



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 community service and the preservation of the true history of the War Between The States.

Next Muster

Wednesday, January 24th, 2018, 6:30pm
Colonial Heritage Club
<http://colonialheritageclub.org/home.asp>
6500 Arthur Hills Drive
Williamsburg, VA 23188



Meal Cost: \$17.00 Per Person

(genuine Confederate currency gladly accepted)

Honored Confederate Soldier:

Private Irvin Umphrey
Co. E – “States Rights Guards” - 49th Georgia Infantry

January Guest Speaker

Jonathan White

Associate
Professor of
American Studies



*“Civil War
Dreams”*

Mr White will begin the discussion with Jeff Davis's prison dream and then transition to talk about dreams of Union and Confederate soldiers.

Jonathan W. White is associate professor of American Studies at Christopher Newport University.



Camp Journal for Last Muster

Meeting:

Held 22 Nov. at 6:30PM at Colonial Heritage Club,
James City Cty., Va., 25 attendees

Welcome given by Compatriot Jim O'Donnell

Invocation:

Given by Senior Chaplain Fred Breeden

Pledge & Salute to the Flags

Break for Supper

The SCV Charge read by Quartermaster Jerry Thompson

Ancestral Memorial Candle:

Read by Compatriot David Beish in honor of
Cpl. Eli Fogleman
Company K, 5th North Carolina Cavalry

Program:

1st Lt. Commander Jim Leach introduced the evening's guest speaker:
Chris Bryce.

Mr. Bryce presented "*Grant's Crossing of the James River 1964*", a highly informative discussion on the logistics and engineering of the Union Army's move from Cold Harbor to Petersburg.



1st Lt. Cmdr. Leach and Mr. Bryce

Committee Reports and Announcements:

Cemetery Report

2nd Lt. Commander Steve White reported thanks to the crew installing the headstone at the Lebanon Church. Another headstone is in the works for John W. Hubbard at Olive Branch Church.

Old & New Business

- 2017 Christmas Party: six more reservations are needed to guarantee the room.

Book Raffle

Proceeds were donated to the Camp Treasury for the raffle of the three donations.

Benediction

Given by Chaplain Warren Raines.

Adjournment

8:35 PM



Outgoing Commander's Comments

It has been another very successful year for the James City Cavalry. I would like to thank all of our compatriots, who have each contributed in their own way, to our continued success.

Our second Christmas party at the Colonial Heritage Country Club was very nice. We thank Mrs. Billie Earnest for a very touching Christmas program using letters from our ancestors describing their holiday events during the WBTS. We thank compatriot Jim Wells for bringing his collection of C.S.A. arms and equipment for our viewing pleasure.

A special thanks to Mr. Frank Earnest – Virginia SCV Heritage Officer for officiating at the swearing in of new camp officers. You elected Fred Boelt as your new Commander, Jon Holland as your new Aide-de-Camp, Joel Goodwin as your new Quartermaster and Jerry Thompson as your new Assistant Adjutant-Treasurer.

It has been my honor to serve as the fifth commander of the James City Cavalry. I am confident we are in excellent hands with Fred Boelt as our sixth commander. I stand ready to serve Fred in any capacity he requests. I would like to thank Ken Parsons, David Ware, Don Woodridge and Jerry White, my predecessors, for their leadership of the camp and the wisdom that they provided and shared with me.

I can assure you, as we begin our twelfth year, that we are one of the top camps in the Virginia Division. We have a tremendous amount of talent in our membership and when we share the burden it is a proven truth that many hands make easy work.

Remember at all times that we serve in their memory.

Jeff Toalson

New Commander's Comments

First and foremost, thank you for placing your confidence in me by electing me the sixth commander of our camp. Looking at the list of past commanders, I certainly have big shoes to fill! On behalf of the camp, we particularly want to thank Jeff Toalson for a job well done in leading the camp for the past few years. Jeff will continue to be an asset as we plan for the future of the camp.

The Confederate Gravesites column will see some changes in the coming year. The article this month on John W. Hubbard will be the last gravesite article for the moment. We have written about most of the known burials of men with connections to the Williamsburg/James City County area. Further research may produce a few more, and we will certainly add articles about these men as time goes by.

Each year, partial funds from the Jean Keating endowment will help the Special Collections Research Center at Swem Library acquire WBTS letters and other documents. Jeff Toalson has transcribed the current acquisitions, and we will provide those transcriptions in the "history column" over the next few months. After that we will look at stories/articles with a direct connection to the James City County area during the war years.

As Jeff has stated in his comments, James City Cavalry Camp is one of the top camps in the Virginia Division. With your help, we will continue to hold that position. I urge every member to attend our meetings and participate in our projects when you can. Winter is our time to maintain Fort Magruder and several cemeteries. We need your help on these important service projects. Best wishes for health and happiness in 2018!

We serve in their memory,

Fred Boelt

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Confederate Gravesites

(Contributed by Historian/Genealogist Commander Fred Boelt)

Dr. Charles Miles Hubbard and his wife, Mary Ann Henley, lived on the farm just east of Olive Branch Church. The Oakland residential community occupies this land today. In her will probated in 1891, Mary Ann Hubbard set aside two acres of land adjacent to Olive Branch to be used in perpetuity by the family for their burying ground. Several generations of the Hubbard family are now interred there.

The Hubbards had eleven children, five sons and six daughters. The three older sons all fought for the cause, and we looked at their lives in the August 2009 edition of Picket Lines. The two younger sons were not old enough to enlist. Charles Miles Hubbard, Jr., born in 1838, was killed at Spotsylvania on May 9/10, 1864, and at some time, his remains were interred in the family cemetery.

Since the article was written in 2009, additional data about the service of the second son, James Filmore Hubbard (1840-1903), has been located. He enlisted as a private in Company C, 32nd Virginia Infantry, in Williamsburg on June 28, 1861. He was present on all rolls until January and February 1862, when he was absent, sick at home. After that, he was present on the rolls until November 16, 1862, when he was again marked sick. He was admitted to Chimborazo Hospital in Richmond on November 21st with pneumonia.

On February 1st, 1863, James Hubbard was transferred to Company H, 5th Virginia Cavalry, on the grounds of ill health. He was again sick in Richmond hospitals twice from October through December 1863. He seems to have been present on rosters for most of 1864, and was elected 2nd Lieutenant on September 6th of that year. He was detailed on scout duty in February 1865, and there is no further official record for him. The rest of his biography was given earlier and he, too, was interred in the family cemetery.

The third son, John W. Hubbard, was born in May 1844. He enlisted in the James City Cavalry in Richmond on July 1, 1862, as a private. The rosters are somewhat sketchy about his service. He was sick in November and December 1863, present in January and February, absent in March and April of 1864. He was paid in Petersburg in July, and his horse was killed in Winchester on September 19th. In 1865, he was paid \$3,000.00 for the horse in March and paroled in Richmond on April 17th with permission granted to go home to James City County. On his pension application, John Hubbard said that he entered service at Malvern Hill before he was eighteen years old and served to the end of the war, surrendering at Appomattox. Perhaps he was just over eighteen if he did enlist on July 1st.

The 1870 census indicated that John had married and that he and his wife Lucy were living in the Burnt Ordinary area of the county. He was a retail grocer, and they had no children at that time. A daughter and three sons were born to the couple before 1880 when they were living in the same place. Soon after that, they moved to Newport News where John worked as a freight loader for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. He was a member of the Magruder-Ewell Camp, Confederate Veterans.

John W. Hubbard's obituary indicated that he died in Newport News on January 9, 1912, and that he had lived there since 1880. He was survived by three sons. His funeral was held at Olive Branch Church, and undoubtedly, he was buried in his family cemetery. It is a mystery as to why he never had a gravestone. However, we have obtained a veteran's marker for his grave and it will be installed on one of our Saturday work days in the winter.



Christmas Supper & New Officers



Jeff Toalson passing the 'Camp Commander' pin to Fred Boelt.



Fred Boelt (Commander), Jerry Thompson (Asst. Adjutant/Treasurer) and SCV Heritage Defense Coordinator Frank Earnest who administered the oath of office to the new officers.



Lost Compatriots



Jack Kane in August 2015



Bill Young with Warren Raines



Charlie Howard

In just three days time, we lost three of our valued compatriots: Bill Young died on December 15th, Jack Kane on December 16th, and Charlie Howard on December 17th. While it is sad to lose any member, the loss of these three in close proximity leaves us with heavy hearts and we extend our sincere condolences to their families.

Born in Mechanicsville, Virginia, and after time in the U. S. Army, Bill Young owned several businesses during his adult life and was active with the Salvation Army. But perhaps music was his first love. Bill played with and directed several bands and ensembles, often traveling to other countries to perform. Bill will be remembered in our camp for leading us in singing Dixie at the close of our meetings. Bill's son David is also a camp member.

A native of Pennsylvania, Jack Kane served in the U. S. Marine Corps and later had a career as a consulting hydro geologist. This branch of geology is concerned with the occurrence, use and function of surface and ground water. Jack retired as president of Russnow-Kane and Associates, an environmental conservation organization. An avid sailor, Jack held leadership roles in several boating groups. Jack and his wife, Nancy, were frequent attendees at our camp meetings.

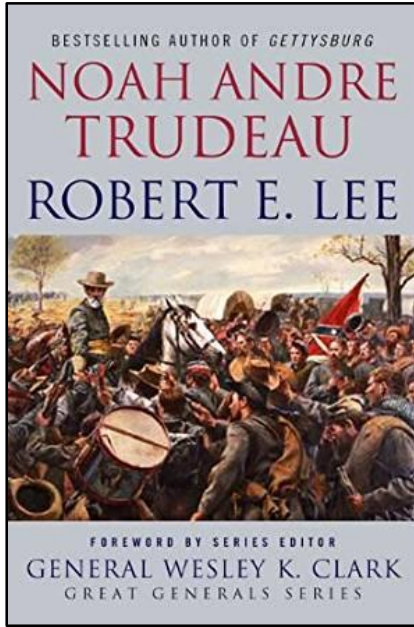
Charlie Howard, a native Virginian, was a decorated Marine and was proud of his service to his country. He was a Certified Public Accountant and business man. Charlie was a charter member of our James City Cavalry Camp and attended our meetings during the early years. Health issues precluded his being with us in recent years, but his interest in the camp never waned.

May Bill, Jack and Charlie rest in peace.

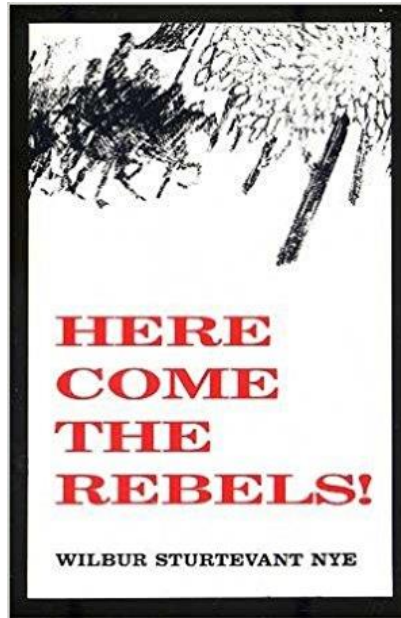
Fred Boelt



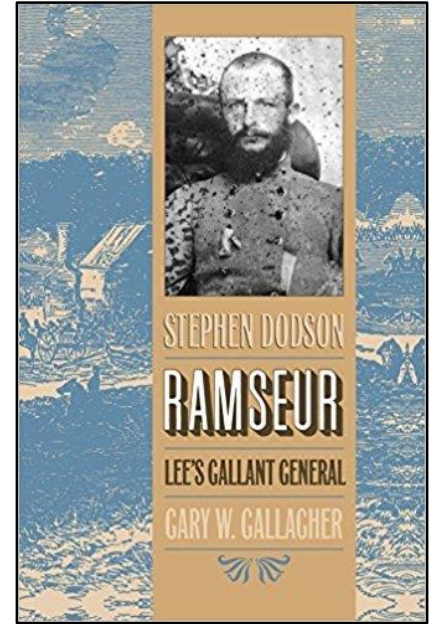
January Book Raffle



"Robert E. Lee"
by Noah Andre Trudeau,
Forward by General Wesley K. Clark



"Here Come the Rebels"
by Wilbur Sturtevant Nye



"Stephen Dodson Ramseur, Lee's Gallant General"
by Gary W. Gallagher

January Trivia Question:

What pie (made with dates, raisins and pecans) is named for a Confederate leader?



Williamsburg Civil War Round Table



<http://www.wcwrt.org>

On January 23th, 2018 - Carson Hudson will present:

"Custer's First Stand"