



# THE BRIDGE

"It is our duty to keep the memory of our heroes green." Jefferson Davis



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Friends and Compatriots,

It is typically at this time of year when we recall the visit that South Carolina was paid by the Union Army in 1865. We may find ourselves in the minority in this regard in an age where little attention is given to our history and its lessons. It seems that any concern is to either rewrite or erase certain aspects of it.

When we hear many of the ideas and agendas being put forward by our new crop of politicians we have to wonder if they have heard of the U.S. Constitution. It appears that their "education" has woefully neglected the very basics that were commonplace to most students not that long ago. If this involved only ignorance of Southern History, we would not be surprised, but this involves the origin of our nation, the purposes of government and how it is to operate, the very knowledge that is essential to be a good citizen. Who can say how great a role this ignorance plays in the national predicament that we find ourselves in? The situation may seem insurmountable, but at least let us begin to apply the cure; we can be informed and encourage others to do likewise. Choose your sources carefully and beware of spin. Let it never be truthfully said of us, "You can't handle the truth."

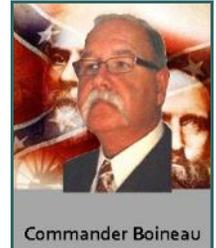
Make plans right now to attend the 18th Battle for Broxton Bridge Reenactment which will be March 1st, 2nd and 3rd. This will be the 154th Anniversary of the stand made by vastly outnumbered Confederate forces to delay the Union Army as it sought vengeance on the Palmetto State. They actually believed that South Carolina had started the war. Maybe that's why "Honest Abe" said you can fool all the people some of the time. Living History Day for schoolchildren to tour is Friday, March 1, 2019, beginning at 9 a.m. Battle reenactments are 2:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday, March 2 - 3, 2019. One-day admission: ages 5 and under Free, ages 6 - 17 \$3.00 and age 18 and over \$10.00. Armbands will be given out at gate or RV Park. There is a charge for admission whether camping or not. Food and non-alcoholic beverages will be available. Parking is free. Hosts for this event are our fellow heritage organizations Battery C, 32nd Georgia Artillery and 2nd Georgia Regiment Co. D Burke Sharpshooters. It is sponsored by Salt-Ketchers Chapter #6 Order of Confederate Rose, a 501 (C) 3 non-profit organization.

Remember too that our own Annual Banquet is coming up on Saturday, April 20th so keep selling those raffle tickets; the drawing for the 9mm Glock will be that evening.

The Colonel Colcock Camp No. 2100 has notified us that in the near future the previously postponed flag raising on I-95 near Point South will take place. As soon as we receive the details, we will pass them along.

Bring a friend or a long lost Compatriot and meet us at Barker's Mill at 7PM on Tuesday, February 19th.

Pete



Commander Boineau

# What Is Truth?

By John MacArthur

One of the most profound and eternally significant questions in the Bible was posed by an unbeliever. Pilate—the man who handed Jesus over to be crucified—turned to Jesus in His final hour and asked, “What is truth?” It was a rhetorical question, a cynical response to what Jesus had just revealed: “I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth” (John 18:37).

Two thousand years later, the whole world breathes Pilate’s cynicism. To some, truth is subjective, the individual world of preference and opinion. Others believe truth is a collective judgment, the product of cultural consensus. Here’s a simple definition drawn from what the Bible teaches: Truth is that which is consistent with the mind, will, character, glory and being of God.

When Jesus said of Himself, “I am ... the truth” (John 14:6, emphasis added), He was thereby making a profound claim about His own deity. He was also making it clear that all truth must ultimately be defined in terms of God and His eternal glory. After all, Jesus is “the brightness of [God’s] glory and the express image of His person” (Hebrews 1:3).

How you respond to the truth God has revealed is an issue of eternal significance. To reject and rebel against the truth of God results in darkness, folly, sin, judgment and the never-ending wrath of God. To accept and submit to the truth of God is to see clearly, to know with certainty, and to find life everlasting. **Editor: Trusting the same God and celebrating His unchanging Truth just like our ancestors did.**



*Deo Vindice!*

## Restaurant owner sells business over Confederate flag controversy

Associated Press

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After years of battling the Confederate flag, a South Carolina restaurant owner has surrendered.

Tommy Daras says he's selling his Edisto River Creamery in Orangeburg because he's been unable to remove the rebel banner flown by the Sons of Confederate Veterans on a tiny piece of property in front of his business.

"I can't beat them guys," Daras told The Times and Democrat of Orangeburg. "They destroyed the safety of the place and the enjoyment of the property. They killed me on the internet."

The Sons of Confederate Veterans were given a 130-square-foot piece of land by the building's previous owner and continue to fly the flag by a Confederate monument.

Daras first tried to remove the flag himself, but the sons group said it would have him arrested for trespassing. He then argued to Orangeburg officials that the flag violated zoning ordinances because it was a historical display on property set aside for commercial use.

But the city ruled the flags were a form of free speech protected under the U.S. Constitution.

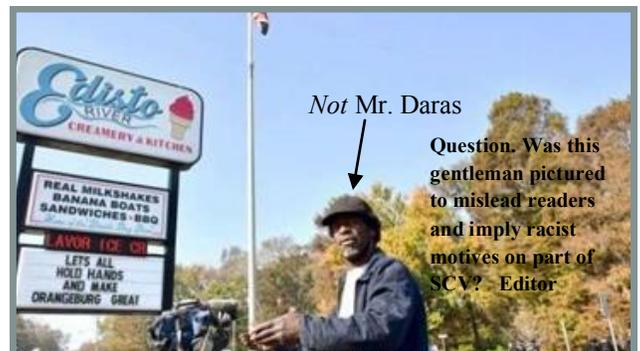
Daras said eventually nine out of every 10 customers could ask about the flag. Members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans marched around the flag in his parking lot each Saturday. His business received false or negative reviews both from people supporting the flag and by people angered by it.

"I am done," Daras said. "I can't make a living there anymore with all the situations happening there. I can't get nothing going."

Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 842 Keeper of the Flag Buzz Braxton did not talk to the newspaper about the property's sale. The restaurant has already been closed for a month.

Daras said his restaurant had five-star ratings after it opened, but then negative reviews started coming in from as far away from Texas.

"I regret getting into an argument over the flag, but they gave me no choice," Daras said. (Editor: We do not vouch for accuracy of article.)



## **“It is imperative the South Carolina Division Sons of Confederate Veterans present a large turnout of support at the State House on Wednesday, February 13, 2019.”**

- 1) Recommendations for organizing the troops:
  - a) Sequence of Events.
    - i) We will meet at the Confederate Soldiers monument, north side of State House, at 08:00 AM Wednesday, February 13, 2019 for a prayer service.
    - ii) Following the prayer service, go to room 108 in the Blatt building to meet with your scheduled representative (house or senate).
    - iii) At 9:50AM each person participating in the rally will proceed to the 2nd Floor of the State House to the House Chamber balcony (Assembly St. side of building). The house session begins at 10:00AM.
    - iv) At 11:50AM we will move to the Senate Chamber balcony, also on the 2nd floor and take our place in the balcony. The Senate session begins at 12:00AM.
    - v) At the beginning of the House and Senate sessions, prior to their business session, we will be recognized by a supportive member(s) in the House and Senate chambers. Our group will stand and be recognized at this time. Remember, a large "NUMBER" of our supporters standing in the balcony WILL get attention; we need a large "NUMBER" of our supporters Wednesday, February 13.
    - vi) We will adjourn shortly after being recognized.



- b) It is recommended each camp setup and train a call committee responsible for contacting each member in their camp and explain what the SC Division is attempting to do and get a commitment to participate in the rally.



- i) State the purpose of the Wednesday, February 13, 2019 event.
- ii) Obtain legislative support for the SC Divisions objectives.
- iii) Insure your camp members understand the importance of their participation. Each member has the opportunity to show our elected representatives that we represent a significant number of South Carolinians who value their heritage, from the founding of our country until today.

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- c) Who can attend and requirements?

- i) SCV, MOS&B, UDC, OCR, SAR, DAR and any other organization and individual supporting Southern Heritage are welcome.
- ii) Impress on all attendees this is **“Not a Flag Rally”**.
- iii) **Everyone participating should wear a coat, tie and SCV pin. “DO NOT” give the press an opportunity to link the SCV to any radical group.**
- iv) If you can setup a meeting with your representative on 13-Feb.-2019, do so, and politely cover the Divisions goals and try to get a commitment from your representative.

- 2) After your initial contact with your camp members follow-up with each committed member and encourage them to be in Columbia for the rally.

We recommend that members of camps having to drive some distance car pool.

## **All About Slavery? -- I think Not!**

On July 22, 1861, the U.S. Congress passed a joint resolution stating the purpose of the war: **“Resolved...That this war is not being prosecuted on our part in any spirit of oppression, not for any purpose of conquest or subjugation, nor purpose of overthrowing or interfering with the rights or established institutions of those states, but to defend and maintain the supremacy of the Constitution and all laws made in pursuance thereof and to preserve the Union, with all the dignity, equality and rights of the several States unimpaired; and that as soon as these objects are accomplished the war ought to cease.”**

Also, not one single letter has been found written by Union or Confederate soldiers stating that they were fighting to “free the slaves”. Numerous Confederate letters state that the Confederacy was fighting for independence and in defense of their homes and families.

“The sole object of this war,” said Grant, “is to restore the Union. Should I become convinced it has any other object, or that the Government designs using its soldiers to execute the wishes of the Abolitionists, I pledge you my honor as a man and a soldier I would resign my commission and carry my sword to the other side.”

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## Sons of Confederate Veterans



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## Camp No. 842 Calendar

Feb 13	Legislative Day at State House
Feb 19	Regular Camp Meeting 7PM
Mar 1-2-3	Battle for Broxton Bridge Reenactment
Mar 15-16	SCV State Convention Anderson
Mar 19	Regular Camp Meeting 7PM
Apr 16	Regular Camp Meeting 7PM

### Texas Secedes

Despite the overwhelming pro-Confederate sentiment of his constituency, Governor Sam Houston was not in favor of sacrificing “hundreds of thousands of precious lives for the bare possibility of Southern independence.”

When the state voted to secede, Robert E. Lee was stationed at Fort Mason, Texas as a Lieutenant Colonel. He shared Houston’s opinion, convinced that “secession is nothing more than revolution.” Lee was saddened to see Texans marching through the streets of San Antonio, shouting diatribes against the Union. He was then further upset to learn that the state had seized control of the military department.

Of course, the career of the future Confederate general did not depend solely on the fate of Texas. Lee’s commander informed him that he was to report to General-in-Chief Winfield Scott in Washington, D.C. Sensing correctly that Scott was



### General John Bell Hood of Texas

about to grant him a special assignment, Lee confided to another officer that he planned to resign from the US armed forces. He could not bring himself to fight his native Virginia, and resolved to follow his home state “with my sword, and if need be, my life.”

Texas was formally admitted to the Confederacy on March 2, 1861. Its cause would be championed on the battlefield by one of its most prominent defenders - Robert E. Lee.