

# WIG-WAG

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



## JUNE, 2019

## **COMMANDER'S NOTES**



#### **Brother Compatriots**,

Despite the unusual heat wave in the month of May, our camp remained very busy the entire month, cleaning the Confederate graves twice in Magnolia Cemetery and the camp honor guard participating in four Confederate Memorial Day events in South Carolina and Georgia. I wish to especially thank Walter Cook, Carl Mixon, Gary Hattaway, Mike Milford, Crew Chief Tom McCauley, Craig Williams, Paul Stampley, Mike McCann, Bill Storrs, Barry Whitney, and the secret members of the "old man's crew" for working so hard to make the Confederate Section of the cemetery the best kept part of the sacred grounds. Compatriot Joe Winstead continues to work hard in putting the finishing touches

on the beautifully restored fountain which provides living waters for the "boys in gray" resting among the stately magnolia trees.

The honor guard was especially busy led by our past commander Major **Ron Udell** who always does a wonderful job commanding the guard. Compatriots **Tommy Chappell, Gary Hattaway, Ben Creech, Emma Givens, Bernard Martin, Blake Moore, and Eddie Rodgers, Tommy Miller** (Junior and Senior), **Roger Combs**, and **George Kissinger** all pitched in at different events to make the month of May a real memory.

The annual Hepzibah Memorial Day Service was especially moving with **Marie Powell** and **Lisa Walker** of the UDC presenting the Confederate wreath while wearing widow's weeds in memory of those who gave all for the Cause during the War of Northern Aggression. We also wish to thank **Bernard Martin** from the Waynesboro Camp for bringing his mortar to fire black powder salutes at the event **Emma Givens** organizes each year in loving memory of her dearly departed husband Compatriot **John Givens**.

The honor guard was also very supportive of the annual event at Columbia, S.C. on May 4th, the annual Orangeburg and Barnwell, S.C. events on May 11th and the annual Confederate Memorial Day Service on put on by the Aiken General Wheeler Camp the same day. Thanks to all in the camp who work so hard to further our Cause in protecting Southern Heritage. This includes those who work daily behind the scenes such as our Wig Wag editor **Bob Green** and our camp consultant **Nick Posey.** When you get a chance, thank these folks for their hard work and contribution.

Our June 13th camp meeting at Sconyer's BBQ will feature Brigade Commander **Thomas Miller** from Statesboro as our guest speaker. He will give us an important talk on the status of Confederate monuments in Georgia and should be of important interest to all local SCV camps. Local President **Kelli Spearmann** of the Augusta U.D.C. Chapter will present a special award to Compatriot **Tom McCauley** who received the Purple Heart for his actions during combat in Vietnam. Those SCV members wishing to receive this special medal should present a copy of their DD 214 discharge papers proving their service as Vietnam veterans to their local U.D.C. Chapter. This should be a special camp meeting and all veterans may wish to wear some sort of veteran's gear.

We have no meeting in July with our next summer Sconyer's BBQ event in August. Have A Great Dixie Summer!

Your humble servant,

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,

<u>Important Notes</u>: 1) Our future as a SCV Camp is closely related to our Guests and visitors. Please invite a friend or neighbor who might enjoy our programs—offer them a ride. They could be—or lead us to—our next Compatriot

applicant.

2) Please, if you know someone who needs to be added to sick or prayer list, let me know, and especially let me know if a Compatriot has passed away.

**3)** We recently elected several new Camp officers, and some of them may not be known to all of our Compatriots. In that regard, I will, over the next several months, be including personal profiles of our Camp Officers.

**4)** Consider the Ga. Division's or the SCV's Sam Davis Youth Camp for your sons, daughters, grandchildren. The Division is providing scholarships for Georgia youths. Start their education young!

On a continuing subject, I have been including tips about how **YOU** may help **YOUR** Camp grow and thrive. Here are two more;

- 38. Offer to help a member of your Camp with their dues or give a monetary gift to your Financial Secretary to be used for a member who needs some help.
- 39. Send a picture and/or an article to the WigWag

Deo Vindici, Bab Green, Editor

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#### **KNOW OUR CAMP OFFICERS:**

#### **Camp Lt Commander**

Lt Commander: As per the SCV Camp Manual; "...His authority is second only to the Commander. He presides in the absence of the Commander. Upon the resignation or death of the Commander, the Lt. Commander automatically becomes Commander for the un -expired term. He usually chairs the Programs Committee. He represents the Commander at all memorial services when the Commander is not present. The Lt. Commander is also a member of the executive council."

#### **Paul Stampley:**

Paul Stampley was born and raised in Augusta, GA., and graduated from Butler High School in 1972. He then attended Columbia Technical College where he graduated with diplomas in carpentry, building maintenance, and he trained as a fork-lift operator.

Paul was employed at the Graniteville Company for ten years. An economic slowdown caused him to be furloughed, at which time he hired on with the Richmond County Board of Education for the next twenty-nine years. He is now enjoying the retired life.

While with the Board of Education, he worked at the County athletic fields, and prepared the fields for all the baseball and football games—both the high schools and middle schools. Paul said that on Fridays, "I end up looking like the Pillsbury Dough Boy from all the chalk dust."

He now serves our Camp as the Lt. Commander and a diligent worker in the "Old Man's Crew," maintaining the grounds at the Magnolia Cemetery. He is also a Life Member of the Georgia Division of the SCV.

In his leisure time, Paul enjoys NASCAR racing and he has a large collection of baseball cards plus a newspaper article autographed by Bobby Richardson of the SC Gamecocks and the NY Yankees. He also collects coins and Racing Cards.

Paul is a member of the American Legion Post

178, and a member of St. John's United Methodist church in Augusta. He has been a member of the E. Porter Alexander Camp 158 of the SCV for the last 25 years, and a member of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion of the SCV Mechanized Cavalry.



Paul qualified for membership in the SCV through his ancestor

Sgt Robert Toombs Cullers of Company G, 15<sup>th</sup> Georgia Infantry Regiment.

[Next month will feature our Quartermaster Joe Winstead—Ed.]

#### A NOTABLE QUOTE

"As a New Englander, I recognize that the South is still the land of Washington, who made our Nation – of Jefferson, who shaped its direction – and of Robert E. Lee who, after gallant failure, urged those who had followed him in bravery to reunite America in purpose and courage."

President John F. Kennedy

#### **GA CONFEDERATES YOUTH CAMP**

Have a Son, Daughter or Grandchild between the ages of 12 and 17? Consider sending them to the **GA Confederates Youth Camp** June 23 to 28.

We are Georgia's only week long summer camp dedicated to teaching the true history of the South to young men and young ladies from ages 12-17. Throughout the week at camp, they'll hear from some of the finest speakers and historians on Southern history and culture, learn antebellum era dance, participate in both indoor and outdoor crafts and sporting events, and leave with awesome memories and some new friends.

We are in our third year and are experiencing steady growth in attendance. We are always looking to bring in new campers, so please feel free to contact us with questions.

The summer camp is similar to the Sam Davis Youth Camp which is sponsored by the national SCV but offers the opportunity for youth from Georgia to attend a Confederate youth camp at a subsidized price, without the need to travel many hundreds or thousands of miles. Tuition subsidies are provided by the GA Division, SCV.

For more information visit:

georgiaconfederatesyouthcamp.weebly.com or contact the Director Al Perry at phone: (912) 585-9144

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### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

02 Jun — Doyle Windham

10 Jun — Tom McCauley

23 Jun – Jeffery Young

25 Jun — Phillip Morgan

If your Birthday is **not** listed here, you must inform the Editor at dixiebas@yahoo.com, or 706-831-1579. The Adjutant's Roster does not list Compatriots Birthdays.

#### JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

11 Jun-Margie & Henry Gilmer

20 Jun—Jean & Dr. John Baxley

21 Jun—Linda & Charlie Roberts

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#### JUNE MEETING GUESTS

#### <u>05/09/19:</u>

David Armour brought his wife Christy.

- Dr. Baxley brought our speaker and his friend Eddy Rogers.
- Bob Green brought his grandson Dylan.
- Carl Mixon brought his wife Sandra.
- Joe Winstead brought his wife Diane.
- **Emma Givens** (*Honorary Member*) brought her friend **Marie Powell** (*Honorary Member*).

Guests and visitors are our future Compatriots. Please invite a friend or neighbor who might enjoy our programs. They could well lead us to our next member applicant.

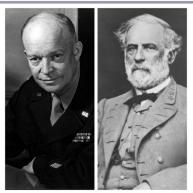
#### SICK-CALL & PRAYER LIST

Fred Bussey Jacob Cook Ben Creech's wife Belinda John Denham's wife Betty Carleton T. Hardin Mike McCann Mike Milford's G-Daughter Reagan Ron Udell

## **OUR LIFE MEMBERS**

**David Armour** John Bailie, III **Dr. John Baxley Kenneth Besecker Fred Bryant Gregory Bussey** Fred Bussey, Sr. Walter Cook **Bobby Crawley** Pat Estep **Ben Faulkner Henry Gilmer James Hair Carlton Hardin Richard L. Herron Dr. Arnold Huskins Thomas McCauley, III Matthew Posey Nicholas Posey** William Ouattlebaum **Paul Stampley** Roy Stampley, Jr. **Philip Weaver** 

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August 9, 1960

"General **Robert E.** Lee was, in my estimation, one of the supremely gifted men pro-duced by our Nation. He believed unswervingly in the Constitutional validity of his cause which until 1865 was still an arguable question in

America; he was thoughtful yet demanding of his officers and men, forbearing with captured enemies but ingenious, unrelenting and personally courageous in battle, and never disheartened by a reverse or obstacle. Through all his many trials, he remained selfless almost to a fault and unfailing in his belief in God. Taken altogether, he was noble as a leader and as a man, and unsullied as I read the pages of our history."

"From deep conviction I simply say this: a nation of men of Lee's caliber would be unconquerable in spirit and soul. Indeed, to the degree that present-day American youth will strive to emulate his rare qualities, including his devotion to this land as revealed in his painstaking efforts to help heal the nation's wounds once the bitter struggle was over, we, in our own time of danger in a divided world, will be strengthened and our love of freedom sustained."

President Dwight D. Eisenhower

## Calling all Sons and Daughters—the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Sam Davis Youth Camp

Virginia Camp: Sunday, June 17 to Saturday, June 22, at Thaxton, VA. Application deadline is June 10, 2018.

## Why should your son or daughter attend the Sam Davis Youth Camp?

In a survey conducted by the Center for Survey Research and Analysis in 2000, 65% of college seniors failed to pass a high school equivalent American history test:

- Only 23% correctly identified James Madison as the "Father of the Constitution." Yet, 98% knew that "Snoop Dog" is a rapper.
- Just over half, 52% knew that George Washington's Farewell Address warned against establishing permanent alliances with foreign governments. Yet, 99% correctly identified Beavis & Butthead.

#### What to do?

There is no question that the youth of today must run a terrible gauntlet, and that many are struck down along the way by one or more of the politically correct influences in our schools. Sometimes these youths are from the best homes, with strong families and religious training. Oftentimes in high school or college, even these best & brightest finally succumb to the liberal, politically correct view of history.

This summer, you can help turn the tide. For one week, our Southern young men and ladies (ages 12-20) will gather to hear the truths about the War for Southern Independence. This camp will combine fun and recreation with thoughtful instruction in Southern history, the War Between the States, the theology of the South during the War, lessons on Southern heroes, examples of great men of the Faith, and for the first year, programs and sessions for our Southern ladies!

This is the eighth year the SCV has offered such a wonderful event for our sons and grandsons, and the third year we offer the program for our daughters and granddaughters. We urge you to take advantage of this great opportunity. It is our responsibility to teach our Southern history and culture to the future generations.

Need more details? Interested in becoming a counselor? Please contact

Jack Marler, Director Virginia Camp <u>Marlars3@bellsouth.net</u> (864) 616-0042

#### WERE YOU AWARE?

Northern General John Fremont emancipates all slaves in Missouri in 1861.

Lincoln reinstates slavery in Missouri and fires Fremont and revoked an emancipation order issued by David Hunter in South Carolina.

Tell me again how the War Between the States was about slavery!

The last person to trust with power is someone who is dying to have it. The best person to wield power is someone who is reluctant to do so, but who will do it for a while as a civic duty.



That is why term limits should make it impossible to have a whole career in politics.

#### LIGHTEN UP A LITTLE

The first testicular guard (the cup) was used in 1874. The first helmet was used in 1974. That means it only took 100 years for men to realize their brains were important too. Alright ladies...Quit Laughing!

## A CONFEDERATE QUIZ

The "*Confederate Quiz*" is to check our Compatriots knowledge of our Heritage. This quiz is four questions about the Confederacy, or maybe another random subject regarding the South.

The *Confederate Quiz* questions are:

- 1. Which General, weighing in at 290 pounds, was "the Big Man" of the Confederacy?
- 2. What General was known as "The Fighting Bishop"?
- 3. Who said "I would sooner die a thousand deaths than betray a friend or be false to duty."
- 4. Who was a former U.S. vice-President?

Answers may be found below.

*Quiz questions and answers are taken from "The Complete Book of CONFEDERATE TRIVIA," by J. Stephen Lang.* 

## Join the Confederate Legion

Membership in the Legion supports the Southern Victory Campaign

Dues and donations are used almost exclusively for a two-thrust marketing and public relations effort which is part of the Southern Victory Campaign led by the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Objectives include:

- Rebuilding public support for the principles of liberty that America's founding fathers gave us.
- Rebuilding respect for the Confederate States of America that preferred to leave the Union rather than abandon the principles of liberty as the Northern states were doing under Leftist influences of the day.

Products, tools and services supporting the campaign are being developed by the Sons of Confederate Veterans for deployment through this website. Direct action by the SCV is one prong of the offensive. A second prong includes action by people such as yourself, acting alone or through any honorable organization, including the camps of the SCV.

We depend on God and you for the victory we seek. To join go to:

#### www.makedixiegreatagain.com/

## The Confederate Origins of Memorial Day

Many Americans paused on May 27th to honor the men and women who gave their lives in the United States armed forces. What most Americans probably don't know is that this holiday originated in the South after the War for Southern Independence. It was originally called "Decoration Day."

Don't tell the social justice warriors.

The monuments that these modern-day Leninists believe represent "white supremacy" were a byproduct of a movement that began one year after the conclusion of hostilities to remember the over two hundred thousand men who died defending the Southern fight for independence.

Not even the Yankees who faced cannon and rifle fire from these Confederate soldiers were so bold to deny Southerners their memorials. Some, in fact, joined hands at dedication ceremonies across the South. If anyone should have hated Confederate soldiers, it was these men. But they didn't.

Thousands of Union soldiers saluted their Confederate counterparts as they surrendered at Appomattox and wept with them when these Southern patriots gave up their flags. Not one Union soldier burned a Confederate flag or dragged it through the mud when the War was over. The immediate aftermath was magnanimous on both sides.

Reconstruction created tension, but in subsequent decades as the South sought to be once again an integral part of the Union, and as the vigor of youth gave way to the reflection of old age, these grey headed veterans saluted both sides and honored their dead.

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and a cabinet member.

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- General 3. Confederate spy Sam Davis, executed by the
- General Leonidas Polk, who was Episcopal bishop of Louisiana before becoming a
  - 1. General Sterling "Pap" Price

The April Confederate Quiz answers are:

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9	10	11	12	13 Camp 158 Meeting, 1900 hrs. @ Sconyers BBQ	14	15
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14	15	16	17	18	19 Antique Gun & Military Show; 1032 S. Marietta Pky., Marietta, GA	20 Antique Gun & Military Show; 1032 S. Marietta Pky., Marietta, GA
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 MG <b>George</b> <b>Pickett</b> died	31			