

Members of Major William A. McTeer Camp 39 met at Calhoun's, Maryville, for the monthly McTeer Camp Mess at 1230 hours on Tuesday, 9 Feb 2016.

PRESENT: David McReynolds, Mike Downs, George Lane, Roy Gamble, Max Renfro, Doug Fidler, Richard Holmes, A.B. McTeer.

1. Commander David H. McReynolds called the meeting to order at 1235 hours.
2. The meeting began with a discussion about how to create a stronger bond with the Knoxville Civil War Round Table to "get the word out" about our Camp's programs and activities. While a number of Brothers do attend regularly, there are other things we can do on top of face-to-face contact. One idea was to bring copies of the monthly newsletter to the KCWRT to pass out to interested participants. A second is to get a website link so that Round Table members can explore what we have to offer.
3. Brother Rich Holmes updated the members about his work on a grave dedication at the Pleasant Hill Methodist Church.
4. The commander updated members about the upcoming sesquicentennial of the readmission of Tennessee into the Union. He has identified a descendant of Governor "Parson" Brownlow, as well other public personages for possible inclusion in the event.
5. The dedication of the Sam Houston Memorial at the Maryville City Hall on 19 March. Governor Houston. While Houston was pro-slavery, he fought to defeat the forces of secessionism in Texas. Standing on principle, he refused to swear allegiance to the Confederacy and was deposed as governor by the legislature.
6. The commander announced that the National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War will attend a meeting of the local DUVCW tent at the East Tennessee Historical Society, Knoxville, on 14 May 2016. He encouraged the brothers to attend to greet the president.
7. Commander McReynolds closed the meeting at 1320 hours.

FOR THE COMMANDER



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