

April 2025

The Teamster

Judge Roy Bean Camp#2298, Iraan, TX



Recent Successes

Sheffield Gun
Range Cleanup

Black Powder
Shoot

Upcoming Events

April 19:
Flagging of
graves

April 19: Texas
Division 2nd
Annual Picnic

April 26:
Footstone
Dedication-
Sheffield
Cemetery

April 26: Hill
Country Camp
honoring
veterans at
Center Point
Cemetery

May 13: Monthly
Meeting

June 7: Jefferson
Davis Birthday
Gala – Albert
Sidny Johnstone
Camp – San
Antonio

Commanders Comments

April is Confederate History Month and when we are out and about, let's Live The Charge. Speak of the true history of the South while making people aware of our Camp. Out of the eight camps in the 2nd Brigade, we rank fourth in members. I don't know about y'all but I like to be number one.

The Annual Black Powder Shoot was fun. We did have less folks attend than in previous years but those that did enjoyed good food and brotherly entertainment. Many thanks to Tom for cooking up some great fried catfish and shrimp.

I truly enjoy giving programs but surely y'all are getting tired of hearing me talk. I encourage all to sign up to give a program to our camp. It can be as simple as speaking about your ancestor. I am happy to help anyone that would like to do this. You don't need slides or video. Jump in! The water is fine.

The Charge

To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit to the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of the history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish – General Stephen D. Lee



El Paso Cemetery Update



Marker at Evergreen Cemetery recognizing veterans from both sides of the War of Northern Aggression

Compatriot Whittaker has started his research to locate CSA Veterans at Evergreen Cemetery. He has a long list from the Cemetery Director at Concordia Cemetery and still has a few more to locate and vet. So far a few have proven to have no affiliation with the Confederacy other than sympathies. There are quite a few graves in the UDC section of Evergreen with clear markings CSA markings.

Any data in the SCV graves registry concerning Evergreen is like Concordia, minimal information and last updated over 10 years ago. There are no maps of the sections other than small signs indicating an alphabet letter. Slow and steady is the mantra for Compatriot Whittaker.

Major Thomas Haynes Bomar

Born: November 4, 1842,
Georgia
Died: March 11, 1927, Pecos,
TX
Burial: Evergreen Cemetery,
El Paso, TX

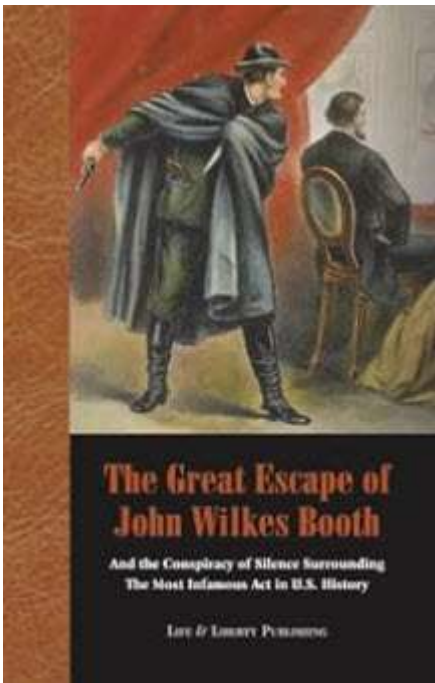
Major Bomar served in the 38th Georgia Infantry and is buried in the UDC plot.



Read A Book!

The Great Escape of John Wilkes Booth And the Conspiracy of Silence Surrounding The Most Infamous Act in U.S. History by Life & Liberty Publishing

What if Booth survived? What if he went on to father children? This small book explores the theory, as espoused by those claiming to be relatives, that he did actually escape to Canada, leaving an imposter to die in his place.



Focus On Our Ancestors

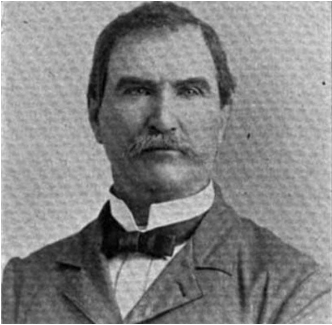
Birthdays

No birthdays in April

Anniversaries

April 25: Phillip Dave – 6 yr

April 25: Roy Glen Sutton – 6 yr

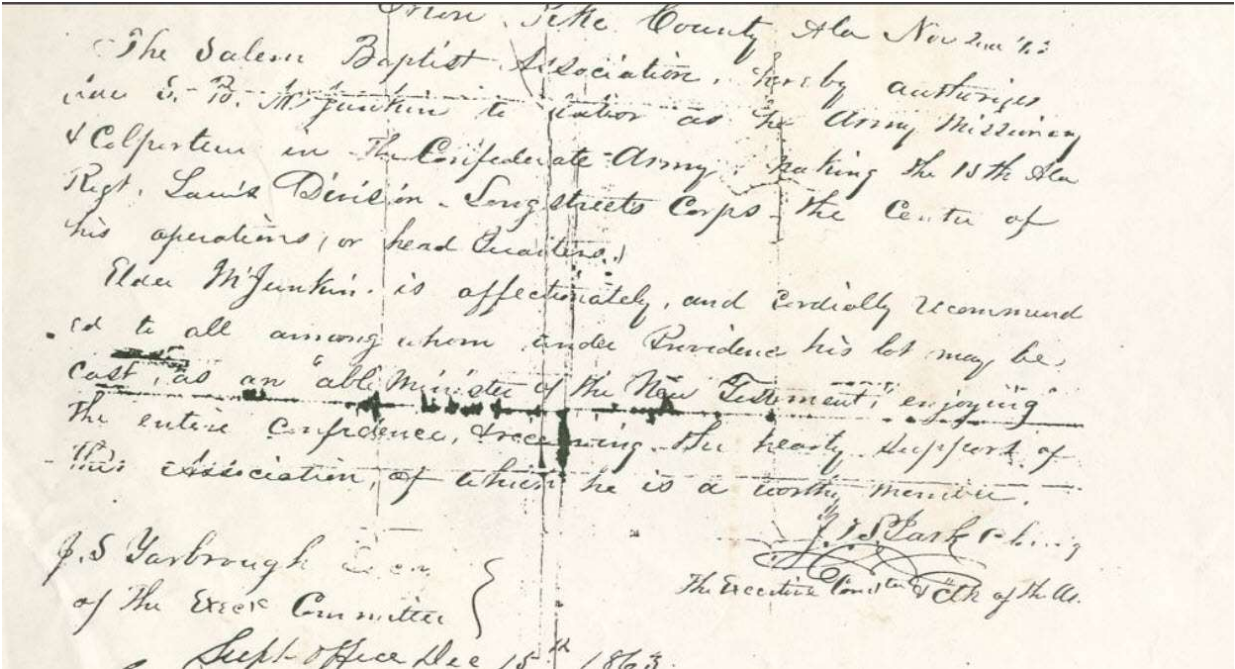


Private Samuel Brooks McJunkin. Company B, 15th Alabama Infantry and the 2nd Great Grandfather of Bob Hazelwood

Samuel Brooks McJunkin was born on December 23, 1838, in Stewart County, Georgia to John Saunders McJunkin and Eliza Jane Morrow. He professed Christ in 1859 and became an ordained minister and teacher. When war broke out, he enlisted in the Confederate army in Mitchell, Alabama on July 18, 1861. McJunkin came from good stock as his 3rd Great Grandfather, Major Joseph Caldwell McJunkin fought in the Revolutionary War, as well as his 4th Great Grandfather John Thomas.

He served in the Confederate Army until the second battle of Manasses when he received two severe wounds and was discharged August 8, 1863. He remained with the Army in the capacity of a missionary and in the last year of the war he baptized nearly 500 soldiers, being known as “the boy preacher”.

After the war, he moved to Texas and was a circuit riding minister for the Baptist Association for a rate of \$50/month to be collected through donations. One annual report concludes that McJunkin traveled 370 miles, preached 46 sermons, baptized 11 and collected \$14.00. McJunkin also served as Chair for the project to bring McJunkin died in 1925 and is buried in Fairmount Cemetery in San Angelo.



Commander Hazelwood’s 2nd Brigade Quarterly Report

The 2nd Brigade currently has 179 compatriots, the largest being the Hill Country Camp at 34 members.

Camp 1613 participated in two living history events, Fort Griffith and Christmas at Fort Concho, which saw 800 school children attend. They also participated in Wreaths Across America at the Saint Belvedere Cemetery and continue to attend monthly meetings of the Fairmount Cemetery Board of Directors concerning their flag banning policy.

Camp 2298 continues to assist with identification of veterans at Concordia Cemetery in El Paso. Additionally, participated in a Community clean-up project and hosted a Black Powder Shoot.

Camp 2351 participated in Wreaths Across America, flagged graves for Lee/Jackson Day and participated in the Kendall County Blue Santa Toy Drive, Care Choice Valentine Fundraiser and Socks for Warriors Fundraiser with all goals met.

Elections will be held at the upcoming Division reunion. If you would like to run for a Brigade office, you will need to attend the reunion and put your name in the hat. I am grateful to our 2nd Brigade Lt. Commanders who are up for re-elections. Both Bryan and Chuck are living the Charge and have been working diligently to make the 2nd Brigade come together cohesively. Officers up for re-election are:

- Commander:** Bob Hazelwood, Judge Roy Bean Camp
- Lt. Commander:** Bryan Harrison, Hill Country Camp
- 2Lt. Commander:** Chuck Hand, Lt. Jesse Page Camp

Division Executive Council Report

All of your 2nd Brigade Officers attended the DEC meeting in Waco on March 29.

An interesting note, only 37% of membership read the Texas Division emails. If you are not receiving the emails from Division, please let me know and we will get this rectified. There is a plethora of information disseminated in these communications.

Our Current Lt. Commander, Shelby Little, has announced his candidacy for Commander of the Texas Division. His election ad will probably be available on YouTube or the Williamson County Greys Camp website.

The Galveston Camp has seen a 31% increase in membership since January 1.

An obelisk, which was donated by the Texas Division to replace a broken one at Oakwood Cemetery will have its dedication in April 2026.

The DEC voted to loan all unframed flags recovered from the UDC (see previous reports) to the SCV National Museum.

Commander Hurley is in need of volunteers to run the upcoming National Reunion in Houston. If you would like to assist, please contact Commander Huley regarding his “Texas Rangers”.

The DEC voted to recommend Tyler for the 2026 Reunion. The Alamo City Guards Camp made a presentation to host the 2027 Division Reunion in Gonzales. DEC hopes other camps will enter bids and present at the next DEC meeting in June.