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***The Patriotic Voice***

**December 1, 2014**

**Kennesaw Mountain Camp #3  
Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War**



**Camp Calendar**

**December 6, 2014**

**[Camp Meeting at Marietta Police Dept](#)**

**January 31, 2015**

**[Camp Meeting at Marietta Police Dept](#)**

**February 28, 2015**

**[Camp Meeting at Marietta Police Dept](#)**

**March 28, 2015**

**[Camp Meeting at Marietta Police Dept](#)**

**April 24-26, 2015**

**Department Encampment**

**May 25, 2015**

**Memorial Day Observed**

**May 30, 2015**

**[Camp Meeting at Marietta Police Dept](#)**

**Memorial Day - Actual**

Brothers of Kennesaw Mountain Camp #3,

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> will be our last meeting of 2014. As we look forward to 2015, I believe it is important for our camp to focus on a number of important concerns in the coming year.

First, we need to continue to grow our membership. Camp #3 did well in terms of membership in 2014. The interest sparked by the sesquicentennial and the National Encampment held in our home territory provided for the addition of several new members throughout the year. Also, our members reached out to some interested individuals. However, we cannot rest on our laurels in 2015. Attrition will occur so we need to keep looking for quality individuals who are interested in being SUVCW members.

Second, we need to provide added value to membership for those members we currently have. Often, organizations concentrate so much on recruitment that they fail to recognize the importance of retention. We need to work as a team to make membership interesting, enjoyable and fulfilling. Members usually join because they

### *Camp Commander's Comments*



want to honor their forefathers and be a part of that legacy. We need to embrace that aspect while also ensuring that our meetings and the events we participate in are attractive to those who want to honor their forefathers.

Third, we need to reach out to local members who have not been active at the camp level for some time and see if we can bring them back in. We need all the involvement we can get at the camp level and those individuals stopped participating for a reason. Let's find out why and see if we can alleviate the issue. If you are one of those less active members and are reading this, let us know what we can do to bring you back into the fold.

Lastly, we need to secure a camp flag as soon as possible. We now have the funds, so let's make it happen!

Merry Christmas and happy holidays to you all.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

*David Beam*  
Camp Commander



### **Sherman Presents Savannah**

On December 22, 1864 General William Tecumseh Sherman wired the following message to President Abraham Lincoln.

"I beg to present you, as a Christmas gift, the city of Savannah, with 150 heavy guns and plenty of ammunition, and also about 25,000 bales of cotton."



### **Links of Interest**

**Kennesaw Mtn Camp #3 - SUVCW**  
<http://sonsofunionveteranskennesawcamp.yolasite.com/>

**Kennesaw Mtn Camp #3 on Facebook**  
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Kennesaw-Mountain-Camp-3-Sons-of-Union-Veterans-of-Civil-War-Dept-GA-SC/185606601487776>

**National Headquarters – SUVCW**  
<http://www.suvcw.org/>

**National SUVCW on Facebook**  
<https://www.facebook.com/SUVCW>

**Department of GA & SC – SUVCW**  
<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~gasuvcw/>

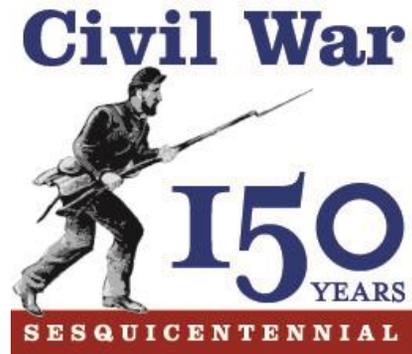
**Charles Devins Jr. Camp #10 - SUVCW**  
<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~sccdjsuv/>

**National Department – DUVCW**  
<http://www.duvcw.org/>

**National Auxiliary to SUVCW**  
<http://www.asuvcw.org/>

**Ladies of the GAR**  
<http://suvcw.org/LGAR/Home.html>

**The National Woman's Relief Corps**  
<http://suvcw.org/WRC/index.htm>



### **December 1864 in the Civil War**

Dec 4 – Union victory at the Battle of Waynesboro, GA.

Dec 5-7 - Union victory at Murfreesboro, TN.

Dec 7-27 – Confederate victory at Ft. Fisher, NC.

Dec 13 – Union Army captures Ft. McAlister.

Dec 15 & 16 – Union victory at the Battle of Nashville, TN.

Dec 20 & 21 – Union victory at the Battle of Saltville, VA.

Dec 21 – Union forces under General Sherman occupy Savannah.



## Civil War Related Events

Lecture, "[Technology in the Civil War](#)," at Heritage Sandy Springs, 6110 Bluestone Road, Sandy Springs. December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7 pm. Free.

Reenactment, "[150th Winter Muster](#)" exact date anniversary of the orders to attack Fort McAllister at the Fort McAllister Historic Park near Richmond Hill. Living history camps 9 am-4 pm. Battle at 5 pm. December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Free.

[Commemoration of the Battle of Nashville](#). Includes living history and other programs at Fort Negley, Shy's Hill, Travellers Rest and other sites. December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Free.

"[Attack and Defense at Shy's Hill](#)," monument dedication and ceremony, 4917 Benton Smith Road, Nashville. December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 3:30 pm. Free.

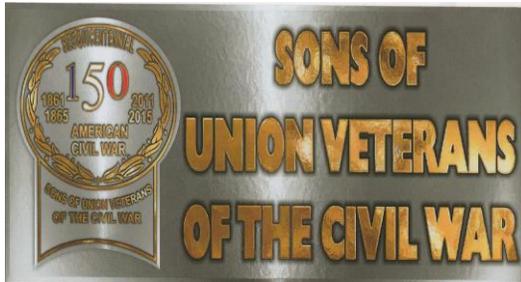
Lecture, "[I present to you... a Christmas gift, the city of Savannah](#)," at the Chickamauga National Military Park. December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 2 pm. Free.



## Monthly Camp Meetings

Kennesaw Mountain Camp #3 meets the last Saturday of every month at 9 a.m. at the Marietta Police Department which is located at [240 Lemon Street](#) in Marietta. **Guests are encouraged to attend!**





Do you have relatives or friends that are eligible for membership in the SUVCW?

If you answered “yes” then you are responsible recruiting them. Bring them to a camp meeting as a guest and show them the fellowship of the SUVCW.

Applications are available by contacting a camp (preferred method), department or the national headquarters through links provided in this newsletter.

Camp members will be more than happy to help out on any genealogy questions they might have.



## Kennesaw Mountain Camp #3 Signal Corps



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