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Growing or Shrinking?

Nothing, except the Almighty, stays the same. Organizations either grow and flower or shrink and wither. The Dillard-Judd camp was organized about 1998 by Terry Power, a man who had just moved from Chattanooga to Cookeville and who wanted to stay active in the SCV. He contacted others in Cookeville who had expressed interest in the SCV and soon the Dillard-Judd Camp came into being. It grew and added new members. Over time, active members took up the challenge and organized camps in their home communities. Camps were formed in Monterey, Sparta, and Livingston and the Jackson County camp was re-activated. The Dillard-Judd Camp raised over \$10,000 for a monument to our Confederate ancestors. The Camp even hosted the 2004 Tennessee Division Reunion, and our own Ed Butler was elected Division Commander.

Given the rather meteoric rise of our Camp, one could expect a time of regrouping. We have lost members to the new area camps. We have lost members to death. We have lost members to the recent national SCV unpleasantness. It is now time to rise up and resume our efforts in honoring our ancestors. Start by renewing your membership and sending in your annual dues. Then, invite a relative, a coworker, a friend to our meetings and get new blood into our Camp. Share your ideas and dreams of how this Camp can be better, bigger, bolder and more effective in its mission to honor the memories of our ancestors and of the Confederacy.

FORREST PICNIC

The Dillard-Judd Camp of the SCV hosted its annual picnic on Saturday, the 21st of July. Members of the Dillard-Judd Camp, as well as members of the Highland Brigade and their families, attended. Compatriot Mike Williams graciously allowed the camp to use his property and a finer picnic area could hardly be imagined.

The speaker at the picnic was Karol Biggs of the Clarksville area, whose husband Gregg had been scheduled to speak but could not get home in time. Karol jumped in and gave a talk on the impact of the War of Northern Aggression on the home-front. Karol has been researching this for years and collecting specific examples of how daily life in the South was disrupted. She gave examples of the innovative ways in which the people met the challenges of limited food, scarce manufactured goods and limited medical supplies.

Dinner on the grounds once again proved the generosity and culinary skills of the Southern folks. Hotdogs, hamburgers, even bear stew were complimented by garden vegetables and fresh breads. Desserts of every type filled a table and then our bellies. Afterwards, black powder guns and our signal cannon were fired by as many as wished to try their hands.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 28, 2007- Regular monthly meeting at the Golden Corral.

September 21-23, 2007-“Civil War Educational Bivouac” sponsored by The Borderlands Foundation. Educational program for school children Friday, 21 September 9AM till 6PM. Exhibition battles Saturday 3PM and Sunday 2PM. Located in a field adjacent to Highway 111 in Byrdstown, TN at the West Main Street junction. More info at www.theborderlands.org .

September 22, 2007- Blue and Gray Civil War Costume Ball. 399 Old Spencer Mill Road, Burns, Dickson County, Tennessee. Social hour 5PM. Grand March 6:30PM. Ed Butler says it is “a great big time”.

FUND RAISER FOR DILLARD-JUDD

Shortly before his death, Walter Anderson traded his prized replica Colt 1851 Revolver to his nephew Wendell Pike. Walter used this pistol in Honor Guard ceremonies numerous times. After Walter’s death, Wendell volunteered to give this gun to the camp to offer as the prize for a raffle to raise money for Camp 1828. Some of the money raised will be given to the Division in response to Dr. Bradley’s challenge to raise \$100,000, to be used for Heritage ADVANCE, not just defense.

Tickets for the raffle will be on sale from Dillard-Judd members over the next six months, with the drawing planned for the Lee-Jackson Banquet in January, 2008. Tickets will be available at our monthly meetings. See also the flier enclosed with this newsletter.

The members of the camp are indebted to Wendell Pike for his generous gift.



OUR HISTORY

This month, instead of telling a historical story, I am asking your help with a bit of an ancestral search. I received an email from a man living in South Carolina, but whose family is originally from Clark Range, in Fentress County. Chaplain Mark Allred is looking for a photograph of his ancestor. The ancestor was named Frederick Copeland Allred and he served in the 25th Tennessee Infantry. Mark thinks that Frederick was from the Jamestown/Livingston area. Mark is attending a family reunion over the Labor Day weekend and would like to have a photo of his ancestor for that reunion. The Dillard-Judd Camp did a memorial service for F. C. Allred in 2001. If anyone has information about F. C. Allred and especially if anyone has a photo of him please contact me (jmckinneymd@charter.net or home phone 931-520-0517) so that I can pass on the news.

MOBILE PHONE SERVICE

The SCV, in partnership with Sonopia, is offering mobile phone service. Sonopia contracts with a major cellular service provider and then offers SCV members a contract plan and a phone. Subscribers will get a Motorola Razr V3m phone with a Lee-Jackson cover and pre-programmed Dixie ring tone. The plan includes 450 minutes monthly for \$39.95. The national SCV will get some of the revenue generated for use by the SCV. More information is available at <https://www.SCVeteransmobile.com>.

DUES DUE

SCV national and camp dues are payable now (as of 1 July, 2007) and will be considered delinquent at the end of October. Why not write a check now and get this little chore out of the way. Total due is \$35 but you could add a donation toward the \$1000 challenge that Commander Bradley issued to the camps. Address your payment envelope to:

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Thanks