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**1859 Jail and Marshall House on the Independence Square**

We saw this on the tour of the battle of Independence at the Reunion. Unfortunately we were unable to go inside due to a plumbing problem they recently incurred. Mike Calvert did tell us, the Marshall did not actually live in it, the jailer did! The Marshall always had his own house somewhere else. Maybe we need to tour the inside of this thing for a Camp meeting sometime!



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## Message from Lt. Commander Kevin Low

### Compatriots and Friends,

For those of you who were unable to attend the recent Missouri Division SCV and Missouri Society MOSB Reunion, I wish to fill you in on a couple of things. First of all, this was my first Division Reunion and I am sure glad I attended. It was encouraging to spend a couple of days with like-minded folk from across our state. And it was an honor to meet face-to-face with our national leaders. I have memories that will not soon fade.

Our very own Paul Petersen gave a riveting keynote presentation on William Quantrill. I learn something new every time I hear Paul speak about that brave and chivalrous hero of ours. It was an honor and a pleasure to meet and to hear Susan Lee of the Virginia Flaggers, whose inspiring keynote speech convicted me of not doing more to support our Cause.

Congratulations to our very own Dwayne Holtzclaw, Larry Yeatman, and Steve Ferguson for receiving very prestigious awards during the proceedings (and I am sorry if there were others I should have acknowledged!).

Jim Beckner organized an excellent tour of the Independence Square, site of the 1st Battle of Independence, the most embarrassing Federal defeat in Missouri. Although I was not able myself to go on this tour, I heard from others that evening that it was fantastic.

In other news; by the time you get this newsletter, we hope Gieselle is the newly elected Councilwoman in Liberty! And our prayers continue to go out for her full recovery.

Finally, I wish to remind you of our Camp's booth at this year's Richmond Mushroom Festival, May 5-6. Volunteer early and often!

**Kevin Low**  
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## Camp Calendar

**March 9th 6:30 PM - Camp Meeting Zarda BBQ: 214 NW Hwy 7, Blue Springs, MO 64014** Show up by 6 to eat first, let's support our venues business! This Month our Speaker will be **David Jackson**, who's topic will be: ***"LOCK DOWN: Outlaws, Lawmen & Frontier Justice in Jackson County, Mo."*** ***Take a trip back in time with local historian and preservationist, David W. Jackson, behind the iron bars of Jackson County's historic 1859 Jail and Marshal's Home.***

**June 3rd, Confederate Memorial Day, Confederate Memorial State Historic Site in Higginsville, MO** I'm putting this on your radar, but honestly, I don't believe I've heard firm plans on it yet. I'm not sure who is hosting it, and who is pulling the permit so we can beg to honor our Soldiers. I'll keep you posted in May. But, hopefully we can celebrate President Jeff Davis's Birthday!



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

## What's been happening on the Western Front

### Camp Meeting, March 9th....

At the March meeting, we had **Jim Beckner** speak and his subject was, ***"Another Confederate who lost everything in the War"***

I missed the man's first name, but his last name was Riddlesbargar. He immigrated to here from Germany, first settling in Virginia, then later to Fayetteville, MO, then to Kansas City. He got in with the richest crowd in Kansas City, such as the McGees, the Troost etc ( streets are named after them)

He had 7 kids with his first wife that died, he then married a 16 year old, which raised eyebrows, and had many more kids with her.

Riddlesbarger was in banking. During the war, he was staunchly pro Southern. He wouldn't pipe down even while the town was completely occupied by Yankees. Pretty soon, wagons showed up at his house and the Yankee's stole everything. They wiped him out and he moved to St Louis completely broke. He started a dry good business in St. Louis and lived above it. But he didn't do very well there cause he was Southern living in a Yankee town. He then moved to Illinois. Like Beckner said, he should of moved West from KC! Going east, he kept going into more Yankee occupied turf!

At one point, they sold what little they had left just to eat.

He died at age 70, shortly after his last child was born. His wife died a year later. Probably from

having too many kids!

All Riddlesbarger had was gone.

Sounds like today, speak out against the establishment and they cancel you...

Thanks to Jim for speaking to us!

After Jim spoke, we worked out a time and place to stuff the registration bags for the Convention.

Boyd Chapter Commander Steve Ferguson also gave us an update about the convention and Boyd Chapter. If you have an Officer CS Ancestor, ask Steve or Greg Anderson about applying for the Military Order of the Stars and Bars!

The end!



Production line for bag stuffing at Jumpin Catfish in Lee's summit on March 18.



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### *Message from Boyd Chapter Commander Stephan Ferguson*

#### *Compatriots,*

As I performed some of my "house duties" the other day, I was drying dishes with quite an old and familiar towel. As I continued my job, I noticed how worn and tattered the towel had become. I noticed areas that were quite literally held together by a thread. And I thought, how weak and how easily it could be ripped apart.

This reminds me how we sometimes feel alone and weak when we perceive ourselves as the only thread holding together the "Cloth of Remembrance". It is important for us to join together with others of like minds to build ourselves into a strong Cloth. The well-funded radical left has intensified their attacks on our Confederate heritage. This 'cultural cleansing' must be and can be stopped by only multi-threaded and tightly bound Cloths of Remembrance.

Come to meetings, attend events at the local camp and society level, and most importantly, attend the State and National events so as to become bound together to make a stronger "Cloth of Remembrance" and to persevere and to promote the Southern Cause.

I hope you attended the SCV and MOS&B Missouri State Reunion this last month. It was a wonderful and educational experience. Our own Paul Petersen did a fantastic job giving us the TRUE and interesting facts about Col. William Clarke Quantrill. Also, talk about "fired up", Susan Holyfield told the crowd about her raising flags to honor our ancestors with a very heart-felt presentation. I hope you participated in the business of your Missouri SCV State Division and your Missouri MOS&B State Society. It fills you with a greater sense of purpose and belonging when we are involved with these state organizations.

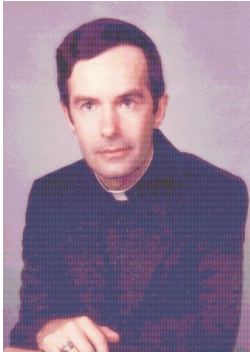
REMEMBER: If not us to bind together to remember our Cause, then who? We are charged with this responsibility. If not ME, then Who???

**Steve Ferguson, Commander**

**Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter 236**



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



***Continued from March...***

If you plan to milk a cow, you are going to have to find a cow to milk. Bankers and shareholders cannot make money from mounting interest on perpetual loans to the government without being assured the government can pay the interest. Between 1862 and 1872, the

US government enacted an income tax to pay for the WBTS. So, proponents of the Federal Reserve supported the reestablishment of the income tax in February, 1913, this time encoded in the 16th Amendment of the Constitution. The observation has been made that it is the IRS that does the first spring cleaning. Money consists of nothing more than paper bills, metallic coins, and electronic pulses that the Fed creates and loans to member banks, thus putting money in circulation. It then collects interest on the money it creates. Higher rates will increase the banks' profits and reduce the amount of money in circulation. Lower rates will increase the number of loans made and the amount of money in circulation. It has been suggested that the Fed has the power to whipsaw the public by alternating inflation and deflation, thereby controlling the amount of money in circulation and manipulating its value. The tentacles of the Fed reach into our pockets through the banks and establishments we do business with and the IRS.

As was pointed out with the 1812 War and the WBTS, national and international crises can be used by banks and large corporations for financial gain. Corporations borrow money to manufacture military supplies that they sell to the government that borrows money to make the purchases. When a nation's government overspends and overborrows and sinks deeper into debt, whether for war or careless peacetime expenditures for pet projects and favoring political cronies, a day of reckoning must come and the future of the nation is in jeopardy. France supported America against its old rival, Britain, during the Revolutionary War, spending \$400 million, paying 20% on its loans, ruining its credit, and moving toward bankruptcy. In 1789, its annual deficit was \$27 million. These were large sums of money in the 18th century. The

French government could find no solution to the financial crisis and the French Revolution ensued followed by Napoleon's dictatorship. In 1919, the Versailles Treaty forced Germany to pay reparations for war damages. By 1921, they totaled \$5 billion. Inflation destroyed middle class savings, escalated the cost of necessities to astronomical amounts, caused a deep sense of despair and futility across the nation, and prepared the conditions allowing for the rise of Fascism. Are wreckless spending and deeper debt moving the US in that direction? To prevent the US from going deeper into debt, an annual balanced budget should be required by law, perhaps a constitutional amendment, similar to the balanced budgets required by 49 states. Congress could be permitted to incur debt only when national security is threatened and the spending of those funds would be limited to expenses related to national defense. This deficit budget could last only one fiscal year, being renewed only if the threat persisted.

The long arms of international bankers and the powerful influence of money in our national and personal economic affairs are not experienced only by means of wars. After WWII, the European economy was destroyed. Seeking solutions to their common predicament, 14 nations formed the Council of Europe in 1949 seeking to establish a US of Europe confederation. In 1952, Robert Schuman of France proposed a plan including 6 European nations to end tariffs on iron ore and coal for steel. This plan developed into the European Common Market in 1957. This progression of binding the formally independent European nations together through economic ties ultimately resulted in the formation of the current EU in the mid-1950's. Thus, the bankers and economists were able to accomplish what military efforts failed to do since the Roman Empire. The same game plan is being attempted in the Americas with international trade agreements like NAFTA. These trade treaties unite nations under international governing coalitions and rules that supercede national independence with the force to punish severely non-compliant members. Another scheme is known as the global warming endeavor, a socialist effort to shift money from wealthier to poorer nations under the guise of environmental concerns. All of these schemes seek to destroy

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national borders, deride America-first policies, promote globalism to form a future one-world government over which the Bible tells us the Antichrist will assume control. The ebb and flow of power follows the money trail.

As currency becomes increasingly electronic, it is becoming easier to control nations and individuals. This is already being done in China. Privacy is lost and the communist government can instantly bankrupt a citizen it wishes to discipline with the flip of a switch. During the Tribulation which is to come, the Antichrist will exercise economic powers by preventing buying and selling by all who resist him, causing disenfranchisement and even death. (Rev. 13:17) Whether it is nations or individual citizens that spend and borrow irresponsibly, the result is the same. "The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender." (Prov. 22:7)

**Fr Richard Rudd, Hughes Camp Chaplain**

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**Scenes From the Convention**

To the left, Paul Petersen in action during his Friday night presentation, and above, he receives a hand made quilt made by Marcia Dinkins and Robin Painter that says "No Quarter" and has Quantrill's flag on it, perfect for Paul!



To the left, Susan Holyfield giving her presentation on Saturday night. And posing with Ron Burkhart, who made her speakers gift, and custom made leather tote. The Tote has a Virginia Flaggers logo on one side, and a Missouri Battle Flag on the other side. She was truly thrilled to receive it and asked for Ron's address!



Above, Dwayne Holtzclaw receives the Division Col Joseph Porter award for best Camp Member, it's the Division's highest honor and Award.

To the upper right, Steve Ferguson received the Missouri Society Claiborne Fox Jackson award for his service to the Society.

To the right, Larry Yeatman receives the Societies Gen J.O. Shelby Leadership award.

Below: Several Reunion Attendees came up to the Liberty Confederate Grave Marker for a brief Memorial Service. Wes Franklin spoke, then Neil Block read the names of 137 Clay County Confederate soldiers killed in the War, with Dwayne Holtzclaw ringing a bell after each name. Neil said what their ranks and units were, and where they were killed. Gieselle is sporting her walker, as this is a few days after the pit bull attack on her while she was campaigning.



**From the Desk of Missouri Division SCV Commander Jeff Futhey April 2023**

The Division emails this out everymonth, and I should do a better job of forwarding it to you all. It's long 5-6 pages, so can't squeeze it into the news, I'll just give you Commander Futhey's comments on the Reunion.

**Commander's Report on the 2023 Reunion**

The 2023 Missouri Division SCV & Missouri Society MOS&B Reunion, now concluded, in Independence, Missouri, will be remembered for a while by those who attended. I want to thank everyone involved on both the Missouri Division SCV side and the Missouri Society MOS&B side for making this the enjoyable Reunion that it was. Host Camps Brig. General John Taylor Hughes Camp 614 and Surgeon John Cravens Camp 2276 deserve special thanks for a job well done!

I also want to thank our sponsors, Spring Cliff Farm; CO H, Mechanized Cavalry SCV; Pvt. Bailey Brooks Camp 2335 SCV; Larry Yeatman Insurance Agency; and James Country Mercantile, as well as our program advertisers, Prime German Shorthairs; BedHead Mattress Recycling; Missouri Division C.E.R.T. Program manager Herb Turner; and Dan's Gun Shop. If I left anyone out, my apologies. You are appreciated!

Thank you to Missouri Division SCV Chief of Staff Herb Turner for taking over as point man at basically the last minute and pulling this off. Thank you to the men who helped out at the registration table and at the Division merchandise booth.

After a quick check in at the registration table, we entered a beautiful Hall, paid for by Hughes Camp, hearing gospel hymns and period music played on an acoustic guitar. Hank Roberts played and sang these warm songs both evenings during registration and for our guests in the buffet serving line.

The two speakers were exceptional this year. Friday evening brought the detailed, truthful history of a great Missouri Confederate Partisan Ranger, Colonel William Clarke Quantrill, by Paul Petersen. Saturday's speaker, Susan Lee Holyfield, of the Virginia Flaggers fame, told of her love and pride in her Southern heritage with the willingness to defend, honor, and wave her pride way up high under constant unfavorable conditions.

The Hereford House servers, food, and buffet are challenging to outdo. The Hall was beautifully decorated, including handmade centerpieces, linen tablecloths, napkins, and silverware already prepared at the table. The decorations and centerpieces were beautifully done by compatriot Tim Charlton, who donated all of his expenses. Thank you, Tim!

Unique gifts for the ladies were given out before and during the event. An attractive Reunion medal was given to all the members, with some still available for purchase, courtesy of General John T. Hughes Camp 614 and compatriot Steve Ferguson. Hughes Camp also provided the ladies pins. Surgeon John Cravens Camp 2276 provided additional ladies favors, featuring the image of Kate (King) Quantrill. This was under the direction of former Missouri Division UDC President Gina Dixon, a wonderful lady who we all love and appreciate.

We are always grateful to have National SCV officers in town for the Reunion. This year, we had four: Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers, Army of Trans-Mississippi Commander J. C. Hanna, Executive Director Adam Southern, and our own Missouri son, SCV National Chief of Staff Darrell "Sugar Maple" Maples.

On the MOS&B side there was Army of Trans-Mississippi Commander Terry Phillips and Missouri Society Commander and MOS&B National Executive Director Jon Trent, along with members of their staff. Most people don't know this, but Missouri Society Commander/MOS&B National Executive Director Jon Trent is who created and designed our beautiful Reunion program for the last three years, as well as the report book.