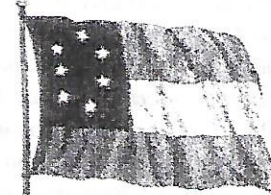


The Delta General



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WELCOME

*We take this opportunity to welcome our newest member **Walter B. Swain Jr.**, who comes on the record of his Great Grandfather Private Samuel R. Swain, Co. D, 1 Reg't Mississippi Light Artillery.*

MOS&B SEMINAR

Saturday the 6th of November was a special day. The Color Guard Unit participated in the MOS&B Seminar at Yazoo City. They presented the Colors at the opening ceremony and presented the Colors and fired a three-volley salute at the Memorial Ceremony that afternoon. Also attending from our camp was 1st LT Commander Randle Furr Sr.

NOVEMBER MEETING

The November will be on the 18th at 7:00 PM at The First Presbyterian Church, 311 Church, Indianola. Our program will be a video of the Re-enactment at Gettysburg. This will be a preparatory meeting for the December meeting. During the December meeting we will vote on proposed By-laws and elect officers.

ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER YOU WILL FIND THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE BY-LAWS. PLEASE REVIEW THEM AND BE PREPARED TO VOTE ON THEM. THE CHANGES WILL BRING US IN LINE WITH THE DIVISION AND INTERNATIONAL BY-LAWS.

COMMANDER'S NOTE

My Fellow Compatriots:

As the Holiday season approaches we must remember and give thanks for the sacrifices of our Confederate Ancestors. We must remember the four Thanksgivings and Christmas Seasons that they sacrificed away from their families to defend a Cause that was worth fighting for. We must remember those four harsh winters that they endured away from home to protect their lands and the families they loved. So this season, take time out for a moment to remember them and the sacrifices they made.

As you know there is only two months left of my administration and it could not have been successful if not for the hard work of my staff and the support of you the members. We have accomplished a lot these two years but we still have a long ways to go to insure that the public becomes more educated about our organization, the Camp, and the true Cause of our ancestors. In this newsletter you will find proposed amendments to the Camp by-laws. I encourage you to study them and be prepared to voice opinions and to vote on these amendments. The by-laws committee has worked really hard on these to insure we have up to date by-laws that are in line with the State and National Constitution.

I would also encourage you to participate in the planning stages of the Fort Pemberton Reenactment that our Camp has voted to Co-sponsor with the City of Greenwood Tourism and the States' Rights Brigade. If you are interested in finding out more about what you can do to help, see Alan Palmer who is the head of the Planning Committee for the event.

I hope to see all of you at the November 18th meeting. Lets turn out in record numbers as we begin to prepare ourselves for the season and the dawning of a new millennium.

God Bless You and the Southland

Larry McCluney, Cmdr.

OCR NOTE

Ladies and Gentlemen of the South:

The year is winding down and the holiday season will soon be upon us. This means things will soon get hectic as our families begin their trek of renewing family relations. It is also the beginning of a hectic time for us. The men have asked us to take on the project of planning for the Lee/Jackson Banquet which is the social highpoint of their Camp, our Chapter and a new brother organization the Brigadier General Charles Clark Chapter of the MOS&B. We welcome the new Chapter and wish it the best as it strives to grow.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our newest members Susan Williams and Barbara Daigre. We hope you will always feel like you are a part of our family. Everyone should be prepared to finalize plans for the Lee/Jackson Banquet at the November 18th meeting, so I hope to see everyone there.

Until we meet, God Bless the Southland,

Annette McCluney, President

MOS&B CHAPTER

The application for our Charter has been submitted. The name chosen for the Chapter is Brigadier General Charles Clark.

VETERAN'S DAY

Adjutant Earl McCown Jr., has the honor of being invited to address the Hays Cooper School, Merigold and the Cleveland Exchange Club for Veteran's Day. Both have requested that I wear Confederate Marine Corps uniform to honor not only veteran of the recent times, but all Veterans of all time. This is a real honor and I look forward to presenting both programs. These are opportunities to make the public aware of our SCV Organization and our Southern Heritage.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CAMP BY-LAWS:

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVE

Add the following, "Soldier, Sailor, Marine, and elected or appointed Government Officials of the Confederate States and its Territories," and omit "of Indian Territory."

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Add the following, "Confederate Army, Navy, Marines, or served as a Confederate Government Official," and omit "Confederate Army or Navy." Omit, "provided no member under sixteen years of age shall have the right to vote" and add "shall be eligible for membership and the rights and privileges thereof."

Section 2: Reverse the meaning of the following, "A duplicate shall be forwarded to General Headquarters, Sons of Confederate Veterans and the original preserved by the camp," to "The original shall be forwarded to General Headquarters . . ."

Section 9: Any person who cannot prove his ancestry to a Confederate Veteran, but wants to honor his Southern Heritage, may join the camp as an Associate member by paying Camp dues and inducted into the Camp formally. Such members will not have the privilege of voting on Camp business. Any approval for such membership shall be in accordance with Article IV; Sections 3 and 4. Such members shall be subject to all provisions set forth in Articles IX, X, and XI herein set forth.

ARTICLE V: FINANCES

Omit the entire "Article V: Dues" and create a new one in accordance with the State and National by-laws with the proposed new Article:

Section 1: The fiscal year of the Camp shall be the same as the Division and the Confederation,

Section 2: Each member shall be required to pay applicable Camp dues, as approved by the Camp. A portion of the Camp dues shall

be the financial support of the Division and Confederation.

Section 3: Camp dues are required to be paid in full no later than February 1. Any member whose dues have not been received by February 1 shall be considered delinquent and if said dues are not paid in full by May 1, the delinquent member shall automatically stand suspended and all Camp privileges revoked. Any suspended member paying dues after May 1, shall be re-instated as a member, in good standing, upon payment of the full Camp dues, plus a late charge of 25% of the approved Camp dues. The Camp Adjutant shall not accept the delinquent dues unless said late charge is included.

Section 4: Revenue of the Camp shall derive from annual dues, fees, gifts, contributions, and from other sources approved by the Camp or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

Section 1: Change month "January" to "December" for our annual meeting. Also, add the words, "and installed in January at an appointed date."

Section 4: Change from "Twenty members of the camp," to make a quorum to "one-fourth of the Camp membership, in good standing and entitled to vote."

ARTICLE VII: OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

This article would consolidate Article VII and VIII of the old By-laws and create a new one with a new title.

Section 1: Change from one year to "two"; omit "on the first day of" and add "in" January, add "in December at the annual meeting."

Change Sections 1,2,3,4,5,6, combine 7 and 10, 8,9,13 of Article VIII and make them 2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,12 respectively. Section 11 would remain the same.

Section 13 was Section 5 of Article VII.
Section 14 was Section 6 of Article VII.

ARTICLE VIII: THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THEIR DUTIES

Change Sections 2,3,4, and 12 of Article VII to Sections 1,2,3, and 4 respectively.

ARTICLE VIII: CONTINUED

Change Sections 1 and 2 of Article IX to Sections 5 and 6 of Article VIII, respectively.

ARTICLE IX: CAMP PENALTIES

(This is a new proposed Article.)

Section 1: Any member may be suspended, expelled, reprimanded, or censored (loss of privileges to vote and/or floor recognition during Camp business sessions) for such cause being deemed sufficient by the Executive Committee by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members of the Committee present at any regular or special meeting. Cause for disciplinary action shall be:

- A. Any act or conduct determined to be inconsistent with the purpose or policy and Constitution of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.
- B. Refusal to pay dues or other assessments when due.
- C. For conviction of any crime, other than misdemeanor, against any State or against the United States.

Section 2: Any elected officer of the Camp may be suspended for any of the following reasons:

- A. Failure to perform a duty imposed upon him by these by-laws, the Constitution of the Sons of Confederate Veterans or by any unlawful order of the Camp Commander.
- B. Any Act or conduct determined to be inconsistent with the purposes and Constitution of the Sons of Confederate Veterans
- C. For the conviction of any crime, other than a misdemeanor, against any State or against the United States

ARTICLE X: RULES OF PROCEDURE TO ASSURE DUE PROCESS IN DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS

Section 1 was Section 4 of Article X.

Section 2: Any member in good standing may prefer charges against any officer or

member. They shall be in writing stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits, which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with the Adjutant, who will immediately notify the Commander.

Section 3: the Camp, officer or member complained of shall be given thirty days to respond to any charges and/or correct the cause for such charges to the satisfaction of the Commander. If the cause for the complaint is corrected, the Commander shall dismiss the complaint.

Section 4: If the officer or member fails to correct the cause of the complaint the Commander shall give notice to the officer or member by certified mail (return receipt requested) that they shall be suspended unless they file notice in writing within fifteen days and by certified mail (return receipt requested) requesting a hearing on the charges. Upon request of a hearing, the Commander will call a meeting of the Executive Committee to investigate such charges. The Adjutant, who will give at least thirty days notice of the hearing to each member of the Executive Committee and to the accused, which notice shall be in writing and will include a true copy of the charges and of the supporting affidavits and exhibits.

Section 5 was Section 6 of Article X, omit "15 days" to "30 days"

Section 6 (New Section): The Executive Committee shall determine the duration of suspension, but in no event shall it be for less than one year. During the event of suspension, the officer or member shall not be eligible to hold any office and/or not be entitled to any privileges of the Camp.

Section 7 of Article X remains the same.

ARTICLE XI: PROHIBITION

Section 1: No political action or endorsing of aspirants for political office shall be permitted. (The words, "discussion of political or religious subjects nor any . . ." is omitted.)

ARTICLE XIII: OFFICIAL OBSERVANCES

Section 1: Add "Confederate" to Memorial Day.

ARTICLE XIII: Continued

Section 2: Add "Lee/Jackson Dinner" and "the month of January" to fill in the blanks.

ARTICLE XIV: CAMP PUBLICATIONS

(New Article)

Section 1: The title of the Camp bulletin shall be *THE DELTA GENERAL*:

- A. The editor shall be appointed by the Commander and to serve at the pleasure of the Commander**
- B. All matters concerning the timeliness of publication and editorial content shall be at the discretion of the Commander and Editor**
- C. Contents may be edited without notice**
- D. All printing and mailing shall be at the expense of the Camp**
- E. All Camp members in good standing are entitled to a copy of the bulletin**

Section 2: The Executive Committee may authorize additional publications as may be deemed beneficial to the Camp.

Section 3: The Camp mailing list shall not, under any circumstances, be provided to anyone without written approval from the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XV: CAMP COLOR GUARD UNIT

Company C., Confederate State Marine Corp Unit, Detached, shall be the color guard unit of the Brig.-General Benjamin G. Humphreys Camp. Such unit shall perform at ceremonies requested by the Camp and conduct itself in a manner that is consistent with national, state, and Camp by-laws in a way to bring honor to the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the Brig.-General Benjamin G. Humphreys Camp, and themselves. The unit reserves the right to govern itself from within the unit in regards as to what events it will attend, uniform requirements, and leadership positions in the unit.

ARTICLE XVI: AUXILIARIES

(New Article) The Brigadier-General Benjamin G. Humphreys Camp recognizes only two Auxiliaries of the Sons of Confederate Veterans; the Order of the Confederate Rose Society and the Military Order of the Stars and Bars.

ARTICLE XVII: AMENDMENTS

(Was Article XIV)