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Captain's Column

Gentlemen,

August us upon us and hopefully everyone is making it through the summer without melting. Not a lot has happened this past month in the reenacting realm, but we have heard about some evens in the planning stages for next year so hopefully we are getting back to normal. The events we may be interested in include McDowell and Cedar Mountain, both interesting places. McDowell is a site we will visit in Sept during the muster so we should very much put that on the list for next year.

As for August the fort work day is August 14th 9-12 so keep that in mind. After that we have the muster Sept 11th-12th in the Valley starting at 9:00 on Sat and I do need a basic head count so please let someone know your intentions. I don't mind leftovers, but I want everyone to be fat and happy so If you are mostly sure say yes and if you can't then that is shame but we will have enough food. Also, if you want to come on Friday eve to cut down on driving that is fine, just let me know. I have full day in mind for Sat. heading west to McDowell and some other sites you will probably never visit unless you go on the muster. On Sun we will take in Cross Keys and Port Republic and should be done by 1:00. As last year I hope to highlight 21st VA locations.

Cedar Creek pre-registration is ending Aug 31st (as far as getting as discount) so please let the 1st Sgt know your intentions. I would hope that practically everyone is itching to get out and do a big event so we have a good turnout. That is about it for this month, a bit of a short column, but we will be getting busy in a few weeks so enjoy the end of your summer.

Obediently,

Capt. Travis Clements

<u>1st Sergeant's Column</u>

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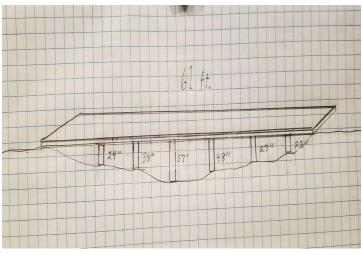
As the Captain mentioned I need a head count of who is planning on attending the fort workday on Aug 14th at 9am. It looks like the only equipment we will need are a few brush clippers and some chainsaws. We will be clearing out the trees we cut down before and any other debris that we find inside the fort. We will also be looking at the bridge and the condition that the repairs we made last time and how they are holding up. We also want to look at the outhouse and what repairs may be required in the future. The railroad ties are also available for anyone in the company to have, so if you want some bring your truck or trailer and we all can help load them up.

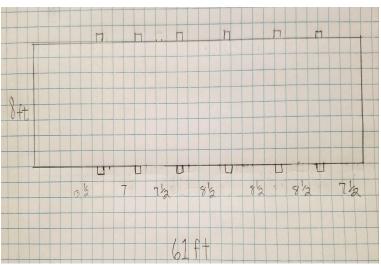
I need to know the members that intend to go to Cedar Creek by the 22 of August, so if you plan on attending let me know ASAP so I can get everyone registered.

 $1^{\rm st}$ Sergeant Alexander



We still have work to do! See you on the 14th!!





Blueprints – Overhead View

Blueprints – Side View

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