



# The Union Defender



The Newsletter of Phelps Camp No. 66,  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

## January 2020

### WHAT HAPPENED AT THE DECEMBER MEETING?

Members and spouses enjoyed fine food and fellowship at Flat Creek Grill in Republic, participating in our annual holiday dinner meeting.

### PHELPS CAMP ELECTIONS

It's time to elect camp officers for 2020. If you are interested in a camp office (camp commander, senior vice commander, junior vice commander, secretary or treasurer) please contact Jeff by email ([tamlrn@juno.com](mailto:tamlrn@juno.com)) or by phone or text (417) 350-7192 no later than January 20.

Once the slate is assembled it will be submitted to the membership for a vote.

### DUES ARE NOW DUE

It's that time again! 2020 Phelps Camp dues are now due. Please send a check or money order, payable to "Phelps Camp No. 66, SUVCW," to our camp treasurer, Kirk Singleton, at 13679 Lawrence 1245, Billings, MO, 65610-6202.

Dues will be \$30, the same as last year, although any additional contribution to the camp coffers will be greatly appreciated.

We have much to do as a camp in 2020. Let's get all of our current members to "re-up," and recruit some new members!





## PHELPS CAMP MEMBERS HAVE A BUSY FALL

Phelps Camp members participated in several events last fall.

On October 5, members attended the Catt-Crawford Cemetery commemorative ceremony. The Catts-Crawford Cemetery outside Mount Vernon contains the graves of early settlers, Union and Confederate veterans.

On October 25, the anniversary of General John Fremont's recapture of Springfield, members helped re-dedicate the Zagonyi's Charge monument, which was recently relocated to Zagonyi Park.

On November 3, members formed the color guard for the dedication of the Warden's Station marker near Conway. The Mary Whitney Phelps Tent of the Daughters of Union Veterans raised funds for the impressive roadside marker highlighting the location of a Union Army post during the Civil War.





## ANNUAL PHELPS CAMP “HISTORIC RANGE DAY”

Once again, thanks to the generosity of camp members Kirk Singleton and John Sutton, members of the camp enjoyed handling and live firing a number of reproduction and original U.S. military weapons—and proved that they’re pretty good shots!

