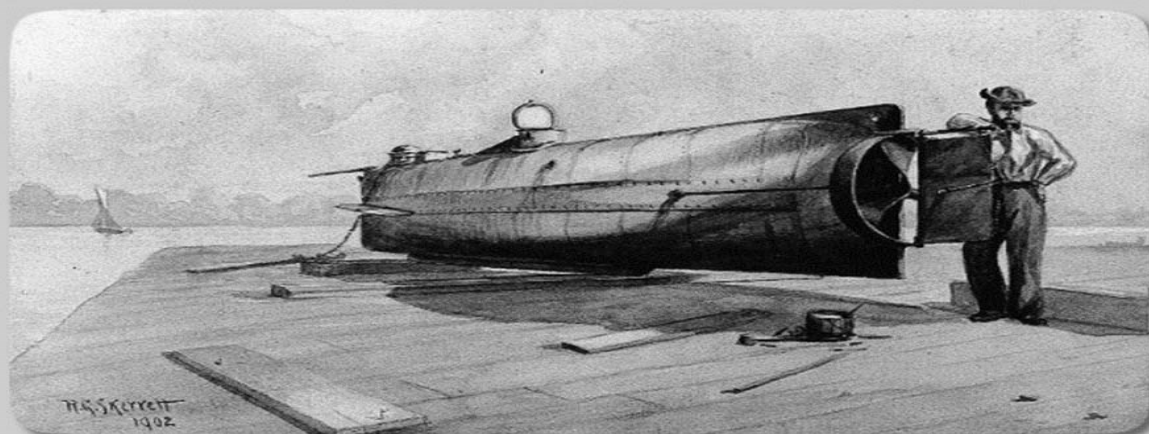
**Living History Encampment
Wootton Park - Tavares, Florida
September 23- 25, 2016**

www.riflesrailsandhistory.com

Points of Interest in September for Camp #1209

- The Camp Web-Site is being updated to a better visual product. Thanks to WEB Master Dave Lott
- Kirby-Smith Camp #1209 is traveling to Tavares Florida for Rifles, Rails and History again this year. They turn the town over to us for this event and we set up a full scale Confederate camp. We will have all the educational displays exhibited including the constant firing of the camp cannon. If you have an opportunity to drive down you will be guaranteed a great time.

RIFLES, RAILS & HISTORY



One of the special exhibits that will be featured at "Rifles, Rails & History" is a replica of the H. L. Hunley, a Confederate submarine that mysteriously disappeared, with all hands, shortly after sending the USS Housatonic to the bottom of Charleston Harbor on February 17, 1864.

The half-scale model of the intrepid Hunley will make its voyage to Tavares from its home port in Jacksonville, Florida. Built in 2010, it was donated to Kirby-Smith Camp 1209 Sons of Confederate Veterans, who puts plenty of nautical miles on the replica - visiting schools and participating in many living-history events. The crew of the replica Hunley will provide guests and visitors with the intriguing story of this vessel, which was the predecessor of the modern day submarine.

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Notice
Renew Your
Membership
Now!
Avoid late
Fee**



**Your Voice and Membership
is
Important!
Renew
Today!**

Please fill out the renewal form below completely and place in envelop along with the check. If you have a change of address or new phone number please make note of change on form. The dues are broken down as follows:

Total Membership renewal: \$57.00 (\$30 for National / \$15 for Fla. S.C.V. / \$12 for Kirby-Smith Camp #1209)

If You are a S.C.V. Life Member renewal: \$27 (\$15 for FLA S.C.V. / \$12 for Kirby-Smith Camp #1209)

If you are both a S.C.V. Life Member & S.C.V. State Life Member renewal: \$12 (Kirby-Smith Camp #1209 dues)

National charges at Late fee of \$5 per member

Extra for the Cause: Extra funds donated to the camp finance the many projects that Camp #1209 is involved during the year such as but not limited to: Confederate Heritage Project s(historical markers), Cemetery Restoration Projects, purchasing Confederate headstones, Camp Newsletter production costs, Confederate Memorial Day events, Recruitment events and living history displays (every dollar counts and no amount is too small and all funds will be put to use in the most advantageous ways). **If you are non-member receiving the Camp Newsletter, please consider sending a donation to cover postal charges.**

We are not unaware of how the economy has affected the Nation and our Membership. Kirby-Smith Camp #1209 is dedicated to leaving no member behind. We have several options in place to assist with membership renewal issues such as: credit card option (get in touch with David Nelson @ Uncle Davey's Americana 730-8932), payment plan options (get in touch with Commander Calvin Hart @ 730-0343 for any and all membership questions)

CUT AND MAIL BELOW RENEWAL FORM TO: **Calvin Hart 4884 Victoria Chase Ct Jacksonville, FL 32257**

NAME _____ -- E-MAIL _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

S.C.V. Membership Renewal : \$57.00

For the Cause ----- (+) _____

Total Amount Sent----- _____

**Special Thanks to all Those
that have already sent your dues.**



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CALVINHART@BELLSOUTH.NET

Landmines in the War Between the States

Mines—or “torpedoes,” as they were then known—were largely a Confederate weapon. Originally developed by General Gabriel J. Rains, these antipersonnel explosives were typically iron containers rigged with gunpowder, a fuse and a brass detonation cap. Rains first used the subterranean booby traps in 1862 during the Peninsula Campaign, and later buried thousands more around Richmond and in various parts of the Deep South. In fact, some of these still-active landmines were only recovered in Alabama as recently as the 1960s. While they proved an intimidating method of psychological warfare, landmines were often viewed as an unethical form of combat. Union General George B. McClellan denounced them as “barbarous,” and Confederate General James Longstreet briefly banned their use. Perhaps their most vociferous critic was Union General and War Criminal William T. Sherman, who lost several pillaging, murdering troops to underground landmines during his famous March to the Sea. Decrying the use of mines as “not warfare, but murder,” Satan’s right hand man Sherman forced his Confederate prisoners to march at the head of his column so that they might trigger any hidden “land torpedoes.”

DON'T TREAD ON US



Join these men in the fight for Southern Heritage and
 renew your membership with Kirby-Smith Camp
 #1209 the best camp in the Confederacy

Old City Cemetery Clean-Up Sept. 24, 8:30am

Old City Cemetery—
 East Union St./ Wash-
 ington St. @
 8:30am—Please
 make Plans to Attend
 call
 730-0343 for
 information