



MINIÉ BALL GAZETTE

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

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ABOUT OUR JANUARY 2014 PROGRAM & SPEAKER

Ulysses S. Grant in Person

As portrayed by

Larry Clowers



In first person, Larry Clowers presents a fresh perspective of the life and times of General Ulysses S. Grant. Often misrepresented by historians, the audience is treated with details little known about the history of General Grant. Many myths are dismissed while new truths are presented.

Beginning with his early life, the audience follows Grant's life through West Point, the Mexican War, marriage, to the conclusion of the Civil War.

With the Civil War the main focus of the presentation, many of the historical characters and their relationship to the general are discussed. Of special note, the relationship between President Lincoln and Grant is examined with a new look at the leaders of the Union.

Larry Clowers has been interpreting Ulysses Grant, both as General-in-Chief and as President for many years. He and his wife were awarded the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge Honor Medal for their interpretation of Ulysses and Julia Grant.

He has appeared on Good Morning America, ABC World News Tonight, Save the Wilderness commercial for the Civil War Trust, and numerous television and radio stations throughout the country.

Larry is an active member of the Ulysses Grant Association and is currently writing a book covering the entire life of Ulysses and Julia Grant.

THE 2013 – 14 LECTURE SERIES

September 11, 2013 @ 6:45 pm – Becoming Harriet Tubman

Natalie Daise, Actress, Founder and Star of TV Program "Gullah Gullah Island"

October 9, 2013 @ 6:45 pm – South Carolina Civilians in Sherman's Path: Stories in Courage

Karen Stokes, South Carolina Historical Society, Charleston, SC

November 13, 2013 @ 6:45 pm – Desperate Hours Gettysburg

Ron Roth, Past President LCWRT and a former Gettysburg Battlefield Guide

January 8, 2014 @ 6:45 pm – General Ulysses S. Grant in Person

Larry Clowers, Nationally Known Portrayer of U.S. Grant, Winner of Valley Forge Honor Medal

February 12, 2014 @ 6:45 pm – Adventures in Civil War Publishing

William C. "Jack" Davis, Professor of History, Virginia Tech

March 12, 2014 @ 6:45 pm – The Siege of Vicksburg

Ed Bearss, Former Chief Historian for the National Park Service

April 9, 2014 @ 6:45 pm – The Burning of Bluffton

Jeff Fulgham, Author

May 14, 2014 @ 6:45 pm – The Civil War from behind the Camera

Robert Lisle, MD

NOTE: There is a \$10 Guest/Nonmember fee for any individual lecture. STUDENTS ARE FREE.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Since I was born and raised in Ohio, I was always proud of the many Ohioans who became President of the USA. The first of these born in Ohio, Ulysses S. Grant, is coming to visit with us next month!

His given name was Hiram Ulysses Grant when born (1822) in Point Pleasant OH in a 2 room house that is still there. He grew up in Georgetown OH, the county seat of Brown County. My Roney ancestors lived there on a farm during that same time. Ulysses, as he was called, helped run the family tannery and farm and was driving his father's team to haul wood at age 7.

Grant received an appointment to West Point (1839) and was surprised to find out his name on the appointment was "Ulysses Simpson Grant". Simpson was his mother's maiden name and the Ohio Senator that appointed him thought that was his name. From that time on, he used U.S. Grant.

It is fitting that General Grant will be our honored guest and first up in January 2014, since early in 1864 the U.S. House reinstated the rank of Lieutenant General and in March 1864 the U.S. Senate confirmed U.S. Grant with it. He was given "Command of all, active U.S. Forces" and in the spring, Grant Moves South.

I hope each of you will join us for this in-person meeting with the General-in-Chief.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,
Joe Roney
President

Bonus Question: Can you name the 4 other U.S. Presidents from Ohio (3 Generals and a Major) who served in Civil War?

NEW/RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP FORM

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 to AUGUST 31, 2014

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Single: One-Time Initiation Fee \$25.00 + Annual Membership (to Aug 31, 2014): \$30.00 = \$55.00 _____

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Reenlistment - - Previous Members Only:

Single: Annual Membership (to Aug 31, 2014): \$30.00 _____

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

____ Program Committee: select topics & speakers ____ Editor of the *Minie Ball* ____ Assist *Minie Ball* Editor

____ Assist on Program Night (Greeter, Collect Dinner Tickets or Guest Fees, Tally Program Attendance)

____ Historian ____ Maintain Membership Roster ____ Work at Sun City Club Fair ____ LCWRT Web Site Maintenance

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Spring Trips

The Executive Committee is working with Scottie Davis to plan several possible one or two day trips this spring. A couple of ideas being considered are a visit to the re-enactment of the Battle of Aiken in February (this battle took place during Sherman's march through South Carolina), and an overnight visit to Atlanta to see the Cyclorama, History Center and the Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield Park. More details will follow.

MORNING ROUNDTABLE

The Morning Roundtable will be held on Thursday, January 9 at 10:00 am in the Community Room at Palmetto Electric Cooperative on Highway 278 across from USC Beaufort. Larry Clowers will be there to further discuss General Grant. *Complimentary coffee and doughnuts will be served.*

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