

WIG WAG

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



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FEBRUARY '22

COMMANDER'S NOTES



Brother Compatriots,

Our annual CSRA Lee-Jackson Dinner at Bobby's BBQ in Graniteville on January 15th was a huge success. We had many members from other camps present to hear our guest speaker **Phillip Leigh** who gave a very informative discussion about Augusta's own **Barry Benson**. **Russ Gambill** of the "Save the Monuments in Augusta" group presented a beautiful portrait of our Confederate Monument on Broad St. to Mr. Leigh after His presentation.

At our last meeting on January 13th, we had 29 participants, who heard **Joseph Korn** and **Helen Bissell** speak about their Father **Abram Korn** who captured by the Nazi's as a Jewish prisoner and survived almost six

years of horrible internment. Four years after the war Abe and his wife moved to the USA, where they raised their family and found the American Dream.

Our next meeting will be on February 10th at Sconyer's BBQ at 7:00pm. Our guest speaker will be **Harold W. Mills, Jr**. He will be speaking about the Confederate Secret Service and that should be very interesting.

Thanks everyone for your hard work, help and participation.

Have a Great Dixie Day,

J.J Brittingham, Commander



Hereditatem non Odite (HERITAGE—NOT HATE!) 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,

February 17 is National "Random Acts of Kindness Day." The easiest way to participate is the next time you are at a drive-through fast food location, simply pay for the car behind you. without them knowing who it was. They will be thrilled and you will feel really good. I try to do

this at least once a month, sometimes once a week.

On Sunday, February 6, 2022, 3:00pm, You are invited to the Sgt. Berry Benson Birthday Commemoration at Sunset Hill Cemetery, 500 Alta Vista Ave, North Augusta, SC

Commander Pittman will give a brief history of Berry Theresa Pittman, President of the Berry Benson. Benson Chapter of the UDC, will introduce and give a special presentation to the great great grand-daughter of Berry Benson, Sharon Posey. Also a Re-Dedication of the flagpole next to the grave site of the Benson family.

And finally, back to my list of 45 "Ways To Help Your Camp":

- 8. Talk about other Compatriots in a positive way.
- 9. Both talk and listen.
- 10. Sit with and talk to one or two people before, during, or after the Meeting that you normally don't talk to.

This month, pick one or two of these an try them out.

Bob G., Editor

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

3 Feb — Lloyd Gross

5 Feb — John Denham

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

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

WOW — Nobody got Married in February!

If your Anniversary is **not** listed here, please inform your Editor, at dixiebas@yahoo.com , or 706-831-1579.

SICK-CALL & PRAYER LIST

David Armour's wife Christy Bill Berry Fred Bryant Fred Bussey Tommy Chappell Walter Cook Jacob Cook John Denham's wife Betty Bob Green Carleton T. Hardin Mike McCann Tom McCauley Mike Milford's G-Daughter Reagan Cosby "Butch" Smith Ron Udell

OUR LIFE MEMBERS

David Armour (D) Dr. John Baxley (D, N) Kenneth Besecker (N) Ulmer Bridges (D) Fred Bryant (N) Gregory Bussey (D, N) Fred Bussey, Sr. (D, N) Walter Cook (D, N) Bobby Crawley (N) Pat Estep (N) Ben Faulkner (N) Robert Green (D) James Hair (N) Carlton Hardin (D, N) Gary Hattaway (D, N) Richard L. Herron (D, N) Thomas Highsmith (D) James Kirchner (D) Thomas McCauley, III (D) Matthew Posey (D, N) Nicholas Posey (D, N) William Quattlebaum (D, N) Paul Stampley (D) Roy Stampley, Jr. (D, N) Bill Storrs (D) James Trask (N) Philip Weaver (D, N) **D**=Georgia Division; N=National.

IMPORTANT WEBSITES:

E Porter Alexander.homestead.com GaSCV.org, (*GA State Division*) SCV.org, (*National Headquarters*) SaveAugustaMonument.wixsite.com/save .

Chattanooga, Newspaper Obituary, January1903

REBEL NEGRO DEAD.

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 22.-U. A. Bradley, who just died, aged 78, was a unique negro, in that he was a consistent Roman Catholic and an unreconstructed rebel.

He was a striking personality, about 6 feet 4 inches tall, with the straight black hair and the red complexion of an Indian. He dressed faultlessly, was courteous as Chesterfield, straight as an arrow and looked like a gentleman of the old school.

He was a skillful tailor and was very proud of the fact that he used to make Alex. H. Stephens' clothes, and during the war was employed cutting out the army uniforms of Confederate soldiers.

At the close of the war he refused to take the iron-clad oath and remained a loyal Confedrate all his life. He is survived by six children—two in Boston,two in Charleston and two in Augusta. He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church and a strict observer of all the church requirements.

Note: *Prof. J. Hayes at AU says there were no Black Confederates.*

KNOW OUR CAMP OFFICERS:

Sergeant-at-Arms: Mike McCann has stepped up to fill this vacant office.

As per the SCV Camp Manual; "He is responsible for maintaining order and decorum in the meeting place. The Sergeant-at-Arms will also serve in parades as the color sergeant and attend memorial services, firing demonstrations and at other camp events.

Have you ever noticed: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL?

The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he knows when he's really in trouble

Did you ever notice that when you put the 2 words "The" and "IRS" together it spells "Theirs?"

SAVE OUR MONUMENTS

We have continued to maintain our group page as well as monitoring all actions in Augusta as well

as the State of Georgia preparing for the inevitable battle to save our monument. We also have donated a substantial sum of money (donations) to the GA Division, SCV to help with legal expenses in current and upcoming court battles. Our local attorney Randy Sheppard, Martin K. O'Toole [GA Division, SCV] and Kyle King trial attorney are ready with regard to [our] next steps.



Another target for the Mayor's Task Force is Gordon Hwy. This will require state legislation to change the name and can you begin to imagine the disruption of businesses and residents whose address has been Gordon Hwy. Once again the Task Force is virtue signally their authority to make that decision and don't have the authority.

The whole Southland is sanctified by the precious blood of the Confederate soldier. Their courage has thrown upon the sky of Dixie a picture so bright and beautiful that neither defeat, nor disaster, nor oppression, nor smoke, nor fire, nor devastation, nor desolation, dire and calamitous, and the world, the flesh nor the Devil has been able to mar or blemish it. The tragedy of history fails to record anywhere upon its sublime pages anything comparable to it. All the time will be the millennium of their glory.

https://saveaugustamonument.wixsite.com/save .

www.facebook.com/groups/2346160209025576 as we know there is strength in numbers.

• Debbie Coleman, for Save the Monument

MYTH—The Sons Of Confederate Veterans are a racist, hate group.

FACT—Today, many men of color are members in the heritage group SCV—Sons of Confederate Veterans. These men of color and pride rejoice in their heritage. The continued attacks on the Southern Nation, The Confederacy, and her symbols are a terrible outrage to these fine people. These attacks should be denounced with as much fervor as those who denounce the South.

SLAVE OWNER JOE ?

Talk about burying the lead! Politico has discovered that Joe Biden's ancestors owned slaves, but tucks it away 35 paragraphs deep in a vast fluff piece titled: "How Joe Biden Became Irish."

Blarney Joe has always made a big deal about his Irish roots. And, unlike many of Joe's claims *("devout Catholic" for one*), they're legit. He's Irish on his mother's side. But what about Dad's side?

Many hundreds of words into the article, Politico gets around to it, "As it turns out, there were also reasons for Biden to avoid calling too much attention to his paternal ancestry."

A genealogist named Alexander Bannerman published "the first complete, authoritative genealogy" of Biden ancestry in the Winter 2021 issue of American Ancestors, a respected journal.

Two of Biden's great-great-great-grandfathers owned slaves. According to the 1800 census, Jesse Robinett, owned two slaves in Allegany County, Maryland. Thomas Randle, Schreckinger writes, "enslaved a 14-year-old male in the 1st District of Baltimore County, Maryland, in 1850." Oh, and there's "a distant tie to Varina Anne Banks Howell, the wife of Confederate President Jefferson Davis, via Biden's ancestor Allen Robanet."

Why does this matter? It doesn't to anyone but "Good Ol' Working Class Joe" and his adoring press. Biden's not answerable for the moral failings of his ancestors (*The moral failings of one descendant and his errant laptop are perhaps another story*).

Besides, "Biden's ties to slavery were relatively modest," Ben Schreckinger says. "Tens of millions of Americans have ancestral ties to enslavers or the Confederacy, and few would argue those ties make them unfit for office." (Careful, Ben—unless you're consulting Teen Vogue or The Root ... saying what is and isn't acceptable to the identity industry is hazardous.)

But what of the editorial decision to bury the only actual news nearly 2,000 words into a 3,000-word article? Schreckinger is coy about the entire issue.

In the end, Biden's ancestry did not become part of the raging inferno of an election year fight over race and American history.

It could be because Biden has subtly managed the public perception of his background in a way that maximized his appeal while deflecting uncomfortable scrutiny. Or it could just be the luck of the Irish.

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 August *Confederate Quiz* questions are:

- 1. What notorious Confederate spy killed a Union soldier who had insulted her mother?
- 2. What woman wrote the most famous diary of the WBTS years?
- 3. What Virginia General had five (5) wives?
- 4. What woman received a full military funeral when she died in Richmond in 1916?
- 5. What General used his background as a chemist to improve the processing of gunpowder?

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

WERE YOU AWARE?

Our Quartermaster is preparing an order for our Camps' baseball cap.

There was one on display at our last meeting and they look great, complete with the Battle Flag, our Camp name, number, and location.

If you would like to get one, please let our quartermaster know as soon as possible. There is a minimum number to



order for a quantity discount so he needs you to get on the list. A true conservative is a Jeffersonian Republican unlike the ones who call themselves such on Fox News, Prager U., Hillsdale College, etc.

If you are a Jeffersonian republican, which is what a conservative is, it is not Fox News, or Prager U., or Mark Levin. Nor is it any of those pseudoenlightened anti-Southern babblers of childish elaborations that are publicized as "on the right."

The South always tried to maintain the republic and the North wanted to mutate Jeffersonianism into the Hamiltonian-Lincolnian (Fox News) national state ,painted as a (ghastly) democracy. This Hamiltonian-Lincolnian mystique is (and always has been) the Republican party; NOT Jeffersonianism.

From the birth and period of the Jeffersonianism republic, 1787 until 1860 no more prosperous country on earth existed on earth. A republican union. So bright a light that Switzerland adopted, and has kept until this day, possibly, the most prosperous and secure country on earth, per capita. Switzerland, fortunately, has had no Lincoln or Hamilton. They have stayed true to the pure republican faith.

A summary of thought from the Southern Jeffersonian republican mind, as currently running among the media, is that the 1776 project is as preposterous as CRT. Both are the mental magic of comic book historians. When Jeffersonian Conservatism died—YES, in 1865– the central government beast became the Grendel to every aspect of life in the new "nation." The central government...can do what it wants—anywhere from Washington to Afghanistan.

Jefferson, like most Southerners, was a racist we are told by the media and today's political gods. Such bigotry can only come from the seeds of Southerners whose DNA is mapped in slavery. As the pretty boys and girls of the political classless and sophomoric call, it—"The Original Sin"—apparently only the South had a hand's touch on the mark of slavery! No group of people in any hemisphere black, white, red, or yellow at any time EVER touched the "racist" idol of slavery, except the American South.

Statues and flags down South are only on display. We do not worship idols. They exist in our hearts. They will never be hidden from our souls. They represent the Jeffersonian republic.

• Condensed by Dr. Arnold Huskins from the Abbeville Institute's "Writing History Books Without History" by Paul Yarborough.

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.



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 neo-Marxist attack on our Confederate Heritage has gone on too long without an appropriate response. That can change if you become active in the Southern Victory Campaign sponsored by the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

This campaign could be the most important initiative ever launched by the SCV. It could be the best opportunity you will ever have to defeat the neo-Marxists that are turning people against us and destroying our monuments and heritage.

When we publicly prove that we are leaders in the fight for liberty and our Southern Heritage, we can expect phenomenal growth in members and donors, both locally and nationally.

The Legion's 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.

Please visit us at www.makedixiegreatagain.com

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Augusta Powder works.

- Sally Thompkins. 5. Gen George W. Rains, head of the Confederacy's Niter and Mining Bureau, and Commander of the
- 4. "Captain Sally," beloved hospital administrator
 - Chesnut. It is a classic of Confederate memoirs 3. John D. Imboden. Only one at a time, of course.
- 1. Belle Boyd. 2. Mary Chesnut, wife of Southern politician James

The Confederate Quiz answers are:

CONFEDERATE QUIZ ANSWERS

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
		1	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5			
6 Re-Dedication of the flagpole next to the grave site of the Benson family. MG J. E. B. Stewart born.	7	8 BG John Jackson born.	9	10 CAMP 158 MEETING; 1800 hrs At Sconyers BBQ	11 VP Alexander H. Stevens born.	12			
13	14 VALENTINE'S DAY	15	16	17 Random Acts of Kindness Day	18 President Jefferson Davis Inauguration day.	19			
20 BG P. G. T. Beauregard died.	21	22 National Margarita Day	23	24	25	26			
27 BG John Jackson Died.	28								

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6	7	8	9	10 CAMP 158 MEETING; 1800 hrs At Sconyers BBQ	11	12		
13	14	15	16	17	18 Pres. Jefferson Davis Inaugurated	19		
20	21	22	23	24 VP Alexander H. Stevens died.	25	26		
27	28 Gen Wade Hampton born.	29	30	31				