



LOWCOUNTRY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

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New & Renewal Memberships Are now being proudly accepted

See on page 3 the fantastic events to be presented in the coming months. We have a surprise in store for you with our new caterer. Luscious variety and locally prepared, this season's dinners will really draw a crowd. See sample menu on page 4.



Feb 2007 Lecture

As I See It from Paul Bucklin President

Thank you one and all for your trust and support in asking me to lead the LOWCOUNTRY CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE during the '06-'07 program year. I will do my best to live up to the exceptional quality of leadership shown by each of my predecessors. We are a large Roundtable when compared to others across our country. Our mix of membership (gals & guys) is unique for Roundtables. Our meeting facility for eating and then moving to a beautiful auditorium is one of a kind. These are the reasons why we are able to attract for each gathering the *very best* in speakers and presenters from throughout

our country. In my eyes, it is one of the best \$38 investments that Gwen and I make each year to learn more about the history of the area we now call home.

Select *Volunteers* make any group like ours successful. I'm pleased to share with you our team, now in place, to serve you in the months ahead. BOB HAM (Hilton Head) our Vice President; JACK FORSTER (Bluffton) Treasurer; WENDY GLASGOW (SCHH) Secretary; BERNIE COVERT (SCHH) Member-at-Large; JOHANNA VERWER (SCHH) Past President; BRENDA & STEVE BACON (SCHH) Membership; MARIAN & MITCH SACKSON (SCHH) Communications; MARGARET & DON HUBSCH (SCHH) Hospitality; BETTY & Jeff McMILLON (SCHH) Distribution; JUNE & JANICE McINTYRE (SCHH) Dinner; and CHRIS CLAYTON (Hilton Head) Lead Chair and CARL BERGMANN (SCHH) Co-Chair of Program Committee.

The *Program Committee* really makes us go and it is our *blue chip* committee. They meet almost every month, on our behalf, bring-



Sherman's troops removing ammunition from Fort McAllister

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ing the best in programs to our Lowcountry. In addition to Chris & Carl they are BRENDA & STEVE BACON, STEVE MOHN, PAUL RICKER, KIRK SCHLEIFER, and BOB WILLIAMS and advisors Bob Eberly, Mac McCoy, and Johanna Verwer. I give my THANKS to all of you for your willingness to serve.

Well...I'm excited and anxious to get the "show on the road" come this September. I urge those of you not re-enlisted to date to take care of your membership and do it now and in the process tell friends about us and help bring them into our Roundtable. Have a "great summer"!



Gettysburg: Need any more be said

Welcome to Brenda & Steve Bacon. Both are the new Membership Team as well as members of the Program Committee



Brenda & Steve Bacon



Bernie Covert

Our Board Member-at-Large doing what he does best. Bernie Covert was our auctioneer at the last *Volunteers Recognition Gathering*

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Our new distribution team for the coming season. Betty & Jeff McMillion will supervise all of our deliverers.



Betty & Jeff McMillion



Mitch & Marian Sackson

Mitch & Marian Sackson are the Editors of the LCWRT Bulletin for the second time around. For those of you that have a flair

for writing, kindly submit any articles that you deem appropriate. E-mail to us at mitch615@hargray.com

The 2006-2007 Lecture Series

Sept 13 2006 Chancellorsville. Mac Wyckoff will tell us why Chancellorsville holds a unique place on the roll of America's great battles. Fought in the early days of May 1863, it was the most complex campaign of the Civil War. It witnessed the most intense and concentrated few hours of fighting of the entire war. It ranks as the most remarkable of Robert E. Lee's victories and the most disheartening of Union defeats. It was the start of the much heralded campaign of the new commanding general fighting Joe Hooker. For the South the fate of Stone Wall Jackson turned it into the most hollowed of victories.

Oct 11 2006. Gettysburg. Rev. Jeff Miller will examine Gettysburg, the strategies of Lee and Meade, and the aftermath of the Confederate loss. The three days of Gettysburg, July 1-3, 1863 are called by some the turning point of the Civil War or the "high tide" of the Confederacy. General Lee marched into Pennsylvania expecting to win his third major battle in six months; but now he entered the enemy's country and the outcome was quite different. From the gallantry of Pickett's charge to the bravery on Little Round Top, Gettysburg has become the symbol of the War Between the States.

Nov 8 2006 The Western Theater. Richard McMurry will talk on the Western battles: Forts Donnellson and Henry, Shiloh Church, Vicksburg, Chickamauga and many others in what is referred to as the trans-Mississippi region. These battles have until recently been relegated to a position of less importance than the battles in the Eastern states, yet they represented, for the Union, the most significant victories. What was the Unions strategy and why were they more successful?

Jan 10 2007 Battle Losses and Aftermath. James I. (Bud) Robertson will be with us once again. Someone said that the Civil war was the defining event for America — more so than the Revolutionary War. It is estimated that 620,000 Union and Confederate soldiers died as a result of battles and disease. The devastation in the South took over a hundred years to rebuild. Bud will examine these events and their impact on us as a nation.

Feb 14 2007 Role of 'Colored' Troops. This presentation will depart from our usual format and present a living history when the Charleston Re-enactors Group becomes the 54th Massachusetts and portrays their role in the battle of Battery Wagner. We will discuss the events that led to the formation of the so called "Colored Troops" and their role in the Civil War. Also, we will show the uniforms and customs of this regiment and discuss details of the battle.

Mar 14 2007 Chickamauga & Chattanooga. Ed Bearss will return to examine the battles of this region of Tennessee, including Missionary Ridge and Lookout Mountain. The name Chickamauga was an old Cherokee word meaning river of death and it lived up to its name as each side lost nearly a third of its men. Chickamauga was a Union disaster. As September 1863 ended the federals held Chattanooga but were on the verge of surrender. The Union was galvanized by the potential destruction of the Army of the Cumberland and dispatched large numbers of troops quickly by rail from the Eastern Theatre.

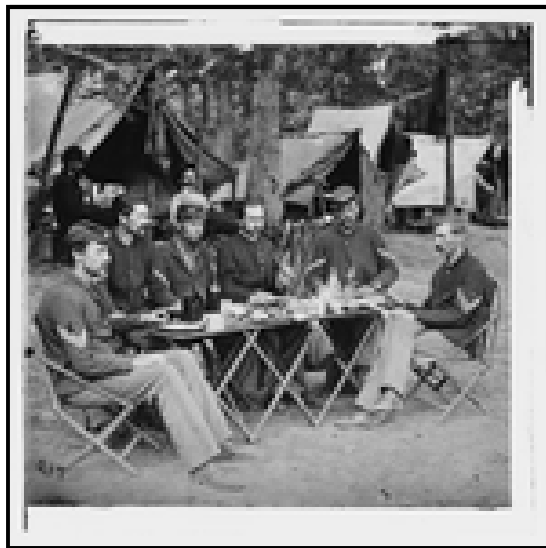
Apr 11 2007 Fort Pillow. Brian Steel Wills will tell us what really happened at Fort Pillow. Situated on a high bluff on the eastern bank of the Mississippi river about forty river miles above Memphis, TN, it became part of a chain of Federal garrisons. In April 1864 it was manned by 295 white Tennessee troops and 262 U.S. Colored Troops when Nathan Bedford Forrest, the famous (or infamous) Confederate cavalryman, attacked and the fort surrendered. Casualties were high and only sixty-two of the U.S. Colored Troops survived the fight. The Confederates were accused of massacre, a controversy that continues today. Fort Pillow became the subject of a Federal joint Congressional investigation. Was it a massacre, revenge or "war as an act of violence pushed to its utmost bounds"?

May 9 2007 Mobile Bay. Craig Symonds is back with us to elaborate on the added significance of Rear-Admiral Farragut's naval victory at Mobile Bay in light of Sherman's victory in Atlanta. Farragut, aloft in the rigging of his flag ship Hartford, directed the battle as his ships outmaneuvered the feared rebel iron clad, Tennessee, so that she struck no blow but went to the bottom under federal gunfire. The capture of Mobile Bay left only Wilmington, North Carolina as the only open port for blockade runners in the closing days of the war.

The Dinner Menu for September 2006

Pot Roast with Vegetables, Virginia Ham, Steamed tilapia, Bourbon St Chicken and White Rice, Pulled Barbeque Pork

House Salad with Carrots, Cucumbers, Onions, Peppers, Tomatoes, Cheese and 7 Types of Dressing (Ranch, Blue Cheese, Italian, Thousand Island, Catalina, Honey Mustard, Caesar)



Green Beans, Potato Salad, Mac & Cheese, Mash Potato, Brown Gravy, White Rice, Okra & Stewed Tomatoes, Carrots, Steamed Spinach, Dinner Yeast Rolls with Honey Butter

Mixed Fruit with Cantaloupe, Honeydew, Strawberries, Grapes, Watermelon-if possible

Mixed Cookies (Oatmeal Raisin, Chocolate chip, Peanut butter), Brownies, Coconut Macaroons, Lemon Bars

Sweet & Unsweetened Tea, Lemonade, Coffee
Served on Dinner Plates, Silverware, and Glasses
Catered by Golden Corral

For Your Information

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE SENATOR SINKING TAXPAYER MONEY INTO A CIVIL WAR-ERA SUBMARINE

South Carolina State Senate president pro tem Glenn McConnell (R) has a passion for the Civil War -- and is making state taxpayers pay for it. McConnell's pet project has been restoring the Confederate Hunley submarine, sunk in 1864. The project is expected to cost \$100 million -- "one of South Carolina's biggest financial undertakings in modern times" -- and taxpayers are likely to pick up 85 percent of the bill. While McConnell -- a libertarian who has criticized excessive government spending throughout his career -- initially promised that much of the funding would come from individual donations, donors have been unwilling to pay. Instead, McConnell has tucked away millions of dollars for his project in government agency budgets, unseen by much of the public. (For example, the "Department of Public Safety each year provides \$100,000 for a highly trained, armed guard for the Hunley lab, which is open to visitors on weekends. DPS also monitors the Hunley 24 hours a day via closed-circuit television.") McConnell also plans to spend \$42 million on a Hunley museum in Charleston. It "will be among the most costly in South Carolina, above the \$16 million Columbia Art Museum but below the \$70 million Charleston aquarium." Officials have done no market studies to gauge how many visitors the museum would draw, and Hunley exhibits in other parts of the state have failed to attract visitors; many of the sites have closed. Nevertheless, McConnell insists "that 1 million people would visit a Hunley museum in its first year." The state's largest tourist attraction -- the Riverbanks Zoo in Columbia -- gets just over 850,000 a year.

LCWRT Membership Form

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New Enlistment:

Single: _____ One Time Initiation Fee \$25.00 + Annual Membership \$26.00 = \$51.00

Household: _____ One Time Initiation Fee \$30.00 + Annual Membership \$38.00 = \$68.00

Re-enlistment:

Single: _____ Annual Membership: \$26.00

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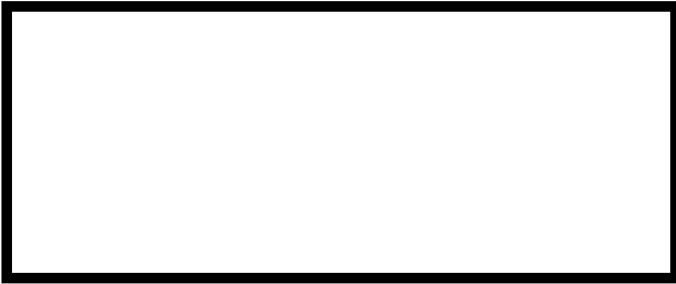
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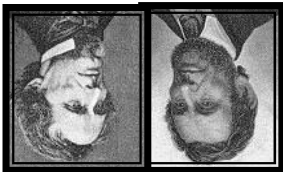
What Can You Do To Help?

We are set to start on our ambitious next year of 2006—2007. The Round Table doesn't just happen. You, by volunteering and working on committees, make the Round Table what it is. How about it? We need help on the Program, Communication, Monthly Bulletin, delivery of the Bulletin, Hospitality, Accounting and Membership committees - **no experience necessary**. Some tasks are only an hour once a month! If you are interested in ANY of the items below, please check them off and include with form.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Program Committee: help select topics & speakers | <input type="checkbox"/> Would like to be President |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain Membership (requires a computer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Collect dinner reservations & make list thereof |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contribute articles to our monthly bulletin | <input type="checkbox"/> Help setup dinner tables |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Be Editor of the bulletin (requires a computer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Perform the 'check in' during dinner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bring the bulletin to the printer & pick it up | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality & Greeter (distribute name cards) |
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Please see your new/renewal form inside. Kindly return as soon as possible. Thanks from your Board.



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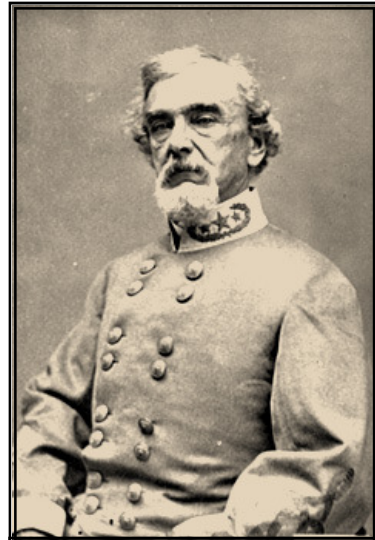


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We thank Palmetto Electric for their allowing the LCWRT usage of their meeting room for our *Morning After*.