



# Battle Lines

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Leon McElveen, Editor

## Blue & Gray BBQ

Reservations Are Required

PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR BBQ RESERVATION CHECK OF **\$25.00** PER PERSON TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

**David Floyd**  
**4696 Kellogg Drive, SW**  
**Lilburn, GA 30047- 4408**

E-mail and telephone reservations will not be accepted

**Date: Saturday, August 10, 2013**

**Time: 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

**Place: Barrington Hall**  
535 Barrington Drive  
Roswell, Georgia 30075

**Price: \$25.00 per person**

**Program: 2013 - 2014 Campaign Kickoff and Program Review**

## President's Column

I am deeply honored to be selected as the Round Table's 58<sup>th</sup> president. I assure you I will work to prove the trust you have placed in me. I realize I have big shoes to fill following the outstanding job my predecessor Jack Milton performed.

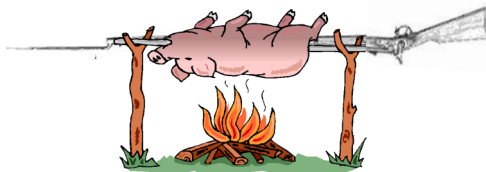
Campaign Year 2013-14 will occur during the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of many of the decisive events of the Civil War. We have been fortunate to obtain some outstanding authors who recently published great books on these events to speak. In addition to the annual Richard Barksdale Harwell winner this season's lineup will also feature the three runners up authors speaking on their very fine works.

This season will see the return of the ever popular Ed Bearss after an absence of several years. Ed will try to put to rest many of the myths surrounding the Battle of Gettysburg. June, 2014, will be 150 years since the great ship CSS Alabama ended its fabulous career off the coast of France. Our June speaker is an expert on that historic event.

The year will kick off with our annual Blue & Gray Bar-B-Que at historic Barrington Hall Plantation in Roswell. This informal event starts at 6:30 pm on August 10<sup>th</sup>. Let's all turnout and start the campaign right. The bar-b-que may also have a visitor from the Smithsonian Institute. The Smithsonian is considering a special project in Atlanta for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the campaign. Since the project involves General Sherman memorabilia they would like some input from our organization and I thought this would be a good time for the representative to mix with members and get feedback. See you there.

Art Carey, President

## Don't Miss the Third Annual Blue & Gray BBQ



**Saturday, August 10, 2013**

**Upcoming Events**

- August 4, 2013:** Living history, artillery demonstration at the Kennesaw National Battlefield Park near Kennesaw. 11 am, noon, 2 pm and 3 pm. Free. [nps.gov/kemo](http://nps.gov/kemo)
- August 17, 2013:** Ranger program, "Headstones, Art, Memories? The Monuments of Chickamauga Battlefield", 2:00 pm. Free.
- August 10 - 11, 2013:** 35th Annual Southeastern Civil War Show & Sale, Cobb County Civic Center, 548 South Marietta Pkwy., Saturday: 9:00-5:00, Sunday: 9:00-3:00, \$4 for ACWRT members, \$5 Others, under 10 free. [www.NGRHA.org](http://www.NGRHA.org) .
- August 25, 2013:** Living history, artillery demonstration at the Kennesaw National Battlefield Park near Kennesaw. 11 am, noon, 2 pm and 3 pm. Free. [nps.gov/kemo](http://nps.gov/kemo)
- October 12, 2013:** Kennesaw State Civil War Center Fall Symposium, "1863: The Struggles Continue", KSU Center, 3333 Busbee Dr. . 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, A. Wilson Greene, George Rable and Brian Wills are featured speakers. [www.kennesaw.edu/civilwarera](http://www.kennesaw.edu/civilwarera),
- October 26, 2013:** Kennesaw State Civil War Center bus trip to Andersonville, \$65.00, 8:00 am to 6:30 pm, [www.kennesaw.edu/civilwarera](http://www.kennesaw.edu/civilwarera).

**Third Annual Brue/Gray BBQ**

The Activities Committee is very pleased to announce that Saturday, August 10th will be the date for our upcoming Blue/Gray BBQ to kick off the 2013-2014 campaign year for our new Board and members. This year the fabulous 1842 antebellum Barrington Hall Plantation Home and Gardens on the Roswell Square and home to Roswell founders Barrington and Roswell King, will be the site for our BBQ! Barrington Hall is one of the few antebellum plantation homes to survive the Civil War in the Atlanta metro area.

All members, family & friends are invited to attend at only \$25.00 per person. Mail your check with names of those attending made out to "CWRT of Atlanta" to Treasurer David Floyd, at 4696 Kellogg Dr., Lilburn, GA 30047. Reservations need to be received by August 7.

-- Terry Kingery

**150 Years Ago**

- 18 July 1863:** The 54th Massachusetts, comprised primarily of free blacks from Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, attack Battery Wagner in Charleston Harbor, losing 30% of their men and forcing Quincey Gillmore to lay siege to the city. The film "Glory" is based on this action.
- 1 August 1863:** Federal forces begin a prolonged bombardment of entrenchments around Charleston Harbor.
- 8 August 1863:** Robert E. Lee offers his resignation to Jefferson Davis. Davis refuses the offer.
- 11 August 1863:** Confederate forces pound Federal entrenchments on Morris Island
- 17 August 1863:** In an impressive display of firepower, Federal batteries begin heavy shelling of Confederate positions ringing Charleston Harbor including Fort Sumter. Using Parrott rifled cannon including the 200 pound *Swamp Angel*, the artillery is deadly accurate and easily breaches Sumter, but no assault is forthcoming. Although the initial attack is the heaviest, Federal assaults continue off and on until September, 1864.
- 29 August 1863:** The Army of the Cumberland begins the Chickamauga Campaign, heading east for passes in Lookout Mountain.



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