



Camp Officers 2016 -17

Commander - Eliza Roberts
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2nd Lt. Cmdr - Larry Shelton
Adjutant - John Hillman
Quartermaster - Willie Ray Boughner
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Judge Advocate - Allen Connel



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The Newton camp does not meet in December in respect for the holiday season. Our next meeting will be the second Saturday in January, January 14, 2017



Our camp extends a hearty welcome to our newest member Mr. Albert K Snell. Mr. Snell's family moved to Texas in the 1850's and established a thriving business on the Sabine River. Mr. Snell has two ancestors that fought for the Confederate cause determined to protect their business, property, family and State. These Alabama natives were brothers Adam Henry Snell and John J. Snell. Both brothers fought with the 13th Texas Cavalry (Burnett's Regiment). The brothers fought in two major battles: the Battle of Mansfield, LA and the Battle of Pleasant Hill, LA.

Snell's, Texas, known as Snell's Bluff, Snell's Landing and Snell's Bend was located 4.5 miles north of Toledo on the Sabine River. The community was named for Adam H. Snell. The two brothers established a mercantile and shipping business after the WBTS. They eventually had a store, watermill, gin and a school in addition to the landing. The Landing was listed on maps as late as 1925, but the growth of railroads took most of the Sabine River traffic. The completion of the Toledo Bend Dam in 1969 inundated much of the acreage that had once been the base for the Snell's brothers operation.

In Feb or March we will be dedicating the repaired marker for Lt John J. Snell. At our January meeting we will be discussing the dedication ceremony. The camp wants to extend its appreciation to the family that took the time, spent the money to repair and reset Lt Snell's marker.



