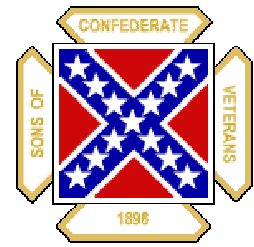


# **JEFFERSON DAVIS COURIER**

**4<sup>th</sup> Regiment South Carolina Volunteers**

**Camp 7, Easley, SC**

*"...all we ask is to be let alone; that those who never held power over us shall not now attempt our subjugation by arms."*



**SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS**

**JULY 2008**

## **FROM THE DESK OF:** **LT. COMMANDER DENNIS BLANTON**



## **JULY GUEST SPEAKER:**



**Richard Painter**

Richard is a native North Carolinian, whose father was a native of Greenville, SC and his mother was a native Virginian. He is retired from Duke Power Company where he spent his career in the construction and maintenance of Nuclear Power Stations across the service areas of Duke. He is still involved with Duke Energy at Oconee Nuclear Station as a vendor in Quality Assurance activities.

He has been a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans since 1991. He has served as the Commander of two SCV Camps in North Carolina, (Camp 1543 D.H. Hill/Richard Stough, Cornelius, NC, and Camp 1616 Robert F. Hoke/William J. Hoke) and is currently a member of SCV Camp 71 in Pickens, SC. He has served Camp 71 in the Chaplain role. Richard and his wife of 40 years reside in Central, SC.

### **Topic : "When Johnny Reb came marching home"**

Our Ancestors faced a tremendous challenge after the final guns had sounded across their dear Southern homeland. The survivors of that brutal war found that they would face a difficult time rebuilding their homes that would be as trying as the actual war they had endured. This program will touch on some of the issues they faced.

## **CALENDAR EVENTS**

### **Next Camp Meeting: July 15, 2008**

**George's Creek Community Center, 2306 Saluda Dam Road, Easley, S.C. 29640**

**Supper: 6:30 pm----- Program: 7:00 pm----- Visitors Welcome!**

**MEALS ARE \$9.00 PER PERSON**

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## **ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PICK-UP SCHEDULE FOR 2008**

**JULY 12**

**SIGN UP SCHEDULE @ MEETING SEE CHIP DYCHES FOR MORE INFO  
YOUR CAMP NEEDS YOUR HELP ON THIS VITAL COMMUNITY PROJECT**

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**Mt. Pleasant, NC 28124**

**July 16, 17, 18, 19**

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SCV members crew 2 Mountain Howitzers while participating in a 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration at Heritage Park, Simpsonville, SC.

Pictured left to right: Lt. Commander Larry Sweat, Pickens Camp 71; Ken Wilson, Easley Camp 7; Commander Ken Nabors, Easley Camp 7; Joe Payne, Editor Palmetto Partisan, Pickens Camp 71. Cannon & mortar fire rang out as the Greenville Orchestra played the "1812 Overture" to end their performance and start the fireworks display to 8,000 appreciative fans. Our own Jack Marlar coordinated the cannon and mortar fire.

## IT HAPPENED IN JULY

### Fort Wagner

**Other Names:** First Assault, Morris Island

**Location:** City of Charleston

**Campaign:** Operations against Defenses of Charleston (1863)

**Date(s):** July 10-11, 1863

**Principal Commanders:** Brig. Gen. Quincy Gillmore [US]; Gen. P.G.T. Beauregard [CS]

**Forces Engaged:** Brigades

**Estimated Casualties:** 351 total (US 339; CS 12)

**Description:** On July 10, Union artillery on Folly Island together with Rear Adm. John Dahlgren's fleet of ironclads opened fire on Confederate defenses of Morris Island. The bombardment provided cover for Brig. Gen. George C. Strong's brigade, which crossed Light House Inlet and landed by boats on the southern tip of the island. Strong's troops advanced, capturing several batteries, to within range of Confederate Fort Wagner. At dawn, July 11, Strong attacked the fort. Soldiers of the 7th Connecticut reached the parapet but unsupported were thrown back.

**Result(s): Confederate victory**

### Fort Wagner

**Other Names:** Second Assault, Morris Island

**Location:** City of Charleston

**Campaign:** Operations against Defenses of Charleston (1863)

**Date(s):** July 18-September 7, 1863

**Principal Commanders:** Maj. Gen. Quincy Gillmore [US]; Gen. P.G.T. Beauregard [CS]

**Forces Engaged:** 6,800 total (US 5,000; CS 1,800)

**Estimated Casualties:** 1,689 total (US 1,515; CS 174)

**Description:** After the July 11 assault on Fort Wagner failed, Gillmore reinforced his beachhead on Morris Island. At dusk July 18, Gillmore launched an attack spearheaded by the 54th Massachusetts Infantry, a black regiment. The unit's colonel, Robert Gould Shaw, was killed. Members of the brigade scaled the parapet but after brutal hand-to-hand combat were driven out with heavy casualties. The Federals resorted to siege operations to reduce the fort. This was the fourth time in the war that black troops played a crucial combat role, proving to skeptics that they would fight bravely if only given the chance.

**Result(s): Confederate victory**

*“Freedom is the Right to Choose,  
the Right to create for oneself the Alternatives of Choice.  
Without the possibility of Choice, and the exercise of Choice, a man is not a man but a  
member, an instrument of a thing.”*

**Thomas Jefferson**

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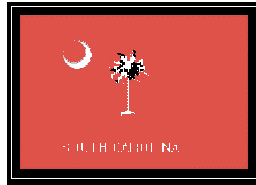
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