

“THE REGIMENTAL”
THE NEWSLETTER OF THE NATIONAL REGIMENT
Fall 2013

Commander’s Corner

I trust everyone has fully recovered from our wonderful experience at Gettysburg in July. For me, this was without a doubt the most awe-inspiring event I’ve done in over 30 years of reenacting. It’s taken me a while to put this event into perspective, but here’s my take on the Living History.

As I just said, I never experienced anything like that before and, I never expect to experience anything like that again. Putting it into that perspective, I can’t compare any other event with this one. Gettysburg has to be put on a shelf to be treasured as a one-time, stand-alone happening that will never be equaled. It would be unfair to compare any other event with the Living History so I won’t even try.

It was, to me, the perfect event. The weather could not have been any better; there was enough rain and humidity to let us know we were at an event, but not enough heat to make it miserable. (Not like the following weekend). Every plan we made worked, and nothing happened that we didn’t have a plan in place.

I truly believe the rainbow was a sign of approval or perhaps even a blessing if your belief system trends that way. Any way you want to look at it, I was proud to have been a part of this event, and I’m glad we were all able to share the experience together.

I’m sorry that due to heat issues and exhaustion related to preparing for and running the Living History I was not able to join you at the GAC event, but everything I’ve heard tells me that all of you comported yourselves well and, considering the hellish weather, had as good a time as could be expected.

150th Anniversary of the Battle of Chickamauga.

September 19, 20, 21 and 22, 2013

I know there are only a few lads from the NR going to this but here’s the information.

<http://150thanniversarychickamauga.com/index.html>

Registration is \$30 per person 14 and older (September 1, 2013 to September 10, 2013)

We don’t know who we will be falling in under at the event but be SURE to register as National Regiment so we’ll all be put together.

Contact Tim Viezer from the 8th Ohio at: tviezer@att.blackberry.net He has volunteered to coordinate information for this event.

Cedar Creek October 19-20, 2013. This is not an NR Event

There will be a contingent of the NR going to this event. If you want to go, registration is \$25 until September 30. Go to www.ccbf.us Make sure you register as the National Regiment. Mike Kraus will be commanding the NR contingent, and we will be brigading up with the Mifflin Guard and Vincent's Brigade to form a Federal Alliance battalion under the overall command of Tony Daniels.

Remembrance Day Gettysburg, Nov. 22

The NR has reserved a block of rooms for Remembrance Day weekend at the Days Inn on Rt. 30, east of town.

The dates are Nov. 22, 23, the rate is \$114 per room, per night. If you've checked for room rates for that weekend you'll see that's a TERRIFIC rate.

The number is **717-334-0030**; tell them you're with the National Regiment. Call NOW to reserve your room(s).

By the way, the NPS badges the NPS gave us at the Living History had a connection to a close friend of ours, read carefully.

HEADQUARTERS, NATIONAL REGIMENT

Special Order No. 6

To: All Members, National Regiment

From: Colonel Commanding, National Regiment

Subject: Unit Award

Type of Award: Gettysburg Campaign Medal

Period of Award: From 29 June 2013 to 4 July 2013

Citation:

For meritorious service during the period of 29 June to 4 July 2013, a campaign ribbon and device is hereby awarded to all members of the National Regiment present with, and participating in, activities of the National Regiment during that period.

Manner of Wear:

To be worn:

- 1.) On the left breast of the Uniform coat or blouse.
- 2.) In the same place of any civilian coat, excluding top, or over coats.

When Wear is Authorized:

This Award may be worn at:

- 1.) All non-19th century Parades, reviews, inspections and funerals, or
- 2.) Ceremonial and social functions

Appurtenance:

For service above and beyond the normal duties expected of members of the National Regiment, the following persons, making up the Color Guard and General Guides of the National Regiment during the above period, are hereby authorized to wear a device, or pin, in the shape, colors and form of the Flag of the United States of America, to be worn on the suspension ribbon of the Medal.

Right General Guide Pvt. Ross McNerney 8th OH

Left General Guide Pvt. Tim Boyd 1st MD

Color Bearer Pvt. Warren Stevens 14CT

Cpl. Rich Mansfield, 1st MD

Pvt. Ken Godfrey, 1st MD

Sgt. Eric Mueller, 1st.PA.

Cpl. Dave Cohill, 1st.PA.

Pvt. Henry Schmied 1st PA

Pvt. Brian Alexander, 2nd US

Pvt. Ethan Cooksey 5th/146th NY

Pvt. Chris Holob 96th PA

Pvt. Richard Pisarski 119th NY

Only the above named persons are authorized to wear the Appurtenance.

Application:

This Order applies to all National Regiment personnel, or to any non-National Regiment persons designated by the Colonel Commanding as authorized to wear the award described above.

When Effective:

This Order is effective as of 5 July, 2013

Given under my hand at the city of Cleveland, Ohio

This 8th Day of September 2013

Colonel Thomas M. F. Downes
Commanding, National Regiment