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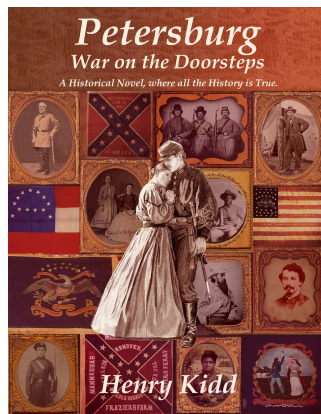
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VINDICE**

The Powhatan Troop, SCV Camp 1382

Petersburg War on the Doorsteps

By Henry Kidd



This is an extremely accurate account of the Battle of the Crater in Petersburg, Virginia. This is a story of great courage, love, betrayal, sacrifice and diversity. It is told from all sides, from Union to Confederate, from privates in the trenches to generals and presidents, from military to civilian, from men to women, from black to white, and from free to slave. Although, this is a novel, all historical facts are true and undistorted. The President of the Museum of the Confederacy has compared Henry's book with that of Michael Sahara's 'Killer Angels'. He said that Henry has done for the privates in the trenches what Sharra did for the generals.

Commanders Comment:

I mentioned the above book by Henry Kidd for a reason. Compatriot Kidd will be our guest speaker at the January meeting and will be speaking on his new novel. Henry is the Past Commander of both the Army of Northern Virginia and the Virginia Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The January meeting begins a new year in our quest to propagate the true history of the southern cause. Compatriots, this is a crusade that must be won. This is our charge; it is our duty as members of the SCV. Please make every effort to attend your camp meetings.

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The Powhatan Christmas Parade was a great success. We had a great turnout and the weather was perfect for a Christmas Parade. We had more Confederate State flags flying this time than in the Labor Day Parade.

The Camp Christmas Party was thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance. Once again, I would like to thank our gracious Host and Hostess, Michael and Mary Pogue, for inviting us into their lovely home and for furnishing the ham and turkey. Thanks to all for bringing the many side dishes and for the truly southern camaraderie.



The January meeting will be on the 25th at the *Village Garden Café*, luncheon at 1:00 and meeting at 2:00. Beginning this month the cost of the lunch will be \$10.00, plus, please feel free to tip our hostess.

Upcoming Event

The next Stephen Dill Lee Institute will be held on February 6-7, 2009, at the world famous Francis Marion Hotel in the heart of the historic district of the most famous of Southern cities, Charleston, South Carolina. The topic in Charleston will be Davis versus Lincoln to kick off the upcoming Sesquicentennial. The Institute will once again present an outstanding lineup of Institute scholars in an environment that will be rewarding and unforgettable.

THE STEPHEN DILL LEE INSTITUTE

Submitted by: Brag Bowling, ANV Commander

HOTEL FRANCIS MARION; FEBRUARY 6-7 2009; CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS

Friday February 6

8pm Brag Bowling- Presiding

Ed Bearss- Historian Emeritus of the National Park Service.

A CONVERSATION WITH ED BEARSS: The Assassination of Jefferson Davis? – The Dahlgren Raid.

Saturday February 7

8:30am Introduction by SCV leaders of the program and the presiding host of the SD Lee Institute, Dr. Thomas DiLorenzo (author of *The Real Lincoln*).

9am. Davis, Lincoln and Liberty- Donald Livingston, Professor of Philosophy at Emory University and President of the Abbeville Institute...

10:00am Davis, Lincoln and the Rules of War- Walter Brian Cisco, author of *War Crimes Against Southern Civilians*.

11am The Confederate Experiment in Constitutional Government – Marshall DeRosa, Professor of Political Science at Florida Atlantic University.

12:00 noon Lunch

1pm Davis, Lincoln and Christian Faith – Samuel C. Smith, Professor of History at Liberty University.

2pm A Sacrifice for his people, Jefferson Davis' Persecution and Imprisonment – Clyde N. Wilson, Dean of the Stephen Dill Lee Institute and Distinguished Professor Emeritus of History, University of South Carolina.

3pm-5pm Question and answer with speakers.

5:00-7pm Reception with cash bar.

7pm- Banquet

Jefferson Davis Constitutionalist – Kent Masterson Brown, attorney and WBTS historian.

Registration:

\$150 per person, \$125 for SCV members and spouses (available for a limited time), and \$125 for students. Registration includes breakfast, lunch and Saturday banquet. Register by calling the Sons of Confederate Veterans at 1-800-MY-DIXIE (1-800-693-4943). For further information or to make a scholarship donation, contact Brag Bowling at 804-389-3620.

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