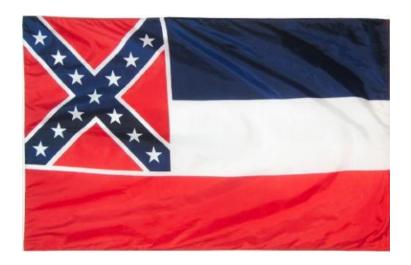
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Newsletter of The Rankin Greys SCV Camp 2278

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Commanders' Report

by Commander Billy Bryant

First let me say that you folks are amazing and for that I personally thank each and every one of you. We had set a goal to raise at least \$5400.00 for Camp Rad to at least match what we did last year. That sent 18 underprivileged kids with muscular dystrophy to summer camp that otherwise may never get to enjoy the experience. Not to mention to bring them at least a week of fun and meet new friends.

It is with pride that I let you all know that today we exceeded that goal and hit \$7,000.00 dollars. THAT WILL PAY TO SEND 23 KIDS TO CAMP THIS SUMMER. OUTSTANDING!!!.

Again, myself and The Rankin Greys thank you and God bless you all. A big shoutout to all our camp members and their better halves for helping to make this happen.

We rode down to Gallman to Camp Wesley Pines on June 26th to present them with a check and let the kids once again enjoy sitting on our bikes. We met at the Blue Sky service station parking lot in Byram next to Krystal at 2 pm and KSU at 2:30. Cars and trucks were welcome to join us. It was an awesome event and easy to see what got us so involved in this fantastic event.

Thanks, Commander Billy Bryant. Camp 2278. The Rankin Greys The Rankin Greys.

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Commander Camp 2278. From Commander Billy Bryant:





Meeting Minutes June 2022

Meeting was held while at the MS Division SCV Annual in Columbus, MS

We had 30 camp members in attendance to help in filling a position on the Board of Directors at Beauvoir. It was a close vote but with the help from all members we were able to fill that position with the compatriot we felt would work best for Beauvoir going forward. Terry Arthur is that compatriot. Congratulations to Terry Arthur and we look forward to him working the other Board members in moving forward with Beauvoir.



Always a good meeting with Jason Boshers telling the stories of our history.



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.







We have made a name change to our Annual Street Survivor ride to the Lynyrd Skynyrd memorial in Gillsburg, Ms.

From this day forward it will be called The Dalton Stringer Street Survivor Ride. Dalton was one of our Brothers we lost way too soon and we feel this is just a small way to keep his memory alive doing what he loved to do. Our last ride down there was our last ride with Dalton. I have set the date this year for Oct. 22nd. Dalton's birthday is Oct. 20th and we will schedule the ride as close to that day as possible each year. Meetup and KSU time to be discussed closer to the ride. Make your plans now and hope to see you there.

Commander Billy Bryant

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.

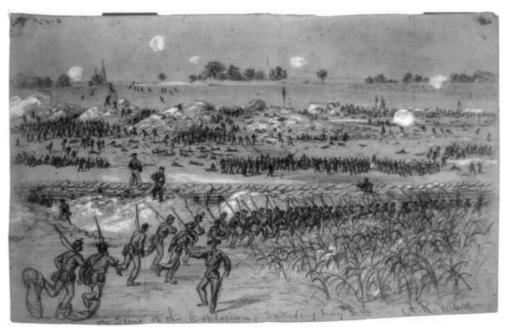
That on that day you're afraid to display the Rebel Flag.

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



This Day in History: 1864 June 25 Pennsylvania troops begin digging a tunnel toward the Rebels at Petersburg, Virginia, in order to blow a hole in the Confederate lines and break the stalemate.

The great campaign between Confederate General Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia and Ulysses S. Grant's Army of the Potomac ground to a halt in mid-June. Having battered each other for a month and a half, the armies came to a standstill at Petersburg, just south of Richmond. Here, they settled into trenches for a long siege of the Confederate rail center.

The men of the 48th Pennsylvania sought to break the stalemate with an ambitious project. The brainchild of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Pleasants, the plan called for the men of his regiment—mostly miners from Pennsylvania's anthracite coal region—to construct a tunnel to the Confederate line, fill it with powder, and blow a gap in the fortifications.

On June 24, the plan received the approval of the regiment's corps commander, Ambrose Burnside, and the digging commenced the following day. Burnside's superiors, Generals Grant and George Meade, expressed little enthusiasm for the project but allowed it to proceed. For five weeks the miners dug the 500-foot long shaft, completing about 40 feet per day.

On July 30, a huge cache of gunpowder was ignited. The plan worked, and a huge gap was blown in the Rebel line. But poor planning by Union officers squandered the opportunity, and the Confederates closed the gap before the Federals could exploit the opening. The Battle of the Crater, as it became known, was an unusual event in an otherwise uneventful summer along the Petersburg line.

This Day in History

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS **

2022

- Jun 26 Bobby Jo Denton Ride for RAD Hazlehurst, MS
- Jul 9 Camp Meeting
- Jul 16 3rd Annual SCVMC1G Magnolia Ride (hosted by South Platoon)
- Jul 19-23 SCV National Reunion Cartersville, GA
- Aug 6 Patriot's Ride for the Wounded Warriors Richland, MS
- Aug 13 Camp Meeting
- SCVMC National
- Sep 10 Camp Meeting
- October Cruzin' for the Warriors Florence, MS
- Oct 8 Camp Meeting
- Richie Jones Memorial Ride Brandon, MS
- Gator Run Louisiana
- Oct 14-16 Fall Muster Beauvoir
- 2nd Annual SCVMC1G-CS Street Survivors Ride
- Nov 12 Camp Meeting
- November 1G Annual Meeting
- Dec 10 Christmas in Dixie Party

Camp Adjutant Chris Bryant

Compatriots:

We have many Armed Service members among our membership in the Mississippi Division, (Active, National Guard & Reserve, Former Military, Retired).

Compatriot, Veteran and Editor of Jeff Davis Legion, John Echols and I wish to recognize you in a special JDL Edition in November honoring Veterans Day.

Please complete the attached form and return to me by September 15th, either by email or regular mail (both listed below).

Thank you for your service and sacrifice!

Jeff Barnes

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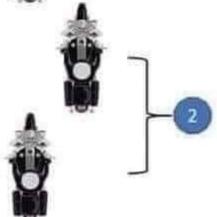
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Motorcycle Group Riding Positions



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



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.



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



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.



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



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