

THE SAME RAIN FALLS ON BOTH FRIEND AND FOE



THE CYCLORAMA

**THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE
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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**



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COMMANDER'S CORNER

The Logan Camp has made some changes for 2013. At the November Camp meeting a slate of officers was proposed and approved. This slate of officers will share duties and responsibilities as a "leadership team" for 2013.

We will be asking for volunteers to lead committees on programs, membership and marketing. We need to let people know we exist.



Meetings also have been changed, beginning in February; we shall have quarterly meetings instead of bi-monthly meetings. The next meeting will be on February 7 at Bennett Place, where we have been meeting. The meetings will still be held on the first Thursday of the months when we meet. The meetings in 2013 will be held in February (date moved from January), May, August and November. The newsletters will follow the same schedule; four issues per year;

The Logan camp will be led by the following Leadership team.

- Commander Dan Hopping
- Senior Vice Comdr Roscoe Reeve
- Junior Vice Comdr John Harman
- Treasurer Larry Jones
- Secretary Paul Hesse
- Chaplain Kent Hinkson
- Camp council John Spicer
- Camp council Sam Moore
- Past Commander Roscoe Reeve

The Daughters of the Union Veterans' camp will be invited to join us for our meetings, and to contribute to our newsletter.

All brothers are asked to pitch-in and help make our Logan Camp a success. Four evenings a year to honor your ancestor is not too much to ask. We are a volunteer organization and we need active volunteers to keep the Camp successful.

February Program

Soon to be, Past Camp Commander, Roscoe Reeve, will make a presentation and lead a discussion on the Battle of Fredericksburg. The country has just observed the 150th anniversary of one of the key battles of the war that occurred in December of 1862. It was not a moment of Union glory and it could reasonably be argued that it never should have taken place at that place and time.

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186,500 troops were engaged in this five day battle, with 18,030 casualties. This was probably Lee's greatest Victory and the Union's greatest defeat.

Check your history and come prepared.



The Battle of Fredericksburg by Kurz and Allison.

May Program

On May 2nd, Dan Hopping will lead a discussion on the key battle of Bentonville, AR. This battle was also called Elkhorn Tavern by the Confederates and Pea Ridge by the Union.



Battle of Pea Ridge, Ark., by Kurz and Allison.

This was an important battle in that, by winning, the Union took over control of the area west of the Mississippi.

The first major win for the Union and the last major win for the Union were both named for a town named Bentonville.

This battle was fought on March 6th, 7th and 8th of 1862 and ended a campaign that started December 25, 1861 in St. Louis. This was about

whether Missouri was going to be union or confederate.



The Elkhorn Tavern along the old Telegraph Road

There was a long chase of over 300 miles with skirmishes along the way

The Battle started in Bentonville, AR on a cold March the 6th.

27,000 troops clashed on those three days with 3,384 casualties

There were four medals of Honor awarded.

A Confederate General was nationally shamed for the behavior of his troops and his inability to control them. This general is the only Confederate General with a statue in the North.

There was a gory Indian Massacre with mutilations and scalping.

There were a lot of colorful characters involved, Such as a Confederate general who was shot by a jealous husband in front of his staff. A Union General for whom the Wild West Dodge City, Kansas is named. There was a Confederate General who was a Cherokee Indian Chief and Wild Bill Hickok is a Union scout. There was a German general who did such a bad job, he was transferred to Virginia after the battle.

So... lots of exciting details of a very important battle you probably never heard of. There will be a quiz.

Lincoln, the Movie

By Roscoe Reeve

This award winning movie brings us as close as we can get to the persona of Abraham Lincoln

and the historic adoption of the 13th Amendment to the Constitution in 1865-65. It showed us a Congress in turmoil much like today, but a Congress that Lincoln willed to work with all the means at his command.

The Emancipation Proclamation and the 13th Amendment provided a moral foundation for victory in the war, not to mention hundreds of thousands new volunteers.....former slaves. The movie also gives us a more engaged and intelligent Mary Todd than we knew from popular history.



Sally Fields and Daniel Day Lewis gave outstanding performances. With background and explanation of characters, this would be a great movie for our children and grandchildren to see. Lincoln sought military victory as a foundation for ending legal slavery. The movie well depicts the struggle to avoid a war ending compromise that would allow slavery to continue in the South in exchange for their return to the Union. Lincoln not only had to fight the Democrats in Congress on this matter, he had to fight the fatigue of the people and the Union soldier who were ready for the war to end, for the carnage to stop.

As he approached the fight for the 13th amendment in 1864, Lincoln and U.S. citizens had the existential reality of continuing Union victories at such a terrible price. The movie puts powerfully the president on a battlefield of carnage, there to meet Generals Grant and Sherman to talk about *next steps* and the need for surrender.

The movie puts a grieving Lincoln, the human, in front of a Union soldier, a human, a spiritual metaphor for their mutual condition and fate.

An Outing with the Bennett Place Staff

By Dan Hopping

On November 27th, the staff of Bennett Place had an outing to see the Lincoln movie together. The Logan Camp was invited and I was lucky enough to go along. This was a grand outing. If you are lucky enough to get to go with the staff – do so.



Tommy Lee Jones as congressman Thaddeus Stevens

This was one of the best movies I've seen in a long time. Even though the cast was made up of many actors that have become famous in classic roles such as Man in Black, Tommy Lee Jones; Flying Nun, Sally Fields and Hal Holbrook – during the movie I did not recognize any of them.

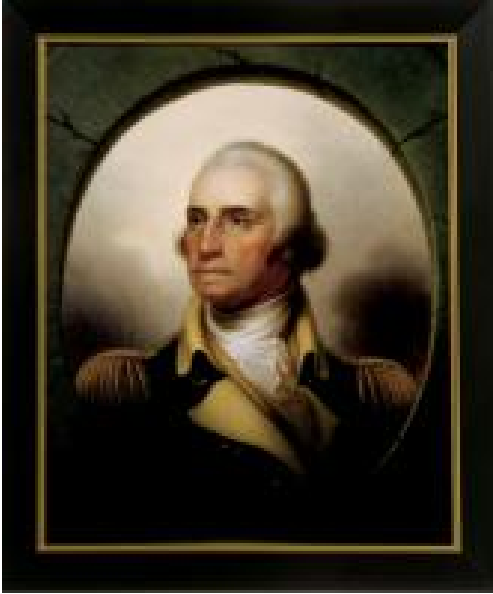
If you have not seen this movie, shame on you.

George Washington Dinner

By Dan Hopping

Brothers, you are invited to attend a celebration of George Washington's birthday on February 16th at the North Raleigh Hilton. The event is hosted by the Raleigh Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and is open to anyone who reveres George Washington and the founding of our country.

The dinner is formal – suit and tie, Tux or Colonial uniform. The cost is \$45. The invitation is attached to this Newsletter. You can mail in the reservation or you can pay at the door if you send me an e-mail to hold your reservation. <mailto:hopping@nexttreatilgroup.com>



Program

“The Preservation of Revolutionary War History in our Schools”

A Forum will be presented after the formal dinner and meeting dealing with: The Preservation of Revolutionary War History in our schools. The forum will be lead by Dr. Samuel Powell, President of the SAR Foundation who is leading Phase II of the Center for Advancing American’s Heritage. He will share the forum with John Rothenbert and Bryan Elseasser, History Teachers, who will be helping to explain the administrative history and barriers that have provided us with this problem. Understanding the problem will allow us to better determine what we can do to contribute to its solution.

During the evening we will be drawing the winning raffle ticket for the Long Rifle Raffle. We have attached a copy of the raffle information for your further distribution. We will also have tickets available at the dinner. The raffle is conducted to help sponsor the SAR Color Guard activities. The long rifle is representative of the spirit that allowed these remote colonies win their independence. This provides us with a link to our Revolutionary War past as we celebrate many important holidays, events, and ceremonies.

Union Monument Update

By Doug Elwell, PDC, Union Monument Chairman,
Department of North Carolina

We are closing in on the date for the dedication of the first Union monument at Bentonville. Allow me to bring you up to date.

The physical monument. The foundation for the monument has been poured and the base stone will be placed in position at the first opportunity. The main stone had a blemish that could not be removed so Edgerton Memorials shipped the stone back to the quarry for replacement. Turn-around on that effort should be completed by 08 February. Marking of the stone will begin once the stone is back in Dunn.

The dedication ceremony. The ceremony is scheduled for 1:00 pm, Saturday, 16 March. The dedication is in conjunction with the 148th Anniversary weekend event at the Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site. There will be multiple demonstrations and plenty of troops and artillery through the weekend. Suttlers will be available, too. Bentonville will provide a tent beside the visitor center for use by the SUVCW for the weekend. The Department/Camps should plan to man the information tent for the duration of the weekend. Anyone willing to spend some time at the tent during the weekend should contact Brother Doug Elwell (910-488-1383, elwells@embarqmail.com). The parking is free. The camps and demonstrations are free. There is a charge for the reenactments.

Publicity for the event. This event has been approved as an SUVCW Sesquicentennial Event and is being publicized by both the SUVCW and the Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site. The SUVCW National Secretary will be in attendance, as will the NC Historical Commission Secretary and the Director of the Division of State Historic Sites.

Other organizations we are inviting include, but not limited to, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the Friends of Bentonville Battlefield, the Bentonville Battlefield Historic Association, Cape Fear Living History Society, and others.

Below are more details and an outline of the intended dedication ceremony. Please read and think about volunteering to help. This is the monument you worked and paid to put in place. Make yourself part of it.

Notes for Union Monument Dedication

Date/time of dedication will be Saturday, 16 MAR 2013 at 1:00 pm.

The dedication will be part of the re-enactment program at the Bentonville Battlefield Site that weekend.

The program of the dedication is intended to last about 40 minutes.

The Site will set up an open-sided tent beside the visitor center for the use of the SUVCW. Two tables and two chairs will be provided by the Site. The SUVCW will be able to sell medals (Monument and Sesquicentennial) to the public from this tent. The SUVCW will be able to provide membership information and applications from this tent. This tent will serve as the VIP tent for the dedication ceremony. **We should man the tent both 16 & 17 March. Need volunteers!!**

The Site will coordinate with re-enactors to provide artillery and infantry for cannon and rifle salute as part of ceremony. Artillery and infantry will be in place prior to the start of the program. (Hopefully, 8 cannon to stagger fire and two infantry units (one USA and one CSA) to fire independent volleys in salute.)

The monument will be covered by the SUVCW with a material drape early in the morning of the dedication. **Wreathes are appropriate and welcomed.**

The site will provide a riser, podium, and public address system to be placed approximately 6-feet to one side of the monument (which side is not important). The Riser will be about 12-inches high and have the podium and microphone located on it. There will be four chairs near the riser for use of program speakers. The riser should accommodate at least two (maximum 4) people standing.

Tentative speakers include the master of ceremony (MC) (SUVCW Dept Commander), SUVCW Commander-in-Chief (Gene Mortorff will represent), NC Historical Commission representative, and Division representative. Four speakers with all but MC limited to 5 minute speech. Site Manager will provide short welcome at the beginning of the ceremony.

During the course of the ceremony music will be used twice. Bagpipes will be used for Amazing Grace and bugle will be used for Taps. A Bugler has been requested from Army Band.

Printed programs will be provided by SUVCW.

SUVCW will provide 2-3 helpers for set-up of material for dedication ceremony. **Need dedicated photographer.**

Our Next Event at Bennett Place

By Dan Hopping

On the Weekend of April 20, 21 – the Logan Camp set up a recruiting booth at the Bennett Place Historic Site's 148th Anniversary Surrender Commemoration. Our booths in the past have always drawn a large crowd and we usually get some new recruits. This type of activity is extremely important to the growth and health of our camp.

This year the event is called "*War and Surrender Depicted Through Photography, Art, and Journalism*". The event explores the American Civil War through the ages and how it has been portrayed through photography, art, and journalism. Historians, artists, and authors will make presentations and provide displays on how the war has been viewed and preserved through the ages.

The annual Unity Monument wreath laying ceremony will take place on Sunday with special presentations and guest speakers. Civil War re-enactors will be encamped around the farm and 1860's civilian life will be recreated throughout the weekend. Event activities are ongoing Saturday 10 am-4 pm and Sunday, 10 am-3 pm.

We need you to show up by 9:00am on Saturday and help set up. We need at least three people to be there all day on both days.

150 Years Ago

When we learned about the Civil War in History Class, much was left out. This month we focus on happenings of July and August 1862. This list contains a brief look at the turmoil of a two month period early in the War.

January 1, 1863 The Emancipation Proclamation goes into effect freeing almost 4

million slaves in states that are in a state of rebellion.

Battle of Galveston - General John B. Magruder [CS] captures the city after a 4 hour battle. Confederate troops seize a federal ship and blow up another, but most of the ships escape. And resume the blockade.

January 2, 1863 General Sherman abandons his attempt to take Vicksburg Mississippi

January 4, 1863 Major General McClelland begins to move up the Arkansas River towards Arkansas Post. He orders General Sherman to accompany him, but he has not received authorization for such a movement.

Lincoln and Halleck order Ulysses S. Grant to rescind Special Order 11 which expels Jewish merchants from his district.

USS Quaker City along with USS Memphis seize the Mercury, a Confederate blockade runner from Charleston on its way to Nassau, Bahamas with turpentine and mail.

January 5, 1863 Following two days of off and on skirmishing around Jonesville, Virginia Confederates surround the Union force and take 200 prisoners after a pitched battle.

January 7, 1863 The XIV Corps is officially renamed to the Army of the Cumberland

January 8, 1863 Confederate Cavalry and Quantrill's Bushwhackers raid Springfield Missouri.

January 11, 1863 Battle of Arkansas Post

Battle of Fort Hindman General John McClelland [US] defeats Brigadier General T. J. Churchill [CS] at Fort Hindman or Arkansas Post. Defending the outpost on the Arkansas River, 5,000 Confederates are surrounded by a force of 50,000 Union troops, and a U. S. Naval squadron under the command of Admiral David Porter. The Navy silenced the Confederate artillery and McClelland attacked, gaining the outer walls. The Confederates then surrendered.

January 14, 1863 E. Kirby Smith given command of the Army of the Southwest.

CSS Alabama sinks the USS Hatteras off Galveston, Texas.

January 20, 1863 General Burnside begins the "mud march" in Virginia and gets bogged down trying to sneak up on Lee's forces.

January 21, 1863 General Fitz J Porter is found guilty of failure to obey orders in the 2nd battle of Bull Run and is dishonorably discharged.

January 22, 1863 Ambrose Burnside searches for another crossing of the Rappahannock. This is known as the "Mud March".

January 25, 1863 Abraham Lincoln relieves General Ambrose Burnside [US] from command of the Army of the Potomac, replacing him with General Joseph "Fighting Joe" Hooker.

Union forces withdraw from Corinth. Mississippi They had been ordered to help protect Mississippi River shipping from northern states.

January 26, 1863 In a letter to Joe Hooker, President Lincoln states that Hooker "...thwarted him (Burnside) as much as you could..."

January 27, 1863 Naval assault on Ft. McAllister, Georgia.

January 30, 1863 General Grant arrives north of Vicksburg to take command of the army.

January 31, 1863 Under cover of fog Confederate ironclads Chicora and Palmetto State raid the federal blockade in Charleston. While some Union ships were damaged, the attack failed to disrupt the blockade

February 3, 1863 The French offer to mediate the Civil War.

Union ram Queen of the West sails past Vicksburg to disrupt Confederate shipping. After being hit 12 times by artillery, she rams the Confederate ship City of Vicksburg. Mississippi

February 5, 1863 General Joseph Hooker reorganizes the Army of the Potomac appointing J. F. Reynolds, Darius Couch, Dan Sickles, George Meade, John Sedgwick, W. F. Smith, Franz Sigel and Henry Slocum in command of individual corps. George Stoneman is named his cavalry chief. Smith's Ninth Corps is assigned to Newport News to increase pressure on Richmond

February 6, 1863 William Seward informs Minister Mecier that the French offer to mediate

the Civil War had been rejected by the United States

February 12, 1863 West Virginia's constitutional convention reconvenes following Congress's request that certain wording (about slaves) be modified. West Virginia

Federal ships including the Queen of the West take more than \$2 million in cargo in a single day on the Mississippi, Red, and White Rivers and the clipper ship Jacob Bell in the Caribbean

February 13, 1863 President Lincoln is visited by diminutive circus act General Tom Thumb and his wife.

February 14, 1863 Queen of the West runs aground on the Red River. It is abandoned and captured by the rebels.

February 16, 1863 U. S. Senate passes the Conscription Act

February 17, 1863 West Virginia approves a revised state constitution.

General Grant rescinds the order halting publication of the Chicago Times as a "copperhead" paper

February 18, 1863 A Democrat Convention in Richmond, Kentucky, is broken up by federal authorities because some members were pro-Confederate

February 24, 1863 Territory of Arizona is organized from the Territory of New Mexico

February 25, 1863 Major General Daniel Harvey Hill [CS] assumes command of all North Carolina forces.

February 26, 1863 The National Currency Act was signed into law by President Lincoln, creating a national banking system, a Currency Bureau and the office of Comptroller of the Currency. The act's goal was to establish a single currency.

The Cherokee Nation rescinds its declaration of secession and abolished slavery, reversing its earlier course

February 28, 1863 At Ft. McAllister, federal gunships including the ironclad U. S. S. Montauk moved up the Ogeechee River to destroy the

Rattlesnake, a Confederate privateer also known as the Nashville before it was decommissioned.

February 28, 1863 Work begins on rebuilding Ford's Theater after a fire

2013 Events Calendar

February 6th Regular Meeting:
Installation of officers and Commander Roscoe Reeve discussing the battle of Fredericksburg.

March 16th Bentonville Monument
The SUVCW Monument will be placed on the site of the Battle of Bentonville, NC.

April 6th Civil War Park Day
At Bennett Place State Historic Site 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This national workday for volunteers is a cooperative effort between the Civil War Preservation Trust and Civil War historic sites across the United States. Come out and support our own Bennett Place Civil War park. Projects include preparing the spring garden and landscaping, preparations for the 148th Anniversary Surrender commemoration and other upcoming events.

April 20-21 Bennett Place 148th War and Surrender Depicted Through Photography, Art, and Journalism, 148th Anniversary Surrender Commemoration

The Camp plans to have a booth both days to recruit new members. All camp members are asked to participate Saturday 10 am-4 pm and Sunday, 10 am-3 pm.

May 2nd Regular Meeting:
Dan Hopping will discuss the Battle of Bentonville Arkansas

May 25, 26 Remembrance Day
The Camp will have a recruiting booth on both days. All camp members are asked to participate.

August 1st Regular Meeting:

November 7th Regular Meeting:
Election of Officers for 2014.

"...If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack,

and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us...."

John A. Logan

Article submission Guidelines

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Articles are due by the Friday evening after the monthly Board meeting.

Please send submissions to the Editor,
 Dan L Hopping at web@suvwcamplogan.org



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