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Sons of Confederate Veterans
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Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

“To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the cause for which we fought, to your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldiers good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.”

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General
United Confederate Veterans
New Orleans, Louisiana 1906

Dues Reminder

Time is growing short for you to renew your membership in the Elzey Camp for next year. Remember that dues have increased to \$40 for regular members. Life members and Friends of the Camp are \$10. November 1st is the drop dead date. After that you will be charged a reinstatement fee of \$5. Let's work together to achieve our goal of 100% retention of members. If you have family members and friends that are eligible to join let's invite them to a meeting and get the process started. Thanks to those of you that have already sent in your renewal.

We Salute the Confederate Flag with affection, reverence and undying devotion to the cause for which it stands



Camp Elections

The end of the year is coming fast and we need to begin to consider nominations for officers for the Elzey Camp. October is when we discuss the officer positions. At our November meeting we will be taking nominations for officers and our Camp elections will take place at our December meeting. Our officers have not changed in the past several years and we thank those members that have made the commitment to serve our Camp. We have and always worked together as a team and anyone can place their name in nomination with the confidence and understanding that there are always other members available to help them with any problems or situations that may arise.

Below is a list of all Elzey Camp Officer positions and the duties involved. Please take the time to carefully read and consider helping the Camp by offering your services and serving as an officer.

Commander- shall exercise general management and affairs of the camp, preside at all camp meetings, and appoint committees and other related duties.

1st Lt. Commander- performs the duties of the commander in his absence, serves as program chairman,

secure guest speakers and presentations for camp functions.

2nd Lt. Commander-

Performs the duties of the Commander in his absence and that of the 1st Lt. Commander, responsible for enlistment of new members, monitors membership dues and meeting attendance, maintains a roster of members including their addresses and telephone numbers.

Adjutant- conducts all official correspondence including preparation and forwarding of reports, payments, and other requirements of the camp to the Division, Army and IHQ. Maintains records of meetings and is in possession of the books and papers of the camp excluding the treasurers records. Maintains a copy of all membership applications and a current camp roster.

Treasurer- Collect and disburse camp funds, maintains an accurate account of his transactions and provides a monthly report to the camp officers. Is responsible for the dues and fees and other related duties.

Judge Advocate- advises the officers and executive committee of all legal matters including the SCV and camp constitution and by-laws. Conducts investigations into charges or

challenges brought against camp members and other such duties as are incident to his office.

Quartermaster-

Responsible for procuring a meeting site and the preparation of a regular, special or social meeting. He shall keep an inventory of camp property /supplies and shall maintain these supplies in his safekeeping. He shall also serve as an aid-de-camp to the Commander, assisting as directed.

Chaplain- Leads the members in an opening and closing prayer at all camp meetings and attends to the spiritual needs of the camp.

Color Sergeant- Maintains and safeguards the camp colors. Displays the colors at all functions of the camp and leads members in the salute to the colors. He shall lead the camp Color Guard in all ceremonies and parades and/or appoint assistants to aid in the performance of his duties.

Historian- maintains a written history of the camp, its officers and members and accomplishments for the year. He shall collect photographs, newspaper clippings, newsletters and other such items as necessary in the proper recording of camp history.

Publicity Officer- maintains a contact with the local and national news media outlets as well as contact with the

general public and political arena. Maintains a working relationship with the aforementioned groups concerning notification of Camp and SCV related activities.

Editor- (Appointed by the Commander) prepares and distributes the camp newsletter. Provides a written report concerning the number of copies produced distributed and associated costs.

Genealogist- (Appointed by the Commander) aids the Lt. Commander in the recruitment and enlistment of new members. Reviews and approves all applications for potential members in the SCV. Responsible for the distribution of potential membership packets as well as follow up on all leads provided.

SCV Membership

The SCV currently has 30,183 members including 50 Real Sons and 3341 Life Members plus an additional 271 cadet members. Please vigorously recruit new members and encourage current members to make the commitment to be long term members. An easy way to strengthen the SCV is to persuade former members of your camp to reinstate. Life memberships which are tied to annual dues are now \$750 through age 64, \$375 for age 65 through 79 and \$187.50 for age 80 and up.

Upcoming Events

10/11/08 Maryland Division Mid-Year meeting at the Broadneck Library in Annapolis. Officers and members meet to discuss Maryland Division SCV business. Not a Color Guard event.

10/25/2008 Army of Northern Virginia Meeting at Point Lookout. The Maryland Division Color Guard will open the meeting with a flag presentation. ANV Commander Brag Bowling has requested the Maryland Division Color Guard.

11/16/08 Massing of the Colors Annapolis: 82nd Annual ceremony at the Naval Academy sponsored by the Military Order of the World Wars. Formation is at 1:30 P.M. in front of the Naval Academy Chapel. We are at war so let's show them our patriotic support!

11/22/08 Remembrance Day Parade: Annual parade in Gettysburg sponsored by the Sons of Union Veterans. The Color Guard will meet at 12:00 for formation on Lefever Street (by the school off Baltimore Street).

12/6/08 Christmas Parade: Parade in Northeast Maryland. Color Guard formation is at 12:00 PM. A great parade that is a nice ending to our 2008.

Membership Cards

Membership cards will be mailed out as soon as dues have been forwarded to National. We will also be sending an updated roster of our members for your files. Trying to keep track of the current financial crisis and the poor performance in the markets will certainly make your head spin. Everyone is tightening their belts and making tough decisions as to where to allocate their assets. Please keep the Elzey Camp and the SCV on your list. Your continued membership is important to us and we will do our very best to maintain your trust.

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Dues Notice

Please make checks payable to:

Arnold Elzey Camp 1940 SCV

_____ **\$40 Regular Member** **Name:** _____

_____ **\$10 Life Member** **Address:** _____

_____ **\$10 Friend of the Camp** **Phone:** _____

_____ **Donation to help Camp** **Email:** _____

Signature: _____

Detach this notice, complete and return to:

Jeffrey J. Martins

Treasurer

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