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**ABOUT THIS ISSUE: (COVER)** A Tableaux of New Year's Day by Thomas Nast published in the Jan. 2, 1864 issue of Harper's Weekly contrasting life in the North and the South.

**(The Rest):** New Series? Lessons Your Confederate Brother-in-Law Should Learn; Missing Cannons and other Missing Monuments in Missouri; Book Review: *The Last of the Blue and Gray* ; Lt. Colonel Grothe's retirement; Upcoming GAR meeting!

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## Events on the Horizon

Feb 18	7pm – Wildwood, MO – 130 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Krienkamp GAR Post – see article
Feb 23	Sherman Remembrance Day – Calvary Cemetery – Host: Sherman Camp
March 1	Jefferson Barracks Swap Meet
March 8	Department Business Meeting – Capitol Bldg, Room 7, Jefferson City -10 am
March 23	Pvt. Ricksecker –Medal of Honor Recipient Ceremony – Forest Hills Cemetery, Kansas City – 2 pm – Host: Westport Camp
March 29	Turner Brigade Spring Drill at Fort Davidson
April 12	Lincoln Remembrance Day, Springfield, IL – See Form for details
May 26	Memorial Day – Jefferson Barracks

## Editor's Comments

Time to rethink lowering our country's flag. One to two times each month there is a notice in my work e-mail that by order of the governor or president because we want to honor X-Y-Z, we need to have the US flag lowered. When I was young I remember the flag being lowered for President Kennedy, General MacArthur, and Sir Winston Churchill. I remember asking my dad why we are honoring Churchill and he replied that he was our closest ally during World War II and deserved it. And, that's it!

Nowadays, every county judge, every state representative, senator and even foreign dignitaries who we can't really call our closest allies are remembered by our flag being lowered. When I first started working where I do thirteen years ago, I remember people coming in when we had a lowered flag to ask what important person died. They don't ask anymore.

It is now time to rethink this. Presidents, 5 star generals/admirals and true allies, yes!. Do we truly have any today? Margaret Thatcher died this year. She helped us free Europe from communism. We didn't honor her, but we did Nelson Mandela. One helped free a continent (no flag), the other held national office during a touchy time (flag).

Service men, who died in combat, should be honored in the state they call home. Days of national mourning (Memorial Day, September 11, December 7), of course! I will even go so far as to say U.S. Congress persons and the Governor of a state who died in office should be so honored, but that is it. I am really getting tired of seeing a lowered American flag. It is time to return it to its full staff and leave it there, so that when it is lowered Americans will once again pause to reflect upon why.

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# Lessons Your Confederate Brother-in-Law Should Learn!

## Just How Confederate Was Missouri?

Missouri had a star on the Confederate flag and a lot of people nowadays believe that Missouri was strongly Confederate state. But was it really?

If you look at the election results from 1860, the answer is a resounding "No!" Three candidates were running that were pro-Union. Bell was a Southerner and believed slavery should not expand to other states, but also that it was protected by the Constitution. For that reason, he was denounced as a traitor by Southern politicians. Only after Fort Sumter was fired upon did Bell side with Tennessee and the south. Breckenridge was decidedly Southern rights. Adding the results of the three pro-Union ones together, we find that only 24% of Missourians voted for the Southern candidate.

1860 Election Results in Missouri	
Abraham Lincoln - Republican Party	17,028
John Bell - Constitution Union Party	58,372
Stephen Douglas - Democratic Party	58,801
Total For Union Supporters	134,201
John Breckenridge - Southern Democrat	31,362

A lot of people will argue that Missouri gave fairly equal amounts of soldiers to both the south and north. The numbers, however, are again very lop-sided, in favor of the north. 110,000 Missouri men became Union soldiers while 40,000 signed up for service with the rebels. Thirty six percent of Missouri's Civil War soldiers were Confederates or in Missouri's militia under Missouri State Guard General M. Jeff Thompson. While much more than the 24% of the population who first voted with the south prior to the war, it still doesn't equal the number of Missourians in blue. Again, Missouri was a Union state.

Even after the war, the answer was still negative. Only 79 United Confederate Veterans camps were established in Missouri. 594 Grand Army of the Republic Camps (Union soldiers only) were established.

So Missouri was not so much a divided state as it was a state with a sliver of the pie cut out of it! In other words, the Union got the Lyon's share of the pie!

NOTE: The editor has been duly stoned with hardtack for subjecting the readers of this illustrious newsletter to a terrible pun.

[This may end up being a series. I already have several myths that provide some interesting debate points, including: The South Had The Right to Secede; It Wasn't About Slavery; Grant Was A Butcher; Lee Thought Slavery Was "a Moral and Political Evil." Lyon Declared War on the State In A Meeting with Price; There Was a Quorum of Senators Who Voted to Secede; and, Lincoln's Suppression of Habeas Corpus. Should it be?]

**Mythbusters: Sam Hildebrand was a Confederate Major. He received his commission from Confederate General M. Jeff Thompson.** -- Incorrect. While Sam killed over 20 men and did a lot of bushwhacking, he probably never led more than 8 men at any one time. A very small number compared to that of Confederate Captain William Quantrill. Besides, explain how Hildebrand could have received a Confederate commission from a General who was not a Confederate General? Good Old Jeff was a fightin' Missouri general, but he was a general of only state militia troops, not Confederate troops. Also, in his autobiography he mentions one instance where he took orders from a Confederate Captain. No self-respecting murderous bushwhacking Major would do THAT!



# Whoa! Mule, Whoa! Whoa Mule I Say, Ain't Got Time To Kiss You Now, Mule Has Run Away!

The following is verbatim from Frank Moore's "*Anecdotes, Poetry, & Incidents of the War: North and South*";

## *Pilot Knob Mule Story*

Having located them, or at least some of them, the [Pilot Knob Iron] Company employed a lawyer to get legal possession. The mules were in Arkansaw [sic] and going before a court began a replevin suit to which the holders of the mules agreed to have tried by jury. The Missouri lawyer proved the property was taken from somewhere in the State of Missouri and felt sure of his case. The defendants willing to have everything done according to law were represented by one of their own type. The evidence was taken showing they had owned those mules since the close of the war, but an Arkansaw jury was trying this case and the "legal light" addressed them appealing to their sense of justice and fairness, "That Yankee lawyer comes down here and claims those mules pretending they are branded [PKIC] for some company that calls themselves "Pilot Knob company, do you see an "N" for "Nob" on them mules?" It is as plain as daylight he never had any right to them, for we all can see that brand stands for Price's Kavalry Co. I." And Arkansaw kept the mules.

## *Where Are They Now?*

To this day, standing sentinel over the Sunset Hills Cemetery in Warrensburg, MO, is a statue of a Union soldier placed there by the local Col. Grover Post 78, Grand Army of the Republic. The soldier atop the monument was purchased from the W.H. Mullins Co. of Salem, OH, and was model number 4728 *Infantryman at Parade Rest*. The picture (shown on left) was taken around 1913 and brings up an interesting question. Where are the cannons today?

When PDC Brian Smarker of Westport camp recorded the monument in 2006, the cannons were long gone. Were they sold? Stolen? Used for scrape during a World War metals drive? Unfortunately, we don't know. This is why researching the monuments are so important. We are the legal heirs of the GAR and it would be a crime for anyone to take or sell GAR cannons without our permission unless they were given by the GAR to some other organization or city government.

Other SUVCW camps and departments have fought several battles over this issue when cities try to sell cannons because they can make a quick profit. Fortunately, the SUVCW has often won these fights. We need to be vigilante and work with local government and historical societies to maintain and preserve these.



Union Soldiers' Monument, Warrensburg, Mo. Surmounted by 6 ft. statue, No. 4728, page 57. Made in sheet copper, antique bronze finish, by The W. H. Mullins Co., Salem, Ohio.

Here in Missouri, if it were not for the efforts of Col. Joseph L. Porter Camp 2055, Sons of Confederate Veterans, the marker indicating U.S. Grant's first fight in Hunnewell, MO, would be long gone. A member of the camp found the State Historical Society marker discarded at a Missouri Highway Department shed and led the efforts to return it to the proper location. They succeeded in 2007.

Sometimes though, we are not successful and monuments, cannons and markers disappear. For instance, the American Circle #62 of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic placed a marker near Hazelgreen, Laclede Co., MO, in 1931. The marker honored the march of Union soldiers from St. Louis to Springfield over the



October 2007 Ceremony Restoring U.S. Grant Marker At Hunnewell Conservation Access

Wire Road and was on the side of Route 66. Route 66, however, became U.S. I-44 in that area. The land the monument was on became highway and the marker disappeared probably sometime in the 1960s. Because research has found a picture of this marker, it is now possible if we need to make the effort to restore it.

Two other instances in which monuments apparently disappeared are in Pike County and Ste. Genevieve County. The *Missouri Historic Sites Catalogue*, printed in 1963, identifies a monument to Frank P. Blair, Jr., on the grounds of the old Louisiana hospital. The building is still there, but the monument is not. The 1978 catalog of Union monuments by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War says that there is a Union monument in a cemetery somewhere in Ste. Genevieve county, but all efforts to find it have failed. Unfortunately, the DUVCW booklet did not include photographs of each monument.

So recording monuments is a very important part of our mission. Here in Missouri we are far ahead of most other states. We know of 460 monuments and markers. Of that number, 17 are known to exist, but have not been recorded. Thirty of the 460 are still in production or planning stages and the 3 missing monuments discussed above are also on the list. So 410 monuments have been recorded so far by our members. If you are willing to help, most of the 17 still needed are in northwest Missouri or at Wilson's Creek. Just contact Walt Busch at [wbusch@suvcwmo.org](mailto:wbusch@suvcwmo.org). So what happened to the cannons, the wire road marker or Blair's statue? If you find out, we'd like to know. If you think they should be recreated, it might make a good project for a camp or our department.

### Known Missouri Monuments Still Needing To Be Recorded

- Boone County - Battle of Riggs' Run. Tri-City Lake Road. East of Centralia.
- Callaway County - CSA Union / Confederate Grave Marker - Calwood Hwy Z South side of village. Soon to be installed
- Daviess County - Cannon - Gallatin, Mo. N 39° 54.910 W 093° 57.708
- Franklin County - Vett's Mill - Union Missouri Hwy 47 (at old Courthouse, Not in Position Yet)
- Gentry County - Cannon - Stanberry, Mo City Park
- Greene County - Wilson's Creek Battlefield Markers

- i. Way to Mill. N37° 6.929' W93° 24.43'
- ii. Signs from the Past. N37° 6.843' W93° 24.543'
- iii. Gibson's Mill Site. N37° 6.74' W 93° 24.501'
- iv. A Union Plan & The Broken Pincer: N37° 6.051' W 93° 24.176'
- v. Gibson's House Site. N37°6.773' W93° 24.467'

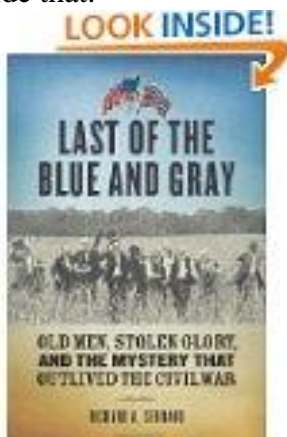
Howard County - Glasgow Cannon. Lewis Library, 315 Market St.  
 Platte County - Heart of the Nation Near KC Airport N39° 18.96' W94° 41.695  
 Parkville - Attack on the Paw Paw Fort - N 39° 11.306 W 094° 40.908  
 Platte City - Plaque.\* No other information available. Suspect that it is at the courthouse.  
 Platte City in the Civil War - MCWF - No Other Info Available  
 Weston - Attack on Camden Point - MCWF- No Other Info Available  
 St. Louis County - Longwood – The Hancock Place (on School Property near JB)

## *Book Review* by Walt Busch

Richard A. Serrano's *Last of the Blue and Gray: Old Men, Stolen Glory, and the Mystery that Outlived the Civil War*, Washington, DC: Smithsonian Books, 2013. ISBN: 978-1-58834-395-6. Retail: \$27.95

I'm fascinated by stories about liars, stolen valor and fakes. Having researched many of the last soldiers for the state of Missouri and particularly our own Union faker, Henry Roe of Desoto, MO., [his story is on our last soldier website for Jefferson County] I just had to buy this book.

The stories Serrano presents are mainly the biographies of the last soldier Union soldier, Albert Woolson, who passed away in 1956, and the last Confederate faker, Walter Williams. [I don't consider saying this as a spoiler. Just like knowing who committed a murder on an episode of *Columbo* or *Monk*, the story is in the fact he was a fake and how the public responded to him.] It is a good, interesting read particularly for the two biographies, but lacks sorely in original research and documentation. Serrano seems to rely chiefly on William Marvel, who exposed many of the Confederate fakes and who said that there was a lot of proof Williams was not in the Civil War and none that he was. Serrano also mentions the 1860 census of the Williams family showing that Walter was "too small for kindergarten..." Disappointedly, he limits documentation for other Confederate fakes as well. He tells the tales of John Sallings, William Bush and Jesse James fake, J. Frank Dalton, but an undertaking such as this requires genealogical style documentation and this book doesn't provide that.



For other old true soldiers and fakes, he could have written more. "General" William Bush may have been the biggest abuser of the fame associated with his claim and more of his escapades might have been worthy of a few chuckles. The story of the last truly verified Confederate, Pleasant Crump barely receives two pages. Crump died December 31, 1951.

Where the book really lost me is in the multiple pages Serrano uses to discuss the Civil War Centennial Commission and Maj. Gen. U.S. Grant III. While the Civil War Centennial is an interesting story (see Robert J. Cook's 2011 book, *Troubled Commemoration: The American Civil War Centennial, 1961-1965*), he wastes pages he could have used expanding the stories of various fakers by instead talking about some of the issues involved in the centennial and how the commission failed to heal the wounds of the north, south and African-Americans. The problems with the Commission's attempts at organizing centennial celebrations are not part of the story. However, the celebrations and honors bestowed on Williams as the centennial neared are, because this is how his joke played itself out on the unsuspecting public.



Pictured right:

Truly the last soldier who served in the Civil War was Albert Woolson of Minnesota. Albert enlisted as a drummer boy in Company C, 1st Minnesota Heavy Artillery Regiment in Oct, 1864. The company never saw action and Woolson was discharged on Sep 7, 1865.

Woolson, the last senior vice commander of the GAR, died Aug 2, 1956. A memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic at Gettysburg is topped with a statue of a seated Woolson.

Below:

Country music star Johnny Horton (*You Fought All the Way Johnny Reb!* -- a top 10 hit on the US Country Music charts) was just one of the people snookered into the idea that Walter Williams was the last surviving soldier of the Civil War. Williams' daughter, Willie Mae Bowles is also pictured.

The 1860 census shows Walter as being just 5 years old. Somehow an eight year old became the forage master for both General John Bell Hood and for William Quantrill. Quite an amazing feat for an eight year old!

The 105 year old, claiming to be 117, died on Dec 19, 1959. The final part of this joke on the nation is that he was officially recognized by the US government as being the last surviving soldier of the Civil War.

His home state, Texas, decided however to backwalk the claim a little. After his death they marked his grave site as being probably that of the last soldier from the Civil War.

The reason so many fakers are accepted by the American public is because we all are fascinated with the unusual. One editor of the *Guinness Book of Records* said, "No single subject is more obscured by vanity, deceit, falsehood and deliberate fraud than the extremes of human longevity." Add the desire to show one's self as a war hero or to undeservingly obtain an entitlement like a pension and you have the right mix to perpetuate a lie.

Serrano is definitely kinder than I would be toward stolen valor. He quotes Mark Twain "...but my faculties are decaying, now, and soon I shall be so that I cannot remember anything but [what did not happen]." Many of these men started their lies in the 1930s when few were alive to challenge their stories and politicians were willing to waive some of the rules to give them pensions. That's what Henry Roe of Missouri did. He got a soldier's pension



for supposedly being "Abe Lincoln's personal spy" by whining to the governor. He also got his fame in *Life* magazine and almost got to tell his story on a radio show in New York. He died right after



rehearsal at age 101. Or was it 89? He did, after all, seem young for his age.

I can give the book 2 ½ stars. If you don't know Woolson's or Williams' stories it is a good biography that you should be able to finish in a day or two. If you know their stories and desire newer, fresher, more original research about them and the others, then avoid the book.

# GAR: A RARE EVENT

by Sgt. John Avery, PDC

The Wildwood, Missouri Historical Society has invited the Son of Union Veterans of the Civil War to recreate an 1880's GAR meeting in an original meeting hall. 2014 is the 130th anniversary of the **D. N. Keeler Post #152**. The first few meetings were held at the Hencken Place. The meeting place was subsequently moved to the Kreinkamp Store on Ossenfort Rd. in what was then Melrose, (now St. Albans) Missouri. The U.S. Grant Camp placed a marker commemorating this building in the 2001.

The event will take place on Tuesday, Feb 18, 2014, beginning at 7 PM. We will recreate an 1880's GAR meeting with members of the Wildwood Historical Society presenting a pertinent program. Members of the Sons of Union Veterans from Missouri and Illinois are invited to attend and participate in the meeting. Those attending are encouraged to wear any GAR insignia or dark suit with a Civil War era hat or cap. Women are encouraged to wear 1880's period clothing. The event is open to the public. For further information please contact Sgt. John Avery, PDC, [javery1129@aol.com](mailto:javery1129@aol.com) or 314.660.2948. We look forward to see many of you transported back to 1880 with us.

## *DEPARTMENT TELEGRAPH*



Attendees at the October Department Meeting included (L-R): Walt Busch, PDC; Marty Aubuchon, PDC; PC-in-C Don Palmer; Bob Petrovic, PDC (all from US Grant Camp 68); Randal Burd, PCC (Sigel Camp); Bryan Bradford, PCC; Larry Dietzel, DC, (both from Tiger Camp) and Dale Crandell (Westport Camp).



## Unapproved Department Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2013, 10 AM, House Hearing Room #7, Capitol Building, Jefferson City, Missouri

**Brothers in Attendance:** DEPTCOM Larry Dietzel, PCC; DEPTJVC Bryan Bradford, PCC; DEPTSEC Randal A. Burd, Jr., PCC; DEPTTREAS Marty Aubuchon, PDC; Dale Crandell; NATCOA Walt Busch, PDC; Donald Palmer, PCinC; Bob Petrovic, PDC

Donald Palmer, PCinC, appointed acting DEPTSEC; Walt Busch appointed acting DEPTCHAP.

Walt Busch gave opening invocation. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Motion to “approve Secretary’s report” by Don Palmer, Walt Busch 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. (minutes from 2013 Encampment tabled to next business meeting)

Motion to “approve Treasurer’s report (attached) subject to audit” by Bob Petrovic, Don Palmer 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to “start at 2008- with research on policies and procedures; go back after that is done” by Walt Busch, Martin Aubuchon 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Motion for “Signals Officer to have a actionable item on e-mail forwarding, Department of Missouri website, and domain names by March business meeting” by Martin Aubichon, Walt Busch 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Motion for “all encampment proposals for 2014 Department Encampment due 31 Oct 2013, Encampment Committee decision by 15 Nov 2013, contract by 1 Dec 2013.” by Bob Petrovic, Martin Aubuchon, 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to amend previous motion with decision “room cost no more than \$200; no more than 3 rooms” by Martin Aubuchon; no 2<sup>nd</sup>

Motion to “maintain 10 SUVCW ROTC awards, to be distributed to ROTC units not sponsored by camps” by Bob Petrovic; Walt 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to “ask Commander-in-Chief to revoke charter and to reclaim SUVCW property including charter, checkbooks, records, and any medals from Oglesby Camp, Department of Missouri, SUVCW if all delinquent paperwork and dues are not turned in within 45 days of certified letter requesting such” by Walt Busch, Bob Petrovic 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to “not participate in archeological project(s) of one CHESTER DEPRATTER” by Bob Petrovic, Walt Busch 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to “approve expenditure up to \$100.00 for two flag stands for Department flags” by Bob Petrovic, Don Palmer 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to “maintain current due structure for 2014-2015 year.” by Martin Aubuchon, Randal A. Burd, Jr. 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to “authorize the current encampment site committee to come up with the 2015 encampment location and provide a preliminary report at the March 2014 meeting and final recommendation at the 2014 encampment” by Dale Crandell, Walt Busch 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to implement the following policy in response to National Commander-in-Chief Ken L. Freshley’s General Order #3: “to comply with National Commander-in-Chief Ken L. Freshley’s General Order #3, camps in the Department of Missouri are permitted to accept regular membership, junior membership, or junior associates under age 18 that were not actively recruited by the camp. Any regular member, junior member, or junior associate under 18 must have a parent or legal guardian present at any SUVCW meeting or event.” by Walt Busch, Randal A. Burd, Jr. 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion for “the Department of Missouri Council and Commander to decide whether insurance coverage for a multi-date, Department of Missouri Sesquicentennial Event is feasible and, if so, they purchase such insurance, and that Walt Busch coordinate such event.” Walt Busch, Bob Petrovic 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Motion to “adjourn” Bob Petrovic; Bryan Bradford 2<sup>nd</sup>; motion carried.

Benediction by Walt Busch

Adjourned



**WHAT IS IT?**

Left: This was found in an antique shop in Springfield, MO. It is almost paper thin brass and measures 2 mm by about 2 ½ mm. GAR is displayed in the center of the eagle’s chest.

Is it folk art? Originally part of a watch fob? None of the experts on GAR memorabilia who have seen seem to know.

- Walt Busch Collection

Below: Harper’s Whiskey Bottle in remembrance of the 29<sup>th</sup> GAR Encampment at Louisville, KY.

- Getz Whiskey Museum, Bardstown, KY







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Department Communique No. 2  
Thursday, November 7, 2013

Brothers of the Department of Missouri:

I would like to clarify the Department Order #4 that was issued on October 28, 2013, addressing the National Order #3. At this time the National Organization of the SUVCW will not approve any Junior membership applications sent in to them and all such applications will be held in limbo until the 2014 National Encampment or until after a policy is drafted dealing with youth protection.

If you have an interested party, you may take the application and monies and send it in but it is unknown how long this will take to get approved. You may also take the application and hold it until such time the national approves and accepts such membership again.

I again ask that any time you have members under the age of 18 at your camp functions, make sure the parent or guardian of said member is present. In addition, I suggest that we follow the Boys Scouts' policy of two-deep leadership, never allowing any one-on-one contact with the youth. Please do not place yourself into a situation that could be questioned or expose you to allegations of misconduct.

We must always think outside the box and adapt with society, while protecting ourselves, our organization, and its membership. All it takes is one incident to bring bad press upon us that can't be undone.

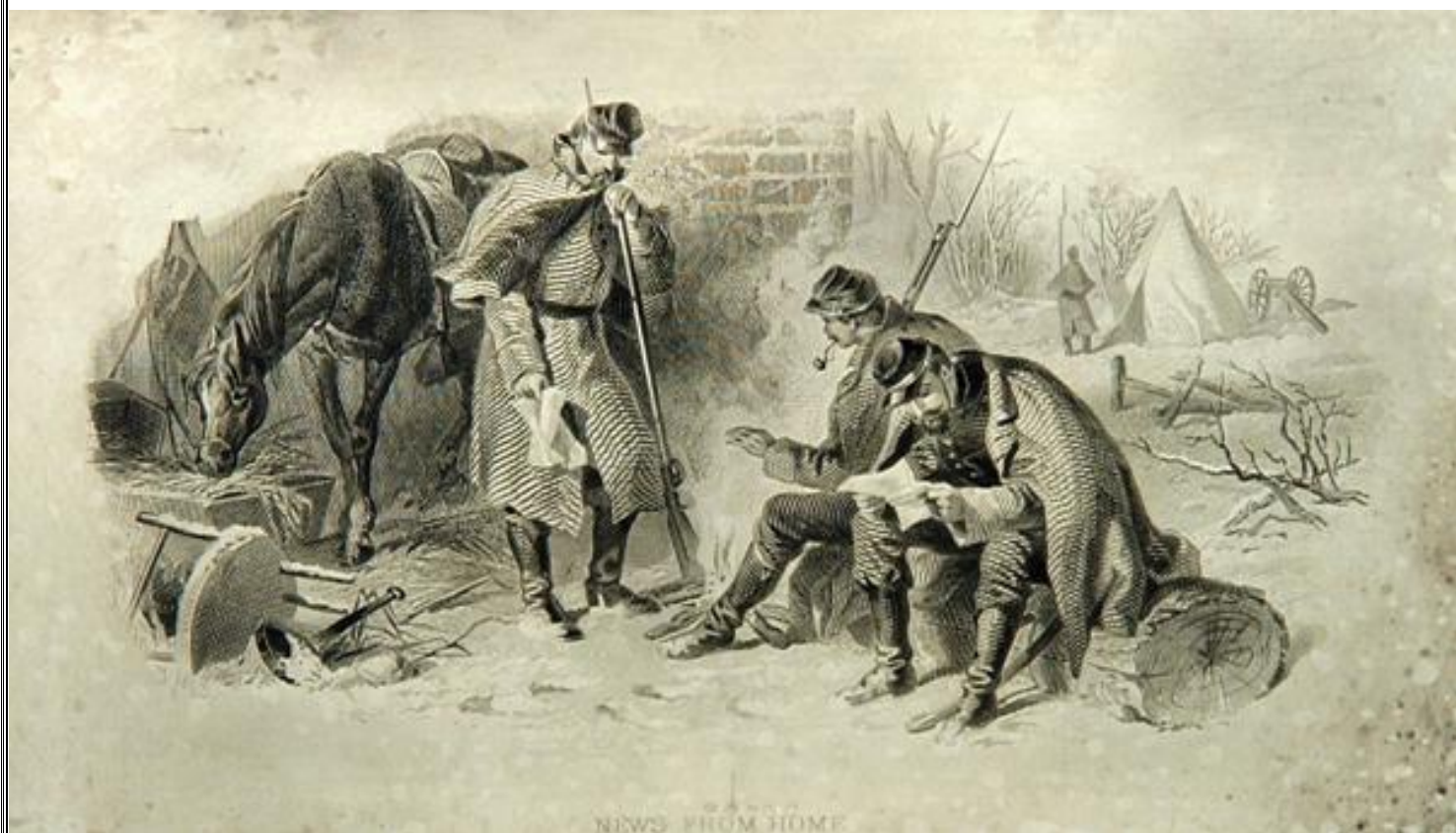
If at any time you have any questions, concerns, or ideas to help improve this department, do not hesitate to contact me.

*Yours in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,*

Larry D Dietzel P.C.C.



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**Department Order No. 4**  
**Monday, October 28, 2013**

Pursuant to the motion passed by the voting membership at the 12 Oct 2013 Department of Missouri business meeting, the following policy will be implemented in response to National Commander-in-Chief Ken L. Freshley's General Order #3:

"To comply with National Commander-in-Chief Ken L. Freshley's General Order #3, camps in the Department of Missouri are permitted to accept regular membership, junior membership, or junior associates under age 18 that were not actively recruited by the camp. Any regular member, junior member, or junior associate under 18 must have a parent or legal guardian present at any SUVCW meeting or event."

Ordered this 28th day of October 2013.

Attest:

Larry D. Dietzel, P.C.C.

Randal A. Burd, Jr., P.C.C.

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### Department Communique No. 3

Saturday, December 28, 2013

Greetings Brothers,

I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health, and I wish you all happy holidays and a safe new year. The Department of Missouri has had some outstanding events and I was lucky to be able to witness some of them: a graveside ceremony by Francis J. Wilhelmi Camp No. 17, Grant Camp's Grant's Death Day Memorial Service, Westport Camp's General Ewing's Order #11, Westport Camp #64 and Grant Camp's Holiday meetings. There were many other events that I was not able to attend unfortunately. We suffered the loss of David Medert, past national commander of our organization, and we donated \$100 to the Ross County Historical Society in his name. The closing of the Richard J. Oglesby Camp No. 61 will be the last act of this year.

I am looking forward to the upcoming year for new challenges for this department. I am looking into the possibility of starting a new camp in the Warrensburg & Sedalia area. I am looking forward to attending a Medal of Honor memorial along with many other events in the state. This next year is the pinnacle year for the 150 year Civil War events in Missouri, and I am very pleased that we will be a part of it. We have also started the process of the Missouri Vicksburg Mississippi Battlefield Monument preservation project. Hopefully we will be able to complete this by 2017, which is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its dedication.

Thanks, Brothers, for what you do to make this Department what it is, and keep up the good work. Hope to see you all soon!

*Yours in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,*

Larry D Dietzel P.C.C.

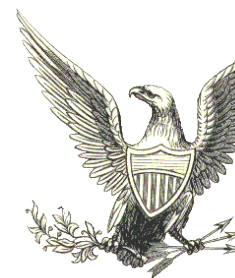
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# 2014 DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT



## Rolla, MO



**June 7, 2014**

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**Mark your calendar! Bring your family! Come to the Department of Missouri's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment at Rolla, MO. Selected by the Department's Encampment Site Committee, Rolla is home to SUVCW Sigel Camp #614, Missouri University of Science & Technology, and a State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center.**

**Considered the gateway to the scenic Ozark Highlands and fruit basket of Missouri, Rolla is headquarters for Mark Twain National Forest and historic rail hub for Missouri's mining era.**

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**See the April edition of the *Unionist* for registration forms and details on the encampment.**

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**Does Your Camp Want To Have An Encampment Near You? The 2015 Department Encampment is scheduled for Saturday, June 6, 2015. Camps and members interested in hosting are asked to submit their proposal to the Department's Encampment Site Committee by:**

**March 1, 2014**

**Email your proposal to any committee member: DC Larry Dietzel at [ldietzel@suvcmo.org](mailto:ldietzel@suvcmo.org); PCC Randal Burd at [raburdjr@gmail.com](mailto:raburdjr@gmail.com); PDC Walter Busch at [wbusch@suvcmo.org](mailto:wbusch@suvcmo.org); or Dale Crandell at [dcrandell@suvcmo.org](mailto:dcrandell@suvcmo.org).**

# Camp Reports

## Phelps Camp

### BAXTER SPRINGS PROGRAM

Members of Phelps Camp journeyed to Baxter Springs, KS, on Oct 5 to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Baxter Springs Massacre and the attack on Fort Blair.

Camp members helped Holmes Brigade present living history programs to highlight the role of Union soldiers in the battle and massacre. Our thanks to Kip Lindberg and Steve Weldon for representing the camp at the event.

### LAST SOLDIER PROJECT

The Last Soldier Project continues to march on! We have received price quotes for markers from two companies, and interest has been expressed in getting a third estimate.

We will continue to discuss the design of these markers at future meetings. Once the camp agrees on a design and a monument company, we can continue to do our part in the national SUV initiative to mark the grave of the last Civil War soldier in each county. More information on this project may be found at <http://suvcw.org/last/lastsoldier.htm>.

### FIRST ANNUAL HISTORIC WEAPONS DEMONSTRATION DAY

Several members of Phelps Camp and their family members recently journeyed to Kirk Singleton's farm to live fire some classic 19th Century firearms. Due to the amount of ammunition and shooters available, they were only able to fire the Henry, Spencer and "Trapdoor" rifles before darkness ended the fun. The shooters also enjoyed learning about the characteristics and lethality of each weapon. One thing was made clear during the demonstration—these members of Phelps Camp and their families are pretty good shots! Plans are already being made for a weapons demonstration day next spring.



OOPS! Sorry --- on page 20 last issue I referred to Sigel Camp's PCC Randal Burd, Jr., as Randal Brown. Mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa. It has been corrected in the official version of the newsletter for when it is posted on the web.



# OGLESBY CAMP #61 – CAPE GIRARDEAU



## Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War

Office of the Commander-in-Chief

Ken L. Freshley  
4287 Windsor Avenue  
Willoughby, Ohio 44094  
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General Order #8  
SERIES 2013-2014  
30 December 2013

Brothers,

1. It is with regret that I have to inform you that with the recommendation of the Missouri Department Commander Larry D. Dietzel, I hereby revoke the Camp Charter for the Richard J. Oglesby Camp No. 61 located in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.
2. This Camp has not submitted any of the required paperwork or monies due for the year of 2013, there has been multiple attempts to help and motivate the Camp and all have failed, the remaining Members have chosen to transfer to other Camps.
3. The Department Commander or his appointed Officer will retrieve all the Richard J. Oglesby Camp No. 61 property and records.

Ordered this 30th Day of December, 2013.

Ken L. Freshley  
Commander-In-Chief  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:

Alan Russ  
Secretary, National Order,  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

## McCormick Camp 215 – Park Hills, MO and Louisa Volker Auxiliary 215 – Park Hills, MO



The McCormick Camp and our sisters in the Volker Auxiliary were very busy since the last issue of the "Missouri Unionist." On Sep 14, 2013, we joined the Fletcher camp and set up a small encampment at DeSoto, Mo's Fall Festival event. Demonstrations of soldiers' lives, equipment and children's period toys and ladies clothing pleased the crowd.

Then, Sep 28<sup>th</sup> saw us once again presenting our Civil War Fashion Show and "Bushwhacked" programs at St. Francois



State Park, near Bonne Terre, MO. This has become an annual event, as we are asked back continually by park staff and visitors. We first demonstrated equipment, uniforms, ladies & children's clothing, and etc. Then in first-person portrayals we became local militia searching for a bushwhacker who hid in the park. This then was turned into a giant Civil War – style scavenger hunt. All of it is very family friendly, and overall a good event.

Then, Oct 10<sup>th</sup> saw us once again volunteering to help with a school group's field trip at Fort Davidson State Historic Site in Pilot Knob, Missouri. This year, children got a tour of the museum, a tour of the earthworks, demonstrations of uniforms and saw how soldiers' ate and fired their weapons, as well as



ladies' & children's fashions and games. We also, decided with such a busy holiday season forthcoming, we would hold our annual end of the year get-together earlier. So, on Oct 24<sup>th</sup>, we all gathered together at the Coplin Cabin near Bonne Terre for an evening of food, fellowship, and fun. We also held our election of officers for the upcoming year that evening.



Next, Nov 9<sup>th</sup> saw us once again joining the Fletcher camp, as we marched in the DeSoto, Missouri Veterans' Day Parade. We have participated in this event for several years now, and



frequently receive compliments of our paying tribute to "the boys in blue." Also, on Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, several of our members participated in a retirement ceremony for Lt. Col. Jack Grothe, 4<sup>th</sup> Military District SVR's out-going commander. This was held at the historic National Guard facilities at Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis,



Missouri. To end our year, we installed our officers on Nov 21<sup>st</sup> and took a much needed break until February, when our flurry of activities will once again start.



## LT. COL. J. FELIX ST. JAMES CAMP #326 STE. GENEVIEVE

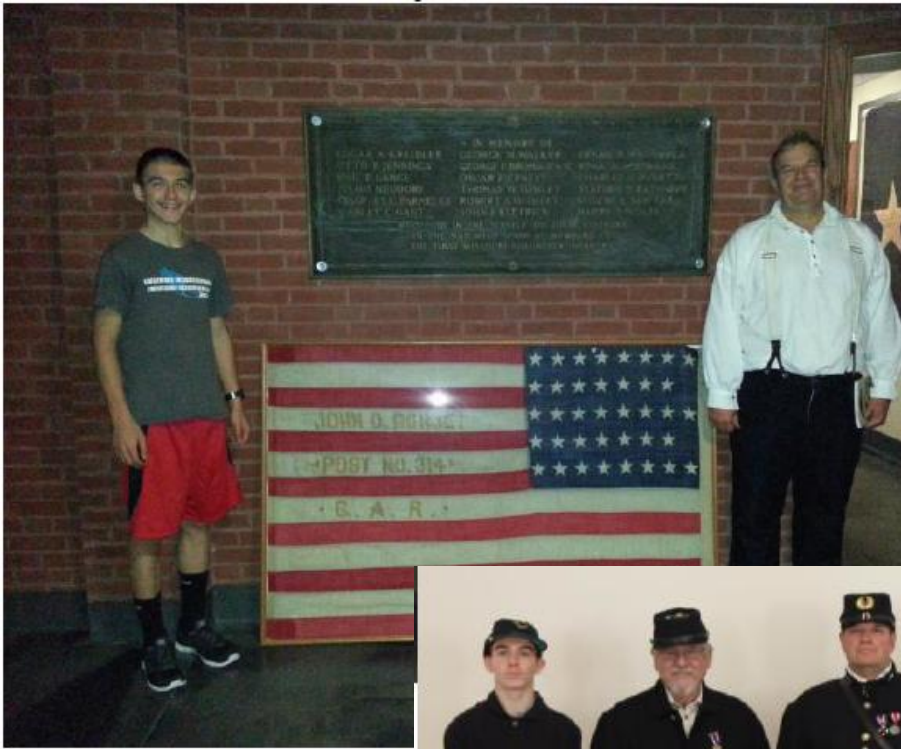
We had a meeting on Nov 12th. Eleven members were present. The Secretary and the Treasurer's reports were approved. Our presentation for the month was Civil War battles and events that happened in Nov 1863.

November has been a busy month so far. On Nov 11th we met at the American Legion Hall. On Nov 17th we assembled at Jefferson Barracks for the 4th Military District Change of Command ceremony.

William Zoughaib, Gary Scheel and Auxiliary member Mary Scheel went to the Missouri Civil War Museum at Jefferson Barracks on November 17, 2013. While touring the museum we came upon the flag of the

John D. Rohjoi G.A.R. Post 314. The flag is a 38 star flag. The Rohjoi Post was founded and located in Cedar Hill, Missouri. The museum is very good and worth seeing if you are ever in the area.

Six members of our camp and three ladies of our ladies auxiliary were present on November 17th at the Change of Command Ceremony at Jefferson Barracks. The men are all members of Company F, 78th E.M.M. Pictured below are William Zoughaib, Bob Mueller, Gary Scheel, Jerry Kasten, Tom Farlow and Bob Hammack. Three ladies were Ruth



Kasten, Linda Mueller and Mary Scheel were also present.

Members of our camp and our auxiliary participated in October the following events. Gateway Legacy Christian Academy in Glen Carbon, IL on Oct 1, Rural Heritage Days on Oct 27, Spirit Reunion in Memorial Cemetery on Oct 27.



Eight members of our camp and two of our ladies auxiliary participated in the services on Veterans Day at the American Legion Hall in Ste. Genevieve.

We will have our Installation of Officers at our next meeting on Jan 14th.



## *Grant Camp #68*



Angela da Silva, adjunct professor at Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO, provided the 1<sup>st</sup>-person entertainment for the U.S. Grant Camp Christmas meeting which was held on Dec. 10, at Greenbriar Country Club, Kirkwood, MO.

Ms. da Silva gave recollections as a former slave of how Christmas was celebrated on a Mississippi plantation. One of the memorable stories was about the yule log being soaked and then burned and however long the yule log lasted was the number of days slaves had off during the next year. – *Photo by Cher Petrovic*



US Grant Camp Swearing In Ceremony at the December Meeting: Father Vincent Heier and PC-in-C Don Palmer swear in Bob Aubuchon as commander, Mark Coplin, PCC, as senior vice commander, John Palmer as junior vice commander, and councils Robert Amsler, Jr., PCC, and John Avery, PDC. -- *Photo by Cher Petrovic*

## **Tiger Camp #432 Columbia Missouri**

Columbia Tiger Camp has been working on the following projects for the last several months. We discovered that the grave of GAR Post Commander Wallace Lilly doesn't have a grave marker. The Veterans Administration denied our first request to provide a marker for this veteran, but with the help of the National Grave Registrar an appeal has been filed with the VA system. The Tiger camp is in the planning stages of a grave dedication for Dietrich Hertzberg, a Union army veteran. This soldier is a distant relative of Department Commander Larry Dietzel. We have also worked on the preservation of a GAR monument placed at the starting location of the 1861 Battle of Boonville. This marker is sitting on Union Pacific Railroad property, surrounded by Federal property which is creating some obstacles to overcome. A meeting with the Union Pacific Railroad representatives is planned for early January at the marker's location. Tiger camp is also looking at conducting a memorial service for the fallen Union soldiers at the Battle of Centralia this coming Oct 2014.

# WESTPORT CAMP #64

## Westport Annual Christmas Dinner

Westport Camp closed 2013 with its traditional Christmas dinner, held at the historic Alexander Majors House on Wednesday evening, Dec 4, 2013. Twenty-eight camp members, family, and guests attended the festivities. Guest speaker Tom Rafiner spoke on “Missouri’s Burnt District: A History Reclaimed” about the dramatic population, social, and economic changes experienced in northwestern Missouri in the 1850 to 1870 period. Tom’s research through the national archives and authoring *Caught Between Three Fires* and *Cinders and Silence*, as well as the personal experience of his ancestors, depicts the hardship, violence, and forced migration experienced before, during, and after the Civil War.

The Camp also heard from Department Commander Larry Dietzel on his challenge that the SUVCW needs to speak for our Civil War veterans who no longer have family to speak for them, and the Department’s effort to charter a new camp in the Sedalia-Warrensburg area.

## New Westport Camp Members

Westport Camp was privileged to induct two new members during the Christmas dinner. Both were elected to membership on October 2, 2013, and inducted by Department Commander Larry Dietzel and Camp Commander Michael Lundeen.

Brother Albert Billings joined the SUVCW to honor his ancestor Private Thomas Billings who served in Company H of the 36<sup>th</sup> Missouri Enrolled Missouri Militia.

Brother Reginald James joined the SUVCW to honor his ancestor Private George Washington Brookins,

who served in Company E, 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Colored Cavalry Regiment. Private Brookins also served in Company H of the 78<sup>th</sup> U.S. Colored Troops.



New members Reginald James and Albert Billings receiving membership certificates from Camp Commander Michael Lundeen.

## Eagle Scout Commemoration

Westport Camp honored two local Eagle Scouts with SUVCW Commendation Certificates and Medals at their Court of Honor on Dec 14, 2013. SVR members Dirk Stapleton and Dale Crandell were the presenters.

Markus Gentry’s Eagle Scout project was leading a group of scouts in the construction and set-up of four rifle shooting tables for the Three Trails Salvation Army Camp in Kansas City. The new tables allow all camp staff to teach campers proper shooting technique and posture while learning to shoot BB guns.





Michael Alexander's Eagle Scout project was restoration of the exterior of a Historic Society Building. Over three weekends, he lead a group of Scouts that stripped paint, replaced deteriorated wood, and re-painted the building exterior.

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## 2014 Westport Camp Officers

Westport Camp officers for 2014 were installed by Department Commander Larry Dietzel during the Christmas dinner:

Elected officers are:

Commander:	Dale Crandell
Senior Vice Commander:	Donald Kelsay
Junior Vice Commander, Secretary, and Treasurer:	Michael Lundeen
Camp Council:	Brian Smarker, Dirk Stapleton, and James Beckner

Our appointed officers are:

Chaplain:	James Beckner
Patriotic Instructor:	Robert Grover
Historian:	John Martin
Counselor:	Brian Smarker
Grave Registration Officer:	Ronald Guthrie
Civil War Memorials Officer:	Brian Smarker
Signals Officer:	Dirk Stapleton

# WHERE IS MY CAMP'S SECTION?

Can't find your camp in these pages? It's because 5 camps failed to send in reports. Encourage your officers to submit photos or something. The next issue will be sent out on March 31. They have plenty of time to submit something. But, so do you! Articles about the Civil War, Grand Army of the Republic, or Sons of Veterans, book reviews, etc., are strongly encouraged. Got a photo you've taken, drawings you made, research you are involved in or an old photo of interest? We'll take those also, reserving the right to edit it, of course. We also accept letters to the editor. There is no reason why this can't be a 40-50 page newsletter chocked full of interesting articles, pictures and witticisms. That is, as long as the editor doesn't have to also write the whole newsletter. This is your newsletter! Be a part of it.



THAT'S WHAT'S THE TROUBLE WITH JOHN C.  
MRS. COLUMBIA. "Tell me, Doctor, what is the matter with him? Do you think his Brain is affected?"  
DOCTOR JONATHAN. "Oh! no, my dear MADAM; it's only a rather aggravated case of Sore Head!"

In 1864, General Fremont was on the mind of *Harper's Weekly*. Fremont was running against Lincoln as the abolitionist Republican candidate. He brokered a deal with Lincoln and quit running in September.



# General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47

## Desoto, MO

The Fletcher Camp has had a busy fall. On Sep 14, members set up a Civil War camp at the DeSoto Fall Festival at Walther's Park. This was a wonderful experience for the members and for the many families that came and wandered through the camp.

On Oct 18, members returned to Governor/Brevet Brigadier-General Fletcher's home in Hillsboro and set up camp. The home was open for tours that day and members got to tour the home of the Camp's namesake.

On Oct 24, we were joined by McCormick camp and their auxiliary and had a joint social night at the log cabin of Keith Copeland in Bonne Terre. While the night was quite cold, members kept warm around a large bonfire.

November 11, the camp marched in two Veterans' Day parades. One in DeSoto; the other in Herculaneum.

November 17 saw the members of the camp participating in the change of command ceremony of the 4<sup>th</sup> Military District, SVR, at Jefferson Barracks. At this ceremony, Major David Lamb assumed command from Lt. Col. Jack Grothe upon his retirement. The ceremony was held with full military honors and was quite impressive.



Fletcher Camp members with Major David Lamb (3rd from Left) and retiring Lt. Colonel Jack Grothe (4th from left)

November 23 was a cold, windy day as camp members descended on the Civil War monument in south Jefferson County along Big River. At this location in Oct 1861, General M. Jeff Thompson (Missouri State Guard) captured a small Union garrison and burned the railroad bridge. Several years ago a stone monument was erected to commemorate this battle. Overtime, the weed had taken over and much clearing needed to be done. Members worked for several hours cutting the brush. Several cases of poison ivy were reported, but the monument looks great again.



Getting Poison Ivy: L-R Kathie Roussin, Susan Breland, Leonard Wright, Mark Aubuthnot, Douglas Roussin, Kelly Noack, Duncan & Colton Noack

Sunday, Dec 8, was also a very cold day for the camp members who came to DeSoto to ring bells for the DeSoto Food Pantry. Monies collected will be used to purchase food for needy families in the area. We have participated in this activity now for several years.



Collecting Money: L-R Rich McKee, Leonard Wright, Duncan Noack, Douglas Roussin, Colton Noack, Kelly Koack, and Mark Aubuthnot

# Sigel Camp #614 Turns Two Years Old

This December marks a milestone for the SUVCW camp from Rolla, MO. On Dec 27, 2011, after a little over six months of organization and the installation of its first slate of officers, Commander-in-Chief Don Palmer signed the charter for Sigel Camp #614, making it officially a camp in the Department of Missouri, SUVCW.

Sigel Camp members wasted no time getting involved in the Department. Brothers Steve Allen and C. Scott Brown, both also members of the reenactor group, Turner Brigade, both have donned the wool while attending numerous events specifically to represent the fledgling camp. Brother Randal A. Burd, Jr. was elected department secretary at the 2012 Department Encampment, and that same June, Sigel Camp hosted a successful sesquicentennial event in Newburg, MO, with the welcome participation of other members of the department. All three of these members have recruited family members to get involved with the camp.

In addition to hosting a sesquicentennial event and manning numerous information booths to educate and recruit the public, Sigel camp members have attended and participated in the events of other camps, from St. Louis to Ste. Genevieve. Sigel Camp member Randal A. Burd, Sr., presented SUVCW ROTC awards to cadets at Waynesville High School and Missouri University of Science and Technology. Sigel Camp also has its own quarterly newsletter and has registered the first few of several Civil War graves in the Pulaski and Phelps County area. In August 2012, Sigel Camp was awarded the Joseph S. Rippey Award for Most Outstanding New Camp in the 2011-2012 administrative year. At the June 2013 department encampment, Brother C. Scott Brown was appointed department chaplain.

Sigel Camp #614 continues striving to grow and further the mission of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. They meet the second Sunday of every month at 3pm on the Rolla campus of Columbia College. Contact Randal A. Burd, Jr., P.C.C., at [raburdjr@gmail.com](mailto:raburdjr@gmail.com) for more information or to get involved.

*Photo Caption: Sigel Camp #614, Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, received the Joseph S. Rippey Award for 'Most Outstanding New Camp' of the 2011-2012 Administrative Year. Camp Commander Randal A. Burd, Jr. receives the award from Department Commander Martin Aubuchon at Columbia College in Rolla on 27 August 2012.*





# Wilhelmi Camp #17



The Major Francis Wilhelmi Camp has been busy this year representing the SUVCW at reenactments, school programs and community events. The first picture is from the graveside dedication we did at Sullivan, Mo. in June. The second picture is Gary Dunakey, Larry McDaniel, Tom Jett and Glen Alsop visiting Fort Donelson on our way back from Chickimauga. Glen has since registered all veterans graves in the Fort Donelson National Cemetery. The third picture is Glen and Ajay Alsop with Ron

Burke at the Duetsch Country days in Marthasville.



The fourth picture is Terry Wilson, Walt Larson and Glen Alsop at the Franklin County



History Fair in Union. The last picture is Glen and Ron at Firefest in

New Haven.







SUVCW Camps and SVR Units are invited to participate in a commemoration for

**Private John Henry Ricksecker  
104<sup>th</sup> Ohio Volunteer Infantry Regiment  
Medal of Honor Recipient**

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National Medal of Honor Day honors the 3,458 men and women whose service and sacrifices were recognized with the nation's highest medal, the Medal of Honor. Awarded since the Civil War and often called the Congressional Medal of Honor, there are 34 deceased recipients buried in the greater Kansas City area.

SUVCW Westport Camp, along with other local lineage and veteran groups, is conducting a commemoration for a Civil War medal recipient buried at Forest Hills Cemetery. Private John Henry Ricksecker was one of six from 104<sup>th</sup> Ohio to be awarded the Medal for service at the Battle of Franklin, Tennessee.

Contact Dale Crandell at [dcrandell@suvchwmo.org](mailto:dcrandell@suvchwmo.org) for information.

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**2:00 pm, Sunday, March 23, 2014  
Forest Hills Cemetery  
6901 Troost Avenue  
Kansas City, Missouri**

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## Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony

All are invited to participate in the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, sponsored by the SUVCW and MOLLUS, commemorating the 149<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of President Lincoln's death. It will be held at the Lincoln Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, IL at 10 AM on Saturday, April 12, 2014.

**Headquarters Hotel:** President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, 701 E. Adams St., Springfield, IL 62701. The room rate is \$92.99 for single/quad. A 10% dining discount at Lindsay's Restaurant is included. Call 1-866-788-1860 for reservations and mention "**Sons of Union Veterans**". **Reserve your room by March 21, 2014.** After this, the remaining blocked rooms will be released. **Shuttle service** will provide transportation between the tomb and the hotel.

**Wreaths** may be ordered from local Springfield florists. Instruct the florist to have the wreath delivered c/o the Lincoln Tomb, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, by 9 AM on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Luncheon** will be held at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel at 12:30PM. The luncheon program will feature a talk by Dr. Trevor Steinbach on "Childhood Diseases & the Lincoln Children". Luncheon cost is \$29 per person. For event info, go to the SUVCW web site (suvchw.org) or contact Robert Petrovic at: [rpetro7776@aol.com](mailto:rpetro7776@aol.com) or 636-274-4567.

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### OBSERVANCE WREATH PRESENTATION

(please print clearly)

Organization name in full: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name & title of wreath bearer: \_\_\_\_\_  
e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_  
if no e-mail, home address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, & Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

**To insure listing in program, this notice MUST be received no later than April 1<sup>st</sup> at the address shown below.**

I would like to reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seats on the shuttle bus from headquarters hotel to Tomb Ceremony and return to hotel.  
**Maximum of 60 seats on bus. First come, First served basis.**

### OBSERVANCE LUNCHEON

Please accept \_\_\_\_\_ luncheon reservation(s). Please list name, e-mail address, home address & phone number of person responsible for picking up tickets at the door.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Herb-Roasted Pork \_\_\_\_\_ Stuffed Chicken Medallions \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Include remittance of \$29.00 per person for each lunch reservation payable to **National Organization SUVCW.**

**Reservations must be made by April 1<sup>st</sup> and cancellations by the same date in order to receive refund.** There will be no extra tickets sold at the door. Make a copy of this form for your records and send original with remittance to:

### MILITARY PARADE INFORMATION

Name of unit: \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person name: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

This will insure each unit receives a streamer for their flag and all participants receive ribbons.

SEND TO:

**ROBERT M. PETROVIC, 6519 CHEROKEE LANE, CEDAR HILL, MO 63016**



# *ALLIED ORDERS*

## **Change of Command in the 4<sup>th</sup> Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve by Gary Scheel**



On 17 Nov 2013, members of the 4th Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve, participated in the first ever formal Change of Command ceremony. Lt. Col. Jack Grothe requested to be transferred to the inactive reserve of the SVR. His request was granted and the process for replacing him began. The new commander for the 4th Military District is Major David Lamb who is the commander of the 49th Iowa Volunteer Infantry SVR base in Des Moines, IA.

Twenty-six of the members in the photo are from the Department of Missouri SUVCW. There were several members of the Department of Missouri present who were not in the photo. I do not have an exact count but believe it was around ten.

Past National Commander-in-Chief Donald Palmer was present. He is 2nd Lieutenant in the 2nd Missouri Infantry, Company A. SUVCW Missouri Department Commander Larry Dietzel was also present as well as several Past Department Commander.

We had a fairly good turnout of members considering this was the first weekend of the gun deer season in Missouri.

Gary Scheel, who helped organize the ceremony, expresses his appreciation for the members of the various Missouri SVR units and camps in attendance for the ceremony. Thank you to all of the members of the Department of Missouri SUVCW who took time to participate.

Congratulations Lt. Col. Grothe and thank you for the service you have given!

**CHECK OUT THE PRICES ON THE MISSOURI SUV  
PRODUCTS --- PAGE 27!**

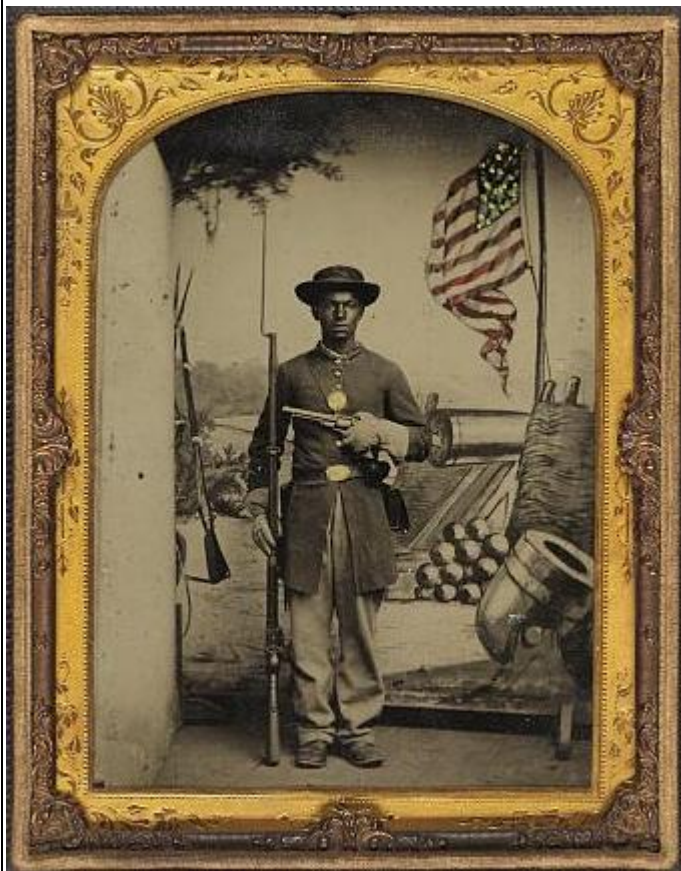


## Our Auxiliaries:

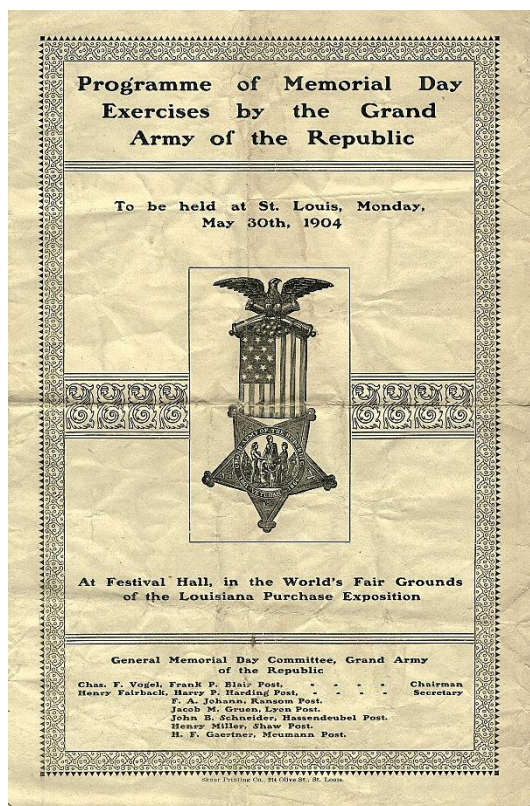
Louisa Volker Auxiliary 215—see McCormick Camp Section in this newsletter

## Central Region Association of the Allied Orders:

Next meeting is in Ohio, Oct 4, 2014. More information to follow in upcoming newsletters.



Unknown African-American Soldier Stationed at Benton Barracks, MO 1863-1865. From Library of Congress Collection # LC-DIG-ppmsca-36456.





# ADS / SWAP SECTION

*All camps are entitled to up to one page of advertising per issue. No Raffles!*

## FROM THE DEPT. OF MISSOURI



Only 32 Logan Medals left from the 2007 National Encampment. \$7.50 each / shipping \$5 ea. Up to 10 ordered at one time? Shipping only \$10! WE WILL NOT SELL THIS BELOW THIS PRICE EVER!



**Encampment Pin -- Potential Recruiting Gift?**  
-- 136 left. Lots of 25 for only \$1.00 plus shipping of \$6.00

Shirts - 1 Medium, 16 Large and 1 Extra Large.

WOW! Only \$1.00 each and \$10.00 shipping/handling each

**Rules about the ad/swap section:** There are not many. If your camp wants to have a page, you make a mock-up of the page and send it via e-mail to the editor.

If the editor has a question regarding the items for sale, he will contact the camp. The reason it says "No Raffles!" above is because they are technically illegal in the state of Missouri.



# FROM U.S. GRANT CAMP

**SUV or GAR Address Labels** - 90 Count \$4.00 shipping \$1.00



**Official SUV Name Badge** - 2"x3" Plastic –  
Laser Engraved (Red -Dept, Blue-Camp, Gold-National)  
\$9.00 (shipping up to 3 badges \$2.00)  
(Picture not actual size)



## US Grant Sesquicentennial Challenge Coins (set of 5/numbered)

Only 200 Numbered Sets Made  
\$75.00 shipping included  
Set Covers Grant for Each Year 1861-1865

Through special arrangement with Friends of Fort Davidson we are selling the 150<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Set of their medal and medallions. No more than 200 numbered sets will be made. Friends has only 30 sets more to sell. Buy it now! This is the same price Friends would charge you, but with shipping and handling!

**Battle of Pilot Knob Reenactment Medal Set**  
----- \$35.00 plus \$5.00 (S&H)



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ORDERS: Mark Coplin [macnac4856@gmail.com](mailto:macnac4856@gmail.com) 4856 Hursley Dr., St. Louis, MO 63128