

# The Rebellion Crier

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## A Letter from the Captain



Hello everyone!

I know you are wondering why I did not start the news letter off with my standard opening lines!

Attention Company, etc! Well, for those of you who were at Locust Grove will know why I am starting it out like this!!!!!!!!!!!!

BOOM!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

HE SHOT ME IN THE

ASS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I CAN NOT BELIEVE HE SHOT ME IN THE ASS!!!!!!!!!!!!

That's right!! A would be assassin that I will not name (Ron Pierce) Oops I let it slip!! Shot me in the back side while playing cards! What a sore loser. If you want to hear the whole story, ask Brett Taylor. That is, if you can stop laughing long enough to hear him tell it. Well, this is the last issue for this season. I have a lot to cover, so lets move on to it. First of all, I forgot to add Ken (Tell) Ehram to the last issue for helping move the shed to my house. Thanks Ken I am sorry! Now, on to Locust Grove. We had a great time there. I believe I had a better time there this year minus the extra lead in my bottom. We had a great turn out this year from the membership. The Isle of Wight County Soldiers Aide Society provided Thanksgiving dinner for us and the 79th NY. Thank you so much. It was great. Also, thank you for all you have

done for the 16th Va. and the 2nd Battalion as well. The drills were great, thanks to Mike Kelly. I learned a lot, plus I got to shoulder a rifle again this year. It was great. No meeting, etc!! The battles were fun and all went well. On a scale of 1-10, I will give it a 7. The Battalion T-shirts have all been sold. Let me know if you want one. I will order more if needed. Now on to the ANV Convention. I went up Friday Morning. I stopped by Cold Harbour to take some pictures of the works etc. Then I went to Fredericksburg to see the sunken road which the park service put back to the way it looked in the 1861-1865 time frame. They did a good job. I was in a meeting from 7:30 PM TO 12:00AM. Then again at 8:30 to 9:30. Then again from 9:30 AM to 12:00 Then again 1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM. My God I am sick of meetings!! This year Tony, Armand and Greg Smith were there with me. We had a great time!! I took a fart machine with us to the meeting. That was a lot of fun! Ask any of the guys with me. It was priceless. Now I have some really big news! Please sit down first. Take a deep breath! OK here it is folks! OUR SPRING EVENT IS THE FIRST ANV SANCTIONED MAX EVENT FOR 2007!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Did you get that!!!!!!!!!!!! That's right! We have made the big time. This also means lots of work parties and a lot of help will be needed by the unit. The Battalion will help us as well. Also the 6th Va. etc. We have a lot of work ahead of us. Please help us pull this off. We will need everyone on this one. I will discuss this more at our December meeting. I hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving. Give God the

thanks for such a great organization we have and the friendships as well. Some of the events for next year will be given in this news letter. Until I see you all, take care.

I remain your obedient servant,  
sirs!

Colonel Billy Smith

## **SCHEDULE 2006**

December 3, 2006 Workday Event  
site next to Court house. 9 AM.  
Please bring chain saws, axes,  
weed eaters, etc!!

December 9-10 Heritage Park,  
Isle of Wight - Company event.

## **SCHEDULE 2007**

1. March 30-April 1, 2007  
Cold Harbour!! ANV Max event!  
IWC
2. April
3. May Ft. Pocahontas.
4. June 9-10 Dixie Days  
Battalion Event
5. July, The Crater Living  
history Petersburg Va. No date  
set yet. 1 day event
6. St. Lukes Smithfield living  
history. 1 day event. Date will  
be given at a later date.
7. Sept. Chesapeake Civil War  
Days {Date will be given in next  
issue}.

8. Cedar Creek ANV Max event  
October 19-21

9. Locust Grove November 3-4

10. Christmas event. IWC

Dates will be added as we  
receive the info. Events may be  
added or deleted as needed.

At this time I would like to  
thank each and every one of you  
that have supported the unit in  
the past year. Work parties,  
events, special events etc! I  
also would like to wish you and  
yours a Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year!

May God Bless Us, Every one!

"Tiny Tim"

## **Christmas Event Meal**

The Christmas event will be here  
before you know it and since  
this is our first reenactment in  
Isle of Wight we want to make a  
good showing.

Since the County doesn't have  
any experience with this type of  
event, we will be handling some  
more of the logistical duties  
than we did at Endview (but with  
a lot bigger reward!) Because  
of this, it will be important  
for the staff to have an  
accurate picture of when you are  
planning to arrive so we can  
make sure all of the duties we  
will be responsible for are  
covered without having 2 or 3  
people do all of the work.

With that in mind, if you would  
be so kind as to reply back to  
me with your best estimate or  
when you will arrive on site, we  
would appreciate it.

On a related note, as in the  
past we will be providing

Christmas dinner for all of the re enactors. Armand is in charge of the dinner and has prepared a list (see below) of what we need each person to bring.

If your name is not on this list, please contact Armand or me to find out what to bring.

Thank you.

Mark Doughty

16th Va Co D

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Christmas 2006 Meal

Everyone Please bring one BIG can of veggies.

Please bring all meats fully cooked and please have the turkey off the bone. Thank you.

Billy Smith- Ham

Ronnie Pierce - Turkey

Tony Rejuney - Ham

TJ Savage - Turkey

Bruce Cates - Ham

Mark Doughty - Turkey

Evan Aaron - Ham

Vince Abruzzese- Turkey

Ray - Ham

Tommy - Turkey

Gary - Ham

Lloyd - Turkey

Alton - Ham

RJ - Turkey

Scott Downs - Ham

Steve Gates - Sub - cranberry

Sauce

Russell - Turkey

Brett - Ham

Gene Cates - Turkey

John Knight - Ham

Bryan Cole - Turkey

Tim Downey - Ham

Greg Smith - Turkey

Richard Jones - Ham

Ken Ehram - Turkey

Jim Iman - Turkey

John Sadecki - Ham

Rob Vernon - Turkey

## From the Desk of the Quartermaster

Hey guys! I hope this newsletter finds you all doing well. I wasn't able to attend Cedar Creek this year because of a prior commitment but Capt. Smith tells me that it went well but it was damn cold at night! We talked about a few subjects for this newsletter and since we are doing a few cold weather events I thought I would cover a few things I picked up from working outside in winter. Dress in layers and keep your head covered. You lose 70% of your body heat through your head. Keep your smoking, if you do, to a minimum. It lowers your body temperature, the same as drinking sprints. Remove some of your clothing during times of activity to keep your sweating down. A lot of us are not getting any younger so take care of yourself. We are very close to our first event in Isle of Wight Co. Let's have a good turn out, and we hope it won't be too cold!

Sgt. Tim Downey

Quartermaster 16th VA.

## Christmas Open House

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Just wanted to get the word out as soon as possible. Missy and I are planning to hold our Christmas Open House again this year on Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup>. This is the week after the Christmas Event. More details will be provided later but we hope to see everyone there and please feel free to pass this along to other members you know.

Thanks

Mark Doughty

## **ANV Insurance Info**

The ANV Insurance for the 2007 season is the same price as last year. Accidental \$3 and the Liability is \$6. As last year \$9.00 total. If any one wishes to see the insurance cover sheet I have a copy listing our benefits. If any one wishes to see the ANV Treasury Report, I also have a copy of it.

Col. Smith