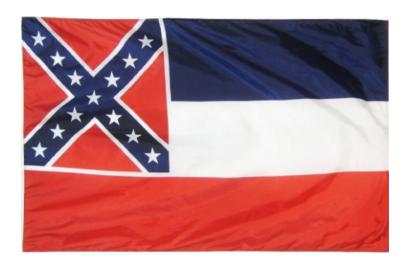
## Grey Matter

Newsletter of The Rankin Greys SCV Camp 2278

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## Commanders' Report

by Commander Billy Bryant

We had a good ride again this year as we went on the Patriot Ride. This event that benefits and supports the Wounded Warriors of Mississippi is always a great ride. Although It was somewhat smaller this year due to many reasons, there was a good turn out and much needed money raised for our Wounded Warriors that will help with whatever needs arise for them. It was great riding with our brothers and sisters and just a (few) drops of rain hardly even measurable we still had a great time.









### Meeting Minutes July 2022

I make a motion to add the following minutes from the July 9, 2022 meeting to the permanent record of the Rankin Greys Camp 2278:

07/09/2022 (location Los Cazadores, 2855 Hwy 49 S. Florence, MS 39073)

Meeting Start - 18:47

Billy Bryant - Open

Prayer - Marty McAlilly

Pledges - John Evans

Billy Bryant - Welcome and introduce speaker Cheryl Bruce, Wounded Warriors of MS

Cheryl Bruce

Billy Bryant -

- · Congratulations to Preston Bradford and his wife on their new baby
- · Next weekend 3rdannual Magnolia Run at Mimosa Park, Columbia, MS
- · No date has been announced for 1G annual
- · Mech Cav annual 2023 will be at Ellisville, KY
- · Mech Cav annual 2024 will be in Mississippi right after Division reunion that we are hosting
- · New member certificate presented to Joel Hobson
- · Dues are Due \$57
- · Mech Cav certificate presented to Shane Smith
- · Rankin Greys won Division Camp of the Year 2021-22
- · Camp growth, get with other members to pay their dues, membership increase affects delegate count for our voice to make a difference to the Division
- · Camp RAD, two weekends back presented them with a check for \$7000, sponsoring 23 kids. Last year was \$5400, 18 kids. Dupre set our goal for next year at \$10,000. This is our primary benefit every year. Some members paid small amounts monthly to sponsor a child. Gaines work place will be donating next year. Every member should attend when we go. We are already at \$1200 pledges for next year. Page will be added to our website for donations.
- · Car show last year raised around \$4500 for Wounded Warriors
- · Patriot Ride is August 6
- · Next month speaker is Dennis Brown, 2nd Lt Commander of MS Division
- · 1G constitutional amendments are up for review, please read before the annual
- · If you're not getting emails from the SCV, see Chris
- · If you are a veteran, get with Bruce Warren to fill out form to be recognized in the JDL newsletter. Jeff Barnes is heading up the project for Veterans Day.
- · Some have chosen not to attend Fall Muster and will go to Askew's Landing for the Muster at the River on October 15.
- · Kerry Putt is doing well. Blood donations are greatly appreciated.
- · Lynda Gramling is improving and is off ventilator and on the road to recovery.
- · Dates:
- o Jul 16 3rd Annual SCVMC1G Magnolia Ride
- o Jul 19-23 SCV National Reunion Cartersville, GA, Conor and Bruce are going as Delegates
- o Aug 6 Patriot's Ride for the Wounded Warriors Richland, MS
- o Sep/Oct Cruzin' for the Warriors Florence, MS (possibly)
- o Oct 22 Dalton Stringer Annual Street Survivors Ride
- o November TBD 1G Annual Meeting, no decision made on how vote will be handled this year
- · Address changes, email changes to Chris
- · Bruce speakers cost the camp money for food, motel, and fuel, which the camp cannot sustain for the number of speakers we have per year. Need to come up with a way to raise funds to cover this on a yearly basis. Catch the Yankee was suggested, passing the hat/tip jar was suggested. At an average of \$125 per speaker, with 10 speakers per year, it is more than the camp makes on dues alone per year.
- · 2024 our camp is hosting the Division reunion, money will have to be raised. Large expense is medals. They ran out in Columbus this

year. Conor has designed a medal.

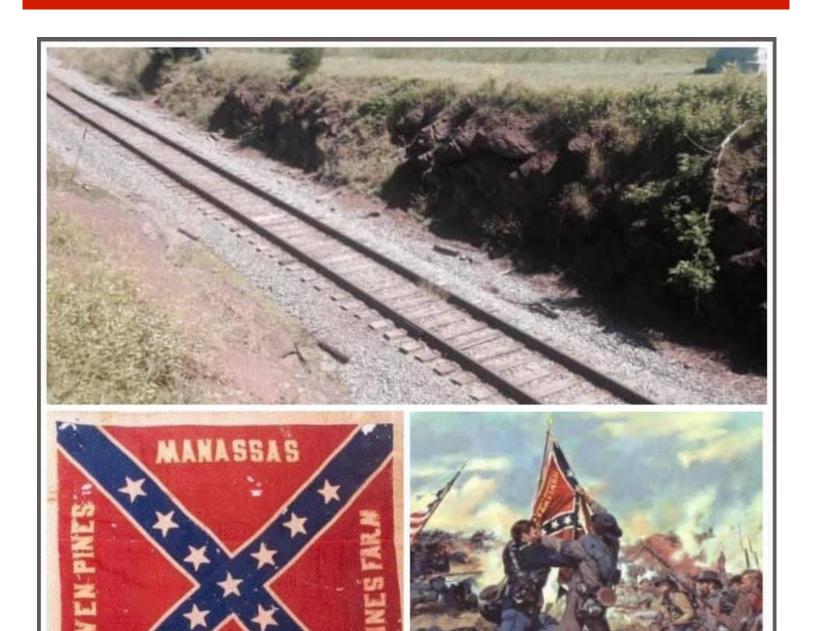
· Joel Hobson – went to Relic show in Brandon this year.

Prayer – Marty McAlilly

Meeting Adjourn – 19:46

Camp member Ethan Warren with his Uncle Camp 1st Lt Commander Bruce Warren at his going away party. Ethan is headed to begin his 2nd year of college at Pepperdine University Malibu, Ca. Ethan completed his 1st year at East Central Community College Decatur, Ms. Pepperdine is a Christian oriented University. Ethan's plans are to major in Finance. Good luck Ethan and may God richly bless you and keep you safe.





One hundred and fifty nine years ago (July 1, 1863) at about 10 a.m., a few hundred yards north of the Pennsylvania village called Gettysburg a group of Mississippi volunteers were in a struggle to hold on to their colors (flag).

This fight took place at the opening of the most massive land battle to ever happen on our continent.

The valiant boys shown climbing out of what looks like a "ditch" (which is actually a railroad cut) to the right of the painting by Don Troiani are part of the 2nd Mississippi Infantry.

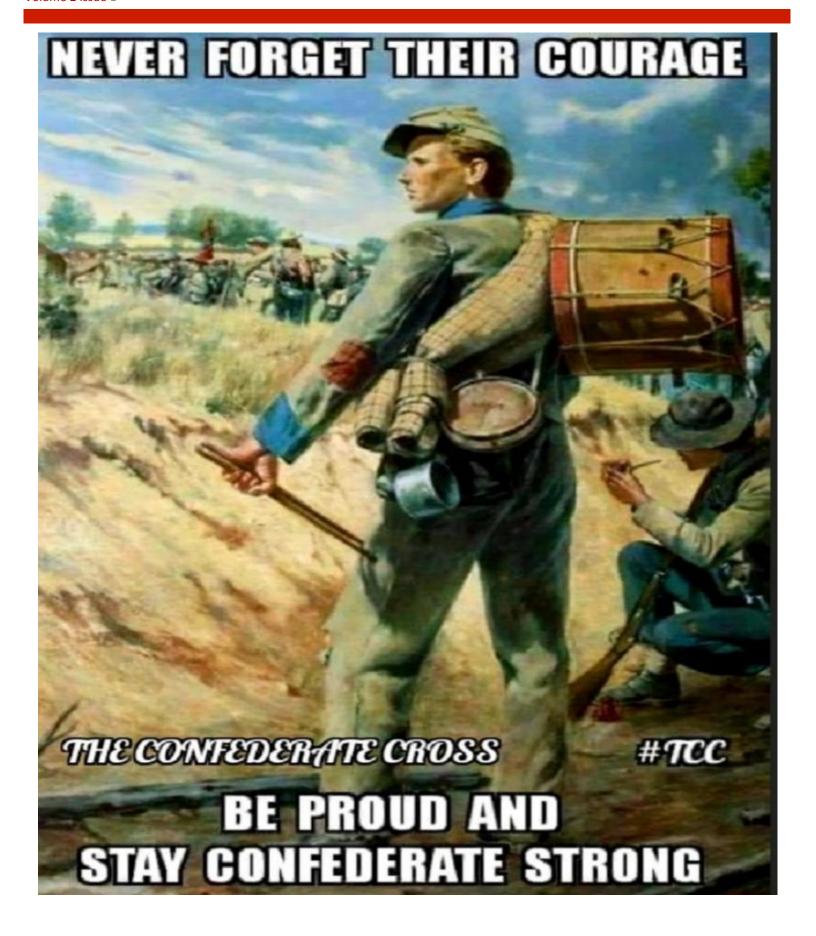
Those brave Southern soldiers were from the northeast part of Mississippi, including old Tishomingo county - which was made up of today's Alcorn, Prentiss, & Tishomingo counties. If your family hails from this "neck of the woods" there's a chance you had an ancestor with them.

(The other two pictures are of the actual battle flag of the 2nd MS and a pic of the railroad cut today; I snapped it while at Gettysburg about 5 years ago.)

What remained of the 2nd MS Inf. would charge the federal center two days later in the famous assault known as "Pickett's Charge".

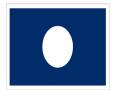
The 2nd Mississippi Infantry lost 80% killed, wounded, or captured at Gettysburg.

[><] Deo Vindice.





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.



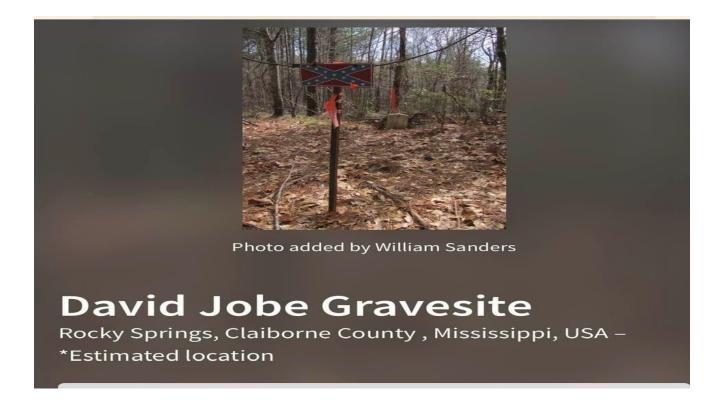


Sunday September 11, 2022

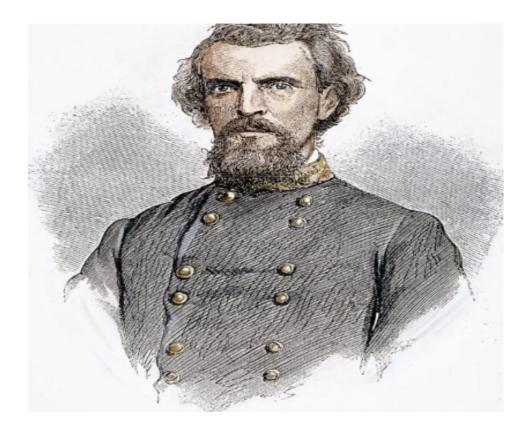
Work on the gravesite of David Jobe, Rocky Springs, Claiborne County.

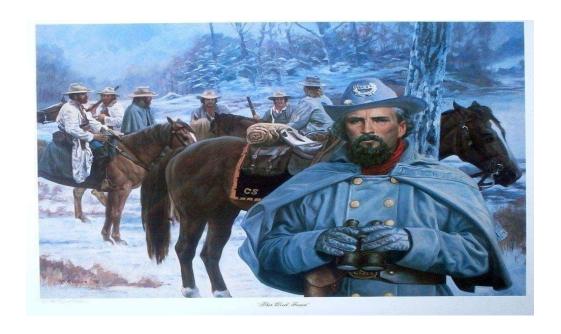
Meeting at rest area on the Natchez Trace just south of Clinton (32.334651, -90.357286). KSU headed to site at 08:00a.m. Bikes or Cages are okay.

This single grave is located almost exactly midway between Carlisle and Rocky Springs, about 1.5 miles east of Whitaker Road. The work should only take a few hours. There is a small iron fence, no gate, and a flag pole to erect, as well as cleaning the headstone and the area around it. Everything we need to perform the work will be on site as well as transportation to the gravesite from the parking area.



Found some interesting pictures and just wanted to share. You can almost see yourself being there and imagining how cold it is but not having any way of changing that. Only option is to endure. What would it be like today if things were that difficult. Some of us could survive but only those with the determination and history of survival.





# 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.

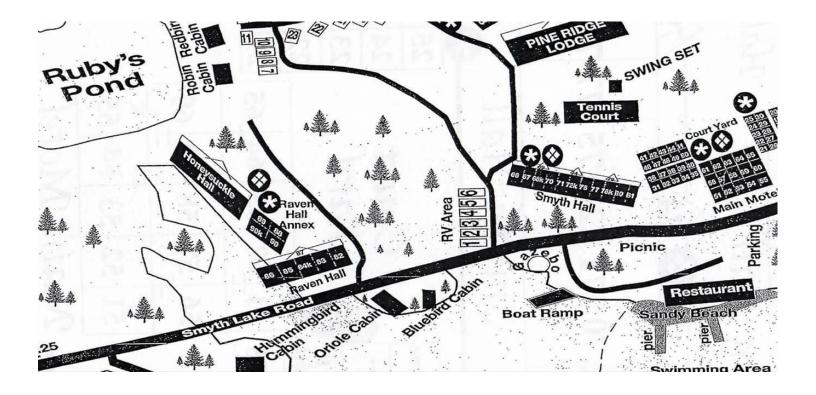
And I'll hoist my Rebel Flag way up high,

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

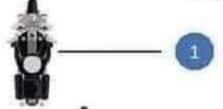
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### Per Captain Nelms:

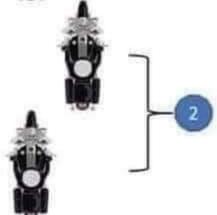
1G Annual State meeting will be October 8th at Lake Tiak O'Khata in Honey Suckle Hall. Arrival at 10:30 lunch will be at 12. Please spread the word to all members of 1G. This is an important meeting, its an election year for the Captain and the Lieutenants.



## 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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