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THE PRESIDENT

Our President, Mr. Craig Maus, has finally fulfilled his dream and just moved to Dixie. Hopefully, he'll be back up and running and online soon. His and the first lady, Angie's, new contact info is:

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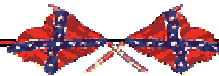


Fellow Confederates,

First, one of President Maus' daughters had a baby girl a few days ago. He still has another daughter expected to give birth very soon.

Second, President Maus wishes for everyone to be aware that important progress in the Confederate Movement is being made on a daily basis, as we speak, so to say. I am going to go back in time for a moment and give you a quote from President Maus:

"The Confederate Alliance's Mission is the restoration and resurrection of the Confederate Government that represented the original 13 Confederate States prior to its being illegally invaded and ultimately overthrown."



President Maus wishes me to reiterate that the long, patient, steadfast, exhausting, and dedicated "efforts are now coming to fruition".

He also wishes to reiterate and make very clear that the ultimate goal of the Confederate Alliance is not only the restoration of "a" legitimate Confederate Government, but that we recognize that the **ONE and ONLY** Legitimate, Legal, and Constitutional (Interim) Confederate Government is with <http://www.csagov.org/> active and in operation.

In case you are not up to date, then I strongly suggest that you visit the "Official Government Web Site" at <http://www.csagov.org/> and get caught up. Things are happening. The cogs are turning. As they say, Stay Tuned ! I will keep you up-dated as things progress, and they are progressing.

In the meantime, a quick reminder. Recruit, recruit, recruit! May God Bless you all!

Always at your service,
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NEW SOCIETY DIVISIONS

By Scott A. Fox Sr.

It is my pleasure to announce the appointment of several new commands.

Mr. Dustin (Dovev) Drouillard embassy_csa@yahoo.com has been appointed as Commander of the (New) "Michigan Division" of the Confederate Society of America.

Mr. Mike Gaultney partssman1959@yahoo.com is Commander of the new North Carolina Division.

Mr. Landon Cahow landon@lcahow.com has added to his duties with us and now Commander of the Southeast Florida Region.

Our thanks, best wishes, and congratulations go out to these new Commanders. Please feel free to extend your own personal Society welcome to them.



What is Marxism?

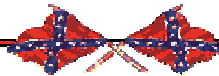
By Curtis Patranella
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I often go on and on about Marxism and what a detriment to society I believe it is. People have asked me... "What exactly is Marxism, and why do you cast it in such a negative light." I thought I would take this opportunity to answer those questions. What is Marxism?

This question alone is the catharsis behind encyclopedias of information that has been written over the decades. I don't think I will do adequate justice in a blurb in a blog post... but I will try to at least paint a broad picture. Forgive me if I over-simplify a few things.

Marxism comes in many shades, shapes, sizes, and titles... it is a catch-all term for all of the sub-genres that lie within; kind of like "Rock and Roll" encompasses rockabilly, doo-wop, surfer, hard rock, soft rock, pop rock, etc. The foundation of all those sub-genres are the same... a basis in the philosophies of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels... it encompasses the range from socialism to hard-core communism, and beyond, into other arenas; just as Rock and Roll has a basis in the blending of country, western, blues, jazz, and gospel... Like Rock and Roll though, Marxism has new things thrown into the mix.

With that in mind, consider this. Marxism encompasses the following goals:



1. The destruction of the family... separating children from their parents for easier control.
2. The destruction of marriage... separating man from woman.
3. The abolition of religion... separating Man from God.
4. The abolition, or redefinition of, morality... separating Man from self-restraint.
5. The abolition of nationality and countries... separating Man from his community.
6. Nationalism, and a devotion to state (government) over individuality or liberty... separating Man from himself.
7. Compulsory state education... to further #1 through #6 above. This separates Man from the truth.
8. The abolition of private property... separating Man from the basis of human happiness, stability, prosperity, advancement, and freedom of contract. The foundation of a free society (see my "Treatise on Natural Order").
9. The abolition of weapons... separating Man from the means to defend him and hold government to account.
10. The use of heavy taxes... further separating Man from his property, and depriving him of a means to improve his station.
11. A centralized, governmental banking system... a means to attain power and control the masses.
12. Governmental control of communication and transportation... separating Man from his freedom to associate.
13. Governmental control of business... separating Man from his ability to prosper and grow.
14. Redistribution of wealth... "from each according to his ability, to each according to his need"... separating Man from his independence.
15. Governmental control of population and society... separating Man from his free will.
16. Positive Law Theory instead of Natural Law Theory... separating Man from his inalienable rights.

When you separate Man from his family, wife, God, self-restraint, community, individualism, liberty, property, ability to defend himself, ability to improve his station, freedom of association, truth, prosperity, growth, independence, free will, and inalienable rights, what has he become?

An automaton that is easily controlled and manipulated, with no will to fight... a slave among slaves.

The Marxism twist (outside of Karl Marx's Utopian philosophy)

Who has absolute power? The government.

Who controls the government? The elite.

Whose back do they ride upon? The people.

Who holds them to account? No one.

That is Marxism... that is why I portray it in a negative light. I hope that cleared things up a bit...



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Controversial Book Now Released:

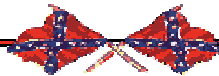
Red Republicans and Lincoln's Marxists

by Al Benson Jr.

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One of the most studiously ignored facts dealing with the War of Northern Aggression is the continued support Abraham Lincoln received from various socialists and communists, both in this country and in Europe, not only during the War, but before it when he ran for president in 1860. Today's court historians, if they bother to mention this at all, do it only in passing, and in such a fashion that most people never pick up on it. That is not entirely without design.

After all, Mr. Lincoln might not look quite as much like the "great emancipator" if people knew he had the support of Karl Marx when he ran for re-election in 1864. He might appear quite as much the "champion of freedom" he is mistakenly portrayed as if people realized that he was in support of the Communist and socialist revolts in Europe in 1848, and championed their leadership. After those revolts failed, many of the communists and socialists whose



leadership Lincoln championed ended up in this country. They repaid Mr. Lincoln's support for their socialist agenda by working to get him elected president in 1860 and by serving in his armies in high positions.

Now, Walter D. (Donnie) Kennedy and I have teamed up and written a book dealing with this seldom mentioned aspect of the War. In it we bring to light many facts dealing with those socialists and communists that supported Mr. Lincoln and his "holy cause." We have provided background material on many of these men (and some women), documenting their truly revolutionary and anti-Christian worldviews and explaining how they sought to implement their brand of socialism in this country where they failed to do so in Europe, and how, in many ways, they succeeded!

Donnie and I compare Marx's Communist Manifesto with the program enacted by the Lincoln administration. You would be shocked at how many places the two are nearly identical. And you would be shocked also at how many places the comments of Adolf Hitler reflect the thoughts of Abraham Lincoln. This is material the vast majority of your so-called "history" books will never touch. Their authors do not want you to go there, lest you begin to find out what the War of Northern Aggression was really all about.

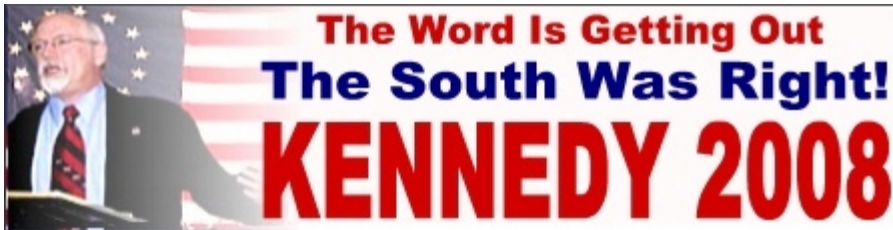
The titles of a few of the chapters are: Socialist exodus to the United States; Socialist influence in the election of 1860; Support for the Union from Marx and Engels; and Socialist goals in the United States.

At this point, the book is tentatively scheduled for release, hopefully in late August of 2007. It will be approximately 200 pages and will include photographs of several socialists and/or communists in their Yankee uniforms.

The book will sell in hardback for \$25 and in paperback for \$15 and \$3 will need to be added for shipping and handling. Presently, checks should be made out to Ole South Books and mailed to P O Box 55, Sterlington, Louisiana 71280. Orders will be shipped as soon as we get the books in hand.

About the Author

Al Benson Jr.'s columns are to found on many online journals such as <http://fireeater.org/>, <http://www.sierratimes.com/>, and *The Patriotist*. Additionally, Mr. Benson is editor of the *Copperhead Chronicle* and author of the *Homeschool History Series*, a study of the War of Southern Independence. *The Copperhead Chronicle* is a quarterly newsletter written with a Christian, pro-Southern perspective.



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Walter D. (Donnie) Kennedy

We are not too few, we are not too weak, we are not too poor to Reclaim our Liberty!

"Of all the enemies to public liberty, war is, perhaps, the most to be dreaded because it comprises and develops the germ of every other. War is the parent of armies; from these proceed debts and taxes. And armies, and debts, and taxes are the known instruments for bringing the many under the domination of the few. "In war, too, the discretionary power of the Executive is extended. Its influence in dealing out offices, honors, and emoluments is multiplied; and all the means of seducing the minds, are added to those of subduing the force of the people. "The same malignant aspect in republicanism may be traced in the inequality of fortunes, and the opportunities of fraud, growing out of a state of war, and in the degeneracy of manners and morals, engendered by both. No nation could preserve its freedom in the midst of continual warfare."

-- James Madison , April 20, 1795



A letter from the (New) Confederate Sentry Editor

- Kent D. Reed –
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To All Confederates Everywhere,

I have taken over the newsletter and hope that I will serve this newsletter to the best of my ability and hope that people will contribute to the newsletter. I am going to start my first day on the job with a request:

My desire is to take an Independent study as part of my B.S. degree in Film Production. I would like to make a documentary on the Confederate Civil War re-enactors and restorationist. For my thesis, the documentary investigates why a diverse people reenact historical battles from the Confederate side and also why people want to restore the Confederate States of America (CSA).

I am hoping that I will find people of the Confederate groups, such as the “CSAGOV.org” and the “Confederate Alliance” to personally interview on tape. Yet, for those locations I am not able to get to, and then I would like people to send in video on VHS, DVD, Flash drive, Hi-speed SD card, or Mini-DV. I will provide the interview and survey questions. The following page is the interview questions and then the survey questions.

I could use help in getting an internet survey also. I have also provided it following the interview questions in this newsletter which you will see below. You may mail it to Carolyn Saunders.

Another purpose of this documentary is to use this as a spring board into making modern Pro-Confederate movies.

I am hoping to get a Cannon GL2 camcorder or JVC GY-DV500 DV-camcorder, a Mini-DV player/recorder, boom/lavaliere microphones, and 1TB hard drive. The government agency that is paying for my schooling is being difficult. I am supposed to get a job that requires me to have a camcorder, but that costs more than they are willing to provide. If I get a job then this government program will cut off my school funding. Heck, I only got until December before I graduate. I would be preaching to the choir when I write that it would be easier to pull teeth out than get something from the government. Looking forward to working all this out to where I could get the video equipment I need instead of borrowing it from the University. I would hope that there would be something out there to assist in these goals.

On another note, on July 10, 2007, my pictures will go into the Gulf Coast Blood Bank calendar and other promotional media. Since I am a 43-gallon donor (plasma and platelets) and received 4 gallons of blood for the appendix operation last January 2007, I was asked to model for their pictures. I hope this serves the blood bank well. The blood that you give may save someone you know or love.

Thank you,
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Interview questions for Kent Reed's documentary:

1. What are the misconceptions about the Confederacy?
2. What are the misconceptions about restoring the CSA?
 - a. What is the opposition to the CSA being restored?
 - b. If in favor, what are the benefits of CSA restoration?
3. What is the relationship between slavery and the CSA?
4. How were the Blacks and Native Americans treated in the Confederate army?
 - a. How is this different from the Union army?
 - b. How were the Black and Native American citizens treated in the CSA and how was different from the USA?
5. Why do you think that some spectators might feel they are not receiving direct answers from re-enactors (or **restorationist**)?
6. Why do some re-enactors refer to the Civil War as the "War Between the States" or "War of Northern Aggression" and some others refer to as just the "Civil War"?
7. How do you feel when about people who have any affiliation to CSA being referred to as "racists" or "Klan" members?
8. There are people who want to remove all traces of Confederate or southern culture and heritage.
 - a. Why do re-enactors keep Confederate or southern culture and heritage alive?
 - b. (For **Restorationists**) Why do restorationists want to do more than keeping Confederate or southern culture and heritage alive?
 - c. What are restorationists doing currently to restore the CSA?
9. Why are re-enactors passionate about participating in these events?
 - a. (For **Restorationists only**) Why do restorationists eagerly participate in meetings and actions to restore the CSA?
10. What kinds of things do re-enactors teach school children and how do you think this is received?
 - a. What do you think are some of the difficulties in re-enacting for school related events?
 - b. Have you personally been prohibited from speaking or putting on a show for school related event?
 - i. If no, then how would you handle it if this occurred?

(If you would like these questions emailed to you, contact me at rt_patriot@yahoo.com)

Survey questions:

1. How closely is the original 1776 US Constitution lawfully followed by the US politicians?
 - a. Not at all.
 - b. Somewhat closely
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Very closely
2. Do you agree or disagree that any amendments after the 13th amendment is illegal?
 - a. Agree
 - b. Disagree
3. How believable do you think it is that George Washington was considered a hero of the Confederacy?
 - a. No opinion
 - b. Very unbelievable
 - c. Somewhat unbelievable
 - d. Neutral
 - e. Somewhat believable
 - f. Very believable
4. The U.S. started out as a republic government (a form of government maintained by a state or country whose sovereignty is based on popular consent and whose governance is based on popular representation and control), *what type of government do you think we have today?*

<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Still a Republicb. A Democracyc. Socialistd. Totalitarianism	<ol style="list-style-type: none">e. Communismf. Police Stateg. Don't know!h. Don't care/ No opinion.
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5. What do you think the 1861-1865 war between the USA and CSA war was fought over?
 - a. Slavery
 - b. States rights
 - c. Political power
 - d. Border agreements
 - e. Border representation
 - f. Don't know!
6. How favorable do you think the Confederate States of America is portrayed in the US television?
 - a. Very favorable
 - b. Somewhat unfavorable
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Somewhat favorable
 - e. Very favorable
7. When any southerner is portrayed on the media, how intelligent do you think that person is?
 - a. Not intelligent
 - b. Somewhat unintelligent
 - c. Average intelligence
 - d. Somewhat intelligent
 - e. Very intelligent
8. How accurate do you think television documentaries about Confederate history are portrayed?
 - a. Very inaccurate
 - b. Somewhat inaccurate
 - c. Average accuracy
 - d. Somewhat accurate
 - e. Very accurate
9. How accurate do you think the public school history books portray the south?
 - a. Very inaccurate
 - b. Somewhat inaccurate
 - c. Average accuracy
 - d. Somewhat accurate
 - e. Very accurate
10. What percentage of Southerners has slaves during the war between the CSA and USA?
 - a. 0% to 10%
 - b. 10% to 50%
 - c. 51% to 100%
11. What percentage of Northerners has slaves during the war between the CSA and USA?
 - a. 0% to 10%
 - b. 10% to 50%
 - c. 51% to 100%
12. What do you think the Confederate Rebel flag was patterned after?
 - a. Satan
 - b. Saint Andrews
 - c. Other (print response): _____
13. What do you think the Confederate Rebel flag represents?
 - a. Hate
 - b. Racist symbol
 - c. The original 1776 Constitution
 - d. Rebellion
 - e. Slavery
 - f. States Rights
 - g. None of the above
 - h. Choices "c" and "f"
14. How were the Blacks and Native Americans treated in the Confederate Army?
 - a. Very mistreated
 - b. Somewhat mistreated
 - c. Average treatment
 - d. Good treatment
 - e. Excellent treatment
15. How were the Blacks and Native Americans treated in the Union Army?
 - a. Very mistreated
 - b. Somewhat mistreated
 - c. Average treatment
 - d. Good treatment
 - e. Excellent treatment
16. How were the Blacks and Native Americans *citizens* treated in the CSA?
 - a. Very mistreated
 - b. Somewhat mistreated
 - c. Average treatment
 - d. Good treatment
 - e. Excellent treatment
17. How accurate of a statement do you feel when people who have any affiliation to CSA being referred to as being "Nazis," "racists," or "Klan members?"
18. How likely do you think the Confederate States of America will be restored in your lifetime, with "1" being extremely *unlikely* and "10" being extremely *likely*?

Extremely unlikely										Extremely likely
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	



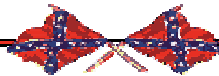
19. If the Confederate States of America were restored today, what statement represents your opinion?
- a. I would move to the remainder of the US states or territories.
 - b. I would move to another country than the USA.
 - c. I would be happy to move to the CSA.
 - d. If I was in a Confederate State or Territory, then I would stay.
 - e. I would take part in taking the Confederate States back into the United States Union!
 - f. Other option (fill in your answer) _____
20. Which film do you feel more accurately describes the CSA?
- a. Cold Mountain
 - b. Gods and Generals
 - c. The Last Confederate
 - d. A Birth of a Nation
 - e. Gettysburg
 - f. Spike Lee's "Confederate States of America."
 - g. Other: (enter your response) _____
 - h. None of the above.
21. How many hours of you watch the news on television in a week? (Enter the approximate hours): _____

The following are for demographic purposes only.

22. What is your gender?
- a. Male
 - b. Female
23. What is your race?
- a. White/Caucasian
 - b. African American/ Black
 - c. African
 - d. Hispanic
 - e. American Indian
 - f. American Indian/Alaskan
 - g. Asian/ Pacific Islander
 - h. Other: _____
24. What is your age range?
- a. 18 and under
 - b. 19 to 25
 - c. 26 to 40
 - d. 41 to 60
 - e. 61 to 90
 - f. 90 and above
25. In what state is your primary residence?
- a. Enter your state (for example, if you live in Texas, enter "TX"): _____
 - b. I don't live in the US, but live in (Enter the state/province and country)

26. Which party do you vote for?
- a. Republican
 - b. Democrat
 - c. Independent
 - d. Liberal
 - e. Green
 - f. Constitution
 - g. Communist
 - h. American Patriot
 - i. American Reform
 - j. National Socialist Movement
 - k. Other: _____
 - l. None of the above.
 - m. Don't vote.
27. What is your annual income?
- a. Below 20,000
 - b. 20,000 to 29,999
 - c. 30,000 to 39,999
 - d. 40,000 to 49,000
 - e. 50,000 to 74,999
 - f. 75,000 to 99,999
 - g. 100,000 to 149,999
 - h. 150,000 and above

Thank you, sir/ma'am for your time, your opinions has been helpful. You can email this to me at rt_patriot@yahoo.com



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Symbols

By Al Benson, Jr.
CSA Chaplain

Symbols are very important to every culture, and even to sub-cultures. They express, to a large degree, what the culture that uses them is really all about. The symbols can be either good or bad. Either way they express the desires and aspirations of those that use them.

For example, the Hippie Movement of the 1960s and early 1970s used what they referred to as a "peace" symbol. To most of the initiated among them it may have meant that. But to those who bothered to take a closer look at the "peace" symbol and its history, they found out that it was really far from what it was called. What it really was, and you still even see it occasionally today, is a Christian cross, turned upside down with the arms broken on it--a denial of the power of Jesus Christ to save and redeem. That's what it was really all about. It was a favorite symbol of the Leftist "peace" movements of bygone years, many of which had Communist affiliations. The Communists seemed to have no problem whatever with the peace symbol, which should tell you something.

A short article in Free Enterprise way back in July of 1968 noted: "Many Americans are familiar with the peace symbol...some are even willing to wear it. But what most of them do not know is that it is 'the Broken Cross' of the anti-Christ." Again, this should let you know why the Communists never had a problem with it. They knew what it stood for.

However, the Communists and their Leftist friends have always had a problem with Confederate and Southern flags and symbols. They and their ultra-liberal buddies have outdone themselves in trying to have all Southern flags and symbols removed all over the South, or anywhere else for that matter. They and their cohorts carry on about how Confederate flags only represent slavery. What complete hogwash! There was slavery in this country, both North and South, for over 250 years before the Confederate flag

ever existed. One wonders how they manage to blame that on the Confederate flag. But I suppose, if given enough time, they will come up with some convoluted explanation. It may not be even remotely credible, but the media will push it anyway.

This has gone on in this country since the socialist revolts in Europe in 1848. After those revolts failed, the forty-eighters and their freethinker (anti-Christ) friends came to this country, in the early 1850s--and during the 1860s these same people joined up with Mr. Lincoln to help him force a Marxist-style government on the South. Those people hated the South with a passion then and their descendents still do--because the South was Christian, and even today, is the most Christian part of the country.

Pastor John Weaver has written: "The Confederate battle flag is based upon the national flag of Scotland. The national flag of Scotland is the cross of St. Andrew and the cross of St. Andrew is a symbol of the Christian faith and the heritage of the Celtic race...It was adopted consciously, purposely, and deliberately...in order to display faith in the sovereign God of heaven and earth, faith in the providence of God, the God of history and the God of salvation." This one statement explains why the Leftists, past and present, hate it so much and why the constantly seek to besmirch it. Those people are fighting against God. And they are fighting against the symbols that represent what they hate--Christianity. What they do not realize is that in the end, they will lose. Our Trinitarian God will have the last word and those people will be forced to bow the knee to Him. His kingdom will prevail, no matter what these anti-Christ attempt--and that is reassuring.





News from the Italian Rebels soccer team.

Dear President Maus & Y'all,

All commanders of the Confederate society are invited to share our excitement and pride in the achievement of our soccer team "THE REBELS" WHO have been classified 3rd overall in the local 12 years old children championship. The rebels are sending the best mustered yell as greetings to all commanders of the Confederate Society and the Alliance. I also wish to share my personal satisfaction in been informed that the section of the Museum illustrating the war of Yankee aggression in CIVITELLA DEL TRONTO HAS BEEN VISITED by 300 (don't know if they were Yankees or southerners) from The US so far this year. I just got some very beautiful illustration by J. Paul Strain from the Gettysburg frame shop which will be added to the museum. One of the visitors beside his signature of guest book wrote "Beware of home made Yankees" I must say we have a few over here, and also I think over there with the impending election.

Greetings to all- Deo Vindice-

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Kidnap Abe Lincoln?

By Peter Rossi

John Harrison Surrat was the son of Mary Surrat executed for LINCOLN deserved killing for having permitted atrocities committed by SHERMAN, Sheridan AND BUTLER IN 1864. John SURRAT had been a confederate messenger carrying dispatches of union troops movement across the Potomac. Sam Mudd a confederate agent, introduced Surrat to John Wilkes Booth dec.23 1864, and Surrat agreed to help Booth kidnap Abe Lincoln. March 17 1865,Surrat and Booth along with others, awaited the presidential coach leaving the Campbell general hospital traveling back to the white house. The plan was foiled as Lincoln changed his mind and postponed the visit to the hospital, since he had to inspect the 140th Indiana rgt and meet the Indiana governor. The meeting took place in Booth own hotel " the National" Booth plan was to capture Lincoln, take him to Richmond and exchange him for thousands of confederates soldiers held prisoner, with barred exchange. On the night Of April 14 1865 Surrat was in Elmira, NY. After the failed kidnapping plot Surrat fled to Montréal, Canada where father Charles Boucher, a catholic priest gave him hiding asylum .Surrat stayed hidden throughout the trial and hanging of his mother, Mary Surrat. After the trial, Surrat with the help of confederate agent Beverly Tucker and Edwin Lee booked passage under assumed name to LIVERPOOL, where he arrived SEPT.1865.fROM There, on recommendation of father Boucher he came to Rome AT THE TIME in the independent Vatican state, where a confederate agent Julius O.Montalant born Jan. 29 1823 in Norfolk VA arranged for him to be enrolled in the 9th Company of the pontifical zouves btln under the name of Watson. During his stay in Rome Surrat communicated with an old friend Henri Beaumont de Sainte Marie, who informed the Yankees .RUFUS king Yankee minister in Rome arrange the papal authorities to arrest him on Nov.7 1866 and sent Velletri PRISON. With the help of Garibaldi he escaped and lived with the Red Shirts in the kingdom of Italy under the name of Walters. He sailed to Alexandria Egypt where he was kidnapped by the Yankees on Nov. 23 1866 and on board the US warship Swatara, which arrived at Delaware bay may 24 1869 (30 months later)the reason for the delay is not known in the Vatican archives. Maybe the answer will be in the navy archives in DC. Contrary to general belief, Garibaldi sympathized for the confederacy, Lincoln after the battle of Sharpsburg offered him the overall command of the union armies, which he refused. Notwithstanding the organization of 39th N .Y. rgt called "The Garibaldi guards" which was branded the cowards of Harpers Ferry, where it was captured by Stonewall Jackson, Sept.15 1862 along with 11.000 other Yankees. THE 68 ITALIANS OF Co. A were escorted to the exchange call by the Italians of Co. I of the 10th LA inf. who excused them as "Home made Yankees" SURRAT WAS TRIED in civilian court in DC, INSTEAD OF A military as his mother had been. Judge David Carter presided, Edward Pierpont was the prosecutor. Surrat attorney Joseph Bradley admitted Surrat part in the kidnapping plot, but not in the killing of Lincoln. After 2 months of the trial Surrat was released after a hang up jury (8 voted innocent and 4 guilty) The Yankees attempted to retry him but the statutes of limitations had expired. Surrat became a model citizen, at the age of 72 died of pneumonia in Baltimore April 21 1916.He is buried in the new Cathedral cemetery, in Baltimore," section J lot 264. Please ask the Local UDC to mark and care for the grave of JOHN HARRISON SURRAT, a messenger for the confederate army.



HK: A Lone Soldier Dealing With Heritage Violations Against a Little Dixie Gal at Latta High School, Latta, S.C.

From: H.K. Edgerton [mailto:hk@csaweb.org]
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Yesterday September 11, 2007, it was the plan for me to go to Latta, South Carolina and give a pep talk to the brave young Candice Harwick who had become somewhat depressed because of the tremendous burden that she bears on her young soldiers because of her honorable stance in the defense of not only her ancestors good name, but for all of us who call ourselves Southern, and for our ancestors who although they are gone, live on through us all. However, the moment I put on the uniform of the Southern soldier, and graced myself with his glorious flag; I knew that this day would bring forth more than just a pep talk to my baby girl when I arrived in Latta. Little did I know just how true this thought would become.

It became apparent to me when I stopped at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Hendersonville, N.C., and was greeted so warmly by not only the staff there, but also by the throng of senior citizens who were existing from a Young's Bus Coach to enter the restaurant as I headed for my car after having a mighty fine cat fish breakfast, that this was going to be a good day. Many of the senior citizens saluted me, stopped to shake my hand, and voiced how fine I looked in my Confederate uniform.

When I arrived in Columbia, I decided to make a detour over to the Southern Patriot Store run by the

League of The South, prior to continuing on to Latta. Upon entering the store parking lot, I immediately picked up my Battle Flag and headed up among the many flags draped along the road embankment. I was having a fine time acknowledging the waves, car honking and shouts from the many passersby. I noticed a blue automobile with two young Black men make a u-turn and head into the parking lot of the store. They immediately got out and headed to where I stood. I could tell by the expressions on their young faces that they were not entirely happy with me. However, when the biggest of the two spoke, and the first word to come from his mouth was sir; I knew then that no matter what else was to follow, it was not going to be too hard for me to handle. May we take a picture of you, and could you please tell us why a Black man dressed in a Confederate uniform would be standing alongside the road waving a Confederate flag, especially at this location? Needless to say, after the some thirty minute history lesson, I soon found myself posing with Jerome, the biggest of the two and his friend whose name now alludes me, for pictures and hugs all around. I cannot say that I completely won them over, but I had cast a great deal of doubt on the mounds of misinformation that they had learned in a life time about their flag and homeland, the Southland of America; and they wanted to know more. I wish that I had a copy of Mike Scruggs's Un-Civil War with me, but I did not, so I told them of Kelly Barrow's book title the Forgotten Confederate, the Kennedy Brothers, The South Was Right, Complicity written by staff of the Hartford Courier. Before I could exchange contact information, Jim, a Plains clothes police officer, and a Son of a local Confederate Veteran Camp also drove into the parking lot and began to give a history lesson to these men also. He invited them to join a re-enactment group, and to come to some of the local Sons camp meetings. I would sign a flag for Jerome, he would promise to email me some copies of the pictures he had taken, and he also told me how disappointed he had been with the local NAACP for not helping him with an acting project to help the young men in his community get out of the streets of Columbia and do something good for themselves and their people. We all hugged said our goodbyes; I visited in the store, and headed on to Latta.

Seventeen miles from Latta, I would telephone Candice's father, Daryl, and tell him that I was adorned in my uniform and that it would not sit well with me not to visit Candice's school, Latta High. He gave me the directions on how to get there and his blessings as well. As I headed for the school, an elderly White man hollered from his car; "you need to go on up the street from the schools, and not cause a disturbance of them". I told him in no uncertain terms to forget that. The schools actions upon my baby had already caused a disturbance, and if they taught some real historical facts, there would be no need for me to be there on this day. Upon arriving, I placed myself at attention across the street from the front door of the school. I was not there more than ten minutes before the Principal had called



the Latta Police Department to have me removed from where I stood. God bless the honorable men of the Latta Police for recognizing my First Amendment Rights. They would return my hand salute, access the situation , and continue on about their business of protecting and serving the community at lodge. Needless to say, this did not sit well with the Principal and the large Black woman who now stood by his side peeking at me from the front door of the school, and they were not done with me either. The next to come was a young Black FBI agent. He would spend some time in the school, and then drive over to where I was. He asked me if I was there because of 911. I told him no, but that there were many Southerners who lost their lives in the bombing of the World Trade buildings, and if he wanted to , my stance there on this day could be in remembrance of them as well as the honorable men and women of the South that had loyally served those who carried the flag that I bore, but my main reason for being there was in support of young Candice Hardwick who had to face the very same scalawags who were hell bent on causing me the same kinds of discomfort they had caused her. He told me that my stance was honorable and that Blacks folks had indeed served the Southland honorably under the flag I carried. He would shake my hand, and return the salute that I popped on him, and wish me well. When he drove off and left me still standing there at attention with the breeze that God had sent to me all day long in this 94 degree plus heat, flag blowing beautiful as it had for the now some two and a half hours that I had been there never flinching once ; I knew that the scalawags who stood watching from the school were livid. Soon after the young man left, two State Troopers would approach the school. One drove past me, the other would enter the school. After some twenty minutes inside, he would approach the door . I could see the large Black lady pointing in my direction, while the

Trooper just shook his head in a negative direction. He would get back into his car, observe me for several minutes and leave. God bless once again the Great State of South Carolina's Law Enforcement agencies. I now awaited the National Guard.

Just prior to school letting out, young Candice who had not attended school on this day because of an appointment would drive by with a smile on her face that would make a blind man see. I was so proud. As the children poured out from the school , as I had expected, the ovation from my presence would began. Something that the Principal and his henchmen had tried all day to prevent. I have never seen so many cell phone cameras in my life. The parents, the students, they were all having a grand time greeting me as they went by, and that included Black and White. The Principal and his thugs need now an Excedrin break ; the lie had now been exposed , and the young Black men and women who saluted me from the schools very own ROTC unit as they passed me by certainly did not help the schools cause. I would be remiss in my telling of these accountings if I did not mention the mighty fine young man, "Chris" from the Latta Herald who also had come down to interview me from these accountings . I hope we get the chance some day to play golf together.

I would furl my flag as the last car left the parking lot of the school, and barely could I make out the disappointment that now surely those of the school must feel as they watched me stroll away. I would visit with Candice and her family, and convey to Candice the love and support from the many organizations and people who surely admire and love her for her admirable stance in Dixie Land. I wish you all could have seen her smile !



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