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Dr. McNutt Publishes Research on Confederate Flag

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Congratulations to Dr. Ryan McNutt on his recent publication “What’s Left of the Flag”: The Confederate and Jacobite ‘Lost Cause’ Myths, and the Construction of Mythic Identities through Conflict Commemoration.

You can read the article’s abstract below and the entire article in the Journal of Conflict Archaeology.

The use of battlefields and associated conflict sites provide tantalising hooks upon which to hand tapestries of grand narratives relating to regional and national identities, often defined by what the identities are not. This paper examines the unlikely connection between Jacobite and Confederate romanticism, and how battlefields, conflict related sites, and symbolic material culture are mobilised through active commemoration by some heritage groups in support of a created, mythic identity of a ‘Southern Celt’. Furthermore, it examines the production of a mythic history that whitewashes and recasts the Confederacy, the reality of the Civil War, and the Confederate Flag, while at the same time minimizing, hiding, or ignoring competing narratives.

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Senior Companions Program Receives 3 Year Grant

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Congratulations to Dr. Adrienne Cohen & Deb Pless on receiving three more years of funding for the GSU Senior Companion Program. The grant was awarded by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The mission of the Georgia Southern [ASCP] is to provide a high quality volunteer experience that will enrich the lives of the volunteers while helping the homebound, older adults and individuals with disabilities maintain their dignity and independence in their own home.

Senior Companions assist adults who need extra support to live independently in their own homes. They serve frail older adults, adults with disabilities, those with terminal illness and offer respite for care givers. Senior Companions care for adults in Bryan, Bulloch, Candler, Emanuel, Effingham, Evans, Jenkins, Screven, and Tattnall counties. Senior Companions are matched with clients according to needs, abilities, and distance.

Senior Companions serve 15–40 hours per week and earn tax-free hourly, meal, and mileage stipends. Senior Companions assist their adult clients in basic but essential ways, including:

- Supervision for those who wander or are bed-bound
- Offering companionship and friendship to isolated and frail adults
- Assisting with simple chores to maintain living conditions
- Limited transportation
- Assisting with meals

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