

Dedicated to the memory of the **Sergeant William Williston Heartsill** Company F 2nd Texas Cavalry, C.S.A.

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

Tuesday,

May 18th, 2021

6:30 P.M.

**SPEAKER** 

PC Michael Hurley, 2<sup>nd</sup>
Lt. Commander Texas
Division SCV

Our Upcoming Texas Reunion

**Dinner Belle Restaurant** 

4803 East End Blvd. South

Marshall, TX 75672

**Phone:** 

903-923-9678

**Bring a Friend** 



W. W. Heartsill

17<sup>th</sup> TX Cav.



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Compatriots:

We had a great and large meeting last month. We had 35 people present with several local ladies interested in starting a new UDC Chapter here in Marshall. We learned a lot on what is going on with the Texas UDC from Mrs. Hurley. The phone call I got last month from the daughter of our Late member Alton Allen has produced the names and records of 184 men who were members of the UCV Camp #621. All of these records are at the County research library. We have the list of names and I am logging them in to our list of Confederate Vets buried at our Cemeteries. I received a phone call yesterday wanting to let our Camp know the hedges around the Confederate Statue on the Square were killed by the freeze and were going to be pulled up and replaced with Roses. The County Commissioners told the contractor to make sure they told our Camp of their plans. I told them we would clean around the base when the work was done. So we are respected by the Commissioners Court by requiring that we be told 1<sup>st..</sup> We swore in 2 new Compatriots so we are at 31. I hope to see you on the 18<sup>th</sup> at the Dinner Belle.

**Bill Elliott** 

## **Our April Meeting**





New Members Keith Finklea and grandson Josh Thomas are sworn in.





Texas UDC President Tami Hurley is given the floor





 $\label{thm:confederacy} \textbf{Texas United Daughters of the Confederacy President Tami Hurley address our meeting.}$ 



TX Div. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Commander Mike Hurley



Our group listens to Mrs. Hurley



**TX UDC President talks to Camp** 



**Mrs. Crystal McReynolds** 



Lulie Maddox & Ann Brannon



Kathy Davidson & Robb McMahan



Grace Ann Lemanski



Susan Chamberlain





Becky Palmer with the HC Historical Museum shows UCV applications





Becky Palmer shows how the 1902 applications are cataloged.

### Jefferson Pilgrimage Parade May 1, 2021



Daryl Ware, Bill Elliott, George Litton, Roger Opiela, Joe Reynolds



On Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup> we moved dirt to fill in sunken spots at Marshall Cemetery.

We filed in around 16 graves and locations needing dirt. I would like to thank the following Compatriots. Jeff Norgard, Tom Scarborough, Pete Craig, Keith Finklea, Josh Thomas, Daryl Ware, and T.J. Henigan. We used about ½ of the dirt and will need to pack some more in after all the rain we had.

Home Town Heroes: Captain S. B. Hendricks, 17<sup>th</sup> TX Cav. Co. E "Hendricks's Company" and Capt. Gil McKay, 17<sup>th</sup> TX Cav. Co. K, Clough's Rangers both from Harrison County.

Sterling Brown Hendricks, lawyer, soldier, and politician, was born near Courtland, Ala. on July 21, 1821. He grew up in Mississippi, where he studied law and was admitted to the bar before he moved to Texas in January 1841 and settled at Washington on the Brazos. After his return from the *Somervell Expedition* in 1842, he taught school in Bowie County and later established a store in Elysian Fields. Hendricks represented Harrison and Panola counties in the House of the Ninth Legislature, 1862-1863, and at the end of his term entered the Confederate Army as Captain of a company from Harrison County. He was elected Lieutenant Colonel when the unit became Company E of Col. George F. Moore's Seventeenth Texas Cavalry. While Hendricks was commanding the regiment in Louisiana, Gov. Pendleton Murrah appointed him financial agent of the Texas penitentiary at Huntsville. The reconstruction government replaced him. Hendricks was a merchant, a farmer, a Presbyterian, and a Mason in Harrison County after the War. He died on December 11, 1909. He is buried at the McKay/Hendricks Cemetery located 2 miles south of Crossroads off FM 31 on private property.

Gilchrist McKay was born on March 6, 1827 at Cumberland County North Carolina and died on April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1864 at Battle of Mansfield. He was "killed by a shell fragment in the first charge" Captain Gil McKay was brother of Captain Hector or "Heck" McKay of Co. E., 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Texas Partisan Rangers. Capt. Gil was with the 17<sup>th</sup> at the Arkansas Post when it was captured in January of 1863. He was a POW at Camp Chase, Ohio until exchanged and returned to service on April 29, 1863. Before the War he was a Lawyer and was a Harrison County delegation to the Texas Secession Convention and he was a signer of the Secession Ordinance. At the time of his death he was 37 years old. Thomas Jefferson Whaley of Marshall was promoted to Captain of Co. K after McKay's death. From what I have found it appears that Captain Hendricks was related to Captain McKay thru marriage. Captain McKay's house at 506 W. Burleson is still standing. It was sold in 1869 to settle his estate. I do not know if his body was returned from Mansfield for burial here.

From information and my count in the Harrison County Texas in the Civil War Book 136 men from our County served in Co. K and 80 served in Co. E.

# In Memory of the Confederate Companies from Harrison County, Texas

2nd Texas Cavalry Co. F "Walter P. Lane Rangers" Captain Sam J. Richardson

3rd Texas Cavalry Co A "The Texas Hunters"

1st Texas Infantry Co. E "The Marshall Guards"

7th Texas Infantry Co. D "Bass Greys"

7th Texas Infantry Co. H "Texas Invincibles"

17th Texas Cavalry Co. E "Hendricks Company"

17th Texas Cavalry Co. K "Clough Rangers"

14th Texas Infantry Co. B "Clough and Hill Avengers"

14th Texas Infantry Co A. "Marshall Mechanics"

14th Texas Infantry Co. H "Cypress Tigers"

28th Texas Cavalry Co. F "Harrison County Lancers"

1st Cavalry Regiment Partisans Rangers

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Captain T. W. Winston

Captain F. S. Bass

Captain K M Van Zandt

Captain W. B. Hill

Captain S. B. Hendricks

**Captain Gil McKay** 

Captain W. L. Pickens

Captain N. S. Allen

Captain John Miller

Captain Phil Brown

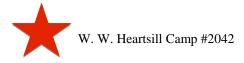
Captain Hec McKay

Captain S. W. Webb









# **Upcoming National and Texas Division Reunions**

2021 Texas Division Reunion: May 28-30 at Waco Texas. Info can be found on the Texas Division Website <u>SCV TX Div.</u>

2021 SCV 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion: July 21-24 at Kenner, LA. Info can be found on the SCV website or at the Beauregard Camp 130 site,: <a href="https://www.scv-beautegard.com/WWW.SCV-BCAMP130.org">WWW.SCV-BCAMP130.org</a>

We will be passing the Bucket at our meeting for the Gen. Forrest Relocation Fund to the SCV Headquarters. With help from our donor we sent in \$1084.00



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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.