



The Governor's Orders

Madison Starke Perry

Fourth Governor of Florida, 1857-1861

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the cause for which we fought;...the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history...it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations."

General Stephen D. Lee, C.S.A.

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June 8 Meeting

Our June meeting will feature 2nd Lt. Commander Bob Lightner with a presentation, "The War of Northern Aggression and Telegraph History," about the early development of telegraphy and the role it played in the war.

We will meet at Brown's Country Buffet in Alachua. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm. Come between 5:30 and 6:30 to socialize and enjoy the buffet dinner.

New Member



Compatriot Craig Stone was sworn in at the May meeting

Pictured: Brigade Commander Clement Lindsey, Commander Lloyd Baldwin, Compatriot Craig Stone, and Chaplain Jimbo Talbot

From the Commander:

Father time seems to have floored the gas pedal since I retired. It seems like we just met at Brown's, but the next meeting is just around the corner.

Speaking of meetings, we had about ten compatriots show up in May at Brown's Buffet, which had just reopened. It was interesting to see the changes made. The buffet was open, but each trip required hand sanitizer and disposable plastic gloves to prevent any direct contact with serving utensils. Tables had been spaced out considerably, and Brown's had to seat some diners at the far end of the back room with us, but they were quiet and the meeting proceeded without interruption.

Apparently, county rules limit gatherings to groups of 10. Brown's interpreted that to mean 10 people at the same table, and had set things up accordingly. I will ask them to keep tables spaced out so that members do not sit closely together until the rules are lifted. Some members felt uncomfortable being in close proximity to others, even among friends. However I have not heard that anyone contracted the virus there.

All in all, I would call the meeting a success. We welcomed new member Craig Stone to our ranks. He showed us a rubbing of his Confederate ancestor's gravestone, which he had done earlier in the day. I am not sure if we will have a presenter at the next meeting, but we will do our best to have an interesting program.

Florida Division Commander Kelly Crocker sent a reminder that the Division Reunion is on for June 6 at the SCV building in Trenton. Start time is 9:30 am and a barbecue lunch will be provided. This is an election year for state officers, so please attend and participate if you can. The latest edition of the Florida Blockade Runner has an application form, which is also available at the Division web site <https://flscv.org>. The Blockade Runner also has a registration form and schedule for the SCV National Reunion to be held near St. Augustine on July 15 to 18.

On a sadder note, Compatriot Jack Wood recently lost his wife Norma to a long battle with health issues. Jack and Norma rarely missed a meeting until the last few months, and Jack still attended whenever he could. The Camp extends its condolences and sympathy to the Wood family.

I hope to see you at the Division Reunion and at the next Camp meeting at Brown's Buffet on Monday, June 8.

Deo Vindice

Lloyd Baldwin, Commander

Florida Division Reunion

The 50th annual Florida Division Reunion will be held on June 6 at the Trenton SCV building—220 NE 4th Ave., Trenton, FL. There will be an opening ceremony and reports in addition to Division elections and awards. Lunch will be included, but reservations are required before May 15. Go to the Florida Division website for further information: www.flscv.org

The National Reunion

Compatriots,

In less than two months, we will be in St. Augustine, Florida, for the 125th SCV National Convention. Convention host Commander Calvin Hart and the members of the Kirby-Smith Camp have done an outstanding job of putting together a convention that will be long remembered. We have gone through some difficult times the past few months, regarding the COVID-19 situation. Several events and division conventions have either been postponed or cancelled.....however, plans continue to move forward for our meeting in Florida. If you are anxious to get out of the house and enjoy some camaraderie with like-minded Southerners, I highly recommend you make plans to join us July 15 - 18, in St. Augustine.

There will be several items of business for our members to vote on, including elections for National Officers, Constitution Amendment proposals and much more. Let your voice be heard!! For convention information, go to pages 30 & 31 in your recent Confederate Veteran Magazine or go to: www.scv2020reunion.com.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Paul Gramling, Jr.
Commander-In-Chief, Sons Of Confederate Veterans

Norma Jean Moore Wood

Norma Wood, wife of Compatriot Jack Wood, passed away May 27, 2020 after a brave battle with dementia. Norma was born in Memphis, TN and was raised on the family farm in Marianna, Arkansas and she graduated from her high school class as valedictorian. Norma graduated from Arkansas State University, where she met Jack, with a degree in Math Education. She received her master's in education from Nova Southeastern University. Norma was a lifelong high school math teacher retiring from Eastside High School in 2000, where she was the head of the math department.

Madison Starke Perry Camp #1424 sends its condolences to Compatriot Jack Wood and their two children and five grandchildren.

Summer Calendar 2020

June 6, 2020—Annual Division Reunion—Trenton, FL—reservations required

June 8, 2020—Regular meeting at Brown's Country Buffet in Alachua

July 15-18, 2020—SCV National Reunion—St. Augustine, FL

* Be sure to check out our camp's **Facebook** page. There are many photos of our past events and some interesting articles. SCV Camp 1424 Gainesville

* Madison Starke Perry **camp website** is www.gatorscv.com

* The **Florida Division website** is: www.flscv.org

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