



GENERAL ORDERS for April 2017

Official Newsletter of R.E. Lee Camp #726 SCV and Samuel Cooper Chapter #105 MOS&B

Camp Website: www.leecamp.org

Monday, April 3rd Dinner Meeting with author David Goetz



Dinner meeting with author David Goetz as he discusses "Hell is Being a Republican in Virginia" - The Postwar Relationship between John Singleton Mosby and Ulysses S. Grant, (2012), details at:

<http://www.mosbystours.com/Hell-is-Being-a-Republican-in-Virginia.htm>).

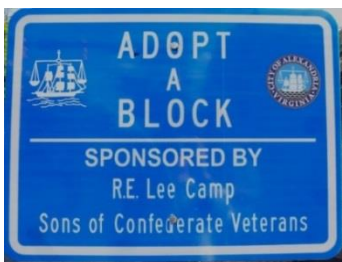
David Goetz owns **Mosby's Confederacy Tours**, and leads tours *in* "Mosby's Confederacy", including Virginia counties of Fauquier, Loudoun, Warren and Clarke. He has published "***Hell is Being a Republican in Virginia***": *The Postwar Relationship Between John Singleton Mosby and Ulysses S. Grant*, which examines the pursuit of peace and

reconciliation between North and South by Colonel Mosby and President Grant.

Mr. Goetz is descended from the family of **Chaplain Father James M. Graves, S.J.**, who served with Generals Joe Johnston and Stonewall Jackson in the Army of Virginia in 1861-62. He is a past commander of the Black Horse Camp #780, Sons of Confederate Veterans in Fauquier County, Virginia, serving from 2009-13.

Mr. Goetz has a professional background in public relations, sales and marketing, primarily with non-profit organizations. He holds an undergraduate degree in English from Bellarmine University, Louisville, Kentucky, and a Master of Science degree in Community Development from the University of Louisville.

Saturday March 25th Adopt-a-Block Clean-up Activity, come and join us



The Adopt-a-Block volunteers led by Major Andrew Mills will meet at 11:30 AM in Alexandria on Saturday March 25th at the sign in front of

the mass Confederate gravesite on the corner of

North Washington and Cameron Streets. The clean-up activity encompasses the block around Christ Church. It is not strenuous and takes about 30-45 minutes to complete. There will be an after-action fellowship gathering at Murphy's, compliments of the camp to encourage and reward your participation.

Sunday March 19th 11-2 PM, UDC Fund Raiser for Appomattox Statue

Debby Mullins, president of the Mary Custis Lee-17th Virginia Regiment, Chapter #7 UDC in Alexandria, VA, requests the pleasure of your company at a Champagne Brunch Fund Raiser and Silent Auction for the Protection and Conservation of the Appomattox Statue at Mount Vernon Country Club from 11 Am to 2 PM. The Guest Speaker, Teresa Roane, Archivist, will talk on "The Importance of Preserving Confederate Memorials". There will be a Silent Auction featuring Historic Art donated by the renowned artist, John Paul Strain. The price of the brunch is \$75 per person. Please make checks payable to the Mary Custis Lee-17th Virginia Regiment Chapter #7 and mail to: Debby Mullins, 6017 Clairemont Drive, Owings, MD 20736. Please reply by March 12, 2017. No cancellations after March 15. Tickets will not be mailed. Guest List will be at the door.

Additional contribution categories, all of which include admission to the Champagne Brunch and Silent Auction are:

Edgar Warfield Level: \$750, reserves a table for 8 and program recognition

John Adams Elder Level: \$300, for Two tickets and program recognition _____

Caspar Buberl Level: \$175, for a single ticket and program recognition _____

Single Ticket: \$75 _____

If you are unable to attend, but would like to contribute, your check would be greatly appreciated.

Past Events

Monday March 6th Dinner with speaker Doug Coleman and VA Division 4th Brigade Cmdr. Rick Moomaw

Our March dinner meeting was another success with an ample beef and chicken shish kabobs, rice, vegetables, salad and assorted pies provided by the Royal Restaurant. Doug Coleman spoke on the topic of *Horses in the War Between the States (WBTS)*.



Cmdr. Becker and VA Div. 4th Brigade Cmdr. Rick Moomaw



Carroll Kissner, Mike Andriani, with UDC members: Kim Forslund and Marilyn Iglesias

The food, fellowship and information shared were most enjoyable, and we hope you enjoy the pictures on the next page and will plan to join us at the April 3rd dinner.



We had an audience of thirty people in attendance



Douglas Coleman speaking on "Horses in the WBTS"

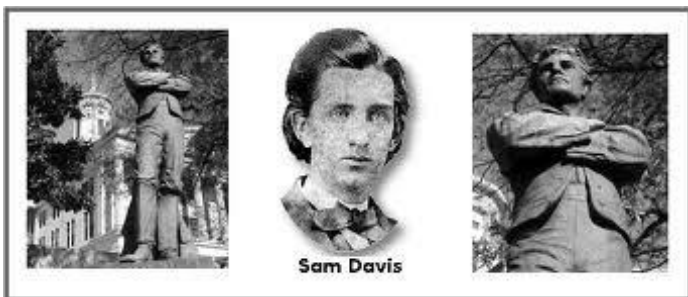


4th Brigade Cmdr. Moomaw presenting an Outstanding Commendation SCV medal and certificate to Cmdr. Becker

All of the pictures are available at:
<https://20170306leecampdinner.shutterfly.com/4>
then click on Slideshow to view the pictures in a larger format.

Other Items:

13th Annual Sam Davis Youth Camp (SDYC) June 18 - 23



If the South should lose, it means that the history of the heroic struggle will be written by the enemy, that our youth will be trained by Northern school teachers, will be impressed by all of the influences of history and education to regard our gallant dead as traitors and our maimed veterans as fit subjects for derision.

Major General Patrick Cleburne

The R.E. Lee Camp is proud to support the Sam Davis Youth Camp program of the SCV. Your children and their children are eligible to compete for a scholarship by submitting a one-page written report on either Sam Davis or one of their Confederate ancestors.

The camp will be held from Sunday afternoon June 18th to Friday June 23rd at SW Virginia Woodmen of the World Family Activity Center, 1336 Simmons Mill Rd, Thaxton, VA 24174. The deadline for applications to attend the camp is Monday, June 5, 2017.

Details on the camp should be available at <http://samdavis.scv.org/> (make sure it addresses

the June 2017 camp). If you would like to make a donation towards sponsoring this educational experience for a young person put “Sam Davis

Youth Camp” in the memo section of your check and send it with your RSVP to the April dinner (last page of the General Orders).

Seeking Candidates to Fill Leadership Positions (we need your help)



Attention members: There are leadership positions that need to be filled. Our Adjutant and Treasurer, J.J. Smith, needs to step down and his positions are opening up. Also, Cmdr. Becker will be stepping down at the 2018 Lee Banquet. Given the number of open positions below, we are seeking people with leadership potential who are willing to be mentored to fill vital camp positions. If interested, please contact your commander or adjutant. See the following appeal from Commander Becker.

Dear members,

We greatly appreciate J.J.’s dedication to the job in supporting the camp. Given he has taken on other responsibilities, we need to find his replacement as soon as we can find someone willing to take on the positions of Adjutant and Treasurer. It is also my intention to retire on January 31, 2018. We need your help as it is essential that we have a cadre of Officers who will be active and help move the Camp forward. If you are interested in serving, please let me know, and indicate what office you would consider? I would urge you to take a moment and reflect on why you chose to become a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, and recommit yourself to becoming more active in the R.E. Lee Camp. Our Confederate ancestors fought bravely and gallantly for a cause they believed in. The least we can do as descendants is to honor their virtue and legacy by becoming more active and supportive of the organization. Without leaders, the camp will scale back on the activities and dinners until there are leaders to take us forward. The camp flags and banners and other items will be put into storage. I’ve done my best to make us an outstanding camp, an honor we will again receive at the Virginia Division convention in April. It’s time for you to ask “What can I do to help the camp?”

Sincerely,

Commander Jim Becker

Commanders Jim Becker and J.J. Smith would like you to put the following events on your calendar and invite your friends:

- **Sunday March 19th, 11 to 2PM** – Mary Custis Lee 17th Virginia UDC hosting a champagne brunch fundraiser for the protection of the Appomattox statue at the Mount Vernon Country Club (RSVP with Debby Mullins, 301-938-4421, dmullins@rcn.com).
- **Saturday March 25th** – 11:30 Adopt-a-Block clean-up activity around Christ Church in Alexandria, VA.
- **Monday April 3rd** – Dinner meeting (Speaker David Goetz, author of "Hell is Being a Republican in Virginia" - The Postwar Relationship between John Singleton Mosby and Ulysses S. Grant, (2012), details at: <http://www.mosbystours.com/Hell-is-Being-a-Republican-in-Virginia.htm>).
- **Saturday April 8th** – Don Hakenson's Both Sides Tour, leaves at 8:15 AM sharp from the Franconia Museum, 6121 Franconia Road. Cost is \$100 pp, contact Don at 703-971-4984 or dhakenson@verizon.net.
- **Wednesday May 24th** – The General Samuel Cooper Chapter #105 MOS&B Service of Remembrance for Confederate Memorial Day at St. Andrew & St. Margaret of Scotland with our chaplain the Rector, Rev. John Roddy and the Camp dinner in the undercroft.
- **Monday May 29th** – The Nation's Memorial Day Parade, Washington, DC
- **June 18-23rd** – 13th Annual Sam Davis Youth Camp at the Woodmen of the World facility in Thaxton, VA (<http://samdavis.scv.org/>).
- **Saturday June 24th** – Don Hakenson's Mosby Spring Bus Tour, Arrive at 8 a.m. at the Truro Rectory (at 10520 Main Street, Fairfax City) to sign in. The bus will leave promptly at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$65 for members of the Stuart-Mosby Historical Society or \$75 for non-members., contact Don at 703-971-4984 or dhakenson@verizon.net.

RSVP: Dinner meeting with Speaker David Goetz, topic: "Hell is Being a Republican in Virginia", April 3rd at the American Legion Post Hall up the stairs at 400 Cameron Street at S. Royal St. next to Gadsby's Tavern, doors open at 6:15 PM.

Pricing: \$25 per person; \$15.00 for those 17 and under; \$15 for a potential candidate accompanied by a member; \$30 if paid at the door. Please RSVP with your check to:

J.J. Smith, SCV and MOS&B Adjutant

401 Wilkes Street

Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: 703 299-1725 email: jossmith@mba1962.hbs.edu

Name: _____ Guest: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (____) _____ - _____ E-Mail: _____

____ **Check here if the above is a new address, phone, or email.**

Total: ____ x \$25 = \$ _____ ; Junior (17 and under) or special guest: ____ x \$15 = \$ _____

Sam Davis Youth Camp donation: \$ _____

Make your check payable to "R.E. Lee Camp No. 726"



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