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From the Commander's Tent

Greetings Brothers!

I sincerely hope that this newsletter finds each of you well and prosperous! I really enjoyed talking with you recently to keep you abreast of current news within the Camp and to explain the By-Laws Amendment proposal, which did pass and has been adopted. We have had a very busy last few months with many opportunities to share Our Purpose and Objects with others within our community:



This year's ROTC Season was very busy and productive. Twenty-six Brothers presented 119 ROTC Awards including 109 Awards to JROTC Cadets and 10 Awards to ROTC Cadets. These

Awards were presented throughout Texas and Louisiana. I wish to thank each and every Brother that represented us by presenting these awards. We will never really know the full impact of our efforts, but rest assured that they are greatly appreciated.

We participated at the Spring Creek Heritage Festival in Tomball by having an "information and recruiting booth". We were able to talk to numerous people about their Civil War heritage and even gave out several applications to those interested in joining our Order. I encourage you to put that event on your calendar for next year.

We also participated in the Memorial Day Ceremonies at the National Cemetery in North Houston. We began the day's activities by firing a cannon volley, then participated in the Memorial Procession with the 13th U.S. Infantry, fired 2 of the 3 memorial musket volleys, and fired another cannon volley to close the event. The weather was a little warm but well worth the effort to honor our departed veterans. This is a fantastic event and I encourage us all to participate in local Memorial Day events.

This year's Department of Texas Encampment was held at the Texas Ranger Museum in Waco, Texas. We had 9 Brothers from our Camp in attendance as delegates. *SUVCW* National Chaplain Jerry Kowalski was in attendance and offered his greetings and best wishes to us all. Several items of importance were acted upon, including keeping the Department assessment at the current level, and approval of the By-Laws Amendment concerning the IRS Tax Exemption. We approved making a proposal to the *SUVCW* National Site Committee that the Department of Texas host a future National Encampment. The date to be determined later. If approved, this event would be held in Houston either in late July or early August of the proposed year. Committees are now being formed to plan the event.

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Membership Muster

Camp Member	Civil War Ancestor	Service Unit
Mr. William A. Pollard – <i>Cmdr.</i>	Sgt. Jacob P. Kinney	Co. E, 77 th Regiment, Ohio Infantry
Mr. Michael L. Lance – SVC, Hist, Edit.		Co F, 12 th Regiment, Indiana Inf. & Co E, 59 th Reg't, Indiana Inf.
Mr. Michael D. Rappe - JVC	Pvt. David C. Murphy	Co. E, 11 th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. Gary White * ~ *** Secr/Treas	Commissary Sgt. William Judson	Co. D, 1st Regiment, New York Mounted Rifles
seei, meas	Pvt. Andrew Wilson White	Co. L, 4 th Regiment, New York Heavy Artillery
Mr. Michael A. Alvarez	Pvt. Samuel G. Kautz	Co. I, 73 rd Regiment Indiana Inf. & Co. H, 9 th Reg't Indiana Inf.
Mr. Robert P. Anderson	1 st Sgt. Hiram Lorenzo Pierce	Co. G, 106 th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Mark H. Andrus	Pvt. Matthew Barth	Co. B, 52 nd Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. John E. W. Baay II	Cpl. James R. Middlebrook	Co D, 17 th Regiment, Connecticut Infantry
Mr. Stephen P. Barrett	Pvt. Enoch A. Barrett	Co. L, 50 th Regiment, New York Engineers
Mr. Curtiss M. Beinhorn	Pvt. John Lancaster	Co. F, 50 th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Michael E. Bierman	Pvt. Peter E. Fry	Co. D, 5 th Pennsylvania Cavalry
Mr. Willie E. B. Blackmon	Pvt. John Glover Sr.	Co. C, 85 th U.S. Colored Troops
Mr. Ben C. Bonnett – Eagle Sc. Coord.		Co. I, 6 th Regiment, Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery
Mr. Michael T. Boyd	Pvt. Thomas Howey	Co. A, 38th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. William C. Boyd	Pvt. Lyndon Boyd	Co. F, 144 th Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Samuel R. Brasher	Pvt. James Peden	Co. B, 69 th Regiment, Indiana Infantry
Mr. William C. Buell	Pvt. Mathias Stonebrook	Co. F, 142 nd Regiment, Ohio Infantry
Mr. William D. Burdette	Pvt. Nathan R. Price	Co. H, 122 nd Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry
Mr. James L. Burns	2 nd Lt. Joseph Jackson Gravely	Co. A, Capt. Stockton's Mounted Missouri Militia
	Col.	8 th Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Cavalry
Mr. Edward Caballero, Jr.	Pvt. Dillis Dyer Critser	Co. C, 17 th Regiment, Kentucky Infantry
Mr. William D. Campbell *	Cpl. William Moore Campbell	Co. I, 12 th Regiment Illinois Infantry
Mr. Lawrence K. Casey Jr. ***	Chaplain Josiah Brown	15 th Regiment, Maine Infantry
Mr. C. Dale Cates ^	**	**
Mr. Mark T. Chemay	Pvt. Isaiah Paxton Watts	Co. H, 84 th Regiment, Indiana Infantry
Mr. Thor E. Chester	Pvt. John A. Watts	Independent Co. Trumbull Guards, Ohio Infantry
Mr. James F. Clay III	Cpl. Dred W. Tucker	Co. H, 107 th U.S. Colored Troops
Mr. Tommy D. Clay	Cpl. Dred W. Tucker	Co. H, 107 th U.S. Colored Troops
Mr. Robert D. Clements	Cpl. Samuel McClain	Co. C, 203 rd Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. Walter G. Coffey	Pvt. Nicholas Almire	Co. E, 42 nd Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry
Mr. William F. Cole ***	Pvt. Jacob E. Brock	85 th Regiment, New York Infantry
Michael T. Collins	Pvt. Cephas Henry Collins	Co. F, 38 th Regiment, Iowa Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Steven G. Coons	1 st Lt. Loren Glazier Cowdrey	Co. G, 86 th Regiment, Indiana Infantry
Mr. Thomas F. Coughlin *	2 nd Cpl. Henry A. Sauter	Co. A, 8 th Battalion, DC Infantry
Mr. Stephen M. Crow	1 st Sgt. John Phillip Megogney	Co. C, 102 nd Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. Donald G. Deppe	Pvt. Lewis P. Moore	Co. K, 7 th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Terry E. Dudley	Cpl. Adam Mehling	Co. K, 1 st Regiment, Michigan Light Artillery
Mr. Charles L. Duke – Patriotic Instr.	Pvt. Joseph Allen	Co. D, 48 th Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry
Rev. Stephen F. Duncan - Chaplain	Pvt. Isaac Duncan	Co. M, 4 th Missouri State Militia Cavalry
Mr. Thomas M. Eishen – Sig. Off. Web		Co. F, 4 th Regiment, Missouri Infantry
Mr. Alexander A. England +	Pvt. George England	Co. A, 36 th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Karl R. Falken	Pvt. Jacob Lohrer	Co. L, 5 th Regiment, Pennsylvania Cavalry
Mr. Timothy S. Favrot	Sgt. John W. Dittemore	Co. I, 19 th Regiment, Indiana Infantry
Mr. Robert T. Giffin ***	Pvt. Robert Newton Button	Co. D, 13 th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Jerry D. Gipson Mr. James S. Hackett *	Pvt. Peter B. Gipson	Co B, 1st Alabama & Tennessee Independent Vidette Cavalry
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Mr. Harrold K. Henck Jr. ~ *	Pvt. Philip Jacob Apffel	Co. A, 46 th Regiment, Iowa Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Matthew Hoffart	Sgt. William Bell Jones	Co. B, 1st Regiment, Alabama Cavalry
Dr. Stevenson T. Holmes * - Council	Pvt. Warren W. White	Co. K, 44 th U.S. Colored Infantry
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Membership Muster (continued)

<u>Camp Member</u>	<u>Civil War Ancestor</u>	Service Unit
Mr. Bruce G. Hunsperger	Pvt. Peter Hunsperger	Co C, 9 th Regiment, Missouri State Militia Cavalry
Mr. Thomas A. Jackson	Sgt. Isaac Newton Stubblefield	2 nd Regiment, Texas Cavalry
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Mr. Erik T. Jeffreys	Pvt. Edward Jerome Taylor	Co. I, 126th Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Wyatt A. Jeffreys	Pvt. Edward Jerome Taylor	Co. I, 126 th Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Judd A. Jones	Pvt. John A. Watts	Independent Co., Trumbull Guards, Ohio Infantry
Mr. Ford H. Kinsley, Jr.	Cpl. John Kinsley	Co. K, 58 th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. Ernest C. Kobs IV	Pvt. Robert V. Osteen	Co. B & F, 2 nd Regiment, North Carolina Mounted Cavalry
Mr. James A. Koontz	Pvt. Michael M. Bean	Co. A, 2 nd Regiment, Arkansas Infantry
Mr. David K. LaBrot * **	Hosp. Stew. Louis Laborot	Co E, 12 th & Co L, 5 th Missouri State Militia Cavalry
IVII. David K. Labiot	Pvt. Chas Edw'd Laborot	Co E, 12 th & Co L, 5 th Missouri State Militia Cavalry
Mr. Brian S. Lang	Pvt. Isaac Samuel Lang	Scotts Guard, 6 th Indiana State Militia
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Mr. Dale H. Leach	Pvt. Sylvester Leach	23 rd Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry
Mr. John P. Lenes - Guide	Pvt. Wilson Keffer	Co. B, 8th Regiment, West Virginia Infantry
Mr. Kurt A. Letzring	Pvt. Alexander McLain *	Co. E, 7 th Regiment, Michigan Cavalry *
Dr. Craig A. Livingston ^		
Mr. Robert L. Lockwood	Pvt. Chauncey A. Lockwood	Co. H, 14 th Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry
Mr. George E. Loper	Pvt. Fredrick Lohmann	Co. H, 6 th Regiment, West Virginia Infantry
Mr. John R. Loper	Pvt. Frederick Lohmann	Co. H, 6 th Regiment, West Virginia Infantry
Mr. Larry W. Luckett	Pvt. Merrill J. Stearns	Co. E, 37 th Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Thomas J. Marriott	Lt. John Hopkins Rice	Co. C, 91 st Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Justin W. Martin	Sgt. William Asbury Keck	Co. G, 145 th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
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Mr. Randall S. McDaniel	Pvt. Fernando Cortez Nichols	Co. A, 7 th Regiment, Indiana Infantry
Mr. Faber F. McMullen III	Pvt. Michael Lewis McMullen	Co. M, 13 th Regiment, Indiana Cavalry
Mr. Robert L. McVey +	Pvt. Jeffrey Bentley	Co. C, 126th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Lloyd B. Monroe Jr.	Pvt. Harrison Monroe	Co. C, 2 nd Kansas Colored Infantry (83 rd U.S. Colored Infantry)
Mr. William P. Montague	Pvt. James W. Montague	Co. G, 71 st Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. Harrison G. Moore IV * ~ ** ***	Pvt. William Moore	Co. K, 63 rd Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Gene P. Munson	Pvt. Joseph Stoner	Co. K, 126th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. Melvin L. Myers	Pvt. Charles Bowden	Co. G, 37th U.S. Colored Infantry
Mr. Jon T. Oliver	Pvt. James E. Petrie Jr.	Co. A, 53 rd Regiment, Ohio Infantry
Mr. Samuel A. Packer	Pvt. Michael Henry Finnegan	Co. G, 2 nd Arkansas Cavalry
Mr. Donald H. Patrick Jr. ***	Sgt. Squire Merlin Harris	6th Missouri State Militia Cavalry
Mr. David L. Peavy	Coal Heaver Terence F. Smith	USS North Carolina & USS Wyandotte
Mr. James R. Perry	Pvt. James R. Cook	Co. C, 3 rd Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry
Mr. Keith A. Porter	Pvt. Francis Nagle	Co E, 13 th Regiment, Missouri Vol Infantry
Mr. Herbert W. Powers Jr.	Pvt. Lifee Holbrook Powers	Co. D, 104 th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Sam J. Reed	1 st Lt. Axel Hayford Reed	Co. K, 2 nd Regiment, Minnesota Infantry
Mr. Sanford C. Reed +	Pvt. Jacob Wise	Co. I, 101st Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. Stephen C. Rogers	Capt. George Augustus Knight	Co. A & H, 188 th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry
Mr. Ryan M. Rosa	Pvt. James E. Rosa	Co. K, 10 th New York Cavalry
Mr. John E. Schneider Jr.	Lt. Col. Casper Carl Schneider	103 rd Regiment, New York Infantry
Mr. Stephen D. Schulze * ** *** Cour		Co. D, 9 th Regiment, Illinois Volunteers
Mr. Jeffrey R. Schurwon	Pvt. Martin V. B. Leonard	Shields' 19 th Independent Battery Ohio Light Artillery
Mr. Michael D. Seeber	Pvt. Lorenzo Seeber	Co. C, 10 th Regiment, Illinois Infantry
Mr. Mark S. Shackelford	Pvt. Andrew Stevenson	Co. A. 88 th Regiment, Ohio Infantry
Mr. Scott D. Shuster	Pvt. John S. Darling	Co. F, 171st Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. James M. Sigler	Pvt. William Henry Sigler	Co. M, 3 rd Reg't NY Cav. & Co. F, 5 th Reg't Excelsior Brigade
Mr. James P. Smith	Pvt. Aaron Hendrickson	Co. F, 55 th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry
Mr. William S. Smith +	Pvt. Dayton E. Smith	Co. D, 134th Regiment, Ohio Infantry
Mr. Robert E. Smith	Pvt. Flemon Trent	Co. H, 39 th Regiment, Kentucky Infantry
	William R. Reck	Co. H, 39 Regiment, Kentucky Infantry Co F, 74 th Reg't New York Inf. & Co. H, 40 th Regt. New York Inf.
Mr. Bartley N. Stockton		
Mr. Jerry B. Taylor	Pvt. Robert A. Glover	Co. H, 84 th Regiment, New York Infantry
Mr. Chapman P. Traylor	Cpl. John Anderson Laws	Battery B, 1st Battalion, Tennessee Light Artillery
Mr. Nash S. Traylor	Cpl. John Anderson Laws	Battery B, 1st Battalion, Tennessee Light Artillery
Mr. Joseph M. Tucker	Pvt. Joseph Henry Wells	Co. I, 3 rd Regiment, Kentucky Cavalry
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Mr. Robert C. Tumey Sr. ***			
Mr. John A. Wade	Pvt. William Elgie Woodcock	Co. F, 1 st Tennessee Mounted Infantry	
Rev. Ross E. Waggoner	Capt. William Sharpe	3 rd Regiment, Wisconsin Cavalry	
Mr. John T. Walter	Pvt. Andrew Walter	Co. D, 58th Regiment, Ohio Infantry	
Mr. Samuel P. Wheeler ^	*	*	
Mr. Robert E. Wickman	Pvt. Hugh Alexander Hoy	Co. D, Bracketts Battalion, Minnesota Cavalry	
Mr. Lee H. Wilson	Pvt. Charles Wilson	Co. D, 22 nd Regiment, New York Infantry	
Mr. Robert A. Yeager Sr.	Pvt. Daniel Yeager	Co. B, 205th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry	
Mr. Patrick M. Young	Pvt. William Young	30 th Regiment, Pennsylvania Militia	
Mr. Edward Cotham # Author			
Key: ~ Charter Member	* Past Camp Cmdr.	** Past Dept. Cmdr.	*** Life Member
+ New Member	^^ Junior Member	^ Associate Member	# Honorary Member

2018 Camp Calendar

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tue	Jul 10	Monthly Meeting: 7 p.m. Speaker: TBA	Trini Mendenhall Community Center 1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX
Tue	Aug 14	No monthly Meeting:	
Tue	Sep 11	Monthly Meeting: 7 p.m. Speaker: TBA	Trini Mendenhall Community Center 1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX
Tue	Oct 9	Monthly Meeting: 7 p.m. Speaker: TBA	Trini Mendenhall Community Center 1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX
Tue	Nov 13	Monthly Meeting: 7 p.m. Speaker: TBA	Trini Mendenhall Community Center 1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX
Sat	Nov 10	Voices of South Texas: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. History and cultural event	Old Bayview Cemetery W. Broadway at Waco St., Corpus Christi, TX
Sun	Nov 11	Veterans Day Celebration & Parade Houston Salutes American Heroes	City Hall 901 Bagby St., Houston, TX
Fri-Sun	Nov 16-18	Civil War Weekend - 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. daily Skirmishes, Living History Demonstrations, Exhibits	Liendo Plantation 38653 Wyatt Chapel Rd. Hempstead, TX
Tue	Dec 11	Monthly Meeting: 7 p.m. Year in Review - Photo presentation	Trini Mendenhall Community Center 1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX
Sat	Dec 15	Wreaths Across America: 11 a.m. Wreath-laying Ceremony	Houston National Cemetery 10410 Veterans Memorial Dr., Houston, TX

2018 Camp Officers and Staff















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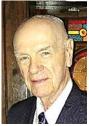
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New Members

Introducing: Thomas James Marriott

Editor's Note: Brother Marriott was mentioned as a New Member in the previous issue of the Harriet Lane, but the following introductory information arrived subsequent to the release of the newsletter. Brother Marriott joins the Camp based on the Civil War service of his 3^{rd} gr-uncle, Lieutenant John Hopkins Rice (see Ancestor Profiles on page 9) who served with Co. C, 91^{st} Regiment Illinois Infantry. Welcome, Brother Marriott!

Brother Thomas Marriott is an entrepreneur and soldier from Austin, Texas. His parallel careers began in 1998 with the founding of Penny Computer Company and attendance of the Department of Defense's Iowa STARBASE, where he was bestowed the *Apollo 4 Leadership Award*.

New Members (continued)



In 1999, Brother Marriott's solar-powered vehicle won the *U.S. Army's Educational Outreach Junior Solar Sprint*. Leaving 148 years of roots in the Midwest, his parents relocated their family to Texas in 2000. While attending The Woodlands High School, he was named "Most Likely to Become CEO of a Fortune 500"

Brother Marriott served as Captain of the *Constable Precinct 3 Explorer Post* and led the response of their Tropical Storm Allison deployment and Hurricane Mitch recovery effort. He founded Marriott Corporation in 2005 following his freshman year at Texas A&M. He deployed with the *American Red Cross* for Hurricane Katrina the first day of his sophomore year. Inspired by the Texas Military's response to Hurricane Harvey, he enlisted in the Texas State Guard in 2017 where he serves as a Civil Affairs Specialist in the Army's 2nd Regiment. He will be attending the 6 month Officer Candidate School this fall.

Brother Marriott is a hereditary member of *Sons of the American Revolution* where he represents his 6th great-grandfather, Major General William Montgomery, and the *Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States*, where he represents his father, Lt. Colonel John Thomas Marriott II, D.O. Brother Marriott is honored to represent his 3rd great-uncles Col. James Montgomery Rice and Lt. John Hopkins Rice — brothers of his 2nd great-grandmother, Mary Louise (Rice) Marriott.

Introducing: Michael Robert McVey

"I was born in Seguin, Texas on February 7, 1989. Our family has deep roots in Texas. In fact, my mom's side came to Texas in Austin's 2nd Colony. And my 3rd great-grandfather was one of the first Ranger Captains in the Republic of Texas.

My family and I moved to Friendswood, Texas in 1991 and I spent my entire childhood there. My family has been and is deeply involved in the local United Methodist Church. I graduated from Friendswood High School in 2007. I then attended undergraduate school at Texas A&M University. I was a member of the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets, Squadron 2 (Gator 2) for four years. I held the position of Squad Leader, Outfit Chaplain, and finally Chaplain of the Cadet Corps. I was also a member of the Ross Volunteer Honor Guard and the Silver Taps Team.



I met my wife, Andrea, during the fall of 2009 at the Texas A&M Wesley
Foundation (The Methodist Student Union), where we attended church. I would graduate in the spring of 2012 with a
Bachelor's degree in History and a minor in Religious Studies.

I received the call to Ordained Ministry in the Methodist Church during my freshman year of college. While waiting for my fiancé to graduate from Texas A&M, I took a job as a local Pastor at Zion United Methodist Church in Iola Texas."

"At age 23, I was the youngest Pastor in the Texas Annual Conference. Once completing her schooling, Andrea and I were married on July 5, 2013. I had been accepted to Duke University Divinity School and was appointed as a Student Pastor at Broadway UMC in Broadway, NC. Andrea took a job as a 4^{th} grade teacher.

While in NC, I became involved with the SUVCW after learning of my own ancestral connection to the Civil War through my 3rd great-grandfather, Private Jeffrey Bentley. The Civil War had always been a point of fascination in my life, but having a direct descendant in the conflict made it more personal. I was a member of the John Logan Camp and served as their Chaplain. While in NC, I made many trips and visited the battlefields of Bentonville, Aversborough, Petersburg, Five Forks, Saylors Creek, Fort Fisher, and Gettysburg.

New Members (continued)

Andrea and I returned to Texas in July 2017 after I graduated with a Master in Divinity from Duke, and I have been appointed to CrossRoads UMC in Houston Texas. This is a multi-racial congregation that provides both English and Spanish speaking services (so I am learning Spanish). Andrea is serving as a 4th grade teacher in a local school district.

I also serve as the Chaplain of the South East Volunteer Fire Department. My hobbies include ancestral research, reading, fishing, collecting and operating Lionel and Marx toy trains, spending time with my wife and our two Dogs, Sully and Cora, studying the Civil War and leading bible studies. I look forward to becoming involved in an organization that strives to keep alive the memory and legacy of those who wore the Union Blue, kept our nation united, and released the bonds of slavery.".....Rev. Michael R. McVey

Editor: Brother Michael Robert McVey joins the Camp based on the Civil War service of his 3rd great-grandfather, Pvt. Jeffrey Bentley, who served with Co. C, 126th Regiment, Illinois Infantry. Welcome Brother McVey!

Introducing: William S. Smith



"Brothers, my name is William Sanford Smith. I have been an educator for the majority of my adult life, having started my teaching career in 1972. I spent thirty-two "active" teaching years in the same classroom in San Antonio ISD. I am now a substitute teacher for Comal ISD, the district where my children attended school. I have a BS in Education from Southwest Texas State University (now Texas State University) in San Marcos as well as a Master of Education from Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio.

In addition to teaching, I have also worked on local ranches, painted houses, and done welding and blacksmith work. For a number of years, I was fire chief for our community volunteer fire department and also served two terms on the Comal ISD School Board. I attend church in Bulverde at Grace Fellowship, where I am a deacon. My wife, Susan, and I are going into our forty-ninth year of marriage. She was also a teacher and school librarian. We have three beautiful daughters and eight grandchildren.

At present I am Commander of Hood's Texas Brigade, SCV Camp 153 in San Antonio, Texas; a member of the Trans-Mississippi Old Guard Rifle Team; and a member of the Military Order of Stars and Bars. I was brought up in East and South Texas. I am the maternal great-grandson of three Confederate cavalrymen and one Confederate infantryman, but I am also the paternal great-grandson and great-grandson of an Ohio National Guard drummer boy and his infantryman father.

About five years ago while walking through the cemetery in Hochheim, Texas, where my wife's family is buried, I realized an error most likely existed in the number of Civil War veterans (six Confederates and no Union) listed in the Roll of Veterans read during Decoration Day ceremonies. My compatriot and SCV 6th Brigade genealogist, Sanford Reed, ran the rolls and discovered there were actually nineteen Confederates and three Union veterans interred in the cemetery."

"In our SCV meetings, we read the Charge Given to Sons in 1896 by General Stephen Dill Lee, which states we are to honor our ancestors. He did not say "honor our Confederate ancestors;" he said to "honor our ancestors." For the last several years, I have taken this charge to heart and have sought to honor my forebears on both sides, which eventually led me to seek membership in the Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea Camp of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I am proud to be accepted into this group of men who seek to honor their ancestors as I do."

Brother William S. Smith Joins the Camp based on the Civil War service of his gr-grandfather, Pvt. Dayton E. Smith, who served with Co. D, 134th Regiment, Ohio Infantry. Welcome, Brother Smith!

New Members (continued)

Introducing: Andrew Alexander England

Brother Andrew England is a student at the University of Texas at Austin and is about to start his 4th year. He is working towards a major in History with a minor in Business and is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity at the college. He is on track to finish in 5 years with a *Business Foundations Program Certificate* from the McCombs School of Business along with his degree.

Brother England has Union ancestry on his father's side and Confederate ancestry on his mother's side. He is also a member of *Sons of Confederate Veterans* and *Sons of the Republic of Texas*. He currently works for the Sergeant-at-Arms at the Texas Senate at the State Capitol building in Austin.



Brother England joins the Camp based on the Civil War service of his 2nd gr-grandfather, Pvt. George England, who served with Co. A, 36th Regiment, Illinois Inf. Welcome, Brother England!

Introducing: Sanford Christian Reed

"I am a native Texan born in Wise Community, Van Zandt County, Texas. I attained a BS ED from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas with multiple careers during my years, including public school teaching and coaching, University Administration, banking, and insurance. I now enjoy volunteer work doing ancestry and genealogy work, and at Morgan's Wonderland and with the San Antonio Police Department."

Brother Sanford C. Reed

"I found some of my Union ancestors along the lineage path to my lineal qualifying ancestor for the National Society of Sons of the American Revolution. I currently serve as Chaplain of the Boerne SAR Chapter #64. I attended Boerne Champion High School AFJROTC Thursday night to present the SAR awards and others, and was happy to see our Sons of Union Veterans Award was also there. I was happy to assist with the presentation and represent our ancestors and hope to be able to do it next year also."



Editor: Brother Sanford Christian Reed joins the Camp based on the Civil War service of his 3rd great-grandfather, Pvt. Jacob Wise, who served with Co. I, 101st Pennsylvania Infantry. Welcome, Brother Reed!

From the Commander's Tent (continued from page 1)

We also discussed the formation of the new Camp in the Shreveport area and the possibility of the formation of new Camp in the San Antonio-Austin area. More information on these new Camps will be coming soon. I want to congratulate Past Camp Commander Thomas Coughlin for his being elected to serve as the 2018 – 2019 Department Commander. We wish him well and offer whatever support he should need during his term.

This year's National Encampment will be held August 9th through the 13th in Framingham, MA. Department Cmdr. Thomas Coughlin, PCC is planning to attend. If you plan to attend, you must be pre-registered by July 21st. Go to the *SUVCW* website and click on the "2018 National Encampment Information" link to get more information. If you are planning to attend and are not a current or past Department Officer, please register and as an "Alternate" so that the proper credential is created for you. I hope you have a great summer. See you soon!

In F. C. & L,

William Follard - Camp Commander

Ancestor Profiles - Col. James Rice and Lt. John Rice

Colonel James Rice served in the 10th Illinois Infantry Regiment, XIV "Acorn" Corps from August 1861 to September 1864. During his 3 years and 29 days of continuous service, he provided security for the *USS Cairo* ironclad warship, helped initiate the Union's "Anaconda Plan" at the Battle of Island Number 10, secured the "Vertebrae of the Confederacy" at the Siege of Corinth, survived starvation during the Confederate Heartland Offensive, narrowly escaped the Battle of Chickamauga, repulsed General Wheeler's raid in the Sequatchie Valley, helped create the "Miracle on Missionary Ridge", and scorched Atlanta with General Sherman.

Col. James Montgomery Rice

On October 8, 1879, Col. Rice assisted in organizing, and was nominated the 1st adjutant of *Grand Army of the Republic Bryner Post 67*, in Peoria, Illinois. From 1894-96, he was nominated to the *GAR* Commander-in-Chief's staff. The *GAR* had approximately 500,000 members nationwide at that time. Col. Rice promoted military training in schools and colleges.





Lieutenant John Hopkins Rice served in the 91st Illinois Infantry Regiment, XIII Corps from August 1862 to July 1865. During his 2 years, 11 months, and 18 days of continuous service, he survived capture as General Morgan's prisoner of war, helped provide the diversion at the Battle of Stirling Plantation for the Union's failed invasion of Texas through the Sabine Pass, successfully captured Fort Brown at the Battle of Brownsville, conducted the raid on "La Sal Vieja" salt works, and helped defeat the last major Confederate force (*Department of Alabama*) at the Battles of Spanish Fort and Fort Blakeley.

Lt. John Hopkins Rice

....Ancestor profiles submitted by family descendant Brother Thomas Marriott

ROTC & JROTC Award Presentations

Saturday, March 31, 2018 – Crosby High School, Crosby, TX

"I presented the SUVCW JROTC Award to Cadet Sergeant First Class Xavier Torres of the Crosby High School Army JROTC on March 31st in the American Legion Hall in Crosby, TX.

Cadet Torres was chosen "Duke" in their Military Ball "Royal Court". He is currently a sophomore at Crosby High School.

The Crosby Army JROTC is now being led by Lt. Colonel Toimu (Troy) Reeves. It is his first year at Crosby High School."Brother William Pollard



Tuesday, April 3, 2018 – Spring High School, Spring, TX

The Spring High School Navy JROTC Lion Regiment held their Awards Ceremony at the high school. The ceremony was once again hosted by Captain James Boyer. The JROTC Lion Regiment numbered approximately 350 Cadets. Brother Michael Lance attended the event and presented the *SUVCW* award certificate and medal to outstanding Cadet Chief Petty Officer Corbin Burt. Cadet Burt also served as a rifleman in the Cadet Color Guard at the ceremony.

Brother Michael Lance with Cadet Corbin Burt

Cadet Burt is a member of the Color Guard team, PT team, and unarmed Drill Team. He was awarded 5 awards for overall excellence in the NJROTC program at Spring High School. He aided Mercer Arboretum in its recovery from hurricane Harvey, participated in multiple Color Guard events for 3rd parties, the Military Ball, and the Award Ceremony. He has stayed after school almost every day during the school year to help other Cadets with overall knowledge, drill, PT and most of all, unarmed drill team skills. He made the honor roll every single report card except for one because of an absence.



Thursday, April 5, 2018 - Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX

Prairie View A&M University held their Army ROTC Spring Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 5, 2018. Brother William Pollard attended the event at the university and presented the ROTC Award to deserving Cadet Daekwon Woodfaulk.

Brother William Pollard and Cadet Daekwon Woodfaulk

"On behalf of the Prairie View A&M University Army ROTC Department, we would like to extend our gratitude for your contribution to our Army ROTC Spring Awards Ceremony with the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War award. The awards ceremony is one of the events that we plan and execute each year in order to recognize the Cadets for their outstanding performance during the school year. Enclosed [right] is a photo of the recipient, Cadet Daekwon Woodfaulk, receiving the award. Once again, thank you for your support and we hope that your relationship with the Army ROTC Department will continue to flourish throughout the years to come.....Sincerely, Reginald E. Williams Jr., Lt. Col., Infantry, Professor of Military Science"



Friday, April 6, 2018 - Dickinson High School, Dickinson, TX

Dickinson High School in Dickinson, Texas held their Air Force JROTC Awards Ceremony on Friday at 7 p.m. The ceremony was hosted by Captain Craig Metz, Sr. JROTC Instructor at the high school. Brother William Pollard attended the event and presented the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* Award certificate and badge to outstanding Cadet 2nd Lt. Esmeralda Padron.

Brother William Pollard with Cadet Esmeralda Padron

"Cadet Padron had been promoted the day before the Award Ceremony, so I presented an amended Certificate to her in her classroom the very next week. I did present at their Award Ceremony. She currently is a sophomore and will be a leader in the Dickinson JROTC next year. She received numerous unit awards this year." ...Brother William Pollard



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Friday, April 7, 2018 - Klein Collins High School, Klein, TX

The Klein Collins High School held their Air Force JROTC Awards Ceremony and Military Ball at the Klein ISD Multipurpose Center in Klein, Texas. Brother Michael Lance attended the event to present the *SUVCW* award certificate and medal to outstanding Cadet 2nd Lt. Gustavo Nascimento.

Brother Michael Lance and Cadet Gustavo Nascimento

In addition to the *SUVCW* award, Cadet Nascimento received a Cadet of Cadets Award, which was bestowed on him by a vote of his peers as being the Cadet who contributed the most to the success of his unit - TX-20014.

Cadet Nascimento served as Flight Commander for the Delta Flight at Klein Collins High School and was also the head of the Sports Committee under the Staff Support Command.



Wednesday - April 11, 2018 – University of Houston, Houston, TX

Cadet Nicholas Rojas was presented with the *SUVCW* ROTC Award by Brother William Pollard for his outstanding achievements as a member of the University of Houston's Army ROTC.

Brother William Pollard with Cadet Nicholas Rojas

Cadet Rojas is currently a senior at the University and will soon graduate with a BS in Exercise Science. Upon graduation, he will be commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army and will be attending various training assignments, including one conducted by the U.S. Navy.



Saturday - April 14, 2018 - Cypress Fairbanks High School, Cypress, TX

The Cypress Fairbanks High School conducted their 2018 Air Force JROTC Military Ball and Awards Ceremony on April 14, 2018. Brother Gary White attended the event to present the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* JROTC Award Certificate and badge to an outstanding Cadet.

"Thank you for your support to Air Force JROTC, our school and students. The cadets of Cy-Fair High School appreciate it! Please accept a small gift of our gratitude [a cadet group photo]"submitted by Brother Gary White

Wednesday - April 18, 2018 - Bellaire High School, Bellaire, TX

On Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. on April 18, 2018, the Bellaire High School conducted their Army JROTC Awards Program. Brother Michael Rappe attended the event and presented a *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* ROTC Award certificate and badge to an outstanding recipient, Cadet Lt. Colonel Jose Flores.

Brother Michael Rappe with Cadet Jose Flores

The Bellaire High School Army JROTC unit is now being led by Chief Warrant Officer 4 Jennifer Collins. This is her first year at Bellaire.



Wednesday - April 19, 2018 - Ross S. Sterling High School, Baytown, TX

Here is a photo of Ross Sterling High School's USMC JROTC Cadet Lt. Col. Isaiah Cano. Cadet Cano was presented with the *SUVCW* JROTC award by Brother William Pollard.

Brother William Pollard and Cadet Isaiah Cano

Cadet Cano is a senior at the high school and the Cadet Commanding Officer of the Ross Sterling Marine Corp JROTC. He served on the Color Guard and the Drill Team. He also played sports and does well academically. Cadet Cano was nominated for the *SUVCW* award by Sr. JROTC Instructor Colonel Patrick Ferral.



Monday - April 23, 2018 - Elsik High School, Houston, TX

On Monday evening at 6:30 p.m., the Elsik High School Air Force JROTC Awards Program began in the theater of the high school. Brother James Hackett PCC attended the event and presented a *SUVCW* ROTC Award to outstanding Cadet, Kari LaVergne.

Brother James Hackett with Cadet Kari LaVergne

Cadet Airman Kari LaVergne is a 9th grader in her 1st year of ROTC. Her grade in the ROTC class was 97. She is a member of the drill team and has performed 23 hours of community service this year.

Cadet LaVergne is also an apprentice Flight Sergeant, which means she assists in the training of ten 1st year cadets.

Her awards include the Outstanding First Year Cadet award, Dress and Appearance ribbon, Health and Wellness ribbon, Academic ribbon, and Good Conduct ribbon.



Saturday - April 26, 2018 - Ball High School, Galveston, TX

On Saturday, April 26, 2018, Brother Stephen Duncan presented Cadet Brian Juarez with the *SUVCW* ROTC Award and badge for his outstanding achievements with the Galveston Ball High School Army JROTC.

Brother Stephen Duncan and Cadet Brian Juarez

"Cadet Juarez serves on the Color Guard team and is very active in the presentation of the Colors at events around the island for the Tornado Battalion. I expect we will see him marching with us this coming year. He would have been with us at the President's Tea this Spring if the hurricane hadn't screwed things up for us all - smile."Brother Stephen Duncan



Saturday - April 28, 2018 – George Bush High School, Richmond, TX

On Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m., George Bush High School in Richmond, Texas conducted their Navy JROTC Awards Program. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War JROTC Award certificate and badge was presented to outstanding Cadet Chief Petty Officer Emily Berdejo by Capt. Scott Evertson USN (Ret).

Capt. Scott Evertson and Cadet Emily Berdejo

"Cadet Berdejo will be a Cadet Ensign with the next school year as she takes on the leadership" role of a Platoon Commander for her Junior Year. Cadet Berdejo is a top student with nearly straight A's. Besides her leadership role, she competes on the Unarmed Regulation and Exhibition Drill Teams."Capt. Scott Evertson USN (Ret), Sr. Naval Science Instructor



Saturday - April 28, 2018 - Klein Oak High School, Spring, TX

The Klein Oak High School Awards Banquet and Military Ball for the Air Force JROTC Cadet class of 2017-2018 was held Saturday, April 28th. Brother Michael Lance attended the event and had the honor of presenting the SUVCW JROTC Award Certificate and badge to outstanding Cadet Celene Beltran.

Brother Michael Lance and Cadet Celene Beltran

"My name is Celene Beltran. I attend Klein Oak High School. I am a senior and in Air Force JROTC. My rank is Cadet Lt. Col. My job is Operations Cmdr., which puts me in charge of all the Squadrons in my Unit as well as handling after school Operations. Additionally, my responsibilities include: making sure everything is in place for uniform inspections; making sure all Flight Commanders have their inspection sheets ready; and making sure the cadets are disciplined, effective, and trained properly.

In ROTC, I've achieved so much every year. During my freshman year, I received the Tuskegee Airman Award. During my sophomore year, I received the Military Officers Association of America Award. During my junior year, I received the Veterans of Foreign Wars Award. And this year as a senior, I received the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Award. I have strived to show great leadership and honed my learning skills to get where I am today. I plan to attend Lone Star Community College for two years, then hope to transfer to a University. I plan to get into a nursing program and get a Bachelor's Degree as a Registered Nurse."....Cadet Lt. Col. Celene Beltran



Thursday – May 3, 2018 – Mayde Creek High School, Houston, TX

At 6:30 p.m. the Mayde Creek High School JROTC program conducted their Annual Awards program. Brother Michael Rappe attended the event. He presented outstanding Cadet Petty Officer 1st Class Casa Limones with the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War JROTC certificate and medal.



Brother Michael Rappe with Cadet Casa Limones

Thursday - May 3, 2018 - San Benito High School, San Benito, LA

The San Benito High School Navy JROTC held their Awards Ceremony at 6 p.m. on May 3, 2018. Brother Ford Kinsley attended the event and presented the *SUVCW* Award to Cadet Petty Officer 1st Class Orlando Garcia.

Brother Ford Kinsley with Cadet Orlando Garcia

"Here is a photo of SGM Kinsley and your 2018 recipient from San Benito High School, Orlando Garcia. Orlando is a junior in his 3rd year with the NJROTC program and currently is under consideration for a leadership position next year. He is a graduate of both the South Texas NJROTC Basic Leadership Training camp (2016) and the Leadership Academy (2017). He is a member of our Physical Fitness, Academic and Unarmed Drill teams that have competed the past two years. This year, he has completed 34.75 community service and school support volunteer hours. Outside of NJROTC, Orlando competes as a Varsity cross country runner and with the high school Theater Arts program. Thank you again for



continuing to support our program and the deserving cadets.Nels Swanson, Capt. (ret) San Benito High School NJROTC"

Thursday - May 3, 2018 - Northwestern University, Natchitoches, LA

Brother Keith Porter attended the 68th Demon Battalion Spring ROTC Awards Ceremony at Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana on May 3, 2018. He presented the *SUVCW* ROTC award and medal to deserving Cadet Brandon Homan.

Brother Keith Porter and Cadet Brandon Homan

Cadet Homan was nominated for the *SUVCW* award because he consistently "displays a high degree of Patriotism and demonstrated a high degree of Academic Performance by maintaining a 3.52 GPA. He was selected by his peers to be the Battalion S1 Officer."



Friday – May 4, 2018 – Woodlands High School, The Woodlands, TX

The Woodlands High School Air Force JROTC program conducted its Awards ceremony in the school's auditorium on May 4, 2018. Brother Michael Lance attended the event to present the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* JROTC Award certificate and badge to outstanding Cadet, Travis Johnson.

Brother Michael Lance with Cadet Travis Johnson

"Travis joined the Woodlands AFJROTC his freshman year in 2015. That year, he immediately joined the Orienteering, PT, and Marksmanship Teams. During his first year, he earned the Superior Performance Ribbon, and his Flight as a whole earned Honor Flight for being the highest scoring class of the entire corps.



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"Over that summer he attended Cadet Leadership Course at the University of Houston. While he was there, he earned Honor Cadet, which means he was in the top 10 percentile overall.

During his sophomore Year, Travis joined the Varsity Marksmanship team and competed in several competitions. While on the varsity team, they went to Alabama to shoot in the Air Force National Service Competition, where they placed 11th overall. Later on that year during the annual award ceremony, Travis was awarded the Celebrate Freedom Ribbon, which is awarded to a cadet that demonstrates: outstanding growth potential, the potential and desire to pursue a military career, and a positive attitude toward JROTC and school. Once again, his Flight earned Honor Flight designation. That summer he returned to the Cadet Leadership Course and was awarded the Superintendent's Award (2nd Cadet in the entire Camp), and his Flight was awarded Honor Flight.

As a junior, Travis was designated as the Marksmanship NCO (Non-Commissioned Officer or the 2nd in charge of the shooting program). While being the NCO, Travis took the Marksmanship Team to the Air Force National shooting competition in Alabama, where they placed 7th in the Nation. Later in the year, at the award ceremony, Travis was awarded the Distinguished Cadet award presented to the highest scoring cadet in the entire corps, and the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War Award. Finally, on that night, it was announced that he would be the next years Group Commander, leading the Woodlands AFJROTC program during his senior year.

After graduation next year, Travis has aspirations to attend the Naval Academy and serve his country as an Officer in the United States Marine Corps."Daniel Johnson, father of Cadet Travis Johnson

Saturday - May 5, 2018 - Klein High School, Klein, TX

The recipient of the *SUVCW* JROTC Award at Klein High School was Air Force JROTC Cadet Staff Sergeant Matthew Frederick. The Awards Ceremony was held at 6:30 p.m. on May 5, 2018. Brother William Pollard attended the event to present the *SUVCW* Award.

Brother William Pollard with Cadet Matthew Frederick

"Matthew Frederick is an excellent cadet who is involved with Model Rocketry and our Remote Controlled Aircraft clubs. The Model Rocketry team has won many trophies in competition, in large part due to Cadet Frederick's commitment and expertise. He also is the Drone Training commander. He has been checked out by the school district to fly the drone at official AFJROTC activities. This past semester, he earned ribbons for Good Conduct, Health and Wellness, Attendance, Academics,



and Special Teams Competition. He was very deserving of the SUVCW Award."JROTC unit Cmdr., Lt. Col. Lambert

Monday – May 7, 2018 – Pearland High School, Pearland, TX

Cadet Bishop Flores of the Pearland High School Army JROTC Oiler Battalion was awarded the *SUVCW* JROTC Award this year. The Award was presented to him by Brother William Pollard.

Brother William Pollard with Cadet Bishop Flores

"Cadet Flores is currently a sophomore and very active in his unit. His unit activities include: Archery Team, Drill Team, Rifle Team, and he participated in the Funky Monkey Terrain Race 5K or 3.2 mile endurance race. The Pearland Oiler Battalion is being led by Major Daniel Santos."Brother William Pollard



Thursday – May 10, 2018 – Bastrop High School, Bastrop, TX

On May 10, 2018, the Bastrop High School Navy JROTC held their Awards Ceremony. Brother Thor Chester attended the event. He presented the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Award to deserving Cadet Kara Karjula.

Brother Thor Chester with Cadet Kara Karjula



Thursday – May 10, 2018 – Aldine High School, Houston, TX

The Aldine High School Air Force JROTC Awards Ceremony was conducted in the auditorium of the high school on May 10, 2018. Brother Michael Lance attended the event to present the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* Award certificate and badge to an outstanding Cadet, Captain Oscar Plata.

Brother Michael Lance with Cadet Oscar Plata

"My rank was Cadet Captain and our Unit Number was TX-933. Throughout my 4 years of being in the Unit, I have participated on every special team except for PT. This year I held the staff position of PA (Public Affairs). My job was to make sure pictures were taken of our Corps whenever we went to events and then made sure everyone knew about them. I also produced fliers and posters promoting our Unit's events and special teams in hopes that others would join. As for future plans, in July, I plan to sign up to join the Air Force's Special Operations as a Para Rescue or PJ.".....Cadet Oscar Plata



Friday – May 11, 2018 – James Bowie High School, Austin, TX

The James Bowie High School Air Force JROTC conducted their 2018 JROTC Award Ceremony on Friday, May 11, 2018. Brother Thomas Marriott attended the event where he presented outstanding Cadet Tanner Patterson with the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* JROTC Award.

Brother Thomas Marriott and Cadet Tanner Patterson

James Bowie High School is in the Austin ISD and this is the first year the *SUVCW* Award was presented there. The program is led by Sr. Air Force JROTC Instructor Captain Paul Hill and Air Force JROTC Instructor MSgt. David Lloyd.

"I was honored and had a great time presenting Cadet Tanner Patterson our award at James Bowie High School. Attached is a photo of the presentation."Brother Thomas Marriott

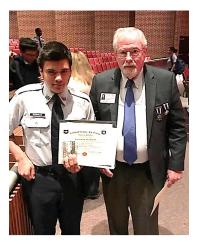


Tuesday – May 15, 2018 – Terry High School, Rosenberg, TX

Brother Thomas Coughlin PCC presented the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* JROTC Award to outstanding Cadet Anthony Rodriguez at the Terry High School Air Force JROTC Awards ceremonies. The Terry High School Air Force JROTC is led by Lt. Colonel Winfield Scott.

Brother Thomas Coughlin with Cadet Anthony Rodriguez

"This morning I left the house at about 10:20 a.m. and headed for B F Terry and wondered what I could do until 11:45 a.m. I arrived at B F Terry, checked in at reception desk and headed over to the auditorium. Much to my surprise, the awards ceremony was already underway and they were handing out the National Awards. Fortunately, I was given the opportunity to give a little speech and our cadet was asked to go through the motions one more time. There were only two other presenters on hand. The lady from the D.A.R. actually went after me."....Brother Thomas Coughlin



Wednesday – May 16, 2018 – La Marque High School, La Marque, TX

"At 6 p.m. last night, I presented the SUVCW ROTC Award to Cadet 1st Sgt. Taylor Scott of the La Marque High School USMC JROTC. Cadet Scott is currently a senior and will be graduating in a few weeks."

Brother William Pollard with Cadet Taylor Scott

"Cadet Scott is on the Drill Team, the Color Guard, and has received numerous unit awards. He plans to join the United States Marine Corp after graduation. The La Marque High School USMC JROTC program is being led by Sgt. Major Ramon Nash, USMC retired."Brother William Pollard



Friday – May 18, 2018 – Northgate Country Club, Houston, TX

Klein Forest High School conducted their 2018 Military Ball & Awards Banquet at the Northgate Country Club in far north Houston on the evening of May 18, 2018. Brother Michael Lance attended the event and presented a *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* Award certificate and badge to outstanding Cadet Roberto Ventura. The program included a moving POW-MIA Ceremony, dinner, and a relatively brief awarding of various National awards – followed by the Military Ball.

Brother Michael Lance with Cadet Roberto Ventura

"I'm Cadet Airman First Class Ventura. I'm a member of armed drill team for Klein Forest AFJROTC, The reason I joined the AFJROTC is to build character and learn discipline. My future plan is to join the Marines because I want to fight for the freedom of this country."

....Cadet Roberto Ventura



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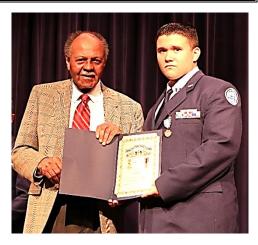
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Thursday - May 24, 2018 - Wharton High School, Wharton, TX

At 7 p.m. on May 24th, the Wharton High School JROTC program conducted their Awards Ceremony. Brother Melvin Myers attended the event and presented the *SUVCW* JROTC Award to outstanding Cadet Nicholas Mrnustik.

Brother Melvin Myers with Cadet Nicholas Mrnustik

"Good afternoon. Just wanted to thank you (LTC Myers) again for attending our JROTC Awards Banquet and I apologize for the inconvenient relocation following the power outage. I have attached a photo from your presentation of the SUVCW Award to our recipient, Cadet Senior Airman Nicholas Mrnustik."Byrl R. Engel, Lt Col, USAF (Retired)



"Dumped and Forgotten Below the Milam Street Bridge"

Wednesday, May 17, 2018 – The Heritage Society Museum at Sam Houston Park, Houston, Texas

On May 17, 2018, Brothers Gary White and Michael Lance visited The Heritage Society Museum at Sam Houston Park in downtown Houston to participate in the opening of the museum's newest exhibition, entitled: *Dumped and Forgotten Below the Milam Street Bridge: Houston in the Civil War*.

The Heritage Society is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to tell the stories of the diverse history of Houston and Texas through collections, exhibits, educational programs, film, video, and other content. It was founded in 1954 by a number of public-spirited Houstonians to rescue the 1847 Kellum-Noble House from demolition. The Heritage Society has since saved an additional 9 historic buildings, moved them from various locations to join the Kellum-Noble House in Sam Houston Park, and restored them to reflect their respective eras. These 10 buildings, along with the Museum Gallery, serve as historic reference points and exhibition spaces for more than 23,000 artifacts that document life in Houston from the early 1800s to the mid-1900s.



Left: Gary White and Michael Lance – examining the Civil War era hospital tent exhibit

One of the highlights of the exhibit is an amazing, never-before exhibited Civil War era archeology collection that has received new life with modern conservation treatments and has been researched by experts in munitions. This collection was first gathered in the summer of 1968, as a local archeologist organized an excavation of Buffalo Bayou near the Milam Street Bridge in the hopes of recovering long forgotten Civil War artifacts.

After the war ended in 1865, munitions, once housed at the Kennedy building located at Travis and Congress, were dumped into the bayou. The disposal of the weaponry was part of an effort to deprive both rebel deserters and approaching Union forces of the equipment and supplies of the Confederate government. Barges loaded with rifles and cannon balls were driven upstream to the low water bridge at Milam Street and sunk. Now, these artifacts, along with others on loan from numerous local institutions and collectors, can help shed light on the impact of the Civil War on the Houston area.

"Dumped and Forgotten Below the Milam Street Bridge" (continued)

The purpose of this exhibit is to educate visitors about Houston's role as a commercial hub in the Civil War and to discover what happened to these artifacts once abandoned in the bayou. Other stories that will be addressed include urban slavery in Houston and Juneteenth, an area Union prison camp, "Fort Humbug," the murder of General John Wharton in downtown Houston, blockade running and much more."...Michael Daleo, Documentary Film Maker, Heritage Society

Right: Cpl. Michael Lance (Infantry) and 1st Sgt. Gary White (Artillery) in front of the Quaker gun positioned just outside the doors of the museum.



Editor's note: visit http://www.heritagesociety.org/current-exhibition to learn more about the Heritage Society. Both photos by Michael Daleo, The Heritage Society at Sam Houston Park.

Heritage Festival at Spring Creek Park

Saturday, May 19, 2018 - Spring Creek Park, Tomball, Texas

Harris County Precinct 4 hosted their 3rd annual *Spring Creek Park Heritage Festival* on Saturday, May 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The public was invited to this free event to learn about Tomball's unique history. Activities included: an archaeology dig demonstration, two Civil War battle re-enactments, historic cemetery tours, weapons demonstrations



cultural exhibits, and expert storytellers. Historical markers in the park highlight the park's history.

Left: Federal Infantry assembles prior to battle

"We want to recognize the historical impact and diverse cultures of this area," said Commissioner R. Jack Cagle. "By taking a look at the past, we can continue to learn, grow, and make progress."

As in previous years, the Festival drew

plenty of Civil War re-enactors. The warm temperatures did not deter the Blue and the Gray-clad combatants from taking to the field to do battle - to the delight of the crowd of spectators along the sidelines. The cannons roared and the muskets crackled through charges and retreats by both sides.



Left: The Federal cannon crew (sans blue coats) aims low at an approaching Rebel line

Located in one of Harris County's most historical areas, Spring Creek Park encompasses a former confederate powder mill, African-American cemetery, and Native American campground. Over the years, researchers have found artifacts and structures from many different populations over the years, including Native American tribes dating back 2,000 years.

Heritage Festival at Spring Creek Park (continued)









"Spring Creek Park is possibly the only park with confirmed archeological finds that show involvement from so many diverse groups of people," said Janet Wagner, chair of the Harris County Historical Commission. "The park was used as a Spanish campsite between 1772 and 1818, an early 19th century plantation, sawmill, an African-American cemetery, a Civil-war era powder mill, and a German farming community."

Left: The Federal Commander deploys a skirmish line

Five Brothers of the *Lt. Cmdr. USN Edward Lea Camp #2* attended the event. JVC Michael Rappe, Robert Yeager, and SVC Michael Lance participated in the battles with the infantry contingent. And Brothers William Pollard, Camp Cmdr. and Stephen Schulze, PCC, PDC manned the Information and Recruiting tent adjacent to the battlefield.

Far left: Brother Michael Lance and Michael Rappe pause for a photo at the *Lea Camp's* information and recruiting tent after the grueling battle.

Left: Brother Robert Yeager, also passed by the recruiting tent on his way back to the Federal camp.

Following the first lively battle, the overheated and weary Federal combatants returned to camp for water and shade. The battle would resume later.

While the Union infantry struggled mightily against the Confederates in the heat, noise, and smoke of the battlefield, Brothers William Pollard and Stephen Schulze took up relatively cushy positions nearby to protect the *Lea Camp's* information and recruiting headquarters. They distributed pamphlets and flyers to visiting observers in addition to handing out small U.S. flags to youngsters. A job well-done by all!

L-R: Camp Cmdr. William Pollard and Stephen Schulze, PCC, PDC.

...submitted by Brother Michael Lance

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