

## THE WIG-WAG

Official Newsletter of the Brig. Gen. E. Porter Alexander Camp No. 158 Sons of Confederate Veterans Augusta, Georgia "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God." Revelations 20:13 B.P. Faulkner, Editor



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

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Above: our Honor Guard; Left: Magnolia Cemetery; Below Left: our Honor Guard at the Columbia County service, with the Wright Camp; Below Right: at Hephzibah.





The picture to the left, borrowed from our friends at one of the Savannah SCV camps, vividly illustrates the meaning of Confederate Memorial Day in the present; it is about remembering and honoring the men who fell or served in defense of the people of Confederate States during a brutal invasion, regardless of the domestic institutions that existed at the time. Our concern is to honor them according to our Charge, and to keep their deeds alive in the minds of the generations that follow us. There are people who call us "racist" for continuing to honor **OUR** dead. To them we say emphatically: we do not care what you think of us, or our ancestors. We will continue to honor them as we see fit as long as the Lord tarries, regardless of what any person of flesh and blood says contrary to their good name. We can only hope and pray that if we were in similar circumstances, we would have the courage to endure as they did.



Our Dead by Father Ryan Do we weep for heroes that died for us? Who living were true and tried for us? The martyr band that hollowed the land With the Blood they poured out in a tide for us.

Ah! Fearless on many a day for us, they stood in front of the fray for us. Fresh tears should fall Forever—o'er all Who fell while wearing the gray for us.

How many glorious a name for us? How many a story of fame for us? They left—would it not be a shame for us if their memory part From our land and heart,

And a wrong to them and a blame for us?



### Commander's Comments, Dr. John Baxley

April was our busiest month of this year with our Camp celebrating Confederate Memorial Day with two separate cemetery events and helping the Gen. Wright Camp with their CSA Memorial event on April 29th. Our honor guard was well represented at all three events and our monthly Camp meeting was a big success with the Georgia Division Commander Scott Gilbert giving us an informative talk on the five great Indian Nations that fought for the Confederacy. The meeting at Sconyer's was a great opportunity to meet first hand our new Division Commander. All of us were impressed by his demeanor, intellect, and exciting ideas he put forth to jump start the Georgia Division in a new direction during these trying times. I was especially encouraged by Commander Gilbert's true concern for each of us in being involved in making the SCV stronger and more effective in our fight for the preservation of our Southern culture. Those of you who missed the meeting sure missed a special event. We were all encouraged and fired up after his visit with us.

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No! No! No! They were brave for us, and bright were the lives they gave for us; The land they struggled to save for us, Cannot forget, it's warriors yet, Who sleep in so many a grave for us. No! No! No! they were slain for us, And their blood flowed out in a rain for us: And years may go, But our tears will flow O'er the dead who have died in vain for us. And their deeds-proud deeds shall remain for us And their names-dear names without stain for us, And the glories they won shall not wane for us: In legend and lay, Our Heroes in Gray,

Though dead, shall live over again for us.

Knoxville, Tennessee, March 1<sup>s</sup>, 1867



Updates on the continuing War on the Emblems of Our People, waged by the Enemies of Civilization, Common Sense, and Basic Decency:

FRONT 1: NEW ORLEANS & OTHER LOUISIANA CITIES — at the instigation of a pompous mayor, believed by many to be preparing for a 2020 run for the Democratic presidential nomination, monuments commemorating Robert E. Lee, Jefferson Davis, P. G. T. Beauregard, and the Reconstruction-era Battle of Liberty Place have been targeted for removal; the Battle marker was unceremoniously disassembled by city firefighters in body armor early in the morning on the day observed as Confederate Memorial Day in several states; this in turn was followed by confrontations between monument guards and COMMUNISTS ("Antifa") at the Jefferson Davis and Lee Monuments; last ditch efforts to save the Beauregard monument have failed. The Courts are effectively deaf on the matter, and the NOPD has stood down and permitted vandalism and acts of violence to be carried out by the communists against our people and monuments. As I type, in a matter of hours (11 May 2017), the Jefferson Davis Monument is slated for removal. Our People there have been attacked; but the Communists were backed down on May Day. Other monuments in other Louisiana cities demographically unfavorable to our monuments are facing a similar fate. It is possible that the Louisiana legislature may pass a monument protection bill, but it is also unlikely that the communist governor of that state will sign it.

**FRONT 2: CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA**—the city council there, dominated by carpetbaggers, voted to rename Robert E. Lee Part, and to sell the equestrian statue of Lee, Virginia law to the contrary notwithstanding; it appears as of 11 May that the statue will be remaining, at least until they figure out another means of circumventing the law to have it removed.

**FRONT 3: JACKSON & MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE**—the Confederate Monument in Jackson was vandalized by Communists, and the pig-ignorant City Council of Memphis is doubling down on their efforts to remove the Nathan Bedford Forrest monument and graves of the great chieftain and his bride, Tennessee law notwithstanding.

**FRONT 4: ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI**—the monument to Missouri's Confederate Dead standing in Forest Park in St. Louis has been the focus of a wrongheaded study by the city's rulers; they have decided that the most cost-effective means of removing the monument from view will be to bury it in place; they fully intend to LITERALLY BURY PART OF MISSOURI'S HISTORY. And, not to be outdone, a local hipster brewer flippantly offered to bring a crew of his workers over to demolish it with sledge hammers. Commander's Comments (continued from page 1)

The annual Confederate Memorial Day Service at the Magnolia Cemetery was the largest and best attended yet with over 100 in attendance to include several from the Confederate Mechanized Calvary who acted as security. Our guest speaker from the Carolina Low Country Mrs. Betty Jane Miller gave a rousing talk which certainly fired many of us up to continue the fight for our Cause. We were very fortunate to have this 80 year old "Southern Belle" from the old South to educate us on the past, present and future of our fight with the crazy P.C. crowd. We had three cannons and over fourteen in the honor guard to give the black powder salutes. Ron Udell, David Armor, Joe Winstead and Bobby Snyder are to be commended for putting on the best display of military precision we have ever witnessed. Gail Smith, Marie Powell, Barbara Stohrs, and Diane Grigsby were outstanding dressed as Confederate widows while they laid wreaths at the General's walk and the Confederate Dead Section. We had over nine camp members help clean up the cemetery two days before including Joe Winstead, Gary Hattaway, Mike McCann, Paul Stampley, Tommy Chappell, Tommy Smith, Bill Stohrs, Ben Faulkner, and Emma Givens. Nick Posey was very busy behind the scenes organizing the event and even our Division Surgeon General Dr. William Thomas arrived early to help set up. Joe Winstead and Carroll Nettles were instrumental in getting the 400 flags in position and setting up the speaker's stand. I talked to all of the over seven camp and brigade commanders there, and they all felt the service was one of the best they had attended put on by a camp. This could only have happened with the help of over 40 personnel from many local camps in the CSRA as well as our camp. Thanks to all of you for a job well done.

The Hephzibah Memorial Service was also well attended with over 40 attendees. Many were in period dress to include Roger Combs and his family and friends from Rayle, Georgia and David Armour with his cannon towed all the way from the Washington, Ga. area. The speaker was Gary Hill from the Waynesboro Camp who gave an interesting talk on a Confederate hero Jack Hanson who killed over 100 Yankees during the War as a sharpshooter. Emma Givens worked hard in putting the event together. Again, the honor guard was superb and we all enjoyed sitting around afterwards socializing while we drank R.C. Colas and ate moon pies - favorites of our dearly departed compatriot John Givens who is buried in the Hephzibah Cemetery. Again, thanks for all that helped to make this service a success.

Our May meeting at Sconyer's on the 11th will feature Compatriot "Tex" Ritter from Aiken, S.C. who will talk about his experiences in Vietnam as a fighter pilot. He served four tours in "Nam" and is highly decorated. We will make this veteran's night, so wear your gear and prepare for our fight to save the South. Hope to see you there –

Commander "Doc John" Baxley.



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FRONT 5: VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN MARYLAND—Every Confederate monument within the D.C. and Baltimore areas should be considered endangered; one Maryland official attempted to sell one of these monuments on, of all things, Craigslist.

FRONT 6: ORLANDO, FLORIDA—"locals" (read carpetbagger and foreign re-settlers) are petitioning for the removal of the Lake Eola monument.

FRONT 7: BILOXI—the absurd mayor of the town in which Beauvoir happens to be located unilaterally took it upon himself to have the Mississippi State flag hauled down from city properties, citing a desire to not hamper "tourist revenue".

FRONT 8: THE LYING, ALIEN PRESS—the Carolina's observed Confederate Memorial Day on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May; in Columbia, the "local" rag opined "Confederate Memorial Day; why is this even a thing?"; the underscores the fact that most of the news outlets located in our states are in fact owned and staffed by people who are alien to our regional identity, who have no respect for either us or our traditions.

FRONT 9: DEMOPOLIS, ALABAMA—a damaged Confederate Monument will not be repaired, per the decision of the city "government."

FRONT 10: THE DEGENERATE CONDITION OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS IN OUR STATES—as exemplified by events in Louisiana, multiple officials were in positions that could have protected the monuments, and chose for safe expediency not to. We are, broadly speaking, ruled by pathetic weaklings fully willing to aid and abet their own extinction.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday May 13th our camp honor guard with put on a headstone dedication of a Confederate Veteran buried at the First Baptist Church of Blythe, Georgia cemetery. The event starts at 6:00 p.m. and features Division Commander Scott Gilbert as guest speaker and black powder salutes for the ancestor of Division Surgeon General Dr. Bill Thomas.

The 120<sup>th</sup> Georgia Division Reunion will be held June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at the Macon Marriot City Center in Macon, which is located at 240 Coliseum Drive, hosted by the Brig. Gen. Edward Dorr Tracy Jr. Camp #18. Additional information is available at http://gascv.org/division-reunion/

## SCENES FROM THE 'BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS" APRIL/MAY 2017



Our People at the Liberty Place Monument before removal.



Arlene Barnum participating in the defense of the Jefferson Davis Monument.



New Orleans firefighters in masks, body armor and helmets taking down the Liberty Place Monument.

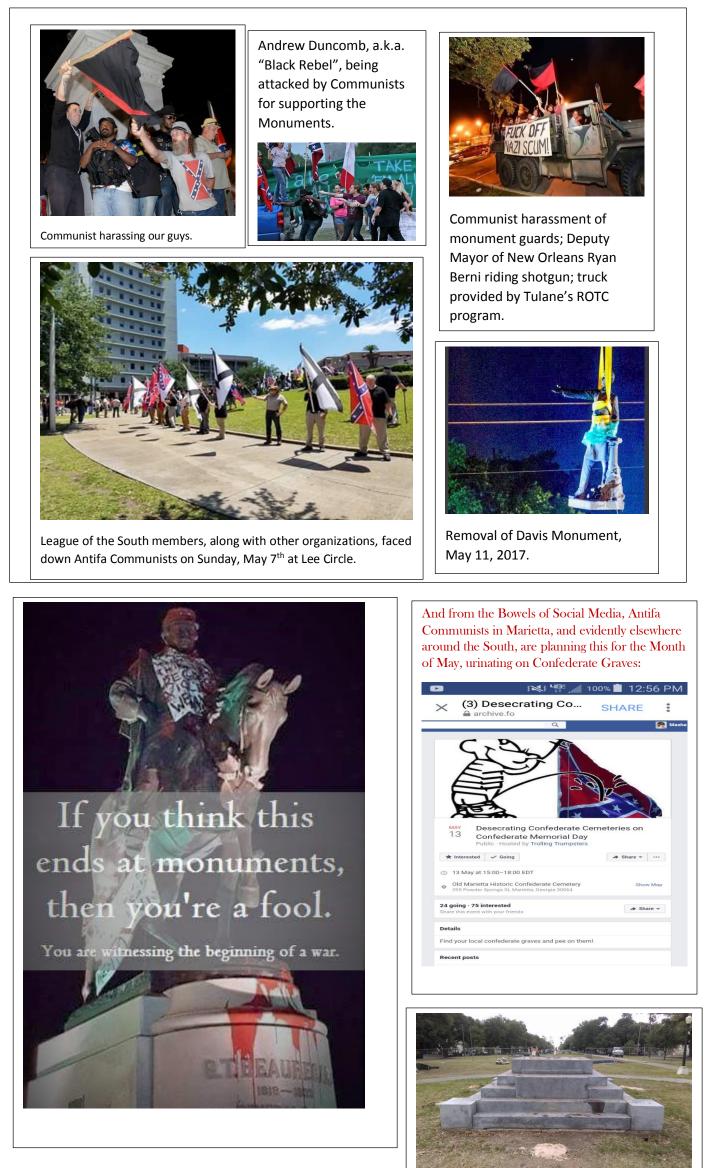


Vigil at the Davis Monument.



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The empty pedestal, after the removal of the Davis Monument; May 11, 2017.

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