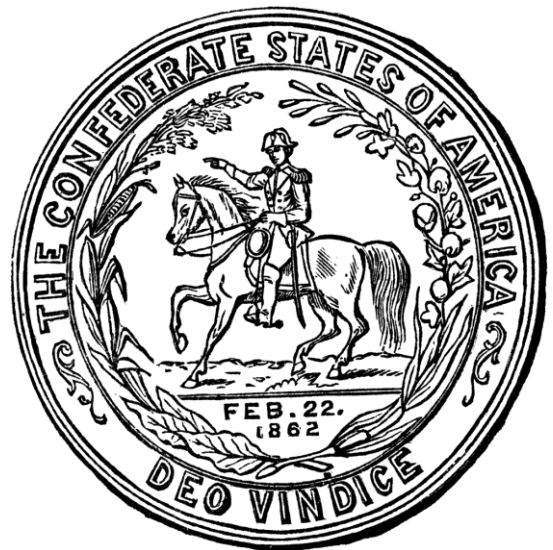


# Grey Matter

Newsletter of The Rankin Greys  
SCV Camp 2278

May 2022  
Volume 3 Issue 5





# Commanders' Report

by Commander Billy Bryant

Lt. C.I.C. Jason Boshers did a fantastic job as our speaker and will make a fine Commander In Chief. Standing room only again. We welcomed 2 new camp members, Cory Sykes and Robert Allen and had another new member join the camp tonight, Joel Hobson. Welcome to Camp 2278. The Rankin Greys and thank you all for being there.

DEO VINDICE  
MCFFMC  
RAYWWF

Billy Bryant  
Commander Camp 2278.  
The Rankin Greys.





## Meeting Minutes-May 14,2022

I make a motion to add the following minutes from the May 14, 2022 meeting to the permanent record of the Rankin Greys Camp 2278:

05/14/2022 (location Los Cazadores, 2855 Hwy 49 S. Florence, MS 39073)

Meeting Start – 19:00

Billy Bryant- – Open

Prayer – Phillip Griffin

Pledges – John Evans

Billy Bryant – Welcome and introduce speaker Jason Boshers, Lt. CIC

Jason Boshers

Billy Bryant –

· See Phillip for swag

· Camp RAD update, \$4950 raised to send MD kids to camp. Will collect money to the end of May and set up a meet to present money to Bridgette Iupe. This is one of the ways that the camp serves the community and promotes a positive image of the SCV.

· Camp elections, Conor Bond, no nominations from the floor, only one man running per position, all elected by acclimation. Motion Chris Bryant, 2nd John Evans, motion passed unopposed. New officers are:

o Camp Commander: Billy Bryant

o 1st Lt Commander: Bruce Warren

o 2nd Lt Commander: Jerry Dupre

o 3rd Lt Commander: Kerry Putt

o Adjutant: Chris Bryant

o Chaplain: Tommy Symon

o Sergeant At Arms: Jeff Ainsworth

o Judge Advocate: Owen McDowell

o Quartermaster: Ryan and Phillip Griffin

o Surgeon: Shane Smith

o Historian: Glenn Hays

o Color Sergeant: John Pepper Evans

o Editor: Donald Gaines

· New member certificates for Robert Austin and Cory Sykes

· Next month's meeting will be at Columbus at Division Reunion. We don't miss a meeting and have met via Zoom when necessary

· July speaker will be Cheryl Bruce of the Wounded Warriors of Mississippi; Patriot's Ride is August 6.

· Upcoming Events:

o Jun 3-5 – Pig Trail Ride – Ozark, AR



o Jun 10-12 - MS Division Reunion - Columbus, MS. There will be a BOD seat election, Billy introduced Terry McMillan to Beauvoir BOD, filling Foley's recently vacated seat. McMillan spoke briefly about the importance of participation. Division delegates will be Billy Bryant, Chris Bryant, Donald Gaines, Jerry Dupre, Jerry Dafferner Sr., Rock Pfingsten, John Evans, Vince Windham, alternates are Jonathan Keyes and Eddie Farish. Amendments to Division bylaws will be voted on also.

o Jun 26 - Bobby Jo Denton Ride for RAD - Hazlehurst, MS

o Jul 16 - 3rd Annual SCVMC1G Magnolia Ride (South Platoon), Chris collecting money for shirts.

o May 28-29 - Reenactment of Battle of Cuba Station with memorial service at Gainesville, AL

o May 21-22 – Trail of Honor at Harley of Jackson, MS

o Jul 19-23 - SCV National Reunion – Cartersville, GA

o Aug 6 - Patriot's Ride for the Wounded Warriors - Richland, MS

· New member Joel Hobson, dues just paid, introduced himself. Chris Woods, potential new member introduced himself. He came to us via the state website contact form, Joel via personal interaction.

· Newsletter out on the website and email group on the 15th

Prayer – Phillip Griffin

Meeting Adjourn – 20:10

Chris Bryant

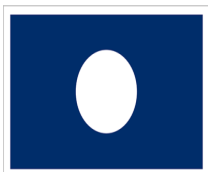
Camp Adjutant



# SCV\_CHAT

RECLAIMING THE NARRATIVE  
ONE WEEK AT A TIME

Join us as we Look Around the Confederation! Remember you can submit your stories to [scvyouthoutreach@gmail.com](mailto: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.





June 5, 1864

#### The Confederates:

Major General Forrest is at Tupelo with two brigades of cavalry. After reading dispatches and telegrams, he is surprised by the general lack of information about the advancing Union troops in North Mississippi. Major General Stephen D Lee had ordered Colonel Rucker to move his troops from Oxford to New Albany before Forrest reached Tupelo. Forrest dispatches orders to Colonel Rucker by courier and telegraph, instructing him to deploy men behind the Union forces to capture couriers and train but keep the main body of his brigade on the Union right flank.

#### The Union:

The infantry and train began their march at 6:00 am and reached the cavalry camp on the east side of Salem by mid-morning. Camp was established, soldiers and horses were fed. At 4:00 pm, the cavalry breaks camp and rides 13 miles before stopping for the night at Dunbar's Mill.

Also, on the morning of the 5th, Colonel Karge of the 2nd New Jersey Cavalry led a patrol of 400 men to tap the telegraph at Rienzi, intercept messages, and then cut the wire to sever Confederate communications. Karge had orders to then move north to destroy all bridges and trestles as far north as the Tuscumbia River. If the river was unfordable, they were to seize and hold the bridge on the Danville-Corinth Road. However, if the river was passable, the patrol was to secure the crossing on the Kossuth-Corinth Road. Colonel Karge rode till past midnight, passing through Ripley at stopped at the L. B. Yancy farm three miles to the east.

Every day the Union troop column was delayed, gave Forrest another day to mass his cavalry.





Congratulations Mr. Terry McMillan for becoming the newest member elected to the Board of Directors at Beauvoir. Terry is a member of the East Miss. Greys Camp in Forest Ms. Terry is also a Veteran and rides with the Patriot Guard Riders. Terry's background in finance and administration makes him a great addition to the BOD. Again, Congratulations and thank you for not only your service to our country but to the Ms. Division and our ancestors.

DEO VINDICE  
Camp Commander  
Billy Bryant

# DIXIE WILL NEVER DIE

©Copyright R. L. Wagner III 1973  
All Rights Reserved

*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'll  
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*





Rankin Greys getting together to do what they do: ANSWER THE CALL.  
Greenville Al, the site where Nathan Bedford Forrest surrendered his troops. The day was filled with history reenacting and good fellowship.  
Pictured left pic: Jeff ( Hooks) Ainsworth, Jerry (Sleepy) Roden, Darryl (Mule Skinner) Shute, Jerry (Swamp Thing) Dupre, Glenn (Smooth) Hayes and David (Batman) Batton.



Pictured at the NBF monument in Greenville cemetery  
Jeff ( Hooks) Ainsworth, Jerry (Swamp Thing) Dupre, kneeling with banner Jerry (Sleepy) Roden  
Bruce (Huckleberry) Warren and Darryl (Mule Skinner) Shute. Great job guys going to this event and representing  
Camp 2278 Rankin Greys in honoring the great leader in Nathan Bedford Forest.

## Motorcycle Group Riding Positions



1

**Lead Road Captain:** Has a strange knowledge of every back road in the area. Can plan a ride anywhere with little notice.



2

**Senior Group Members:** Main job is to remind the LRC that they need to stop for Gas, food, or bathroom breaks. Must ask the LRC if they know where they are going at least once during the ride.



3

**FNG:** Has no idea what's going on. He's just trying to keep up with the rest of the group.



4

**Blocker:** Has a death wish and is the most skilled rider. Scares the FNG at once during the ride with his passing skills. Most likely to run from the Cops.



5

**Tail Gunner:** Is by far the craziest rider. Will block and slow traffic without warning. Has a Telepathic link with the LRC to know when to change Lanes. Cleanest Driving Record by far.



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

Donald Gaines (hippy)  
hippyscv@gmail.com

