



Chairman's Report for 2021

I have the honor to present to the membership the Chairman's report for 2021.

We finally get to meet in person! A big Thank You to Joe Abernathy for his tech skills in providing a Zoom room last year. It's good to be back at Amy's too.

The condition of the Company is solid and the membership is growing slightly. The 28th has ability to produce a safe, well trained company with good attendance. At Cedar Creek, the 28th was one of the largest Federal units on the field. Our reputation within the 3rd Regiment of the USV is strong and they seek our participation at their events.

In January, Captain Pankey and myself were able to attend the USV congress in Gettysburg. The President of the USV is now Dave Childs. He addressed the congress with news about the hobby in general and how the USV is becoming a smaller more reactive group. The 3rd Regiment breakout session was ran by Scott Buffington as usual. There was a lengthy discussion about how to operate with reduced numbers and have a quality experience. 3rd USV events choices will be explained by Captain Pankey later.

The elections for Company offices will be for Chairman, Captain, and 1st Sergeant. All current officers will run again for the upcoming terms. Other interested members are always welcome and healthy for the long term success of the unit.

As general interest in American history, and the Civil War declines, we as a group should be flexible to find whatever niche we can find. Our primary goals of education and public awareness of Irish soldiers and their challenges will continue. The hobby is changing. We as a group need to adapt and change also.

Respectfully submitted,
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