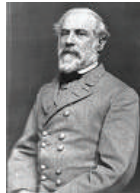




# The Crescent



Official Newsletter of  
**Moultrie Camp SCV No. 27**  
 Sons of Confederate Veterans



## THE YEAR OF LEE

# CAMP CALENDAR

Mark your calendars for these important dates, more information to follow! See the Commander's Column!

- **August 13, 2007**—6:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting
- **August 16, 2007**—6:45 pm Moultrie Camp Meeting
- **September 11, 2007**—6:30 Executive Committee Meeting
- **September 20, 2007**—6:45 Moultrie Camp Meeting
- **October 9, 2007**—6:30 Executive committee Meeting
- **October 12/13, 2007**—Confederate Ghost Walk
- **October 18, 2007**—6:45 Moultrie Camp Meeting

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- **Next Meeting:**
- Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at *The Point Grill*
- *176 Patriot's Point Road*
- *Mount Pleasant, SC.*
- *We meet at 6:45 PM,*  
*August 16, 2007*
- *Dinner 7:00 pm*
- **Speaker:**  
*Senator Danny Verdin*

CONFEDERATE STATE STEAMER TALLAHASSEE  
VISITS HALIFAX AUGUST, 1864



In August of 1864, the twin screw former blockade runner, "Tallahassee", under command of Comdr. J.T. Wood, CSN, ran the blockade at Wilmington, N.C. and made a brilliant 19 day raid off the Atlantic Coast as far as Halifax, N.S. On this short cruise, she destroyed 26 vessels and captured 7 others.

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## General Information

### ~ Camp Officers ~

Commander J. Howard Chalmers, III  
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 2nd Lt. Commander Daniel Dukes  
 Judge Advocate Richard A. Steadman, Jr.  
 Adjutant Howard W. Steadman  
 Treasurer Danny R. Dotter  
 Color Sergeant Keith H. Barrineau  
 Chaplain Clayton S. Martin  
 Quartermaster Keith H. Barrineau  
 Past Commander Jeffrey L. Antley

**Membership** in the Sons of Confederate Veterans is open to all male descendants of any veteran who served honorably in the Confederate armed forces. Membership can be obtained through either direct or collateral family lines and kinship to a veteran must be documented genealogically. The minimum age for membership is 12.

Proof of kinship to a Confederate soldier can take many forms. The easiest method is to contact the archives of the state from which the soldier fought and obtain a copy of the veteran's military service record. All Southern states' archives have microfilm records of the soldiers who fought from that state, and

a copy of the information can be obtained for a nominal fee. In addition, the former Confederate states awarded pensions to their veterans and their widows. All of these records contain a wealth of information that can be used to document military service.

**If you are thinking of joining, please submit your application—let anyone know if you need assistance.**

## ~ 6th BRIGADE CAMP MEETINGS ~



SOUTH CAROLINA.

- Secession Camp # 4, Charleston.....3rd Tuesday of the Month
- Moultrie Camp # 27, Mt. Pleasant.....3rd Thursday of the Month
- Pvt. John S. Bird Camp # 38 .....2nd Tuesday of the Month
- N. Charleston Wee Nee Volunteers Camp # 58, Kingstree.....1st Monday of the Month
- Litchfield Camp # 132, Conway.....3rd Monday of the Month
- H. L. Hunley Camp # 143, Summerville.....4th Thursday of the Month
- Gen. Ellison Capers Camp # 1212, Moncks Corner..... 3rd Thursday of the Month
- Star of the West Camp # 1253, The Citadel.....(irregular)
- Ft. Sumter Camp # 1269, Charleston.....2nd Thursday of the Month (irregular)

## ~ The Charge ~



*To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought.*

*To your strength will 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 principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish.*



Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee,  
 Commander General,  
 United Confederate Veterans,  
 New Orleans, Louisiana. April 25, 1906.



## The View From The Commander's Tent

Compatriots,

I hope this month's newsletter finds you well. As for me and my family, we're trying to squeeze in one more vacation, planning for my brother-in-law's wedding, and starting to think about getting the boys back to school.

Late last month, I attended the 112<sup>th</sup> National Reunion of the SCV, in Mobile, AL. All in all, it was a successful convention. It was clear to me in all of my discussions that Moultrie Camp, the other camps in the 6<sup>th</sup> Brigade, and the entire S.C. Division are quite well respected across the Confederation. I want to take this opportunity to report on a few key items from the convention itself:

Executive Director Ben Sewell presented the audited financials for the organization; I brought a copy home with me, which is available for any camp member to review.

We adopted the proposed budget for the year

The proposed dues increase was amended such that we will have a \$10 increase beginning **next** year. This year's national dues remain at \$20. The delay in the dues increase presents a significant problem to General Headquarters, as it results in a shortfall in the annual budget. We will be investigating ways of making up the difference at the local, division, and national levels.

The discussion on the four proposed Constitutional Amendments went as expected.

2008 was named "The Year of Jefferson Davis"

The part of the convention with which our camp was most involved, the Time & Place Committee Report, did not go as we planned. The group from Anderson County, including Past CiC Ron Wilson, and the group from Charleston, including myself, Division Lt. Commander Gene Hogan, and 6<sup>th</sup> Brigade Commander David Rentz, presented our proposals on the floor of the convention. Both groups presented excellent proposals, but the convention voted to send the 2010 Reunion to Anderson. I will be happy to answer questions about either proposal or the discussion that occurred on the convention floor if anyone is interested. Regardless, the organization voted to go to Anderson, and Moultrie Camp will do whatever we can to support the camps in Anderson in preparing for and executing the best convention possible. It's not about us; it's about the memory of our ancestors.

For the men that wore the gray,

*Howard*

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## Camp Talk

### August Speaker: Senator Danny Verdin

Danny is a life-long resident of South Carolina, married to the former Kim Owens of Charleston, and together they are blessed with four children, two boys and two girls, ranging from 18 to 9 years old. Danny owns and operates Verdin's Farm and Garden Center in Laurens, a family-run business he founded in 1991. Prior to establishing his own business, Danny served in Governor Carroll Campbell's administration as an agricultural and natural resources policy advisor.

Danny was elected to the State Senate in 2000 and re-elected in 2004 representing Laurens and Greenville counties. His new committee assignments are Finance and Medical Affairs and he continues to serve on the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee; Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee; and Transportation Committee.

In addition to his legislative committees, Danny continues to serve on the Hunley Commission, the Tax and Fiscal Policy Task Force of the American Legislative Exchange Council, and the State House and Senate Operations Committees. He serves as Chairman of the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, and he also Chairs the Licensing Subcommittee.

From 1996 - 1998 Senator Verdin was the Lt. Commander of the SC Division of the SCV.

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He was recently honored as the "2006 Legislator of the Year" by the Winter SC Farm Bureau, and also named the "2007 Legislator of the Year" by the SC Veterinarians Association.

### Moultrie Camp Newsletter Needs You!

Our Moultrie Camp newsletter needs your contributions.

Please send your comments, photos, editorials, or whatever to: [editor@scv27.org](mailto:editor@scv27.org)

### July Speaker: Donald Livingston

Moultrie Camp enjoyed Professor Livingston's talk on the Confederate Constitution at the July Camp meeting. Thanks Dr. Livingston.



**5 August 1864** - Battle of Mobile Bay, Alabama.

**6 August 1862** - Near Baton Rouge, Louisiana, the C.S.A. ironclad "C.S.S. Arkansas" is badly damaged in a Union attack. She is abandoned and then destroyed to keep her from being captured.

**9 August 1862** - Battle of Cedar Mountain. General Jackson is victorious, however, the Confederacy loses General Charles S. Winder, commander of the famous "Stonewall Brigade."

**10 August 1861** - The Battle of Wilson's Creek, Missouri, where Confederates are victorious in the major conflict of the War in Missouri.

**11 August 1862** - Independence, Missouri, is captured by a large guerrilla command led by William C. Quantrill.

**11 August 1864** - General Jubal Anderson Early withdraws his cavalry command from Winchester and moves southward, up the Shenandoah Valley, towards Cedar Creek, Virginia.

**12 August 1862** - General John Hunt Morgan and his raiders capture Gallatin, Tennessee.

**15 August 1863** - The submarine, H.L. Hunley" arrives in Charleston on covered flat-bed railroad cars.

**15 August 1864** - Off the New England coast, the "C.S.S. Tallahassee" captures six Yankee schooners.

**17 August 1863** - The first major federal shelling of Confederates at Fort Sumter, South Carolina.

**18 August 1864** - Petersburg Campaign, Battle for the Weldon Railroad, where three days of intensive fighting begins.

**20 August 1864** - The "C.S.S. Tallahassee" captures and burns the brig "Roan", her 33rd prize in only two weeks, after she runs the blockade at Wilmington, North Carolina.

**23 August 1864** - The fall of Fort Morgan at Mobile, Alabama. Federals control of the port at Mobile Bay, but Confederates retain control of the city. Wilmington, North Carolina, now becomes the major port for Confederate blockade runners.

**24 August 1861** - "Harper's Weekly," a unionist magazine published in New York City, editorializes that "Wartime is no time to emancipate the slaves."

**26 August 1862** - Beginning of Second Manassas Campaign as Confederate cavalry under Fitzhugh Lee enters Manassas Junction and captures the rail point, several hundred prisoners and tons of quartermaster and commissary supplies.

**29 August 1862** - Battle of Second Manassas, Virginia. Federal drive against Stonewall Jackson's troops fail. General James Longstreet comes up at noon and by nightfall Confederates hold their original line of battle.

**30 August 1862** - Battle of Second Manassas. Federals are defeated by General Robert E. Lee, General Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson, and General James Longstreet. Losses: U.S.A., 16,054 and C.S.A. 9,197.

**30 August 1862** - Battle of Richmond, Kentucky.

**31 August 1864** - Atlanta Campaign. Battle of Jonesborough, Georgia, where Confederate attacks against entrenched Union positions result in serious Southern casualties. Losses: U.S.A., 170; C.S.A., 1,725.



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*Next Camp Meeting:  
August 14, 2007 6:45*

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### LAUGH AND LIVE LONGER

#### Understanding Engineers - Take One

Two engineering students were walking across a university campus when one said, "Where did you get such a great bike?"

The second engineer replied, "Well, I was walking along yesterday, minding my own business, when a beautiful woman rode up on this bike, threw it to the ground, took off all her clothes and said, "Take what you want."

The second engineer nodded approvingly and said, "Good choice; the clothes probably wouldn't have fitted you anyway."



#### Understanding Engineers - Take Two

To the optimist, the glass is half full.  
To the pessimist, the glass is half empty.  
To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

#### Understanding Engineers - Take Three

The graduate with a science degree asks, "Why does it work?"

The graduate with an engineering degree asks, "How does it work?"

The graduate with an accounting degree asks, "How much will it cost?"

The graduate with an arts degree asks, "Do you want fries with that?"