



Maj. Gen. Benjamin F. Cheatham Camp # 72



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September 26, 2017 - Monthly member meeting. Oak Restaurant. Manchester, TN. 6:00 P.M. dinner, 7:00 P.M. meeting and program. The September program will be Jack Carman, speaking on "*Operations Against Vicksburg*" (December 1862 – January 1863).

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Dates to Remember:

September 1, 1862 - Battle of Chantilly.

September 1, 1863 - Battle of Devil's Backbone, AR.

September 3-4, 1864 - Battle of Berryville, VA.

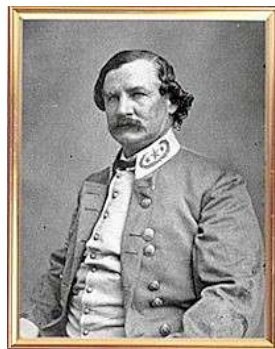
September 10, 1861 - Battle of Carnifex Ferry, WA.

September 10-11, 1864 - Battle of Davis' Cross Roads.

September 12-15, 1861 - Battle of Cheat Mountain, WV.

Please e-mail your suggestions for this newsletter to jayschroeder@msn.com
Be sure to visit our website at tennessee-scv.org/camp72/.

**Be sure to attend
the Sept. Camp 72
meeting at 6:00
P.M. on Sept. 26th
at the Oak.**



Benjamin F. Cheatham
Major General, CSA

Born Oct. 20, 1820
Died Sept. 4, 1886

Commander's Comments...

Compatriots:

Well, we are within ten days or so of entering the fall season. You remember fall, don't you? It is that brief period between summer and the silly season (Halloween - New Year's Day). Fall is characterized by trips with your spouse to stores you normally wouldn't be caught dead in to purchase decorative items for the home to celebrate the changing weather. The operative word of the previous sentence is "decorative". In this context, it simply means "containing a number of colors in the red/yellow part of the visible spectrum."

It occurs to me that fall is also characterized by an almost universal increase in human energy level, at least among the female members of our species. We diligently

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adorn our abodes with the aforementioned bright colors, only to be almost immediately directed to take them down to go to the next phase, the Halloween phase of the silly season. The phases then progress through Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years. Our reward for all these efforts and expense is another cycle of the income tax drill, a battle we are doomed to lose.

Before all this annual silliness got too far along, I vowed I would make a little time to improve our website. I decided to expand our "quotations" page. That has been done, and you can inspect it at your leisure. I will continue to add to it throughout the silly season.

I have plenty of material in my library, but I welcome your input of your favorite quips.

I'll see you on the 26th.

Jay

FROM THE ADJUTANT

by Michael Anderson

If you have not yet received your dues statement, please call our Adjutant, Michael Anderson, immediately (931-728-9492).

CIVIL WAR ODDITIES

by Jay Schroeder

"To: Mr. Abraham Lincoln, Esq.

Dr. Sir,

I take the Liberty to adress A few Lines to you, perhaps you May be surprised at my doing so, but I trust that if your patience will allow you to peruse my somewhat lengthy letter, that you will forgive my presumption. My name is Josiah Bowles, and I live three miles west of Rockford, Winebago Co Ills. Well I have been in this country ten years, and the most part of that time I have been Engaged in Horse Stealing and Robbery and Counterfeiting. Now do not start and throw this paper into the fire, but hear me out. Now sir perhaps you are aware that there has been an Organised band of such characters in this state for the Last ten or fiveteen years, well I am a member I was sent to Alton Penetentury for one year. In the year 1852, I staid my time out and Lost my Citizenship. Now sir I just have been reading the History of your life, and believing you to be a man that will do as you agree to, and also having the power, I wish to make the following proposition to you. On the 29, of Last March at Ottumwa, Iowa, Mapelo co, One Lunt McCombe Murdered Laura Harvey and George Lawrence, who left this place (Rockford) on the 16 of last March, in Company with said Lunt McCombe. well, the Govener of Iowa, Mr. Kirkwood, Has offered \$500.00....Now sir I am willing to inform you where he can be found, and also to give you such information as will enable you to Break up the whole gang, and also to get the persons (if not got) who Robbed he bank of S.S. Phelps and co. at Oquaka, Ills, on the 2 of Jan last of \$10,000, ten

thousand dollars, providing you will endeavour to get my Citizenship restored, and allow me to have one half of the reward, for I have come to the conclusion that sooner or later if I do not quit this life I will gat caught again, and I think that if I can get on the right side of the law again I can keep so My situation, at the present time is not very Agreeable I assure you.

For on one side I am hunted by the law, on the other watched by my comrads. Now if you think curious that I do not go to C.A. Bradley, or Pinkerton of Chicago (who are Detectivs) or to the Sheriff of this country, and make them this offer, I can give you my reasons for not doing so I am afraid to trust them for, I doubt their veracity and truth very much, and they have not the power to get my Citizenship restored, Now Mr. Lincoln if you will send some man up here to me, who is as Officer, and send me a paper written by yourself that If I do as I have agreed too, that ;you will help me as I have hereinbefore mentioned and give me one half of the money received by you as rewards for these men you will find that though I am what I am, I can keep my word, with them that keep it with me. If you conclude to do this you can send a man to Rockford, then come three miles west to One Riley Halls, and within Sight of his house, on farther west, about forty rods, there is a little red house on the south side of the road well stop there and inquire for Joe and the only inquire where Joe is (do not let any person see

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Glenn Douglas Norfleet

1936-2017

Glenn started his education in a one-room school in Woodlawn. His quick and curious mind led him to an Engineering degree from Vanderbilt and Master's in Aeronautical Engineering from Princeton. As a thoughtful and skillful debater, Glenn was always up for a challenge.

He had a more than three-decade career working for Sverdrup Technology. During his career, he received numerous recognitions including the HH Arnold Award and later became an AEDC Fellow.

In 1958, Glenn married his first wife, Carolyn Belle Combs. They raised three children – Laurie (Johnny). Glenn was an enthusiastic grandfather to their six grandchildren – Phillip, Douglas,



and forever love Carolyn Belle Combs. Byron (Donna), Robert (Louise), and Olivia, Georgia, Ethan, and Connor.

Glenn loved everyone and quality of life for his family, his path. He was a compassionate community. He was elected as Duck River Electric Board of Directors and the Coffee County Industrial Board.

instinctively worked to improve the friends and those that God brought into leader and a valued member of the Alderman in Manchester, served on the

Glenn was a life-long active member of the Methodist church and his passion for his faith led him to serve in many capacities.

Memorial gifts may be given to the Manchester First United Methodist Church..



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A LOOK AHEAD

DATE	TIME	EVENT
24 OCT 17	6:00 P.M.	Dinner and meeting at Oak Restaurant, Manchester. Dinner at 6:00 P.M., business meeting and program at 7:00 P.M. The October program will be Jack Carman, speaking on Grant's operations at Vicksburg.
28 NOV 17	6:00 P.M.	Dinner and meeting at Oak Restaurant, Manchester. Dinner at 6:00 P.M., business meeting and program at 7:00 P.M. The November program is not yet finalized.
		No meeting in December!

Starnes Brigade SCV Camp meeting dates & places

- #72 – Cheatham Camp 4th Tuesday at Oak Restaurant, Manchester at 7:00 p.m. (6:00 p.m. dinner).
- #152 – John Massey Camp 2nd Thursday at Fayetteville Municipal Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.
- #155 – J.B. Cowan 2nd Tuesday at the Gondola Restaurant, Hwy. 55, Tullahoma at 7:00 p.m.
- #297 – Marshall Rangers 2nd Saturday at the Marshall County Museum in Lewisburg at 2:00 p.m.
- #386 – Cumberland Mountain Rifles 3rd Tuesday, Old County Building in Tracy City at 6:30 p.m.
- #1411 – A.P. Stewart 4th Tuesday, Western Sirloin in Decherd at 6:00 p.m.
- #1615 – McMinnville 3rd Tuesday, Magness Memorial Library at 7:00 p.m.
- #2094 – Capt Abner S. Boone 1st Sunday Old House Hqtrs Hwy 231 N. Fayetteville in Belleville at 1:00 p.m.

When you can, please visit your brothers' camp meetings. They will be glad to see you.

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this letter except your friends) do folks will tell you where I am, do not ask any questions of the folks, not let Bradley of Chicago see it. I have to write this with a lead pencil, in an Old Stable if you do not take the matter up, please drop me a line So that I will know that you have got this. Direct your letter to James Logan, Rockford Winegago co Ills, if you send send quick, or write quick.

Yours, Respectfully,
Josiah, Bowles"

Source: Levitt, Stan, *The Crackerbarrel Papers*, pp. 4-5.