



MINIÉ BALL GAZETTE

The Official Newsletter of the Lowcountry Civil War Round Table, Inc.

AUGUST 2011

ABOUT OUR SEPTEMBER 2011 PROGRAM & SPEAKER

Join us on Wednesday, September 14 at 6:45pm at the Bluffton High School Auditorium on McCracken Circle off Buckwalter Parkway for a very interesting presentation on the "Republic in Peril: The Threat of Foreign Intervention in the Civil War" to be given by Dr. Howard Jones.

Dr. Jones is University Research Professor and chair of the Department of History at the University of Alabama. He received his doctorate from Indiana University and was on the faculty at the University of Nebraska before his present position at the University of Alabama, where he teaches courses in American foreign relations. Dr. Jones has written a number of award-winning books on different periods of history including one on Abraham Lincoln and another on John F. Kennedy. He is perhaps best known for writing the book on which Steven Spielberg's powerful movie *Amistad* is based, the story of a group Africans kidnapped for slave trade who turn on their captors in a bid to return to their homeland. Dr. Jones' book, *Mutiny on the Amistad: The Saga of a Slave Revolt and its Impact on American Abolition, Law, and Diplomacy*, was published in 1997.

Guests attending the meeting at 6:45 p.m. must pay \$10 each at the door. For more information, call Chris Clayton, LCWRT President, at 843-681-1956, or go to the LCWRT website at www.lcwrt.squarespace.com.

THE 2011 – 2012 LECTURE SERIES

The Program Committee is pleased to be able to offer the following presentations during the current program year:

September 14, 2011-6:45pm—Republic in Peril: The Threat of Foreign Intervention in the Civil War by Dr. Howard Jones, University of Alabama

October 12, 2011-6:45pm—Medical Treatment for the Confederate Army and Navy by Guy Hasegawa, Doctor of Pharmacy and Senior Editor of American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy

November 9, 2011-6:45pm—Robert E. Lee's Defense of the Lowcountry by Dr. James K. Hogue, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

January 11, 2012-6:45pm—Meet General George Meade (Impersonator) by Dr. Andy Waskie, Temple University

February 8, 2012-6:45pm—John C. Breckinridge: From Vice President of the USA to Confederate General by William C. "Jack" Davis, Virginia Tech

March 14, 2012-6:45pm—The Seven Days Battle by Edwin Cole Bearss, former Chief Historian of the National Park Service.

April 11, 2011-6:45pm—Guerrillas, Bushwhackers, and Partisans: Rethinking the American Civil War by Dr. Daniel Sutherland, University of Arkansas

May 9, 2012-6:45pm—Robert Smalls and the SS Planter by Dennis Cannady

NOTE: Guests/Nonmembers will be charged a \$10 fee to attend any individual lecture.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is hard to believe that we are almost at the beginning of a new season and the start of the Sesquicentennial Commemoration of the Civil War. I hope you will enjoy the programs we have arranged and find them interesting. I would say that the program committee has added subjects that relate to events in the war as it unfolded in 1861 and 1862.

Also, we have included subjects that happened in the low country. So much of the history of this part of the State has not been told so we hope to focus more attention on it in the coming anniversary years. Dr. Hogue will talk about General Lee from the perspective of his contribution to the defenses of the low country. Another person of local interest is Robert Smalls and his escapades on the ship, SS Planter. His story will be told by Dennis Canady. It is also interesting to note that six of our eight speakers, this year, are new to the roundtable.

About a year ago three of the board members: John Monkaitis, Bob Eberly and I...at John's suggestion...put together an exploratory team to approach the Coastal Discovery museum with the idea of commemoration of the Sesquicentennial with a focus on the battle of Port Royal which took place in November of 1861. The Coastal Discovery group readily agreed to form a small team to plan events. I am pleased to report that the effort has gained great support and will be a 4 day event starting Dec 1 thru Dec 4. It will include boat tours on Port Royal sound; lectures by eminent historians; and the return of Chris Weatherhead, who we know as Mary Chestnut, with a period living history story. It will also include an encampment and many other events. We will provide details at our September meeting.

As always, if you have any questions or want to express your opinions, call me at 843-681-1956 or e-mail me at chrisdenterprise@adelphia.net. Thank you and see you at the September program, *Chris D. Clayton*

NEW/RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP FORM
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PERIOD September 1, 2011 to August 31, 2012
Please Print All Information Below

Last Name First Name Badge Nickname

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Address _____

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Your E-Mail is very important to us and we will keep it confidential.

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New Enlistment:

Single: _____ One Time Initiation Fee \$25.00 + Annual Membership \$30.00 = \$55.00 _____
Household: _____ One Time Initiation Fee \$35.00 + Annual Membership \$45.00 = \$80.00 _____

Reenlistment - - Current Members Only:

Single: _____ Annual Membership: \$30.00 _____
Household: _____ Annual Membership: \$45.00 _____

We always need/solicit volunteers to continue making the LCWRT successful. **Please check the area(s) for which you are volunteering:**

- ____ Program Committee: select topics & speakers
- ____ Maintain Membership (requires a computer)
- ____ Editor of the *Minie Ball* (requires a computer)
- ____ Assist *Minie Ball* Editor
- ____ Prepare Membership Tri-fold and Forms
- ____ Tally Program Attendance
- ____ Historian
- ____ Work at Club Fair
- ____ Treasurer
- ____ Secretary
- ____ Vice-President
- ____ Collect dinner reservations
- ____ Hand out dinner tickets
- ____ Collect Dinner Tickets
- ____ Hospitality Greeter
- ____ Check in New Members & Guests
- ____ Tally Program Attendance
- ____ Set up/Break down Dinner tables

Mail to or leave in "lower" box: **David McColloch, 42 Concession Oak Drive, Bluffton, SC 29909**

Make Check Payable to: **LCWRT Inc.**

Any question, please call **David McColloch at 705-3060**

SEPTEMBER "MORNING AFTER" PROGRAM

The Thursday, September 15, 2011 "Morning After" program featuring Dr. Howard Jones is to be held at the **Palmetto Electric Cooperative facility at the New River Center on Hwy 278** near the Hardeeville Walmart at 10:00 a.m.

REQUEST FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE

We were successful in getting a volunteer for the very critical positions of Chairperson for the Membership Committee but still are in need of a Historian for the round table. Please consider stepping forward and volunteering for this vacancy. If you want additional information about the specific duties/responsibilities of the position or want to volunteer to fill it, call the President or Vice President. Thank you for your assistance in helping the LCWRT continue as a “first class” organization.

FROM THE NEW HOSPITALITY CHAIR

As I take over the Committee with some big shoes to fill, you’ll be pleased to know that the British Open Pub will again be our caterer for the dinners held the Bluffton High School Cafeteria during the 2011 – 2012 program year. Last program year, the LCWRT received positive comments each month about the menu and outstanding performance of British Open Pub to include the servers which caused us to continue with this caterer for our dinner programs. We will be working with them on each month’s menu to include a special menu for appropriate months. If you have any ideas to share or want to volunteer to help the committee, just call or e-mail me. Thanks, Gwen Bucklin, phone: 843-705-5168, e-mail: pgb@hargray.com

BRITISH OPEN PUB’S DINNER MENU for WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011
SEPTEMBER DINNER AT 5:45P.M.

- Pork Tenderloin with Honey Glaze**
- and Baked Cod with Italian Bread Crumbs**
- Green Beans Almondine**
- Twice Baked Potato**
- Mixed Green Salad with Ranch or Vinaigrette Dressings**
- Dinner Rolls with Butter**
- Strawberry Shortcake**
- Unsweetened Iced Tea and Coffee**

The Cost for dinner is **\$16 per person**, which includes taxes and gratuities.
An Additional guest charge of \$10 per person to attend the lecture is due and payable at the door.
Reservations are required **ONLY** for dinner

and must be received **BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2011.**

DON’T FORGET THAT YOUR RESERVATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE THURSDAY PRECEDING THE MEETING – IN THIS CASE SEPTEMBER 8, 2011. BY MEANS ANY RESERVATIONS RECEIVED ON OR AFTER SEPTEMBER 8, 2011 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

----- Clip & Submit with your check-----

DINNER RESERVATIONS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

Meal service promptly beginning at 5:45 pm in the Bluffton High School Cafeteria

Total Number of Dinners Ordered: _____ @ **\$16 each** = _____ Member Phone #: _____

Member # 1 Name _____

Member # 2 Name _____

Guest: _____ [Please pay guest charges to attend

Guest: _____ the lecture at the door]

List Guests on additional paper if necessary.

Make check for *dinner only* payable to: **LCWRT, Inc.**

Mail to (or leave in lower mailbox at) together with this form: **LCWRT - Barbara Barton**

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