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Dispatch from the Commander

Compatriots of the Arizona Division of Sons of Confederate Veterans, here we are over halfway through another year. Where does the time go? It may be a good time to take stock of what we've accomplished so far in 2007 and make positive plans for the balance of the year.

At our annual convention, there were a number of things discussed regarding improving our camp participation in community events, living history school presentations and recruitment. I trust all camps are putting forth efforts to accomplish these things.

Gentlemen, if we fail to do so we are not only letting down ourselves and the Arizona Division, but we are also failing the Charge given us by Lt. General Stephen D. Lee. We shouldn't be complacent in our membership. We all should do our best to promote the true meaning of our Southern Heritage.

Time is a valuable commodity for all of us I know. Our daily efforts to care for our own families is overwhelming at times. However, we have had a number of compatriots and fam-

ily members of compatriots who have had serious illness and are still having health issues. We should take it upon ourselves to contact these people and offer assistance when possible. The least we can do is offer our prayers in their behalf when called upon to do so. Just a friendly phone call can sometimes do a great deal for the mental well being of someone who is having difficulties. I know each of us would like to think our fellow compatriots would lend a helping hand or words of encouragement if we needed them. Let's try to be helpful to those who need our special attention in their time of need.

This past year we have had some disappointing and disturbing events within the Arizona Division. Some have caused a great deal of animosity within our ranks. Recently, two Camps published editorials in their newsletters that, while within their rights to their own opinions, cast aspersions on other members of this Division. Both editorials hardly complied with the expected behavior of a Southern Gentleman. The members of this

Division must know that I take a dim view of this and, in the future, expect the two "authors" involved to exercise some constraint and tone down their inflammatory rhetoric. It is one thing to express one's opinion on controversial issues. It is another to imply impropriety on the part of other members without proof or to stretch the truth to make one's point. Division and Camp Newsletters should not be platforms for individuals to attack their fellow compatriots.

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Adjutant's Report

Compatriots,

Y'all have probably noticed a change in format in *The Rebel Yell*. Commander Robert Perkins, who held the post of Editor, has resigned for health reasons. Your humble servant has temporarily taken over the task of producing our Division's newsletter. If any of y'all feel the power and the spirit has moved you to take on this important office on the Division staff, please step forward!

Fiscal Year Began 1 August

It's that time again! The SCV fiscal year began on 1 August and the National per capita tax, Division and Camp dues are now payable. The Camp Adjutants should have or will be directly sending out notices of the amount due. It varies from Camp to Camp depending on the amount charged for Camp dues but basically, the national dues are \$20.00 and the Division dues are \$7.50. Add your Camp dues to that and that's what's due and payable. Please, unless you are a member of Camp 1647, DO NOT send your payments to the Division Adjutant. I will take care of dues for that Camp as the Division is acting as 1647's financial agent but all other Camp member should send

their payments to their Camp's Adjutant. Life Members pay only Division and Camp dues. Cadet members pay only \$10.00 National per capita tax. REMEMBER! Dues must be paid no later than 31 October.

Recruiting & Retention

The Division has 178 full, Cadet and Associate members as of 1 August. Of those 178, 48 are paid in full for fiscal year 2007—that's this year, y'all! Let us work diligently to get the other 130 members paid up!

Recruiting is going well! Since 1 June, 17 Gentlemen have been contacted and 12 have joined! That's 70%! The breakdown is:

1202: 0
1525: 3
1647: 3
1708: 0
1710: 4
2074: 1
2096: 1

This is a great start! Let's keep this ball rolling!

National per capita tax Increase

At the SCV national convention held in Mobile in July, the delegates passed a measure to increase the national per capita tax effective 1 August 2008 (that's NEXT year!) by \$10.00. Commander Morris of Camp 1202 was in

attendance and can give the details of the debate. The basic reason is a shortfall in operating funds for the organization. The last dues increase was about 10 years ago when the dues went for \$18.00 to \$20.00. Costs for everything (been to the gas station lately?) are going up and the same holds true for the operating costs of the SCV. I do suggest that should any of our members find this increase difficult to manage, we assist them either at the Camp or Division level to pay these dues rather than lose a member.

Division Executive Council Meeting

The Division Executive Council met in Sierra Vista on 8 September. Details of that meeting are found elsewhere in this issue. Remember that DEC meetings are open and any SCV member may attend. You do not have to be a DEC member or Camp Commander. Please consider attending!

I remain, Gentlemen, very respectfully, your obedient servant

Curt Tipton
Adjutant, Arizona Division

Arizona Division Convention

Miner's Camp,
Apache Junction, A.T. 2 June 2007
Hosted by the Captain
Granville H. Oury Camp
1708, the Arizona Division
held its 13th Annual Reunion
and Convention at the Miner's
Camp at the foot of the scenic,
yet forbidding Superstition
Mountains. No, we didn't
attempt a search for the Lost
Dutchman's Mine!

Past Camp 1708 Commander Larry Hammack opened the convention business session in the absence of Commander Lindsay Brown who has been hospitalized. Division Color Sergeant Ben Middleton led the honors to the colors, Division Adjutant Curt Tipton read the Charge and Camp 1708 Chaplain Jerry Minnis gave the invocation with a special prayer for Commander Brown. Commander Mangum assumed the chair. The Adjutant determined a quorum was present and seated the delegations. Seven of eight camps were represented.

The Adjutant read the minutes of the last convention, and gave the financial report. The division started the year with a balance of \$663.35, received \$2035.70 in income and incurred \$1738.70 in expenses, leaving a balance in the Stockmen's Bank account of \$960.35.

No correspondence other than routine administrative

items from GHQ and the Camps was received.

The Recruiting Officer gave a summary of the year's activities. The Division made 48 contacts and, of those 48 gentlemen, 32 joined, transferred in or reactivated their membership. There were no other staff officer reports submitted.

The Division Commander gave his report and then called for reports from the Brigade Commanders. The Gadsden Brigade had no report and the Jefferson Davis Brigade Commander deferred his report to the Camp Commanders.

The Camp Commanders gave their reports, highlighting activities, recruiting, fund raising, heritage events &c.

The Time and Place Committee selected the Texas John H. Slaughter Camp 2074 to host next year's convention. The event is tentatively scheduled to be held on or about 7 June 2008 in Tucson.

No old business was brought to the floor. In new business, the delegates considered seven proposed amendments to the Division Constitution. All seven failed to achieve the required 2/3s majority to pass.

A motion was made to create medals for the Societies of the Sons of the Sabre and

the Sons of Saint Barbara. After some discussion, Adjutant Tipton moved that the proposal be tabled until further research into the cost of such medals could be accomplished. The motion to table the proposal was passed. A proposal was presented to revise the Division colors and logo. Commander Meek moved that this proposal be postponed indefinitely. His motion was passed.

The delegates considered a motion to sponsor a mounted color guard and passed the proposal with the proviso that there be no funding required from the Division but that, upon request and approval by the DEC, funding for specific events or purchases could be made available.

Camp 2127 Adjutant Barton reported on the recent meeting concerning the 2007 Anniversary celebration of the City of Tucson. The SCV has been invited to participate. It was moved, seconded and passed that the Division accept the invitation.

Compatriot Mike Agnew of Camp 1708 gave a report on the status of the Arizona Department of Transportation's plans to reroute US Highway 60 in Apache Junction. This would affect the Jefferson Davis memorial at

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Division Executive Council Meets!

Sierra Vista, A.T. 8 September 2007

The Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710 hosted the quarterly meeting of the Arizona Division Executive Council today.

Commander John Mangum called the meeting to order. Color Sergeant Ben Middleton led the council in honors to the colors and Chaplain Ray Ganey gave the invocation. Adjutant Curt Tipton read the Charge.

Camp 1710 Commander John Rogers took the opportunity to induct new member Larry R. Bowman into our ranks. Following the induction, the council turned to the business at hand.

The Adjutant read the minutes of the last DEC meeting and gave the financial report. He also gave the recruiting and retention report. (see Adjutant's report on page 2)

The Division Commander, Brigade and Camp Commanders and staff officers gave their reports. Then the council considered old business.

Under old business, the DEC voted to adopt the proposed badges for the Societies of the Sons of the Sabre and the Sons of St. Barbara. Adjutant Barton of Camp 2127 has found a vendor who offers the miniature badges for approximately \$2.00 each. There may be a discount for a large quantity purchase.

The DEC voted to increase the initiation fee for both societies to \$10.00 and to include the badge as part of the membership benefits. Current members who wish to have a badge may purchase one for \$2.00. The Division will buy the badges and will be reimbursed by the sales to current members and the initiation fees for new members. As the badges become available, the Adjutant will inform the current membership. The Division website will be updated to reflect these changes.

The DEC considered the proposals to purchase memorial bricks at the Tucson Presidio and the request for financial assistance for the Washington Division in reinstalling the Jefferson Davis Memorial there. Both proposals were defeated.

The Adjutant presented Camp 1647 Commander Garrison's report in the crisis in marking CS graves in Prescott. The DEC voted to let Commander Garrison and Past Commander Rombach handle the matter until such time the rest of the Division is required to step in.

The Adjutant was directed to prepare the 2007-2008 issue of the Division directory for publication. Each Camp needs to submit an updated Camp history. The Ad-

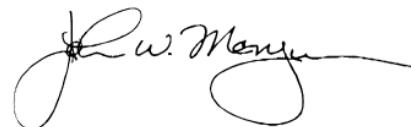
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Gentlemen, there are many individuals and organizations who are doing all they can to bring about the downfall of the SCV and Southern Heritage.

Let's not give them ammunition to aid in their efforts. Cyberspace, is not a proper venue for a problem you may be having within your Camp, Brigade or Division. Such matters should be saved for a proper face to face venue for discussion by those concerned. Most of us would NOT like to have a sensitive family problem aired across the internet. This should also apply to our organizational matters.

It is a pleasure to serve all of you as your Division Commander. I hope we can become a more cohesive group working in harmony for the betterment and advancement of the Arizona Division Sons of Confederate Veterans. If we do so we WILL BE an ASSET to the entire organization NOT A PROBLEM.

I Remain Your Obedient Servant,



John W. Mangum Commander
Arizona Division
Sons of Confederate Veterans



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Camp News

Texas John H. Slaughter Camp 2074

Commander Glenn Meek

The Texas John H

Slaughter Camp 2074 held its monthly meeting on the 29th of July 2007, at the Olde Pueblo Grill in Tucson. The first and most important order of business was to induct our newest member, Compatriot Don Rodgers. Arizona Division Commander John Mangum presented Compatriot Rodgers with his membership certificate. The Camp discussed many items of business including the participation in the Tucson Living History event, (which was cancelled at the last minute), the various parades, as well as the Mounted Color Guard. Several members and a lovely lady were in attendance. All enjoyed a great meeting and fine meal.



Division Commander John Mangum presents his membership certificate to Compatriot Don Rodgers. Compatriot Rodgers is descended from Lucius Quintus Cincinnatus Lemar jr. of the 19th Mississippi Infantry. Compatriot Rodgers submitted enough genealogical information that he could literally write a book.



The Arizona Division's newest Camp, the **Army of Trans-Mississippi Artillery Camp 2127** received its charter at the Division Convention in Apache Junction on 3 June 2007. Pictured (l to r) are Division Adjutant Curt Tipton, Camp 2127 Adjutant David Barton, Camp 2127 Commander Walt Nichols, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Variz, Camp 2127 Lt. Commander Tony Variz and Division Commander John Mangum.

Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710

Adjutant Curt Tipton

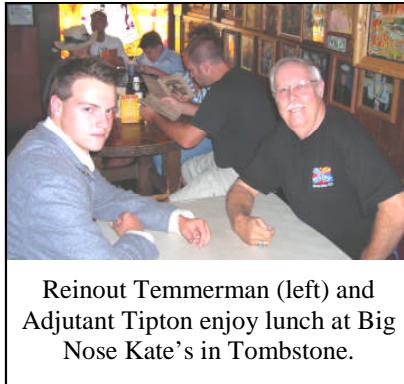
Camp 1710 has had a successful summer. Our new member, Larry Bowman, was inducted into the ranks at the DEC meeting on 8 September. Compatriot Bowman is descended from Pvt. George Washington Lewis of Company B, 2nd Regiment, Arizona Brigade. Larry is the second member of the Division who is descended from an Arizona Confederate. Past Camp 1710 Commander David Showalter was descended from Lt. Col. Daniel Showalter, commander of the 4th Regiment, Arizona Brigade.

The Camp held a business meeting on 14 July and hosted the organizational meeting of the Division Color Guard.

We were pleased to have one of our Belgian Associate members visit! Reinout Temmerman was the guest of Compatriot John Mohler and spent an enjoyable time in Southern Arizona.

Color Sergeant Ben Middleton joined Compatriot Rich Montgomery of Camp 1202, Adjutant David Barton and the ladies of UDC Chapter 2298 in the annual Presentation of Flags in Tucson. (see article elsewhere in this issue)

Our next event was the annual Black Powder Weapons Demonstration and Shoot held on 25 August. The win-



Reinout Temmerman (left) and Adjutant Tipton enjoy lunch at Big Nose Kate's in Tombstone.

ners were:

Pistol

John Rogers

Muzzle Loaders

John Rogers

Breech Loaders

Glenn Meek

“Bull in the Butt”

Larry Bowman.



Bill Mapoles looks on as (l to r) Curt Tipton, John Rogers and Glenn Meek prepare for the Breech Loader competition.

Upcoming events include the Graham County Fair parade in Safford on 12 October and Helldorado Days in Tombstone on 19-21 October. More details will be relayed as the dates get closer.

Nat'l Per Capita Tax to Increase!



Mobile, Alabama 26 July 2007

The delegates to the SCV National Reunion & Convention today approved an increase in the national per capita tax—that is the amount of national dues. The per capita tax will increase from \$20.00 to \$30.00 effective 1 August 2008 for fiscal year 2008. That will make the annual dues for Arizona Division members \$37.50 plus whatever dues the individual Camp charges. Currently, all the Arizona Camps that have dues charge \$5.00. Camps 1647 and 2127 do not charge Camp dues. So, for most of our members, the annual dues and fees will amount to \$47.50.

Camps must be aware of this increase when recruiting new members. It also changes the prorated dues structure. Prorated national dues will now be for new members joining in:

February-April: \$15.00

May-July: \$7.50

Division prorated dues remain the same as they are currently.



Camp 1525 Compatriot Eddy Davison, author of *Nathan Bedford Forrest: In Search of the Enigma*, is pictured before the statue of General Forrest at the 186th anniversary of the General's birth. The celebration was held in Forrest Park in Memphis. Compatriot Davis was the featured speaker at the 15 July event



Camp 1525 held its annual Confederate Memorial Day Ceremony in Greenwood Cemetery on 28 April 2007. Adjutant Jerry Harbin and Thunderbird Chapter UDC President Lesa Bornost laid the wreath and Commander Perkins looks on.



(above left) Camp 1525 Commander Robert Perkins leads the assembly in prayer at the dedication of the headstone of Sgt. Green F. Evans at Pioneer Cemetery in Phoenix on 28 April 2007. (above right) Commander Perkins and Adjutant Harbin served as the Color Guard for the UDC Confederate Memorial Day ceremony at Wes Bolen Plaza at the Capitol on 28 April 2007. (left) Pictured (l to r) are Compatriots Dan Huskisson, Tom Tatum and Jerry Harbin with their SCV Commendation medals awarded at the 2007 Division Convention

Welcome, New Members!

HQ, AZ Division, Ft Huachuca,
A.T. 9 August 2007

The Arizona Division is pleased to welcome the following new members with a hearty Rebel yell!

Larry R. Bowman

Camp 1710

Derek Dumas

Camp 1710

Doug Fitzgerald

Camp 1525

William C. Gilmor

Camp 1647

Jack Goldy

Camp 1647

Patrick Henderson

Camp 2096

Robert Massey

Camp 1525

Donald T. Rodgers

Camp 2074

Gaius E. Tipton

Camp 1710 Cadet

Welcome, Gentlemen!

We are pleased you have taken this opportunity to join us and to honor your Confederate heritage! We encourage you to take an active role in your Camps and in the Division. Your talents, knowledge and skills are needed! Keep the skeer on 'em!



(Continued from page 3) Convention the intersection of US 60 and Peralta Road. The project is still in the planning stage and the legislature has not funded it.

Commander Mangum adjourned the business session at 11:40 AM. After a short break, the assembly reconvened for lunch. Commander Mangum gave some introductory remarks and Color Sergeant Middleton led the honors to the colors.

Commander Mangum introduced our special guests. They are:

Mrs. Stacy McSwain
Treasurer-General, UDC

Ms. Janet Grams
Past Treasurer-General UDC
Mrs. Ella Mears
President, Arizona Division
UDC
Mrs. Paulette Lollar
President, Chapter 966, UDC

Mrs. McSwain presented greetings on behalf of the President-General of the UDC and of all the ladies. The staff of the Miner's Camp served the lunch—all you could eat ribs, ham, chicken, cole slaw, beans, bread and a big oat meal cookie!

Following the meal, Commander Mangum presented the SCV Charter to our newest Camp, the Army of Trans-Mississippi Artillery Camp 2127. Membership certificates were also given to all the new members.

Commander Mangum

then presented national and division awards to our many deserving members.

National Awards:

Distinguished Service Medal

John W. Mangum,

Meritorious Service Medal

John C. Rogers, Sr.,

SCV Commendation Medal

James T. Tatum,
Daniel K. Huskisson,

Steven Johnson
Jerry Harbin
Curtis E. Tipton

Leadership Award

Lindsay Brown
Kenneth Garrison

Division Awards:

Lt. Colonel John R. Baylor Award:

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Captain Sherod Hunter Award:

Daniel K. Huskisson

Lt. General Nathan Bedford Forrest Heritage Defense Award:

David L. Barton, Sr.

Meritorious Service Award:

James T. Tatum
Jerry Harbin
Steve Johnson
Robert P. Perkins

Leadership Award:

James T. Payne
David Hawkins

Certificate of Achievement:

James T. Payne
Henry "Scotty" McLaughlin

General John Smith Preston Award:

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Arizona Division Recruiting Awards:

Robert P. Perkins
William B. Morris
Clyde W. England
David L. Barton, Sr

Special Award

Engraved Julep Cup
Curtis E. Tipton

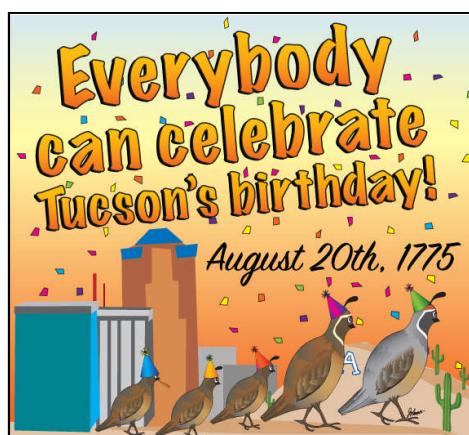
Tucson Celebrates its 232nd Anniversary



The City of Tucson celebrated its founding with a presentation of the historic flags that have flown over the Presidio. Pictured above left from left to right, the flags of Spain (1775), Mexico (1826), the United States (1846), the Confederacy (1862) and the State of Arizona (1912). Pictured right above, the ladies of the John R. Baylor Chapter 2298 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy with the 1st National Flag at the Presidio.



Above left, Color Sergeant Ben Middleton of Camp 1710 and Adjutant David Barton of Camp 2127 escort the UDC ladies. Above right, Color Sergeant Middleton, Adjutant Barton and Camp 1202 Adjutant Paul Mears discuss the "logistics" of the ceremony.



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Adjutant will update the rosters and then publish the directory in pdf format. The electronic version will be sent to each member who is on the Division email list. Each Camp will also receive an electronic copy and may make hard copies to distribute to their members who do not have email.

Past Commander
Bobby Morris reported on the recent national convention, particularly on the dues increase. Commander Morris said that SCV Executive Director Ben Sewell presented an outline of the budget shortfalls and that it was apparent that a dues increase was necessary. The delegates voted to increase the national per capita tax from \$20.00 to \$30.00 effective 1 August 2008.

Commander Morris also summarized the voting on the proposed amendments. He clarified the amendment concerning Cadet dues. While the amendment to eliminate Cadet dues failed to pass, it was not clearly stated that Cadets DO NOT pay annual dues. The amendment referred to the one time \$10.00 application fee. That is still in place and covers the cost of the recording and certificates. Cadets do not pay an annual fee of any kind. So y'all who have sons and grandsons under age 12—sign 'em up!

The DEC also voted to extend invitations to the candidates for national office in

2008 to visit the Arizona Division to present their platforms to us. Gary Ayres, candidate for Army of Trans-Mississippi Commander and Chuck Norred, candidate for Commander-in-Chief, have both asked to visit. The Adjutant will extend formal invitations to both.

The Division Commander gave a presentation on the new WBTS film which begins production next week. Many Arizona SCV Compatriots are "starring" in the film. If you are interested, contact Commander Mangum at runningiron@mac.com.

Commander Mangum also presented a report on the uniforms for the Division Mounted Color Guard. He has a source of very inexpensive but high quality uniforms and will send the Adjutant a summary of prices. The Color Guard will wear gray shell jackets with cavalry trim and no rank insignia; sky blue trousers with no leg stripe; a gray kepi with cavalry trim and cavalry boots. Commander Mangum's source can supply a full uniform (minus boots) for less than \$100.00! The Adjutant will send the details to the membership when they are available.

We were also pleased to have in attendance Camp 1710's newest member, Mr. Derek Dumais of St. David and his parents. Derek is 12 years old and very enthusiastic about his SCV membership.

He has volunteered to be Camp 1710's bugler and is joining the Division's Mounted Color Guard.

Chaplain Ganey gave the invocation and Commander Mangum adjourned the meeting. Camp 1710, the host Camp, held a door prize raffle, raising a few dollars for their treasury.

The next DEC meeting will be held in February. The Adjutant will announce the date, time and location when that information becomes available. The location is tentatively set for the Phoenix metro area and if any Jeff Davis Brigade Camps are interested in hosting the event, please contact the Adjutant.



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Upcoming Events

6 October: The city of Willcox will host the *Rex Allen Days Parade*.

12 October: The City of Safford will host the *Graham County Fair parade*

19-21 October: Tombstone, “The Town Too Tough to Die”, will host the *78th Annual Hellsdorado Days*. (parade on the 21st)

1 December: *Jefferson Davis Memorial Ceremony*—Apache Junction. Camp 1525 hosting.

2 December: *Fort Huachuca Tour of Historic Quarters*. Dinner to follow.

9 February: *Camp 1710 business meeting and luncheon* at the Country House Restaurant, Sierra Vista at 11:30 AM.

8-9 March: *Civil War in the Southwest* at Pica-
cho Peak State park.

5 April: Camp 1710 will celebrate the *13th Anniversary of its charter* with a dinner and awards ceremony. Time and location to be determined.

April: Several *Confederate Memorial Day ceremonies* will be held throughout the Territory. Contact the various Camps for information.

3 May: Camp 1710 will host the Arizona Division’s *Memorial Ceremony* at Dragoon Springs.

7 June: The Arizona Division will hold its *14th Annual Reunion and Convention..* The convention is tentatively scheduled for 7 June

2008 in Tucson. Camp 2074 is the host Camp.

23 August: *Camp 1710 Black Powder Shoot*. Location to be determined.

CAMP MEETINGS

(For specific information as to times, location, etc., contact the Camp Commanders)

Camp 1202: Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 1:00 PM at the Woods Memorial Library in Tucson.

Camp 1525: Next meeting is 22 September at 1:30 PM, location to be determined

Camp 1647: Contact the Commander

Camp 1708: Meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at Denny’s, Rural Road and US 60 in Tempe.

Camp 1710: Meets at the Country House Restaurant in Sierra Vista at 11:30 AM on 10 November, 12 January, 9 February and 12 July.

Camp 2074: Contact the Commander

Camp 2096: Contact the Commander

Camp 2127: Contact the Commander

The Arizona Division Executive Council
meets quarterly. The date, time and
location of the next meeting will be
determined and announced to the
membership.