



Col. E. W. Taylor Camp #1777

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

NEWSLETTER

August.....2021

August Program: Thursday, Aug. 26

"Save your Confederate money boys, cause The South's gonna rise again."

David Hendricks, our August speaker, is a member of the Belo Camp in Dallas. Read last months newsletter and dazzle him with your knowledge of Mr. Belo.

David joined the SCV in June 2013 and then joined the A.H. Belo Camp #49. He is a past Belo Camp commander and officer in the 4th Brigade. He is a National SCV Life and Texas SCV Life Member, and currently serves on the Texas SCV Awards Committee.

Come join us for some great food, great information, and great camaraderie. The program will focus on the currency of the Confederacy and the Republic of Texas.



CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER

Our thanks to Larry Hill of North Carolina for a great program in July

Our speaker in July was Mr. Larry Hill, Adjutant and Treasurer of the Rains Brothers Camp #1370, New Bern, NC. His presentation was interesting and informative, covering SCV activities in his home state and his local camp.

He also introduced us to the two Confederate brothers for whom his camp was named. Both were very prominent in the conduct of the war. One was a leader in the development of torpedoes (underwater mines) and the other was one of the leading producers of gunpowder and other explosives.

Mr. Hill had a chance to visit the Texas Civil War Museum while he was here, and he was pleasantly surprised to see one of the Rains brother's torpedoes and also a grenade produced by the other one. The Hills (Larry and his wife, Linda) are shown below right. After the program we presented Larry with a certificate of appreciation (below left). Our first lieutenant Clay Fitzhugh is to the left of Larry, and our commander Rich McCook is to the right. After his program our adjutant, James Alderman, showed us a short slide presentation of events at the National SCV reunion in Louisiana.



Some highlights from the July 2021 National SCV Reunion in Louisiana



A total of 408 registered SCV members attended. With spouses and others, that made a total attendance of around 750 good folks. In spite of all the idiocy going on the country right now, there was not a hint of anyone demonstrating or otherwise making fools of themselves. The SCV made a lasting good impression.

At one point, the host camp of the Reunion, the Beauregard Camp #130 SCV of New Orleans, presented an important flag (above) to the new National Confederate Museum at Columbia, Tennessee. This was a flag flown at the 1903 National Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans which was held in New Orleans.

And speaking of flags, our Texan compatriot Preston Furlow presented two handmade ANV battle flags to the Reunion to be used as fundraisers for the new Museum. One was raffled and the other was placed at auction. Together they raised about \$7000.

We thank Preston and all the members who helped in this effort.

National Reunion, cont.



Our adjutant, James Alderman (right), attended the Reunion and ran into his friend, Bob Menell of Houston. In addition to being members of the SCV, both are also members of the Society of the Order of the Southern Cross; a great philanthropic organization which has helped the E. W. Taylor camp in its grave-marking program.



This full-scale model of the CSS Hunley was brought all the way from Summerville, S. C. Built by John Dangerfield, it is owned and administered by the H.L. Hunley Camp #143 of Summerville. The Hunley was the first successful combat submarine in history.



One of the tours conducted by the 2021 Reunion was to the Confederate Memorial Hall Museum in New Orleans.

It was established in 1891 and houses over 5,000 historical artifacts relating to the Confederacy. It holds the personal effects and uniforms of Generals Braxton Bragg and P. G. T. Beauregard.

Much of the collection was donated by the veterans themselves. The collection includes more than 140 regimental and other CSA flags.

On May 29, 1893, the exhumed body of President Jefferson Davis lay in state in the hall as more than 60,000 mourners passed by it. It was soon moved to his final resting place in Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond.

President Davis's widow donated several of her late husband's personal belongings, including items of clothing, his Bible, and his saddle.



What makes us different?

Texas novelist William Humphrey [below] (1924-1997) may have answered this question in his 1965 novel, *The Ordways*.



"...If the Civil War is more alive to the Southerner than the Northerner it is because all of the past is, and this is so because the Southerner has a sense of having been present there himself in the person of one or more of his ancestors. The war filled merely a chapter in his... [family history] ... transmitted orally from father to son [as] the proverbs, prophecies, legends, laws, traditions-of-origin, and tales-of-wanderings of his own tribe...."

It is this feeling of identity with the dead (who are past) which characterizes and explains the Southerner. It is with kin, not causes, that the Southerner is linked. Confederate Great-grandfather...is not remembered for his (probably undistinguished) part in the Battle of

Bull Run; rather Bull Run is remembered because Great-grandfather was there. For the Southerner, the Civil War is in the family.

Clannishness was, and is, the key to his temperament, and he went off to war to protect not Alabama but only those thirty or forty acres of its sandy hillside, or stiff red clay, which he broke his back tilling, and which was as big a country as his mind could hold."



Above: U.S. Marine Captain Julius Durenberg raising the Confederate Flag at the capture of Shuri Castle on Okinawa during WW2. He was a member of Co A, 5th Marines on May 29, 1945.

It's dues time again!!!



Regular dues this time for National, State, and Local total \$63.00. If you haven't already done so, please send your check made payable to the E. W. Taylor Camp #1777 to adjutant James Alderman at 221 Chapelwood Dr., Colleyville, Texas 76034-8648.

If you have a financial hardship that is preventing you from promptly paying, please call Mr. Alderman at 817-605-0538 to discuss alternatives.

Ten years ago this month in this Newsletter

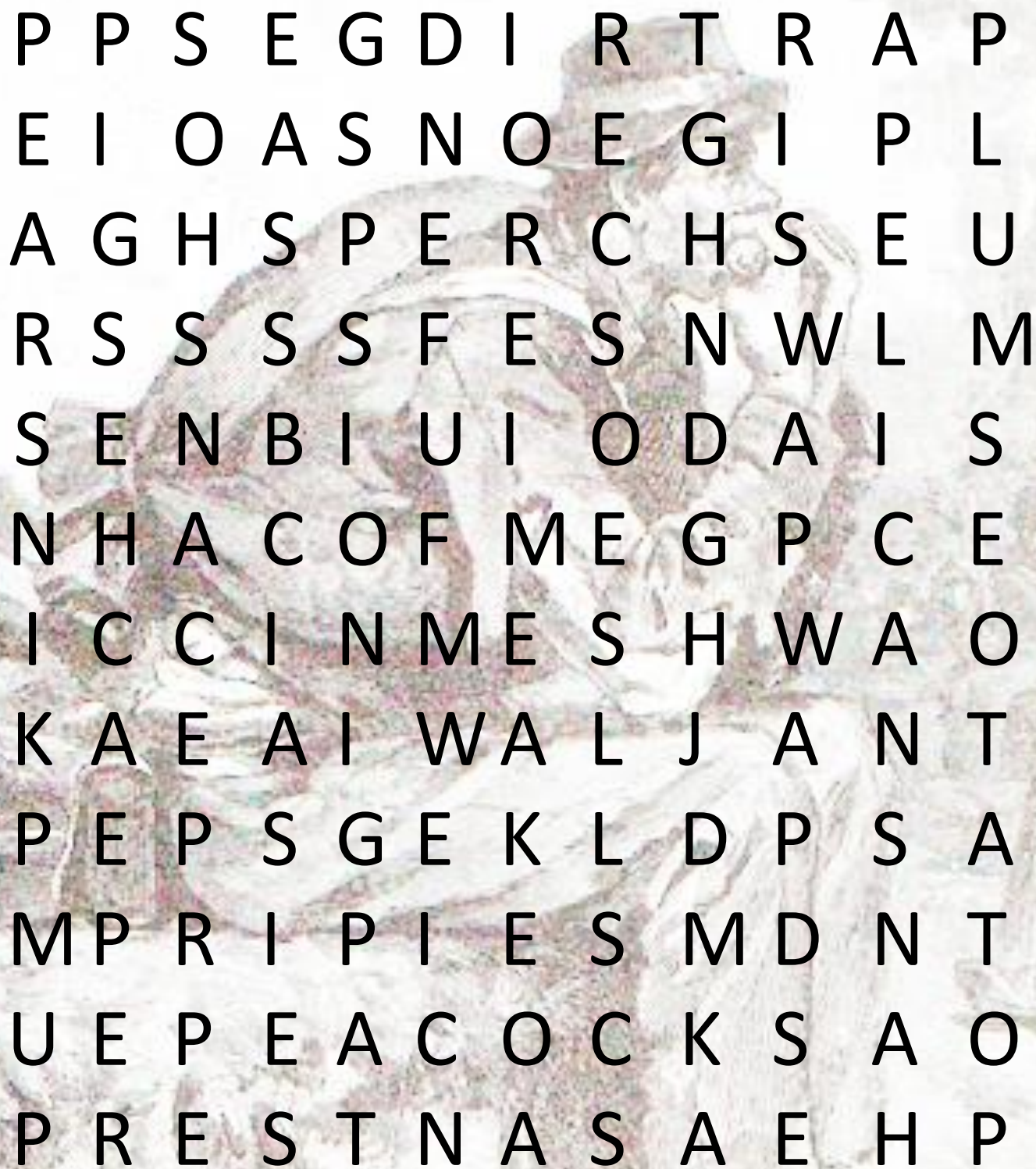
"A recent news article photocopied and making the rounds on the internet reminds us about the dangers of falling down at our age.

Assailant suffers injuries from fall.

Orville Smith, a store manager for Best Buy in Augusta, Ga., told police he observed a male customer, later identified as Tyrone Jackson of Augusta, on surveillance cameras putting a laptop computer under his jacket. When confronted the man became irate, knocked down an employee, drew a knife and ran for the door.

Outside on the sidewalk were four Marines collecting toys for the Toys for Tots program. Smith said the Marines stopped the man, but he stabbed one of the Marines, Cpl. Phillip Duggan, in the back; the injury did not appear to be severe. After Police and an ambulance arrived at the scene Cpl. Duggan was transported for treatment.

"The subject was also transported to the local hospital with two broken arms, a broken ankle, a broken leg, several missing teeth, possible broken ribs, multiple contusions, assorted lacerations, a broken nose and a broken jaw...injuries he sustained when he fell off the curb after stabbing the Marine," according to a police report."



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One of the major concerns of our Confederate ancestors was finding something to eat. Hidden in this puzzle are the names of 21 things they might have found, shot, caught, cooked, or commandeered. They all start with the same letter. Print a copy of this page and see how many you can find before looking at the list on the last page of this newsletter.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm at the Catfish Co. Restaurant by Cmdr Richard McCook.

Opening Invocation was given by Chaplain Joe Wade.

Opening Pledges lead by Bobby Gresham. The Charge was read by Jim McNabb.

Commander McCook recognized our guests present.

Commander McCook then asked for the Adjutant's reports.

Adjutant Alderman then read the meeting minutes for our May meeting. The meeting minutes for the May meeting were then approved with no change with a motion from Ron Turner with a second from Bobby Gresham. There had been no changes to our financials since the May meeting.

Cmdr McCook called on 1Lt Clay Fitzhugh for his report.

1st Lt Fitzhugh indicated that speakers are confirmed. He also said that Sarah Biles, Oakwood Administrator, had notified him that the Confederate Crosses had been found that were cut down several months ago. He plans to retrieve them and work with Joe Wade to see if there is a way to remount them.

Cmdr McCook then called on Chaplain Joe Wade for his report. Ask if anyone had heard from Tim Pringle- Clay indicated he had not talked with him since last month. He asked we all keep him in our prayers.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **Old Business**

- Adjutant Alderman indicated we have received a \$50.00 donation from the DAR to cover our chemicals from the training session we held in February. It is in the form of a Credit Card so it will be used the next time we have to order chemicals.
- Cmdr McCook let everyone know that we changed our Div vote due to some changes in the proposed amendments at the State Division Reunion in Waco. He detailed the reason for the vote change.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **New Business:**

- No new business to be discussed.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **Announcements:**

- Stephen Parnell asked if there was an update on the condition of Charles Oliver. State Div. 1st Lt Cmdr Hurley indicated that he has not significantly improved and that his other health issues are complicating his recovery.
- Question was asked as to who our July speaker will be – Larry Hill, Cmdr of camp in New Bern, NC.

Cmdr McCook then asked the 1st Lt Commander, Clay Fitzhugh to introduce our speaker.

State 1st Lt Commander W. Michael Hurley presented a program on "the status of the Confederacy_2021".

Cmdr McCook thanked him for coming and presenting a fine program.

Cmdr McCook indicated our next meeting will be on July 29th. He called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion made by Ron Turner, second by Clay Fitzhugh. Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.

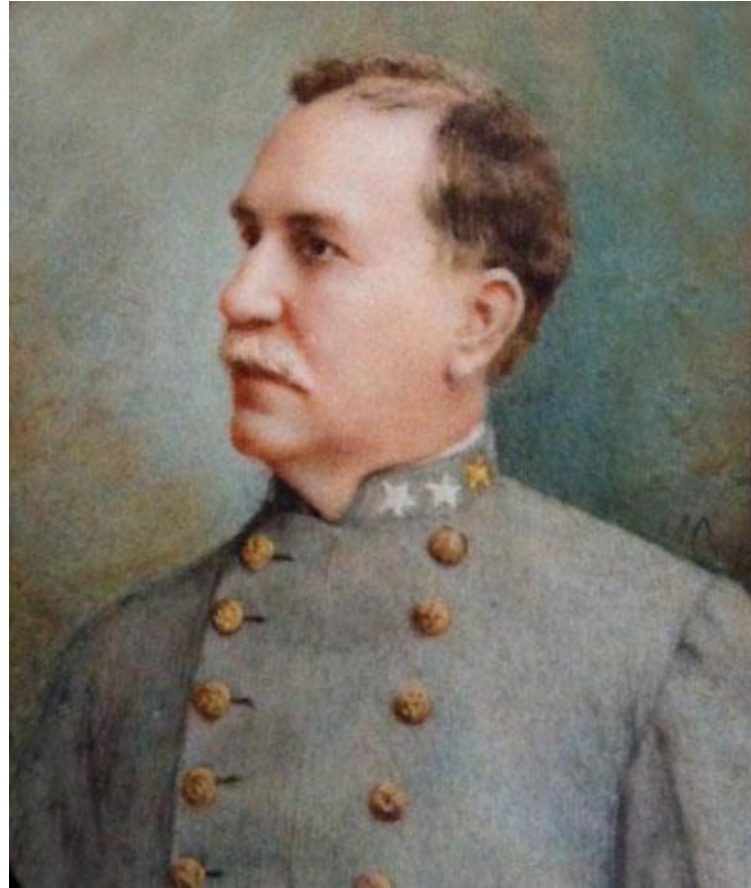
Submitted for Approval by Adjutant James E. Alderman

Who are we? We are the Col. Ennis Ward Taylor Camp #1777

Our meetings 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. We eat at 5:30, meet at 6:30, and adjourn by 7:30.

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

We meet at the 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.



<http://www.taylorcampscv.org/>

Go to our website and start looking at our newsletters, beginning with the most recent and working back. As with all other organizations, 2020-2021 has brought drastic changes. We hope the worst is over.

Words in the puzzle: persimmons, paddletish, partridges,
pheasants, potatoes, pumpkins, peacocks, pelicans,
pigeons, pawpaws, peaches, possums, panfish, pigweed,
pecans, pears, perch, plums, peas, pies, pigs

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