



8th Brigade, Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans 2013 2nd Quarter Report 23 August 2013



Commander Holley:

The outstanding camps of the East Texas Brigade were very active during the 2nd quarter of the year.

I received camp quarterly reports from the following camps of the 8th Brigade:

The Douglas Camp 124, Amason Camp 282, Hogg Camp 972, Martin Camp 1241, Randall Camp 1533, Stone Fort Camp 1944, Irvine Camp 2031 and Reagan Camp 2156. I will include their full individual camp reports after my summary below.

Several camps reported that they have added new members during the period and most recently about to add new members to their membership rolls. Each camp has held regular meetings with most having interesting historical speakers at each meeting. Several camps had members who attended the Texas Division Reunion. These camps also report many various activities during the quarter such as participating in the Palestine Confederate Veterans Memorial Plaza dedication, hosting or assisting at several Confederate grave marker dedication or memorial ceremonies within the brigade, presenting school programs, setting up information booths at various festivals or shows, marching in parades, participating in living history events and/or battle reenactments like the Battle of Pleasant Hill, Louisiana and the Goodman Museum Heritage Day in Tyler.

The Hogg Camp along with the Marine Corps League of Jacksonville, Texas, resolved satisfactorily, the problem with the city of Jacksonville denying them the right to place Confederate stick flags on the graves of Confederate veterans in the Jacksonville city cemetery over Memorial Day weekend. They are in receipt of an official letter from the Jacksonville, Texas city manager acknowledging that they do have the right to place the Confederate stick flags in the city cemeteries.

The Douglas Camp was outstanding in their efforts in presenting eleven Jefferson Davis Leadership Awards to area high school students. They also presented one Robert E. Lee Award to a JROTC cadet.

The Stone Fort Camp hosted a cannon school in April for area SCV camps that provided certification for members to fire artillery on State and Federal property and was involved in several other great events during the quarter (see their report below).

The Irvine Camp presented a program to all 8th grade students at Newton Middle School on the War Between the States which included events, units and men in Newton County and held a Confederate grave marker dedication for four soldiers buried in the Sycamore Cemetery.

The Reagan Camp hosted an outstanding parade and dedication ceremony on April 13th to open up the new Confederate Veterans Memorial Plaza in Palestine.

Since being elected brigade commander in early June, I participated in the Confederate Veterans Memorial Monument dedication in Gilmer, Texas on June 22 along with my wife and children. I was also representing the John H. Reagan Camp at this event.

I have been working closely with the officers of the Lone Star Defenders Camp 2234 in Lufkin. These men and their members have been diligently working at obtaining this charter for almost two years and have now achieved their goal. At their regular meeting on August 12th, Texas Div. Cmdr. Holley presented to them their charter certificate and I inducted in their members and installed their officers. I have asked and encouraged the transfer of the ET Brigade 2nd Lt. Cmdr. Roger Doyle from the Amason Camp to the new camp in Lufkin for one year to help with their successful establishment and growth. The Amason camp members support this transfer for the cause and the Lone Star Defenders camp members gladly appreciate the help from Cmdr. Doyle.

From early in the month of June to present, I have visited and enjoyed regular camp meetings of the Martin Camp in Athens, Texas, the Hogg Camp in Bullard, Texas, the Amason Camp in Center, Texas, the Irvine Camp in Newton, Texas, the Lone Star Defenders Camp in Lufkin, Texas and the John H. Reagan Camp in Palestine (home camp). All three brigade officers were present at the Irvine Camp's August meeting. I also presented a historical program to the Martin Camp, the Amason Camp and the Irvine Camp at the meetings in which I attended. I participated as a Confederate Infantry Soldier, in the Balch Springs, Texas Juneteenth Jubilee on June 15th on the request of Sam Allen, member of the Friends of the SCV. I participated in the rifle squad at a grave marker dedication ceremony hosted by the John H. Reagan Camp at the Pilgrim Cemetery near Elkhart, Texas in July. Attending the 2013 General Reunion of the SCV at Vicksburg, MS with my family, was an honor and very enjoyable as well. My seventeen year old daughter, Channa, represented the Texas Division as a debutante and also spoke to the entire delegation in support of the SCV Sam Davis Youth Camp in which she has attended each of the past four years.

I am currently working with the Northeast Texas brigade Lt. Commander, Phil Maynard, to organize a NET and ET brigade leadership conference to be held on January 25, 2014 in Tyler, Texas. The Conference will have several great speakers that will present valuable information to the compatriots attending.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Robinson
Commander
East Texas Brigade
Sons of Confederate Veterans

8th Brigade Individual Camp Reports Submitted for 2nd Quarter 2013

Douglas Camp 124

Commander Robinson:

This quarter has been very busy for the Douglas Camp. We held three camp meetings with an average of 45 members and guests present.

Our guest speaker for April was compatriot Steve Dement, whose program was "The Battle of New Market." May was compatriot Andrew Harris, who spoke on "The Birth and Myths of the Shooting and Death of General Stonewall Jackson." The June program was presented by compatriot Richard Laster, who discussed "Confederate Printing and Currency."

The Douglas Camp has 103 members and we are currently processing six more applications.

In April, we participated in the parade and dedication of the Confederate Memorial Plaza in Palestine. We also provided the color guard and two speakers for the Mollie Moore Davis Chapter 217 UDC in the massing of the flags at Oakwood Cemetery.

Reta and I attended the April camp meeting of the Howdy Martin camp in Athens. We also attended the Reenactment at Pleasant Hill.

On May 11, Division 1st Lt. Commander Holley, Adjutant Goodson and I participated in the Cross of Honor ceremony for 1st Sgt. T. A. Dunaway at Ash Creek Cemetery in Azle, Texas.

On May 18, we were at Goodman Museum in Tyler for Heritage Day living history. We were all dressed in uniforms and had four tables with a recruiting table.

From May 21-30, we presented eleven Jefferson Davis Leadership Awards to area high school students. We also presented one Robert E. Lee Award to a JROTC cadet. First Lt. Commander John Threadgill managed these programs and six compatriots helped present the awards.

Long Live the South!

Dennis Brand, Commander

Capt. James P. Douglas Camp 124

Amason Camp 282

29 April – historical program by Shawn Eytcheson - great program!

27 May - discussed the upcoming reunion - who the camp wanted me to vote for and how to vote on the amendment

24 June - discussed the reunion - presented awards

Roger Doyle - Division Bronze Cross

Lynn Hartt - Division Bronze Cross

Jim Barrett - - Division Bronze Cross & Grave Guardian

Roger Doyle has been awarded one or two Grave Guardian medals but I'm not sure when he received them. He told us about the guardian program at our May meeting.

The membership report Ray Wainner sent out in June shows us with 24 members, but two of those are deceased - Dowell Youngblood and Arnold Kaluza.

Jim Barrett

Commander

Capt. Jesse Amason Camp # 282

Hogg Camp 972

Commander Robinson,

We haven't had much activity other than the Jacksonville flag controversy for the veterans of all wars. We got a letter apologizing for that little flag deal from the city manager. Will not happen again, and we can place all the flags on all the graves from now on especially the battle flag.

We met the 3rd Saturday of July and have three new members to join.

Checked out the two cemetery's and found nothing wrong, all brass markers are still there, only broken head stones which have been that way for years.

Next meeting will be the 3rd week of Aug.

I'm going to the next Marine Corp. League meeting as, Steven Hutson (who is joining the Hogg Camp), has informed me that there are several ex-marines that would like to join.

James Campbell

Commander

Joseph L. Hogg Camp No. 972

Martin Camp 1241

Quarterly Report, 2Q 2013

Overview: The Camp has had an excellent meeting each month with a speaker. We continue to work on our Honor Guard, and have discussed several new Camp projects. The Camp is financially stable, and we are looking into several fundraising ideas.

June 2013:

Several camp members attended the Juneteenth celebration at Balch Springs in period attire.

One of our camp members attended the dedication for the Gilmore Courthouse Confederate Monument.

Members of the Camp assisted at the dedication of the new Confederate Memorial in Palestine.

Three delegates were seated at the Texas Division Convention.

July 2013: The camp set up an information booth for the Gun Barrel City Car Festival on Saturday, July 6th. Turnout was excellent, and donations were raised for the camp.

Future Projects: The camp plans on engaging and researching clean up at the Arms Cemetery in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Jim Ogburn
Adjutant
Major W. H. "Howdy" Martin Camp, #1241

Randal Camp 1533

Horace Randal Camp 1533 has 28 members adding on new member Dan Ross in the quarter. We have had monthly meeting each month on the last Thursday of the month. We had one cemetery dedication in the month of July. This is a private cemetery located in Logan Texas and has one Confederate Veteran. Attached are pictures of the dedication.

Dave Fleming
Adjutant
Gen. Horace Randal Camp No. 1533

Stone Fort Camp 1944

QUARTERLY REPORT
APRIL, MAY, JUNE 2013

STONE FORT CAMP #1944
NACOGDOCHES, TX
TEXAS DIVISION
ARMY OF THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

Total number of paid members as of July 12, 2013.....	24
New members since last report.....	3
Members transferred from other camps.....	0
Members re-instated from other camps.....	0
# of members who did not pay dues or resigned.....	0

Deaths.....0

Activities during reporting period:

April

2 Scheduled Camp Meeting

6 Some camp members participated in the Battle of Pleasant Hill.

13 Stone Fort Camp hosted an area cannon school for area SCV camps. The training provided certification for members to fire artillery on State and Federal property.

14 Annual "Rally Around the Flag" Confederate Memorial Day event. Free community BBQ and memorial service. Camp awards and gifts were presented.

20 Assisted New Salem Invincibles during annual flag disposal ceremony. New Salem provided us with an excellent BBQ afterwards.

21 Camp assisted the New Salem Invincibles during a massing of the colors and Confederate Memorial Service at historic Myrtle Springs Cemetery located near Ponta, TX. Rifle and cannon salutes.

May

7 Scheduled Camp Meeting

Three new member applications were reviewed and approved.

We were updated on the new Confederate Memorial Park in Palestine, TX. Some of our members have visited the park during the construction phase. Stone Fort Camp would like to salute the Palestine Camp for their persistence and congratulate them on a job well done.

We were informed that Confederate flags were not allowed to be flown at the City Cemetery in Jacksonville, Texas.

1st LTCDR Ash and his Granddaughter participated in the Confederate Flag ceremony at the Episcopal Church in Jefferson, Texas. This stirring event is part of the annual Battle of Port Jefferson re-enactment. Our Camp wishes to thank Compatriot Ash and his Granddaughter, Katie Ash, for representing the Stone fort Camp in such a professional manner. Katie will be joining the Order of the Confederate Rose and we wish her many successes.

June

4 Scheduled Camp Meeting.

Planning began for a grave marker dedications at Yellow Dog and Bethel Cemeteries later this year.

The scheduled meeting with the Greenwood Cemetery Association was cancelled due to illness of their President.

The meeting will be re-scheduled.

Camp officer election was discussed.

Members attending the SCV National Convention completed their delegate forms.

Stone Fort Camp revised the requirements for qualifying members to receive the SCV "Honor Guard" medal. The program is designed to help increase member participation

in uniform and instill "esprit de corps". Points are awarded for participation at marker dedications and command designated events. Upon meeting the requirements, members will be presented a SCV "Honor Guard" medal. The Camp will defray cost of the medals.

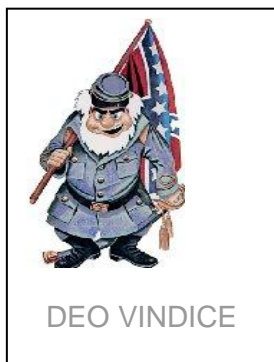
The Camp has purchased a WBTS college lecture series and will show one 30 minute lecture, when time permits, during scheduled meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

FOR THE CAMP COMMANDER:

John D. Mosele
Adjutant
Stone Fort Camp #1944

Irvine Camp 2031



Newton

Newton Camp Officers	
Commander	John Hillman
1st Lt. Commander	N/A
2nd Lt Commander	N/A
Treasurer	Thomas Inman
Adjutant	Elza Roberts
Chaplain	Ray Boughner
Sergeant-at-Arms	Joshua Giles
Judge Advocate	Robert Solly
Surgeon	Gene Rivers
Historian	John Hillman
Editor	John Hillman
Meetings:	1st Saturday each Month, Powell Hotel on Newton Courthouse Square
Time:	9:30 A.M.

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS
MAJOR JOSEPHUS SOMERVILLE IRVINE
COMPANY C – SPAIGHT'S BATTALION
CAMP 2031
NEWTON, TEXAS
CHARTERED AUGUST, 2005

August 26th, 2013

Second Quarter 2013 Report

April Events - Meeting, Newsletter (attached); Pleasant Hill Reenactment in LA; led graveside service for SCV Compatriot Billy Bob Pinner; gave program to all 8th grade students at Newton Middle School on the War Between the States which included events, units and men in Newton County; donated book to Newton Middle School on 13th Texas Cavalry; dedicated grave markers for four Confederate Soldiers buried in Sycamore Cemetery and gave military and

family history to those in attendance. School event and Sycamore Cemetery were both in newspapers; Certificate of Appreciation Award to Bobbie Tilley



John and Kathy Hillman (above) of Newton spoke to the 8th grade students at Newton Middle School on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, about the Civil War and Newton County's involvement along with showing off different attire worn during that era. They also presented Tunny Marshall, NMS Librarian, (below) with Spartan Band, a book about Burnell's 13th Texas Cavalry in the Civil War. Newton Middle School would like to thank the Hillmans for taking the time to speak to our 8th grade students along with donating the book to our library.



Wednesday, May 8, 2013
Grave dedication held at Sycamore
 The Sabine Rifles Camp 2037 of Many Maj. Josephus Irvine Camp 1995 of Newton, Texas, the Anacoco Rangers Camp 1995 of Leesville and Maj. Josephus Irvine 1904 United Daughters of the Confederacy conducted the moving ceremony at the request of the local church.
 Grave markers dedicated on this day were for Isaac Chaddick, Richard West, Franklin Newberry and William H. Wright.
 A welcome was given by Kathy Hillman of Burlesville, Texas, while the posting of Confederate colors was done by the Sons of Confederate Veterans. A history of each soldier and their families was given by Hillman as well.
 The UDC dedication was given by Billie Grunden, Carolyn McKnight and Rose Beck, all of the Burlesville chapter of the UDC.
 Hillman, Grunden, Beck and Patty Haley performed the laying of the roots on the graves.
 The Sons of Confederate Veterans tribute was given by Richard West, Leesville commander, while military histories were provided by John Hillman, Newton commander of the SCV.
 The last canteen ceremony was given by Joshua Giles, the Newton SCV Sgt. At Arms, while the rifle salute was performed by Brian, Giles and Tex McKnight, with Hillman giving the commands.
 A benediction was given by Haley, a member of the Burlesville UDC chapter and Taps was performed by McKnight.
 At the conclusion of the dedication service, a meal was provided by the church and enjoyed by all.
 The Sycamore Cemetery grave McKnight, Richard Brian, Joe man, Carolyn McKnight and (K)



May Events - Meeting; Certificate of Appreciation Award to Titter Hogan

June Events - Meeting

April Historical Program: Red River Campaign

May Historical Program: Plantation in Jasper and Newton Counties

June Historical Program: Seven Days Battle

John Hillman

Commander

Maj. Josephus Somerville Irvine Camp No. 2031



Reagan Camp 2156

April 2013

13th

Opening of Confederate Veterans Memorial Plaza close to Downtown Palestine

13th

Regular monthly meeting at 6pm

May 2013

4th

Confederate Memorial Ceremony at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Freestone County

11th

Regular Monthly meeting; Reagan Camp Historian, Gary Williams, presented the Reagan Camp members with an excellent and detailed account of the First Texas Infantry.

25th

Memorial Day at Texas State Railroad park

June 2013

4th Regular camp Meeting; The Reagan Camp was presented an excellent Historical Program on "Lee at Gettysburg" by Scott Bowden.

7th and 8th

Texas Division Reunion, 4 members in attendance

15th

One camp member participated in the Balch Springs, Texas Juneteenth Jubilee on the request of Sam Allen, member of the Friends of the SCV.

22nd

Camp member and his family participated in the dedication of the Confederate Memorial Monument in Gilmer, TX

Dan Dyer

Commander

John H. Reagan Camp No. 2156