





Annual Christmas Gala

Mid-Cities Bluebonnet UDC, Col M. T. Johnson SCV, OCR and Nicola Marschall CofC

Saturday Evening, December 13, 2014

Doors open at

5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Dinner, Program following (Barbeque Brisket, Sausage, and Smoked Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Desserts, and a cash bar)

Arlington Moose Lodge,

3210 Pleasant

Valley Rd Arlington, TX. 76015, (north of the Parks Mall)

Featuring Holiday Fellowship, Guest Speaker: Susan Hathaway, with Virginia Flaggers, SCV Officer Installations, "Bears on Patrol" (bring stuffed bears to donate), SCV Sales and UDC Silent Auction

Make Checks Payable to; Col M T Johnson Camp 1648

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Reservations \$30.00 each or \$50.00 per couple

JOIN US AS WE MARCH IN THE FORT WORTH STOCK SHOW PARADE JANUARY 17

We'll have more details in the January newsletter. For the last two years the weather has been perfect for men marching in wool uniforms. The Fort Worth crowd loves us!!!

Email Mike Patterson immediately if you think you might like to take part. He's at mfpchat@yahoo.com Mike will email you a liability release form you'll need to sign and return to him. All forms must be completed by December 31.

Here's a very attractive alternative to *marching* in the Stock Show Parade to consider: Jack Dyess of the Griffin Camp in Haltom City has reserved five horse-drawn coaches for the Fort Worth Stock Show Parade on January 17. This is space enough to comfortably carry twenty-five people. Texas Division Commander Johnny Holley and his wife normally ride in one of them. The cost to ride will be \$87.50 per person. Jack needs to know if you want a spot, and he needs your \$\$\$ by ten p.m. December 19. After that he'll cancel one or more of the coaches if they're not needed. His email is jplsail@earthlink.net



WEATHERFORD VETERANS DAY PARADE NOVEMBER 8

Your editor and his grandson represented the E. W. Taylor Camp in the annual Weatherford parade on Saturday, Nov. 8.





Lanham Camp member Floyd Fry, above, brought his grand-daughter, Kellie Lambertson, to ride with him in the parade. Oliver Patterson, above left with his grandpa, saw Kellie and decided SCV parades were going to be lots of fun.







WEATHERFORD VETERANS DAY PARADE, cont.

Events like this are an excellent way to get good name recognition in the community. More of our compatriots need to take part in them.

On the same day we were denied a place in Grapevine's parade we took advantage of Lanham Camp Commander Larry Martin's invitation. He drove the pickup pulling the trailer. Lanham Campers Jerry Puckett, Floyd Fry, and Jerry Walden rode the trailer, along with Taylor Campers Patterson and Patterson. Compatriot Fry's granddaughter also rode with us.

Just as we always see in the Fort Worth and Arlington parades, the Weatherford crowd was enthusiastic when they saw us. Jerry Puckett is shown at upper left, and Larry Martin's photo is below Puckett's. Somehow we managed not to get a photograph of ex-Lanham Commander Jerry Walden. For that we apologize.

Please make every effort to take advantage of opportunities like this. Our next opportunity is on December 6, also in Weatherford. We hope to see you there!!!





Four Taylor Compatriots Chill Out in the Annual Fort Worth Veterans Day Parade on November 11





It's amazing how cold the 40's can be when they've got a stiff north wind helping them. For the third year in a row the parade got an extremely late start, and we were thoroughly aired-out by the time it was over. Taylor compatriots who took part included 1-r, Mike Patterson, Bob Gresham, James Alderman, and James Madewell. We were joined by Bob's nephew, Peter Hanson. James and Bob rode as representatives of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Taylor Members Take Part in 33rd Annual Massing of the Colors in Fort Worth



On Sunday, November 9, the 33rd annual Massing of the Colors ceremony, sponsored by Fort Worth Chapter, Military Order of the World Wars, was held at 2:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth at 1000 Penn Two members of the Avenue. Taylor Camp, James Alderman and Bobby Gresham, took part. James (at left) was dressed in his uniform as a Vietnam-era JaAnn Alderman veteran. represented the Daughters of American Revolution. Bobby Gresham, below right, represented the Sons of the American Revolution.

Next year we need to be sure we have uniformed Confederates taking part in this colorful and moving patriotic event in Ft. Worth.

Pictured at right with Bobby is Chris Blair. In the processional, each organization carries our national flag and the flag of its particular patriotic group.

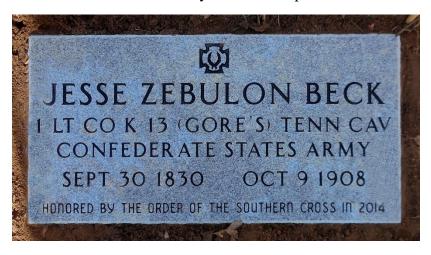
As is the case with the local parades, the Sons of the Confederacy should take advantage of this venue to show the public that we are here, that we are proud Americans, and that we honor the service of all American soldiers of all eras. We'll be there next year.



DALLAS VET WAITS 107 YEARS FOR A MARKER



On Saturday November 8 five stalwarts from two area SCV camps drove over to Dallas' Oakland Cemetery and installed a marker for 1st Lt. Jesse Z. Beck, Co. K, 13th (Gore's) Tennessee Cavalry. They were, above 1-r, Kyle Sims, Ron Parker, Mike Patterson, and Dan Hays. Sims and Hays are members of the Johnson Camp in Arlington; Parker and Patterson are in the Taylor Camp. The photographer was Stephen Parker, Ron's son and the webmaster for the Taylor SCV Camp.





Number seven in a series of thirty made possible by our generous grant from the Order of the Southern Cross.



THREE MORE NEW STONES USING OUR GRANT FROM THE ORDER OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS INSTALLED IN FORT WORTH ON NOVEMBER 14

Numbers Eight, Nine and Ten in a Series of Thirty New Markers. See Last Month's Newsletter for Biographies of These Three Men.



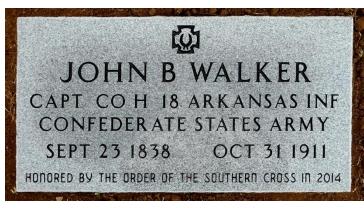


nippy mid-November afternoon and three new markers in Oakwood Cemetery in Fort Worth two in Soldier's Row. Here James Madewell and James Alderman and Mike Patterson install rocks for Dr. J. C. Sanders and Capt. John B. Walker.

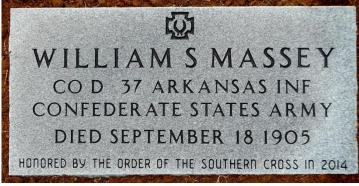
NOVEMBER 14 INSTALLATIONS, cont.



Kent Mathews (blue jacket), James Madewell (brown vest) and James Alderman (tan coat) install Mr. Massey's stone. Mike Patterson was the photographer and helped with the installations.



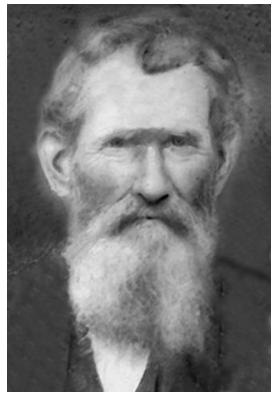
Two Arkansawyer infantrymen were also honored on November 14.





VET BURIED IN 1913 IN HIDDEN NORTHWEST TARRANT BURIAL GROUND GETS HEADSTONE ON BLACK FRIDAY

Veteran of 3rd Texas Cavalry lived just inside Wise County, buried in Tarrant County near Newark. Our eleventh vet honored using our OSC grant.

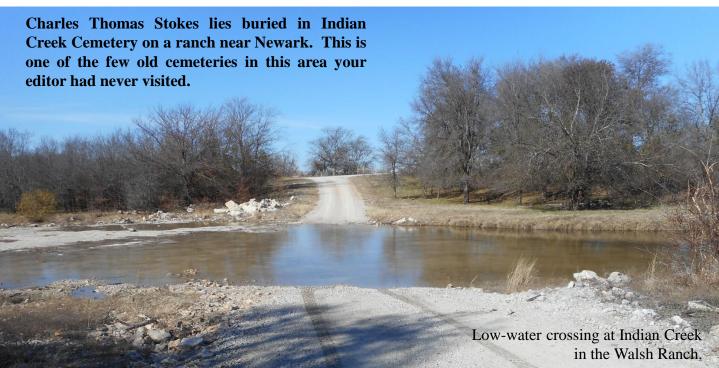


Several weeks ago we discovered a vet named Charles T. Stokes who died in 1913 and had no headstone. The old cemetery where he's buried is on private property, but that's not usually a problem.

We exercised due diligence...found the property owner, got permission, and was told the ranch gate had a cattle guard along the highway but the gate was never locked.

Kent Mathews and your editor gave it a shot on Friday morning. Plan A fell apart when he gate was locked, there was no phone number on the gate, and the contact number I'd used earlier went unanswered. The gates were made so they couldn't be lifted off their hinges.

Plan B developed as we drove the ranch perimeters on public roads, looking for other gates which might be unlocked or have phone numbers on them. What we did find was a gentleman and a tow-truck driver retrieving a pickup which had wiped out the fence several days ago. The man had a four-wheel-drive pickup, so we went off across country looking for the cemetery. We came to a cross-fence about a mile in before we found the cemetery.



Charles Stokes, cont.

Plan C was hatched when we spied a man in a pickup checking gas wells across the highway from the ranch. He gave us the phone number of the man who checks the wells on the tract where the cemetery sits. The man on the phone didn't have a key to the gate, but he directed us to another entrance to the ranch two or three miles away where there might be some human beings.

Plan D didn't look promising when there was no one there, but there was a gate with an emergency phone number which was answered by a real person... who was in West Texas. He knew where the cemetery is, and gave us the name and phone number of the cemetery association man here.

Plan E involved getting the cemetery association man to tell us how to get onto the property. Predictably, we only got his answering machine. We left a message and started home.

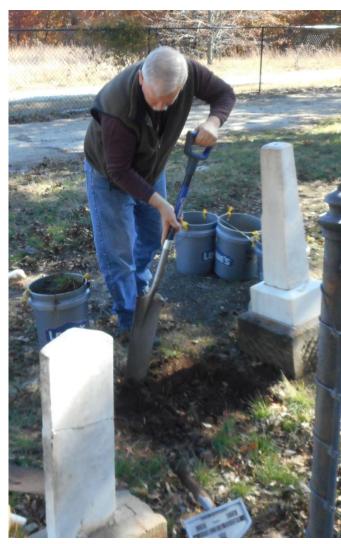
Just on a bet, we stopped and re-called he man from Plan D. He agreed to give us the code to the gate keypad, and said the cemetery was *three or four miles* inside that gate on the ranchland. We got the gate open and, amazingly, found the cemetery!!!

The drive-in gate to the cemetery was locked, but we only had to carry the marker about one hundred feet. We set it, packed up, and drove out. At one place the gravel road crosses Indian creek on a wide, flat limestone shelf. Very picturesque!

Charles Thomas Stokes was born November 16, 1832 in Georgia. By 1850 he was living in Marietta, Georgia with his father's family. His father, Samuel, was a carpenter and farmer who owned four slaves.

Charles came to Texas in 1855. He and his wife, Margarette, were married in Van Zandt County in 1867. Together they had thirteen children, nine of whom were still alive at the time the 1910 census was taken.

By 1880 Charles and his family had moved into northwest Tarrant County where they farmed for a living. He settled near Rhome in Wise County





about 1883. In 1900 they were still farming in Wise County.

By the time the 1910 census was taken they had moved temporarily out west to Runnels County, but they came back to Wise County in a short time.

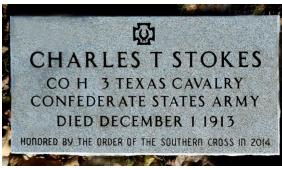
CHARLES STOKES, cont.

Mr. Stokes applied for a Confederate pension in 1913, by which time he and his family had moved back to Rhome. His original oath of allegiance, signed in August 1865 in Titus County, Texas is in his pension file in Austin.

Stokes' wife, Margarette Lucindy Renfrow, was twenty-three years his junior. She lived until 1934 and was buried in Deep Creek Cemetery near Boyd, Texas in Wise County. The Find-A-Grave site for Deep Creek Cemetery has a page for Mr. Stokes but it seems likely it was made on the assumption that he was buried beside his wife in an unmarked grave.

Probably at the time of her death, one of her heirs got a temporary marker for her from Christian Funeral Home in Boyd and placed it at her grave. At the same time the heir probably got a similar one for Mt. Stokes and placed it on his grave in Indian Creek Cemetery (previous page) beside two of the Stokes' children.









An Open Letter about the Grapevine Parade

Dear Friends,

Having learned that the Sons of Confederate Veterans would be denied entry in the Grapevine Veterans Day parade that was held last Saturday, November 8, I vowed that I would put on my Confederate Uniform and make an appearance on the behalf of the many men of Northeast Tarrant County who marched off to fight in the war for Southern Independence.

Some of those men included General Richard Gano, whose frontier homestead is now beneath DFW Airport and Archibald Franklin Leonard, who laid off the original Grapevine town plats. Additionally, the first company in Tarrant County was raised by Grapevine resident William Quayle. The list goes on and on. But for reasons that seem painfully clear, the Obama-Biden supporting candidate for City Council that was in charge of the event saw fit to exclude these men from those who were receiving their due recognition.

In an effort to make certain that the Confederate Veterans were not forgotten on that day, I arranged to get off work early and rushed to get my self together. Wearing my Confederate uniform and carrying the flag of the 20th Texas Volunteers that is used by the Civil War Museum, I walked from the end of the parade route to the point of its commencement and posted myself there waiting for it to start.

Enroute, I encountered numerous people who inquired about my flag and I was able to promote the museum, offer some information on the local veterans, and present some random, lesser known, facts concerning the war and the issues surrounding it. As the parade passed, I remained at attention with my banner blowing in the wind. The caption on the flag, "Our Homes - Our Rights" feels particularly resonant at this time and I believe that those words elicited a favorable response.

Some might ask, "Why didn't you carry the Battle Flag?" That is a good question and it is one that I believe deserves what I hope is a good answer.

Grapevine Parade Letter, cont.

There are several reasons why I choose to carry the 20th Texas flag. One of those is the fact that when I am alone, if I am carrying a Battle Flag, there is a tendency to automatically dismiss me as an ignorant redneck (the favorite tactic of our detractors). But, if I am carrying the flag of the 20th, then curiosity often takes hold of the observers and opens the door to conversation.

Case in point, one gentleman asked me in earnest, "Is that a real flag or something that was made up?" I told him that it was indeed a replica of a real flag and that it is used by the Texas Civil War Museum for advertisement. He asked me to pose with his small son who seemed a little intimidated by my presence. After failing to persuade him to join me for a photo op, I finally changed the subject to the beads that he was toying with. Kneeling beside him as I looked at the shiny baubles, I gestured toward the camera, and Viola! the Kodak moment was captured for posterity! The delighted father thanked me and declared that I am Awesome! He assured me that he would make a point of stopping by the museum very soon.

But, back to the parade. Many of the veterans on the floats nodded their approval as they passed me and a couple of them saluted. I returned salutes, but in an effort to maintain a semblance of military decorum, I merely smiled and said howdy to those parade participants who waved at me.

All in all, I would say that my presence was well received and I left feeling like I had accomplished what I set out to do: Bring Honor to the Confederate Soldier at the Veterans Day parade in Grapevine.

Yours in The Cause, Paul B. Martin

We believe Compatriot Martin's decision was a very good one: the right thing done at the right place and the right time. He did exactly what the parade organizer would never have suspected after denying us a place. He reacted in a gentlemanly manner and made an excellent impression on both the veterans in the parade and on the folks who came to see it. His reasoning in using the regimental flag was, in our opinion, the correct one. E.W. Taylor Camp, Newsletter Editor



Our sincere thanks to the Mayor of Grapevine, Hon. Bill Tate, and all the other elected and appointed city officials who supported our right to be in the parade.



A. McElyea.

The funeral of A. McElyea, whose death occurred Monday afternoon, was held Tuesday morning from the family residence, at 614 East First street. Mr. McElyea was 66 years old, and is survived by a wife and five children, niterment was in Oakwood cemetery.

Goorge W. Wakefield.

The death of George W. Wakefield occurred Monday afternoon at 2220 Ross avenue, North Fort Worth. Deceased was 58 years old and death was due to an attack of tuberculosis. The funeral was held at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the family residence, with interment in Oakwood cemetery.

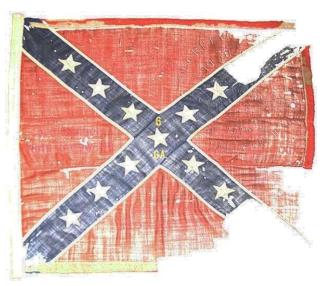
Two Confederate
Vets Die the Same
Afternoon in 1909,
Get Buried the
Next Day in the
Same Cemetery,
and Wait for a
Century to Get
Markers.

Taylor Compatriot David Luttrell, working alone, got McElyea a stone years before we met him and he joined our camp. Wakefield will get one in December using our grant from the Order of the Southern Cross. These obituaries were in the Star-Telegram on January 5, 1909.

David Luttrell got a stone for Alexander M. McElyea from the V A, and he installed it on the last day of 2008. It was one of dozens he got for vets here before we met him and he joined the Taylor Camp. Alexander served as a private in Co. B, 18th Btn. Alabama Volunteers.

We were alerted to George Henry Wakefield when we read all the Tarrant County Confederate pension files and discovered his widow was granted one. Wakefield was yet another one of many who came here from Dade County, Georgia and was one of several vets of the 6th Georgia Infantry who settled in Tarrant County.

Wakefield enlisted at Yorktown, Virginia on July 17, 1861. He was taken prisoner at Fredericksburg, Virginia on January 14, 1863 and was confined in the Old Capitol Prison in Washington, D. C. two days later. He remained in yankee prisons until May 24, 1865, when he signed the oath of allegiance at Chattanooga, Tennessee. When he was released he had dark



hair, dark eyes, a fair complexion, and was 5'10" tall.

Wakefield and his family came to Texas in 1872. When the 1900 census was taken they were living in Denton County. They moved to Fort Worth about 1904, where Mr. Wakefield died on January 4, 1909.

One of Mosby's Men, Dead 113 Years, To Get His First Marker Here in December

DEATHS.

T. W. Chiles.

Relatives of T. W. Chiles yesterday received the announcement of his death at San Antonio, where he has resided snice leaving Fort Worth four years ago. The deceased was prominent in local politics for a number of years, and at one time represented the First ward as councilman. Later he was appointed superintendent of waterworks. He was also senior member of the grocery firm of Chiles & Marshall, which did business on East Second street.

The deceased was a Virginian, and served in the Confederate army. was an uncle of Dr. W. B., Thomas F. and Colonel George T. West of Fort Worth. Colonel West left for San Antonio last night, and will return with the body tomorrow morning. The funeral will take place some time Wednesday afternoon, and will be conducted by the Masonic fraternity, of which order he was a member.

Fendol West Chiles was born in Louisa County, Virginia about 1840. His father, Fendol Chiles, Sr. (1798-1857), was a prosperous farmer there. 1850 the Chiles family owned twenty-one slaves.

Mr. Chiles entered the service on September 17, 1861 at Louisa Court House, Virginia, and became a corporal in Captain Henry W. Murray's Company (the Louisa Blues), 13th Virginia Infantry. This company subsequently became Company D. He was mustered into the service at Harper's Ferry on May 22. On June 27, 1862 he was wounded in both thighs at the Battle of Gaines Mill. During the last part of his service with this regiment he served as a color bearer. He was discharged on a surgeon's certificate on March 27, 1863.

FUNERAL OF MAJ. CHILES.

Former City Official Laid to Rest-List of the Active and Honorary Pall-Bearers.

The remains of Major Fendel W. Chiles, former alderman and former superintendent of the waterworks of Fort Worth, arrived in the city yesterday morning from San Antonio in charge of Colonel George T. West. The body was conveyed to the Robertson & Witten undertaking establishment where it was viewed by friends and relatives. At 10 o'clock the funeral procession moved to the new city cemetery. Reverend J. B. French of the Broadway Presbyterian church conducted the services at the grave. The remains were interred in the family burying grounds.

The active pall bearers were: Tillman Smith, T. J. Powell, G. H. Day, J. C. Ames, George C. Hudgins, W. R. Par-

The honorary pall-bearers Alexander Hogg, William Barr, Martin Casey, John P. Swayne, N. T. Stubbs. King, John F.

Major Chiles died of cholera morbus. He was stricken late Friday night or early Saturday morning, and although two physicians were in constant attendance from that time on, he died Monday morning.

On June 18, 1863 Chiles rejoined the army and became a 1st lieutenant in Capt. John McAnerney's Company of Henley's of Volunteers. This Battn. subsequently became known as the 3rd Regiment of Virginia Volunteers, Local Defense Troops. It was composed of employees of the Post Office Department and City Post Office at Richmond, Virginia. On September 16, 1863 he resigned his office in this regiment. His resignation letter remains in his file in the National Archives. In it, he says he had joined Mosby's cavalry.

Mosby Man in Fort Worth, cont.

Mr. Chiles spent the last part of his service as a member of Co. C, Mosby's Regiment of Virginia Cavalry (Partisan Rangers) also known as the 43rd Battn. Virginia Cavalry. This unit he joined in Fauquier County, Virginia on September 7, 1863. Eight days later he was taken prisoner near Madison County House, Virginia. On September 24 he was delivered to the Old Capitol Prison in Washington, D. C., and two days later was sent to Point Lookout. He was transferred to the military prison at Elmira, New York on August 16, 1864, where he arrived two days later. He remained at Elmira until February 20, 1865 when he was transferred for exchange. On April 21, 1865 he was paroled.

Chiles married Virginia D. Mansfield in 1867 in Louisa County, Virginia. In 1870 they were in

Louisa County and were living fairly-comfortably as farmers. They were still there in 1880, still farming; they had no children with them either year in the census records.

Before 1900 Mr. and Mrs. Chiles moved to Texas and eventually settled at Fort Worth where he became well-known in business and civic circles. About 1898 he moved to San Antonio and he was working as an insurance agent there when the 1900 census was taken. He died there on February 10, 1902. His body was brought back to Fort Worth for burial in Oakwood Cemetery. After his death, Virginia Chiles moved back to Virginia and lived in Richmond in 1904.

Weatherford Christmas Parade Details:

The staging area is at the 9th Grade Center on South Main in Weatherford. They ask parade participants to be there by 9 a.m. The parade is supposed to begin at 10 a.m. on December 6.

The easiest way from Fort Worth is to go west on I-20 and take the exit for South Main Street at Weatherford. Watch the signs because it's some distance on the access road to South Main.

Go north on South Main and watch for the 9th-Grade Center on your right (east). There is a red-roofed eatery named Nizza Pizza directly across the road from the school. The parade stages in the parking areas northeast of the school.

Missouri Veteran Dead Since 1905 Will Finally Get Stone in December

Not every Confederate veteran left records which made it into the National Archives after the War. Here's one who didn't.

Eppa Wariner, known for much of his life as "Eppie," was born about 1842 in Kentucky. By 1850 his parents, William (1813-1883) and Winifred Mae (Short) Wariner (1812-1901), had moved to Cape Girardeau County, Missouri where they were farmers. Ten years later the whole family had moved to Bollinger County, Missouri. Eventually his father wound up in Wise County, Texas where he is buried in Hopewell Cemetery.

Eppa married a Civil War widow, Mary Elizabeth (Neel) Short, whose husband, John Short, was his cousin. They were married in Claiborne Parish, Louisiana on December 22, 1867. We have been unable to find any service records for Eppie, under any of the many in spelling of variations We are trusting the surname. statement in his obituary that he was a Confederate soldier. We'll make him a stone which says simply that he was a Missouri Veteran.

After the War the family moved to Texas, settling first in Grayson

DEATHS

E. WARINER

L. Wariner, a Confederate veteran, aged 63 years, after a lingering illness of several months' duration, died Thursday at his residence, 1521 South Calhoun street. Mr. Wariner is survived by a widow. Poneral services were held at the Broadway Paptist church this morning, interment being made in Oakwood cemetery.

County where they were farmers when the 1870 census taker found them. In 1880 they lived and worked as hotel-keepers in Denton County.

Eppie is listed in the 1892 Fort Worth City Directory as an expressman who lived at 1522 Peach Street, at the corner of Peach and Wilderman. He appears in Fort Worth directories with the same occupation as late as 1902. Mrs. Wariner told the 1900 census taker she had given birth to eight children, but only one of them was still living.

Mr. Wariner's widow, Mary, lived until 1913 and lies buried in Citizen's Cemetery in Clarendon, Donley County, Texas. Her marker spells her surname as "Warner."





NORTHEAST TARRANT COUNTY CIVIL WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL GETS A CLEANUP ON NOVEMBER 1

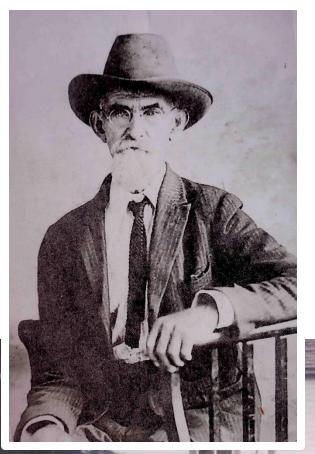


Expecting lots of visitors on November 2 during Bedford Church of Christ's 140th Anniversary Day, we gave the memorial a bath. Thanks to Kent Mathews, Tammy Patterson, Katie Lewis, Oliver Patterson, Marilyn Patterson, and Mike Patterson who came out to help.

When we were done we marked all the WBTS veterans in the adjacent cemetery...Bonnie Blues went on the Confederate graves and the one Union vet got a U. S. flag.

Back when it used to rain here from time to time this was a grassy area. We toyed with trying to keep grass alive in the immediate area of the memorial but it would have required daily watering in the thin, rocky topsoil. Katie's in the green jacket, Oliver's in red. Kent's in blue, and Mike's in the checked shirt.

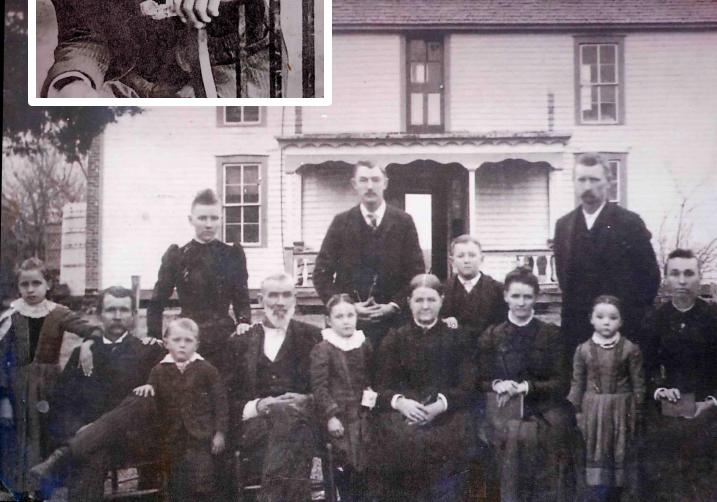
Two New Faces to Go With Names on the NETC Civil War Vets Memorial in Bedford

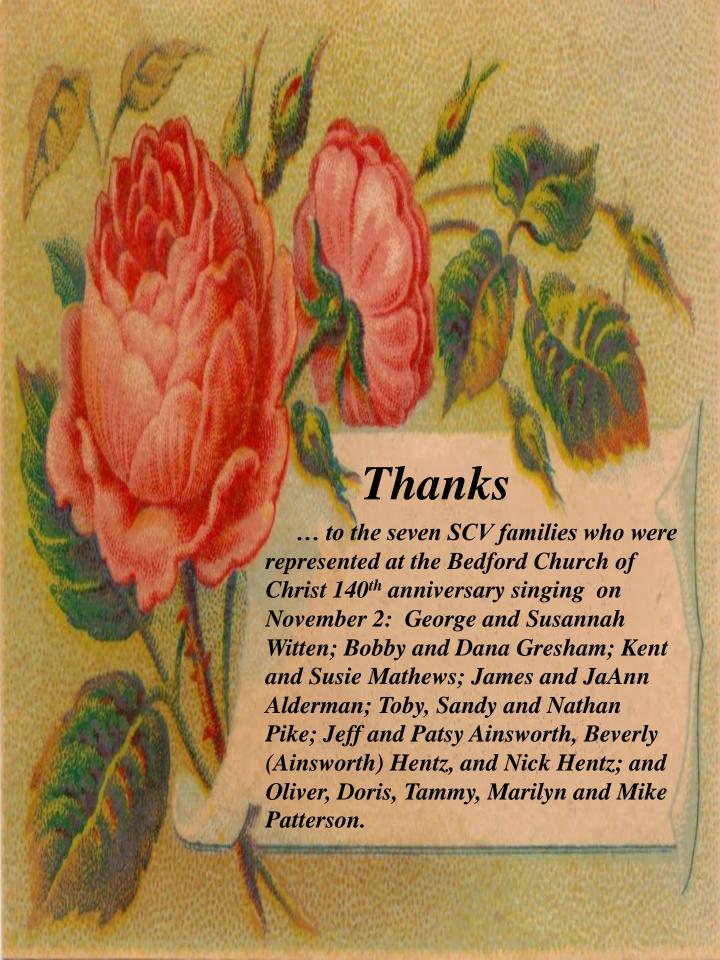


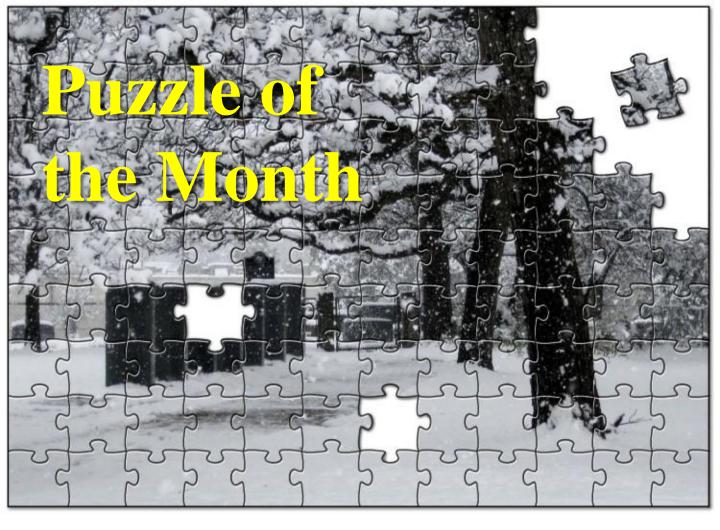
On November 2, descendants of the founders brought some very interesting photos to the birthday celebration at Bedford Church of Christ. We finally got to see James Knox Polk Lowe (left), who served the South in Co. A, 7th Alabama Infantry.

The same lady also had the photo below of the family of Milton Moore, giving us our best-yet look at him. Moore lived at Bedford when he joined Co. H, 30th Texas Cavalry.

Hammond's son, Lee M. Hammond, was one of the two men who founded UTA in 1895. Lee married Milton Moore's grand-daughter.







December's puzzle is our Northeast Tarrant County Civil War Veterans Memorial. This photo was taken early in the day on February 11, 2010. By the end of the day an all-time record snowfall averaging eleven inches had fallen across the metroplex. That beat the old record of just under eight inches set back in 1917.

Go to the link below and choose a challenging level from the choices at left under "Change Cut."

http://www.jigzone.com/puzzles/80168421623?m=81250DB2BB .B091686&z=6

Community organizers who stumble across this page while surfing the net should probably begin with "6 Piece Classic." For the rest of us "67-Piece Classic" should be a reasonable challenge.

Thanks!!!



...to Tammy and Doris Patterson for taking your editor and his grandson, Oliver Patterson, to Weatherford on November 8 to take part in the Weatherford Veterans Day Parade.



...to James Alderman, Bob Gresham, James Madewell, and Mike Patterson who took part in the Fort Worth Veterans Day Parade on November 11. Thanks, too, to Bob's nephew Peter Hanson for getting in uniform and helping us represent the SCV.



...to James Alderman, James Madewell, Kent Mathews, and Mike Patterson for coming out to Oakwood on very short notice to install three stones on November 14. Thanks again to Tammy Patterson for taking your editor that afternoon.



... to Tammy Patterson for taking us to
Worthington's in the predawn darkness on November
20, and to Kent Mathews for picking us and four
new stones up in midmorning. Kent drove us to
Oakwood where Sarah Biles helped us with the new
locations and we dropped off three stones. Marilyn
Patterson came to North Fort Worth to get us back
home in time for lunch.



...to all the members of the E. W. Taylor Camp who emailed their comments to the V.A. about its proposed changes in eligibility to obtain free grave markers.



If you're entertaining guests from out of town during the holidays, remember you can always take them to the Civil War Museum!!! It's open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.



Dec. 6 Weatherford Christmas Parade Dec. 13
MT Johnson
Christmas
Party

Dec. 25 No SCV Meeting

Dec. 31
Deadline for
Release forms
for Fort Worth
Stock Show
Parade

Jan. 19
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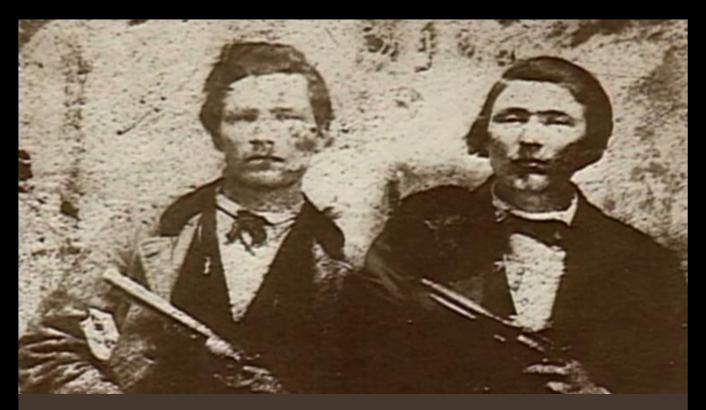
June 5-7
Texas
Division
Reunion at
Temple, TX

As has always been our custom we will not have formal camp meetings in November or December.
Our other activities will go on as usual.
Be thinking of what

you can do to make

our camp even better!





During a bank holdup in Missouri during the War, a customer pulled off one of the robbers' hoods. The robber drew his pistol and shot the customer dead. He then looked across the room and saw one of the tellers staring straight at him. One shot and the teller died.

The robber then looked at all the other customers who were now staring intently at the floor.

He loudly growled, "Now did anybody else see my face?" One old farmer near the back replied, "I think my wife got a pretty good look at you."



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"Good evening, ma'am. I have an urgent message for General..... Oh! Hey!!! Mistletoe!!!

