



WIG-WAG

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



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November, 2018

COMMANDER'S NOTES

Brother Compatriots,

The Alexander Camp remained busy the month of October with the cemetery work crew cleaning the Magnolia Cemetery twice during the month and several compatriot's involved in Halloween reenactments. **Ron Udell, Gary Hattaway, Bill Stohrs, Tom McCauley, Carl Mixon, Paul Stampley, and Terry Bower** all worked hard to make the Confederate section of the cemetery the best kept part of the 60 acre cemetery. Thanks to the "Old Man's Crew" for a job well done.

On the evening of October 20th several of our compatriots to include **Lee Herron, Ron Udell, Ben Creech, and Tommy Chappell** participated in a spooky Halloween night reenactment of the Battle of Aiken at the General Gary mansion in Edgefield, South Carolina. **Eddie Rogers** from the Wheeler Camp pitched in as General Wade Hampton.

On October 12th **Eddie Rogers** and I helped with the haunted house celebration at the Aiken County Museum. We reenacted surgery at the Battle of Aiken amputating limbs from wounded Yankee cavalry officers. Blood was flying all over as over 120 folks in the audience screamed and ran for cover.

Our camp was also involved in a gravestone dedication at the Smyrna Baptist Church near Springfield, South Carolina sponsored by the General Hampton Camp in Columbia. It was a surreal experience to see a black church half filled with polite elderly black church members and half filled with Confederate compatriots in uniform to honor a black slave lady who volunteered to enlist in Company A 1st S.C. Regt. of Reserves as a cook and nurse for the last two years of the War. **Mrs. Lavinia Thompson** was the only black Confederate female to receive a pension from the State of S.C. after the War.

Our speaker for the November 8th camp meeting at Sconyer's BBQ will be **Michael K. Shaffer** who is coming all the way from the Atlanta area to give us a talk on his new book concerning the WBTS. He is a professor at Kennesaw State University and well published author on the true history of the War for Southern Independence.

We also need to put in nominations our camp officers for the next two years. So far the following compatriots have stepped forward to serve. **Paul Stampley** (Lt. Commander), **David Armour** (2nd Lt. Commander), **Carl Mixon** (Adjutant and Treasurer), **Tom McCauley** (Capt. of the cemetery crew), **Ben Creech** (Chaplin), **Joe Winstead** (Quartermaster), **Brian Weber** (Sgt. of Arms), **Bob Green** (Editor of Wig Wag), **Terry Brower** (Web Master), and **Dr. Ed Johnson** (Camp Surgeon). With no one stepping forward to serve as Commander, I may have to stay on and serve two more years. Anyone else wishing to serve should be present at the important November meeting to make their desires known. Thanks' for all your help and Have A Great Dixie Day! Commander Doc John Baxley.

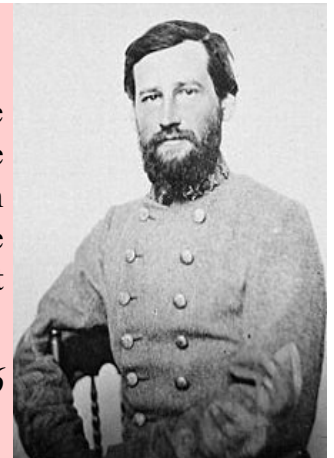
Deo Vindici,

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 Compatriots,**

I've noticed at the beginning of our Camp meetings, we recite pledges to a few flags. I've also noticed that several compatriots are having to read the pledges. Let's challenge ourselves for the next meeting (Nov 8) to memorize one more pledge. Last month was the Christian Flag. For November lets all know the Cowpens Flag: *"I pledge allegiance to the Constitution of the United States of America and salute this battle flag of that republic."*

Born in spirit of liberty, freedom and independence, the emblem of a nation of sovereign states, under God, in whom is our trust."

On another topic, I've discovered that the Sick Call & Prayer List was out of date. Please, if you know someone who needs to be added to this list, let me know, and especially let me know if a Compatriot has passed away. That information should definitely be included in the WigWag. On previous subject, I have included tips about how **YOU** may help **YOUR** Camp to grow and thrive. Here are three more easy ones;

19. Offer to clean the Camp's storage facility or update the inventory.
20. Offer to car-pool with others when possible.
21. Offer to help the Wig Wag editor with whatever you can do.

Deo Vindici,

Bob Green, Editor

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9 Nov Bill Storrs
10 Nov Tommy Chappell
16 Nov Lee Herron
18 Nov John Harris
27 Nov Dr. John Baxley

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

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

06 Nov Thomas & Patricia McCauley
28 Nov Ben & Belinda Creech, Jr.

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

SING AND PLAY DIXIE WITH PRIDE

In the 1995 movie, Braveheart—after his fathers death—William Wallace is taken to the "highlands" by his uncle. It is in the highlands that he hears a haunting song being played and ask his uncle what he is hearing. The Uncles reply, "They are playing outlawed tunes on outlawed pipes."

Over the past year, our detractors have tried to erase the memory of our Confederate ancestors. We must continue to adhere to the S. D. Lee charge and preserve the true history of the South even if we are driven to the highlands.

Wallace's uncle then points to his head and says, you must learn to use this before you use this as he points to the sword. Before we engage the "enemy", we must educate ourselves and use facts and smart tactics to take back the hearts and minds of men and women.

• *By Eddy Cresap in SCV Facebook Group*

SICK-CALL & PRAYER LIST

Fred Bryant
Fred Bussey
Jacob Cook
Ben Creech's wife Belinda
Mike Milford's G-Daughter Reagan
Ron Udell
Joe Winstead
Roy Stampley

OUR LIFE MEMBERS

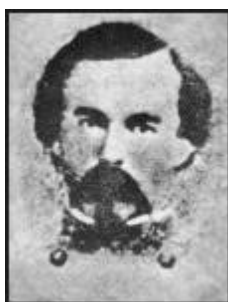
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James Hair
Carlton Hardin
Richard Herron
Dr. Arnold Huskins
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Matthew Posey
Nicholas Posey
William Quattlebaum
Paul Stampley
Roy Stampley, Jr.
Philip Weaver



Thomas McCauley and Paul Stampley

New Georgia Division Life Members **Paul Stampley** and **Tom McCauley** receive their Certificates as Life Members at our October meeting.

Congratulations Compatriots and thank you for your dedication to The Charge.



William Duncan Smith

(July 28, 1825 – October 4, 1862) was a career United States Army officer who fought in the Mexican–American War. Later he served as a Confederate general during the American Civil War, and he died in the second year of the war from the disease yellow fever.

Smith was born in Augusta, Georgia, in 1825. He entered the United States Military Academy in West Point in July 1842, and graduated four years later, standing 35th out of 59 cadets. He was appointed a brevet second lieutenant in the 2nd U.S. Dragoons, and was promoted to second lieutenant on August 18, 1847.^[1] Smith served during the Mexican–American War, and was wounded in the Battle of Molino del Rey on September 8, 1847, one of the conflict's bloodiest engagements. After the war with Mexico ended he was promoted to first lieutenant on August 18, 1851. His final promotion in the U.S. Army came on June 4, 1858, to the rank of captain.^[1] He was in Europe on a leave of absence from the Army from 1859 to 1861.^[2]

Choosing to follow his home state and the Confederate cause, Smith resigned his U.S. commission on January 28, 1861. He entered service in the Confederate States Army on March 16 as a captain in the cavalry, but transferred to the infantry that same day, also with a promotion to major. Shortly afterward he was assigned to the 1st Georgia Regular Infantry Regiment.^[1]

Smith was made the Assistant Adjutant General of the Defenses of Savannah, Georgia on June 25. He was promoted to colonel on July 14 and given command of the 20th Georgia Infantry. On March 7, 1862 he was confirmed a brigadier general and assigned to the 1st Brigade of the Confederate District of Georgia in the Department of South Carolina & Georgia from April 30 to July 8. During this period he led one of the wings of Brig. Gen. "Shanks" Evans's army that won the Battle of James Island (Battle of Secessionville).^[2] He was then given command of the First Subdistrict of the District of South Carolina (same department) until his death on October 4.^[1]

Smith died of yellow fever on duty in Charleston, South Carolina. His body was brought back to his home town, and he was buried in Augusta's **Magnolia Cemetery**.^[1]

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The above Biography is condensed from material onlind at Wikipedia.

October Guide to Media Coverage

- 10/01 Vandals paint "RAPE!" on GOP Headquarters
- 10/02 Jordan Hunt roundhouse kicks Pro-Life Woman
- 10/02 Rep Andy Harris is assaulted in his office by pro-cannabis group
- 10/05 Trump, Mattis and another sent Ricin in mail
- 10/05 Protesters chase & harass Sen. Graham to his car
- 10/06 Protesters accost elderly Trump supporter
- 10/08 Antifa harasses old man in Portland, attacking his car
- 10/10 Susan Rices' son assaulted at pro-Kavanaugh event
- 10/11 Truck with "Trump 2020" sticker set on fire
- 10/12 Manhattan Metro Club vandalized
- 10/13 Republican Campaign Canvasser chased and assaulted
- 10/15 MN Republican candidate assaulted in restaurant
- 10/16 2 MN GOP Candidates attacked & punched
- 10/16 Trump supporter attacked by comedian at Hooters
- 10/16 Ricin sent to Senator Collins home
- 10/17 Republican Campaign Manager assaulted by Democrat

MSM coverage—zero, nada, none!

Fake Pipe Bombs Sent to Democrats

MSM coverage—Outrage, and day after day of live coverage!

REST IN PEACE



James Neal Brunson, Sr.: Compatriot Neal, 76, of Hephzibah entered into rest on Sunday, September 23, 2018 at the Keysville Nursing Home. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, September 29, 2018 in the Chapel of The Potet Funeral Home. Interment followed at Jackson Memorial

Park Cemetery.

A native of Dunbarton, SC, he graduated Jackson High School in 1959. He was retired as a millwright from International Paper in 2004. He was a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 158 in Augusta for the past 8 years

Survivors include his son, James Neal (Jamie) Brunson, Jr. and his fiancé, Phaedra Bennett; stepsons, Tony Hillis and Mike Hillis; a sister, Lynne Brunson (Charles) Drye.

The family received friends at The Potet Funeral Home, 3465 Peach Orchard Road, Augusta, Georgia.

In your hands, O Lord,
we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your tender
love;
deliver them now from every evil
and bid them eternal rest.

The old order has passed away:
welcome them into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or
pain,
but fullness of peace and joy
with your Son and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever.

Past Camp Commander **Ron Udell** advises that if you wish to have a Confederate Flag on, or in your casket, you must put it in writing in your Last Will and Testament. Verbal requests are not always honored or respected.

REST IN PEACE

Lonnie Barger, Jr.: Compatriot Lonnie (89) entered into rest August 7, 2018. He was the loving husband of 65 years to his wife, Mrs. Patricia Anne Goolsby Barger. Lonnie was born and raised in Augusta. He was a member of Marks Baptist Church where he served as a Sunday school teacher and Director, a church deacon and a layman spreading God's word. Lonnie was also a member of the George Walton Lodge for over 50 years, a special deputy for the Richmond County Sheriffs department for 14 years, a private investigator, bail bondsman, and a Life Member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp 158 for the past 10 years. He retired from Sears as service manager after 38 years of service.

Lonnie was a wonderful loving father and a kind understanding Papa. Family members, in addition to his wife include his children: Debbie (Stan) Scritchfield. Lisa Borseth, Kim (Ken) Culbreth, Lonnie "Jamie" Barger, III, William "Matt" (Denise) Barger, and John "Khris" (Janie) Barger; 15 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; and 11 great great grandchildren; sister Beulah Mae Adams; dear friend: Earl Holloway.

Funeral services were August 11, 2018, with Dr. Michael L. Davenport officiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest Memorial Park. The family would like to extend a special thank you to Southeast Hospice, Shannon Rucker, Wendy Andrews and the staff at Kentwood Rehabilitation.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests charitable donations be made in Lonnie's honor to the Alzheimer Dementia Association, 106 SRP Drive, Suite A, Evans, GA 30809.

“If my fellow black Americans were in school instead of rioting, they would know I was Republican and never threw a brick, attacked police or burned a single building down.”

• *Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Victor Jean Baptiste Girardey (June 26, 1837 – August 16, 1864) was a Confederate States Army officer during the WBTS. He was promoted to temporary Brigadier General, to rank from July 30, 1864, and assumed command of Ambrose R. Wright's former brigade on the Darbytown Road on the eastern end of the defenses of Richmond, Virginia.

Victor Jean Baptiste Girardey was born on June 26, 1837 at Lauw, France; and immigrated to Georgia with his family in 1842.^{[1][2]} Orphaned by the age of 16, he completed his education in New Orleans, where he married a Louisiana woman of French descent, Clotilde LeSueur.



Although historian Ezra Warner wrote that Girardey was living in Georgia at the outbreak of the War, and he was later nominated to the Confederate Senate as an Assistant Adjutant-General as from that state, his first Confederate service was as a Second Lieutenant of Louisiana Militia, then as a Second Lieutenant of the 1st Louisiana Infantry Battalion.^{[1][2][3]} He resigned from that position on October 12, 1861 and on the same day was appointed aide-de-camp to BG Albert G. Blanchard.^[1]

On June 21, 1862, Girardey became a Captain and Assistant Adjutant-General for BG Ambrose Wright's brigade.^{[1][2]} Girardey received several commendations for skill, bravery and efficiency, having fought in the Seven Days Battles, Chancellorsville and Gettysburg.^[4] He took temporary command of a regiment during the Battle of Manassas Gap when the regiment's colonel was wounded.^[4] During the Siege of Petersburg, Girardey was transferred to the divisional staff of MG William Mahone.^[5] During the Battle of the Crater, Girardey distinguished himself by his performance in organizing and timing Mahone's counterattack after the Union Army's mine exploded under the Confederate line.^[6] He led two brigades from behind the Confederate line in order to fill the gap in the line caused by the mine explosion.^[7]

On August 3, 1864, Girardey was promoted several grades from Captain to temporary BG, to rank from July 30, 1864.^{[2][7]} Historian Mark Boatner says that General Lee made the promotion in the field.^[4]

On August 16, 1864, during the Second Battle of Deep Bottom, Girardey was in command of Wright's former brigade.^[5] On that date Girardey was shot in the head and killed while directing a defense against the Union Army assault on the Confederate position near Fussell's Mill.^{[1][2][7]}

Victor Jean Baptiste Girardey is buried in **Magnolia Cemetery** at Augusta, Georgia, next to his wife.^{[1][2]}

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THINK ABOUT THIS!

Every time I hear the dirty word 'exercise', I wash my mouth out with chocolate.

I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me.

My grandpa started walking five miles a day when he was 60. Now he's 97 years old and we don't know where he is.

A Jury consists of twelve people, chosen to decide who has the best lawyer.

Light travels faster than sound, that's why some people appear bright—until they open their mouth and start talking!

SCV 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.



NOVEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 LtGen Jubal A. Early born in VA Daylight Saving Time Ends
4	5 National Donut Day!	6	7	8 Camp 158 Meeting, 1900 hrs. @ Sconyers	9 LtGen A. P. Hill born in VA	10 Major Henry Wirz is shamefully hanged
11 VETERAN'S DAY Henry Wirz Memorial Service at Andersonville	12	13	14	15 Atlanta is looted and burned. Sherman begins the infamous "March to the Sea" and his war crimes against civilians.	16	17
18 Mickey Mouse Birthday—1928	19	20	21	22 THANKS-GIVING	23	24
25	26	27 Conf. Patriot Sam Davis is hanged under the order of Union General Dodge in Giles Co, TN.	28	29	30 Gen Patrick Cleburne died in TN	



DECEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6 Pres. Jefferson Davis died Col. John Mosby born	7 Pearl Harbor Day	8
9	10 Kentucky admitted to Confederacy	11	12 Gen Jos. Shelby born Gen Stand Watie born	13 Camp 158 Meeting, 1900 hrs. @ Sconyers	14	15 Secretary Robert Toombs died National Bill of Rights Day
16 Gen Henry Heath born	17	18	19	20 So. Carolina Secedes from Union	21 BG Ambrose Wright died	22
23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26	27 National Fruitcake Day	28	29 Gen Robert E. Lee freed all slaves of the Custis estate. He personally owned none.
30	31 New Years Eve					