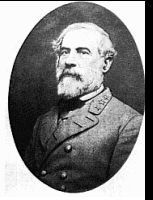




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○ June Meeting ○
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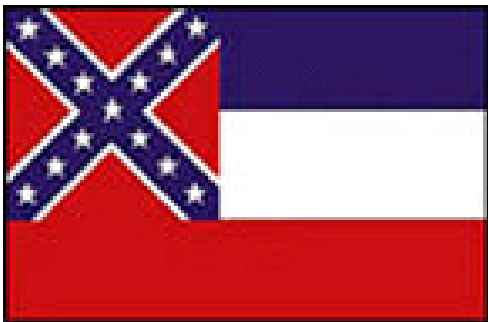
First Lt. Commander Randy Rogers reports that the program has not yet been confirmed for June. I'm sure Randy will manage to bring us something interesting

Everyone come and bring a recruit!

When: June 23, 2009. 5:00 pm.

Where: Municipal Art Gallery, State St., Jackson.

See you there!



If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted:

But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away.

For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

James 1:5-11
(KJV)

May Meeting Report

Howard Bahr
Educator and Novelist



Educator and novelist Howard Bahr brought an interesting presentation about how he became interested in writing novels centered around the War

Between the States, including his one-time involvement in reenacting and the use of character names drawn from the fictitious names he and his compatriots chose for their reenacting personae. He also read from his first novel, The Black Flower, which is set at the Battle of Franklin.

It was announced that Compatriot Dan Duggan had recently suffered a serious fall and was hospitalized and undergoing surgeries to repair damage. The camp wishes Dan a speedy and whole recovery.

Music was presented by Wayne Anderson who did a Memorial Day tribute song, "The Last Day of May" as well as one of his other songs about the Battle of Franklin.

Thank You!

This is an acknowledgement and expression of thanks to those compatriots and friends of the camp who donated books and other items to be used in our meeting fundraising. Specifically, thanks go to Mrs. Marilyn Hardin for her donation of a box full of books at the April Confederate Memorial Service. Mrs. Hardin is a UDC member and the widow of member Bill Hardin who passed away in 2005. Thanks also to Lee Fredericks, who joined last summer and has been a regular attendee ever since, who donated several books. Since this editor is not privy to the names of others who may have also contributed, I cannot mention you specifically but be aware that your donation is appreciated.

A few quotes worthy of occasional remembrance...

"The Northern onslaught upon slavery was no more than a piece of specious humbug designed to conceal its desire for economic control of the Southern states." Charles Dickens, 1862

"Beloved, the South might not always be right, but we ain't never wrong!" Brother Dave Gardner

"Lincoln's war implied, and the Gettysburg Address set to words, a firm message to the States of the Union – 'I love you all, and if you leave me, I'll hunt you down and kill you.' The Address was not the sagely comments of a wise statesman, rather the vain, obsessive rantings of a power-hungry demon engaging in a blood-thirsty mission of self-aggrandizement, no matter the volume of corpses required to attain it." -- Lewis Goldberg

"The sole object of this war is to restore the union. Should I become convinced it has any other object, or that the Government designs using its soldiers to execute the wishes of the Abolitionists, I pledge you my honor as a man and a soldier I would resign my commission and carry my sword to the other side." -- Gen. U.S. Grant

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Calendar

June 23, 2009

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

July 28, 2009

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

August 25, 2009

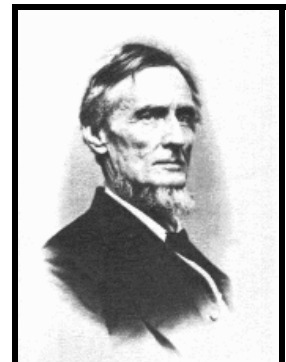
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September 22, 2009

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October 27, 2009

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Chaplain's Dispatch

Sixty-five years ago on June 6, 1944, the Allied forces began the Normandy invasion which led to the German surrender eleven months later. In a radio broadcast that day President Franklin D. Roosevelt shared with our nation the following prayer to Almighty God for the success of D-Day.

My Fellow Americans:

Last night, when I spoke with you about the fall of Rome, I knew at that moment that troops of the United States and our Allies were crossing the Channel in another and greater operation. It has come to pass with success thus far.

And so, in this poignant hour, I ask you to join with me in prayer:

Almighty God: Our sons, pride of our nation, this day have set upon a mighty endeavor, a struggle to preserve our Republic, our religion, and our civilization, and to set free a suffering humanity.

Lead them straight and true; give strength to their arms, stoutness to their hearts, steadfastness in their faith.

They will need Thy blessings. Their road will be long and hard. For the enemy is strong. He may hurl back our forces. Success may not come with rushing speed, but we shall return again and again; and we know that by Thy grace, and by the righteousness of our cause, our sons will triumph.

They will be sore tried, by night and by day, without rest — until the victory is won. The darkness will be rent by noise and flame. Men's souls will be shaken with the violences of war.

For these men are lately drawn from the ways of peace. They fight not for the lust of conquest. They fight to end conquest. They fight to liberate. They fight to let justice arise, and tolerance and goodwill among all Thy people. They yearn but for the end of battle, for their return to the haven of home.

Some will never return. Embrace these, Father, and receive them, Thy heroic servants, into Thy kingdom.

And for us at home — fathers, mothers, children, wives, sisters, and brothers of brave men overseas, whose thoughts and prayers are ever with them — help us, Al-

mighty God, to rededicate ourselves in renewed faith in Thee in this hour of great sacrifice.

Many people have urged that I call the nation into a single day of special prayer. But because the road is long and the desire is great, I ask that our people devote themselves in a continuance of prayer. As we rise to each new day, and again when each day is spent, let words of prayer be on our lips, invoking Thy help to our efforts.

Give us strength, too — strength in our daily tasks, to redouble the contributions we make in the physical and the material support of our armed forces.

And let our hearts be stout, to wait out the long travail, to bear sorrows that may come, to impart our courage unto our sons wheresoever they may be.

And, O Lord, give us faith. Give us faith in Thee; faith in our sons; faith in each other; faith in our united crusade. Let not the keenness of our spirit ever be dulled. Let not the impacts of temporary events, of temporal matters of but fleeting moment — let not these deter us in our unconquerable purpose.

With Thy blessing, we shall prevail over the unholy forces of our enemy. Help us to conquer the apostles of greed and racial arrogances. Lead us to the saving of our country, and with our sister nations into a world unity that will spell a sure peace — a peace invulnerable to the schemings of unworthy men. And a peace that will let all of men live in freedom, reaping the just rewards of their honest toil.

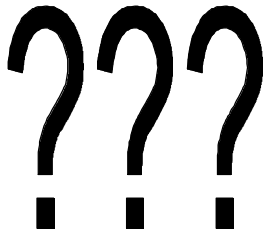
Thy will be done, Almighty God. Amen.

— Franklin D. Roosevelt - June 6, 1944

As we read this prayer by President Roosevelt we contemplate the question: Would the President have been able to broadcast such a prayer if the "political correctness" which exists today had existed in 1944?

We thank God for the sacrifices made that day.

Sincerely,
Hubert W. Miazza
Chaplain



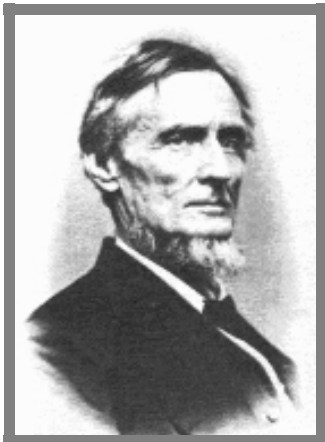
Trivia Question:

This month's question asks:

What did General JEB Stuart's first three initials stand for?

April's question asked: What two battles had sites that became known as the "Bloody Angle"?

The answer: Spotsylvania and Gettysburg



Commander's Column

TO MY FELLOW COMPATRIOTS:

Our May meeting was an interesting one. Because of an accident our Dan Duggan was not present and I had to come up with "This day in the WBTS". Not nearly as comprehensive nor delivered with Dan's great wit. We always appreciate our musically talented compatriots and Mr. Wayne Anderson came through. Wayne has filled in for our missing "Hummingbirds" on numerous occasions and it certainly is appreciated. He has become the camp "warbler".

As our guest speaker we were fortunate enough to have Howard Bahr, a professor at Belhaven College. Professor Bahr discussed and read from a couple of his novels. What a treat! Howard has a great sense of humor and is very knowledgeable about the conflict. He was gracious enough to read from several of his works. What a rare and exciting event to have a novelist come and give a reading. Some of his major works are: Pelican Road (May 2008); The Judas Field: A Novel of the Civil War (2006); The Year of the Jubilo: A Novel of the Civil War (2000); The Black Flower: A Novel of the Civil War (1998); Home for Christmas (1997).

Compatriot Randy Rogers has stepped forward and agreed to relieve me of command. Congratulations on becoming Jeff Davis Camp 635 next Commander. We will still be needing all those that have volunteered in the past to continue in their present capacities until such time as Randy and I can twist your arms to stay or find replacements. Thanks to all that help with the camp! I appreciate you having allowed me to be your Commander for the past 3 years. I know that the camp is in good hands.

Deo Vindice
Emmett Eaton,
Camp Commander

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