



8th Brigade, Texas Division Sons of Confederate Veterans 2014 – 3rd Quarter Report 5 SEPT 2014



Commander Holley:

Below is a somewhat detailed list of my individual activities during the third quarter of 2014 and farther down the page, I included the individual camp reports that were submitted to me this quarter.

3rd Quarter 2014 Activities of 8th Brigade Commander:

- 1 JUNE 2014 - Participated in the honor guard and color guard at the annual Confederate Memorial Day ceremony sponsored by the Moses M. Buckner 2442 Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Invincible Rose Chapter 37, New Salem Invincibles Camp 2107 Sons of Confederate Veterans and Stone Fort Camp 1944 Sons of Confederate Veterans. It was held at the Corine Cemetery in Cherokee County. The event was originally schedule for April, but rained out and rescheduled.
- 6, 7, 8 JUNE 2014 – Attended the Texas Division Reunion and DEC meeting in Houston, Texas
- 12, 13, 14, 15 JUNE 2014 – Participated in the 150th anniversary Battle of Brice’s Crossroads, Baldwyn, Mississippi
- 19 JUNE 2014, Acquired a SCV brochure file from Cmdr. Bill Boyd of the Sul Ross Camp in Bryan/College Station by way of 3rd Lt. Cmdr. David Moore. I revised it to meet the needs of the 8th Brigade Texas Division and had several printed at a print shop in Athens, Texas. **These 8th Brigade brochures** were used for the first time at the Nacogdoches Outdoor & Hunting Extravaganza.
- 21 JUNE 2014, Helped the Stone Fort Camp with the recruiting booth at the Nacogdoches Outdoor & Hunting Extravaganza held at the Nacogdoches Expo/Civic Center while camp members demonstrated the firing of musket and cannon with many rounds. 10th Brigade Commander, Bill Maddox, brought recruiting material and worked the booth with me. All of these men did an outstanding job representing the SCV. Overall, it was a very successful day!
- 3 JULY 2014, Attended the Major W. H. “Howdy” Martin Camp 1241 meeting. I was given the honor and privilege of presenting Mrs. Janet Patterson a plaque from the Texas Division SCV in honor of her late husband, Dr. Len Patterson’s, meritorious service to the SCV and the Texas Division.
- 18 JULY 2014, Attended the General Reunion in Charleston, SC. I enjoyed the reunion and Charleston very much.
- 7 AUG 2014, Presented a historical program on the *Confederados* to the Belo Camp in Dallas. I enjoyed visiting their camp very much.

- 16 AUG 2014, 10:30 a.m., Attended tour of the UCV camp flags in storage at the Civil War Museum in White Settlement, Texas set up by Cmdr. Bill Maddox of the 10th Brigade. Also very much enjoyed seeing everything on display at this outstanding WBTS museum.
- 16 AUG 2014, 02:00 p.m., Attended the 3rd Brigade meeting in Azle, Texas as a guest of 3rd Brgde. Cmdr. Calvin Allen.
- 18 AUG 2014, 8th Brigade meeting at Ralph and Kacoo's Seafood Restaurant in Lufkin, TX. Meeting was hosted by the Lone Star Defenders Camp 2234 of Lufkin. Enjoyed some great food and Confederate fellowship along with a first person historical presentation by Cmdr. Rudy Ray of the Reagan Camp. Texas Div. Cmdr. Johnnie Holley presented an overview of the General Reunion that was held in Charleston, S.C. and shared information on the planning of the upcoming 2016 General Reunion to be held here in Texas. Cmdr. Holley also presented several National awards to members present. 8th Brigade Cmdr. Marc Robinson presented several Texas Division awards to members present. The brigade voted that the Lufkin, TX Veterans Day Parade to be held on November 8th, will be the maximum effort brigade event for this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc Robinson
 Commander
 8th Brigade, Texas Division
 Sons of Confederate Veterans

Camp Reports submitted for the 3rd Quarter of 2014

Capt. James P. Douglas Camp 124, Tyler, Texas

The Douglas Camp #124 currently has 102 members. We have held three camp meetings with three speakers presenting three programs this quarter. We have added three new members, one transfer and five prospective members verifying their ancestors for membership.

We have participated in two Southern Cross dedications this month. Our camp members have presented four programs at other camps: Athens, Rockwall, Hallsville, and Palestine.

Douglas Camp members attended the 8th Brigade meeting in Lufkin where we agreed that all the camps need to make a special effort to help the Lufkin camp with their festival and parade. This effort should provide good recognition for them and help in their recruiting efforts.

Good meeting!

I attended, as a representative, the marker dedication for Texas Ranger Rip Ford in San Antonio. The attendance was very good, with many camps there from all over the Division.

The Captain James P. Douglas Camp also served as Honor Guard for the chartering of two UDC chapters, one in Tyler and the other in Gilmer.

Fifteen camp members attended the Division reunion Houston and five members were in South Carolina at the National reunion.

Long Live the South,

Dennis Brand
Camp Commander

Major W. H. "Howdy" Martin Camp 1241, Athens, Texas

Quarterly Report, 2Q (Apr-July) 2014

Overview: The camp has regular monthly meetings, with invited speakers and good attendance. Previous meeting minutes and Treasurer Reports are presented and approved at every meeting. Our newsletter the "Howdy Herald" continues to do well. The camp is financially stable. Our camp continues to grow, with 45 members and one cadet as of today 12 July 14.

Apr 2014:

- Approximately 20 battle flags placed on Confederate graves in five cemeteries by Chaplin Day
- 100 additional battle flags ordered by Camp to place on graves in future
- One new camp member voted on and approved for membership

May 2014:

- Camp meeting talk given by Ms. Martha Hartzog, great granddaughter of Major Howdy Martin and President of Hood's Texas Brigade Association
- Plan on distributing CDs of the "True History of the Battle Flag" to local teachers and historians
- Plan on honoring local Athens Police officer with citation of merit in near future
- "Howdy Herald" Newsletter to be submitted in Best Newsletter Category at upcoming State Convention
- Camp appointed member Bob Lynch as representative to National SCV Convention in July

June 2014:

- One Camp member is now in the process of earning a grave Guardian certification
- Camp is developing a website for Henderson County CSA graves
- Chaplain Day is spearheading an effort to create metal flag supports for all CSA graves in Henderson County.

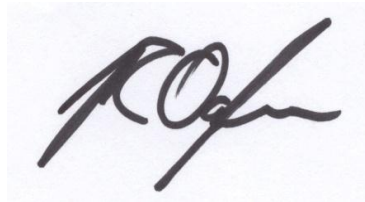
July 2014:

- Camp presented with Four Star Camp Award at recent Texas Reunion
- Camp voted in two new members – now with 45 members and one cadet

July 2014 con't:

- Five compatriots received certificates and medals for dedication to the Cause
- Four compatriots are attending the National Convention 17 – 19 July.
- Camp is developing an “Act of Courage” award for the Athens Police Dept for December
- An Athens OCR group is in formation

Respectfully submitted,



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

Gen. Horace Randal Camp 1533, Carthage, Texas

The General Horace Randal Camp 1533 held camp meetings each month during the 3rd quarter of the year. Texas Division Aide-de-Camp, Tommy Holmes, who is a member of the Randal camp, attended both the Texas Division Reunion and the General Reunion in Charleston. Two new members joined our camp during the month of July and were inducted in with a ceremony at the August meeting.

Stone Fort Camp 1944, Nacogdoches, Texas

JULY

- 1 Scheduled Camp meeting.
- 14-20 Camp delegates attended the National SCV Convention.
- 30-31 Commander Key and Lieutenant Commander Ash provided instruction on the loading and firing of black powder rifles to attendees at the Sam Davis Youth Camp near Waco, Texas.

AUGUST

- 5 Scheduled Camp meeting.
- 18 Camp representatives attended 8th Brigade meeting in Lufkin, Texas.

SEPTEMBER

- 6 Confederate marker dedication for PVT Placido Sanchez, G Company, 2d Texas Infantry, in Nacogdoches, Texas. Rifle and cannon salutes, canteen ceremony, Order of the Confederate Rose, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, and family members of the soldier will be in attendance. Local newspaper has been contacted.
- 24 Participated in the Doo Dah Parade, Center, Texas
- 27 Lieutenant Commander John Ash will represent Stone Fort Camp at a Confederate marker dedication at White cemetery in Longview, Texas.

CAMP COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:

- 1/ I am pleased to announce that Stone Fort Camp has added three (3) new SCV members this quarter.
- 2/ The Confederate marker dedication at Yellow Dog cemetery has been preempted by the September 6th marker dedication. We are prepared to conduct the Yellow Dog ceremony later this year.
- 3/ We have posted information on the September 6th marker dedication and information on our annual Christmas Party on Face Book.
- 4/ Some camp members are planning to march in the upcoming Doo-Dah parade with the Center, Texas SCV Camp.

John Key
2014-2015 Camp Commander
Stone Fort Camp #1944

John H. Reagan Camp 2156, Palestine, Texas

June - August 2014

June:

- June 5, 6, 7, 2014 Texas Division Reunion in Houston , Texas. Reagan Camp sent 2 delegates, Commander Rudy Ray and 1st. Lt. Commander Marc Robinson
- June 17th Reagan Camp monthly meeting.

July:

July 15th Reagan Camp monthly meeting.

- July 16,17,18,19, 2014 National SCV Reunion in Charleston, S.C. Reagan camp had 2 attend;
- 1st Lt. Commander Marc Robinson and Adjutant Dan Dyer
- July 29th Reagan Guards practice at Commander Ray's house

August:

- Aug. 19th Reagan Camp monthly meeting.
- Aug. 22nd Confederate Iron Cross dedication ceremony at East Hill Cemetery in Palestine, Texas

Dan Dyer, Adjutant