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Camp Meeting

Tuesday, January 5th, 7:00 p.m.
Beaver Creek Cumberland Pres. Church
(See Map)

Lee – Jackson Supper

Saturday, January 23rd, 6:00 p.m.
The Foundry – World's Fair Site

If you would like to celebrate your Confederate ancestor by placing a memorial ad in the Program, please get the info to myself or Earl Smith (knoxrebs@comcast.net) as soon as possible, but no later than Jan 19th.

A single listing is $10. If you have more than one ancestor you may wish to honor, you may purchase a half-page for $25 or a full page for $50. Typically you should include: Rank, Name, Company, Regiment, AOT or ANV. If they died in service or were killed in action, please include that as well as any imprisonment. You can send all payments for ads and reservations to the Camp mailing address: SCV Camp #87, P.O. Box 943, Knoxville, TN 37901. Please make sure to make it clear if you are writing one check for supper reservations and ancestor ads

Welcome New Members

Will A. Campbell in honor of his g-g-grandfather, **Pvt. James Michael Ross Campbell, Co. B, 38th Alabama Infantry.**

Lindsey B. Lander in honor of his g-g-grand uncle, **1st Lt. Walter Boyd, Co. C, 22nd Texas Infantry.**

Ronald N. Sherrill in honor of his great grandfather, **Pvt. Andrew Sherrill, 2nd Tennessee Cavalry.**

Daniel G. Slack, in honor of his g-great uncle, **2nd Cpl., Abner Ephrim Slack, Co. H, 43rd Regiment, Tennessee Infantry.**

Future Meeting Schedule (Tentative)

Sunday, February 14th , 2:00 p.m.
Crescent Bend
Saturday, March 13th, 10:00 a.m. Clean Up
Confederate Memorial Hall
Sunday, April 11th , 2:00 p.m. ETHS
Saturday, May 15th , 10:00 a.m. Clean Up Day
Mabry Hazen (Confederate Cemetery)
Sunday, June 13th , 2:00 p.m. Ramsey House
Sunday, July 11th , 2:00 p.m. Crescent Bend

Future Events

January 9, Tulip Planting at Crescent Bend
April 9th or 16th Dogwood Arts Parade?
Saturday June 5th Confederate Decoration Day
Bethel Cemetery
Ramsey House Reenactment June
Grainger County Tomato Festival July 24th & 25th
(tentative)

Commander's Corner

Merry Christmas

Remember at this special time
of year the Confederate
soldier's dedication to his duty,
his family and his faith in God
and for many,
their savior Jesus Christ, whose
birthday we celebrate.
Ron Jones
Commander

Compatriots,

The monthly meeting of the Longstreet/Zollicoffer Camp SCV was held Sunday afternoon December 14th 2009 at the East Tennessee Historical Society with 26 members, guests and prospects present. Compatriot Gaylan Lane opened the meeting with the invocation followed by the salute to the flag and the charge to the SCV as read by Lt. Commander Lynn Hammond.

Adjutant John Hitt gave those in attendance a report of the financial condition of the Camp and as voted by the Camp that he had moved additional funds from our checking accounting which is bearing no interest to our CD or to another interest bearing account.

After the opening activities, Compatriot Jim Slice gave us a very interesting program on the South Carolina brigade commanded by Gen. Maxey Gregg and later by Gen. Samuel McGowan. His emphasis was on the Bloody Angle at Spotsylvania, but he gave us a background of the brigade including 2nd Manassas, Sharpsburg, Fredericksburg and Gettysburg. *(With apologies to James, my phone camera picture didn't work. ED)*

Following Compatriot Slice's program the following business was discussed:

Reports were given on the damage done to the caretaker's house at the Confederate Cemetery in Knoxville that the folks at Mabry Hazen House have planned to convert into a museum. The Camp voted to join the Mabry Hazen House as a friend and voted to send a check for $100 for membership at that level.

We thanked Arthur Harris for all his hard work that helped make our annual Christmas Party another rousing success with nearly 50 people in attendance and a wonderful evening of Confederate fellowship. As in past years, the Camp voted to send a donation to our hosts at Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church and our members Pastor Leonard Turner and Earl Layman who help make it so successful.

I reported that I had made preliminary contact with Dr. Michael Bradley, the Division Commander, about speaking at our Decoration Day Service next June and the Camp voted to confirm my invitation to him as our speaker.

I reported that I had reserved the Foundry January 22, 2011 for our 2011 Lee/Jackson Supper and suggested that we might invite Compatriot David Chaltas, aka Robert E. Lee to speak. A motion was made and passed to extend an invitation to Compatriot Chaltas which he has accepted.

We talked about things needed for this years celebration. and a sign up sheet was offered for those who would help decorate for the event and help that evening with check in and other activities.

Lt. Commander Lynn Hammond gave us an update on the Living History/Encampment and Relic Show to be held at the Smoky Mountain Convention Center in Pigeon Forge next August 27th and 28th. From everything that has been reported and arranged so far, this should be a major, major event for both recruiting and publicizing the SCV and our Camp.

Sam Miller and Jim Slice offered to step up and help with the distribution of the Camp Newsletter that may have gone along way with solving our problem of the need for a replacement to Vaughn. More on this later as the details are worked out.

The following upcoming event should be placed on your calendar:

TULIP PLANTING AT CRESCENT BEND: Saturday January 9TH at Crescent Bend. **This is our annual day to help Crescent Bend for their generous support of us during the year and I cannot stress how important it is for us to support this activity.** As in the past, the folks at Crescent Bend will provide breakfast between 8:30 and 9:00 and lunch following the planting activities normally by noon.

We need suggestions for programs at our meetings. If you know of a speaker or would do a program yourself, please contact either Frank Scarpino at 671-8964 or myself at 947-3394 or e-mail me at gatennreb@comcast.net and let us know. For meetings where time is limited, we need people willing to do ancestor programs.

Your obedient servant,

Ron Jones, Commander

A note from 1st Lt. Commander Lynn Hammond

Compatriots and Brothers:

We are, as I write this, closing the book on 2009. It was a memorable year that had the camp quite busy. Here are the main events for the year.

Jan: Lee-Jackson Supper; **April:** Dogwood Arts Festival Parade, SCV TN Division Reunion; **June:** Decoration Day Ceremony, Ramsey House Re-enactment; **July:** SCV National Reunion, Grainger Co. Tomato Festival; **Aug:** E. T. Historical Society History Day Fair; **Oct:** Appalachian Homecoming, Ft. Sanders Re-enactment; **Dec:** Christmas Party.

You may ask why am I mentioning these events now? Well, I'm just curious how many each of you attended. One or two, half or more? Fact is, no one can say we have nothing in which to participate as a camp. Problem is, usually it's just a few who make it to most of our events. Although I was very glad to see quite a few of our newer members at several activities, which should give us hope for 2010.

As we open the book on a new year, we find a very special chapter in not only our camp, but the entire SCV world. For you see we are entering those years when we will honor our brave ancestors with a Sesquicentennial celebration. We are blessed to live during the 150th anniversary of the War Between the States. In years to come our descendants will be discussing what we accomplished during this time to honor our, and their ancestors. What are we as a camp going to do. Although everything hasn't been planned out, we do have somewhat of a start on it. We need for more members to step forward and give of your talents and ideas.

The main point I'm trying to make is **GET INVOLVED!** The year 2010 is going to be even busier than 2009. We need involvement from as many as will step up. Our ancestors gave their all, many literally. Surely we can give a little time and effort. This is YOUR camp, so make YOUR mark and do YOUR part.

Another one of our own, Compatriot John A. Emison has written a book***:***

Lincoln Uber Alles:
Dictatorship Comes to America

How Abraham Lincoln's presidency paved the way for today's bloated "Leviathan" government

"No honest student of American history can avoid coming to terms with this work." -- Clyde N. Wilson, University of South Carolina

The following is a Human Events book review.

"The central truth about the Civil War is that it was not simply a conflict between North and South; it was a conflict between the Southern states and the federal government. The federal government won, and the Feds have been winning ever since." That is John Avery Emison's bold and controversial premise in Lincoln Uber Alles: Dictatorship Comes to America, which "takes almost everything you learned in school about the Civil War and turns it right-side up."

Debunking the myth that the Civil War was a war for racial justice, Emison reveals that it was actually a battle over the economic disparities between the North and the South. By examining Supreme Court findings, he demonstrates not only that the Southern states were well within their rights to withdraw from the Union in 1860, but also that secession is still legal today. And, by illustrating how Abraham Lincoln's tyrannical presidency paved the way for today's bloated "Leviathan" government, Emison brings his subject into the twenty-first century and puts forth his fear for the future.

In Lincoln Uber Alles, John Avery Emison reveals:

Why Southern secession was legal -- according to no fewer than three Supreme Court doctrines expounded in numerous rulings that were the law of the land at the time and remain so today.

How the Civil War was an illegal counter-revolution to free the federal government from constitutional restrictions on its power.

How the initiation of the war had nothing to do with either ending slavery or preserving the Union and, technically speaking, it accomplished neither.

Northerners had no interest in racial justice and, for the most part, they despised and hounded free blacks and enacted Jim Crow laws as a means of preventing them from crossing into Northern states

Virtually everything Lincoln did to defeat secession was illegal -- including the declaration of war without a vote of Congress, the invasion of states and overthrow of state governments, the blockade of Southern ports, the arbitrary impressments of Southerners into U.S. Army ranks, and the attacks on civilian noncombatants and deliberate destruction of private property

How Lincoln illegally suppressed political opposition in the North -- by, for instance, arresting civilians, mayors and other Northern officials; suspending habeas corpus, shutting down newspapers, and threatening to arrest Supreme Court Chief Justice Roger Taney.

Why Lincoln and his generals were war criminals under their own military code of justice, the Lieber Code -- and would have been hanged if they had lost the war.

"In the 21st century, America is haunted by Lincoln's blood lust for a coercive, dominant, unitary, unaccountable, debt-laden central government," concludes Emison. "That is why this book matters. Abraham Lincoln opened the door to the Leviathan central state that mandates, manipulates, and regulates virtually every aspect of life in America and seeks unilateral hegemony around the globe."

ANNOUNCING..... 17th Annual

ROBERT E. LEE and STONEWALL JACKSON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

DATE: *Saturday, January 23, 2010*

HOST: Longstreet-Zollicoffer Camp # 87
Sons of Confederate Veterans
Knoxville, Tennessee

TIME: Doors open 6 p.m. for Social Hour; Buffet Supper at 7 p.m.

LOCATION: The Foundry on the World's Fair Site

DRESS: Period Dress or Business Attire

COST: $30 per person; $15 children 12 and under (*Price includes door prize tickets*)

PROGRAM: Reverend John Weaver – "*Who Were the Rebels*?"

Pastor John Weaver is a native of Georgia, and a graduate of Bob Jones University. He has been in Christian ministry for over 44 years and has helped plant several churches and Christian schools around the country. Pastor Weaver travels across America preaching and lecturing in churches, colleges and conferences. He has also authored three books: "*The Christian and Civil Government*," *The Sovereignty of God and Civil Government*," and "*The Biblical Truth Concerning God's Righteous Vengeance*." He has taught Southern history and American history in numerous conferences, youth camps and churches. Pastor Weaver served two terms as SCV Chaplain-in-Chief, and is a member of the Manse Jolly Camp #6, of Piedmont, SC. His message for the Lee-Jackson Supper, "*Who Were the Rebels*?" identifies the true rebels, and demonstrates from Northern sources that the North was indeed in rebellion to the Constitution and wanted to destroy the union of the States. The South still glories in the fact that she stood for principle, right, liberty, freedom and the Constitutional Republic as it was given to us by our founding fathers.

RESERVATIONS: Reservations are required!
Seating is limited. All reservations must be received by ***Wednesday, January 20, 2010.***

NO RESERVATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED UNTIL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.

***Please send all payments to*:**
LEE-JACKSON DINNER
SCV Camp #87
P. O. BOX 943
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 37901

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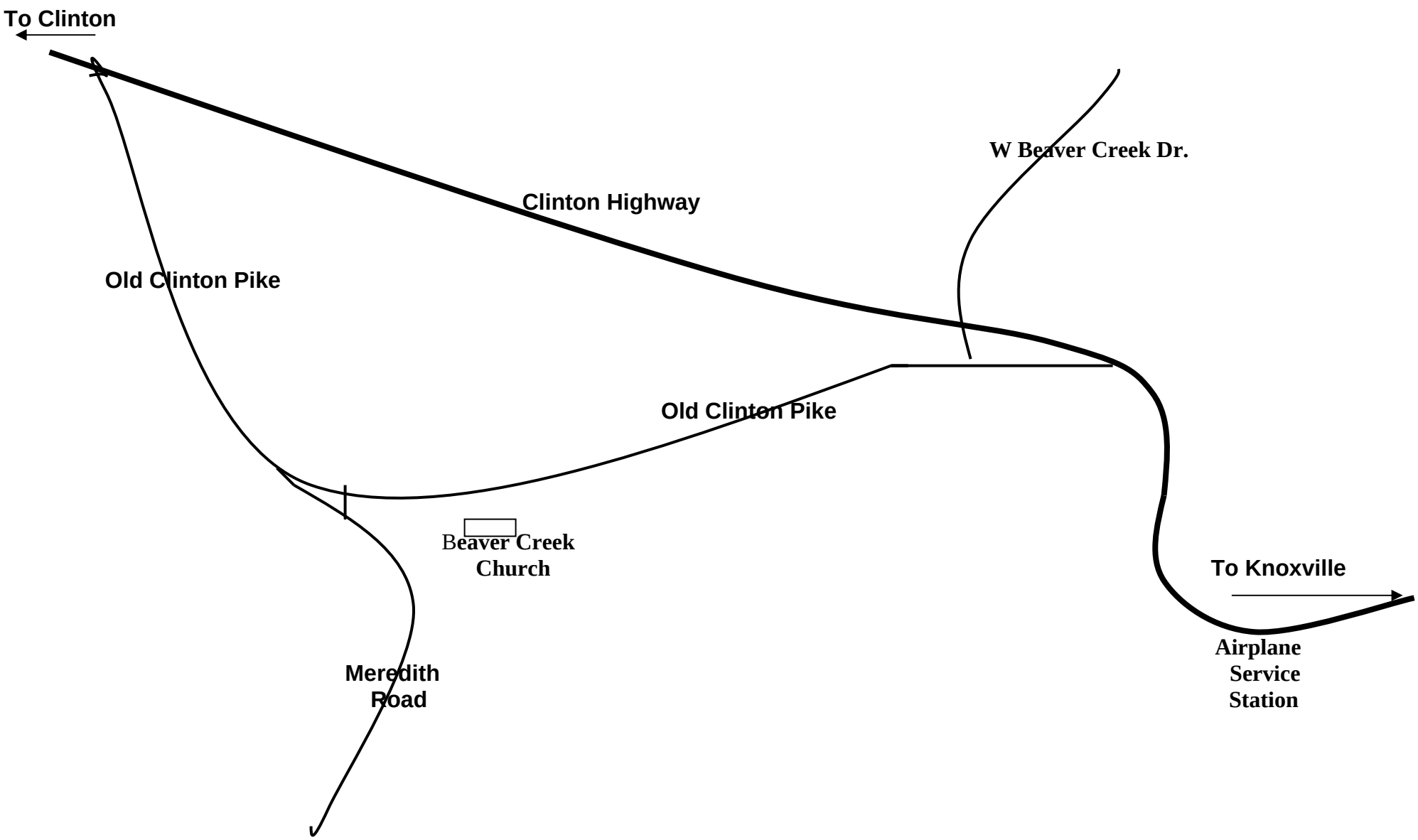
John Hitt: 689-4592 Arthur Harris: 742-8755
Lynn Hammond: 687-5027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