

THE WIG-WAG

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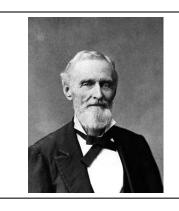
Sons of Confederate Veterans

Augusta, Georgia

"For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar." Revelations 20:13

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"The cause for which we have contended is bound to reassert itself, though in another time, and another form." Jefferson Davis, May 1865

In the Month of June, we honor the memory of Jefferson Davis, born on the third of this Month in the year 1808, for his endurance and leadership in an office he did not seek, and his suffering example during his long confinement at Fortress Monroe. Our opponents may remove statues erected in his honor, but they will never remove the monument to the man which is retained in the hearts of all true Southerners.



Pictured in the top left-hand corner is the Jefferson Davis Southern National Monument, which was designed but never realized; in an era when monuments are being vandalized and taken down, it would be a worthy project to fund and finally see to completion.



A Special Thank you from us to the men of the

HARALSON INVICIBLES CAMP No. 673

Of Buchanan, Georgia

For standing watch over the Confederate Cemetery in Marietta, Georgia, on May 13th, 2017, when the graves there where threatened with desecration.

Thank you Gentlemen.



The Vanquished Patriot's Prayer

Author Unknown, circa 1866

Ruler of nations! Bow thy ear-

I cannot understand

Thy ways—but thou wild heed this prayer

For thy beloved land,

Dear for the young joys and earnest toil,

Through many a stirring year:

My kindred's blood has dyed her soil,

And made her trebly dear.

Teach me to sorrow with my land,

Yet not to hate her foe,

To bow submissive to thy hand,

Which dealt the chastening blow.

Witholden by thy sovereign will,

What pain I would implore,

Give us some blessing richer still,

From out thy boundless store.

Though now denied our blood-bought right,

Yet grant us, Lord to be,

In thine and every nation's sight,

Worthy of Liberty!

Pilgrims and strangers in the world—

No land to call our home,

Our banner from its station hurled-

Our Freedom from its throne;

Commander's Comments, Dr. John Baxley

May was another busy month for Camp #158. We cleaned the Confederate graves at Magnolia Cemetery twice during the month and I wish to thank Joe Winstead, Gary Hattaway, Tommy Chappell, Emma Givens, Barry Whitney, Tommy Smith, Paul Stampley, Mike McCann, Carl Mixon, and Mike Milford for their steadfast help in making the home of the "Magnolia Grays" look so sharp. It is tough work but a labor of love and devotion to our Confederate ancestors. Thanks for your help.

Joe Winstead, Carroll Nettles, Billy Belger and Sissy represented the Camp at the Battle of Congaree Creek in South Carolina. Joe took his Quartermaster trailer and sold many items from the Camp store. This persistent effort by Joe, Carroll and Billy helps a lot with the Camp projects fund and is greatly appreciated by all our compatriots.

The honor guard was busy several weekends of the month at various events. Major Ron Udell, honor guard commander, Gary Hattaway, Ben Creech, Tommy Chappell, and Emma Givens participated in the South Carolina Confederate Memorial Day Celebration at Elwood Cemetery in Columbia, S.C. on May 6th. After that ceremony, they traveled to Barnwell, S.C. the same day to shoot black powder at the Barnwell courthouse square for their annual CMD Service later in the afternoon. On May 13th, the honor guard traveled St. Matthews, S.C. and later in the day to Orangeburg, S.C. to participate in CMD Services.

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Let us not seek in scenes of mirth,

For surcrease of our grief.

Help us to turn to Heaven from Earth

Find only there relief.

To suffer with a suffering race-

Their bitter cup to share-

Look on that cross with patient face,

Which vanquished patriots bear,

May Heaven draw us more and more,

Earth less entrancing be-

Until we reach the shining shore,

And once again be free.

Dear fettered land! This hear is given

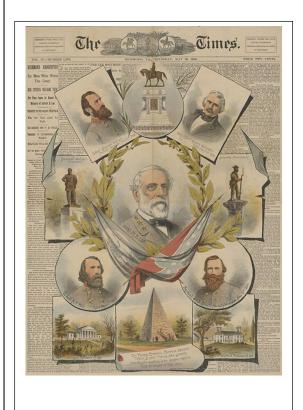
Till death-to thine and thee;

When I forget thy sons-may Heaven

Cease to remember me!







UPCOMING EVENTS

- June Camp Meeting—June 8th,
 Sconyer's Barbecue, South Augusta,
 7pm; our speaker will be Danny
 Brown of Fort McAllister
- **Georgia Division Reunion**—Macon, June 10th.



Your Editor had the occasion to meet Mr. & Mrs. Durand recently; they have opened a shop selling pro-Confederate books and merchandise on 441 heading towards Clayton. They have the monument sticker below available for \$1.00. They are biker friendly, and definitely worth visiting next time you're in Northeast Georgia.





President Warren G. Harding speaking to the UCV in the 1920's.



The C.S.S. Alabama under the command of Adm. Raphael Semmes sank after an engagement with the U.S.S. Kearsarge off the coast of Cherbourg, Normandy, France, on June 19th, 1864.



The campaign of vandalism against the remaining Confederate monuments in New Orleans continues unabated; the monuments to Father Ryan and Albert Pike were painted over with graffiti recently; Antifa left a warning note as well as a hammer and chisel at the Ryan marker.



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Later that day, the honor guard drove over to Blythe, Georgia to participate in a headstone dedication at the Blythe Baptist Church for the Confederate ancestor of our new Camp member Georgia Division Surgeon General Dr. Bill Thomas. This was a well-attended ceremony with Georgia Division Commander Scott Gilbert giving a well-received speech on honoring our ancestors. Finally, on May 29th, the honor guard, which also included Joe Winstead and Billy Belger, helped celebrate Memorial Day at the annual ceremony at the War Monument in Augusta, Georgia on Broad Street. The honor guard fired black powder along with the Union honor guard which was photographed by camp member Terry Bowers.

Our May camp meeting was well attended with the Aiken General Wheeler Camp member Bob Ritter giving us an inspired speech on his experiences during the Vietnam War as a top secret fighter pilot with over four combat tours in Southeast Asia. At the meeting over ten members pledged donations for our Magnolia Cemetery Fountain Restoration Fund with camp compatriot Carl Mixon donating five hundred dollars to kick off the campaign. With close to four thousand dollars in the fund, we are already over half way there to self-funding this much needed project to rehabilitate the 150 year old fountain amongst the "Magnolia Grays" in the Confederate Dead Section. If every camp member would donate forty to fifty dollars to the camp to restore the fountain before the end of the year, we could have the fountain project completed in time for next April's CMD Service at the Augusta Magnolia Cemetery.

Our June meeting on the 8th of the month features Danny Brown the new Ft. McAllister Historic Park Manager near Savannah, Georgia. We will also talk about the new business that will be brought up at the annual Georgia Division Reunion in Macon, Ga. on June 10th. Hope to see you at Sconyer's BBQ on Thursday June 8th for our monthly meeting. Have a Great Dixie Day

 $Commander \ "Doc John" \ Baxley.$

An Anti-Confederate Tsunami in 2017—All of the following locations are currently experiencing efforts to remove monuments, flags, and names, or experienced significant vandalism, in May and June of 2017, given greater impetus by the actions of the dictator of New Orleans.

Ashville, North Carolina
Tampa, Florida
St. Augustine, Florida
Orlando, Florida
Houston, Texas

St. Louis, Missouri Alexandria, Louisiana

Shreveport, Louisiana

New Orleans, Louisiana

Phoenix, Arizona

Baltimore, Maryland

Nash Farm, Georgia

Decatur, Georgia

Dahlonega, Georgia

Biloxi, Mississippi

Arlington, Virginia

Alexandria, Virginia

Petersburg, Virginia

Richmond, Virginia

Gainesville, Florida

Loudon County, Virginia

Shreveport, Louisiana

Lexington, Kentucky

Charlottesville, Virginia

Dallas, Texas

All monuments, names, flags or other commemorative memorabilia in areas with minority majorities, or which have received a heavy influx of migration from outside of the South or immigration from outside of the **United States, should** be considered endangered. The one major victory we have had has been Alabama passing monument protection; getting this into the Georgia constitution as soon as possible is imperative.

We would like to extend our sympathies to Compatriot Tobin Burnett and his kin; his mother, Julia K. Burnett, passed on the 27th of May.

Continued thoughts and prayers would also be appreciated for Compatriots Roy Williams and Ron Udell, as well as for Compatriot Ben Creech's other half.







