# **Border Patrol**



Commander's Note

November was a month of collecting ourselves and doing civic as well as family duties. We had voting on the 5th and Thanksgiving on the 28th.

There were VA Day Parades on the 11th all around the brigade for any SCV member to participate in. I myself was recuperating from a 1200 mile driving trip to visit inlaws in Clermont, FL. The 70 degree weather down there is wonderful. The 28th with family and Thanksgiving dinner was great as well. It's always great to be back home, even with 148 emails to trod thru. Next month, December is going to be full of eating & partying and a whole lot of laughing with family & friends.

So , Happy Thanksgiving guys and if the next newsletter doesn't get out until after Christmas, Merry Christmas to ya'll. Volume 1, Issue 6 November 25, 2013

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**Events Coming Soon** 

1 Dec 4 P.M. Valley View Christmas Parade

14 Dec at 6 P.M. 4th Brigade
Christmas Party McKinney, TX
19 Dec at 7 P.M. Lee-Bourland
Camp's Short Meeting But
plenty of Christmas Party

There has been some questions and confusion on the Texas Division Guardian Program. So here are the rules and guidelines. I'll be glade to help anyone get set up to participate. And since I'm the 4th Brigade coordinator for the Guardian Program, I also have the applications. The I is Charlie Waters.

## TEXAS DIVISION GUARDIAN PROGRAM RULES AND GUIDELINES

- PURPOSE: The Texas Division has instituted a special program to honor the memory of our Confederate Ancestors and to help ensure the preservation of their final resting places.
- 2. <u>ELIGIBILITY</u>: Any Texas Division camp member in good standing, who has demonstrated his willingness to serve in this special capacity, and who is at least fourteen years of age, and has tended a Confederate soldier's grave for two years prior, may become a FULL GUARDIAN. All compatriots are encouraged to participate in this most worthwhile program to honor our ancestors and protect their final resting places.

#### 3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **A)** He shall care for and protect the grave of a Confederate Veteran, ensuring that the site is kept clean and well maintained year round. He shall perform these duties personally, unless physically prevented from doing so by reason of health problems.
- B) He shall be responsible that the grave has an appropriate marker designating it as the resting place of a Confederate Veteran. (i.e.: a family stone with reference to Confederate serves, and/or a government issued veteran's stone, and/or a Southern Cross of Honor.) He shall also be responsible for replacing or repairing any marker that is destroyed, damaged or badly worn.
- **C)** He shall personally visit the grave a minimum of three times a year, to include Confederate Memorial Day, or at least one week prior, when he shall place either a wreath or small Confederate Flag, or both, on the grave.

#### 4. APPLICATION:

- A) Individuals who wish to become a GUARDIAN must complete the <u>Guardian Application</u> form and submit it to the Chairman of the Guardian Review Committee. The application must be accompanied with a map showing the location of the gravesite and photograph(s) of the grave and marker. The grave may or may not be that of the applicant's Confederate Ancestor.
- **B)** The applicant must also remit an application fee of \$10.00 at the time of the application to cover the cost of the GUARDIAN pin and certificate, which will be awarded upon successful completion of the period of candidacy. This fee is non-refundable, regardless if the candidate successfully completes his candidacy period or not. There will be a fee of \$3.00 for each additional application thereafter for multi-guardian status.

#### 5. REVIEWS AND APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS:

- **A)** The Guardian Review Committee will review and approve all applications. The committee will consist of a Chairman, one representative from each brigade, and others deemed necessary all of whom have Full Guardian status. The Texas Division Commander shall also serve as an ex officio member.
- **B)** If approved, the applicant will be given the title "<u>Guardian Pro Tem</u>" (meaning: "for the time being"), and he shall have the status of "candidato". He will carry this title and status for two years, less any time already completed in the care of a grave, if during such time he carried out the minimum duties specified of a GUARDIAN. (e.g. An applicant who has already cared for a grave for one year in accordance with criteria would only have one more year of service required as a "GUARDIAN PRO TEM" candidate before becoming a full GUARDIAN.)

### 6. FULL GUARDIAN STATUS:

- A) Individuals who successfully complete their "Guardian Pro Tern" candidacy period, meeting the criteria established for this program, and are approved by the Guardian Review Committee will be formally awarded the status of "GUARDIAN" by order of the Division Commander.
- B) GUARDIANS will be presented with a special certificate, and shall be given a place of honor and formally recognized by the Division Commander at all official Texas Division functions and events, to include Confederate Memory Day and Division Conventions.
- C) GUARDIANS shall be authorized to wear a special pin device/badge as designated by the Guardian Committee.

#### 7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A) Multiple Grave Sites: GUARDIANS may care for more than one Confederate Veteran's Grave, and will be so recognized by the Guardian Review Committee. Special certificates or indications on the Guardian Pin may be authorized to signify the care of multiple veterans' graves. Normally no more than 25 gravesites will be awarded per compatriot. More than 25 may be authorized on a case-by-case basis with approval of the Guardian Committee.
  - B) Retirement of GUARDIAN Position: A Guardian must notify the Guardian Review Committee when he is no longer able to carry out his duties for reasons of health or relocation. Under such circumstances, his Guardian position will be honorably retired, unless passed on under the provisions of section "C" below.
- C) <u>Bequeathing of GUARDIAN Position</u>: In lieu of retiring his Guardian position, a Guardian may bequeath his position and pass on his responsibilities to another SCV Member in good standing or a blood, male family member. All such transfers must be reviewed and approved by the Guardian Review Committee.

- **D)** Revocation of GUARDIAN Status: The Guardian Review Committee may revoke a GUARDIAN'S status, if he fails to carry out his duties and responsibilities. The Guardian review Committee has the power to inspect, with or without notice, any GUARDIAN'S Confederate Veteran's Grave site to confirm compliance with all rules and regulations.
- **E)** <u>Wilderness Grave Site:</u> Is defined as a completely neglected and abandoned gravesite in a wooded area. Application must be accompanied by before and after pictures of the gravesite along with all other requirements set forth in these rules. If this status is approved, applicant will be approved to wear a silver star on the ribbon of the Guardian Medal.

Members and Their Confederate Ancestor

Ansley, Reynolds: Pvt. David Andrew Johnson Co K, 39<sup>th</sup> Inf. AL

Armstrong, Chad & Charles: Col. James G. Bourland TX Border Rgt. Cav. Red River TX

Cassidy, Bill: (Father side) Hugh Cassidy (GGF) 26<sup>th</sup> Inf. SC

(Mother side) Jerimiah Hurst (GGGF) 8<sup>th</sup> Cav. GA

Epperson, Lloyd: Pvt. Leander Molinton Epperson Co D, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mounted Rifles AK

Herman, James: Sgt. William M. Herrmann Co G, 6<sup>th</sup> Inf. AL

Newton, Norman: Pvt. Charles Samuel Newton, James P. Douglas' Battalion

Tyler SCV Camp's namesake is James P. Douglas who is from Tyler, TX

Peek, James Robert: Pvt. James W. Peak Co F 8<sup>th</sup> Dibrell's Cav. TN

Reed, David: Pvt. Rueben Blankenship Co D 18<sup>th</sup> Inf. AL

Reed, Hunter: Pvt. Michael Lorance 2<sup>nd</sup> Co Cav. TN

Riley, Bill: Pvt. William Chisum Co A, 38<sup>th</sup> Inf. TN consolidated to 22<sup>nd</sup> Batt.

Roundtree, Bob: Pvt. Jesse Ballard Roundtree Co E, Morgan's Rgt. Cav. TX

Scott, Timothy: 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Joseph B. Scott Co E, 10<sup>th</sup> Cav. MO

Tisdale, William D.: Sgt. Augustus William Atwood Co G, 8<sup>th</sup> Inf. MS

Waters, Charles: (Father side) Pvt. James Manning Waters Co G, 47<sup>th</sup> Inf. GA

(Mother side) 5<sup>th</sup> Sgt. George Mosley Aston Co C, 9<sup>th</sup> Inf. TX

Wells, Matthew: Pvt. George A. Buchanan Co F, 19<sup>th</sup> Cav. TX

White, Joe: Capt. Mack Wilson Loyd 5<sup>th</sup> Cav. AL



If you are wondering why you & your joining ancestor are not listed, it's because you have not yet sent me the information You can email me at crwaters@swbell.net.

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