



Col. E. W. Taylor Camp No. 1777

Sons of Confederate Veterans

# NEWSLETTER

August.....2023

*Our August 31 program, provided by Compatriot Tim Pringle, will be a presentation of some readings from the WBTS diary of Miss Grace Brown Elmore. She was a dedicated*



*and ardent Confederate, an astute observer, and an artist at creating word pictures of the devastation around her.*

*James Alderman will read the excerpts.*

*Please join us for our regular August monthly meeting on Thursday, August 31. Support your Camp by being there !!!*

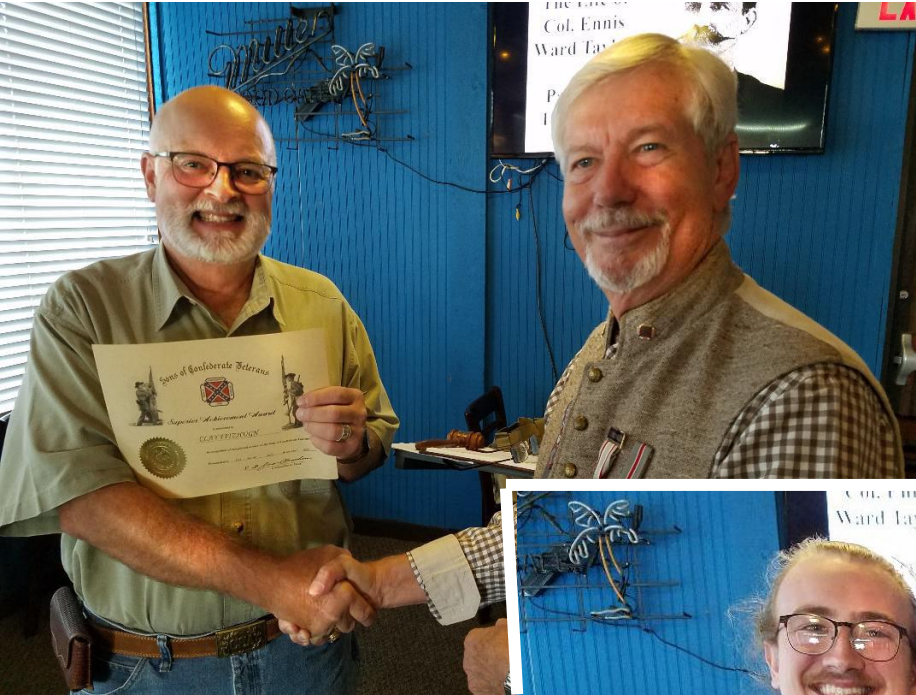
*Confederate Lives Still Matter*



# At our July 2023 meeting

First and foremost, our 1st Lt. Commander Clay Fitzhugh presented to us more of Part One of the life of Col. E. W. Taylor. We'll see more at future meetings

We also received some certificates from the National Reunion in July. We're not sure what they're for, but who's going to turn down an honor?

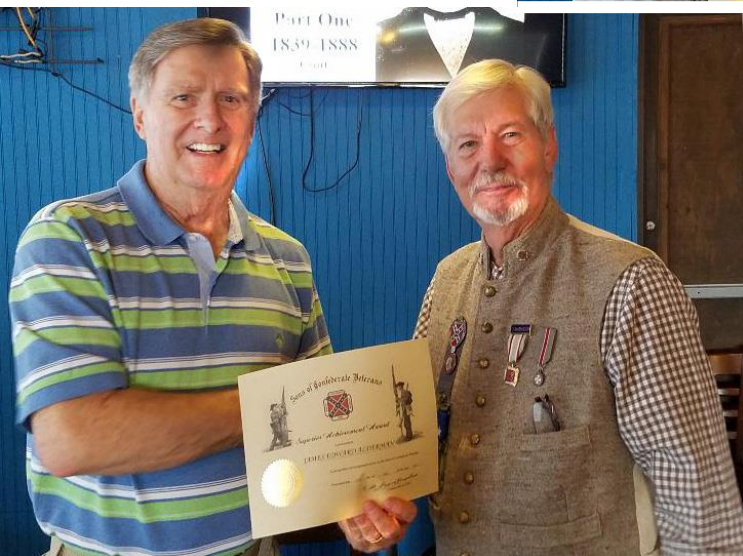


At left: Clay Fitzhugh and Rich McCook

Immediately below: Jake Behrenger and Rich McCook



Immediately below: James Alderman and Rich McCook



**THANKS !!!**  
To the 20 good folks who came out!!!



# Arlington, Texas July 4 Parade...always a big one with lots of participants.



Three of our Taylor men (who are also SAR) are below...Bob Gresham, Vann Cunningham, and James Alderman.

The float above also contained folks from the Arlington and K. M. Van Zandt SAR chapters, a local DAR chapter, and two young ladies from the Children of the American Revolution.

We have taken part in this easy, close-in event for many years, and we thank the City of Arlington for being such a welcoming host.





# 2023 SCV Natl. Reunion in Hot Springs, N. P., Ark.



Below, left: Brian Pierson, Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans, brings greetings to the group. Below right, James Alderman, national Commander-in-Chief of the Society of the Order of the Southern Cross, brings greetings to the group as well.

Founded originally in 1863 as an organization to provide for the relief of disabled soldiers and the widows and orphans of those who had died in service to the Confederacy, today the Order of the Southern Cross serves as a philanthropic organization whose purpose is the preservation of our Southern heritage and its history. James is the only person in the universe currently qualified to do this, *and he's a member of the Taylor Camp!*





Our Camp Commander, Richard McCook, presents and posts our camp flag at the 2023 National SCV Reunion in Hot Springs NP, Arkansas.





## Editorial Page



These two men, James Alderman(l) and Richard McCook (r) were our two official delegates from the Taylor Camp to the 2023 National Reunion. It would be impossible to have two more dedicated, personable and able representatives in a time when WOKE culture has done its dangdest to turn the world against us.



Commander McCook is here seated beside his wife, Lois, and JaAnn Alderman, James Alderman's wife. Both ladies are officially Friends of the SCV as well, as if they hadn't already been for years.



## State News Cont - Commanders Dispatch

### *Dispatch from the Commander...*

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As the new Commander of the Texas Division, I wanted to express my sincere thanks to the men of the Texas Division for having the confidence to elect me as your 63rd Division Commander. It is a great honor to lead the Texas Division. I have always believed that the mark of a successful leader is the ability to constantly communicate. Therefore, I intend to send out these brief dispatches on a regular basis to keep you apprised of what the Texas Division Commander is working to achieve. Some quick highlights...

- I lead our first DEC Meeting on Sunday June 4, 2023.
- In accordance with the Division Constitution Item 6.4.1.11 as Division Commander I filled all the necessary positions, appointed officers, and created committees as needed to accomplish the work of the Division. A complete list of those appointments will be attached with this dispatch
- In accordance with the Division Constitution Item 10.10 I am in the process of appointing three qualified men to perform an audit of the records, books, and financial activities of the Texas Division. A report to be made at the next DEC meeting.
- I have conducted a Division wide electronic survey of our members to determine the direction you believe the Texas Division needs to go in the next two years. I was very pleased to see that 214 of you took the survey and provided me unique insight on the future of our organization. I will be presenting the results of the survey at the next DEC meeting. Thanks to all of you who participated and took the time to express your thoughts.
- **Key dates for the next 12 months for the Texas Division calendar...** The first 3 DEC meetings will all be held in Waco, TX on September 30, 2023; January 6, 2024; March 23, 2024 and the 4th on June 9, 2024 at the Reunion in San Antonio. The Division will hold a Division wide **Heritage Defense Training** on either February 10 or February 17, 2024 in Waco, TX. The exact date will be announced in a few weeks following the National Reunion in Hot Springs. In addition, a **Division Wide Confederate History Month Celebration** and Memorial will take place on April 20, 2024. More details on these events will be coming but please mark your calendars now!



The Division will host it's first ever, day long training event dedicated for the purpose of teaching Heritage Defense strategies to our Cam officers and members

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**ATM Training Symposium** - Please note that we have an outstanding opportunity to learn from the top leadership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans on August 12, 2023 in Texarkana TX. When CIC Jason Boshers, Lt. CIC Donnie Kennedy and others will lead a symposium on Recruiting, Retention and Heritage Operations. Special thanks to the Red Diamond Camp #2193 of Texarkana TX for hosting. The event will be held at the Elks Lodge 3702 New Boston Rd, Texarkana, TX at 9AM. For more details or to register contact Red Diamond Camp Commander Phil Maynard at 903-278-6742 or ATM Commander JC Hanna, or Past Division Commander John McCammon for details.



**Come  
enjoy  
dinner  
with  
Tami and I  
on July  
20th!**

Our **SCV National Reunion** is only a few weeks away in Hot Springs Ark. I will have the Division Colors and the Texas Flag posted in the main meeting rooms so you can identify where we will be, and ask all attending Texans sit together at the Reunion. In addition, I will be hosting a dutch-treat dinner on Thursday night (July 20) of the Reunion at the Steinhaus Keller Restaurant. You will need to RSVP to me to attend so I can give a count to the restaurant. [I will be sending a separate email out with all the details. So watch for instructions if you would like to go to dinner.](#)

**63rd Commander's Project** - I am in the process of ordering (at my own expense, no Division money involved), 250 **Texas Division logo lapel pins**. I will be selling those pins to raise money for the restoration of 14 UCV Camp flags which are in need of repair. When those pins arrive I will inform you. All proceeds of the sale of the pins will go to fund UCV flag restoration.

I have been busy at various events representing the Texas Division to include an iron cross dedication in conjunction with the United Daughters of the Confederacy® on June 11, 2023. I was a keynote speaker at Camp Ben McCulloch, which is old Confederate Reunion grounds located in Driftwood, TX on June 20, 2023. I will be speaking at the Sam Davis Youth Camp on July 26th. Please Invite Me To Come To Your Camp! I am available to speak at camps and other functions that you might need just send me a request and I will check my calendar and make every effort to assist you.

I am so excited about the next two years, I have no doubt that if we marshal our resources, and work together we can accomplish great things in 2023-2025!

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## Texas Division Commander Appointments 2023-2025 Term

Office Held	Compatriot Name
Chief of Staff	Allen Hearnean
Division Adjutant	Sam Daggett
Judge Advocate	Rob Jones
Public Relations	Shelby Little
Division Chaplain	James Bozeman
Division Color Sergeant	D W Davis
Inspector General	Tommy Holmes
Parliamentarian	Christian Lee
Guardian Program	Bill Elliott
Division Genealogist	Bob Hazelwood
Division Newsletter Editor	Christian Lee
Awards Committee Chair	Tommy May
Sergeant at Arms	Ray Johnson
Mounted Color Guard	Calvin Allen
Reunion Committee Chair	James Bozeman
Education Committee Chair	Bill Elliott

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Please keep Compatriot Stephen Parnell in your thoughts and prayers. He is hospitalized and is in recovery mode. We wish Stephen and his family the rest and comfort they so richly deserve.



# Services for Mrs. Connery, Club Leader, Set Monday

Mrs. Louise Taylor Connery of 1530 Cooper, member of a well-known pioneer Texas family and leader in Fort Worth cultural circles for half a century, died Friday night in a hospital after suffering a broken hip Thursday in a fall at her home.

Services will be held Monday at a time to be announced later, under the direction of Roberts-Mueller-Harper Funeral Home.

Mrs. Connery was the daughter of the late Col. and Mrs. Ennis W. Taylor. Her father was a Confederate Army Officer. Mrs. Connery was born in a house on the site of the present Texas Electrical Service Building. In 1888 she was married to Charles Woodbury Connery at Jefferson, Texas. They lived for two years in Boston, Mr. Connery's birthplace, and then returned to Jefferson for a short time before moving to Fort Worth.



Her husband, who distinguished himself in Masonic Lodge activities and Red Cross work, died in 1938 shortly before their 50th wedding anniversary.

Long interested in club work, Mrs. Connery was president of the Texas Federation of Women Clubs during World War I, remaining here to carry on federation activities when her husband went to France with the Red Cross. She instituted county federations answering a need for more club unity and during her presidency the federation established recreation centers for service men, pledging \$25,000 to that work; sponsored garden and canning clubs; sponsored thrift and food conservation, and added 26 clubs to the federation.

Mrs. Connery was granted an audience with Pope Pius X in 1911, and was the only member of a party visiting Rome in 1925 to be granted an audience by Pope Pius XI.

She was a charter member of the Woman's Club and was named its eighth "Hall of Fame" member in 1935.

She was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, member and past regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, member of the Colonial Dames of America, member of the Daughters of Colonial Wars, charter member of the Benjamin Franklin Chapter of the DAR at Paris, France, member of the American Woman's Club of Paris, member of the Lyceum Clubs of Paris and London, member and past president of the Woman's Wednesday Club, member of the Euterpean Club and its president for 12 years, life member of the Chautauqua, N. Y. Woman's Club, and was president of the Round Table for 23 years and chairman of the board at the time of her death.

*Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, Sept. 8, 1947



Ten years ago this month in this newsletter

## TARRANT COUNTY'S LAST SURVIVING CONFEDERATE?

*On July 10, 1942 the Dallas Morning News said the last Confederate veteran in our county had died.*

### Tarrant County's Last Confederate, R. H. Jones, 94, Dies

FORT WORTH, Texas, July 9 (AP).—R. H. Jones, sole surviving Confederate veteran in Tarrant County, died Wednesday after an illness of more than three years.

Jones, who was born in Hanover County, Virginia, was a member of the Third Richmond Howitzers, Virginia Artillery, during the Civil War. He is believed to have been the last soldier to leave Richmond when it was evacuated and he was with Lee at the surrender at Appomattox.

In 1884 Jones came to Alvarado from Tennessee. He moved to Fort Worth in 1904.

Jones was an active member of the Robert E. Lee Camp Confederate Veterans. He was elected commander of the organization in 1935.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. John Sparks, with whom he lived; two sisters, Miss Isla Jones and Miss Carrie Jones, both of Richmond, Va., and a granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held at the residence Friday at 4 p.m.

They weren't far off...his name was really H. R. Jones...Henry Robinson Jones, he did breathe his last in Fort Worth on July 9, 1942, and he was a Confederate veteran, maybe the last in our county. We'd be please to hear about it if you know of any who outlived him.

One Grapevine Union veteran lived until 1946 and may have been the last one in the State of Texas.

Mr. Jones was born in Hanover County, Virginia. His death certificate says he was a son of Henry Robinson Jones, Jr. and his wife Sallie Stagg. For the first part of his life at least, young Henry lived a comfortable lifestyle. In 1850 his father owned fourteen slaves. By 1860 the family had moved into Richmond, his father worked as a clerk, and owned personal property worth only \$250.

His first Confederate service was with reserve troops in McElhaney's Battalion in the defense of Richmond. Later he served in the Third Company of Richmond Howitzers. The records in Washington D.C. show him to have been a private in Capt. B. H. Smith's Company of Howitzers in Hardaway's Battalion.

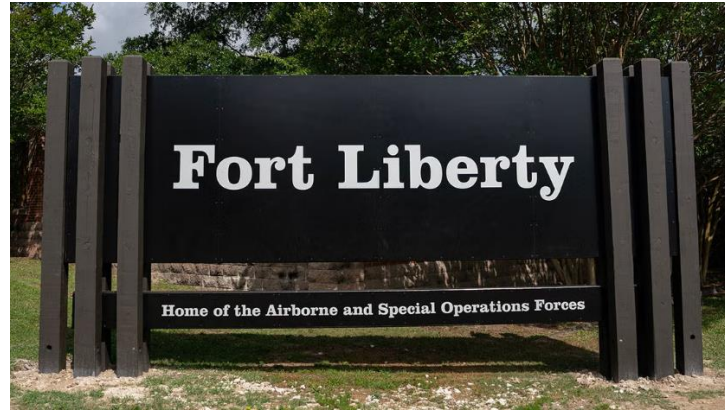


# Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

*Slate [online] Magazine, 7/9/23*

**Good News About Those Military Bases Named After Confederate Officers.** The name-changing marks a formal end to the U.S. Army's long, largely unquestioned obeisance to the "Lost Cause" myth.



Yet another attempt by the media, this time rather lengthy, to sell this unpopular choice by the U. S. Army to the American people.

<https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2023/07/military-bases-confederate-officers-renamed.html>



St. Landry Parish, LA, *KLFY.com/10*, 7/7/23

**St. Landry Parish monument unable to be moved due to ownership dispute**

This impressive marble monument to General Alfred Mouton was set to be moved, until someone mentioned to the parish that they might own neither the memorial nor the land underneath it. Mostly a TV news article.

<https://www.klfy.com/local/st-landry-parish/st-landry-parish-monument-unable-to-be-moved-due-to-ownership-dispute/>

**The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.**

**The Tenth Amendment to the US Constitution**



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Georgetown, Texas, KHAN/NBC News, 7/5/23

### Group covers Confederate monument outside Williamson County courthouse

With a fairly cursory look around the internet I can't figure out exactly what it is they covered up. It's apparently not the tall marble soldier they have/once had.

Incidentally, Compatriot Shelby Little, who's shown in the video, was just elected 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander of the Texas Division SCV.



<https://www.kxan.com/news/local/williamson-county/group-covers-confederate-monument-outside-williamson-county-courthouse/>

Franklin, TN, *Tennessee Lookout*, 7/12/23

### Confederate group seeks to restrain Williamson County from removing flag from county seal

Well...there are a total of three Williamson Counties in all of America, and two of the three are now embroiled in suits to rid themselves of any and all traces of their past. This county seal also has a church emblem and a Bible on it, a lamp and an educational symbol, and some cows in remembrance of its agricultural past.



We know that the Christian church and the educational system are already under fire, but are cows safe?

One iconic movie about the War is *Shenandoah*, and in one of the most remembered scenes in it the two armies are lined up a few yards apart when an old dairy cow with a cowbell runs out between them. The Southern officer looks at the man behind him and asks, "Is that a Confederate cow or a Union cow?"

The second man says, "I believe that's a Union cow, sir."

The officer then says, "Then take er prisoner." Hopefully this tie between cows and the Confederacy will remain obscured a little longer.

Apparently no one in Williamson Co., Illinois now remembers one entire company of the 15<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Infantry was raised for the Confederate Army there. Surely there's some trace of that action left visible there for an erasure article next month.

<https://tennesseelookout.com/2023/07/12/confederate-group-seeks-to-restrain-williamson-county-from-removing-flag-from-county-seal/>



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New Orleans, LA, TP/nola, 7/2/23

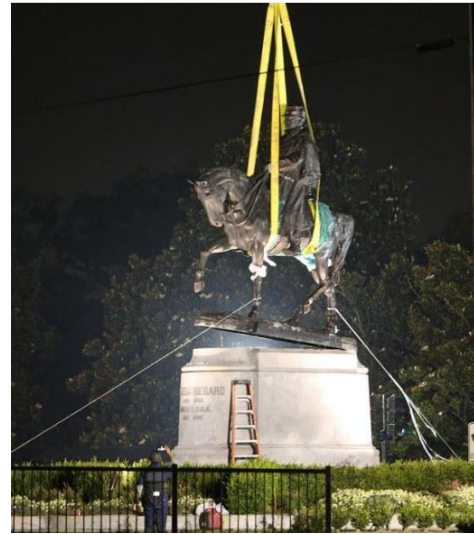
### New Orleans police chief search behind schedule; whither Confederate monuments?

Many things are way behind schedule in Nola, including those which already had planned completion dates. Why? Most people aren't allowed to know, and those who do aren't allowed to say. It seems today all a public official must do is announce a new "target date" and it's understood no one should ask "Why" or "Who Fouled Up"?

In 2017, four Confederate monuments in New Orleans were removed from their pedestals and columns, amid protests and counterprotests that swept the city, and put in storage. Six years later, city leaders have yet to decide what to do with them.

[https://www.nola.com/news/politics/new-orleans-police-chief-search-confederate-monuments-stra/article\\_5e3589de-1793-11ee-a29b-ab3b7ab9bcae.html](https://www.nola.com/news/politics/new-orleans-police-chief-search-confederate-monuments-stra/article_5e3589de-1793-11ee-a29b-ab3b7ab9bcae.html)

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Eureka Springs, Arkansas, *Northwest Arkansas Democrat Gazette*, 7/16/23

### Eureka Springs man says Civil War monument will be his tombstone

This is a follow-up to an article we featured in this newsletter last month, which takes place in an Ozarks tourist town which our own Col. E. W. Taylor helped put on the map back in the 1800s.

A local gentleman, in an effort to hit the moving target written into an ordinance in a cemetery's by-laws, is trying to reserve space on an existing memorial for his own epitaph. That's what needs to happen to meet the rules as they are written at this point.

This is yet another instance of two bickering groups, each trying to come up with language which will guard against unknown and unpredictable actions in the future by unreasonable and history-ignorant persons.

<https://www.nwaonline.com/news/2023/jul/16/eureka-springs-man-says-civil-war-monument-will/>



# Around the Confederacy

## Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



Charlottesville, VA, *artnet news*, 7/20/2023

### A Judge Green-lit a Virginia Museum's Plans to Melt Down a Confederate Monument, Dismissing a Lawsuit Attempting to Save It

Once again, a backward and ignorant group has raised the money, gotten an attorney, and prevailed upon a judge and a city council to give them the right to melt down a true work of art

to be used as raw material for a "new public artwork."

In our society today, the only permanent actions are those which physically destroy something of beauty or value. In most cases a "permanent injunction" is a waste of paper and ink. As long as the physical places of historical importance come more and more under the control of elected officials who have no knowledge or appreciation for true history, this will continue to happen.

<https://news.artnet.com/art-world/a-judge-green-lit-a-virginia-museums-plans-to-melt-down-a-confederate-monument-dismissing-a-lawsuit-attempting-to-save-it-2339666>

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Virginia Beach, VA, *The Virginian-Pilot*, 7/13/23

### Virginia Beach approves relocation of Confederate monument to private land

A statue of a Confederate soldier that once stood near Virginia Beach's City Hall will be moved to private land in the southern part of the city and maintained by a foundation.

The City Council unanimously approved the relocation Tuesday. The monument has been in storage for three years. This article's writer has attempted to explain the whole deal to those who haven't heard about what happened in America in the "dim past". He said: "The area [of Virginia Beach] was used to sell slaves. The Confederacy fought to preserve slavery and monuments honoring those soldiers were erected after the Civil War ended." Enough said for most of the history-deprived people alive today.

Luckily, the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation is taking over ownership of the statue and its base. It will be re-erected in an existing family cemetery in the southern part of the city.

<https://www.pilotonline.com/2023/07/12/virginia-beach-approves-relocation-of-confederate-monument-to-private-land/>





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## Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Missouri City, TX, *DIXIE DRUDGE/KHOU-11 NEWS*,  
7/19/23

### Missouri City unanimously approves changing street named after first Grand Wizard of KKK

Well, another street's getting' its name changed. This time it's 'cause it's namesake was the first Grand Wizard of the KKK.

Missouri City is an incorporated body of about 74,000 folks who live in the greater Houston area. It was its city council who unanimously agreed to the change. A quick look at the lucky street (actually two cul-de-sacs, or would that properly be "culs-de-sac?) and the street between them reveals about forty families who will be changing everything in their lives which contains their mailing address. What an excellent way to be spending your late summer and fall! The single person they interviewed as a cross-section of those affected was a choir teacher who said he considered not buying a home on a street named after someone who lived so dark and degrading a life. Now that's a representative cross section of the community if ever we saw one!

<https://southernnation.org/featured/missouri-city-tx-unanimously-approves-renaming-bedford-forrest-drive/>



Gwinnett County, GA, FOX 5/ATLANTA, 7/25/2023

### Group refiles lawsuit over removal of Confederate monument outside Gwinnett Historic Courthouse

It's not unusual for us as SCV members to read articles about places our Confederate ancestors lived, and this one is one of your editor's.

In 1820 your editor's third-great grandfather, Joseph Cavender, lived in Gwinnett County along with

his wife, two sons and seven daughters. Like most of his neighbors, he owned no slaves. By 1830 he'd acquired five slaves. Within the next few years he moved again, into some of the Indian land being forcibly opened by the government in present-day Walker County, Georgia. He took over a homestead with a log house already on it, the property of an Indian woman named Nancy Faught. By 1840 he owned eleven slaves there. He was dead by 1850.

My great-great grandfather (Joseph Jr.) who became a Confederate soldier was most likely born in that house in 1836. He eventually settled about three miles south of Grapevine and lies buried there in Parker Memorial Cemetery. Nancy Faught appealed the loss of her property to the U. S. government, but it got her nowhere. Joseph Sr. and Jr. both spent years in her log house.

<https://www.fox5atlanta.com/news/gwinnett-historic-courthouse-confederate-monument-removed-lawsuit-refiled>



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Gettysburg, PA, [WHTM27.com/abc](http://WHTM27.com/abc), 7//25/23

### Historic Gettysburg hotel unveiling new restaurant and tavern

A new restaurant and tavern will soon be unveiled inside a recently renovated historic hotel, located in the heart of Gettysburg.

The new [Sign of the Buck](#) restaurant and tavern is owned and operated by Gettysburg native and Adams County Historical Society board member Leslie Magraw, and her Ohio-native husband, Andrew Johnson.

<https://www.abc27.com/news/top-stories/historic-gettysburg-hotel-unveiling-new-restaurant-and-tavern/>

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Charlottesville, VA, *The Collector: News, Discoveries, In-Depth Reporting, and Analysis*, 7/21/23

### Charlottesville Museum Is Melting Down a Confederate Monument: Charlottesville Museum Is Melting Down a Monument of Confederate General Robert E. Lee, as Judge Gives Green Light.

This is basically coverage of the same event as reviewed on page 15 of this newsletter. When your editor was reading through it he was struck by one unusual circumstance. The reporter in this piece was a young lady named Angela Davic. What business does she have trying to educate Americans about something as sensitive to many of us as the absurd actions, many of them taken by native Americans (not Native Americans) being discussed in this piece?



Why in the world did they choose Angela to do this piece? She's an attractive young lady, and apparently well-read and educated. She is a journalism student at the Faculty of Political Science in Belgrade, Yugoslavia and received a scholarship for continued education at Prague, Czechoslovakia. She completed her internship at the daily newspaper DANAS and worked as an executive editor at Talas (which is in Kyrgyzstan...known globally as a center of thought on American news topics I assume). The reasoning behind some of the principal acts and actors in this ugly drama is baloney of the first order. WOKEISM we would never have dreamed of.

<https://www.thecollector.com/charlottesville-museum-is-melting-down-a-confederate-monument/>

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Syracuse, NY, *Syracuse.com*, [crime and safety section...to which does it pertain?], 7/28/23

## Court overturns judge's ruling, paves the way for Syracuse to remove Columbus statue

Is it any wonder that "news outlets," particularly print news, are suffering death gasps in many areas? When any community would give serious

consideration to removing a statue of Christopher Columbus, which action would alienate numberless people of Italian descent all over the world, why should we give serious attention to any other ideas which come out of it? They and their WOKE agenda are catering to a mighty small percentage of their own taxpayers and voters. Sadly, a large percentage of Americans today are not even aware this type of thing is happening.

<https://www.syracuse.com/crime/2023/07/court-overturns-judges-ruling-that-syracuse-cannot-remove-columbus-statue.html>

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Near Republic, Missouri, *KY3 THE PLACE TO BE*, 7/27/23

## Officials at Wilson's Creek Battlefield say archeological dig a success

A team of volunteers and archaeologists from the Midwest Archaeological Center have been digging on [an] 80-acre land [tract] for two weeks.

The last time anybody dug [on] the land was back in 2007. Archaeologists say Mary and John Gwynn owned the land in the 1850s. It was a site for an ambush of 150 cavalry.

The team's main goal is to find the Gwynn home to trace troop movements on the battlefield.

"Finding the house is sort of crucial to the interpretation of this part of the battle. And even though it's thought of as sort of secondary to the main area of battle, we're finding that there was actually quite a bit of action here," archaeologist Adam Wiewel says.

This battle, which took place on August 10, 1861, was the first major engagement of the WBTS west of the Mississippi River. The battle gave the Confederates control of southwestern Missouri.



<https://www.ky3.com/2023/07/27/officials-wilsons-creek-battlefield-say-archeological-dig-success/>

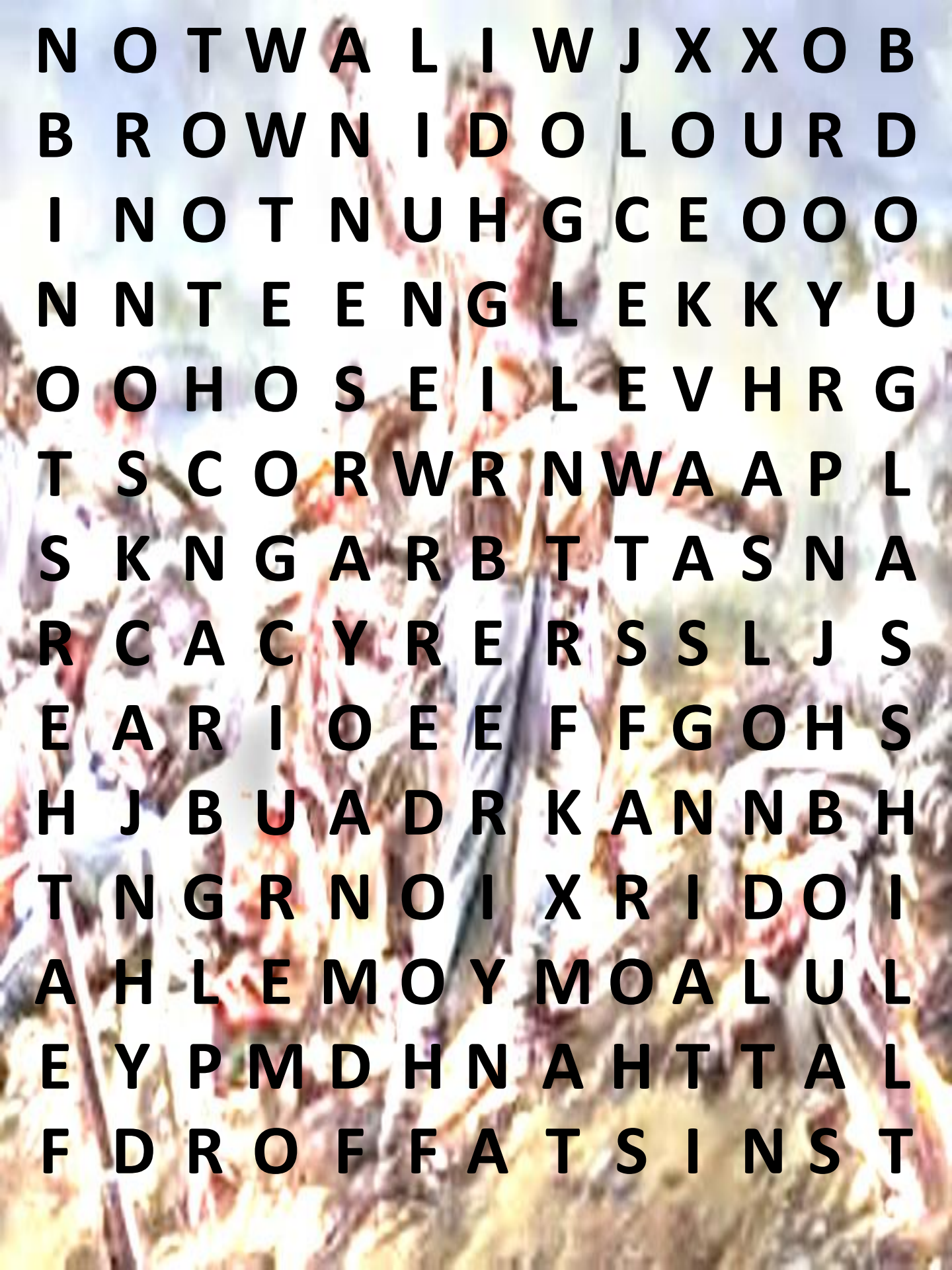




**Detail from Don Troiani's *The Diehards: Battle of Second Manassas, August 30, 1862. Prince William and Fairfax Counties, VA ; Aug 28 - 30, 1862***

At Second Manassas, Gen. Robert E. Lee's Confederate army defeated Union forces under Maj. Gen. John Pope, hastening the Federals' retreat back toward their defenses in Washington and allowing Lee to lead his army across the Potomac River into the North.

A Confederate victory, even though some of them had to throw rocks after they ran out of ammunition. Make yourself a b&w copy of the next page, and see how many of the [at least 23] Confederate officers who were there you can find. Answers are on the last page.



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**Col E W Taylor Camp #1777**  
**June 29 , 2023**

**Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm 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 Cody Sheppard.

Cmdr McCook then welcomed everyone and recognized the guest in attendance: Ja Ann Alderman, Linda Wade, and Mike Kelly.

Commander McCook called for the Adjutant's reports.

Adjutant Alderman noted that since we did not have a formal May meeting that the April 27, 2023 meeting minutes needed to be read and approved. Motion to accept was made to approve by Bobby Gresham and seconded by Ron Turner. Attendees approved. The financial balance in our checking account remains at \$3000.63.

Cmdr McCook then called on 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Commander Clay Fitzhugh for his report. He asked that we sign the Thank You card for the Wades and the appreciation card for Jessi Pursley who has been our server for the past couple of years. Intro of the speaker will be later.

Cmdr McCook then called on Chaplain Joe Wade for his report. Joe encouraged everyone to let him know if we knew of anyone needing prayers.

Cmdr McCook then gave an update on the recent Texas Division Reunion in Lubbock, TX. Our new state officers are Commander – Michael Hurley; 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr- Shelby Little; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Cmdr- Jim Cox; and 3<sup>rd</sup> Lt Cmdr- Cody Crislep.

- There was a motion to donate \$10K to the National Confederate Museum- it was approved
- A gentleman who lives near Ft Hood offered to donate an acre of land for a flag location which will be taken up by the DEC.
- 2024 Texas Division Reunion will be at the DoubleTree in San Antonio
- 2025 Texas Division Reunion will be at the Crazy Water hotel in Mineral Wells
- 2024 Nation Reunion will be Charleston, SC (correction from original capture)
- The following award were given to our Camp members via the Texas Division Reunion
  - o Jack Behringer – Bronze Camp Service Medal
  - o Richard McCook- Silver Camp Service Medal
  - o Clay Fitzhugh – Bronze Camp Service Medal
  - o James Alderman- Gold Cross for service

Cmdr McCook announced that our new 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Commander is Festus Alcock with Calvin Allen as 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr and Jim Harvey as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Commander.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **Old Business** - there was none.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **New Business** – 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Commander Clay Fitzhugh asked Jessi Pursley to come in and presented her with our Thank You card. Joe Wade was called up to receive the Thank You card for he and his family's effort with our May cookout.

Adjutant Alderman announced that Diane Dyess had donated 3 dozen 1<sup>st</sup> national flags to the camp and that we had purchased an additional dozen.

Cmdr McCook announced he had purchased a flag streamer for our Camp flag.

Motion was made by Bobby Gresham and seconded by Ron Turner to reimburse both James and Ron for their expenses.

Commander McCook then called on 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Fitzhugh to introduce our speaker Mr. Kip Wright.

Cmdr McCook and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Fitzhugh presented Kip with a certificate of appreciation from the Camp for his presentation.

Kip Wright suggested we all sign up for the TWITTER link @Jeff\_Davis 1808.

Commander McCook called on Chaplain Joe Wade for the benediction.

Motion to was made to adjourn by Ron Turner and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Sheppard. Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

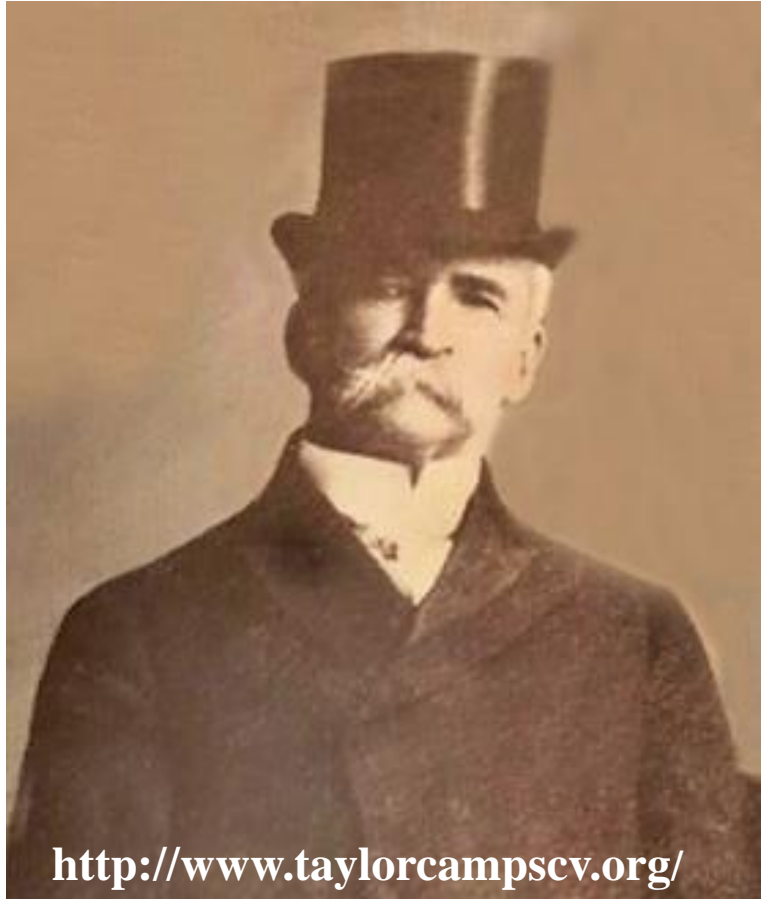
Submitted for Approval by Adjutant James E. Alderman

# **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 6:30, 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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