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12th Annual Event at Hill College

CIVIL WAR PRESERVATION SEMINAR AT HILLSBORO

The 12th annual Texas Civil War Preservation Seminar will be held at Hill College on Saturday, November 19th. The annual event is sponsored by the Harold B. Simpson History Complex, the Austin Civil War Round Table and the Baylor-Waco Civil War Round Table.

This year's topic is "Lee's Army of Northern Virginia," and will feature four speakers. The event will kick off at 10:00 AM. The first featured speaker will be Robert K. (Bob) Krick, former Chief Historian at Fredericksburg &

Spotsylvania battlefields. Krick will speak on, "The Evolution of Command." At 11:00 AM Scott Bowden, author of *Last Chance for Victory*, will speak on, "Lee, The Great Captain."

After lunch, beginning at 1:15 PM Gordon C. Rhea, the foremost authority on the 1864 Overland Campaign, will speak on, "Carrying the Flag, Lee's Uncommon Common Soldiers. At 2:00 PM, "Lee's Lieutenants" will be discussed by Ed Bearss, for-

mer Chief Historian of the National Park Service. A panel discussion will end the event at 2:45 PM.

Tickets cost \$50 and they are available from "CW Seminar" at P.O. Box 619, Hillsboro, TX. An optional breakfast will be served at 9:00 AM and will cost \$10 and an optional lunch will be available for \$10 to be served at 11:45 AM.

A Patron's admission is available for \$125 which includes the seminar all meals and a CD of the conference.

Buddy Patterson Honored

Dr. B. D. (Buddy) Patterson, the former Dean of the Harold B. Simpson History Complex at Hill College in Hillsboro, was honored by Camp #1250 at its October Dinner meeting.

The Camp presented Dr. Patterson with a plaque that signified that he was an Honorary Member of the Camp. Dr. Patterson was instrumental in helping form the Major Robert M. White Camp #1250. Dr. Patterson was honored for his service to

Camp #1250, the Texas Division, and the overall



efforts of the SCV.

Dr. Patterson also spoke to the camp and gave an interesting history of the Texas Division of the SCV.

Dr. Patterson served as the Dean of what at first was known as the Confederate Research Center at Hill College, later as the museum expanded the entire complex was known as Harold B. Simpson History Complex, of which the CRC was one component.

Dr. Patterson served

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Wade:
“ . . . a gallant
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Joseph Wheeler,
1863

He was heroic during the war, but it was what he did after the war that made him a Southern martyr.

William Bartee Wade was born in Bedford, Virginia on October 9, 1823. He was the son of Paschall B. and Frances Wade. His family was quite well to do, and in 1835 his father moved to Columbus, Mississippi.

When the War of 1812 erupted Wade volunteered for service and rose to the rank of 1st Lieutenant. He served with distinction at the Battle of Monterry and at the Battle of Buena Vista.

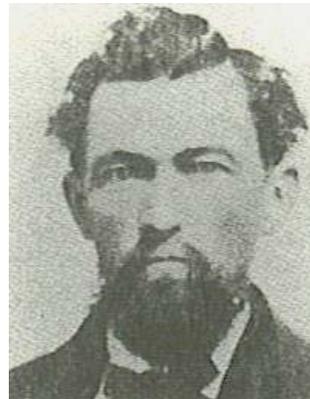
Post war he returned to Mississippi and became a successful planter. In 1854 he was elected to the Mississippi Legislature as a Whig but served only one term.

When the War Between the States broke out Wade raised a company, the Lowndes Southerons, named after the Mississippi county it was raised in. They were sent to Pensacola, Florida with other Mississippi regiments. Wade was elected lieutenant colonel of the regiment made from these companies in January of 1861.

The regiment was mustered out of service the following month and Wade was reassigned with his original company as Company D of the 10th Mississippi, with Wade as

its captain. The unit served during the Battle of Shiloh in April of 1862. The next month the army was re-organized, after the defeat at Shiloh, and Wade was not retained as his regiment's captain.

In July of 1862 Wade became colonel of the 8th Confederate Cavalry, made up of various units from Alabama and Mississippi



William Bartee Wade

and eventually assigned to the Army of Tennessee. Wade and his men served in the Kentucky and Tennessee campaigns of 1862 and 1863.

In 1863 Wade asked for and was granted leave to visit his ailing wife back home in Mississippi. His wife did not survive and when Wade returned to active duty he was assigned to the Army of Tennessee's conscript bureau. He headed that effort in the east Mississippi division of the bureau. He was reunited with his cavalry unit in time for the

Battle of Chickamauga in September of 1863.

Wade was arrested by Major General Joe Wheeler in October of 1863 for being intoxicated while facing the enemy. Wheeler would say of Wade that he was, “a gallant though intemperate officer.” Pending a trial Wade was ordered to the rear on “sick leave.” He never rejoined his unit.

Wade served for a while in Virginia with a unit of home guards, but was eventually able to secure a position as a cavalry brigade commander in Chalmers's Division of Nathan Bedford Forrest's cavalry corp.

He performed well as a cavalry brigade commander, described as a “very brave and determined officer.” He was recognized for action near Oxford, Mississippi after the Federals had destroyed much of the town his men chased down them down. Wade said in August of 1864, “Damn them. They ran us for two or three days. I wanted them to know we were not afraid of them.”

On December 27, 1864 Wade was wounded. When he was well enough to return to active duty he was reunited with his old unit, the 8th Mississippi in 1865. After the war ended he was paroled in Columbus, Mississippi on May 17, 1865.

Some list Wade as a

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By: *George Ballentine*

Commander's Call

The weather is getting cooler and it is time to start thinking about election of our camp officers for 2006. Our nominating committee consists of Compatriots John Perry, Steve Wooley and Gordon Mobley. If you are interested in running for an office, please contact one of those gentlemen. They will present a slate of candidates at our meeting on November 8th, and we will conduct the election at our December 10th meeting. Nominations will be taken from the floor prior to the election. I urge everyone to consider stepping up to elected office in our camp. If not this year, then consider next year.

Our plans for our Southern Christmas Party are well underway. Mark your calendar for December 10th at Bliss Hall in Little River. We will have a different caterer this year, but the BBQ and fixin's should be just as good. If you have items for the Silent Auction, please get them to one of our great OCR ladies. We will also have the Camp Store set up for your last minute Christmas shopping needs. This is a great time of good food and fellowship, and I encourage everyone to try to be there.

Our 18th Lee-Jackson Dinner planning is also underway. You can expect it to be January 14th at the

Hilton Garden Inn in Temple. The meal costs are still being negotiated, and more details will follow as the time draws near. Keep in mind that the attire will be period, formal or cocktail for this event. As always, relatives and friends are welcome to attend with you.

Our camp store is in need of volunteers, if we are to continue to operate it. It is a great source of income for the camp, but it takes a lot of work, too. In order to continue to setup at festivals and reenactments, camp members are going to have to come forward and volunteer to help with the operation.

We currently have almost sixty members. If most compatriots volunteer, you can see that it would be a long time between trips for everyone. If you want to volunteer but don't know what to expect, just drop me a note, give me a call, or just pull me off to the side at a camp meeting. If we want to continue to benefit from camp store sales, we have to pull together. We have already missed events this year that we attended in past years because of the lack of volunteers.

We have only two more events in 2005 for the camp store. November 18-20 will be the Battle for Liendo Plantation in Hempstead, TX. We will arrive on the 17th to set up to be ready for the 1200-1500 school students to arrive

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Camp Schedule

November 8, 2005

Camp's monthly meeting at the Cotton Patch Cafe in Temple Mall, 7:00 PM. Speaker: Jerry Nelson, Topic: "Hood's Texas Brigade"

November 11, 2005

Veterans Day Parade in Waco. Contact George Ballentine for additional details.

November 18-20, 2005

Battle for Liendo Plantation Reenactment, Hempstead, TX, 8:00 AM, Camp store to be set up, if we have enough volunteers.

November 26, 2005

Old Time Christmas Festival, Bertram, TX, 8:00 AM, Camp store to be set up, if we have enough volunteers.

December 2-4, 2005

Krist Kindl Markt, Copperas Cove, TX, 8:00 AM, Camp store to be set up, if we have enough volunteers.

December 10, 2005

Camp's Annual "Southern Christmas Party," Bliss Hall, Little River, TX, 7:00 PM.

January 14, 2006

18th Annual Lee-Jackson Dinner, Hilton Hotel in Temple, 7:00 PM. Requested attire is period dress or formal or cocktail.

February 14, 2006

Camp's monthly meeting at the Cotton Patch Cafe in Temple Mall, 7:00 PM.

Next Camp Meeting:
November 8th
7:00 P.M. at
Cotton Patch Cafe,
Temple Mall,
Temple, TX
Speaker:
Jerry Nelson

Post War Martyr



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brigadier general, however he never reached that rank in the Confederate Army. He did serve very briefly as a general in the Mississippi militia before the war, but the highest Confederate

Wade's grave in Columbus, Mississippi. Note that the marker incorrectly list him as a brigadier general

rank was a colonel.

After the war, Wade was in a major alteration that cost him his life. In 1866 in Columbus he attacked a group of occupying Union soldiers who were accosting some local women. Wade shot seven of them, but was wounded in his right arm.

Compatriots carried him into a local hotel for hiding and healing. Three days later a group of Union sol-

diers burst into his room and threw him out the window of his hotel room. The Confederate Veteran magazine said of Wade, "after going through two wars, he died a martyr's death defending the womanhood of his hometown."

Wade is buried in Friendship Cemetery in Columbus, Mississippi.

Commander's Column

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on Friday. The last event for this year will be Krist Kindl Markt in Copperas Cove. It will run December 2-4 in Copperas Cove. Both of these events have been good money makers for us. If you want to join in for either, or both, of them, please let me know. The Liendo trip will require overnight camping equipment. All you really need to provide is food, a sleeping bag, and a cot, if you want one. We have everything else.

The Waco Boys have invited us to march with them in the Waco Veterans Day Parade. It will be on November 11th, a Friday. We have been well accepted by the people of Waco in this

parade, and I would like to participate with them again this year. If you are interested in marching with us, uniform or not, please let me know. However, we will need uniforms to carry weapons and flags. Join in so we can make sure that our Confederate Veterans are also represented and honored in this parade.

Please continue to keep our Compatriots who have endured the devastating 2005 hurricane season in your thoughts and prayers. They have a long way to go to get back to normal, and may need our help again. We stand ready, as a camp and individuals, to come to their aid when they ask.

Patterson Honored

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as the Dean of the History Complex since 1990. He led the History Complex as it expanded its facilities on the Hill College Complex.

Dr. Patterson has won virtually every SCV award, including the Division's Confederate of the Year Award and the Division's highest honor the Deo Vindice award.



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**Next Meeting:
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