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### The Charge

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish.

Given at New Orleans, LA in a speech on April 25, 1906 to the SCV National Convention by Lt. Gen. Stephen D Lee.

#### From the Commander's Desk

By: Camp Commander Don Green Greetings Compatriots,

Fall is upon us, which means the cooler weather SHOULD be close to getting here. We have been busy at Beauvoir with Varina's Garden, Fall Muster preparations and our general support of the site. Fall Muster is a mere 4 weeks away and we hope you are planning to come be a part of that special weekend. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Mississippi Infantry has been busy as well with events at the Historic John Ford Home in South Marion County, MS. and over in St. Francisville, LA at Oakley Plantation. Upcoming for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Miss. Inf. after Beauvoir will be events in Ocean Springs, MS., Camp Paraphet in New Orleans, Tallassee, AL., Camp Moore in Tangipahoa, LA., and Leakesville, MS.; each of these events has a special meaning to us such as the 3<sup>rd</sup> having served at Camp Moore in May 1862. Our Camp was repesented at the recent 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade Meeting where Dr. Brandon Beck gave a powerful pesentation on the CSS Arkansas. 10 out of 13 Camps were represented and a great time was had by all. If you have never been to a Brigade Meeting in the Dixie Community South of Hattiesburg, I suggest you do so for the next meeting Friday December 6, 2019. We will be discussing the Make Dixie Great Again and Dixie Legion Programs as well as our 3<sup>rd</sup> Miss Inf Reg't Monument Project in the coming months. This month's camp meeting will take place Tuesday September 24, 2019 at 6pm at the American Legion in Bay St. Louis. The Curator of Beauvoir, Jay Peterson, will come talk to us about the collections and artifacts owned by Beauvoir and maybe a few other surpises as well. We hope to see you there!

## Camp Photos



Commander Green and Adjutant Redmond represented The Shieldsboro Rifles September 6, 2019.



Kitsaa gave a report on upcoming events at Beauvoir at the 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade Quarterly Meeting in Dixie.



Division Commander Bond addressed the Camps at the Brigade Meeting concerning Division Matters.

## More Camp Photos



The Shieldsboro Rifles formed up for battle at the John Ford Home on September 14, 2019.



New recruits to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Miss Inf were marked as fresh fish at the JFH Event in Sandy Hook, MS.



The Shieldsboro Rifles took the field for battle with the regimental flag flying in the breeze.

## **More Camp Photos**



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Miss Inf attended the Reenactment at the Oakley Plantation in St. Francisville, LA.



Commander Green drilled the 3<sup>rd</sup> Mississippi Infantry before the battle on September 21, 2019.



The Shieldsboro Rifles took this photo before the battle and were joined by the Gaines Warriors.

## **More Camp Photos**

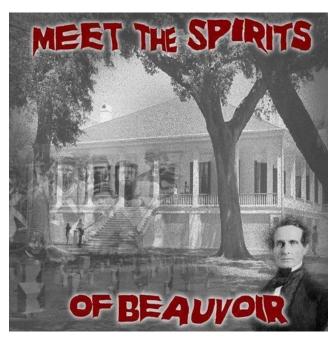


OCR President Brandi Gray shared the activities of the Mississippi Chapters at the August Meeting.



Camp Member Pat Alford represented Beauvoir at the Long Beach Town Green Event September 18.

## **Beauvoir Photos and Updates**



The Meet the Spirits is held every month at Beauvoir.



33rd Annual Fall Muster at Beauvoir set for Oct. 18-20, 2019.

#### **Other Events**





### **Upcoming Events**

October 4-6, 2019 Pea Ridge Reenactment
Pea Ridge, AR.

October 12, 2019 Cemetery Tales Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS.

October 18-20, 2019 Fall Muster Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS.

October 26, 2019 Ocean Springs Veterans Parade
Ocean Springs, MS.

November 2, 2019 Camp Paraphet Day New Orleans, LA.

November 8-10, 2019 Battles for the Armory Tallassee, AL.

November 8-10, 2019 Wirt Adams Raid Jefferson College; Washington, MS.

November 22-24,2019 Camp Moore Reenactment Camp Moore Historic Site; Tangipahoa, LA.

November 30, 2019 Landrum's Christmas Open House Landrum's Homestead; Laurel, MS.

November 30, 2019 Candlelight Tour John Ford Home; Sandy Hook, MS.

December 7, 2019 Wreath's Across America Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS.

December 13-15, 2019 McLeod's Mill Reenactment Leakesville, MS.

December 14, 2019 Wreath's Across America Rotten Bayou Cemetery; Diamondhead, MS.

December 21, 2019 Confederate Christmas Beauvoir; Biloxi, MS.

### Media Pages Update

We are looking at creating a new website for a minimum fee, possibly free, for the Camp. Our original website was a bit costly and has not been renewed as of yet. Camp Members are looking at this for us and will report to us in the very near future with possible options.

Camp Website: In Progress

Brigade Website: www.dgreen1865.wix.com/5th-brig-ms-div-scv

Division Website: <a href="https://www.mississippiscv.org">www.mississippiscv.org</a> Beauvoir Website: <a href="https://www.visitbeauvoir.org">www.visitbeauvoir.org</a>

National Website: www.scv.org

### **Upcoming Speakers List**

Tuesday February 26, 2019 – Jim Hancock – Period Bugle

Tuesday March 26, 2019 – Terry "Beetle" Bailey – Stories on Stone: Beauvoir Memorial Cemetery

Tuesday April 30, 2019 - Joe Abbott - Div Commander Platform

Tuesday May 28, 2019 – Bridgett Smith – Where the Elephants Fought

Tuesday June 25, 2019 - Nic Clark - Civil War Tours of New Orleans

Tuesday July 30, 2019 - Josh McCraine - The Battle of Port Gibson/Southern Magnolia Tours

Tuesday August 27, 2019 - Brandi K. Gray - OCR

Tuesday September 25, 2019 – Jay Peterson – Collections of Beauvoir

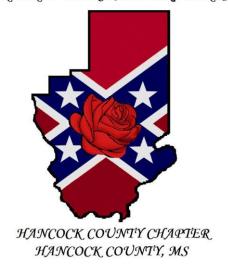
Tuesday October 30, 2019 – SPARS – Paranormal at Beauvoir

Tuesday November 19, 2019 - Shelby Harriell - Women that Fought in the CW

Tuesday December 17, 2019 – Michael Redmond – Confederate States Navy

## Order of the Confederate Rose

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Camps #2263 and 373 will be helping to start an OCR Chapter in Hancock County. All ladies 12 years and older are eligible to join. We had a lot of interest this year and feel like 2019 will be the year to charter this wonderful organization. Contact Breezy Bice at <a href="mailto:blbice@live.com">blbice@live.com</a> for more inormation.

## **Camp Charter**



## **Camp News**



Camp Adjutant Mike Redmond was presented a medal from the UDC for his Overseas Service.



The Service Medal is being pinned on Adjutant Redmond by a representative of the local UDC.



A group photo was taken by the UDC Chapter who presented him the medal with him afterwards.

## **Brigade News**



Dr. Brandon Beck was the key note speaker at the 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade Meeting at the Dixie Community Center on Friday September 6, 2019. Dr. Beck presented a heartfelt program on the CSS Arkansas and its very unique history. He had books to sell and was very congenial to all who had questions or showed interest in his books and topics. The potluck supper was enjoyed by all with 10 of 13 Camps in the 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade being represented. We highly recommend securing Dr. Beck to present at your Camp meeting or function.

#### **Division News**

"Chiseled in Stone"
Confederate Monuments in Mississippi
By Bill Hinson
Get your copy of this book today!!!
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## **National News**



Work continues on the National Museum at the SCV Headquarters at Elm Springs in Tennessee

### The Battle of Chickamauga

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On September 19-20, 1863, Braxton Bragg's Army of Tennessee defeated a Union force commanded by General William Rosecrans in the Battle of Chickamauga, during the American Civil War. After Rosecrans' troops pushed the Confederates out of Chattanooga early that month, Bragg called for reinforcements and launched a counterattack on the banks of nearby Chickamauga Creek. Over two days of battle, the rebels forced Rosecrans to give way, with heavy losses on both sides. Bragg failed to press his advantage after the victory, however, allowing the Federals to safely reach Chattanooga. Ulysses S. Grant soon arrived with reinforcements, allowing the Union to reverse the results of Chickamauga and score a lasting victory in the region that November.

Battle of Chickamauga: Winning Chattanooga

In the western theater of the Civil War, during the late summer and autumn of 1863, Union and Confederate forces were struggling over control of the key railroad center of Chattanooga, Tennessee. By mid-September, Union General William Rosecrans had pushed Braxton Bragg's Army of Tennessee out of Chattanooga and gathered his army of some 60,000 at Chickamauga, Georgia, located 12 miles southwest of Chattanooga. Though Confederate morale in the region was at a low point, the imminent arrival of reinforcements led by James Longstreet helped shore up Bragg's forces, and the general decided to go on the offensive.

Did you know? The West Point-educated George Thomas, known as the "Rock of Chickamauga" for his steadfast performance in that battle, remained loyal to the Union despite his Virginia birth.

After his subordinates failed to follow through with a series of initial attacks, the first of Longstreet's troops arrived. With some 65,000 men at his disposal (either on the field or on the way), Bragg was assured that he would enjoy a numerical advantage over Rosecrans. On

the early morning of September 19, the two armies met in the woods lining the banks of Chickamauga Creek.

#### The "Rock of Chickamauga"

On the first day of battle, Bragg's men repeatedly attacked the Union left, anchored by a large Union corps led by George Thomas. With reinforcements sent in by Rosecrans, Thomas was able to hold his position for the most part, with heavy losses on both sides. That evening, Longstreet arrived with two more brigades. Bragg decided to split his army into two wings, with Longstreet in command of the left and Leonidas Polk leading the left.

Though Polk frustrated Bragg with his delays, Longstreet advanced around 11:30 am on September 20. In a stroke of luck for the Confederates, the advance occurred just at the point when Rosecrans was shifting his troops. As a result, the rebels were able to burst through a gap in the Federal lines and send the Union troops into a chaotic retreat north towards Chattanooga. Even as Bragg refused Longstreet's call for reinforcements, Thomas organized the remaining Federals in a desperate Union stand, earning a lasting reputation as the "Rock of Chickamauga" for his efforts. A reserve division arrived in time to aid Thomas, and the last of Rosecrans' troops were able to make an orderly retreat to Chattanooga that night.

#### Impact of the Battle of Chickamauga

Though Longstreet and his fellow general Nathan Bedford Forrest wanted to pursue the enemy the following morning, Bragg was preoccupied with the toll taken on his army by the battle at Chickamauga. Ten Confederate generals had been killed or wounded, including the fiery Texan John Bell Hood (whose leg was amputated), and overall Confederate casualties numbered close to 20,000. The Union suffered some 16,000 casualties, making the Battle of Chickamauga the costliest one in the war's western theater.

Bragg's inaction turned a tactical triumph for the South into a strategic defeat, as Union forces were allowed to get safely to Chattanooga. The Confederates subsequently put that city under siege, but in October General Ulysses S. Grant arrived with reinforcements and took over the Union command in the region. Promoted to brigadier general after his service at Chickamauga, Thomas received command of the Army of the Cumberland, succeeding Rosecrans. In November, Thomas helped Grant's forces reverse the results of Chickamauga with a decisive victory over the Confederates in the Battle of Chattanooga.

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