

2010 Jackson After Action Report

Gentlemen of the Guard:

The 26th annual event at Jackson, Michigan is in the history books. You did much to make the event a success. Jim Newkirk commanded the 14 Union guns with precision and efficiency. The first battalion of infantry was commanded by Rob Van. Rob did a great job and only threw his hat on the ground once. My personal record is 7 times. His battalion was a true force to reckon with. The second battalion was under veteran Craig DeCrane. His steadiness in battle and aggressive tactics makes any force under his command a dangerous foe.

Thanks to the other impressions such as the 8th Michigan Medical and the embalmer impression by Craig Malone. Both were well received and needed.

My brief trip to the hospital was unfortunate. I am fine and thanks to all the well wishers, including Nick Medich, our worthy foe. The "lady friend" placed in my tent during Saturdays drill was a hoot. I am told she left me for another, and another and another, and so on after I went to the hospital. A real hussy.

Three new members were inducted into the Napoleon Club. That called for lifting spirits in honor of the Club. So, we lifted spirits.

Gentlemen, without you, the event would not have been nearly the complete success it was. Thanks for all you did. My Brigade staff including Keith Harrison and Chris Kubacki made my life easy. Ron, I hope your knee heals soon.

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We met at Jackson and the Manassas event was the clear concensus. There was much discussion regarding wearing battle shirts but nothing firm was decided. Make your plans now to attend this July 18-22 event. We will be joined by the Black Hats and the Great Lakes Battalion. Right now, it appears we will be about 400 strong.

Colonel Dave Shackelford