## THE FRONTIER CHRONICLE

### **FEBRUARY 2024**



Camp Officiers **Paul Hutcheson**....Commander & Chaplain **Dave Guise**...1st Lt. Commander **Steve Bondy**....2nd Lt. Commander **Charlie Ditmore**.....3rd Lt. Commander **Eddie Cox**.... Adjutant

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# **Our Next Meeting**

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 7:00 PM

Please bring a side dish or dessert, and enjoy food and friends

All meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of each month @ 7pm for a pot luck supper followed by a program on Southern History, a short break and then our monthly business meeting.

**Visitors are welcome** to any or all of the above.

**Location**:Comanche Merchantile 100 N. Houston st. Comanche Tx.



# MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER/CHAPLAIN



Hello my Confederate brothers and sisters.

Hope everyone had a great Valentine's Day.

We've had some great weather the past few days and hope everyone was able to get out of the house and enjoy it. I know I had a great time at my first swearing in for the mechanized Calvary. A great bunch of folks and good times were had for sure.

Although February is the shortest month, it is still full of cool things to take a look at. A few notable birthdays were General Robert Sydney Johnson:February 2, 1803, General Joseph Johnson:February 3, 1807 and Lieutenant General Richard Ewell: February February 8, 1817. There is a very long list of Generals alone with birthdays in this month. Worth looking at for sure.

Of course, the main thing we all think of for the month of February is Valentine's Day. This is a day meant to spend time with that special someone. Some of us have one and some of us do not. However, we all have a special someone in a spiritual level, and that is, of course, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is always looking to spend time with each and every one of us and there is no specific day for this. Every day is a great day to share time with the Lord. There is no better way to start your day, get back on track in the middle of your day and end your day, then talking with Almighty. Build and develop a relationship with him and watch your life improve.

I am looking forward to seeing all of y'all at our next meeting and we have several things to go over. Till then:

God bless y'all and God bless Dixie.

Paul Hutcheson paulscotthutcheson@icloud.com 335-998-2273



### **1st Lieutenant's**

## Report



Greetings compatriots,

We had to brave the bitter cold for our events the past month. Thank you to those who stood with us at the Weatherford courthouse for "Confederate Heroes Day" and placed flags and taking pictures at the cemetery that our Division Commander ask us to do. Hopefully with that behind us we'll have warmer temperatures ahead.

The Mechanized Cavalry also swore in its newest member at the Weatherford monument this month.

I have been busy this month going to different camps giving programs, visiting and promoting the gun raffle for reunion funds (see below).

Brenda and I also had the opportunity to meet with Sid Miller this week. I sure like this man, and wish we had more government officials like him in office.

I'm looking forward to presenting the program at our upcoming meeting and look forward to seeing y'all.

My God bless you and may God bless Dixie.

Dave Guise

1st Lt and past Commander 2nd Texas Frontier District Camp #1904 DeLeon 7th Brigade, Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans

2nd Lieutenant Retired Mechanized Calvary #3826 1BN, Company C, 2nd platoon



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# VTER RAFFLE 2024

PROCEEDS GO TO 2025 TEXAS DIVISION REUNION IN **MINERAL WELLS** 

RADICAL brand classic style Ar-15 223 rifle

PRIZE

**RETAIL VALUE** \$750

Date received: \_\_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_/

\$25

ticket

Drawing will be held immediately following the spring 2024 DEC meeting (Approximately Apr. 6, 2024). Winner will be notified by phone.

PLEASE NOTE: Winner MUST <u>personally</u> pick up gun in Mineral Wells, TX 76067. Winner MUST be able to pass a Federal Firearms Background check. <u>FAILURE TO PASS BACKGROUND CHECK WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF THE WINNING TICKET,</u> <u>THE TICKET PURCHASE PRICE WILL BE REFUNDED AND ANOTHER WINNER WILL BE DRAWN! TICKET CANNOT BE RE-</u> <u>ASSIGNED</u> ! Please be sure the person named on the ticket can pass the background check! Arrangements for pick up must be made within 30 days of drawing.
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Number of tickets@ \$25 each = \$ enclosed (check payment type)checkMoney OrderCash
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### 2nd Texas Frontier-Camp 1904



### **January 2024 Minutes**



7PM Paul Hutcheson offered the blessing and invocation. Pot Luck served by TSOCR 7:30 Meeting called to order. Pledges US, Texas and CSA Reading of the Charge Introduction of Guest: past members Greg Getz and Rusty Taylor

Program by Brenda Guise: Video "1904 in 2023"

#### **Business Section**

Current Adjutant Eddie Cox declared a quorum IS achieved.

Eddie Cox submits Treasurer 's report : <u>\$3,290.55</u>

November 2023 Minutes stand approved.

Commander calls for Officer reports:

**1st Lt. Commander-Dave Guise -** Stockshow Parade had more participants than spectators. Weatherford Confederate Hero Day-very cold but good turn out. Hazeldell Cemetery Clean up-Dave, Eddie and Frank. Frank had gone out day before and just about done everything.

2nd Lt. Commander-Steve Bondy Nothing to report

3rd Lt. Commander-Charles Ditmore: Nothing to report

**OCR-Becky Bussey -** Christmas Silent Auction brought in \$383. Half went to #1904 and half to Cactus Rose #23. Reported Michael Hurley at Stockshow Parade with great live video. Reminders of DEC?TSOCR March 23 meeting & scholarship entries. **Events-Dave Guise:** all reported above.

**Membership & Recruitment-Steve Bondy:** no recruits at this time **Programs**-February: "Truth about the Pledge" by Dave Guise

**Flags-Tommy Alford- not present** Not Present. DeLeon flag replaced by Frank and Dave last Saturday after Hazeldell clean up. All flags good.

**Cemetary-Eddie Cox**.- Need a date for March clean up. Reported DEC update **Newsletter-Brenda Guise-** Member ancestor birthdays welcome **Old Business:** None

**New Business**: Comanche Co Museum VS Division Picnic April 20 Cost of meeting site of Comanche Mercantile is more than camp dues. dues \$280yrsite cost \$440yr. Suggested restaurant options.

Dave Guise motion to close meeting. Mason Spikes 2nd Commander calls for comments and closes meeting. Benediction & Dixie led by Commander 8:21P meeting adjourned

# **February in History**

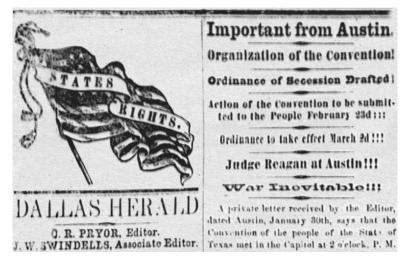




#### **TEXAS SECEDES FEBRUARY 1, 1861**

In the early winter of 1860, Texan counties sent delegates to a special convention to debate the merits of secession. The convention adopted an "Ordinance of Secession" by a vote of 166 to 8, which was ratified by a popular referendum on February 23.

According to the Ordinance of Secession, which was considered a legal document, Texas also issued a declaration of causes spelling out the rationale for declaring secession. The document specifies several reasons for secession, including its



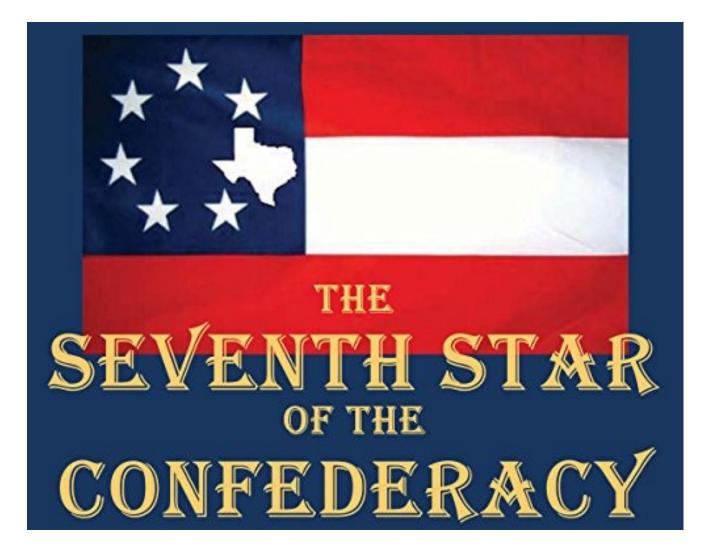
solidarity with its "sister slave-holding States," the U.S. government's inability to prevent Indian attacks, slave-stealing raids, and other border-crossing acts of banditry. It accuses northern politicians and abolitionists of committing a variety of outrages upon Texans.

By February 1861, the other six states of the sub-region had separately passed ordinances of secession. However, events in Texas were delayed, largely due to the resistance of Southern Unionist governor, Sam Houston.

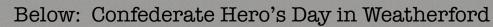
Governor Sam Houston accepted secession but asserted that the convention had no power to link the state with the new Southern Confederacy. Instead, he urged that Texas revert to its former status as an independent republic and stay neutral. Houston took his seat on March 16; the date state officials were scheduled to take an oath of allegiance to the Confederacy. He remained silent as his name was called out three times and, after failing to respond, the office of governor was declared vacant, and Houston was deposed from office. After his ouster from the governor's office, Houston maintained a low public profile until his death in July 1863. Before he died, Houston wrote to a friend in June 1861, writing, "There comes a time a man's section is his country...I stand with mine. I was a conservative citizen of the United States...I am now a conservative citizen of the Southern Confederacy."

After Texas passed its Ordinance of Secession, the state government appointed four men as "Commissioners of Public Safety" to negotiate with the federal government for the safe transfer of military installations and bases in Texas to the Confederates. Along with land baron Samuel A. Maverick and Thomas J. Devine, Dr. Philip N. Luckett met with U.S. Army General David E. Twiggs on February 8, 1861, to arrange the surrender of the federal property in San Antonio, including the military stores being housed in the old Alamo mission. As a result of the negotiations, Twiggs delivered his entire command and its associated Army property (10,000 rifled muskets) to the Confederacy, an act that brought cries of treason from Unionists throughout the state. Almost immediately, Twiggs was dismissed from the U.S. Army by President Buchanan for "treachery to the flag of his country." Shortly afterwards, he accepted a commission as general in the Confederate Army but was so upset by being branded a traitor that he wrote a letter to Buchanan stating the intention to call upon him for a "personal interview" (then a common euphemism to fight a duel). Future Confederate general Robert E. Lee, then still a colonel in the U.S. Army, was in San Antonio at the time and when he heard the news of the surrender to Texas authorities, responded, "Has it come so soon as this?"

Some Texan military units fought in the War east of the Mississippi River, but Texas was more useful for supplying soldiers and horses for the Confederate Army. Texas' supply role lasted until mid-1863, when Union gunboats started to control the Mississippi River, which prevented large transfers of men, horses, or cattle. Some cotton was sold in Mexico, but most of the crop became useless because of the Union's naval blockade of Galveston, Houston, and other ports.



### Camp Happenings





above L to R: Frank Bussey, Jim Cox, Curtis Scott



L to R: ?, ?, Jim Harvey, Curtis Scott



above L to R: ?, Calvin Allen, Hagen Allcock



Dave Guise





Above center: Eddie Cox, Frank Bussey & Dave Guise



Above center: Martin Pullen, Dave Guise, Paul Hutcheson, Bobby Wallace, Todd Coker & Carter Gaddis

Swearing in new Mechanized Cavalry member: Todd Coker

# **2024 Upcoming Events**

-——as of January 15, 2024 ———

**Feb 27, 2024, (Tuesday) 2nd Texas Frontier District Camp #1904 De Leon Meeting:** 7:00pm in Comanche at the Comanche Mercantile building located on the southwest corner of the courthouse square at 101 N Houston St. Comanche TX 76442

Mar 02, 2024 (Sat.) Sons of the Republic of Texas program: 10 am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Granbury courthouse

Mar 09, 2024 (Sat.) Iron Cross Dedication: 2pm for Pvt. Edwin Stone Collins (1826-1902) at the Curits Cemetery 1302 Bois D Arc Street in Weatherford TX.

Mar 11, 2024 (Mon.) Cleburne #1937 meeting: 6:30p Pavilion at CTOM Cleburne

Mar 11, 2024 (Mon) Hudson Oaks #2255 meeting: 7:00p R&K Cafe, Weatherford

Mar 12, 2024 (Tue.) Granbury #427 meeting: 6:00p Best Burger Barn, Granbury

Mar 14, 2024 (Thur.) Whitney #2313 meeting: 6:30p Steele Creek Acres VFD, 1334 FM1713 Morgan TX.

Mar 14, 2024 (Thur.) Hico #1982 meeting: 7:00p Hico Community Center

Mar 21, 2024, (Thur.) Palo Pinto #2283 meeting: '7:00 pm in the Palo Pinto Fire Hall located at 620 Oak St. Palo Pinto

Mar 23, 2024 (Sat.) DEC meeting at Papa Rollo's in Waco

Mar 26, 2024, (Tuesday) 2nd Texas Frontier District Camp #1904 De Leon Meeting: 7:00pm in Comanche at the Comanche Mercantile building located on the southwest corner of the courthouse square at 101 N Houston St. Comanche TX 76442

April 20, 2024 (Sat.) Division Wide Confederate History Month Celebration Picnic: State Park at Blanco, RV sites are available.

April 20, 2024 (Sat) Comanche County Museum: 10a-4p

June 7-9, 2024 Texas Division Reunion in San Antonio TX

July 17-21, 2024 SCV National Reunion in Charleston SC

### BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS