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- ❖ The **June 2012** meeting of the Charleston Civil War Roundtable is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** at Ryan's Family Restaurant on Highway 61 (St. Andrews Blvd). The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM with the Call to Order followed by a discussion of any new business.
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- ❖ **THIS MONTH'S SPEAKER & TOPIC** : Mr. Jack Garves will speak on **Charleston civilians during the City under siege.**
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### ❖ **MAJOR EVENTS IN JUNE DURING THE WAR BETWEEN THE STATES**

#### ★ **1861**

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Federals under the command of Brig.Gen.T A. Morris rout Col. G. A. Porterfield's Confederates at Philippi in Western Virginia. The engagement became known as the "Philippi Races".

**June 10<sup>th</sup>** – Engagement at Big Bethel, VA

**June 17<sup>th</sup>** – Engagement at Boonville, MO. This engagement strengthened Union control of the Missouri River

**June 30<sup>th</sup>** – CSS *Sumter* commanded by Raphael Semmes, ran the Union blockade below New Orleans to begin its illustrious career as a commerce raider.

★ **1862**

**June 1<sup>st</sup>** – Battle of Seven Pines (Fair Oaks) concludes with Confederate forces now under the command of Robert E. Lee, withdrawing to their original positions

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Evacuation of Fort Pillow, TN by Confederate forces

**June 6<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Memphis, TN

**June 8<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Cross Keys, VA [Jackson's Valley Campaign]

**June 9<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Port Republic, VA [Jackson's Valley Campaign]

**June 12<sup>th</sup>** – Stuart begins his ride around McClellan

**June 16<sup>th</sup>** – Engagement at Secessionville, SC

**June 25<sup>th</sup>** – the Seven Days Campaign begins in Virginia

**June 26<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Mechanicsville, VA [Seven Days Campaign]

**June 27<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Gaines' Mill, VA [Seven Days Campaign]

**June 29<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Savage Station, VA [Seven Days Campaign]

**June 30<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Frayser's Farm, VA [Seven Days Campaign]

★ **1863**

**June 9<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Brandy Station, VA

**June 14<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Second Winchester, VA

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Tullahoma, TN campaign begins

★ **1864**

**June 1<sup>st</sup> thru 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Battle of Cold Harbor, VA

**June 10<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Brice's Crossroads, MS

**June 11<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Trevilian Station, VA

**June 12<sup>th</sup>** – Union Army of the Potomac begins to move across James River in Virginia

**June 15<sup>th</sup> thru 18<sup>th</sup>** – Union assaults on Confederate lines at Petersburg fail resulting in the beginning of the siege.

**June 19<sup>th</sup>** – CSS *Alabama* is sunk by the USS *Kersearge* off Cherbourg, France

**June 27<sup>th</sup>** – Battle of Kennesaw Mountain, GA

## ★ **1865**

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>** – General Kirby Smith, CSA, accepted surrender terms given at New Orleans, LA on May 26<sup>th</sup>

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>** – CSS *Shenandoah* captures two Yankee whalers in the Bering Sea

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>** – President Johnson declares the blockade of Southern ports at an end

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Cherokee leader Brig. Gen. Stand Watie surrendered the Cherokee, Creek, Seminole and Osage Battalion to Union forces

**June 26<sup>th</sup> thru 28<sup>th</sup>** – CSS *Shenandoah* captures 17 whalers in the Bering Sea

**June 30<sup>th</sup>** – Lincoln conspirators (Dr. Samuel Mudd, Samuel Arnold, Michael O’Laughlin, Edward Spangler, David Herold, Lewis Payne, George Atzerodt, and Mary Surratt) were convicted by a military tribunal. Payne, Atzerodt, Herold and Mrs. Surratt were sentenced to death. O’Laughlin, Arnold, Spangler and Mudd were sentenced to life imprisonment at Ft. Jefferson in the Dry Tortugas.

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❖ **TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE:** As a change of pace, this month’s quiz will be in the form of a “Trivia Quiz”. The subject of the quiz will be Civil War artillery. GOOD LUCK!