

# Captain A. T. Harllee's



## Dispatch



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### Florence Holds Patriots Parade

Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> the City of Florence held its annual Patriots Parade. If you will remember, last year there was a lot of controversy because the Sons of Confederate Veterans was told that we could not participate. After a number of phone calls to the Mayor Wanna Be Governor, the Sons were allowed to participate. Then after the parade, Mr. Councilman NAACP Robinson himself, showed his proverbial rear end to the city Council and pretty much demanded that the city not sponsor the parade any longer. Since the city did not sponsor the parade this year, the Sons were not only invited, but were welcomed. The Dillon Camp was well represented with 18 members participating along with four ladies of the Black Rose. Other Camps represented were Florence, Hartsville and Manning. Dillon's Camp 2010 was again the Camp that stepped up to the plate and made this endeavor successful. Without this Camp, it would have been a poor showing for the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Our dedicated men really made the difference. It is really important that as we fight for equal treatment in this 'inclusive' society, that we participate in as many things as possible. What is the need of fighting for something if we fail to participate when we win the fight? There is no doubt that we have uphill battles to fight, but the fight is worth having our ancestors name kept along side of others who deserve honor and respect.

### Confederacy of Dunces?

[Editor]

The above title got my attention as I was stumbling through some internet stuff. It all got started from some Yankee jerk who thought it his necessary Yankee duty to come to the defense of Black folk and at the same time attack Confederate and all things Southern. In his simple Yankee mind, anything with Confederate on it, or has the Confederate flag in any form, is endorsed by Southerners, and of course should be defended by some smart Yankee such as himself. All this began in southern New Jersey in a place called Wildwood. From what I can gather, Wildwood is a place along the coastal area of southern New Jersey where there are stores that sell all sorts of junk and memorabilia to a mostly tourist clientele—a place where one could play all sorts of carnival type games. To shorten an otherwise even longer story, this Yankee with personal intentions to save the Black

community from all the rest of us, just happened to find himself in Wildwood. To his surprise, and of course his disgust, there was Confederate stuff being sold everywhere. His first description of Wildwood was so negative that I wondered why he was there in the first place, but there is no need to discuss that. This guy took pictures of some of this damnable Confederate stuff. I'll have to admit that some of the things are even offensive to this Confederate. One in particular is a silhouette of what appears to be a naked woman, on hands and knees, painted with the colors and style of the Battle Flag. This shirt had a caption that said, "Get-er-done Southern style". Not only is that degrading to the Confederate Battle flag, it is also degrading to women. There were others that I found to be offensive as well. A picture of the Battle flag with captions that read, "Smart A\$\$ White Boy" and "Smart A\$\$ White Girl." I personally am not a fan of making things with the Confederate Battle flag image, but I will tolerate some of them. There were more pictures of things like boogie boards, towels, key chains, sun catchers and even hermit crab shells painted like the Battle flag. There were other things that I thought to be pretty good; things like shirts that say, "Confederately correct," "If this flag offends you, you need a history lesson" and "I'd rather be historically accurate than politically correct." That one drew some nasty remarks from the writer of this article. This guy got many remarks from his one sided opinion and regrettably, most of them were in his favor. All the folks that responded were not Yankees either. There were remarks from Texas to Virginia—our state included. Let me give you some remarks made about those who wear, or those who fly the Confederate flag. "Stupid is as stupid wears." Southerners who stand up for the Confederacy is described as, "willful ignorance." Those who wear Confederate clothing is described as, "aggressive ignorance." Another remark, "the Confederate flag is trash, burn it!" A remark from Va., "I keep seeing those BS 'Heritage not hatred' bumper stickers and I want to scream to their owners—Heritage of WHAT dumb a&&! You're not fooling anybody, you know!" How about "retarded hillbilly shi... um (crap)." A real strong one-sided view was, "That whole Southern pride excuse is BS. Sporting a Confederate flag confirms one of two things. Your are either a racist hiding behind 'heritage', or you are Anti-American in that you don't believe in a true UNITED States...both of which confirm that you are a dumb a##." One person said, "New Jersey's per capita IQ was less than three digits, it's almost as dumb as the South." The last quote I'll give is from one who said, "I only hope that one day this stuff will just become a single page in an encyclopedia." Let that one sink in. According to the words of the above, those of us who still defend our Confederate ancestors are—dunces.

## It's Men Such as this We Defend

Pvt. Roger James Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> La. Inf. Co. E. Pvt. Marshall enlisted in Confederate service on May 9, 1861. He was reported sick on a muster roll but a particular disease was not listed. By August of the same year he was out fighting again and was reported as having been wounded by gunshot at Manassas and was hospitalized at Aldie, Va. He recovered and was wounded by gunshot again at Chancellorsville in May of 1863. Up and fighting again, he was captured at the Battle of the Wilderness in May of 1864. He was transferred from Belle Plains, Va. To Pt. Lookout where he stayed for four months. He was then sent to Elmira POW Camp where he stayed until he was exchanged in March of 1865. In 1898, Pvt. Marshall applied for a pension. On the application there was a line that asked; "Did you take the oath of allegiance to the U.S. government at any time during the war?" His answer was "no." Next question: "If so, when, where and under what circumstances?" His reply was: "Did not take the oath." Pvt. Marshall died on September 1, 1927...an 86-year-old citizen of the CSA. Then there are men such as Andrew T. Harllee, Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson, Nathan Evans, JEB Stuart, Joshua Hudson...and YOUR ANCESTOR!

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Back in April of 2003, there was a fellow named James Aldridge who was living in Anderson, S. C. who wrote a letter to the State paper. I would like to share this with you.

### **Southerners have lost their backbones**

I have lost respect for the South. While majoring in history at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill., I spent considerable time studying the South's four-year struggle with the North. In the process, I learned to respect Southerners who had fought with courage and determination against an enemy who outnumbered them five to one and who had considerably more resources. Partially because of that respect and because I was looking for a better quality of life, I retired to Anderson in 1986 from Chicago. Since then, I have seen Southerners, just like gutless Yankees, acquiesce before self-serving politicians and vested interest groups who are intent upon bestowing citizenship, American jobs and taxpayers' moneys on aliens. And, I have seen Southerners intimidated and shut up by the word "racism" spoken by a black minority who claims Southern memories and sacrifices are not worthy of being honored. I have also seen turncoat, Southern politicians move the Confederate flag from public places with the insulting argument that symbols of the Confederacy are too divisive. The above examples tell me the South I studied and learned to respect no longer exists.

Ouch!!

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### **There is Going to be a Meeting**

On Thursday, October the 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting of Captain A. T. Harllee Camp 2010 at the American Legion building. The evening meal will be served around 6:30 and the learning experience will begin around 7. Mr. October will provide the meal; Mr. October is known to many as Charles Arnette. Charles started this process of having a different member being responsible for a meal each month. He really gave us all something to shoot for last October.

I'm sure he will do no less this year. Although everyone loves to come and fellowship with the meal, the main course should be consuming the lesson of the day. I'm sure we will be honored with a speaker who can fill us with pride in our ancestors. Come and partake of great festivities of food, fun and a good learning experience.

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### **2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Duncan Campbell Stafford**



**The opening ceremony will include the rededication of the newly restored gravesite of Lt. Duncan Campbell Stafford of South Carolina.**

The Virginia Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans is committed to the restoration of the Oakwood Confederate Cemetery in Richmond Virginia. The opening ceremony of the Oakwood Confederate Cemetery Restoration Project will be held on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November.

They show the picture of Lt. Duncan Campbell Stafford's gravesite of South Carolina as the gravesite to begin the restoration. Not only is he a South Carolinian, he is a homegrown gentleman of this area. He was 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Co. I, 8<sup>th</sup> S. C. Infantry, serving under Capt. A. T. Harllee. He was killed in the trenches of Petersburg in 1864 by a Yankee sniper. Two of our compatriots are in the process of totally restoring the Stafford Family Cemetery at Little Rock where his parents and several others of his family members are buried. Wouldn't it be real nice if some of the Sons of Confederate Veterans in the Capt. Andrew T. Harllee Camp were to be able to go to that rededication ceremony? One thing that many of the families of soldiers did when they were able to visit the gravesites of their fallen family members who were buried in other states, was to carry some of the soldiers home soil and sprinkle that soil over the grave. There has been some talk of taking some soil from the gravesites of Lt. Stafford's Mother and Father, take it to his grave in Richmond, then take some soil from his gravesite and bring it back home to place over the graves of his Mother and Father. That would be a great symbol of being bonded together by the same ground—a family reunited. This may be a lot of miles to go, but just remember, he traveled those miles too. It's not likely that he made the trip in five hours as can be done today. Let's come together at this month's meeting and talk about going to Richmond and pay tribute to our hometown hero. There are also plans being made to give our group a tour of the Museum of the Confederacy by JEB Stuart IV. This tour would also include seeing things that are

not on display for normal exhibition. Also a tour of the Confederate White House is being planned. That is something that should be exciting to us all. Maybe we can call it Lt. Duncan Campbell Stafford Day! Think about it.

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### More Ignorance Fueled by Fear

Another school, another shirt and another child exposed to educated ignorance fueled by fear. Something should be done in the medical field in order to stop this sudden collapse of the spine when exposed to certain types of yellow belly fear. There is treatment for osteoporosis and yellow jaundice, maybe the cure for these diseases can be super sized and somehow get immediate results so the spine won't collapse so quickly. It is amazing that some of these people don't get permanently disabled because of this sudden collapse of the backbone. Then again, maybe they do. Not only do they receive permanent damage, it seems to become contagious to those who have contact with them. This particular incident occurred at Waynesboro High School in the great State of Virginia. A junior named Steven McDonaldson had taken a stand against the schools no Confederate flags policy and was causing quite a stir among the school's officials. He was taken to the principal's office for refusing to turn his Confederate flag-bearing T-shirt inside out. Of course it was explained to him and his mother that, "because the shirt **might** offend other students, it was deemed inappropriate for class." The next day, Rachel Gordon (unaware what had happened the previous day) wore a sweatshirt and an oversized Confederate belt buckle to school. The sweatshirt was a Dixie Outfitters brand with a girl riding a horse with the caption of "cowgirl up" and a Confederate flag in the background. Her teacher pulled her into the hallway and said, "Are you trying to get sent to the principal's office to make a statement?" Rachel didn't understand why she was in trouble. "I didn't know what she was talking about," Rachel said. "I never get yelled out and I never get sent out of class." Her teacher told her that the shirt and buckle were offensive, and she'd have to take them off. Rachel, a shy girl who says she doesn't like confrontation, complied—underneath the sweatshirt she was wearing a NASCAR T-shirt bearing the American flag. Rachael told her principal that she didn't think she should be required to take off her shirt because she hadn't done anything. The principal agreed that Rachel hadn't been disruptive and allowed her to put it back on. Both teens say that they will continue to wear the flag. "I have no reason not to," Rachel said. "I'm not being racist, and you can't tell me I can't wear something without giving a valid reason to back it up."



The picture seen here is the belt buckle and the caption on the shirt Rachel was wearing when she was sent to the principal's

office. Fortunately, her mother and father totally support her. Her mother says that "we live in a Southern state and this is a matter

of Southern pride...Men died for our freedom during the Civil War. What are we supposed to do? Be ashamed of that?"

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### New Conservation Plan Approved for Hunley

The U.S. Navy has approved plans to conserve the Confederate Submarine H. L. Hunley by soaking the sub in high-ph water to remove corrosive salts from the iron vessel. Innovative research using subcritical fluids could shorten the conservation time, but this new process is not far enough along at this time to benefit the conservation. Clemson researchers have been experimenting to see whether the subcritical method holds promise for the project. The Navy had to approve the conservation plan because under an agreement signed a decade ago, the federal government retains title to the sub while South Carolina has permanent custody.

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### The Chaplain's Corner

Dear Sons,  
The perfect Law of LIBERTY is found in James 1:25, "But he that looks into the perfect Law of Liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but is a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does." This law is the law of love. In Christ's love, we are freed from the burden of our sins and only then can we truly love one another as Christ loved us. Love is powerful because God is love and love is God. Greater is He in me than Him who is in the world. There is no love absent from God. There is what the world calls love but in fact it is nothing more than lust or desire. With God (love) all things are possible. Hate is the opposite of love. Hate divides and destroys but love unites and rebuilds. Our forbearers loved God, family and country. Their love was so great that tens of thousands gave their lives for their belief. Once we accept Christ as our Lord and Savior, our sins (burdens) are forgiven (freed) and we become one with God. It all makes sense. The one and only perfect man was Christ, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Our lesson today is the perfect law. That law through God gives us FREEDOM. But we must be doers and not just hearers of the word. Our forbearers were doers. It is evident in their commitment. Sons, please don't forsake the memory of the CSA and those doers who sacrificed there all for their LOVE of God, family and country. One day we will have the great honor of meeting our fallen heroes. Will we be able to look them straight in the eye and say, I committed to be a doer and not just a forgetful hearer? Therefore, your love of freedom and liberty did not die in vain. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Your humble servant, In Christ's name, I am

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