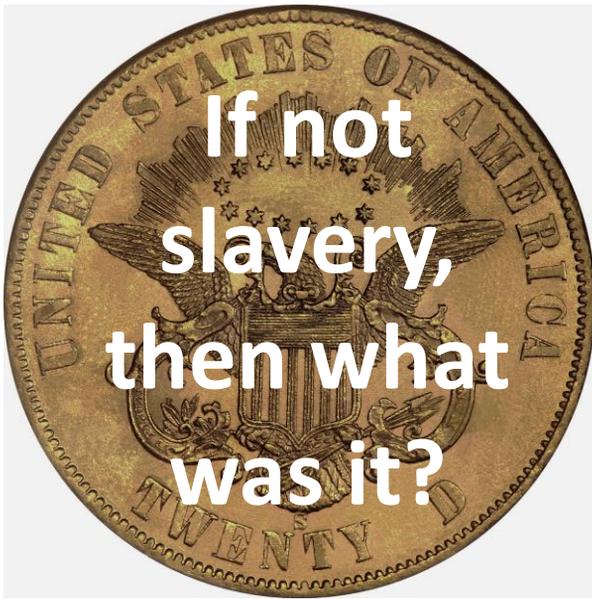
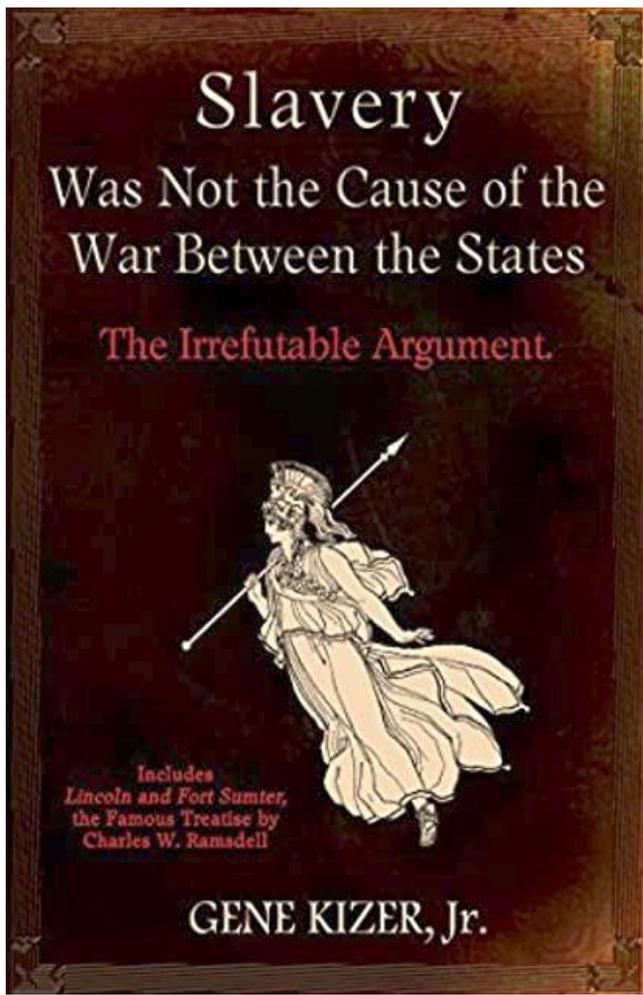




# Col. E. W. Taylor Camp No. 1777 Sons of Confederate Veterans **NEWSLETTER**

June.....2022

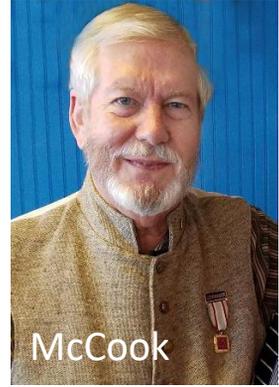
*Join us at this month's  
meeting on June 30 !*



Join us in June when our own commander, Richard McCook, presents this excellent program to us. It's something every SCV member should know and be ready to use in rebuttals. A few years ago the author, Gene Kizer of South Carolina, had a condensed version of it printed in *The Confederate Veteran* magazine. This is a verbatim, illustrated version of that condensation. Mr. Kizer is getting to be known as one of our premier Southern historians.



Kizer



McCook

**CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER**



If you weren't with us for our May program you missed quite a treat!

W. Michael Hurley of Tyler presented a very entertaining and enlightening program on why he is glad to be a Southerner, and even included some sayings not many people know if they aren't so blessed.

He is currently the 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander of the Texas Division of the SCV.

*Our thanks to Michael Hurley for a stupendous program! We are privileged to have such a talented, accomplished, and welcoming Compatriot as one of our Division officers.*



# Taylor Camp takes part in annual Mount Gilead Historic Cemetery's Memorial Day event

Now an established tradition at Mt. Gilead Cemetery in Keller, the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Day Celebration was held on May 30, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. The event was sponsored by the Association, the Keller Rotary Club, and the Golden Triangle Rotary Club.

Members of the Taylor camp have been a part of the event for years. This year our Adjutant, James Alderman, spent a great deal of time and effort putting together a unique line of men in various historic uniforms to fire the traditional three-volley musket salute.



The men above and on the next page represent soldiers from the American Revolution, the Texas Revolution, the Confederate Army, World War I, World War II/Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Two of the men in the Frontier Brigade Band are also members of the Taylor Camp: Terry Theiss (yellow arrow), and Richard McCook, our camp commander (blue arrow).





Thanks to James Alderman, the crowd was treated to a unique line of soldiers to fire the musket salute. Standing, left to right, they are Kevin Shellman [American Revolution] , Mike Edwards [Texas Revolution], Robert Gresham [Confederate Army], Joe Wade [Confederate Army], Vann Cunningham and Ron Turner [both American Revolution]. Kneeling are Jake Behringer (Joe Wade's grandson) [Vietnam War], James Alderman [World War II/Korean War], and Paul Porter [World War I]. Members of the Taylor Camp are Compatriots Alderman, Gresham, Wade, Cunningham, Turner, and Behringer.



This photo of part of the Scouts' flag-retirement ceremony shows a part of the large crowd which came out Monday.

10 years ago this month in this Newsletter

# TEXAS DIVISION UDC MEMORIAL DEDICATED AT TEXAS CIVIL WAR MUSEUM ON MAY 5



*An absolutely  
superb piece of  
art in granite*



The Taylor Camp was represented at the ceremony by three members, l-r, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Comm. Mike Patterson, Commander Bob Gresham, Adjutant James Alderman, and Mr. Patterson's charge d'affaires Marilyn Patterson.

# 100 years ago this month in the Startlegram

*Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Monday, June 19, 1922*

## RIFLES WILL BE PLACED IN CEMETERY

A stack of four rifles will be placed in the Confederate Veterans' section of East Oakwood Cemetery, according to an announcement made by Mrs. E. W. Provine at the weekly meeting of Robert E. Lee Camp, U. C. V., Sunday afternoon. The cemetery committee, headed by Mrs. Provine, secured the rifles, which are of Civil War type, and will have them placed in the cemetery immediately.

Mrs. L. F. Woodward had charge of the entertainment program, and Capt. William Barr spoke on the causes of the war between the States.

Following is a list of the Confederate veterans from the Robert E. Lee Camp who are attending the reunion in Richmond: J. M. Hartsfield, Thomas Montgomery, R. L. Herndon, Joe Smith, F. J. Harlow, J. T. Thompson, Walter Townsend, J. L. Terrell, G. W. Newman, C. V. Glenn, James Briggs, D. E. Wolff, W. A. Dillard, J. R. Manahan, C. B. Friend, John Friend, Henry Friend, John A. Miller, James Russell and Henry Jones.



# Musket stacks soon to be back at Soldier's Row

As you know if you just read the preceding page, back in 1922 the UDC erected two stacks of actual muskets on concrete bases along Soldier's Row in Oakwood Cemetery. They were intended to be permanent. Earlier, in 1911, the veterans themselves had stacked a group of muskets there at a newly-installed flagpole.

It was strictly by accident that exactly 100 years later we're replacing them with muskets more durable and as theft-proof as we can make them.

The pads are still there, and recently in this newsletter you learned that Compatriot James Alderman found one of the original butt plates when he was cleaning out the holes on one of them.



A friend of Compatriot Joe Wade lasered us some silhouettes out of  $\frac{1}{4}$  sheet steel. They'll be welded together at the top so as to stand in a proper tripod, and those will be welded to the triangular bases (below left). After powder coating, the structures will be mounted on the original concrete bases with concrete anchors.

From a distance, they should look like the real things, but they won't be as heistable. Back in 2014 the local SCV Camp, R. E. Lee Camp # 239, placed an interpretive bronze plaque there about the original old muskets, to honor the Ft. Worth R. E. Lee United Confederate Veterans Camp #158.





If you were one of the 17 people at our May meeting, we're much obliged !!!

## Your S.C.V. Camp needs you to do something very simple but very important right now!

This means you, not the next man on the camp roster, nor the man before you in the list. We need you.

Please plan to come to each monthly meeting of the camp, and eat with us at 6 p.m. Bring your spouse or a friend.

Most of us know ahead of time what we're going to want to eat, so you can call ahead and order and tell them about when you'll arrive.

Online menu:

<http://places.singleplatform.com/catfish--company/menu> 817-581-3912

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Our continued thanks to Stephen Parker, the son of our late Compatriot Ron Parker, for his service to the camp of maintaining our web page and putting our newsletters online.



We salute him for his computer expertise and tireless efforts on our behalf. Have you noticed that when there's a computer link in our newsletter, you don't have to copy and paste it into your browser? You only have to click on the link and it takes you to the site!

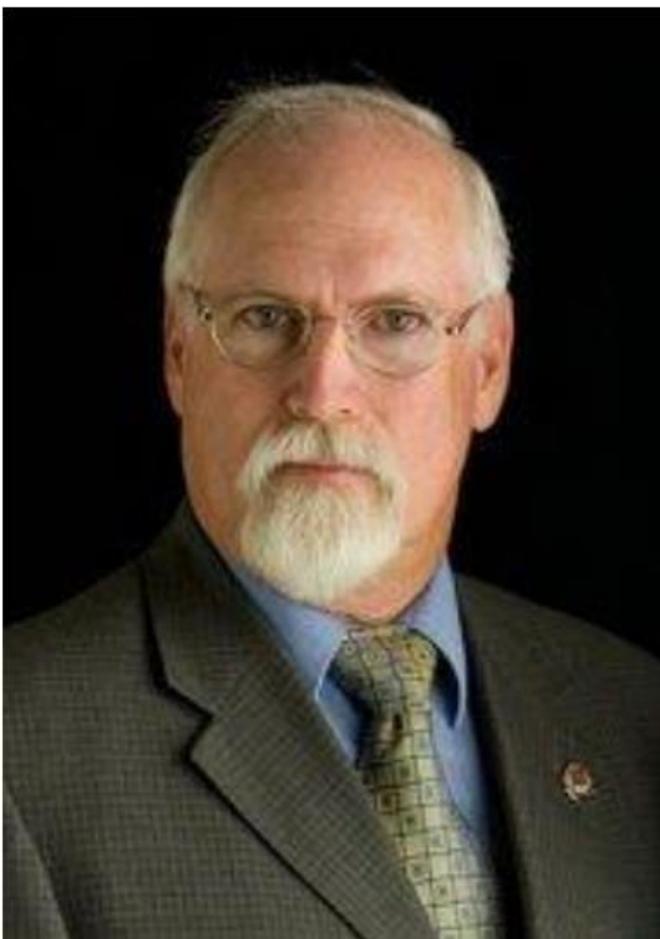




# Sons of Confederate Veterans Texas Division Reunion June 3-5, 2022

<https://scvtexas.org/state-reunion>

*Sheraton McKinney Hotel and Conference Center*



A chance to go to a state reunion in a contiguous county.

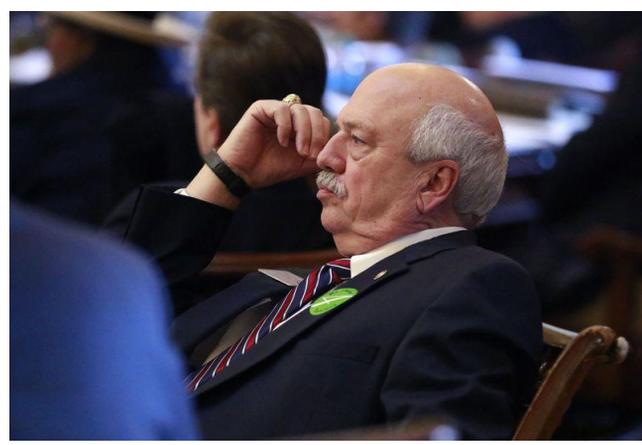
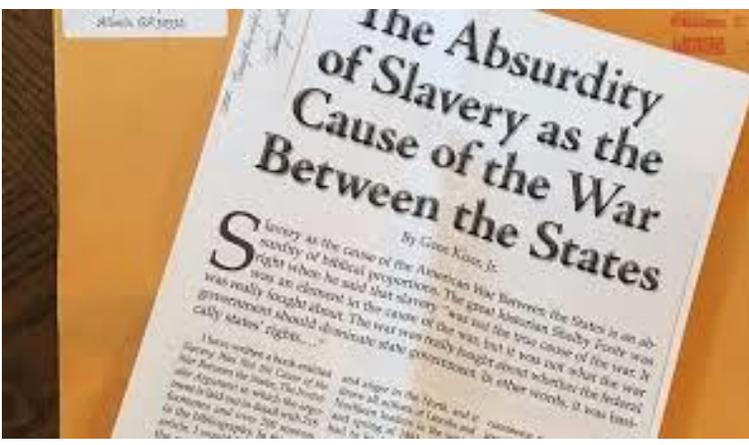
**Donnie Kennedy, Chief of Heritage Operations** is the speaker for the Awards Luncheon.

**Susan Lee of the Virginia Flaggers** will be the speaker For the Southern



Heritage Banquet and Ball. Donnie is a graduate of the Memorial Medical Center School of Anesthesia, in Charlotte, N.C. Susan Lee is a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University and helped found The Virginia Flaggers.

# Georgia Legislator's sharing of our June program topic with colleagues resulted in punishment from Ga. House leaders.



*Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Atlanta, Georgia, June 16, 017.*

Rep. Tommy Benton, R-Jefferson [Ga. House] [right] was stripped of his leadership position Friday after mailing an article to colleagues challenging that slavery was a root cause of the Civil War. For the past five years he has chaired the House's Human Relations and Aging Committee.

His nomination was also rescinded to fill one of three seats on a study committee set up to recommend improvements in civics education in Georgia's public schools. Interesting read. He copied Mr. Kizer's abridgement of his book as published in ***The Confederate Veteran*** magazine for his mailouts.

<https://www.ajc.com/news/state--regional-govt--politics/controversial-lawmaker-punished-for-civil-war-mailer/d4yAtaW0dNU5PAkpRubiIN>



## Sons of Confederate Veterans 2022 Natl. Reunion, July 19-23, 2022 Clarence Brown Conference Cntr., Cartersville, Ga.

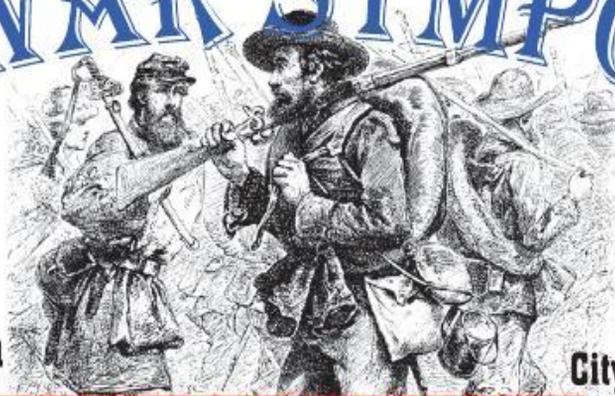
The official site for the National Reunion this year says all the Members Tours are sold out. The tours sponsored by the UDC for spouses and family members still have some spaces left.

*The two Tours organizations do not have destinations in common.*

<https://2022reunion.gascv.org/>

# Jefferson's 11th Annual CIVIL WAR SYMPOSIUM

PRESENTED BY  
Jefferson Historical  
Society and Museum



Saturday,  
August 6, 2022

City of Jefferson Convention  
and Visitors Center  
305 E. Austin St.  
Jefferson, Texas

## EVEN MORE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI LORE

- 8:00 – 9:00 Registration, Vendors/Exhibitors
- 9:00 – 9:15 Welcome by John Taylor, President  
Introduction by Weldon Nash, Jr., Board Member, Jefferson Historical Society and Museum
- 9:15 – 10:15 Donald S. Frazier, Ph.D.: "Tempest Over Texas: The American Civil War, Global Politics, and Mexico".
- 10:15 – 10:30 Break / Visit Vendors / Exhibitors
- 10:30 – 11:30 Scott Dearman: "From Mansfield to the Little Bighorn: The Remarkable Military Career of James S. Brisbin".
- 11:30 – 1:30 Lunch break: Catered Bar-B-Q lunch in the Center (included in registration). Opportunity to visit Vendors/Exhibitors or shop in Jefferson.
- 1:30 – 2:30 Bill J. Gurley, Ph.D.: "Confederate Grizzlies: Maj. Gen. Mosby M. Parsons and his Missouri Division".
- 2:30 – 3:00 Break / Visit Vendors / Exhibitors
- 3:00 – 4:00 John Goddard, M.D., "The Search for Lt. Col. Harvey H. Black".
- 4:00 – 4:30 Wrap-Up, Q & A.
- 4:30 – 5:00 Raffle

All program events on Saturday will be at the Jefferson Convention and Visitors Center, 305 E. Austin Street. The Friday evening Speakers Reception will be at the Excelsior House, 211 W. Austin Street.

## Jefferson's Civil War Legacy

Since Jefferson played a key role in the Trans-Mississippi Department's military development, Jefferson was a natural location for hosting a Civil War Symposium during the Civil War Sesquicentennial.

Jefferson and Marion County supplied many troops for the Confederacy, including Captain Wm. H. Duke's company of Jefferson Guards, two companies in the 1st Texas Regiment of Hood's Brigade, one company in the 18th Texas Regiment of Walker's Texas Division and two companies in the 19th Texas Regiment of Walker's Texas Division. Many companies of cavalry were recruited from Jefferson, including Col. R.P. Crump's 1st Partisan Texas Rangers and Captain H.P. Mabry's Company G, 3rd Texas Cavalry known as the "Dead-Shot" Rangers. Captain Joseph H. Pratt recruited an artillery battery from Jefferson and Marion County designated the 10th Texas Battery. It is estimated that over 500 citizens from Jefferson and Marion County served in the Confederate army. Many, if not most of Jefferson's Confederate veterans who survived the war, are buried at the local Oakwood Cemetery.

Jefferson answered the call not only with troops but with manufacturing and other facilities. At the outbreak of the War Between the States, Jefferson was a major transportation center of Central and East Texas for the cotton trade. There was a large meat packing plant that supplied dried beef and bacon for the armies, a shoe factory, a wagon factory as well as at least two furnaces or iron works, all located here. An active steamboat river port, Jefferson was soon transformed into the logistical center of the Trans-Mississippi. Three powder magazines and numerous warehouses were constructed to temporarily store the supplies before shipping them on to the main arsenal in Shreveport. This commercial hub soon became a target of the Union Army's command and plans were laid for its conquest and removal.

As one can imagine, it is not difficult to connect with the Civil War after walking the streets of Jefferson, viewing the Big Cypress Bayou steamboat turning basin, viewing the Powder Magazine on the bayou, visiting Oakwood Cemetery and admiring the many antebellum homes throughout the town.

# REGISTRATION

## Jefferson Historical Society & Museum

### Civil War Symposium

August 6, 2022

Seminar and Lunch: Adults \$75.00, Students \$35.00, includes catered Bar-B-Q lunch. (Registration at the door on August 7th will be \$80.00. Lunch cannot be guaranteed for walk-up registrations.) Registrants will also receive free admission to the Jefferson Historical Museum during the weekend.

Friday evening Speakers Reception (6:00pm – 7:30pm): \$25.00 includes refreshments and light hors d'oeuvres at the Excelsior House Ballroom.

### REGISTRATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Seminar and Lunch:**

Adults @ \$75.00 each x No. ( ) attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Students @ \$35.00 each x No. ( ) attending: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Speakers Reception:**

Adults @ \$25.00 each x No. ( ) attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of others attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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Send this form along with your check made payable to Jefferson Historical Society and Museum to:

**Jefferson Historical Society and Museum**  
223 W. Austin Street  
Jefferson, Texas 75657

For information on registration, contact the Museum at 903-665-2775. [www.jeffersonmuseum.net](http://www.jeffersonmuseum.net)

For information on events, contact Weldon Nash at [wwnash@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wwnash@sbcglobal.net)

Information and Lodging: The Excelsior House will be holding a limited block of rooms for seminar participants until July 29.

Call 800-490-7270. For other lodging go to [www.VisitJeffersonTexas.com](http://www.VisitJeffersonTexas.com) and [www.jefferson-texas.com](http://www.jefferson-texas.com)

All proceeds from this seminar will go to the Jefferson Historical Society and Museum, a not-for-profit 501 (c) 3 entity, for operation and maintenance of the Museum.

# SPEAKERS

**Scott Dearman** serves as park manager of Mansfield State Historic Site, a Civil War battlefield park in Northwest Louisiana that commemorates the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill, pivotal engagements of the Red River Campaign of 1864. Prior to becoming manager in 2010, Dearman served 17 years as interpretive ranger and park historian at Mansfield. During his tenure at the site he has conducted extensive research and interpretive analysis of the battles of Mansfield, Pleasant Hill, and the Red River Campaign. In 2010 he was recipient of the Louisiana Office of State Parks' Professionalism Award. This year marks the third time that he has been a speaker at this Civil War Symposium.

**Donald S. Frazier, Ph.D.**, is the Director of The Texas Center at Schreiner University in Kerrville. A graduate of The University of Texas at Arlington and Texas Christian University, Frazier is the award-winning author of six books on the Civil War including *Blood and Treasure*, *Cottonclads*, *Fire in the Cane Field*, *Thunder Across the Swamp*, *Blood on the Bayou and Tempest Over Texas*. His other work includes serving as co-author of *Frontier Texas*, *Historic Abilene*, and *The Texas You Expect*, as well as general editor of *The U.S. and Mexico at War* and a collection of letters published as *Love and War: The Civil War Letter and Medicinal Book of Augustus V. Ball*.

Frazier has taught in college classrooms at Texas Christian University, McMurry University, and Schreiner University. In addition to his classroom teaching, Frazier has been very involved in public history, working on Civil War and frontier heritage trails in Texas, New Mexico, and Louisiana, and work on historical projects in Europe and Mexico.

In 1995, Dr. Frazier helped found the McWhiney Group, a Texas-based 501 (c)3 non-profit that operates an educational adventure enterprise, Bear Leader Tours; State House Press, a publishing imprint in consortium with Texas A&M University Press; and online education efforts.

Dr. Frazier is an elected member of the prestigious Philosophical Society of Texas, the oldest learned organization in the state, a Fellow of the Texas State Historical Association, and a Director-Scholar on the board of the Texas Historical Foundation. He is also an advisor to The Alamo, the State Board of Education, and Governor Gregg Abbott recently appointed him to the advisory committee for the Texas 1836 Project.

**John Goddard, M.D.**, a Richmond, Virginia native, earned a B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies at "Mr. Jefferson's University" in Charlottesville, Virginia focusing on mathematics, religious studies, and English literature. He has had an abiding interest in the War for Southern Independence since reading a copy of Davis' *The Battle of New Market* left behind by his older brother who attended V.M.I. His research of the Battle of Eltham's Landing began after reading Freeman's *Lee's Lieutenants* and noting the lack of detailed information on the battle. After innumerable traipses through the woods of New Kent County and primary sources, he compiled an account of the battle and assisted in the revision of the core battlefield area maps of the Civil War Sites Advisory Commission in 2012. Having moved to the ArkLaTex courtesy of the United States Air Force in 2000, he has remained in the area working for the local hospital system in urgent care and occupational medicine. He calls Jefferson, Texas home now – the town in which the Marion Rifles was raised and subsequently became Company A of the First Texas Infantry Regiment. Local entrepreneur and prominent citizen, Harvey H. Black, was elected as captain of the company by his fellow Texans. Eltham's Landing would be Harvey Black's last battle but not the end of his story.

**Bill J. Gurley, Ph.D.**, received his B.S. degree in pharmacy and Ph.D. in pharmaceutical sciences from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. He is currently a professor and principal scientist for the National Center for Natural Products Research at the University of Mississippi. Apart from more than 100 published articles and book chapters in the areas of pharmaceutical sciences and pharmacology, his Civil War publications have focused on military actions in the Trans-Mississippi Department and Civil War medicine. Apart from numerous articles in *North South Trader's Civil War* magazine on Confederate artifacts from the Trans-Mississippi, he was the co-editor of *I Acted from Principle: The Civil War Diary of Dr. William M. McPheeters, Confederate Surgeon in the Trans-Mississippi*, which won the Military Order of the Stars and Bars' 2003 General Basil W. Duke Award. He recently published a two-part essay on Confederate General Mosby M. Parsons that appeared in *Confederate Generals of the Trans-Mississippi*, Vols. 1 (2014) & 2 (2015).

# Black Confederates in Tarrant County

The gentleman at right is Sam Kilgore, who was interviewed for the *Federal Writers' Project*, and his memoirs are now part of the *Slave Narratives of Texas*.

Mr. Sam Kilgore was born in Tennessee in 1845 and was 92 when interviewed. He had a long and interesting life; he served in the Confederate Army, in the US Army against the Apaches, and in the Spanish American War. His entire story may be read online at

<http://www.fortworthtexasarchives.org/digital/collection/p16084coll57/id/126/rec/43>

For our purposes here we are only showing part of it. As before, we are converting it from the "vernacular" in which it was written.

*"When I was four years old I was taken to the big house to be with young Massa Frank, old Massa's son. He had me for an errand boy and, I guess, for a plaything. When I got bigger I was his valet and he really liked me and I liked him. He was kind and smart, and was chosen from nineteen other boys to go to England and study at a military academy.*

*"I was about eight when we started for Liverpool. We went from Memphis to Newport and then took a boat, the Bessie. It was a sailboat and then the fun started for sure. It was summer and there was not much wind, and sometimes we just stood still day after day in a fog so thick we couldn't see from one end of the boat to the other.*

*"I'll never forget that trip. When we got far out on the water, I was dead sure we'd never get back to land again. First, I got sea-*



*sick, and 'dat am something.' If there's anything worse no one could stand it. It's not possible to explain it, but I wanted to die. If there's anything worse than that seasick misery, I say 'Lord Have Mercy on the person who has it.'*

*"I threw up so much I couldn't believe there could be so much stuff in one person. I must have raised the level of the ocean. When I got over that I got homesick and so did Massa Frank. I cried and he tried to console me and then he got tears in his eyes. We were weeks on that water, and good old Tennessee was*

## Black Confederate Sam Kilgore, cont.



An 1850s clipper ship, the **Challenge**, which may be about the size of the **Bessie** on which Mr. Kilgore and his master sailed to England.

*was always on our minds.*

*“When we got to England it was all right, but we often went down to the wharf and looked over the cotton bales for that Memphis gin mark. A couple of times Massa Frank found some and he said, ‘Here’s a bale from home, Sam,’ with his voice full of joy like a kid who found some candy. We stood around those bales and wondered if it was raised on our plantation.*

*“We had a good time after we got acquainted and I saw lots of things and got to know some slaves from the West Indies. But we were ready to come home and when we got there there was plenty of War going on.*

*“Massa Frank joined the Confederate Army and of course I was his valet and went with him, right over to Camp Carpenter at Mobile. He was the lieutenant under General Gordon and before long they pushed him higher. Finally he got a notice he was to be a colonel and that separated us cause he had to go to Florida.*

*“ ‘I’m going with you,’ I said, ‘for I thought I belonged to him and he belonged to me and nothing could part us.’*

*“But he said, ‘You can’t go with me this time. They’re going to put you in the Army.’ Then I cried and he cried.*

*“I was seventeen years old when I put my hand on the Book and became a soldier. I talked to my captain about Massa Frank and wanted to go see him. But it wasn’t more than two weeks after he left that he got killed. That was an awful shock to me and it was a long time before I got over it. I have always felt if I’d been with him maybe I could have saved his life.*

*“My company moved to Birmingham and built breastworks. They said Gen. Lee was coming for a battle but he never came and when I went back to see those breastworks, they had never been used.*

*“We marched north to Lexington in Kentucky but we were gone before the battle of Louisville. We went back to Salem in Georgia, but was never in a big battle, only some skirmishes now and then. We were always building things to get ready for battles and built bridges and we don’t fight much.*

*“I went back to Memphis after the war...After I had been in Texas for a year I joined the Federal Army for the Indian War. I went to Fort Griffin and Dodge City and Laramie, Wyoming.*

*“..I stayed in the service for seven years, and then went back to Johnson County, where I stayed until I moved to Fort Worth in 1889. Then I got into another war, the Spanish-American War. But I was in the commissary work, so didn’t see much fighting...”*

Mr. Kilgore lived at 1211 E. Cannon St. when he was interviewed. He died there of cancer at 5:35 a.m. on Jan. 29, 1948. He was buried in Old Trinity Cemetery in Fort Worth. There is no indication on *Find-A-Grave* that he or his wife have grave markers.



WBTS artifacts fascinate us. There are still millions of them waiting to be found under the dirt at thousands of places across the South. The grid on the next page contains the names of 28 things you might find at a site.

Print yourself a copy of the next page, and see how many you can find before you look at the list on the last page of this newsletter.

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*Print yourself a copy of this page and see how many items you might find metal-detecting at a WTBS campsite or battle site... without first looking at the list. The answers are on the last page.*

# News from around the Confederation

Contributed by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



## Arkansas legislature prevents Confederate statue being moved from Courthouse lawn.

Fort Smith, Ark., May 1, 2022. An interesting article which begins in an even-handed way but later becomes something of an opinion piece. It has lots of good photos with long explanations of each. As always, wade through the ads to get to the end.

<https://www.swtimes.com/story/news/2022/05/02/arkansas-law-keeps-confederate-statue-courthouse-lawn/7385428001/>

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## Richmond takes action to remove A. P. Hill statue, relocate Confederate general's remains.

*Channel 6 News*, Richmond, Va., May 10, 2022. The first sentence tells the slant: "City leaders took a step forward Monday night in the process to remove the city's last standing Confederate statue." Article contains lots of after-the-fact justification for this act, which includes moving the general's body.

<https://www.wtvr.com/news/local-news/richmond-to-remove-ap-hill-statue>

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## What you said: Community's comments, votes about what to do with the Confederate monument.

*Owensboro Times*, Owensboro, Ky., May 11, 2020. An even-handed account of the responses this newspaper received in response to the article we included in this section last month. Owensboro, a city of 59,796, generated a total of 577 responses. They ranged from "Leave it where it is" to what you'd expect from some of what passes for responsible citizens in this country today.

<https://www.owensborotimes.com/features/community/2022/05/what-you-said-communitys-comments-votes-about-what-to-do-with-the-confederate-monument/>



# News from around the Confederation

Contributed by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

## Virginia board considers restoring names of schools named for Confederate generals.

NBC News , [Shenandoah Co.,] Virginia, May 19, 2022. If the source didn't tell you the slant, the two pieces of film attached to the article will: the removal of a statue of R. E. Lee in Virginia in 2021, and a film of one of the Lee statues in place with the caption, "Movement to remove Confederate monuments gains momentum" from mid 2020, neither of which are pertinent to this story. Ads interspersed as always.

The article mentions that school system's 6.000 students are 75 per cent white, and 3 per cent black. In one of their elementary schools 10 languages are spoken, they say. They makeup of the board two years ago when the names were changed is not mentioned, but now the board is all white, the article tells us.

[https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/virginia-board-considers-restoring-names-schools-named-  
confederate-gen-rcna29622](https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/virginia-board-considers-restoring-names-schools-named-confederate-gen-rcna29622)



**Could the Pensacola Confederate monument come back? Federal ruling may make it possible.** Pensacola, Florida, *Pensacola News Journal*, May 19, 2022. This article contains lots on links to background information and photos, new and historic. It also contains two pieces of film, and lots of ads to wade through.

<https://www.pnj.com/story/news/local/pensacola/2022/05/19/pensacola-confederate-monument-could-restored-after-federal-ruling/9835989002/>

## Commission unveils proposals to rename bases after Confederate leaders.

CNN politics, May 24, 2022. You can guess the bias of this article from the source. Nine bases are named herein—one in Texas, one in Alabama, two in Georgia, one in North Carolina, one in Louisiana, and three in Virginia. Predictably, the photo and two film clips included had nothing directly to do with the topic of the article.

Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin will have the final say with his recommendations going to Congress. That list is due on October 1.



<https://www.cnn.com/2022/05/24/politics/commission-bases-confederate-leaders/index.html>

Col E W Taylor Camp #1777

April 28, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Catfish Co. Restaurant by Cmdr Richard McCook.

Opening Invocation was given by Cmdr McCook.

Opening Pledges lead by Ricky Tittle. The Charge was read by Morgan Tittle.

Commander McCook then asked for the Adjutant's reports.

Adjutant Alderman then read the meeting minutes for our March 31, 2022 meeting. The meeting minutes were approved with no change with a motion from Clay Fitzhugh with a second from Morgan Tittle. The adjutant indicated our bank balance was \$3,498.88 with no deposits or debits.

Our Chaplain Joe Wade was not present but 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Fitzhugh said he was unaware of any new illness with our group. He related that Stephen Parnell was on the road to recovery.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any Old Business

- Adjutant Alderman noted that he and Cmdr McCook, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Fitzhugh had placed another Cross marker at General Waul's gravesite in the past week. We still have four stones to place.
- Adjutant Alderman reminded everyone that we had previously voted to spend up to \$800 for the rifle silhouettes once Joe gives us the go ahead.
- It was suggested that we prepare an SCV Certificate of Appreciation for John Hunt once the rifle project is completed. John is cutting the rifle silhouettes.
- Adjutant Alderman reminded everyone we need to register for the Texas reunion and he needs to know who plans to attend for the delegate listing.

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- Adjutant Alderman read the proposed Amendment to the Texas Division Constitution regarding social media and camp use. Cmdr McCook asked for discussion and motion from the members present as to how they would like our delegates to vote. It was a unanimous decision to vote for Option 1 of the amendment.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any Announcements

- Adjutant Alderman reminded everyone of the Memorial Day event at Mt Gilead. The Frontier Band will be performing and he has lined up a very unique firing squad. May 30, Monday at Mt Gilead.

Cmdr McCook lead off the Ancestor honoring ceremony with a note from Mike Patterson regarding one of his Confederate ancestors. This was followed by Morgan Tittle, Clay Fitzhugh, Tim Pringle, and Terry Theiss.

Cmdr McCook thanked everyone for coming and encouraged everyone to bring someone with them to the May meeting. He called for a Motion to Adjourn. Motion made by Clay Fitzhugh and seconded by Terry Theiss. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 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 6:00, meet at 7:00, 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.



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