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Ruins as seen from the State Capitol in Columbia, South Carolina

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Headquarters of the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29

Columbia, TENN

Friday, June 27, 2008

Compatriots,

I appreciate the turn out we had for last months meeting. I felt it was a great meeting and Randy Bishop gave a wonderful talk. He has written two books and combined both books for his talk. It was great to hear someone talk about local history.

The speaker this month will be Ruth Mallonee. Ms. Mallonee has visited us before when Ruth Hill McAllister was our speaker. Ms. Mallonee joined the Florida Division UDC in August 2001 and was a member of the Dixie Chapter 1008 in St. Petersburg where she was Vice President, Editor of the newsletter and the Recorder of Military Service. She then joined the Mary Custus Lee Chapter in Clearwater where she was President and Historian. She served 2 years on the Florida State Committee of Arts and Literature. She was the Public Relations Chairman for the Florida UDC. For 5 years she served as the liaison between the UDC and the Stonewall Jackson Camp SCV and was given the SCV Army of Tennessee Ladies Medal. At that time only 8 people had received that honor. In 2006 she moved to Tullahoma and joined the Peter Turney chapter in Winchester. In 2008 she joined the Capt. James Madison Sparkman Chapter located in Columbia. She will speak about Sam Davis covering the high spots from birth to his death. It should be a wonderful talk.

I would like to thank Greg Atwell for his ideas and work on getting the word out about our camp. He has some great ideas and we are putting them into works. Thanks Greg.

I would also like to thank Lt. Commander Jack Taylor for taking on the fundraising project. We need the money from the fundraisers to further us in getting the word out about the SCV and the Sam Watkins Camp.

Stephen Wyatt and JAG Charles Bates have stepped up and volunteered and I appreciate their efforts. We need others to step up and help the camp make these projects a reality.

I feel bad that I will not be at the July meeting. It looks like it is going to be a great event. I look forward to returning in Auqust.

In Holy Bonds of the South,

Jason Boshers

Commander, Sam Watkins Camp #29

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June 17 Minutes

On June 17th the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 assembled for the sixth time for the year. Camp guest was Mr. Randy Bishop who spoke on Tennessee Civil War battlefields and the Tennessee Brigade...

Meeting called to order at 7:10p.m. by Camp Commander, Jason Boshers. Sergeant at Arms, Josh Boshers, secured the door. Greg Atwell, Past Commander, gave the invocation. Following the prayer, Lt. Commander Taylor led the pledges to the U.S. Flag and salute to the Confederate flag.

Commander Boshers introduced our guest speaker, Randy Bishop. Mr. Bishop is the author of <u>The Tennessee Brigade</u> and <u>Tennessee's Civil War Battlefields: A Guide to Their History and Preservation.</u> Accompanying Mr. Bishop was his wife Sharon and their two sons. Randy and Sharon are teachers at Middleton School. Mr. Bishop is a member of the SCV camp in Corinth, MS. Following the presentation Mr. Bishop answered questions and signed books for the members who purchased them.

The General Camp Meeting followed:

Reading and acceptance of the minutes from last meeting as posted in the camp newsletter, motion made by Atwell, seconded by Lovett.

Adjutant Smith gave the treasurer's report. Currently the balance is \$463.46.

Special Communications – n/a

Standing Committees - Contact Commander Boshers regarding Color and Honor Guard

The Commander did feel privileged to be able to fire in the salute at the Grand Re-opening of Beauvoir in Biloxi, MS.

Special Committee Reports –

Fundraising Committee- Taylor is planning the Breakfast fundraiser. He will have all the information for the next camp meeting. Judge Advocate Bates volunteered to assist with the event.

Old Business -

Greg Atwell is checking with organizations regarding camp involvement and getting the word out about the camp. Discussions of banners are still on going. The camp members did approve the following:

1) Purchase of camp business cards with information regarding camp meetings

Set up information table at events

Participation in Chili Cook-off held at Elm Springs

Reenactment – Boshers is talking with city officials in Mt. Pleasant. Officials are still in favor of the event.

New Business -

Dedication for ancestors of Judge Advocate Bates - TBA in early fall

Announcements -

Greg Atwell is a Grandfather

July 26 - Bicentennial Celebration - Downtown Columbia courthouse

October 4 - Smokin' in the Park, Bikes, Blues and & BBQ - Maury County Park

October 18 – 23rd Annual Maury County Chili Cook-Off - Elm Springs

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded at 8:30p.m.

Benediction by Atwell

Headquarters of the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29
Columbia, TENN
Monday, June 30, 2008

Dear Camp 29,

It has been some time since I have spoken to you all and I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know that we are starting up a new fundraiser campaign. For too long we have set back and relied upon dues to keep us going. As you all know, your dues only supply the camp with 12 dollars per year to run on. This simply cannot go on and we need to start looking at some efficient ways to get our bank account to a decent level. When I say this, I mean in the range of 10,000+ dollars.

The first step is to ask you, the membership to donate whatever you can. Many of you can afford to donate 100+ dollars and I encourage you to do so. This money is tax deductible and a receipt will be given if requested. Please see the camp address for all donations.

Secondly, we are looking into a fundraiser by having a pancake breakfast at our local Applebee's restaurant. A notice will be sent out shortly about where we are with this project. This is a wonderful way to raise money for the camp and the breakfast is very inexpensive with an all you can eat pancakes and sausage.

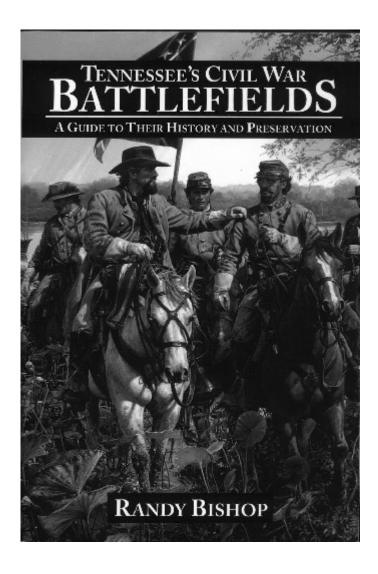
Lastly, I encourage you to contact me with any ideas you might have for a fundraiser and if you would like to be part of the fundraising committee. We cannot do anything unless we have the money to move forward. Please take this seriously! Our Nation is at a turning point right now and it behooves you all to remember that we cannot forget our history and heritage.

I am, respectfully Yours,

Jack Taylor

Lt. Commander





Recently Mr. Randy Bishop spoke to the Sam Watkins Camp #29 and in his talk he spoke on Tennessee Battlefields. His book, Tennessee Civil War Battlefields: a guide to their history and preservation is just superb! HIGLY RECOMMENDED READ!

Tennessee has over 2900 recorded sites from the War Between the States; 1000 of these were locations of military actions of varying sizes. Today many of these sites are threatened by or lost to commercial or residential development. In this book a chronological overview of more than twenty of the major battles in the state is conducted using first hand documents and established sources. Maps and over 100 photographs enhance the text to give the reader a comprehensive understanding of the significance of these battles and the current preservation efforts of Tennessee's Battle-fields.

You can get your copy of this WONDERFUL book directly from the author. Cost is 23 dollars + 3 dollars S/H.

Send money to:

Randy Bishop 435 Willow Road Middleton, TN 38052

Excerpts from the SCV "Grayline" - June 2008 Vol 14, No. 2

Friends of the SCV (FOSCV)

As a way to recognize persons who support the SCV, but do not meet the requirements for membership, the GEC previously adopted the "Friends of the SCV" concept which has now come to fruition. For a minimum initial donation of \$40, the "Friend" will receive a nice certificate suitable for framing, a lapel pin and a one-year subscription to the Confederate Veteran magazine. Subsequent donations of \$30 or more each year will maintain their subscription and friendship. Please note that "Friends" are not SCV members, may not ex-ercise any rights of membership to include claiming to be members. The "Friends of the SCV" application may be accessed on the SCV website, http://www.scv.org/pdf/FOSCV MembershipApplication.pdf. Camps which already have associate membership pro-grams in place for their supporters who do not have Confederate ancestry are free either participate in this program or continue their current system.

Miniature War Service Medal

Based upon a member suggestion, the SCV General Headquarters has developed a War Service Medal (WSM) Lapel Pin which is a miniature version of the medal. Both new WSM recipients, as well as any member who has previously received the award, may or-der the new lapel pin from the SCV Merchandising Section for a cost of \$10.00 plus the appropriate shipping and handling charge.

Logo merchandise

Camps may use the SCV's trademarked logo on clothing and other merchandise items for sale within the camp provided that the camp's name or number, or both camp name and number, appear along side the logo. Logo items may only be worn or purchased by active SCV members. There have been several recent incidents where the SCV logo has been misused by both individuals and rogue busi-nesses who were attempting to sell items through the internet for personal profit. The SCV vigorously protects its logo.

2008 IRS Annual Electronic Notice Filing Requirement

SCV camps with gross receipts less than \$25,000 a year are **not** required to file an IRS Form 990 tax return; however, beginning in 2008 at the end of the current fiscal year, all camps will be required to submit an annual electronic notice. This will be a simple task, providing camp officer contact information that must be accomplished online between August 1s and December 15, 2008. You may not make this report before August 1, 2008. The SCV will provide further guidance and assistance on completing this task as we near the end of the current fiscal year.

SCV Affinity Credit Card

Texas Independent Bank and the Sons of Confederate Veterans (SCV) have had a mutually beneficial affinity credit card arrangement for the past nine years. TIB terminated the contract on April 30, 2008 after which the SCV receives **no** benefit from purchases made. The bank claims their action is due to the small number of SCV card holders. TIB further refused to provide to the SCV the names and addresses of current card holders; however, TIB did allow the SCV to print a one time announcement on each cardholder's monthly statement. TIB will also send each affinity card holder a new generic TIB card to replace the current cards with the SCV logo and oth-ers with General R. E. Lee featured. The SCV is seeking a new contract with a different bank; however, at the time this is being pub-lished we have not been successful. If you wish to continue to support the SCV through a new affinity card, please provide your name and address to SCV, P O Box 59, Columbia TN 38502-0059, by email to exedir@scv.org, or phone (800) 380-1896 ext 207.

Sixth Annual Sam Davis Youth Camp

The co-ed camp will be held from Sunday July 27th to Saturday August 2nd at Magnolia State Park, Millen GA, between Waynesboro and Millen at a beautiful historic site. The deadline for applications is Monday July 21, 2008. You may download an application at http://www.scv.org/pdf/2008SamDavisYouthCampApplication.pdf Scholarships are available for deserving youth whose parents or host SCV camp cannot afford the tuition; however, the camper, his family or host SCV camp must arrange transportation for the child to get to and from the camp site according to the camp schedule. For more info: http://www.scv.org/samdavis

Important Notice

If you or any of your Compatriots would like to receive occasional notices and announcements from the official, SCV news source, please visit http://www.scv.org/maillistSubscription.php. The Gray Line is only being sent via email on the internet through the official SCV News List! If any member of your camp would like to join the SCV News List, please direct him to the link above where he can sign up for this service. Please forward this Gray Line, as it contains useful information, on to all members of your camp.

Mt. Pleasant, North Carolina - July 16-19, 2008

Official Registration Form

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS 2008 REUNION

Host Camp - Capt. Jonas Cook #888 NAME _____ TITLE/POSITION _____ SCV CAMP NAME & NUMBER PERSONAL ADDRESS CITY & STATE HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ CELL PHONE _____ SPOUSE NAME (For Badge) GUEST NAME _____ GUEST NAME (For Badge) Registration Prior To Oct.1, 2007 - \$60.00 Registration Oct.2, 2007 - March 1, 2008 - \$70.00 Registration March 2, 2008 - July 1, 2008 - \$80.00 Registration - Walk in at Convention - \$85.00 All pre-registered members will receive a name badge, a convention medal, a convention program and a bag of goodies. Contact Information: Terry Crayton - 704-436-8405 or e-mail to tcrayton1@carolina.rr.com Make Checks payable to Jonas Cook Camp SCV Mail Checks to P.O. Box 1090; Mt. Pleasant, N.C. 28124 THIS WILL BE AN ELECTION YEAR... HELP MAKE THIS THE LARGEST CONVENTION, EVER.....



The Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 is seeking new members to join us and help continue our effort. As current members of one of the greatest camps in the entire organization, it is your duty to actively seek out quality members for the camp. Please do your part in recruitment and try to remember that we are trying to save our history and our heritage from an ever changing world. If not you, then who?

If you would like recruitment material or need help with someone's genealogy, the camp has many volunteers to help out. Please E-mail or send your request by the following means:

Commander Jason Boshers—jasonboshers@charter.net

All camp communication, inquiries and payment of dues to:

Adjutant, James Smith
PO BOX 309
Mount Pleasant, TENN 38474



RUTH MALLONEE TO SPEAK ON TUESDAY JULY 15TH!

Next camp meeting is on Tuesday, JULY 15TH 2008 at 7PM

Camp speaker will be noted UDC activist, Ruth Mallonee (see page 2). Malloneee will be speaking on the life of Sam

Davis. Bring the whole family for this will be a wonderful guest for the camp!