



## ***THE MARSHALL GUARDIAN***



**Dedicated to the sacred memory of the 1st Texas Volunteer Infantry Company E the "Marshall Guards"**

### **Next Meeting...**

Tuesday,

March 21, 2017

6:30 PM

Jucy's Hamburgers

2003 Victory Dr.

Marshall, TX 75672

Phone:

903-923-8020

**Bring A Friend!**

### **Did You Know...**

*The average Confederate soldier was 5'8" tall and weighed 143 pounds. He was 23 years old.*

### **Dispatch From The Commander...**



Compatriots,

With the month of March comes the bloom of Spring flowers and with the warmer temperature comes increased opportunities to get involved in the work of the local camp. Please see the calendar of events later in this newsletter for opportunities to serve. I am so grateful for each our members, for your membership in the SCV, and your desire to perpetuate the memory of our brave forefathers. It is my desire to see each and every member become an active part of the camp, and my thanks goes to all who work so hard to see the camp succeed.

**This past month the camp voted to move our meeting date from the 4th Tuesday to the 3rd Tuesday of each month.** So please note the change

as listed here in the newsletter to Tuesday, March 21st. The meeting will be held at the usual time and place. We continue to welcome new members and potential members to our meetings. Exciting things are happening!

Until we meet... forward the colors!

*W. Michael Hurley, Commanding*



**Members Attend ATM Symposium...**

Recently, two members of the W. W. Hearstill Camp #2042 Frank Crisp and Pete Craig, attended the Army of the Trans Mississippi Symposium held at Hooks, TX on February 25th. The meeting was held to educate and teach various aspects of leading an effective SCV camp in 2017. SCV Commander Thomas Strain, Former SCV Commander Chuck McMichael, Texas Division Commander Gary Bray, and ATM Commander Johnny Holley were just a few of the prestigious leaders to speak. The event was hosted by the Red Diamond camp out of Texarkana, TX.

**Are You A Texas Division Guardian?**

This is a program to honor the memory of a Confederate Ancestor and preservation of their final resting places.

Find out more at

[www.scvtexas.org/Guardian\\_Program](http://www.scvtexas.org/Guardian_Program)



**Governor Samuel W. T. Lanham  
Camp #586 Weatherford, Texas**

**Invites You To Attend**



**Texas Division**

**Sons of Confederate Veterans**

**2017 Annual Reunion**

**Radisson Hotel, 2540 Meacham Blvd.**

**Fort Worth, TX 76106**

**June 2, 2017 - June 4, 2017**

**Register and find the full schedule of events at**

[www.txdivreunion.com](http://www.txdivreunion.com)

## ”The City of Seven Flags” A Brief History Of Marshall, Texas 1839-1865

Harrison County was created by the Republic of Texas in 1839. Two years later, in an effort to influence the commissioners who were choosing a site for the county seat, Peter Whetstone offered land for a courthouse, a church, and a school. The offer was accepted, and the town, named by Isaac Van Zandt in honor of Chief Justice John Marshall, became the county seat in 1842. It was incorporated by the Texas legislature in 1844 and enlarged in 1850 to include an area of one square mile with the courthouse at the center. Marshall was the first town in Texas to have a telegraph; by 1854 the local paper had a telegraph link to New Orleans, which gave it quick access to national news. By 1860 Marshall was one of the largest and wealthiest towns in East Texas, with a population estimated at 2,000. The community had an outstanding group of lawyers and political leaders including the first and last governors of Confederate Texas, Edward Clark and Pendleton Murrah.

Marshall, encouraged by Robert W. Loughery's Southern newspaper, the Marshall Texas Republican, voted unanimously for secession in 1861. After the fall of Vicksburg split the Confederacy in 1863, the town became a center of operations for Gen. Edmund Kirby Smith's Trans-Mississippi Department. A federal army advanced up the Red River toward the Shreveport-Marshall area in the spring of 1864, but an invasion was averted when Confederate forces won the battles of Mansfield, Louisiana, and Pleasant Hill, Louisiana in April, 1864.

During the war, the city became a major Confederate supply depot and manufactory of gunpowder for the Confederate Army, and hosting three conferences of Trans-Mississippi and Indian Territory leaders. The city was used as the capital of Missouri's Confederate government-in-exile, earning it the nickname the "City of Seven Flags." This was a nod to the flag of Missouri, in addition to the six flags of nations and republics that have flown over the city.



**Friends and Compatriots of the Texas Division,**

As a historical group founded upon the works of our ancestors, everything we hold dear is under attack. Every monument is fair game to hate mongers; each park, building, hall, dormitory, and street is an object of hate that must be done away with by so many of our fellow citizens.

I am not here to tell you that we live in times where the past is easily forgotten and wiped clean by a name change or the removal of all signs of our heritage; these things you already know and you have already seen. I feel very strongly that we are at a crossroads in our American Experiment and that we are at a juncture where we either stand up and be counted as our forefathers did or we sit back quietly and watch while all they held dear is removed, destroyed, and replaced by a different version of history.

**Today I write you to tell you about Texas House Bill 1359.** HB 1359 is relating to monuments and memorials for Texas heroes and penalties for unauthorized removal, relocation, or alteration of a monument or memorial; thereby, creating a criminal offense.

The bill was introduced by Representative James White who represents Hardin, Jasper, Newton, Polk, Tyler counties. While the bill is not specifically aimed at Confederate Heroes; however, Confederate Heroes and Monuments would fall under this legislation. You, your fellow campmembers, your families and your friends are encouraged to contact your State Senator and Representative and ask that they co-sponsor and support this Bill. This Bill is about all veterans and notable figures. There is no need to specifically identify yourself as a descendant of a Confederate veteran. Identify yourself as a concerned citizen, a veteran, teacher, historian or whatever. We need maximum effort on this initiative, by phone, by email and by snail mail.

The Texas Division is in complete support of this House Bill and we need your support. **The Texas Division Commander Gary Bray has asked all of our members to write to each of your State Representatives and ask them to support HB 1359**

*Best Regards,*

***Ray Wainer***

*3rd Lt. Commander Texas Division*

*Sons of Confederate Veterans*

## Quarterly Report from The Adjutant...

**Membership** - Since our last report, we have added one new member and I have an application to put in the mail for another new member. This will bring us to 20 members. We had a good year of signing new members but lost a few due to lack of paying dues.

**Activity** - This past quarter we have had a table at the Jefferson Gun & Knife Show and the Marshall Gun & Knife Show. We made several contacts and signed up our newest member (mentioned above - paperwork pending). One of our newest members (Pete Craig) and I attended the recent ATM Symposium at Hooks, Texas. We thoroughly enjoyed this meeting. At least one of our members was able to attend the Flag Rally at Camp Ford in Tyler, Texas.

**Camp Elections** - At our January meeting, Michael Hurley was elected our new camp commander. Michael has also taken over writing our camp newsletter.

*Submitted by Frank Crisp Adjutant*

Our Next Meeting March 21, 2017

Speaker: W. Michael Hurley

Topic:

**“The C.S.S. Alabama...Gray Wolf of the Deep”**



## Camp Calendar

### April 1, 2017

#### **Confederate Grave Dedication**

at Pine Forest Cemetery, Hopkins County, TX.  
Muster 10:00am and service will be at 11:00 am.

### April 8, 2017

#### **Confederate Grave Dedication**

for Pvt. Green A Allison, Co. E, 4th Texas Cavalry,  
Hubbard Chapel Cemetery, Bowie County, Texas, gg  
grandfather of Compatriot George Linton of the Lone  
Star Color Guard. Muster 10:00am – Service 11:00  
am POC is George Linton 903-720-0305

### April 18, 2017

#### **Next Camp Meeting**

Jucy's Restaurant Eat at 6:00 PM, Meeting at 6:30PM

### May 5-7, 2017

#### **Jefferson TX Reenactment**

see [www.jeffersoncivilwardays.com](http://www.jeffersoncivilwardays.com)

### June 2-4, 2017

#### **Texas Division Reunion**

Ft. Worth, TX

### July 18-23, 2017

#### **S.C.V. National Reunion**

Memphis, TN for more info and registration see the  
website: [www.scvmemphis2017.org](http://www.scvmemphis2017.org)



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### 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.