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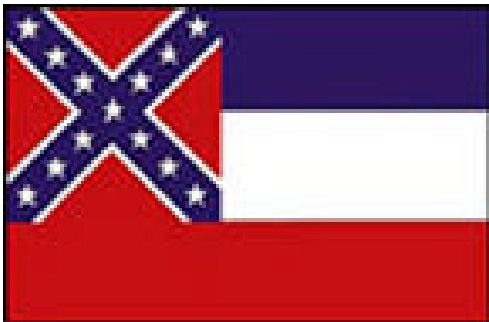
First Lt. Commander Randy Rogers reports that the program in November will be a presentation by Past Commander Wallace McMillan entitled "Save your Confederate Money, Boys," which deals with how the CS govt. financed the war -- with lots of visuals and discussion of CS notes used throughout the war.

Everyone come and bring a recruit!

**When:** November 25, 2008. 6:00 pm.

**Where:** Municipal Art Gallery, State St., Jackson.

*See you there!*



**A**s snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.

**A**s the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.

**A** whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool' s back.

**A**nswer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.

**A**nswer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit.

**H**e that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the feet, and drinketh damage.

**T**he legs of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth of fools.

Proverbs 26:1-7  
(KJV)

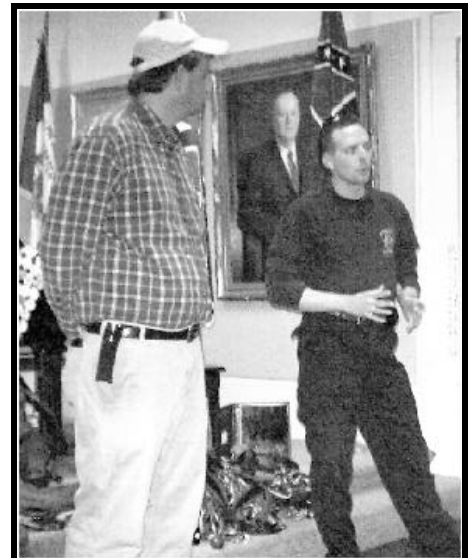
## October Meeting Report

### Exploring WBTS-era Tunnels

The October program was one of the most interesting and mysterious presentation we've had in a long time. In his column, Commander Eaton gives a good accounting of the program subject so I will not repeat that summary here. See photo below from the meeting

Dan Duggan gave his presentation on "this day (Oct. 28) in the WBTS."

Your editor gave a very weak attempt to sub for the "Hummingbirds" doing two songs written by Jed Marum about the Louisiana Tigers (the Confederate regiment, not the LSU football team!).



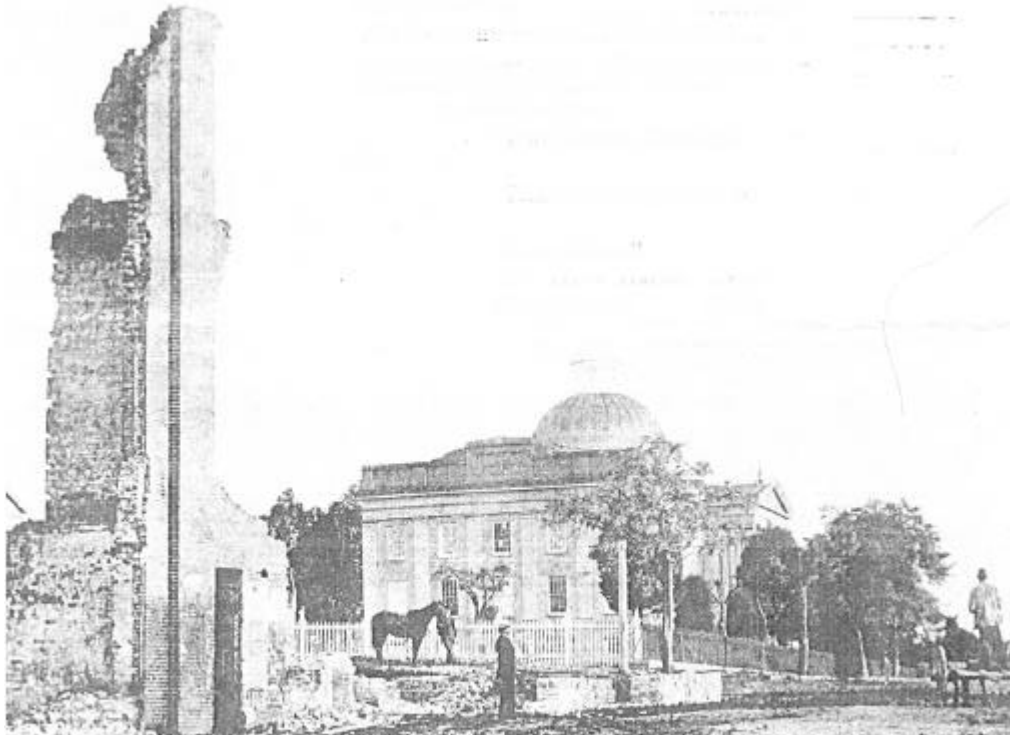
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## Calendar

**November 25,  
2008**

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**December ??, 2008**

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**January 27, 2009**

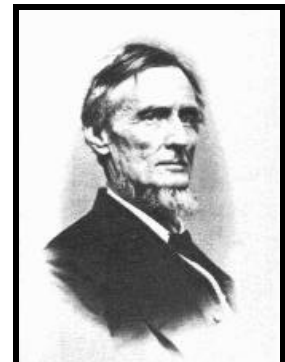
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**February 24, 2009**

Regular meeting of  
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**March 24, 2009**

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## Reveille Dedication

There is no dedication this  
month

### Chaplain's Dispatch

Marilyn McAuley tells this inspiring story about a lamplighter of olden times.

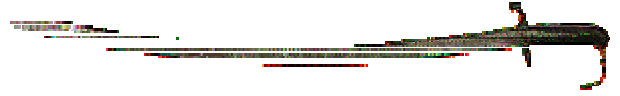
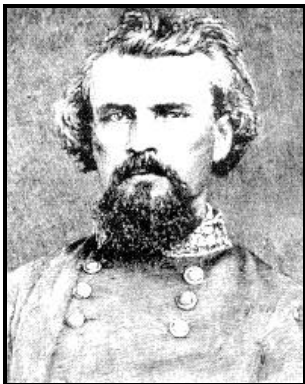
"As a young man, the lamplighter led a tough, wayward life. Some years after becoming a Christian, a former friend taunted him about his new lifestyle. The lamplighter finally said, "The only way I can explain it is this: as I go down the street snuffing out the lamps, and I turn around, I see that it's all dark. That is how it was before I met Christ. However, when I continue down the street, the lamps before me light my path — that is how it is with Christ."

The man asked, "And how is it when you've snuffed out all the lamps?"

The lamplighter replied, "The dawn is coming."

Then spoke Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. JOHN 8:12.

Sincerely,  
Hubert W. Miazza  
Chaplain



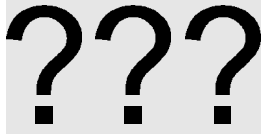
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There were numerous entries about rations being shipped to Grenada as well as a percussion cap manufactory. During the early war periods there were eight forts constructed in and around Grenada to protect the rail head and possibly this depot. Grant's southern advance against Vicksburg from Holly Springs was directed toward Grenada "to destroy the enemies war making endeavors". General Forrest seemed to re-equip from stores held there. When the federals finally occupied Grenada there was an entry that indicated "the newly installed machinery was destroyed along with all public stores".

But nowhere was there any evidence or indication of the construction of tunnels or magazines such as the ones found. Therein lies the question; were these really WBTS facilities? Why is there no mention of them? By who and when were these tunnels constructed? You would think something of this magnitude would be talked about in someone's diary or record.

This is an interesting project that obviously needs much more work. Archeological techniques need to be employed by the parties doing the research to try and date the tunnels. This could be a great find and treasure for Grenada and the State. Let's wish Mr. Fielder and company the best.

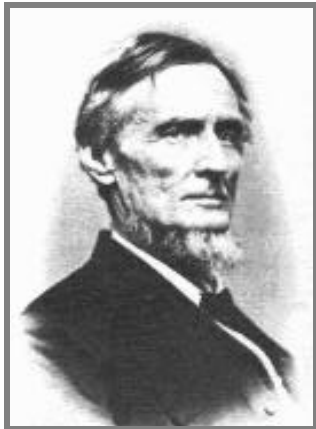
Deo Vindice  
Emmett Eaton,  
Camp Commander



**Trivia Question:**

This month's question asks:  
How long was Camp Sumter at Andersonville, GA in use as a prison site?

September's question asked:  
What young South Carolina sergeant took water to wounded enemies and became known as the "Angel of Marye's Heights"?  
The answer:  
Richard Rowland Kirkland



# Commander's Column

TO MY FELLOW COMPATRIOTS:

Our October meeting sure presented those in attendance a number of intriguing questions. For those of you who missed our meeting, a gentlemen from Grenada, Mr. Mark Fielder came and presented a program on civil war tunnels located in and under the town of Grenada.

Mr. Fielder's background is that of a spelunker (sp) and cave rescuer. He was approached by someone in Grenada who mentioned the fact of WBTS tunnels in and around town. Upon investigation, sure enough, they have found some tunnels. Two and one half miles of tunnels! Some of these are brick lined and others are not. At least one has a strange tear drop shaped door. Mr. Fielder is not a military historian nor an expert on WBTS matters. He was not able to answer some of our groups questions about what and the why of this apparently large tunnel complex.

On Wednesday following our meeting I did some investigation. Nothing showed up upon Googling "Grenada tunnels", at least nothing other than an article about Mr. Fielder finding them. I went to the "Official Record of the War of the Rebellion" and did a search on "Grenada tunnels". Again nothing. However, a search of just "Grenada" returned hundreds of hits. Following is what I gleaned from reading hundreds of entries for "Grenada". Grenada was situated on what was known as the "Yalobusha line", a defensive position stretching from Greenwood to Columbus, Mississippi, and running through Grenada. Early in the war an entry in the record instructed confederate authorities in Mississippi to "construct grand depots to be located at Grenada and Columbus". A "grand depot" would seem to be a central gathering locale for men and materials.

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