

145TH ANNIVERSARY REENACTMENT OF THE BATTLE OF CEDAR CREEK

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THE BATTLE OF CEDAR CREEK – OCTOBER 16 – 18, 2009

In Commemoration of the 145th Anniversary of the Battle Cedar Creek, originally fought on October 19, 1864, the Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation will host the event on its fields in Middletown, Virginia. Artillery limited to 25 guns each side; Registration is not guaranteed until waiver and proper payment is received by CCBF. Please register early. Proceeds will benefit the preservation and interpretation of the non-profit, Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation. Camps will open at 10:00 a.m. on October 16, 2009.

- **Express Registration - \$15:** Register by **August 3, 2009** and take advantage of the express registration option to receive vehicle and participant passes by mail. No check in on site will be required. Please help by making copies of the waivers for your members to sign. **The passes will be mailed in mid September to the address listed on the WAIVER FORM.** If you wish all passes to be directed to the contact person, please advise. The contact person will be responsible for distribution to members. **We must receive the REGISTRATION FORM, FEE & SIGNED WAIVERS by August 3, 2009 for the bulk mailing.** (There will be only one bulk mailing due to the high cost of postage.) Do not sign for anyone but yourself – we must have original signatures on the release form. Forged signatures are a liability for you. Waivers received after the deadline will be marked on the roster.
 - Artillery will be limited to 25 full scale (57” wheels) cannons per side. The registration form must include a listing of the names of the crew, (at least 5), to secure placement. Anything less than 57” wheels will be by invitation only.
- **Registration - \$20: After August 4th, and postmarked by September 7, 2009.** Register for the event by completing the registration form and mailing with fee to CCBF, or phone 888-628-1864 with credit card. Check in at the registration tent will be required. You may bring a signed copy of waiver with you or sign participant release forms on site.
- **Late Registration - \$25: After September 7th – October 4th.** Register for the event with credit card only. Phone 540-869-2064 or 888-628-1864 with list of names, unit, affiliation, and credit card information. Check in at the registration tent will be required. You may bring a signed copy of waiver with you or sign participant release forms on site.
- **Walk-ons - \$30:** CCBF reserves the right to limit the number of walk-ons. Please register early!


If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact the Foundation at (540) 869-2064 or (888) 628-1864. Proceeds from the reenactment benefit the non-profit, Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation. Please join us next autumn to commemorate the 19th annual Reenactment of the Battle of Cedar Creek on the original battlefield in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley.

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REGISTRATION FORM - 2009 CAMPS OPEN 10 A.M. OCT 16th

CSA MILITARY AFFILIATION		USA MILITARY AFFILIATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> ANV BATT. _____ <input type="checkbox"/> PACS <input type="checkbox"/> CMF <input type="checkbox"/> CVG <input type="checkbox"/> Carolina Legion	<input type="checkbox"/> FFR <input type="checkbox"/> Valley <input type="checkbox"/> Longstreet <input type="checkbox"/> Living History <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Army of Ohio <input type="checkbox"/> Mifflin <input type="checkbox"/> NR <input type="checkbox"/> USV <input type="checkbox"/> First Federal Division	<input type="checkbox"/> Birneys <input type="checkbox"/> Vincents <input type="checkbox"/> Artillery Reserve <input type="checkbox"/> Living History <input type="checkbox"/> Other
UNIT NAME:			
Individual or Unit Contact Person:			
Mailing Address	Street City State & Zip Code		
DAY TIME PHONE NUMBER	Work #: Cell #	Email Address:	
Number of participants in MILITARY CAMP Anticipate Needing ____ Bales Straw	Infantry	Artillery	Medical
	Cavalry # Horses _____	Civilian	Minors
Number of participants in SEPARATE CIVILIAN CAMP	CSA [] CIVILIAN CAMP _____		USA [] CIVILIAN CAMP _____
	TENTAGE: # A _____ Dog _____ WALL _____ FLY _____		
ARTILLERY : INDICATE Number of Artillery Pieces by Type LIMITED TO 25 EACH SIDE NOTE: Full scale ONLY - 57" Wheel; Others by invitation only; see Rules/Weapons #6 1. 2. 3.			Staff # Horses _____ Other
Signature:			Date:

IMPORTANT: CLEARLY PRINT ALL PARTICIPANT NAMES ON REVERSE. IDENTIFY EACH INDIVIDUAL BY MILITARY RANK, AS A CIVILIAN OR MINOR. [12 & UNDER - NO CHARGE] WALK-ON FEE: \$30.00

EXPRESS REGISTRATION: \$15.00 Registration, release form and fees RECEIVED by August 3, 2009 X \$15.00 =	REGULAR REGISTRATION - \$20.00 Registration, release form and fees postmarked by SEPTEMBER 7, 2009 X \$20.00 =	LATE REGISTRATION - \$25.00 After SEPTEMBER 7th by phone with credit card until OCTOBER 4th X \$25.00 =
Registration by Phone: (888) 628-1864 VISA or Master Card ONLY 		PAYMENT - US \$ checks made payable to: Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation P.O. BOX 229 MIDDLETOWN, VA 22645 www.cedarcreekbattlefield.org cedarcrk@visuallink.com

PARTICIPANT RELEASE FORM & WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Please read this carefully as you are waiving certain legal rights by signing this Participant Release Form. See the revised rules for 2009.

<input type="checkbox"/> CSA <input type="checkbox"/> USA	UNIT NAME _____		
ONLY FAMILY MEMBERS MAY SIGN ON SAME WAIVER			
DATE SIGNED: _____			
RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	SIGNATURE
_____	_____	_____	_____
RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	SIGNATURE
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RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	SIGNATURE
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RANK	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	SIGNATURE
_____	_____	_____	_____
Home Telephone Number:	Participant Mailing Address:		
	Street _____		
	City _____		
	State & Zip Code _____		
<p>By attending and participating in this reenactment, I recognize that there are risks attendant to this activity, including, but not limited to, open campfires, handling and use of black powder, discharge of small arms and cannons, the risk of injury attendant to movement of large groups of people, the presence and use of horses and/or other animals and risks associated with primitive camping. I hereby assume any and all risks of danger occasioned by my presence and participation in any and all activities in any way related to the reenactment. I further agree to release and hold harmless Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation, their agents, assigns, employees, directors and officers; Belle Grove, Inc., National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States, Thermal Fisher, Dallas O. Berry and John Gibson, & etc., their agents, assigns, employees, directors and officers from any and all claims for property damage or personal injury of any kind, no matter how incurred, sustained during my presence at the reenactment or while on their properties. I hereby grant to the Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation ("CCBF") and its licensees, successors, and assigns the rights to make use of my appearance, actions, voice, sounds and other attributes (collectively "Appearance") and any part of them comprising or related to my attendance of or participation in Cedar Creek Battlefield reenactment(s), related activities (e.g., camp activities, the dances, etc.) and visits to sites or facilities in the Cedar Creek area (e.g., the battlefield, the Visitor's Center, Belle Grove, etc.). This grant shall be effective everywhere, perpetual, for an unlimited number of times, and shall include the rights to photograph, film, depict, reproduce, distribute, record, transmit, store, display, make derivative and edited works and otherwise exploit my Appearance and any part of it, in and through any media or means now known or hereafter invented. I understand that CCBF will rely on this grant and I fully intend it to have legal effect.</p> <p>I specifically agree to follow the parking rules established by CCBF. I am aware that any infractions on my part may result in the towing, booting or deflation of tires of my vehicle at my expense. Any person found without a valid registration will be treated as an illegal trespasser and will be subject to the remedies and penalties as provided by the laws of the State of Virginia.</p>			

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Since the beginning of our reenactments here at Cedar Creek, the foundation has worked diligently towards building the best annual event for both reenactors and spectators alike. In keeping abreast with the ever changing standards of historical accuracy and authenticity, we have made some revisions in the rules and regulations for the 2009 event. We present them here, complete with expanded explanations, in a friendlier and more understandable format.
The Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation

RULES & REGULATIONS

I

Registration

All registration applications are subject to the approval of the Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation.

Military rank must be included on the registration form, along with a complete listing of participants for each unit. Any unit that does not list its participating members on the registration form will not be considered as "registered" and will have their money returned.

Every participant must sign a participant release form, (waiver), prior to or upon arrival at the event. We must have original signatures on the release form. Forged signatures are a liability for you. Minors must have waivers signed by either a parent or legal guardian.

Passes will be mailed to all participants who have registered & signed waivers by the deadline. All others must check in at registration upon arrival. You must have a current medallion with you at all times. A \$2.00 replacement fee will be charged for lost medallions.

Copies of the roster will be provided to officers, and battalions will be spot checked to ensure every member is duly registered. **Anyone not registered and caught without a medallion must immediately register (at full walk-on price) with the event staff or will be expelled from the event.**

II

Vehicles and Parking

Vehicles are necessary for transportation to and from the reenactment. However, at the event they serve no purpose other than negatively impacting the 1864 experience for those who have already settled in for the weekend. Too often, participants park in unauthorized areas causing havoc for those volunteers in charge of controlling the parking areas.

Vehicles are permitted into authentic camping areas to unload for a maximum of 15 minutes. **No vehicles are allowed in the camp area after 8:00 a.m. Saturday, until after the battle on Sunday.**

A parking pass with your name and unit displayed on the windshield is required for each vehicle to enter the CC property. The pass must remain visible at all times when you park in the designated areas. (We must know how to quickly contact the owner of any vehicle.)

Artillery pieces may be quartered with the unit however no modern trailers or vehicles may remain in camp.

CCBF and/or agents thereof reserve the right to tow any and all vehicles and/or trailers, unattended or otherwise, parked in inappropriate areas at the owner's expense.

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III **Camping**

The Cedar Creek event is located on the original battlefield. This is hallowed ground must be respected as such.

Metal detectors and digging of fire pits are prohibited. Alcoholic beverages and/or use of illegal drugs is prohibited.

No loaded weapons may be brought into any camp. No discharging of weapons in camp at any time.

Adequate firewood and hay will be provided by CCBF at designated points and are to be distributed under the command of the QM. Straw for bedding will be available for a nominal fee.

Each organization shall lay out its military streets within its designated area according to period regulations.

All participants must camp within the perimeters of the organization they will be serving with or assigned to for the entire weekend. There will be no independent messes camping separately without prior written approval from CCBF.

All modern items, (including food containers), will be kept out of public view at all times.

Civilians must be in period attire if remaining in the camps during the weekend. Civilians camping in military mixed camps are subject to military rules and discipline.

Each organization is responsible to police its own area during and after the event-- leaving the area as it was found, or better. **Before the Sunday battle, all campfires should be out and trash bagged and placed in dumpsters on your way out.**

Provost Guards will have the responsibility and authority to enforce conduct in the camps as well as enforcing the event rules and regulations.

IV **Horses/Cavalry**

All horses brought onto the site are required to have a current Coggins certificate which will be checked by the Chief of Cavalry for each army. Failure to produce proof of Coggins will result in the horse not being allowed on the property.

Horses are forbidden in company streets and sutler row and must be ridden at a "walk" amongst non-combatants.

The chief of cavalry has the authority and responsibility to inspect and grant a "go" or "no go" final say in matters concerning drill, uniform requirements, horse tack, condition of horse as well as of the proficiency of the rider.

V **Artillery**

*We are limiting the maximum number of field pieces at twenty-five (25) per side. Field pieces must be full size 12 lb Napoleons, 3" ordinance rifles, 6 pounders, or 10 lb Parrots mounted on full scale #2 field carriages (with 57" wheels). Consideration for the use of any other guns at this event must have prior written approval from the CCBF staff. **No exceptions! Unit must register gun and a crew of at least 5 to secure placement.***

A safety zone of 50 yards in front of the cannons will be maintained whenever the guns are firing. No loading of cannons will occur and an immediate cease fire order must be given when cavalry or troops are within the safety zone. Passing in front of cannons is extremely dangerous and must be avoided.

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Safety...During battles, crossed rammers must be prominently displayed to caution a misfire in the face of approaching forces!!

All sanctioned cannons and crews must participate in both scripted battles to be eligible for cannon bounty.

The chief of artillery, in accordance with the rules of the CCBF, has the authority and responsibility to inspect and grant a “go” or “no go” final say in matters concerning drill, uniform requirements, safety, condition of gun & implements and proficiency of the cannoneers.

VI **Uniform Standards**

By 1864, the individual stylist had long disappeared from the ranks. Where practicable, uniforms should conform to an 1864 appearance. Regardless of national origin, by 1864 you were an American soldier. No more excessive early war regalia! Strive to look field effective, functional, and most importantly--military.

Only officers or cavalrymen may carry a side arm (and only ONE). No boot pistols, boot knives, or other Hollywood trappings.

Uniforms must be properly cut in accordance to 19th century patterns and made of natural fibers (cotton or wool). Footwear is restricted to brogans or approved period boots or shoes. Non-period eyewear, wrist watches, faces or ear jewelry is forbidden. Sunglasses were not worn in the mid 19th century. Wire rimmed tinted glasses were only worn by people suffering from syphilis; you decide!

All soldiers should strive to wear their uniform in a military manner. For example, the top button on all coats should always be buttoned. All shirt and vest buttons should be buttoned. Accouterments, including your haversack and canteen, should be worn high on the hip.

Kilts, bagpipes, Indian attire, inappropriate furs, feathers, bandannas, frontier trappings and other questionable attire are forbidden.

Officers should wear a rank appropriate to the number of soldiers they are commanding.

No officers, except field & staff or general staff, shall have a rank higher than Captain.

Women portraying male soldiers must make every possible effort to hide their gender. Any woman in uniform flaunting her gender will be removed from the demonstration.

VII **Battles** **(and rules of engagement)** **part 1.**

No one except military participants will be allowed on the battlefield during the battles. Spectators are told to leave the battle and camping areas one hour before the start of each battle. Reenactors should remind the public to move back to spectator row.

No participant under the age of 16 years will be allowed to carry or fire any firearm or serve on any cannon crew. No participant under the age of 12 years will be allowed on the field during the battles. No exceptions! Participants 12 - 15 years of age must be functional musicians, litter bearers, or working as a member of a signal unit to be on the field. Minors must be accompanied by the responsible parent or guardian at all times.

No cameras or electronic video equipment are permitted to be carried on the battlefield during the battle reenactment.

Flags must be replicated of the correct style and pattern used at this battle.

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Direct, aimed fire shall not take place inside **40 yards** distance. In no case will firing take place inside **25 yards** distance between opposing forces. Close fighting, if done, shall be rehearsed prior to the battle. This will be done only by those groups given permission by the commanding officers to do so, and only if it pertains to the battle scenario. Except when simulating a hit, all participants are expected to remain with their units. No charging the enemy by an individual (or any other non-scripted skits) will be tolerated.

Battles
(small arms)
part 2.

All weapons must pass the weapons inspections prior to the start of the battles. Weapons failing inspection must be cleaned or repaired to the satisfaction of the inspecting officer before being used.

Infantry long-arms shall be loaded with no more than 70 grains of powder. All infantry long arms must be period military arms and have a 39, 40 or 42 inch barrel. Any deviation to these patterns must be coherent to the impression and must have prior approval in writing from the staff of the CCBF.

The only thing entering a barrel should be powder. Cartridges may NOT be made using glue, staples, tape, wadding or any other foreign material. Powder horns or powder flasks are forbidden. Wrist percussion cap holders are discouraged.

No fixed bayonets during the battles. Ramrods may be carried, but not used. Bayonets must remain sheathed during battles. No side knives may be drawn on the battlefield.

VIII
GENERAL RULES

No live ammunition, fireworks or modern firearms will be allowed on the grounds. Violators will be expelled from the event!

NO PETS WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE GROUNDS! DO NOT BRING DOGS, CATS, CHICKENS, ETC.

CCBF reserves the right to limit numbers of any branch of service to instill correct historical ratios.

Sutlers by invitation only! Any other sales or solicitation on the CC property will not be permitted and violators will be expelled from the event.

With the exception of authorized photographers, cinematographers, press, etc., all other personnel must film from the spectator viewing area only. Special credentials will be issued by CCBF to approved individuals and must be carried at all times. No recordings, photos or videos may be manufactured and sold on or off site at any time without prior approval and written consent from CCBF. CCBF retains all intellectual property rights to any and all images derived from past, present and future events. Violators will be subject to legal recourse.

Because of the unsafe structural support, entrance to the **Heater House** is forbidden.

No modern camping or RV parking will be provided. Local police will be responsible for incidents outside CCBF's property and emergency situations on the field. CCBF will be responsible for parking & Sutler areas.

CCBF, or agents thereof, reserve the right to immediately expel from this event any personnel in violation of any rules listed in this posting as well as any personnel acting in an unsafe, disrespectful, destructive or disrupting nature towards the land, the authorities, spectators or fellow participants.

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