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## GB RR Event a Hit! On to Wade House & Coon Valley!

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Greetings:

September is finally here! Fall is my favorite season: Halloween, Hunting, Wade House and Coon Valley! The season is just filled with dressing-up and shootin' at varmints! I know that there are just not enough weekends between September 1<sup>st</sup> and November 30<sup>th</sup> for us to enjoy. I still hope we can all make room in our schedules to set aside the weekends for our last two events. It would certainly be great to see you all again.

The event at the Green Bay National Railroad Museum on August 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> is still fresh in my mind. It was a great event! It was not an “official” 41<sup>st</sup> event, but we still had nine rifles falling in. We were honored and pleased to have Terry Sorchy present for duty. Because of our numbers the unit was prepared to fall in with the 10<sup>th</sup> Tennessee but they honored us by not only treating us as one of the gang but by also giving Mr. Munt independent command during the actions.

Both days the weather was unbeatable. The food and refreshments served on Saturday night were fantastic. But best of all we had some excellent first person opportunities. Our campaign style camp, without a tent or shebang to be seen, was commented upon by ‘taters and re-enactors alike. The restored Heisler Steam engine, running by (especially after dark) was a sight, sound, and smell not to be missed! The effect was compounded by the fact that one could feel it come by as the tracks were only yards from our camp!

The battles were given a tactical air on both days and our



commanders, Capt. Berkey and Lt. McGraw, were more than up for the challenge. Mr. Munt did us proud and we all earned the praises of the 10<sup>th</sup>'s commanders. Both days we were outnumbered, overwhelmed and outflanked. But only on Sunday were we forced to lay down our arms and accept defeat – and that a close thing. It was great to fight along side the 10<sup>th</sup>. My hat also goes off to the boys of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wisconsin. No one could say more of their efforts and they took hits like I've seldom seen at events this size.

This event is certainly one to be considered for next year's calendar. It was in my opinion the best event so far this year.

Your humble servant, Terrence Lemke

## **BIG NEWS:**

“The sacrifices of the few out way the idleness of the many.” Ok, not quite the quote used by Spock before crumbling in to a glowing mass and getting his first (and last) “torpedo” ride, but the analogy is ironic. It seems that three hardy soles, including our Mr. Munt, found themselves participating in the recreation of the Draft Riots for filming by the Milwaukee Public Television station on July 24th. Well Mr. Munt and company (I'm sorry I don't remember who they were) must have done an outstanding job. I hope we'll have plenty of warning to set our VCR's for when the production finally airs.

I was contacted by an official at the TV station wishing to thank the 41<sup>st</sup>. I accepted on behalf of those that participated. He then informed me that they would have some money left over that they would like to donate to our unit! After asking him; “can you repeat that?”, I again found my self thanking him. I don't yet know how much, and don't expect much (as we know how much money public television stations have) but any amount would be appreciated. I'll keep you informed.

## **Franklin TN National:**

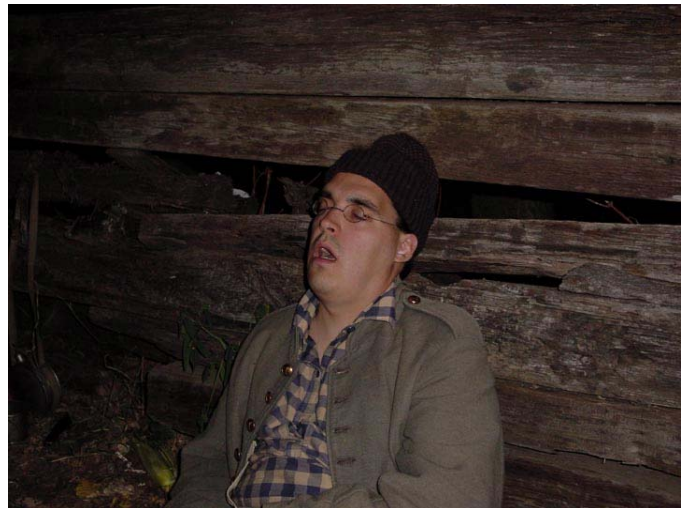
Anyone of the 41<sup>st</sup> who is interested in going to the National Event at Franklin TN, in October is welcome to fall in with the 10<sup>th</sup> Tennessee. The point of contact is John Baumgart (baumgarj@uwgb.edu). He is the 10<sup>th</sup>'s secretary handling the registration for the unit. They would love to have

members of the 41st fall in with them. Sgt. Matt Olsen says, “Over the last several events we've had several of your members fall in and it has made it all the more enjoyable.

Welcome!”

Please feel free to contact John by phone (may be faster) (920) 468-4267

Also feel free to contact Matt at home (262) 740-1086, or by cell at (262) 745-1743.



### **Paymaster's Report:**

The balance of the coffers as of June 22nd, 2004, was a total of \$245.30. There were no new receipts as of the date of publication. There were disbursements of \$34.32 for bacon and \$69.95 for web hosting for a total of \$104.27, leaving a balance of \$141.03 in the war chest. The web hosting will cover us for two years as a "special" was taken advantage of.

The following have been recorded as having paid dues.

ANDY ACKERT	NANCY TROXEL
MARC REED	JIM SCHUMANN
JOHN FRITZE	JOHN VAN BECKUM
TERRY LEMKE	KEN & BETH SOCH
BRAD BODA	DAVID BUSHMOLE
MIKE RUSSEL	KENT AND ZACH COCKROFT
KEVIN WEINSHROTT	

Thanks to those who have paid. Send your dues check to the following address:  
Terrence Lemke. 528 Willow Drive. Fond du Lac, WI 54935

### **Company Meeting:**

A company meeting will be worked in to the Wade house event. As soon as I find out who's planning on showing up and when I'll have a better idea on which day we'll try to get it done.

### **Coon Valley Promo:**

As many of you may know, our own Brad Bodoh will be the overall Confederate commander for this years Coon Valley Event. This is always a great event at a great location. We would really like to encourage all members, civilian and military, to attend this event. The scenario will be placed in the early war period of 1862. Brad, I'm sure, will let us know more of what he has in store for us. We are also told to prepare for a challenge of a momentous nature. Our honor is at stake and will be tested at the Saturday Night Talent Show. Period songs, stories, skits, etc will be presented. We have the duty to show our talent (or lack there-of) – so git those wheels in yur head a grindin' and put something together!

### **Events:**

May 1,2	Dousman Inn, Elmbrook Historical Society - Brookfield, WI
June 5,6	VA Administration, Milwaukee, WI - Company
June 11,13	Galloway House & Village (3rd Wisconsin) - Informational
June 26,27	Boltonville Sesquicentennial, WI - Company
July 10,11	Wauconda, IL Dropped
July 17,18	Old Falls Village, Menominee Falls, WI - Company
Aug 7,8	Boscobel, WI - Alternate
Aug 14,15	Green Bay RR Museum, WI – Alternate w/High Interest
Sept 11,12	Lockport, IL - Alternate
Sept 25,26	Wade House, WI – Company
Oct 1,2,3	Franklin TN. National – 10 <sup>th</sup> Tenn

Oct 1,2            Spring Hill - Alternate  
 Oct 9,10          Coon Valley, WI – Company

### **Good of the Order:**

Once again we had the pleasure to fall in with the 10<sup>th</sup> at Green Bay's National Railroad Museum. The following are excerpts from the after-action reports of the 10<sup>th</sup>'s noble and capable officers.

“I'd like to thank our pards from the 41st Virginia for rallying to our assistance. It is always a pleasure to soldier with those fine troops.” - Captain Berkey, 10<sup>th</sup> TN



“I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank the soldiers of the 41st Virginia ... for the outstanding job that they all did at Green Bay. It was an honor to serve with you. ... Duty may call you to another theater, but you are always welcomed in the ranks with the 10th Tennessee. You are clearly some of the most outstanding soldiers that I have ever had the honor to serve with in the field.” – Lt. Dan McGraw, 10th TN

### **New Participants:**

We have seen several new people show interest in taking part in the 41<sup>st</sup>'s war effort. This is a great and needed thing for our organization. I would like to ask all of you to take the time to welcome our new comrades in arms and I thank you in advance for the all the efforts in both the loaning of equipment and the sharing of your knowledge and experience.

### **Lost money to be claimed:**

Well, no I don't really have any lost money waiting to be claimed. Just consider this a rude trick to get you to read these few lines. If you have not already, please register for the last two events either on line or by e-mail ASAP! I would like to get a head count for each event.

### **Images:**

- 1) Marc Reed, John Fritze, and Dan Hunt enjoy the excellent weather while in camp.
- 2) JVB shows us his impression of battle field dead.
- 3) Good image showing our camp's proximity to the rail-head and the 10<sup>th</sup>'s camp.

Additional Images from the GB event have been posted on our web site at [www.41stva.org](http://www.41stva.org)