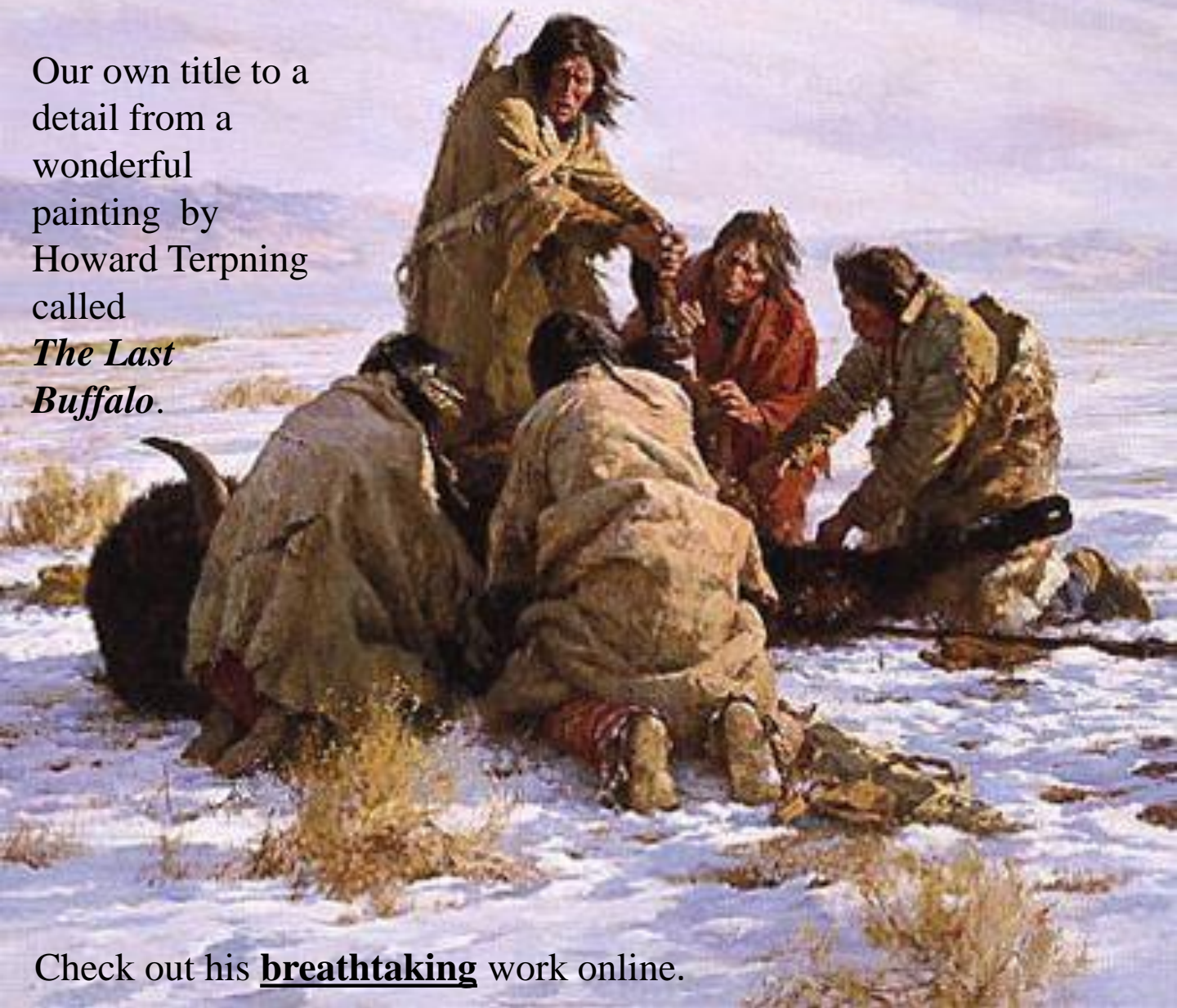




Col. E. W. Taylor Camp #1777  
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS  
**NEWSLETTER**  
November.....2021

# Thanksgiving Feast of Plenty

Our own title to a detail from a wonderful painting by Howard Terpning called *The Last Buffalo*.



Check out his **breathhtaking** work online.

**CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER**



# Show and Tell Night at our SCV Camp

As always, our members brought some interesting items to our annual Show-and-Tell Night at our October Meeting.

At right, Joe Wade brought a pin-fire pistol in a coffin case, with the pistol in one side and a Bowie knife in the other. The pistol belonged to J. D. Avenger of Co. F, 9<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry.

Tim Pringle, below left in the dark cap, brought some art work he did in College; Clay Fitzhugh is holding one of the pieces.



Stephen Parnell, below right, brought a Cooper Drum which was used by the UCV in a parade in 1890. It was also carried by a group of men who went off to the Spanish-American War. **We had more items to present but we ran out of time.**  
***OUR THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO TOOK PART!***





(Confederate.)

*A* | 9 Cav. | Texas.

*J. D. Avinger*  
286 | Capt. W. E. Duncan's Company,  
4 Regiment Texas Cavalry.\*

Age *26* years.

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

of the organization named above,

for *Nov & Dec*, 1861.

Joined for duty and enrolled:

When *Dec 31*, 1861.

Where *Fort Gibson*

By whom *W. B. Sims*

Period *12 Mo*

Valuation of horse \$*20* 100; equipments \$*25* 100

Remarks: *Rich December*  
*17<sup>th</sup> 1861*



\*This company subsequently became Company F, 9th Regiment Texas Cavalry.

The 9th (also known as the 4th and as Sims') Regiment Texas Cavalry was accepted into the service of the Confederate States October 14, 1861, for twelve months and was re-organized in May, 1862.

Book mark:

*J. D. Avinger*

(543)

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## Joshua Daniel Avinger,

who owed the pistol shared with us by Joe Wade, was a native of South Carolina born about 1835.

He was probably living in Cass County in East Texas when he enlisted.

The town of Avinger in Cass County is named for his brother, Dr. Hamilton Jacob Avinger (1833-1881). The Dr. died of a knife wound and his wife survived until 1905.

Their father, Daniel Avinger (1807-1889), was also a Confederate soldier in Co. D, Hagood's South Carolina Infantry.

J.D. Avinger had three brothers also in Confederate service. J. D. died of measles in the Indian Territory on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1861.

J. D. and his brother, M. D., went to war flying a flag made by one of their neighbors. The company on the paper shown at left subsequently became part of Co. F, 9<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry.

It was patterned after the First National flag, with eleven white stars in a circle in the blue field, and "CYPRESS RANGERS!, GOD AND LIBERTY!" written in the white middle bar. The flag was brought back to Cass County by William E. Alderson of Hughes Springs. It was recently in the possession of his grandson, Willie Alderson, of Hughes Springs.

A photograph of the actual flag carried into battle is shown at left, overlaid onto the page of J. D. Avinger's military record which shows his date of death.

The Texas Civil War Museum has the flag, and it was on display as of Nov. 6, 2021.

# Two opportunities for service and fellowship



Our camp voted to participate with the Van Zandt Sons of the American Revolution in the **Fort Worth Veterans Day Parade on November 11**. Assemble at the Panther Pavilion along the river at **9 a.m.**

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We also voted to join with the MT Johnson camp for a joint SCV Christmas party on December 9, 2021 at 6 p.m. at Coker's BBQ.

The restaurant is in Arlington at 2612 W. Pioneer Parkway.

You may bring a white elephant gift worth less than \$10 if you wish to take part in the gift exchange.





## The Taylor Camp

was proud again this year to make donations to these two fine organizations.

We made a donation of \$105 toward placing wreaths on the graves of Confederate Veterans in Oakwood Cemetery in Fort Worth.



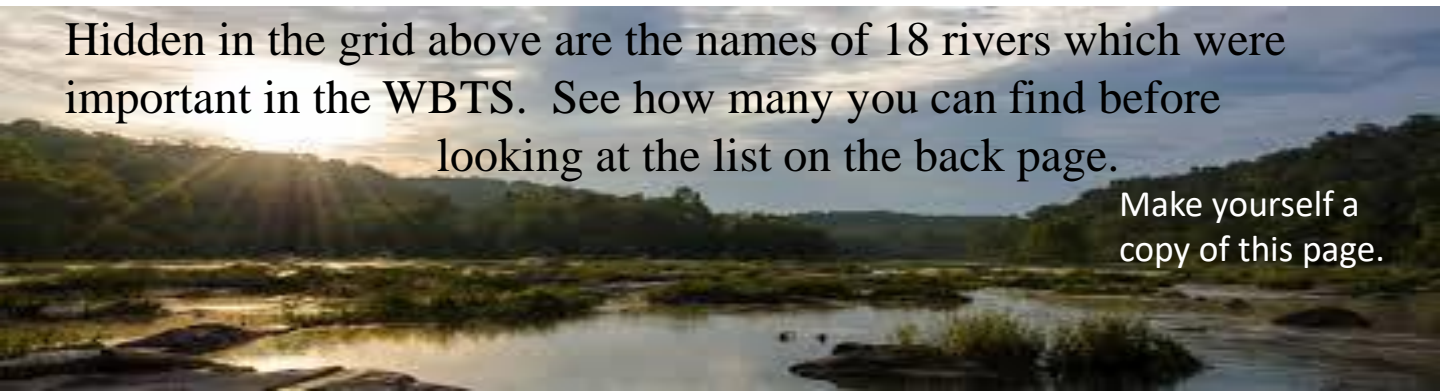
## The Taylor Camp

also made a donation of \$100 to the Freedom Alliance, which provides millions of dollars each year in support to our combat-wounded and deployed troops and their families.

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Hidden in the grid above are the names of 18 rivers which were important in the WBTS. See how many you can find before looking at the list on the back page.

Make yourself a copy of this page.



# Worth your time



Indeed, it is “Critical”  
that you know this.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Zy6DQoRYQw>

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Carol Swain, retired professor of political science and law at Vanderbilt University, author and media host, tells us “What I can teach you about racism.”

[prageru.com/video/what-i-can-teach-you-about-racism](https://prageru.com/video/what-i-can-teach-you-about-racism)



British author and political commentator Douglas Murray gives us a lesson in “No Past, No Future.” Dozens of good points we can use when confronting those who want to erase our history and start over.

<https://www.prageru.com/video/no-past-no-future>

*These are Prager U films and you’ll have to skip through the opening ads.*

## Col E W Taylor Camp #1777

September 30, 2021

### Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm 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. Kip Wright and Chris Kelly.

Commander McCook then asked for the Adjutant's reports.

Adjutant Alderman then read the meeting minutes for our August meeting. The meeting minutes for the August meeting were approved with no change with a motion from Joe Wade with a second from Bobby Gresham. The adjutant indicated our bank balance was \$3,730.28 with no activity on since dues were sent in.

1<sup>st</sup> Lt Clay Fitzhugh was absent due to the passing of his mother-in-law---no report.

Cmdr McCook then called on Chaplain Joe Wade for his report. Chaplain Wade asked that we should keep Clay Fitzhugh and his family in our prayers. He also stated that Mike Patterson was still having health issues and we should remember him along with Dana Gresham who is going in for some back surgery.

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

- Adjutant Alderman asked that we look into starting our marker cleaning project back up now that the weather has improved. November 6 was agreed up on.
- Joe Wade asked if there was as status on the Confederate crosses. It was noted that our 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Commander probably has the latest on this and we will have to wait and discuss with him.

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

- A question was asked about participation in the Massing of the Colors; Terry Theiss indicated it was definitely going to happen and is scheduled for Nov. 7 at Burchman Baptist Church. He will send the Adjutant the contact information.
- Adjutant Alderman asked if the camp wanted to approve our annual donation to Freedom Alliance and Wreaths Across America? After some discussion and motion was made by Bobby Gresham and seconded by Joe Wade. Motion was approved for \$100.00 donation to each.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **Announcements** – there were no announcements.

Cmdr McCook then introduced our Speaker, Mr. Kip Wright who gave a wonderful program on Maj Gen Patrick R. Cleburne.

Cmdr McCook thanked Kip and presented him with a certificate of appreciation from our Camp.

Cmdr McCook indicated our next meeting will be on October 28. He called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion made by James Alderman, second by Ron Turner. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Submitted for Approval by Adjutant James E. Alderman

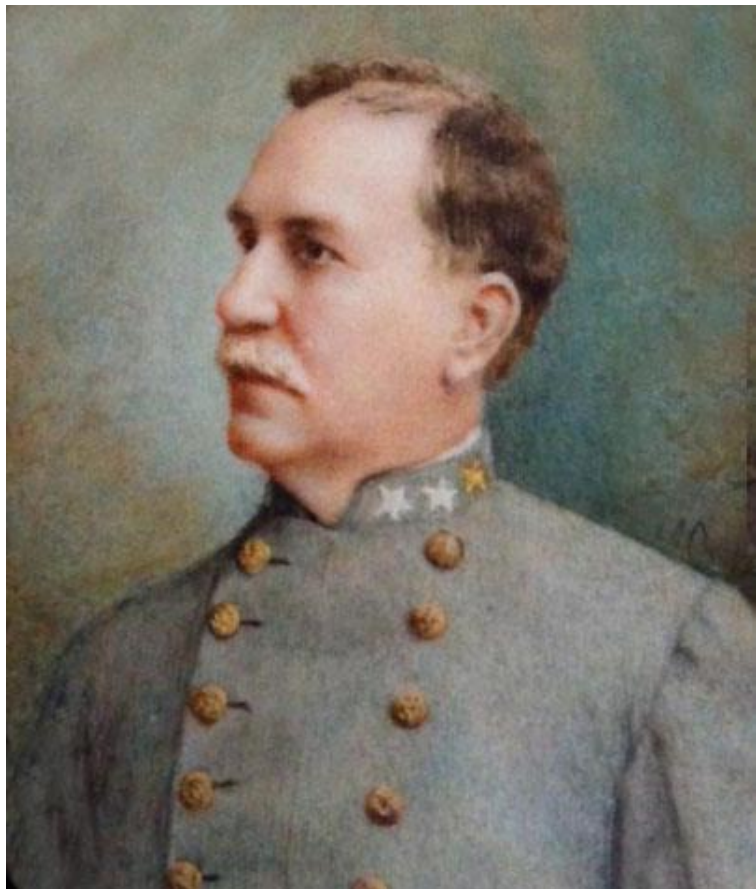


# **Who are we? We are the Col. Ennis Ward Taylor Camp #1777**

**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 6 meet at 7, and adjourn by 8:30.

**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. For our website the user name is TaylorCamp and password is SCV1777EWTaylorCamp

Rivers in the puzzle: Rappahannock, Chickahominy, Mississippi, Appomattox, Shenandoah, Cumberland, Tennessee, Big Black, Arkansas, Alabama, Potomac, Sabine, Stones, James, Yazoo, White, Ohio, York