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LEE and GETTYSBURG

The April program for Dillard-Judd Camp #1828 will be given by Compatriot Ron Jones of the Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp #87 of Knoxville. Ron Jones is a native of Knoxville, a graduate of the University of Tennessee and a life long student of history, with a special interest in the War Between the States. After almost 40 years of working in a non-related field, he has renewed his love of history thru genealogy work and writing and speaking on both the War Between the States and the American Revolution. He recently saw the publication of his first book, "War Comes to Broad River", a historical novel based on a diary kept by his Great Great Grand Uncle during the War Between the States. The book is a story of real people caught up in one of the most tragic periods of our history. It follows a small band of men from north east Georgia and their families during the campaigns of the Army of Tennessee from May 1862 until April 1865.

Ron is an eleventh generation Southerner, a life member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, and Commander of the SCV Camp in his hometown of Knoxville, TN. He is serving his third year as Chairman of Heritage Defense for the Tennessee Division SCV. He is also Vice-President of the Knoxville Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and a member of other heritage and historical groups in East Tennessee, including First Families of Tennessee.

Ron will talk about "Lee's Performance at Gettysburg". This topic has been the subject of countless discussions, books, debates, etc. Join us on the evening of 24 April for what promises to be an excellent program.

New Members

A new generation is joining our ranks. During the February meeting, Cody Woodcock, age 12, was sworn in as a new member, joining his father Terry Woodcock. At the March meeting, Jared Davis, age 12, son of our 2nd Lt Commander Bo Davis, joined the camp. He had the good fortune of being sworn in by Dr. Bradley, Tennessee Division Commander who was at our camp meeting as the evening's speaker.



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 27, 28, & 29, 2007- Tennessee Division Reunion will be held in Murfreesboro, hosted by Camp #33. Host hotel Ramada Limited. Program starts with a tour of the Sam Davis home on Friday at 2PM, and continues on with events Friday night, Saturday and Sunday morning. Details are available at www.tennessee-scv.org, and then click on “schedule of events”.

May 5, 2007- Railroad Rendezvous at the Cookeville Depot. Come in uniform or just come and enjoy the day.

May 22, 2007- Regular monthly meeting at the Golden Corral. Details later.

KROGER CARDS

Commander Bradley reminds us that using our Kroger gift cards is a painless way to support the SCV. Kroger gas is generally very competitively priced and 5% of our gas and grocery purchases these days would bring in a lot of revenue for the organization.

New Trees at the Monument

David Daniels enlisted the help of Funk Landscaping and secured two Couse dogwood trees for the Confederate Monument at Cookeville City Cemetery. Rick Garrison, head groundskeeper of the cemetery, planted the trees for us. Mr. Garrison asked that only the groundskeeper staff water or fertilize the trees, as they have a schedule and will not over treat the new trees. Thanks to David Daniels, Rick Garrison, and David Funk of Funk Landscaping for their efforts in beautifying our Confederate Memorial.

FORREST PICNIC

Be thinking about the Forrest Picnic in July. Steve Marcrom is working on details and thinks that 21 July might be a good day. Check your calendars and let Steve know if there will be a conflict.

OUR HISTORY

This month, Barbara B. Parsons, President of the Captain Sally Tompkins #2123 UDC, was kind enough to share the Confederate heritage of her grandson, AT John D. Schubert. John is a member of our Camp 1828, SCV, and is currently on active duty with the US Navy. Barbara reports that John is quite proud of his Confederate heritage, which is extensive.

John Ford, Sr. was a Revolutionary War veteran from Virginia. He married Elizabeth England and the two moved their family to Tennessee because John had received four land grants, totaling at least 165 acres, for his war service. He and his wife established what is now known as the Hendrix Farm, 12 miles south of Crossville. This farm may be the oldest farm in Cumberland County. The community in that area is known as Grassy Cove. John and Elizabeth were married for fifty years and had several children. Their third child was Dr. John Ford, who was born 25 December, 1796 and who married Mary Nancy Loden, born 18 June, 1800. John and Mary had several children, and five of their sons went on to become Confederate soldiers. Thomas Wesley Ford was the oldest, born 21 May, 1821 and is the ancestor of John Schubert. Other brothers were John Fletcher Ford, born March, 1825, Christopher A. Ford, born 5 November, 1833, Elbert H. Ford, birth date uncertain, and Elijah Jehu Ford, born 1837. Thomas W., John F., Elbert H. and Elijah J. Ford all enlisted the same day (15 April, 1862), and place (Sulphur Springs, TN), joining Company "A" (Carter's) Tennessee Cavalry, CSA. Christopher A. Ford appears on a Company Muster in December, 1861 in Beech Grove, KY with Company F, 4th Battalion (Branner's) Tennessee Cavalry, CSA. The brothers survived the war, except for Elijah who died of illness.

An interesting bit of family history is that Christopher A. Ford apparently divorced his wife, Elizabeth Swan. Her people were Union sympathizers, and on 7 October, 1863, members of her family murdered Dr. John Ford, her ex- father-in-law.

John Schubert has other Confederate ancestors, including Nathaniel Loden, Reuben Loden, Pleasant Loden, and Benjamin Loden who all served in Company "E", 26th Tennessee Infantry. In addition to his Tennessee ancestors, John has 19 ancestors who served the Confederacy from the state of Georgia.

As mentioned earlier, John Schubert is currently active duty with the US Navy. He is currently stationed in Norfolk, VA, but will probably soon deploy to the Gulf region of the Middle East. His address is AT John D. Schubert, 1348 CV Towway Drive, Norfolk, Virginia 23511-2520. John would appreciate letters from home as he serves our country as an attack helicopter support technician.