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Official Organ Of The  
Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29  
Sons of Confederate Veterans

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BIGBY GRAYS MONUMENT  
MOUNT PLEASANT, TENN  
1907-2007

Headquarters of the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29

Columbia, TENN

Wednesday, October 10, 2007

Dear Camp:

**Camp dues are now due!**

The absolute deadline for them is November 1st, 2007—after this date there will be a five dollar late charge. Please get your dues in before this time. As usual, Camp dues are still ONLY 37.00 dollars per year. Please do your best to get your dues in After this time, there is a five dollar re-instatement fee.

**Remit 37 dollars made payable to “Sam Watkins Camp 29” (47 if you desire a pin—see below)**

**c/o 701 Sugar Bend Drive**

**Columbia, TN 38401-6001**

For those of you that made it to the 100th anniversary of the re-dedication of the Bigby Greys monument, you would agree that it was a most splendid event. The turnout was close to 300 individuals not counting spectators from across the street. Bob Duncan spoke movingly about preservation and called on locals to participate in preserving our local battlefields. I was quite proud to be a participant in this event.

We have some lapel pins left over from the event and they come with a certificate of authenticity. There were only 100 produced and numbered and are 1 and 1/4” in diameter. At a mere 10 dollars each (camp members only) I recommend that you get at least one. Please contact someone in camp leadership soon to let them know that you want one reserved—the few we have left will not last long! Most of the low numbers are gone. We have a few in the 40s ,60s and the 80s number range.

Take care and I hope to see you all very soon.

Jack Taylor  
Camp Adjutant

## 200th Anniversary of the Birth of Gen. Robert E. Lee October 20th, 2007 ~ Sparta, Tenn.

In Honor of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of General Robert E. Lee, The Gen. George Gibbs Dibrell SCV Camp #875, will be hosting a supper featuring Commander Butch Chaltas in the Persona of the Great General! This is a fund raising event for camp projects. We would like to invite everyone in the Division to come out and show the their support. Local entertainment, relic displays, and a good old fashioned Beans and Cornbread Supper! Contact: Joey Savage at [hammer\\_joe3@hotmail.com](mailto:hammer_joe3@hotmail.com)

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**Sept. 18th Minutes**

*On Tuesday Sept. 18th 2007, the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 assembled for the ninth official meeting of the year. Dennis Lampley was the guest speaker and the topic was on Baxter's Battery.*

7:01PM- meeting called to order by Camp Commander, Kenneth Lovett. Meeting begins with prayer. Following prayer, the Camp gave the honorary salute to the Camp Confederate flag and pledge to the U.S. Flag

7:05PM— Lovett makes motion to allow camp business to be suspend to allow for guest speaker, Dennis Lampley to speak—no objections.

*From 7:05—7:20PM, Lampley speaks to the camp regarding Columbia native Edmund D. Baxter and the unit in which he commanded during the WBTS and some of its movements.*

7:22PM—Commander Lovett asks that camp accept minutes from previous meeting. Adjutant Taylor interjects that the camp minutes were not printed in time and that none were available for the meeting. Lovett makes motion that the accepting of the minutes be suspended until the next business meeting which would be held on September 18th—no objections.

Taylor goes over camp expenses and gives an account balance of 1,646.86 dollars. Taylor also noted that camp dues were due and that members needed to hurry or they would be charged an additional five dollar reinstatement fee.

Lovett makes motion that camp accept the financial report by Taylor—no objections.

7:29PM—Camp Sergeant at arms, Jason Boshers speaks to the camp regarding the upcoming Mt. Pleasant Bigby Grays monument re-dedication event slated for Sunday Sept. 30th at 2PM. Boshers went over the entire event and its schedule but stated the biggest issue was getting it covered. Compatriot Joe Shannon interjected that he may have access to a covering for the monument and could use his truck to get it covered. Other suggestions were made by camp members about the covering of the monument and what material would best be suited. Boshers also went over the issue of re-enactors and participants taking part in the event.

7:55PM—motion made to adjourn; meeting adjourned

## The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Re-Dedication of the Bigby Grey Monument

The monument dedication was a huge success because of the hard work of camp members. I would like to personally thank Steve Wyatt and Jack Taylor. These 2 guys did a great job on the railing. They took wire brushes and removed all the old paint and repainted the wrought iron. It took several hours but looked fantastic and should last for many years. I would also like to thank Mike Bullock for coming out with his pressure washer. On the day before the event, the city put down fresh mulch around the monument and we could not have gotten it cleaned without the big machine Mike brought. Thanks gentlemen.

We had several people turn out from our camp as reenactors and fired the 21-gun salute. Compatriots, Andy Hall (Haystack), Howard Roberson (Cannonball), Jay Smith and Timothy Campbell are 4 that I know from our camp that fired the salute. Thanks guys for making some noise.

Johnny Eskew brought a table and some recruiting information and was complemented by Ed Butler for putting SCV cards on the windshield of vehicles. Good idea Johnny.

Lance Spradlin came from McEwen and blocked one end of the street with flags. It was a great sight to see those flags waving in the breeze. Some of the guys from Rawdon-Spears camp brought a cannon and passed out information and said they got some people interested in their camp.



21 Gun Salute in honor of the Bigby Greys



Adjutant, Jack Taylor Speaks to the large crowd

Mother nature gave us a great day even though she succeeded in uncovering the monument before the service. But with the help of Charlie's Tree Service the monument was recovered. They had to tie part of the covering at the top on the soldiers hat. That part remained after the unveiling but was removed right after the event by Charlie.

Compatriot Charles Bates was at the event taking pictures and I can not wait to see them. The ladies of the UDC provided refreshments along with the 13 girls for the unveiling and their speaker. As for our speaker; I thought Bob Duncan did a wonderful job and was very motivational.

If I missed someone from our camp, please forgive me as I was a little busy that day. I want to thank the members of our camp for their work, the ladies of the UDC for their hard work and the City of Mt. Pleasant and the Mt. Pleasant Police Department.

May the courage of the south and the spirit of the Bigby Greys be remembered for the next 100 years.

Yours in Holy Bonds of the South,

Jason Boshers

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## Col. Egbert J. Jones Camp #357 Sons of Confederate Veterans



### Huntsville, Alabama

The Colonel Egbert J. Jones Camp 357, Sons of Confederate Veterans invites you to our Ceremony to commemorate the laying of a Confederate States Army veteran's stone grave Marker at Old Madison Cemetery at 10:00 AM on Saturday, 27 October 2007. The cemetery is located on the south side of Mill Road, west of Hughes Road, in the city of Madison, Al.

This will complete the marking of all 700 known graves of Confederate soldiers in Madison County outside of Maple Hill Cemetery. This goal has been vigorously pursued by The Sons of Confederate Veterans over the past 7 years.

We look forward to seeing you at this occasion.

Sincerely,

Greg Posey

Camp Commander

**Commander:** Greg Posey **Lt. Commander:** Allen Murphy  
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The 70-year old Jefferson Davis Highway marker near Vancouver, Washington needs a home. The Local United Daughters of the Confederacy and Sons of Confederate Veterans have obtained a parcel of land which, *with your help*, will become Jefferson Davis Park. The marker and its accompanying historical plaque will have a walkway around them made of engraved fund-raising bricks, as well as flagpoles.

Please help support the Jefferson Davis Park, our history, and our heritage today by purchasing a brick in your name, your ancestor’s name, your business’ name, our your Camp/Chapter’s name!

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*“Bartlett”*

*Hospital of 3d Reg. Kentucky Volunteers*

*Camp Boone, Sept. 18, 1861*

*Clarksville Chronicle, September 27, 1861.*

***Letter from James Booker of the 38th VA regiment Co. D to his cousin Chloe Blair just a few days before the Battle of Gettysburg (no grammar or spelling corrections were made)***

June the .30. 1863

My Dear Cousin

I write you afew lines this morning which will inform you that my self & brother are both well and geting on finely. and I much hope this may reach you in due time and find you all injoying the best of health and all other blessing, I have no news of importance to write, we have bin near Chambers Burg for several days. and I reaconwe will stay several days longer, we have quite a nice time sence we have bin Pennsylvania in the way of something to eat we can get plenty of milk & butter and apple butter that is verry good the citerzens in this country all seem to be afraid of us thay treat us verry [ kind] though I beleave it is don through fear the most of our Virginia boys treat them verrykind though there is some [ of] our extream southern troops has treated the people badley I [ am] sorry thay do so. it is against [ ed] Gen Lees orders to interrupt private property, this is a verry flourishing looking Country the crops all look fine. the country hasit has never felt the affect

of the war, though I guess if we stay here long it will feel the affect of it, our quater masters & Commisarys has gotten agreat meney nesarys for our army sence we have bin in this state there is but verry few people that charge us eney thing for milk or butter, I beleave that had aslive give us such things as to take our money, and thay are afraid to refuse us while thay have such things

the people in this Country are verry much split up about the war thay dont unite like our people do. I dont think this war can last much longer if it does I beleave the North will have war with its self the Dimocrats say thay will not take sides with the abolitionist, thay say we are fighting for our rights and the abolitionist are fighting for money, and I beleave the Dimerats will raise against

them if the war last much longer, I am staying at aprivate house guarding the man & property he bourds me free while I stay with him. I am fairing finely, I beleave I have written enough for the presant unless it was better than what it is. So I will Close you must write to

me soon and gave me all news the last letter I got was dated the .13. inst 3 if [ you] dont here from us again soon you may not be uneasy for it is verry doubtful about our mail pasing again soon, Nothing more but gave my love to all the family and share a large portion for your self,

I remain as ever your

frend and Cousin,

Jimmie Booker

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