

November 2011

Unit Update

November has shown many of us the first snowflakes of the season. Fortunately, those who attended the national events in October were graced with good weather, albeit chilly dawn temperatures. This month's Update has as its watermark a photo taken at Cedar Creek just two weeks ago. Except for those attending "Pursuit of Floyd" in a few weeks, the 2011 reenacting season for the 28th NY is history. Even so, we are busy with this hobby year 'round.

With that, please note the following information on your busy calendars:

- The window for nominations for Board and Military positions closes on **November 10, 2011**. Please reference the note from the nominating committee in this Update;
- The next **Regular Business Meeting** of the 28th NY will be held on **Saturday, December 10, 2011** at the Palmyra Meeting Room. The meeting will begin at **2:00 p.m.** instead of the usual 1:00 p.m.

From our Unit President

Dear friends...

For the entire ten years that the 28thNY has been in existence, I've been the President or acting VP. It's been a whole lot of fun watching us grow and become respected throughout the re-enacting community. Due to changes in my work schedule and personal situation over the years, and with an eye toward some possible changes coming in both, it's become more and more difficult for me to fulfill my duties with the thoroughness and consistency I demand of myself. Many of you have seen this as my attendance has gradually dropped off and my attention been drawn elsewhere. I've needed to increasingly rely on our Vice President and other unit officers to carry out the duties that I should have been available for. These folks have done very well picking up my slack- they're a credit to themselves and to the collective wisdom and support of you-the membership.

At this time, I'd like to ask the 28thNY to consider looking at someone else to step into my position. If not for 2012, then perhaps the next year. I'm not going to just walk away from the unit altogether and won't leave the office of President open if there's no interest by another capable individual. However, I think it only fair to warn everyone that my absences may become more frequent and of longer duration depending on the outcome of pending issues.

Darin Everdyke

From our Military Coordinator

150th Anniversary of the Battle of Shiloh

Before the reenacting year properly begins in 2012 we have the first of the coming year's anniversary events with the 150th anniversary of Shiloh taking place over the weekend of March 29 to April 1, 2012. We will have people from the 28th New York at the event. However, please note that there are TWO Shiloh events taking place the same weekend, two miles apart on the same road and with similar websites and event names. We are attending the Blue Grey Alliance Shiloh event... Details and Registration can be found at the following website:

www.shilohbluegray.com

Tour Bus to Shiloh

As said above, over the weekend of March 29 to April 1, 2012, the 150th Anniversary of the battle of Shiloh is taking place. In order to try and bring down people's costs for the event, the 140th New York are planning to book a tour bus and they have asked whether anyone from the 28th New York would be interested in booking a seat on the bus. It will be \$83 per person departing from Rochester. Considering the 1,100 mile and two days each way it would most likely need to make the trip, the cost isn't that bad. We've been asked for an approximate head count for anyone who is interested to determine whether the idea is feasible or not, so please let Simon know if you are interested.

From the Nomination/Election Committee

Dear Friends,

It is once again time to elect officers for the 28th NYVI. All nominations or notifications of intent to run for office must be received on or before **November 10, 2011**. Ballots will be sent out prior to the Election Meeting which will be held on December 10th. Please see your November and December Updates for details on the meeting.

Eligibility:

To be eligible to vote in the election, or to run for and hold office, you must be a dues-paid member over 16 years of age, who has participated in at least one event in the 2011 season in period dress. If you are unsure whether you meet the requirements, please contact me (Barbara Vandervort at bvandervort@gmail.com or 315-398-0443) and I will check the record for you. Only eligible members will receive ballots.

All offices are held on a year-by-year basis. The positions are as follows:

Board Members:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Military Coordinator/ Commander

Military Offices:

1st Sergeant
Corporal (2 positions)

Please notify a member of the Nominations Committee of your intent to run for office, or to nominate someone else for an office. Committee members are:

Barbara Vandervort: bvandervort@gmail.com (315-398-0443)
Marilyn Dirk: Halylu@twcnny.rr.com (315-342-3977)
Ross Whitford: privatewhitford97@yahoo.com (315-825-5585)

Respectfully,

The Nominations Committee

Finally, I'm including the information below on behalf of **Gail Kellogg Hope**, retail and custom clothing maker and the owner of **Oakhill Clothiers** in Nunda, NY. Gail has in her possession an interesting piece she would like to sell.

United Shoe Factory for Sale

"United Shoe Repairing Machine Company, Shoe Repair Outfit, #6011" \$800 for the whole factory.

You must provide your own means of transportation & help moving it. This has been stored in a dry barn for 10 years - needs cleaning, oiling/greasing & possibly some sanding & re-finishing. Shoe lasts are included, women's, children's & some men's. Conditions vary. There is some thread and the manual. This will fit in a garage or mid-size outbuilding. This is a great opportunity for a small business start-up. Please contact Bob Kellogg: (585) 468-2669 with inquiries.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Barnes
Secretary

