

Greetings to all McTeer brothers:

The Major William A. McTeer Camp No. 39, SUVCW met together in a Camp Mess meeting starting at approximately 12:10 pm at the Calhoun's on the Creek Restaurant in Maryville, TN. Attending the meeting were David McReynolds, Richard Holmes, Roy Gamble, George Lane, Max Renfro, A. B. McTeer, Steve Wallace, Mike Downs, Sam Wilson, Doug Fidler and Bob Wallace.

We discussed the upcoming East Tennessee History Fair to be held 15 August 2015 at Krutch Park in downtown Knoxville, TN. Our camp will have a tent and table set up. We discussed the status of volunteers to help man the tent during the event from 10 am to approximately 4 pm. We stressed that we were in good shape for volunteers except for the late afternoon hours. Depending on the weather, we may be able to get some good use of some of our new materials to exhibit.

Next we discussed the upcoming National Encampment in Richmond and the large delegation from our camp that is attending. We should have at least 6 camp members attending. Probably the largest in camp history.

Our auxiliary, Polly Toole Camp No. 17, was approved by the national organization. Cindy and Rachel McReynolds will be attending the National Encampment and will be initiated at that time into the order and will receive the Charter. The ladies will need to have an organizational meeting soon.

Doug Fidler reported that the Camp Flag had been ordered. In his communication with the National Quartermaster, he learned that the flags are now coming from a new maker and will take less time and be less expensive. We should have our flag by the time of our quarterly meeting in September.

Treasurer Bob Wallace gave a brief report including our bank balance as of the day of our meeting. We appear to be in adequate financial condition after the purchase of the flag is made. We thank all of the brothers who contributed to the Flag Fund. Without those contributions, it would not have been possible to make such a large purchase at this time.

David McReynolds shared the feature article of the camp's May 3rd rededication of the Sultana monument in the most recent issue of the Banner. A great event and a great honor to receive so much attention in our organization's national publication.

Our next quarterly meeting will be held on Monday, 21 September 2015, at 6:30 pm at the Dead End BBQ Restaurant in Maryville, TN. Dr. Aaron Astor will be the speaker. We need to make this meeting really special and strive to achieve record attendance.

Robert Holmes asked if we could entertain the idea of moving our Camp Mess meeting time to 12:30 pm instead of Noon as this will allow him more flexibility with work to attend the meetings. It was agreed among those present to change the time and so the next Camp Mess will be on Tuesday, 8 September 2015 starting at 12:30 pm at Calhoun's in Maryville, TN.

Doug Fidler addressed the special SUVCW event he will be attending in the UK. He will be leaving for the UK directly after the National Encampment. CC McReynolds asked Brother Fidler to return with a full report including pictures for the October camp newsletter.

We had a great time and there were many two, three and four person conversations going on as the brothers attending truly showed fraternity, charity and loyalty to each other and for the good of the order.

The Camp Mess broke up at approximately 1:15 pm.

Always in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

**David McReynolds**  
**Commander, Major William A. McTeer Camp No. 39, SUVCW**