



SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI

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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 1
Series 2024-2025
8 June 2024

2024-2025 Elected and Staff Officers

On 1 June 2024 at Boonville, Missouri delegates to the 29th Department Encampment elected their officers. Delegates to the 143rd National Encampment were also elected. The results of the election are:

ELECTED OFFICE	NAME	CAMP
Commander	Robert Aubuchon, DC	US Grant Camp #68
Senior Vice Commander	Mark Coplin, PCC	US Grant Camp #68
Junior Vice Commander	Kevin Miller, PCC	Westport Camp #64
Secretary-Treasurer (2026)	Dale Crandell, PDC	Westport Camp #64
Council (2025)	Glen Alsop, PDC	Maj. Francis Wilhelmi Camp #17
Council (2026)	Robert Amsler, Jr., PDC	US Grant Camp #68
Council (2026)	Gary Scheel, PDC	Felix St. James Camp #326
Delegate	Kevin Miller, PCC	Westport Camp #64
Delegate	Mark Raney	US Grant Camp #68
Alternate Delegate	All Brothers in good standing	

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

STAFF OFFICE	NAME	CAMP
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer	Walter Busch, PDC	US Grant Camp #68
Patriotic Instructor	Randal Burd, Jr., PDC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
Chaplain	Mark Coplin, PCC	US Grant Camp #68
Counselor	Robert Amsler, Jr., PDC	US Grant Camp #68
Quartermaster	Walter Busch, PDC	US Grant Camp #68
Graves Registration Officer	Glen Alsop, PDC	Maj. Francis Wilhelmi Camp #17
Signals Officer Webmaster, Email	Walter Busch, PDC	US Grant Camp #68
Assistant Signals Officer Social Media, Promotions	James Dixon, PCC	Columbia Tiger Camp #432

STAFF OFFICE	NAME	CAMP
Historical Records Coordinator GAR Memorials Officer Civil War Memorials Officer Historian	Walter Busch, PDC	US Grant Camp #68
Missouri Unionist Editor	Randal Burd, Jr., PDC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
Eagle Scout Coordinator	Sumner Hunnewell, PDC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
ROTC Coordinator	Sumner Hunnewell, PDC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
History Award Coordinator	Randal Burd, Jr., PDC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
Camp Organizer	Joseph Rainey, PCC	Gen. James McPherson Camp #1

I wish to thank those brothers who elected me and entrusted me with this department. I will endeavor to carry out my duties faithfully. I also wish to congratulate those brothers who are officers elected with me. For those who will serve in staff positions, I am indebted to you for your generosity to our Order and dedication to the Department of Missouri.

Ordered this 8th Day of June, 2024,

Attest:

Robert Aubuchon, DC
Commander
Department of Missouri
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Dale Crandell, PDC
Secretary-Treasurer
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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2
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2024-2025 Standing and Special Committees

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: Mark Coplin, PCC
Member: Sumner Hunnewell, PDC
Member: Gary Scheel, PDC
Member: Robert Amsler, Jr., PDC

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: Mark Coplin, PCC

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, PDC
Member: Sumner Hunnewell, PDC

JROTC Selection Committee. This special committee selects the JROTC Outstanding Cadet in accordance with Department Policy 717. The committee has a 30 October 2025 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Sumner Hunnewell, PDC

Programs Committee. This special committee coordinates Department-wide programs and activities that advance the principals, mission, and goals of the National Order and Department. The committee has a 30 June 2025 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Don Palmer, PCinC
Member: Walter Busch, PDC

Member: Dale Crandell, PDC

Member: Mark Coplin, PCC

Member: Gary Scheel, PDC

Ordered this 10th Day of June 2024,

Attest:

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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 3
Series 2023-2024
11 June 2024

Passing of Past Department Commander Emmett Plant Taylor, III

Brothers, it is with sorrow that we have learned of the passing of Past Department Commander Emmett P. Taylor, III of Wentzville, Missouri.

Emmett joined the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) in 1994, deriving his right to membership from his Great Grandfather, Sgt. Frederick Schwaebe, Quartermaster Sergeant, Company F, 4th Missouri State Militia Cavalry. Emmett served in several offices: he was a Past Camp Commander of William Sherman/Billy Yank Camp #65 of St. Louis; charter member and Past Camp Commander of the General Alexander S. Asboth Camp #5 of Wentzville; organizer and member of the Major Francis Wilhelmi Camp #17 of St. Clair; and, helped charter Columbia Tigers Camp #432 in Columbia. He was Past Department Commander of Department of Missouri in 2008 and 2009. He was honorably discharged from the SUVCW in 2023 due to health issues. An obituary is attached to this order as an addendum.

In memory of Brother Taylor, the Department's Charter and web site shall be draped, all Camp Charters and websites shall be draped, and Brothers shall attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge. Following Department Policy #103, this order shall remain in effect for thirty days from this date.

Ordered this 11th Day of June 2024,

Attest:

Robert Aubuchon, DC
Commander
Department of Missouri
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Dale Crandell, PDC
Secretary-Treasurer
Department of Missouri
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



Emmett Plant Taylor III

of Wentzville, Missouri, passed away on June 7, 2024 at the age of 75. He was the beloved husband of Brenda Taylor (nee: Edgar); He is survived by his five sons, Matthew Christian Taylor of St. Louis, MO, Andrew Emmett (Katie) Taylor of St. Louis, MO, Benjamin Michael (Alex) Taylor of St. Louis, MO, Jonathan David (Jessi) Taylor of Los Angeles, CA, Mark Aaron Kayser of O' Fallon, MO; nine, grandchildren; He is preceded in death by his father, Emmett P. Taylor, Jr., mother, Marjorie Taylor (nee: Gibler), brother, Terry Taylor, sister, Sally Kay Taylor.

Emmett was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wentzville for many years. He faithfully served his country in the US Army as a Registered Nurse retiring after 20 years service. Emmett then served his community as an RN for many years as well as a Past Reserved Police Officer. He was known for his work ethic, care, and empathy. Emmett participated in many war reenactments. Emmett was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Sons of the Union of the Civil War.

Emmett graduated from Missouri State University (SMS) in 1970 with a BS in Sociology. He earned a BS in Nursing from Missouri Baptist University in 1998, and an MA from Covenant Theological Seminary in 1989.

He joined the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in 1994, deriving his right to membership from his Great Grandfather, Sgt. Frederick Schwaebe, Quartermaster Sergeant, Co. F, 4th Missouri State Militia Cavalry. Emmett served in several offices including the following: he was a past camp commander of William Sherman/Billy Yank Camp 65 SUVCW of St. Louis; charter member and past camp commander of the General Alexander S. Asboth Camp 5 of Wentzville; the organizer and member the Major Francis Wilhelmi Camp 17 of St. Clair; and, he also helped in forming Columbia Mo-The Tigers Camp 432 in Columbia. He was Past Department Commander of Missouri SUVCW in 2008 & 2009. He was honorably discharged from the SUVCW in 2023 due to health issues.

He loved music and was an owner of two music stores. Emmett was also a Boy Scout Leader, enriching the lives of America's youth and a member of the American Legion Post 323. He loved his family and enjoyed spending as much time as he could with everyone. Emmett will be deeply missed by all that knew him. Family is being served by Pitman Funeral Home -Wentzville.

Visitation Friday, June 14, 2024:9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Pitman Funeral Home, 1545 Wentzville Parkway, Wentzville, MO 63385. Interment to take place at a later date at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, 2900 Sheridan Rd, St. Louis, MO 63125.

5TH REGT. CAL. VOLTS. 150

4TH. REGT. CAL. VOLTS.

SCHWAEBE, FREDERICK

Rank **Co. F. M. Sergeant 24 Co. F**

Captain **WOLDEMAR**

Enlisted **SEPT. 2** 186 **1**

Where **ST. LOUIS, Mo**

Mustered in **SEPT. 25** 186 **1**

Where **ST. LOUIS, Mo.**

Remarks **Pro. to 3rd Sergt. Jan. 1, 1864. to 5th Sergt. Oct. 31, 1865.**

Mustered out 186

Where

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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 4
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15 September 2024

2024-2025 Department Business Meetings

In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article II, the Department Commander shall schedule regular business meetings in October and March and give notice of the date, time, and location.

Date: Saturday, 19 October 2024
Time: 11:00 am
Location: Days Inn & Suites, 8601 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Missouri

Date: Saturday, 8 March 2025
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Missouri River Regional Library, 214 Adams Street, Jefferson City, Missouri

Per Department Policy 402, all elected officers, staff officers, and committee chairs should attend and submit written reports to the Department Commander and Department Secretary at least two weeks prior to the date of the business meeting (5 October 2024 and 22 February 2025).

All members in good standing may vote and all camps are encouraged to send representatives. Per Department Policy 401, all members must present their membership card when requested.

Ordered this 15th Day of September 2024,

Attest:

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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 5
Series 2023-2024
29 November 2024

Passing of Brother Robert (Bob) Petrovic

With sorrow, the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War reports the passing of Brother Robert (Bob) Petrovic on 28 November 2024.

Brother Bob was a Past Camp Commander of William T. Sherman/Billy Yank Camp #65, charter member of Ulysses S Grant Camp #68, Past Department Commander of the Department of Missouri, past member of the National Council of Administration, Chairman of the SUVCW Charitable Foundation, Chairman of the National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, and Colonel and Chief of Staff for the Sons of Veteran Reserve. He was instrumental in the re-charter of the Department of Missouri in 1996 serving as the first Department Commander, and organizing the 2001 Springfield, 2007 St. Louis, and 2021 St. Louis National Encampments plus countless Department Encampments. Brother Bob received two National Meritorious Service Awards with Gold Stars, two Department Meritorious Service Awards, and the Department's Francis Blair Award.

In memory of Brother Robert Petrovic, the Department's charter and website shall be draped, all Camp charters and websites shall be draped, and all brothers shall attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge. Following the Department's mourning policy, this Order shall remain in effect for thirty days from this date.

Ordered this 29th Day of November 2024,

Attest:

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Commander
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Secretary-Treasurer
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Department Communique #1

20 December 2024



Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,

I want to wish all of you seasonal greetings of a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Blessed New Year. We are keeping busy this year. We have just completed a successful "Victory in Missouri 1864" series of events throughout Missouri and please check out our new Brother, the last son of a Civil War veteran, William Pool, on our main website (www.suvcwmo.org). There are three videos about him that can be seen there as he approaches 100 years of age this next month. Also, during the remainder of my term of office I will still try to attend meetings of all camps.

I would like all of you to consider supporting our department's on-going efforts in keeping alive the memory of our Civil War ancestors. Many people have been opting for life membership and do not pay department dues (and may not pay camp dues as well). This reduces our income. As the year ends, I would ask you to consider donating a little so that we can continue to restore monuments and hold educational events. You may also donate to our general fund which means we can spend money as needed for projects or for day-to-day operations. We are a 501-C3, so any donation can be tax deductible. I am asking for everyone to make a donation to the Charitable Endowment Fund. This fund is earmarked specifically for educational and other projects of the order and not our general operating funds.

All donations may be sent to the Department Secretary/Treasurer Dale Crandell, 605 East State Street, Mountain Grove, MO, 65711-1827. You can also go to our main webpage and click on the button to donate via Paypal (https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=GLQQD3WVX5K4G).

I am planning to donate 20 dollars to the General Fund and 20 dollars to the Endowment Fund and I challenge everyone to join me. I thank everyone for your support. You are very special people as you show that you are patriots and care to preserve our nation and its history.

Again, blessings during this season to you and your family.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Robert AuBuchon
Department Commander
Missouri Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War