



THE ROSE CITY STAR



Newsletter of the Sons of Confederate Veterans - Walker's Greyhounds Camp #2338, Tyler TX

Next Meeting...

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 6:00 P.M. ~ Eat 7:00 P.M. ~ Meet

Spring Creek BBQ 5810 Broadway Tyler, TX 75703

> Speaker: Zach Sabota Subject:

"Collecting Confederate Memorabilia"

In This Issue...

Change Brings Blessings and Challenge - Page 2

Iron Cross Ceremony Page 3

Colonel Tignal W. Jones, Smith County Confederate Veteran Page 5

Book Review:
"The Army of the Tennessee"
by Stanley F Horn - Page 7

Famous Greyhounds...
General William Read Scurry
Page 8

Changes Bring Blessings and Challenge

By W. Michael Hurley

I've been a member of the Texas Division Sons of Confedeate Veterans for 29 years, and I have seen quite a few changes. I have witnessed Camps that resisted change and loved the comfort that routine offers. I have also worked with a few Camps that seemed to bring about change for the sake of change, sometimes leaving some of it's best and brightest members behind for less qualified men because they were "new" to the camp. Two extreme Camp examples, neither of which are successful in the long run.

Yet, change is constant and it seems everywhere. How can we as an orginazation embrace change and learn from our past experiences and failures? Our response to this question can be the deal breaker when it comes to our future growth and success.

Change in the Past - My great-grandfather Edwin S. Collins was born in 1901 and lived to be 79 years old before passing in 1980. I spent many hours with him and was always amazed at the changes he had seen. When born the primary mode of travel was the horse and carriage. He lived to see man walk on the moon in 1969! He would be amazed to see the use of the internet, cell phones, and cars which are now powered by electricity.

Changes Can Come Quickly in the Present - Few if any of us could have imagined the changes the COVID-19 virus would thrust upon us all. As a result we were forced to change or risk the negative consequences of our actions. Indeed in recent memory we have seen change in technology, religious belief, politics, race relations, and power. All these simultaneously simmering together, to leave us working in a quagmire of constant variation.

Changes in the Future - Who really knows what the future holds? No doubt technology will continue to evolve. Artificial intelligence, micro sized medical robotics, exploration and colonization of other planets? How does a vacation on Mars sound? Who knows and one guess is as good as another. One thing we all can agree on is that the future will not be the same. Change is inevitable. The SCV must, and I trust will, adapt to the changing landscape of life in the 21st Century. Embracing social media, and other new forms of communication offer us opportunity to share what we are all about as an organization in new and exciting ways.

So how are handling change these days? I know it can be hard, and can cause some sleepless nights. My advice is embrace the amazing changes going on today both personal and professional. Be opened minded to altering your actions without compromise of the universal absolutes of truth, morality and kindness which are the back bone of Judo Christian belief. Don't fear change, but embrace and adapt. Remember the price of doing the same old thing is far higher than the price of change.

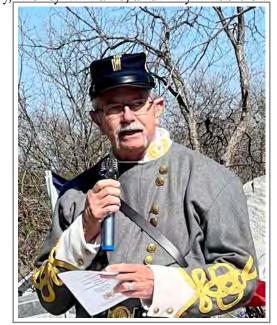


Walker's Greyhounds and the Mollie Moore Davis 217 U.D.C. Iron Cross Dedication March 9, 2024





Greyhounds Travled to Weatherford, TX!
(L to R) Compatriots Bill Hurley, Michael
Hurley, Monty Williams, and Billy Pribble Sr.



2nd Lt Commander Billy PribbleSr., reads "The Flag My Grandpa Flew"



Grave of
Confederate
Veteran
Edwin S.
Collins
(1826-1902)

Private Staunton Hill Light Artillery Army of Northern Virginia



Some of the U.D.C. Ladies

More from the Iron Cross Ceremony March 9, 2024

















Smith County Confederate History Spotlight...



Headstone of Tignal W. Jones



Tignal Jones CSA Marker

Colonel Tignal W. Jones (1820-1892)

Tignal W. Jones, was an accomplished soldier, lawyer, and Texas state reprentative. He was born near Lewisburg, Franklin County, North Carolina, on November 25, 1820, the son of Willis H. and Mary H. (Taylor) Jones. After graduating from Nashville University in Tennessee, he studied law in the Tuskegee, Alabama, offices of William P. Chilton, chief justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, and in 1844 was admitted to the state bar of Alabama. He then formed a partnership with Franklin W. Bowden and practiced until the outbreak of the Mexian War, whereupon he was commissioned first lieutenant of Company E, First Alabama Volunteer Infantry. He served in Gen. Winfield Scott's army during the campaign in central Mexico and participated in the siege of Veracruz and the battles leading up to the capture of Mexico City. Jones returned to Alabama at the end of the war and in 1848 formed a partnership in Talladega with J. L. M. Curry, afterward United States ambassador to Spain. In 1854 he married Mary E. Barclay, who tragically died six months later.

In 1856 he moved to Texas, where he established a law practice at Tyler. On December 18 of that year he married Mrs. Martha Marsh Bell; the couple had two childen, Rebecca, born in 1857, and died in infancy; and a daughter, Mary H. Jones born in 1859. Mary was educated at the Hollis Institue of Virginia. She married in April 1880 to S. H. Cox, a merchant in Tyler TX. They had 5 children to include Tignal Cox in 1886, and is buried in Rosehill Cemetery, Tyler TX

In March 1861 Jones was elected to the state Secession Convention. When it ended on March 25, he enlisted as a private in the Confederate Army, but was later commissioned as Colonel and Commander of the First Cavalry Regiment, Texas State Troops. These troops, under state rather than Confederate control, served on the coast and the western frontier. They saw no action against federal forces. When the was ended, Jones returned to his Tyler law practice. Tignal Jones passed away in 18 June 1892 and is buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Tyler.



ARMY OF THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL SCV EVENT SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024

Mansfield State Historic Site 15149 LA-175, Mansfield, LA 71052 10am - 3pm

The Army of the Trans-Mississippi invites you to the 1st Annual ATM National SCV Event!

BATTLE OF MANSFIELD OF SABINE CROSS ROADS April 18 Best Here the Federal Inc. extend and fence forming a Vene mouton's Division charged this in the bloodlest part of the first Confederate char the federal Mouton was killed and General Mouton was killed and Juliant Polignac took command a division.

Guest Speakers include:
• Scott Dearman, Mansfield Site Manager (ret.) Charles Lauret, ATM Councilman
 Dr. John Goddard
 Chuck McMichael, Past SCV Commander in Chief

Music will be provided by The PineKnotz!

Mark you calendars today for this Historic Event to commenmorate the 160th Anniversary of the Battle of Mansfield & 125 years of the Louisiana Division.

Admission \$4. The fee is for everyone over 12 & under 62. This includes the museum. Please bring a chair for the event. You may also bring a small cooler for snacks & drinks. Parking will be in Mansfield with buses for attendees.

For more information please contact ATM Commander JC Hanna, 318-560-7076 or Louisiana Division Commander Brian McClure, 318-480-1948.



127th TEXAS DIVISION REUNION SAN ANTONIO

JUNE 7th - 9th, 2024

ONLY 30 DAYS LEFT TO GET YOUR EARLY BIRD SPECIALS!

ALL ACCESS TO...
COMMANDER'S RECEPTION
MERITORIOUS AWARDS LUNCHEON
LONESTAR SOUTHERN BALL & BANQUENT

ALL AT ONE AMAZING PRICE!

\$150 per Couple, \$85 for Singles.

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW AT

hoodstexasbrigade.net SPECIALS END MARCH 31, 2024

Any registrations that are postmarked March 30, will still be accepted. All remaining early bird registration specials will need to be emailed to:

2024txdivreunion@scvhoods153.net OR
commander@scvhoods153.net on March 31!

March 2024



WINTER RAFFLE 2024

PROCEEDS GO TO 2025 TEXAS DIVISION REUNION IN MINERAL WELLS

PRIZE



\$25 ticket

RADICAL brand classic style Ar-15 223 rifle

RETAIL VALUE \$750

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 personally pick up gun in Mineral Wells, TX 76067. Winner MUST be able to pass a Federa Firearms Background check. FAILURE TO PASS BACKGROUND CHECK WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF THE WINNING TICKET, THE TICKET PURCHASE PRICE WILL BE REFUNDED AND ANOTHER WINNER WILL BE DRAWN! TICKET CANNOT BE REASSIGNED! 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.

ORDER FORM Cut here Number of tickets @ \$25 each = \$ enclosed (check payment type) check Money Order NAME: We will text or email copies of your completed ticket(s). Circle how you want to receive confirmation: TEXT EMAIL MAIL ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT TO: SCV Camp 2283, 2651 Devils Hollow Rd, Graford, TX 76449 Make checks payable to: SCV CAMP 2283 Date received:

Texas Divison

Confederate Heritage Month Celebration and Picnic!



Road 23, Blanco, TX 78606

Come Celebrate Confederate Heritage Month!

Blanco State Park is located to the South of Blanco, TX at 101 Park

·Location is 1 hr drive from SA, and Austin, 2 hrs from Waco, 3.5 hrs from Houston, and 4 hrs from Dallas

- •The historic CCC built Picnic Pavillon sits on the banks overlooking the beautiful spring fed Blanco River
- •Enjoy the Texas Hill Country in the Spring time.
- •Hiking, fishing, and bird watching!
- •Camping and RV Hook Ups are available
- •Pavillon features a playground, kitchen with stove, refrigerator, and large bbq grill on site.
- Bring your favorite Dish for an old fashioned potluck!
- •Important Note: \$5.00 entrance fee per person is required for entry to the park (children under the age of 12 are free).



April 20, 2024

Save the Date!

Blanco State Park

Blanco, TX

Lunch at 12 Noon

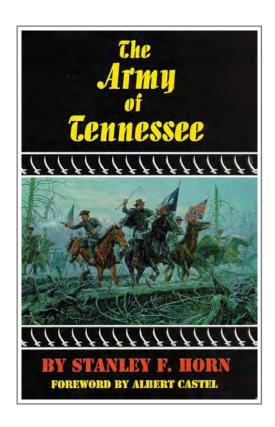
From the Bookcase of Michael Hurley...

The Army of the Tennessee by Stanley F. Horn

This work, first published in 1941, is the first recognized as a thorough treatment of the Confederate Army of Tennessee. It is written in the "top-down" format, concentrating on the army's leaders with a minor emphasis on the "rank and file" soldiers. It also needed more-than-stellar editorial work, which is understood when one considers Horn more of a historian than a writer. Regardless of any shortcomings, it is still rightly considered a classic and a worthy read.

Casual readers and even bona fide "Civil War buffs" will likely find some particular spots cumbersome. **Chapter XII**, titled "**Mississippi Interlude**," seems to be an "orphan chapter" that muddies the timeline of the main narrative without providing much real value. In **Chapter XIV**, "**Chickamauga**," the author succumbs to the temptation

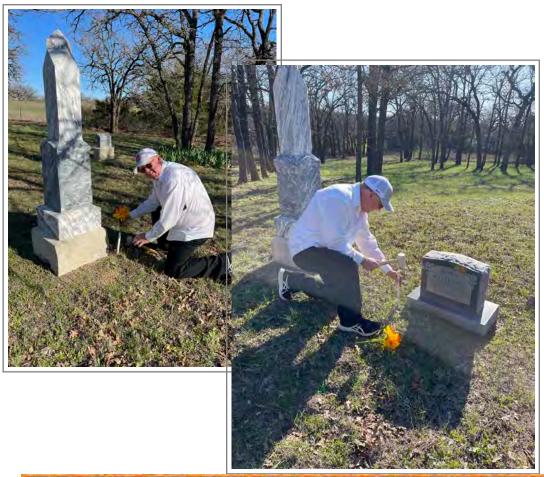




to drown the reader in organizational and maneuver minutia. A significant general deficiency is the lack of maps/diagrams, which would have greatly aided the reader in understanding the overall "big picture" of each battle.

On the plus side, Horn tried hard to present the Confederate leaders, even the controversial and widely disliked Braxton Bragg, in a fair and objective light. That is a significant accomplishment in itself, given that much of the available source material were personal letters and writings with the usual bias of personal view.

This work is a good place to start for anyone interested in the Confederate Army of Tennessee, but don't stop there!



Compatriot
Monty Williams,
marks the
graves of family
members and
Confederate
Veterans at
Harmony
Cemetery
located in
Parker County,
TX

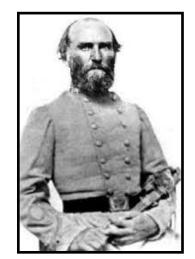


Walker's Greyhound...

Brigadier General William Read Scurry, C.S.A.

A public official and army officer, He was born in Gallatin, Tennessee, on February 10, 1821, the son of Thomas J. and Catherine (Bledsoe) Scurry. He arrived in Texas on June 20, 1839, and was issued a third-class land grant by the San Augustine Commissioners Board in January 1840. He was licensed to practice law before he was twenty-one and appointed district attorney of the fifth judicial district in 1841. Scurry then became aide-

de-camp to Thomas Jefferson River County in the Ninth in 1844 and 1845. As a Representatives in 1845, in his support of the States. During the Mexican George T. Wood' Second Volunteers, and was promoted war he practiced law in owner and editor, with Joseph Gazette, which he sold in Linn were Victoria County nominating convention in After representing Victoria, counties in the Secession



Rusk in 1842 and represented Red Congress of the Republic of Texas member of the House of Scurry was energetic and effective annexation of Texas to the United War he enlisted as a private in Col. Regiment, Texas Mounted to major on July 4, 1846. After the Clinton and for a time was the Wade Hampton, of the Austin State 1854. In 1856 Scurry and John J. delegates to the state Democratic Austin.

DeWitt, Jackson, and Calhoun Convention, Scurry entered

Confederate service in July 1861 as the lieutenant colonel of the Fourth Texas Cavalry and greatly distinguished himself during the Confederate invasion of New Mexico while commanding the Confederate forces at the battle of Glorieta. He was promoted to colonel on March 28, 1862, and to brigadier general on September 12, 1862, and played a vital role in the Confederate recapture of Galveston on January 1, 1863. When he was assigned to command the Third Brigade of Walker's Texas Division in October 1863, Capt. E. P. Petty wrote, "Genl. Scurry has been assigned to our command in place of Genl. McCulloch-He has reached here and assumed command. I am well pleased with him. I knew him well in Texas. He is a fighter and those who follow him will go to the Cannon's mouth." Scurry commanded the Third Brigade at the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill in April 1864 and was immediately transferred with his command to Arkansas to help to repel the wing of the federal army commanded by Frederick Steele, then marching toward Northeast Texas. Scurry was wounded at the battle of Jenkins Ferry, on April 30, 1864, but refused to be carried to the rear. A federal attack overran the place where he lay, and for two hours his wound was unattended. When his brigade regained the field he asked, "Have we whipped them?" On being told that the battle was won, Scurry replied, "Now take me to a house where I can be made comfortable and die easy." He was buried in the State Cemetery at Austin in May 1864. Lieutenant Governor Fletcher S. Stockdale delivered the funeral oration, and after the war the state erected a thirteen-foot-high white marble shaft over his grave. Scurry County is named in his honor.

Source: The New Texas Handbook



In Memory of the Confederate Companies from Smith County, Texas

1st Texas Infantry Hood's Texas Division "The Ragged Old First" - Colonel Louis T. Wigfall
3rd Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Scurry's Brigade - General William R Scurry
3rd Texas Cavalry McCulloch's Divison - Major George W. Chilton
11th Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Randal's Brigade - Major Nathaniel J. Caraway
14th Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Randal's Brigade - Colonel Edward Clark
14th Texas Cavalry "Johnson's Mounted Volunteers", Ector's Brigade - General Matthew Ector
15th Texas Infantry Polignac's Brigade, Speight's Regiment - Lt Colonel James E. Harrison
17th Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Scurry's Brigade - Colonel Robert T. P. Allen
22nd Texas Infantry Walker's Texas Division, Hubbard's Regiment - Colonel Richard B. Hubbard
28th Texas Cavalry (dismount) Walker's Texas Division, Randal's Brigade - Colonel Horace Randal
Douglas Texas Battery of Artillery, Army of the Tennessee - Captain James P. Douglas



15th Texas Infantry



11th Texas Infantry



3rd Texas Infantry.



Tyler Guards - 3rd Texas Cav



14th Texas Infantry



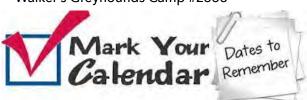
17th Texas Infantry.



1st Texas Infantry



Douglas' Texas Battery



- ◆ March 23, 2024 Texas DEC Meeting Papa Rollos Pizzaria 703 N Valley Mills Drive; Waco, TX 76710. Meeting starts at 9:00 AM
- April 6, 2024 ATM Confederate Heriatge Rally
- ◆ **April 12-14, 2024** Battle of Pleasant Hill Reenactment. For more info www.battleofpleasanthill.com
- ◆ April 16, 2024 Next Meeting of the Walker's Greyhounds Camp #2338
- ◆ April 20, 2024 Texas Division Wide Confederate Heritage Month Celebration and Picnic at the Blanco State Park, Blanco, TX
- ◆ May 4-5, 2024 Battle of Port Jefferson Reenactment. Jefferson, Texas
- ◆ **June 7 9 , 2024 -** Texas Division Annual Reunion in San Antonio, TX
- ♦ **July 17 21, 2024 -** SCV National Reunion in Charleston SC

Find Us On the Web...

walkersgreyhounds.net



How Do I Join The Sons of Confederate Veterans?

The SCV is the direct heir of the United Confederate Veterans. Organized at Richmond, Virginia in 1896, the SCV continues to serve as a historical, patriotic, and non-political organization dedicated to ensuring that a true history of the 1861-1865 period is preserved. Membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans is open to all male descendants of any veteran who served honorably in the Confederate armed forces. Membership can be obtained through either lineal or collateral family lines and kinship to a veteran must be documented genealogically. The minimum age for full membership is 12, but there is no minimum for Cadet membership.