



Joshes and Chubs



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Well, another year has come and gone, and I can honestly say that it has been one of the most enjoyable years that I have had in quite a long time. Although we have not had large numbers in the field, we have had quality. And I thank you for that.

This next year we have a mission before us. Our focus for the year will be recruiting. I know that we are always looking for troops to fall in with us, but we have not been actively beating the bushes and recruiting. I would like to have at least one recruiting night every other month in different areas. Once a month would also be great. Then we need to follow that up with an event in that area, i.e., encampment, living history, reenactment. I will need all of your help in doing this. Since our first event in January (after the Dodd service) is Arkansas Post, maybe we can have a recruiting night in Dumas. Let me know your thoughts.

At Old Washington, it was decided that since we had a large majority of the company present to hold elections for the coming year so that we could hit the ground running. Bob Hutcheson was elected 1st Sgt because of his clerical and logistic abilities. Guy Taylor was elected 2nd Sgt because of his knowledge of the drill and tactical abilities on the field. Andrew Bouchet was appointed as Corporal to assist these two in the training of the troops. Congratulations to all of you. I would like to thank Guy Taylor for all his hard work as our 1Sgt. He stepped in when needed to fill a void and has done a good job. Now we are ready to take the next step toward fielding our own company at every event with this core of qualified NCOs. May you and yours have a glorious holiday season, and see you all in the field soon, Always your loyal and obedient servant, Capt K

Calendar Of Events

December 13th 7:00 p.m.

Ride With The Devil viewing at the IMAX in Little Rock. BYO anything you want to eat or drink.

There will be a complete list of upcoming events presented to the Company at Arkansas Post in January for us to vote on attending. So be sure and try to make it. The dates are January 21st and 22nd. I will be sending out a short letter in December on January events.

To the company, of the 1st Ark. I would like to say to each and everyone of you that i have very much enjoyed, being your 1st Sgt for the past few years. I assumed the position after our former 1 Sgt Steve Brickey left the company to start his own business. I will say i have learned a lot by being the 1st Sgt. and there was a lot of times i didn't know what I was doing but I do appreciate the opportunity of being ya'lls Sgt. I know yall taught me a few things about myself especially me working on my people skills. I've learned a lot from that and still learning to this day. I want to thank Mark for allowing me the opportunity and to also thank him for giving me the compliment of telling me I know my drill front to back from the book. But I'm not so sure that I am a book of knowledge of the drill I think it may be pretty hollow up there most of the time. Ha Ha. Also I want to Congratulate our new 1st Sgt. Bob Hutcheson, and our Cpl. Andrew Borchett on their new positions in the company. I know their jobs will be tough but I know that if we work together this next year a lot more than what we have in the past I know we will be ready to perform our duties on the field of battle. In conclusion, I would like to thank each and everyone of yall in the company of placing me at 2nd Sgt. and I'm looking forward to training our new 1st Sgt. and Cpl on their duties. However, until next time we see each other I would like to wish everyone in the company and very safe and happy holidays. 2nd Sgt. Guy (Giggling Tent killer) Taylor

SGT STRIPES

1st Sergeant Robert Hutcheson

I want to start off by thanking the Company for having the confidence to elect me to this position. I do not claim to know everything and have already told Guy that I expect him to stay close to teach me what needs to be learned and to be there when I screw up. I know that Andrew also is desirous of any knowledge that anyone can pass on to him as he assumes the position of 1st Corporal. Each of these positions that were created at Old Washington are to assure that our Company becomes something that we can be proud of and becomes as professional a unit as possible. I hope that with the leadership you have elected we can continue to be a viable Company of reenactors that anyone would be anxious to join. In the past I have heard comments from other people about the 1st being a professional one and I know that the future will only make us stronger. I ask anyone, at anytime to feel free and contact me with suggestions for improvement. If we don't all participate in this Company then it will fall apart. There are a lot of events coming up next year. As always most will be volunteer to show up type, however there will be some designated as "*Maximum Effort Participation*" such as Camp White Sulphur in October. One thing I want to get away from is an atmosphere of feeling like this is a job and not a hobby. Like I said, if someone has some suggestions on how to improve, I am all ears.

THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Andy Taylor



The next time you feel like GOD can't use you, just remember

Noah was a drunk, Abraham was too old, Isaac was a daydreamer, Jacob was a liar, Leah was ugly, Joseph was abused, Moses had a stuttering problem, Gideon was afraid, Sampson had long hair and was a womanizer, Rahab was a prostitute, Jeremiah and Timothy were too young, David had an affair and was a murderer, Elijah was suicidal, Isaiah preached naked, Jonah ran from God, Naomi was a widow, Job went bankrupt, John the Baptist ate bugs, Peter denied Christ, The Disciples fell asleep while praying, Martha worried about everything, Mary Magdalene was, well you know, The Samaritan woman was divorced, more than once, Zaccheus was too small, Paul was too religious, Timothy had an ulcer...AND

Lazarus was dead! No more excuses now. God can use you to your full potential. Besides you aren't the message, you are just the messenger.

Would love to have Kayla and any others dressed out for an Old Towne Christmas on December 8th from 5:30 till 8:00. Would you please announce this at any meetings you have coming up. These people just need to be seen in the crowd. They only thing they need to do is give directions to events going on in the area. I will be helping people at Y'Nots with food etc. Pine Bluff School District String Band, a couple of gospel groups, and UAPB Jazz Ensemble will entertain there. It will be inside out of the weather. In the Donald Reynolds building will be pictures with Santa, Sketches, Jenkins Center Choir, St Joseph Children, Christmas stories. 3rd and Main Cummins Band, Holcomb Brothers, face painting Community Theatre, Community Band and gospel groups Community parking lot UAPB golden girls and praise team In front of Saenger theatre - children's activity by Arts and Science Center We can use anyone that wants to work the crowd and give directions. Streets will be closed and everything will be between Main and Chestnut on 2nd and 3rd and Pine from 2nd to 3rd. Anyone that you can round up would be appreciated. Just be in costume and show up. They can call me at 329-7102. I am at Railroad Museum most days Thanks Elizabeth Gaines

We have several recruiting possibilities that are in need of equipment as well as some new members who do not have everything. If you have ANYTHING you would like to sell, please contact Hutch

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