



The Dispatch

The Newsletter of the Department of Florida
S.U.V.C.W.

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Hello Brothers

It is with great honor that I accept the position of newsletter editor for "The Dispatch". I hope that you will enjoy the newsletters and will forward to me news and information to share with our fellow brothers.

Please forward to me any camp news to share at the following email address.

Doubledaves2@gmail.com

Thank You David Munson
Chestnut, CC Camp 1



MISSION STATEMENT

*Through Community Education and Service
to our Order
We Honor the Memory of the Grand Army of
the Republic
The men who fought to Preserve the Union
1861 - 1865*

Happy New Year to all.

Lets hope 2016 will be a great year to all of our members and friends. It should be interesting for our SUVCW families here in our Department of Florida there are many activities to start the year off with a bang.

In this issue we look at the 36th Annual Brooksville Raid Reenactment and we look forward to our Department Encampment in February. Also included in this issue is information about the National Encampment in Springfield IL in August. The latest hotel information is included and it is highly recommended to book your hotel room first to make sure you have a room. They are selling fast!

More info about the Department of Florida can be found in our Department web site.

<http://www.dofsuvcw.org>

2016 Department of Florida Encampment

Department Annual Encampment

February 20th, 2016

3101 17th Street

St. Cloud, Florida

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Luncheon will be served at 12:00 Noon

Please advise Department Secretary Whitlam of your Camps intentions on attendance and a good estimate on how many members will attend at clairwhitlam@gmail.com.

Agenda for Encampment is forthcoming!

Dept. of Florida has the following camps

Active Camps

[Winfield Scott Whitehurst Camp 01 - Tampa](#)

[General Thomas J. McKean Camp 03 - Lantana](#)

[Lucius L. Mitchell Camp No. 04 - St. Cloud](#)

[General Eugene A. Carr Camp 05 - Ocala](#)

[Sergeant Frederick R. Jackson Camp 07 - Pembroke Pines](#)

[General John A. Logan Camp 09 - Jacksonville](#)

Department Membership-At-Large

[General William T. Sherman Camp 25](#)

Community Center >



**21st Annual Florida Department of Florida
Encampment**

FEBRUARY 20, 2016

3101 17th Street

St. Cloud, Florida

**"B" Hall, Cypress Room
on the east side**

**8:00 AM Continental Breakfast and display table set up
time.**

12:00 PM Luncheon from Publix Deli:

Rotisserie d Lemon Pepper Chicken

New York Potato Salad

Garden Fresh Vegies

Fruit Salad

Various beverages

Early Registration:

Event \$5.00

Luncheon \$15.00

Total \$20.00

**Mail to Dept. Sec./Trea. Whitlam at
2078 Live Oak Blvd.**

St. Cloud, FL 34771-89441

Fee at the Door will be \$25.00

More Food, Fun, Door Prizes, Comradery

2016 National Encampment News – UPDATE – Hotel now accepting reservations!

Make your plans to attend the 2016 National Encampment in Springfield Illinois between Thursday, August 11 thru Sunday, August 14.

The Abraham Lincoln Doubletree by Hilton Hotel is now accepting reservations for the 2016 National Encampment in Springfield, Illinois. The Direct line to the hotel is [217-544-8800](tel:217-544-8800) and the National Reservation phone # is [866-788-1860](tel:866-788-1860), which is a free call. It is your choice who you would like to call. The rate is 106.00 not including taxes. If you have any problems, or have ANY concerns about reservations or the hotel facilities, or have additional questions regarding the National Encampment please contact Br. Jim Crane via e-mail at hoteljc1776@gmail.com

Please stay tuned for more information regarding the 2016 National Encampment in Springfield, Illinois.



Things To Do

The President Abraham Lincoln Springfield, a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel boasts an ideal location, within minutes of the Prairie Capital Convention Center and close to numerous businesses and popular Springfield attractions as well the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport. Catch the Springfield Trolley and visit a number of historical sites from the Illinois State Museum to Lincoln's Tomb. Step back 150 years in time and explore New Salem, a re-creation of Abraham Lincoln's, 19th century frontier village. Our hotel in Springfield, IL allows you to take in a performance at the Hoogland Center for The Arts or enjoy a family day trip to the Caribbean-themed, Knights Action Park featuring Go-karts, water slides and fairground attractions.

More about our host Hotel.

Our Hotel at a Glance

Begin your stay at President Abraham Lincoln Springfield, a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel with a warm welcome and our delicious fresh-baked cookie upon arrival. Set in the heart of historic downtown, our Springfield, IL hotel is the closest hotel to the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum and Library. We're also just minutes from corporations such as Horace Mann Companies and the State Capitol.

This hotel is connected to the Prairie Capital Convention Center and situated just a few blocks from St. John's Hospital and Memorial Medical Center. Hotel guests ride the complimentary shuttle to and from nearby AMTRAK and the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport. Visit the Old State Capitol and Lincoln Herndon's Law Office, treat the kids to a fun day at Knights Action Park, or visit New Salem, a re-created 19th century frontier village.

All of the beautiful guest rooms and suites at this hotel in Springfield, IL, feature modern amenities and thoughtful touches including a flat-screen TV, premium



Saturday January 16th 2016 was the date for the 36th Annual Brooksville Raid Reenactment at the Sand Hill Scout Reservation.

Each year this event becomes larger and larger! This is normally a three-day event though due to stormy weather some participants only attended on the Saturday. This year three camps from the Florida Department set up tents with displays. Members talked to people all day about the Son's of Union Veterans of the Civil War and handed out flyers.

We hope to gain interest and new members to our Camps and Department.

Camps attending included...

[Winfield Scott Whitehurst Camp 01 - Tampa](#)

[General Eugene A. Carr Camp 05 - Ocala](#)

[General John A. Logan Camp 09 - Jacksonville](#)

Raid 2016
On Brooksville

36th Annual Reenactment

Where:
Sand Hill Scout Reservation
11210 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville

When:
Saturday and Sunday,
January 16 & 17, 2016

Inexpensive Family Entertainment

Presented by:

- Hernando Historical Museum Association
- North Pinellas County Scout Sertoma Club

Donations:
\$8 Adults • \$4 Youth
6-12 years old
• FREE-5 & under and Scouts in uniform
Food concessions
• Chair rental
• **FREE PARKING**

SATURDAY	Time	Event	SUNDAY	Time	Event
	9 A.M.	Gates, Camps & Settlers Open		9 A.M.	Gates, Camps & Settlers Open
	9:30 A.M.	Colors - Battle Field		9:30 A.M.	Colors - Battle Field
	10:30 A.M.	Ladies Tea (period dress required)		10 A.M.	Church Service
	NOON	Artillery Demonstration		NOON	Artillery Demonstration
	1:30 P.M.	Music by 7lbs. of Bacon Mess Band		12:30 P.M.	Music by 7 lbs. of Bacon Mess Band
	2:30 P.M.	Brooksville Raid Battle		1:30 P.M.	Grand Review
		Flag Retirement Ceremony		2 P.M.	Brooksville Raid Battle
	5:30 P.M.	Camps Close to Public		4:30 P.M.	Camps Close to Public

For more information, please
Call 352-799-0129
or visit www.BrooksvilleRaid.com

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Photos from Brooksville Raid

Members from
Camps
Five and Nine at
their booth at the
Brooksville Raid.

These club
members are
always eager to
talk to passersby
who want to learn
more about the
SUVCW and the
Civil War.



More Brooksville Raid photographs



Camp One Photographs



Our proud banner!

Special Medals!

These are the special medals for the 135 annual encampment in Springfield.

The special edition medals will be available in Springfield and have been designed by a gentleman here in Florida. More about these medals to come...

