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The Cannon Report

The Powhatan Troop, SCV Camp 1382

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The Powhatan Troop Monument / The Powhatan Troop Reunion, July 1896

The Cannon Report/Commander's Comments

This month's meeting will be the annual Muster Day Program at the Powhatan Courthouse. I am looking forward to this year's program. With the help of several of the Camp members, we are going to have an outstanding program. We will have the luncheon at the Village Garden Café at 1:00 as usual. We will then reassemble at the Powhatan Courthouse and begin the program at 2:30. Our guest speaker will be the well know war historian, Mr. Bobby Wilcox. Our Lt. Commander, Michael Pogue, accompanied by the 4th Virginia String Band and a special guest will be performing the vocals to a few of our favorite southern songs. Compatriot Ross Campbell will honor us with the playing of a hymn on the Bagpipes followed by a Rifle Salute by the 59th Virginia Infantry Regiment, Co I (3rd) Army of Northern Virginia. Please attend your Muster Day Program. Once again, this Program is in front of the eyes of the community and it is very important to our cause to always have a good showing of our membership at these public events. Bring your family and neighbors.

The November meeting will be on the 22nd at the Village Garden Café. More on the November meeting in the November Cannon Report.

I have included in this month's *Cannon Report* the transcripts from two historical documents from 1896 pertaining to the Powhatan Troop Monument at the Courthouse.

DEO
VINDICE

*Paul M. Houser, Commander
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Acts and Joint Resolutions
Passed by the General Assembly of the
State of Virginia
During the Session of 1895-96

CHAP. 87.—An ACT to incorporate the Powhatan troop association.
Approved January 18, 1896.

Be it enacted by the general assembly of Virginia, That the Powhatan troop association, composed of the veteran survivors of company E, fourth regiment of Virginia calvary, second brigade, first division of Stuart's calvary corps, army of Northern Virginia, and their associates and successors be, and they are hereby, made and constituted a body politic and corporate by the aforesaid name.

The officers and directors of the association for the first year, or until their successors are appointed, or elected, shall be Joseph Hobson, president; Charles Old, vice-president; Frank D. Hill, secretary; John R. Goode, treasurer; J. H. Harrison, chaplain. Directors—James R. Werth, John Gilliam. Charles Seldon, W. U. Kennon, B. R. Selden, Milton McLaurine and Augustine Royal.

The object of the association is to erect a monument in remembrance of the Powhatan troop, and to provide for the preservation of the same.

It shall be lawful for the association to elect and appoint, from time to time, such officers as may be necessary for the proper management of the association's affairs, and thereupon they shall have and exercise all the general powers of a corporation, consistent with the purpose of this act.

It shall be lawful for the association to acquire from the judge of the county court of Powhatan county, Virginia, and to hold the fee simple title thereto, to a plat of land forty feet square in and upon the court green of Powhatan courthouse, for the purpose of erecting a monument thereon, and for no other purpose whatever.

It shall be lawful for the association to issue to each of its members, or to any descendant of any deceased veteran, a certificate of membership and a descriptive list, and to have the same recorded in a book to be provided by the association, to be placed in the custody of the clerk of the county court, upon the payment to the said clerk of the said county the proper fee for recording the same.

This act shall be in force from its passage.

POWHATAN TROOP MONUMENT DEED

This deed made and enforced into this 6th day of June 1896 by and between Thos M. Miller as Judge of the County Court of Powhatan Virginia party of the first part and the "Powhatan Troop Association" a corporation chartered under the laws of Va. party of the second part, see act of general assembly approved January 18th, 1896 p. 114: ritinneseth: That the said party of the first part, under and in issuance of an act of the general assembly approved March 3rd, 1896 p. 688 and in consideration of one dollar in hand paid. The receipt where of is hereby acknowledged doth grant and convey unto said party of the second part with special warranty, all that certain piece parcel or "plat of land forty (40) feet square lying and being in the north west corner of the court green or square of Powhatan Courthouse Va., commencing at the center of the monument foundation as now laid and extending twenty feet in each direction so as to make "the forty feet square as before mentioned to have and hold "in fee simple for the purpose of erecting a monument thereon" and as set forth in the said acts of the general assembly.

Witness the following signature and seal Thos M. Miller Judge seal

In Powhatan County Court Clerk's Office on the 4th day of June 1896. The foregoing deed dated June 4th, 1896 and duly acknowledged before me by Judge Thos M. Miller was this day presented in said Office and admitted to record at 4 O'clock P.M.

Teste: James A Tilman