

## Calendar

### JANUARY

1/1, New Year's Day

### FEBRUARY

Black History Month  
1/14, Valentine's Day  
1/15, Presidents' Day

### MARCH

3/8, International Women's Day  
3/20, First Day of Spring

### APRIL

4/12, 152<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the  
Battles of Prairie D'Ane, Moscow,  
and Elkins' Ferry  
4/22, Earth Day

### MAY

Heritage Month  
5/2-22, "Foot Soldiers for Freedom"  
Exhibit on display at Depot  
5/17, Community Coffee, 9:30-11 am  
at Depot Museum

### JUNE

6/11, Depot's 105<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
6/28, John Teeter Appreciation Day

### JULY

7/4, Independence Day

### AUGUST

Back to School

### SEPTEMBER

Nevada County Fair  
9/14, John Teeter Day (John's  
Birthday)

### OCTOBER

National & Arkansas Archives'  
Month  
Fall Festival  
10/12, Indigenous Peoples' Day

### NOVEMBER

11/24, Thanksgiving Day  
11/25, Native American Heritage  
Day

### DECEMBER

12/25, Christmas Day

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## THE BATTLE OF MOSCOW

Moscow Church on Cale Road is located near the site of the Battle of Moscow. This battle is considered to be the final fighting at Prairie D'Ane. Thayer's Army of the Frontier drew the duty of protecting Steele's rear and wagons from Confederate attack. Steele's army had to cross Terre Rouge Swamp. Thayer's detachment lingered, waiting for the rest of the column to clear the swamp. It was nearly a full day before the rest of the Union column moved out toward Camden and Thayer got under way. Price, now aware of Steele's plan, sent Marmaduke and Shelby racing ahead to try and get in front of Steele. He then sent Dockery and Gen. Samuel B. Maxey with Gano's Texas Brigade and Walker's Choctaw Brigade to hit the rear of the fleeing Federals. Dockery's cavalry slammed into Thayer's men. The Third Brigade under Col. John Edwards was all that stood between Dockery and the wagons.

The Confederates pushed the surprised Union soldiers back and captured a section of artillery. The way to the Union supply train was now open and Dockery made a dash for it. Col. John Edwards rallied his 18th Iowa Infantry and staunchly resisted the Confederate onslaught. Edwards' dogged Iowans were soon joined by the 1st Arkansas (Union) and 1st Kansas (Black) Infantry. As the fighting grew hotter, more of Thayer's Army of the Frontier hastened toward the sound of the guns. The Federals recaptured the artillery and the 2nd Indiana Battery began to make the Confederates pay, ultimately firing over 2,000 rounds during the fight. With order restored, Thayer gathered his soldiers at the edge of the prairie. The combined firepower of his artillery, infantry, and cavalry drove off the Confederates. Thayer's cavalry then pursued the defeated Confederates four or five miles before returning to the column. The Battle of Moscow ended the action at Prairie D'Ane with neither side losing many men during the fight.

~Ken Petre, Curator