

WIG WAG

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



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SEPTEMBER '22

COMMANDER'S NOTES





The "Old Man's Crew" did another great job of keeping the Confederate section the best kept of the entire Magnolia Cemetery. On Tuesday August 9th, those who participated were Dr. Ed Johnson, Paul Stampley, Bill Storrs, Terry Williams, Carl Mixon, Gary Hattaway and Myself. On the previous day, August 8th, Mike Milford and Craig Williams did the work of many, a special thanks to you two. On Tuesday August 23rd, the "Old Man's Crew consisting of Jeff Young, Dr. Ed Johnson, Dr. John Baxley, Gary Hattaway, Cemetery Crew Captain Tom McCauley, Bill Storrs, Paul Stampley and Carl Mixon, did another fine job. A special thanks to Craig Williams, who by Himself mowed the majority of the section in the drizzling rain on Monday, August 22nd.

At our last meeting, we had 29 members and guests, listen to Ross Glover, give a very

interesting and informative talk about the Confederate Navy. Mr. Glover is the author of four books, the latest is titled "Best Confederate Navy Stories" which is excellent.

Our next meeting will be on September 8th at 7:00 PM at Sconyers BBQ. We will have the honor to have the South Carolina State Commander, **Perry Smith** give us a talk, should be very interesting.

I had the pleasure to attend the B/G Martin W. Gary Camp meeting om August 4th at Buck and Brenda Carpenter's house in Trenton. Beautiful house, great setting and Brenda is one fantastic cook, great meal and fabulous desserts. On August 18th, **Dr. John Baxley**, **Paul Stampley**, **Emma Givens** and I attended the Berry Benson Camp in North Augusta. Blake Moore gave a very informative account of "The Battle of Fredericksburg". Thanks, Reed, for the invite.

Thanks everyone for hard work, help and participation.

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,

Last month we learned a great deal about the Confederate Navy, where we will take that a step further regarding the exploits and history of the CSS Shenandoah.

This month we have a distinguished and prominent speaker, Mr. Perry

Smith, III. His bio and bona-fides are detailed on Page 6 of this issue. You won't want to miss his presentation on the 8th.

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

Here are some more of my 45 ways to help your Camp. Pick one or two of these an try them out. Just like the Youth Camp, THEY ARE FREE!

- 30. Thank the women in your life for supporting your membership in the SCV.
- 31. Take all side conversations out of the meeting.
- 32. Help with a Camp information table at a local event with a smile.
- 33. When flyers are made for Camp events. Take a few and commit to posting them in various places around town.

Deo Vindice, **Bol G.**, Editor

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

02 Sep — Allen Johnson 04 Sep — Paul Stampley 09 Sep — Craig Williams 15 Sep — Fred Bussey Sr. 21 Sep – Dr. Thomas Poole 21 Sep — Col. William Thomas 25 Sep — Thomas Smith 230 Sep — Dr. Ed Johnson

SEPT. ANNIVERSARIES

05 Sep — Robert & Judy Sanders 11 Sep — Lee & Tammy Herron 21 Sep — Roy & Vivian Stampley 26 Sep — Terry & Harriet Dewitt 30 Sep — Scott & Tina Dedman 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 David Armour's wife Christy 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, 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 .



Mike McCann and **Paul Stampley** stand beside the recently restored and replaced plaque designating the Jefferson Davis Highway at the 5th Street Bridge/Park..

A small victory, but a big win for Heritage and 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

IT'S DUES TIME AGAIN!

It is, time for our annual dues. Continued membership is vital to preserving and maintaining out true Confederate history. Your dues allow you to remain informed and counted. It also helps to influence your friends, and family. The more there are of us, the better we can counteract the lies and slanders of the counterculture and "woke" mob that we face.

Even if you are unable to personally participate in Camp activities, you dues is a big part in fighting the counter-culture gangs that want to destroy our history. Our Georgia Division alone has filed numerous lawsuits across Georgia to stop cities and Counties from destroying our Memorials and Monuments. We are beginning to see some victories in court. Our GA Division—have spent over \$170,000 since May of 2020 in legal fees.

National Dues Grace Period expiring soon: Compatriots, National Dues for year 22-23 were due on July 31st. The one-month grace period expires next week. Please remit payment now to avoid \$5.00 reinstatement fee.

Adjutant and Treasurer **Carl Mixon** reports so far he has received 57 renewals out of an updated membership roster of 70 compatriots.

Please also note that all dues mailed to HQ and post marked at the post office by 9/1 will not be counted late. It must be post office post marked. Please remit any questions to membership@scv.org.

A CONFEDERATE QUIZ

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

- 1. What Cavalry General was Lee speaking of when he said, "He never brought me a piece of false information."
- 2. What Union General said, prior to Antietam, "If I cannot whip Bobby Lee, I will be willing to go home."
- 3. What portly General did Jefferson Davis call "the vainest man I have ever met."
- 4. What Scottish-born nurse published *Hospital life in the Confederate Army of Tennessee*.

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

71 Facts About Lying' Abe Lincoln The Historians Will NOT Tell You.

...Continued from August

- 31. Invading the South without consulting Congress.
- 32. Illegally declaring martial law.
- 33. Illegally blockading ports.
- 34. Illegally suspending habeas corpus.
- 35. Illegally imprisoning thousands of Northern citizens.
- 36. Tolerating their subjection to inhumane conditions in prison.
- 37. Systematically attacking Northern newspapers and their employees, including by imprisonment.
- Deporting his chief political enemy in the North, Congressman Clement L. Vallandigham of Ohio.
- 39. Confiscating private property and firearms.
- 40. Ignoring the Ninth and Tenth Amendments.
- 41. Tolerating the arrest of ministers who refused to pray for Lincoln.
- 42. Arresting several duly elected members of the Maryland Legislature along with the mayor of Baltimore and Maryland Congressman Henry May.
- 43. Placing Kansas and Kentucky under martial law.
- 44. Supporting a law that indemnified public officials for unlawful acts.
- 45. Laying the groundwork for the establishment of conscription and income taxation as permanent institutions.
- 46. Interfering with and rigging elections in Maryland and elsewhere in the North.
- 47. Censoring all telegraph communication.
- 48. Preventing opposition newspapers from being delivered by the post office.
- 49. Illegally creating the state of West Virginia out of the "indestructible" state of Virginia.
- 50. Tolerating or supporting mistreatment of citizens in conquered territory.

THE CONFEDERATE LEGION



Membership in the Legion supports the Southern Victory Campaign.

Dues and donations are used almost exclusively for a twothrust 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

I have a fear of speed bumps, but I'm slowly getting over it.

4. The energetic Kate Cumming. A diarist and author whose writings are an invaluable source on southern nursing. She strongly identified herself as a southerner, although she also valued her Scottish roots. So — How did you do?

- 3. General Sterling Price of Missouri.
- 2. Georg B. McClellan (he went home)!
- 1. J.E.B. Stewart, who had just been killed.

The Confederate Quiz answers are:

CONFEDERATE QUIZ ANSWERS

Our September Speaker Mr. Perry J. Smith, III

Perry Smith is a native South Carolinian, born in Columbia and raised in the Low Country. He and

his



Danielle, have 3 sons ranging from the ages of 24 to 33. The majority of his career working has been spent in the manufacturing of roofing and waterproofing systems. He currently is a Co-Owner and serves the as

wife.

General Manager of AguaSeal Acquisition, LLC, located on Johns Island.

Perry has had a lifelong love of history, starting with, at an early age, his hero, General Francis Marion. Over the years his knowledge and dedication have greatly increased pertaining to all aspects of South Carolina, the US, and especially War Between the States history.

Perry joined the SCV in 2003 as a he eventually transferred to General Ellison Capers camp #1212 where he served as the camp commander from 2014 to 2022. Perry has served in the SC Division as the 10th SC Brigade Commander (2015-2018), Chief of Staff (2018-2022) and in 2022 was elected as the SC Division Commander. He has twice earned the National SCV Distinguished Service Medal and was awarded the Stonewall Jackson Medal in 2022 by the South Carolina Division. He is proudly the Guardian of 3 Confederate Soldiers in Berkeley County and the descendent of over 35 Confederate Ancestors who served the state of Georgia.

Perry routinely lectures on pre-antebellum SC History and many topics pertaining to the War Between the States. He is an active member of the Santee Light Artillery, a certified instructor for the National Civil War Artillery Association, Co-Chair of The Grand Palmetto Ball, and serves on the boards of several historic organizations

At our meeting on the 8th (yes, it's that soon) Mr. Smith will be discussing the CSS Shenandoah and its War exploits. He has several actual photos and memorabilia from the ship and is an expert on the subject. You don't want to miss this months' presentation!

Come early and join us for some of Mr. Sconyers famous BBQ.

I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. Have bouts with dementia. Have poor circulation; hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92. Have lost all my friends.

But, thank goodness, I still have my driver's license!

FROM THE GA DIVISION

The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans condemns in the strongest terms possible the vandalism, removal and defacement of any Veteran's monuments, memorials, or grave markers and will assist law enforcement in any way possible to vigorously pursue the prosecution of these heinous violations to the fullest extent of the law.

We hold the services and sacrifices of our American veterans to be sacred and any acts against these heroes and patriots should be deemed by all patriotic Americans Issued by Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans Executive Council, November 10, 2018 as an act of terrorism

[We] also oppose in the strongest terms possible the removal, renaming, ... of any monument, memorials, or the names of streets and governmental institutions that are named after ... veterans of any conflict ...,

Most of the Confederate monuments were erected over 100 years ago. They were financed by the mothers, wives, [*and children*] of Confederate veterans to honor their service and sacrifices.

Confederate Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines are American veterans, designated by an act of Congress in U.S. Public Law 85-425: Sec. 410 approved 23 May 1958

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11 Grandparents Day	12	13	14	15	16 POW/MIA Day	17		
18	19	20 "Old Man Crew" cleanup at Magnolia Cemetery	21	22 Autumn Equinox	23	24		
25 Gold Star Mothers Day	26	27	28	29	30			

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