



James City Cavalry PICKET LINES



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Camp #2095 1st Brigade Virginia Division Army of Northern Virginia

A PATRIOTIC HONOR SOCIETY DEDICATED TO SERVICE AND PRESERVING THE TRUE HISTORY OF THE WAR BETWEEN THE STATES

NEXT MUSTER

Wednesday, October 22nd, 2014, 6:30pm
Colonial Heritage Club
<http://colonialheritageclub.org/home.asp>
6500 Arthur Hills Drive
Williamsburg, VA 23188

Guest Speaker:

Mr. Chris Bryce
Williamsburg, Virginia



General John Bankhead Magruder

Meal Cost: \$17.00 Per Person –
(genuine Confederate currency gladly accepted –
will reluctantly accept US \$5 notes)

Honored Confederate Soldier:
Private Simon Matthews
Company C (Braddy's Battery) –
2nd North Carolina Artillery

RSVP Required

Compatriots' Ladies & Guests Encouraged To Attend

JINE THE JAMES CITY CAVALRY

AT A CONFEDERATE CHRISTMAS SUPPER!

Live WBTS songs in Timothy Seaman's acoustic instrumental style

The Camp is providing BBQ & Brunswick Stew & Requests one large Potluck dish from each Family/Party

JCC Christmas Trivia Question:
Saint Nick or Steve White?

Friday, December 12th, 2014
6:00pm – 9:00pm

at the
Toano Women's Club
7965 Richmond Road
Toano, VA 23168



TENTING on the OLD CAMP GROUND

Timothy Seaman and Friends

CAMP JOURNAL FOR LAST MUSTER

Meeting:

Held 24 Sep. at 6:30PM at Colonial Heritage Club,
James City Cty., Va., 51 attendees.

Call to Order & Welcome given by Commander Jeff Toalson

Invocation:

Given by Chaplain Fred Breeden

Pledge & Salute to the Flags
Break for Supper

The SCV Charge read by Quartermaster Warren Raines
Guest Introduction by Commander Jeff Toalson

Ancestral Memorial Candle:

Read by Compatriot Charles Eugene Bush *in honor of*
Capt. Charles Powell Grady
Co. D - 6th Virginia Cavalry

Program:

1st Lt. Commander Ed Engle introduced our guest speaker, Mr. Heber Venable "Bo" Trawick of Henrico County, Virginia. Bo lectured on his new book "Empire of the Owls" and discussed the classic agricultural nature of the Old South and its inevitable collision with the industrial North. Bo took us through major events during the war in Virginia, a ride with the last courier to carry a dispatch to a retreating Army of Northern Virginia out of Richmond, and a remembrance of General Lee's General Order Number 9 revealing the terms of surrender to his gallant soldiers. Bo reminded us that the government "of the people, by the people, and for the people" did not "perish from the earth" when the Southern States withdrew from the Union. It perished when they were driven back into it at bayonet point.



(l.-r.) 1st Lt. Commander Ed Engle, Guest Speaker Bo Trawick, and Compatriot Dr. Jackson Darst who wrote the introduction to Bo's book, "Empire of the Owls"

Committee Reports and Announcements

Treasurer's Report

Adjutant Ken Parsons provided the present balance of Camp accounts and reminded members of current dues.

2015 Lt. Col. Allen Scholarship Essay Contest

Commander Jeff Toalson informed the Camp of efforts to publicize the Essay Contest and it's 2015 topic: "Confederate Naval Victory in Hampton Roads on March 8, 1862"

Cemetery Report

Given by 2nd Lt. Commander Steve White.

Support the Troops

Given by Compatriot Scott Summerfield on behalf of our Serviceman, Corporal Larkin, USMC, 9th Comm. Battalion Dwyer, Afghanistan. We will need your generous donations at our September meeting. Needed Items:

Baby Wipes & Q-Tips, Hard Candy, Slim Jims, Lip Balm, Beef Jerky, Dental Floss, Moisture Lotion

New Life Member Presentation

Compatriots John Shirley, Joel Goodwin, & Tim Norman

Old & New Business

1. Bluebird House Project - We sold 5 bird houses plus \$401 worth of SCV merchandise to booth visitors. We gathered names and email addresses of 25 individuals who were interested in visiting some Camps and possibly joining the SCV. A very good day for the Cavalry.
1. On September 26th, the Camp manned the SCV booth at the State Fair in Richmond. Volunteers were Commander Jeff Toalson, 1st Lt. Commander Ed Engle, Compatriot Jim Leach, and Adjutant Ken Parsons.
2. The Christmas Supper will be held on December 12th Our guest will be musician Timothy Seaman who will be playing selections from his album "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground"

<http://timothyseaman.com/index.php/tenting-on-the-old-camp-ground-album-main-page>

Trivia Question

In the election of 1860 what was the percentage of the vote against Lincoln?

A. [Miss the meeting, miss the answer.]

Book Raffle

\$80 was donated to the Camp Treasury for the raffle of the three donations.

Dixie"

Led by Compatriot Bill Young.

Benediction

Given by Chaplain Fred Breeden.



CAMP PICTORIAL



Compatriot Jim Leach and Va. Div. 2nd Lt. Cmdr. Everett Ellis manning the SCV booth at the Virginia State Fair, September 26th.



Col. Robert Chilton (1st Lt. Commander Ed Engle) of R. E. Lee's staff with a young admirer at the booth. Note our bluebird houses on display.



Adjutant Ken Parsons (far right) with New Life Members: (l.-r.): Compatriots John Shirley, Joel Goodwin, and Tim Norman.

A NEW GUARD STANDS AT THE MARIETTA CONFEDERATE CEMETERY

(Atlanta - October 13, 2014) The Georgia Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans is honored to announce the unveiling of a new Bronze Soldier Confederate Monument at the Marietta Confederate Cemetery where over 3,000 Confederate soldiers rest in peace. Georgia Division Adjutant Tim Pilgrim, who is heading up the project, stated, "This was a project made possible by the joint cooperation of the Marietta Confederate Cemetery Foundation and the local Sons of Confederate camps in the area.

Pilgrim indicated that most of the funding for the new monument came from the Georgia Division's specialty tag funds and from donations by the local Sons of Confederate Veterans camp. "It's part of our on-going recognition of the 150th Anniversary of the War Between the States," said Pilgrim, "in honor of more than 3,000 Southern Heroes who rest in these hallowed grounds that made the ultimate sacrifice to protect their family and homes from an invading army."

The Bronze Confederate Soldier is (5) five foot (10) ten inches tall in full military regalia and gear, holding his musket. He will be placed atop a (5) five foot high granite pedestal centered in a new paver plaza. The octagon pavers will be true to historical period style with granite knee walls on three sides of the plaza. The engravings in front of the granite pedestal will include the Great Seal of the Confederate States of America with the Confederate motto of "Deo Vindice" -- Latin for "God is our Vindicator." The East side will have the Marietta Confederate Cemetery Logo and the West side lists the (14) fourteen States that have Soldiers buried in the Marietta Confederate Cemetery.



OCTOBER GUEST SPEAKER

Mr. Chris Bryce
Williamsburg, Virginia

General John Bankhead Magruder



Chris will speak to the Camp on one of the Confederacy's more controversial generals: John B. Magruder. John Bankhead Magruder (1 May 1807 – 19 February 1871) was a career military officer who served in the armies of three nations. He was a U.S. Army officer in the Mexican-American War, a Confederate general during the War for Southern Independence, and a postbellum general in the Imperial Mexican Army. Known as "Prince John" to his army friends, Magruder was most noted for his actions in delaying Federal troops during the 1862 Peninsula Campaign through elaborate ruses that gave Major General George B. McClellan the impression that the Confederates had more forces than they actually did, and in successfully defending Galveston, Texas, against the Union Army and Navy early in 1863.

Chris Bryce began his National Park Service Career in 1987 as a seasonal park ranger at Manassas National Battlefield Park. He became a permanent employee in 1988 as an interpretive park ranger at Independence National Historical Park.

In 1992 he returned to Manassas NBP serving as an interpretive park ranger. In 1999 he became an interpretive park ranger at Colonial National Historical Park/Yorktown Battlefield. In 2008 he became the supervisory park ranger for the Historic Jamestown unit of Colonial National Historical Park, where he oversaw the visitor services operations of the site. He is currently the Chief of Interpretation for Petersburg National Battlefield a position he has held since 2010. Bryce holds a bachelors degree in from East Tennessee State University.

Bring a guest to our October meeting. Supper will be served at 6:30PM, and we will introduce Chris at 7:30. Our buffet costs \$17 per person. Non-members please contact Ken Parsons, kparsons4@cox.net or (757) 876-6967 to confirm your reservations.

- wt Lt. Commander Ed Engle

CONFEDERATE GRAVESITES

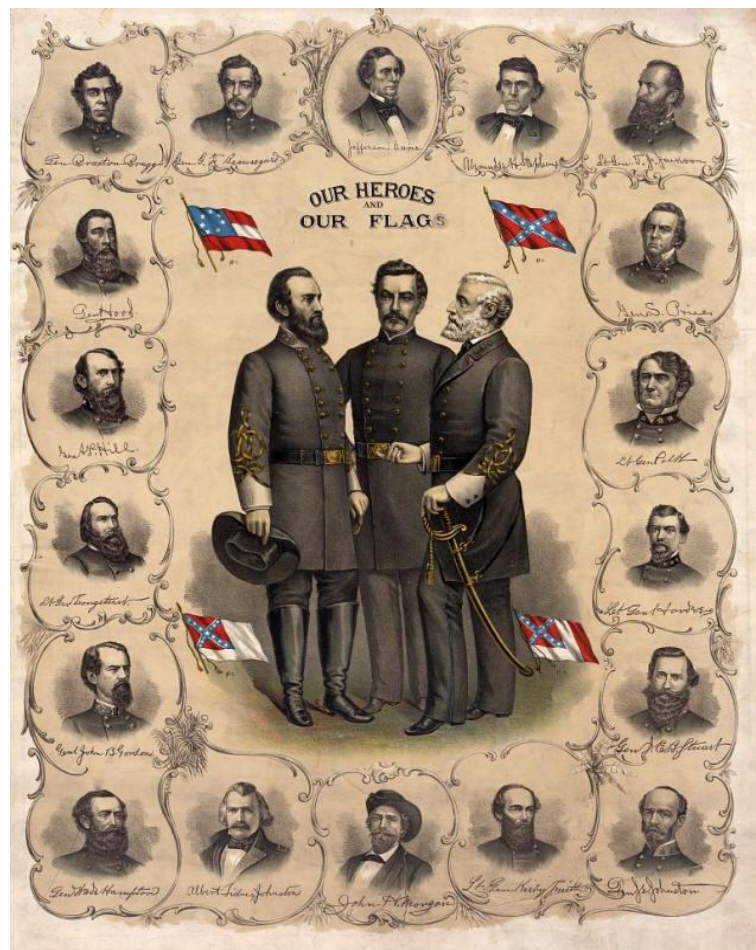
(Contributed by Historian/Genealogist
Compatriot Fred Boelt)

John Curle King was born on March 29, 1835, in Hampton, Virginia. His father, John King, was head of household in the 1830 census but died around 1838. In 1840, his mother, Mrs. Eliza Frances King, was head of household. John was enumerated in his mother's household in 1850, and again in 1860, when his occupation was listed as "student of divinity."

On August 29, 1861, John King enlisted as a private in Company B, 15th Virginia Infantry, at Kings Mill in James City County. Roster records indicate that he was present most of the time through 1864. He was a patient at the Episcopal Church hospital in Williamsburg from January 29 through February 14, 1862. On August 1863, the roster stated that he was absent, detailed as a clerk to the division court marshal in Abingdon, Virginia. He was captured at Petersburg on April 1st, arrived at Point Lookout on April 4th, took the oath of allegiance to the United States, and was released there on June 3, 1865.

Around 1866, John King married Eleanor L. Adams, a native of Maryland. In 1870, they were living in Williamsburg with a young son George, and John was employed as a "clerk in grocery." One more son joined the family, and John also taught school briefly here. At some point, the family moved to Maryland. In the 1880 census, they were living in Baltimore, and John was listed as a salesman. No conclusive record after this has been found until 1910, when John and Eleanor were living back in Williamsburg, and his occupation was listed this time as "retired teacher."

John Curle King died at his home on July 21, 1911. Only weeks before his death, he had asked to have his chair rolled to the courthouse green to be present with his comrades at their annual reunion. His funeral was held at the Baptist Church, and he was interred at Cedar Grove Cemetery. The tombstone gives his death date as the 16th of July, but his obituary states that he died on the 21st of July.



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WILLIAMSBURG CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE

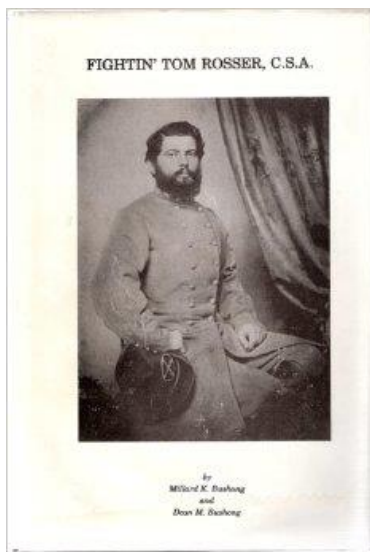
Tuesday, October 21st, 2014, 7:00pm

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Drew Gruber:

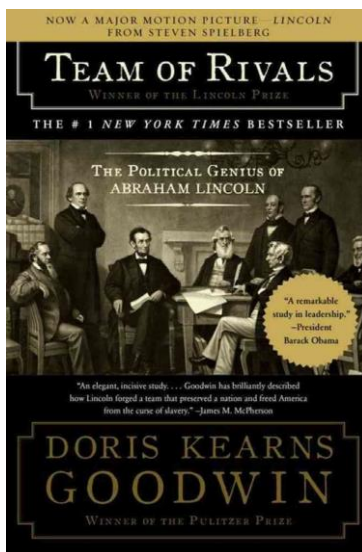
"Preserving Williamsburg's Battlefield"

OCTOBER BOOK RAFFLE



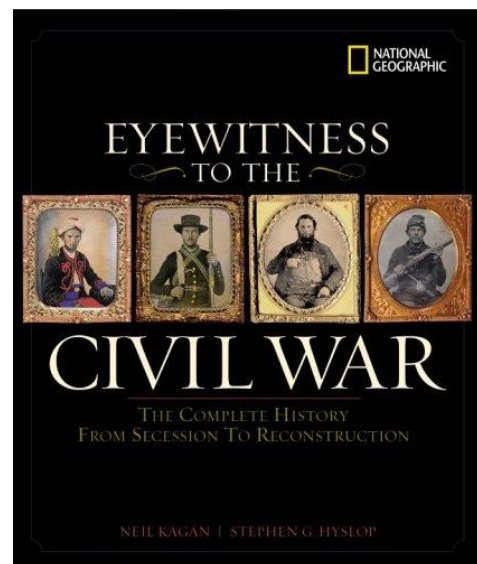
“Fighting Tom Rosser, C.S.A.” Millark K. Bushong & Dean M. Bushong, Shippensburg, 1983, Signed, Hard Cover, 272 pages

The only biography of this CSA Cavalry general. West Point friend of John Pelham and George Custer. Originally an artillery officer with the Washington Artillery he transferred to cavalry and served under J.E.B. Stuart and Wade Hampton. Postwar he went west and became a surveyor for the Northern Pacific and eventually Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific



“Team of Rivals” Doris Kearns Goodwin, New York, 2005, Soft Cover, 908 pages

A very interesting book that brings focus to Lincoln and his key rivals including Bates, Chase, Seward, Stanton, and Welles. All of these men became members of his Cabinet. He took the concept of 'keeping your friends close and your enemies closer' to a higher level by placing them in his Cabinet. Three of these men were Democrats. It really is a must read study.



“Eyewitness to the Civil War” Neil Kagan, Washington DC, 2006, Coffee Table Hard Cover, 416 pages

A beautiful coffee table book on the WBTS from National Geographic.



OCTOBER TRIVIA QUESTION:

Which Confederate general directly opposed Joshua Chamberlain in the fight for Little Round Top during the Battle of Gettysburg?



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