



MINIÉ BALL GAZETTE

The Official Newsletter of the Lowcountry Civil War Round Table, Inc.

August 2020

Dear LCWRT members,

I hope that everyone has remained safe and well since we last met. Because of the ongoing problem with COVID, your LCWRT Executive Committee has decided that physical meetings as in the past are not feasible now. For that reason we have decided to have virtual meetings with Zoom. We have already had a Zoom LCWRT Executive Committee meeting that went quite well. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, August 26th at 7 PM.

This first Zoom meeting will be for the election of officers and to get acclimated to using Zoom. Since we will be using Zoom instead of a physical meeting room, our expenses will decrease. As a result of decreased expenses, we have decreased our yearly membership dues to \$20 *per family*. This is for 2020 only.

ZOOM

To use Zoom you will need to go to the Zoom website at zoom.us and download the Zoom app. For instructions on using the app here is an instructional youtube site <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E>. To join the meeting, click on the website below which will take you to the meeting. Then enter the ID and passcode as shown below. When joining the meeting choose the video option but mute your sound because all the background noise in a large meeting is distracting. To ask questions, click on the chat button at the bottom of the screen and type your question. If necessary, you can be unmuted to ask an involved question.

JOHN ALLEN is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7655778703?pwd=Um5Fc3UyM2g1MWhMcEMxejBjU3dKdz09>

Meeting ID: 765 577 8703

Passcode: 089424

2020-2021 PROGRAMS

The 2020-2021 Programs are being finalized. All will be presented via Zoom. Here are the planned meeting dates and program speakers for this Fall:

7:00 pm Wed Sept 23 --- Stephen Wise "Blockage Running"

7:00 pm Wed Oct 28 ----- Gene Barr "A Civil War Captain and His Lady"

7:00 pm Wed Dec 2 --- Ron Roth "A Confederate Artillery Battery"

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Regarding membership renewal, a membership application is enclosed. Please complete it and return it to Joe Passiment along with your 2020 Program Year dues of \$20. The application has his contact info. Please send Joe a check or cash for payment. Because the LCWRT is not a Sun City "chartered club" Sun City residents are not able to charge" their dues to their CAM care. After you have paid your dues, Joe will send you an e-mail indicating dues have been paid. Each month, just before the Zoom Program Meeting, you will receive an e-mail with that month's Zoom ID and password. You will not be able to join the September and future Zoom meetings without making a dues payment.

ELECTION OF LCWRT OFFICERS

The LCWRT By-Laws call for an annual election of Officers by the Membership. At the August 26, 2020, meeting, we will hold elections. The current officers have agreed to stay on for another term if reelected.

LCWRT Nominations

President: John Allen

Vice President: Kay Allen

Treasurer: Ron Albert

Secretary: Dave McColloch

Member at Large: Tom McNamara

Program Committee: Gene Sullivan

Membership Committee: Joe Passiment

Communications Committee: Sandi Schroeder, John Foster

Additional nominations can be added prior to the meeting by contacting me or can be added at the meeting. We are always looking for volunteers. Please consider volunteering, it is only a couple of hours per month with a great group of friends and Civil War enthusiasts.

I look forward to an exciting and rewarding Program Year. Zoom to you all on August 26.

John Allen, President LCWRT

LOWCOUNTRY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE, INC.

Annual Membership for all household members (to Aug 31, 2021): **\$20.00**

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

CURRENT MEMBER _____

NEW MEMBER _____

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 to AUGUST 31, 2021

Please **Print** All Information Below

Last Name	First Name	Badge Nickname
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Last Name (Additional Household Member)	First Name	Badge Nickname
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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone () _____ Additional Phone () _____

Sun City Residents Only

New CAM number _____

Additional Household member **New** CAM number _____

E-Mail _____

Additional Household member E-mail _____

(We will keep this confidential!)

We always need volunteers to continue making the LCWRT successful.

Please check the area(s) for which you are willing to volunteer:

___ Program Committee: help select topics & speakers ___ Assist in Production/Distribution of the *Minie Ball Gazette*

___ Assist on Program Night (Greeter, Collect Tickets or Guest Fees, Tally Program Attendance)

___ Historian ___ Maintain Membership Roster ___ Work at Sun City Club Fair ___ Web Site Maintenance

Mail to or leave in "lower" box: **Joseph Passiment, 26 Schooner Lane, Bluffton, SC 29909-4305**

Make Check Payable to: **LCWRT Inc.** Any questions: please call **Joseph Passiment** at **732-995-2102** or contact at the email address joseph.passiment900@gmail.com