



# SAVE THE FRANKLIN BATTLEFIELD, INC

November – December 2018

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**Dedicated to the Preservation, Protection, and Promotion of  
Civil War Sites in Williamson County, Tennessee**

## In This Issue

Each year at our Annual Meeting and Dinner, STFB awards our Tennie Pinkerton Dozier preservation award to someone who has made a significant contribution to Battlefield Preservation. We chose Tennie because she was one of the first to campaign for saving the Franklin Battlefield. She helped found the United Daughters of the Confederacy, acquire the Monument on the Square, rally Blue & Gray veterans to her cause and canvassed her Congressmen to establish a Battlefield Park at Franklin. She labored during the 1890's and into the 1900's, all without success unfortunately. She never quit. She simply ran out of time. We make our award to show that all of us are carrying her Laurel toward her original goal.

The 2018 TPD Award went to State Representatives Charles Sargent and Steve McDaniel. (see Annual Meeting report). Sadly, Charles has been very ill and was unable to attend the event.



**STFB Treasurer Sam Huffman presents the  
2018 Tennie Pinkerton Dozier Award to Rep  
Steve McDaniel**

## New & Renewing Members October - November, 2018

Mary & Mark Aulman	Woodland, CA
Bob Beck	Franklin, TN
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Marsha Fetty	Wintersville, OH
Wide Awake Films	Kansas City, MO
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Roger & Margaret Futrell	Frankfort, KY
Ohio Dept Ladies GAR	Pomeroy, OH
Beach Hall	Rogers City, MI
John Henderson	Franklin, TN
Shawn & Amy Henry	Nashville, TN
David Hinton	Nashville, TN
Donald Horton	Clarksville, TN
Chip Huffman	Brentwood, TN
Sam & Carol Huffman	Brentwood, TN
Stephen E James	Clarksville, TN
Ray Kevorkian	Swampscott, MA
Stanley Killian	Beaumont, TX
Betty Lovelace	Germantown, TN
Sherri Miller	Allentown, PA
Nancy & Bob Neighbors	Conway, AR
Civil War News	Tunbridge, VY
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### **Rob Hodge Shares Movie Box Office With STFB**

November saw the screening of **“The Battle of Franklin: Five Hours in the Valley of Death”** at Franklin Theatre. The award winning film was produced by Rob Hodge who hosted this showing to a full house. The film uses much panorama footage from the 2004 reenactment sponsored in part by STFB.

Rob has long been committed to assisting Franklin preservation projects. He raised over \$20,000 through a sponsored reenactment march in Virginia that he then donated to STFB for the purchase of Collins Farm in 2001. And in the recent years, he donated a portion of the film’s box office to Franklins Charge and STFB.

On the November 30 Battle of Franklin anniversary, STFB officers met Rob at the Confederate Cemetery to accept a \$760 check for a portion of the film’s box office receipts. “This will be used to buy dirt,” said STFB President Chip Huffman.



**Rob Hodge presents check to STFB Board members. (l-r) Dean Carr, Sam Gant, movie producer Rob Hodge, Chip Huffman, Sam Huffman (not related)**

### **Civil War Show A Big Success**

STFB volunteers again manned the STFB Civil War Show booth at the Williamson County Ag Center

December 1-2 (no room for a picture). The crowds were larger than last year and we had a successful event.

As always, STFB members stopped by to get the latest news about all of the projects underway by all of the preservation groups here in Franklin. Many are collectors or vendors from distant locales and come just for the show – and to talk with us. We also have visitors from the local area who know very little about the Battle of Franklin and the preservation efforts of the last 25 years. We are always eager to tell that story.

### **STFB Annual Meeting & Dinner**

The evening of November 15, forty-four STFB Members and Guests met at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church Otey Hall for the 2018 Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner.

President Chip Huffman welcomed the crowd and recognized the many dignitaries in the audience. The guest list included High School student David Moore. His attendance was sponsored by one of our members from California who feels it is important to include young people in our educational events. David is a sophomore at Centennial High School and his interests include football and theater. He belongs to the Trail Life Troop at the Concord Road Church of Christ. He volunteered with his Troop to help clear undergrowth at the RR underpass on Liberty Pike.



**Tina and Steve Moore with their son, David**

After a superb full-dinner buffet, the President opened a short business meeting where Secretary Sam Gant conducted an election of new Board Members, and Sam Huffman then reviewed STFB 2018 activities and projects now underway.

US Colored Troops reenactor Gary Burke then opened



the program with comments on the use of United States Colored Troops in The Federal Army. He then introduced his good friend and our speaker, Tina Cahalan Jones. Tina is an attorney and is deeply interested in researching the roughly 300 local USCT troops and documenting their stories.



**Tina Cahalan Jones describes details of her research of USCT soldiers from Williamson County**

Tina is a dynamic speaker and gave an excellent presentation on Williamson County U.S.C.T. soldiers. As an example, she recounted the service of Sgt. Isaac Dalton, Co. D, 14th Reg., U.S.C.I. Sgt. Dalton was mustered in at Gallatin, TN, on November 15, 1863. He, with the 14th U.S.C.I., was sent to Chattanooga near Lookout Mountain.

The 14th saw their first action at Dalton, GA, where they proved their ability as fighters. At the Battle of Nashville, the unit suffered heavy casualties. The 14th joined the pursuit of Hood through Franklin on December 16 - 17 but was withdrawn from the attack just south of Franklin and sent to Chattanooga. There, Sgt. Dalton became sick and was hospitalized for two months. Upon discharge, he returned to Franklin and, later, bought a farm on Murfreesboro Pike.

To learn more about Tina's research, see:

**Tina's web site**      [SlavesToSoldiers.com](http://SlavesToSoldiers.com)  
**Tina's blog**         [usctwillcotn.blogspot.com/](http://usctwillcotn.blogspot.com/)

The Meeting concluded with the TPD presentation to Steve McDaniel and Charles Sargent:

“For his Legislative Leadership in Battlefield Preservation and the establishment of the Tennessee Civil War Site Preservation Fund”

## News in Review

### November - December 2018

#### **Sargent to receive battlefield preservation award — Williamson-The Tennessean — 10/31/18 —**

**Franklin** — Franklin Rep. Charles Sargent will receive the American Battlefield Trust's State Leadership Award for his contribution to battlefield preservation during his two-decade tenure as a state legislator. One of Sargent's last efforts was securing the funding to build a new Carter House visitors' center off Columbia Avenue.

#### **Representative Sargent passes away Tuesday after illness, leaves legacy of kindness, wisdom —**

**Williamson Herald — 11/13/18 — Franklin** — Rep. Charles Sargent, R-Franklin, known as a champion for education, state budget mastermind and supporter of preservation, passed away during the early morning hours at his home Tuesday, Nov. 13 after battling a long illness. Sargent, who most refer to as “Mr. Chairman” on legislative hill, served as chairman for eight years on the House Finance, Ways and Means Committee and spent 22 years as a legislator (elected 11 times), leaving an impact of wisdom, kindness, humor, measured decision-making and bipartisanship for all who knew him.

#### **Battle of Franklin Trust remembers lives lost in Battle of Franklin at Illumination Ceremony — Williamson Herald — 12/4/18 — Franklin —**

Hundreds of people gathered at Carnton Plantation on November 30 to commemorate the 10,000 casualties inflicted during the Battle of Franklin 154 years ago. In past years, luminaries have been placed in the west field of the Carnton Plantation home, but due to the threat of rain, the luminaries instead were placed in various spots inside and outside the plantation, as well as the historic Carter House on Columbia Avenue.



**At the Annual Meeting - Sam Gant, Representative Sam Whitson, Sam Huffman. BTW, these three Sam's helped acquire carriages for the cannons on the Square**

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