



Battle Lines

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Leon McElveen, Editor

President's Corner

Hopefully you are experiencing a pleasant Summer, and your business and enjoyment of life is becoming better rather than eroding. As we approach the beginning of our next campaign, we also approach the 150th Year following the "Late Unpleasantness".

In September, and timely as we approach the 150th anniversary, Emory Thomas will discuss advice given to both Presidents Lincoln and Davis before hostilities arose. The time period is 1860 and 1861, and is the topic of a new book Emory has either just finished, or about to finish. To the best of my knowledge this is a subject that has received scant attention in the past. The collective consensus seems to be, and has been, that the entire country, including its political leaders, was under a decided misapprehension as to the potential loss of life, cost and duration of any conflict, or that any conflict would ensue. Emory is a very good speaker. It should be interesting to get his take on this thinly discussed subject. Emory's past books include the Confederate Nation, and books JEB Stuart, and Robert E. Lee. He is a professor emeritus of Southern History at the University of Georgia, and has taught at the Citadel and other institutions.

The September meeting is when we recognize our past presidents, and hopefully Hank Frampton will be with us as his latest tour in Afghanistan is scheduled to conclude in August as I understand it. History sometimes repeats itself, as we know, and without any political or philosophical thought, the potential parallel between what was being embarked upon in 1861 in terms of analysis and longevity, and what we were embarking on in 2001 in terms of analysis

March Meeting to be at Capital City

Due to renovations at the Ansley Golf Club our March meeting will be held at the Capital City Club - Downtown.

The Capital City Club is located at 7 Harris Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 (northwest corner of Peachtree Street and Harris Street). For more information and detailed directions visit the club's website at www.capitacityclub.org or call (404) 523-8221



President's Corner continued...

and longevity is an interesting thought (for another time and a different forum).

In October, we will have a very good presentation on Second Manassas, or Second Bull Run as you prefer. More on that later, as well as the balance of the campaign year.

Terry Kingery, Greg Reeves, and the Events Committee have done an extraordinary job in staff rides and opportunities to see historic sites and venues this past year. The journey continues, full force, and there will be some exciting and interesting opportunities coming your way. These events are popular and deservedly so.

Each campaign year we have some new members in "management" and some departing members. Many thanks to Bruce Stewart for years of dedicated service and dedication as well as to Steve Morrison, Jr. See you in September,

Best Wishes,

J. D. Humphries

Upcoming Events

August 4 - September 12, 2010: Theater In The Square in Marietta will be showing the world premier play, "Stealing Dixie", about the Great Locomotive Chase and Andrew's Raiders which began at the Kennesaw House in Marietta. The play will feature period music and costumes. Tickets are \$21 - \$33 per person. Call 770.422.8369

August 14 - 15, 2010: "32nd Annual Southeastern Civil War Show & Sale", Cobb County Civic Center, For more information go to: www.NGRHA.com

September 12, 2010: Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History, "Great Locomotive Chase and Tunnel Hill Reenactment" bus tour. A special discounted price has been provided to our Round table members of only \$60 per person for the bus, the tour, and entrance to the reenactment.

September 18, 2010: Special Events Committee tour of the new Library of Congress Lincoln Exhibit, "With Malice Toward None" at the Atlanta History Museum led by Gordon Jones, Curator of the museum (information to soon be sent out to members to sign up).

Activities Committee Update

After a very successful first year with sold out member trips to Ringgold (Cleburne Statue Dedication), Columbus, Ga.(National Naval Museum & National Infantry Museum), the David Vaughan Image Collection, Chickamauga Battlefield (bus tour with Jim Ogden), Pickett's Mill Battlefield, and Historic Marietta, we are looking forward to bringing to the group an even better year with special tours already being planned starting in September.

We are pleased to announce we have added two new members to the committee, Stevan Crew and John Miller along with our past members Art Carey, John Mattingly, Leon McElveen, Jack Melton, and Greg Reeves, all who have agreed to serve on the committee again for the new year.

Watch for our upcoming events and join us!

Terry Kingery, Chairman

2010 - 2011 Program Preview

September 14, 2010..... Emory Thomas
War Dogs: 1861 and After
PRESIDENTS NIGHT

October 12, 2010 John Hennessey
Second Manassas

November 9, 2010 Earl Hess
In the Trenches of Petersburg
RICHARD BARKSDALE HARWELL AWARD

December 14, 2010..... TBA
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January 11, 2011Russell Bonds
War Like the Thunderbolt - The Battles for Atlanta

February 8, 2011..... TBA

March 8, 2011 Gary Gallagher
TBA

April 12, 2011..... Eric Wittenberg
J.E.B. Stuart's Gettysburg Ride

May 10, 2011 Tom Clemens
Ezra Carman and Antietam

June 14, 2011..... Ed Longacre
J.E.B. Stuart's Lieutenants



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