



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

Confederate Remembrance Service

Friday, May 31st, 2013, 5:00pm

Olive Branch Church Cemetery

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7643 Richmond Road

Williamsburg, Virginia 23188

followed by:

Annual James City Cavalry Picnic Supper

Friday, May 31st, 2013, 6:00pm

Compatriot Fred Boelt's Farm

2896 Forge Road, Toano, Virginia 23168



Compatriot David Ware will be serving his famous BBQ with cole slaw, potato salad, and baked beans plus beverages and dessert.

Meal Cost: \$15.00 Per Person, \$25.00 Per Couple, \$5.00 Per Child - Payable at Fred's

(genuine Confederate currency gladly accepted – will reluctantly accept US \$5 notes)

RSVP By:

Wednesday, May 23rd, 2012

Adjutant Ken Parsons at

kparsons4@cox.net or 757-564-0878

Compatriots' Ladies & Guests Encouraged To Attend

CAMP JOURNAL FOR LAST MUSTER

Meeting:

Held 24 Apr. at 6:30PM at Colonial Heritage Club, James City Cty., Va., 44 attendees

Welcome given by Commander Jerry White

Invocation:

Given by Chaplain Fred Breeden

Pledge & Salute to the Flags

Break for Supper

The SCV Charge read by Quartermaster Jim Swords

James City Cavalry Charge read by

Compatriot Bill Brown

Welcome and introduction of guests given by 1st Lieutenant Commander Jeff Toalson: Claude Perkins whose application has been sent to HDQ, his wife Barbara was present as a guest; and Clarence Douglas who has applied for membership. Other guests included Richard Thek, Dennis Dasher, Devon Devine and Brandon Beyer.

Ancestral Memorial Candle:

Read by Compatriot Charles Eugene Bush *in honor of*

Private Joseph Hoover

Co. D – 45th Tennessee Infantry

Program:

Introduction of Guest Speaker by 1st Lieutenant Commander Jeff Toalson: Our guest speaker was Mr. Michael Moore who is the Curator for Lee Hall Mansion and Endview Plantation. Mr. Moore gave an excellent presentation focused on General John Magruder and his defense of the "Warwick Line" against the Union forces of General George McClellan. The Warwick Line extended from Yorktown and on the York river, across from the entire peninsula to Mulberry Island on the James River in 1862.

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Committee Reports & Announcements:

Quartermaster Jim Swords presented the 2012 Outstanding Camp Ribbon. This is the Camp's fourth such award.

Treasurer' Report

Adjutant Ken Parsons indicated that we have \$2.134 in the bank.

Cemetery Report

2nd Lieutenant Commander Steve White indicated on April 6th the headstone for Logan William Lukhard, CSA, was set at Hill Pleasant Farm Cemetery. Scott Summerfield cut the grass at Peach Park Cemetery.

Steve also reported that between 2008 and 2012 approximately 759 guests from 18 states had visited Peach Park. We had visitors from as far away as Oregon, California, Texas and Oklahoma.

Support the Troops

Compatriot Scott Summerfield reported that he sent 2 boxes to Brendon Beyer, Ray Adams' grandson. He urged members to bring contributions to the meetings.

Old Business

On May 31st the Confederate Remembrance Service will be held at Olive Branch church at 5:00 PM followed by our annual picnic at Fred Boelt's farm. Cost is \$15.00 per person and \$25.00 for two. All food will be provided and this is our only fund raiser for the year.

New Business

Convention Highlights: Adjutant Ken Parsons indicated he attended the convention on April 12th. 41 out of 49 camps were present. 37 camps submitted applications for Outstanding Camp and our Camp was the winner. A goal of the SCV is to increase membership. On June 8th there will be a celebration of President Jefferson Davis' birthday at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond. In the afternoon there will be a massing of the flags and a presentation by a lady who portrays Stonewall Jackson's wife. Please make an effort to attend. We submitted the James City Cavalry Website and Newsletter to the SCV National Headquarters for consideration for the "Best in the SVC". Honors to be awarded to one camp only at the National Convention. The nominating committee consisting of Jerry White, Don Woolridge, Ray Adams and Fred Satterwhite will provide a proposed slate of officers to the Camp at our June meeting.

Book Raffle:

\$92.00 was donated to the Camp Treasury for the raffle of the three donations: "Civil War Williamsburg" Carson Hudson, Jr., 1997;

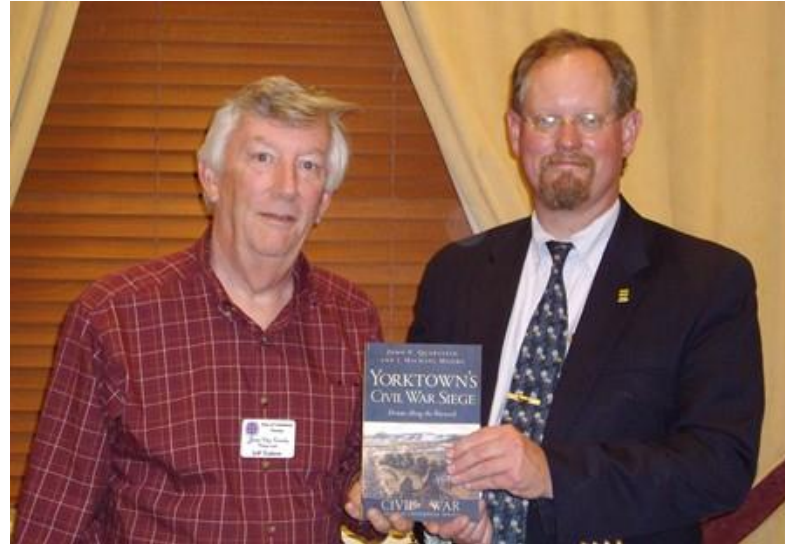
"They Called Him Stonewall", Burke Davis, 1961; and "The West Point Atlas of the Civil War", Col. Vincent J. Esposito - editor, 1962.

Trivia Question:

What was called the "Land Merrimac"?? How and where was it used? Answer: 32 Pound Cannon mounted on a flat car. It was used at the Seven Day's Battle.

Benediction:

Given by Chaplain Fred Breeden.



1st Lt. Commander Jeff Toalson (l.) and April Guest Speaker Mr. Michael Moore, Curator for Lee Hall Mansion and Endview Plantation.

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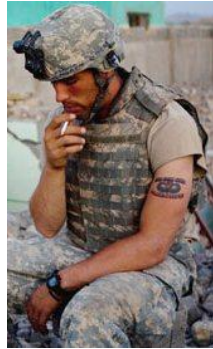
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SUPPORT THE TROOPS

Immediate Need Items :

Q-Tips
Hard Candy
Slim Jims
Lip Balm
Beef Jerky
Dental Floss
Moisture Lotion



JAMES CITY CAVALRY CAMP CHARGE

"The James City Cavalry, Camp 2095, Sons of Confederate Veterans, is proud of the brave men who left their homes and families in defense of Constitutional Liberty and States Rights to face overwhelming odds. Many paid the ultimate price; all endured hardships and suffering while maintaining the reputation of the greatest fighting force the world had ever known. Placing their faith in God, the Southern Soldiers fought for a just cause and the light of their accomplishments can never be dimmed or shadowed by any revision of history."

PEACH PARK CEMETERY VISITATION

(By the Numbers 2008 thru 2012)

On March 15th, 2008 we had our first visitor to sign and date the guest book at Peach Park Cemetery. There had been ten entries before that person but they were not dated.

All guest register sign-ins will be counted as a family unit. That's because there are solo sign-ins but there are also sign-ins such as the Sims Family or the Lake Pirates or the Colonial Virginia Model A Ford Club (25 members) or the Tuesday Group - various Tidewater Cities and other groups whose numbers are unknown. Exact numbers cannot be determined but with 253 sign-ins plus the above mentioned groups, I would average 3 persons per sign-in. That's around 759 visitors to Peach Park from the time of it's restoration to the end of 2012.

The top five localities of guests signing the register are: Williamsburg (86 families), Toano (23 families), Lanexa (21 families), Newport News (6 families), and Richmond and Croaker (tied at 5 families each).

We had visitors from 32 different localities in Virginia.

Our first recorded out-of-state visitor was from Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Peach Park Visitors have come from 18 different states: Michigan, Georgia, Kentucky, Oklahoma, New York, Texas, Oregon, Indiana, North Carolina, Illinois, Pennsylvania, California, Alabama, Tennessee, Louisiana, West Virginia, Florida, and Virginia.

We have no received any known visitors from the Confederate States of South Carolina, Mississippi, Arkansas, or Missouri.

We got our first international visitors this summer. B. and N. Libby of London, Ontario, Canada stopped



by on August 22nd, 2012.

Our first guests at Peach Park of 2013 came on January 6th.

What an amazing array of people, and the places they came from, to basically an unadvertised site.

Special thanks to Don Woolridge, Mike Garrett, Chris Hockaday, Scott Summerfield, and all others that have helped maintain Peach Park Cemetery, our only cemetery that is open to the public. And from the possitive comments in our guest register, the public has really enjoyed our efforts.

Yours in Preservation,
Steve White

CONFEDERATE REMEMBRANCE DAY

(Contributed by Historian/Genealogist Compatriot Fred Boelt)

This year, we will be returning to Olive Branch Christian Church (7643 Richmond Road) to hold our annual Confederate Remembrance Day service. We were there in 2010, but we have added a few more veterans to the list of those interred in this church graveyard. There are at least twenty-four veterans resting at Olive Branch. Additionally, there are five more veterans buried in the Hubbard Family Cemetery, located on the knoll to the left of the church driveway. These two burial grounds have the largest number of Confederate veterans interred in close proximity in all of James City County.

Olive Branch Church (Disciples of Christ) was organized in October 1833 at Hill Pleasant farm in present day Norge. A few years after this early beginning, Dr. Charles Miles Hubbard and his wife, Mary Henley Hubbard, donated a portion of their farm (present day Oakland) to the congregation for a church site. Around 1845, the front part of the present structure was completed.

During the Civil War, Union cavalymen tore out the pews and flooring to be used for firewood, stabled their horses in the sanctuary, and used the gallery as a barracks for themselves. Windows were broken out and the communion silver disappeared. Church services continued through this period at the Farthing farm located on York River Road. In 1866, services were resumed at the church which had been restored. In 1917, the church received \$500 from the federal government in compensation for damages during the war. This money and other funds were used for the first addition to the sanctuary. If you look closely at the outside walls of the church, you can see the break in the brickwork where the addition was joined.

When Mary Henley Hubbard died in 1891, she stipulated in her will that the two acres adjacent to Olive Branch Church, where the

Henley/Hubbard Family Cemetery was located, should be maintained in perpetuity for the use of her descendants. This is still an active burial ground for her family.

This year on Remembrance Day, we honor the Confederate veterans who rest here from their labors:

George Fielding Clopton, Winder George Whiting Farthing, Pinkethman Taylor Garrett, Richard Minor Garrett, George Edward Geddy, George William Geddy, Francis Ward Hammond, Alexander Hamilton Hankins, Southey Savage Hankins, Winfield Scott Hankins, Richard Daniel Hicks (unmarked grave), George W. E. James, Robert Pryor James, Sr., John W. Minor, George Washington Otey, George A. C. Piggott (unmarked grave), Benjamin Henry Ratcliffe, George Thomas Ratcliffe, John R. Ratcliffe, George Eaton Richardson, Richard Edward Taylor, William Benjamin Vaiden, Richard Harwood Whitaker, III; and Thomas Wynne.

There are five more veterans buried in the Hubbard Family Cemetery: Peter Tribble Cowles, Charles William Miles Hubbard, James Filmer Hubbard, John William Hubbard, and George W. Tyree. Service rank and unit and vital statistics may be found for all of these men on our camp website. With the exception of Charles W. M. Hubbard, John R. Ratcliffe, and Richard Harwood Whitaker, all of these men survived the war and returned to their homes and families in James City County. Comrades at arms - Comrades at rest.





Please join the

James City Cavalry's



CONFEDERATE REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

on Friday, May 31st, 2013 at 5:00pm



AT OLIVE BRANCH CEMETERY



7643 Richmond Road, Williamsburg, Virginia 23188



Please join us at 6:00pm after the Confederate Remembrance Service, at the James City Cavalry's May Picnic, in lieu of our regular meeting!

Picnic information & directions to the farm of Compatriot Fred Boelt in Toano are on the attached flyer!



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PICNIC SUPPER



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The cost is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple, \$5 per child, payable at Fred's.

Please RSVP to Adjutant Ken Parsons at kparsons4@cox.net or 757-564-0878 so sufficient fixin's can be prepared.

Bring folding chairs as we will dine with the peacocks, weather permitting.