



# James City Cavalry Picket lines



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**Camp #2095**  **1<sup>st</sup> 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

## Commander's Comments

Compatriots,

It was a wonderful Christmas party at the Hickory Neck Episcopal Church. As always, there was a whole bunch of delicious food. There were three different pots of corn pudding and I went back for seconds trying to determine who should get the 'corn pudding blue ribbon.' More research is needed. There was also a pineapple casserole that was awesome. J&B's North Carolina BBQ also seemed to be a big hit.

It was a pleasure singing 'Happy Birthday' to Sug Ware and Bill Harrison. Both are going strong at 94. We hope to raise our voices in celebration of your 95th birthday celebrations at our next party. Thanks to everyone who helped with the organization and execution of the party.

A special thanks to Sherron, Wendy and Marily for all of their help.

I think everyone enjoyed the 170 pictures reflecting our Camp history over the past seven years. We also had a posterboard with photos of 2015 Camp events that were published in the 'Virginia Gazette' available for viewing. I will bring that to our January meeting for the benefit of folks who were unable to attend the Christmas party.

We start our annual WINTER CLEANUPS on January 9th at FORT MAGRUDER. Many hands make light work. There will be some aged hardwood firewood for folks to take home. Bring rakes, loppers, trash bags, chain saws, gloves etc. Even if you can only do light work please come out and join the effort. At most it will take 2 hours. Starting time is 1:00 p.m. We are one of the very few SCV Camps in the entire nation that have the honor or being able to clean and maintain a WBTS Confederate fortification. There is always a chance that a box or two of Emily's donuts could show up during our time at the fort.

It has been my pleasure to be your Commander during 2015. I thank all of you for your support of our Camp in your own individual ways. We will continue our good work in 2016.

- Commander Jeff Toalson



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# November Meeting Photos



Mr. Jerry Talley, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Engle and guest speaker  
Mr. Robert Archer



Richard Best receives his SCV Membership  
Certificate from Cmdr. Jeff Toalson.



Fred Boelt and Ed Engle presenting Claude Perkins  
with his Virginia Division Life Membership  
Certificate.



Richard Schwartz being presented his Virginia  
Division Life Membership Certificate by Fred  
Boelt and Ed Engle.

## Letter to Compatriot Robert Glaser from SCV National Headquarters

15 September 2015

Dear Compatriot Glaser,

On behalf of Commander-in-Chief Charles Kelly Barrow, Chief of Heritage Operations Dean Stevens, and the entire membership of the SCV, I want to thank you for your generous donation to the Heritage Defense Fund.

. . . Confederate veterans are under the most ruthless and coordinated attacks since . . . “Reconstruction” and the SCV’s inception in 1896. Our attackers are motivated to destroy the very memory of the Confederacy and these American veterans’ struggle for freedom, states’ rights and their homes. In fact, those who attack these veterans . . . are motivated to rewrite our whole American story to fit into their political agenda. The Southern Poverty Law Center just initiated an “Erasing Hate” campaign with the goal to eliminate every Confederate flag, monument, memorial, school mascot, road name, etc. . . . Where does it end? They are already starting their assaults on Presidents Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson. We must turn back these assaults. . . . Like our ancestors, we will fight for right in the face of vast odds; we have truth on our side and determination in our hearts. . . .

Our fight will last for a very long time and we will need significant resources to gain victory. . . . God bless you and thanks again for your generous donation. . . .

Sincerely,

Michael L. Landree  
Executive Director

## 2016 James City Cavalry Speakers

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| 27 Jan   | Fred D. Taylor<br><i>Our Southern Heritage in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century</i> |
| 24 Feb   | Les Updike<br><i>West Virginia or western Virginia</i>                        |
| 23 Mar   | Erick Bush<br><i>Selma: Alabama’s Civil War Arsenal City</i>                  |
| 27 Apr   | Arthur Candenquist<br><i>The Centreville Military Railroad</i>                |
| May      | Confederate Memorial Service and Picnic                                       |
| 22 Jun   | Robert Archer<br><i>Who Wore What and When</i>                                |
| 27 Jul   | Mike Hendricks<br><i>The Richmond Clothing Bureau</i>                         |
| 24 Aug   | Billy Earnest<br><i>TBD</i>   |
| 28 Sep   | Frank Earnest<br><i>The Return of von Bourke</i>                              |
| 26 Oct   | Dr. Cheryl Davis<br><i>Songs Our Southern Soldiers Sang</i>                   |
| 23 Nov   | <i>TBD</i>  |
| December | Camp Christmas Supper   |

# Cemetery Report

(Contributed by 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Commander Steve White)

Our schedule for January 2016 clean-up days are:

Jan. 9 – Fort Magruder – We have eight dead trees to cut down and one big branch by the right corner roadside grove to clean-up. The berm needs to have the briars and small saplings cleared off with weed-eaters with blades and/or heavy strings. We will haul the roadside debris out by truck. The backside debris will be piled at the two locations where our neighbors persist in using the fort as a dump. I will try to keep the piles less than six feet wide and no more than 25 feet tall. If you, or anyone you know, can use some dry wood please let me know so that, if they have a trailer or truck, we can get rid of the big blocks and not have to haul them to the bonfire site.

Jan. 16 – Cowles-Spencer, Sunnyside & Peach Park Cemeteries – We will do the usual trimming trees, picking up litter, and weed-eating tall weeds at Cowles-Spencer and Sunnyside. Peach Park will be mulching the walkway and around the David Ware Memorial bench.

Jan. 23 – (possibly) Old Hockaday and Timberlake Cemeteries – General cleanup. Timberlake is on Robert White's property. Both are in New Kent County. Also in New Kent, the fencing of the Robert Timberlake Cemetery off of Polish Town Road will be scheduled for February or March whenever the owner will allow. I will work on that after hunting season.

The start time is 1 p.m. for all clean-ups.

Again, thank you compatriots for allowing me to continue as your 2nd Lieutenant in charge of Cemetery Projects. Your assistance is invaluable to honoring our ancestors thru preservation and restoration of burial sites.

*Respectively submitted,  
Steve White*



**Fort Magruder**



**Peach Park Cemetery**