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Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans:

"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 soldiers' 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. "



*Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee,
Commander General,
United Confederate Veterans,
New Orleans, Louisiana
April 25, 1906*

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Commander's Message

What a wonderful time we had at Jones Meadow! I hope all took advantage of seeing a first class reenactment right in your own back yard! If you missed it this year, be sure and put it on your calendar for next year! You won't be disappointed!

Keep your eye on the calendar! It's that time of year again! Seems like there's more activities than we have time for!!

Please be sure and attend the camp meeting on the 20th to participate in our officer elections! This is your camp! Only by electing officers who will direct the camp in the direction you would like to see the camp go can your voice heard! Attend!! Nominate!! Vote!!

Speaking of voting, I do hope that each of you cast your vote in the historic national elections! We will know who won by the time you read this. No matter who won, please pray for our leaders and this nation! And don't forget our soldiers who are in harm's way!

Don't miss hearing Smith County Sheriff J.B. Smith! He is a great speaker, and you will enjoy the evening. Be sure to invite a friend or two or three or more! Sweet Sue's staff will gladly bring in extra chairs for a big crowd!

See you on the 20th!
Semper Fi!
Stay Faithful!
Muddy Waters
Commander

November Program

The year is winding down, and the Holidays will be here before we know it. I know this starts a busy time of the year for many of us, with holiday travel and family obligations, but I hope all of you can make our last regular meeting in November, and our Christmas Party in December.

November's meeting will include our officer elections for 2009 and a very interesting and entertaining speaker, Sheriff J.B. Smith. Sheriff Smith has been continuously elected Sheriff of Smith County since 1976. Sheriff Smith last visited our camp in January 2007, and since then I have had numerous requests to have him speak again. He is a very good speaker, if you have not had the pleasure of hearing him, I urge you to make the meeting on November 20th. You will NOT be disappointed!!

Our attendance was down a bit in October, let's get the room filled up in November...and as always, bring a guest! We have a good camp, let's show it off to as many guests (prospective members) as we can.

God Bless Our Beloved Dixieland!
Brad Tindel
1st Lt. Commander

From the Adjutant

The big re-enlistment marathon is completed, but any stragglers are encouraged to send in their dues. Be sure to mark your calendar for the Christmas meeting downtown. I am looking forward to stories from the Jones' Meadow battlefield. Speaking of battles, I came across this little dit I would like to share. It concerns Wade Hampton, who took over for J.E.B. Stuart.

"Hampton's dealings with the black bears of the Mississippi swamps (where his family owned properties) were a different matter during the years he ran family plantations in that state. Though a crack shot, once Hampton cornered a bear, he relished going up against it with nothing but his hunting knife and his own tall, powerful physique, courage, and wits. He killed as many as eighty bears in such fashion, and had both the witnesses and scars to prove it."

I'm sure we may hear such stories of daring at this month's meeting.

DEO VINDIVE
Ken Reynolds

Brigade News

The Douglas Battery and several other Camp members attended the Raid on Camp Ford event at Jones Farm. The weather was great, and the yankees lost again. The turnout was good, and everyone appeared to have a great time. We will soon begin preparations for the Camp Ford Living History weekend.

Our membership dues are being mailed at this time. We picked up a few lost members and did very well on retaining all we had. It also looks like we will be picking up 7 new members. This will bring us up in membership, but we are still down from our high point of 3 years ago. I will challenge each of you to recruit a new member this next year. Ask friends and neighbors if they have Confederate ancestors. If so, help them to research, and then bring them to meetings.

When you read this our elections will be over. Our Heritage will be attacked as never before, and we need help to defend it. The outcome of this election could signal the most concerted attack on our Heritage we have seen in our history. We must prepare ourselves to defend not only our Confederate Heritage, but all aspects of our Southern way of life. It will require strength and courage. I know you will all be up to the task.

GOD BLESS AMERICA AND LONG LIVE THE SOUTH!

JOHNNIE HOLLEY
1st Lieutenant
East Texas Brigade

Nominating Committee Announced Nominees for 2009 Camp Officer

At last month's meeting your Nominating Committee announced a slate of proposed officers for 2009.

They are as follows:

Commander	Dan Horton
1st Lt Commander	Cliff Johnson
2nd Lt Commander	Johnnie Holley
3rd Lt Commander	Dan Liles
Adjutant	Cooper Goodson, Jr.

At the November Camp meeting, nominations can be made from the floor. If you would like to serve or know of someone, please check with that person to see if he is willing to serve and then nominate him when nominations are called. Officer installation will

be at the Christmas Party.

Step up and volunteer to help the camp!

**Honest Ridge Cemetery
Confederate Grave Dedication**

November 22, 2008 at 1:30 pm

Lest We Forget Our Honor, Our Southland, Our
Boys...
We will Honor 12 Confederate Veterans

Directions: On Hwy 84 between Waco & Mexia, go South on FM 1245, turn left on LCR 374, go 4 miles. The cemetery is on the left & visible from the road. POC Gene Kinsey at gkinsey1240@sbcglobal.net or 972.867.1076

Christmas Party Raffle

**1858 Remington 44 Caliber Pistol
Tickets \$1**

**Drawing at the Christmas Party
December 18, 2008**

**Tickets on sale at the November meeting
and at the Christmas Party**

See the enclosed flyer for more info on the party!
It also has the reservation blank for you.

Calendar of Events

- Nov 8 Black Powder Turkey Shoot - Registration 8:30 am**
Jones Meadow, Tyler TX (See Page 3)
POC Gene Kinsey – gkinsey1240@sbcglobal.net
Gary Bray – 1texreb@sbcglobal.net
- Nov 20 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm**
Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: Sheriff JB Smith
- Nov 22 Honest Ridge Cemetery Grave Dedication** (See Page 2)
Off Hwy 84 between Waco & Mexia, Texas
POC Gene Kinsey gkinsey1240@sbcglobal.net or 972.867.1076
- Nov 21-23 The Civil War Weekend at Liendo Plantation**
Liendo Plantation, Hempstead, Texas
<http://www.liendo.org/civilwarweekend/civilwar.html>
- Dec 18 Capt James P Douglas Christmas Party**
Woman's Building Flyer Enclosed
- Jan 16 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm**
Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: TBA
TOPIC: TBA
- Feb 19 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm**
Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: TBA
TOPIC: TBA
- Mar 19 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm**
Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: TBA
TOPIC: TBA
- Mar 27-29 Camp Ford Living History and Reenactment**
Camp Ford Historic Site POC Johnnie Holley jlh63@flash.net
- Apr 16 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm**
Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: TBA
TOPIC: TBA
- May 21 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm**
Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: TBA
TOPIC: TBA
- Jun 2009 SCV Texas Division Reunion**
Waco, Texas
- Jun 18 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm**

Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: TBA
TOPIC: TBA

Jul 16 Capt James P Douglas Meeting – 7:00 pm

Sweet Sue's Restaurant SPEAKER: TBA
TOPIC: TBA

Jul 22-25 2009 SCV Confederation Reunion
Hot Springs, Arkansas <http://www.scv2009reunion.com/>

Black Powder Turkey Shoot

When: Saturday, November 8, 2008

Where: Same locations as "Battle of Jones Meadow" 2 south of I20 on Hwy 110

Time: Registration and target practice opens at 8:30 am.

Competition shooting starts at 9:30 am

Open to all shooters, under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. There will be a contest for both rifles and pistols. You may register for one or both.

Rifles - Targets will be set up at 75 yards

Pistols - Targets will be set up at 20 yards

Weapons must be muzzle or breach loading, replicas or original of guns used in the WBTS--Black Powder, Cap & Ball or Paper cartridges. Weapons that fire metal cartridges will NOT be allowed to participate in the event.

Each contestant will fire 4 rounds STANDING at a stationary target. Smallest group wins. In case of a tie between 2 or more contestants, there will be a shoot off. First shooter to miss loses.

Prizes will be 50% of entry fees divided by 3. There will be a 4th and 5th prize in each group those prizes will be frozen turkeys.

Join us for a day of fun and excitement where someone will earn a lot of bragging rights for the next year.

Excellent Website for Info on Various Wars

A friend sent me the following link. This website is From the US Military Academy and is organized by war (not just WBTS), then chronologically by daily events - it's very user friendly. It is awesome for anyone presenting a historical program, researching, wanting to see the layout where your ancestor served, or educating others on the true history of the WBTS.. enjoy!

<http://www.dean.usma.edu/HISTORY/web03/atlases/AtlasesTableOfContents.html>

It's Almost Press Time for the Ancestor Book!

Have you contacted Norma Holley about purchasing an ad in the TSOCR Ancestors Book? For just a few dollars you can have your ancestor in our book! A 1/8th of 8 1/2" x 11" page article is only \$4.00! A 1/4th page is \$10.00! A half page is \$15.00! And a full page is only \$35.00. We would like a book of YOUR ancestor's pictures and stories! Don't wait too late!

We are also offering a special bidding war on the honor of sponsoring a Confederate Officer! And for only \$25.00 you can sponsor a 1/8 page COLOR picture of a unit flag!

For more information, please contact Norma Holley at 903-725-6774!



The Raid on Camp Ford Civil War Reenactment

Were you there? What a GREAT weekend! The weather was wonderful! Everything was in place for a perfect outing for you and your family? We had heard from a good authority that the Rebels would win and defeat those yankees who thought they



could sneak up on us! Tyler would be saved! All as a result of the hard work and fighting of our boys in grey!

There were a variety of sutlers present all weekend selling wares to the reenactor and the public. You could find almost anything you



might need to join in the fun! The prices seemed only fair on the items we priced. We did our fair share to support the sutlers stores!



The battle was very excellent! The yankees presented a force that was determined to push through to Camp Ford and release

those prisoners. Then the Lord only knows what would happen to the citizens of Tyler. No one would be safe! After

a questionable performance on Saturday, our boys were reinforced and saved the day and Tyler on Sunday's battle as forecasted by our source!



A fairly large number of captured yankees were marched straight to Camp Ford and instead of releasing the prisoners there, they were added to the number.



Those yankees better think twice before trying again to raid Camp Ford. But knowing how stubborn yankees can be, they will probably

try again next year!

So, next year, pack up Mama, the kids and some of your neighbors and come on out and enjoy the day! You won't be disappointed!

Go to the camp website, select Photos and then Jones Meadow 2008 or click on <http://www.jamespdouglas.com/Photos/Photos.html> to see more pictures taken of the weekend! Also come early to the meeting on the 20th and see the slide presentation of additional pictures. You might even recognize a yankee or couple of Rebels.

Moving or Need to Change Your Address and/or Phone?

If you move, change your address and/or phones, please don't forget to send the info to your Adjutant to change camp records and your Editor so that you will continue to receive your *Douglas Dispatch*. Don't forget you can change your address and/or phone numbers online for National. Go to Headquarters' website, then Services, then Check Your Data or go to <http://www.scv.org/checkData.php>. Make any changes that may be necessary to update your information. You will need your membership number which was on your renewal notice. If you don't have that, contact Ken Reynolds. It's VERY easy!

We've had a couple of compatriots who are no longer at the last address that we have. If anyone knows how to locate Charles L Harris or Jerry (Hawk) Hawkins, please ask them to send us their new contact info so they can receive their *Dispatch*.

Scientists Have New Clue to Mystery of Sunken Sub

It's long been a mystery why the H.L. Hunley never returned after becoming the first submarine in history to sink an enemy warship in 1864, but new research announced Friday may lend credence to one of the



Drawing of the H. L. Hunley. Based on a Photograph taken in 1863 by George S. Cook

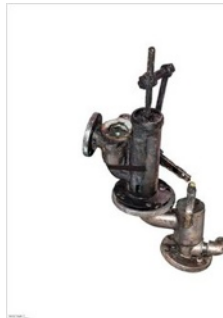
theories. Scientists found the eight-man crew of the hand-cranked Confederate submarine had not set the pump to remove water from the crew compartment, which might indicate it was not being

flooded.

That could mean crew members suffocated as they used up air, perhaps while waiting for the tide to turn and the current to help take them back to land.

The new evidence disputes the notion that the Hunley was damaged and took on water after ramming a spar with a charge of black powder into the Union blockade ship Housatonic.

Scientists studying the sub said they've found its pump system was not set to remove water from the crew compartment as might be expected if it were being flooded.



This is an undated image released by The Friends of the Hunley, showing the aft pump of the Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley. Scientists said Friday, Oct. 17, 2008, that the crew of the H.L. Hunley was not pumping water out of the crew compartment when the hand-cranked sub sank off Charleston in 1864. A valve on the system was not set to bilge water from the crew area, which might have happened if the Hunley were taking on water. (AP Photo/Friends of The Hunley)

The sub, located in 1995 and raised five years later, had a complex pumping system that could be switched to remove water or operate ballast tanks used to submerge and surface.

"It now really starts to point to a lack of oxygen making them unconscious," said state Sen. Glenn McConnell, R-Charleston and the chairman of the South Carolina Hunley Commission, formed to raise, conserve and display the sub. "They may have been cranking and moving and it was a miscalculation as to how much oxygen they had."

In excavating the sub, scientists found little intermingling of the crew remains, indicating members died at their stations. Those bones likely would have been jumbled if the crew tried to make it to the hatches in a desperate attempt to get out.

"Whatever occurred, occurred quickly and unexpectedly," McConnell said. "It appears they were either unconscious because of the concussion (from the attack) or they were unconscious because of a lack of oxygen."

Archaeologist Maria Jacobsen cautioned that scientists have not yet examined all the valves to see if the crew may have been trying to surface by using the pumps to jettison ballast.

"Can we definitely say they weren't pumping like

mad to get water out of the tanks? No, we cannot," she said. "I'm not really at a point where I think we should really be talking about what these guys were doing at the very end because we simply don't know all the valve settings."
But she said scientists can definitely say the valve that would have been used to remove water from the crew compartment was closed.

http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20081017/ap_on_re_us/confederate_submarine

Camp Roster Enclosed

All members of Capt. James Pr Douglas should find enclosed a copy of the 2008 Camp Roster. If you receive yours by email, it will be attached to the email. Please check your listing and verify your info. If there is an error or you fail to receive your copy, please contact your editor, Cooper Goodson, at 903-561-4875 or captjamespdouglas124@yahoo.com.

Facts

"Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passions, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence."

John Adams.

New Law Authorizes Veterans' Salutes during National Anthem

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News Release
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 30, 2008

WASHINGTON (Oct. 30, 2008) -- Veterans and active-duty military not in uniform can now render the military-style hand salute during the playing of the national anthem, thanks to changes in federal law that took effect this month.

"The military salute is a unique gesture of respect that marks those who have served in our nation's armed forces," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr. James B. Peake. "This provision allows the

application of that honor in all events involving our nation's flag."

The new provision improves upon a little known change in federal law last year that authorized veterans to render the military-style hand salute during the raising, lowering or passing of the flag, but it did not address salutes during the national anthem. Last year's provision also applied to members of the armed forces while not in uniform.

Traditionally, members of the nation's veterans service organizations have rendered the hand-salute during the national anthem and at events involving the national flag while wearing their organization's official head-gear.

The most recent change, authorizing hand-salutes during the national anthem by veterans and out-of-uniform military personnel, was sponsored by Sen. Jim Inhofe of Oklahoma, an Army veteran. It was included in the Defense Authorization Act of 2009, which President Bush signed on October 14.

The earlier provision authorizing hand-salutes for veterans and out-of-uniform military personnel during the raising, lowering or passing of the flag, was contained in the National Defense Authorization Act of 2008, which took effect January 28, 2008.

Did You Know...

The yacht *America*, which captured the "Queen's Cup" in 1851 and began the famed series of races which still bear her name, served as a blockade runner during the Civil War and was sunk off Charleston in early 1862.

During one of the many campaigns in 1862, a weary Robert E. Lee took a nap by the side of a road, down which shortly came a division of his doughtiest warriors, who, seeing their beloved commander at rest, hushed their voices and lightened their tread lest they disturb him.

Not inclined to give the benefit of the doubt to a foreigner, Confederate troops referred to Prince Camille Armand Jules Marie de Polignac as "Polecat" until their first battle with him, when he led them into the fray crying, "Now you will see whether I am a 'Polecat' or a 'Polignac,' Charge!"

LONG LIVE THE SOUTH!!!

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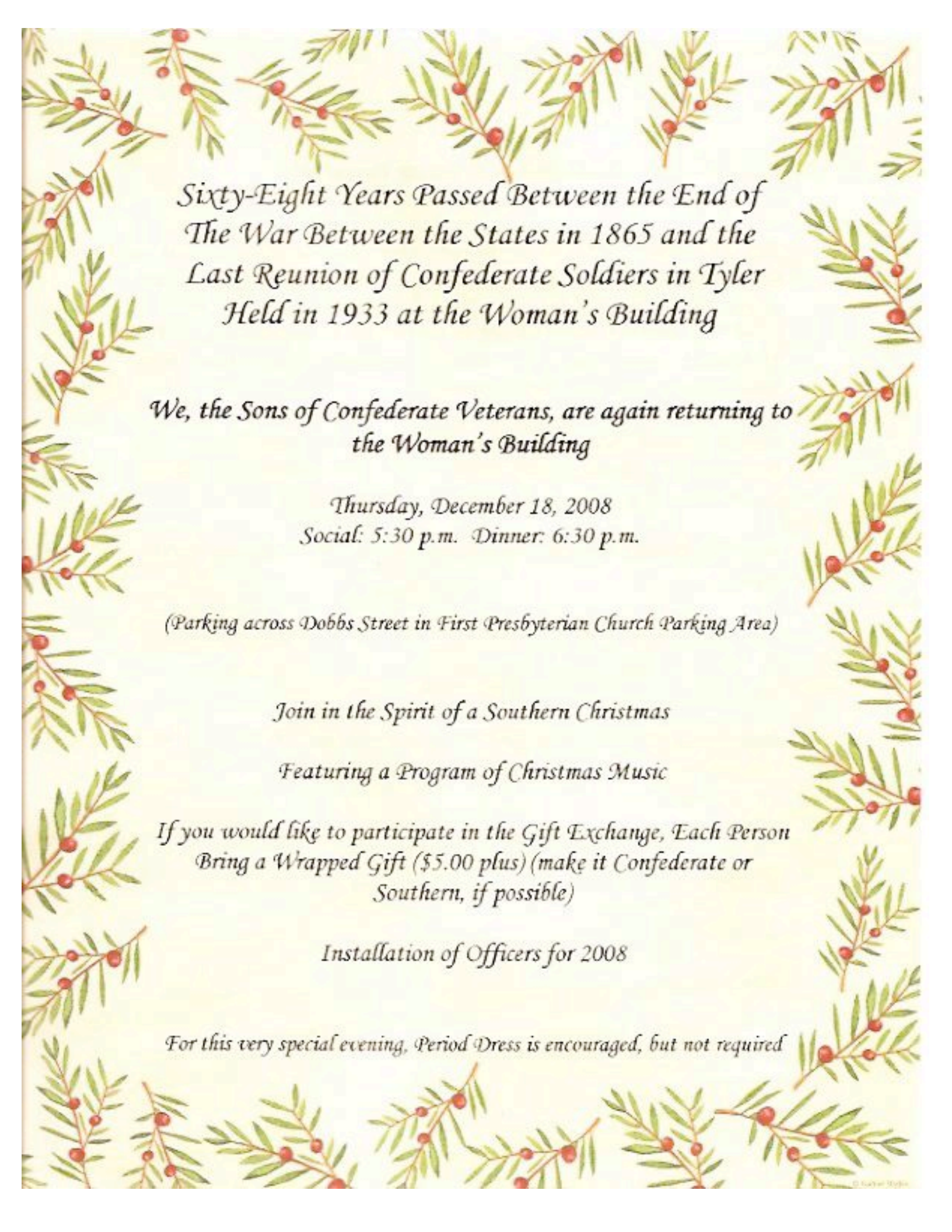
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Captain James P. Douglas Camp #124 meets at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Sweet Sue's Family Restaurant's Banquet Room (except December).
 3350 S SW Loop 323, Tyler TX.

The Public is Invited!



*Sixty-Eight Years Passed Between the End of
The War Between the States in 1865 and the
Last Reunion of Confederate Soldiers in Tyler
Held in 1933 at the Woman's Building*

*We, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, are again returning to
the Woman's Building*

*Thursday, December 18, 2008
Social: 5:30 p.m. Dinner: 6:30 p.m.*

(Parking across Dobbs Street in First Presbyterian Church Parking Area)

Join in the Spirit of a Southern Christmas

Featuring a Program of Christmas Music

*If you would like to participate in the Gift Exchange, Each Person
Bring a Wrapped Gift (\$5.00 plus) (make it Confederate or
Southern, if possible)*

Installation of Officers for 2008

For this very special evening, Period Dress is encouraged, but not required

Prepaid Reservations Required

Unfortunately, we are no longer able to offer the option of late reservations by telephone. In years past, late reservations have been accepted by phone, but not used or paid for. Since we are charged by the final count we give the Woman's Building, we must include only the paid reservations for that final count.

Please furnish first and last names for each person and remit \$25.00 per person, no later than December 12, 2008, payable to Capt. James P. Douglas Camp #124 to:

Bob Davidson, 10858 Mosswood Drive, Tyler, Texas 75703-9433

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