



# Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp 47 NEWSLETTER

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a fraternal organization dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of heroes who fought and worked to save the Union. Organized in 1881 and chartered by Congress in 1954, we are the legal successor to the Grand Army of the Republic.



Camp Commander Doug Roussin

## From Commander Roussin



**Commander Roussin is feeling poorly and has been to the hospital. I am sure that he and Kathie would appreciate our prayers!**

**Deadline: Dec. 4 for Christmas Party & Officer Installation.**  
**Contact**  
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**Consider Life Membership in the SUVCW!**  
You will be exempt from National and Department dues. [Details here!](#)

**Brothers and Sister in Hillsboro**

**Colissa Alexander, Alan Trodus, Steve Alexander, Doug Roussin, Kathie Roussin, and Mark Arbuthnot**

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**The Fletcher Camp & Volker Auxiliary on the Move!**

**OCTOBER 15-16, HILLSBORO HORSE SHOW, HILLSBORO**

The Camp and Auxiliary participated again this year in the Hillsboro Horse Show. While recruiting, we do a living history exhibit. The organizers asked us to do a reading of the Sullivan Ballou letter as we have done in the past.



**Brother Alan Trodus at the Camp Recruitment Center**



**Sister Colissa Alexander at the Auxiliary Display**



The reading of the Sullivan Ballou letter by Brothers Trodus & Roussin and Sister Susan Breland.







**B. Hickman, A. Trodus, S. Hunnewell, I. Hickman, K. Noack, D. Roussin, A. Warren, S. Alexander, C. Alexander, K. Roussin, T. Warren, M. Arbuthnot, C. Warren**

**NOVEMBER 6, VETERANS DAY PARADE, DE SOTO**

Again, we went to honor our veterans and ancestors during the De Soto Veterans Day Parade. We do a good job keeping together marching at the beginning of the parade. There is talk about weighting down Brother Hunnewell's & Hickman's feet with lead.

*Photos courtesy of Ted Howell.*



***Clockwise***  
**Brothers Hunnewell & Hickman**  
**Brothers Roussin, Alexander,**  
**Warren & Arbuthnot**  
**Sisters Warren, Noack, and**  
**Alexander**







**NOVEMBER 8, AWARDING OF THE SWORD**

1st Sgt Alan Trodus of the SUVCW General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 presents the ceremonial sword to the Camp's raffle winner, Kathy Edwards of Crystal City, Missouri.

Her son made the donation and signed his mother's name on the winning ticket during the De Soto Train Days festival.

Congratulations Kathy!



*The 102<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of  
Veterans Day*

*The 103<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the End of the  
War to End All Wars*

Ceremonies at Monument to the 56<sup>th</sup> USCT Infantry  
Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery  
Lemay, MO  
on  
Thursday,  
November 11, 2021  
1 P.M.

With Members of the  
Allied Orders of the  
Grand Army of the Republic  
And their Guests  
Honoring America's Heroes

**AFTER THE EVENT**  
-- VFW POST 4223 is serving up meals to veterans and their friends all day. Please consider attending. They are located at : VFW Post 4223, 215 Military Rd (at Lemay Ferry Rd.), Lemay, MO 63125

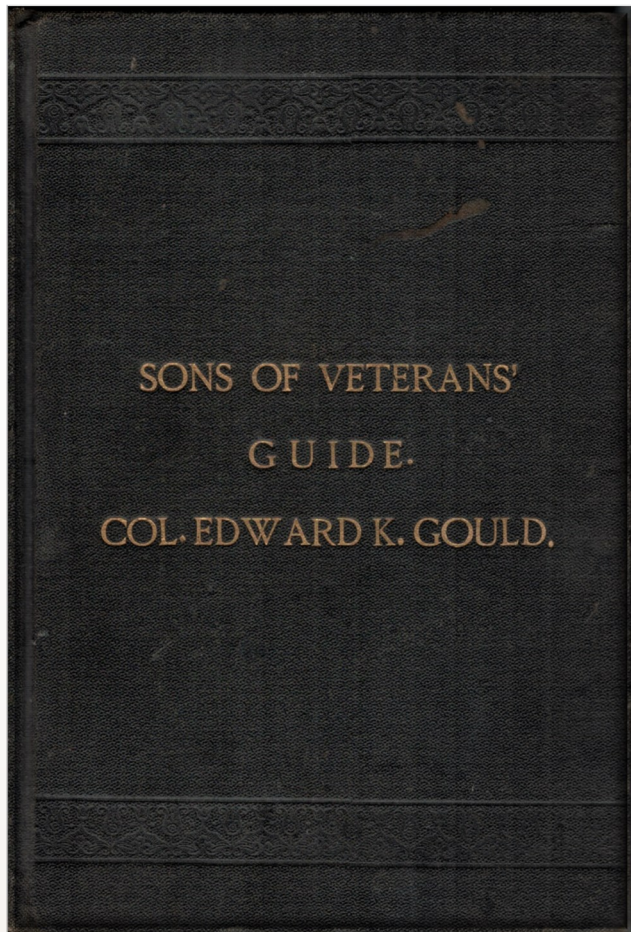
Event sponsored by U.S. Grant Camp #68, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, St. Louis, MO [www.grantcamp.org](http://www.grantcamp.org)

**NOVEMBER 11, VETERANS DAY, JEFFERSON BARRACKS NATIONAL CEMETERY, ST. LOUIS**

Brother Walter Busch of the U. S. Grant Camp organized a Veterans Day event at Jefferson Barracks. Originally meant to honor the Civil War federal 56th USCT regiment, it was required to make this honoring all veterans. It was very well-produced and varied with veterans in attendance.

Our Camp participated in various ways. Brother Bob Aubuchon was in the color guard and did yeoman's work holding the 56th USCT flag in place during gale force winds. Colton and Duncan Noack dressed in World War I and World War II uniforms. Duncan Noack provided a musical interlude on violin. Sumner Hunnewell appeared in his Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company uniform and passed out programs.

**Say you were in the Sons of Veterans in 1888...keep to your obligations, brothers**



ARTICLE V.

FINES.

Section 1. — Any officer or member of the Camp who shall fail to turn out with the Camp on Memorial Day, shall be fined one dollar for each offence.

Section 2. — Any officer or member of the Camp failing to attend the funeral of a member after being duly notified, shall be fined fifty cents for each offence.

Section 3. — If the commanding officer of this Camp fails to enforce any of the foregoing fines, he shall himself be fined fifty cents for each offence.

Section 4. — Any officer or member may have his fines remitted, if he present satisfactory evidence in writing that it was necessary for him to neglect the performance of the duties named in Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this article. Said evidence shall be referred to a special

committee, to consist of three brothers, who shall carefully consider the same and report on each and every case at the next regular meeting of the Camp.

Section 5. — All fines, if not paid at once, shall be passed to the account of the member incurring them, and shall stand against said member as regular dues, which must be settled to entitle him to the privilege of voting and of holding office.

Section 6. — Suspended members shall pay the whole sum due from them up to the time of reinstatement.

— Col. Edward K, Gould, *Sons of Veterans; Guide for Officers and Members of the Sons of Veterans; U. S. A. and Ladies' Aid Societies*, 2nd ed. (Rockland, ME: the author, 1888)

[50¢ would be about \$15.00 today.—Ed.]

## NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

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

18 November A. D. 2021, Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1620 Boyd St., De Soto, Missouri

**Attendees: Sons:** Mark Arbuthnot (PI), Billy Hickman, Izaiah Hickman, PDC Sumner G. Hunnewell (Secretary), PCC Doug Roussin (Commander), Alan Trodus (Treasurer)

**Auxiliary:** Susan Breland (Council), Kelly Noack (Secretary/Treasurer), Kathie Roussin (Vice President)

**Guests:** Nancy & Ted Howell

The meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m.

Patriotic Instructor Mark Arbuthnot led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Commander Roussin had no report.

Secretary Hunnewell asked if anyone had pictures of the Herculaneum Veterans Day parade but was told that there was miscommunication / lack of support, so we did not participate. Sumner said he was working with Ted Howell on his membership forms.

Treasurer Trodus gave his treasurer's report. He said that he would be passing around a camp property list and ask for corrections. Mark asked if we had earmarked any money since we are flush. Doug thought we might purchase a portable speaker system. Sumner was asked to cash in our \$100 of Loyalty Bonds and use the money to purchase SUVCW medals for the camp's use.

Kelly gave the Auxiliary's report. Twyla has information on the money made from dolls. They made \$300 at Kirkwood. The Auxiliary is thinking about having a quarterly meeting at members' homes. They could plan service projects in the community. The ASUVCW President will be attending our Christmas Party. Everyone agreed to dress out at the Christmas Party. Kelly was offered \$150 by Kirkwood to make and sell dolls but the organizers decided that she made too much money selling the dolls (even though all of the money was going to the Auxiliary), they would not pay her. The Auxiliary agreed to compensate Kelly \$75 for her material.

The Camp agreed to keep the same camp dues (\$6). Non-life members pay \$38/year (\$23 national, \$6 department, \$6 camp, \$3 SVR).

Auxiliary dues will come out of their accounts.

### OLD BUSINESS

We made \$291 on the sale of raffle tickets for our sword. We had a long discussion on whether we should try to purchase a real Civil War era or GAR or SUV or replica sword for the coming year. The feeling was that the older swords wouldn't raise enough money to pay for them.

### NEW BUSINESS

We then went over the following events:



**De Soto Tree Lighting (Dec. 3)** – 6 p.m. There will be free cookies and hot chocolate. There will be a nativity walk, ending at Mahn Funeral Home. Shop hours are extended. Santa will be at The Arlington. Ted & Nancy Howell were the GoH's in 2020.

**De Soto Christmas Parade (Dec. 4)** – 6 p.m. line-up at Hahn Funeral Home. Entry fee will be \$15 for us again this year. The theme is Favorite Christmas Movie. We will march with white rifles with lanterns. We will have the float. The following people have shown an interest / been pigeonholed: Alan, Kelly, Bill, Izaiah, Susan, Twyla, Chris, Abby, Duncan, Anna, Colton, and Bob (?).

**Hillsboro Christmas Parade (Dec 11)** – 4 p.m. line-up behind the high school. There is a bonfire afterwards. We will march with white rifles with lanterns. We will have the float. We need to know who will attend.

Our Christmas Party will be at the De Soto Community Center on December 10. Doors open at 6 p.m. \$10 at the door. **Let Steve Alexander know by December 4 if you are going to attend.**

Sumner will email the Grant & St. James Camp to ask them to participate in this and our Christmas Party. Sumner was asked to invite the Department Commander and his wife to our Party as well.

We will not do bell ringing for food this year. No one in the community wanted to organize.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m. The post-meeting meal was provided by the Roussins.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 Treasurer's Report for NOVEMBER 2021

<u>Balance from last report (October 2021)</u>	1622.75
<u>Expenditure</u>	
Cashed-in Loyalty Bonds Purchase (Sumner)	100.00
<u>Income</u>	
Cash-in Camp Loyalty Bonds (Sumner)	100.00
Sale of two small pistols	6.00
Donation Alan J Trodus	4.00
Small Statue raffle at business meeting	16.00
Weapon sales at Hillsboro Horse show (16 Oct)	217.00
Sword Raffle receipts after Drawing	291.00
<u>Current Balance (15 November 2021)</u>	2156.75
Checking Account	1981.66
Cash	120.53
Checks (not yet deposited)	0.00
Gift cards (Walmart)	54.56
<u>End Balance</u>	2156.75

Sword chances = 410, Sword donations = \$291.00, Sword Winner = Kathy Edwards of Crystal City, Mo.

- Alan R Trodus, Treasurer

## YOUR CAMP OFFICERS

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**Secretary, Treasurer**

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## CALENDAR

*Camp meetings (6:30 p.m.) at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1620 Boyd St., De Soto, unless otherwise noted.*

3 December—De Soto Tree Lighting (not a camp activity)

4 December—De Soto Christmas Parade

10 December—Camp Christmas Party (swearing in), De Soto Community Center

11 December—Hillsboro Christmas Parade

\*\* NO MEETING IN JANUARY \*\*

### Camp/Auxiliary Meetings

10 December

#### November birthdays

**14-Nov Kelly Noack**

**20-Nov Katherine Sago  
Wortham**

**26-Nov David Christopher  
Warren**

#### December birthdays

**9-Dec Twyla D. Warren**

**14-Dec Abbie Warren**

**16-Dec Randal Aubrey Burd Jr.**

**28-Dec Katherine Roussin**

**28-Dec Alice Marie Sago**