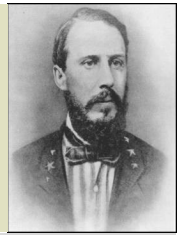




WIGWAG

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



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APRIL '22

COMMANDER'S NOTES



Brother Compatriots,

The "Old Man's Crew" performed the first cleanup of many for the year 2022 at the Magnolia Cemetery. Those working on March 22nd, included **Crew Chief Tom McCauley, Jeff Young, Mike Milford, Greg Williams, Gary Hattaway, Dr. John Baxley, Paul Stampley, Carl Mixon and Myself.**

At our last meeting on March 10th, **David Butler** gave a very detailed and informative account of the Columbia County Confederate soldiers at the Battle of Gettysburg. At the time of the battle, Columbia County was much larger and included the city of Thomson. Mr. Butler is an active member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans where he is a life member of both the National and Georgia Division SCV.

Our next meeting will be on April 14th at Sconyers BBQ at 7:00pm. Our speaker will be our own **Carl Mixon**, who will speak about South Carolina writer and historian **William Gilmore Simms.**

Our The Confederate Memorial service will be at 11:00am, April 23rd at Magnolia Cemetery. **Dr. John Baxley** will speak about the Confederate soldiers buried here in Magnolia Cemetery. Hope to see everyone there. Thanks everyone for your hard work, help and participation.

Have a Great Dixie Day,

J.J. Brittingham, Commander



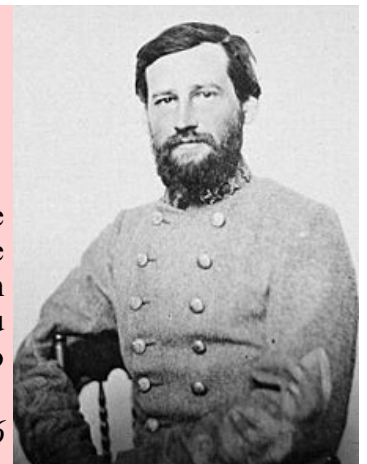
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(HERITAGE—NOT HATE!)

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,

We had a really good attendance for our March meeting. Thirty-one Compatriots came to hear our speaker **David Butler** talk about the Columbia County Confederate soldiers participation at Gettysburg. They were in the heat of the battles and accounted themselves

very well.

I urge all to come to our Confederate Memorial Day Celebration and activities at Magnolia Cemetery on April 23rd. It is always a moving and informative event. Let's all participate and show our support for our deceased Soldiers.

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

15. Involve as many Compatriots in your own activities as possible.
16. Surprise an ill member with a card or a phone call.
17. Call an absent member and let him know you missed him.
18. Talk about, brag about, and Publicize your Camp's programs and activities.

This month, pick one or two of these and try them out. It's free!

Bob G., Editor

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

22 Apr — Bob Green

23 Apr — Terry Bowers

26 Apr — J J Brittingham

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

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

17 Apr — Mike & Sue Milford

17 Apr — John & Betty Denham

21 Apr — Bill & Barbara Storrs

23 Apr — Scott & Bonnie Bussey

23 Apr — Brian & Donna Weber

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

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 .

The Atlanta Journal & Constitution is at it again.

They are attacking SCV Division Adjutant **Richard Straut** for running for State Senate, Division Spokesman **Martin O'Toole**, the **Sons of Confederate Veterans** itself, and the SCV **Mechanized Cavalry**.

“Permit OK’d for Confederate Memorial Day event at Stone Mountain Park”

By **Tyler Estep**, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution [*Condensed*]

Officials denied the Sons of Confederate Veterans’ permit application in 2021

The Sons of Confederate Veterans plan to return to Stone Mountain Park next month for their (mostly) annual celebration of Confederate Memorial Day.

State officials denied the Confederate group’s request to gather for a ceremony last year, citing the possibility of “a clear and present danger to public health or safety” among the reasons.

But records obtained by The Atlanta Journal-Constitution showed this year’s permit application — submitted by Richard K. Straut, a SCV representative who’s also running for a seat in the Georgia state Senate — was approved earlier this month.

Activists called the Stone Mountain Memorial Association allowing the event a “tone deaf” decision for a state entity that’s purportedly taking steps to soften its ties to the Confederacy.

Memorial association CEO Bill Stephens, meanwhile, said the Sons of Confederate Veterans have gathered for years in front of the mountain and its massive carving of Jefferson Davis, Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee. The event is usually “small and respectful” and “pre-event news coverage” and social media have more recently enflamed tensions, he said.

He also reiterated that COVID-19 was a factor in last spring’s permit denial

Tributes to the Lost Cause were coming down across the country and advocates had renewed their push for changes at state-run Stone Mountain Park. A few months earlier, far-right

militia groups [*not the SCV*] and leftist counter-protesters had clashed in the streets of the nearby city of Stone Mountain.

Responding to questions about the decision to allow the event this time around, Stephens said First Amendment rights and state law (which mandates that Stone Mountain Park be maintained as a monument to the Confederacy) had to be considered.

The Stone Mountain Action Coalition is an activist group that continues to push for changes to Confederate tributes at the park, up to and including the removal of the carving “This is yet another example of the Stone Mountain board prioritizing the glorification of the Confederacy over the desire of Georgia taxpayers to simply enjoy their public park,” the activists said.

Straut is one of three Republican candidates seeking the Gainesville-area state Senate seat left up for grabs when incumbent Butch Miller’s decided to run for lieutenant governor.

On his campaign website, Straut, a retired cop, touts his nearly three-decade career with the Atlanta Police Department and vows to never “bow to the threats and bullying tactics of the liberal mob.”

The group’s Confederate Memorial Day event is scheduled to take place on Stone Mountain Park’s memorial lawn on the morning of April 30. Documents suggest up to 200 people could attend.

Martin O’Toole — an SCV member — is listed as the keynote speaker.

Friends,

Speaking with Richard he wears these attacks from the AJC as a badge of honor.



Money can’t buy happiness, but it keeps the kids in touch!

HISTORY YOU WERE NEVER TAUGHT

The 54th Massachusetts Black Regiment were actually war criminals before they perished in the attack of Battery Wagner, SC. Before they were sent to Charleston they looted, raped, and burned to the ground Darien, GA (foundations still remain today). There were NO Confederate troops in town but the 54th fired on women and children anyway. Their commander Shaw did protest but was ordered to proceed anyway. Kids, do a report on that subject next time you get the opportunity to choose a subject for a paper.

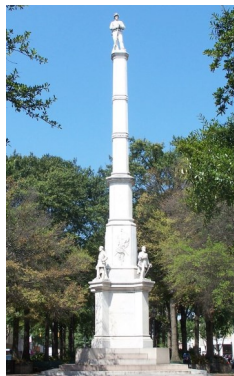
Don't you think it is odd that the movie "Glory," nor Wikipedia makes NO MENTION of this massacre in it's narrative or history.

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.

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 in Augusta*

A CONFEDERATE QUIZ

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

1. How many years was President Davis's term of office?
2. What Confederate General was believed to have personally killed more men than any other general?
3. What Confederate Cemetery contains the graves of more than 12,000 Union soldiers?
4. What Confederate Cabinet member was called by Jefferson Davis "the most accomplished statesman I have ever known."

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

A FEW RANDOM THOUGHTS

- School teachers are the number one occupation of the Antifa terrorist organization according to the FBI.
- If rioters come to your area, please remember, don't be a litterbug. Pick up your brass.
- Racist. Noun. Someone who opposes race riots.
- It took Nancy Pelosi 34 years to get offended by those Confederate statues
- Should the Pyramids be torn down since they were built by slaves?

WERE YOU AWARE?

Our Quartermaster is ordering baseball caps for the Camp.

There was one on display at our last meeting and they look great,

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.



This Day in Georgia History March 30, 1870, Robert E. Lee Arrived in Augusta, GA

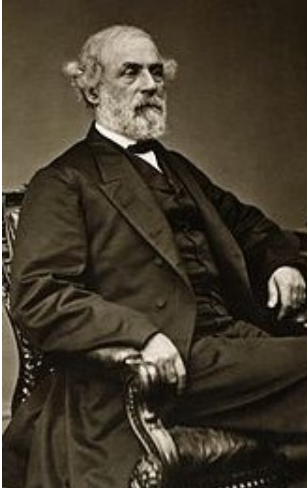


Photo of Lee in 1869

On his way from Virginia to Savannah, where he hoped to recover his health, a weak and ailing **Robert E. Lee** arrived in Augusta, Georgia aboard an evening train. Staying at Augusta's Planters Hotel for two nights, the general had hundreds of visitors call on him the next

day—including several of his former generals. In the afternoon, Lee was driven through the streets to cheering crowds. The next morning, before boarding the train to continue his trip, Lee addressed a large crowd expressing his appreciation for their hospitality.

Working his way through the crowd to stand close to the Confederate icon was the 13-year-old son of the minister of Augusta's First Presbyterian Church. That boy was future U.S. President Woodrow Wilson.

*Submitted to the WigWag by Compatriot **Craig Williams***

“We feel our cause is just and holy; we protest solemnly in the face of mankind that we desire peace at any sacrifice save that of our honor and independence. We ask no conquest, no aggrandizement, no concession of any kind from the states with which we were lately confederated; all we ask is to be let alone; that those who never held power over us shall not now attempt our subjugation by arms.”

- Jefferson Davis

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.

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



1ST Lt. Commander: I would like to thank our past Camp Commander **Dr. John Baxley** for stepping up to speak at the Magnolia Cemetery this coming Confederate Memorial Day, on April 23rd. He is a wonderful man and my own Doctor for many years.

Thank you Dr. Baxley,

Paul Stampley, Lt. Commander

CONFEDERATE QUIZ ANSWERS

The *Confederate Quiz* answers are:

1. Six.
2. Nathan Bedford Forrest, called "that devil Forrest" by the Union.
3. Andersonville National Historic Site.
4. Judah Benjamin (held three different Cabinet positions.

So — How did you do?



APRIL



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 APRIL FOOLS DAY	2 Lt.Gen A. P. Hill died.
3	4	5 BG Ambrose Wright born. Gold Star Spouses Day	6	7	8	9 POW Recognition Day
10	11 National Submarine Day— remember the Hunley	12	13	14 CAMP 158 MEETING; 1800 hrs At Sconyers BBQ	15 GOOD FRIDAY	16
17 EASTER SUNDAY	18 WORLD DAY FOR MONUMENTS	19	20	21	22	23 Confederate Memorial Service at Magnolia Cemetery Augusta
24	25	26	27	28 BG E. Porter Alexander died.	29	30 Confederate Memorial Service at Hepzibah



MAY '22



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Melanoma Monday: get yourself checked.	3	4	5 National Day of Prayer	6	7
8 MOTHER'S DAY	9	10	11	12 CAMP 158 MEETING; 1800 hrs At Sconyers BBQ	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 ARMED FORCES DAY
22	23	24 National Escargot Day	25	26	27	28
29	30 MEMORIAL DAY	31				