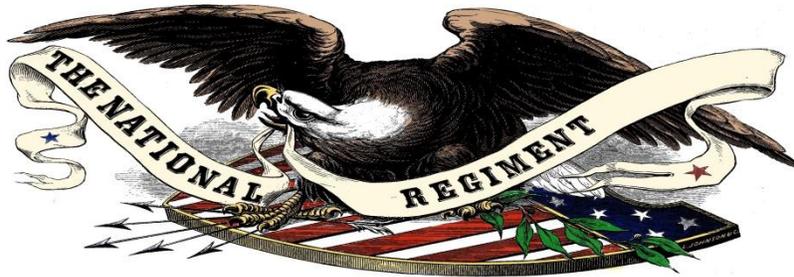


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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE NATIONAL REGIMENT

Fall, 2015

Commander's Corner

Can it be another year is winding down and we're approaching the final Max-effort event of the NR? It's been an odd year, with some REAL high highs but seemingly a lot of open time.

The year opened with a flurry of activities between the Officer/NCO School in Feb. /Mar., the Appomattox event in April and winding up with the Grand Review in Washington City in May; then home to our families and loved ones.

If I haven't said it before I'll say it now, congratulations and a job well done to EVERYONE who participated in the NPS Appomattox event. For four and in some cases five days of most distressing weather you all performed like the veterans you are. The morale was as high as the mud was deep and the bacon plentiful. As I overheard one spectator comment when we deployed "On the right, by file, into line" for the first stacking ceremony: "Oh, those must be the professionals." Yepper.

If you've not yet seen the video of the NR in the Grand Review I strongly urge you to take a look at it. Another example of the high quality of the National Regiment, we look like a machine. In my opinion you'll rarely see a better marching battalion anywhere.

Check it out at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=saAoGmHfFQ4>

If I sound like a "homey" I make no apology. To have the honor of commanding the NR...well, it just don't get no better than that. We officers may guide and instruct but the execution is all you lads. (Refer back to the Grand Review video). It shows the pride each and every man in the NR has in this organization and that's something that can't be taught, it has to come from within.

Which leads nicely to our next event. How many other organization would have a "Camp of Instruction" at the *end* of the season? We might be crazy, but we're wicked crazy 'cuz it works.

WE ARE...THE NR

One more thing. It comes to mind that 2016 is the 30th Anniversary of the National Regiment's first taking the field at a major event (125th First Bull Run). There are few, if any, other organizations in our "hobby" that can make that statement and we should all take pride in our dedication that we have survived this long.

I would like to suggest, to commemorate, that even though the event will be held at Cedar Creek, we make the 155th First Bull Run a max-effort event for the NR. I think it would be appropriate to send a message to the rest of the hobby that we're still here and going strong. Anyway, that's my opinion.

Happy reading and we'll see you in September, as the song goes.

Next Events

Gettysburg Living History/Camp of Instruction **Sept. 26, 27, 2015 Gettysburg, PA**

Location: Behind the PA Monument on Humphrey's Ave.

Set-Up Time: After 4pm on Friday Sept. 25th.

Type of

Camp: Formal camp layout (company streets), officers in shelter tents, company flies if desired.

Demos: Two firing demos on both Saturday and Sunday (times TBD).

Ammo: Bring 40 rounds of your standard ammunition and enough caps for priming and clearing. No specialty rounds this time.

Food: Provide your own. As usual for this site we will be limited on fires so plan accordingly.

Uniform: Standard AOP field uniform.

What

to Expect: This will be a camp of Instruction with emphasis on battalion maneuvers so be prepared to drill. At this time, the Colonel is not planning on drilling anyone to death, so don't worry on that score.

Annual NR Meeting and Remembrance Day Parade **November 21, 2015 Gettysburg, PA**

Again this year the NR has reserved a block of rooms for the nights of Friday, Nov 20 and Sat. Nov 21.

The Days Inn

865 York Rd. (Rt. 30)

Gettysburg, PA 717-334-0300

Rate: \$129 per room, per night

Call now to reserve your room, TELL THEM YOU'RE WITH THE NATIONAL REGIMENT

FYI: America's Best Value: No Vacancies: Super 8 \$189 per night: Hampton Inn \$224/247 per night:

Hilton Garden Inn \$224/247 per night; 3 Crowns No Vacancies: Gettysburg Hotel \$239/314 per night

NR Meeting

Where: The Lee/Meade meeting rooms at the Days Inn

Each unit is required by the By-Laws to have two representatives present.

There will be an Agenda Meeting on Friday, November 20, at 8:30pm

The National Regiment 2015 Annual Meeting will be held at 7:30am Saturday, November 21

PLEASE START TO THINK NOW OF EVENTS FOR 2016 SUITABLE FOR THE NATIONAL REGIMENT.



The NR at Appomattox 2015

by Jeff Smith



Confederate arms are stacked in front of the Appomattox Court House at the park where the 150th anniversary of the Army of Northern Virginia surrender meeting and stacking of arms was observed.

(Nancy Jennis Olds)

**Spoils of War,
Ave Caesar**