

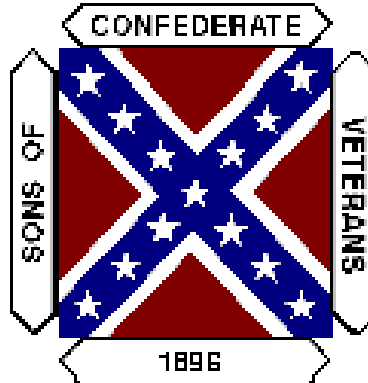


# Eastern Shore Chronicle

The Official Newsletter of the Maj. Gen. Arnold Elzey Camp # 1940  
Sons of Confederate Veterans  
Salisbury, Maryland



Next Meeting:  
December 3, 2008  
Golden Corral Restaurant  
Naylor Mill Road  
Salisbury, Maryland  
7PM



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## Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

“To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the cause for which we fought, to your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldiers good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.”

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General  
United Confederate Veterans  
New Orleans, Louisiana 1906

## December 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting

Our meeting in December will be held at the Golden Corral Restaurant on Naylor Mill Road in Salisbury, Maryland. We will have a short business meeting followed by dinner. The buffet there has always been excellent, served hot and fresh at a reasonable price. Hope to see you there. Please let me know if you plan to attend so we can reserve enough space at the restaurant. [jethro@intercom.net](mailto:jethro@intercom.net)  
Or 410-641-9305.

We Salute the Confederate Flag with affection, reverence and undying devotion to the cause for which it stands



## Camp Elections

Nominations for Camp Officers were taken at our November meeting. We realize that not everyone has the time or patience necessary to offer their services as officers. But as a Camp we are strong and will need the help of every member to support us in our endeavor to honor and preserve the memory of our ancestors. Below is a list of Camp Offices and the nominations for that office. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the next meeting if you are interested in a position.

**Commander:**

Joe McArtor

**1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander:**

Bill Faulkner

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Commander:**

Joe Shelton

**Adjutant:**

Jeff Martins

**Treasurer:**

Jeff Martins

**Judge Advocate:**

Jay Lane

**Quartermaster:**

Brenton Blythe

**Chaplain:**

William Faulkner

**Color Sergeant:**

Brenton Blythe

**Historian:**

Joe McArtor

**Publicity Officer:**

Gerald Drake

**Editor:**

Jeff Martins

**Genealogist:**

James Fedorko

## Heritage Violation Johns Hopkins University

The Maryland Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy and the Col. Harry W. Gilmor Camp #1388, Sons of Confederate Veterans sponsor an annual General Lee and General Jackson Birthday Ceremony each year in January on the Saturday nearest to the birthdays of Generals Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. Over the years, the ceremony has included participants from numerous hereditary, historical, military and patriotic organizations including the: Baltimore Civil War Roundtable, the Virginia Military Institute Alumni, the Virginians of Maryland, the Sons of Union Veterans, the Friends of President Street Station, the Army of Northern Virginia, Confederate Military Forces and a number of independent Confederate and Federal reenactment units.

Every year since 1988, the Johns Hopkins University has rented the Clipper Room in Shriver Hall or on several occasions another facility, to the Son of Confederate Veterans to hold our post ceremony social gathering. However this year is different. The John Hopkins

University has refused to rent the Clipper Room, or any other facility, to our organization. The sole reason given, per a Johns Hopkins representative, was that we are a "Confederate" organization. Make no mistake about it, we were not denied because the facility was unavailable, or for any other legitimate reason, we were denied because of who we are. In addition, the Hopkins representative stated that this ruling came directly from the President of the Johns Hopkins University, Mr. William Brody.

The Colonel Harry W. Gilmor Camp has had an excellent on-going relationship with the Johns Hopkins, Office of Scheduling for over 20 years.

There has been absolutely no problem over this long period of time. We have always been good citizens toward Hopkins. We have paid our rent on time, we have always left the facility neat and clean, and there has never been any disturbance of any kind. A letter was written on September 22, 2008 outlining our long history with the University and appealing this unwarranted decision. By letter of October 14, 2008 from President Brody's

Office, we were again denied.

Because of this unfortunate situation, I must advise the SCV and UDC membership and the public at large that, should you decide to join us for the January 17, 2009 ceremony, you must understand that there will be no post event refreshments; and more importantly, no rest room facilities available before or after the ceremony. In addition, the ceremony may be substantially shorter than in previous years.

We are very sorry to report this to you, but feel that we must be candid with all that have supported us over the years. I can assure you that regardless of the number of participants and people attending, and regardless of this unjust action by Hopkins against our Confederate Heritage, the General Lee and General Jackson Birthday Ceremony will be held on Saturday, January 17, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at the Lee and Jackson double equestrian monument in Wynn Park.

If you would like to contact President Brody to express your thoughts on this decision, his address is:

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The Johns Hopkins  
University  
Office of the President

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Baltimore MD 21218

Sincerely,  
G. Elliott Cummings  
Adjutant  
Col. Harry W. Gilmor Camp  
#1388  
Sons of Confederate  
Veterans  
Baltimore, MD

### **War Between the States Art Available for Christmas**

Our good friend and Past Army of Northern Virginia Commander Henry Kidd wanted you all to know that he is having a Christmas sale of his artwork and also a novel he has written on the Battle of the Crater in Petersburg, VA. Visit his website for further information.

[www.henrykiddart.com](http://www.henrykiddart.com)

Henry has been a special friend to the Elzey Camp and the Maryland Division. He has always been more than generous by donating some of his prints when we hosted the Maryland Division Convention. The Heart of a Southern Girl and Letters Home compliment one another and make a striking display when framed. The Heart of a Southern Girl depicts a lovely lady sewing a flag and on the table is a picture of her beloved husband. In Letters Home a

Soldier is writing to his wife with her picture by his side. These are just two of the many fine art works available. For those without internet access the contact information is:

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### **Upcoming Events**

**12/6/08 Christmas Parade:**  
Parade in Northeast Maryland. Color Guard formation is at 12:00 PM. A great parade that is a nice ending to our 2008.

### **1/17/2009 General Lee General Jackson Birthday Ceremony:**

This is the annual event hosted by the Gilmor Camp SCV and the Maryland Division UDC at the monument in Baltimore, MD. The ongoing controversy with Johns Hopkins University will not alter plans for the ceremony. If anything it will be the largest turnout ever. Please plan to attend.

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