



Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
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## Minutes of the Department Business Meeting 19 October 2024

**Open Meeting.** Commander Robert AuBuchon called to order a Business Meeting for the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at 11:00 am, Saturday, 19 October 2024 at Days Inn & Suites, 8601 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Missouri. Chaplain Mark Coplin gave the invocation. Commander Robert AuBuchon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

8 members were present, meeting quorum: DC Robert AuBuchon, SVC Mark Coplin, JVC Kevin Miller, Sec-Trea Dale Crandell, Council Robert Amsler, PDC Don Palmer, CC Joseph Rainey (McPherson), and Br. Dawson Ballard (Westport).

**Minutes.** Department reviewed the minutes from the Department Encampment on 1 June 2024,

- *Motion by Joseph Rainey, seconded by Mark Coplin, to approve the Department Encampment minutes subject to scribe's errors. Approved.*

**Orders and Communications.** Department reviewed orders and communications.

1. none.

### Officer Reports

1. *Commander.* Robert Aubuchon provided a written report.
2. *Senior Vice Commander.* Mark Coplin provided a written report and shared his unavailability to serve as Commander.
3. *Junior Vice Commander.* Kevin Miller provided a written report.
4. *Secretary.* Dale Crandell provided a written report.
5. *Treasurer.* Dale Crandell provided a written report with one recommendation to Council.
6. *Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.* Walter Busch provided a written report
7. *Chaplain.* Mark Coplin provided a written report.
8. *Quartermaster.* Walter Busch provided a written report.
9. *Grave Registration Officer.* Glen Alsop provided a written report.
10. *Signals Officer.* Walter Busch provided a written report.
11. *Historical Records.* Walter Busch provided a written report.

12. *Eagle Scout*. Sumner Hunnewell provided a written report.

13. *ROTC*. Sumner Hunnewell emailed JROTC winner.

14. *History Awards*. Randal Burd

### **Standing Committee Reports**

1. *Bylaws*. Department discussed options for moving the Department Encampment to March or May and holding a special encampment in June.

- *Motion by Robert Amsler, seconded by Dale Crandell, tasking the Bylaws Committee to investigate moving the Department Encampment to March along with the ripple effects, and report at the March Business Meeting; and vote to approve at the June Department Encampment. Approved.*

2. *Encampment Site*. Department discussed Sullivan for encampment location.

### **Special Committee Reports**

1. *Programs*. Donald Palmer provided a written report

2. *PDC Committee*. Gary Scheel provided a written report

- Motion by PDC Committee to change the name of the Past Department Commanders Fund to the Charitable Endowment Fund. Approved.
- Motion by Dale Crandell, second by Robert Amsler, for the Commander and the Treasurer to conduct a fund-raising campaign of all members in November. Approved.
- Motion by Dale Crandell, second by Robert Amsler, for the Commander and the Treasurer to conduct a fund-raising campaign of Life Members in first quarter. Approved.

### **New Business**

1. *Resolution*. Dale Crandell requested a support resolution for his campaign for the National Council of Administration.

- Motion by Robert AuBuchon, seconded by Joe Rainey, to adopt the resolution. Approved.

2. *Perry County Last Soldier*. Gary Scheel submitted a written request.

- *Motion by Robert AuBuchon, seconded by Robert Amsler, that requests for charitable funding must be in writing and submitted to the Department Commander to submit to the Department Council. Approve.*

3. *General Order #4*. Robert Amsler discussed General Order that blocks attendance at National Council of Administration meetings unless invited by the Commander-in-Chief.

- Motion by Robert Amsler, seconded by Dale Crandell, that the Department adopt a resolution to rescind General Order #4. Approved.
- Motion by Robert Amsler, seconded by Joe Rainey, authorizing the Department Counselor to compose a letter opposing General Order #4. Approved.

### **Good of the Order**

1. *Sherman Day*. Sherman Day Ceremony at Calvary Cemetery, St. Louis: 1:00 pm, 30 March 2024.

**Close Meeting.** Commander Robert AuBuchon closed the Department Business Meeting at 1:00 pm. Chaplain Mark Coplin gave the benediction.

Prepared by,

Dale Crandell, PDC  
Department Secretary

**Agenda**  
**Department Business Meeting**  
**19 October 2024**

**Meeting Opening**

- a. Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call

**Minutes**

- a. Department Encampment, 1 Jun 2024

**Communications**

**Officer Reports**

- a. Commander: Robert Abuchon
- b. SV Commander: Mark Coplin
- c. JV Commander: Kevin Miller
- d. Secretary-Treasurer: Dale Crandell
- e. Council: Glen Alsop
- f. Council: Gary Scheel
- g. Council: Robert Amsler

**Appointed Officer Reports**

- a. Asst. Secretary-Treasurer: Walter Busch
- b. Patriotic Instructor: Randal Burd, Jr.
- c. Chaplain: Mark Coplin
- d. Counselor: Robert Amsler, Jr.
- e. Quartermaster: Walter Busch
- f. Grave Registration: Glen Alsop
- g. Signals: Walter Busch
- h. Asst. Signals: James Dixon
- i. Historical Records: Walter Busch
- j. Unionist Editor: Randal Burd, Jr.
- k. Eagle Scout: Sumner Hunnewell
- l. ROTC: Sumner Hunnewell
- m. History Awards: Randal Burd, Jr.

**Standing Committee Reports**

- a. Bylaws: Mark Coplin
- b. Awards: Mark Coplin
- c. Encampment Site: Walter Busch

**Special Committee Reports**

- a. JROTC Selection: Sumner Hunnewell
- b. Programs: Don Palmer

- c. PDC Fund: Gary Scheel

**Unfinished Business**

**New Business**

- a. Department Encampment Date
- b. Last Soldier Monument, Perry County
- c. CoA Resolution, Dale Crandell

**Good of the Order**

**Meeting Closing**

- a. Benediction

## **Minutes of the Department Encampment 1 June 2024**

**Open Meeting.** Commander Robert Amsler called to order the 29th Department of Missouri Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at 10:00 am, Saturday, 1 June 2024 at BTL Bank 2300 Main Street, Boonville, Missouri. Chaplain Mark Coplin gave the invocation. Patriot Instructor Randal Burd led the Pledge of Allegiance.

13 members were present, meeting quorum: DC Robert Amsler, SVC Robert Abuchon, JVC Mark Coplin, Sec-Trea Dale Crandell, Council Gary Scheel, PCinC Edward Krieser, PDC Walter Busch, PDC Randal Burd, CC Craig Mathews (Grant), CC Kevin Miller (Westport), CC Joseph Rainey (McPherson), Br. Cary Clay (Spradling), and Br. Mark Raney (Grant). PCinC Michael Paquette represented CinC Peter Hritsko.

Commander Robert Amsler appointed encampment committees:

1. Officer Recommendations: Mark Coplin, Craig Mathews, and Mark Raney.
2. Resolutions: Gary Scheel, Kevin Miller, and Randal Burd

PCinC Michael Paquette brought greetings from CinC Peter Hritsko. Sister Andrea Mathews brought greetings from the ASUVCW. SVC Randal Burd brought greetings from MOLLUS Missouri.

**Minutes.** Encampment reviewed the minutes from the Department business meeting on 9 March 2024.

- *Motion by Craig Mathews, seconded by Randal Burd, to approve the March meeting minutes. Approved.*

### **Officer Reports**

1. *Commander.* Robert Amsler provided a written report; highlighted Missouri legislation to establish Grant Day. One recommendation referred to Officers Committee and one resolution to Resolutions Committee.
2. *Senior Vice Commander.* Robert Aubuchon provided a written report; highlighted new award plaques and need to change application dates. One recommendation referred to Officers Committee.
3. *Junior Vice Commander.* Mark Coplin provided a written report.
4. *Secretary.* Dale Crandell provided a written report.
5. *Treasurer.* Dale Crandell provided a written report. 2025 proposed budget referred to Officers Committee.

- *Motion by Craig Mathews, seconded by Randal Burd, to approve treasurer report, pending audit. Approved.*
6. *Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.* Walter Busch provided a written report; highlighted inventory and request for debit card.
  7. *Patriotic Instructor.* Randal Burd referred members to his email report; highlighted only two camps provided the SUVWC Form 40 Camp Patriotic Instructor Report.
  8. *Chaplain.* Mark Coplin provided a written report; called attention to three members in need.
  9. *Quartermaster.* Walter Busch provided a written report; highlighted frames and folders available to camps. One recommendation referred to Officers Committee.
  10. *Grave Registration Officer.* Glen Alsop provided a written report.
  11. *Signals Officer.* Walter Busch provided a written report; highlighted the need to link Department website to PayPal account for donations.
  12. *Historical Records.* Walter Busch provided a written report.
  13. *Unionist Editor.* Randal Burd reported articles due by 24 June 2024, out 30 June 2024.
  14. *Eagle Scout.* Sumner Hunnewell provided written report, not included in reports package.
  15. *History Awards.* Randal Burd reported no entry for Department's history essay competition. One recommendation referred to Officers Committee.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

1. *Bylaws.* Robert Aubuchon reported committee members: Robert Aubuchon (chair), Dale Crandell, and Randal Burd. Bylaws reviewed even years and Policy & Procedures reviewed in odd years. Committee recommends no changes to Bylaws.
2. *Awards.* Robert Aubuchon reported need to update Eads Award and Blair Award, and confirmed use of plaques for individual awards: Blair, Meritorious, and Show-Me. Reported three camps received Eads Award: Grant, Fletcher, and St. James.
3. *Encampment Site.* Walter Busch reported on plans for 2025 Department Encampment in St. Louis area or Joplin area.
  - *Motion by Dale Crandell, seconded by Randal Burd, to approve the 2025 Department Encampment location anywhere along the I-44 corridor between St. Louis and Joplin. Approved.*

### **Special Committee Reports**

1. *Programs.* Donald Palmer reported committee members: Donald Palmer (chair), Gary Scheel, and Mark Coplin, adding Walter Busch and Dale Crandell. Committee developing a Price's Raid program (29 Aug – 2 Dec 1864) for 2024.

2. *Financial Planning*. Members: Randal Burd (chair), Walter Busch, Mark Coplin, and Dale Crandell deferred to the Investment Committee's recommendations.
3. *Investment*. Mark Coplin (chair), Robert Aubuchon, Walter Busch, Dale Crandell, Donald Palmer, and Gary Scheel reported committee recommendations, however Commander Robert Amsler ruled them out of order due to unclear format. Members reviewed the recommendations as individual items:
  - *Motion by Craig Mathews, seconded by Walter Busch, to establish a \$5.00 Department new member application fee. Failed.*
  - *Motion by Craig Mathews, seconded by Walter Busch, to establish a \$5.00 Department supplemental application fee. Approved.*
  - *Motion by Mark Coplin, seconded by Dale Crandell, to place donations in the PDC fund. Approved.*
  - *Motion by Craig Mathews, seconded by Dale Crandell, to raise the Department per capita from \$6.00 to \$8.00. Failed.*

Treasurer Dale Crandell and Assistant Treasurer Walter Busch tasked to open an investment account when \$10,000 CD matures (October 2024), half in an index fund and half in a CD fund, all reviewed by Department Council.

## **Encampment Committee Reports**

1. *Officer Recommendations*. Committee reported approve or reject to officer recommendations:
  - *Commander's recommendation to change the date of the Department Encampment [see report]. Approved.*  
Referred to Bylaws Committee to report at the March business meeting.
  - *SVC's recommendation to change deadline from 15 May to 15 April on nomination forms [see report]. Approved.*
  - *Treasurer's recommendation for 2025 budget [see report]. Approved.*
  - *Quartermaster's recommendation to gift arches from 2007 National Encampment [see report]. Approved.*
2. *Resolutions Committee*. Committee reported approve or reject on resolutions:
  - *Commander's recommendation to amend C&R Article VII, Section 9 to require the National Counselor be a practicing attorney [see report]. Reject.*
  - *Motion by Walter Busch, seconded by Mark Coplin, to amend C&R Article VII, Section 9 to require the National Counselor be a practicing attorney [see report]. Approved.*  
Referred to Commander Amsler to write and submit Resolution to the SUVCW National Encampment.

## Unfinished Business

1. *Audit.* Department Council reported their financial audit of 3 June 2023 through 1 June 2024.
  - *Council recommended approval of financial audit with no findings. Approved.*

## New Business

1. *Perry County Last Soldier Marker.* Gary Scheel reported on last soldier marker for Private Anton Buchheit in Perry County.
  - *Motion by Walter Busch, seconded by Mark Coplin, to pledge up to \$300 from the Department's charity account for Perry County last soldier marker. Approved.*
2. *GAR Kansas City Historical Marker.* Dale Crandell reported on historical marker for GAR's 1916 National Encampment.
  - *Motion by Dale Crandell, seconded by Mark Coplin, to pledge up to \$500 from the Department's charity account for GAR Kansas City marker. Approved.*
3. *Life Membership.* Encampment discussed soliciting donations from Life members in lieu of Department per capita. Incoming Commander to appoint special committee.
4. *Donation Campaign.* Encampment discussed soliciting donations for PDC fund and charitable work. Incoming Commander to appoint special committee.
5. *National Encampment.* Members discussed purchasing advertisements in National Encampment program book for 1) Missouri thank you and 2) Price's Raid promotion.
  - *Motion by Walter Busch, seconded by Dale Crandell, to purchase two ads. Approved.*
6. *Missouri State Quilt.* Walter Busch reported on GAR quilt at Missouri State Museum.
7. *Housekeeping.* Encampment discussed a donation to the BLT Area Youth Benefit Corporation for use of the bank's meeting room.
  - *Motion by Walter Busch, seconded by Dale Crandell, to donate \$50 from the charity account to BLT. Approved.*

## Elections

1. Nominations. Commander Robert Amsler opened the floor for nominations:
  - a. Commander: Robert Amsler.
  - b. Senior Vice Commander: Mark Coplin
  - c. Junior Vice Commander: Kevin Miller
  - d. Secretary-Treasurer: Dale Crandell
  - e. Council 1: Robert Amsler
  - f. Council 2: Gary Scheel

g. Delegates: Kevin Miller, Mark Raney

➤ *Motion by Dale Crandell, seconded by Gary Scheel, to vote by acclamation for the slate of nominees. Approved.*

2. *Officer Installation.* PCinC Michael Paquette installed the elected and appointed officers.

**Close Meeting.** Commander Robert Amsler closed the Department Business Meeting at 4:00 pm. Chaplain Mark Coplin gave the benediction.

Prepared by,

Dale Crandell, PDC  
Department Secretary



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Robert AuBuchon

Commander Report

October 19,2024

I formed the the Donations commitee. Gary Scheel is the chair person.

June 1,2024; attend department encampment at Boonville mo.

June 8,2024; attend Benjamin Palmer memorial at Memphis, Mo.

June 10, 2024; attend the Fletcher camp meeting

June 11,2024; attend the Grant camp #68 meeting

June 14,2024; attend funeral home in Wentzville, Mo. on behalf of the Department, to pay respects to Emmet Taylor PDC. Glen Alsop was also present

July 4,2024; participate in the 4th of July with the Fletcher camp at Desoto Mo.

July 9,2024; attend the Grant camp meeting

July 10,2024; give approval for a challenge coin

July 26,2024, attend the Grant Symposium at Soldier Memorial

August 2-4, 2024; attend the National SUVCW Encampment at Lexington, Kentucky

August 12,2024; attend Fletcher camp meeting

August 24,2024; attend the St. James camp bank raid event at St. Genevieve,Mo.

September 9,2024; went with RandyBaehr to Fort D at Cape Girardeau for their Woodruff gun dedication

September 10,2024; attend Grant camp meeting

September 14, 2024; did living history event with Craig Matthews and his wife on the Air Guard Base at Jefferson Barracks

September 27,2024; attend the Victory in Missouri ceremony at Fort Davidson, Pilot Knob

September 28-29,2024; participate in the battle of Fort Davidson

October 4-5 2024; Attend the Central Region Allied Orders meeting

Otober 7, 2024; went to Lancaster Ohio Sherman's Boyhood Home Museum to deliver a flag the has flown over General Sherman's gravesite. Craig Matthews( SUVCW ), and Andrea Matthews( Auxillery )

October 12,2024; attend Symposium at Jefferson City, Mo. and memorial for the the Union troops afterwards

## **Senior Vice Commander – Department of Missouri Activity June 1 to October 19, 2024**

Brothers of the Department of Missouri – This is a report of the activity of what I have been up to since our last meeting in June.

- June 1 – Upon returning home to St. Louis after the encampment in Booneville and being elected to the Post of Senior Vice Commander I sent an email notifying the National JVC of our newly elected JVC would be Kevin Miller Camp Commander of Westport Camp. I include Brother Miller’s contact information.  
- I sent a second email to Brother Miller congratulating him being elevated to his Post of JVC and offering any assistance.
- June 12- Contacted Pete Oetting of Lillie Camp to see how to go about updating the brass name plates that are attached to the Blair and Meritorious plaques so they can be updated.
- June 13 – Went to Loose Park in Kansas City, Missouri as part of the Event Committee to see the location of the Westport Camp presentation for the Department’s “Union Victory in Missouri 1864”.
- June 14- Sent an email to Sumner Hunnewell, Mark Raney and Randal Burd to see if they would help with the Bylaws Committee.
- June 18- Reviewed the Bylaws and Policy and Procedures of the Department.  
Made suggestions for changes and sent that information to Sumner Hunnewell PDC. Randal Burd PDC and Mark Raney member US Grant Camp #68
- July to August – During the month of July I with the help of Walt Busch we put together an invitation letter to potential guests to all the events being held for the “Victory In Missouri” event. Also put together a media release. Besides the letters, put together the names and address of multiple guests and media outlets. When all was said and done – started to mail out the letters in the month of August.
- July to August – Was in contact with the prison in Jefferson City to see about having the brass plates engraved. Mailed off the Departments plates for the Blair Award and Meritorious Service Award plaque. Received the completed plates and reinstalled them on to both awards plaques.
- September – Started work on making the supports for the Awards plaques so we can have them supported on the floor at our meetings. Completed these stands in the early part of October.
- October – Looked over the 2025 calendar to layout the dates for the Department Encampment and National.  
Wrote my letter of intent which is included in the paper work.
- October 12 – Attended the second event in our “Victory in Missouri 1864” in Jefferson City. Sponsored by Lillie Camp

This is the conclusion of my report to the Department.

Mark Coplin – Department Senior Vice Commander

# Department of Missouri – Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

## Senior Vice Commander Letter of Intent

October 19, 2024

Gentlemen of the Department of Missouri –

Upon review of next year’s calendar, I noticed I have a conflict in June on the date for the 2025 Department Encampment. It is a family – community event in my wife’s home town of Ness City, Kansas. This event happens every 5 years. Due to the pandemic the event was canceled in 2020. So, it has been 10 years since the last “Old Settlers Reunion”. My father-in-law is 92 years old and this may be his last reunion he will be able to attend.

I was looking forward to taking over the post of Department Commander if elected at this upcoming Department Encampment. If possible and with the approval of the 2025 Encampment I would like to retain my current post as Senior Vice Commander. I hope to then win your approval to be installed as the Department Commander at the 2026 Department Encampment.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

In Fraternity Charity and Loyalty

Mark Coplin

Senior Vice Commander  
Department of Missouri – Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



**Department of Missouri**  
**16 October, 2024**

I received an online application assistance request from Mr. Ned R. Mayes who resides in Oronogo, Missouri. I forwarded his request to Brother Edward Krieser, JVC of Phelps Camp. Brother Krieser acknowledged the request and stated he would contact Mr. Mayes.

I received an online application from Mr. James Knappenberger who resides in St Louis, Missouri. I forwarded his request to Brother Mark Raney, JVC of U. S. Grant Camp. Brother Raney acknowledged receiving the application.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Kevin Miller

Department of Missouri Junior Vice Commander

**Secretary Report**  
**19 October 2024**

*Roster.* Department roster reports 204 members: 24 life, 171 member, and 9 associate.

*Form 30.* Reported three new members.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Camp</i>	<i>Mustered-In</i>
Knappenberger, James Jay	Grant	1-Jul-24
Scaglione, Michael Edward	Grant	1-Jul-24
Martin, Ryan Patrick	St. James	1-Jul-24

*Form 49.* Reported Department elected and appointed officers.

*Form 2.* Prepared and distributed credential cards for 2024 National Encampment.

*Orders.* Prepared and distributed four Department Orders. Distributed five General Orders.

*Missouri Unionist.* Submitted Secretary-Treasurer Message for *Missouri Unionist* (summer edition).

*Inventory*

1. 32-GB thumb drive, electronic records 1
2. Half-inch three-ring binder, officer manual 1
3. Five-gallon plastic file container, current record 1
4. 20-gallon plastic file container, archive records 3

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Dale Crandell  
Secretary-Treasurer



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**Treasurer Report  
19 October 2024**

*Financial Statement.* The Department is operating within its budget.

Starting Balance	\$16,326.40
Total Income	\$1,001.31
Total Expenses	\$1,914.12
Closing Balance	\$15,413.59

*Investment.* The 2024 Department Encampment authorized Treasurer Dale Crandell and Assistant Treasurer Walter Busch to establish an investment account when the \$10,000 CD matures (October 2024) with half in an index account and half in a CD. The Department Council provides oversight.

➤ *Recommendation: open an account with Edward Jones.*

*Inventory*

1. PDC badge	2
2. General account checkbook	1
3. General account deposit stamp	1
4. Charity account checkbook	1
5. Charity account deposit stamp	1
6. 32-GB thumb drive, record storage	1
7. Half-inch three-ring binder, records storage	1
8. Five-gallon plastic file container, record storage	1
9. Bank pouch	1

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Dale Crandell, PDC  
Department Treasurer



**Treasurer Report**  
**Department of Missouri**  
**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
**19 October 2024**

**Starting Balance**

1	1-Jun-24	General Account		\$	4,339.21
2	1-Jun-24	Charity Account		\$	1,600.42
3	1-Jun-24	Investment		\$	10,386.77
				<b>\$</b>	<b>16,326.40</b>

**Income**

4	1-Jun-24	Encampment	Randal Burd	\$	20.00
5	1-Jun-24	Donation	Robert Aubuchon	\$	50.00
6	1-Jun-24	Donation	Walter Busch	\$	20.00
7	1-Jun-24	Donation	Dale Crandell	\$	10.00
8	11-Jun-24	2024 Department Per Capita	McPherson Camp	\$	126.00
9	19-Jun-24	2024 Department Per Capita	Phelps Camp	\$	18.00
10	28-Jun-24	Other Income	Bank interest	\$	0.03
11	1-Jul-24	2024 National Per Capita	Tigers Camp	\$	396.00
12	1-Jul-24	2024 Department Per Capita	Tigers Camp	\$	72.00
13	15-Jul-24	National Per Capita	Michael Scaglione/Grant	\$	16.50
14	15-Jul-24	National Fee	Michael Scaglione/Grant	\$	5.00
15	15-Jul-24	Department Per Capita	Michael Scaglione/Grant	\$	3.00
16	15-Jul-24	National Per Capita	James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	16.50
17	15-Jul-24	National Fee	James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	5.00
18	15-Jul-24	Department Per Capita	James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	3.00
19	15-Jul-24	National Fee	James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	5.00
20	15-Jul-24	Department Supplemental	James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	5.00
21	15-Jul-24	Overpayment	James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	10.00
22	15-Jul-24	National Per Capita	Ryan Martin/St. James	\$	16.50
23	15-Jul-24	National Fee	Ryan Martin/St. James	\$	5.00
24	15-Jul-24	Department Per Capita	Ryan Martin/St. James	\$	3.00
25	15-Jul-24	Overpayment	Ryan Martin/St. James	\$	9.75
26	31-Jul-24	Other Income	Bank interest	\$	0.01
27	30-Aug-24	Other Income	Bank interest	\$	0.01
28	30-Sep-24	Other Income	Bank interest	\$	0.01
29	3-Jun-24	Sales	Quartermaster sales	\$	4.00
30	18-Oct-24	Charity account	Missouri per capita	\$	182.00
		<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,001.31</b>

**Expenses**

31	3-Jun-24	Encampment	Food	\$	172.96
32	4-Jun-24	Encampment	Hotel Room	\$	204.91
33	19-Jun-24	National Encampment	SUVCW Kentucky	\$	50.00
34	15-Jul-24	2024 National Per Capita	Tigers Camp	\$	396.00
35	30-Jul-24	National Per Capita	SUVCW/Michael Scaglione/Grant	\$	16.50
36	30-Jul-24	National Fee	SUVCW/Michael Scaglione/Grant	\$	5.00
37	30-Jul-24	National Per Capita	SUVCW/James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	16.50
38	30-Jul-24	National Fee	SUVCW/James Knappenberger/Grant	\$	5.00

39	30-Jul-24	National Per Capita	SUVCW/Ryan Martin/St. James	\$	16.50
40	30-Jul-24	National Fee	SUVCW/Ryan Martin/St. James	\$	5.00
41	9-Aug-24			\$	237.50
42	23-Sep-24	Program	American Gold Label	\$	556.25
43	5-Jun-24	Gift	BTC Area Youth Benefit Corporation	\$	50.00
44	18-Oct-24	General account	Missouri per capita	\$	182.00
		<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,914.12</b>

**Ending Balance**

45	19-Oct-24	General Account		\$	3,472.40
46	19-Oct-24	Charity Account		\$	1,736.42
47	19-Oct-24	Investment		\$	10,386.77
				<b>\$</b>	<b>15,595.59</b>

**Cash Assets**

48	19-Oct-24	General account available		\$	3,472.40
49	19-Oct-24	Charity account available		\$	1,323.19
50	19-Oct-24	Endowment		\$	5,000.00
51	19-Oct-24	General account reserve		\$	3,200.00
52	19-Oct-24	Charity account reserve		\$	1,800.00
53	19-Oct-24	St James Camp / Last Soldier		\$	300.00
54	19-Oct-24	Westport Camp / GAR Marker		\$	500.00
		<b>Total Cash Assets</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>15,595.59</b>

## In Absentia: Walt's Wonder World of Whimsical Writings

### Department Meeting 10/19/2024

**I will not be present due to another event and my wife's birthday.**

- 6/8/2024 Bob Aubuchon and Walt Busch attend ceremony of Tiger Camp at Capt Shawn Palmer Gravesite, Buskirk Cemetery, Memphis MO
- 7/5/2024 Updated Files on Custer Post 7
- 7/9/2024 US Grant Camp Meeting
- 7/12/2024 Updated GAR Post records for posts 8, 96, 158
- 7/23/2024 Monument Forms for Obelisk and a historic marker at Union Cemetery Kansas City
- 7/23/2024 Created Records for GAR Post 412 Newark, MO
- 7/24/2024 Photos 4 Civil War Markers - Cave City, KY
- 7/27/2024 Grant Remembrance Day at Grant Historical Site.
- 8/2/2024 Martin Aubuchon, camp 326, update info on 2 monuments in Galena IL and pictures of one new monument there
- 8/2-3/2024 Walt, Don, John Palmer, Bob Aubuchon, Bob Amsler attend National Encampment in Lexington KY
- 8/9/2024 Monument recorded - Riverview Cemetery - Aurora IN
- 8/11/2024 2 Monuments and one cannon - Franklin IN
- 8/20/2024 Create Banner for Department
- 8/21/2024 Update file on William Warner, GAR
- 9/3/2024 Updated Info on Lyon 2, Hassenduebbel Post 13, Morton Post 14 and Harding Post 107.
- 9/6/2024 Bob Aubuchon and Walt - Planning 27<sup>th</sup> Sept Event with Friends of Fort Davidson - Offer them 1 Sherman Flag to Fly on Flagpole during the Event and then they can display it in their museum.
- 9/10/2024 US Grant Camp Meeting
- 9/13/2024 Update Ransom Post 131 GAR File, Craig Mathews & Bob Aubuchon work table at Jefferson Barracks Event
- 9/27/2024 Participate in MO SUVCW Victory in Missouri Event at Pilot Knob. Don Palmer, Walt Busch, Craig & Andrea Mathews, Sumner Hunnewell, and Bob Aubuchon
- 9/28-29/2024 Bob & Walt work at Battle of Pilot Knob
- 10/4-5/2024 Bob Amsler, Bob Aubuchon, Walt Busch, Don & John Palmer, Craig and Andrea Mathews all attend the Central Region Allied Orders Conference in Jasper IN. Bob Amsler elected Commander of the

Regional Organization; John Palmer, secretary; and Walt Busch, treasurer.

10/8/2024 US Grant Camp meeting.

10/12/2024 Walt gave talk on "Did Pilot Knob Save the American Nation?" to the Lillie Camp sponsored Missouri Humanities Foundation & Secretary of State Archives Event in Jeff City.

10/12/2024 Walt, Bob Aubuchon, Don & John Palmer attend/hold the Ceremony for Union Victory at Jefferson City

10/12/2024 Walt created helping aid for determining Missouri Civil War Service Qualifications to become an SUCVW Member and posted it on our website.

'Nuff Said!

Walt

**Department of Missouri Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War – October 19, 2024**

**Brothers of the Department of Missouri –**

Please continue to be praying for the following brothers –

Father Heier - Unspoken

John Avery – PDC

John Palmer – Praise – John is planning on returning to Alabama to complete his degree in Mechanical Engineering. Continue to lift him up.

Mark Raney – Continue to lift up his wife Dixie – She was given bad news and has limited time left.

**Activities since our last meeting in June -**

Have spoken with Brother Raney and sent him and his wife emails and text messages to try to lift their spirits in this difficult time.

Have the pleasure to visit with John Palmer at the event in Jefferson City. He seems to have improved greatly. So proud of him and what he has done to get through this difficult time in his life.

No other information was sent to me by anyone else in the camp or from National – This ends my report to the Department.

As the Chaplain it is important to have good communications with the Department Members. There are a lot of needed prayers for our members and their families. Please pass on any prayer needs to me. Also, if a member passes on, please let me know as soon as possible so I can share this with the National Chaplain and have that Brother's name included in the Banner. You can get a hold of me by email, phone or by mail.

Email – macnac4856@gmail.com

Phone- (314) 302-4775 (This is a cell phone – Leave a message - I don't answer numbers I do not recognize – please leave a message and I will call you back when I am able. I work in a hospital and do not answer my phone or listen to messages until lunch time or at the end of the day.)

Mail – 4856 Hursley Drive – Sappington, Missouri 63128

If I can be of any service or offer any prayers for you or your camp, please feel free to contact me.

In Christ -

Mark Coplin – Chaplain Department of Missouri

Department of Missouri  
Graves Registration Officers Report  
10/14/24

Major Francis Wilhelmi Camp: 1818 Graves registered. Counties registered St. Louis, St. Louis City, Linn, Chariton, Macon, Randolph, Caldwell and working on Clinton County.

Respectfully submitted, Glennon Alsop PDC

Department Graves Registration Officer



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**Eagle Scout Coordinator — Department Meeting  
15 October A. D. 2024**

I received the additional certificates and patches from the National Encampment. Thank you!

So far during this 2024-25 term, the following Eagle Scouts were awarded:

- July 28, 2024
  - Ryan Robert Kling of Kansas City, Missouri. James Beesley of the Westport Camp #64 provided him with a certificate, patch, and challenge coin.
- August 10, 2024
  - Adam Ryan Magnuson of Kansas City, Missouri. Tom Hindsley of the Westport Camp #64 provided him with a certificate, patch, and challenge coin.

We have had two requests for November courts of honor:

- November 7, 2024
  - Jonah Stone Patomson of Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Someone from the St. James Camp will present in person. The packet will be mailed out to Gary Scheel of the St. James Camp this week.
- November 8, 2024
  - David Noah Dyer of Jonesboro, Arkansas. No one from the Hunt Camp responded about presenting it in person. Items will be mailed directly to the applicant. The packet will be mailed out this week. The packet will be mailed out to the applicant this week.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Sumner G. Hunnewell, PDC

**Department items in my possession:**

- ◆ 1 Eagle Scout challenge coin—I would like this to go into our Department Archives.
- ◆ 9 3-½” Eagle Scout patches
- ◆ 14 Eagle Scout certificates
- ◆ 23 certificate holders

## Participation since the last Department Encampment

2024

- 10 June—Fletcher Camp Meeting, De Soto.
- 11 June—Grant Camp Meeting, St. Louis Co.
- 3 July—Sent Ryan Robert Kling’s Eagle Scout award to James Beesley of the Westport Camp.
- 20 July—Attended annual Logan’s Brigade meeting, Murphysboro, Illinois.
- 27 July—MC’d Grant’s Remembrance Day, Whitehaven, St. Louis Co.
- 29 July—Sent Adam Ryan Magnuson’s Eagle Scout award to him.
- 9 September—Fletcher Camp Meeting, De Soto.
- 10 September—Grant Camp Meeting, St. Louis Co.
- 27 September—Attended Department event at Fort Davidson State Park.
- 4 October—Traveled to Concord, Massachusetts. Gathered information on Civil War monuments for the national database.
- 7 October—Traveled to towns in Massachusetts (West Bridgewater, East Bridgewater, Bridgewater, Halifax, Hanson, Whitman, Abington, and Brockton) to gather information on Civil War monuments for the national database. Submitted Form 61 for West Bridgewater, Massachusetts.
- 9 October—Submitted Form 61 for East Bridgewater, Massachusetts.
- 10 October—Traveled to Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Gathered information on a Lincoln statue for the national database. Submitted Form 61 for West Bridgewater and Bridgewater, Massachusetts.
- 11 October—Traveled to Petersburg [Virginia] National Battlefield. Gathered information on Civil War signage and artillery for the national database.
- 14 October—Submitted Form 61 for Whitman and Abington, Massachusetts. Traveled to Grayson, Kentucky. Gathered information on Civil War reunion sign for the national database.
- 15 October—Submitted another Form 61 for Abington, Massachusetts, and one for Brockton, Massachusetts.

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Proposed addition –

Preamble - We, the descendants of soldiers, sailors or marines who served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue Cutter Service of the United States of America during the War of Rebellion of 1861-1865, or Associate members who have an interest in the Civil War - have joined this patriotic and fraternal order for the purpose and objects set forth by the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and in so doing pledge ourselves to commemorate our forefathers' deeds, to render loyal service to our country, and to promote the maintenance of unqualified American citizenship with respect for and honor to the flag.

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**Did we not change this at the June Meeting? I did not change or add to this yet until I know more.**

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Section 5. A quorum of members of the Department is met by those present and entitled to vote when the meeting was called following any of the above procedures. A member needs to have his membership card and present it when requested at the start of the meeting.

Proposed addition – This reflects what is stated in previous sections of the Bylaws

Section 5. A quorum of members of the Department is met by those present and entitled to vote when the meeting was called following any of the above procedures. A member needs to have his, SUVCW membership card for the current year, and his credential card from his camp. Department Officers and Past Department Commanders receive their credential cards from the Department Secretary – these are to be shown to the Department Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

## Policy and Procedures – Suggested Changes

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[Department Encampment – June 2024]

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Appendix G – Missouri County and Camp Map

Needs to be updated.

McNeil Camp is no longer in existence. Suggested to also change coloring on the map to show where Phelps Camp and Lillie Camp cover. Expand Westport and Tiger Camp's regions further North. Possible expansion North for Grant Camp.

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Appendix H – Arkansas County and Camp Map

Needs to be updated.

Add Pvt John Tarkington 2<sup>nd</sup> Kansas CT to the Spradling Camp region as they are located close together.

Expand McPherson East.

Will need to get in touch with Joseph Rainey to see how the Arkansas members what to change the layout of the Arkansas Map.

Brothers,

20 August 2024

The meeting was only about a half hour long because I haven't had a Zoom meeting for over two years so I used the free one.

There were only three of us present and someone on a Samsung phone who just listened.

Those present were Joe Rainey, Dale Crandell and myself.

1. One of our first tasks was to change the name of the Past Department Commanders Fund. We felt this name would cause some members not to donate to the fund because of the misconception of the fund being used for the benefit of Past Department Commanders.

2. We voted unanimously to change the name from Past Department Commanders Fund to Charitable Endowment Fund.

We thought this was our best choice based upon the wording in the Department Policy and Procedures section 900: which states the "fund is an endowment to support the Department's Charitable work." When we would send out requests for donations we would include information of how this fund was used to support Camps in the Department with their different projects or events in the past .

3. We discussed how much was in the fund and Dale told us that there is \$5,000.00 in the fund that cannot be touched and that there is \$500.00 available to be distributed. I was writing it down as we were discussing this so I hope this is correct. Dale also described the other funds that are available to the Camps in the Department when requests for funds to be used for their projects.

4. He explained that there is actually \$1,660.00 funds available but a budget of \$900.00 for this year was established.

5. We discussed Randal's letter and felt it was good. What we like to see included in the letter is for those who donate money to the Department would have available the option of designating their donation to the Charitable Endowment Fund (previously PDC Fund). Our concern, as I understand it, was the letter as written, all donations received would go into the general fund for use by the Department for its various programs or events.

6. We were originally tasked for seeking donations from our members for the PDC Fund, now renamed the Charitable Endowment Fund, and our major concern is, if we proceed with soliciting funds for the Charitable Endowment Fund as a committee and if the letter is sent out as written, we would overburden our members with requests for donations.

This pretty much sums up what transpired tonight in our Zoom meeting. If you have any questions, statements or suggestions please send an email and make sure you click on the "reply all" symbol so we all know what is going on.

Thanks,

Gary

**Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

**ATTN: Donations, Department of Missouri, SUVCW**

**30 September 2024**

Dear Brothers, Allies, and Friends of the Department of Missouri,

I hope this letter finds you well and in good spirits. As we continue to honor the legacy of our ancestors who valiantly served in the Union Army during the Civil War, we are reminded of the importance of preserving their memory and the principles they fought to uphold.

Our shared commitment to "Keeping Green the Memory" of the brave men who fought to preserve the Union is what unites us as an organization. In light of this, I am writing to ask for your generous financial support in our ongoing efforts to ensure the sacrifices of our forebears are never forgotten.

As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW), relies on the contributions of its members, allies, and friends to sustain our vital programs. These programs include:

- **Erecting, Locating, and Preserving Veterans' Headstones and Memorials:** In 2017, the Department of Missouri successfully worked with the Missouri state government and other organizations to restore the Missouri monument at the Battle of Vicksburg Historic Battlefield in Vicksburg, Mississippi. Recently, we installed a new headstone for Captain Benjamin S. Palmer in Memphis, Missouri, and we continue to actively work to erect, locate, preserve, and restore significant Civil War monuments, headstones, and memorials, ensuring that future generations can visit and reflect on the sacrifices made for our nation's unity.
- **Educational Initiatives:** Every year, the Department of Missouri hosts a memorial event at the William T. Sherman gravesite in Calvary Cemetery, St. Louis, MO. We have for the past few years been holding regular events of commemoration and education at the U.S. Grant National Historic Site, also known as White Haven, and at the memorial for the 56 USCT in Jefferson Barracks Cemetery. This is in addition to sponsoring scholarships for essays and ROTC cadets, public lectures, commemoration events, and living history booths across Missouri and Arkansas. We are committed to educating the public, particularly young people, about the history and values of the Union cause.
- **Veterans' Services:** In addition to recognizing exceptional ROTC cadets in Missouri and Arkansas, we are currently seeking additional ways to support veterans and their families, both by remembering the deeds of Civil War veterans and by assisting those who have served in more recent conflicts.

This is just a partial description of the many activities and events our organization is involved with throughout the year. Every one of our 12 active camps located throughout Missouri and Arkansas are busy year-round working to fulfill the mission of our Order. You can learn more of our activities and see pictures by perusing our quarterly newsletter, the [Missouri Unionist](#).

Your donation will directly impact these initiatives, allowing us to continue our work in honor of those who served. Whether you choose to give \$25, \$50, \$100, or more, every contribution is deeply appreciated and will be put to immediate use in preserving the legacy of the Union soldiers.

To make a donation, please visit our website at <https://suvchwmo.org> and click on the link "PayPal – Donate to Support our Projects." Alternatively, you can mail your check payable to the "Department of Missouri, SUVCW," and send it to the address listed below. Remember, your donation is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law, and we will provide you with a receipt for your records.

**[Insert SUVCWMO Donation Address]**

Together, we can ensure that the legacy of the brave men who fought for the Union is preserved for generations to come. Thank you in advance for your generosity and continued dedication to our shared mission.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Commander, Department of Missouri

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

**From:** [Mary & Gary Scheel](#)  
**To:** [Officers](#); [MO SUV Officers](#); [SUVCWMO PDC](#)  
**Subject:** Private Anton Buchheit Last Soldier marker  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 16, 2024 11:24:22 PM

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Brothers,

I am requesting information on behalf of the Lt. Col. J. Felix St. James Camp #326

We had filled out the form in order to receive funds to help pay for the Last Soldier Monument for Private Anton Buchheit of Perry County.

At the Department Meeting in June 2024 it was decided to grant our request based upon what National Organization might give us.

We did not get our request in to the National in time. It was suggested that we request funds at the National Encampment. Because of having cataract surgery I was unable to attend National to make this request in person.

I will be unable to attend the Department Meeting because of my wife having broken her foot and has been unable to drive since early September. We found out today that she has to have the boot on for about three more weeks.

Not sure of the procedure but I am hoping that the Department will help us with finances to pay for this monument.

Recently the monument was installed and we are planning on having a ceremony on November 3rd at 2 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church Cemetery in Apple Creek, Missouri which is in the southern part of Perry County. We would like to invite all of those who may be interested in attending. This ceremony will take place after the annual church picnic on that day.

The cost for the monument and installation totaled \$395.00 which we have paid in full.

Any funds that the Department of Missouri would like to contribute to this monument would be greatly appreciated.

In F, C, & L,

Gary L. Scheel, PDC  
Treasurer  
St. James Camp #326



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## **Resolution Supporting Dale Crandell for National Council of Administration**

**WHEREAS** the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a fraternal organization dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of the heroes who saved the Union. Organized in 1881 and chartered by Congress in 1954, they are the lawful successor to the Grand Army of the Republic; and

**WHEREAS** the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will hold their 144th National Encampment on August 7-10, 2025, at Houston, Texas to conduct the Order's business and elect officers, including two members of the National Council of Administration; and

**WHEREAS** Brother Dale Crandell was mustered into Westport Camp #64 on January 1, 2010, to honor his American Civil War ancestor 1st Lieutenant Samuel Crandell of the 6th Kentucky Cavalry with supplemental ancestors Private James Adkins of the 5th Kansas Calvary, Private Lewis Adkins of the 48th Iowa Infantry, Private William Gitt of the 166th Pennsylvania Infantry, and Private Mathew Leonard of the 32nd Missouri Infantry; and

**WHEREAS** Brother Dale Crandell is currently serving on the National Council of Administration, aide to the Civil War Memorials Committee, past member of Memorial University Committee and Encampment Credential Committee, and a graduate of Memorial University; and

**WHEREAS** Brother Dale Crandell is a Past Department Commander of the Department of Missouri currently serving as Department Secretary-Treasurer; and

**WHEREAS** Brother Dale Crandell is a Past Camp Commander of Westport Camp #64 currently serving as Camp Secretary-Treasurer, and is a dual member of Phelps Camp #66 serving as ROTC Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS** Brother Dale Crandell was mustered into the 1st Missouri Engineers in 2010 with the rank of Private; and musted into 2nd Missouri Cavalry in 2021 serving as Unit Adjutant; and

**WHEREAS** Brother Dale Crandell has labored to grow the ROTC awards program, championed establishing supplemental memberships, preserved the legacy of Civil War Medal of Honor recipients, and fostered cooperation among the Allied Orders and other hereditary societies.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** this 19th day of October in the year 2024, that the Department of Missouri endorses Brother Dale Crandell's nomination and re-election to the National Council of Administration, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

17 October 2024

**Subject: DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT**

**To: Fall 2024 Department Meeting**

The Department Programs Committee focuses on identifying, planning and executing Department-wide programs both in and outside of Missouri and Arkansas. The following is a report on 2024/2025 activities to date.

The first event was held on September 27 commemorating the Battle of Pilot Knob, the first engagement during Price's invasion of Missouri. Organization of this event was conducted by U.S. Grant Camp #68 and Fletcher Camp #47. Adjustments to the program had to be made due to the rain, but the event was still somewhat successful. A high school group did attend and were provided a battlefield tour and history discussion using the electronic map and other artifacts in the visitor's center museum. The Roll of Honor was conducted in remembrance of the Union soldiers killed or mortally wounded at the Battle of Pilot Knob and the subsequent retreat to Leasburg. A firing salute was conducted by re-enactors that were present for the battle re-enactment to occur the next day. Also, a certificate of appreciation was presented to park superintendent Bryan Bethel.

The next event was held on October 12 in Jefferson City. Lillie Camp #6 coordinated with the Missouri Secretary of State Archives and the Cole County History Society to conduct a day-long seminar with presentations by noted authors on the various segments of Price's Raid. The vent was well attended with over 60 registered attendees. After the seminar, a Roll of Honor ceremony was conducted outside of the Governor's Mansion in remembrance of the Union soldiers killed or mortally wounded in the skirmishes around Jefferson City, the Battle of Glasgow and the second Battle of Lexington. After the ceremony concluded, an "evening with President Lincoln" was held across the street at the Cole County Historical Society.

Additional events:

- October 20 in Kansas City, organized by Westport Camp #64, and commemorating the Battles of Westport, Little Blue and Byram's Ford. This event will include a luncheon at the Alexander Majors Barn, with guest speaker Paul Kirkman, author of the book "The Battle of Westport: Missouri's Great Confederate Raid". Also, tours will be provided of the Alexander Majors House, and the John Wornall House. The event will conclude with ceremonies at Loose Park, with the Roll of Honor focusing on those killed or mortally wounded at Westport, Little Blue and Byram's Ford.
- October 26 in Newtonia, MO, organized by Phelps Camp #66, and commemorating the Battles of Newtonia and Mine Creek. This event will include a luncheon at the Newtonia Community Center, with guest speaker Connie Langum, retired historian at Wilson's Creek National Battlefield. Also, a tour will be provided of the Ritchey Mansion. A ceremony will be conducted on the battlefield, including the Roll of Honor, remembering those that were killed or mortally wounded at the second Battle of Newtonia and the Battle of Mine Creek.

At the Department Encampment this past June, a \$1500 budget was approved for the Union Victory in Missouri 1864 program. The following is the current accounting of the budget:

Expenses:

- Ribbons (5 sets + streamers)	\$556.25
- Postage	\$ 29.93
- Mailing Materials	\$ 14.35
- Programs	\$182.45
- Roll of Honor Booklets	\$244.24
- <b>Total to Date</b>	<b>\$1027.22</b>

Planned Expenses:

- Majors Barn Reservation	\$160.00 (for Westport event luncheon)
- Community Donation	\$250.00 (for Newtonia event luncheon)
- <b>Anticipated Total</b>	<b>\$1437.22</b>

The committee welcomes any feedback on proposed events and/or ideas for new events. It is the committee's desire to develop programs that would draw interest of Brothers across the Department and stimulate participation from all Camps in the Department of Missouri (including Arkansas).

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

Don Palmer  
Chairman, Department Programs Committee