

NOTHING BUT VICTORY



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THE NEWSLETTER OF
ARMY OF THE TENNESSEE CAMP 64
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE
CIVIL WAR

DAVID M. DU BRUCQ, COMMANDER
JAMES W. HEARD, SR VICE COMMANDER
JAMES LOFTIS, JR. VICE COMMANDER
TED SHELDON, SECRETARY/TREASURER
TOMMY PHILLIPS, CHAPLAIN

Commanders Message

After a lot of effort on the part of our charter members the Army of The Tennessee Camp 64 has become a reality. A small group of dedicated folks came together and formed the next preeminent camp in the Department of Tennessee. I congratulate you all!

Welcome to our newest members, Brother Jim Loftis and Brother Mike McCormick who have jumped in with both feet to help assure the successful creation of our camp.

Congratulations to our transferring and dual members for forming the nucleus of Camp 64. Without all of you, none of this would have been possible. You ARE Camp 64.

I look forward to working with each and every one of you over the next year and am proud to be your Commander.

In the coming months, I hope to expand on the Newsletter and ask you for your contributions. Stories about your Union ancestors, Civil War events and other items of interest to the Camp.

Thanks to the generosity of Brothers John Halsell, Ted Sheldon and Bill Heard and those good folks who have helped out when the hat was passed, we now have a Flag fund standing at \$203.00. Soon we will reach our goal and be able to place our order with the National Quartermaster for our Camp Flag.

A Thank you too to Brother Tommy Phillips who purchased and donated a flag pole, ornament and base for our 35 star round U.S. flag donated by your Commander.

Each of you put a lot of time and treasure into the formation of this group. I want you to be "loud and proud" about what you have accomplished.

Last, but certainly not least, I want to thank PDC Sam Gant for encouraging me to press forward with this effort. Department Commander Mike Downs for his support and for making the trip to present us our Charter and conduct the installation of our camp officers, and Department Secretary, Geoff Hintze for his efforts in helping us get it right.

Thanks to all and may God Bless!

Dave DuBrucq, Camp Commander



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Charter Meeting

The Charter Meeting of Army of the Tennessee Camp 64 Was held on January 9, 2016. Department Commander Mike Downs officiated for the presentation of our Charter and for the installation of our first camp officers. The Ladies of the Julia Ann Marcum Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the Union also attended in support of our Camp.

Julia Ann Marcum Chapter Regent Lynn Constan sent the following message:

"I would like to extend my personal congratulations to the men of Camp 64 on the formation of your camp and look forward to meeting you in the future." Our thanks to the ladies for their support.



Julia Ann Marcum Chapter NSDU

Following the usual opening of the camp meeting, Department Commander Mike Downs was introduced formally to the membership upon being escorted to the Camp Commander by Guide Br. Mike McCormick. Commander Downs, who is a dual member of our camp, commented on the warm welcome he received from the members and thanked those present for attending.

He also congratulated the membership on the formation of our new camp and commended the effort of all Brothers.



Department Commander Mike Downs addresses the members and guests of Camp 64

Following his remarks to the camp, Commander Downs made the presentation of our new charter. Accepting on behalf of the Brothers of Camp 64, was Camp Commander Dave Du Brucq.



Commander Downs Presents the Camp Charter to Camp Commandeer Dave Du Brucq

Upon completion of the presentation of the charter, Department Commander Downs conducted the installations of officers. Chaplain Tommy Phillips offered prayer in accordance with the installation ritual. Commander Downs began by first reading the charge of office to the Camp Commander followed by the charge of office to the slate of officers elected by the camp. Officers were then administered the oath of office.



The charge of office is read to the slate of officers by Commander Downs



Commander Downs presents a Certificate of Commendation to Commander Du Brucq.



The oath of office is administered by Commander Downs

Completing the presentation of the Camp Charter and the Installation of Officers, the Charter members of the camp were presented with medals commemorating their status as charter members. The medals were designed and made by Camp Secretary/Treasurer Ted Sheldon. The unique medals will not be available again. Thanks to Br. Sheldon for his contribution.

The officers being duly sworn in, Department Commander Downs congratulated the new officers on their installation.

Completing the installation, Department Commander Downs presented Camp Commander Dave Du Brucq with a Department Commendation for his role in the organization of Army of the Tennessee Camp 64.



Medals are presented to the Charter Members

It's important to note here, that while I was pleased to be recognized, the efforts of the members who came together to form our camp and the assistance of Department Officers who helped us get it "right" cannot be over emphasized.



Next on the agenda was a welcome for our newest members, Br. Jim Loftis and Brother Mike McCormick. Brothers Loftis and McCormick were presented with their membership certificates.



Brothers Mike and Jim are presented with their Membership Certificates

Following the meeting, we were treated to an abundance of food and refreshment. Thanks to all who contributed and a very special thanks to Ms. Sharon Heard for the beautiful (and delicious) cake!



Special thanks also to JVC Jim Loftis for his efforts in setting up our venue (which was great) and for the wonderful display he provided for all to enjoy!

Upcoming Events

February 20th: 154th Anniversary at Fort Donelson. 1:00PM at National Cemetery

February 25th: Camp Meeting, Murfreesboro

March 25th: Camp Meeting, Cookville

Additional events will be announced via e-mail as appropriate.

Parting Shots

"Nothing But Victory" will be the title of our quarterly newsletter. I want to invite everyone to contribute items of interest, photographs of events, stories about your union ancestors or other Civil War Related items.

Please send your contributions to me at sockettuem@comcast.net.

Shameless plug: If you want to learn more about the Army of the Tennessee, read Nothing But Victory by Dr. Steven E. Woodworth. It is part of my civil war canon as are all his works.

