

### COL. E. W. TAYLOR CAMP # 1777 SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS **Newsletter** Bedford, Texas....March 2016

# March Program

Part 1

About a year ago we saw a film as one night's program. It seemed to work out well and everyone seemed to enjoy it.

In March and April we'll be giving it another shot. We'll be watching a WBTS film called *Pharaoh's Army*, in two parts.

*Pharaoh's Army* was released in 1995 but wasn't widely noticed. All three of its main stars are instantly recognizable now.

To get the whole film in two meetings, we need to get crackin' as soon as possible after our 7 p.m. starting time.

Place and time of our programs are on this newsletter's following page.

### CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER



## Let Us Hear From You!!!

Our camp adjutant is James Alderman at alde711@aol.com

Our newsletter editor is Mike Patterson at mfpchat@yahoo.com

James Alderman is always ready to help you with membership or dues questions. Both he and Mike check their emails several times daily and respond to them in a timely manner.

Mike Patterson has time to help answer other questions. He can help any prospective members get their applications in order.

<u>Our meetings</u> are on the last Thursday of each month, except November and December when we don't meet because it would always conflict with the holidays.

<u>Each month's program</u> announcement is always on the first page of this newsletter.

We meet at Catfish and Company restaurant in Hurst, Texas, along the north side of the Airport Freeway and on the access road west of Precinct Line Road.

If you'd like to <u>eat</u> with us we'd suggest you be there at <u>6 p.m.</u> We start the <u>meeting</u> at <u>7 p.m.</u> Our goal is to be <u>finished</u> and out by <u>8:30</u> <u>p.m.</u> <u>It'd be bad manners for a group as large as hours to stay 'til</u> <u>closing time. We appreciate their hospitality to the SCV.</u> Who are we?

We are a camp of men who get things done.

David Stewart helping set a stone in Austin on Feb. 13.

We are the local camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, an international group with camps in all parts of the U. S. and several foreign countries.

Our primary local outreach consists of getting grave markers for Confederate veterans in unmarked graves. We have a unique working relationship with a local monument company which makes this possible. We average at least one marker per month.

We would welcome camp participation in other community-service programs for which we have the interest and expertise within our camp. Tell us what you can do!

We have members who are ready and willing to help you see whether or not you have Confederate ancestors. Even if you have no desire to join, every person, man or woman, who learns about his/her Confederate ancestors becomes one of our allies in the fight against the PC perps.

# Two new members sworn in at our February meeting!!!



Our camp continues to grow as more and more men see the need to *do something* to see that our ancestors' sacrifices are not forgotten. New members Donald Sheffield (left) and Shane Woodward (right) are here being sworn in by chaplain Mike Patterson and commander Bobby Gresham.

Compatriot Sheffield is joining on the service of his ancestor, Thomas Strawbridge, Co. H, 5<sup>th</sup> Alabama Cavalry. Compatriot Woodward comes to us based on the service of his ancestor Early Andrew Jackson Pounds of Co. E, 22<sup>nd</sup> Alabama Infantry.

At this point we know of three more compatriots who will be sworn in at the March meeting. Come and meet with us March 31.

# Well, go figger....

Compatriot Ben Hatch from the R. E. Lee Camp in Fort Worth was astounded the other day to receive a package in the mail from none other than the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show Board.



2016

Photos by Terry Theiss

The special award was given to the Sons of Confederate Veterans in the Stock Show Parade for their Outstanding Display of Western Heritage during the 2016 parade. Congratulations to us!!!

## Local SCV takes flagging to new heights...

We're late, but we finally got some screen shots of the Battle Flag being towed over the Stock Show on Parade Day, Jan. 16.



The SCV was able to strike a deal with Save Southern Heritage, Inc., Mayesville, based in South Carolina. to tow a 25-foot-by-40-foot battle flag that was adorned with the message, "BANNED FtW BY RODEO."

Thanks to everyone who responded to our search for screen shots from the TV: Allen Hearrean, Barry Turnage, and Frank Krawiec







### Great Opportunity for Service on March 5!!!

Compatriots, Join us in a Confederate Flag "rolling rally" on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for SCV Flag Day which is being held across the South. We will be forming a rolling Battle Flag display with as many vehicles and flags as we can muster. We need your support to see how large we can make this caravan! The largest to date was in Florida and that one was eight miles long with 2500 supporters! Can Texas beat that one? Bring your friends and family and make this event huge!



We will meet at the Ol South Pancake House, 1509 S. University Drive in Forth Worth the morning of the 5th and start driving and flagging at 10 AM, moving through Fort Worth then out to interstate 35 North, driving to Denton; at that point we will head East on 380 to McKinney then turn South on HWY 75 to Dallas and turn West on I-30 returning to Forth Worth. We could hold a rally in one spot BUT by doing a "rolling rally" we will gain the most exposure with thousands of people seeing our flags and cheering and honking for our cause as we cruise through their towns and cities along the way. If you have ever wanted to go flagging now is your time to do so. Join us as we defend our Confederate heritage! Fight back with all your heart! Show your pride in our Confederate veterans.

I will see you at the rally! Gary D. Bray Commander Texas Division, SCV



On his father's side, one of Mr. Bass's great-great grandfathers was Pvt. Benjamin R. Bass of Co. K, 17<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry. Benjamin Bass and his family lived in Harrison County, Texas during the War, where he owned seven slaves in 1860. Mr. Bass died in Harrison County in 1907, and his wife was later pensioned for his service by the State of Texas.

Also on his father's side, another of Mr. Bass's great-great grandfathers was Abner Perry Howard, who was born in 1808 and was thus too old for service. However, he supported the Confederacy with his considerable means and operated his farm with the help of sixteen slaves. Upon his death in 1889 at Longview a tribute appeared

### Leadership, civic responsibility and integrity certainly can be inherited.

A little time spent on ancestry.com disclosed the interesting fact that Mr. Edward P. Bass, Chairman of the Board of the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo, has several Confederate ancestors of whom he can be proud. It's interesting to note that leadership seems to run in families across the generations.

We extend a warm invitation to him to visit one of our E. W. Taylor Camp meetings, and we apologize in advance for the fact that it may be impossible to find a seat.

in the local newspaper which said, in part, "...He equipped a company of 19 men for the Confederacy out of his own pocket at a cost of several thousand dollars. He warmly espoused the cause of secession, and contributed to the support of the army....A few days before his death he was brought to Longview for medical treatment to the house of his son-in-law, Porter Bass, where he died..."

"....[our detractors] speak from a modern 21<sup>st</sup> Century perspective. When the issue is interpreted, it must be placed in the context of 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> Century perspectives; of the people of that time, for they were people of their time; they were not people of <u>our</u> time..." Col. Greg Eanes, USAF Ret.

#### Bass family's Confederate ancestry, cont.

On his mother's side, one of Mr. Bass's great-grandfathers was Pvt. (later Rev.) Thomas Ewell Muse of Co. H, 16<sup>th</sup> Louisiana Infantry, who was wounded at the Battle of Missionary Ridge, Tennessee. At the time War began, Thomas lived with his widowed mother, his siblings, and their four slaves. Thomas died in Johnson County, Texas in 1912. After his death, Mrs. Muse received a Confederate widow's pension from the State of Texas.

Locally, Mr. Bass's most prominent Confederate ancestor was one of the founders of Fort Worth, his mother's greatgrandfather, William Alexander Maddox, 1825-1904. Mr. Maddox headed a large extended family in 1860 in Claiborne Parish, Louisiana. He and his father together worked their large holdings with the help of an even forty slaves.

COL. WM A MADDOX APR. 15, 1825 APR. 23, 1904

During the War William served as captain of a company of the 17<sup>th</sup> Louisiana Infantry and for gallantry was brevetted as major; at the close of hostilities he was ranking Colonel. He was wounded three times at the Battle of Shiloh. He was a charter member of the Robert E. Lee Camp of United Confederate Veterans at Fort Worth. When he died in 1904 he was laid to rest in Fort Worth's Pioneer's Rest Cemetery.

#### Ft. Worth civic and business leader Amon G. Carter, Sr. (1979-1955) was the *real grandson* of two Texas Confederate soldiers.

His father's father was William M. Carter of Co. C, 24<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry. His mother's father was Pvt. Sylvester Ream of Co. I, 30<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry. Pvt. Ream died in the First Battle of Cabin Creek, Indian Territory, on July 1, 1863. Luckily for Mr. Carter, he probably never realized the symbol of his grandfathers' bravery would one day be held in contempt by some of the leaders of the city to which he gave so much.



Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia's death on February 13 may change life in America for the next generation, depending upon who becomes his successor.

He was one of the four justices who supported us in our Texas license plate case, and was considered to be the most conservative judge on the court. The unusual circumstances just after his body was discovered and the lack of an autopsy have conspiracy theories abounding.



"The premise of the First Amendment is that the American people are neither sheep nor fools, and hence fully capable of considering both the substance of the speech presented to them and its proximate and ultimate source. If that premise is wrong, our democracy has a much greater problem to overcome than merely the influence of amassed wealth. Given the premises of democracy, there is no such thing as too much speech." - McConnell v. FEC, 540 U.S. 93, 258-259 (2003)

### Another recent report from the Virginia Flaggers

Thanks to Susan Hathaway for giving the E. W. Taylor Camp permission to reprint from their blog.

It has been quite some time since we reported on our ongoing flagging efforts at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts (VMFA). Although we have been involved in many other activities and are engaged in many other battles across the Commonwealth, our first and primary effort is still to RESTORE the flags to the portico of the Confederate Memorial Chapel, and RETURN the honor to the Confederate Veterans who lived and died there.

Over the past several months, we have continued our TWICE weekly flaggings, and this month, entered our **52nd** month of Flagging the VMFA. Here are a few highlights from the first few weeks of 2016...

**January 2nd, 2016 -** First Flagging of the New Year! Highlights included visitors from France who appreciated our flags and the history of the Old Soldiers' Home.



7th, January **2016:** Chilly and mostly cloudy, 6 Flaggers gathered on the sidewalk in front of the VMFA. Good conversations and several educate the chances to public. Several folks offer their stopped to support and pose for photos.

January 12th, 2016: SOLO FLAGGER! As long as there is one

willing to stand, our Cause is never lost!

January 20th, 2016: FRIGID temps did not stop the Flaggers from making their stand, although it did drive our lone "counter-protestor/agitator" inside to "protest" from inside the VMFA.

January 28, 2016: Thursday evening flagging. The sidewalks had been cleared of the recent snow and several Flaggers made their way to the Boulevard, including a guest flagger all the way from NORTH CAROLINA!





This man, who was arrested and convicted of curse and abuse after attacking Flaggers last year, showed up and stood at the other end of the sidewalk holding a sign that read "KKK".

One of our Flaggers that day relayed this story of an encounter with a citizen who stopped to chat with him...

"We had a guy stop by and ask what we were doing. He had two young girls of color with him. He was white. We explained about the chapel, and he agreed it was wrong. He said he was a home school teacher and he and his students had gone to some event at the capital. He told us that "Loogieman" (our nickname for this man because of his propensity to spit at us and our flag) was accusing us of being KKK. We assured him that wasn't so, and, in fact, we don't entertain anyone in the Klan in our membership. He said he didn't think so. Apparently he and the girls weren't too impressed with Loogieman's presentation and demeanor. They basically called him a weirdo and nut case. The teacher dismissed the kkk slur and attributed it to ignorance of history. We agreed. They all walked away, pleased with our



conversations. The two girls were really sweet and nice, about 15 or so, polite. I don't think they will communicate with loogieman again."

FOUR years and four months after we began flagging the VMFA...and all the few agitators who choose to "protest" us can come up with is lies and slander. "Truth, crushed to earth..."



January 30. 2016: Saturday flagging...the last of January, 2016, brought sunshine but chilly temps and snow still underfoot. Conversations and comments were almost all positive, and 7 Flaggers were on hand to forward the colors.

Thursday, February 4th, 2016: Cloudy, rainy and cold! One of our Flaggers filed this report:

"We got to the VMFA around 3:00 and were both set up and ready for action of which, unfortunately, there was little. As the minutes passed, it got colder and colder, and the wind picked up, causing both of us to swear it was somewhere around 2 degrees. One of the pro-life people came over and chatted a few minutes about the sorry state of things.

Loogieman showed up, muttered something about the "Guns Save Lives" sticker on my truck, went past and down to another vehicle and started giving the flags the finger. At the time, we had a couple of kids, one black and one white, stop and talk to us. They asked us if we were the KKK. Of course answered. we But. not. apparently they saw Loogieman last week on the street corner with a KKK sign. I told them he was just a nut case with an attitude. We then chatted about the flag, etc, I explained a little history to them and we talked

about various things, basically to show them we weren't some kind of monsters. I complimented them on their bikes, and they had to show us their tricks. One kid took a photo of Loogieman giving the finger to the flag. I invited him to take a photo of the much more appropriate flag display at the back of my truck, which he did. I hope the latter made it to the internet instead of the former.

They left after a few minutes, with an invitation from me to come back anytime and chat.

Foot traffic was sparse, although we received a couple of compliments for being dedicated and out in that kind of weather. Vehicular traffic was moderate, with about 4 or 5 negatives, and, of course, many more positives."

Saturday, February 6. 2016: Quiet day. Cool and overcast. Throughout the afternoon, there was a continual stream of college aged kids who came up and asked to take a picture with a flag. Eventually, the Flaggers found out that it part of scavenger was a hunt...where part of the list



included "taking a photo with the people who carry Confederate Flags in front of the VMFA". How cool is that?!?!?! :)



**Tuesday, February 9th:** Flagging went to the dogs on this day...in a good way! Pets are always a great ice breaker, and despite the cold weather, our canine flaggers helped





initiate conversations and break the ice with museum visitors, residents, and tourists...

And finally, the report from this afternoon, Thursday, February 18th. Although a sudden drop in temperatures and brisk wind meant a cold ิล evening for our Flaggers, they reported one of the best days on the Boulevard this year. They reported lots of folks out and about and several good conversations including this one: "A young black couple came out of the VMFA. [See next page for They walked over and photo]. wanted us to know that they knew the flag wasn't about hate and asked what our mission at the We gave them VMFA was. detailed information about the history of the Old Soldiers Home and the Confederate Memorial Chapel and the forced removal of the flags. We told them that we had been out here twice a week for over four years and they told admired they us our determination. The gentleman went on to say that he believed that knowledge is power and that



we had just given him a lot knowledge. He said he tries to tell his friends that the flag is not their enemy, but they don't listen. They told us they were glad they stopped and asked if we ever got harassed by haters. Almost as if on cue, a carload of kids went by, screaming obscenities, giving the middlefinger salute, and a final shout of "black power" as they drove by...only the passengers in the car were all white. The couple were dumbfounded, and we all enjoyed a good laugh at the irony. The couple said they appreciated the great chat and would stop and talk to us again the next time we were out."

That was just the start of the great day, where positive honks, shouts of support and thanks, and thumbs up GREATLY outnumbered the negative! By the time the evening was out, almost a dozen Flaggers lined the sidewalk, and all reported a fantastic afternoon in the Capital of the Confederacy.

### Stay current: http://vaflaggers.blogspot.com/



No one is doing more to honor our Southern heroes than the Virginia Flaggers. Your editor and his wife make regular monthly donations to them through Paypal. You can't find an easier way to donate or a better group to help each month. Think about being a regular monthly contributor.

Setting up a PayPal account is very easy and takes only two or three minutes. After that's done it's the work of only a few seconds to donate funds to the Virginia Flaggers or any other group worthy of your support. Just google "Set up paypal account" and do it.



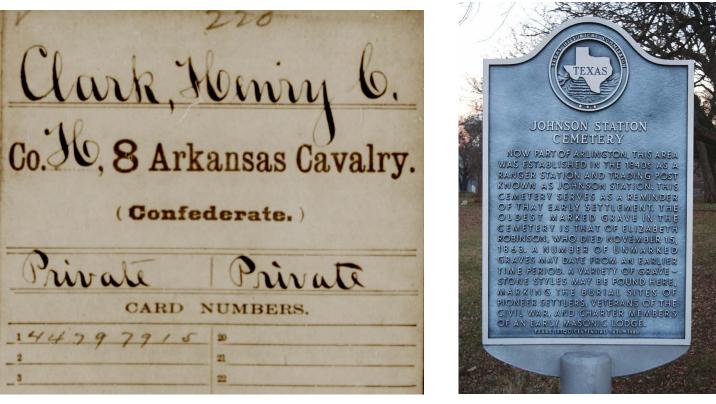
## **Tredegar Drone Works**

Some of the superb photos showing up on the Virginia Flaggers facebook page and blog page are the handiwork of this new company in Virginia.



Google "You Tube Tredegar Drone Works," sit back, and enjoy.

### Ft. Worth and Arlington vet to get his first marker on March 12



Join us on that Saturday morning at Arlington's Johnson Station Cemetery about 9 a.m. to install a rock for Henry C. Clark. We're also going to try to raise and level the bases for two other Confederates there, Thomas Steeley and Silas Poe. Bring shovels. We'll supply the ropes and levers. Later we'll try to do some restoration for them.



### April 23 date set for York stone dedication in historic Mitchell Cem.

At this point there is nothing to see in this historic cemetery, and nearby business owners continually watch the spot and contact police if they see anyone on the property. In addition to York's, we'd like to see other known graves marked. Replacement of the Texas Historical Marker is in the works. See last month's newsletter for our plans.



Office .... Corner of Texas and Market Streets,

#### SHREVEPORT:

#### Sad State of Affairs in Texas.

BLOODY ENCOUNTER. — We learn from the Intelligeneer, that a fight took place in Tarrant county, on the 24th of August, between the ex-sheriff, John York and a lawyer named A. Y. Fowler resulting as follows:

"York shot Fowler through the heart after Fowler had cut him in twelve places on his body, and after Fowler's nephew had shot York with a double-barreled shot-gun. Both loads took effect and entered his breast on the left side above the heart. York lived three hours. Fowler never spoke."

### Local Confederate, died in Austin Hospital in 1885, gets marker on Feb. 13

Taylor compatriot David Stewart drove the pickup load of stuff and your editor down to Austin, and we installed Glass's stone in the old Austin State Hospital Cemetery.





Mr. Glass left his home at Smithfield in 1883 and was moved into the Austin State Hospital. He had only been "34" for 131 years. There are probably dozens of Confederates there, and if we lived closer they'd start getting stones. There are a handful of upright Confederate VA markers there and a few family-supplied rocks.

The weather was perfect, and the ride was pleasant and interesting.

### Well-known Tarrant vet gets corrected stone in the State Cemetery in Austin Feb. 13

Compatriot David Stewart and your editor left home at 5 a.m. with a large load of rocks and equipment. We arrived back home around 2 p.m.



Hundreds of Confederate soldiers who died in the Texas Confederate Home lie buried here, along with dozens of Texas Several of history notables. those Confederates lived here in Tarrant County before they went to live their last years in the Home. At the Battle of Mansfield, Louisiana Mr. Cross had his right thigh bone broken and his right hip shot out of place. Thomas was active in the Lee Camp of the UCV here. There are about 2,2000 Confederates and spouses here. His original stone had three mistakes on it. We left it in place.



### LOCAL VET FROM ARKANSAS GETS STONE THANKS TO AN OUTSIDE DONOR

Talking up the SCV with your friends and family sometimes brings help from unexpected quarters. This vet got a stone in late February.



William J. Parrish (1844-1903) died at his home on 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Fort Worth, and was buried in Oakwood Cemetery. He had lived for a few years near Bedford, and so also can be included on our Northeast Tarrant County Memorial. **Mrs. Ruby Zacha, a friend of our friend Clay Fitzhugh, graciously asked to be able to pay for Mr. Parrish's stone.** 

Mrs. Ruby Zacha was born May 31, 1918 in Little Rock, Arkansas, and grew up in Hot Springs. She now lives in Bowie County, Texas. She says of herself "Proud of my heritage and those who came before me." She loves the Lord and still lives to serve him.

Born Ruby Outlaw, she did not know whether any of her ancestors were in the Confederate Army. It was our distinct pleasure to let her know that her great-grandfather, Pinkney Luther Griffith (1824-1883) served in Co. B, 45<sup>th</sup> Arkansas Cavalry.

We are very proud to have been the recipients of her generosity. It's ladies like Mrs. Zacha who have sustained this country and the Christian faith for the past hundred years.

She's worth a garbage truck load of those folks who want to dig up General Forrest, bring down The Flag, or take down statues of their betters all over the South.

#### William J. Parrish, cont.



Our friend and compatriot from the Morris Camp in Fort Worth, Clay Fitzhugh, drove from Arlington to Colleyville on Feb. 28 and picked up your editor, then we went to Oakwood to set the stone. Clay is shown here digging the hole, dressing it with sand, and posing with flags.



Your editor just plain forgot to take a shovel, so we dug the hole with a little hand spade and a metal cup.



### **Taylor Compatriots Rich McCook and Terry Theiss present program for Gov. S. W. T. Lanham SCV Camp in Weatherford**



On Monday Feb. 22, our two musicians, Rich and Terry, presented their excellent program on the Evolution of **Brass Bands during** the Civil War. They made their presentation to the Gov. S. W. T. Lanham Camp in Weatherford. Terry is also a very accomplished photographer, as the photo at left proves.

Worthington's Arlington Location

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Our thanks to Matt and Ryan Worthington for making it possible for us to have a marker program. When you need expert, local, caring work done to memorialize your loved ones, call them.

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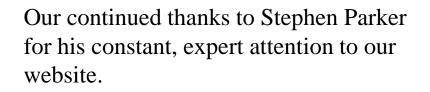
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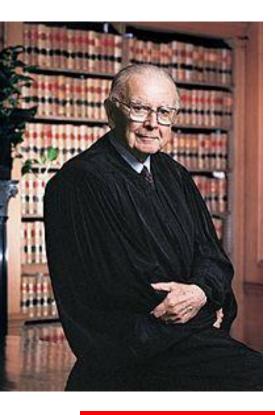


Thanks to David Stewart and his over-thetop donation of a whole day, gasoline, and driving his pickup in taking two stones to Austin for us on February 13.

Thanks to Clay Fitzhugh, James Alderman, and Mike Patterson who went to Oakwood on February 20 to install Mr. Parrish's stone. Through some snafu the grave didn't get marked for us, so we couldn't install it then. Thanks to Clay Fitzhugh for taking us back on Sunday, February 28 to set it.

Thanks to Tammy Patterson and Marilyn Patterson for proofreading this month's newsletter.

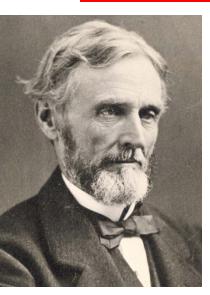
A pox on that small number of folks who took Confederate flags given them during the Stock Show Parade and then threw them in the trash a few seconds later.



#### William J. Brennan (1906-1997) Associate Supreme Court Justice 1956-1990

"...if there is a bedrock principle underlying the First Amendment, it is that government may not prohibit the expression of an idea simply because society finds the idea offensive or disagreeable...

"<u>Texas v. Johnson</u>, 491 <u>U.S. 397</u> (1989)



"Nothing fills me with deeper sadness than to see a Southern man apologizing for the defense we made of our inheritance. Our cause was so just, so sacred, that had I known all that has come to pass, had I known what was to be inflicted upon me, all that my country was to suffer, all that our posterity was to endure, I would do it all over again." Jefferson Davis

Recently, a former president from Arkansas forgot his wife's birthday. She was furious, and told him that the following morning she expected something new and shiny in the driveway which would go from zero to two hundred in under six seconds.

The next morning she walked outside and found a small box smartly wrapped with a ribbon on it. She ripped it open and found her brand new set of bathroom scales.





## **Ever Vigilant**

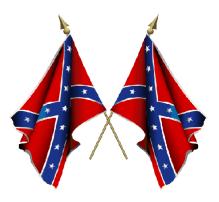
Recent events have made us proud of the Sons of Confederate Veterans who've stood up and made themselves heard in the face of attacks on the memory of our Southern Patriots.

As public officials learn that we will not go silently into the night they will be more careful in making snap decisions based upon pressure from vocal minorities. We have the same First Amendment Rights as the protesters, and many of <u>us</u> have served in the military to safeguard <u>them</u>.

On a local level, please let us know if you see something we can do to further The Cause. As always, that includes seeing that all our local Confederate heroes are properly remembered with dignified memorials.

### Be on the alert for opportunities to commit a random act of kindness, and see that the SCV gets the blame for it....

As we were setting up for the February meeting, a young lady with a camera came into the room and asked if she could take some pictures of our flags. She said she was taking a history course at TCC, and the instructor wanted them to take photos of historical things they see in the community. We welcomed her, and didn't learn until later that she was also one of the restaurant employees.





Also at the February meeting, there was a large group of folks seated just outside our room. It was obviously some sort of family gathering, and we asked one of the gentleman what the occasion was. It was the 65<sup>th</sup> birthday party for his brother, Ron.

We had a roomful of people, and we belted out a manly chorus of Happy Birthday to Ron. They were surprised and very appreciative, and the SCV got the credit.

And then there was that dear little lady, a retired English teacher from Fort Worth ISD and TCC, who wandered into our room thinking she was attending a local meeting of the Democratic party. We welcomed her and spent about twenty minutes visiting with her. She was a very good listener as well as a great conversationalist. We didn't do anything to change her politics, but now she knows there's a group called the SCV who are gentlemen and willing to listen, at least.



"...and the murderer is THE BUTLER. Yes, the butler, who, I'm convinced first gored the Colonel to death before trampling him to smithereens."

March 5 Join us in the Flagging Motorcade across four counties. Details in this newsletter. March 12 Come help us at Johnston Station Cemetery at 9 a.m. We'll set one, and try to do some other leveling. Bring tools.

March 31 Monthly meeting of the E. W. Taylor Camp Eat at six Meet at seven If you haven't already, start paying attention to the candidates and issues for the upcoming election in November.

### Down the road a piece...

<u>April 23, 2016</u> Dedication of marker for Sheriff John B. York in Mitchell Cemetery in North Fort Worth.

**May 30, 2016** Memorial Day observance in Keller at Mount Gilead Cemetery. We supply the musket salute squad.

**June 3-5, 2016** Annual Texas Division Reunion at Y O Ranch, Kerrville, Texas.

<u>July 4, 2016</u> Annual July 4 Parade in Arlington. We'll ride our "float."

**July 13-17, 2016 National SCV Reunion in Richardson,** Texas.

### We're indebted to Catfish and Company of Hurst, Texas... for hosting our meetings for the last several years.



Special thanks to our waitress, Julie, and the manager on duty during our meetings, Sandy, for getting us seated and fed in a timely manner. We always have to move in more tables and chairs, and we appreciate their help.

When it's time to take your family out for a special evening, consider taking them to Catfish and Company. Don't forget to tell them that you're one of the SCV guys.

Their menu is online at https://foursquare.com/v/catfish--company/4b9ec0daf964a5200fff36e3/menu

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the **United States of** America, and to the **Republic for which** it stands; one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

"Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to Thee, Texas, one State under God, one and indivisible.

"I salute the Confederate Flag with affection, reverence, and undying devotion to the Cause for which it stands."

To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.