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**Averagesboro Civil War
Battlefield Newsletter**

UPCOMING EVENTS

•Wednesday, September 24,
2008, Third Annual

*Bob Bryan/Averagesboro
Battlefield Golf Tournament*

•Rain Date for Golf
Tournament September 30

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A FEW OF THE MANY ITEMS



YARD-SALES ARE SPECIAL
BOTH THE BEAUTY &
THE BARGAINS

YARD SALE SIZZLES AS THE TEMPERATURE RISES

The **Yard Sale** held on Saturday, June 7, literally sizzled under the uncharacteristically hot June weather. Temperatures stayed near the 100 degree mark most of the day but, even the unusually hot weather did not deter the host of bargain-seekers nor the very large contingent of volunteers from ABCI who worked so hard to make the sale a success. Much work by many people had gone into the preparation for the event. **C. C. Livingston**, as always, did his masterful job of organizing and setting the tone for the **Yard Sale**. Monies reaped from the sale of the "retired treasures" on the Yard Sale will be used for the continued quality operation of the museum. A "slow-down" in fund-raising recently has made paying the monthly bills more difficult & the finances raised through the Yard Sale will support the continued same level of operation of the Averagesboro Battlefield Museum.

NATIONALLY KNOWN HISTORIAN & AUTHOR, ED BEARSS, BRINGS SMITHSONIAN TOUR GROUP TO AVERASBORO



ED BEARSS, KNEELING, & TOUR GROUP

Noted author and historian, **Ed Bearss** recently brought a Smithsonian tour group to visit the Averagesboro Battlefield and surrounding area. Bearss, the former historian for the National Parks System has visited Averagesboro before and remarked that great improvements had been made to the museum since his last visit.

C.C. Livingston and Mac Williams (Old Bluff Church) arranged for special accommodations for the group tour which was arranged through the world-renowned Smithsonian Museum in Washington, DC. Bearss and the group enjoyed a delicious lunch at exit 73 in Dunn after the tour of Averagesboro was completed.

F.P.I.S. GETS THE JOB DONE FOR THE AVERASBORO MUSEUM

Probably few persons know that the Averasboro Battlefield Museum has a connection which places its brochures in literally hundreds of racks for potential visitors to pick up and visit the museum in the future. The organization that distributes and maintains the card racks is called F.P.I.S. F.P.I.S. is an acronym which stands for Florida Parkway Information Stations. F.P.I.S. originated in Florida where the new road leading to several tourist destinations in Florida was first called a "Parkway", but was later changed to "Turnpike." When this happened, to avoid confusion, the acronym F.P.I.S. was used as the name for the distribution company. Today, F.P.I.S. distributes over 30,000,000 brochures annually for more than 600 advertising clients through a network that includes over 3,400 display locations segmented into 29 service areas in 10 southeastern states. The total service area provides entry/penetration into over 400 SMSA's. 27 service partners accomplish the distribution; they are helped in this effort by the work of 22 support personnel. Company-wide, F.P.I.S. will provide over 20,000,000 client material handlings this year. 31 service vehicles and 6 sales vehicles will log over 1,000,000 miles this year in the delivery of brochure service.

The Averasboro brochures are distributed by F.P.I.S. on the Carolina Interstate 95 Route to 166 different locations from Exit 176 at Roanoke Rapids to exit 145 A on I-26 at Orangeburg, S.C. A revision of the Averasboro card was recently done and we are in the process of replacing the old ones as they are used.



Jack Wells Gold-Star Recipient for June



Jack Wells, pictured left, is ABCI's Gold-Star Recipient for June, 2008. Jack, though dealing with some health issues recently, "takes a licking and keeps on ticking" as the old Timex watch commercial used to state. Jack made arrangements for the Lyle Bien Staff Ride recently which brought many first-time visitors to the museum. Jack participates regularly as a volunteer at the museum, but he finds additional time to help Phil Harrison and C. C. Livingston with the collection of artifacts at the museum including using his experience and knowledge to evaluate the worth of collections, brought his own exhibit to the re-enactment, and always promotes Averasboro in his plethora of other various activities. Jack, though you didn't achieve five-star general as active duty military, you will always be a five-star in the hearts and minds of your many friends at Averasboro. Keep up the good work and our wish is for many days of continued good health in your future.

JOE SANFORD (PIANO CONTRIBUTION) PUSHES INFORMATION ABOUT THE BATTLE OF AVERASBORO AT MICHIGAN RE-ENACTMENT

Most of the Averasboro friends know **Joe Sanford** as the man who hauled the piano all the way from Michigan to contribute it to the Averasboro Battlefield Commission for use in the **William Turner Smith House**. **Joe** recently sent an e-mail with pictures regarding a re-enactment event in Michigan where he set up a booth about the Battle of Averasboro, passed out brochures, and encouraged persons to visit the Averasboro Battlefield. See pictures below to see graphically how our friend Joe Sanford is helping us tell the story of the **Battle of Averasboro** in a far away state.



SCENES FROM THE
RE-ENACTMENT
AT
COLDWATER,
MICHIGAN, HELD
IN MAY, 2008.



The picture at left is of the booth **Joe Sanford** set up at the **Coldwater, Michigan**, re-enactment recently. The picture at right features two drummer boys, the youngest of which is a Sanford and a relative of Joe's. Thanks to **Joe Sanford** for being our good will ambassador, telling the Story of the **Battle of Averasboro** in Michigan.

Condolences from ABCI go out to Carl Underwood who recently lost his sister. Her obituary is listed below.

LINDA UNDERWOOD MEADORS, 61

Linda Underwood Meadors, 61, peacefully left her home in Fancy Gap, Va., to be with our Lord and Savior Thursday, May 1, 2008.

She was born in Knoxville, Tenn., to the late William "Bill" Underwood and Sarah Elizabeth Underwood.

She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Stanley M. Meadors; daughter, Angela M. Worley and husband, Michael Worley of Washington, N.C.; daughter, Sarah M. Campbell and husband Randy Campbell of Mooresville, N.C.; grandchildren, McKenzie Sloan Worley, Spencer Monroe Worley and Matthew Wilson Campbell; brother, **Carl Underwood (and family) of Dunn, N.C.**, and Ruby Ellis and (her) family of Wilkesboro, N.C.

Linda was a gifted artist with works displayed around the world. Her extraordinary personal drive made her a successful entrepreneur. She was a devoted and treasured wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. Her heartfelt compassion deeply touched the lives of all. She was loved beyond measure and will be missed immensely.

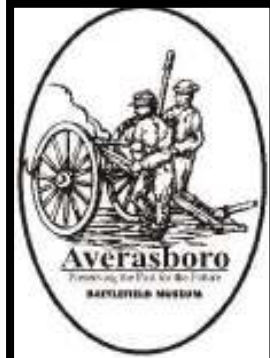
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DID YOU KNOW

- 1. ...THAT WORK ON THE KIOSK AT CHICORA CEMETERY HAS BEGUN?***
- 2. ...THAT THE PROTOTYPE OF THE COMMEMORATIVE AVERASBORO KNIFE HAS ARRIVED AND ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN SOON?***
- 3. ...THAT WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THE BOB BRYAN/AVERASBORO GOLF TOURNAMENT ON SEPTEMBER 24 A SUCCESS?***
- 4. ...THAT C.C. LIVINGSTON THANKS ALL THOSE WHO GAVE ITEMS OR OTHERWISE HELPED TO MAKE THE JUNE, 2008, YARD SALE A SUCCESS?***
- 5. ...THAT ABCI WELCOMED ANOTHER FANTASTIC VOLUNTEER TO THE STAFF OF THE MUSEUM, HENRY TEW?***
- 6. ...THAT ONEESE YOUMANS OF CHARLESTON, SC, RECENTLY SENT US INFORMATION ON HER MATERNAL GRANDFATHER, CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS ADAMS, WHO SERVED IN ELLIOTT'S BRIGADE AT THE BATTLE OF AVERASBORO?***
- 7. ...THAT THE LAST COMMEMORATIVE PIECE REGARDING THE BATTLE OF AVERASBORO THAT WAS DONE PRIOR TO THE KNIFE IN PROGRESS WAS DONE IN 1965, 43 YEARS AGO?***
- 8. ...THAT PARKERTECHGROUP (CURTIS PARKER) HAS RE-DESIGNED THE WEB SITE www.averasboro.com ?***