



# CONFEDERATE DALLAS !!!

Welcome to Dallas Texas and the National SCV Reunion!

*While you are in town you might enjoy seeing some of our wonderful Confederate Heritage in the area!*



## Penn Springs

Danieldale Rd. and Penn Springs Rd., Duncanville, Texas

Latitude & Longitude: 32° 37' 57.20754", -96° 55' 17.617368"

This area was an important early campsite and watering spot for Indians and pioneer settlers. Two springs formed a natural pool which served as a landmark for wagon trains and cattle drives on the Shawnee Trail. In the 1850s the site was settled by the family of Maj. John Penn of Illinois, who had first visited here in 1848. **On July 4, 1882, Penn Springs was the scene of a Confederate reunion of Parson's Texas Cavalry.** Owned by Penn Family members until 1895, the springs have continued to play an important role in the development of Duncanville.

**See the back for more on this great heritage site!**

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Hours of Operation: 5am to 10:00pm - .3 Acres of Developed Park Land - Special Use Park - 1 Historical Feature - 1 Picnic Table

The first reunion of the Brigade was held on July 4, 1878 at Waxahachie, Texas. A letter from General Parsons was read to members of his command. In part....."To have been participants in common peril is a remembrance that naturally binds the survivors in common sympathy. To have participated in common triumphs intensifies the feeling of fellowship."

"But when the memories are added to the privations endured and hardships and suffering undergone in common, the loss by our side in conflict and in hospital ... when I have been in charge in the long days ordeal of death or the skirmish line, or when conflict over, we discharged the farewell shots over the graves when our heroes we buried - these are treasured memories which unite the survivors and sanctify your reunion, these scenes that call up recollections and stir emotions to evoke the profoundest sympathies and illustrate the kindredship of our humanity and the brotherhood of men of the Twelfth and Nineteenth and the still living but absent veterans who shared events with us and to whom, in common with you all, on this occasion, I send greeting."

The Brigade Association was organized at Waxahachie August 18, 1880. President: Major J. Farrar; Vice -presidents, Lts. W. H. Getzendaner, L. T. Wheeler, Capt. Alex Howard, Col. D. C. Giddings, Capt. W. G. Veal, Secretary, Major A. M. Dechman and Treasurer S. A. Clift.

Subsequent meetings:

August 2, 1881, Corsicana, Texas . President, W. G. Veal; vice-presidents, L. J. Farrar, Charles Morgan, A. M. Walton, D. C. Giddings, Alex Harward; treasurer, S. A. Clift and secretary A. M. Deckman.

**August 2 and 3, 1882, Penn's Springs, Dallas County, Texas . President, W. G. Veal; vice presidents, Joe Abbott, H. Barnes, L. T. Wheeler, F. A. Ball, W. W. Peevy and Lee H. Hardy; treasurer, W. N. C. Hill, secretary, A. M. Dechman.**

Remaining meetings listed at: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~txellis/pannual.htm>

**Penn Springs is located in southwest Dallas County.**

**From North Central Expressway (going South from Richardson)**

Follow US-75 S to E R L Thornton Fwy in Dallas. Take exit 284A from US-75 S (Use the right 2 lanes to take exit 284A for I-30 W) Keep right to continue on Exit 45, follow signs for Ervay St. Keep right and merge onto E R L Thornton Fwy. Take I-35E and US-67 S to E Hwy 67/U.S. 67 Frontage Rd in Duncanville. Take the exit toward Daniieldale Rd from US-67 S. Take E Daniieldale Rd to Penn Springs Dr

Colonel A.H. Belo was from North Carolina, and participated in Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg. His troops were among the few to reach the stone wall. After the war, he moved to Texas, where he founded both the Galveston Herald and the Dallas Morning News. The Dallas Morning News was established in 1885 by the Galveston News as sort of a North Texas subsidiary. The two papers were linked by 315 miles of telegraph wire and shared a network of correspondents. They were the first two newspapers in the country to print simultaneous editions. The media empire he started now includes radio, publishing, and television. His impact on the early development of Dallas can hardly be overstated. Col. A.H. Belo Camp 49 is an unreconstructed camp and our website and facebook page are our unapologetic tributes to the Colonel as we seek to bring the truth to our fellow Southrons and others in an age of political correctness and unrepentant yankee lies about our people, our culture, our heritage and our history. Sic Semper Tyrannis!!!