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Our Original Department of Missouri GAR Charter

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DEPARTMENT OFFICERS



L-R: Department Commander Emmett Taylor
Senior Vice Commander Brian Smarker
Junior Vice Commander Rod Price
Secretary/Treasurer Walter Busch
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Leo Kennedy



Department Commander Emmett Taylor receiving his Department Commanders Badge from Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Leo Kennedy.

Department Commander Emmett →
Taylor taking command of the
Department for the first time.
L-R, Secretary-Treasurer Walt Busch
(seated), Department Commander
Emmett Taylor (standing), Junior Vice
Commander-in-Chief Leo Kennedy
and Department Chaplain Vernon
von de Heydt (standing with his back
towards the photographer)





ACTIVITIES



SWEARING IN OF OUR OFFICERS



← L-R: Walt Busch, Rod Price, Harold James, Brian Smarker, Chris Warren, Paul Summitt, Mark Coplin, Glyen Brown III and Emmett Taylor.



COLUMBIA TIGERS CAMP 432 RECEIVING IT'S CHARTER

L to R: Junior Vice Command –in- Chief Leo Kennedy, Paul Summitt Junior Vice Commander Columbia Tigers Camp & Past Department Commander Walt Busch



← Jack Grothe receiving a Commendation Certificate for his efforts as part of the Host Committee for the National Encampment held in St. Louis in August 2007. He also received one to hand to Maggie Grothe.





COMMANDERS REPORT



DEPARTMENT COMMANDER WALTER E. BUSCH

I want to report that we had a successful year.

- Membership is up. 189 Members (up from 169 in 2007) 2 Juniors UP OVERALL ALMOST 11%.
- A new camp is started in Columbia and has a good start with 15 members. On July 2 2008, the Westport camp will be trying to start a camp in St. Joseph, Mo. I plan on being there.
- We've held a national encampment that reunited all the allied orders.
- We became Lincoln Fellows at National Encampment - Bronze \$250
- We helped a fellow member with family medical problems with over \$400 of funds.
- We received an original Missouri Department GAR Charter and raised all the funds to have it restored.
- We received an original gavel from the Frank Blair Post # 1 Dept of Missouri.
- We inducted a real son into the Department, George Williams
- I found a real son for the SCV Sterling Price Camp - Otho Lucas.
- The SVR in the state has grown. With one new unit applying to the 4th Military district.
- We have been planning the Central Region Allied Orders Meeting in St. Louis for this Oct 4.
- Our SVR held a School of the Piece at Jefferson Barracks this past year.
- We've had two officers elected to national positions. I've been placed on two national committees and also was elected Senior Vice Commander of the Central Region Allied Orders.
- I've been appointed to serve on the Missouri Historical Society's Civil War Sesquicentennial Standing Committee.
- Thanks to Gary Scheel, we have been regularly receiving copies of our Unionist newsletter.

In 2001, then Commander Don Palmer set certain goals for the department to complete by 2010. I wish to report now on our success for these goals.

- ❖ GAR Posts. 594 Posts, 4 Department Offices, and 6 Arkansas Posts have been identified. Of these, the Captain Dunlap Post 192 is the only post that we don't know its location. Initial research for records has been completed. Now will come deeper digging for more records.

There are two Posts, the Rousseau Post and the Capt. York Post that attempted to organize and never chartered. We do not know anything else about these posts. I want to report that we have met the goal Commander Palmer set.

- ❖ We have listed 255 monuments recorded. I believe there is not the 400 estimated by Commander Palmer and that we have met the goal of identifying the monuments. However, his goal was to record them. We have only recorded 174 of them. Two monuments have been lost to time; the Blair monument in Louisiana Mo and a monument recorded by the DUV as being in Ste. Genevieve. We have 81 to still record to meet his goal.
- ❖ 10,000 Civil War veterans graves registered in the state by 2010. 14,819 have been registered throughout the state. While the goal is met, the department has only registered some 7,900 of these. We need 2,100 more to meet the spirit of Commander Palmer's goal.
- ❖ In 2004, the goal was set to have researched at least 60 of the 114 counties for the Last Soldier Project. We have 47 counties with nominees in them. 2 of those counties have two potential candidates that need more research.

Some other information we have been able to obtain.

- ❖ GAR Commanders. We have 55 names recorded. Some have information along with them. We need more information on the pre-1888 commanders. For example Col. David Murphy of Pilot Knob fame is suppose to be one, but I have not found a lot of references to that.
- ❖ We've recorded 77 United Confederate Veterans Camps in this state.
- ❖ 33 Civil War Medal of Honor Winners are buried in this state. 18 have MOH markers. I would like to challenge someone to work on getting markers for at least 5 more by 2010 and have ceremonies involving camps and the media.
- ❖ I don't have the information with me but there were probably over 100 SV / SUV camps in the original department of Missouri. We need research to determine what records exist on them. I recently saw the charter of the Capt. Farrell Camp of Rolla, MO. The document has printing on it: "Friendship, Charity, Loyalty." When did SUV change this?

In closing, I want to thank the camps assembled for electing me as Commander last year. It has been interesting. I regret that I have not been able to attend meetings of the Westport Camp this year (I did last year), McNeil Camp, or Sherman Camp. Other duties and other camps seemed to be more needy.

In the last year, I have not submitted one bill to the department for any expenses. As much of this is tax-deductible, I encourage future commanders to attempt to do this as much as possible.



SECRETARY REPORT OF THE ENCAMPMENT



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2008 ENCAMPMENT.

Submitted by Donald Palmer, PDC (acting as Secretary)

- Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Leo Kennedy provided greetings from the National organization and presented a summary of key activities being worked at the National level.
- Motion approved to submit request for \$500 from the Memorial Grant Fund to support a proposed Union monument for the Lexington battlefield.
- Motion approved to require inventory lists for both Department merchandise and Department property to be prepared and signed annually.
- Motion approved to send letter of interest to the National Encampment Site Committee expressing interest in hosting the 2013 National Encampment in St. Louis.
- Camp charter presented by Junior Vice Commander in Chief Leo Kennedy and Department Commander Walt Busch to Brother Paul Summitt of the new Columbia Tigers Camp #432 from Columbia, MO.
- Two Constitutional amendments regarding Juniors and Junior Associates ratified by the Department of Missouri.
- Motion approved for the Department of Missouri to purchase 25 medallions developed for the Lincoln Bicentennial to sell for the SUVCW Charitable Foundation.
- Motion approved to place Department of Missouri ad in the National Encampment program book, with the upper half presenting greetings and the lower half with merchandise for sale.
- Brian Smarker wishes to resign as Department webmaster due to lack of time to keep up with maintaining the website. Paul Summitt offered to serve as Department webmaster and host the Department web site at no cost to the Department.
- Committee appointed to set up E-bay store on Department web site to help move merchandise
- Approved five Department By-Laws amendments

Officers Elected

- Commander - Emmett Taylor (Asboth Camp #5)
- Senior Vice Commander - Brian Smarker (Westport Camp #64)
- Junior Vice Commander - Rod Price (McCormick Camp #215)
- Secretary/Treasurer - Walt Busch (Grant Camp #68)
- Council - Chris Warren (McCormick Camp #215), Mark Coplin (Grant Camp #68), Bob Champlin (Sherman Camp #65)

OTHER REPORTS

Annual Report of Council Robert Champlin

1. At a previously held within year mini Department meeting, I was able to review the Treasurer's books and found no error. It is recommended that a more logical system of bookkeeping be initiated.
2. Having no further action this year, this report is concluded

Submitted in F. C. L.

Robert D Champlin
Council Department of Missouri

MONUMENTS OFFICER'S REPORT

When the Dept of Natural Resources Civil War Marker Program is completed the state will have 255 to 260 monuments identified and recorded or waiting to be recorded. After much research, I firmly believe that this is 90 percent or better of all Civil War/GAR monuments that exist in this state. As such I feel it safe to say that we have met the goals outlined by Past Commander Don Palmer in 2001 and only need to document information on 81 more of these.

I have also learned that Arkansas has only 5 SUV members in that state. There are two GAR monuments there and I have taken it upon the department of Missouri to include them in our database until such time that Arkansas has a camp or department to maintain its own database.

I been successful in getting \$200 from National for the monument Phelps Camp wants to erect at Battle of Lexington State Historic Site. I also obtained \$500 from the St. Louis Civil War Roundtable for the same project. I obtained \$500 from national for the restoration of the Major B.B. King Monument in Canton Mo. Restoration by the Canton Camp and the Eagles Scouts will be on June 21. I will be attending and encourage others to go also.

Monuments I've recorded in the past year: Bethel and Newark, Blackwell, Grant's First Action at Hunnewell, Shelbina, Monroe City and AVE Johnson Memorial, 6 Markers at Lexington, Col/Gov Phelps Monument in Springfield, Fort Wyman and Fort Dette in Rolla, Cape Girardeau. I also have four pending for the next year.

Finally, I urge all members to download PrimoPDF and to use it when filling out monument, GAR records and SV records forms. It allows you to save what you type to the computer and then it can be sent to the monuments officer. I plan to add these PDFs to the database which will hopefully someday be on the web so that all information about who recorded the information is included.

ADDENDUM TO GAR RECORDS OFFICER REPORT

I recorded information on GAR Posts 252, 254. Gary Scheel and I also found about 50 GAR charters at the Missouri Historical Society. Gary paid to have the information on them copied and I have the information on my desk awaiting a time I can transcribe it.

ADDENDUM TO SV HISTORICAL RECORDS OFFICER'S REPORT

I recorded Harris, Kirksville and Kissees Camps. Rolla Camp Pending.

Above Three Reports were Submitted By
Walt Busch

COMMANDER'S EVENTS

June 9 ---Elected Department Commander

June 16 --U.S. Grant National Historic Site, White Haven, attended with other SVR members for Grand Opening of Visitor Center.

June 18---Attempted to locate Grant's First Battle monument at Hunnewell. Not located. Vern Stottlemeyre later reported that the marker had been removed for scrap and has been recovered and is awaiting rededication.

June 21---a. Located Civil War monuments at Bethel and Newark, Mo.

b. Attended Meeting with Moore Camp in Canton, MO

June 23---Attended SVR School of the Piece Training at Jefferson Barracks

June 24----Attended Grave Dedication of Last Soldier of Franklin County at St John's United Church of Christ Graveyard, Casco, MO. Event Sponsored by Wilhelmi Camp.

June 25----Attended Encampment Organization meeting at Alandale's Pub, Kirkwood with Don, Bob, and John

June 29 ---Add GAR Post 252 to Dept Records. Added Info to J.N. Hilton Post 254 to GAR Post Records.

June 30 ---Add Harris, Kirksville and Kissee Camps to SUV Camp Records.

June 30 ---Attend Grave Dedication for John C. Reeder, 3rd MSM Co. A/L, Little Vine Cemetery, Ste. Genevieve Co. Martin Aubuchon of our camp also there.

July 5-----Attended Encampment Organization meeting at Alandale's Pub, Kirkwood with Don, Bob, and John

July 12---Attended Encampment Organization meeting at Alandale's Pub, Kirkwood with Don, Bob, and John

July 21---Inks Cemetery, Eureka, MO --- Clean up Day - Mark, John, Marty & Walt

July 30---Attended Encampment Organization meeting at Growler's Pub, Kirkwood with Don, Bob, and John

Aug 2---- Packed "goody bags" for National Encampment at Jack Grothe's house with Don and Bob.

Aug 4 ----Load up "goody" bags at Grothe's house in truck to take to encampment.

Aug 8----Help Set up at National Encampment, Frontenac, MO

Aug 9----Setup and Registration Table at National Encampment

Aug 10 & 11---National Encampment

Aug 15---St. Louis Civil War Roundtable Board Meeting

Sept 13---McCormick Camp Meeting, Farmington

Sept 14---Captain Constantin Blandowski's Memorial Dedication, Jefferson Barracks Cemetery. Grave Registration OPS1 Completed.

Sept 22----Battle of Pilot Knob Re-enactment in SVR Uniform. Also extended greetings from Dept of Missouri to Real SCV Son, Luther Otho Lucas at his initiation into the SCV.

Sept 26 ---St. Louis Civil War Roundtable

Oct 6 -----Allied Orders Central Region Association Meeting w/ Bob Petrovic, Don Palmer, Jack Grothe. Elected Senior Vice Commander of Association. Visited Gov. Lane Mansion and the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum

Oct 12----Attended Encampment Committee wrap-up at Growlers with Jack and Maggie Grothe, Don Palmer, Bob & Cher Petrovic.

Oct 14----Walt attended Battle of Blackwell Station (Jefferson Co.) Monument Dedication with Rod Price of McCormick Camp

Oct 15----Cpl Geo Williams 96th Birthday Party in Granite City IL and public speaking event at the nursing home. Grant Camp Members in attendance: Walt Busch, Gary Scheel, John Avery, Bob Petrovic and Mark Coplin.

Oct 20 ----Attended Monument Dedication at Hunnewell, MO. Restoration of marker to US Grant's first combat of the Civil War at Salt River. David Wilson from McNeil Camp was also in attendance. Surveyed other monuments at Shelbina, Monroe City & AVE Johnson Memorial.

Oct 25--- Research at Missouri Historical Society with Gary Scheel. Also attended St. Louis Civil War Roundtable with Gary Scheel and Jack Grothe.

Oct 27----Department Meeting at White Haven. Attendees: Walt, Bob Petrovic, Don Palmer, Bob Amsler, Bob Champlin, Charlie Funck and Jack Grothe.

Nov 4----Franklin Lefler Grave Dedication Memorial Service sponsored by McCormick Camp. Shirley, Mo. Present: Walt Busch, Marty Aubuchon, Gary Scheel, Chris Warren, Bob Schmidt, Leon Lefler, David Hagler

Nov 10--Throckmorton Cemetery, Wildwood, MO. GAR Dedication of 2 Graves. John Avery, Walt Busch, Bob Amsler, Marty Aubuchon 9 am

Nov 10 Elm St. Park, Webster Groves, Mo., DAR WW1 Stone Memorial. Jack Grothe, Walt Busch, Marty Aubuchon, Tom Rung

Nov 11---Quniette Cemetery, Kirkwood, MO. Dedication Memorial to 5 African-American CW Soldiers.

Nov 19---Gettysburg, PA -- Remembrance Day & SVR Breakfast. Walt, Don & Bob. Walt receives silver service star for recruiting 10 members.

Dec 1----Grant Camp Meeting at Viking Restaurant in Sunset Hills. Installation of Officers.

Dec 8--- SVR Ceremony for Henry Williams Gravemarker. In attendance: Walt, John Avery, Chris Warren, Gary Scheel.

Dec 13---McCormick Camp Meeting at Rosener's Restaurant in Park Hills. Installation of Officers.
 Dec 17---Lexington, MO Battlefield. Register 6 Monuments in the area.
 Dec 18 --Oglesby Camp Installation of Officers at Lewis & Clark Café, Cape Girardeau.
 Dec 27---Send Monuments in for registration from the 17th.
 Jan 5 ---Golden Coral in Columbia, organizational meeting for Columbia Tigers Camp
 Jan 7 ---Attended meeting for Central Region Allied Orders Conference Committee with Bob and Rod
 Jan 16---Mailed letters to former Palmer Camp members in attempt to get SUV property returned.
 Feb 5---Attend Phelps Camp Meeting in Springfield
 Feb 17--Attend Co A 2nd Mo Inf Drill at Jeff Barracks with several members of post.
 Feb 23--Attend Jefferson Barracks Swap Meet with SUV table. Also assisting John Avery, Chris Warren, Gary Scheel, Bob Petrovic
 Feb 23--Attend 2007 National Encampment Closing meeting -with Bob Petrovic, Marty Aubuchon (guest), and Don Palmer
 Feb 24--Attend Sherman Day Ceremony at Calvary Cemetery falling in with Co A 2nd Mo Inf.
 Attended Asboth Camp meeting at Wiliker's Pub in St. Charles. Swore in Officers.
 Feb 27--Attend St. Louis Civil War Roundtable with Marty Aubuchon. Turned in request for funds from Phelps Camp for their monument.
 Feb 29--Reviewed 2007 encampment books and confirmed the great job Maggie Grothe did in keeping the accounts straight.
 Mar 1--Attended Columbia Tigers 432 Camp Organizational Meeting
 Mar 6--Attended Moore Camp Meeting in Canton with Bob Petrovic. Gave them their charter back from mounting
 Mar 10 & 11 Worked on setting up hearing committee of charges filed between two brothers.
 Mar 15-- Department Meeting -- Jeff City
 Mar 26--St. Louis Civil War Roundtable with Gary Scheel
 Apr 5---Fort Davidson Open House & Public Meeting with Chris Warren and Bob Petrovic
 Apr 12--Lincoln Day at Springfield MO Cemetery with Bob Petrovic, Marty Aubuchon, Bob Amsler, Jack Grothe & Charlie Funck
 Apr 13--- Grave Dedication St Ann's Catholic Church, French Village MO with Marty Aubuchon, Gary Scheel, and Chris Warren and members of McCormick Camp.
 Apr 17--- Monument Recorded Hazelwood Cemetery, Springfield, MO - Governor & Col John Phelps
 Apr 17-20-- Civil War Preservation Trust Conference in Springfield with the following Dept members John Rutherford, Fr. Richard Frank, Jeffrey Patrick, and Charles Metternich.
 Apr 20--- Monuments Recorded, Fort Wyman, Rolla, MO & Fort Dette, Rolla Mo.
 Apr 30--- Petrovic v Funck Hearing, Park Hills, MO. 4 Grant Camp Members, 1 Sherman Camp, 5 McCormick Camp, 1 Oglesby Camp
 May 19--- GAR Monument Judsonia AR, New Madrid, MO (2 Monuments), and Fredericktown.
 May 26--- Memorial Day Jefferson Barracks.
 May 27--- Attended Meeting of Wilhelmi Camp #17 at Lewis's Café in St. Clair, MO
 June 6, 7--- Department Encampment

Report of the Commander
 Respectfully Submitted to the Department Encampment
 In Fraternity, Charity, Loyalty,
 Walt Busch

Senior Vice Commander's Report
Department of Missouri Encampment

My activities since the last Dept. of Missouri Vice-Commander's report include the following:

Continued to provide support and leadership to the group of men in Columbia forming a new SUVCW camp—The Columbia Tiger Camp, # 432. We are awaiting their charter from National.

Chaired the committee which selected the recipients of the 2008 Department of Missouri awards.

Assumed duties of Camp Secretary for the Asboth Camp during the deployment of Brother Gregory R. Decker to Iraq.

Served as military subject matter coordinator for the May, 2008 Rockwood School District Civil War Living History Program held at Beaumont Scout Camp in St. Louis County. I personally talked to about 1500 8th graders during the week about the role of a Union Cavalry Field Surgeon. This was an activity that the Asboth Camp supported.

Setup and took part in a mounted cavalry demonstration/program for residents of the Warrensburg, MO Veterans Home on May 16, 2008.

Assisted elderly Merchant Marine Veterans in manning their cold drink concession at the Memorial Day weekend, St. Louis Ribfest. This was another Asboth Camp activity with support from the Auxilary

Respectfully submitted in F.C. &L.,
Emmett P. Taylor, PCC
Sr. Vice Commander
Dept. of Missouri, SUVCW

Report of the Junior Vice Commander
7 Jun 2008

This is the first report of the Junior Vice Commander, Brian Smarker.

Applications have been received from the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Leo Kennedy, PDC for the following:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Suggested Camp</u>
Christopher Warfel	Member	St. Louis, MO	Grant Camp #68
Mark Herbert	Member	Fort Knox, KY	TBD
John Herbert	Member	Maryland Heights, MO	TBD

In each case, the Camp Commander and Junior Vice Commander for camps in the candidate's vicinity were contacted, usually by email, to notify them about the candidate. In addition, the applicants had been contacted to inform them that their applications have been received and if they don't receive an invitation to an upcoming meeting soon, to notify the Dept. JVC.

The Dept. JVC asks that either the Camp Commander or Camp JVC contact the Dept. JVC **PROMPTLY** after the applicant has been invited to a meeting in order to better serve our potential members and to more efficiently process applications. PLEASE DO NOT IGNORE APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Here ends the report of the Junior Vice Commander.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Smarker, JVC
Department of Missouri, SUVCW

Report of the Signals Officer
7 Jun 2008

INTRODUCTION

This is the report of the Signals Officer since the previous report submitted at the last department meeting.

APPLIED ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO WEBSITE

Not many changes have occurred during the past three months. The web site had been draped in memory of Beverly Massey, National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The Columbia Tigers Camp #432 has been added to the camp map. The subdomains for each camp were removed due to lack of interest. The old web pages have been updated and reinstated for the camps that do not have their own web pages. More information is required to complete those pages for some camps, especially the three newest camps.

SUGGESTED CHANGES

At the last department meeting in March 2008, I had announced that I would have to resign from the post of Signals Officer effective on or before the 2008 Department Encampment. It has been a pleasure working on the web site during the few years that it has been under my wings and if time permitted, I would continue to maintain and improve the web site. But, I believe I would be providing a disservice to our members if I was unable to maintain a level of professionalism and integrity for something that is important and contributes to the continued success of our organization.

Here ends the report of the Signals Officer.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Smarker, Signals Officer
Department of Missouri, SUVCW

Paul Summitt's E-Bay Proposal

This proposal is to sell the remaining items from the 2007 National Encampment

Establish a banking account that will be associated with the suvcwmo ebay account. I recommend that it be a bank account unto itself that will only be used for the ebay account.

1. As soon as that is accomplished we can set up the ebay account and open the ebay store. From that point it will just be a matter of posting the items on eBay.
2. Establish a banking account that will be associated with the suvcwmo ebay account. I recommend that it be a bank account unto itself that will only be used for the ebay account.
3. As soon as that is accomplished we can set up the ebay account and open the ebay store.

From that point it will just be a matter of posting the items on eBay. Hope to hear from you guys next week when I get back and we can move forward on this.

Department of Missouri
Report of the Eagle Scout Coordinator
Department Meeting June 7, 2008

Gentlemen:

My Eagle Scout Report follows. I continue to encourage all members of the Department of Missouri to make contact with their local Scout Troops to encourage them to nominate newly elevated Eagle Scouts for the the SUVCW Eagle Scout Certificate and Congratulatory Letter. If there are JROTC units in your local high schools, I also encourage each member to offer the ROTC medal and certificate to them.

Respectfully submitted,
John D. Avery
Eagle Scout Coordinator
Department of Missouri

SUVCW DEPARTMENT – Eagle Certificates sent June 10, 2007 to June

Date Sent	Last Name	First Name	Bd of Review/Ct of Honor
7/13/2007	Johnson	Jeremy Travis	CH – 8/11/2007
7/13/2007	Giraudy, Jr.	Carlos Alberta	CH – 8/11/2007
7/31/2007	Dulie	Michael	CH – 10/28/2007
11/5/2007	King	William Tyler	CH – 2/10/2008
11/26/2007	Stone	Steven Raymond	CH – 2/3/2008
1/12/2008	Smock	Kyle	CH – 1-14-08
1/20/2008	Wash	Justin Kenett	CH – 1/20/2008
1/28/2008	Ross	Zachary J.	ND
1/28/2008	Boyd	Matthew Allen	ND
1/28/2008	Muller, II	Mark	ND
1/28/2008	Muller, III	John Patrick	ND
1/28/2008	Pullman	Nicholas	ND
1/28/2008	Wallin	Clinton Lee	ND
1/28/2008	Mclain	Tyler	BR – 6/20/2007
1/28/2008	Brammeier	Matthew James	ND
1/28/2008	Gould	Grant P.	ND
1/28/2008	Krull	Thomas Edward	ND
1/28/2008	Carrell	David Gregory	ND
1/28/2008	Silger	Michael David	ND
1/28/2008	Hansen	Alex	ND
1/28/2008	Luedloff	Benjamin Russell	BR – 9/5/2007
1/28/2008	Terneus	Matthew Ryan	ND
1/28/2008	Edlemann	Ryan Carl	ND
1/28/2008	Edison, Jr.	Michael Patrick	ND
1/28/2008	McEwen	Matthew	ND
1/28/2008	Wunnenberg	David Edward	ND
1/28/2008	Kneemiller	Zachary M.	BR – 8/27/07
1/30/2008	Zagaja	Daniel Robert	CH – 4/27/2008
2/9/2008	Guthrie	Patrick	CH – 3/1/2008
3/11/2008	Parnell	Kristopher Wade	CH – 4/25/2008
4/11/2008	Brown	Kyle	CH – 5/17/2008
4/11/2008	Heatherly	Mathew Thomas	BR – 2/18/2008
5/13/2008	Vaughn	Kenneth Randall	CH – 7/11/2008
4/20/2008	Cockrum	Nathan	ND
5/26/2008	Martin	Alexander John	ND
5/26/2008	Kaiser	Steven Gregry	BR – 11/29/2007
5/26/2008	Dick	Joshua Aaron	ND
5/26/2008	Jepson	Corey Dylan	ND
5/26/2008	Seward	James Clifford “Jay”	ND
5/26/2008	Burke	James D.	ND
5/26/2008	Sachs, III	Robert John	ND
5/26/2008	Lewandowski	Christopher Michael	ND
5/26/2008	McElveney	Daniel Robert	BR – 11/12/2007
5/26/2008	Brust	Benjamin J.	BR – 10/25/2007
5/26/2008	James	Jordan	ND
5/26/2008	Jones	Kristopher Michael	ND
5/26/2008	Richardt	Christopher	ND
5/26/2008	Northcuttf	Justin L.	BR – 7/19/2006

5/26/2008	Blessing	Scott	BR – 7/18/2007
5/26/2008	Walsh	Adam T.	CH 4/8/2008
5/26/2008	Foley	Jonathan W.	CH – 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Platt	Joshua Daniel	CH – 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Weaver	Steven	CH – 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Cleek	Brian	CH 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Foy	A.J.	CH – 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Ragland	Stanton	CH – 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Sternecker	Aaron	CH – 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Thomas	Jamie	CH 4/27/2008
5/26/2008	Boydston	Joshua Tyler	ND
5/26/2008	Buckner	Zachary James	ND
5/26/2008	Crooks	Williams	ND
5/26/2008	Hall	Taylor	ND
5/26/2008	McCartney	Geoff	CH – 5/29/2008
5/26/2008	Bates	Scott	CH – 5/29/2008
5/26/2008	Phillips	Justin	CH – 6/14/2008

4/25/2008	McCue	Thomas Lawrence	JROTC – Medal & Award
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Commander Busch:

Nothing has changed regarding the GAR Highway. It still requires the \$2000 fee, 100 signatures, a legislator, and approval. Then only 2 signs are erected (which are letters only), there is a 19 year window/sunset (which would then require renewal), and the approval/denial from the Joint Committee on Transportation Oversight. So, in other words, unless the Department of Missouri - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, can come up with \$2000 or find a corporate sponsor for this, the project will remain stalled until further notice.

Yours in F, C, & L,
Chris Warren
Dpet. of MO, GAR Hwy Officer

GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER'S REPORT

I have the honor to report that in the National Data Base we have a total of 14,819 graves of Civil War Soldiers and Veterans who are buried in the State of Missouri.

Out of these records I have documents that as a Department we have registered 7,944 of these graves. In communication with the National Grave Registration Officer in the past, he stated that he has received Missouri grave registrations from other sources. There may have been grave registrations in the past that I do not have records for entered by someone else in our Department. I have no knowledge of any such registrations.

For this year May 15, 2007 to May 15 2008 we as a Department have registered 1,067.

The break down per Camp is.

620 McCormick Camp # 215	269 Grant Camp # 68
75 McNeil Camp # 62	40 General Asboth Camp # 5
22 Westport Camp # 64	19 Major Wilhelmi Camp # 17
12 Phelps Camp # 66	0 Oglesby Camp # 61
0 Sherman Camp # 65	

I would like to express my gratitude and would like to commend Brother Bob Schmidt of the McCormick Camp for turning in 504 Grave Registrations this year.

In F, C & L,
Gary L. Scheel
Grave Registrations Officer
Department of Missouri
SUVCW



BANQUET



The Banquet was not as well attended as it has been in the past with only two tables being needed.

Gary L. Scheel was the guest speaker for the banquet. He is shown giving his presentation. His presentation was about the retreat from Fort Davidson in Pilot Knob, MO to Leasburg, MO after the battle at Fort Davidson.

Those who were there listened with rapt attention. The following pictures will let you judge if this is a true statement or if the speaker (editor) may be exaggerating.

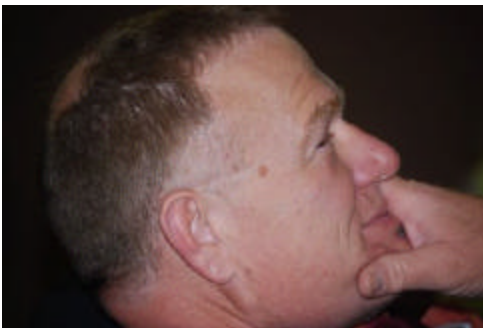
The editor has taken the liberty to try and explain what it looks like the individuals in these photo's are thinking.



"Where do they find these boring guys"



"I wish I had those toothpicks for my eyes."



"He is supposed to give a presentation at Fort Davidson, July 29th, I don't think so."



"Will this ever end?"



"Now that I am Department Commander, I wonder if I can have him shot to put him out of our misery."

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS



← U.S. Grant Camp #68 Commander Gary L. Scheel accepting the James B. Eads Award and Ribbon for Camp Flag as Most Outstanding Camp in the Department of Missouri.

Robert Petrovic receiving the Francis P. Blair →
Jr. Award for Most Outstanding Member of the
Department of Missouri, SUVCW. He received his
award for his hard work for the National Encamp-
ment in St. Louis, 2007.



← Cher Petrovic receiving the GAR Award for her efforts
before and during the National Encampment in St. Louis
in 2007 and for her photography work that was used on
the National Department website.

Kim Palmer receiving the Show-Me Award →
for her work during the 2007 National
Encampment in St. Louis.



← Past Department Commander Don Palmer is presented with a
Certificate of Commendation for his hard work as acting Secretary
during the past two Department Encampments.