



WIG-WAG

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



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NOVEMBER, 2019

COMMANDER'S NOTES



Brother Compatriots,

October was another busy month for our camp. The October camp meeting at Sconyer's was well attended with Vietnam veteran **Billy Patterson** giving us a great talk on the experience of the local 319th Transportation Reserve unit's experience in Vietnam. We had many vets in attendance who appreciated the talk.

We had one cemetery clean up on October the 15th. The "old man's crew" which included **Walter Cook, Craig Williams, Gary Hattaway, Carl Mixon, Bill Storrs, Barry Whitney, Jeff Young, Dr. Ed Johnson** and **Paul Stampley** did an outstanding job mowing and blowing the Confederate graves in the Survivor and Dead Sections keeping the resting place of our brave ancestors the best kept part of the Magnolia Cemetery. Thanks to all who have worked hard this past year honoring the bivouac of the Dead.

On October the 12th **Tom McCauley's** daughter **Angela** married **Otho McLeroy** ("Col. Mac") down in Claxton, Georgia. The "Old South Wedding" included camp members **Emma Givens, Tommy Chappell, Ben Creech, Diane and Joe Winstead, Vivian and Roy Stampley, Carroll Nettles, Billy Belger and Marie Powell**, all decked out in period dress of the War of Northern Aggression. We congratulate the newlyweds and wish them the best.

On October the 26th several of our camp members were at the re-dedication of the vandalized Confederate statue in the Sylvania, Georgia cemetery. Honor guard commander **Ron Udell, Ben Creech, Ben Faulkner, Jeff Young, Walter Cook, Paul Stampley, Fred Bryant, Arnold Huskins, and Gary Hattaway** were in attendance participating as Honor Guard and giving support to our national SCV Commander who flew in from Louisiana to give the keynote speech. Every time a monument or flag is torn down, we put up two or more in its place!

Our next camp meeting is Thursday November 14th at Sconyer's BBQ at 6:30 p.m. Our guest speaker will be the entertaining past South Carolina Division Commander **Jack Marler** from Greenville, S.C. Let's do all we can to have a big turnout for Commander Jack.

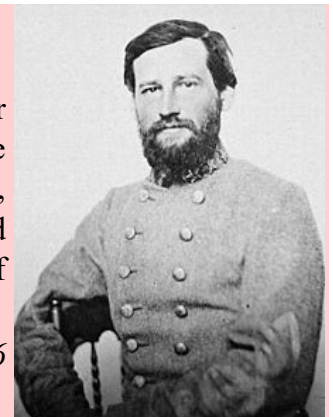
Have A Great Dixie Day! Your obedient servant

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,

I hope you didn't miss the October meeting. Compatriot **Bill Patterson** of Grovetown gave an informative and very entertaining and amusing summary of his service and tour of duty in Viet Nam.

Guests, guests, **GUESTS!** Think about your friends who would enjoy our speakers, programs, and of course the great BBQ at Sconyers. Guests are the lifeblood of our growth. Many of us are getting older (*understatement*), and we always need new blood. Show your friends that we truly are about "Heritage, not Hate!" If you enjoy our meetings, chances are they will too.

I thank those of you who have tried some of the many tips I've given over the past issues to help your Camp grow and thrive. I'll go back to the beginning and start the tips again in case you have forgotten some. Here are the tips about how **YOU** may help **YOUR** Camp grow and thrive. Try one or two and see how it works!

1. Bring an absentee member with you to the meeting once a year.
2. Show up early, have dinner and socialize.
3. Thank an officer for all of his efforts.

Deo Vindici, *Bob Green*, Editor

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NOV. EMBER BIRTHDAYS

09 Nov — Bill Stores

10 Nov — Nick Posey

10 Nov — Tommy Chappell, Sr.

16 Nov — Lee Herron

18 Nov — John Harris

27 Nov — Doc John Baxley

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.

NOV. ANNIVERSARIES

06 Nov — Tom & Patricia McCauley

17 Nov — Jules & Jean (dec.) Godin

28 Nov — Ben & Belinda Creech

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SICK-CALL & PRAYER LIST

Bill Berry

Fred Bussey

Jacob Cook

Walter Cook

Ben Creech's wife Belinda

John Denham's wife Betty

Bob Green

Carleton T. Hardin

Mike McCann

Mike Milford's G-Daughter Reagan

Ron Udell

Joe Winstead

IMPORTANT WEBSITES:

EPorterAlexander.homestead.com,
(*Augusta Camp 158*)

GaSCV.org, (GA State Division)

SCV.org, (National Headquarters)

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Fred Bussey, Sr.

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James Hair

Carlton Hardin

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Dr. Arnold Huskins

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Matthew Posey

Nicholas Posey

William Quattlebaum

Paul Stampley

Roy Stampley, Jr.

Philip Weaver

THANK YOU NOTE

I did enjoy the homecoming last evening with you fine fellows and at Sconyers, the business I helped deliver the Augusta Chronicle to half a century ago. Quality fellows all and I especially enjoyed seeing Mr. Whitney again. We golfed together once 15 years ago, and I remembered that he is a direct descendant of Eli Whitney the cotton gin inventor. You all made me feel very welcome. The \$50. honorarium was also appreciated. My print and publish cost of \$3200. will be a long term pay back coming. What a blessing to be with such good men again.

Please forward to all your members if possible. I keep books and DVDs stocked at home and will deliver locally or mail to remote locations. Both are also available on the internet to include e-book formats. But signed copies only come from me.

Bill Patterson,
Grovetown GA



Thomas Sowell
@ThomasSowell

Envy was once considered to be one of the seven deadly sins before it became one of the most admired virtues under its new name, "social justice."

August 9, 1960,

“**General Robert E. Lee** was, in my estimation, one of the supremely gifted men produced 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 calibre 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*

A NOTABLE QUOTE

“An armed man is a citizen. A disarmed man is a subject.”

• *LtCol Allen West*

**CONFEDERATE LEGION
RADIO PROMOS TEXT**

Diversity in the South, the Religious Story:

“This is Radio Free Dixie. Diversity is a buzz-word today, but little is known about the truly diverse nature of the confederate States of America. The Sons of Confederate Veterans wants you to know about religious diversity in the Old South.

Most people think of Dixie as a society based on the Protestant religion. Yet. During the War for Southern Independence, the South’s first two heros, General P. G. T. Beauregard and Admiral Raphael Semmes were Roman Catholics, and the Confederate Secretary of State Judah Philip Benjamin was Jewish. Within the Confederate Army, Chaplains of various faiths worked with soldiers of various faiths. The Sons of Confederate Veterans invite you to learn the truth about your Southern heritage and join with us to Make Dixie Great Again. Please visit us at MakeDixieGreatAgain.org.



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

**November 10 at 3:00 p.m.,
44th annual Capt. Henry
Wirz Memorial Service,
Andersonville, GA.**

Dear Gentlemen of the SCV; below is in-formation regarding our 44th annual **Capt. Henry Wirz** Memorial Service in Andersonville on November 10 at 3:00 p.m. I have sent this already to the Georgia Confederate and to the Confederate Veteran Magazine.

Upon the recommendation of **Col. Heinrich Wirz** in Bern, Switzerland, I invited **Dr. Albert Winkler** from Utah to be the guest speaker at the Memorial Service.

Please pass the below information on to as many Confederate heritage lovers as you can. I also plan to email it to all the Georgia Division Brigade Commanders. I hope that we will have the largest crowd ever, and I sincerely hope that each of you receiving this will be able to attend.

Col. Heinrich Wirz (great grand nephew of Capt. Henry Wirz) usually attends about every 3 years. He had knee replacement in March, and is planning on attending with his son. He is in his 80's, and this could possibly be his last chance to attend. I encourage everyone attending to purchase a copy of the booklet that Camp 78 sells (\$ 5.00) about Capt. Wirz and his trial, and Andersonville Prison, and get him to autograph it. Also, a descendant of **Mr. Arthur H. Park**, the founder of this annual Memorial Service in 1976, plans to attend. Col. Wirz and I have invited the great great grandsons (Watkins family) of Capt. Henry Wirz to attend. They live in Louisiana, and have not yet committed to attend.

We appreciate the support that the Georgia Division has given us in the past regarding this annual Memorial Service.

For additional information, please contact me at gaston7460@bellsouth.net or 229-938-9115. If I do not answer your call, please leave a message (I do check my messages daily!!), and you can also text me at the same number.



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.

CSA MYTHS vs. FACTS:

History books, the media, the school systems, etc. abound in falsehoods and inaccuracies of Confederate and Southern history. This fact sheet will help to clarify and dispel some of these rampant inaccuracies.

MYTH—The Confederate Battle Flag represented the Southern Nation.

FACT—Not true. While the Southern Battle flag was carried into battle, the Southern Nation had 3 different National flags during the course of the war. The First National flag was changed due to a resemblance of the US flag. The Second National flag was subsequently modified due to the similarity to a flag of truce. The Third National flag was the adopted flag of the Confederacy.

The Confederate Battle Flag was never a National Flag of the Confederacy. It was carried into battle by several armies, such as the Army of Northern Virginia and the Army of Tennessee. It was also used as a Naval Jack by the Confederate Navy.

MYTH—The Confederate Battle Flag is known as the "Stars & Bars"

FACT—A common misconception. The First National Confederate Flag is correctly known as the "Stars & Bars". The Confederate Battle Flag is known as the "Southern Cross".

MYTH—The Confederate Battle Flag represents racism today.

FACT—The Confederate Battle Flag today finds itself in the center of much controversy and hoopla going on in several states. The cry to take this flag down is unjustified. It is very important to keep in mind that the Confederate Battle Flag was simply just that—a battle flag. It was never even a National flag, so how could it have flown over a slave nation or represented slavery or racism? This myth is continued by lack of education and ignorance. Those that vilify the Confederate Battle Flag are very confused about history and have jumped upon a bandwagon with loose wheels.

MYTH—The Confederate Army was comprised of rich slave owners.

FACT—Far from true. The vast majority of soldiers in the Confederate Army were simple men of meager income. Most of which were hard working farmers and common men.

This is the problem with revisionist history. History is overwhelmingly portrayed incorrectly by most of the Federal & Yankee books and media.

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 October *Confederate Quiz* questions are:

1. What leader said, “We ask nothing, we want nothing, we have no complications.”?
2. What notable politician never asked for a pardon, replying, “Pardon for what? I haven’t pardoned you all yet!”
3. Who had been a Georgia congressman before becoming second man in the Confederacy?
4. Who had served in the fight between Britain and America over the territory that is now Washington State?

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

SOME MORE REVISIONIST HISTORY

The popular narrative [says] the South seceded to protect slavery and to extend slavery into the territories. Even though the South rejected every offer to keep slavery, and in seceding cut itself off from any claim to the territories and sought to end slavery throughout the war in exchange for foreign aid, the popular narrative has yet stuck. Quote primary sources that challenge the narrative, and those sources are automatically deemed “fringe” or “cherry picked.” Show that the South seceded because of Northern disdain and infidelity to the Constitution and you are dismissed as a “Lost Cause neo-Confederate.”

Union Col. Donn Piatt, and his book MEMORIES OF THE MEN WHO SAVED THE UNION, is a source of suppressed truth. As adjutant to Union Gen Robert Schenck, Piatt had meetings with members of Lincoln’s cabinet. He quotes Lincoln’s Secretary of War Edwin Stanton as calling the Constitution “the rotten bottom rail of a Virginia abstraction.” Regarding Lincoln’s Secretary of State William Seward, he quotes Seward as saying: “We are all bound by tradition to the tail end of a paper kite called a Constitution... it is held by a string that will break. A written Constitution is a superstition that presupposes certain impossibilities. The Constitution is to us at the North a great danger.

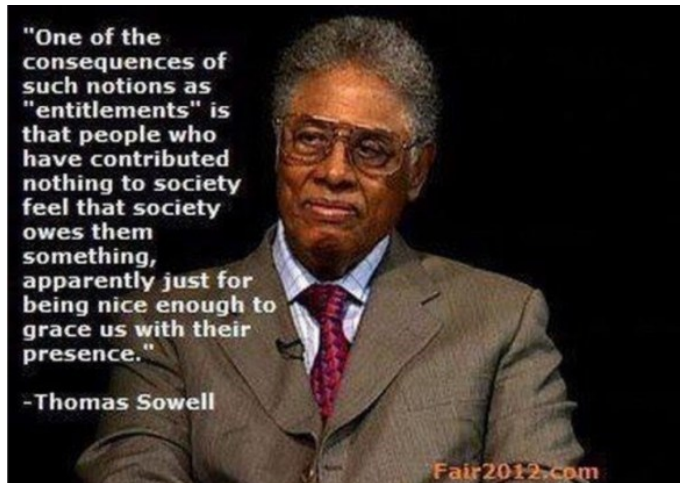
Regarding Seward, Piatt says, “These opinions... gave me a distaste for my newly found admiration. This was

subsequently increased by the discovery that his opposition to slavery was based entirely upon his intellectual processes, and not upon his heart. He had no pity for the slave. He had contempt for them, which he concealed as carefully as he did his contempt for the Constitution.”

It is easy to see why the South sought independence from a regime that scoffed at abiding by the Constitution. A regime that used a pretense of pity for the slave to maintain political and economic control of the country.

Rod B. O’Barr, Condensed from a post on Facebook on May 9

Source: https://books.google.com/books/about/Memories_of_the_Men_who_Saved_the_Union.html?id=sve_mKob_YC&fbclid=IwAR0PIMw308tpxhBKlSwyN9JXjB9udi8U3a5Ae1My7Jz_QvuUVy1KybrlDQs



LIGHTEN-UP A LITTLE

When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.

Cop: "Please step out of the car." Me: "I'm too drunk. You get in."

ANSWERS

CONFEDERATE QUIZ

The August *Confederate Quiz* answers are:

1. President Jefferson Davis.
2. Robert Tombs. By not asking for a pardon, he was never able to hold national office again.
3. Alexander H. Stephens, Vice-President of the Confederacy.
4. General George E. Pickett

So—How did you do?



NOVEMBER 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 All Saints Day	2
3 Lt Gen Jubal Early born.	4 Wheeler Camp Meeting, 1900, Aiken Co. Museum	5	6 CSS Shenandoah strikes her colors in England as last active CSA force to fly the colors.	7	8	9 Lt Gen A. P. Hill born.
10 Capt. Henry Wirz Memorial Service, Andersonville, GA.	11 VETERANS DAY	12	13	14 CAMP 158 MEETING: Sconyers BBQ @ 1830	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 No. Augusta Camp Meeting: 1900, Acacia Masonic Lodge	22	23 Battle of Griswoldville Memorial Service.
24	25	26 Evans Camp Meeting: 1830, Big Daddy's Grill, Evans	27 Gen Hugh Mercer born. Patriot Sam Davis Hanged by Union Gen Dodge.	28 THANKS-GIVING DAY	29	30 Gen Patrick Cleburn Killed in Action.



DECEMBER 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Wheeler Camp Meeting, 1900, Aiken Co. Museum.	3	4	5 Edgefield Camp Meeting, 1900, Oakley Park Museum.	6 President Jefferson Davis passed away. Col. John S. Mosby Born.	7
8	9	10	11	12 CAMP 158 MEETING: Sconyers BBQ @ 1830 hrs. Gen Stand Watie born. Gen Joe Shelby born.	13 1864 Ft. McAllister , GA falls to Sherman's invaders	14
15 Sec. State Robert Toombs passed away.	16 Gen Henry Heth born.	17 Sylvania Camp Meeting, 1900, Wall's Diner.	18	19 No. Augusta Camp Meeting: 1900, Acacia Masonic Lodge.	20	21 Sherman's Invaders occupy Savannah, GA, 1864. BG Ambrose Wright died.
22	23	24 Evans Camp NO Meeting this Month.	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26	27	28
29 1862 General Lee executed a deed of manumission for all the slaves of the Custis estate.	30 1863 Twenty CSA Marines freeze to death when yankees swamp their boat and then fire on the survivors at Matagorda, TX.	31				