

Members of Major William A. McTeer Camp 39 met at Calhoun's for the monthly McTeer Camp Mess at 12:30 on Tuesday, 15 Dec 2015.

PRESENT: David McReynolds, Mike Downs, Steve Wallace, Max Renfro, Roy Gamble, Bob Wallace, Sam Wilson, Richard W. Holmes, A.B. McTeer, Jason McTeer.

1. Commander David H. McReynolds called the meeting to order at 1235 hours. He shared with the members copies of the coverage given to the recent Encampment in the Daily Times as well as coverage of our November Camp Mess meeting. We have been fortunate to have had the support of the local press over the last year in getting our message out and to promote camp activities.
2. The commander praised the support of the members for their support of both the Blount County Jaycees Christmas Parade and the placement of wreaths at Knoxville National Cemetery as part of the Wreaths Across America program.
3. The commander then discussed quarterly meeting dates with the group. The East Tennessee History Center is not open in the evenings and he asked the group about planning the meetings for a weekend afternoon day – either Saturday or Sunday. The consensus appeared to be mid-afternoon Sunday meetings. The commander will pursue reserving dates with the center and report back next month. He also discussed the need for Officers' Meetings in 2016 and laid out a number of possibilities. He will communicate a suggested schedule to the officers including a proposed date, time and site for a meeting in January. He also reviewed his goals for 2016 which are published in the November 2016 edition of McTeer's Loyal Mountaineers, the camp newsletter.
4. Department Commander Mike Downs then announced that the Annual Encampment for the Department of Tennessee will be held 20 Feb 2016 in Germantown, TN, hosted by Sultana Camp No. 1. A registration form has been placed on the department website. A discounted rate of \$109 per night is available at the nearby Courtyard by Marriott. And, lunch will be catered by the Germantown Commissary, a famous Memphis BBQ restaurant at a cost of \$10 per person. He encourages as many members of the Camp as possible to attend.

BY THE COMMANDER

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