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If you missed the January program meeting you missed an excellent presentation by Jack Rabbitt on the Battle of Antietam. Jack brought an interesting look at the battle as it developed and his photos and maps helped explain many battle features not apparent to the casual historian.

Please note that our next meeting is scheduled for **MONDAY February 26** at 6:45 pm at Hidden Cypress in Sun City.

Due to financial constraints the LCWRT Executive Committee decided to reduce the number of meetings from eight to six each Program Year. In addition, the Annual Membership fee has been reduced from \$30 to \$20.

Our website is www.lcwrtsquarespace.com.

Our e-mail address is LCWRT-SC@gmail.com

President's Letter

If you know someone you think would be interested in our group on the Civil War, invite them. They do not have to live in Sun City. I am in process of moving to the Haven and will be inviting people who live there to join our group. The only requirement is that are interested in the Civil War.

Our schools no longer teach our children about our history and so we must fill that vacuum.

We generally meet once a month from October to April. We have some great speakers coming up (Feb. Stephen Wise; March, Jerry Morris, and April, Jack Davis). For those of you who stopped by our table at the Club Fair, Jerry was the gentleman in a full-dress uniform. Many people enjoyed talking with him.

Several of you had expressed an interest in our changing our meeting times and locations and might be wondering about this. We did not get enough of a response to make a decision and will continue to look into this

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LCWRT Assistance

The LCWRT Executive Committee is getting desperate. While we have about 120 members in the LCWRT, there are only 7 of us who are working on preparing the monthly meetings and programs. We very much need some additional help. Without additional volunteers, it is questionable that the LCWRT can continue to function. If you have a couple of hours a month we can use help in program development, website management, membership, financial assessments, help writing the **Minié Ball Gazette** newsletter, and help on program nights. You would be working with the person currently responsible for the activity as you learn about and join the Executive Committee. Here are several areas where you can help:

- **PRESIDENT** – chairs the Executive Committee and represents the LCWRT in public functions. Usually says a few words at the start of the monthly program meeting.
- **VICE PRESIDENT** – assists the President and usually participates on the Program Committee, assists at monthly program meeting.
- **TREASURER** – maintains the financial records, receives membership dues, pays bills and expenses, prepares a monthly report to the LCWRT on financial status, files an annual form to the IRS confirming a non-profit corporation, assists at monthly program meetings.
- **SECRETARY** – maintain minutes of Executive Committee meetings, handles LCWRT correspondence, assists at monthly program meetings.
- **MEMBER-AT-LARGE** – assists the President, assists at monthly program meetings.
- **PROGRAMS COMMITTEE** – helps identify and locate speakers for monthly program meetings. Coordinates with Sun City Life Styles to obtain meeting rooms and any special needs for program speakers. Assists at monthly program meetings.
- **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE** – maintains LCWRT membership roster on an easy-to-use spreadsheet. Prepares a monthly report to the Executive Committee on membership status. Prepares membership badges. Prepares an annual report to Sun City Life Styles to maintain our status as a “Registered Community Group” within Sun City. Assists at monthly program meetings.
- **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE** -- Prepares the monthly **Minié Ball Gazette** newsletter. Provides monthly update for Sun City SunSations magazine. Maintains the LCWRT website. Assists at monthly program meetings.
- **ASSIST AT MONTHLY PROGRAM MEETINGS** – meet and greet members as they arrive, assist in seating, assist setting up for program speaker.

This Month's Program

The February program features local historian Dr. Stephen Wise speaking on "The Civil War in the Low Country." Dr. Wise is the Museum Curator of the Parris Island Museum. He has written several books on the Civil War and made numerous presentations to the LCWRT. If you have never been to the Parris Island Museum it is a visit well worth your attention. Please note that the meeting is scheduled for **MONDAY February 26** at 6:45 pm at **Hidden Cypress** in Sun City.

2023-2024 Program Year Schedule ---- **THE PROGRAM STARTS AT 6:45 pm**

	DATE	ROOM	SPEAKER	TOPIC
Wed	Oct 25, 2023	HC	John McCardell	General Grant's Memoirs
Wed	Nov 29, 2023	HC	John McCardell	General Longstreet's Memoirs
Tues	Jan 30, 2024	MH	Jack Rabbitt	Antietam: Landmarks Bathed in Blood
Mon	Feb 26, 2024	HC	Stephen Wise	The Civil War in the Low Country
Wed	Mar 27, 2024	MH	Jerry Morris	Reminiscences of a Confederate Soldier
Thur	Apr 25, 2024	HC	Jack Davis	A Partnership That Worked: Davis & Lee

HC = Hidden Cypress Ball Room

MH = Magnolia Hall

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