



**Brig. General Mosby Monroe Parsons
Camp #718
Sons of Confederate Veterans**



October 17, 2022

Dear SCV and UDC Compatriots, Families, Friends and Supporters,

The officers and men of the M.M. Parsons Camp #718 believe it is never too early to send a warm and hearty Christmas greeting and an invitation to our camp's Ninth Annual Christmas Dinner at the historic Col. Bolton Home. The event will be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2022. Early arrivals anytime after 5:00 pm are always welcome. This will give you time to explore the Col. Bolton Home and to socialize with our compatriots before the dinner begins at 6:30 pm.

We are blessed to have as our guest speakers Mr. Adam Southern, the SCV Executive Director and Mrs. Kayla Southern, a UDC member and wife of Adam Southern. Kayla is a respected expert on Maury County, Tennessee history and particularly of that county's struggles during the war of Northern aggression. Both are active in local historical functions and are deeply devoted to the fulfillment of the charge given to us by Gen. Stephen Dill Lee 116 years ago.

This year we want to emphasize that any member of the SCV and UDC is welcome to attend our Christmas dinner along with their guests. As mentioned in past correspondence on this subject, this has never been intended to serve as a fund-raising event for our Camp. The goal is for all attending to enjoy the camaraderie and the warmth of a wonderful Christmas meal with those who are so important to us.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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Adam Southern was born in Maury County Tennessee on November 7, 1985. He attended Culleoka Unit School till he graduated as a senior in high school in 2004. He received an Associate degree from Columbia State Community College, a Bachelor of Science degree from Middle Tennessee State University and a Master's Degree in Library Science from the University of Kentucky. In June 2019, he became the Executive Director of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, what he considers his dream job. Adam married Miss Kayla Keeton on June 16, 2012 at the Athenaeum in Columbia, Tennessee. Today Adam and Kayla both serve on the Athenaeum board of trustees and were both instrumental in the recent restoration of that historic site. Their next joint project is the restoration of Elm Springs.

Like Adam, Kayla Keeton Southern was born in Maury County, Tennessee. Her family settled in Maury County in 1807. Kayla graduated from Spring Hill High School in 2008. She attended Columbia State Community and Wallace State in Cullman, Alabama, where she graduated from the Dental Hygiene program. Kayla has worked as a Registered Dental Hygienist since 2012. While Dental Hygiene is important to Kayla, her passion in life is history. In addition to Tennessee history, Kayla enjoys learning about the War Between the States and the roles that women played during that conflict. She also enjoys learning about antiques, textiles, architecture and gardening of the Antebellum South. Kayla is a past president of the Captain James Madison Sparkman UCV Chapter of Columbia, Tennessee. She also serves as the Recording Secretary of the Athenaeum Board of Directors and also serves as the President of the Rose Hill Cemetery Association.