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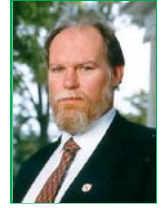
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*"We invoke the blessings of Providence on a just cause."
Jefferson Davis*

President's message. . . .

*Michael Hill
Killen, Alabama*



THE DEBUT OF *THE FREE MAGNOLIA*

In September 1994 the League of the South published the first issue of this newsletter, *The Southern Patriot*. For just over twelve years, our bimonthly publication has served both as a newsletter for existing members and a recruiting tool for the unconverted. From the start, *The Southern Patriot* had a split personality. It proved virtually impossible in the space of eight, twelve, or occasionally sixteen pages, to speak effectively to both groups. For this reason, the League decided in late 2006 to publish *The Free Magnolia*, a quarterly tabloid, to attempt to reach the unconverted with the League's message of Southern nationalism. The first press run (January-March 2007) of 10,000 copies sold out in two weeks, and the volume of additional orders dictated that we do a second press run of 2,000.

We will continue to publish *The Southern Patriot* as an internal newsletter for current members. It will be available electronically and also on our website—www.dixienet.org. It will contain news on State and local chapter activities as well as information from the League home office on the national conference, summer and hedge schools, public League-wide events, etc. Sara Hill will continue as editor. We solicit your input on State and local LS chapter activities via e-mail to JMichHill@cs.com.

The Free Magnolia Editor, Franklin Sanders, recently summed up our excitement about the new tabloid:

I have seen the layout for *The Free Magnolia*, which went to the printer today [30 January]. I am not going to say much, just this: it has my band playing 'Dixie.' Our art director Collin Houseal has delivered a world class job. One look and you won't be able to keep your hands off *The Free Magnolia*. Surprise! It's not all words! There are pictures, too!

Believe me, you will want more than 100 copies once you've seen it, and if you didn't order any, you'll be kicking yourself. You'll want to make them available to the customers of your favorite restaurant, gas station, quick-shop and every other kind of shop. You'll want to hand out copies to every one of your friends and neighbors and even your thick-headed brother-in-law who keeps insisting the South will never be free.

I'll tell you what. I'm so confident that y'all will be pleased, thrilled, and satisfied with *The Free Magnolia*, that I'll make you this promise. If you are not completely satisfied that *The Free Magnolia* is a

splendid new tool for recruitment and for promoting the League, I will personally refund your money. [The League will relieve Franklin of this burden, should it arise.]

Cost is \$20 for 100 copies, post-paid to you. Want more than 100 copies? Just add \$20 for each additional 100 copies.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE 2ND ISSUE, (2ND QUARTER, APRIL-JUNE, 2007): 5 p.m., March 26. It will go to press the week of April 2, and should be mailed out on or about April 6.

ORDERING INFORMATION: Send me an e-mail at moneychanger@hughes.net with the following information: (1) number of copies you want; (2) Name; (3) Address; (4) City, State, and Zip Code; and (5) send your check, made payable to The League of the South, to Franklin Sanders, P. O. Box 178, Westpoint, TN 38486.

If Franklin hasn't sold you, read what Art Director Collin Houseal has to say:

The Free Magnolia is not about preaching to the choir. This is not 16 pages of Confederate heritage squabbling. This is not for us to distribute narrowly within our ranks in hopes that we'll get even more fired up.

This is designed, written, and produced to reach the unconverted. The masses of Southern-

ers who—somewhere deep in their heart—know right from wrong, and know something is wrong. We've set out to gently yet convincingly persuade them that Southern independence is possible, that it's for their own good, and that quite frankly there is no other solution. Its express purpose is to give us a widely distributable, extremely low-cost platform to speak to our wandering brothers and sisters. It's our message of Southern nationalism, subtly gift-wrapped.

Please, place your order today. And then get together with your local chapter and come up with creative guerrilla marketing and distribution tactics. Might I suggest a few for starters: (1) Take a handful (3-5 at a time) and lay them conspicuously on top of the other publications in the racks as you exit your grocery store. Leave more than 3-5 copies and you risk losing too many if someone doesn't like it. Just keep replenishing the supply every couple of days as you go about your regular business. (2) Leave a few copies in the waiting room of your doctor or dentist [or anywhere you might find yourself in a waiting room]. (3) Hand-deliver copies to your neighbors and tell them you belong to the organization that publishes this paper. (4) Go to every locally-owned business you know and ask them if you can leave a stack of 10-25 cop-

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ies for their customers. Restaurants, diners, cafes, and hardware stores are all great candidates. (5) Personally place a copy in the hands of every pastor, mayor, teacher, and law enforcement officer you know.”

And finally, from author Walter D. ‘Donnie’ Kennedy:

‘I have never been so hopeful that we are about to do something great for our cause as I am when thinking about *The Free Magnolia*. At last we have a chance to talk to more than just the same old folks (and each year we are all getting older!). *The Free Magnolia* offers us a chance to undermine everything that our enemies have done to convince the people of the South to remain upon the ‘stools of everlasting repentance.’ Please, don’t let this chance pass. . . .’

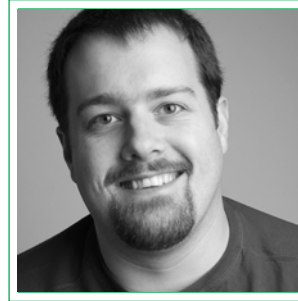
Well, there you have it—testimony from some of those who made *The Free Magnolia* possible. I hope this has indeed excited you as to the possibilities regarding our new publication. The first issue of *The Free Magnolia* has been profitable enough that we plan a press run of at least 16,000 of the second issue. So keep those ads and orders coming! I urge you to contact Advertising Director, Ray McBerry, (FreeSouth@aol.com) to place an ad in the second (or subsequent) issue, or Franklin Sanders to place your orders.

May God Save the South.

Michael Hill
Killen, Alabama

AWESOME SOUTHERN DUDE OF THE MONTH

R. Collin Houseal



R. Collin Houseal, designer and Art Director of *The Free Magnolia*, is the owner of Houseal Creative, a design and advertising firm based in Bartlett, Tennessee. Collin has fifteen years experience in the design and advertising field, including work for Fortune 100 companies, non-profit ministries, record labels, real estate firms, and manufacturers of medical devices, among other clients. He also has extensive experience in copywriting, brand development, and strategic marketing planning. If you have seen the premier issue of *The Free Magnolia*, you will probably agree that Collin's experience shows!

Collin calls himself a sinner saved by the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ, is active in his local church, and serves with a number of local ministry organisations. Born and raised in Tennessee, he also embraces his stubborn Celtic roots. Collin currently serves as provisional chairman for the Memphis-area chapter of The League of the South. He is happily married to the former Vikki Lynn Christopher, and is the proud father of one daughter Rivers. Congratulations, Collin—and thanks!

REPORT FROM FLORIDA LEAGUE OF THE SOUTH FEBRUARY 2007

Dear League Compatriots,

Today, members of the Northeast Florida chapter League of the South took advantage of the nearby Battle of Olustee ‘Civil War’ re-enactment to let people know about the League. The Olustee battle re-enactment is the largest re-enactment in Florida and celebrates the battle held on 20 February 1864. During that battle Confederate and federal troops were about evenly matched with approximately 5,500 troops on each side. At the end of the day the Confederate troops were victorious with the Yankees leaving most of their dead and dying on the field in their rout back to Jacksonville, Florida.

In preparation for today’s event the local Chapter had several hundred Florida League flyers professionally printed at Office Depot and gathered 100 copies of the new League publication, *The Free Magnolia*.

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Walking along both sides of Hwy 90 which passes by the entrance to the Olustee battlefield park, Chapter members placed flyers on the parked vehicles which stretched for probably two miles along the road. After our supply of flyers expired, we entered the park and handed out copies of *The Free Magnolia* to anyone who looked like they might be sympathetic to the South! Only one out of 100 people politely turned down our newspaper. Others were very enthusiastic to hear that it was pro-Southern and reached eagerly for it.

We don't know what fruit will grow from today's activity but with the Lord's blessing our seeds will have fallen on fertile soil. That's all we can do is plant the seeds of Southern nationalism. Maybe someone else will come along later and add a little water or give a little nurturing to our work

With the cost of the printing and the expense of fuel for a vehicle, I can only roughly estimate that this activity might have cost us about \$45.00 and we probably have reached about 1,000 people with a personal message. I think it was a good day's work for the League.

Please visit our new Florida League website, Buysouthern.org, and contribute to it if you can.

For fundraising help, other state and local chapters may want to visit GoodSearch.com.

For Faith, Folk and Florida,
Mike Tubbs

MEET THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mike Tuggle



This issue's featured member of the Board of Directors is Michael C. Tuggle, Project Manager and business consultant in Charlotte, North Carolina. He is Dixienet's 'Rebellion' blogmaster, and has garnered national praise for his hard-hitting commentary. He currently serves both as State Chairman of the North Carolina League of the South and as Webmaster for [www. TarHeelLS.org](http://www.TarHeelLS.org).

Mike's views on history, politics and organizational systems have appeared in numerous publications, including *The Charlotte Observer*, *Underwriting Trends Journal of the Society of Charted Property & Casualty Underwriters*, *LewRockwell.com*, and *Southern Partisan* magazine.

His first book, *Confederates in the Boardroom*, examines how new findings in organization studies have renewed interest in confederalism in business and politics.

'A good plan today is better than a perfect plan tomorrow.'

—George S. Patton

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

Saturday, 17 March

2007 Georgia State Meeting

'States' Rights. . .The Issue
Then and Now!'

Best Western Hilltop Inn
(478) 994-9260

Forsyth, Georgia

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Speakers: Bob Watson, Georgia Vice-Chairman; Ray McBerry, Georgia Chairman; Pastor John Weaver, nationally-known speaker; and Dr. Michael Hill, LS President

APRIL

Saturday, 21 April

Southern Heritage Day

Wetumpka, Alabama

Call (334) 514-1988;

whorton10524@earthlink.net

JUNE

Wednesday-Saturday, 20-23 June

LS Summer Institute

'Southern Heroes'

Franklin, Tennessee

Details TBA

OCTOBER

Thursday, 4 October

1st International

Secession Conference

Chattanooga, Tennessee

Details TBA

Friday-Saturday, 5-6 October

LS National Conference

Chattanooga, Tennessee

Details TBA

'Southern News with Michael Hill'

Now the Southern people have at least one news source which is decidedly SOUTHERN, DixieBroadcasting's 'Southern News with Michael Hill.' Brought to you by the *League of the South News Service*, these daily segments deal with the most current event headlines of the day. . . but always from a Southern perspective! The segments will air hourly Monday through Friday beginning this month (February).

VIRGINIA LEAGUE OF THE SOUTH NEWS

State Chairman Wayne Carlson reports the following:

- In April the Virginia LS will participate in the Lee Symposium, honouring the 200th anniversary of our great military hero. The symposium will be held 28 April in Alexandria, and LS member Thomas Moore will be one of the featured speakers.
- A new, and much-improved, Virginia website (www.virginia) will launch in late February.
- Plans to promote the display of the Virginia state flag are under way, reminding Virginians that: 'it is to our individual States that we, as a people and as citizens of our States, must turn for protection against the growing tyranny emanating out of the "Rome on the Potomac."'
- The Virginia chapter has revamped its Board of Directors to cover the various regions of the State in order to help coordinate recruiting and for better

communication with existing members. Through the establishment of a PayPal link on the new State website, the State chapter hopes to generate funds for Statewide activities. According to Carlson, 'recruitment is a focus for the Virginia LS, and the dissemination of *The Free Magnolia* and various other tracts should prove beneficial to that end.'

- A second Hedge School is planned for later this spring in Lexington, after a successful school on Reconstruction held in February. For more information, e-mail Wayne Carlson at csa@i-plus.net.

MEMPHIS AREA NEWS

Memphis area Local Chairman, Collin Houseal, reports that there is now, indeed, a functioning active chapter in the greater Memphis area.

Activities thus far include:

- recruitment efforts to build a chapter base
- monthly meetings with guest speakers (Franklin Sanders, Michael Hill, David Jones, and local member Mitchell Stevens)
- distribution and promotion of *America: From Freedom to Fascism*
- distribution and promotion of *The Free Magnolia*

In coming months we also plan on:

- initiating a 'Buy Local' campaign for west Tennessee, possibly coordinating through State Chairman, David Jones, with other chapters statewide
- continuing mass distribution of *America: From Freedom to Fascism*

and *The Free Magnolia*

- getting in touch with all local law enforcement and elected officials to let them know of the League's presence in Memphis, to forge positive working relationships and to help open their eyes to the present and increasing federal encroachments on our liberty and sovereignty.

TENNESSEE LEAGUE OF THE SOUTH NEWS

State Chairman David Jones reports that 150 copies of *The Free Magnolia* were distributed to the Senators & Representative of the Tennessee Legislature. Distribution in several county courthouses will follow.

'The man who reads nothing at all is better educated than the man who reads nothing but the newspapers.'

—Thomas Jefferson

Diapering Dixie



Please send some 'Diapering Dollars' to the parents of the following newly arrived Southern patriot:

Andrew Nicholas Warren
December 19, 2006

son of Grant & Keli Warren
20100 Hartford Road
Dixon, MO 65459

SECESSION BREWING IN CALIFORNIA?

contributed by Michael Hill
Killen, Alabama

In a recent *New York Times* op-ed piece, professor Gar Alperovitz stated that the United States ‘is too big to be a meaningful democracy.’ His article’s hook is a recent proclamation by California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger: ‘We [the State of California] are the modern equivalent of the ancient city-states of Athens and Sparta. We have the economic strength, we have the population and the technological force of a nation-state. We are a good and global community.’

Alperovitz understands that this may be simple political rhetoric; however, he also sees a serious side to it as well. He reflects on a recent economic study:

... the bigger the nation, the harder it becomes for the government to meet the needs of its dispersed population. Regions that don’t feel well served by the government’s distribution of goods and services then have an incentive to take independent action. . . . [The high cost of media access] gives added leverage to elites, who have better corporate connections and greater resources than non-elites. The priorities of those elites often differ from state and regional priorities.

Several factors, according to Alperovitz, should be taken into account regarding the size and scale of the United States. First, he notes that the U.S. is larger geographically than all the other advanced industrialized countries combined (minus Russia,

Canada, and Australia, all of which have huge expanses of uninhabitable territory). Moreover, the Census Bureau projects America’s population to reach some 400 million by 2050 and perhaps 1.2 billion by 2100.

What are the possible solutions to the problem of a too-large American Empire? One, writes the professor, is the break-up of the nation into smaller parts. Another is the decentralization of power. Citing the late George F. Kennan on the subject of a ‘monster country’ that would, through the ‘hubris of inordinate size,’ become a threat to the rest of the world, Alperovitz notes that worldwide devolution is a way to remove the specter of aggressive empires run amok.

As the first step in whittling down the size of the American version of Kennan’s ‘monster country,’ Alperowitz thinks California’s separation from the rest of the states might not be a bad idea. After all, it would have the eighth largest economy in the world. And if California left, other States and regions might chose to do so as well.

Those of you who know about the League’s 13-year-old message might find it rather astonishing that it has taken professor Alperovitz, Governor Schwarzenegger, and other ‘Johnny-come-lately’ types so long to catch on to the idea of secession. Such a discussion will give a bit of déjà-vú to long-time League members who will recall that *The Grey Book*, Bill Cawthon’s ‘The South As Its Own Nation,’ and countless League speakers have covered all of the above—a

long time ago.

Better late than never, I suppose. But I have a sneaking suspicion that secession now appeals to them because it is their liberal, leftist ox that is being gored. It is curious to me that Alperovitz mentions, in addition to California, only New England and the Southwest (the latter presumably because of the on-going Mexican ‘reconquista’) as regional candidates for secession. Not a word about the South. But that’s our job. Ω

GROUP DISHONOURS DISHONEST ABE ON PRESIDENT’S DAY

The Keene Free Press of 19 February reports that the New Hampshire Sons of Liberty hanged Abraham Lincoln ‘without the benefit of clergy’ on President’s Day. A long list of charges were read, among them: ‘that he suspended the writ of *habeas corpus*—treason, and an act of war against the American people. . .that he waged total warfare on the South, burning her cities, permitting rape of southern women, and destroying the agriculture and means of food production, intentionally targeting civilians—treason, war crimes, and crimes against humanity. . .that he pledged to support a constitutional amendment prohibiting the federal government from ever interfering with slavery—crimes against humanity. . .that he launched an invasion [of the South] without the consent of Congress—treason and a war crime....’ For pictures and the full list of charges, go to www.keenefreepress.com. Ω

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Date _____

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___ \$75 annually for husband & wife
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___ \$125 annually
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___ \$30 annually

Mail check or money order to:

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We revere our Southern ancestors because they were *right* and because their ideas have consequences for *our* future.

Merchandise Specials

1st Quarter 2007

New!!! *The Free Magnolia*, quarterly tabloid, vol. 1, issue 1, January-March 2007 A.D. Available and affordable in large quantities to distribute locally. **\$20.00 per hundred, postpaid.**

Quantity: _____ **Price:** \$ _____

New! "Southerner, Take Your Stand," by LS Founding Member, John Vinson. This short pamphlet (32 pages) is not short on inspiration or content. Vinson gives concrete ways to preserve and advance our Southern cultural heritage. **\$5.00 postpaid.**

Quantity: _____ **Price:** \$ _____

New CD! Tunes of the Second American War of Independence. Listen to the music that your ancestors listened to, danced to, wept to, and fought to. Some you will recognize, but your Confederate forefathers knew them all. Includes: Shady Grove, Bonnie Blue Flag, Cumberland Gap, Amazing Grace, Old Joe Clark, Shady Grove (reprise), Dixie, Rose of Alabamy, Battle Cry of Freedom, Shenandoah, Arkansas Traveller, Dixie (reprise), Ashokan's Farewell. **\$15.00 each postpaid.**

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Reduced! Long-Sleeved T-Shirt (Top quality, 6.1 oz., 100% ringspun cotton) with LS colour logo and 'www.dixienet.org' on front and "**Faith is the Duty of the Hour' Nathan Bedford Forrest**" on back. Sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL. **Please specify size(s).** ~~\$21.00~~ **\$18.00 postpaid or 2 for \$34.00 postpaid.**

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New! DVDs of the LS 2006 National Conference, 5-DVD set. If you missed the conference, don't miss the message. Just over 11 hours, all the speakers and workshops. **\$70.00 postpaid.**

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New! Memory's Keep, the latest fiction by James Everett Kibler. 'Written in the loose style of *The Canterbury Tales*...*Memory's Keep* is a nostalgic & bittersweet flashback, revealing the formative experiences of Trig Tinsley, the unforgettable curmudgeon...[from] *Walking Toward Home*, Kibler's previous novel....' Hardcover. Pelican Publishing Company. \$25.00 postpaid.

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The Hunt for Confederate Gold, by Thomas Moore. A spellbinding historical novel sure to stoke the fires of Southern nationalism in the hearts of all true Southerners. "Once I started this book, I couldn't put it down. Its heroes and villains are taken straight from today's news." Michael Hill, LS President. Softcover, 318 pages. **\$18.00 ea. postpaid**

Quantity: _____ **Price:** \$ _____

The Grey Book: Blueprint for Southern Independence. The recruitment tool you've been waiting for: The League's take on how an independent South should look. Not meant to be the last word on the subject, but the FIRST. Softcover. 167 pages. Five (5) or more copies: \$18.00 ea. postpaid. **Single copy: \$21.00 postpaid.**

Quantity: _____ **Price:** \$ _____

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&

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