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*Celebration Events Set for April*

## CAMP TO HOST BELL COUNTY CONFEDERATE HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

For the fifth straight year the Major Robert M. White Camp #1250 will honor 2006 Confederate History Month in Texas with special activities during the month of April. The Camp's quarterly dinner meeting on April 1<sup>st</sup> at the Cotton Patch Café in Temple and in special ceremonies in Belton on Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The quarterly dinner meeting will be held at 7:00 PM at the Cotton Patch Café, which is located in the Temple Mall. Camp members and friends of the Camp are asked to gather in Belton at the Bell County Courthouse at 1:00 PM on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. At the Confederate statue on the northwest corner of the Courthouse ground the Camp will gather to lay a wreath at the statue and raise the Confederate First National (Stars & Bars) flag. Bell County Judge Jon Burrows has authorized the flying

of the flag.

Following the event at the Courthouse the group will re-assemble at the

Following the events at the South Belton Cemetery the Camp will host a luncheon at Confederate Park in Belton. The park is so named in honor of the Confederate soldier reunions that once were held in Belton at the site. At the park a barbecue dinner will be served. The cost of the barbecue meal is \$7.00 per person.

All Camp members are urged to attend this important event. The designation of April being Confederate History Month was gained in 1999, while Camp member John Perry was serving as the Texas Division Commander.

The Texas Senate passed resolution number 526, proclaiming April as Confederate History Month in Texas. SCV camps and UDC chapters across the state are planning special events in April.



*The First National Flag rises on the flag pole next to the Confederate statue at the Bell County Courthouse in last year's event.*

South Belton Cemetery.

At the cemetery the Camp will honor all the graves of Confederate veterans buried in the cemetery.



# CONFEDERATE PROFILE TEXAS FIELD GENERAL

Young was hit five  
times before being  
captured at  
Allatoona,  
Georgia

Some generals led from behind the lines, this one lead his men from the field. He fought on after four wounds, but this Texan finally went down after being hit for the fifth time during fighting at Allatoona, Georgia. The Federals captured him and after a hospital stay he was sent to the dreadful Federal POW Camp at Johnson Island, Ohio.

William Hugh Young was born on January 1, 1838, at Booneville, Missouri, the son of Hugh F. Young. At the age of two he came to Texas with his parents, settling first in Red River County and later to Sherman in Grayson County. Young first attended college in Tennessee, then in Texas, before finally transferring to Virginia. He graduated from the University of Virginia in 1861. As war clouds loomed, Young stayed on in Virginia to train at a military academy. Young became a captain of one of the academy's two companies; the other captain was Robert E. Lee, Jr.

He returned to Texas in September of 1861 and quickly raised a company of Confederate volunteers from northeast Texas. Young was elected as the company's captain and the new unit was assigned to the 9<sup>th</sup> Texas. By March of 1862, Young and the 9<sup>th</sup> Texas were assigned to Corinth, Mississippi and participated in the Battle

of Shiloh in April of 1862.

Following the fight at Shiloh, Young, at only age 24, was given command of the regiment and promoted to colonel. His regiment was involved in Braxton Bragg's invasion of Kentucky and they saw heavy action at the Battle of Perryville in October.



*William Hugh Young*

By late December Young was in Tennessee and at the battle of Murfreesboro, was at the center of the Confederate attack against the Union line. Although his brigade was ordered to pull back when the attack failed, Young did not receive the orders and his regiment continued to press. They were able to flank the Federal line and launched a devastating enfilade fire against the Yankees. In the fight he was wounded in the shoulder and had two horses shot out from under him. His brigade

commander wrote of his valor, "Colonel Young . . . seized the colors of his regiment in one of the most gallant charges and led it through."

Young and his regiment remained in the Trans-Mississippi Department during 1863. Young was again wounded at Jackson in July. He was hit in the right thigh and needed a month to recover. In September, back on active duty, Young participated in the fight at Chickamauga and he was severely wounded in the left chest. He again needed some time off to recover.

At the Battle of Kenesaw Mountain Young was wounded for the fourth time, being hit in the neck and jaw in June of 1864. He remained on active duty, and assumed command of the brigade when his brigade commander, M. D. Ector was seriously hurt, requiring his leg to be amputated. Young directed the brigade during the remainder of the Atlanta campaign.

He was promoted to brigadier general in August of 1864. In October Young and his brigade were ordered to attack Federal positions at Allatoona, Ga. Young's horse was shot from under him and he continued to lead the brigade on foot until he was hit by artillery shrapnel in his left leg. He was loaded

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# Texas Field General

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onto an ambulance, but when the wagon took a wrong turn the Federals quickly captured them. The wound became infected in prison. He remained there until he was released on July 24, 1865.

Post war, Young took residence in San Antonio. He studied law and was admitted to the bar, but never practiced extensively. He was involved in several different business ventures including a freight line, the Nueces River Irrigation Company and had

extensive farm and ranch holdings. For a time he owned the San Antonio Express newspaper.

In 1895, he served as Commander of the Southwest Texas Division, United Confederate Veterans organization. His father also was a Confederate veteran, Colonel Hugh Franklin Young.

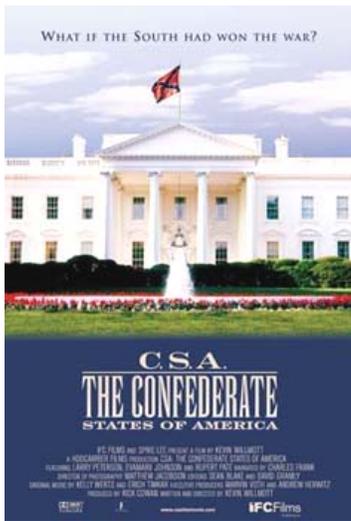
Young died, at the age of 63, of "pulmonary congestion and cardiac degeneration" in San Antonio in 1901. He is buried in San Antonio.



Gen. Young's grave at Confederate Cemetery in San Antonio, note the marker incorrectly lists his birth year as 1840, it was actually in 1838.

# NEW MOVIE ON CSA

The Confederate Army eventually seizes Washington, D.C., and Ulysses S. Grant surrenders to Lee to end the war. Assisted by Harriet Tubman, Abraham Lincoln flees the capital in blackface but is soon captured. "Dishonest Abe" is found guilty of war crimes and sentenced to death, but CSA President Jefferson Davis wisely commutes the sen-



tence, fearing Northern rebellion if Lincoln is executed. Lincoln lives out his long life in Canadian exile, mostly forgotten. Obviously not real history, but rather the scenario of a 2004 film which has just been released.

The movie portrays what life would be like in America if the South had won the

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# Camp Schedule

## April 1, 2006

Highway 93 Clean-up The State of Texas has designated this "Texas Trash Off" day, so we have to do our cleanup on this day. Meet at McDonald's on I-35 in Belton at 7:30 a.m., or at the cleanup site at 8:00 a.m.

## April 1, 2006

Camp's Quarterly Dinner Meeting, Cotton Patch Café, Temple Mall, Temple, TX, 7:00 PM. Speaker: George H. Ballentine: "Self Sufficiency at All Costs: The Confederate Postal Service"

## April 2, 2006

Confederate History Month activities in Belton, TX, The ceremonies will begin at the Confederate Monument on the courthouse square with the raising of the Stars and Bars. After a short program we will continue to South Belton Cemetery for a graves rededication ceremony. When that is completed we will be adjourn to Confederate Park in Belton for some fellowship and a BBQ dinner. Cost of the meal will be about \$7.00 per person.

## April 21-23, 2006

Confederate Reunion Grounds Reenactment, Mexia, TX camp store at this event, volunteers are needed, contact George Ballentine

## May 9, 2006

Camp's regular monthly Meeting, Cotton Patch Café, Temple Mall, Temple, TX, 7:00 PM. Speaker: TBA

## Next Camp

### Meeting:

April 1<sup>st</sup>

7:00 P.M. at

Cotton Patch Café

Temple, TX

Speaker:

George Ballentine

## CSA: The Movie

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Civil War and conquers and then occupies the entire United States. The



*Above: It is the Confederate Battleflag that flies on the moon;  
Right: Writer and director Kevin Willmott*

movie has opened this month in limited release.

In the movie slavery in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century still exists and the South has conquered much of South America. The Confederacy aligned with Hitler during World War II, but launched a sneak attack against Japan, interest-

ingly enough on December 7, 1941, to enter World War II.

The movie is presented as if it was a 2004 BBC documentary on the CSA, showing the rise of the Confederacy, its

place in world history, and what life is like today in the CSA, complete with Slave commercials and racial charged newscasts.

The movie was written and directed by Kevin Willmott. Willmott, who grew up in Junction City, KS, is an Assistant Professor in the Film Studies

Department of Kansas University.

Willmott felt the movie is important because, "Slavery is the deep, dark family secret in America. We all participated in it; we all evolved from it in some way or another, so we don't like to speak about it. The movie hopes to break that open to where we can say, 'Hey, we can actually talk about this. Slavery was a reality,'" Willmott said.

The movie was showcased at the 2004 Sundance film festival. It was not picked up by a major film distributor until black film producer Spike Lee recently put his name behind the movie.

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## 2006 Texas Division Reunion

Although details are still sketchy, the annual Texas Division Reunion will be held in Mesquite, Texas beginning Friday night June 4<sup>th</sup> and running through Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>. The event will be held at The Rodeo Center Hampton Inn and Suites in Mesquite.

A limited block of rooms is available at a special rate of \$79 per night. You must act before they are sold out or by May 19<sup>th</sup>, whichever comes first.

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**April 1st**  
**Cotton Patch Cafe**  
**Temple**  
**7:00 PM**