

TRAVELLER

Award Winning Publication of the General Robert E. Lee Camp, #1640

Sons of Confederate Veterans, Germantown, TN Duty, Honor, Integrity, Chivalry DEO VINDICE!

March, 2017



CAMP MEETING March 13, 2017

Speaker: Bradford Waters, M.D

Topic: "The Battle of Perryville,

Kentucky1862 - from a Medical

Perspective"

7:00 p.m. at the at the Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center

Don't miss our next meeting!

Annual Park Day - April 1

Re: Fort Germantown 3085 Honey Tree Drive April 1, 2017

Park Day, sponsored by the Robert E. Lee Camp and the Civil War Trust, will take place on Saturday, April 1, 2017, beginning at 8:00 a.m. We will continue clearing the edges and border of the Park and will begin clearing brush between the Park and the Memphis Charleston Railroad.

Drinks and donuts will be available as we start. As usual, we will stop working between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

If you can attend and assist, bring gloves, swing blades and/or chain saws. WE NEED YOU!!!! Show up and join the fun!!!

This project has produced a lot of good will in the community and with the Germantown City officials. If we have visitors from the neighborhood, a short tour of the "fort" will be given.

Call me and let me know you are coming.

Tarry Beasley #901-240-2014

Medical Lessons of the Battle of Perryville

Bradford Waters, M.D.

A study of Perryville from a medical perspective reveals many aspects of care which were not emphasized by military historians.

There was little planning on both sides for medical evaluation. There was severe criticism of the U.S. Army medical care at Perryville by the U.S. Sanitary Commission. Although frequently overlooked by historians, the U.S. Sanitary Commission provided extensive care at Perryville which could not be provided by the U.S. Army Medical Corps. Confederate medical personnel remained during the Union occupation to provide care to casualties.

Much of the care of casualties extended for months after the battle and was provided by civilians in the communities of Perryville, Harrodsburg and Danville, Kentucky. This care was generally provided in churches and private homes. Many of these churches and homes have been preserved and are still in use. The graves of Confederate casualties from Perryville are honored in dedicated sections of the cemeteries of Harrodsburg and Danville. The magnitude of the care of casualties provided by Southern civilians has often been overlooked by historians.

There are extensive descriptions of casualty care by Confederate surgeons and one Kentucky civilian physician following the battle of Perryville. Fortunately multiple descriptions of operations and case reports from Perryville were published in the Medical and Surgical History of the War of Rebellion in 1878. Despite perceptions of crude surgical methods during the Civil War, there were sophisticated surgical procedures performed Confederate surgeons at Perryville. Neurosurgical procedures, hip amputations and splenectomy were performed. Sophisticated operations which would have been challenging in Iraq or Afghanistan were successfully performed in 1862.

There were dreadful medical and nutritional complications among Confederate troops following the Kentucky campaign. After the battle of Perryville, Confederate casualties were transported with the Army during the march to East Tennessee. Even in 1862, boots had worn out and soldiers marched bare foot during an early snow in East Tennessee. Thousands of Confederate troops were subsequently hospitalized in Tennessee and Georgia for Typhoid fever, pneumonia and diarrhea. Complications of malnutrition including scurvy were described in Confederate soldiers following the battle of Perryville. The magnitude and impact of malnutrition in combat troops as early as 1862 is often unappreciated.

There were extensive descriptions of severe psychological trauma and long term psychiatric casualties of the battle of Perryville. Both diaries and narratives written decades after the war describe the profound psychological impact that the battle of Perryville had upon the combatants. Decades after the war, a Confederate veteran who served throughout the conflict wrote that he could not describe Perryville without breaking into tears. A Union veteran was haunted by his memories of a wounded Confederate drummer boy who in a delirium was calling for his mother to take him home. A recent analysis of medical records and military service records of Union veterans at the Indiana Hospital for the Insane revealed psychiatric complications lasting decades after the battle of Perryville. Severe psychiatric complications were described in Union veterans wounded at Perryville or deserted immediately after the battle. In 1929, the wife of a Union veteran of Perryville applied for a pension. Her husband had required extensive hospitalizations at the Indiana psychiatric hospital. She stated that her husband's symptoms were the same as the World War I soldiers returning with the diagnosis of shell shock.

There are multiple medical lessons from the battle of Perryville. The battle illustrated the degree of medical unpreparedness on both sides in 1862. There are extensive documentation of the care provided by the U.S. Sanitary Commission and Southern civilians. Sophisticated operations were successfully performed by surgeons at Perryville. There are descriptions of severe malnutrition in Confederate troops serving at Perryville. There are extensive descriptions of trauma and psychiatric complications which extended for decades after the battle of Perryville. The importance of medical preparedness, surgical innovation, nutrition and psychiatric care remain critical aspects of modern Military Medicine.

Commanders Corner

For the past three years the Robert E. Lee Camp in conjunction with the Civil War Preservation Trust has helped clean and restore the Fort Germantown Park. This year's "Park Day" work is planned for April 1, 2017. We will begin with coffee and donuts at 8:30 AM and work will continue until approximately 2 PM.

The reenactment of the 155th Battle of Shiloh will be held on the weekend of April 6-9. Bankhead's Battery will be participating in full force. SCV members who will be reenacting as well as those who come to observe are encouraged to attend the 155th anniversary of this important battle in American history.

The reenactment of the Battle of Sacramento, Kentucky will be May 19-21, 2017. This has been well attended by SCV reenactors. The hospitality of the community has been a wonderful tradition in Sacramento. It is well worth the trip.

Confederate Memorial Day is June 3 in Tennessee, Kentucky and Louisiana. This is in honor of Jefferson Davis who was born in Fairview, Kentucky on June 3, 1808. On Saturday June 3 at 1 PM, the Robert E. Lee Camp plans a memorial service in honor of the Confederate soldiers buried at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, 4761 Brunswick Road, Bartlett, TN. The unmarked grave are soldiers of General Sterling Price who travelled through Memphis and fought in the battles of Corinth and Iuka, Mississippi. The graves are unmarked but the men who served are not forgotten.

Bradford Waters - Commander

Charles L Vernon

SCV LIFE MEMBERS ROSTER

T. Tarry Beasley II T. Tarry Beasley III T. Tarry Beasley IV Winston Blackley Eugene Callaway John Cole

James Anthony Davis W. Kent Daniel Jr. Hubert Dellinger Jr.,MD H. Clark Doan Eugene Forrester Robert Freeman **Donald Harrison** Frederick Harrison Frederick Harrison Frank Holeman M. Gary Hood William P Hunter, Jr. **Bobby Lessel** Jerry C. Lunsford Frank M. McCroskey C. Michael McDowell James Lee McDowell Steve McIntyre Arthur Oliver Charles Wendell Park Steve Reason Larry J. Spiller, Jr. Larry J. Spiller, Sr. Osborn Turner, IV

William C. Wilson

Mid-South Military History and Civil **War Show**

Congratulations to Gary Douglas, Bruce Lynch, Ken Chrestman, Don Harrison, Mark Buchanan, Tarry Beasley, and members of Bankhead's Battery for a job well done in supporting the 50th Annual Show held at the Agricenter Arena on March 4-5, 2017. There were more dealers than ever before and more than 180 service men and women were included in the numerous visitors who attended. The lecture series set up by Don Harrison went very well and each of the nine (9) presentations was attended by 20 to 25 persons.

In order for this annual event to continue to be successful, we need for more of you, the Lee Camp members, to attend or volunteer to help.

Here are some of the pictures of the event.









GET A TAG ...



... SAVE A FLAG







14th Tennessee Infantry

The Tennessee Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans generously donates a portion of the tag sales to the Tennessee State Museum to be solely used for the museum's flag conservation program. If you do not have a SCV tag, you need to get one to help preserve your history.



This plate is available to any Tennessee resident who is registering a private passenger motor vehicle.



Join the

Military Order of the Stars and Bars

A society of male descendants of the military and governmental leadership of the Confederate States of America.

Lt. Dabney M. Scales Chapter No. 141 Military Order of the Stars and Bars Memphis, Tennessee

For more information on the MOSB and the Memphis Chapter, contact:

T. Tarry Beasley II

Tarry@BeasleyLawFirm.org (901) 682-8000



SCVMemphis2017



Sons of Confederate Veterans

122nd Annual Reunion

www.SCVMemphis2017.org email: scvmem2017@yahoo.com

May 12, 2017

Lee Millar Chairman

Alan Doyle Commander

Alan Doyle
Communications

22. Concession Stands
23. Hall/Table decorations
24. Flags (& giant CS flag)
25. Memorial Srvc (Friday)

26. Guest Speakers

28. Transportation

27. Tours

29. Other

		Committees
1.	Registration	
2.	Communications	
3.	Website / Facebook	
4.	Hospitality Room	
5.	Program & Ancestor Program	
6.	Advertisements	everyone
7.	Souvenir Badge (medal)	
8.	T • • •	-
9.	Debutentes	
10.	Vendors, SCV Stores & Displays	
11.	Color Guard & reenactors	
12.	Scrapbooks display & competition	
	Silent Auction	
15.	Opening Ceremony & Music	
16.	Sergeant at Arms & Security	
17.	SCV IHQ coord	
18.	Publicity	
19.	Hotel	
20.	Legal Dept/ Contracts	
21.	Luncheons	

www.SCVMemphis2017.org

N. B. Forrest Camp 215, P.O. Box 11141, Memphis, TN. 38111

www.nbForrestCamp215.org

CITIZENS TO SAVE OUR PARKS

AND THE

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Help Save Our Parks







Fight City Hall? We ARE !!!

The Forrest Camp 215 and the CTSOP have filed suit against the Memphis City Council for their illegal attempt to change the names of our three Confederate parks. We have been joined by all area camps & many UDC members.

These parks, Forrest Park, Confederate Park, and Jefferson Davis Park, are our history, our Confederate heritage, and a lasting tribute to our Confederate ancestors. They must not be destroyed or taken away by mis-guided politicians.

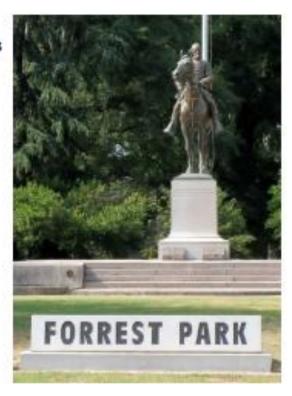
Help us to save our historic parks: Forrest Park, Confederate Park, and Jefferson Davis Park.

Can you, or your group donate \$100, \$500 or \$1000 to the defense?

I wish to join CTSOP.	Please sign me up	as a member.	No membership fee.		
Name:					
Address:					
City:	St	ate:	Zip:		
Email:					
Signature:	Date:				
	Contribute through PayPal at : www.citizenstosaveourparks.org				
Please <u>donate</u> to ou	r cause:	Amount \$	check number		
	Parks Defense Fund				
	PO Box 241875,	Memphis, TN	N 38124		

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Help Save General Forrest



38124

The Memphis City Council has passed a resolution to remove the Forrest Equestrian Statue from Forrest Park and to <u>dig up the graves of General Forrest and his wife</u> MaryAnn from beneath the statue.

> The SCV and the Forrest family descendants must raise money to fight the city in this second attack on General Forrest. We need your help.

Help us to save the graves and monument of General Forrest

Can you, or your camp or Division donate \$100, \$500 or \$1000 to the defense ?

Please sign me up as a supporter.	No membership fee.			
Name:				
Address:				
City:	State:	Zip:		
Email:	Vendoration	A10-340792.4		
Signature:	Date:			
Contribute through PayPa	l at our ally at :	www.citizenstosaveourparks.org		
Please donate to our cause:	Amount \$ _	check number		
Forre	est Park Def	ense Fund		

PO Box 241875, Memphis, TN

COMMEMORATIVE COIN

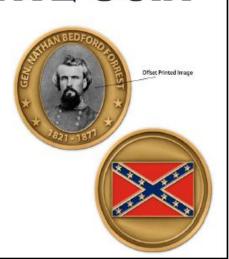
Solid bronze

\$ 10 each — All proceeds go to Parks Defense Fund

> Contact: Harry Adams, Forrest Camp 215 harryadamscsa@gmail.com

\$10 each, plus \$1 each for shipping. Send your check to

Save the Parks PO Box 241875, Memphis, TN 38124







Traveller is the monthly newsletter of:

The General Robert E. Lee Camp #1640
Sons of Confederate Veterans
and
The Mary Custis Lee Chapter,
Order of the Confederate Rose
P.O. Box 171251
Memphis, Tennessee 38187
Steve M. McIntyre, Editor