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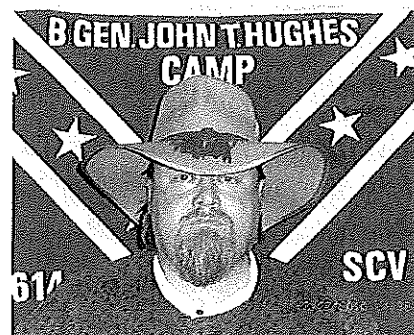
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## Message From The New Commander, Jason Coffman

### Confederate Patriots:

I will start by introducing myself. My name is Jason-Nathaniel: coffman and I live in Holt Missouri in the very north central part of the county of clay. I spent most of my years growing up on my Grandfathers farm outside of Holt. I now work at a consulting



engineering firm in Lee's Summit Missouri as a mechanical designer.

When I first became a member of John T. Hughes camp 614 Lou Saunders was the commander and Jim Bagby was the adjutant and there were but only four to five members in the camp back in the year of 2002. Well, the camp has grown expediently since then and I am so happy to see where the camp is today. I transferred to the Kansas City camp 634 and stayed for about two years but now I am back at Hughes camp and now it looks like I am your Commander.

High praise bestowed to Tim Apgar for being a past commander of Hughes camp. He did an exceptional job. Kurt Holland should also be recognized and thanked for being a past commander for a while too. Also many Thanks go to Steven Cockrell in his role as 2nd Lt. Commander.

You all know summer is coming and that means hitting all of the events and recruiting potential members. We have the gear to do it but we need more camp member turn out at these events. A higher camp member turn out (I cannot emphasize it enough) at these events possibly would mean more recruits. It would demonstrate to possible new recruits of a  
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*Hughes Camp would like to give a warm Southern welcome to new members Patrick J. Cole, and Dale Edward Crandell. Welcome aboard men!*



## Camp Calendar

**NOTE!** April 15th, 7:00PM Camp Meeting- Courthouse Exchange Restaurant 113 W. Lexington, Independence, Mo. Hope it's ok with all if we go a week later than normal. Jason and Larry are out of town and this is the last meeting before Woodlawn. Don't want to push all that work and planning on you guys! Speaker still to be determined as of press time!

**April 25th 4:30 PM Confederate Memorial Day Service, Woodlawn Cemetery,** 701 S. Noland Rd Independence, Missouri 64050

**May 5th 8:00 AM or so, Missouri History Days at Lone Jack Battlefield.** Here's a chance to expose our Heritage to young skulls full of mush! Talk to Larry if you want to get in on that. So far Larry and Jim Beckner will be there.

**June 5th, 2010, Confederate Memorial Day at Higginsville.**



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

## What's been happening on the Western Front

### Camp Meeting, February 11th

I skipped doing a newsletter last month, as I had to crank out a division newsletter leading up to the division convention. So I'll give you a recap here of the last two meetings.

On February 11th, we had **Dan Hadley of the Lone Jack Historical Society** as our speaker. Dan's subject was: ***The Gathering Storm, the events leading up to the Battle of Lone Jack and the current Preservation Battle for Lone Jack***

Dan gave us details on the Battle of Lone Jack, which was a pretty ferocious engagement between the Missouri State Guard and Yankees under the command of Totten and Foster. Leading up to the Battle, Order # 19 had been issued by the scalawag appointed Gov. Gamble, for all able men in the area to join the Militia. That had the opposite effect he desired and drove men to join the Missouri State Guard. With a MSG recruiting Camp located at nearby Lee's Summit, that set the stage for the Battle of Lone Jack.

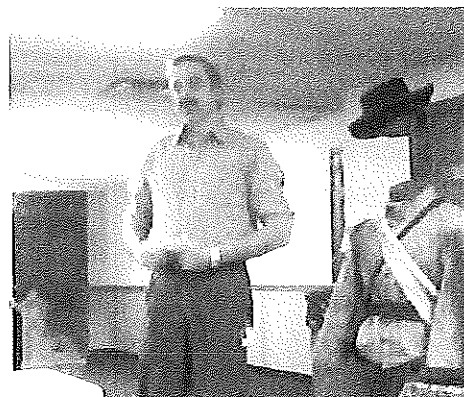
When the Lone Jack museum was dedicated in 1963 by Jackson County, there was a huge crowd there and Harry Truman spoke at the dedication. Harry said he could remember seeing actual veterans of the battle visiting the battlefield in later years. There are trench

graves there, containing a pretty large number of men which the number escapes me. But there's one Union and one Confederate Trench graves.

Dan also showed us a video made by Wide Awake Films that was made for Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Park. Dan was one of the reenactors in the film. They hope to make a similar film for Lone Jack.

### ***Thanks for speaking to us Dan!***

Also at the meeting, we passed a motion to donate \$50 to the Independence Patriotic Council. They buy US and CS Flags to mark all veteran graves at local cemeteries for Memorial Day, and we thought we should help them with that cost.



Well, I forgot my good camera that night, so took this picture of Dan Hadley in action with my cell phone camera



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### ***Commander Coffman continued...***

well-organized fraternal brotherhood with some appeal. This year will probably be exceptionally good for possible new recruits with the way things are going on. On April 24<sup>th</sup>, others and I are going to the Coffee camp Confederate Heritage Supper. See enclosed registration form. Commander Gary Ayers really knows how to put it on. Go down to Osceola Missouri for a good time, food and fellowship.

I look forward to working with all of you in the growth of the camp and getting the true history of the South presented to future generations.

**Yours in the Bonds of Confederate  
Brotherhood,**

**Jason-Nathaniel: coffman**

**John T. Hughes Camp 614 Commander**

**Note!** Sorry about the meeting date change from April 8th to April 15th. We hated to have half the officers gone for this important planning session for Woodlawn. Jason was called out of town for work, and Larry has to help Jeff Yeatman move from Ft. Bragg to Ft. Rucker. We'll get back to normal next month and hope this doesn't cause any trouble for you guys!

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Thanks to James Country Mercantile, All help is appreciated in helping to keep the Confederate Presses Rolling! Could use some 2010 Donations to the newsletter fund, it's empty!

***Salute!***



## More Hughes Camp meeting stuff, March 11th Camp Meeting

For this meeting, we had **Jay Roberts** speak to us. Jay has spoke to us before and as always, did a great job. This time his subject was: ***The Biggest Battle in Cass County, Morristown***.

Morristown was in the southwest corner of Cass County. It sprung up out of nothing and became a sizable town starting in 1854. It was located just east of the Kansas border, which turned out to be a bad location! There were several families that were instrumental in the town. Most went with the South, but a few guys joined the Missouri Militia.

On July 21, 1861, Jayhawkers under Jennison hit the town with about 50 men. At first the town folks repelled them about 3 times, but finally Jennison's men ran the people out of town. They captured a man named Martin White, who had shot and killed John Brown's son some time back. They executed him and stole his white mule and one slave. They then carted about 5 wagon loads of "contraband" such as flour, bacon, drugs, powder, back to Kansas.

Not too long after that raid, the Yankees sent a sizable force of 250 men to finish off the town. I didn't write down the date of this main battle

there. Col. Hampton Johnson was in command of the union force and he split his forces. He sent Jennison to attack from the east, and Hampton would attack from the west. Well, Jennison got lost and never did show up. When Hampton attacked the town, he led the charge and was promptly shot 9 times. The about 150 Confederate forces who were camped out just north of town, had hidden behind some really large boulders on the east side of town along a river bank. It was a good position, but the good guys decided to retreat east out of town. The Yankees came back and seized all the Confederate tents and camp gear, wagons and horses. 5 Confederates were captured and were executed.

For the rest of the war, Jennison used the town as his jumping off point for raids into Cass and Jackson counties. Some town folks tried to stay but most left, and by the 1870's, no one was left there. Jennison did his job well.

This event has not been written about much, Jay Roberts may well be the expert on Morristown and what happened there. ***Thanks for talking to us about this Jay!***

### Officer Election Results...

Well we finally manned up and elected new officers! We had nominations from the floor of people who were at the meeting and said they were willing to do the job. Here's your new slate of officers, and their contact info is on the front page.

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1st Lt. Commander, Kurt Holland

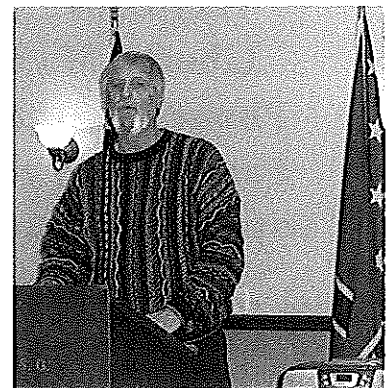
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Chaplain, Richard Rudd

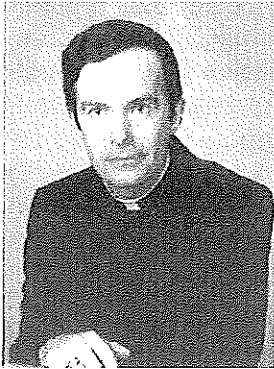
***Thanks for volunteering guys!***



Jay Roberts hard at work.



## Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd...



American society and its monetary system have become a debt-based culture. Wall St. stockbrokers, bankers, and corporate executives, those who after 145 years continue to deride the South for the use of slavery in its agrarian economy, aspire to be today's slave masters. They bind their victims

with chains of plastic and paper forged in corporate board rooms. The work place, whether it be an office or assembly line, has become the new plantation. Tennessee Ernie Ford used to sing a song about poor coal miners who owed their souls to the company store. They toiled at back-breaking labor for meager pay and were obligated to purchase the necessities of life from their employer. The store inflated prices to keep the miners in debt and subservient to the company.

In the 8<sup>th</sup> century BC, Amos (8:4-6) related how greedy businessmen used inflation to drain people of their money to keep them poor and willing to work cheaply. Containers of goods were made smaller, but the prices were not reduced. Scales were rigged to sell less for more money. Customers paid for full containers of grain that were partially filled with chaff. In the 5<sup>th</sup> century BC, Nehemiah (5:2-5) recorded how unscrupulous lenders charged exorbitant interest rates to borrowers who mortgaged their property because they were desperate for money to pay their taxes and inflated prices for food. Whether it be in Amos', Nehemiah's, or our day, the pattern is the same. Through unethical manipulation of currency and markets, customers and investors first lose their property, then their independence and freedom, and finally the true market value of their labor to those who eventually become their masters. "The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave on the lender." (Prov. 22:7)

Man is a corporal or physical being. *Corporal* comes from the Latin *corporalis* and both *corporal* and *corporation* ultimately come from the Latin *corpus* or body. Thus, the law views a corporation, a body formed by law, as an existing entity much the same as a human being. If we think in terms of

shares in a corporate body, every time one borrows money, the lenders become owners of shares or pieces of the borrower to make a profit on their investment. Serious problems develop when we fail to distinguish between our needs and wants and cease to live within our means. "Owe no man...except to love one another." (Rom. 13:8) "Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have..." (Heb. 13:5) St. Paul discovered, "...I have learned, in whatever state I am, to be content." (Phillip. 4:11) "There is great gain in godliness with contentment; for we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out..." (1 Tim. 6:6-7) Rich or poor, we all end this life with only a shroud, coffin, and grave.

What is true for individuals and corporations is also true for nations. In 1910, our national debt was \$2.6 billion. In 1913, the Federal Reserve was established to become the central government's bank. That same year, the 16<sup>th</sup> Amendment established income tax to pay, in part, for what the government borrows from the bank. Thus began a vicious, escalating cycle of debt. By 1930, the national debt had grown to \$16.2 billion. In 1950, it expanded to \$257 billion. In 1990, it swelled to \$3.2 trillion. Today, our national debt has bloated to \$12.3 trillion. Beginning Oct. 1, the proposed budget for the next fiscal year totals \$3.8 trillion with a \$1.27 trillion deficit. Too much of our national debt is owed to foreigners, especially China and Arabia. Unfavorable trade balances (\$40 billion) and debt diminish our political power and voice for freedom in the world. For example, the US is no longer as critical of Islam and China's human rights violations. As the Indians sold Manhattan for trinkets, so America is being sold. In Moses' day, God instructed the nation of Israel, "...You shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow." (Deut. 28:12)

Budgetary malfeasance, the careless management of assets, has created a narcotic addiction by individuals and nations for cash and goods. Quick fixes for temporary economic highs lead to a habit of more expensive fixes. Economic malpractice, misguided priorities and policies, is the result of

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### Fr. Richard W. Rudd continued...

prescribing the wrong medicine without proper diagnosis. To pay off debt, an individual can only work harder and try to make more money. Government can raise taxes, reducing spending power and production, print more money, creating inflation, or borrow, increasing debt. After choices come consequences; nobody wants to deal with the negative ones. The straightest route to sound fiscal policies that will break irresponsible habits is to begin with a personal and national comprehensive audit of our values and priorities and a realignment of our hearts. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth,... but lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven... For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matt. 6:19-21) What are the treasures we lay up in Heaven? The only valuables we can take out of this world are our own souls and all of the souls we can take with us. "Set your minds on the things that are above, not on things that are on earth." (Col. 3:2) Viewed from this perspective, our fiscal policies on earth will become more sound and the culture of debt will be broken.

**Fr. Richard W. Rudd, Hughes Camp Chaplain**

**Editor Note on Fr. Rudd's article,** Is that good stuff or what?! Rudd's articles need to go nationwide with much more exposure. Lot's of people could learn from these lessons. *Larry*

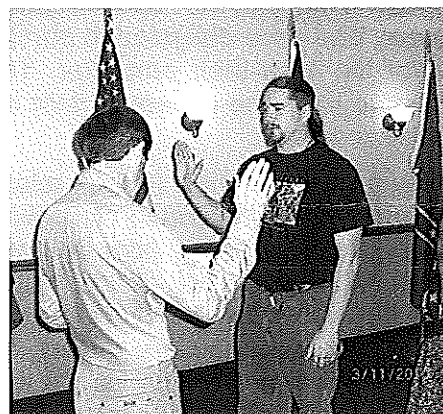
### New member Patrick J Cole swore in...

Many of you may know Patrick as the bagpiper at our last 2 or so Confederate Memorial Days at Woodlawn. While Patrick may be a new official member of the SCV, he's been around us for quite a while and is quite familiar with the SCV. He's been exploring his genealogy in the meantime and has come up with several Confederate ancestors. So now, he's official!

The ancestor Patrick honors on his SCV Certificate is **2nd Lt. Alexander Kelly Boutwell, Co. H, 8th Regiment Missouri Cavalry**. Alexander survived the war and was released on Oath on June 16, 1865. He is buried in Scott, Mo in Old Morley Cemetery.

Not only is Patrick one of our newest members, but he's also one of our new officers. Patrick wasn't afraid to jump right in there and volunteer and is now 2nd Lt. Commander. He's computer savvy and should be able to help us in that area. He also said he'll monitor our camp email at [scv614mo@yahoo.com](mailto:scv614mo@yahoo.com). That email has been neglected for a while since Tim's retirement.

Patrick is a paramedic so can perform life saving procedures on us when we need it! Patrick is also a reenactor. In the past he has done infantry, but he is now the Gunner for Terry's Texas Rangers Flying Battery. He runs the Cannon Crew and is in charge of a fine 6 Pound Parrott Rifle. When I say



**Richard Rudd swears in Patrick Cole**

flying battery, I mean it! He runs the only horse drawn cannon in this area. The caisson and cannon are pulled around the battle field by two Perchiron horses. They are huge draft horses that can really do the job! But Patrick is very good at it and it's a lot of responsibility. I'll get a picture some time of Patrick, gun and horses in the news sometime soon.

Patrick also taught himself how to play the bagpipe in the last few years. As you know from our memorial services, he's great at it.

Welcome aboard Patrick!



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The Coffee Camp is proud to bring you our Guest speaker, Pastor Charles Jennings.

Pastor Jennings was raised in south Florida with a rich spiritual legacy of traditional Pentecostal heritage and ancestry. He has served as Pastor, Evangelist and Bible Teacher. He was married to Marylee in 1966 and they have one son.

He has several ancestors who were Confederate Veterans and one was captured, processed through Point Lookout and sent to Federal Prison and later died at Elmira, New York.

Pastor Jennings has written many articles about the War of Northern Aggression. He has also authored several books. One of them is entitled, "Cultures in Conflict-the Union Desecration of Southern Churches and Cemeteries." The most well known book is "The Book of Revelation from an Israelite and Historicist Interpretation".

Pastor Jennings is the founder of **Truth in History Ministries** and Editor of "**Truth in History Magazine**".

He is a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and Point Lookout Prisoners of War Organization.

Please come and listen to Pastor Jennings speak on "The Spiritual Revival in the Confederate Army".

This is not a sermon so don't expect that. This will be a hard hitting program that will set the records straight as to what the Federals felt toward the Southern people and of Missouri citizens.





## Missouri Division Convention

The Missouri Division SCV and Missouri Society MOSB held it's annual reunion on March 26th and 27th in Sedalia, Missouri. The event was hosted by the Shelby Camp, who did a great job. Many thanks to Keith Daleen and Paul Lawrence for their hard work. The convention went great and the facility was perfect.

Some of the SCV business meeting highlites:

The officers stay the same with Jim England as Commander, Neill Block as Lt. Commander, and Ed Hamm as adjutant.

Richard Rudd was present and gave an awesome opening prayer. As it was the beginning of Passover, he asked that we pray for three things:

Pray for the South, that they don't bleed out our Southern Blood

Pray for all of America, Keep our doors marked with the blood of the lamb

Pray for Israel. Without Israel there would be no Christianity or no Messiah. There are those in the Government and media who are trying to turn us against Israel, we should stand with our friend.

Most camps were represented, as we had a good turnout. From Hughes Camp we had Jason Coffman, Jerry Spencer, Tim Apgar, Kurt Holland, BJ Blackerby, Gordon Fristoe, Larry Yeatman. Good showing guys!

**Also, Tim Apgar was elected to Western Brigade Commander.** Good luck in your new position Tim, and sorry guys, we still have to take orders from Tim! Oh, that's not a bad thing!

The Division passed two important motions. To contribute \$2000 towards the artwork and set up of 150th Anniversary Silver coins of which 3000 sets of 13 coins showing each Confederate State will be minted. If all 3000 sets sell, our share of the proceeds will be substantial. We also voted to have Division Sweat shirts and T shirts made up to sell. We really voted to allow the Executive Council make the final decision on both. But we need to do something to make some money, and the coins especially could really work out. They will be proof coins and will appeal to collectors.

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For the MOSB business meeting: Bill Bowden will remain the Society Commander, Kurt Holland to be the Lt. Commander, and Larry Yeatman the Adjutant

The Society passed a motion to do a \$200 buy in towards the \$2000 the Mo. Division needs for the coins. This will allow the Society to share in 10% of the divisions profits. That's a good thing, as the Society needs to do something also to raise money. We also passed a motion to look into setting up a Facebook Site for the Society, as we need to do something to help people find us! So we'll work on that!

Bill Bowden addressed concerns of recruitment, retention, bringing young people in, as we are an aging Society. All you descendants of officers, check us out!

All in all, it was a great and productive convention. In the evening we had the banquet and **Don Gilmore** was the keynote speaker. Don talked about his Jesse James book and as always did a great job!

Some photos are on the next page! LTY





## Reunion Photos



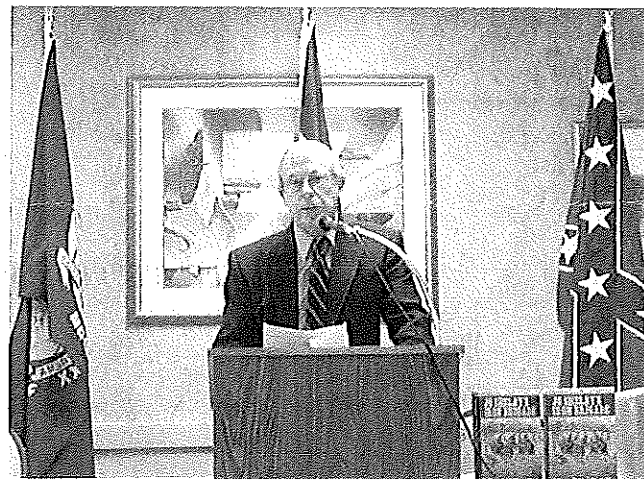
We had a good crowd for the business meetings



Commander England running the meeting



Kurt and Billie Holland



Daryl Sellmeyer was the MOSB Luncheon Speaker



A good sized crowd for the evening banquet

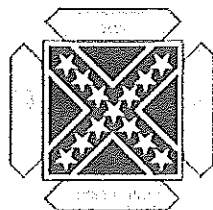


Don Gilmore gave an awesome and entertaining speech on "Riding Vengeance with the James Gang"



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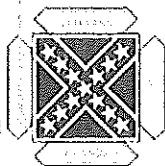


Note the change of date  
for next meeting. Meeting  
date will be April  
15th!

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## 1864 Battle of Plattsburg

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