Grey Matter

Newsletter of The Rankin Greys SCV Camp 2278



October 2022









Commanders' Report

By Commander Billy Bryant

Let me start by thanking Capt. Kevin Nelms and all our outgoing officers for their hard work and dedication to the 1G. It has been a challenging 2 years dealing with covid shutting down most everything plus the challenges our organization has been thru with politics outside the SCV.

I will do my absolute best to continue to grow our organization, The SCVMC, which in turn grows the SCV overall. I will travel from one end of our state to the other to support every member. I will also be glad to help plan events, rides, etc.

We have an entire new list of officers that I will ask you to support in any way you can. I thing I have learned is that no man, I repeat, no man can do the job alone. By giving others responsibility it creates a team that together can make a huge difference.

Communication is a very key word, from the newest man to the guy that has been in for years. We can all learn from these men and pass that knowledge along to others. Again, thank you all for your support and let's continue work together and grow.

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MCFFMC RAYWWF Billy Bryant





Meeting Minutes September 2022 Camp Adjutant Chris Bryant

I make a motion to add the following minutes from the October 08, 2022 meeting to the permanent record of the Rankin Greys Camp 2278:

10/08/2022 (location Shute home, 1073 Joe Dear Rd, Harrisville, MS)

Meeting Start - 18:56

Prayer - Tommy Symon

Billy Bryant:

- · Thanks for showing up for 1G meeting, had 30 present from Central Squad of the 45 present.
- · Veterans Christmas Drive has started, need personal care items for veterans at VA. Already had one donation of \$500. Daryl has 75 hand knitted beanie hats. Delivery will be December 17. Will take donations of items at November meeting and Christmas party.
- · Next weekend is Fall Muster.
- · Weekend of the 22nd is the Dalton Stringer Street Survivor Ride. No meet time has been set yet, looking at 9:00 am. Will eat lunch after leaving the Skynyrd Memorial. Shute wants to visit Confederate museum and graveyard while in the area.
- · See Phillip about incorrect patches purchased. Ordering 4" and 3" patches to restock. Will be doing prepay preorder zip up hoodies like our black shirts.
- · Member certificates for the Tim and Jerry Lacey.
- · See Chris for renewal member cards.
- · Special Division Reunion update, got bylaw amendments passed.
- · Today was annual 1G meeting, Marty McAlilly is Dismount LT, Bruce Warren is Central Squad LT, Eddie Womack is South Squad LT, Stan Rhoda is Upper Squad LT, and Billy Bryant is Captain.
- · Around 10 of our camp showed for the Richie Jones Memorial Ride.
- · Murray Black of the Louisville Camp is next month's speaker.
- · RAD drive will start after Christmas. That and the Veterans' Drive are our 2 biggest benefits per year. We sent 23 kids to camp last year.
- · Christmas in Dixie party, Gramlings planning to attend. Santa will be Brock this year.
- · Keep Linda Gramling in your prayers.

Meeting Adjourn - 19:14

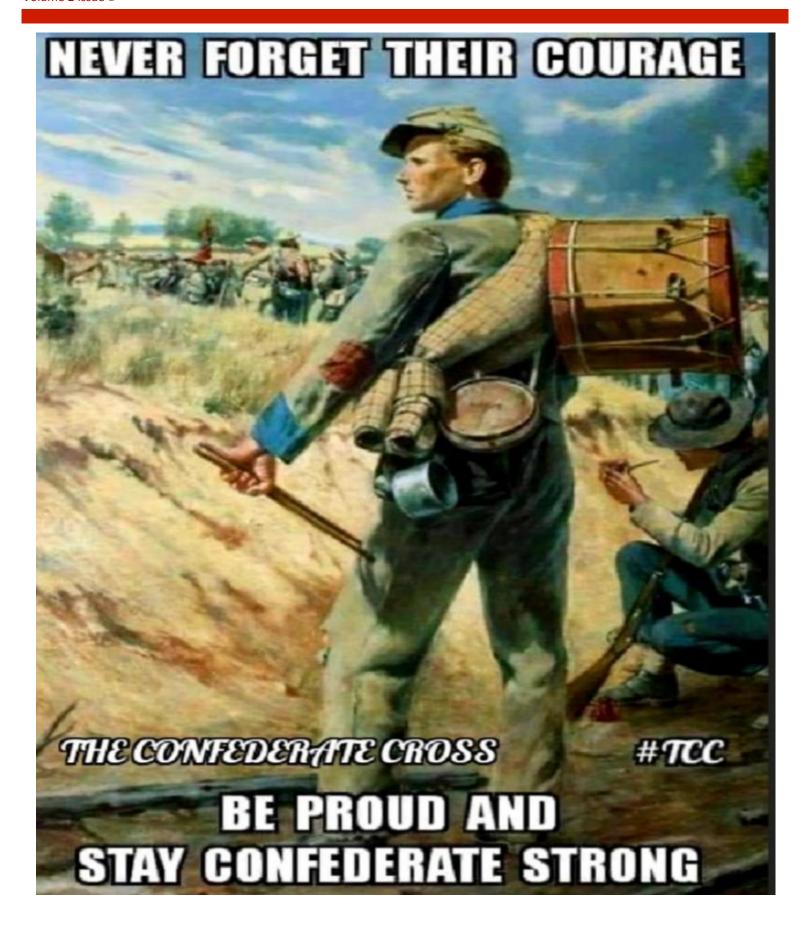
1G annual 2022 Lake Tiak O'Khata

Group picture of all SCVMC 1G Mississippi that was able to attend



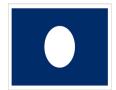
1G SCVMC Central Squad riding to meeting with brother Smoke on their six







Join us as we Look Around the Confederation! Remember you can submit your stories to scvyouthoutreach@gmail.com to be featured on the show. MOOSE will be talking on great things happening around the confederation. It will lead into a topic about how we fight as 21st Century Confederates.





Jefferson Davis at his seafront at Beauvoir in Biloxi. Way before a beach was made



Our Christmas for Veterans drive is officially underway. It may seem early but it gives us time to prepare. Last year we delivered huge gift bags to every Veteran and the VA nursing home. In all it was 125 patients that we provided essentials like personal care items along with a couple of gifts from Santa. We know most of the time people put family members in these homes and tend to forget about them. If we can bring a smile to their faces just 1 day a year, we will do our best to make it happen, No, we WILL make it happen. If you would like to donate items or money, we will coordinate picking up the items with you or feel free to bring them to our camp meeting or we also have PayPal and Facebook pay. No gift too small and each one count.

Thank you, THE RANKIN GREYS. SCV CAMP 2278

#WEMAYNOTKNOWTHEM BUTWEOWETHEM.

PLEASE SHARE, THANKS

DIXIE WILL NEVER DIE

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Though some folks have said Dixie will die,

I don't think this is true and I'll tell you why ...

Because Dixie is Bigger than Texas, you see,

And has as much Southern Hospitality as Tennessee.

Has more big Plantations than Louisiana

And more beautiful Southern Belles than Alabama.

Has as much golden Sunshine as Florida

And more beautiful Mansions than Georgia.

Like the Carolinas, has even more Beautiful Country

And like Virginia has as fine a Society.

Has more Blue Grass than Kentucky, you'all

And is as much the "Land of Opportunity" as Arkansas

Like Missouri, must be Shown how it can never be forgotten

Since like Mississippi it is still the "Land of Cotton"

So my Rebel Flag I'll proudly show,

Because deep in my heart I honestly know

That on that day you're afraid to display the Rebel Flag,

You'll be afraid to display the American Flag.

And I'll hoist my Rebel Flag way up high,

To see that Dixie, mighty Dixie, will never die.

R. L. Wagner III

Camp 2278 October monthly meeting was held at Darryl Shutes house (Shuteville) after the annual meeting in Louisville,ms. Great turnout and good time and still managed to conduct monthly business for the camp.

Congratulations to the following for being elected to lead us as officers: Commander Billy Bryant elected to Captain of SCVMC 1G Mississippi Marty McAlilly elected LT of dismounted troops of 1G Ms Bruce Warren elected LT of Central Squad



Pictures of reports given at the annual meeting



Captain Nelms reading a report from Forrest Daws



Eddie Womack giving report for the South Squad

Well-deserved awards given out at the 1G annual



Billy Bryant receiving the Paul Young Humanitarian Award from Eddie Womack



The **Hold the Line** Award given to these outstanding men

Fall Muster at Beauvoir Oct 14-16 2022 SCVMC1G Camp 2278 well represented.



Proudly flying the camp flag



Eating some fine food prepared by our camp cooking team. Thank you Jerry Dupre(swamp thing) jerry Roden(sleepy) jeff ainsworth (hooks) as well as bruce warren (huckleberry).

Friday night's chili didn't quite make it to leftover status.





Friday night ended with a beautiful sunset at Beauvoir

 $$36^{\rm th}$$ annual Fall Muster Pictures of the campsites of the re-enactors as well as some of the re-enactors in period attire waiting for the battle to begin.









 5^{th} Alabama band performing at the event

The Dalton Stringer Annual Street Survivors Ride October 22,2022



My family and myself would like to thank everyone that participated in the ride today. You have no idea what it meant to us for you taking time out of your day and being away from your family to participate in this ride. Thank you Smoke and JJ for always having our six. I will always be beholden to each and every one of you for the love and support you have shown us.

Dwayne and Cathy Stringer



KSU from Blue Sky in Byram 9:00



Group photo in front of the Lynyrd Skynyrd monument



Group rode to Skinny's for lunch. I think we made their day with this group of hungry people



Compatriots,

I hope you have enjoyed this issue of the Grey Matter, if anyone would like to submit an article for publication, please send to. We always have something to put out there to show what this camp does best:

ANSWER THE CALL



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