



The General's Aide

**Gen. Tom Green Camp #1613
Sons of Confederate Veterans**



October 2023

Special Dates of Interest:

13-14 October—Ft. Griffin Living History Days, Albany, Texas.

14 October—4th Annual Miss Lilly Langtry Celebration, Iraan, Texas

19 October—Gen. Tom Green Camp #1613 meeting @ Ft Concho LHSC, 7:00 pm.

20-21 October—Ft. Stockton Living History Days, Ft. Stockton, Texas

31 October—Halloween

10 November—Veterans Day Ceremony @ Fairmount Cemetery, 11:00 am.

Calendar is on the Camp's website.

7th Brigade Muster and Living History

The 7th Brigade's Confederate Muster and Living History was a success. SCV members from across the State came to honor their ancestors that wore the grey. The Texas Division was well represented by the 2nd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Brigades this weekend.

The first day hosted around 145 school children from nearby schools that came out and were introduced to real American history. They experienced a blacksmith



working iron on the open range. There

were two ladies with looms making their

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1st Regiment, Texas Mounted Riflemen

by Harold Johnson & Steve Melton

On March 4, 1861, Confederate secretary of war, Leroy Pope Walker, directed Benjamin McCulloch to raise a regiment of ten companies of mounted riflemen to protect the Texas frontier between the Red River and the Rio Grande. Benjamin

was hoping for a command east of the Mississippi so he turned the Colonel's commission over to his brother, Henry McCulloch who had been appointed Colonel by the State Committee of Public Safety, February 5, 1861 and already had

five under-strength companies along the northwestern frontier. This made the 1st Regiment Mounted Riflemen the first Texas unit mustered into Confederate service in 1861.

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4th Annual Miss Lilly Langtry Birthday Celebration

The Miss Lilly Langtry Birthday Celebration is coming October 14th. This will be the 4th celebration the Judge Roy Bean Camp #2298 has put on. They have a great lineup this year. Please plan to attend for good food and entertainment.



4th Annual Miss Lilly Langtry Birthday Celebration
Judge Roy Bean Camp
4H Center, Alley Oop Park, Iraan, TX
October 14, 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

You are cordially invited to the 4th Annual Miss Lilly Langtry Birthday Celebration.

Menu: Brisket, fried catfish, potato salad, fried potatoes and hushpuppies, green beans, creamed corn, green salad, dinner rolls and desserts. (All food items are homemade!).

Program: West Texas Author, Ben English. Former Scout Sniper and Counterintelligence Team with the United States Marines and Texas DPS Officer. Mr. English's published books include: *Yonderings*, *Destiny's Way*, *Out There: Essays on the Lower Big Bend*, *The Uvalde Raider* and *Tales of the Texas Highway Patrol*.

Live Auction

Please RSVP Judgebean.scv@gmail.com, no later than October 7 or call Bob Hazelwood at (432) 302-0553. You may pay at the door.

\$25.00/individual or \$40.00/couple and \$20.00 for each additional guest: No. Guests: _____
 RSVP Name: _____

7th Brigade Muster & Living History (con't)

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own thread and displaying their wares. The chuck wagon and its missing cook was an excellent display of times past. David Woolam, chuck wagon owner, was a wealth of information on wagons. He bought the undercarriage in Ohio and built the rest of the chuck wagon himself. L & B Sutlery was present with a wide assortment of blue and grey uniforms, ac-

cessories, leather goods and toys for the kids.

Visitors also experienced the roaring thunder of cannon and musket fire in displays of artillery crews and infantry in action. Even the adults took interest in the artillery rounds on display as the destructive power of each var-

ious round was described in detail. This was a great event and a most thankful appreciation to D.W. Davis and his group for organizing this event.





Top left: David Woolam giving a guided tour of his chuck wagon. Top right: Bill McElyea introducing students the fine art of flour and coffee grinding.

Bottom left: Commander Ray Johnson discussing various cannon shells and all things artillery to the Students. Bottom right: Reenactors firing their weapons and going through manual of arms.



1st Regiment, Texas Mounted Riflemen (con't) on the Indian frontier

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In mid-March Henry McCulloch arrived in Austin, where he recruited men for five additional companies. By the early part of April he had his regiment organized with men recruited from Bexar, Travis, Gonzales, Bell, Comanche, Bosque, Rusk, Burleson, and Lamar counties. The men already on the frontier who wished to join the new regiment had to be mustered out of state service and into Confederate service. By mid-April McCulloch's new regiment entered Confederate service as the First Regiment, Texas Mounted Riflemen, also known as the First Texas Mounted Rifles. This was not only the first regiment in the state organized for Confederate service, but the original commission to Ben McCulloch was one of the first in the Confederacy.

By the following month the ten companies of the regiment occupied a line of forts from

Camp Jackson, at the confluence of the Red River and the Big Wichita, southwestward to Fort Belknap, Camp Cooper, Fort Phantom Hill, Fort Chadbourne, Camp Colorado, Camp Concho (at present-day San Angelo), Fort McKavett, and Fort Mason.

McCulloch's patrols covered the regiment's 400-mile line, to which were added regular expeditions of two to three weeks into suspected haunts of hostile Indians northwest of the line of forts. The summer and fall of 1861 saw diminished Indian activity compared to the years before the war, and no major incursions of Indians into the settlements.

McCulloch returned to San Antonio in September to take temporary command of the Department of Texas, and in December he accepted command of the Western Military District of Texas. As his attention turned to the defense of the Texas coast, his regiment

was commanded for a time by his adjutant and senior officers.

With the enlistment period being one year, the regiment mustered out in mid-April 1862 at Fort Mason. The state-financed Frontier Regiment replaced it on the frontier. Some of the men returned to frontier service, but most enlisted in the Eighth Texas Cavalry Battalion, which later became part of the First Texas Cavalry Regiment.

From the records of the 1st Regiment:

April 15, 1861 Existing companies on frontier mustered out the Provisional Army of Texas. Ten companies mustered into service of the Confederate States and designated as the 1st Regiment, Texas Mounted Rifles. Assignment: The regiment, with one battery of artillery, was to maintain a line of patrol from the Red River, southwestward through Camp Cooper, Ft. Chadbourne, Camp Colorado and a point at the junction of the N. Concho and main Concho Rivers (near present day San Angelo), to Ft. Mason. Four companies, with the artillery were to be stationed at the Red River, 2 companies

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Gen. Tom Green Camp #1613 Raffle

The Gen. Tom Green Camp #1613 is having a raffle for a Sig Sauer P365 pistol. This is a NRA Special Edition in Coyote Brown with a NRA Challenge Coin, 3 magazines, plastic case and 200 Rounds of ammunition.

Tickets are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.00. Only 350 tickets available. \$850.00 value.

The pistol can be seen at the Texas Gun Store at 1018 W. Beauregard, San Angelo.

At this time, call Rod Smith for tickets: 325-450-4452.

Winner must complete the background check.



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The winner must be 21 years of age and pass the federally mandated National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS). This Sig Sauer P365 can be seen at the Texas Gun Shop located at 1018 West Beauregard Avenue in San Angelo.

Sales will benefit the monuments fund of The General Tom Green Camp #1613, Sons of Confederate Veterans. The Sons of Confederate Veterans is the direct heir to the United Confederate Veterans and is the oldest hereditary organization for male descendants of Confederate soldiers. Organized in Richmond, Virginia in 1896, the SCV continues to serve as a historical, patriotic, and non-political organization dedicated to ensuring that a true history of the 1861-1865 period is preserved.

The drawing will be held, and the winner announced, on December 15, 2023, at Fort Concho.



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To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit 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 which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General,
United Confederate Veterans,
New Orleans, Louisiana, April 25, 1906

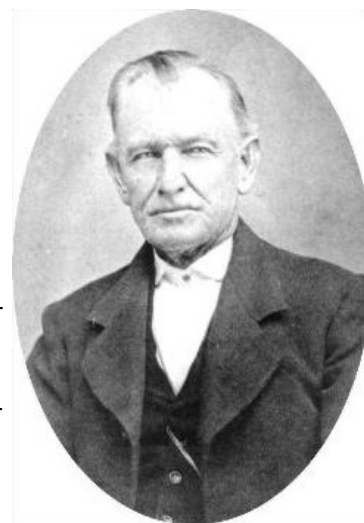
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each at Camp Cooper, Ft. Chadbourne, at the Concho Rivers; 1 lieutenant with 20 men each at Camp Colorado and Camp Mason.

April 21, 1861 After receiving word of the action at Ft. Sumter, McCulloch moves with 5 companies of the 6 still in San Antonio to intercept any remaining federal troops not yet evacuated from state at the Indianola disembarking location. Notified enroute that all federals near Indianola were captured by Col. Earl Van Dorn, commander of the Dept. of Texas. McCulloch ordered, by Van Dorn to capture a force of 300 federal troops northwest of San Antonio. McCulloch, with the 6 companies of the 1st Texas, and a detachment of cavalry and artillery from the 2nd Texas Mounted Rifles, moved with a total force of approximately 1300 to intercept the federals.

May 9, 1861 The 8th U.S. Infantry, near San Lucas Springs, surrendered to the overwhelming forces of Col. McCulloch. The 8th Infantry were the last federal troops in Texas.

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Henry E. McCulloch

Ft. Griffin Living History Days

The past will come to life at Fort Griffin State Historic Site on October 13-14, 2023, as living historians gather to portray life at the fort and nearby Wild West town as it was in the 1870's. You're invited to join us from 9 am to 4 pm both days for exciting demonstrations, education, and authentic frontier history.

Admission is free during this event! If you are a teacher, home school parent, or school administrator wish-

ing to have your students attend our 2023 program, please contact Eric Abercrombie by email or phone at 325-762-3592.

**Oct 13 2023 - 9:00am to Oct
14 2023 - 4:00pm**

