

Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp 47 NEWSLETTER



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Camp Commander Don Lillicrap

From Commander Lillicrap

I hope everyone had a good time at our ceremony at Horine Cemetery in Richwoods. I'm always really proud of our endeavors during Memorial Day. I know the rest of the year seems a little in flux and uncertain but I am confident we will start seeing some events crop up as the year continues.



**New Raffle Item
Fundraiser!**



Did we mention that we have a new raffle item? 5 tickets for \$4. 10 tickets for \$7.

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Horine Cemetery Cenotaph Ceremony May 24, Richwoods, Missouri

The Camp, Auxiliary, and Grant Camp members Bob and Marty Aubuchon joined together to honor Harrison Murdick (aka Murdock), who was in the 6th Missouri Cavalry, Company L. He died of measles at Baton Rouge in 1865 and is buried there. The government had provided Murdick a tombstone with his name

“Murdock,” so the government has no obligation to provide a new one. Ted Howells of Leader Publications wanted to have a memorial at the Horine Cemetery in Richwoods and had a cenotaph placed there. This event took place at 2 p. m. on Sunday afternoon May 24.

M. | 6 Cav. | Mo.

Harrison Murdick

Co. L., 6 Reg't Missouri Cavalry.

Appears on Company Descriptive Book of the organization named above.

DESCRIPTION.

Age 18 years; height 5 feet 7 inches.

Complexion Ruddy; hair dark

Eyes hazel

Where born Washington Mo.

Occupation Farmer

ENLISTMENT.

When Oct. 13, 1864.

Where At Lewis

By whom Capt Wright, term 1 y'm.

Remarks: Died at Baton Rouge La. Mar 14/65

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Harrison Murdick

Co. L., 6 Reg't Missouri Cavalry.

Appears on Returns as follows:

Jan & Feb 1865: Absent sick.

Mar 1865: Died at U. S. Genl. Hoapl., Baton Rouge, La.

Mar 14, 65 of measles.

Service Records for Harrison Murdick, 6th Missouri Cavalry



**Preparations before the ceremony.
Brothers Marty Aubuchon, Don Roussin
and Bob Aubuchon.**



Commander Lillicrap presides

**Commander Don Lillicrap with SVR Color Guard
Steve Alexander, Marty Aubuchon, Chris Warren,
Bob Aubuchon, Don Roussin, and Alan Trodus**



Louisa Volker Auxiliary #215 Members
 (T. Warren, A. Warren, C. Warren, P. McClelland,
 C. Alexander, K. Roussin, K. Naock)

**Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher
 Camp #47 & U. S. Grant
 Camp #68, SUVCW,
 &
 47th Missouri Infantry,
 Co. E, SVR**
 (B. Aubuchon, A. Trodus, S.
 Alexander, D. Lillicrap, C. Warren,
 Doug Roussin, M. Aubuchon, Don
 Roussin, S. Hunnewell)



**Warren Family
 May 24, Bonne Terre**



Twyla, Abbie, and Colleen Warren of the Louisa Volker Auxiliary #215 placed flags on the G.A.R. Monument in Bonne Terre. The Monument is across the street from the original building where the G.A.R. Post #215 actually met, but it is now private property and the monument is in a little "veterans park" across from the Bonne Terre post office.



MAY MEETING MINUTES

Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 meeting minutes (unapproved)

21 May A. D. 2020, First Methodist Church, Festus, Missouri

Attendees: Sons: Steve Alexander (SVC), John Griffith (Council), PCC Sumner G. Hunnewell (Secretary), Bernard Laiben, PCC Don Lillicrap (Commander), Don Roussin, PCC Doug Roussin (Council), Alan Trodus (Secretary), PDC Chris Warren (Chaplain).

Auxiliary: Colissa Alexander (Council), Susan Breland (Council), PP Twyla Warren (President), PP Kelly Noack (Secretary/Treasurer), Kathie Roussin (Vice President), Abbie Warren.

Guest: Joy Griffith.

Prior to the meeting, Sumner distributed the new directory and the "Letter of Instruction for the Proper Observance of Memorial Day" from National Chaplain Preble.

The meeting was called to order by Commander Don at 6:56 p.m. The Camp and Auxiliary gave the pledge of allegiance and Chris led the group in prayer.

Commander Don did not have much to discuss.

Sumner mentioned that the Department Encampment was moved to Missouri Town in Lee's Summit on June 6. After a query, only he (and perhaps Doug) will attend.

Alan presented the treasurer's report. A new raffle of a marine-style sabre will be our fundraiser this coming year. Chances are 5/\$4 or 10/\$7. After discussion it was agreed that we will collect money through Veterans Day **2021**, because we are not sure how often we will be in public to sell tickets. The Auxiliary will do their own fundraising. They are not sure if they will do a garage sale or a quilt.

Discussion next was around the Sunday, May 24, Horine Cemetery event. Doug, Alan, Steven, Colissa, Don R., Don L., Sumner, Twyla, Chris, Abbie, and Kelly said they would attend. The Cemetery is easy to find according to Doug (dirt road). Arrive by 1:30 p.m. at the latest. (There are seven to eight Civil War soldiers buried there. Sumner asked if their graves had been registered. Chris said no.) Doug will bring flags to cemetery. Chris will do a program booklet. Noted that this is a cenotaph since the soldier we are honoring is buried in Louisiana. Chris may need to get some wreaths or roses.

John discussed our wooden weaponry to sell at Pilot Knob. He said his current inventory is six short rifles, 11 shotguns, stocks and some barrels. Alan said that we have 14 long double barrel shotguns and five short swords as well. Once John gets enough cut out, he will need someone to do routing. Doug said he can help rout. John said he could use more wood. Doug responded that he would buy wood (camp to reimburse). Sumner brought wood scraps to donate.

Doug gave an JROTC report. He had a certificate signed and ready to go for Fredericktown. Doug said that the JROTC people have been lax getting back to him. LT John Francis is interested

in a Civil War encampment for the ROTC in Fredericktown. The JROTC is checking with school officials. The encampment would be at the beginning of September but no date is set. Doug said he would set up a tent and we would do a show and tell with the Auxiliary. Chris said that he knows people in the school administration as well.

Doug then read the resolution supporting Sumner for Department Commander.

Kelly reported on setting up a camp at Fort Davidson. There will be nothing this Spring as there has been too much rain. The Park is shut down. No one is allowed inside, on the playgrounds, &c. Chris thinks that when they do open up, they will want to do something to get things moving again there.

Since the Pilot Knob reenactment is still on per Brick at the State Park, Don said that we will need people to sign up for shifts.

Kathy said that the July 4 De Soto parade is “iffy” at this point.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. to devour various cakes and pies.

TREASURER’S REPORT

General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 Treasurer’s Report for MARCH 2020

Balance from last report (February 2020)	1136.58
Expenditures	
Sutler Pre-registration for Battle of Pilot Knob check #1270	30.00
Sword for Camp Raffle, cash	45.00
Income	
2020-Dues-Warren	38.00
2020-SVR Dues- M & R Aubuchon	6.00
2020-Dues-C Noack	38.00
2020-Dues-M Arbuthnot	38.00
2020-Dues-D Noack	38.00
2020-Dues-Alexander	38.00
2020-Dues-Griffith	38.00
2020-Dues-Burd	38.00
2020-Dues-D&J Asberry	76.00
Donation – D&J Asberry	4.00
Current Balance (18 March 2020)	1413.58
Checking Account	1362.01
Cash	51.57
Checks (not yet deposited)	0.00
End Balance	1413.58

Seventeen Brothers have paid their 2020 Dues. One Brother has transferred from Camp #47 (Richard Dunham). Two Brothers have not paid their Dues (David Scott and Leonard Wright).

Sutler pre-registration form has been filled out for a table and tent for Fletcher Camp #47 and a check for \$30 have been mailed to the Friends of Fort Davidson for the reenactment on 26-27 September 2020.

A sword has been purchased for the Camp Raffle item. The Ladies Auxiliary are invited to co-sponsor the raffle.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 Treasurer's Report for APRIL 2020

Balance from last report (March 2020)	1413.58
Expenditures	
Paid SVR dues, Ck #1271	58.00
Paid SUVCW National/Department dues, Ck# 1272	435.00
Income	
None	
Current Balance (7 April 2020)	920.58
Checking Account	869.01
Cash	51.57
Checks (not yet deposited)	0.00
End Balance	920.58

SVR dues for 47th MO INF, Co E were paid on 19 Mar 2020.

SUVCW dues for General Thomas C Fletcher Camp #47 were paid on 21 Mar 2020.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 Treasurer's Report for MAY 2020

Balance from last report (April 2020)	1413.58
Expenditures: None	
Income: None	
None	
Current Balance (17 May 2020)	920.58
Checking Account	869.01
Cash	51.57
Checks (not yet deposited)	0.00
End Balance	920.58

—Alan R Trodus, Treasurer



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CALENDAR

- 6 June - Department Encampment (Lee's Summit)
- 4 July - De Soto parade [tentative]
- 18 July - Grant Remembrance Day, Whitehaven [currently closed]
- 24 July - Grant Symposium (in person & digitally)
- 13-16 August - National Encampment (Atlanta)
- 30 August - USCT event, Jefferson Barracks, Civil War Museum
- 26-27 September - Battle of Pilot Knob
- 2-3 October - Central Region Association of the Allied Orders of the G.
A. R. (Murphysboro, IL)
- 10 October - Department Business Meeting (Jefferson City)
- 25 October - Sherman Day, Calvary Cemetery (St. Louis)
- 5 December - De Soto Christmas Parade

Camp/Auxiliary Meetings

18 June
16 July
20 August
17 September
15 October
19 November

June birthdays

4th Patti McClelland
27th Colton Noack