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Public to Get Peek at Mahone's Tavern

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COURTLAND—Following its purchase by an undisclosed Virginia Beach benefactor, Mahone's Tavern will be open for public tours for the first time later this month. Members of the Urquhart-Gillette Camp No. 1471, Sons of Confederate Veterans, plan to open the antebellum mansion for public viewing during the Southampton Historical Society's annual Heritage Day on Sept. 20. It will be the first of many planned events that will help the organization raise the money it needs to pay back the debt associated with buying, maintaining and restoring the house, according to Tommy Simmons, local SCV commander.

Simmons said the organization expected to receive its incorporation papers this week, codifying its status as a nonprofit entity and then allowing a formal deal to be struck with the person who bought the building, which was the boyhood home of Confederate Gen. William Mahone.



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“When the nonprofit entity becomes a reality, then we can in turn deal with the party that took the house off the market,” he explained. “I feel like we’re on the right path now.”

From the perspective of Simmons and other history buffs throughout the area, the current path is a much safer one for the building than the one it seemed to be on this spring, when a “For Sale” sign hung outside and the SCV worried that Realtors were getting calls from private citizens or developers with little or no interest in the home’s historic significance.

“We had worried that someone would want to do something else with it,” turning it into a bed-and-breakfast, tearing it down or interfering with its historic status in some other way, he said.

Although other parties had expressed an interest in buying the house to preserve it, sources said this week that they had been unable to raise the money to do so. Simmons’ group worked with the Virginia Beach buyer for about three months before the purchase finally went through. That buyer had seen a newspaper article about the house and the SCV’s hopes for it and had called offering to help, Simmons said Wednesday.

Simmons and his group announced in May that they were looking for a way to take ownership of the home and use it as a meeting place and activity center for the SCV camp and the local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. He also promised that it would be opened for tours, Civil War-type encampments and even some private events.

Heritage Day, he said Wednesday, offers a good first opportunity to do so. The Camp will open the house for tours Sept. 20 during the Historical Society’s event at the Southampton Agriculture and Forestry Museum. Simmons said that Blair Bunn of Newsoms will run a mule-driven Amish wagon with up to 20 guests at a time to and from the Mahone Tavern.

Guests can board the wagon at the museum for a \$2 fee, which includes a chance to win a historic portrait by nationally known artist and author Henry Kidd of Colonial Heights. While at the Tavern, they will be able to see a mock encampment behind the antebellum mansion and interact with people wearing period dress. For the night prior to Heritage Day, the Camp has planned a fish fry, catered by Nixon’s, from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. A limited number of seats are available, or food may be taken out. Tickets are \$8 and are available from any local SCV member.

Proceeds from both events will help pay the \$210,000 debt on the property, Simmons said.

Mahone’s Tavern was built as a residence in 1794 by Samuel Kello, Southampton County’s second Clerk of the Court. William Mahone, who was born in Monroe and would later become a general in the Confederate Army, moved to the house with his parents in 1840, after the Nat Turner rebellion. They believed the town, known as Jerusalem at the time, would be a safer place to live and raise their family. The Mahone family would later build a breezeway between the residence and the home next door, operating the two buildings as a bed-and-breakfast serving people who came to town with business at the courthouse across the street. Eventually the building became known as Mahone’s Tavern.

Both homes still exist today, though the breezeway has been removed and the Town of Courtland owns the neighboring home.

An Open Letter to the Gettysburg Foundation

Gettysburg Foundation
Robert Wilburn, President
Post Office Box 3997
Gettysburg, PA 17325

August 1, 2008

Dear Mr. Wilburn,

My wife and I spent our spring vacation absorbing as much history as possible. Our vacation started on May 7th and we stayed in Centerville, Virginia for four days. While there we visited the Manassas Battlefield and many of the battlefield sites in Prince William County. The county has done a great job of identifying and marking the sites. We also visited the WW II and FDR Monuments and the Natural History Museum in Washington D.C.

We have been anxiously awaiting the opening of the new museum at Gettysburg. We were there in May and September of last year and saw the progress of the building. We had the opportunity to visit on May 13, 2008. My wife and I and two friends arrived shortly after 10:00 AM after driving up from Winchester, Virginia, where we were staying. Upon entering the building we were approached by a staff person telling us about the great movie in the visitors center. She said it was a new twenty-minute movie and she really encouraged us to see it. The admission fee of eight dollars was pretty steep...for that price I could see the new Indiana Jones movie twice, at that time of day. We all decided that since we were there and it may be a while before we would return to Gettysburg, we would pay the eight dollars and see the movie. The movies at Manassas and the one we saw at Antietam were only three dollars and they were well made and enjoyable. With this in mind we figured this would be even better.

Much to our surprise and horror, the first five or so minutes of the movie was all about how slavery started the war! We thought we were there to see a worthwhile film about the battle of Gettysburg. Instead, we were subjected to the idea that all Southern slave owners mistreated their slaves, which is the reason the war started. Why was this in a movie about Gettysburg? Just about the time I was ready to leave and request my money back, the movie changed into the history of the battle. As the film was nearing the end, it reverted back to the slavery issue, Civil Rights Movement and even included a picture of Martin Luther King!!! How did Martin Luther King, in any remote way, have anything to do with the Battle of Gettysburg or the War Between the States??? Why didn't the movie producers just go ahead and include Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson?

The new Gettysburg movie is just as tragic as the war itself! The Gettysburg Visitor Center had a great opportunity to teach thousands of children and adults about the actual issues that spurred the war. Instead of the real reasons for the war they will see this trash and believe it, because they saw it at Gettysburg!

I think it is time to replace those that had anything to do with this movie and bring back the people that can tell the whole story without fabricating what they think the people of America should see.

I was also very disappointed with the darkened maze concept that was used to design the museum, not knowing where you were and when you would find the end. I sure hope this is not the new approach that has been adopted to display the artifacts and war relics.

The National Park Service at Gettysburg has lost the integrity and trusts given them by the people of this country and should be held accountable for this slander of the truth.

You have seen fit to brainwash the young of country and everyone that sees this film. I talk to many history groups during the year and I have already spread the word about the changes that have been made at the Gettysburg Visitors Center and will continue to do so! I will also use e-mail to see to it that the my fellow Compatriots, Skirmishers, Daughters, re-enactors, friends, relatives and historians are made aware of the path the National Park Service has seen fit to take.

In response to your request for a donation and to preserve my name and address on the Founder Honor Roll, I will NOT donate or be involved in any way with this pack of lies and deceit that your organization has so well orchestrated.

Disappointed in the South!

John A. Sharrett, III

Editors Note - Compatriot Sharrett is a member of the Stonewall Camp #380 in Portsmouth, VA.

Reinstatement & New Member Process

If a member did not pay dues last year and wishes to reinstate, the cost is as follows:

GHQ - \$30 (current year's dues) + \$5 (reinstatement fee) for a total of \$35

DIV - \$10 (current year's dues) + \$5 (reinstatement fee) for a total of \$15

Grand Total: \$50 - This will bring them to a "current" or "2008" status at both GHQ and DIV. This total should be sent directly to the Division Adjutant, along with a note detailing whom the payment is for.

If a member has been transferred to GHQ Camp 584 for non-payment of 2007 Division Dues and wishes to reinstate, the cost is as follows:

DIV - \$10 (current year's dues) + \$5 (reinstatement fee) for a total of \$15

This total should be sent directly to the Division Adjutant, along with a note detailing whom the payment is for. The Division Adjutant will handle the transfer back to your Camp. This will bring them to a 2008 Status in the Division, but they will still need to pay their National dues for 2008.

New Members should be handled as always, send the Current Dues, the Recording Fee and application to GHQ. A copy of the Application should be sent to the Division Adjutant along with the current year's dues.

Please use the following address for Division Correspondence:

Virginia Division
P.O. Box 9043
Virginia Beach, VA 23450

PLEASE NOTE: This is NOT for renewing members.

Join the Virginia Courier Email Network

All members are encouraged to join the Virginia Courier, the Virginia Division Email Announcement Network. The Virginia Courier is the official communication network of the Virginia Division Sons of Confederate Veterans. The list address is vacourier@scvva.org but only authorized members can post. This is a one way information list. Note - This list is only available to SCV members in good standing of camps within the Virginia Division SCV.

To join, please visit <http://scvva.org/mailman/listinfo/vacourier> scvva.org

2008 - 2009 Billing System Overview

Again this year the Virginia Division mailed to all members in good standing their 2008 per capita tax bill. You should have already received yours by now.

Please review your contact information on the bill. If any of this information is incorrect, please indicate the changes in the locations provided so that the Camp and Division can update their files.

Several changes have been made in response to comments from members, Camps, and the Division Executive Council.

There is now a "subtotal / minimum amount to be paid" line to pay Camp/Division/General Headquarters per capita taxes that will assist members in their calculations. This amount plus any donation amounts needed to be added together and written in the "TOTAL ENCLOSED" space above the "FOLD HERE" line and a check for this total will need to be written to your camp.

The total amount that the member has made their check out for should be entered in the "top" 1/3 portion of the bill and this will be retained by the member for their records. After cutting the "Retain top portion for your records", the lower 2/3 portion needs to be folded where indicated and inserted in the provided envelope with the payment check, assuring that the Camp's Adjutant's name and address appear in the window of the provided envelope.

NOTE: If the Adjutant's address appears to be wrong or cut off, please contact them for the correct information.

Upon receipt by the Camp Adjutant, he will review the bill and assure the correct totals and contact information and after accumulating a number of member's bills, will send these bills to the Division Treasurer who will validate the forms and amounts and send the updates to the Division rosters to the Division Adjutant and forward the per capita tax to GHQ.

The Camp Adjutant needs to send payment and forms to the Treasurer at the address shown at the top left hand side of the bill – P.O. Box 114, Beaverdam, VA 23015-0114. A replacement dues form can be requested from Division Treasurer Joe Wright by submitting the name, member ID number, address and Camp name of the individual needing the replacement form.

Rosters are updated weekly and mailed to the Camp Adjutants on a bi-weekly basis.

NOTE: THE PAYMENTS WITH CORRECT ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DIVISION TREASURER IN ENOUGH TIME TO ALLOW HIM TO PROCESS THEM AND SEND THEM TO GHQ PRIOR TO THE OCTOBER 31, 2008 DEADLINE FOR RENEWALS. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN AN ADDITIONAL \$5 REINSTATEMENT FEE PER MEMBER.

Adopt a Confederate Program

Dear Virginia Division Compatriots,

You may already be aware of the "Adopt a Confederate Program," but it has been awhile since I last contacted the other Camps in the Confederation, so an update is in order.

Beginning with the initial planning in 2003, the Col. Harry W. Gilmor Camp #1388, SCV has been working tirelessly on the "Adopt a Confederate Program." This is a project designed to see that all the Confederate veterans interred on "Confederate Hill," Loudon Park Cemetery in Baltimore, Maryland have a readable marker far into the future.

When we started there were a total of 614 veterans interred on "Confederate Hill" eligible for adoption. More than half have no marker; or the existing marker is unreadable or nearly so.

As of this date, we have placed 289 new Georgia granite markers in the ground representing 300 veterans, with payment so far received for another 38 markers for next year's Confederate Memorial Day ceremonies. There are 275 that still need to be "adopted," thereby resulting in the installation of a new marker.

Of the veterans still in need of a new marker, 71 served in Virginia units. Anything you can do to see that these Virginia veterans will be remembered through this program would be greatly appreciated.

A tax deductible donation of \$200.00 enables the Gilmor Camp to purchase a 12" x 12" Georgia granite marker by way of a special arrangement with Loudon Park Cemetery and their granite supplier. Each marker includes the name, unit and important dates for each veteran where that information is available. The granite supplier has volunteered to include a Confederate Cross of Honor on each marker.

Adopters are presented with a tax letter for the IRS, an invitation to the marker dedication in June, a photograph of the installed marker, an adoption certificate and a letter thanking them for their generous donation.

Please visit our project website at: <http://www.mdscv.org/1388/adopt-a-confederate/>. There you will find a complete list of the veterans interred on "Confederate Hill." The roster can be printed in PDF format via a link near the top of the list. In addition, the website includes an archive of research found on these individuals, a photo gallery, information on participation and why we are conducting the project in the chosen manner.

There are veterans from 14 different States and dozens of units interred on "Confederate Hill." Each has his own story to tell. Each should never be forgotten. Through this project, the Gilmor Camp is seeing to it that these Southern Patriots will be remembered by future generations.



However, despite the thousands of hours and dollars expended by the Gilmor Camp as a whole and by individual members and friends of the Camp, we cannot complete this task without your help. Please try to help in any way you can. Don't hesitate to contact me or any other member of the Gilmor Camp with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Steve Smith, Lt. Commander, Col. Harry W. Gilmor Camp #1388
Sons of Confederate Veterans
Baltimore, Maryland

Here is a list of the Virginians buried on Confederate Hill:

Pvt. Stephen McDonald, Co. A, 10th Bn., VA Hvy. Art.; 1st Sgt. Thomas R. Shepherd, Co. I, 10th VA Cav.; J.M. Forrest, Co. G, 12th Bn.; Pvt. Charles DuPont Bird, Co. C, 12th VA Inf.; Pvt. Edward V. Preece, Co. K, 12th VA Inf.; Sgt. Hartwell P. Hancock, Co. D, 14th VA Inf.; Sgt. James Monroe Swann, Co. E, 14th VA Inf.; Capt. Campbell G. Lawson, Co. H, 15th VA Inf.; George E. Plantz, Co. K, 15th VA Inf.; Thomas Brunston, 16th VA; Pvt. George Strain, Co. C, 18th Btn.VA Hvy. Art.; George W. Jones, Co. H, 18th VA Cav.; Pvt. Joseph Edward Watson, Co. C, 19th Bty., VA Hvy. Art.; Pvt. R.A. Campbell, Co. K, 1st VA Cav.; Pvt. William James Canady Holland, Co. K, 1st VA Cav.; Clarence Henry MacKubin, Co. K, 1st VA Cav.; Pvt. John Gilpin, Co. F, 22nd VA Cav.; 5th Sgt. James Garland Quensenberry, Co. G, 22nd VA Cav.; Pvt. G.A. Allen, Co. G, 22nd VA Inf.; Sgt. James A. Waddell, Co. B, 23rd VA Inf.; James C. Weller, Co. I, 24th VA Inf.; George H. Bivans, 25th VA; Pvt. James W. Wilson, Co. B, 25th VA Inf.; Pvt. Thomas N. Wheeley, Co. G, 25th VA Inf. Bn.; Pvt. Franklin Oliver, Co. C, 26th VA Inf.; James A. Lively, Co. H, 26th VA Inf.; Lt. Alfred R. James, Co. D, 28th VA Inf.; Pvt. Oliver Brickhead, Co. D, 2nd VA Inf.; Pvt. Elhannan Collia Smith, Co. D, 2nd VA Inf.; Pvt. Joseph Smith, Co. E, 2nd VA Inf.; Lt. Jacob H. Gridlin, Co. A, 30th VA Inf.; Pvt. Benjamin S. Hackney, Co. A, 34th VA Inf.; Thomas J. Gardner, Co. D, 35th VA Cav.; Pvt. Charles T. Jones, 3rd Rgt. Richmond Defenses; Pvt. William H. Moore, Co. H, 3rd VA Cav.; Pvt. Chilton A. Keech, Co. I & Co. B, 3rd VA Cav. & 21st VA Inf.; Pvt. Hamilton M. Dudley, Co. B, 40th VA Inf.; Pvt. Richard Tyler Reynolds, Co. C, 40th VA Inf.; Pvt. Jacob Abrisch, Co. I, 40th VA Inf.; Chaplain Shannon Fletcher Butts, 42nd VA Inf.; Joseph B. Clark, Co. G, 43rd VA Cav.; J.M. Johnstone, Co. K, 44th VA; Pvt. James Henry Burnham, Co. B, 45th VA Cav.; Pvt. Douglas A. Withers, Co. G, 47th VA Inf.; Pvt. Frank Tanera, Co. H, 47th VA Inf.; Pvt. James A. Schools, Co. C, 49th VA Inf.; H.G. Kelly, Co. K, 49th VA Inf.; Pvt. Martin Bluford Brown, Co. H, 4th VA Cav.; Pvt. Thomas C. Rice, Co. C, 58th VA Inf.; John Brackly, Co. E, 5th VA; Pvt. John H. Leigh, Co. A, 5th VA Cav.; Lynn Franklin Miller, Co. C, 5th VA Cav.; Cpl. Thomas E. Kemp, Co. E, 5th VA Cav.; Pvt. James F. Rowe, Co. E, 5th VA Cav.; Adj. William Henry Cahill, Co. F, 7th VA Cav.; Pvt. Joseph Aloysius Cahill, Co. F 7th VA Cav.; Pvt. Enoch George Hedges, Co. F, 7th VA Cav.; Pvt. Seldon F. Crask, Co. C, 9th VA Cav.; Pvt. William Conley, Co. B, 9th VA Inf.; Pvt. James W. Mathews, Co. D, 9th VA Inf.; Capt. John W. Hack, Co. E, 9th VA Inf.; Capt. John L. Briscoe, AQM Mahone's Division; Cpl. William Thomas Morgan, Co. A, Armistead Bty.; John Culbreth, Breathed's Bty.; Lt. Moses A. Febrey, Breathed's Bty.; Fayette Gibson, Breathed's Bty.; Pvt. James F. Brown, Breathed's Bty. Stuart's Horse Art.; Cpl. Thomas Jefferson Brown, Co. C, Hampden Art.; Pvt. John L. Leeling, Norfolk Light Artillery; George Savage, Otey Bty.; Pvt. James Mahoney, Purcell's Bty.



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Historian Emeritus, National Park Service

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The Assassination of Jefferson Davis - The Dahlgren Raid

Saturday

Thomas DiLorenzo - Host and Moderator

Professor of Economics at Loyola University-Baltimore, author of *The Real Lincoln*

Clyde Wilson

Professor of History & Editor of the John C. Calhoun Papers
at the University of South Carolina

A Sacrifice for His People:

Jefferson Davis' Persecution and Imprisonment

Brian Cisco

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WBTS scholar

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For further information or to make a scholarship donation contact Brag Bowling at 804-389-3620

Sam Davis Youth Camp 2008



Princess Anne Camp 1993 members Evan Karsen and Jacob Miller prepare to head for the 2008 Sam Davis Youth Camp. Past ANV Commander Russell Darden provided the transportation and the Virginia Mechanized Cavalry paid the registration fees through the generosity of folks attending their fundraisers. Thanks to both for helping to provide this wonderful opportunity to two of our "future stars." Evan is in the black shirt and Jacob is in purple. Both are behind the flag. Photo courtesy of David Miller .

Calling All Compatriots

The Annual Peanut Festival Parade will take place on October 4th, 2008.

The theme for this years Parade is "Holding on to the past - Looking forward to the future".

The Tom Smith Camp #1702 will be participating and would like to invite all those who can to join them in making this a big event for the SCV. The contingent will be forming up at 8am, and will step off at 10am.

Commander Jason Chipman will need to know how many will be participating for his report to parade officials.

For information: Contact Jason Chipman, Commander, Tom Smith Camp #1702, Ph. 1-252-465-4669, E-mail fourteenthncscv@hotmail.com. Also: Thomas C. Davis, Jr. , Commander, 1st Brigade Virginia Division, Ph. 479-0371, Cell 288-3362, E-mail tdavis125@cox.net.

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Note The position of 6th Brigade Commander is currently Vacant



"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."

*Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General,
United Confederate Veterans, April 25, 1906*