



Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp 47 NEWSLETTER

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a fraternal organization dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of heroes who fought and worked to save the Union. Organized in 1881 and chartered by Congress in 1954, we are the legal successor to the Grand Army of the Republic.



Camp Commander Doug Roussin

From Commander Roussin

What a year!

Now that the fall is here, I look back on all the activities we participated in. I am so proud of all of you and your dedication to keeping our history alive. You are a wonderful group of people and I feel honored to have worked with you.

Your Commander

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**Dues are going
up \$10 / year!**

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**Consider Life
Membership in the
SUVCW!**

You will be exempt from
National and
Department dues.

[Details here!](#)

**Old Banners cluttering
up your closet or not
sparking joy?**



**Give them to Sumner for
recruiting purposes!**

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The Fletcher Camp & Volker Auxiliary on the Move!**OCTOBER 8, PUMPKIN FESTIVAL, CALEDONIA****GEN. FLETCHER Camp 47**

The Camp and Auxiliary made their appearance at the annual Pumpkin Festival, which was shortened to a single day. That didn't keep Brother Trodus from setting up the night before and camping through the night. The Pumpkin Festival is a big draw and allows the camp and auxiliary to do some fundraising and recruiting.



OCTOBER 14, SUNRISE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, DE SOTO

Brothers Bob AuBuchon, Ted Howell, Doug Roussin and members of the Turner Brigade set up Camp outside of the Sunrise Elementary School (grades K-8). For six and one-half hours, the Camp and others educated and drilled waves of students from the school.



Hands-on topics shown were Civil War camp life, games, clothing, money, and armaments. Our Camp gave out SUVCW wooden nickels to the schoolchildren as a remembrance of the on-site field trip.



**OCTOBER 17, GEN. JOHN A.
LOGAN MUSEUM, MURPHYSBORO,
ILL.**

Brothers Bob AuBuchon and Sumner Hunnewell traveled to Illinois to present Kathy Bower the Department of Missouri's Grand Army of the Republic award. It "is presented to an Allied Order member or group...who has made a significant contribution or collective contributions over a period of time to promote fraternal relationships between the Allied Orders in perpetuating the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) and our ancestors who fought to preserve the Union."

Kathy is the National Secretary of the Women's Relief Corps. She is a volunteer at the Gen. John A. Logan Museum and helped spearhead the 56th Illinois Infantry Regiment *Lyon* Disaster Memorial, which was dedicated a year ago. She is also active in promoting the Logan's Brigade, gave a talk at the night before our Department Encampment in June 2021, and helped host the Central Regional Association of the G. A. R. meeting that year. Kathy also creates commemorative ribbons for various event. The one shown here is for the first national encampment of the Logan's Brigade.

After the presentation, members of the public and staff at the Museum, were treated to a talk by Richard Kuenneke. Titled "A Gathering of Stories-Tales from Mound City National Cemetery," Kuenneke, a media specialist and volunteer of the Mound City National Cemetery Preservation Commission, discussed the Civil War history of the area from defense to creation of ironclads. Mound City had an impressive hospital, which was turned into a cannery and finally was destroyed by arson in the '70's. The cemetery was one of the early national cemeteries. Thousands of Civil War soldiers are buried there including over 2400 unknowns.



LOGAN'S BRIGADE

Member
First Annual
National Convention



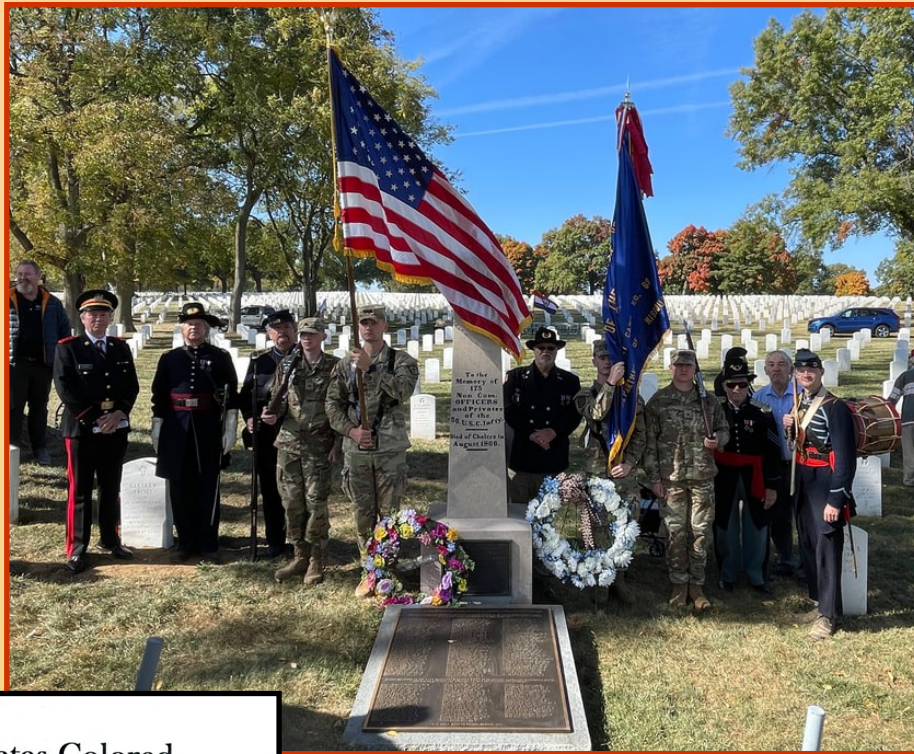
General
John A. Logan, Jr.

August 6, 2022
Springfield, Illinois

MEMBER'S ASSOCIATE TO THE
NANC

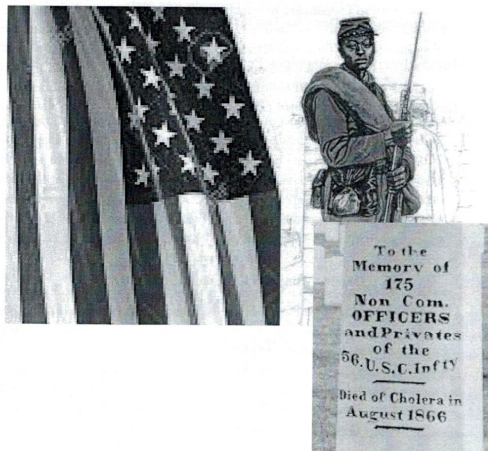
OCTOBER 21, 56TH USCT COMMEMORATION, JEFFERSON BARRACKS, ST. LOUIS

Brothers Bob AuBuchon, Sumner Hunnewell, and Duncan Noack assisted the U. S. Grant Camp #68 in their annual 56th U. S. Colored Troops commemoration at Jefferson Barracks. Those attended were treated to music from Brother Dan Jackson (bagpipes) and



**56th United States Colored
Troops (USCT) Infantry
Remembrance
Jefferson Barracks National
Cemetery**

Friday, 21 October 2022



Brother Noack (fife). Brothers AuBuchon and Noack were a part of the honor guard, the former on the firing squad and the latter as the drummer. Brother Hunnewell handed out program books.

The keynote speech was given by Dorris Keevan-Franke about Pvt. Benjamin Oglesby, Company D, 56th USCT. Oglesby survived the cholera outbreak which occurred on the two steamboats that came to St. Louis full of the 56th USCT soldiers. (They were to be mustered out in St. Louis.) He and his family settled in St. Charles. There were about a dozen descendants who attended the event. Brother John Avery of the Grant Camp gave Brother Hunnewell past issues of *The Banner*, some of which were distributed to Oglesby family members after the event.

This made the 6 o'clock news (Channel 5).

OCTOBER 21, POTLUCK DINNER, CHEZ ROUSSIN



**Happy
Birthday,
Billy!**



Thanks for the pictures, Kelly!

OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES

Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 meeting minutes (unapproved)

21 October A. D. 2022, Chez Roussins De Soto, Missouri

Attendees: Sons: Mark Arbuthnot (PI), Bob AuBuchon (CC), Randal Burd, Jr., Billy Hickman, Izaiah Hickman, Ted Howell, PCC Don Lillicrap, Don Roussin (Council), PCC Doug Roussin (Commander), Don Roussin, Alan Trodus (Treasurer), Chris Warren (JVC)

Auxiliary: Colissa Alexander (Council), Nancy Howell, PAP Kelly Noack (President), Kathie Roussin (VP), PAP Twyla Warren (Secretary/Treasurer)

Commander Roussin called the meeting to order. The ensemble gave the pledge.

The Commander noted the invitation for members of the SUVCW to attend a MOLLUS event at Lafayette Square on Sunday, October 30th. He reported on the Volker memorial. He will try to get on the agenda for the county commissioners' meeting on November 8. There has been no response from the DUV.

He also described the events that happened at the Sunrise Elementary School.

The Secretary was absent. Treasurer Trodus gave an accounting of the fundraising efforts at Kirkwood and Caledonia.

Susan Breland of the Auxiliary reported that the Volker monument meeting planned for Caledonia was canceled.

OLD BUSINESS

No news on the Perry V. Fletcher tombstone.

Caledonia was well attended but very cold.

The Department meeting will be on October 29 in Jefferson City.

NEW BUSINESS

Elections will be held in November. Swearing in will be at the Christmas banquet on December 9 at 6 p.m.

There are two Veterans Day parades that we can participate in. De Soto's is on November 5 and Herculaneum's will be on November 16.

There will be two additional events on the calendar. The first is the De Soto Annual Tree Lighting on December 2. The next evening, the De Soto Christmas Parade occurs.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

The Commander concluded the meeting so everyone could enjoy a potluck dinner.

Patti is on the hook for post-meeting grub in November.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 Treasurer's Report for OCTOBER 2022

Balance from last report (September 2022) 1734.71

Expenditure

None

Income

Kirkwood Green Tree Festival sales (see attached) 822.00

Caledonia Pumpkin Festival sales (see attached) 294.00

Current Balance (18 October 2022) 2850.71

Checking Account 2202.61

Cash 601.05

Checks (not yet deposited) 0.00

Gift cards 47.05

End Balance 2850.71

Sword Raffle status: 375 chances (est) - \$259.00 donations

- Alan R Trodus, Treasurer

Kirkwood Green Tree Festival

September 17-18, 2022

Starting inventory	Ending inventory	Sold	Cost Each	Sales
60 swords	3	57	\$7	\$399
39 small pistols	17	22	\$3	\$66
17 Large pistols	0	17	\$5	\$85
22 Small rifles	6	16	\$7	\$112
1 shotgun	0	1	\$7	\$7
21 cotton Kepi's	17	4	\$7	\$28
12 wool Kepi's	7	5	\$10	\$50
		Sub Total		\$747
Doug's inventory				
3 Large rifles	0	3	\$15	\$45
26 Large pistols	0	26	\$5	\$130
		Doug's Total		\$175
		Camp's Share	\$75	\$75
		Total		\$822
Sword Raffle				\$78

Caledonia Pumpkin Festival

October 8, 2022

<u>Starting inventory</u>	Ending inventory	Sold	Cost Each	Sales
3 swords	0	3	\$7	\$21.00
17 small pistols	2	15	\$3	\$45
12 Large pistols	1	11	\$5	\$55
9 Small rifles	0	9	\$7	\$632
17 cotton Kepi's	12	5	\$7	\$35
7 wool Kepi's	3	4	\$10	\$40
1 Large Rifle	0	1	\$15	\$15
2 Grey cotton kepi's	0	2	\$7	\$14
Donation				\$5
1 Book	0	1	\$1	\$1
			Total	\$294
Sword Raffle	\$34		Total	\$259

**See you next month!**

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CALENDAR

*Camp meetings (6:30 p.m.) at Redeemer Lutheran Church,
1620 Boyd St., De Soto, unless otherwise noted.*

29 October, Department Meeting, Jefferson City

17 November, Fletcher Camp Meeting **ELECTIONS**

2 December, De Soto Annual Tree Lighting (optional)

3 December, De Soto Christmas Parade

9 December, 6 p.m. Fletcher Camp Meeting / Christmas
Party

NO MEETINGS IN JANUARY

Camp/Auxiliary Meetings

17 November

9 December

October birthdays

2nd Bernard Thomas Laiben

21st Billy Hickman

November birthdays

14th Kelly Noack

20th Katherine Sago Wortham

26th David Christopher Warren