

# EYES AND EARS



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**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Education Day	May 1st
Camp Picnic at Don Fox Park	May 10
May meeting	May 29

**Special Observance Days:**

- May 10, 1863 General Stone-wall Jackson dies after being mortally wounded May 2.
- May 11, 1864 Jeb Stuart is mortally wounded at the Battle of Yellow Tavern.
- May 16, 1861 Tennessee is officially admitted to the Confederacy.
- May 28, 1818 General P.G.T. Beauregard is born in St. Bernard, Louisiana.
- May 31, 1862 The Battle of Seven Pines begins

**Join us for  
the April  
Meeting on  
Thursday,  
April 24, 7:00pm**

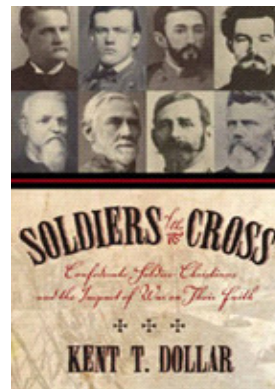
## WELCOME DR. KENT DOLLAR

This month we at the Gen. Robert Hatton Camp are pleased to have Dr. Kent Dollar be our speaker. He is the Assistant Professor of History at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville. He received his Master's degree in American history at Mississippi College, and he received his Bachelor's degree in American history at the University of Southern Mississippi, and he received his Ph. D from the University of Tennessee (Go Vols!).



**Dr. Kent T. Dollar**

He has written two books: *The Civil War in Kentucky and Tennessee: Collected Essays* and "Soldiers of the Cross": *Confederate Soldier - Christians and the Impact of War on Their Faith*. In his book "Soldiers of the Cross," he examines the impact of war on the religious faith of nine Con-



federate Christian soldiers from different denominations, military rankings, states, and professions. It is interesting in that, "Of the nine men he studied, three were long - time Christians, three were recent Christians, and three experienced conversions during the war." One of the soldiers, Giles Cooke, worked on General Robert E. Lee's staff and experienced a war time conversion. e went on after the war to serve as pastor of an African American Episcopal church.

Make plans to attend this months meeting and hear about the experiences of these nine Confederate Soldiers. Unfortunately, Dr. Dollar will not be able to bring any books with him, but you can order one on Amazon.com and he will sign it for you.



### Commander's Corner..

I am pleased to announce that we recently received a check from Senator Mae Beavers office for \$7,500.00 to be utilized for upgrades to the Battle of Hartsville Battlefield. Representative Susan Lynn had provided us with a check

previously for \$4,045.00 for the battlefield preservation. These two checks total \$11,545.00 for specific use for improving the battlefield in a variety of ways. This month one of our business discussions will be how to prioritize the use of the remaining funds. We have already dispensed approximately \$2,000.00 to provide new driving tour markers

which were badly in need of replacing.

We will be passing around a list of those planning on attending our family picnic on May 10 at Don Fox Park. Please check with your families to see how many of your family members will be attending so we can get an idea of the amount of food .....

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## ...Commander's Corner continued

we need to provide. Also, let us know what items of food you are willing to provide. Your Camp will be providing hamburger meat and hot dogs and the "fixins" for such. We have secured one of the pavilions from 1:00pm – 10:00pm. We will eat around 5:00 pm. We hope you will plan on coming and stay as long as your schedule allows

We will need drinks, chips, and side dishes to be provided by each family. This is a great time for us to have a fun day together and get to know each other on a more personal basis. We hope to see you at this month's meeting.

Tom Wood  
Commander



## *A Rare Opportunity*



As most of you know, Our Camp, dedicated its members efforts and collective where-with-all to the preservation and perpetuation of the Battle of Hartsville, a unique and brilliant Confederate victory occurring in our neighboring Trousdale County, on December 7, 1862.

To preserve and perpetuate takes funds and as the Commander advised we have now been awarded \$11,545 in Community Enhancement Grants through the offices of Representative Susan Lynn and Senator Mae Beavers. In initiating the request for the grants, due in large part to Camp Officer, Reed Working, several Battlefield improvement opportunities were identified including, but not limited to,

- 1] Replace all 17 driving tour markers. Some are currently missing, others damaged;
- 2] Improve walking trail to enable better handicapped access and ease of maintenance;
- 3] Improve parking to allow for better handicapped parking;
- 4] Replace current interpretive markers with ones less susceptible to the elements, including driving tour distribution box/sign;
- 5] Revise/reprint current tour map and interpretive brochure;

6] Repair/replace split rail fencing marking the battlefield;

7] Develop a rack card to be distributed to other Civil War sites promoting the Hartsville Battlefield Park;

8] Develop a web site about the battle and Battlefield Park;

9] Purchase and place a cannon (concrete reproduction) on the grounds to help depict arterially battery emplacements during the battle;

10] Erect a monument commemorating the 139 southern men killed or wounded, and to permanently identify this battlefield as one of the most successfully executed cavalry raids of the civil war.

We hope you'll choose to be a part of this month's important meeting as the Camp decides how best to prioritize and utilize this rare gift from the State in securing for the future a unique and shining moment in Confederate history.

The Camp Officers and Members wish to extend their sympathies, condolences and prayers to the family and friends of member James V. Miller due to his untimely departure from this earth earlier this month.

## A Confederate Veteran Said It

"I Hope the day will never come that my Grandsons will be ashamed to own that I was a Confederate Soldier."

**PRIVATE A.Y. HANDY, 32nd TEXAS CAVALRY, CSA**

