

Members of Major William A. McTeer Camp 39 met at Calhoun's, Maryville, for the monthly McTeer Camp Mess at 1230 hours on Tuesday, 12 Apr 2016.

PRESENT: CC David H. McReynolds, DC Mike Downs, CSVC Max Renfro, George Lane, Sam Wilson, Scott Alley, Richard Holmes, Roy Gamble, A.B. McTeer, Doug Fidler

1. CC David McReynolds called the meeting to order at 1245 hours. The purpose of the meetings was to review future events and to share information for the good of the order.
2. The Sultana Memorial ceremony will occur on 23 April in East Knoxville. The Cupp gravestone dedication will occur on 21 May in south Blount County. McTeer Camp will participate in a Memorial Day program at the Knoxville National Cemetery. The sesquicentennial of the readmission of Tennessee into the Union will occur in Knoxville on 24 July. All preparations are going well. Specific details can be found on the McTeer website (www.mcteer39.org).
3. DC Mike Downs announced that the Department website had been hacked and the Department webmaster was working to bring back on line. He also discussed a recent U.S. Grant biography he's been reading that would be a particularly rewarding to anyone interested in the general. He recommended a tour he had taken that followed the route of the Col. A.D. Streight Raid across northern Alabama that occurred in April and May 1863.
4. CC McReynolds promoted an idea to raise funds toward the Readmission Ceremony, including business ads and memorials to our soldier ancestors.
5. DC Downs mentioned that there was a current controversy among some departments and the National Treasurer over late reports; he advised it should be ignored. These were being dealt with at a higher level.
6. Secretary Doug Fidler gave a short summary of work in progress required to charter a Camp in London, England. There is a long list of paperwork to prepare, but everything is going along well. The Camp first official event will occur on 23 July in London with the grave dedication of its namesake, Ensign John Davis. The Camp will also receive its Charter from CinC Eugene Mortorff in person.
7. CC McReynolds closed the meeting at 1330 hours.

FOR THE COMMANDER



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