



# WIG-WAG

News for members families and friends of  
BG E. Porter Alexander Camp 158, SCV, Augusta, GA



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JUNE, 2018

## COMMANDER'S NOTES

### Brother Compatriots,

Even though our camp was busy this past month, it didn't seem as hectic as April with all the Georgia Confederate Memorial Day events that month. The camp honor guard represented by Major **Ron Udell**, **Tommy Chappell** and **Ben Creech** did have a busy day on May 12th helping three South Carolina camps celebrate Confederate History month. Our three compatriots fired black powder at three events in one day starting in St. George's, S.C. in the Low Country. Later that Saturday morning the honor guard drove to Orangeburg, S.C. for a noon day event as well as a BBQ lunch. Finally at 4:00 p.m. the same day, our three compatriots performed at the courthouse square in Barnwell, S.C. where our good friend **Mrs. Betty Jane Miller** was the keynote speaker. Thanks to our hard working members for their support of the Cause in honoring our Confederate ancestors.

Professor Paul Graham of Shotwell Publishing Company gave us an informative and humorous talk on his new book, "*Confederaphobia*." He gave us some good advice on how to handle the P.C. crowd and "snowflakes" when they are confronted with Confederate emblems and speech. His best advice was that this is their problem and not ours, as we are only speaking the truth and exercising our constitutional rights when talking about our southern heritage. If anything, they are acting in a prejudiced and bigoted fashion when trying to shut us down in exercising our free speech rights.

The cemetery crew did a wonderful job cleaning almost four hundred Confederate graves at the Augusta Magnolia Cemetery on the 22nd of May. **Gary Hattaway** and his grandson **Jackson, Mike McCann, Paul Stampley, Carl Mixon, Tommy Chappell, Tommy Smith, Tom McCauley, and Bill Stohrs** were very helpful in getting the job done in less than two hours and just in time to miss the rain drops. It was great having the Confederate Dead and Survivor Sections look so good for Memorial Day weekend. We were able to spend some time with Gary's grandson from Chattanooga, Tennessee and help him understand the true story of the War Of Northern Aggression. It's never too late to educate or recruit. Thanks "Old Man's Crew" for a job well done.

Our next camp meeting is Thursday June the 14th at Sconyer's BBQ. Our speaker will be Pastor **Paul Noe** of Sweetwater Baptist Church in North Augusta. He will be talking on the Christian walk of General Robert E. Lee. Please come on out for an evening of great southern fellowship, good food, and an inspiring talk by Pastor Paul. This will be our last camp meeting until August as we have no meeting in July with Sconyer's closed. It would be nice to have a big turn out for Pastor Noe and his family.

Have a Great Dixie Day! Commander "Doc John" Baxley.

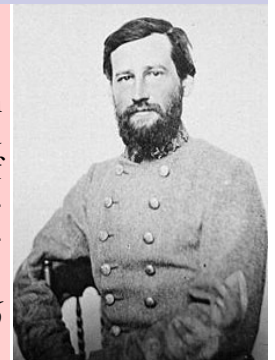
**Deo Vindici,**

*Dr. John Baxley, Commander*

### Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

"To you, sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought; to your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate Soldiers good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations."

*Lt. General Stephen D. Lee, 1906*



**EDITOR'S NOTES****Brother Southern Compatriots,**

Our Camp meeting in May was privileged to have as our guest speaker Paul C. Graham. Mr. Graham is a native of Columbia, SC and holds a Masters Degree in Philosophy from the University of South Carolina. He is past President of the South Carolina

Masonic Research and the former Editor of *The Palmetto Partisan*, the official journal of the SC Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

He gave us a discussion and excerpts from his latest book, "CONFEDERAPHOBIA!". I read his book—cover to cover—in two evenings and must say I was entertained, engrossed and enlightened throughout the entire read. It is both entertaining and thought provoking, in an easy to follow fashion. I highly recommend buying and reading this book, and I've included a brief review on page 6 of this issue.

In previous issues of the Wig Wag, I included tips about how YOU may help YOUR Camp to grow and thrive. Here are three more easy ones;

7. When you visit our Camp meeting, be upbeat, positive and warm.
8. Talk about other Compatriots in a positive way.
9. Both talk and listen.

Last, but not least, invite an absentee member to our next Camp meeting—offer them a ride if necessary.

*Deo Vindici,*

*Bob Green, Editor*

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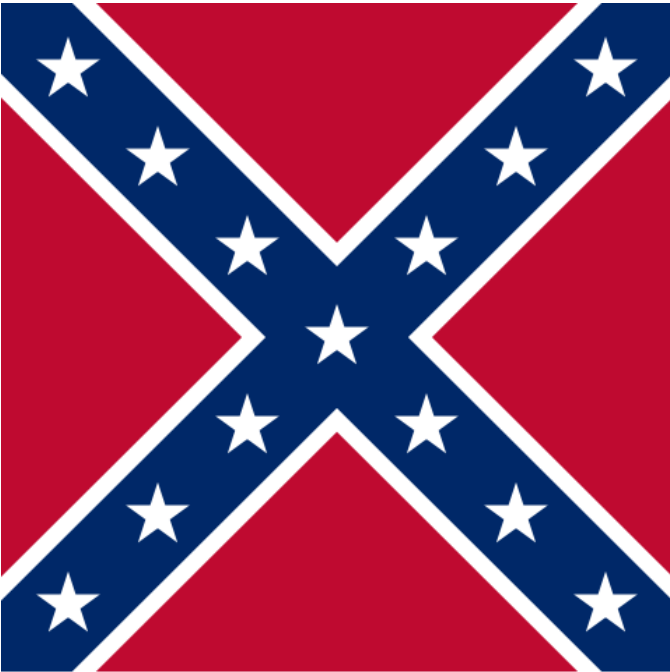
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### Salute to the Confederate Flag

"I salute the Confederate flag with affection, reverence, and undying devotion to the cause for which it stands."

One of the first acts of the Provisional Confederate Congress was to create the *Committee on the Flag and Seal*, chaired by William P. Miles, a congressman from South Carolina. The committee asked the public to submit thoughts and ideas on the topic and was, "overwhelmed by requests not to abandon the "old flag" of the United States." Given the popular support for a flag similar to the U.S. flag, the "Stars and Bars" design was approved by the committee.<sup>[16]</sup>

When the WBTS broke out, the "Stars and Bars" caused confusion on the battlefield at the First Battle of Bull Run because of its similarity to the U.S. flag, especially when it was hanging limp, down on the flagstaff.<sup>[17]</sup> The "Stars and Bars" was also criticized on ideological grounds for its resemblance to the U.S. flag.

As early as April 1861, a month after the flag's adoption, some were already criticizing the flag, calling it a "servile imitation" and a "detested parody" of the U.S. flag.<sup>[1]</sup> In January 1862, George Bagby, writing for the *Southern Literary Messenger*, wrote that many Confederates disliked the flag. "Every body wants a new Confederate flag," Bagby wrote. It resembles the Yankee flag and that is enough to make it unutterably detestable."

The editor of the *Charleston Mercury* expressed a similar view, stating that, "It seems to be generally agreed that the 'Stars and Bars' will never do for us. They resemble too closely the dishonored 'Flag of Yankee Doodle' ... we imagine that the 'Battle Flag' will become the Southern Flag by popular acclaim."

In addition, William Thompson, the editor of the Savannah-based *Daily Morning News* also objected to the flag, due to its aesthetic similarity to the U.S. flag. Over the course of the flag's use by the Confederacy, additional stars were added to the flag's canton, eventually bringing the total number of stars on the flag to thirteen. The first showing of the 13-star flag was outside the Ben Johnson House in Bardstown, Kentucky; the 13-star design was also in use as the Confederate navy's battle ensign.

- Condensed from material posted on Wikipedia.

### Statement of Purpose

We, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, having been commissioned by the Confederate Veterans themselves, retain our responsibility and right to adhere to the founding principles of the United States of America remembering the bravery, defending the honor and protecting the memory of our beloved Confederate Veterans, which includes their memorials, images, symbols, monuments and grave sites for ourselves and future generations.

### MEA CULPA's & ERRATA

Last month, in my article on E. Porter Alexander, I committed an unforgivable error for an editor. I neglected to credit my sources for that material. Most of the information was gleaned and condensed from the online source, Wikipedia.

- RRQ



**"Blacks were not enslaved because they were black but because they were available. Slavery has existed in the world for thousands of years. Whites enslaved other whites in Europe for centuries before the first black was brought to the Western hemisphere. Asians enslaved Europeans. Asians enslaved other Asians. Africans enslaved other Africans, and indeed even today in North Africa, blacks continue to enslave blacks."**

~ THOMAS SOWELL

**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

**10 June Timothy McCauley, III**

**16 June Jacob Cook**

**22 June Dr. Arnold Huskins**

If your Birthday is not listed here, you must inform the Editor at dixiebas@yahoo.com, or 706-831-1579

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

**11 June Henry & Margie Gilmer**

**20 June John & Jean Baxley**

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**121<sup>th</sup> GEORGIA DIVISION REUNION**

**JUNE 8 & 9, 2018**

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**AGENDA:**

FRIDAY, JUNE 8th

PREREGISTRATION: at the Magnolia Room 1-6 PM

DINNER: 6-9 PM at the Magnolia Room

ENTERTAINMENT: Provided by the DIXIE JUBILEE

SATURDAY, JUNE 9th

REGISTRATION: 7-9 AM at the Centraplex Business Center

SATURDAY: Lunch & Award Presentations

**SICK-CALL & PRAYER LIST**

**Fred Bussey**

**Jacob Cook**

**Ben Creech's wife Belinda**

**Bob Green**

**Mike Milford's G-Daughter Reagan**

**Ron Udell**

**Roy Williams**

**Jeff Young's Mother**

**THINK ABOUT THIS!**

A thief broke into the local police station and stole all the toilets and urinals, leaving no clues. A police spokesperson was quoted as saying, "We have absolutely nothing to go on."

I was always taught to respect my elders, but it keeps getting harder to find one.

**OUR LIFE MEMBERS**

**Thank them!**

**David Armour**

**Dr. John Baxley**

**Lonnie Bergeron, Jr.**

**Kenneth Besecker**

**Fred Bryant**

**Gregory Bussey**

**Fred Bussey, Sr.**

**Bobby Crawley**

**Pat Estep**

**Ben Faulkner**

**Henry Gilmen**

**James Hair**

**Carlton Hardin**

**Richard Herron**

**Dr. Arnold Huskins**

**Matthew Posey**

**Nicholas Posey**

**William Quattlebaum**

**Roy Stampley**

**Philip Weaver**

## Pat Buchanan says hatred of the South is hatred of America.

Here is what Pat had to say in his defense of Dixie, which was written in 2011:

“This was a recognition of American terrorists.” That is CNN’s Roland Martin’s summary judgment of the 258,000 men and boys who fell fighting for the Confederacy in a war that cost as many American lives as World Wars I and II, Korea, Vietnam and Iraq combined. So loud was the howling that in 24 hours McDonnell had backpedaled and issued an apology that he had not mentioned slavery. Unfortunately, the governor missed a teaching moment.

Slavery was indeed evil, but it existed in the Americas a century before the oldest of our founding fathers was even born. Five of our first seven presidents were slaveholders.

But Virginia did not secede in defense of slavery. Indeed, when Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated, Virginia was still in the Union. Only South Carolina, Georgia and the five Gulf states had seceded and created the Confederate States of America.

At the firing on Fort Sumter in 1861, Virginia was still in the Union. Indeed, there were more slave states in the Union than in the Confederacy. But, on April 15, Lincoln issued a call for 75,000 volunteers from the state militias to march south and crush the new Confederacy. Two days later, **Virginia seceded rather than provide soldiers or militia to participate in a war on their brethren. North Carolina, Tennessee and Arkansas followed Virginia out over the same issue. They would not be a party to a war on their kinfolk.**

Slavery was not the cause of this war. Secession was—that and Lincoln’s determination to drown the nation in blood if necessary to make the Union whole again. Nor did Lincoln ever deny it.

**In his first inaugural, Lincoln sought to appease the states that had seceded by endorsing a constitutional amendment to make slavery permanent in the 15 states where it then existed. He even offered to help the Southern states run down fugitive slaves.**

In 1862, Lincoln wrote Horace Greeley that if he could restore the Union without freeing one slave he would do it. The Emancipation Proclamation of 1863 freed only those slaves Lincoln had no power to free—those under Confederate rule. As for slaves in the Union states of Delaware, Maryland, Kentucky and Missouri, they remained the property of their owners.

As for “terrorists,” no army fought more honorably than Robert E. Lee’s Army of Northern Virginia. Few deny that. The true terrorist in that war was William Tecumseh Sherman, who violated all the known rules

of war by looting, burning and pillaging on his infamous March to the Sea.

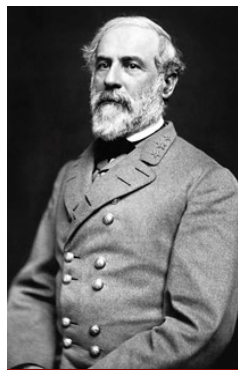
What of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, at whose request McDonnell issued his proclamation? What racist deeds have they perpetrated of late?

They tend the graves of Confederate dead and place flags on Memorial Day. They contributed to the restoration of the home of Jefferson Davis, damaged by Hurricane Katrina. They publish the Confederate Veteran, a magazine that relates stories of the ancestors they love to remember. They join environmentalists in fighting to preserve Civil War battlefields. They do reenactments of Civil War battles with men and boys whose ancestors fought for the Union. And they defend the monuments to their ancestors and the flag under which they fought.

Why are they vilified? Because they are Southern white Christian men—none of whom defends slavery, but all of whom are defiantly proud of the South, its ancient faith and their forefathers who fell in the Lost Cause.

The Southern states believed they had the same right to rid themselves of a government to which they no longer felt allegiance as did Washington, Jefferson and Madison, all slave-owners, who could no longer give loyalty to the King of England.

Consider closely this latest skirmish in a culture war that may yet make an end to any idea of nationhood, and you will see whence the real hate is coming. It is not from the Sons of Confederate Veterans.



I am rejoiced that slavery is abolished. I believe it will be greatly for the interests of the South. So fully am I satisfied of this, as regards Virginia especially, that I would cheerfully have lost all I have lost by the war, and have suffered all I have suffered, to have this object attained.

### YOU PROBABLY DIDN'T KNOW THAT...

The average life span of a major league baseball is 7 pitches.

A duck's quack doesn't echo—and no one knows why.

Snails can sleep for 3 years without eating.

Months that begin on a Sunday will always have a "Friday the 13th."

**CONFEDERAPHOBIA!** By Paul C. Graham  
(A brief book review)

*“Confederaphobia is characterized by an irrational and pathological hatred and fear of all things Confederate—flags, monuments, graves, portraits, trinkets, stickers, etc.—anything that could be associated, even tenuously, with the late Confederate States of America, including the region from which it sprang, and those people and groups of people who are native or sympathetic to this region.”*

Throughout the book, Mr. Graham gives examples of the misinformation and outright lies propagated by the media and other sources and “hate groups” that are out to destroy everything Southern in the world. Then, piece by piece, he tears the misinformation and outright lies to shreds by simply revealing the truth.

The **misrepresentation**: At the Indiana University-Bloomington, a tweet went out that a man wearing white robes had been walking around campus and he was carrying a whip. The **truth**: There was no Klansman there. The man was a Dominican Monk in their traditional white Robe, with a Rosary!

The **misrepresentation**: At Bowling Green State University, yet another Klan sighting! They were inside—apparently having a Klan Rally in one of the University’s laboratories. The **truth**: University President Mary Ellen Mazey replied, “Thanks for sharing, #autumnpatrice. We looked into this. We discovered it’s a cover on a piece of lab equipment...”

For 150 years Confederate monuments and other memorials dotted the American landscape. Few people objected. After all, a third of the American people are descended from Confederate soldiers and Congress has officially and legally declared Confederates to be “American veterans.” That time has passed.

There is an epidemic of hate and fear sweeping the land; a wave of hostility and intolerance that shows no sign of slowing or stopping; its fury is directed at Southern symbols—in fact everything Southern now appears to be a target. Paul C. Graham has courageously examined this case of mass hysteria; a condition he has aptly dubbed “*Confederaphobia*.”

“It’s one thing,” writes Graham, “to acknowledge that the meaning of symbols is one of perspective. It’s quite another thing to have the meaning dictated by ideologues who are not participants in the cultural tradition. Southern symbols mean to the Southerner *exactly what they say that they do, and* speak for those people for whom Southern identity is a *living reality*.”

Southern people are growing weary of the ongoing demonization; of being bullied and harassed; and have begun to realize that *Confederaphobia* is not a matter of monuments, but a campaign to expunge their history, culture and identity.

If you are a self-identified Southerner, you are a potential target! It’s not too late to inoculate yourself from the dangerous effects of this disease, but this is only possible if you recognize the problem.

The problem is not Confederate flags, monuments, markers, belt-buckles, stickers, do-dads, knick-knacks, what-nots, or even the *Dukes of Hazzard re-runs—the problem is **Confederaphobia!***

To get a copy of this—and other great books about the real South—go to [shotwellpublishing.com](http://shotwellpublishing.com).

The above is partly taken from a synopsis of the book on the Shotwell publishing web page.



### Jedediah Hotchkiss

(11/30, 1828 – 01/17, 1899), also known as **Jed**, was an educator and the most famous topographer of the American Civil War. His detailed and accurate maps of the Shenandoah Valley are credited by many as a principal factor in Confederate General Stonewall Jackson's victories in the Valley Campaign of 1862.

In 1861, after the start of the Civil War, Hotchkiss offered his services as a mapmaker to Brig. Gen. Richard B. Garnett, whose Confederate brigade was operating in western Virginia. Hotchkiss served at Rich Mountain and created maps for General Robert E. Lee's planned campaign in the mountains. He took a brief medical leave after being stricken with typhoid fever, but returned to duty in March 1862 as a captain and chief topographical engineer of the Valley District, reporting to Maj. Gen. Stonewall Jackson.

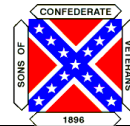
Captain Hotchkiss served under Jackson for the rest of the general's life. Producing large volumes of accurate, detailed, and even beautiful maps, he also aided the general by personally directing troop movements across the terrain with which he had become so familiar. Jackson's reputation for lightning movements and surprise attacks, befuddling his enemies, owes much to Hotchkiss's cartography.

In May of 1863, Hotchkiss discovered the route that Jackson took in his famous flanking march against the Union army. That night, Jackson was mortally wounded and died less than two weeks later.

After his general's death, Hotchkiss continued to be assigned to the staff of the Corps commanders but he was frequently called upon to work directly for General Robert E. Lee at the headquarters of the Army of Northern Virginia.



# JUNE 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Battle of Cold Harbor	2 Confederate Constitution Display, Richard Russell Library, Athens, GA
3 Pres. Jefferson Davis born.	4 Camp 1245 Meeting, 6:30 pm, Aiken Co. Historical Museum	5	6	7	8 Georgia Division Reunion	9 Georgia Division Reunion
10	11 Georgia Confederates Youth Camp	12 Georgia Confederates Youth Camp	13 Georgia Confederates Youth Camp	14 Camp 158 Meeting 7:00 pm Sconyers BBQ Georgia Confederates Youth Camp Flag Day	15 Georgia Confederates Youth Camp	16 Georgia Confederates Youth Camp
17 Sam Davis Youth Camp, Thaxton, VA Fathers Day	18 Sam Davis Youth Camp, Thaxton, VA	19 Sam Davis Youth Camp, Thaxton, VA	20 Sam Davis Youth Camp, Thaxton, VA	21 Sam Davis Youth Camp, Thaxton, VA Camp 1672 Meeting, 7:00 pm, North Augusta	22 Sam Davis Youth Camp, Thaxton, VA	23 Sam Davis Youth Camp, Thaxton, VA
24	25	26 BG Victor Girardey born, buried in Magnolia Cemetery	27	28	29	30



# JULY 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Battle of Gettysburg begins	2 Robert Toombs born	3 Pickets charge at Gettysburg	4 <b>Independence Day</b>	5 155th Gettysburg National Battle Reenactment	6 155th Gettysburg National Battle Reenactment	7 155th Gettysburg National Battle Reenactment
8 155th Gettysburg National Battle Reenactment	9	10	11	12 <b>Camp 158 NO Meeting</b>	13 LtGen Nathan Bedford Forrest born	14
15	16	17	18 SCV National Reunion, Franklin, TN	19 SCV National Reunion, Franklin, TN	20 SCV National Reunion, Franklin, TN	21 SCV National Reunion, Franklin, TN  First battle of Bull Run begins.
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 MG George Pickett died.	31				