# **Registration Form** Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address Home #\_\_\_\_\_ Work# E-Mail Address Box Lunch Choice: See Attached Sheet for Descriptions Albuquerque Chicken Italian Panini Turkey Cheddar Wrap Honey Pecan Chicken Bistro Grill Pesto Chicken Club Cookies Brownies Soda Type \_\_\_\_\_ Water\_\_\_\_ Do you wish to go on the Belmont Mansion Tour? Yes No Bringing items to display? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ If yes, how much room will you need? Would you like to bring items to sell?(No Fee)Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how much space will you need? Would you be interested in a fabric swap? Yes No (You will be contacted with information if you are interested in this) Workshops: 1. Bonnet \$25.00 2. Men's Smoking Caps \$15.00 3. Personal Beauty \$30.00\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Mantles \$25.00 Historical Bus and Dinner Tour-(limited to 47) \$35.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Do you need a vegetarian dinner? Yes No Total including Conference Fee, optional Workshops/ Historical Bus and Dinner Tour Conference Fee- \$145.00 by July 10, \$160.00 after that, none after July 31, space is limited so sign up early. Student Fee- \$100.00 by July 1, \$125.00 after that. Send form with payment (Just this side of form) Send check or money order (sorry, no credit cards) made out to: LSFS Conference C/O Linda Gray, Treasurer

1107 Golden Creek Court, Murfreesboro, TN 37129

# Nashville Southern Civilian Conference August 8-10, 2008

Belmont Mansion 1900 Belmont Boulevard

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# Copics

Paisley Shawls-by Susan Lyons Hughes
Senator and Mrs. Golloday—by Nicky Hughes
Men's Entertainmen: From Archery to Yachting—
by Michael Mescher
Not In Polite Company: 19th Cent. Sanitary
Protection-by Virginia Mescher
Southern Patriotism: Che Homespun Dressby Vicky Betts
Ordeal of the Roswell Mill Workers: Arrested for
Ereason-by Phillip Whiteman

# <u> Workshops</u>

Straw Bonnets-by Linda Gray Personal Beauty: Che Gift of Nature by Virginia Mescher Men's Smoking Cap by Janine Whiteman Mantles-by Crish Hasenmueller

Friday Evening Reception Continental Breakfast Saturday and Sunday Box Lunch on Saturday Belmont Mansion Cour on Saturday Sutler Area Diplay of Orginal Items

Optional: Saturday Evening Historical Bus and Dinner Cour

**Phillip Whiteman** is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. He has a history degree from the University of Alabama and has been involved with reenacting/living history for 13 years. He started reenacting in a civilian role rather than a military one and has maintained his civilian interests in the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century culture. Along with 19<sup>th</sup> Century men's clothing, his primary interests are monetary and political aspects of the Civil War. He has participated in living history programs primarily at State National Parks and at the historic homes of Roswell, Georgia. He has also provided educational presentations at Civil War reenactments, national and regional conferences and historical society meetings and local schools.

Phillip is an active member of the Roswell Historical Society and assists the society's research library and archives. He has also been a tour guide for the Historical Roswell Convention and Visitors Bureau. Phillip is a member of the 21<sup>st</sup> Ohio Volunteer Infantry living history unit and the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Cannon Crew.

Phillip and his wife Janine, started the PNJW Collections Civilian Exhibit in 1997. The collection of the Civil War Era includes men's, women and children's clothing, shoes, hats, accessories, and other civilian artifacts. The collection is used to create a traveling exhibit, which is periodically set up at historic sites and National Parks during the year.

**Susan Lyons Hughes** is Interpretation and Education Manager at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, Kentucky. Prior to employment at Shaker Village in 1994, she worked for the Kentucky Historical Society. Susan holds an A.B. in History from Western Kentucky University, and did graduate work at Western and the University of Kentucky. She was the founding editor of *The Citizens' Companion* magazine, and associate editor of *Civil War Historian* magazine. She has had articles published in *North and South Magazine, The Kentucky Encyclopedia, The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, and several other publications. Her research interests include 19<sup>th</sup> century funeral and mourning customs, Kentucky during the Civil War, and the roles of women during the Civil War. Most recently she has acquired an interest in researching the Ford Mustang.

Lewis Nichols (Nicky) Hughes— is curator of historic sites for the City of Frankfort, Kentucky. He supervises the Downtown Division of the city's Department of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Sites. He is responsible for several parks, including the Leslie Morris Park on Fort Hill, which preserves two Civil War earthwork forts and the site of an 1864 skirmish, both in a 125-acre forest preserve. Hughes recently supervised the renovation of an 1810 log structure there to house exhibits and a re-created Civil War era roadside inn. He completed the first phase of Frankfort's new Capital City Museum late in 2004 and continues to enlarge and enhance the museum's exhibits. The museum tells the history of Frankfort, Kentucky, the state's capital city.

Hughes co-authored the book *Historical Images of Frankfort*, published late in 2004. The second volume of *Historical Images of Frankfort* came out in the autumn of 2005. In 2007, he co-authored *Frankfort Cemetery; The Westminster Abby of Kentucky*. All were top-selling books at the Kentucky Book Fair. He is a partner in Victoria & Albert Historical Consultants, which wrote much of the text for the Cincinnati Museum Center's major temporary exhibit *Liberty on the Border: The Civil War and the Ohio River Valley* and designed the re-creation of the state library in Kentucky's 1827 Old State Capitol. He is working with the Mill Springs Battlefield Association to install the initial exhibits at that site's new museum.

During his 27-year career with Kentucky state government, Hughes was curator of the Kentucky Military History Museum, curator of the 1830 Old State Capitol, and museums division manager for the Kentucky Historical Society. He worked on initial plans for the museum portion of the new Kentucky History Center. Later, he was historic preservation specialist for the Division of Historic Properties, where he helped care for Kentucky's New

#### Comfort Inn and Suites - Brentwood (\$75.00 rate)

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### **Lunch Selections**:

**Albequerque Chicken**- Chicken sandwich with a Southwest Flair that features quacamole spread, jack and cheddar cheese, and grilled onions and peppers served with side salad of the day, condiments, potato chips, cookies or brownies and a can of soda or bottled water.

<u>Bistro Grill</u>- Grilled herb chicken breast with melted mozzarella and pesto mayonnaise ob focaccia bread with the side salad of the day, condiments, potato chips, cookies or brownies and a can of soda or bottled water.

<u>Grilled Vegetable Baguette</u>- Grilled vegetables with fontina cheese on a baguette with the side salad of the day, condiments, potato chips, cookies or brownies and a can of soda or bottled water.

<u>Honey Pecan Chicken</u>- Delicate blend of honey roasted pecans, & white meat chicken on a buttery croissant served the side salad of the day, condiments, potato chips, cookies or brownies and a can of soda or bottled water.

<u>Pesto Chicken Club</u>- Pesto chicken breast, crisp bacon, lettuce and tomato on Ciabatta served with side salad of the day, condiments, potato chips, cookies or brownies and a can of soda or bottled water.

<u>Italian Panini</u>- Salami, ham, provolone, roasted red peppers on a French roll with garlic mayonnaise served with side salad of the day, condiments, potato chips, cookies or brownies, a can of soda or bottled water

. <u>Turkey Cheddar Wrap</u>- Turkey and cheddar with horseradish cream cheese on a flour tortilla, served with side salad of the day, condiments, potato chips, cookies or brownies, a can of soda or bottled water.

Please choose type of sandwich, cookies or brownies, soda or water on registration form.

### **Nashville Accommodations**

Below is a list of hotels and motels near Belmont University. Most if not all offer Belmont discounted rates. Simply ask for the Belmont University rate when making your reservation.

#### **Guesthouse Inn & Suites** (\$99.95 rate)

1909 Hayes St Nashville, TN 37203 (615) 329-1000

http://www.nashvilleguesthouseinn.com/

Sales contact: Ask for the Belmont rate - Rate based upon availability.

Off West End Ave. Belmont rate available. Deluxe Cont. breakfast, microwave, hairdryer, refrigerator, coffeemakers in rooms and complimentary parking. Suites available. Free shuttle to Belmont. Just five minutes from campus.

#### Hampton Inn & Suites - Green Hills (starting at \$130 plus tax per night)

2324 Crestmoor Rd Nashville, TN 37215 (615) 777-0001

www.hamptoninn.com/hi/nash-greenhills

Group Sales Contact: Lisa Spiller.

Property located less than five minutes from campus with free shuttle based on availability. Luxury accommodations with complimentary expanded breakfast bar, adjacent to the Mall at Green Hills, plenty of parking and unique dining just a short walk away.

#### Holiday Inn Express - Nashville Downtown (\$119.00)

920 Broadway Nashville, TN 37203

(615) 244-0268

http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/ex/1/en/hotel/bnabw?rpb=hotel&crUrl=/h/d/ex/1/en/hotelsearchresults

Sales Contact: Vince Locke.

Property located on Broadway near the Wildhorse Saloon, Parthenon, and the Ryman Auditorium. Rate includes continental breakfast, internet access, meeting/banquet facilities, fitness center, and outdoor pool.

Courtyard by Marriott - Vanderbilt West End (Ask for the Belmont rate) 1901 West End Ave Nashville, TN 37203 (615) 327-9900

http://www.courtyard.com/BNAWE

Sales contact: Melanie Wood, Belmont Alumnus.

Newly renovated! Located off West End Ave and within a few blocks of 12 restaurants. Secure garage parking, luxury bedding package, in-room coffee, outdoor pool. Restaurant located on the premises. Just five minutes from campus. Complimentary local shuttle service provided to Belmont.

Brentwood Suites (Ask for the Belmont rate)

622 Church Street, East Brentwood, TN 37027

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Sales Contact: Greg Lewis

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State Capitol and Governor's Mansions. Hughes retired from Kentucky state government in 2000 to take his current position with the City of Frankfort.

Involved in living history since 1981, he was captain of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Infantry, US Army, reenacting groups and colonel of the Breckinridge Battalion, a Confederate umbrella organization. His first-person living history presentations have been popular with schools, historical societies and civic groups all across Kentucky. He is drum major and announcer with Saxton's Cornet Band, a re-created Civil War period brass band, and he serves as assistant surgeon in the Western Independent Grays, a campaigner battalion based in the Upper South. Hughes is a regular speaker at living history conferences, specializing in the material culture of the Civil War era. He was the founding publisher of *The Watchdog*, a quarterly newsletter dedicated to improving the historical accuracy of Civil War reenacting. From 2002 to 2004, he was editor of *Camp Chase Gazette*, the national magazine for Civil War living history enthusiasts. Early in 2006, he was named editor of *Civil War Historian* magazine.

In 2005, the Adjutant General of Kentucky presented Hughes with the Commander's Award for Public Service. This medal recognized his career of work in preserving and interpreting the military history of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Born in Nashville, Tennessee, in 1950, Hughes grew up in Logan and Simpson Counties in southern Kentucky. He graduated from Western Kentucky University in 1972 and attended the University of Kentucky College of Law. Hughes and his wife Susan Lyons Hughes live in Frankfort, Kentucky. They collect antiques and enjoy classic and high-performance Mustang automobiles.

Virginia Mescher- a social historian, is a civil war reenactor, free lance writer, and independent researcher. A 1972 graduate of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia, her degree is in Management, Housing and Family Development, Elementary, Secondary and Adult Education, she has turned her academic background into a study of the life of an earlier century with an emphasis on domestic skills, foods, and material culture. She is a member of the 42d Virginia, Co. I, since 1988, a past president of the Society for Women and The Civil War, and a member of the Atlantic Guard and Soldier's Aid Society,

Virginia has been a featured speaker at a number of national Civil War conferences and reenactments and was an associate editor of The Watchdog as well as being a contributor to other historically oriented publications such as Civil War Historian and Food History News. She is the author of books on 19th century tatting and 19th century cosmetics as well as booklets on material culture in the United States before and during the Civil War including booklets on foods, herbs, laundry, and wartime

substitutions. She may be contacted through her website(www.vintagevolumes.com) which contains essays on other related topics.

Michael Mescher— of Burke, Virginia, has been a civil war re-enactor since 1988. His initial involvement was military but he began studying toys and games as a way to occupy his three sons. Soon the scope of his study broadened to examine entertainment for adults as well. This cumulative research led him to offer a collection of reproduction toys, games, books, and other items through his sutlery, Ragged Soldier Sutlery. He has written two booklets on games and has also spoken on various aspects of entertainment at the Ladies and Gentlemen of the 1860's Conference, the Southern Civilian Conference, and numerous large reenactments

Vicky Betts— has been a librarian at the University of Texas at Tyler for thirty years. Her first publication *Smith County, Texas, in the Civil War*, was originally an honors thesis from East Texas State University. She has since edited a set of Confederate soldier's letters, a Confederate child's memoirs, a set of Northern woman's letters, and is currently working on a Texas farmer/rancher's journal spanning 1857-1870. She has also written articles for the reenacting journal *Citizens' Companion* on such topics as civilians at Shiloh, civilians' reaction to the upper Red River Campaign of 1864, tobacco usage by mid-nineteenth century Southern women, "model economical candles," and homespun as politics in the South, 1860-1861. She has presented her slide program on mid-nineteenth Southern homespun dresses to groups in Alabama, Texas, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Virginia. Her website, <a href="http://www.uttyl.edu/vbetts">http://www.uttyl.edu/vbetts</a>, includes extensive excerpts from Southern newspapers dealing with the home front during the Civil War, as well as an index to *Godey's Lady's Book* and other articles.

# Straw Bonnet Workshop by Linda Gray

Class fee-\$25

Natural Straw form-\$35

Kit of materials (choice of color) to finish it including silk lining, fabric for curtain, ribbon strings, trimming-\$15

Requirements-basic hand sewing skills, scissors, pins and thimble

<u>Linda Gray</u>- native of Nashville, Tennessee, has had a life-long interest in millinery. This developed into a love of bonnets since joining Ladies Soldiers Friend Society in 1990. She has studied millinery, bonnet reproduction, and many original bonnets with special interest in construction techniques. To put this research to use, she has taught bonnet workshops in several southeastern states. Along with her husband, Jim, she now lives in Murfreesboro Tennessee.

# Victorian Cosmetics Workshop by Virginia Mescher

Class fee \$30.00-includes samples and handouts Requirements- Pen or pencil, small bag to hold samples, camera

# Victorian Smoking Cap Workshop by Janine Whiteman

Class Fee \$15.00 Kit to make cap-\$15

Requirements-basic hand sewing skills, scissors, thread, pins and thimble If you wish to embroider or embellish your cap in some manner, you can purchase your kit ahead of time. Send kit fee to Janine Whiteman: 2032 Eagle Glen Road Alphareta, GA 30022

Janine Whiteman- has been researching clothing and accessories of the Civil War era for 13 years. Along with her husband Phillip, she started the PNJW Collections Civilian Exhibit in 1997. Not only did she want to collect and study the clothing, she enjoys displaying and allowing others to see the collection as well. Reading the magazines, diaries and letters of those who lived in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> Century is one of her favorite pasttimes. She provides educational and living history presentations at Civil War events, Conferences, Historical Societies, and National Parks.

## A Mantle by Trish Hasenmueller

Price: \$25 (includes pattern and handouts) plus fabric, thread and equipment Materials needed:

 $2\frac{1}{2}$  yards of wool, silk or *very* lightweight figured cotton (not calico). The fabric can be heavy for a warm mantle or light and breezy for a cool one. It can match the dress it will be worn with or complement it.

Thread

Cording for optional binding

Equipment needed:

Scissors, Pencil, Needle, Pins, Ruler yardstick or tape measure

**Trish Hasenmueller** has been reenacting for about five years but sewing and enjoying history her entire life. Her inspiration for trying to 'do things right' in Civil War reenacting came from several years as a tour guide at Rattle 'n' Snap Plantation just outside Columbia, Tennessee, the town she calls home. In seeking out The Citizens of the Bonnie Blue at the beginning of her reenacting experience, she saved a lot of time by starting out with their gentle guidance. She is an elementary art teacher with a BFA in Graphic Design and MAT in Art Education, four children, a husband (David), four doggies and two cats.

## Nashville During the War by Ross Massey

3-hour historical bus tour- dinner at Centennial Park –Saturday evening 6:00 -9.00

Ross Massey has been interested in the Battle of Nashville since a 1964, 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary reenactment of the battle. Learning that fighting took place near his home, he set out to determine if it overflowed into his neighborhood. He consequently learned where actions took place across the city. In 1987 he located long forgotten earthworks at Bell's Bend on the Cumberland River, and Granbury's Lunette. The river site is now a Metro Parks greenway. Massey's Sons of Confederate Veterans (S.C.V.) camp (#28) preserved the lunette remains, and they are also open to the public.

In 1991 Massey was a founding member of the Battle of Nashville Preservation Society. This nonprofit group raised money to buy the remains of Redoubt One, and land on Shy's Hill. It has also been recognized for its role in Metro Parks reopening Fort Negley. In 1993 Massey organized the S.C.V.'s first Mount Olivet Cemetery walking tours. It is the burial place for nearly all of the Confederate dead from the Battle of Nashville, as well as several generals that survived it. Proceeds from fifteen annual tours have enabled the S.C.V. to make repairs and improvements. The restoration of an old holding vault into Mount Olivet Confederate Memorial Hall led to a Metro Historical Commission award. In 2003 Nashville's mayor presented it to Massey.

In 1994 Massey appeared on the popular program "Civil War Journal." The episode, which covered the Battle of Nashville, has been seen by over 10,000,000 viewers on A&E and the History Channel. He appeared on the documentary "The Battle of Nashville" in 2005. It has been seen on public television, and is available at Travellers' Rest. He has advocated historical preservation as a guest on local radio shows and made numerous local television appearances. Massey resides in Nashville with his wife Lynda. They have enjoyed organizing historical symposiums, conducting tours, and public speaking. Massey has also created numerous historical markers in the area, including the first Confederate markers on the Murfreesborough Battlefield.