

Major W.H. "Howdy" Martin Camp #1241

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THE CHARGE TO THE SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit 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 his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations".

Lt General Stephen Dill Lee
General Commander
United Confederate Veterans
April 25, 1906

William Harrison "Howdy" Martin

1823-1898

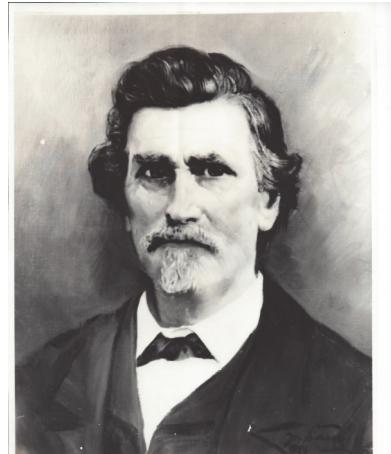
In 1861 during the War Between the States, William Harrison Martin enlisted in the Confederate Army and served in Company K of the 4th Texas Infantry that was assigned to Lee's Army of Northern Virginia. Martin gained his nickname because of his refusal to salute superior officers. Instead, he would politely tip his hat and say "howdy."

According to the Texas Historical Commission, Howdy Martin fought in the Eastern theater of operations in all of the major battles until the end of the fighting. After the signing of the surrender terms at Appomattox, Major Martin and Captain W. T. Hill led the remaining members of Hood's Texas Brigade back to the Lone Star State.

He was born September 2, 1823, in Twiggs County, Georgia, to Benjamin and Charlotte Martin. His early schooling was in Alabama where he was admitted to the Bar. In 1850 he moved to Athens, Texas, and started a law practice in Henderson County. He represented Freestone, Limestone, Henderson, and Navarro counties from 1853 to 1858 in the Texas Senate. Answering the call, he raised a company of volunteers that became a part of Hood's Texas Brigade. In April, 1864, he was promoted from captain to major. After the war, Martin was elected district attorney. He married Martha E. Gallimore of Navarro County and the couple had seven children. He was later elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1887 and served in the 50th and 51st Congresses 1887-1891 before retiring again to his farm near Athens.

Howdy Martin was a member of the Hill County Camp of Confederate Veterans when he died at his final home in Hill County on February 5, 1898. A lawyer, a Confederate officer who served the entire Civil War and a congressman, at 76 years old Major Howdy Martin was buried at the Hillsboro City Cemetery.

Sources: *Handbook of Texas Online*, *Athens Review 1998-2-11 and 2012-1-20*



Read more about Howdy Martin's life, family and career on our camp website.

www.martincamp.org

Spotlight on Our Camp

1. The May SCV Camp Meeting was held at the Calvary Baptist Church Gym with Commander **Jimmy Abney** presiding.
2. Following Cmdr **Abney's** welcome and introduction of guests, **Bob Lynch** led us in prayer prior to our meal. We had 27 guests and members in attendance.
3. **Ray Brown** led the pledges and salutes to the flags and reading of the Charge to the SCV.
4. **Commander Abney** introduced our very special guest speaker who is Major Martin's great granddaughter, **Ms Martha Hartzog** of Austin.
5. Adjutant/Treasurer **Jim Ogburn** read the minutes from April and gave the camp's financial report. He also reported that the Battleflags that we agreed to use have been delivered and he would like to donate them to be used by all camp members to place on county Confederate graves. A list of those cemeteries will be compiled. To date, five cemeteries have been visited and flags placed to honor 15 Veterans.
6. In old business, Cmdr **Abney** shared that new Texas History Textbooks are being adopted soon. The public can review them for just a short time at our local library. He encouraged members to see if the books are accurately portraying the truth about the Civil War. Camp Advisor **Marc Robinson** shared that each Texas Brigade is trying to have at least one letter written to the Texas Education Agency to give support for the most accurate textbook edition. Some felt that hundreds of such letters should be mailed to TEA. It was suggested that perhaps individual pages could be scanned to be more closely studied.
7. In other business, First Lady of our Camp **Jan Patterson** paid for 100 CD's that were put together by a Georgia SCV Division that she would like to see handed out at any camp recruiting activity. She offered each member one which tells the true story of the Battleflag. A discussion was held about compiling a list of county history teachers so that we could mail them a CD for use in their classroom. Webmaster **Michael Burton** offered to put the CD on the camp website.
8. Another recruiting possibility that was discussed was ordering SCV Camp t-shirts. **Jan Patterson** offered to email **Dr Ogburn** sample designs including prices. Webmaster **Michael Burton** suggested we compare a website he has used satisfactorily for shirts, hats, pens, etc.
9. A lengthy discussion and final decision was made to postpone our planned formal dedication at the Arms Cemetery on May 17th to honor our **Confederate Veteran George Grayson**. The family has another event that day and would be unable to attend. In addition, May 17th is the Centennial Celebration to recognize the past 100 years of the Athens Courthouse. Due to the approaching summer heat, a vote was taken to choose another date this fall. **Abney, Ogburn and Burton** will be in charge of mowing the Arms Cemetery.



Ms Martha Hartzog

12. May 11-17th is Law Enforcement Week. **Jan Patterson** will send more information about the campaign to **Dr. Ogburn**. Cmdr **Abney** offered to present a certificate to our Athens Police Chief Buddy Hill for his years of service to our community
13. **Webmaster Michael Burton** announced he will submit the *Howdy Herald Newsletter* for a best newsletter award with the winner announced at the convention. Members voiced approval for camp officers' names and email to be included in the newsletter to follow the necessary award winning criteria. **Burton** will mail the required copies.
14. **Bunny Freeman** announced that two members of our camp will graduate from Cross Roads High School this month. They are **Colby Albright** and **Lucas Freeman**.
15. **Marc Robinson** also asked about our designated delegate to attend the National SCV Convention in July. Cmdr Abney appointed camp member **Bob Lynch** as our representative. **Robinson** also asked if everyone received a copy of the proposed amendments that will be voted on at the State Convention in June. He offered his advise about the importance of studying these issues.
16. **Cmdr Abney** asked **Jan Patterson** to explain to the members her suggestion that our camp have a "Ladies Night." She thought it would be beneficial to the camp if the members' ladies met for a catered meal and have a speaker who would have topics just for ladies. More information will be shared later and suggestions are welcome.
- 17.. **Dr Jim Ogburn** shared he has an application being processed for **Mr. James Mullenex** to join our camp and we immediately voted in favor of his membership. Our total membership will then be 46 members and 1 cadet.
18. **Bob Lynch** closed our May meeting with prayer and those present sang "DIXIE."



Camp members and guests enjoyed a dinner of good food and great fellowship.



Martha Ann Hartzog, President

Hood's Texas Brigade Association, Re-activated

Great Granddaughter of Major W. H. Howdy Martin

"A heroic, colorful figure!" Members of the W. H. Howdy Martin SCV Camp patiently waited to hear Ms Martha Hartzog's description of her great grandfather and we were not disappointed when she began her presentation with those words!

As she continued camp members respectfully waited for another bit of Howdy's history that we had not heard before. Some took notes as she continued, "His was the only Brigade to go from Texas to Virginia and he participated in all of the major battles." She recalls hearing many, many times two distinct qualities that defined her grandfather. One, he was a leader and his men loved him and Two, he saved the Brigades from being reduced to only one.

Having moved to Texas in 1850 to seek his fortune like many men of his time, Howdy was known as Bill Martin before the war. He was twenty-eight years old when he completed his law studies at Troy, Alabama, and was admitted to the State Bar. He wrote his sister that "He would love to live in Athens." His Athens law office was so successful that in only three years he was elected to the Texas Senate to represent four counties.

When Texas voters chose to join the Confederate States in February, 1861, Martin was thirty-seven years old. He was not a "young, whipper snapper" and he knew exactly what he wanted to do. He traveled to all nearby towns for recruits to organize "The Henderson Guards." One of his more famous rip-roaring speeches was at Fincastle near Athens. It was common for the ladies to make battle flags for their local companies. The Fincastle crowd of 1,000 came to eat barbecue and hear the "best stump speaker of all East Texas!" Martin had a "voice like thunder and when he shook his long hair while giving his rip-roaring speech," all the young men were moved to sign up. The Fincastle flag now hangs in the East Texas Historical Museum in Athens.

Ms Hartzog's recounting a story of Howdy's first battle of the war was that "he raced down an open field with only two

six-shooters." She also shared a source we should all check out. "In 1903 a Waco Southland Newspaper wrote a tribute to Martin." These stories are such a treasure for all of the Howdy Martin camp members. She continued, "In April 1865 there were fewer than 20 men left to protect the supply cabins. And only 427 men were at the surrender at Appomattox and left with Howdy to come back to Texas. It was not until June 3, 1865, when they finally got home."

We all hope Ms Hartzog's schedule will allow her to attend future camp meetings with us. And we will certainly keep in touch through emails and with our newsletters. It will be an honor to include any correspondence and pictures in the *Howdy Herald* if she can share any with us.

We sincerely thank you, Ms Hartzog, and please know what an honor it is for us to meet you. We hope our Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp #1241 will always strive to honor your great grandfather, Major W. H. Howdy Martin, for many, many years to come.

Thank you again for sharing your time and precious memories with us.

William Harrison Martin

"Old Howdy"

Bill Martin

Attorney

State Senator

Captain Co. K. 4th Texas
Infantry, CSA

Major, 4th Texas, CSA

District Attorney

U.S. Congressman, Texas

Husband, Father, Grandfather

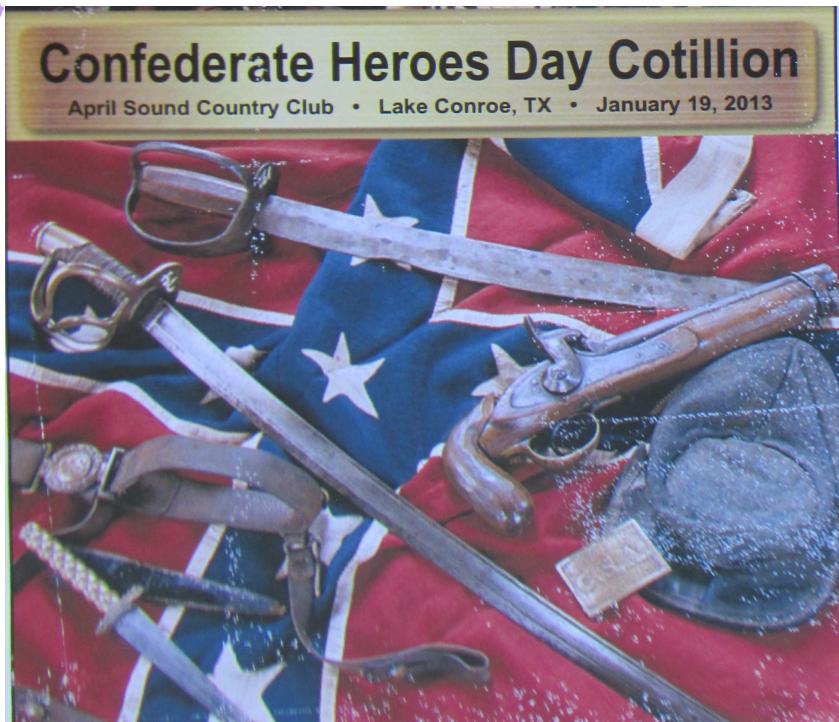
Great Grandfather



Texas 8th Brigade Commander Marc Robinson,
Ms Martha Hartzog, and Howdy Camp Commander Abney

Left: Taken from Ms Hartzog's handout.

The many descriptions, ranks and offices of Howdy Martin.



In January, 2013

Dr. Len Patterson was the guest speaker in Lake Conroe, Texas at the Confederate Heroes Day Cotillion.

In remembrance of his passing on May 27, 2013, a brief biography of his life is reprinted below from that special night's program.

Brother Len Patterson was licensed to the Gospel Ministry on December 20, 1970 and began Biblical studies at William Carey College in Hattisburg, Mississippi the following year. Upon being called to pastor a church in Hattisburg, he was ordained on September 6, 1972. He earned a Doctor of Bible Theology degree on December 1, 1980. While living in Georgia, he wrote a book about myths and lore of that state and was commissioned a Lieutenant Colonel in the Georgia State Militia by then governor, Joe Frank Harris in 1983. Over the past 40 years, Dr. Patterson has pastored seven Baptist churches in Mississippi and Texas.

For the past three years Dr. Patterson has served, and continues to serve as Chaplain of the Army of Trans-Mississippi, Sons of Confederate Veterans. He also serves as Central Texas Brigade Chaplain, and writes a weekly Sunday message that is posted on lists and camp newsletters throughout the SCV, and is commander of a new camp he helped organize in Athens, Texas.

Dr. Patterson has received a number of awards including the National Distinguished Service Medal twice, and has been awarded the Reverend J. Williams Jones Christian Service Award, a honor given to only one SCV member a year.

Brother Len and his wife, Jan, reside at Cedar Creek Lake near Trinidad, Texas.

"In all my perplexities and distresses, the Bible has never failed to give me light and strength."

General Robert E. Lee



Jimmy Abney

Greetings,

I would like to thank Ms Martha Hartzog for attending our meeting. The program she presented was both informational and inspiring. To hear the history of Major W. H. Howdy Martin and learn how he saved the Texas Division from being merged with other companies has inspired me to learn more about my ancestry. If you missed, it you missed a real blessing.

Our SCV State Reunion is coming up. It is important that we send at least five delegates to vote this year. We are a growing camp and I think the best camp of the 8th Brigade. To have 5 votes in our third year is exceptional. I hope you will plan to attend the State Reunion and also the SCV National Reunion is coming up

Right: SCV delegates met last year on July 20, 2013 in Vicksburg, Mississippi for the 118th National Reunion of SCV

Photo posted on website of the Stonewall Jackson SCV Camp #901, Denton, TX

The 119th National Reunion of Sons of Confederate Veterans is July 16, 17, 18, 19th in North Charlotte, South Carolina

From the Commander

in July. We need someone to go to South Carolina for us so that we can keep our Four Star rating that we have worked so hard to achieved. These events are important for our camp. This is your camp. It is the best camp in the 8th Brigade, no the best SCV Camp in the Texas Division. What you make it is up to you! Come and be a part in the activities in your Camp and help plan the events. If the meeting time does not fit your schedule, we can discuss changing it. Your attendance at our meetings is important in making your camp the best.

Again, a big thanks to Ms Martha Hartzog. It was an honor to meet the great granddaughter of our own Major W. H. Howdy Martin.

Your Commander,

Jimmy Abney

KEEP THE FLAG FLYING!



You will find more information about this year's SCV Reunion in the May/June *Confederate Veteran* or visit the web: <http://www.scv2014>.



Jim Ogburn, MD

Camp Adjutant Jim Ogburn, MD

Howdy,

I am sure that I am not the only camp member who has noticed that the exciting events that I talked about last month are marching right on to this month. Our last meeting on May 1st was one huge pep rally! Our camp was so very blessed to welcome our own Howdy Martin's great granddaughter, Ms Martha Hartzog. Her "talk" as she called it inspired me to do all I can in answering The Charge!

Please let your officers know if you would like to go to Houston to attend the Convention in June or even the National Reunion in July in South Carolina. We are a young camp but each vote by our delegates should be counted.

It is regretful that we had to postpone the Arms Cemetery dedication but perhaps this extra planning time will be worth the wait! A definite date in the fall will be decided soon.

New members are expected to be sworn in to our camp so please let me encourage each member to be present at our summer camp meetings. Check your email for updates and call each other to spread any news!

Let us all keep up the good work in our answer to The Charge!

Jim Ogburn, MD

Deo Vindice!

State Convention

**Sons of Confederate Veter-
ans
Texas Division Reunion**

**Friday June 6 -
Sunday June 8
2014**

Prayer Requests

- Jimmy Abney (hurt leg tendon)
- Joey Ables (unspoken)
- Dan Dyer (heart problems)
- Jesse Giles' grandmother (health issues)
- Pete Edison (hurt ankle)
- Texas State Convention June 6,7,8
- SCV 119th Nat'l Reunion July 16-19



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**Host: Grandbury's Texas Brigade
Camp #1479 Spring, Texas**

1st Lt Commander Joey Ables

Everyone in camp was excited to meet Ms Martha Hartzog at our May meeting and rightfully so. Our June meeting will also be one of those that you will be so glad you “saved the date!”

Mr. Shawn Eytchson, a retired United States Army sharpshooter will present his program entitled:
“Development, Tactics and Use of Sharpshooters by the Confederacy.”

Mr. Eytchson is highly recommended by the Texas 8th Brigade as a great, engaging speaker. One can read books about this subject matter, but very few of us get an opportunity to hear from a professional like Mr. Eytchson. You will certainly be so glad you came.



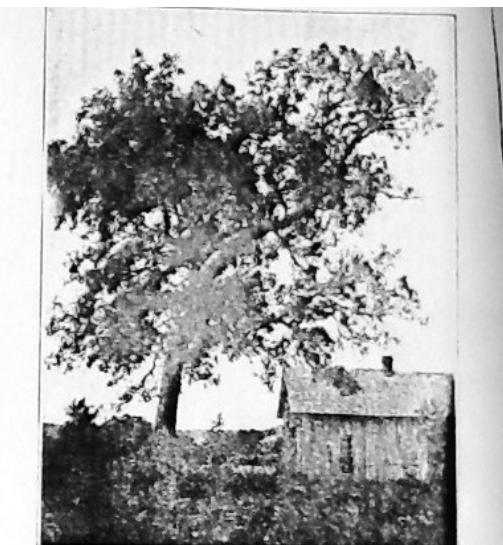
Joey Ables

Our Howdy Martin Camp is growing strong in membership because we equally feel the duty in answering The Charge!

See you June 5th @ 6:30 sharp!

Joey Ables

Deo Vindice



Old Hickory Tree Under Which Howdy Martin Made a War Speech
In 1861

*From Judge Larch Book
History of Henderson Co.*

Do your duty in all things. You cannot do more, you should never wish to do less.

General Robert E. Lee



Major W. H. Howdy Martin
Camp #1241
Congratulates Two Camp Members

Luke Freeman

and

Colby Albright

Cross Roads High School Graduation

Our first 2014 graduating senior of Cross Roads High School is **LUKE FREEMAN**. Luke has only missed about four days in all the years he has been in school. His hard work kept him on the A/B honor roll while playing in the Bobcat Band. His Freshman year he played the cymbals and the snare drum. Luke was Assistant Drum Major his Sophomore year and he played the Bass Drum. He played the Melophone and French Horn both his Junior and Senior year. As well as playing different instruments, he has also been a Squad Leader for High Brass and Percussion Section Leader. Luke likes to write programs for marching contest.

While he was in the choir his Senior years, he performed solos for school assemblies. He also enjoys photography and during his Sophomore year he entered his photos at the Henderson County Livestock show where his entries won ribbons. His photo was of a soldier at Gettysburg won "Best of Class."

After graduation Luke plans to attend Trinity Valley Community College for two years before transferring to Sam Houston State University to earn a degree in music. He would like to become a Band Director.

COLBY IAN ALBRIGHT is also a member of the 2014 senior class at Cross Roads High School. He will be attending Trinity Valley Community College in the fall. His plans are to transfer to Texas A&M or McMurry University in seeking a Master's Degree in History. Upon completion of his studies, he hopes to secure a professorship of history and become a curator of a heritage museum.

Colby wishes to pursue acting and stunt work in historical and documentary films. His acting experience already includes noted independent directors and screen play writers. He enjoyed working as an "extra" in a well-known award, winning film. This summer he plans to participate in new documentaries to be filmed in Oklahoma.

An avid living history enthusiast, Colby has loved being in Civil War reenactments since he was seven. He rides with the 8th Terry Texas Rangers and has enjoyed being a part of several national events and numerous battles and campaigns. He has visited several Texas forts where he volunteered teaching living history events. He is honored to be a Charter Member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Howdy Martin Camp #1241. Colby feels privileged to honor his ancestors by his SCV service as an officer for the past three years. He served as Quartermaster when only 16 and now for two years 2nd Lt Commander.

Colby was a member of 4H for many years beginning as a "Clover Kid" and participated in "Rifle Team Sports." Due to time restraints his senior year, he made the decision to not participate. He also served as a club officer for three years and club delegate for one year.

Colby loves what he does and feels that his love of history has become a part of himself and has made him who he is today.

CONGRATULATION LUKE and COLBY! Your SCV Camp is so very proud of you and we wish you the best in all you do!

Next camp meeting June 5th

Camp meetings are on the First Thursday of each month.

We meet at the Calvary Baptist Church in Athens on the corner of Hwy 175 East and Crestway Drive.

Meetings begin at 6:30pm with a pot luck dinner furnished by members. Guests are welcome and you may bring your family.

Upcoming dates:

June 6,7,8 State Convention
Houston

July 17-19 Nat'l Reunion
North Charlotte, SC

WELCOME TO THIS MONTH'S ISSUE OF THE HOWDY MARTIN CAMP #1241 HOWDY HERALD NEWSLETTER

It is our goal to share the news of all members of our camp in such a way that this newsletter and all that follow will honor and pay respect to all past and present family of our great Southern States. Members are encouraged to bring to our camp meetings articles for submission to this publication. The deadline for entries is the Monday following our regular Thursday camp meeting.

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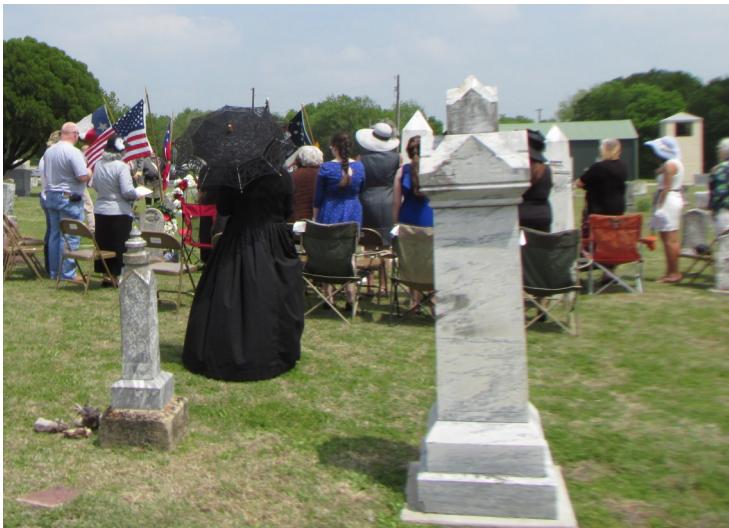
APRIL 2014 Camp Activities

*Our own Dr Jim Ogburn donated flags to be placed at Confederate Veteran Grave in Henderson County.
At last count, 15 flags are proudly waving in 5 different cemeteries.*



APRIL 2014 Camp Activities

Confederate Memorial Day at Chisolm Cemetery in Rockwall, TX



Confederate Reunion Grounds in Mexia April 12





A Building of Character

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IS PLANNED FOR THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The courthouse lawn is the place to be in May. Not only will there be a large gathering for the annual fiddlers competition. There will also be a birthday party for the courthouse itself. On Saturday, May 17, a centennial celebration will be held on the lawn from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., complete with live music, tall tales, food, exhibits, guest speakers and a time capsule dedication. If you miss this one, you'll have to wait another 100 years.

Located in the heart of Athens, the Henderson County Courthouse functions as more than a mere depository of physical artifacts such as licenses, permits and property records. The edifice is a silent witness to the passage of time and the social, cultural and economic transformation of the county.

Several courthouses have served the residents of Henderson County since its organization in 1846 at the home of Captain William Ware, a veteran of the Battle of San Jacinto. Before 1850, when the state legislature finalized the present county boundaries and authorized Athens as the county seat, the villages of Buffalo and Centerville were the centers of government. James A. Mitcham, a pioneer settler and a member of the first commissioners court to meet at Athens, noted that the first session of the court met under a stately oak tree on the public square before there were any homes within three miles of the new community. The county government met in several primitive log structures near the public square from 1850 until 1861, when commissioners contracted with Norwegian craftsman William Warenkjold to erect a two-story, frame building with an observation deck. When that courthouse on the public square burned in 1885, the commissioners authorized C.H. Hawn & Co. to construct a brick-and-stone building. That one lasted through 1913 when mounting repair

costs forced county officials to condemn the structure. The building inspector hired by the county described a crumbling foundation, cracked walls and remarked that "he would not for any consideration sleep one night in the building."

The county began construction of a new courthouse in the summer of 1913 on the same location as the two previous centers of government. In an editorial in the Athens Weekly Review, the newspaper suggested a modest structure suited to a growing population that should last at least 50 years and cost less than \$150,000. Commissioners sold bonds valued at \$139,000 and contracted with L.R. Wright for construction of a building in the architectural design known as classical revival. Shortly before the laying of the cornerstone and an official dedication in January 1914, County Clerk W.T. Carroll observed that the new edifice was "the prettiest and most substantial building of character anywhere in East Texas."

Although the look of Athens' downtown square has naturally changed over the years, there is a constant seen through decades of photos. In images of men mustering out for two world wars, crowds eagerly awaiting verdicts, customers at the B&B Café, moviegoers at the Dixie and Texan theaters, shoppers at boutiques, groceries, drugstores and music lovers at Old Fiddlers reunions, one can spot time and again the courthouse standing in the background like a silent sentinel. Red brick streets on the square have been paved over, and mule-drawn wagons and Model T's have given way to pickups and minivans. But the beloved structure stands still as time marches on, a landmark appearing in the memories of current and future generations of Henderson County residents.

Rob Risko is a history professor at Trinity Valley Community College.



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Camp member Rob Risko's story appeared in the May edition of "Fly the Flag." Thank you Rob for giving us permission to share your article in the Howdy Herald.

This Chaplain's Message is dedicated in memory of Brother Len Patterson for his years of service to his Lord and to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Our Camp #1241 has been honored to receive permission from Ms Patterson to reprint Brother Len's messages that were written from his heart to share his testimony of salvation through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Where We Stand!

If we are serious about recruiting, perhaps we should consider the actions, methods, and thoughts of one of the greatest recruiters of all time. We may not think of the Apostle Paul as a recruiter, but that is basically what he was doing. Of course he had some difficulties and a lot of rejection, but he was also very successful.

What made Paul so successful? In Romans chapter one, verse sixteen, Paul writes, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ." Paul was not a Jew when he was with the Jews, a Roman when he was with Romans, and a Christian when he was in church. Paul was a Christian at all times and believed everyone else should be a Christian also. And he didn't mind saying so. In speaking to King Agrippa in Acts 26: 29, Paul says, "I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am."

I can't imagine anyone not being proud of what they chose to be. I can't imagine anyone not wanting to tell all who will listen, ***"I am a proud member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. I am the proud descendant of a brave Confederate Soldier who deserves to be remembered with honor. I am proud of Generals Lee, Jackson, Forest, and all who fought for our just Southern Cause. This is where I stand, and I'm proud of it, and you should be 'altogether such as I am.'***

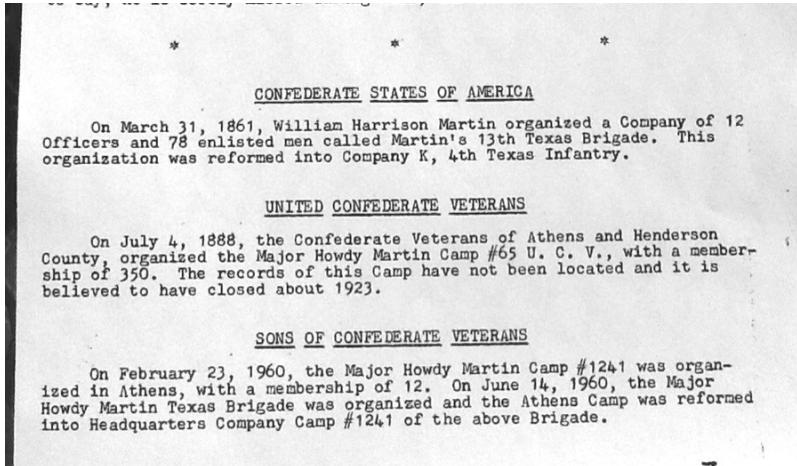
Paul wrote, "So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the Gospel to you that are in Rome also." (Rom. 1:15) Those who opposed Paul's message could ridicule him, and they did. They could beat him, and they did. They could imprison him, and they did. They could stone him, and they did. They could cut his head off, and they did. But Paul knew where he stood, and he wasn't going to compromise what he believed in. And, neither should we.

The more we compromise our message as the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the more we compromise the honor due our Confederate forefathers. The more we give to those who oppose our Cause, the more we give of our Southern heritage. The more respect we show to the enemies of truth, the more respect we lose.

If we are to serve the Charge. If we are to recruit and retain. If we are to preserve our heritage. If we are to be successful in the mission handed down to us by our Confederate forefathers. We must draw a line in the sand, and like the Apostle Paul, proclaim who we are and where we stand.



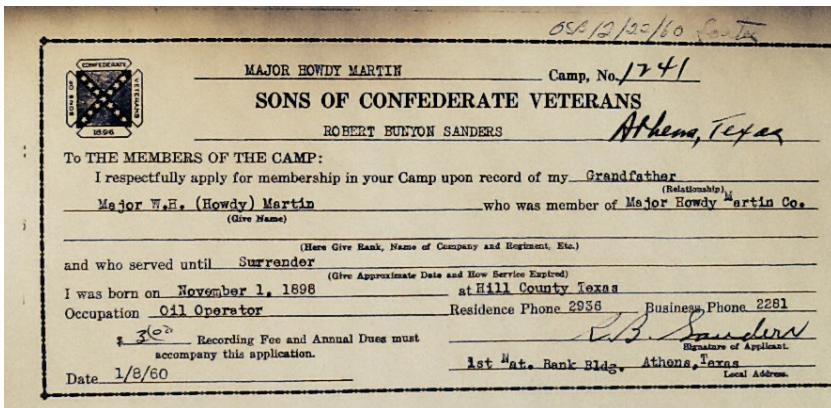
Bro. Len Patterson, TH.D.
1941-2013
Past Chaplain, Army of Trans-Mississippi



Above: Just a sample of Museum Finds!

Coming up: The History of the Howdy Martin Camp

Below: A very special 1960 Membership Application Card!



Camp Officers 2014

Commander — Jimmy Abney

1st Lt Commander — Joey Ables

2nd Lt Commander — Colby Albright

3rd Lt Commander — David Lowry

Adjutant/Treasurer — Jim Ogburn, MD

Chaplain — Jim Day

Sgt at Arms/ Color Sgt — Terry Teems

Quartermaster — Phil Albright

Webmaster — Michael Burton

Aide de Camp/Historian — Jesse Giles

Things to do....Places to Go..

May 22 — Happy Birthday to Adjutant/Treasurer Jim Ogburn, MD

June 6,7,8th — SCV State Reunion, Houston

July 17,18,19th — SCV 119th National Convention in Charleston, S.C.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans is a genealogical-historical non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the history and honoring the memory of our Confederate ancestors. Opinions expressed by individual writers of this Newsletter are their own and do not necessarily reflect official positions of the SCV Howdy Martin Camp #1241. We reserve the right to edit all submissions due to limited space for such material that honors and supports The Charge given to us in the year 1906 that may be found herein. This Newsletter is compiled and submitted to our Webmaster as nearly the same date as possible immediately following our Camp's monthly meeting.