



The Republic



The newsletter for
the
California Division
Sons of Confederate
Veterans



Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

Helen Keller
1880 - 1968

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Sons of Confederate Veterans

2015 Calf. Division Reunion

& Convention

REGISTRATION

DATES: FRIDAY EVENING MARCH 13TH – SUNDAY MID-DAY MARCH 15TH

PLACE: DOUBLE TREE HOTEL / BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

ADDRESS: 3100 CAMINO RIO COURT, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308

HOTEL PHONE: 1.661.323.7111 (BOOK with the Sons of Confederate Veterans)

RESERVE YOUR HOTEL ROOM AT THE **GROUP RATE** OF \$89 PER NIGHT FOR 2 NIGHTS.

CUT OFF DATE FOR ROOMS: FEBRUARY 27TH, 2015

(The hotel will sell our blocked rooms after this date)

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2015 Calif. Division Reunion & Convention / Double Tree Hotel / Bakersfield, Calif.

REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Guest(s) or Spouse: _____

Camp Name & Number: _____

Banquet Choices: (check off your choices)

Top Sirloin Steak _____

Roasted Chicken Breast _____

Veggie Option _____ (they offer 3 different types)

The dinners come with a salad, side dish, desert and drinks.

A no-host bar will be available and a waitress will take your drink orders.

Lunch will be served in the meeting room after the business meeting (12 noon).

This is a deli type lunch with sandwiches, salad, chips and drinks.

If you need breakfast, there is a restaurant in the hotel. Otherwise, we offer Muffins,

Coffee, Juice, and Water for everyone to start the business meeting.

SCV Members: Send check for \$85

SCV Guests & Spouses: Add \$45 each

(All guests and spouses may attend our meetings and have
Lunch with us if desired)

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: **SCV CAMP 1770**

MAIL THIS FORM WITH CHOICES AND YOUR CHECK TO:

COMMANDER FARRELL COOLEY

3555 W. GREENTREE CR. UNIT F, ANAHEIM, CA 92804

(Mail this form with your choices to the above address ASAP)

NOTES ON THE CONVENTION:

1. If you call and all rooms are booked, be sure and ask to speak with Rhea Odchigue, she will give you the SCV rate. She is our Sales Manager and offered this arrangement.
2. We will have a get together on Friday evening / night at my suite. There will be pizza, fried chicken, & drinks for everyone.
3. On Saturday morning, we meet in our meeting room for coffee, muffins and juice. Once settled in, we'll start the business meeting.
4. We always strive to have every camp represented and I hope we get members from all 12 camps in the state. I suggest that if someone is struggling to make the convention, their camp make a motion to use camp funds to help finance a member from their camp to attend this event and represent your camp.
5. Every camp will have an opportunity to give their camp report, and tell the membership and our Commander In Chief, Kelly Barrows about their camp.
6. All Division Officers will give their respective reports. We'll hear from the UDC California Division President & the OCR President and Vice President as well.
7. This is an election year as well. We'll take nominations for a new Division Commander and Division Lt. Commander. Depending on the outcome, we may need to have a vote. The elected officers will have the opportunity to speak to us.
8. At noon, we are scheduled to receive lunch in the meeting room. The room is reserved just for us until 1600 if we need it. Our guests are invited to have lunch with us and be involved in the seminar.
9. After lunch, we'll have a few officers speak to us about Leadership and the SCV. This will be our Leadership Conference or Seminar. Our CIC Kelly Barrows has been very active in pushing this agenda over the past few years, so it will be a pleasure to have his presence and leadership for us to learn from.
10. Between 5:30 / 6:00 pm up to 7:00 pm, we'll have our Social Hour, and Commander's Reception. A waitress will be available to take your drink orders.
11. At 7:00 pm we'll have our Banquet Supper. Planned for the evening, will be a couple of speakers and a musical presentation. One of our speakers will be our CIC Kelly Barrows. Other special events will take place as well.
12. Please bring anything of interest that might be donated toward our silent auction. We typically set it up prior to the banquet. The proceeds will help with any shortages we encounter, or if we are positive, then be donated towards the California Division for another fund raiser.
13. We will have a Memorial Service to dedicate a new Confederate Headstone at Union Cemetery on Sunday mid-morning before heading back home.
14. On Saturday, our Heritage Officer Steve Smith will accept our Camp of the Year Forms and during the Banquet, we'll announce the winner for the past year.

Dear Compatriots, Family & Friends of the SCV:

It is my pleasure to invite all of you to attend our California Division Convention & Reunion in Bakersfield, this March. As I've said so many times before, without you we don't have anything. With you, we have our organization our future our strength right before us. No one will do what we need to do to preserve our heritage and promote the Charge of Stephen D. Lee; except for people like you and me.

I think you'll enjoy our plans for this convention, with meals being served at the hotel and in our meeting room. We'll have a chance to grow together and learn from our Commander In Chief. We also plan to dedicate a new headstone at Union Cemetery. I surely hope we have members from each camp within California; this is a unique opportunity to share and learn.

This newsletter is strictly for the purpose of getting everyone registered and ready for our reunion coming up soon. It will be upon us in no time at all.

If I can get your articles and/or pictures from our Division Officers and Camp Commanders, which I have a couple already, I'll put together another newsletter for everyone's enjoyment as soon as I get your material.

This reunion is extremely important for the immediate future and I need everyone that can do so to join us and help make our division successful.

With Sincere Regards,

Farrell D. Cooley
SCV Calif. Div. Cmdr.

