



# WIGWAG

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



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## COMMANDER'S NOTES



### **Brother Compatriots,**

Despite the constraints of the corona virus, our camp has been very busy this past month. The "old man's crew" worked at the Magnolia Cemetery in Augusta twice in May mowing, raking leaves, weed eating, and working on the fountain. I wish to thank compatriots **Gary Hattaway, Carl Mixon, Brian Weber, Craig Williams, Dr. Ed Johnson, Paul Stampley, Bill Storrs, Walter Cook, Jeff Young, Tommy Chappell, Mike Milford,** and of course Quartermaster **Joe Winstead** for their hard work at the cemetery making the Confederate graves at Magnolia the best kept part of the sacred ground. It is the least we could do for our past ancestors who gave their all for the Cause.

Lt. Commanders **Paul Stampley** and **David Armour** have been busy researching the possibility of putting up security cameras down at the Confederate monument on Broad Street in Augusta. They will give us a report as to cost, maintenance of the system, and other details at our next meeting so that we can vote on the proposal at our next camp meeting.

Speaking of our next meeting, Sconyer's BBQ will not be able to serve large groups until August of this year at the earliest due to "social distancing" required in Georgia during his start up time this summer. **Bobby Griffin** at **Bobby's BBQ** on Jefferson Davis Highway (U.S. 1) across from Satcher Ford dealership in Aiken County, S.C. said he would be glad to host our group on June 25<sup>th</sup>, the last Thursday of the month for our first summertime camp meeting. He has a large room in the upstairs of his restaurant that the General Bee Camp used to use which will be adequate for our camp. Due to "social distancing" he will not have buffet service but will provide waitresses with table service. For those who wish to order a meal, he would like to have us there around 6:00 p.m. so we could get out by 8:30 p.m. We will have a speaker and we will have some important camp business to discuss. We are all excited about finally having another camp meeting with fun, fellowship and an interesting talk as to the truth concerning the War of Northern Aggression. Have A Great Dixie Month!

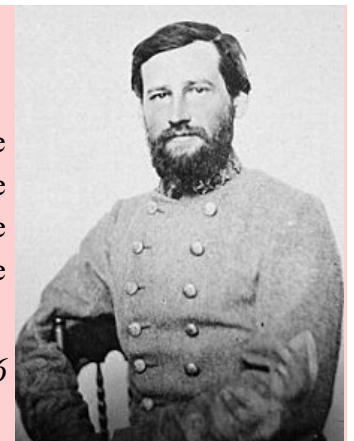
Your obedient servant,

*Dr. John Baxley, M.D., Commander*

## **Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans**

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."

*Lt. General Stephen D. Lee, April 25, 1906*



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

By now you may have heard Virginia's Governor Ralph Northam talking about "post-birth abortion." But this is nothing new. The fact is, that long before the Governor's comments, the so-called Journal of Medical Ethics—based in London—published a study advocating "post-birth" abortion.

These self-proclaimed "ethicists" (who have already survived the womb) argue that parents should be given a kind of "trial period" in which to change their mind and eliminate their baby. Now, not surprisingly, a huge outcry of protest arose against this barbaric proposal.

Do you know how the authors defended their arguments? They applied the Planned Parenthood / National Abortion Rights Action League mantra.

They argued that if you accept the abortionists' claim that what they do is ethical under any circumstance, then nothing really changes right after a baby is born. And you know...intellectually, they are right. If it really is OK to kill a child the month before his birth, or three months before birth, or by partial birth abortion, how do they make a distinction? Why is there any difference in killing one right AFTER birth?

Killing is killing. Of course, given the obvious horror, I don't think it's necessary to argue why the advocates of "post-birth abortion" are wrong.

But that is why it is vital that we do all we can to force Congress to vote on, and pass, the Life at Conception Act and reverse Roe v. Wade.

For Life, Martin Fox, President, National Pro-Life Alliance

For the love of Dixie,

- *Bob G., Editor*

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**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

**02 Jun — Doyle Windham**

**10 Jun — Thomas McCauley**

**23 Jun — Jeffery Young**

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

**IMPORTANT WEBSITES:**

**E Porter Alexander.homestead.com,**

*(Augusta Camp 158)*

**GaSCV.org, (GA State Division)**

**SCV.org, (National Headquarters)**

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

**11 Jun —Henry & Margie Gilmer**

**20 Jun — Dr. John & Jean Baxley**

**21 Jun — Charlie & Linda Roberts**

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**Mike McCann**

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

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**Ron Udell**

**Joe Winstead**



## All Wars Monument, Memorial Day, Augusta, GA

The B/G E. Porter Alexander Camp #158 Honor Guard was there to participate in the 21 Gun Salute, along with the Installation Support Detachment from Fort Gordon, along with Sgt. Robert E. Fleig, Bugler from the Ft. Gordon Army Band.

May 25, 2015.

- Submitted by *Carl Tommy Miller*

## Chaplain's Note:

Dear Compatriots,

There will be a Celebration and Home Going for Belinda Creech at Southern Pines Baptist Church at 6:pm Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup>, 4289 Southern Pines Drive, Evans, Ga 30809.

THANKS TO ALL OF MY COMPATRIOTS WHO HELP ME THROUGH MANY TRYING DAYS

In Christ,

*Ben Creech*, Camp Chaplain

An old Cherokee told his grandson, "My son, there is a battle between two wolves inside us all.

One is Evil, It is anger, jealousy, greed, resentment, inferiority, lies, and ego. The other is good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, humility, empathy, and truth."

The boy thought about it and asked, "Grandfather, which wolf wins?"

The old man quietly replied, "The one you feed."

## Missouri has had the Answer Since 2008!

Missouri has no known illegals. Missouri's approach to the problem of illegal immigration appears to be more advanced, sophisticated, strict and effective than anything to date in Georgia. So, why doesn't Missouri receive attention? Answer: There are no illegals in Missouri to protest or demonstrate.

There needs to be more publicity and exposure regarding what Missouri has done. Please consider their solutions.

In 2007, Missouri placed on the ballot, a proposed constitutional amendment designating English as the official language of Missouri. In November, 2008, nearly 90% voted in favor! Thus, English became the official language for ALL governmental activity in Missouri. No individual has the right to demand government services in a language other than English.

In 2008, a measure was passed that required the Missouri Highway Patrol and other law enforcement officials to verify the immigration status of any person arrested, and to inform federal authorities if the person is found to be in Missouri illegally. Missouri law enforcement officers receive specific training with respect to enforcement of federal immigration laws.

In Missouri, illegal immigrants do NOT have access to taxpayer benefits such as food stamps or health care through Missouri Health Net.

In 2009, a measure was passed that ensures Missouri's public institutions of higher education do NOT award financial aid to individuals who are illegally in the United States.

In Missouri all post-secondary institutions of higher education are required to annually certify to the Missouri Dept. of Higher Education that they have NOT knowingly awarded financial aid to students who are unlawfully present in the United States.

So it is important to note Missouri has been far more proactive in addressing this horrific problem. Missouri has made it clear that illegal immigrants are NOT WELCOME in the state and they will NOT receive public benefits at the expense of Missouri taxpayers.

## 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 Confederate Cabinet member once challenged Jefferson Davis to a duel?
2. Of President Davis’s Cabinet, how many were in the same position at war’s end?
3. What technological wonder was introduced into the Secretary of War’s Office in 1862?
4. What member of the Confederate Congress went on after the War to be President of a college for blacks?

Answers to the “Quiz” can be found on page 6 of this issue.

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

## SOME RULES TO TEACH YOUR SONS

1. Never shake a man’s hand sitting down.
2. Don’t enter a pool by the stairs.
3. The man at the BBQ Grill is the closest thing to a king.
4. In a negotiation, never make the first offer.
5. Request the late check-out.
6. When entrusted with a secret, keep it.
7. Hold your heroes to a higher standard.
8. Return a borrowed car with a full tank of gas.
9. Play with passion or don’t play at all...
10. When shaking hands, grip firmly and look them in the eye.

## LIGHTEN-UP A LITTLE

- Some days the best thing about my job is that the chair spins around.
- Two blondes living in South Carolina were sitting on a bench talking, and one blonde says to the other, "Which do you think is farther away, Florida or the moon?" The other blonde turns and says 'Hellooooooooooooo, can you see Florida?'

These **Jefferson Davis** markers and memorials are going to be removed or destroyed in the conversion of this bridge - on a Jefferson Davis Highway across the Savannah. This tidbit is mentioned far down in this article.



<https://www.ajc.com/.../historic-augu.../jngjMHjZdQAsZKtmbhGl7N/>

Our Camp has referred this issue to our Judge Advocate, and to the GA Division Judge Advocate. In accordance with the current law, both GA and SC should be able to get an injunction against removing the Plaques, pending further legal action. Wouldn't hurt to get our State congressmen to take a position on the issue, seeing as how the are in an election cycle.

## 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.



## THE CONFEDERATE LEGION

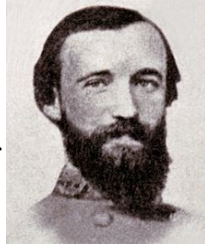
The Sons of Confederate Veterans invite you to educate yourself and learn the truth about your Southern heritage and join with us in the Make Dixie Great Again campaign.

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.

Please visit us at [www.makedixiegreatagain.com](http://www.makedixiegreatagain.com)

**Victor Jean Baptiste Girardey** (June 26, 1837 – August 16, 1864) was a [CSA Army](#) officer during the War Between the States. Girardey had served as a staff officer from the beginning of the war until August 3, 1864. Then, 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 at Lauw, France; and emigrated to Georgia with his family in 1842.<sup>[1][2]</sup> Orphaned by the age of 16, he completed his education in New Orleans, Louisiana, 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 WBTS. He was 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.<sup>[1][2][3]</sup> He resigned from that position on October 12, 1861 and on the same day was appointed Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General Albert G. Blanchard.<sup>[1]</sup>

On June 21, 1862, Girardey became a Captain and Assistant Adjutant-General for Brigadier General Ambrose Wright's brigade.<sup>[1][2]</sup> Girardey received several commendations for skill, bravery and efficiency, having fought in the Seven Days Battles, the Battle of Chancellorsville and the Battle of Gettysburg.<sup>[4]</sup> He took temporary command of a regiment during the Battle of Manassas Gap when the regiment's colonel was wounded.<sup>[4]</sup> During the Siege of Petersburg, Girardey was transferred to the divisional staff of Major General William Mahone.<sup>[5]</sup> 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.<sup>[6]</sup> He led two brigades from behind the Confederate line in order to fill the gap in the line caused by the mine explosion.<sup>[7]</sup>

On August 3, 1864, Girardey was promoted several grades from Captain to temporary Brigadier General, to rank from July 30, 1864.<sup>[2][7]</sup>

Historian Mark Boatner says that General Lee made the promotion in the field.<sup>[4]</sup>

On August 16, 1864, during the Second Battle of Deep Bottom, Girardey was in command of Wright's former brigade. The brigade was stationed near the Darbytown Road on the east end of the defenses of Richmond in, Virginia.<sup>[5]</sup> 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.<sup>[1][2][7]</sup>

Victor Jean Baptiste Girardey is buried in **Magnolia Cemetery** at Augusta, Georgia, next to his wife.<sup>[1][2]</sup>

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**CONFEDERATE QUIZ**  
ANSWERS

The August *Confederate Quiz* answers are:

1. Judah Benjamin.
2. Two: Stephen Mallory and John Reagan.
3. The telegraph.
4. Jabez Curry of Alabama, who was President of Howard College in Washington, D.C.

"So — How did you do?"



# JUNE



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <b>Wheeler Camp Meeting, 1900, Aiken Co. Museum</b>	2	3 <b>President Jefferson Davis birthday!</b>	4 <b>Edgefield Camp Meeting, 1900, Oakley Park Museum.</b>	5 <b>National Moonshine Day</b>	6 <b>D-Day</b>
7 <b>GA Confederates Youth Camp</b>	8 <b>GA Confederates Youth Camp</b>	9 <b>GA Confederates Youth Camp</b>	10 <b>GA Confederates Youth Camp</b>	11 <b>CAMP 158 MEETING: postponed to June 25—see below</b>	12 <b>GA Confederates Youth Camp</b>	13
14 <b>National Bourbon Day</b>	15	16	17	18 <b>No. Augusta Camp Meeting: 1900, Acacia Masonic Lodge</b>	19 <b>National Martini Day</b>	20
21 <b>Father's Day</b>	22 <b>Waynesboro Camp meeting</b>	23 <b>Evans Camp Meeting, 1830 Cracker Barrel</b>	24	25 <b>CAMP 158 MEETING: Bobby's BBQ @ 1800 hrs.</b>	26 <b>BG Victor Girafdey born.</b>	27 <b>National PTSD Awareness Day</b>
28	29	30				



# JULY



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 <b>Robert Toombs</b> birthday.  <b>Edgefield Camp</b> Meeting, 1900, Oakley Park Museum.	3	4  <b>INDEPENDENCE</b> <b>DAY</b>
5	6 <b>Wheeler Camp</b> Meeting, 1900, Aiken Co. Museum	7	8	9  <b>CAMP 158</b> <b>MEETING:</b> <b>Date &amp; Time to</b> <b>be determined</b>	10	11
12	13 <b>Nathan Bedford</b> <b>Forrest</b> birthday	14	15	16 <b>No. Augusta</b> <b>Camp</b> Meeting: 1900, Acacia Masonic Lodge	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 <b>Waynesboro</b> <b>Camp</b> meeting	28 <b>Evans Camp</b> Meeting, 1830 Cracker Barrel	29	30 <b>MG George Pickett</b> died.	31	