

November Newsletter 2005
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Nelson-Garfield Memorial Camp #3
Department of Kentucky

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- Item 1: The next meeting of the SUVCW Nelson-Garfield Camp will take place Thursday, December 1, 2005, at the Dr. James A. Ramage Civil War Museum in Fort Wright, KY, on Highland Avenue near the Community of Faith Presbyterian Church. (See directions published in October newsletter). At this meeting we will be electing new officers for our camp and we would welcome anyone interested in taking a leadership position to make themselves known at that meeting. Having served as Camp Commander the past two years, I feel that is not proper for me to continue in that capacity on a permanent basis. The Camp needs fresh leadership and new ideas and we would welcome that from any of our members. So please come on December 1st and take a more active role in the life of your Camp. – Jeff Hampton, Commander
- Item 2: At the December 1st meeting we will also be planning the calendar of events and meetings for the 2006-year. Among the events to be scheduled are the following:
1. Participation in NKU's annual history day.
 2. The Lincoln Day Dinner in February which our camp will be hosting.
 3. The presentation on the Droge Family History. More about that later in the newsletter.
 4. The video of A New Nation Forged: Legacies of America's Civil War. More later in the newsletter.
 5. Other speakers and topics to be determined. Please bring your ideas and suggestions.
- Item 3: For some time now the Nelson-Garfield Camp of Sons of Union Veterans and the Eli Bruce Camp # 1412 of Sons of Confederate Veterans have been meeting together. This has been done for the reasons that the participating members in the two camps have been so small that it made no sense to hold separate meetings and many members belong to both organizations anyway. I feel it is time to more closely integrate SCV activities into our meetings and our newsletters and thereby bring in new participants and at the same time address the activities of the SCV for our participating members that belong to both organizations. This will be discussed more fully at the December 1st meeting. Please come with ideas as to how this can be done.
- Item 4: The planned meeting for October 27, 2005 at the Dr. James A. Ramage Civil War Museum was changed very nearly at the last minute due to a program presented the same evening at the Cincinnati Museum Center, A New Nation Forged: Legacies of America's Civil War. Our speaker scheduled for the October 27th meeting was notified and very graciously agreed to present their talk on "The Droge Family in the Civil War" at a future meeting. Commander Jeff Hampton and Jim Kiger attended the Museum Center program and although we arrived late and saw only the last half-hour or so we were impressed enough to ask if there would be a videotape of the program available for future use. Fortunately, there will be a videotape available and we hope to integrate that into our meetings for the 2006 calendar year.

The program included Dr. Michael Lee Benedict, Professor of History at Ohio State University, Dr. William J. Cooper, Boyd Professor of History at LSU, and Dr. John Fleming, Vice President for Museums at the Cincinnati Museum Center and founding director of the National Afro-American Museum in Wilberforce, Ohio.

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