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Jefferson Davis Camp No. 635

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○ March Meeting ○ Greenwood Cemetery

First Lt. Commander Emmett Eaton reports that the program this month will be presented by Compatriot Peter Miazza who will speak on the notable public figures who are interred in Greenwood Cemetery, Jackson.

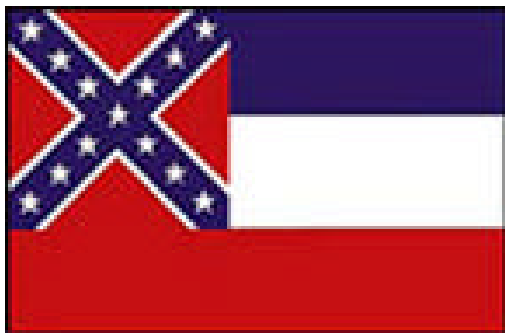
The raffle this month should be something every member would like to have so bring money for raffle tickets.

Everyone come and bring a recruit!

When: March 28, 2006. 6:00 pm.

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

See you there!



Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:

Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:

Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it.

For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

I Peter 3 : 8-12
(KJV)

February Meeting Report

Confederate Artillery

The program for February was presented by Compatriot Earl Faggert, who presented a program on the basics of artillery use during the WBTS. He discussed cannon sizes, bore types, charge types, and loading and firing procedures.



Commander Bert Green gave the camp updates on the Mississippi Division lawsuit against Beauvoir and read a request from the Virginia Division for assistance in getting help on passage of legislation to allocate funds to identify and mark graves of Confederates buried there.

Commander Green brought the sad news that Compatriot Kevin Davis' wife had been diagnosed with severe bone cancer and was currently undergoing rigorous treatment at the MD Anderson Oncology Center in Houston, TX. All compatriots are asked to remember Mrs. Davis and the Davis family in their prayers.

Compatriots Joe Tubb and Murry Stewart performed three songs for the camp.



Joe Tubb



Murry Stewart



Calendar

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March 28, 2006

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

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**April 23 or 30,
2006**

Confederate Memorial
Day Observance at
Greenwood Cemetery
(date not yet decided)

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April 25, 2005

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

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May 23, 2006

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

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June 2-3, 2006

Mississippi Division
SCV Annual Conven-
tion, Brookhaven

Anecdotal History — An Interesting Tidbit

Do you know who was called the "Cleopatra of the Confederacy"?

The answer is none other than **Belle Boyd**.

Known as *La Belle Rebelle*, her spying career began when she reportedly shot and killed a Union soldier who insulted her. Belle was acquitted and soon became a local celebrity in her hometown of Winchester, attracting the attention of Generals Beauregard and Jackson, for whom she acted as courier and spy. She was captured and imprisoned three times, once at the old Carroll Prison in Washington, DC, in a cell not far from another famous Confederate female spy, Mrs. Rose Greenhow. In 1864 she escaped to England on a mission for the Confederates, and soon after married the Union naval officer who helped her. She divorced him and remarried several times and had several children. When penniless, she hit the road in a stage show where she dressed in a Confederate uniform and recounted her Civil War adventures.

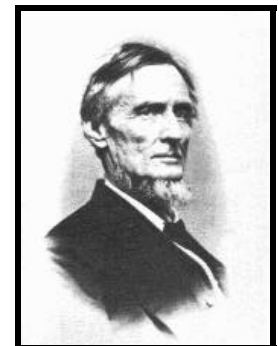
Call for Raffle Prize Donations

The monthly raffle has proved to be a very popular addition to our regular meeting; consequently, the camp needs to continue receiving donations of modest-cost items for prizes. Although most prizes will have a WBTS connection, that is not a requirement; many other items could have general appeal and encourage ticket sales.

Send address corrections to:
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Visit the new camp web site at:
<http://www.scvcamp635.org>

The site contains information that is too time-critical or lengthy to publish here.



Reveille Dedication

There was no dedication requested for this month

***Next month's dedication will be presented by
You, perhaps?***

3 March 2006

Dear Compatriot

I now understand my recent letter to you dated February 20, 2006, contained inaccurate statements. I want to correct the same.

The suit I referred to was filled by the division in January. That suit acknowledged that Beauvoir is actually owned by a non-profit corporation named "The Mississippi Division of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans, Inc." Mrs. Jefferson Davis deeded Beauvoir to this corporation in 1902; she did not deed it to the Division.

No new "Mississippi Division" has been formed, as I said in my letter. The corporation that owns Beauvoir now is the same one formed back in 1902 that has always owned Beauvoir. This old corporation has a similar name to the Division, but it always has been a separate legal entity.

The Board of Directors of a nonprofit corporation is elected by the members of the corporation, not "appointed by the Division." The Board members that have been sued in the suit are the duly elected members of the Board of Directors. These Board members acknowledge they answer to the members of the corporation.

The only issue raised by the Division in the suit it filed is that it questions the authority of the Board of Directors to assess dues and determine requirements for membership in the corporation. In addition, the suit alleged that the Board did not follow proper procedure to amend its corporate charter.

Anyone who remained a member of the corporation by paying the dues would have retained the same rights to participate in the management of Beauvoir that they always had. Nobody has attempted to take Beauvoir away from anybody and any indication in my letter that the Board of Directors were doing anything illegal was wrong.

Please publicize this letter in the same way you publicized my letter of February 20, 2006.

Sincerely,
Jim Huffman, Adj./Ed.

Printed at the request of Camp Commander Bert Green, see the Commander's Column, page 4.

Chaplain's Dispatch

In I Peter 2:17, "Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the King."

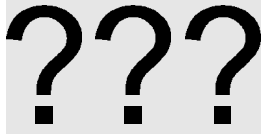
We are now well into the month of March, known for its windy gusts every year. In life, just as in the month of March, we encounter people that attempt to persuade us, or move us around, physically and/or philosophically, through words and actions. We must stand our ground, gentlemen. While, as the above Bible verse says, we honor all men and we have a purpose as set out by General Stephen D. Lee back in 1896, we must stand our ground; we have to remain steadfast in our commitment to honor our ancestors who bravely stood their ground during the yankee invasion.

Our native Southland has been infiltrated by "know it all" Yankees. We have to tolerate them since we lost the war, but we do not have to adhere to their view of history nor the way they believe things should be today. As one recently stated, "If things are so bad down here in Dixie, why are they flocking down here to live?"

We, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Camp 635, are good people striving to honor and memorialize our ancestors who took a stand to defend Dixie against invaders. We must stand together to accomplish our goals. If we will apply the above Bible verse to our lives and adhere to the charge of General Stephen D. Lee, on a personal level, every one of us will be a winner when we reach the end of life's journey on this earth.

Robert Winpiggie once said, "Do something everyday to make someone happy, even if it is only-----to leave him alone."

In God we trust,
Randy Rogers
Chaplain

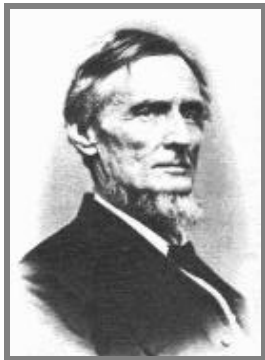


Trivia Question:

This month's question asks: When Gen. Robert E. Lee crossed the Pennsylvania line into the Gettysburg venture, he had 51 generals among his ranks. How many did he return with?

Last month's question asked what was a "fireball" in the South during the war?

The answer: It was a combustible artificial "log" made of coal dust and/or sawdust bound into a molded lump using wet clay, starch or pine tar. It provided fuel for stoves and heaters using the waste materials that couldn't be used in larger fireboxes.



Commander's Column

TO MY FELLOW COMPATRIOTS:

The combined Boards of Directors of the State Division and Beauvoir met on Saturday February 18. There were not enough members present to have a quorum so no official action could be taken. Stone Barefield attempted to have several duly elected members removed from the board for allegedly having not attended the minimum required meetings, so as to force a quorum to be declared of the members in attendance. The legality of that move is in question, so the actions taken by the board that day are a legal question.

The letter I read to the camp at our February meeting from Jim Huffman, Adj./Ed. had a follow up letter from Jim. The letter is in this newsletter.

Mark your calendars for April 1, as the Civil War Preservation Trust has declared this the national battlefield cleanup day. As they did last year, battlefields all across the nation will be participating in a one day effort to clean up the battlefields. Go to <http://www.civilwar.org/parkday/> for the information on participating battlefields in our area. We all need to participate in this effort. This is another reason we are in this organization, to honor our ancestors and where they fought and died. I look forward to seeing every member at a battlefield on April 1.

Also remember that April is Confederate Memorial Month. We are taking the entire month to honor our ancestors and the noble cause for which they fought and died for. Please do your part in helping honor our forefathers. We will be having our memorial service in Greenwood Cemetery. So mark your calendars to be in attendance.

Wayne has been working on the web site and it looks great. Go to it and see the vast improvements that are being made. Kudos to Wayne!

Stand Fast Mississippians!

Bert Green
Commander

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