

Southern Heritage

General Samuel Cooper



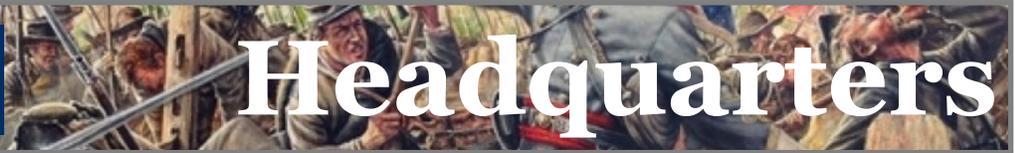
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Morristown/Mossy Creek, TN

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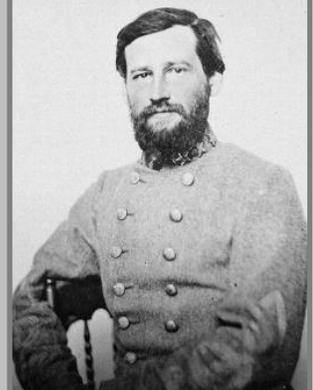
**Lt. Commander
Jordy Barnette**

Half way there. This year is flying by and I hope everyone had a nice Memorial weekend. I hope everyone took the time to reflect on the true reason for the holiday. Lest we forget the men and women who never came home. Hope to see y'all soon.

God bless,
Jordy Barnette

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, UCV Commander General

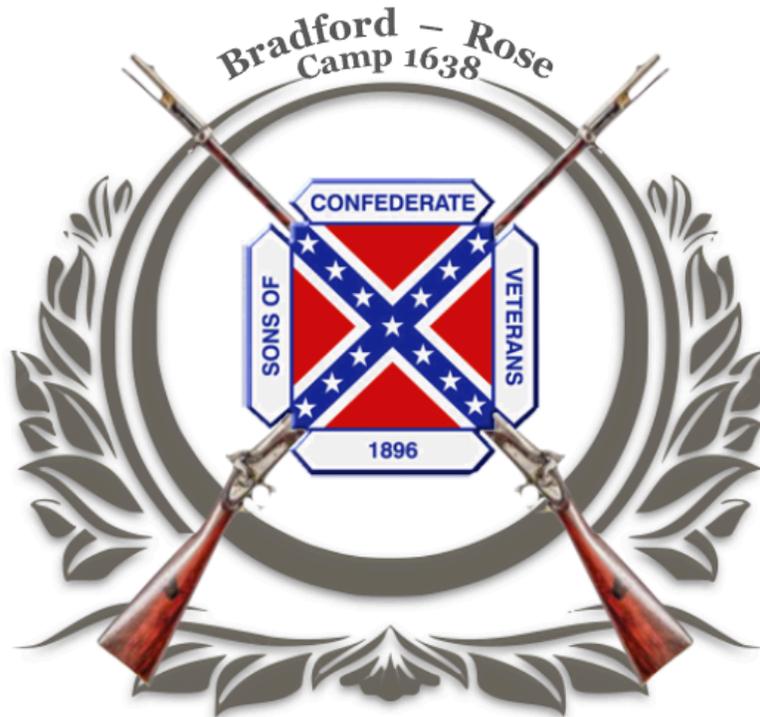


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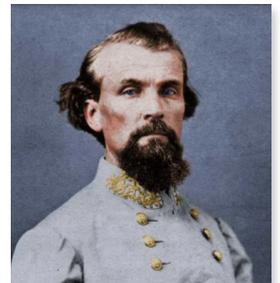
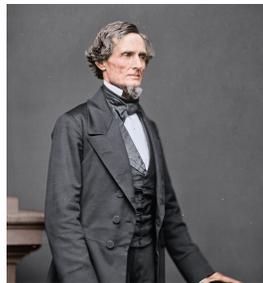
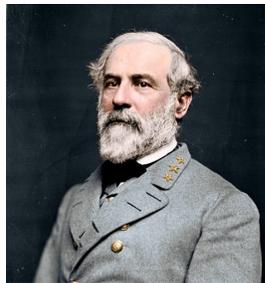
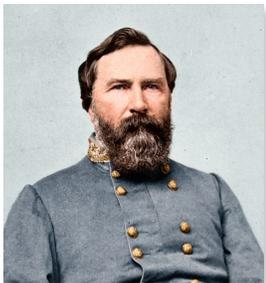
Camp Calendar

June 26, 2021

Camp meeting at the Longstreet Museum. Time to be determined later. Please keep an ear out for the phone tree message.



Legends of the South



General W.H. Jackson Award Recipients

Lt. Commander Jordy Barnette presented Morrystown East FFA student, Brandon Edwards and community member, Rusty Rouse the General William Hicks Jackson Agriculture Award.



H.K. Edgerton Speaks at May Meeting

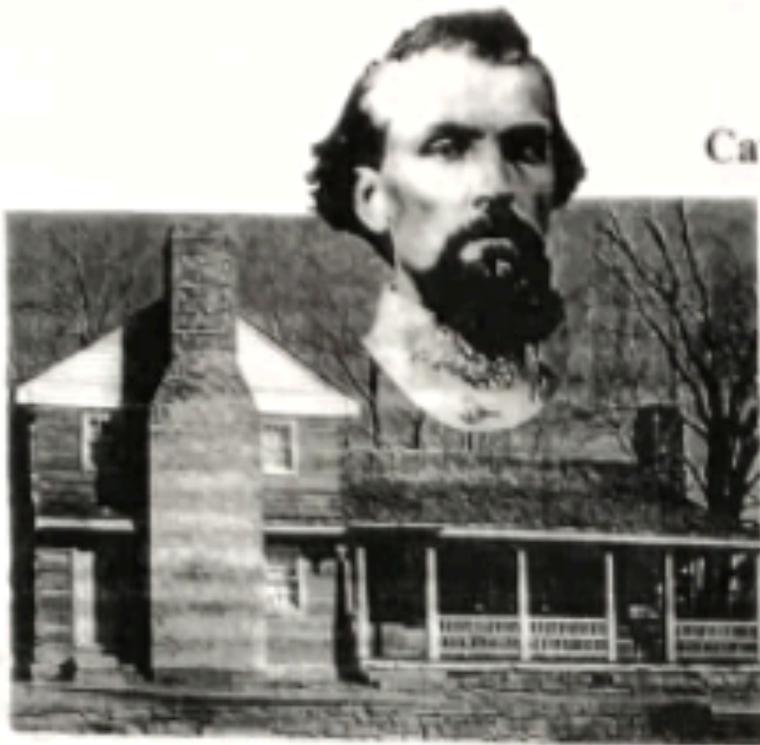
H.K. made an appearance at our May meeting and gave an impassioned speech regarding our ancestors and the fight to preserve their monuments today.





Dispatch from the Front: Tennessee Division

19TH Annual
FORREST HOMECOMING
and
SOUTHERN HERITAGE
FESTIVAL



Cavalry, Infantry and Artillery

Historical Speakers

Musical Entertainment

Women's Programs

Confederate Silent Auction

Southern Sutlers

Food and Cold Drinks

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

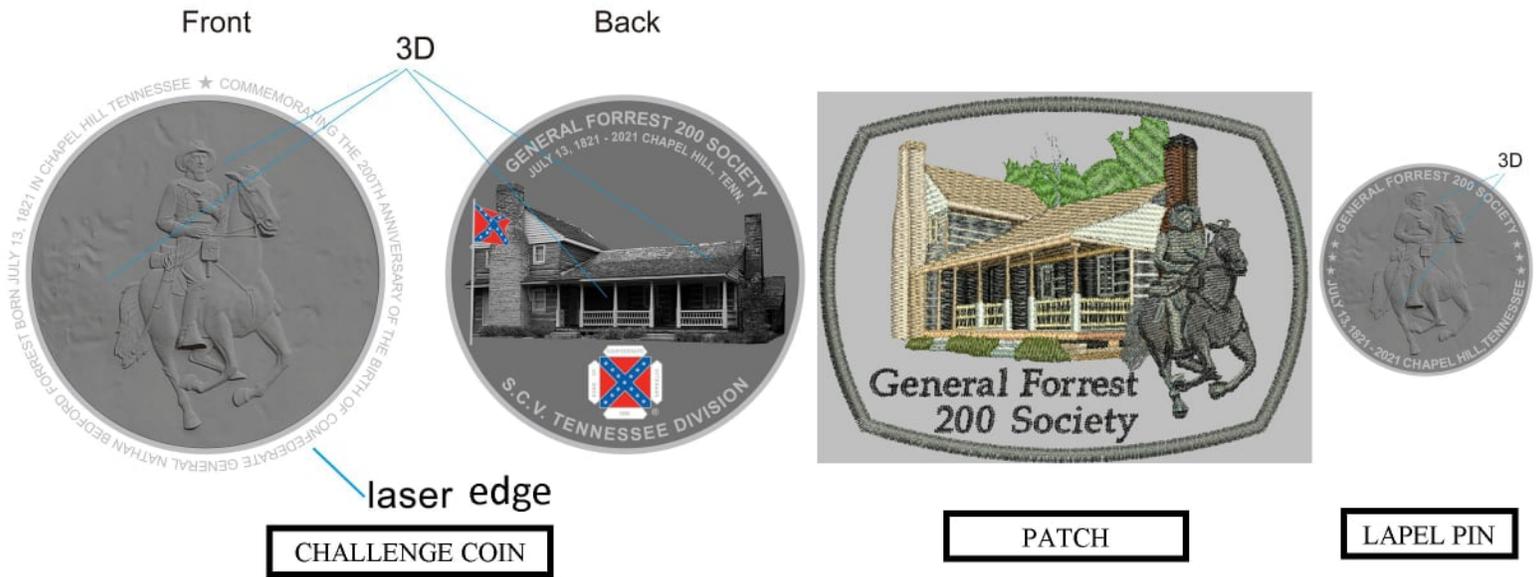
SATURDAY JUNE 19, 2021

A Fundraiser for the NB Forrest Boyhood Home
Sponsored by the
Sons of Confederate Veterans



GOOGLE MAP INFO @ 4435 PYLES RD. CHAPEL HILL, TENN 37034

General Forrest 200 Society



On July 13, 1821 Nathan Bedford Forrest was born in Chapel Hill Tennessee. Forrest would become one of the greatest self made men in the South, plantation owner, businessman and most importantly one of the most feared Generals during the War Between the States. His legacy to this day is larger than any other Tennessean in all the history of the state of Tennessee. There are more monuments, memorials, streets named and historical markers for General Forrest than any other Tennessean. Honorable William A. Collier, Commander Forrest's Calvary Corps wrote on December 19th 1927: "Every Confederate soldier who did his duty measured up to the highest standard of a man. But no body of soldiers in all history possessed more patriotism or exhibited more courage and determination to do or die for their country than the followers of Nathan Bedford Forrest."

To this day Forrest is still honored and remembered around the world because of his "Charge em' Both Ways" and "Be there First with the Most" tactics. A natural born warrior and leader Ole Bedford was known for many battles including his famous Murfreesboro raid on July 13, 1862 which was his 41st birthday, where he defeated the Yankees and liberated the town from Union occupation. His warning was: "I must demand an unconditional surrender of your force as prisoners of war, or I will have every man put to the sword".

This year is the 200th birthday of General Forrest and the SCV Tennessee Division is offering a limited number of memberships in the General Forrest 200 Society which is for those that revere the great General Forrest. Each member will receive a limited edition Challenge coin, patch, lapel pin (which is pictured above), membership certificate and recognition in the Forrest's Escort magazine. Money raised will go to the Forrest Boyhood Home fund for the events building. Individual, Camp and group memberships are welcomed. Join the General Forrest 200 Society today and ride with Forrest!

Membership \$200 _____ Voluntary Donation \$ _____ Total: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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Send payment and application to: SCV Tennessee Division P.O. Box 782, Lebanon, TN 37088

For questions call: 931-315-9065 or email: scvproud@gmail.com



**Sons of Confederate Veterans
Tennessee Division Reunion
April 15-16 2022
Chapel Hill, Tennessee**



Name: _____
Cell/Phone # _____
Address: _____
Email Address: _____
Camp Name: _____ Camp# _____
Camp, Brigade or Division Office: _____
Guest or Spouse: _____

Registration: \$45 for each SCV member attending	No. of persons _____	Total \$ _____
Late Registration after March 15, 2022: \$50		
Friday Evening Social at Nathan B. Forrest Boyhood Home \$15	No. of persons _____	Total \$ _____
Saturday Lunch Henry Horton State Park \$20	No. of persons _____	Total \$ _____
Saturday Historical Tour (Drive on your own)	No. of persons _____	
Saturday Awards Banquet Horton State Park \$35	No. of persons _____	Total \$ _____
Reunion Program Advertising: Full Page \$75; 1/2 Page \$50; 1/4 Page \$25		
For advertising send email with Ad to: seanhill69@gmail.com	Ad Total \$ _____	
Ancestor Memorials \$10 each: _____		

_____	Total Ancestor Memorial: \$ _____	
	Grand Total \$ _____	

Come to the boyhood home of Gen. Nathan B. Forrest and Henry Horton State Park for our 2022 Division Reunion

Host hotel: Henry Horton State Park Lodge

(931)364-2222

4209 Nashville Hwy.

Chapel Hill TN 37034

Make checks payable and mail to: SCV Camp #297, 2160 Paradise Drive Lewisburg TN 37091 (memo 2022 TN Reunion)

Questions: call 256-565-6304

Host Camp Marshall Rangers Camp 297

Samuel Cooper: The Forgotten General

From GeneralCooper.com

At the close of the Revolutionary War, Samuel (the father of General Cooper) married Miss Mary Horton, of Dutchess County, New York. Two sons and six daughters were born from this marriage. The sons were called George and Samuel (Samuel being the subject of this paper). The names of the six daughters were Maria, Jane, Eliza, Sophia, Katherine and Sarah.

General Samuel Cooper was born on June 12, 1798, at New Hackensack, New York, on the Hudson River. This was the family seat of his maternal ancestors, the Horton's. (Many historians have listed General Cooper's birth place as being Hackensack, New Jersey, which according to family records is incorrect.) Very little is known of General Cooper's early boyhood years.

At the age of 15, on May 25, 1813, Samuel entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, graduating in a period of two years on December 10, 1815. He finished thirty-sixth in a class of forty graduating with the rank of lieutenant in the light artillery in the Continental Army. The period of study at West Point was 2 years at that time, which was later increased to four years of study.

In 1827, at the age of 29, General Cooper married Sarah Maria Mason, a daughter of General John Mason of Clermont, Fairfax County, Virginia. Sarah's grandfather was George Mason of Gunston, to whose memory the constitution of Virginia and her bill of rights are lasting monuments. George Mason was the author of the Virginia Declaration of Rights of 1776, and one of three delegates to the Constitutional Convention of 1787 who would not sign the final draft.

Sarah's sister, Ann Maria Mason nicknamed "Nannie", was the mother of General Fitzhugh Lee whose father, Sidney Smith Lee, was the brother of General Robert E. Lee. Sarah's brother the Hon. James Murray Mason was a member of the Virginia House of Representatives in 1837 and a Senator of Virginia in 1847.

Living in Washington DC, Samuel spent his spare moments with his family at Cameron, Fairfax County, Virginia, their estate near Alexandria. He and his family were friends of Robert E. Lee at nearby Arlington in the decade before the Civil War. From all indications, Sarah and Samuel were the parents of three children. One son who was also known as Samuel and one daughter known as Virginia (Jenny) and one daughter known as Maria, who died at a young age while giving birth.

General Cooper was promoted to first lieutenant in 1821 and in 1836 was made captain. During this year, 1836, Samuel wrote the first *Concise System of Instructions and Regulations for the Militia and Volunteers of the United States* while serving as aide-de-camp, 1828-1836, to major-general Alexander Macomb commanding the army of the United States. This 'works' was later revised and published by Samuel in 1852, by then holding the rank of Colonel. Known as "Cooper's Tactics", it became the standard among the militia and volunteers of the army.

Most of his service, aside from an expedition against the Seminoles in 1841-42, was in Washington. Samuel was selected for staff duty at headquarters of the army, early in his military career. He was appointed an assistant adjutant and inspector general, with the rank of major, in 1838; was made lieutenant-colonel in 1847; and was appointed adjutant and inspector general of the US army, with the rank of colonel, in 1852.

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These promotions, it is said, were partly a consequence of his highly efficient conduct of business in the War Department during the Mexican War.

The family connections of his wife Sarah, together with a close friendship with Jefferson Davis, which had grown when the latter was secretary of war, had made him wholly Southern in his feelings and sympathies. This was in spite of his Northern birth and ancestry. At the outbreak of the Civil War, he resigned his commission, March 7, 1861, and went to Montgomery to offer his services to the Confederacy. He was at once made adjutant and inspector general of the Confederate army, and was appointed to the full rank of general on August 31, 1861, as soon as that grade was created by Confederate States of America's Congress. He was the senior ranking officer of the Confederate Army throughout the war, reporting only to president Jefferson Davis. Jefferson Davis, in his *Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government*, reports that the first officers to resign and enlist for the South were Samuel Cooper, Albert Sidney Johnston, and R. E. Lee. Samuel Cooper, as reported by Jefferson Davis, was the first of these to offer his services to the Confederacy at Montgomery.

One of the last official acts of General Cooper, as adjutant and inspector general of the United States, was to sign an order of dismissal from the United States army of Brig. General David E. Twiggs, who became a Confederate major general. That order bears the date of March 1, 1861, and General Cooper's resignation was dated March 7, 1861. His last official act as adjutant and inspector general of the Confederacy was turning over the official records of the Confederacy to the United States Government. These records became a valuable contribution to the *War of The Rebellion, Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies*. This contribution is said to be Samuel's most lasting contribution to the Confederacy, in overseeing the removal of War Department records from Richmond in April 1865, and protecting them until they could be turned over to Federal authorities in North Carolina after Johnston's surrender.

Unmolested at the end of the war, Samuel returned to find his home, Cameron, near Alexandria had been replaced by a Federal fort. Nevertheless, he moved into what had been an overseer's house, and there took up small farming.

As an aged man living a life as a farmer, General Cooper became a soldier in distress. On August 4, 1870, Robert E. Lee, on behalf of General Lawton, Colonel Cole and others, sent Samuel a sum of money. They were able to raise \$300 dollars for Samuel. General Lee in a letter to Samuel wrote "To this sum I have only been able to add \$100, but I hope it may enable you to supply some immediate want and prevent you from taxing your strength too much." General Lee also noted in his letter to Samuel, "You must also pardon me for my moving in this matter, and for the foregoing explanation, which I feel obliged to make that you might understand the subject." General Samuel Cooper died on December 3, 1876 at the age of 78 just 6 years after receiving this sum of money. He is laid to rest in Alexandria's Christ Church Cemetery.

General Longstreet

HEADQUARTERS MUSEUM



Hours of Operation

Open to the public

April - December

Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm

Sunday By Appointment

Bethesda Church: Silent Witness To History



Address: 4950 Wayne Johnson Rd,
Morristown, TN 37814

Area: 5 acres (contains several Confederate graves)

Opened: 1835

Added to NRHP: April 11, 1973



Confederate Generals Birthdays

Let us not forget, for they then shall be forgotten and lost to time

Brig. General John Hunt Morgan - 1 June 1825 - Huntsville, Ala.
General Samuel Cooper - 12 June 1798 - Hackensack, N.J.
General John Bell Hood - 1 June 1831 - Owingsville, Ky.
Maj. General Daniel Smith Donelson - 23 June 1801 - Sumner Co., Tenn.
Maj. General James Lawson Kemper - 11 June 1823 - Madison Co., Va.
Brig. General John Decatur Barry - 21 June 1839 - Wilmington, N.C.
Brig. General Cullen Andrews Battle - 1 June 1829 - Powelton, Ga.
Brig. General Alexander William Campbell - 4 June 1828 - Nashville, Tenn.
Brig. General John Rogers Cooke - 9 June 1833 - Jefferson Barracks, Md.
Brig. General Junius Daniel - 27 June 1828 - Halifax, N.C.
Brig. General John Buchanan Floyd - 1 June 1806 - Montgomery Co., Va.
Brig. General Brikett Davenport Fry - 24 June 1822 - Kanawha Co., Va.
Brig. General Richard Montgomery Gano - 17 June 1830 - Bourbon Co., Ky.
Brig. General William Montgomery Gardner - 8 June 1824 - Augusta, Ga.
Brig. General Martin Edwin Green - 3 June 1815 - Fauquier Co., Va.
Brig. General Benjamin Hardin Helm - 2 June 1831 - Bardstown, Ky.
Brig. General Benjamin Jefferson Hill - 13 June 1825 - McMinnville, Tenn.
Brig. General Henry Rootes Jackson - 24 June 1820 - Athens, Ga.
Brig. General Young Marshall Moody - 23 June 1822 - Chesterfield Co., Va.
Brig. General John Tyler Morgan - 20 June 1824 - Athens, Tenn.
Brig. General Gideon Johnson Pillow - 8 June 1806 - Williamson Co., Tenn.
Brig. General Gabriel James Rains - 4 June 1803 - Craven Co., N.C.
Brig. General Beverly Holcombe Robertson - 5 June 1827 - Amelia Co., Va.
Brig. General Paul Jones Semmes - 4 June 1815 - Wilkes Co., Ga.
Brig. General James Edwin Slaughter - in June 1827 - Cedar Mountain, Va.
Brig. General Otho French Strahl - 3 June 1831 - McConnelsville, Ohio
Brig. General Thomas Fentress Toon - 10 June 1840 - Columbus Co., N.C.
Brig. General William Tatum Woffard - 28 June 1824 - Habersham Co., Ga.
Brig. General Marcus Joseph Wright - 5 June 1831 - Purdy, Tenn.





This Month in the War for Southern Independence

<u>1861</u>	<u>1862</u>	<u>1863</u>	<u>1864</u>
June 3 Battle of Philippi West Virginia	June 5 Battle of Tranter's Creek North Carolina	June 9 Battle of Brandy Station Virginia	June 9 First Battle of Petersburg Virginia
June 10 Battle of Big Bethel Virginia	June 6 Battle of Memphis Tennessee	June 9 Battle of Providence Lake Louisiana	June 10 Battle of Brice's Crossroads Mississippi
June 17 Battle of Boonville Missouri	June 8 Battle of Cross Keys Virginia	June 13-15 Second Battle of Winchester Virginia	June 11-12 Battle of Cynthiana Kentucky
	June 9 Battle of Port Republic Virginia	June 17 Battle of Aldie Virginia	June 15-18 Second Battle of Petersburg Virginia
	June 16 Battle of Secessionville South Carolina	June 17-19 Battle of Middleburg Virginia	June 17-18 Battle of Lynchburg Virginia
	June 17 Battle of Saint Charles Arkansas	June 24-26 Battle of Hoover's Gap Tennessee	June 25 Battle of Staunton River Virginia
	June 21 Battle of Simon's Bluff South Carolina	June 28 Second Battle of Donaldsville Louisiana	June 27 Battle of Kennesaw Mountain Georgia
	June 25 Battle of Oak Grove Virginia	June 29-30 Battle of Goodrich's Landing Louisiana	June 29 First Battle of Ream's Station Virginia
	June 26 Battle of Mechanicsville Virginia	June 30 Battle of Hanover Pennsylvania	
	June 26 Battle of Gaines' Mill Virginia		



“Speaking of the Devil”

Musings from the Adjutant/Editor

Compatriots,

Good day friends and compatriots! I am hopeful that you are in good health and spirits as we head in to June! No one needs to remind you, as you are good Patriots, but make sure you get out there and decorate the graves of our ancestors and show the pride we take in them for Confederate Decoration Day! I have seen several pictures already of decorated graves and it fills me with many emotions to see this.

Our next meeting is to be on June 26. A time has not been set yet, but it will either be at Noon or 5:00 pm. If you have a preference, get in touch with Roy or Jordy to let them know. A message will be sent out when a decision is made. Until then, keep honoring our ancestors and upholding the Charge!

Your Servant to the Cause,

Joshua Cameron



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