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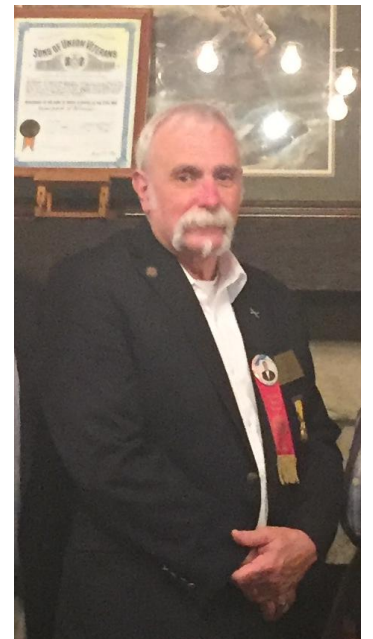
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## **Events on the Horizon**

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| July 21 – Grant Remembrance Day at US Grant NHS, Affton, MO | August 9-12 - Massachusetts – National Encampment                   |
| Sep 27 Next <i>Unionist</i> deadline                        | Oct 5-6 - Central Region Allied Orders Conference in Valparaiso, IN |
| Nov 3 – DUVCW & SUVCW Lineage Workshop                      | Nov 3 – St Louis Soldier's Memorial Reopens                         |
| Nov 11 – Veteran's Day (Celebrated probably Nov 10)         | Nov 17- Remembrance Day at Gettysburg, PA                           |

## **Editor's Comments by Walt Busch, PDC**



It is important to show up for meetings. Especially public ones! Recently, the Missouri History Museum held an open house concerning the remodeling and updating of the Soldiers Memorial in downtown St. Louis. The open house was at 3pm, but by mistake I showed up at 1:30. I found out there was another meeting being held concerning Jewish War Veterans and decided to sit in while I waited for my open house. It turned out it was a good thing I did. The meeting was a more detailed explanation of what was going on at the Soldiers Memorial.

The plan is that the memorial will have its grand rededication November 1. The original dedication was in 1936.[As a bit of trivia, this memorial is mentioned in the movie *Monuments Men*.] Marvin Alonzo Greer, a former PCC of the Atlanta Georgia SUVCW is one of the employees who will be working on displays and events. So far, so good.

The memorial is being modernized and the basement is being redesigned so that it will now hold displays. The basement served as a USO Canteen from the 1940s through the 1960s. The park across the street, where a World War II Wall of Honor stands, has been expanded by narrowing the street between it and the memorial. A reflection pond, a fountain dedicated to the 5 military branches, and area for interpretation are being added.



The upper hall will have 2 main sections. The east room will memorialize St. Louisans in service from the Revolutionary War to World War One. The west room will hold artifacts from World War II and beyond. The basement will be open to temporary exhibits and adds 4500 square feet of exhibitions to the building.

All of this sounded great. They mentioned that donations are covering much of the renovation and new exhibits. The MHM receives property tax money, like the zoo, to run its operations and they will not be

spending any of that on this memorial. They hope to continue operating it with donation money and volunteers. They are looking for volunteers to help run it. Still sounding really good.

They estimate their current artifacts at 20,000 of which less than 1,000 will be on display at any particular time. These artifacts are owned by the City of St. Louis, but operation is being taken over by the Missouri History Museum. Still ok.

Then during a presentation by Karen Goering of MHM, she mentioned that during the repairs all plaques, etc have been placed in storage. So during question and answer I asked if all plaques were going to be put back up. The answer was NO!

This was not acceptable to me as one plaque was from the Ladies of the GAR in honor of St. Louis's GAR Posts. I made that known and pulled up the picture of it on my phone. After the meeting I spoke to Ms. Goering and told her I was the Missouri and National Monuments Officer of the SUVCW and that not restoring this to the building is unacceptable. I further mentioned that if that is the case, the plaque ought to be turned over to some local organization like the Missouri Civil War Museum who would most probably gladly display it.

Marvin Greer stepped into the discussion and after a bit more protesting, I was informed by Ms Goering that this plaque will most likely be restored. I think Greer will help with that. If he can't, I think we might need to make a few protests to the City of St. Louis (the owners of the building and artifacts) and correct the situation.

The object of this article is not that I want a pat on the back. The object is that there are these types of meetings all the time and it doesn't take much for us to lose such monuments. Eminent domain can wipe out a soldier's grave for a Walmart. Church groups can level GAR post buildings in the name of progress and put up a marker stating that it was there but a picnic shelter was more important (true story in western Missouri). We need to show up at these "planning" meetings and protect the memory of our GAR ancestors. What I am suggesting is that those seriously involved in the SUVCW need to be involved with government and other organizations as well. Other public interests continually try to chip away at our past for some new project. We need to make sure the Union soldiers and their sacrifice is remembered. Lest we forget!

[As of 5/23/2018 – I was told by Marvin Greer that the plaque is definitely being restored to the building!]

Marvin Alonzo Greer presenting info on the Soldiers' Memorial



# Collector's Corner

“Lead in the Arcadia Valley”

By  
**Douglas Roussin**

I began my metal detecting hobby in 1968. This marks my 50<sup>th</sup> year of treasure hunting. My interest has always been in the field of Civil War artifacts. I first began looking for relics of the Civil War when I discovered a camp and battle site just outside of my home town of DeSoto, along Big River. M. Jeff Thompson had fought the only true battle in Jefferson County at this location. After locating this site, I began searching Arcadia Valley and the area around Fort Davidson with my relic hunting partner, Herb Enzmann. We were fortunate over the years in locating a number of camps, skirmishes and battle sites. With few exceptions, the property owner allowed us to hunt and gave us a free run of their property.

We know that in 1864, General Sterling Price, entered the valley and fought the Battle of Pilot Knob. His army consisted of various units which carried a large variety of weapons. These weapons fired a variety of lead bullets. They ranged from very common to quite rare.

Most people know that the standard .58 cal. minie ball was the main projectile used in this battle. It can be found in campsites throughout the valley. This area had been occupied by Union forces since the beginning of the war. The importance of Missouri was not at first recognized and this led to a lack of modern rifles. Therefore, Missourians were armed with a lot of “hand-me-down” weapons. Some were left from the War of 1812 and even flintlocks from the Revolutionary War. A few of these weapons had been converted from flintlock to percussion. With this wide range of modern and obsolete weapons, the Union soldiers had to function with many calibers of lead bullets.

This first Collector's Corner for 2018 is entitled, “Lead in the Arcadia Valley”. It will deal with the variety of lead bullets I have found over the years on the battlefield and in the numerous camps my partner and I have located and hunted. I will not venture to identify the bullets as Union or Confederate. Both are found scattered throughout the valley. Much of what the Confederates brought with them were captured items. In the case of rare bullets, sometimes only one specimen has been found.



**Pistol Bullets** (Photo 1) Pistol bullets range from .31 cal. to .44 cal. These bullets are from left to right, .31 cal. Field cast, .31 cal. Colt, .36 cal. Colt, .36 cal. Savage, .36 cal. Tulip (sometimes referred to as a teardrop), .44 cal. Watervliet Arsenal, .44 Cal. Bartholow, .44 Cal. Sage, .44 cal Round ball.





**Rifle Bullets** (Photo 2) The first three are .58 cal. minie balls. There are many variations. The third one is a nose cast and is considered to be Confederate manufacture. The fourth bullet is a solid cast Colt to be used with the revolving rifle. The last is an English Enfield with the number 57 in the base. This bullet still has the base cork.



(Photo 3) This row of bullets includes a .52 cal. Spenser cartridge at the top. The Spenser is followed by four Sharp's ringtail bullets, .54 cal., .48 cal., and two .44 cal. Slanting Breech. We refer to the last sharps as a multi-ring. Several variations of these bullets have been found in the valley. The last bullet might be a .54 Sharps & Hankins or it could be a .54 cal. Morris. They are quite similar.



(Photo 4) These bullets range from .69 cal. to .72 cal. First Row: Musket Ball, Prussian, and Italian. Second Row: Musketoon (two ring Union), 1842 Minnie (flat base inside cone), .69 Minie, Prussian and finally a Belgian.





(Photo 5) These dropped Merrill bullets were all found within a foot circle on Pilot Knob Mountain. Two feet away was a spent Minnie. One can only wonder if the two are related.

(Photo 6) These Mississippi bullets were found from one hole. They were fired from the Mississippi rifle. Both the Merrills above and these Mississippi bullets are the only ones I have dug in the valley.

(Last Photo) These 14 pin-fire



bullets were found in the valley. Numerous shell cases have been found at a number of locations related to the battle. These were found along a small depression or gully about a foot deep. They were found every foot or so along the depression. It appears the soldier was crawling along this ditch and these dropped from his pouch.

There are many more bullets which have been found in the campsites and the battlefield of Pilot Knob. These are only a few.

Next time, "Iron in the Valley".



Author of our continuing series: PCC Doug Roussin of Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp 47



## THE LAST SURVIVING WIDOW OF A CIVIL WAR VETERAN

Helen Jackson is the last surviving widow of a Civil War veteran. In 2008, Maude Hopkins of Arkansas, who many thought was the last one, passed away. But new information has been located confirming Jackson's story. So it seems our Department consisting of Missouri and Arkansas has been home to the last two Civil War widows

Jackson was only 17 years old when she was wed to Union veteran James Bolin, in Niangua, MO. Bolin, who was 93 years old at the time, had served as a private in Co. F, 14<sup>th</sup> Missouri Cavalry.

At the time like

so many other young women who married old veterans were given the promise of support and a small pension and the veteran received daily care that they needed in their old age. In the case of high school student Helen Jackson, however, her husband never applied for a pension and she didn't tell anyone of the marriage until Bolin passed away in 1939. His death certificate indicates that he died from pneumonia. It also shows him to be widowed and that his wife's name was Elizabeth (who died in 1922). As these records are only as accurate as the knowledge of the people filing them out and this was filled out by a daughter of James and Elizabeth, it isn't surprising that she doesn't mention the new wife who was old enough to be her granddaughter. Although dying in advanced age, Bolin didn't quite make being the last surviving Union soldier of Webster County. That honor belongs to George Douglas Lawson, Co. E, 8<sup>th</sup> MO Cavalry bugler, who passed in 1941.

The new information came to light when she confessed to her pastor that she had been previously married. He encouraged her to tell her story which included written documentation in a Civil War-era Bible. An event honoring her was held April 27 at the Marshfield Assembly of God. Department of Missouri JVC Sumner Hunnewell and PCinC Ed Krieser attended the event. She will be honored with a star on the Missouri Walk of Fame.

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| B   | 14 Cav. | Mo. |
| James Bolin                                 |         |     |
| Private, Co. F, 14 Reg't Missouri Cavalry.  |         |     |
| Appears on                                  |         |     |
| Company Muster-in and Descriptive Roll      |         |     |
| of the organization named above. Roll dated |         |     |
| Springfield Mo., April 17, 1865             |         |     |
| Where born Webster Co. Missouri             |         |     |
| Age 18 yrs; occupation Farmer               |         |     |
| When enlisted April 6, 1865                 |         |     |
| Where enlisted Springfield, Mo.             |         |     |
| For what period enlisted 1 year             |         |     |
| Eyes Blue; hair Dark                        |         |     |
| Complexion Fair; height 5 ft. 8 in.         |         |     |
| When mustered in April 10, 1865             |         |     |
| Where mustered in Springfield Mo.           |         |     |
| Bounty paid \$ 100; due \$ 100. 100         |         |     |
| Where credited Gray Tp. Green               |         |     |
| County & Dist. Mo.                          |         |     |
| Company to which assigned                   |         |     |
| Valuation of horse, \$ 100                  |         |     |
| Valuation of horse equipments, 100          |         |     |
| Remarks:                                    |         |     |
| Book mark:                                  |         |     |
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**MOVIE TRIVIA** – In the Editor's Comments, the topic of the article is the Soldier's Memorial in downtown St. Louis. George Clooney in the film, *The Monuments Men*, mentions this memorial as one that two of the soldiers worked on just before the war.

# SHERMAN/BILLY YANK CAMP 65 PASSES INTO HISTORY



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General Order # 26  
SERIES 2017-2018  
11 April 2018

By the authority vested in me as Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered:

SECTION 1: Commander Randal A. Burd, Jr of the Department of Missouri has requested the revocation of the following Charter: William T. Sherman / Billy Yank Camp #65.

1. The Camp has expressed a desire to voluntarily close and surrender their Charter after more than 35 years of faithful service. All camp members have been issued transfer forms and the necessary administrative tasks have been completed.

SECTION 2: In accordance with the National Constitution, Article VI, Section 2, Commander Burd's request is therefore approved and the Charter of the William T. Sherman / Billy Yank Camp #65 Department of Missouri is hereby revoked.

SECTION 3: In accordance with National Regulations, the officers and members of the William T. Sherman / Billy Yank Camp #65 are reminded that all Camp property and money shall be turned over to the Commander of the Department in which they were chartered or to his duly authorized representative to be held in trust for the National Order Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Ordered this 11<sup>th</sup> Day of April 2018.


Mark R. Day

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark R. Day".

Commander-In-Chief  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



**Sherman / Billy Yank Camp 1982 -2018**

In the name and by the authority of the  
**SONS OF UNION VETERANS**  
OF THE  CIVIL WAR

To all unto whom these presents shall come, Greeting:  
Know Ye, That, reposing Special Trust and Confidence in our Worthy Brothers  
VINCENT CLOONEY, EDWIN J. ELLER\*, CHARLES P. FETTERMAN, GARY GLICK,  
JACK G. GROTHE, CRAWFORD A. KING, JOHN L. MAURATH, KIM Mc CALL,  
ELLIS E. MOORE\*, WILLIAM OSBORNE, GARY POWELL, WILLIAM P. REBORI,  
JEROLD E. ROWE\*, CHARLES J. STANTS II, CHARLES J. STANTS III, GREGORY  
ULRICH, STEPHEN B. WELDON, JIMMY D. WOODS, GEORGE WUNDERLICH,  
WILLIAM WUNDERLICH, CLARENCE M. ZENGEL, WAYNE W. ZENGEL,  
By virtue of the authority vested in me, I hereby constitute them, their associates and successors, a

**CAMP OF THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**  
- TO BE KNOWN AS -

**WILLIAM T. SHERMAN - BILLY YANK CAMP, NO. 65**, DEPARTMENT OF "CAMP AT LARGE"  
located at **St. Louis, Missouri** and as such they are hereby duly authorized and empowered to  
perform all acts necessary to conduct the business of said Camp, in accordance with the constitution  
provided for its government and the regulations of the Order.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the <sup>National</sup> Seal to be  
affixed at Hettysberg in the State of Pennsylvania this 28<sup>th</sup> day of  
June in the year of our Lord no. Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two  
and in the Two Hundred and Sixty year of the Independence of the  
United States of America.

Seal



Attest  
Department Secretary  
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Department Commander  
Headquarters Commandery in Chief  
June 28<sup>th</sup> AD 1982

Attest  
Chester S. Spruier  
National Secretary

Approved and Published  
Harry E. Gibbons, Jr.  
Commander in Chief

With rank from August 1981 - August 1982



# DEPARTMENT TELEGRAPH



Above: Commander-in-Chief Mark Day presents Dept Commander Randal Burd a streamer for our flag in recognition of our department and 3 camps in our dept giving fund to the Stephenson Memorial Project.



Right: Commander-in-Chief Day preparing for swearing in.



Far Right: Dale Crandell receiving command of the department. Far Right: Dale Crandell addresses the delegates.



Below: Your 2018 Delegates to the Encampment

*Scenes from the 2018 Department Encampment held at Bennett Spring State Park, June 2*







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**Department Order No. 12,  
Series 2017-2018**

6 Apr 2018

**William T. Sherman / Billy Yank Camp #65  
(1982 – 2018)**

William T. Sherman / Billy Yank Camp #65 has voluntarily decided to cease functioning as a camp after 35 ½ years of faithful service to the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. All camp members have been issued transfer forms, and camp officers have worked with this Department to ensure a smooth, orderly close of their camp while retaining as many members in the Order as possible.

The Department of Missouri thanks William T. Sherman / Billy Yank Camp #65 for its lengthy service and hopes to continue to enjoy as brothers as many of the camp's former membership as possible.

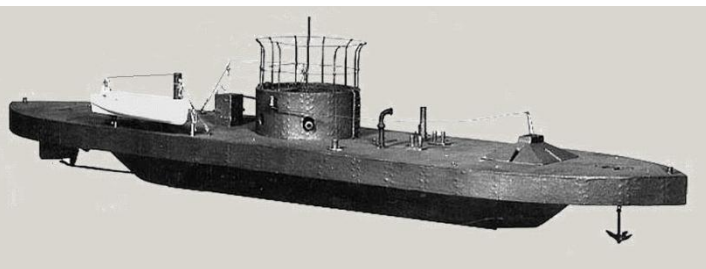
In light of William T. Sherman camp's expressed desire to voluntarily end their camp and surrender their charter and with all of the camp's necessary administrative tasks having been completed, I have asked Commander-in-Chief Mark R. Day to revoke the charter of William T. Sherman / Billy Yank Camp #65 in accordance with the camp's wishes.

Ordered this 6th day of April, 2018

Attest:

Randal A. Burd, Jr., PDC  
Commander  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
Secretary  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



**Trivia by Len Eagleburger's *Ozark Civil War Weekly***

Although bureaucracies are noted for such things as "procedural errors" and "administrative oversights", it is nevertheless still remarkable that the famed U.S.S. Monitor, which went down in Force 7 winds off Cape Hatteras on 31 Dec. 1862, was not officially declared "out of commission" by the U.S. Navy until nearly 91 years later, on 30 Sept. 1951.



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**Department Order No. 13,  
Series 2017-2018**

25 Apr 2018

**Officer Appointments**

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1.) After speaking with Brother Robert D. Hammack, I have learned that after many years of faithful service to our organization at the department level, it is his wish to dial back his responsibilities due to persistent health issues. Therefore, it is with great regret that I accept his resignations as Department Chaplain, Department Graves Registrations Officer, and Department Eagle Scout Coordinator. The Department of Missouri thanks Brother Robert D. Hammack for his years of dedicated service in these positions.

2.) The following officer appointments are effective immediately and for the remainder of this administrative year:

**Department Chaplain:** Sumner G. Hunnewell

**Department Graves Registration Officer:** Gary L. Scheel

**Department Eagle Scout Coordinator:** Tom J. Greminger

**Assistant Graves Registration Officer:** Robert D. Hammack

These officers will make arrangements with their predecessor to obtain any relevant Department records and property.

Ordered this 25th day of April, 2018

Attest:

Randal A. Burd, Jr., PDC  
Commander  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
Secretary  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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**Department Communiqué No.8,  
Series 2017-2018**

3 Apr 2018

Brothers of the Department of Missouri,

Please take note of these actionable items which may deserve your attention.

- 1.) PDC Brian Smarker of Westport Camp #64 has informed me that [Fold3.com](http://Fold3.com) is opening up their entire Civil War collection for free online research now through April 15.
- 2.) Do you have a camp member who deserves Department recognition? Award nominations are due April 15. This deadline also applies to the Eads Award.
- 3.) The Marshall Hope Award (newsletter) and Horace Greeley Award (website) have a category for camps as well as departments. I submitted nominations for The Missouri Unionist and the Department of Missouri website; if your camp has a newsletter or website to put forth for the camp awards, the deadline is 30 May 2018.
- 4.) Past Camp Commanders who have left the camp they commanded need to apply for rank reinstatement in their current camp. These are voted on at the camp level and then forwarded to the Department for a vote at the next Encampment.
- 5.) Camp Secretaries, remember that your Camp Annual Reports (Form 27) are due to Department Secretary Ed Krieser by April 30.
- 6.) Be sure to keep the Department ROTC Coordinator informed of the ROTC awards you present.
- 7.) So far, I have received the bylaws of Felix St. James Camp #326 for signature. If you have any questions on what needs to be done in regards to amending camp bylaws, please don't hesitate to ask.
- 8.) Don't forget to register for the 2018 Department Encampment at Bennett Springs State Park on 2 Jun 2018. Registration form is [here](#). More info is on the [website](#) or in the [latest Missouri Unionist](#).

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,  
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**Department Communiqué No.9,  
Series 2017-2018  
23 Apr 2018**

Brothers of the Department of Missouri,

Please take note of these actionable items which may deserve your attention.

- 1.) On Friday, April 27, 2018, at the [13th Annual Missouri Cherry Blossom Festival](#) in Marshfield, Missouri, there will be a meet and greet session for Helen Johnson (97), widow of James Bolin, 14th Missouri Cavalry, USA. She will be inducted into the LGAR this day as well. The Commander-in-Chief has personally asked that any brothers from the Department of Missouri who can attend this induction do so. The event is scheduled for 1pm at the Marshfield Assembly of God. If your camp members can't make it to visit with her in person but would like to send a card, those can be mailed c/o Rev. Inman, P.O. Box 212, Marshfield, MO 65706.
- 2.) The Julia Dent Grant Tent #16 DUVCW is planning a Lineage Workshop at the Missouri Civil War Museum on Saturday, November 3, 2018. We have been invited to participate. If your camp is interested, it could be listed among the sponsors of this event. There will be different sources available to help people identify potential ancestors which would allow them to join our respective groups.
- 3.) Camp Secretaries, remember that your Camp Annual Reports (Form 27) are due to Department Secretary Ed Krieser by April 30.
- 4.) Don't forget to register for the 2018 Department Encampment at Bennett Springs State Park on 2 Jun 2018. Registration form is [here](#). More info is on the [website](#) or in the [latest Missouri Unionist](#).

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**Department Communiqué No.10,  
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**28 May 2018**

Brothers of the Department of Missouri,

1.) In designating the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1868 as Decoration Day with the purpose of inaugurating an annual observance of memoriam for those who paid the ultimate price to preserve the Union, General John A. Logan gave wide berth to posts and individual members to accomplish this task:

*“In this observance no form of ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.”*

As has been witnessed today in the Department of Missouri with ceremonies at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, Hopewell Union Church Cemetery in Washington County, and Memorial and Crestlawn Cemeteries in Ste. Genevieve among others, brothers and camps of the Department have stepped up to continue fitting services which carry out this sacred duty. I know our Department Secretary/Treasurer has traveled to Arlington National Cemetery to mark this anniversary there. Additional poignant services to the ones specifically mentioned here both occurred today and will likely occur on the traditional date of May 30<sup>th</sup> throughout the Department.

Commander-in-Chief Mark R. Day has called on us in General Order #31, Series 2017-2018, to make both the observed Memorial Day of today, May 28<sup>th</sup>, and the traditional Memorial Day of May 30<sup>th</sup> *“a time for solemnity and reflection on the cost of our freedom and prosperity.”* I see that many in our Department have done so and trust that the rest have and/or are planning to do so *“in their own way...as circumstances may permit.”*

2.) There is still time to register for the 23rd Encampment of the Department of Missouri at Bennett Springs State Park on 2 Jun 2018. Registration form is [here](#). More info is on the [website](#) or in the [latest Missouri Unionist](#). The registration fee is \$7.00 on the form and has traditionally been \$10 if you wait until you arrive. Those coming in Friday night can meet me and the JVC at Bandana’s in Lebanon, Missouri, @ 6pm for dinner. We will travel to Walt Busch’s campsite following dinner for a campfire, weather-permitting. The meeting will begin at 9a.m. on Saturday. Officers, please bring copies of your reports.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Randal A. Burd, Jr., PDC  
Commander  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

## New Commander's Message to Department

Traditions, the SUVCW being among the oldest military based lineage societies has its customs and practices. This year was the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the GAR's General Orders #11 that established our modern Memorial Day. With pride, we heard and read of the many ways our camps and members showed their respect for the boys in blue. It was a traditional Missouri-Arkansas Memorial Day weekend this year –hot and humid –yet we wore their blue wool uniforms, those GAR black jackets, and our customary blue blazers to hold flags in color guards; place wreaths at memorials and flowers at gravesites too many to list. I ask myself, why do I stand in the heat and honor these Kansas City veterans? They are not my ancestors; I barely know their names and nothing of their service history. I stand in a wool uniform in Kansas City because I know there is another SUVCW member in southern Missouri, Pennsylvania, and Iowa honoring my ancestors.

Another tradition, the Department held our annual encampment in early June. We heard the reports, conducted our business, and renewed friendships over meals and ales; not unlike our GAR predecessors. We were privileged to meet National Commander-in-Chief Mark Day and wife Barbara. Our time with Brother Day connects us to our National Order and fills the chasm between our local camp and the mystic of National. We also elected our officers, where I was privileged to become the Department Commander and proud to see our first Arkansas member elected to a Department Office. I feel that Missouri and Arkansas boarder fading more and more.

Now about the future and continuing some traditions and starting new ones, my Department Orders #1 and #2 are published with officer and committee appointments. We ask much of these volunteers and more volunteers are needed. Please find a committee or program where your talents can best serve our order, or create a new program or committee. If you can serve, we will find a role for you.

I announced two initiatives with my election and we are already seeing progress. First, there are 1,523 recipients of the Medal of Honor from the American Civil War; 34 of them are buried in Missouri. As part of the SUVCW's mission to preserve the history and legacy of the Union soldiers, sailors, and marines; I'm challenging the Department to identify, preserve, and commemorate the story and gravesite of each of these 34 American heroes. If you or your camp can help contact MOH Coordinator Randal Burd, Jr.

Second, the Grand Army of the Republic held two national encampments in Missouri: the 21<sup>st</sup> National Encampment in St. Louis, September 28-30, 1887; and 50<sup>th</sup> National Encampment in Kansas City, August 28-September 2, 1916. I'm challenging the Department, to commemorate and mark the history of each encampment. We received notification the SUVCW's Preservation Fund has donated \$2,000 and the SUVCW Foundation has pledged \$500 toward a Kansas City historical marker. If you or your camp can help contact John Avery with Grant Camp or Rodney Terry with Westport Camp.

When you read this in July, I will have presented a camp charter to our newest brothers at Camp Lillie #6 and installed their officers. I recall three years ago when Pete Oetting's email about a Jefferson City camp was forwarded to me as then Junior Vice Commander. It has been many years in the making, but we can welcome a new camp.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Dale Crandell  
Department Commander





# Jayhawker Takes Over Missouri!

Dale Edward Crandell and his father John Edward Crandell joined the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil in 2010 to honor their ancestor, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Samuel Wesley Crandell who served in Company I, 6<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Cavalry. Their supplemental ancestors include Private Lewis Adkins of the 48<sup>th</sup> Iowa Infantry, Private William Gitt of the 166<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry, and Private Mathew Leonard of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Missouri Infantry. Dale really is an SOB, having ancestors on both sides of the American Civil War and membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans.



For the Union side, Dale is a member from Westport Camp #64 where he served as Camp Commander and Camp Secretary-Treasurer. He served the Department as a Council Member, Junior Vice Commander, and two terms as Senior Vice Commander, as well as being appointed ROTC Coordinator for four terms. He is an SVR member as a Private in the 1<sup>st</sup> Missouri Engineers and Corporal in the 1<sup>st</sup> Missouri State Militia. He is also a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, Society of the War of 1812, Military Order of the Loyal Legion in the United States, Society of the Descendants of the Colonial Clergy, and Crandall Family Association.



Dale is a Missouri native, growing up with three siblings in Mountain Grove, a place in the Ozarks that unless you know where it is you probably can't find it. He was a cub scout for a while, playing school football, church league softball, and believe-it-or-not math league competitions. Being in the heart of dairy country, of course he was hauling hay since before he could drive; and delivered furniture for the family business. Post-college, Lieutenant Crandell was commissioned through the ROTC program and served in the United States Navy, Civil Engineer Corps. He was stationed at Fleet Activities, Sasebo, Japan and Naval

Security Group, Homestead, Florida where he had the unique experience going through three typhoons-hurricanes, the last being Hurricane Andrew. Given Dale's dislike of coffee and the Navy's dislike of typhoons-hurricanes and people who dislike coffee, Dale was honorably discharged and released to the inactive naval reserves.

Dale is an engineer with the calculator and slide-rule to prove it; working as a project and facility manager for Butler Manufacturing, Boatmen's Bank, and AT&T. He is currently an Associate Professor at the University of Kansas where he teaches project and financial management to School of Engineering graduate students. He started and is ending his professional career as a Jayhawk.

## **DEPARTMENT BY-LAWS:**

Our by-laws were dramatically rewritten this year due to changes to prepare us for becoming a 501-C-3 Charitable Organization. There were some other changes too. We also regularly have a policies and procedures manual that is updated based on opinions from National SUVCV and department orders from the Department Commander, or votes taken at business meetings (a good reason to be at business meetings). You can check out the new by-laws and policies and procedures on webpage

<https://www.weebly.com/editor/main.php#/>



**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR  
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI**

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 1  
Series 2018-2019  
5 June 2018**

**2018-2019 Elected and Appointed Officers**

On 2 June 2018 at Bennett Springs State Park, Lebanon, Missouri delegates to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Department Encampment elected their officers. Delegates to the 137<sup>th</sup> National Encampment were also elected. The Secretary/Treasurer and one Council member continue to serve unexpired terms. The results of the election are:

| <b>ELECTED OFFICER</b>     | <b>NAME</b>             | <b>CAMP</b>                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Commander                  | Dale Crandell, PCC      | Westport Camp #64             |
| Senior Vice Commander      | Sumner Hunnewell, PCC   | Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47 |
| Junior Vice Commander      | Joseph Rainey, PCC      | Gen. James McPherson Camp #1  |
| Secretary/Treasurer (2019) | Edward Krieser, PCinC   | Abraham Lincoln Camp #2       |
| Council (2019)             | Alan Heidbreder, PCC    | Columbia Tiger Camp #432      |
| Council (2020)             | Oliver Pechmann         | Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47 |
| Council (2020)             | Randal Burd, Jr., PDC   | Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47 |
| Delegate (2018)            | Sumner Hunnewell, PCC   | Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47 |
| Delegate (2018)            | John Palmer             | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Alternate Delegate (2018)  | All Department Brothers |                               |

In accordance with the Department Bylaws and Policies, the Commander, after his election, shall appoint other officers for a term of one (1) year. Those appointments reported at the Department Encampment are:

| <b>APPOINTED OFFICER</b>                      | <b>NAME</b>             | <b>CAMP</b>                   |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Assistant Secretary/Treasurer                 | Walter Busch, PDC       | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Patriotic Instructor                          | John Avery, PDC         | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Chaplain                                      | James Beckner           | Westport Camp #64             |
| Assistant Chaplain                            | Sumner Hunnewell, PCC   | Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47 |
| Counselor                                     | Robert Amsler, Jr., PCC | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Quartermaster                                 | Douglas Roussin, PCC    | Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47 |
| Signals Officer<br>Social Media, Promotions   | James Dixon, PCC        | Columbia Tiger Camp #432      |
| Assistant Signals Officer<br>Webmaster, Email | Walter Busch, PDC       | US Grant Camp #68             |



| APPOINTED OFFICER   | NAME                  | CAMP                          |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Graves Registration Officer   | Gary Scheel, PCC      | Felix St. James Camp #326     |
| Historical Records Coordinator<br>GAR Memorials Officer<br>Civil War Memorials Officer<br>Historian | Walter Busch, PDC     | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Camp Organizer  | Robert Petrovic, PDC  | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Missouri Unionist Editor  | Walter Busch, PDC     | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Eagle Scout Coordinator   | Thomas Greminger, PCC | Felix St. James Camp #326     |
| ROTC Coordinator  | John Avery, PDC       | US Grant Camp #68             |
| Medal of Honor Coordinator  | Randal Burd, Jr., PDC | Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47 |

Congratulations to our elected and appointed officers and our thanks to each for volunteering their time, talents, and service this coming year. These officers will fulfill the responsibilities of their office and conduct the business of the Department for the 2018-2019 year. All brothers are to follow our principles of Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty.

Ordered this 5th Day of June, 2018,

Attest:

Dale Crandell, PCC  
Commander  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
Secretary  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



Brookfield, MO, Soldier's Monument in olden days. It's way up north Missouri, but not the farthest north GAR monument. Those honors (2) probably go to Unionville.



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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2**  
**Series 2018-2019**  
**11 June 2018**

**2018-2019 Standing and Special Committees**

**Bylaws Committee.** In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article VII, the Department Senior Vice Commander chairs this standing committee and may appoint any brother in good standing to the committee:

Chair: Sumner Hunnewell, PCC

**Awards Committee.** In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article VII, the Department Senior Vice Commander chairs this standing committee with our three most recent Past Department Commanders serving as committee members:

Chair: Sumner Hunnewell, PCC  
Member: Martin Aubuchon, PDD

Member: Randal Burd, Jr., PDD  
Member: Glen Alsop, PDD

**Encampment Site Committee.** In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article VII, the Department Commander appoints at least two members to this standing committee. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Walter Busch, PDD  
Member: Brian Smarker, PDD

Member: Glen Alsop, PDD

**National Encampment in Missouri Host Committee.** In accordance with Department Order #5, Series 2017-2018, this special committee is chartered to submit a proposal to host a National Encampment in St. Louis. The committee has a 31 March 2022 sunset. The committee chair is re-appointed and may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Robert Petrovic, PDC

**Vicksburg Monuments Restoration Committee.** In accordance with Department Order #5, Series 2017-2018, this special committee is chartered to restore the Missouri monuments at Vicksburg. The committee has a 30 June 2020 sunset. The committee chair is re-appointed and may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Don Palmer, PCinC  
Member: Larry Dietzel, PDC

Member: Mark Coplin, PCC  
Member: Gary Scheel, PCC



**Honoring Living Veterans Committee.** In accordance with Department Order #5, Series 2017-2018, this special committee is chartered to recognize the service of our members who served in the U.S. Armed Forces. The committee has a 30 June 2020 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Oliver Pechmann

Member: Michael Lundeen, PCC

**JROTC Selection Committee.** In accordance with the 2017 Department Encampment, this special committee is chartered to select the 2018 JROTC Outstanding Cadet and administer the Department's \$200 competition prize. The committee has a 30 October 2019 sunset:

Chair: Alan Heidbreder, PCC  
ROTC Coordinator: John Avery, PDC

Member: James Martin

**Essay Competition Committee.** In accordance with the 2018 Department Encampment, this special committee is chartered to represent the Department to National History Day in Missouri competition and administer the Department's \$150 competition prize. The committee has a 30 June 2019 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Jim Stebbings

Member: Randal Burd, Jr., PDC

**GAR National Encampment Committee.** In accordance with the 2018 Department Encampment, this special committee is chartered to commemorate the GAR's 21<sup>st</sup> National Encampment in St. Louis and 50<sup>th</sup> National Encampment in Kansas City. The committee has a 30 June 2022 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Martin Aubuchon, PDD  
Historical Records Coordinator: Walter Busch, PDC

Member: Rodney Terry, PCC  
Patriotic Instructor: John Avery, PDC

Ordered this 11th Day of June, 2018,

Attest:

Dale Crandell, PCC  
Commander  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
Secretary  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



Controversial Medal of Honor Recipient and future General William Shafter is one of several soldiers who served in both the Civil War and the Spanish-American War. Part of his story, as well as other stories, are on the new Grant Camp website at

[www.grantcamp.org](http://www.grantcamp.org)

Member James Gallen has written several short stories about 5 such soldiers who served in both wars.

# Heroic Defenders of the J. W. Cheeseman: Epilogues

By Randal A. Burd, Jr., PDC

*“With two comrades voluntarily took position on board the steamer Cheeseman, in charge of all the guns and ammunition of the battery, and remained in charge of the same for a considerable time while the steamer was unmanageable and subjected to a heavy fire from the enemy.”*

This identical citation was presented with the Medal of Honor to a trio of soldiers from Battery A of the 1<sup>st</sup> Missouri Light Artillery. It was March 10, 1896, and almost 33 years earlier, 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant **Henry A. Hammel**, Private **Fitz W. Guerin**, and Private **Joseph A. Pesch** would remain onboard the steamer J. W. Cheeseman to protect the vital equipment of their unit.

All three soldiers survived the event, and apparently so did the steamer, as the Cheeseman appears again in the general orders of Major General Joseph A. Mower on September 2, 1864. Unfortunately, the steamer Cheeseman was again disabled in battle and surrendered to the Confederates by Acting Master John L. Bryant of the U.S. Navy on October 30, 1864.

As for the three heroes of 28-29 April 1863, they lived relatively full lives after the war and are buried in the same cemetery, Bellefontaine Cemetery, in St. Louis. The following are brief profiles of these men.

**Henry A. Hammel** was born in Germany on September 20, 1840. He was a 22-year-old 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant in the Union Army when he performed the deed which would earn him the Medal of Honor. Hammel later married Alvina Mehlhof in St. Louis on November 17, 1866. In 1880, Hammel was living in St. Louis with his wife and children while working in a harness shop. According to his will, he at least partially owned his own harness shop, Hammel Harness Co.

Speaking of his 1893 will, Hammel was also so disgusted with his deceased daughter’s husband, that he instructed in his will for a family plot to be purchased in Bellefontaine Cemetery for all family members living and deceased (he insisted on the removal of his parents and daughter to the new family plot), but explicitly states that his son-in-law not be buried in the plot, as “he is unworthy of the honor.”

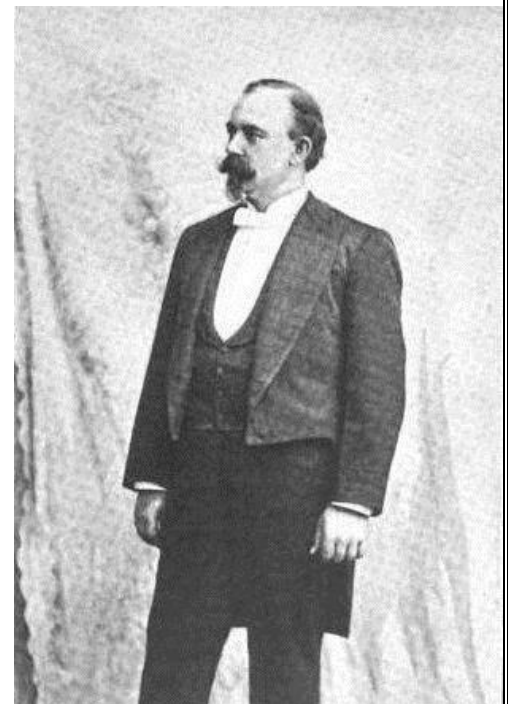
Hammel was a freemason and also served as president of the Gentlemen’s Driving Club in 1889. He died of liver cancer in St. Louis at the age of 62 on November 29, 1902.

**Fitz W. Guerin** (pictured next page) was born in Ireland, according to his obituary, and came to the United States when he was two years old. Guerin enlisted in St. Louis, Missouri, and was 17-years-old on April 28, 1863, when he performed the deed which would earn him the Medal of Honor. He later married D. Ella Bell on July 3, 1879, in St. Louis.

Guerin became a respected social photographer here, and even his critics begrudgingly admitted he had a talent for it. His accolades include a medal from the Paris Exhibition in 1878, fifteen gold and four silver medals in



photo of Joseph Pesch’s MOH courtesy of the Missouri History Museum





nineteen photo exhibitions across the country, and service as president of the National Photographic Society. Guerin retired in 1903 and moved to San Francisco, California, where he died of a heart attack at 57 on June 11, 1903. His obituary ran in newspapers in several states.

**Joseph A. Pesch** was born in Germany (Prussia) on July 18, 1835. Of the source documents which list a middle initial, some claim it was “M” while others list it as “A.” He was a 27-year-old private in the Union Army when he performed the deed which would earn him the Medal of Honor. Pesch later married Maria Mueller on October 4, 1866, in St. Louis, Missouri.

Pesch is listed in the 1867 St. Louis city directory as being employed as a letterer. City directories for subsequent years list him as a beer bottler, saloon keeper, and merchant. But by far the most interesting occupation listed for Pesch is found in the 1889 city directory, where he is listed as the president of Hammel Harness Co., the same harness company his fellow Medal of Honor winner Henry A. Hammel mentions in his will.

By 1900, Maria had died and Joseph was giving his occupation as “Capitalist.” Department of Missouri records list him as having been a member of the GAR, Francis Blair Post #1. He died at 68 of complications from chronic Bright’s Disease on October 11, 1903.

These three men immigrated to a country far from their birthplace and were instrumental in preserving it. They have provided examples of extraordinary heroism, but are also examples of the everyday Union soldier in that, for those who survived, life went on after the war. Some men, like Fitz W. Guerin, made a name for themselves apart from their military service. Others were not nearly as lucky as any of these three. All deserve the gratitude of a grateful nation and a moment of reflection for the lessons provided here.

[Unionist Editor’s Note: All graves can be visited at Bellefontaine Cemetery in St. Louis, MO.]



See More of Fitz W. Guerin’s photographs at <https://www.pinterest.com/joblankenship/fritz-w-guerin/> or Google his images (some listed as created by Fritz Guerin not Fitz). Most are a celebration of Victorian women and children. Some for that day would be considered erotica.

Past Department Commander Randal Burd, Jr is our current department officer supervising information of our Civil War Medal of Honor Veterans. This is the first of a promised multiple article series about our honored Medal of Honor Recipients.

# General Orders, No. 11 - The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly

By Walter E. Busch

If you wanted to have controversy during the Civil War, just create a General Order. Number it as 11. Sit back and wait. Historians hear of few general orders of that war that caused controversy. However, it seems that if they know about them, the order was numbered eleven. What were these orders and what were the issues?

In December, 1862, Grant was busy trying to take the river port of Vicksburg, Mississippi. Grant disliked war profiteering. As the Union armies headed south, Northern businessmen followed buying up anything (mainly cotton) they could find. Apparently, Jesse Root Grant, the General's father, was not aware of his son's feelings. He brought three businessmen, the Mack brothers, from Cincinnati, Ohio, down to visit his son. The Macks had offered Jesse a share from cotton profits if he would introduce them to his son in order to help them obtain the necessary business permits for the war zone. Upon learning of the reason for the trip, Grant had the Macks physically removed from the area. Unfortunately for Jesse, he did not count on his son's reaction. Even more unfortunate for the General, he vented his anger at the "race" of the businessmen instead of specifying profiteers. The Macks were Jewish.<sup>1</sup> Grant immediately issued the following General Order Number 11:

HDQRS. 13TH A. C., DEPT. OF THE TENN.,  
Holly Springs, December 17, 1862.

The Jews, as a class violating every regulation of trade established by the Treasury Department and also department [of the Army of Tennessee] orders, are hereby expelled from the department within twenty-four hours from the receipt of this order.

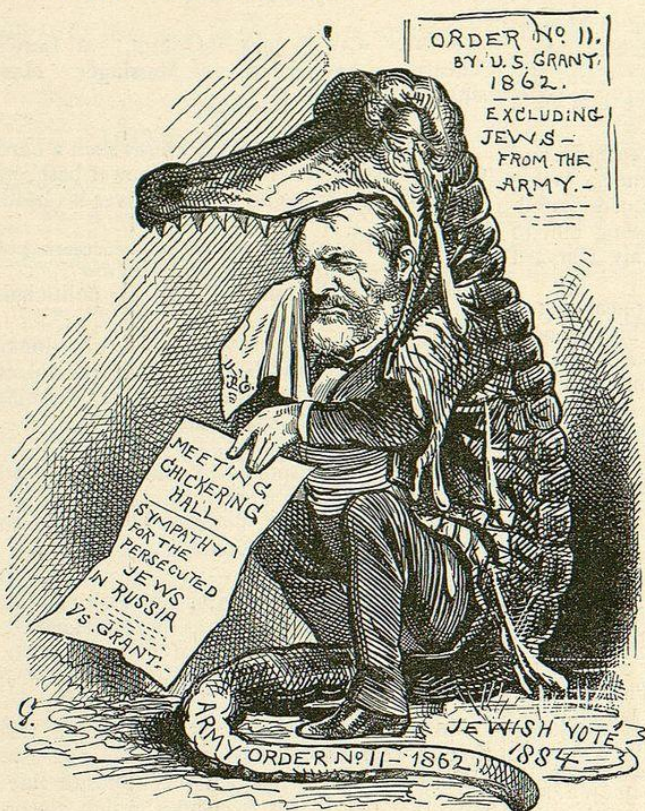
Post commanders will see that all of this class of people be furnished passes and required to leave, and any one returning after such notification will be arrested and held in confinement until an opportunity occurs of sending them out as prisoners, unless furnished with permit from headquarters.

No passes will be given these people to visit headquarters for the purpose of making personal application for trade permits.

By order of Maj. Gen. U.S. Grant: JNO. A.  
RAWLINS, Assistant Adjutant-General.<sup>2</sup>

The order did not just affect Jewish businessmen. Any Jewish person within the boundaries of the Army of the Tennessee was to be expelled. Even more absurdly, the order did not specify that Jewish soldiers were exempt. When Jewish community leaders brought the order to the attention of President Lincoln, he directed that it be immediately revoked. Grant revoked it on January 24, 1863.<sup>3</sup> Throughout the rest of his life, it was a political embarrassment, but more importantly he was truly sorry for it. He had meant to throw out war profiteers and particularly those bought in by his father.

## THEN AND NOW.—1862 AND 1882.



"OH, NOW YOU WEEP, AND I PERCEIVE YOU FEEL THE DINT OF PITY. THESE ARE GRACIOUS DROPS."



Earlier in the year, Major-General David Hunter attempted to benefit people with his order and still caused President Lincoln problems. Hunter, a staunch abolitionist, had previously freed slaves in newly conquered rebel territories. He decided that since martial law existed in the areas under his command, he had the right to free the slaves in those domains. On May 9, 1862, he issued his General Order Number 11. It stated:

HDQRS. DEPT. OF THE SOUTH,  
Hilton Head, Port Royal, S.C., May 9, 1862.

The three States of Georgia, Florida, and South Carolina, comprising the Military Department of the South, having deliberately declared themselves no longer under the protection of the United States of America, and having taken up arms against said United States, it became a military necessity to declare martial law. This was accordingly done on the 25th day of April, 1862. Slavery and martial law in a free country are altogether incompatible; the persons in these three States, Georgia, Florida, and South Carolina, heretofore held as slaves, are therefore declared forever free.

By command of Maj. Gen. D. Hunter: [ED. W. SMITH,] Acting Assistant Adjutant-General.<sup>4</sup>

Kenneth Davis commented on President Lincoln's reaction, thus: "Lincoln still wanted this to be a war for the Union, not emancipation." Lincoln worried that if slaves in conquered territories were freed, the border states might secede. The task of preserving the Union and conquering the Southern states would then become more difficult. On May 19, 1862, President Lincoln overruled Hunter's order, and, in doing so, stated that he reserved that exercise of power for himself.<sup>5</sup> Seven months later, on January 1, 1873, Abraham Lincoln issued his own Emancipation Proclamation which announced that slaves "...within any State, or designated part of a State, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States, shall be then, thenceforth and forever free..."<sup>6</sup>

Then there was General Thomas Ewing's General Orders, No. 11. If you are a Missourian, you have heard something about this. President Truman liked it to Nazi Concentration Camps. But then, Harry did have Confederate sympathies.

In August, 1863 about 2 months after assuming command of the Border District, General Thomas Ewing issued his order. He governed a district comprised of the first tier of counties on either side of the Missouri-Kansas Line. As he was attempting to root out Confederates from his district, a band of guerrillas raided Lawrence, KS, killing many men and boys and doing considerable damage. The cry of Kansans for action was great.

Ewing, the brother-in-law of General William T. Sherman, had already been at work attempting to clean up the border. He had troops covering many towns. He took the women of some guerrilla leaders and put them in confinement so they wouldn't supply the enemy. He issued other orders driving out known sympathizers from his district and confiscating their property, especially their slaves. In short, he was using what Mark Grimsley described as the "hard hand of war"<sup>7</sup> on the border district. He was forcing the guerrillas' hand.

Now, however, Quantrill met up with other Confederate troops and convinced all to raid Lawrence. Ewing was forced to take further action. Action he had already contemplated. He issued the following order, removing all citizens from Missouri counties unless they lived near Union forts.

General Orders }  
No. 11. }

Hdqrs. District of the Border,  
Kansas City, MO., August 25, 1863.

I. All persons living in Jackson, Cass, and Bates Counties, Missouri, and in that part of Vernon included in this district, except those living within 1 mile of the limits of Independence, Hickman's Mills, Pleasant Hill, and Harrisonville, and except those in that part of Kaw township, Jackson County, north of Brush Creek and west of the Big Blue, are hereby ordered to remove from their present places of residence within fifteen days from the date hereof. Those who, within that time, establish their loyalty to the satisfaction of the commanding officer of the military station nearest their present places of residence, will receive from him

certificates stating the fact of their loyalty, and the names of the witnesses by whom it can be shown. All who receive such certificate will be permitted to remove to any military station in this district, or to any part of the State of Kansas, except the counties on the eastern borders of the State. All others shall remove out of this district. Officers commanding companies and detachments serving in the counties named, will see that this paragraph is promptly obeyed.

II. All grain and hay in the field or under shelter in the district from which the inhabitants are required to remove within reach of military stations, after the 9th day of September next, will be taken to such stations and turned over to the proper officers there, and report of the amount so turned over made to district headquarters, specifying the names of all loyal owners and the amount of such produce taken from them. All grain and hay found in such district after the 9th day of September next not convenient to such stations will be destroyed.

[Two more sections not printed]

By order of Brigadier General Ewing:

H. Hannahs  
Acting Assistant Adjutant General.<sup>8</sup>

The order was upheld as necessary by both General Schofield and endorsed by President Lincoln and stayed in effect until November, 1863. However, the order is claimed by many to have removed 20,000 people from the counties and is the cause of it being “The Burnt District.” In reality, the displaced people were well under 10,000 because prior to the order, many towns had been burned, post offices closed, and people already had moved because of other issues. The population losses in the Missouri counties affected by the order match those of nearby counties in which the order was never a factor.

The order was immortalized in a propaganda painting by George Caleb Bingham and the controversy for good and bad followed Ewing the rest of his life. Some claim that it cost him an election to be Ohio’s Governor. Such stories are very far from the truth.

So, Hunter issued an order that was bad only because Lincoln thought the timing inappropriate to free slaves. Grant order certainly had its ugly aspects to it. Ewing’s order was a military necessity, but caused grief and hardships. We have to wait until after the war, in 1868, for there to be a good General Orders, No. 11.



**Bingham's Painting in the Cincinnati Museum of Art photo: Sumner Hunnewell**

On May 5, 1868, General Logan issued the order below.



## General Order No. 11

### Headquarters, Grand Army of the Republic Washington, D.C., May 5, 1868

I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of free and undivided republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude,—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the Commander-in-Chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this Order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By command of:

JOHN A. LOGAN, Commander-in-Chief.

N. P. CHIPMAN, Adjutant-General.<sup>9</sup>

Logan's order has served as a clarion call to all Americans to remember the sacrificed of their war dead. As years passed, we have had to remember the dead of other wars as well. We remember, memorialize and indeed celebrate Memorial Day. We celebrate because we are free due to the deeds of American soldiers. Every time we pray to God or reflect on our live, we should pause to give thanks for the sacrifices of those who died for us. LEST WE FORGET!

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Note: All Ewing material taken from my previous research and book soon to be published again with a new title as Lincoln's Brat: The Controversial General Thomas Ewing.



Burial site of US Maj. Gen. James B. McPherson at McPherson Cemetery, Clyde, Sandusky County, Ohio. Namesake of McPherson Camp No. 1 in Springdale, AR.



Since many members never make it to a department encampment, here is a picture of our department altar. It was given to us by members of the Allied Orders in Illinois back in the 1990s and was at one time the altar for a GAR Post. We try to use it at every department encampment and it was used at the 2007 National Encampment in St. Louis.



**My Custer Connection**  
**The Commemorative Horseshoe**  
**of**  
**Philip H. Bisbee**  
**by**  
**Douglas Roussin**



During the first weekend in May, my wife, Kathie, and I always have a table at the Ohio Civil War Show. This show is held in Mansfield, Ohio, and is one of the premier shows in the country. There are at least five auditoriums filled with relics from the Civil War to World War 2. This show brings in dealers and collectors from all over the United States and even from other countries.

Over the years, I have become acquainted and became friends with many of the dealers and collectors of the Grand Army of the Republic. So it was not surprising when one of these friends from Michigan, Leonard Shippy, who knew of my interest in Civil War veterans parlor horseshoes, brought one to look at. I have seen many of these over the years and included a section on them in my last book, Canteens and Horseshoes. These parlor horseshoes were designed to stand upright with a leg in the back. This one was missing the third leg, which probably meant it was hung on the

wall. It was the standard design with an eagle on top and the veteran's name and regiment plus his G.A.R. post number 45. It did not attract my attention at first and then something clicked, and I knew I must add it to my collection. The regimental name was the 5<sup>th</sup> Michigan Volunteer Cavalry, Company C. You see the 5<sup>th</sup> Michigan was commanded by General George A Custer during the war. The 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> Michigan Volunteer Cavalry were known as the "Wolverines". It was the Michigan cavalry that made General Custer famous.

The name that appears on the horseshoe is Philip H. Bisbee. Mr. Bisbee was born in February, 1845. He was the son of Luther Bisbee and Emily M. (Stevens) Bisbee, of Monroe, Michigan. The 5<sup>th</sup> Michigan Volunteer Cavalry was organized in Detroit, 1862 and Philip signed up as a private in Company C. The unit was mustered in August 21 and began training. On December 4, 1862, the 5<sup>th</sup> was sent to defend Washington and became part of the Army of the Potomac. They remained at this duty until the spring of 1863.

In the spring of 1863, George A. Custer was given the command of the Michigan Volunteers with the rank of Brigadier General. He would command the 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> cavalry until the end of the war. He referred to them as "Wolverines". Some of the battles of the Wolverines include: Gettysburg, Wilderness, Mine Run, Cold Harbor, the Shenandoah Valley with Sheridan, Five Forks, Yellow Tavern (where J. E. B. Stuart was killed) and Appomattox Court House.

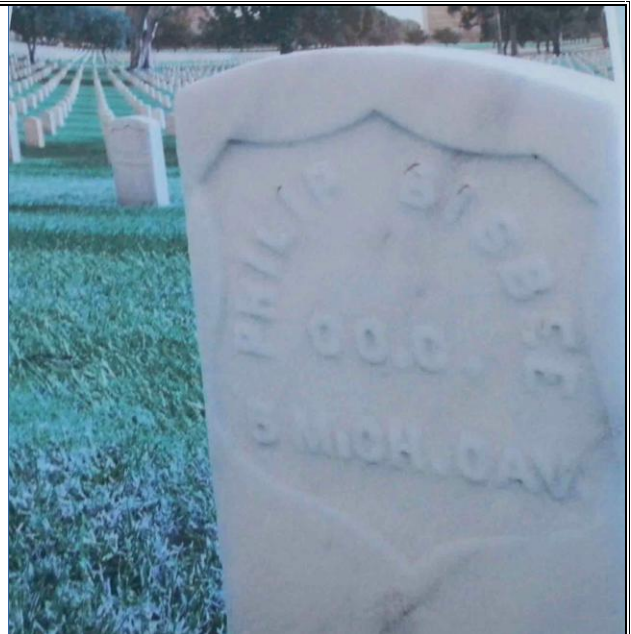
After Appomattox, the 5<sup>th</sup> Michigan took part in the "Grand Review of the Armies" in Washington. They were soon sent to Kansas where they were mustered out June, 1865.



Philip Bisbee took part in most of the major battles from 1863 to 1865. He was captured August 4, 1863 but was released August 25, 1863, during a prisoner exchange. He returned to his unit. At Leavenworth, Kansas, he was mustered out with the rest of his unit with the rank of sergeant.

Upon his return to Michigan, he married his beloved wife, Mary, and together they had two children, Florence and Jessie. Mr Bisbee became a carpenter and later moved to Los Angeles, CA. He died at the home of the California National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, October 10, 1916, and is buried in the Los Angeles National Cemetery. Philip H. Bisbee was 71 when he passed away. His name and his history would probably have been lost except for the Parlor Horseshoe he had made for himself.

Special thanks to Walt Busch for researching Mr. Bisbee's personal life.



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# CAMP DISPATCHES

## Camp Lillie



Lincoln University Army ROTC recently held their annual Army ROTC Awards Day Ceremony on 4 Apr 2018 in Soldiers Hall on the campus of Lincoln University. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Award was presented by Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Bill Ratliff of Lillie Camp No.6. This award is presented annually to a Cadet displaying a high degree of patriotism and who has demonstrated a high degree of academic performance and leadership. The recipient of this year's award was MS II Cadet Joshua Nelson. Cadet Nelson is from Olathe, Kansas and is a sophomore at Lincoln University. He is a 3-Year Army ROTC Scholarship Recipient, a member of the LU Honors College and is majoring in Marketing, with a minor in Military Science.

Our April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting was at Brewhouse Coffee 1507 E McCarty St, Jefferson City. We will have business meeting the first half hour. Then we will travel to the Missouri State Museum



Riverside Collection's Facility at 117 N. Riverside Drive to see some Missouri Civil War artifacts that have been in the collection for over 100 years. Some have not been displayed for 50 to 75 years.

The May 26th meeting had Father Vincent Heier, authority on General George Custer will give a program on George Custer: the man, the myth, his visit to Missouri, and the Little Bighorn. Heier is the Chaplain of the US Grant Camp.

Coming up today - June 30th Mr. J.Y. Miller will be doing his presentation on Glasgow Missouri.

## McPherson Camp

### A Letter to the McPherson Camp

Sir,

I just wanted to send you a follow-up message expressing my thanks on behalf of Northside High School, the JROTC program, and the cadet that the Sons of the Union Veterans recognized during our Military Ball. Without your support the program would not be as successful as it is. Thank you again for what you do in support of these exceptional young adults. As always, it was good to see you.

Please see attached photo of the cadet recognized by your organization.

Jason Meharg, LTC (R)  
Senior Army Instructor, JROTC





On Memorial Day the McPherson camp conducted a ceremony at the G.A.R Cemetery in Sulphur Springs. The Camp laid a wreath on the gravestone of Sgt. M. Waldo Hatler who received the Medal of Honor for his actions during WWI in 1918. He is the only Medal of Honor recipient buried in Benton County, AR. Pictures are of Camp Commander Joseph Rainey and then members of our camp as we rededicated the monument.



The Grand Army of the Republic cemetery has veterans buried from not only the Civil War, but also from WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, and the First Gulf war. It also has a WWI army nurse buried there.

Last year the Camp went thru the Cemetery and cleaned all the veterans graves and paid special attention to Sgt. Hatlers stone. In doing so we uncovered the Medal of Honor inscribed on his Stone. Members cleaning the monument and monument after cleaning.





## Grant Camp



US Grant Camp 68 held remembrances for the 56<sup>th</sup> US Colored Troops at Jefferson Barracks Cemetery on May 5. Professor Sarah Cato (pictured left) was instrumental in starting this event several years ago and getting the names of the soldiers listed on the monument. But the ceremony went by the wayside for several years. US Grant Camp picked it up again as an annual event. The Cleveland High School Naval ROTC served as color guard for the event.

The 56<sup>th</sup> USCT lost four officers and 21 enlisted as killed or mortally wounded and two officers and 647 men to disease during the war. 178 died on their way home to muster out on board ship in the Mississippi and most of these Cholera victims and one of their white officers are buried under this monument. The 56<sup>th</sup> served garrison duty around Helena, AR, and also fended off an attack on July 26, 1864, by superior Confederate forces, led by Colonel Archibald Dobbins, at Wallace Ferry, AR. Nineteen members of the 56<sup>th</sup> were killed and 40 were wounded in this action.



Grant Camp held ceremonies for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Memorial Day at Jefferson Barracks. Members of Wilhelmi Camp, Hecker Camp from Belleville, and the Turner Brigade assisted in the event. The event use to be an event that Grant Camp and Sherman Camp shared responsibility and alternated years for supervising the event. Turner Brigade Reenacting Association operated the Union cannon fire.





Grant Camp, at their June 11 meeting, dedicated the GAR flag for their GAR reenacting group in the camp. Pictured are PCC Mark Coplin and PDC John Avery. Also at the meeting, the camp gave a plaque to Frailey's Grill for giving us the use of their room for the last 5 years at no cost. The plaque which will be placed in the room will also advertise our group's presence and hopefully bring about a few inquiries. Pictured are Nick, the supervisor of the restaurant and Camp Commander Robert Amsler.

At the June meeting, a hardy Huzzah was given to John Palmer (pictured right), who is invading the south this fall as a secret member of the

SUVCW purporting to be a freshman at the University of Alabama. John was awarded the SUVCW Scholarship to assist him in the undercover operation. He was warned not to be beguiled by southern women using their charming southern accent; a true danger to all such secret missions! His mission: the creation of secret SUVCW cells in the deep south!

The biggest news that the Grant Camp has, after months of debate, is that we have our new website design up and running. Some information is still forthcoming, but in general, it is ready for your review. We have some articles about various soldiers, especially US Grant, and have started a speakers bureau of our members that are willing to offer their services to the public speaking on various topics. Check us out at [www.grantcamp.org](http://www.grantcamp.org)





## Phelps Camp

### THE GRAVE OF EMERY JACKSON

Last fall, Phelps Camp members and Wilson's Creek volunteers rediscovered the site of the grave of Private Emery Jackson, a veteran of the 1st West Virginia Cavalry, who died near Marionville in 1891. His headstone was shattered a few years ago.

The replacement headstone ordered from the Department of Veterans Affairs has arrived! We have ordered a copy of his pension file to learn more about Jackson and his family, and will discuss plans to build a fence around his grave and host a headstone dedication ceremony at the next meeting.

Members of Phelps Camp presented the "Timeline of the American Soldier" program on the front lawn of the Wilson's Creek Visitor Center from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Monday, May 28 in observance of Memorial Day.

## St. James Camp



On March 25th we were invited to participate in the Eagle Court of Honor for Brandon Bova. It was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bloomsdale. As you can tell from the photo that we had several members present. I think that Brandon and his family were pleased with our attendance. PCC Tom Greminger was our spokesman and he handed Brandon his Eagle Scout Certificate and CC Tom Farlow handed him the Challenge Coin. The meal they provided was very good. Brandon's Eagle Scout Project was done at the American Legion Hall in Bloomsdale. They built a facility to burn discarded US flags and a receptacle for people to place the flags.

April 8th. -- On April 6th at the Battle of Shiloh, Lt. Col. J. Felix St. James was mortally wounded. He was taken to the hospital in Savannah, TN where he died of his wounds on April 8th, 1862. Every year members of our Camp Guard stands guard at his grave site performing an honor guard. This year we had three members in attendance

Pictured L to R -- Lieutenant Tom Farlow 1st Sergeant Gary Scheel Private Ed Millinger



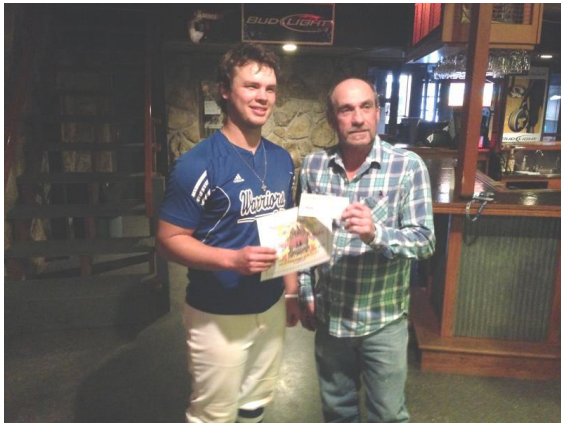
they arrived we concluded our guard duty and moved to where they were and participated in their activity. One of our members, Jack Grothe and Maggie were participating in that event. They are to the left in the photo. The bagpiper and his bride joined us in the photo.

April 8th also was Scottish Days in Ste. Genevieve. One of their activities was to march to the cemetery and read off the names of those from Scotland who were buried there. When



April 10th

We had an unusual year as far as the number of applicants we had for our Private John E. Smith Scholarship. This year we had four applicants. Two from Ste. Genevieve High School and two from Valle High School.



They were all outstanding students and we wish we could award each of them a scholarship but we had to choose just one.

Christian Loida ancestor was Albert Loida who was a Private of Company G, 1st Regiment U.S. Reserve Corps Infantry. But this is only one reason that Christian was awarded the scholarship. He had a 4.01 grade point average and is attending Missouri Science and Technology in Rolla with a Major in Chemical Engineering. Photo: Camp Commander Tom Farlow presenting the check for \$200.00 and a certificate to Christian Loida. he came to our meeting straight from a baseball game. We wish you the best in your future Christian.



April 29th, Logan Schwent Eagle Scout

On April 29, 2018, 3 members of LTC St James Camp #326 attended the Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Logan Schwent at the American Legion Post 0150 in Ste. Genevieve, Mo. Members in attendance were CC Tom Farlow, Jerry Kasten & PCC Tom Greminger. Sister Ruth Kasten also attended.

CC Farlow presented Logan with his SUVCW Eagle Scout Certificate and PCC Greminger presented the SUVCW Eagle Scout Challenge Coin.

A meal was provided afterwards by the family.



May 8th

We had the privilege to again give a Civil War presentation to the 7th Graders at the Ste. Genevieve Middle School. We were at the practice football field again this year. We originally were supposed to have five stations so the students were divided into five groups. At the start of presentation we had four stations. They were the Civil War display manned by PCC Tom Greminger and Paul Kist, Infantry display and demonstration of firing weapons by CC Tom Farlow and Ed Milinger, Manual of Arms and firing movements by PCC Gary Scheel and Spinning and Women during the Civil War presented by Deb Cambron. The cannon arrived a little late which then gave us an additional two stations which gave us a total of six. These two new stations were the Cannon and Artillery by Jerry Kasten and Civil War Baseball by Ruth Kasten.

As always at the end of the session we fired the cannon about four times, much to the enjoyment of the students and the cannon crew. Pictured - Jerry Kasten and his display

May 17th

PCC Gary Scheel awarded the SUVCW ROTC Medal and Certificate to Cadet/1st Sergeant Dylan Hale who is in the Army ROTC Battalion at the Poplar Bluff High School.





May 28th - 150th Anniversary of Decoration/Memorial Day

It was a hot day with the temperature around 93 degrees and a high level of humidity, Lt. Tom Farlow, 1st Sgt Gary Scheel and Pvt Ed Millinger and Mary Scheel showed up to pay their respects and perform a ceremony for the five Union Veterans buried in Memorial Cemetery on Memorial Day.

First we met at the grave site of Lt. Col. J. Felix St. James who died of wounds he received at the Battle of Shiloh. He died on April 8th and was buried in the cemetery on April 13th. Beside our group there was Gail Farlow and their daughter and her family, a mother and son from town and Toby the owner of the



Ste. Genevieve Herald.

After the reading of the program we proceeded to the grave sites of Corporal Amos Culver of Company K, 47th Missouri Infantry Regiment and Sergeant Augustus Schweiss of Company K, 78th Enrolled Missouri Militia. Tom and Gail's granddaughter Milo placed a flag at the grave of Corporal Amos Culver and Mary placed the flag at the grave site of Sergeant Schweiss. From there we proceeded back to the gravesite of Lt. Col. St. James to finish the ceremony. Pictured Above - L-R, Milo, Aiden, Tom Farlow, Gary Scheel, Ed Millinger and Wyatt.



Aiden who is Tom and Gail's grandson placed the flag for Lt. Col. J. Felix St. James and Wyatt placed the flag for Musician Jacob Zimmer of Company I, 30th Missouri Infantry Regiment. In the photo it looks like Aiden is saluting as Wyatt is placing the flag. We do not know where Musician Zimmer is buried. He was a 13 year old drummer for the 30th Missouri Infantry who died in Ste. Genevieve in December 1862. Wyatt's Mother then read the poem, The Unknown Dead. It was a great day to pay our respects to those who suffered and died during the Civil War.



Now for the cute photo for the day. As we were marching up the hill toward Corporal Culver and Sergeant Schweiss grave sites, our photographer Mary Scheel, thought this was a cute photo. Milo was carrying the flag she was going to place on Corporal Culver's grave site, holding her Mom's hand and wearing a Yankee Blue Kepi. It symbolizes what families should do on Memorial Day. Get together and go to the cemetery and decorate the graves of our veterans.

Crestlawn Cemetery in Ste. Genevieve  
Member of our camp went later in the day to place flags at the gravesites of Corporal Charles Beauvais, Co. G, 78th Enrolled Missouri Militia Private Hiram Berry Company C, 21st Missouri Infantry






# Fletcher Camp

May 28th. 150th. Anniversary of Memorial Day - Members of the Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 and the Louisa Volker Auxiliary #215 performed an historical Sesquicentennial Memorial Day Service for the 50+ Civil War Veterans buried in the Hopewell Cemetery, Hopewell, Missouri. The service and honor salute was a very close adaptation of the 1897 GAR Memorial Day Service






## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Memorial Day at Hopewell Cemetery

**When:** Monday, May 28, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.



**Where:** Hopewell Union Church  
Cemetery, Hopewell (Washington County),  
MO



(Hopewell Cemetery is located off of Highway 8 (approximately 7 miles east of Potosi) and just off of Elliot Road in the Village of Hopewell, Washington County, Missouri (near the old Hopewell Union Church building))

Members of the Thomas C. Fletcher Camp 47 (Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War) and the Louisa Volker Auxiliary 215, will be in uniform & period attire to perform a rare, historic Sesquicentennial Memorial Day Service for the 50+ Civil War Veterans buried in this cemetery. There will be a service, honor salute, and more. This event is free and the public is welcome to attend this unique ceremony.

**For more info, contact:**  
Chris Warren  
(Fletcher Camp Chaplain & Jr. Vice Commander)  
(573) 358-9465 or the\_civilwar\_guy@yahoo.com







April 8th. Civil War Trust Park Day - Members participated in clean-up detail at the "Battle of Pilot Knob" State Historic Site. Camp Commander Don Lillicrap and Aux. member Kathie Roussin clean windows at the park office.

April 28th. De Soto Farmer's Market Parade - Pic 2 - Our members marched down historic Main Street, De Soto.

June 2nd. De Soto Train Days - Our members provided an information booth and Civil War display. The highlight of the event



was the kid's rifle drill. PDC Chris Warren brings the "Drill Team" to Present Arms.

Also, on June 8th. we lost one of camp's former charter members, Tony Peters. - Rest in Peace Brother Tony





# Westport Camp

## Memorial Day Events

Westport Camp #64 members continued the GAR's General Order #11 tradition by participating in several Memorial Day activities.

Brooking Cemetery. Over 500 flags were placed at veteran gravesites at Raytown's historic Brooking Cemetery for Memorial Day weekend. Camp members and wives volunteering were: John and Sandra Martin, David McCann, Rodney Terry, Kenneth Bailey, and DUVCW state president Dee Wolf.

Union Cemetery. Camp members participated in the timeline honor guard at Union Cemetery's memorial service. Considered one of Kansas City's oldest, this historic cemetery includes veterans from the Revolutionary War through World War II. Uniformed SVR members participating were James Beckner and Dale Crandell representing the Civil War era.

Kansas City. Westport Camp #64 participated the parade of colors for Kansas City's annual Memorial Day service at the city's Vietnam Veterans Memorial & Fountain. SVR uniformed members participating were: Kenneth Bailey, James Beckner, Dale Crandell, Michael Lundeen, and Rodney Terry.

Medal of Honor. Each of the five Civil War Medal of Honor recipient's gravesites were dressed for Memorial Day weekend. The recipients are Private Nathaniel McLean Gwynne, Major M.R. William Grebe, Sergeant Thomas Toohey, Private John Henry Ricksecker, and Private Wilbur Moore.



*SVR members at Kansas City Memorial Day service: Rodney Terry, James Beckner, Kenneth Bailey, Michael Lundeen, and Dale Crandell.*

*SUVCW Dale Crandell and SAR Tom Neal finding shade after Memorial Day service.*

## ROTC Awards

Westport Camp #64 continued its support for the ROTC awards program by sponsoring twenty-two presentations: two college ROTC and nineteen high school JROTC units. Camp members Kenneth Bailey, James Beckner, Dale Crandell, Michael Lundeen, and Rodney Terry presented the awards:





Blue Springs High School, Stephen Moore  
 Clinton High School, Samantha Hood  
 Independence Truman High School, Devon Pattison  
 Kansas City Central High School, Damon King  
 Kansas City Lincoln College Prep Academy, Juana Batres-Barragan  
 Kansas City Northeast High School, Xavier Noel  
 Knob Noster High School, Alexis Parrott  
 Lee's Summit North High School, Oliva Luce  
 Missouri Western State University, Aaron Eyerly  
 St Joseph Benton High School, Kal-El Martinez  
 St Joseph Lafayette High School, Lauren Adams

Blue Springs South High School, Lindsey Holtswarth  
 Independence Chrisman High School, Juan Mendez  
 Independence Van Horn High School, Sinai Naiuli  
 Kansas City East High School, Mucyo Hitayezu  
 Kansas City Southeast High School, Kwaun Smith  
 Lee's Summit High School, Garrett DeShazo  
 Lee's Summit West High School, Isaac Powell  
 Ruskin High School, Brandon Coulter  
 St Joseph Central High School, Madyson Moran  
 University of Central Missouri, Zachary Hawkins

*Brother Kenneth Bailey presenting the camp's 100<sup>th</sup> ROTC award to Air Force JROTC Cadet Alexis Parrott at Knob Noster High School.*



**Welcome New Member**

Kevin Miller was enrolled in Westport Camp #64 during its regular meeting on April 6, 2018. Brother Miller is a woodworker from Amoret, Missouri. He joined the SUVCW to honor his ancestor Private Nelson Cole, who served in Company K, 69<sup>th</sup> Ohio Infantry Regiment.

At 18 years of age, Nelson Cole volunteered for a three-year commitment in February 1862 when the 69<sup>th</sup> Ohio was organized. The regiment served in Tennessee protecting railroads and Union encampments, later being part of Sherman's Atlanta campaign and concluded its service marching in the Grand Review in Washington, DC. Private Cole was discharged with the regiment in July 1865.

*69<sup>th</sup> Ohio Infantry regimental flag. Credit: Ohio Historical Society, [www.ohiocivilwar.org](http://www.ohiocivilwar.org).*





# Allied Orders & Coming Events Section

*The Central Region – Allied Orders of the Grand Army meets once a year and Missouri SUVCW traditionally has several members who have shown up at the meetings. At the meetings, the group usually has a historical presentation (and tour) along with a presentation designed to improve a members skills within the Allied Orders, of which the SUVCW is a part. A very short business meeting follows. This group has been in existence since 1940 and carries on the tradition of regional meetings of all the groups. The Central Region and the Northeast Region are the only two still in existence! In 2018 the group meets October 5 and 6 in Valparaiso, IN, and in 2019 the group is trying something different and holding their event along with the Lincoln Tomb Ceremonies in April at Springfield, IL.*

*More information is posted on the website <http://www.craalliedorders.org/>.*

*All SUVCW members in Missouri are entitled to show up at these meetings, learn and make friends in the other organizations. There is still time to attend. Contact Walt Busch [wbuscb@suvcmo.org](mailto:wbuscb@suvcmo.org)*



THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE AN  
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IN THE CIVIL WAR?

## Lineage Workshop

Sponsored by:

Julia Dent Grant Tent #16- Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865  
Missouri Department – Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

**WHEN:** Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018 11:00 am

**WHERE:** Missouri Civil War Museum

200 Worth Ave, St. Louis, MO 63126

**WHAT:** Bring names, dates, places your ancestors lived so we can help you figure out any family puzzles and if you descend from someone who fought in the war.

Our members will help you determine if you are eligible for membership based on an ancestor's service and explain what sources of information might be available to verify your generational information.

**QUESTIONS:** Call: 636-946-2820

Email: [gateway426@aol.com](mailto:gateway426@aol.com)

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*Presented by Civil War Round Tables in Springfield & Macoupin County During Illinois' Bicentennial Anniversary*

- July 5** **Grant Goes to War: The March from Springfield\***  
*John Alexander, Historian*
- July 12** **Civil War Widows and Orphans**  
*Laura Reyman, 3rd Person Interpreter in Period Dress*
- July 19** **Roadside History: Illinois Historic Civil War Markers**  
*William Furry, Director, Illinois State Historical Society*
- July 26** **Grant and Sherman Win The War**  
*Bill Teshner and Larry Werline, 1st Person Presenters*
- Aug 2** **Illinois Songwriters Who Helped Win The Civil War**  
*Christian McWhirter, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library*
- Aug 9** **Stephen A. Douglas, Patriot**  
*Reg Ankrom, Historian/Author*
- Aug 16** **Original Illinois Civil War Flags\***  
*Bill Lear, Curator of Illinois State Military Museum*
- Aug 23** **Lincoln as Commander in Chief, A Panel Discussion**  
*Moderated by Alan Lowe, Director, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum*

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*Moderated by Alan Lowe, Director,  
Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum*

More Lectures on the Civil War:

On Friday, June 22, 2018, Past Department Commander Randal Burd, Jr. had the opportunity to attend an informative lecture on "Civil War Across the Ozarks," by John Bradbury, notable expert in Ozarks history and retired assistant director of the State Historical Society of Missouri. This was the second lecture of six in an eight date series entitled *Impressions of the Civil War in the West*.

The lecture series is included in a free Civil War Summer Exposition featuring the art of Dan Woodward.

Unfortunately, it is too late to attend the lecture by Bradbury or "Unleashing the Wolf: General Order No. 11 and Civil War on the Western Border" by Dr. Ann M.

Raab, adjunct professor, University of Missouri, Kansas City. However there are still four more lectures that could be worth the drive to Rolla:

**Friday, July 13, 2018 at 7 pm:** "Did Slavery Cause the Civil War?": a lecture by historian George Hoemann

**Friday, July 20, 2018 at 7pm:** Civil War military history by Fort Leonard Wood USAES Command historian, Florian Waitl

**Friday, July 27, 2018 at 7pm:** Storytelling with Carole Shelton, author and retired educator, will entertain audiences through researched and crafted historical first-person portrayals of women

**Friday, August 3, 2018 at 7pm:** "The Changing Role of Women during the American Civil War," a lecture by Connie Grisier, historical administrator and interpreter

This lecture series is book-ended with stand-alone receptions featuring remarks by local artist Dan Woodward. All dates are at the Curtis Laws Wilson Library on the campus of Missouri S&T. They are free and open to the public. Special event parking and accommodations are available. Call 573-341-4008 or visit [library.mst.edu](http://library.mst.edu) for more information.

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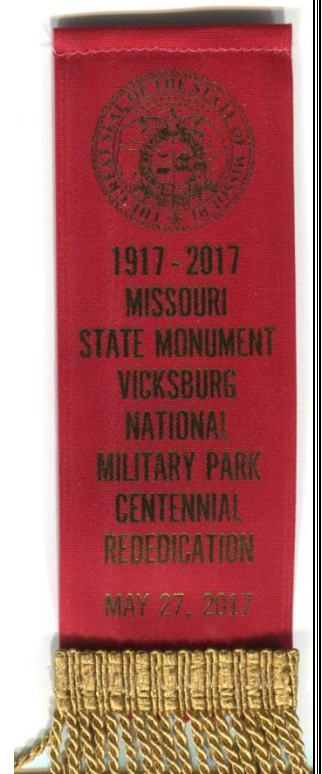


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(set of 5/numbered)

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