

# ***THE MESSENGER***

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**CONTENTS:** Reports on Resaca, Higginsville & other events. Minutes from two meetings, event plans, info on upcoming events, & a NEW Membership Roster.

**PERSONNEL:** New active members are Ed Neil of Independence (Gaylen is sponsor), recruited by Sandra when he stayed at the B&B; and Julie & Russ Swigart of Higginsville (Bears sponsor), Julie participated at Wilson Creek & Lexington last year & needs a reenacting home. Our two new associate members are Marc Wade of Cincinnati (he's Greg's neighbor & fell in with us at Resaca) & West Summers of W. Des Moines, who was referred by a JCHS board member. Larry Olson has achieved Veteran status.

**FUNDRAISING UPDATE:** We now have \$ 1750 raised; if you have tickets to turn in, we need them ASAP, so we can put in for the matching funds. You can keep the cash & send in your check. Please note: members are not eligible!

**MCWRA REPORT:** Bill & Bob attended the MCWRA meeting on May 9. The major item was settling the Under 16 problem: Kids under 16 may not carry guns, knives or powder, but they may be on the field in authentic roles with Commander's permission. The proposed infantry safety rules were given us; I have no major problems with them.

**KILLER ANGELS:** We've been accepted with 25 slots; we're still waiting to see what will occur with the Eastern opposition to doing a movie without being paid.

**PERRYVILLE:** We're short on preregistrations! We've received the \$2 pre-reg fee from Bears (2), Block, Conner, Davis, Durrill, Faught, Kisner, Lee (2), Riggs, D. Roberts, Robertson, Tucker, Wayne & Yoakum. If you haven't paid by Glasgow, don't expect to be on the preregistration I send in.

**UPCOMING ACTIONS:** June is busy, with Pleasant Hope, Grand Island & Macon on consecutive weekends. July will have Vicksburg & Macon; August will add Glasgow & Killer Angels. Do what you can & keep your staff informed on your intentions.

**COMPANY EQUIPMENT:** To reiterate, company gear or personal loaner gear WILL NOT be brought unless you reserve it. Go through your Corporal for assistance.

**NEXT MEETINGS:** Please attend one of them!

*Monday, June 29* at the Old Courthouse Museum, Main & Gay St, Warrensburg. 6:00 PM drill, 7:00 PM business. From MO 13, turn west at Circle K store about a mile to top of hill, then 1/2 block south.

*Tuesday, June 30*, at the basement of the Municipal Auditorium, Moberly. 6:00 PM drill, 7:00 PM business. To find it from US 63, take EE west. Auditorium is at Rollins St, 2nd stop lite, on NW corner.

**1993 EVENTS:** We're talking to Clinton about a '93 event & to Sedalia about '94. Other folks on tap for '93 may be Fredericktown, Belmont, Jefferson Barracks, Athens, Honey Springs. Rumor says that the national event for '94 may either be Resaca or the Red River Campaign.

### Minutes of Meeting held May 7, 1992

After an excellent drill session on the Clinton Square (concentrating on Turns & inverted maneuvers), a meeting was held at the Henry County Museum, Clinton. The President called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM: present were Veterans George Ballman, Bears, Durrill, Kisner, Lee, Riggs, D. Roberts, Sherrer & Wayne; Recruits Baker, Moore, Rick & Tony Morris, Olson, Slana & Zimmerschied; Non-combatants Pam Baker, Deb Bears, Cindy Lee, Judy Riggs & Sandra Wayne; Associate Kesinger. None of the recent contacts attended, nor did extensive newspaper & radio publicity in Clinton draw any visitors.

The Minutes of the previous meetings were approved as published. The Treasurer reported bank balance & cash of \$1861, with \$1167 owed to MCWRA or held in escrow on the Colts, leaving available operating funds of \$594. Fundraising report was 549 tickets sold. It was reiterated that members are not eligible & those who had purchased tickets have the option of a refund or giving the ticket to a friend or relative. Concern was raised on the SCV's progress in selling tickets; members were concerned that a 50-50 split would be unfair if the 5th did all the selling. A report from the SCV will be requested for the next meeting. Charlie requested assistance in selling tickets this Saturday at Walmart (Kevin & Dave K volunteered).

The Butler & Pomme de Terre events were discussed with emphasis on safety & authenticity. At Butler, the major authenticity complaints were smokers, ladies with their hair down (this is mark of a woman in the personal sales business, such would be arrested & escorted from camp), cans thrown in the fire (gunnysacks will be reintroduced for this recyclable trash). Period containers are needed for certain cookbox contents & Dave Bears questions the authenticity of wearing feathers in private soldiers' hats. Safety problems noted were a recruit firing when an officer was in front of the line & smoking in ranks when armed. The unscripted hand-to-hand in the evening skirmish (mostly by other units) is strictly against safety rules. At Pomme de Terre, the Bears & Lee families were joined Saturday by Bill & Don Roberts. Deb Bears & Cindy Lee prepared authentic period food including surprise eggs, hog jowls, scrapple, beef & beans & fried apples. The Pomme people were very appreciative & are interested in a Local event for '93.

Upcoming events were discussed. On 5/16, 1:30 PM, we've been requested to help at the dedication of the new visitors' center at Lexington. The request was late because they'd asked the 9th Texas instead of us, now are going to us when the others renege. Charlie, Kevin B., Mel & David K. will attend; we'll call to notify others. On 5/23, we'll do honors at Higginsville at noon, with a camp from 10:00 to 2:00, followed by a picnic. Kevin B., Bill, Don, Larry, Mel, David K., John D. & Charlie committed to attend. Bill announced that we are accepted with 25 slots for Killer Angels, & money needs to be collected soon from those going to Perryville.

Old Business: In view of the problems Bill's heard about on Crowley's & the MCWRA's non-profit status, it was decided that we must press on with incorporation & obtain our tax status. John Sherrer will find out who handled incorporation for his gun club & see if the same attorney will do it for \$50 or other low price. Deb Bears reported that the Ladies' Auxilliary is looking for some tin buckets for fire purposes; George suggested a fire extinguisher & Rick Morris thinks he can get us a brass pump can type used on grass fires. The Clothes Closet is gathering loaner clothes & is making progress; Deb requested that we buy patterns & rent them out for \$2 for member use. John S. moved/George seconded that we allocate \$50 to buy patterns through Judy & rent them to members at \$2 per use. Carried. George requested advice on setting the date for a Brat sale for the Judy Looper fund. It was agreed to do it on Saturday, May 30, at Walmart; we may dress out, but not sell our tickets in the same location.

New Business: Bill requested that the company reimburse his long distance calls on the company's behalf. Since November, he's run up \$69.97 in 5th MO phone bills, including over \$25 each in March & April. Dave Bears moved/Jerry Lee 2nd that we pay the bills as presented. John Sherrer requested assistance with a presentation to Clinton schools on May 13th in Clinton; Charlie requested assistance for May 20 in Knob Noster. Problems with the MCWRA roster were discussed. Some phone numbers have been in error for some time & apparently weren't updated when I sent in this year's rosters. A correction letter will be provided on May 9 at the MCWRA meeting.

The next meetings were set: Tuesday, May 26, Conncordia; Tuesday, June 30, Moberly area; Saturday, July 25, Warrensburg Old Courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

## TID-BITS from Resaca:

**They do a lot different** down in Georgia - lots of sharp troops (& some farbs with glue on moustaches & disproportionate chests). We were impressed by the morning parade; all public marching was done with fixed bayonets. Didn't have lots of drawn-out meetings or magnificent exhortations, nor were there many cavalrymen. We got some strange looks from other outfits when we practiced inverted drill.

**The company street** was fortuitously located next to the Civilian camp, so *Corp's Lee & Bears*, camping with wives *Cindy & Deb*, were nearby. Their carpeted floors added a touch of elegance. Our inebriates may have had a different opinion, as their pounding headaches may have been assisted by the ladies, who awakened them with the clang of spoons on pans.

**Old Home Week 1:** As I arrived in the parking lot, I noticed several Missouri plates. Who were those bluebellies in line just ahead of me? *Holmes Brigaders*, of course. Who was that ANV unit arriving just behind? How about the *11th Miss*. Who assaulted our position, then reformed & tromped upon our shattered bodies? Them *Holmes* boys, again "we come all the way to Georgia & who do we run up against . . .?"

**Old Home Week 2:** *Bill* looked for his cousin (in the 5th Mo out of Georgia) -finally met him at dinner Sat evening.

**Old Home Week 3:** *George & Greg* found an outfit portraying the one their greatgrandpa served in - got talking to a feller who, it turns out, is their cousin!

*Private Tucker's* cooking was not responsible for any untoward symptoms. Those whose symptoms were incapacitating achieved them with no assistance from the cook.

**One wonders** if *Greg Ballman's* incapacitation resulted from the cricket he swallowed Friday evening.

**Two guests** in our camp were from North Carolina: *Steve McCall* is an artist who does first rate CW sketches & watercolors. *Brian Wittman* is a marine who serves as a musician, as well.

**The 5th to the rescue:** the bucket of water kept in our civilian camp was put to good use, as a fire broke out in a neighboring camp Sunday after the battle. *Corp Bears* doused the tent with the bucket, then *Corp Ballman* finished the fire with the water barrel. The fire's cause? A trail of straw from firepit to tent! (ps - the tent was supposedly treated & flame retardant).

**The 5th needing rescue:** *Corp Lee* says, 'beware of rocks on the pike, lest you too end up in need of a new tank in which to store the oats for your carriagehorses'. In other words, he straddled a rock on the interstate & had to replace a fuel tank.

**A Court-martial** held by our Georgia counterparts of the 5th (in their 9th IL avatar). The poor fellow had abandoned packs & bedrolls at Selma. After a sickening trial (it's hard to stay well when one laughs that hard), the culprit was sentenced to latrine guard! Even a sober man would have split his sides at such shenanigans.

**Sutler's row** was excellent, with many merchants we seldom see in this area. So, who did I buy from? *Fall Creek*. *LittleJohn's* root beer was there, too.

**The Lieutenant thanks** the *ladies Bears & Lee* for sewing on his 1st Lt insignia, which was obtained from the sutler on arrival.

# AFTER ACTION REPORT

## Battle of Resaca, Georgia

Sir: I have the honor to report the gallant conduct of a portion of your command in the defense of Resaca Georgia on May 16-17. Corporals Faught (acting 1st Sgt), Bears, Ballman & Lee, Pvts Tucker, Ballman, Siefkas all distinguished themselves by gallantry in the field, ably assisted by new Associate Marc Wade, plus Stephen McCall of North Carolina & Pvts Lamar Bennett, David Meyer & Jim Dodd of our Georgia compatriots. Saturday commenced with a morning parade to the colors, followed by a parade through the streets of the City of Calhoun. The parades were enhanced by the exceptional regimental musicians. That afternoon, the expected combat was delayed, as the Brigade Commander refused to take his men into the field until water sufficient to fill the canteens was provided. After an hour or so delay, fresh water wagons arrived, canteens were filled, & we marched into a recently logged & slashed area to search for the enemy. Contact was promptly made, and our company of 10 (in a battalion of 80-90) was dispatched to support a mule-drawn howitzer. We took position to their immediate left & observed Federal forces advancing down a draw to our left & across a hill to our front. We immediately engaged the enemy in our front with controlled fire while observing a concealed battalion of our forces sweep upon the unprotected flank of the enemy force in the draw. The remainder of our battalion, along with a third battalion, was successful in driving the enemy, so we were called forward to join the line of battle, where we delivered a galling fire for a short period until they conceded defeat.

On Sunday afternoon, we expected to fight from behind an excellent earthwork. This was not to be; we took position in the open adjacent to an advanced

earthwork at the extreme left end of our line, to protect several guns. The initial Federal assault was on the right, where heavy volleys drove them back. We concentrated on using our superior Missouri marksmanship to pick off cannoneers at a Federal battery about 250 yards off; we then switched to firing on several mounted officers, but without effect. Despite their importuning, I refused to allow the men to fire on a Federal Chaplain who was leading a pre-battle prayer. The Federal forces were rapidly shifted to their right, & we were joined by a large company from South Carolina. We were ordered to hold our position to the last man & if forced to retire to do so grudgingly. The enemy's first assault, with a single battalion, was soon broken up, but he returned with two full battalions, supported by a company of repeating rifles, and were soon within extremely short range. Our defenders were decimated by a volley from those devilish instruments, then trod upon by the heathen Yanks in their eagerness to capture the guns. Another battalion was brought in, quickly stemming the tide. Searching for our dead & wounded after the battle, I was pleased to discover that most had received only superficial wounds & had felt discretion the better part of valor when the Federal troops swept over their prostrate forms. They were, of course, prepared to rise up & fire into the enemies' backs had the opportunity arisen. Our casualty count was one dead (M. Wade), two severely wounded (the brothers Ballman), & the remainder slightly wounded or missing for a short period. The Georgia expedition was generally judged to be a success.

After such glorious deeds, it indeed pains me to report a regrettable incident which took place at the camp. It seems that Corp. Ballman & his brother came into

## RESACA report, continued:

possession of a significant quantity of alcoholic beverages, which they shared with a raw recruit named Wade. It was reliably reported that they were seen in the Federal camp consorting with members of the 6th Ohio (& even providing them beer). They next descended upon our camp, where they were loudly drunk & disorderly; later they disrupted the camp of the 42nd Georgia (with ungentlemanly stories about frogs), drawing the attention of the Provost Guard. The following morning, as a result of their overindulgence in spirituous beverages, they missed both roll call & morning parade. Assigned guard duty, Mr Wade secured relief from such duty by orally depositing a mixture of sardines & white lightning at the feet of the Provost. While not averse to partaking of a moderate amount of such beverages myself, the behavior resulting from such massive overindulgence does not bring credit upon our arms; I would therefore recommend to the Captain that a proper inquiry into this matter be conducted. Submitted by Lt. W. Wayne, commanding detail.

## MORE RESACA TID-BITS:

Safety was a real problem at Resaca: the staff assigned three men to us for the tactical after we'd already checked muskets. One was sent home with a half cock problem, another had to remove his glasses ('we don't wear modern glasses in our outfit'). On Sunday, the battle closed to hand-to-hand range, without scripting & with folks still firing. Our boys did the safe thing & went down.

Did Jeff really turn the color of the lady's (low cut, polyester) dress when Corp. Bears loudly suggested he "go see how much that chippie charges"?

Gary Wehner of our Georgia counterparts brought over a Missouri cross flag on an extra long pole - it flew over us for the weekend. The Ladies were seen measuring the flag with an eye to flying one at Vicksburg.

Bill visited the Kennesaw battlefield; he was disappointed that the mountain tops & positions were so overgrown; he was further disappointed at the virtual absence of interpretation at the Pigeon Hill sector (where our Brigade fought).

We were very remiss in not taking the Raffle gun around & aggressively selling tickets; remember, there is a reward for the top seller!

Another TID-BIT from home: *Dave K* has really been pushing the tickets. He sold 27 at Walmart & 14 (with virtually no-one there) at Concordia. *Charlie* leads with 122, *Dave K* sold 95, *Jeff* has 80, *Neil Block* with 62, *Judy* (w/ help from *Dave K*) 49. Some sold by groups haven't been broken out.

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## 1992 SCHEDULE as of 5/28/92

Symbols: \* means battle, **BOLD FACE** Unit Max effort. # is unit optional event; \$ is local or platoon event commitment, ? - Participation questionable. Distance listed from Warrensburg.

May 29, 30, 31, Warrensburg. Brat sale at Walmart (benefit Judy Looper fund). Call George to help.

May 31, Higginsville: Cemetery rededication ceremony.

\*# June 6-7, Pleasant Hope, MO. MCWRA LOCAL. Skirmish about 20 mi N of Springfield. *See Event Details.*

\*# June 13-14. Grand Island Nebraska (Stuhr Museum) - a fun event in a restored town (1880's vintage), street fighting. 350 miles. *See Event Details.*

\*# June 20-21. Macon, MO. LH & skirmish in an area that should be a fertile recruiting ground for a professional outfit. 150 miles. *See Event Details.*

June 20. Higginsville: Honors at wedding of new members Julie & Russ Swigart. Contact them for time if you won't be at Macon & would like to participate.

\*# June 27. Rocky Mount (Osage Beach area). All-day tactical. & wedding. Cav event primarily..

\*# July 4th weekend: Vicksburg, MS (1863). MO Brigade fought here. About 640 miles. *See Event Details.*

\$ July 11. Concordia: Reenact massacres! *See Event Details.* Good recruiting op. 25 miles.

\$ July 25, Warrensburg: Annual camp at Old Courthouse Museum.

\* **AUG 1-2. GLASGOW, MO - MAX EFFORT.** All amenities, dance, prepared meals, powder, etc. 80 miles. Preregister to unit by April 1st.

?\$# Aug 15-16: Lone Jack: LH for those who don't go to Killer Angels. 130th anniv. 30 miles.

Aug 16-22: Gettysburg, PA. Making of movie Killer Angels.

AUG 29: Shoal Creek. Honors at Gaylen & Charlene's wedding.

\$ September 12, Warrensburg: Fall Festival.

\*# September 19-20, St Charles, MO. MCWRA Local. Action on riverfront where horses are fast. 200 miles.

\*# Sep 26-27: Pilot Knob. DNR sponsored. Fight thru town & assault fort. About 220 miles.

\* **OCT 9-11: PERRYVILLE, KY:** 130th anniversary & national event. Full military impression required. This is the BIG one for 1992. \$2 registration fee. 550 miles. *See Event Details.*

\*# Oct 16-18: Cabin Creek, OK. 250 miles. 1864 battle, proceeds to benefit preserving this 1863/64 battlefield. TMR sponsored & we owe them!.

\$ Oct 24-25: Warsaw, MO. LH at Heritage days.

\* Oct 24-25: Mine Creek, KS (west of Butler) MCWRA status under review. Site of 1864 debacle. Date change has degree of sanction in question - battalion will not support if stays on this date. Big cav. event. 110 miles.

\$? Nov 7: Kansas City. All branches to march in American Royal parade.

\* Dec 5-6: 130th anniversary Battle of Prairie Grove, AR. MCWRA MAX EFFORT. Always good, on original field. 250 miles.

March 1993, National Event.: 130th anniversary, Murfreesboro TN

March 1994, National Event (tentative) 130th Anniversary of the Red River Campaign, Louisiana .

## EVENT DETAILS

**PLEASANT HOPE**, June 6-7. Basic amenities (raw food, water, straw, sanitary), some concessions/sutlers. Low key event, historic skirmish Saturday, generic Sunday. Likely to be CS cavalry oriented, like Roscoe, but will take care of us. Good opportunity for new & try-it-you'll-like-it recruits. To get there, MO 13 South 8 mi. past Bolivar to Brighton, MO 215 east 5 miles to Pleasant Hope; or US 65 south 14 mi. past Buffalo to MO 215, west 9 miles.

**GRAND ISLAND**, June 13-14. Basic amenities plus indoor plumbing. Generic battles each day, including using 1900 era train and village to skirmish through. A long haul but a nice event. To get there from K.C., I-29 north to Iowa 2, Iowa/Nebraska 2 west to Lincoln, follow signs to I-80 west, then I-80 west to Exit 312, US 281 north to sign for Stuhr Pioneer Village. We registered 7-10 men.

**MACON**, June 20-21. One prepared meal, raw foods, powder, farmer's market. Will have other eras displayed as well. Skirmish each day, candlelight, etc. Should be a nice local event. To get there, I-70 E to Columbia, US 63 north about 50 miles to Macon, US 36 west about 2 miles to Long Branch Lake/Long Branch State Park entry.

**VICKSBURG**, July 4-6. Land will closely resemble original siege lines, but not on battlefield. Prepared earthworks, trenches, gun emplacements, etc. Camping limited to A tents; shebangs are encouraged. Expect constant skirmishing & sharpshooting on Saturday, with major Federal assault on Sunday, so take 150 cartridges min. Ball Sat nite downtown. Generic & authentic Confederate impression required (but shells can be removed). Expect heat, mosquitoes, chance of heavy rain. Numerous CW sites, including Champion Hill, Grand Gulf, Port Gibson, plus Vicksburg NBP in general vicinity. We registered 17 men, 4-6 ladies. Some Crowley's members may join us. *To get there*. From St Louis, I-55 south to Jackson MS, I-20 west to Vicksburg (or US 65 so from Springfield to Tallulah, LA, I-20 east to Vicksburg). Site is off US 61, 2.75 mi south of I-20 to Ring Rd (opposit Immanuel Baptist Church), then east 3.5 mi.

**CONCORDIA**, July 11. Set up by 9:30, opens to public at 10 AM to 5 PM, living history at city square, punctuated by bushwhackings & other scenarios. We'll outfit some of their people for the shootings, provide ammunition, etc. They'll furnish lunch, reimburse costs, & do publicity. This should be a great chance to recruit in Lafayette/Saline counties & lots of fun.

**GLASGOW**, August 1-2. MCWRA & Unit Max Effort. Includes parade, Saturday battle scenario similar to one we set up at Windsor, Sunday generic battle, homes tour, twilight firing, ball, etc. They're furnishing prepared meals for lunch/supper, & issuing breakfast rations for both days on Saturday AM. They will NOT provide ice. We registered 42 men, 12 ladies based on best estimates.

**PERRYVILLE**, KY, October 9-11. Registration fee \$2/person goes to battlefield preservation assn, needed by August 1st. Max camp authenticity required. Military weapons only (no Zouaves). Military impression is our generic Confederate. Civilian impression must be functioning! Battalion Max effort.



## Minutes of Meeting held May 26, 1992

After a rehearsal of local talent for the Concordia Bushwhacking, a meeting was held at Biffie's Smokehouse Restaurant, Concordia. The President called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM: present were Veterans George Ballman, Kisner, Koffman & Wayne; Recruits Moore, Tony Morris, & Olson; Non-combatants Valerie Morris & Julie Swigart; Associates Conner & Kesinger. New member Julie Whitson (soon to be Swigart) was welcomed. Larry Olson, having met all qualifications & recommended by sponsor & staff, was accepted as a Veteran.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were not reviewed as they had not been published. Fundraising report was 875 tickets sold. The Shelby camp, SCV turned in \$170, including tickets sold by Keith Daleen other than at Wal-Mart. This means that 790 tickets have been sold by the 5th compared to 85 by the SCV. Members reiterated their concern that a 50-50 split would be unfair if the 5th did all the selling. It was noted that we did not have the opportunity to discuss this with the SCV members at Higginsville, since they did not visit our camp or invite us to their meeting. Kisner moved/Olson

2nd that a letter be sent to the Commander of the Shelby Camp outlining our concern & requesting that their representative be present at the next meeting.

Correspondence received include invitations to the Calhoun Pottery show on 6/20, a request for honor guard at Higginsville on 5/31, request for honor guard at Julie's wedding on 6/20 (at Higginsville), and an invitation from the Palmetto Battalion to take part in the Secessionville reenactment in November. No action taken on the first three because of prior commitments.

George briefed on details for the Looper fund Brat sale this weekend. A wall tent will be set up in the Wal-Mart parking lot; boy-scouts are handling publicity.

Bill briefed on the upcoming June events; Bill & George reported on the Resaca event.

The next meeting was established as a dual meeting; Monday, Jun 29th at the Old Courthouse, Warrensburg, and Tuesday, June 30th at a location to be established in the Moberly area.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

**THE ARABIA:** If you haven't seen the "Treasures of the Arabia" down at the KC River Market, you've missed one heck of a display. The steamer sank in 1856 & was almost immediately silted in. Its cargo was extremely well preserved, so we can see items that our soldiers & families would have had available, in like-new condition. The cargo was bound for the frontier & included lots of tools & equipment, preserved food, clothes (look at the hats & shoes!), china & tinware. If it was available in '56, we can use it! The cost is \$5.50 and well worth it. See Sandra for a brochure (she picked some up for the B&B).

**APPEARANCES:** A special thanks to those who held down the fort while I was gallivanting off to Georgia.

At Lexington, *Kevin, Pam, Mel & David K* helped dedicate the new Visitor Center (along with members of other units), but were disappointed that reenactors were used as window dressing & never even publicly acknowledged by the speaker.

The Schools in the area saw lots of action: Clinton was treated to a mock battle conducted by *John Sherrer, Charlie & George* for the CSA & *David K* for the US (22 muskets for the kids, Dave?). *Charlie, John & David K* also did the Knob Noster schools. *Charlie* appeared at Martin Warren elementary in Warrensburg and *Bob Koffman* has done several schools in Sedalia.

*Lt Wayne, Corp Faught & Pvts Block, Durrill, Goldsberry, Kisner & D. Roberts, Recruits Baker, Olson & Siefkas, plus Charlene Tucker* all appeared at Higginsville to do honors at the CS Vet's cemetery.

**A TID-BIT** from home: Our delegation at Lexington report that the 9th TX furnished two men (with several month's notice). Our boys swear that they won't return for ceremonies in which they are used merely for window dressing, & not even acknowledged by the speakers.

## ***WHAT'S WHEN AT:***

**PLEASANT HOPE:** Sat: 0800 - camps open. 1000 - Skirmish. 1230 - Parade. 1630 - horse race. 1900 - Town dance. Sunday: 1000 - Church. 1400 - Battle.

**MACON:** Sat: 0900 - camps open. 1000 - drill. 1200 - lunch. 1330 - skirmish. 1700 - Camps close, meal & period music. Sunday: 0900 - camps open. 1000 - church. 1100 - Drill. 1300 Skirmish.

**VICKSBURG:** Sat: 0900-1700 - camps open, trench war. 1400 - Federal assault on works. 2000 - Ball downtown. Sun: 0900 - trench fighting. 1000 - Church. 1330 - Federal assault. 1430 - surrender.

**ROCKY MOUNT:** Sat: 0-dark-30 - tactical begins. 10:30 - Ladies' tea. 1400 - tactical over. 1800 - wedding. 2030 - grand ball.

**CONCORDIA:** Sat: 0930 - set up. 1030 - 1st scenario. 1500 - last scenario. 1700 - break camp.

More TID-BITS from home: The folks at **Confederate Memorial** appreciated our 2 tents & crisp volleys. We did honors twice: once for the State's wreath, once for the SCV's. We invited the SCV folks to visit our camp, but they never came over.

Sandra's recruit (*Larry Olson*) is now a Vet, so she went out & recruited a guest at the B&B. *Ed Neil* was ready to sign up by the time *Bill* got back from the Concordia meeting. Ed gets membership number 85! We now have 34 vets, 21 recruits, 20 ladies & 11 associates, plus underage dependents.

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FIRST CLASS



**DATES TO REMEMBER:** May 29-31, Brat Sale, Warrensburg

Meeting: June 29, Warrensburg Old Courthouse

Meeting: June 30, Moberly Municipal Auditorium

Battles: June 6-7, Pleasant Hope. June 13-14, Grand Island. June 20-21, Macon