

The Official Newsletter of The WVRA

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WVRA pamphlets are available. Please help recruit new members! MUST have updated application with membership fees paid.

Calendar of Events

APRIL 27-29, 2012

WVRA School of the Soldier. Jones/Imboden Raid Pricketts Fort State Park . WVRA April/May Meeting April 28 at SOS

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May 5 WVRA Spring Gala  
Civil War Ball Clarksburg  
Christ Episcopal Church

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Check Out Our Web Site at:

www.wvra.org

Web Masters Donnie Stewart & Lisa Johnson

West Virginia Reenactors Association is now on Facebook

DONATIONS MADE TO HISTORICAL SITES & EVENTS



Members of the WVRA donated \$100 to various historical Civil War sites and Civil War events including: Beverly/Rich Mountain Foundation ; Corrick's Ford; And shown with past and present officers receiving a check for Friends of Bulltown is Ken Connell with the 2nd Va.

WVRA Reminders...Dues.....Newsletter Deadlines

Articles, pictures, dates, information to be included in the Trans-Allegheny Dispatch MUST be emailed by May 15 to rebeld4h@yahoo.com *****

Or mailed by MAY 10 to:
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DUES MUST BE PAID BY MARCH EVERY YEAR
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IMPORTANT : The WVRA Dispatch needs pictures & articles on anything else the membership has participated in. We also need Civil War articles & information. Please send pictures in JPEG format to rebeld4h@yahoo.com

A large salute and heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone that has supported and contributed to the WVRA DISPATCH for the month of MAY: Thank You Chuck Critchfield, Jack & Tonya Daft, Nicole Lemal, Times WV, Diana George, Jeff Goff, Bill Brisendine, Tim Glaser, Phyllis Baxter, Richard Wolfe, RMBF, Beverly Heritage, Jodi Burnsworth, Chelsey Hughes, TV Guide, and Lisa Johnson.

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For timely discussions about CW events, clothing, firearms, and yes, even personalities in the hobby, Go To www.authenticcampaigner.com Or www.cwreenactors.com

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NOTE TO PARTICIPANTS.... WE TRY TO LIST VARIOUS EVENTS ON OUR WEB SITE. THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE WVRA MEMBERS ARE THE PEOPLE IN CHARGE OF THOSE EVENTS, SO IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS PLEASE CONTACT THE HOST OF THAT EVENT. WE HAVE NO CONTROL IN SETTING THEIR DATES FOR THEIR EVENTS NOR CAN WE PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THAT EVENT IF WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED IT. IF WE HAVE THE INFORMATION IN TIME WE WILL PASS IT ON TO YOU AS SOON AS POSSI-

SOME WEB SITE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CIVIL WAR

www.wvculture.org for WV History
<http://www.wvculture.org/history/medals.html> for ancestry info & medals
www.labelle-femme.com women's clothing
Reenactorpost.com
<http://www.shasta.com/suesgoodco/newcivilians/index.htm> civilian info
Southernheritage411.com Southern Heritage
<http://suvcw.org/> Sons of Union Veterans
www.civilwartrails.com Civil War Trails in WV
<http://www.frontiernet/~firstwvcav/> 1st WV Cavalry
www.wv150.com Civil War Events in WV 150th
www.pawv.org/civilwar150/index.htm Preservation Alliance in WV
<http://wvtourism.com/minisites/civilwar.aspx>
<http://www.civilwar150.wv.gov>

GOOD NEWS for JUNE: Happy Birthday Bill Snyder June 3, Jeff Goff June 21, Charles Stewart June 24.

It Happened Here

Hello everyone, The "It Happened Here" blog needs your help!

A few months ago, I sent out an email asking for help with our blog. In partnership with West Virginia Uncovered and The InterMountain, I write about the history of people, places and things within The InterMountain readership area. So many of you have an abundance of knowledge of this region and I want to help share that with our readers. To view the blog, visit

<http://theintermountain.com/page/blogs.listAll/display/43/Jodi-Burnsworth.html>

If you're interested in contributing, that would be wonderful! Whether it's ready to post, or if you have it in a notebook, I'll review it! It's also great to have photos and links with the posts as well. I've attached my ideas and notes - if you want to add to it or write about one of these topics, let me know! (I've got people in mind for some of these topics..... Hint hint =) I appreciate your contributions and knowledge!!

Thanks, Jodi AFHA AmeriCorps

- Beverly Heritage Center - on Facebook & www.beverlyheritagecenter.org
- Elkins Depot Welcome Center - on Facebook & www.elkinsdepot.com
- Elkins Farmers Market - on Facebook & www.elkinsfarmersmarket.org

1st Wva Infantry Unit Reports

Results of election: Unit Rep - Mark Tennant , Capt. - Chuck Critchfield , 1st Sgt. - Mark Tennant , 2nd Sgt. - Dave Eubank , 1st Corp. - Brain Castro , 2nd Corp. - Greg Bonner Congratulations.

MembershipI have to turn in information to the USV about membership so we are covered under the liability policy, so please renew your membership in the WVRA if you wish to be covered. Send membership dues to me at 608 Skyview Drive, Clarksburg, WV 26301 . Antietam I have not heard anything new about Antietam. Again, we are leaning towards the 2nd Antietam. I will be sending out in a separate email, the medical card that you should carry with you. It's blank, you fill in the info and put it in your cartridge box. The USV is making it "mandatory" to participate in events. Anyway, before anyone gets their dandruff up, it is a benefit to any of us should we go down for any reason.

**Events: April 28 - School of the Soldier - Fairmont May 5 - dance in Clarksburg
June 1-3 - Philippi (we think) June 8-10 - Port Republic - Cedar Creek, Va area
July 13-15 - Beverly Heritage days (paid event?) Sept. - Antietam
Oct. 12-14 - DROOP - be there Dec. 7-9 - Fredericksburg Thanks Chuck Critchfield**

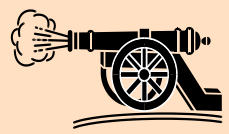
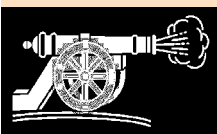
Tonya, I have created an e-mail address just for Droop.

droop@civilwarfurniture.com

Please use this one for the Oct 12-14 , 2012

Droop Mountain Civil War Reenactment registration.

Thanks Tim Glaser



MOUNTAINEER STATE HISTORY EXPO

BY NICOLE LEMAL
TIMES WEST VIRGINIAN

FAIRMONT — What started as a gathering around the table nearly 10 years ago has transformed into a popular event in the Fairmont area.

As the Marion County Historical Society members conversed, President Dora Grubb broached the idea of having another kind of gathering for all of the historical organizations in the local area, an annual event that would showcase the history and special aspects of Marion County.

By having this type of function, people would realize one thing, Grubb said.

"That people didn't have to go someplace else, to another state, to see some of the wonderful things we have right here," she said.

Starting out in one room at the Central United Methodist Church, it has quickly expanded, thanks in part to the courthouse opening its doors for the society to host the event there.

Now known as the Mountaineer State History Expo, this function focuses on an extensive time period, as 30 organizations have since signed up to participate for this year, such as the Coal Mining Heritage Association, the Aubrey Stewart Project, the Bice-Ferguson Museum from Shinnston, as well as several new ones. Channel 19 will be conducting several interviews to get people's reactions.

All three floors of the courthouse will be used for the Saturday, March 24, event, including the surrounding outside area. Tourism in Marion County receives a boost each year, as more than 800 people attend the expo from as far away as Charleston and even other neighboring states. There is no cost to enter the expo.

And it's easy to see why. Dating back from over 4,000 years ago up to the 1900s, the expo offers a piece of history from every major event one can imagine. Artifacts from 4,000 years ago found here in Marion County will be on display.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Nearly 800 people attended the Mountaineer State History Expo last year, which aims to bring tourism to the Marion County area. Visitors are shown how the area has come to being from as far back as 4,000 years ago to present day through presentations, artifacts, entertainment and more.

"No matter what area you're interested in — whether it's the 1920s or if it's the coal-mining era or if it's the Civil War or Revolutionary War — whatever your focus is, there's something for everybody," Grubb said.

It includes some highlights one may not have the opportunity to witness anywhere else. Set on a tentative schedule, the expo will start at 10 a.m. with a welcome. At 10:30 a.m., the Almost Song Band will perform, and Judge David Janes' (former Judge Fred Fox's) courtroom will open for the expo at 11 a.m., giving people a glimpse as to some of the famous trials that were held there. In existence since 1909, the courtroom has not been changed. Some trials even had major importance on the national scale, Grubb said.

Following the courtroom visit will be a mural tour held at noon until the Kennedy Barn Band performs at 12:30 p.m. The Mural/Whakewenn Band will

start at 1 p.m., and at 2 p.m., guests can really have some fun. The West Virginia Re-enactors will be teaching dances from the 1860s, re-enacting Gov. Francis Pierpont, Julia Pierpont, Sen. John S. Carlile and his wife. The re-enactors will be dressed in full costume and will be giving a presentation to guests.

"One will be on costuming and the costumes they wore at that time, and another one will be the guns and the artillery of the Civil War era and also about how to belong to the West Virginia Re-enactors Association," Grubb said.

Outside of the courthouse will be a few antique fire trucks and perhaps a 1932 vegetable truck. And if guests get hungry, they can visit the third floor, where they will be serving hot dogs and homemade goods for sale. Entertainment will be provided as well.

"We want this to be fun for families," Grubb said.

Marion County Historical Society member Christa Greco will set up a booth there for anyone with individual home photographs that have historical significance. Contributions may even be used in her upcoming book, which will elaborate on the history of Fairmont.

Visitors will have the opportunity to learn not only about the history of Marion County but to also learn more about present-day Marion County and what it currently has to offer. Pricketts Fort will be publicizing its variety of workshops it will have throughout the year, and information will be provided to those who are interested in becoming a West Virginia Re-enactor. Even children are encouraged to come with their families.

"It gives you an opportunity to learn what's going on here and just have a day of fun," Grubb said.

Email Nicole Lemal at nle-mal@timeswv.com.

HATFIELDS & McCOYS

REENACTORS WANTED FOR HISTORY CHANNEL DOCUMENTARY

Greetings, my name is Chelsey Hughes and I am the production coordinator for Trifecta Productions. We have been entrusted to film a portion of the History Channel's two-hour documentary about the Hatfields and McCoys. This documentary is being created to supplement the History Channel's three night mini-series starring *Dances with Wolves* star Kevin Cosner, and *Titanic's* Bill Paxton entitled *Hatfields & McCoys*. **NEED:** We need reenactors, in period dress from 1861-1888. The only soldiers needed are to be in confederate costumes. Mostly we need extras in daily / casual period dress as extras. We also need: Period pistols, Period long rifles, Period buck knives, Other weapons. **LOCATION:** Heritage Farms, Huntington WV. **DATE:** Monday, March 12 and Tuesday March 13. **PAY:** A possibility, but the majority of those involved are doing this production out of meer love for the state and the need to make sure things are portrayed correctly. Considering this will be filmed for the History Channel odds are the documentary will have several million viewers, not to mention every West Virginia school child that goes to West Virginia history class will surely watch this documentary when the lesson on the Hatfields and McCoys comes around. Personally, I take great pride in this project and hope you will as well. **IF INTERESTED / FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Please call me, Chelsey Hughes at 304.614.2660 any time. Or e-mail Chelsey@trifectaproductions.net

Trifecta Productions is a local production company based out of Huntington, West Virginia. This project is extremely important to us as West Virginias we are excited to be able to tell this story with the utmost respect and care. Trifecta Productions is dedicated to preserving and sharing the history that makes the people of Appalachia who we are. Thank you for your interest. **Chelsey Hughes**
At time of newsletter print Porter Stiles and Jack & Tonya Daft were participating.

Story in TV Guide ---->

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Hatfields & McCoys

Premieres Monday, 5/28, History; Twitter: @HistoryChannel

Costner. Paxton. Hatfields. McCoys. Fans of the classic Western won't need much more proddin' to tune in to History's first scripted mini-series, *Hatfields & McCoys*. Kevin Costner plays "Devil" Anse Hatfield opposite his McCoy family counterpart, Randall McCoy (*Big Love's* Bill Paxton), alongside what is likely to be this season's TV cast most in need of a shower. "In telling this iconic American story, we went for authenticity down to the smallest detail of how these two rival families really lived," says Nancy Dubuc, president and general

manager of History and Lifetime networks. In other words, expect mud, manure and oozy wounds in this retelling of the 15-year family feud. The three-part miniseries shot for three months on location in Romania. "With dozens of horses charging full throttle with actors on them and gunfire, in all kinds of weather, you're dealing with a tricky situation," Dubuc says. It helped to have an enthusiast of all-things-Western like Costner around. Says Dubuc, "Kevin knows more about the Hatfields and McCoys than some of the Hatfields and McCoys!"

"His knowledge of American history well outweighs mine," says Nancy Dubuc, president and general manager of History and Lifetime networks, about star Costner



Beverly Heritage Days

Come commemorate the Civil War Homefront in Beverly this summer, as we continue honoring the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War. Celebrate Beverly Heritage Days with us, July 13, 14, 15, 2012. The dates are set, also some event details are still being worked out. Although some details are tentative depending on grant funding, we are hoping to include:

Civil War camp in Beverly, with access to indoor restrooms; Skirmish on Saturday afternoon – Raid on Beverly; No or very low registration fee; Blue and Gray Choir concert Friday evening; Civil War dance with Rich Mountain String Band Saturday evening; Fashion Show on Sunday; Friday evening and Saturday midday meals; Planned living history and first person scenarios, with possible stipend/expense fund for participation (to WVRA or individuals, as the organization decides). In addition, the event will include period music, crafts demonstrations, and historic home tours. More information will be coming out soon. terry@beverlyheritagecenter.org, 304-637-7424, www.beverlyheritagecenter.org



Ireland & Lisa 2010

Preservation Alliance of WV Bits and Pieces

SATURDAY, MARCH 31 - *Historic Interpreter Training with Rich Pawling*

Description: Prickett's Fort is offering historic interpreter training with Rich Pawling. Learn effective methods for presenting history to diverse audiences. Open to anyone. Bring a brown bag lunch. **Cost:** Members - \$36 , Non-members - \$40 , Students - \$20

From more information, visit www.prickettsfort.org or call 304.363.3030.

Location: Prickett's Fort **Time:** 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

April 2012

MONDAY, APRIL 2 - *Coal Mine Health & Safety with Ken Hechler*

Description: Part of the 2012 Coal Heritage Public Lecture Series, the Honorable Ken Hechler will speak about his work as a former West Virginia Senator in US Congress and his work in passing the most far-reaching coal mine health and safety legislation in American history. He will address issues concerning the recent UBB disaster as well as other issues in coal mine health and safety. Event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Karen at karen@wventerprises.com. **Location:** Room E 10 of the Erma Byrd Higher Education Center on Airport Rd., Beckley

SATURDAY, APRIL 14 - *The Ohio Valley Urban and Historic Archaeology Symposium*

Description: This symposium has not been held in the Ohio Valley, let alone West Virginia for many years. Contact David Rotenizer at david.e.rotenizer@wv.gov to register or for more information. **Location:** The Grave Creek Mound Archaeological Complex

SUNDAY, APRIL 22 - *Little Lecture: Better Homes for Less Money: Kit Homes of Charleston*

Description: West Virginia State University history professor Billy Joe Peyton will speak on kit homes in Charleston, WV. Admission is \$10. Call 304.348.8500 for reservations and more information. **Location:** MacFarland Hubbard House, Charleston, WV **Time:** 2:00

APRIL 21-29 - *Enjoy Free Entry Days at the National Park Service*

THURSDAY, APRIL 26 - *Town Run: Economic Heartbeat of Early Shepherdstown*

Description: Dr. Keith Alexander, historian and coordinator of the Historic Preservation Program at Shepherd University and Director of Archives at the Robert C. Byrd Center for Legislative studies will present a lecture about Town Run. **Location:** Entler Hotel **Time:** 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 28 - *Jones Imboden Raid Civil War Day*

Description: In April 1863, Confederate forces invaded Fairmont, VA (now WV) in an attempt to gain control of the strategic B&O Railroad and capture Francis Pierpont, Governor of the re-organized VA. Prickett's Fort will commemorate this event through various re-enactments and demonstrations, in addition to hands-on activities for children and families. Regular park admission applies. Visit www.prickettsfort.org for more information. WVRA PARTICIPATING SoS

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Mary Davis of Prim and Proper primandproperonline.com.
Early Victorian Woman's and Children's Clothing. 304-931-4713

DID YOU KNOW.....

This was sent to us via Jeff Goff. Well off Victorians lived in very comfortable houses. (Although their servants lived in cramped quarters, often in the attic). For the first time furniture was mass-produced. That meant it was cheaper but unfortunately standards of design fell. To us middle class 19th century homes would seem overcrowded with furniture, ornaments and knick-knacks. However only a small minority could afford this comfortable lifestyle.

Working class homes usually they had two rooms downstairs and two upstairs. The downstairs front room was kept for best. The family kept their best furniture and ornaments in this room. They spent most of their time in the downstairs back room, which served as a kitchen and living room.

In the late 19th century workers houses greatly improved. After 1875 most towns passed building regulations which stated that e.g. new houses must be a certain distance apart, rooms must be of a certain size and have windows of a certain size.

By the 1880s most working class people lived in houses with two rooms downstairs and two or even three bedrooms. Most had a small garden.

At the end of the 19th century some houses for skilled workers were built with the latest luxury - an indoor toilet.

Most homes also had a scullery. In it was a 'copper', a metal container for heating water for washing clothes. The copper was filled with water and soap powder was added. To wash the clothes they were turned with a wooden tool called a dolly. Or you used a metal plunger with holes in it to push clothes up and down. Wet clothes were wrung through a mangle to dry them.

However even at the end of the 19th century there were still many families living in one room. Old houses were sometimes divided up into separate dwellings. Sometimes if windows were broken slum landlords could not or would not replace them. So they were 'repaired' with paper. Or rags were stuffed into holes in the glass.

Gaslight first became common in well off people's homes in the 1840s. By the late 1870s most working class homes had gaslight, at least downstairs. Bedrooms might have oil lamps. Gas fires first became common in the 1880s. Gas cookers first became common in the 1890s.

In the early 19th century only rich people had bathrooms. People did take baths but only a few people had actual rooms for washing. In the 1870s and 1880s many middle class Victorians had bathrooms built. The water was heated by gas.

Working class people had a tin bath and washed in front of the kitchen grange.

In the 1890s, for the well to do, a new style or art and decoration appeared called Art Nouveau. It involved swirling and flowing lines and stylized plant forms.

In the early 19th century most of the working class lived on a dreary diet of bread, butter, potatoes and bacon. Butcher's meat was a luxury. However things greatly improved in the

late 19th century. Railways and steamships made it possible to import cheap grain from North America so bread became cheaper. Refrigeration made it possible to import cheap meat from Argentina and Australia. Consumption of sugar also increased. By the end of the 19th century most people (not all) had a reasonably varied diet.

The first fish and chip shops in Britain opened in the 1860s. By the late 19th century they were common in towns and cities.

In the late 19th century the first convenience foods in tins and jars went on sale. Although the principle of canning was invented at the end of the 18th century tinned food first became widely available in the 1880s. Furthermore in the 1870s margarine, a cheap substitute for butter was invented. Tomato ketchup was invented in 1874.

Several new biscuits were invented in the 19th century including the Garibaldi (1861), the cream cracker (1885) and the Digestive (1892). Furthermore new sweets were invented during the 19th century including peanut brittle (1890) and liquorices all sorts (1899).

For centuries people drank chocolate but the first chocolate bar was made in 1847. Milk chocolate was invented in 1875.

In the 19th century, apart from cotton shirts, men's clothes consisted of three parts. In the 18th century they wore knee length breeches but in the 19th century men wore trousers. They also wore waistcoats and coats.

In the early 19th century women wore light dresses. In the 1830s they had puffed sleeves. In the 1850s they wore frames of whalebone or steel wire called crinolines under their skirts. In the late 1860s women began to wear a kind of half crinoline. The front of the skirt was flat but it bulged outwards at the back. This was called a bustle and it disappeared in the 1890s.

From the 1840s onwards it was fashionable for women to have very small waists so they wore corsets.

About 1800 women started wearing underwear for the first time. They were called drawers. Originally women wore a pair of drawers i.e. they were actually two garments, one for each leg, tied together at the top. In the late 19th century women's drawers were called knickerbockers then just knickers.

The Victorians usually wore hats. Wealthy men wore top hats. Middle class men wore bowler hats and working men wore cloth caps.

Before the 19th century children were always dressed like little adults. In Victorian times the first clothes made especially for children appeared such as sailor suits.

Civil War Reunion

Priceless Video. Everyone should see this. A piece of History that we should never forget. Stirring footage of Civil War vets reunion at Gettysburg . (It's not over until a little after the stats are shown)

This film was collected by a high school group Rio Norte Junior High School Valencia, CA shared with us from Bill Brisendine

[Civil war veteran soldier footage, captured between 1913 and 1938](#)

SPRING GALA CIVIL WAR BALL

The days are counting down, there is plenty of excitement in the air, as visions of elegant ball gowns fluttering around like butterflies and handsomely dressed gentlemen greet you in hopes of a promised dance. I don't know about you but this household and all that enter are very excited about the WVRA Spring Gala Civil War Ball. The youth are working on dresses, trying on outfits and signing up for special recipes to bring. This fabulous event will be May 5 at the Christ Episcopal Church in Clarksburg. I am organizing the food. I asked Chuck to open the church around 4:45-5:00 so we could set up and then get dressed in time. Diane Tennant is getting the paper products and flowers. I hope Phyllis can do the dance cards if not then please let me know ASAP. Phyllis I also have your basket, ribbon and some pencils. We would be greatly appreciative and blessed if anyone that can show up early and help out, would do so. The band can always use help carrying stuff up the steps and I know I will need help carry stuff because Jack does not get off work in time to help set up. Sometimes we need extra hands to get all the food organized and on the tables and extra hands helping the youth and guest to get dressed. Also the tables need decorated before we can put the food on them. The social hour is around 6:30 and the dance starts at 7:00. If you would and could sign up to help provide refreshments it would be greatly appreciated we always ask that everyone bring something and even if someone signed up for tea and other drinks we always need more drinks. Please no alcohol this is at a church so we need to obey their rules. And yes that means I will not be providing any blackberry cordial or apple pie. This is just a list of period food for ideas you can add your own if you wish. Just please make sure it is period. They did not have chocolate chips back then, they had chocolate but not in chip form. Also if you need a dress or uniform please let me know, at least two weeks before the event, so I have time to get them ready for you. Please call or email before April 20 if you need outfits, have questions, or need help. We are also having several ladies sewing teas at my house to make outfits if anyone is interested please email me for the day and time. Also keep in mind that Lisa Johnson and Diane Tennant make outfits but they need to know ASAP or they will not have time to do them. Chuck also wants me to remind everyone to please make sure that you do not wear heel plates, as it will ruin the beautiful wooden floor, if you MUST wear your brogans please put duct tape over the heel plate. And try to wear dark shoes if you must wear something other than period and please no tennis shoes with flashing lights. Also please remember to park in the side parking lot, sort of behind the church, do not park across the street in the rather large parking area or they will tow you. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon. Here is some ideas please let us know what you are bringing. Reminder we usually ask for a \$5 donation to cover the cost of this event. To our Gentlemen yes there are things listed that you can pick up at the store on the way we will put them out for you on trays. And hide the wrappers so no one will be the wiser (giggle) ;) CIVIL WAR BALL SIGN UP

- Tomato Sandwiches.....
- Cucumber Sandwiches.....
- Ham salad Sandwiches.....
- Pepper Sandwiches.....
- Sunshine Punch.....
- Oatmeal Cookies.....
- Gingersnaps.....
- Lemon Cookies.....
- Sugar Cookies.....Tonya Daft
- Rhubarb Sugar Cookies.....Tonya Daft
- Mini nut rolls.....
- Gingerbread.....Tonya Daft
- Lemonade.....Tonya Daft
- Tea sweetened.....
- Tea unsweetened.....
- Hot wassail.....Tonya Daft
- Egg Salad Sandwiches.....
- Pumpkin bread.....
- Pumpkin Cookies.....
- Snicker Doodles.....
- Berry tray.....
- Molasses Cookies.....
- Mini Danish.....
- Shortbread Cookies.....
- Banana Bread.....
- Chicken Salad Sandwich.....
- Walnut Cookies.....Tonya Daft
- Jackson Jumbles.....Tonya Daft
- Pretzels.....





MARCH 2012 SECRETARY REPORT

Secretary PVT Jackson Daft CSA



Meeting called to order by President Bill Brisendine

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved by voice vote.

Treasures report read. Chuck noted that as of this meeting 44 membership cards have been issued.

Before elections were held it was established that all candidates and voters have paid dues.

After ballots were distributed, collected and counted it was determined that our new WVRA President is Brian Castro, Vice President Bill Snyder, Secretary Jack Daft, Treasurer Chuck Critchfield, Newsletter Editor Tonya Daft, Web Master Donnie Stewart and Lisa Johnson.

Individual unit officers: TASAS: Unit Rep: Tonya Daft & Lisa Johnson, President: Tonya Daft, Confederate Assistant: Lisa Johnson, Union Assistant: Diane Tennant.

UNION: 1st WVa Unit Rep: Mark Tennant, Captain: Chuck Critchfield, 1st Sgt.: Mark Tennant
2nd Sgt.: Dave Eubank, 1st Corp. : Brian Castro, 2nd Corp. : Greg Bonner

CONFEDERATE 25thVA: Unit Rep: Tag Ireland, Captain: Jeff Snyder, 1st Corporal: Tim Glaser,
2nd Corporal: Tag Ireland, Sgt: Greg Watterson

ARTILLERY: NO LIST~ NONE REPORTED..... Only Paid member is J.R. Moore

CALVARY: Unit Rep: John Brasuk, Captain: John Brasuk.

BY-LAWS WERE ACCEPTED.

Complete list will also be posted in the April newsletter. New by-laws emailed and posted on web site.

After the ballots were read, President Bill Brisendine reluctantly yielded the floor to our new President Brian Castro. Welcome aboard Brian!! Brian went right into

OLD BUSINESS

Unit meetings were dismissed as the units held meetings while votes were counted.

Brian inquired what we were doing concerning recruitment. Strategies were explained, and Brian suggested we use business type cards and Posters. A discussion ensued, ideas were exchanged and recruitment will be enhanced.

Mark reported that Pocahontas County would donate \$1,500.00 to Droop Mountain to be used for Black Powder, Insurance Liability and the dance. Liability insurance issues were discussed with no resolutions proposed.

Chuck reported that donations were made to Bulltown, Corrick's Ford and Rich Mountain, but no address for Shepherd's Town was found so that donation has not been made yet.

NEW BUSINESS

Hawk's Nest will host a dinner presentation on March 10th for an overnight dinner and speaker's presentation. Mike Smith of Droop Mountain will present an overview of the Droop Mountain Battle.

New & Old Officers are to stay for a picture for the newsletter and newspapers

Tag suggested that any events we know of for 2013 be given to the board as soon as possible so that they can be put together to have by the February meeting of 2013.

Phillipi discussed. Will it happen? Will there be a Laurel Hill and when?

Chuck motioned to adjourn Bill Snyder seconded.

There Are No Accidents

"There are no accidents in my philosophy. Every effect must have its cause. The past is the cause of the present, and the present will be the cause of the future. All these are links in the endless chain stretching from the finite to the infinite." ~ Abraham Lincoln

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