## THE WEBFOOT

The Official Newsletter of the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 SONS of CONFEDERATE VETERANS



Lieutenant Andrew Chandler with former slave and companion, Silas Chandler of the 44th Mississippi Infantry Regiment

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It is a great honor to be writing you as your new Commander. I have some great for us, and I hope that we can work together efficiently to get the camp moving along nicely.

I'm very happy to let you all know that we have an incredible line up of speakers for us in the coming months and most of them are brand new to us. Most importantly, we owe this great bounty of oratory excellence to our new Lt. Commander, Michael Bullock. Mike has done a smash up job of contacting these folks! Our last meeting had Mrs. Liz Whitwell who spoke about her great, great grandfather, John Polk Brownlow — It was a fantastic meeting. We even had the honor of Past CIC Deason swear in the new Camp leadership!

Due to costs of printing and postage, we are changing a few things about our newsletter. We decided at the last meeting to delete the meeting minutes from the publication to save on printing costs. However, The meeting minutes will be read and available at each monthly meeting like always and then uploaded to our current camp Website as well. Of course, all camp documents will be stored by our Camp Adjutant, Jay Smith or with the newly appointed Registrar position held by Josh Boshers. Also, and very importantly, if you do have an E-mail account, we are asking that you to please let us know of it and sign up for the newsletter electronically rather than by postal mail. Uncle Sam has raised rates on us again and it is very expensive to get our publication to you.

Camp, we owe a great deal of gratitude to our immediate Past Commander, Jason Boshers for all the printing he did for us the past few years (but this is just one of the many great things he has done). Not too long after he joined the camp, he came to me and offered the help of the printing via his workplace. I am not sure just exactly how much he did print for us, but let's say it was a LOT. If you see him, please be sure and thank him for all the work he has done and continues to do. I have not calculated the savings, but I'm sure he saved us quite a few hundred dollars in printing costs alone and many times he'd pay postage as well! He lead the camp by example and the rest of us can expect to do no less. Other than the newsletter, Boshers has been very active in the community and has gone far and wide representing out body. Can you ask for better service than this?

We have a fantastic speaker for us this coming Tuesday. We will have with us singer and songwriter, Lisa Meyer (see next page) and also we will be witnessing a little bit of history in the making. The Sam Watkins camp will now be the sponsor for the latest and greatest *Order of Confederate Rose* chapter. The TN OCR President will be present to officially usher them in. Please do your best to make it to this WONDERFUL meeting we have planned! Please bring a friend, family and anyone you know in the community that would like to spend some time with us.

I am, respectfully yours, Jack Taylor, II

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### **Keynote Speaker Lisa Meyer** will speak to the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 on Tuesday, February 16th, 2010 at 7PM!



Born and raised in Virginia in the Shenandoah Valley, she vocally trained for eight years, performing in musical theatre in Washington, D.C., New York, and California, and doing demos and jingles for various studios. Eventually moving to Nashville, she joined the United Daughters of the Confederacy in 2003, and became a chairperson for The Music of the Confederacy for the state of Tennessee. Realizing the need to record songs from this time period, it is her intent to preserve the songs of the Civil War era in the hope that they are remembered and treasured.

#### NEW ORDER OF CONFEDERATE ROSE CHAPTER

On Tuesday February 16th, the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 will have the honor of seeing a brand new chapter of the OCR created. We are sponoring a fine group of women who wish to help us in our endeavors. OCR President, Hensley will be present to officially swear in the new chapter with their charter.

This is a momentous event for the OCR in Maury county and the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29!

#### FRANKLIN CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE MEETING

Early Notice! Please mark your calendars for our March 14<sup>th</sup> Round Table. Peter Cozzens, author of numerous works on the western campaigns will be our guest. Included in his books are No Better Place to Die (Stones River) and Shipwreck of their Hopes (Chattanooga). Shipwreck has been recently named as one of the top 100 Civil War books ever written.

For more information on the Franklin Civil War Roundtable, please contact Mr. Gregory L. Wade at GLWADE@travelers.com

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR 23 - 25 APRIL 2010!

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#### PLAN TO ATTEND

# THE 2010 Tennessee Division, SCV State Reunion In Historic Manchester, Tennessee At Manchester Coffee County Conference Center

This three day reunion will be an event to remember for many years to come! Just a sampling of the activities are as follows:

- Friday evening entertainment by Max Northcutt and his Bluegrass/County Band, along with delicacies prepared by the wonderful ladies of the Kirby-Smith United Daughters of the Confederacy #327, throughout the registration period.
- General Forrest's Surgeon, Doctor Cowan will be visiting in the form of Mr. John Scarbrough.
- A ladies fashion show of period dress sponsored by the Kirby-Smith United Daughters of the Confederacy will provide a look back to the fashions of the period.
- Steve & Alison Gipson, professional actors from the Buttonwillow Church Dinner Theater in Whitwell, TN will be honoring the attendees with their historically accurate period show during Saturday evening's dinner.
- Sutlers from the Dixie Outfitters and the Blockade Runner will be present, along with a number of authors available to sign their books, for your purchase during this three day reunion.
- Saturday's bus tour will be lead by our own Tennessee Division Commander, Dr. Michael R. Bradley. He will provide one of the most interesting and informative tours of the "war" in Southern Middle Tennessee that one will ever recount. Finale of the tour will be the dedication of the Gen. A. P. Stewart Division monument at Beech Grove Confederate Cemetery and Park. Seating will be limited due to the size of the tour bus!
- Camp Scrapbook and Camp Newsletter judging and awards.
- Most importantly, please remember that 2010 is an election year, so your presence is most important!!
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