

SOUTHERN CONSTELLATION



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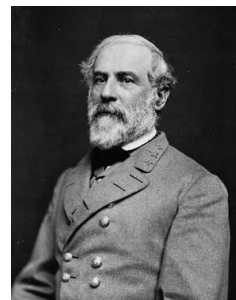
"Governor, if I had foreseen the use those people designed to make of their victory, there would have been no surrender at Appomattox Courthouse; no sir, not by me. Had I foreseen these results of subjugation, I would have preferred to die at Appomattox with my brave men, my sword in this right hand."

General Robert E. Lee,
August 1870 to
Governor Stockdale of Texas

Message from the Commander

Commander James Siske

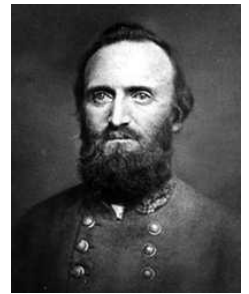
See you at the Lee-Jackson Banquet! Our speaker will be Steve Campbell and the subject will be, "Robert E. Lee: Not Just a Soldier".



Lee-Jackson Banquet

6:00 PM
January 20th, 2015

Capt. Bill's Seafood
6108 West Market St.
Greensboro, NC 27409



Speaker for the evening...

Steve Campbell will present "Robert E. Lee : Not Just a Soldier".

Coat & Tie (or period dress welcomed)

Live period music!

No pre-registration. Meals will be ordered from the menu.

Charge to The Sons of Confederate Veterans

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought; to your strength 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 principals he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations."

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General
United Confederate Veterans, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1906

The Chaplain's Corner

Chaplain David A. Long, III

"I Will Trust Him"

January is named for the Roman god Janus. Janus is two faced. With one face he looks into the future- with another face he looks into the past.

We too find that in January we have a tendency to reflect on the times past and also hope for the best in our New Year.

Look back if you will and see that we had God's blessings in our burdens and His presence in our perils. We had His strength in our struggles; His healing in our hurts.

We look forward and see that we have His solace in our sickness; in our time of temptation we have his triumph and in days of want we have His wealth. "Thus far the Lord has helped us". Therefore, I will trust Him.

"Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer saying, "Thus far the Lord has helped us".

I Samuel 7:12

Ebenezer is a Hebrew word which means "stone of help". Charles Dickens did well when he named the leading character of his Christmas story Ebenezer Scrooge.

In case you missed it...

If you were not able to attend last month's meeting, here is what you missed.

- The location for the annual Lee-Jackson Banquet was changed from Elm Street Center to our regular meeting location of Captain Bill's Seafood. Concerns were expressed regarding the expected attendance and the potential expenses that could be incurred by the camp in the event of a low turn-out.
- Carl Singley suggested inviting Jack Malar and his wife to join us as guests of the camp for our Lee-Jackson Banquet, which was whole heartedly supported.
- A motion was made by Don Saunders to move \$12,000 from our operating account into our Monument and Markers Fund account. The motion

passed. (The long term goal for the Monument and Markers Fund is to provide perpetual funding of the insurance policy covering the monuments and markers erected by the Col. John Sloan Camp.)

- Camp elections were held, with the following results:
 - Commander: Jeff Frank
 - Lt. Commander: Don Saunders
 - Adjutant/Treasurer: Roy Smith
 - Chaplain: David Long
- Bob Zeller gave an excellent presentation on the "Civil War in 3-D".

Please note that our mailing address has changed. The new address is...

Colonel John Sloan Camp #1290
P.O. Box 36302
Greensboro, NC 27416

The Center for Civil War Photography

Bob Zeller, president of the Center for Civil War Photography, provided an extremely enlightening and visually impressive program at our December meeting.



Members wearing the red/cyan anaglyph glasses, required to view the period photographs in 3-D, in preparation for the program.

His program included several excellent examples of the many 3-D photographs made during the period (who knew!). When we think of period photographs, Mathew Brady's photos of the war, from the Northern perspective, is what immediately comes to mind. Bob's program brought to light there were numerous Southern photographers of the period.

Also included was a photo taken by a Southern photographer, George S. Cook, on September 8, 1863, from within Fort Sumter, which made him the world's first combat photojournalist! Visit their [website](#) for the complete story.

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Our State—Our Soldiers.

No man can blame our State, if we are subjugated, exterminated, or the old government is re-constructed. Our State has done her duty nobly and generously. No evil-whisperer can say it is the fault of our soldiers. Never! They have fought gallantly, suffered patiently, endured heroically. Where is the solution of this proposition to be found? In the mismanagement of the Richmond administration and the sneaking and skulking conduct of some of the men who were foremost in breaking up the old government. No cabinet position was tendered to such men as Gov. Graham, Hon. J. A. Gilmer, Hon. John Bell, Judge Sharkey and other great and distinguished whigs and patriots. We mention this not in the way of re-crimination, not in a spirit of captiousness, but as a fact, a stubborn truth, which the hardest checked sycophant of power and party cannot deny. Finally, some of these influential and able men entered Congress, but who put them there? The Secessionists? No, never! The honest, patriotic, true people of the South. Their wisdom, to be heeded; and even in these dark days of the Revolution the people begin to hope for a cessation of arms, a staunching of bloodshed, and the dawn of a smiling and blessed peace. From the short speech of Mr. Orr, of South Carolina, made in the Senate a few days ago, he and others seem determined that this carnival of death shall stop; that time-serving politicians shall give place to ripe and prudent statesmanship and diplomacy. This we have desired all the while and with hearts full of thankfulness we welcome proper efforts for peace.

Sherman's probable Course.

It cannot be denied that Sherman has made the most successful raid thus far, since the beginning of the present war. His Georgia campaign is unprecedented, but his designs, if we may judge from his recent movements, indicate that he feels some uneasiness for the safety of his army.

After having captured Atlanta, Milledgeville, and shelled the city of Macon, we next behold him moving in the direction of Savannah and taking possession of the same, and just at this point he discovered his fears and was evidently seeking an outlet. Why we ask did he make this last diversion, if his design was to invade Central South Carolina and the heart of our own state?

From the best information that we can get, he is at present concentrating his forces at Pocatigo, and doubtless intends next to capture Charlestown, and in all probability may take and destroy Branchville, an important junction of Rail Roads for supplies to our Virginia army. Charlestown and its defenses once

in his possession he will in all probability next move in the direction of Wilmington. That reckless dash which characterized his Georgia raid is cooling down to caution and more sober deliberation. We cannot believe that he intends or designs invading the very heart and core of the country, but on the contrary that he will closely hug the seaboard his only place of entire safety. Let the people, however, remember that upon his success or defeat much depends.

How Much have We been Misrepresented.

Notwithstanding President Davis said in his speech in this place, that North Carolina had been more thoroughly conscripted than any other State of the Confederacy and according to her population had furnished more troops than any other; still some Journals of this State and some members of the Confederate Congress have been continually declaring that our State had not done here full duty and that, she had some 14000 or 15000 State officers, able and stout men, who were kept out of the army by the action of Governor Vance and our General Assembly; that these men ought to be given up and sent forward to the front. At the time this statement was made, we branded it as false, and unjust and slanderous. And that our readers may see, that we were right and that these defamers were in error, even if not willfully so, we give below the special report of Maj. Mallett, which shows that there is only a fraction over 5000 State officers in this large common-wealth in the midst of a fierce and bloody revolution, and that these and the number of exempted on account of physical disability taken together to not make as many as were stated to have been exempted by the Governor and our Legislature. Look over these figures, they do not misrepresent, or defame.

SPECIAL REPORT

To Dec. 1st, 1864, of the number of men in North Carolina exempt as State Officers and by reason of physical disability: Of State officers there are exempted in the First district, 218-4; Second, 402-2; Third, 460-5; Fourth, 723-5; Fifth, 712-2; Sixth, 316-; Seventh, 786-2; Eighth, 427-3; Ninth, 676; Tenth, 408-1.

By reason of physical disability, in the First district there are exempt 199; Second, 893; Third, 524; Fourth, 796; Fifth, 1071; Sixth, 962; Seventh, 1003; Eighth, 853; Ninth, 1753; Tenth, 328.

Making a total of 5153-32 State officers and 7885 by reason of physical disability.

Calendar of Events

Lee-Jackson Day, Lexington, VA

Lee-Jackson Symposium, Friday, January 16th

Holiday Inn Express, Lexington, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Lee-Jackson Day Ceremonies, Saturday, January 17th

10:30 am - Wreath Laying and Military Salute in the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Cemetery

11:15 am - Lee-Jackson Day Parade through downtown Lexington from the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Cemetery

12:00 pm - Memorial Service at the Lexington Presbyterian Church

1:30 pm - Lee-Jackson Day Gala (Lunch & Dance) held at the Holiday Inn Express (Gallery Room) (Please make reservations by January 13th.

Seating availability after deadline not guaranteed.)

Visit the website, leejacksonday.webs.com, for additional information.

150th Anniversary Commemoration of the Battle of Fort Fisher

Saturday, January 17th - Sunday, January 18th

Kure Beach, NC

Visit the website, www.friendsoffortfisher.com, for additional information.

General Robert E. Lee's Birthday

Monday, January 19th

Annual Lee-Jackson Banquet (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, January 20th

6:00 pm for Meal, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

Capt. Bill's Seafood

6108 West Market St.

Greensboro, NC 27409

Speaker: Steve Campbell will present a program on, "Robert E. Lee: Not Just a Soldier".

Lieutenant General Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson's Birthday

Wednesday, January 21st

NC Division Executive Council Meeting & SCV Leadership Seminar

Saturday, January 31st, Meeting starts at 9:00 am

Hosted by the Nathan Bedford Forrest Camp #803

Asbury Community Building, 1100 Asbury Church Road, Sanford, NC 27330

379th Regular Meeting (Col. John Sloan Camp #1290)

Tuesday, February 17th

6:00 pm for Meal, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

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Speaker: Kelly Hinson will give a first person impression of Mrs. Stonewall Jackson.

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