



WIG-WAG

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



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SEPTEMBER, 2019

COMMANDER'S NOTES



Brother Compatriots,

Despite the "dog days of summer", August was another busy month for our camp. Lt. Commander **Paul Stampley** gave an inspiring talk on his Confederate ancestors at our monthly meeting at Sconyer's which has motivated many of us to do further study on our own personal Southern Heritage. A "copperhead" guest from Hephzibah **Gary Fuller** brought some antique guns from the War of Northern Aggression and gave us an informative presentation on their manufacture and use during the War. Thanks to both speakers for helping us to have a great evening of Southern hospitality and fellowship.

The "old man's crew" cleaned Magnolia Cemetery Confederate graves twice during the month making the sections with the "Boy's in Gray" the best kept parts of the sacred grounds. Many thanks go out to Compatriots **Walter Cook, Tom McCauley, Carl**

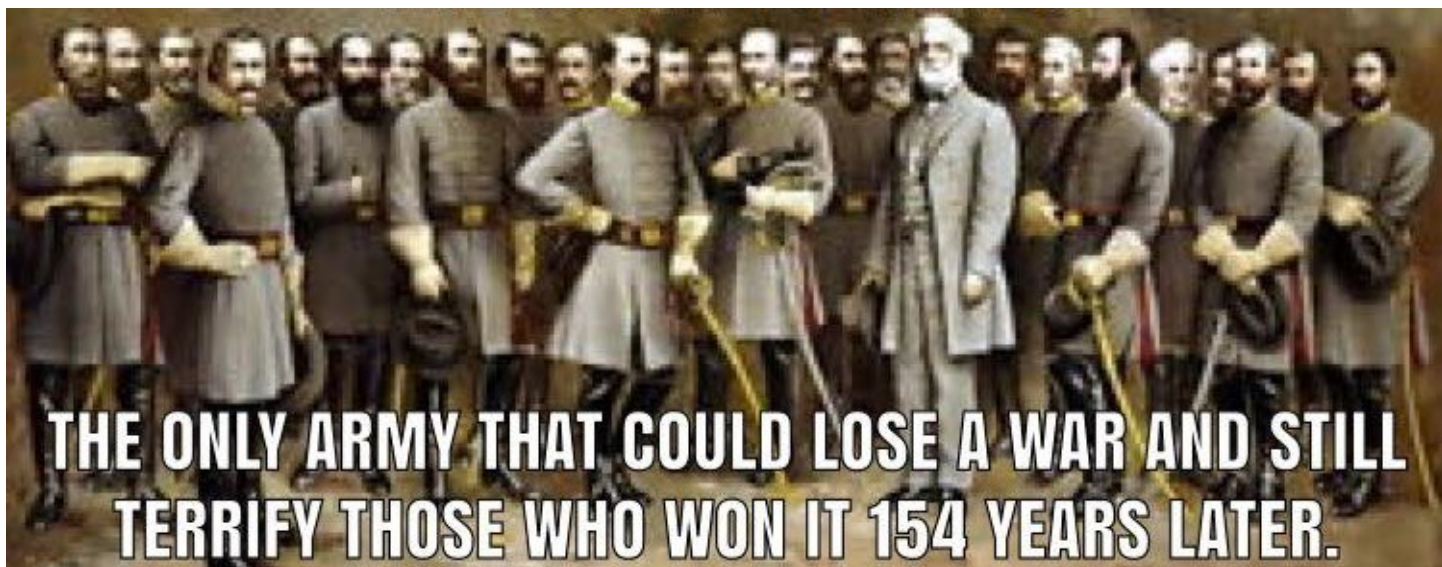
Mixon, Craig Williams, Paul Stampley, Bill Storrs, Terry Bower, Barry Whitney, Tommy Chappell, Mike Milford, and Dr. Ed Johnson for their hard work in making the "last camping ground" of our Confederate ancestors a place of beauty.

Our next camp meeting at 7:00 p.m. on September 12th at Sconyer's BBQ will feature North Augusta native and fellow Compatriot **Danny Reese** who will talk about the true history of the Hamburg, South Carolina riots in 1876 which sparked the "red shirt" movement and ended the horrible times of the oppression of Yankee Reconstruction. Danny's talk is very interesting and informative containing need to know information during these radical times.

Finally, the North Augusta Benson Camp will have their annual General Stephen Dill Lee banquet at 6:00 p.m. the evening of 21 September. They will have a catered country meal and yours truly will be the guest speaking talking about the medical aspects of General Stonewall Jackson's death. Those interested in purchasing tickets can contact their Commander Jerry Pittman at 803-279-6121 or contact their Adjutant Reed Wakeley at his email address qrwakeley@comcast.net.

Have A Great Dixie Day! We'll see you at Sconyer's September the 12th—your obedient servant Commander

Dr. John Baxley, Commander



EDITOR'S NOTES

Brother Compatriots,

Important Notes: 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. If you haven't noticed, our average age is getting older and older...

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. This month I feature **Dr. Ed Johnson**, our Camp Surgeon

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

42. Stay positive at all times.

43. Be mindful of Compatriots individual personal lives. Everyone can only give what they personally can. Accept with gratitude what you get from each member and encourage them to be happy, relax and to enjoy our brotherhood.

Deo Vindici, *Bob Green*, Editor

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

02 Sept — Allen Johnson
04 Sept — Paul Stampley
06 Sept — Brandon Pybus
09 Sept — Craig Williams
14 Sept — Bill Berry
15 Sept — Fred Bussey, Sr.
21 Sept — Dr. Thomas Poole, Jr.
21 Sept — Col. William Thomas
25 Sept — Thomas Smith
30 Sept — Dr. Ed Johnson

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.

SEPT. ANNIVERSARIES

05 Sept — Robert & Judy Sanders
11 Sept — Lee & Tammy Herron
21 Sept — Roy & Vivian Stampley
28 Sept — Tommy & Tina Edwards
30 Sept — Scott & Tina Dedman

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SICK-CALL & PRAYER LIST

Bill Berry
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 Quattlebaum
Paul Stampley
Roy Stampley, Jr.
Philip Weaver

"Remember He is the artist and you are only the picture. You can't see it. So quietly submit to be painted—i.e., keep fulfilling all the obvious duties of your station (you really know quite well enough what they are!), asking forgiveness for each failure and then leaving it alone. You are in the right way. Walk—don't keep on looking at it." —C.S. Lewis



KNOW OUR CAMP OFFICERS

Surgeon: *As per the SCV Camp Manual, "A Medical Doctor, or one who has special training in First Aid usually fills this office if available. As the Camp Surgeon, he would care for any member who suddenly becomes sick during a Camp business meeting, trip, or memorial service."*

Dr. Ed Johnson:

Dr. Ed comes to the SCV and our Camp via his ancestor William Wesley Johnson of the 22nd GA Infantry Regiment, CSA. It participated in the difficult campaigns of the army from the Seven Days' Battles, to **Cold Harbor**, endured the hardships of the **Petersburg** trenches south of the James River, and saw action around **Appomattox**. It lost 10 killed and 77 wounded at Oak Grove, had 6 killed, 32 wounded, and 18 missing at **Malvern Hill**, and 13 killed and 50 wounded at **Second Manassas**. Of the 400 engaged at **Gettysburg**, more than forty percent were disabled, then it sustained 25 casualties en- route from Pennsylvania and 50 at **Manassas Gap**. On April 9, 1865, it surrendered with 9 officers and 197 men.

Doc Ed completed his secondary education at Warren County High School, and subsequently went on to The University of Georgia where he completed his MD degree in 1960. He was a practicing Anesthesiologist here in Augusta, and has been retired now for over 20 years.

Ed met his wife Jean here in Augusta and they have been married for over 32 years. In his spare time, Ed enjoys playing a round of golf and otherwise working and maintaining his yard.

"The flap over the Confederate flag is not quite as simple as the nation's race experts make it. They want us to believe the flag is a symbol of racism. Yes, racists have used the Confederate flag, but racists have also used the Bible and the U.S. flag. Should we get rid of the Bible and lower the U.S. flag? Black civil rights activists and their white liberal supporters who're attacking the Confederate flag have committed a deep, despicable dishonor to our patriotic black ancestors who marched, fought and died to protect their homeland from what they saw as Northern aggression."



Walter E. Williams, Professor at George Mason University

CONFEDERATE LEGION RADIO PROMOS TEXT

Confederate Veterans are American Veterans:

"This is Radio Free Dixie, and I'm Mark Allen! The Sons of Confederate Veterans reminds America that Confederate Veterans are also American veterans. This fact was officially recognized in 1958 by the United States Congress. After the War for Southern Independence, Confederate General Joseph Wheeler commanded US troops in the Spanish-American War, and many sons of Confederate veterans served in World War I. In World War II, General Stonewall Jackson's great-grandson was killed in action during the Normandy invasion. The South has been at the forefront in shedding its blood for America. All veterans deserve respect, including Confederate veterans. Join us at MakeDixieGreatAgain.org. Join with us today! "



The Legion 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.

www.makedixiegreatagain.com

WERE YOU AWARE?

Jesus had the Last Supper and not the Last Dinner

The Bible tells of Jesus' last Supper. Why was it not a last Dinner???

Yankees eat Breakfast Lunch and Dinner, Southerners eat Breakfast Dinner and Supper

You are familiar with the Equator—the imaginary line that divides the Southern and Northern Hemispheres? Well, In America we have an imaginary line called the Mason and Dixon Line that divides the North and South. If you extend the Mason Dixon Line all the way around the World Jesus lived South of the Mason Dixon Line.

Jesus was a Southerner and that's why he had the Last Supper and not the Last Dinner.

*Posted by James King--SCV Camp 141 Commander
Albany Georgia*

A CONFEDERATE QUIZ

The “**Confederate Quiz**” is to test our brothers knowledge of our Heritage. This quiz is four questions about the Confederacy, or maybe another random subject regarding the South. The September **Confederate Quiz** questions are:

1. What Northern prison was on a Mississippi river island between Illinois and Iowa?
2. What military college sent its cadets out to repel Sherman’s march through Georgia?
3. What Northern city had five (5) of it’s pro-Southern newspapers charged with disloyalty?
4. What popular folk song laments the sorry food of the Georgia Militia?

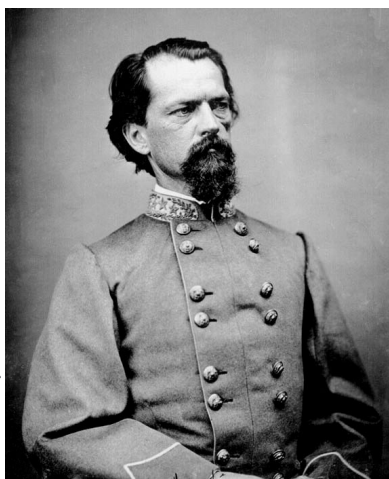
Quiz questions taken from “*The Complete Book of Confederate Trivia*” by J. Stephen Lang and donated to the WigWag by Tom McCauley.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN US AND THEM...

When John B. Gordon entered York, Pennsylvania, he found the population in a state of panic, fearing retaliation for Union atrocities against Southern civilians. He gathered a large crowd of women in the street and told them this:

“Our Southern homes have been pillaged, sacked and burned; our mothers, wives and little ones driven forth amid the brutal insults of your soldiers. Is it any wonder that we fight with desperation? A natural revenge would prompt us to retaliate in kind. But we scorn to war on women and children.

"We are fighting for the God given rights of liberty and independence as handed down in the Constitution by our fathers. So fear not. If a torch is applied to a single dwelling or an insult offered to a female of your town by a soldier of this command, point out that man and you shall have his life."



FLASHBACK



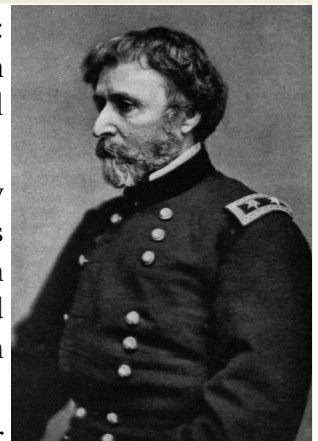
Honor Guard at Memorial for the Immortal 600 at Fort Pulaski on October 28, 2012. How many of these compatriots can you name?

Note to Revisionists:

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!



CONFEDERATE QUIZ ANSWERS

The August **Confederate Quiz** answers are:

1. Rock Island, generally regarded as one of the worst Yankee prisons.
2. The Georgia Military Institute in Marietta
3. New York, which was notoriously pro-Southern.
4. “Goober Peas”

So—How’d you do?

The Surrender of General John B. Gordon

Most people trying to destroy Confederate monuments and the legacy of the Confederacy, as well as many parts of foundational US History have no idea of the character and mindset of the men who fought against each other in the Civil War. I think this moving tribute registered here by Union Bvt. Maj. Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain truly illustrates what a different time it was, when honor, character, and courage meant everything.

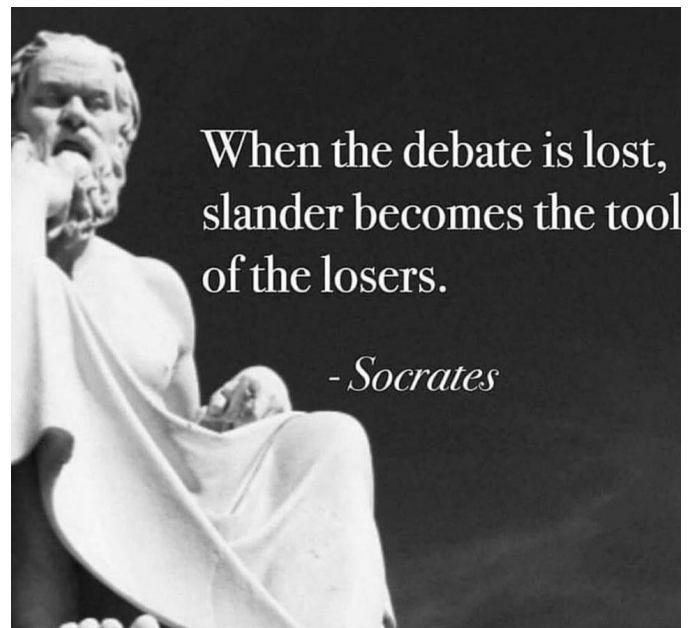
At Appomattox Court House, Gordon led his men in the last charge of the Army of Northern Virginia, capturing the entrenchments and several pieces of artillery in his front just before the surrender. On April 12, 1865, Gordon's Confederate troops officially surrendered to Bvt. Maj. Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, acting for Lt. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant. Chamberlain recorded in moving detail:

"The momentous meaning of this occasion impressed me deeply. I resolved to mark it by some token of recognition, which could be no other than a salute of arms. Well aware of the responsibility assumed, and of the criticisms that would follow, as the sequel proved, nothing of that kind could move me in the least. The act could be defended, if needful, by the suggestion that such a salute was not to the cause for which the flag of the Confederacy stood, but to its going down before the flag of the Union. My main reason, however, was one for which I sought no authority nor asked forgiveness.

Before us in proud humiliation stood the embodiment of manhood: men whom neither toils and sufferings, nor the fact of death, nor disaster, nor hopelessness could bend from their resolve; standing before us now, thin, worn, and famished, but erect, and with eyes looking level into ours, waking memories that bound us together as no other bond;—was not such manhood to be welcomed back into a Union so tested and assured? Instructions had been given; and when the head of each division column comes opposite our group, our bugle sounds the signal and instantly our whole line from right to left, regiment by regiment in succession, gives the soldier's salutation, from the "order arms" to the old "carry"—the marching salute.

Gordon at the head of the column, riding with heavy spirit and downcast face, catches the sound of shifting arms, looks up, and, taking the meaning, wheels superbly, making with himself and his horse one uplifted figure, with profound salutation as he drops the point of his sword to the boot toe; then facing to his own command, gives word for his successive brigades to pass us with the same position of the manual,—honor answering honor. On our part not a sound of trumpet more, nor roll of drum; not a cheer, nor word nor whisper of vain-glorying, nor motion of man standing again at the order, but an awed stillness rather, and breath-holding, as if it were the passing of the dead!"

*Joshua L. Chamberlain, The Passing of the Armies,
pp. 260–61*



LIGHTEN-UP A LITTLE

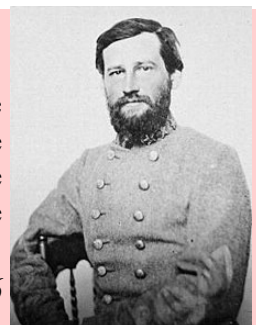
The only reason I would take up walking is so that I could hear heavy breathing again.

Walking can add minutes to your life. This enables you at 85 years old to spend an additional 5 months in a nursing home at \$7000 per month.

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





SEPTEMBER 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Atlanta falls to Sherman	3	4	5	6	7
8 Grandparents Day	9	10	11	12 CAMP 158 MEETING; Sconyers BBQ @ 1830	13 Friday the 13th!	14
15 Wife Appreciation Day	16 American Legion Day	17 Constitution Day	18	19	20	21 Oktoberfest begins in Germany
22	23 Autumn Equinox: Fall begins	24	25	26	27	28
29 Reconstruction Era Mem. Service at Grey Moss Plantation: Lee County. 229-854-1944	30					



OCTOBER 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Georgia Confederate Deadline for Article Submissions	2	3	4 National Golf Day	5
6	7	8	9 Moldy Cheese Day	10 CAMP 158 MEETING; Sconyers BBQ @ 1830	11	12
13	14 Columbus Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Mother-in-Law Day	28	29	30	31 HALLOWEEN		