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Message from Commander Sam Stanton

Compatriots and Friends,

Thought I'd let you know about some things I've done lately. On April 22,23 I went to Civil War Days at Old Cowtown Museum in Wichita KS with Elliott's Scouts. What a great place to be, if you have never been there you should go. Check their website, they have different things throughout the year. It's an old west town, very neat place. <https://www.oldcowtown.org>.

On Saturday April 29 I was at Atkins-Johnson farm in Gladstone Mo with the 1st Mo Infantry Battalion muster and the school of the soldier. We learned infantry drill right out of Hardee's 1855 Manual just like new



recruits did. All these years and I even grew up in the area, I didn't know this Adkins-Johnson farm was there. It's another great place to visit, they also have daily tours there. It is now owned by the city of Gladstone Mo. <https://www.atkinsjohnsonfarm.com/>

Be thinking events coming up. May18th 9:00am Liberty Court hearing in Division 2 courtroom, need people there, things not going our way, the judge ruled the other way saying we aren't an owner. Larry says we need butts in the seats in front of the judge.

June 3rd is Confederate Memorial at Higginsville Mo. Our very own Jim Buckner is MC, starts at 10:30 am - 2:00pm, ceremony is at 11:30 bring your own food and drinks. We need help with Color Guard. I will have members of 9th Mo Elliott's Scouts to help with the Color guard also.

See you on May 11th at the Camp Meeting. Dan Hadley of the Lone Jack Historical Society will be our guest and tell us about their big plan coming up at Lone Jack.

Sam Stanton
Commander
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Camp Calendar

May 11th 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 Dan Hadley of the Lone Jack Historical Society and he will tell us about a big upcoming plan there!

May 18th, 9 AM, Liberty Monument Court hearing, Clay County Court, Division 2 courtroom. 11 South Water Street Liberty, Missouri 64068 Our attorney Bryan Wolford will be present. This is an important hearing and it will be good to have our faces there for the Judge to see!

June 3rd, Confederate Memorial Day, Confederate Memorial State Historic Site in Higginsville, MO Start gathering anytime from 9 AM on. Event starts at 11:30 and will be led by Jim Beckner. This years event is on President Jefferson Davis's birthday, so come celebrate our President's Birthday!



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

What's been happening on the Western Front

Camp Meeting, April 13th....

At the April meeting, we did discuss the Richmond Mushroom Festival that is May 5th and 6th, that's Friday and Saturday. We are booth space 108, have to be set up by 10 AM Friday morning, and are open until 8 PM, then open 9 AM to 7 PM on Saturday the 6th. We need guys to run the booth!

We also swore in our newest member, James K Osborn! More on James inside!

Our speaker was **David Jackson**, who spoke on **Lockdown, Outlaws, Lawmen & Frontier Justice in Jackson County**. David is knowledgeable about all that and passionate about that history. He has also worked as a volunteer at the 1859 Marshalls Jail on the Independence Square.

The oldest structure in Jackson County was the first Jackson County courthouse, but it's not on the square. The second oldest structure is the 2nd courthouse, that was built on the square. That structure still exist inside the newer courthouse you now see on the square. But inside that building is that old courthouse and the new structure is just built around it.

The first jail, built in 1827, was long, it was 20'X20' square and was 16' high. They lowered the prisoners down into it! There was no entry on the first floor. 1st prisoner held there was a slave women.

The first Jackson County Sheriff was Joseph Redford Walker, he had been a famous mountain man and was tough.

The 1827 log jail burned when prisoners piled hot coals against the wall and set it on fire. The next jail built in 1841 was made of brick to stop that!

One man escaped either the 1827 or 1841 jail, his wife came to visit him, they swapped clothes, he left. When they discovered the wife, they just let her go!

The 1859 jail served as the Jackson County jail until 1933. In WWII, there was a huge scrap metal drive, and someone talked them into not taking all the heavy iron doors in the jail, and they are still there today.

Thanks to David for telling us about some great history of the area!



David Jackson, who was our April Speaker

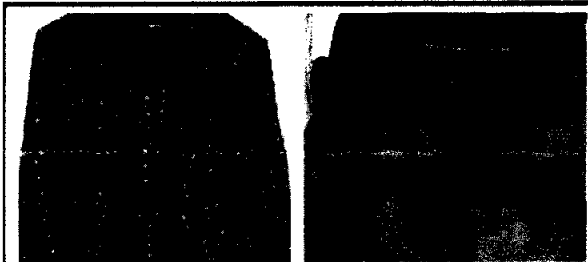


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Message from Boyd Chapter Commander Steve Ferguson

Compatriots,

The Forsythia has bloomed. And the Redbuds are brilliant. And this is planting season for the Ferguson family Spring Cliff Farm. As I write this, the corn is in the ground and the soybeans will soon follow. What a great time of year this is. Spring has sprung and is full of hope for a great summer! Hopefully, a great crop of corn and beans are on the way. You know planting seeds for a good crop is as old as life itself. The Bible overflows with verses talking about the sowing of seeds.

We, the Sons of Confederate Veterans and members of the Military Order of Stars & Bars, must also sow seeds. We need to sow seeds for a membership to grow. And the only way we can grow is to plant a seed - an idea or a comment. We must then nourish that idea and INVITE our new "seedlings" to a camp and society meeting or event. I encourage you to sow some seeds and nurture a seedling!!

Remember many of our camp/chapter events (like our booth and meetings) along with our state division and society events (like Confederate Memorial Day in Higginsville) are coming up soon. Please attend these events.

BUT also, Mark Your Calendars!! - I say Mark Your Calendars - for May 16 through 19, 2024 which is our Military Order of Stars & Bars National Convention. It will be held in Springfield, Missouri at the Doubletree with the keynote speaker of Teresa Roane and a fantastic commemorative medal!! It does not get better than this!! All SCV and MOS&B members and their family are welcome. This is about the closest a national event can get. Compatriots, this does not happen often!!

All of us can do something to promote our Cause. We can ALL sow seeds! I invite each of you to our camp/society meetings to join with others about your pride in your ancestors and their sacrifice for our Southern Cause.

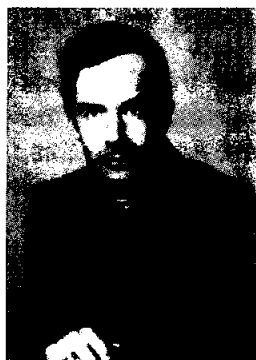
PLANT THOSE SEEDS!!!

God bless America and God bless Dixie.

Steve Ferguson, Commander



Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



Inflation has become the dominant issue on Americans' minds because all of us must deal with it on a daily basis. Especially harmful to the poor and indigent, it is a self-inflicted malady for which those who can be categorized in three major groups share culpability. For this reason, the

term "excuseflation" has been coined. The most prominent group responsible for inflation is composed of politicians. All government spending bills must originate in the House of Representatives. Now that Republicans control that body, they are locked in contentious debate with Democrats about how much to spend and what to spend on in the budget for the next fiscal year. Because all politicians have excuses for inserting expenditures into the budget, whether for altruistic or selfish reasons, the national debt has now reached \$31 trillion and interest payments on the debt are consuming more of the budget. We are faced with two choices. Taxes could be raised or government spending could be cut, reducing government services. Neither option is painless.

The second group responsible for inflation is a composite of individual Americans. Excuses are as varied as the individuals. Some use death and mortality. You only live once, so why deny yourself? Others have engaged in what is being called "revenge spending." Because the Wuhan virus forced the delay of certain indulgences, vaccinations and the subsiding of the virus are allowing spending to return with a vengeance to make up for lost time. Credit cards placate the appetites of those who demand instant gratification and create the expectation that eventually you intend to spend. Technology has become another factor contributing to over-spending. Shopping by phone and on line is made easier and one customer admitted that it beguiles you into treating cash like Monopoly money. Needs and wants make all of us vulnerable. Not knowing the difference between the two and lack of self-discipline can result in bankruptcy. Gluttonous consumption fuels the inflation that harms all of us.

The third group responsible for inflation is

composed of the business and corporate sector of the US. Politicians seek votes and consumers seek gratification. This group is motivated by greed. I have long suspected that corporations are unjustifiably raising prices beyond the point of making a reasonable profit that verges on extortion. Now, analysts and researchers are seeing a pattern of such activity. When this type of corporate behavior becomes widespread, consumers cannot shop around for lower prices. Corporations find excuses for raising prices by taking advantage of news reports by the mass media that intimidate consumers, be it the Wuhan virus, bird flu, Russia's invasion of the Ukraine, or other incidents that can be blamed for disruptions in the supply of products and services. They watch for times when it is felt excusable to raise prices and profits without consumer complaints and gauge how much we will tolerate. They also seek higher profits through price increases over volume of sales, thereby cutting labor and other production costs and perhaps even orchestrating shortages.

Using excuses to conceal actions taken for economic motives with no regard for their adverse effects on helpless victims is nothing new. In the WBTS, slavery was used as an excuse to prosecute an unjustified attack on the South. The economic motive was the loss of tax revenue for the US government from tariffs on southern trade. The port of NY did not want competition with the port of New Orleans and northern industrial development needed southern products and cheap labor. Thus, the North had not only to defeat the South, but decimate it at all costs to prevent future competition from a potential rival.

Looking farther back in history, Micah described conditions in ancient Israel that could apply to current economic conditions in the US. 'Woe to those who devise wickedness and work evil upon their beds! When the morning dawns, they perform it because it is in the power of their hand. They covet fields, and seize them; and houses, and take them away; they oppress a man and his house, a man and his inheritance.' (Mic. 2:1) Covetousness replaced compassion. Those driven by personal financial gain continually and deliberately plotted and schemed, using their advantageous positions to victimize consumers and ruin families.

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Later, Nehemiah, who became governor of Judea, dealt with a similar situation. The people of Jerusalem complained to him, saying, "We are mortgaging our fields, our vineyards, and our houses to get grain because of the famine." (Neh. 5:3) Tobiah and Sanballat, who controlled cities on the route between Jerusalem and the Mediterranean Sea, had influence over Jerusalem's economy and vehemently fought against Nehemiah. Lenders used the famine to take advantage of people for their own financial gain, charging as much as 12% interest. Referring to usury, the practice of willfully taking advantage of one's fellow man for personal gain by charging exorbitant and excessive rates of interest over what is legal or reasonable, Nehemiah resisted this practice and accused them of their crime, saying, "You are exacting interest, each from his brother." (Neh. 5:7)

St. Paul wrote, "But those who desire to be rich fall into...many senseless and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all evils..." (I Tim. 6:9) Many misunderstand what Paul is saying. Money is not the subject of the statement; money and wealth are not evil. Love is the subject; it is the inordinate obsession for money that leads to evil deeds and corrupts the perpetrator. The ruin and destruction of which Paul speaks is a two-edged sword. One edge injures the avid pursuer of money and the world's goods and pleasures. Such distorted obsession is idolatry that perverts good judgement, encourages callous insensitivity toward others, and never realizes contentment. They are always calculating, conniving, conspiring, and thirsting for more. The other edge of the sword is the harm done to those who are victimized for monetary gain. Paul teaches we are not only to avoid the love of money, we are to do the opposite. We are to "...aim at righteousness (how we treat others), godliness (obedience to our Creator), faith, love (principles to live by), steadfastness (determination to do what is moral and right), gentleness (being caring and considerate)." As applicable to us in the 21st century as it was to Americans in the 19th century and the contemporaries of Nehemiah in the 5th century BC and Micah in the 8th century BC, Paul's admonition is timeless.

Fr Richard Rudd, Hughes Camp Chaplain

Hughes Camp Chaplain

Confederate Memorial Day, June 3rd, 2023**Confederate Memorial State Historic Site, Higginsville, MO**

Come honor the over 800 Confederate Dead and their wives for Confederate Memorial Day and Celebrate President Jefferson Davis's Birthday! Bring your lawn chairs and food a beverage. Ladies can dress up in fine period wear if you have it, and men should dress in their Confederate Uniforms. Color Guard guys are needed also.

The Chapel will open at 9 AM for any that might need to use it.

Color guard practice is at 10:45 AM.

The ceremony will start at 11:30 AM. Color Guard will post colors then, but any extra uniformed men will usher the ladies to the Cemetery.

Many groups will be represented including The UDC, Quantrill Society, SCV, MOS&B

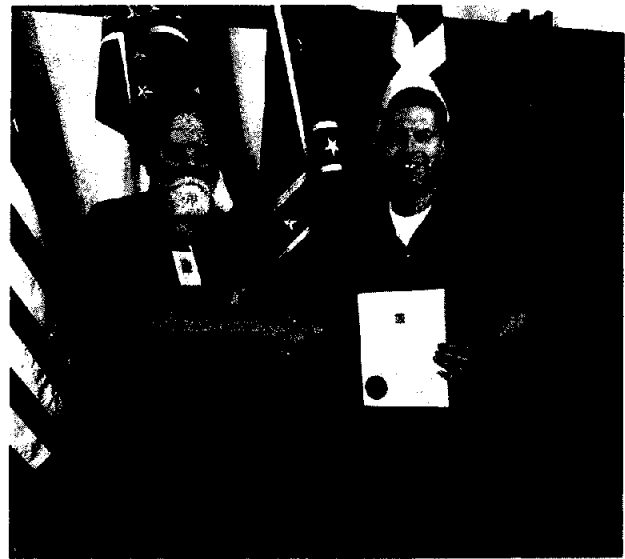
Our Chaplain will be Thomas McConnell and music will be performed by Hank Roberts.

Come on out, bring your family and friends!



Hughes Camp welcomes and swears in our latest Member, James K. Osborn!

In April we swore in our newest Member, James K. Osborn. James was there with his wife Audra, and it was great to have both of them there! James did attend the Court Hearing in March in Liberty, so he jumped in to support us before we could even get him Swore in! Good job James!



Above left, James is sworn in by Sgt at Arms Tim Borron, and to the right, Commander Stanton presents James with his SCV Certificate. Give a Rebel Yell for James!

The Ancestor that James honors on his SCV Certificate is his Great Great Grandfather, **Private Andrew Jackson Osborn, Co. A, 40th Regiment Georgia Infantry**. Andrew was from Dallas Georgia, Paulding County. He survived the war and was surrendered on May 16th, 1865. The 40th was organized in 1861 and saw action at Chickasaw Bayou, Champions Hill, Vicksburg, and from Chattanooga to Nashville.

Here's some words from James about his Family and him:

"My wife's name is Audra and we have one kid, Aaron, who is 12 years of age. I am a Material Planner for Russell Stover Chocolates and have been there for two years. I have worked in different aspects of Supply Chain for about 26 years now. We moved up here from Texas 9 years ago to be closer to family.

Audra teaches elementary school in Harrisonville and that is where Aaron goes to middle school.

I did serve in the regular Army for 3 years and the 3 years in the Texas Army National Guard where I was a Logistics Specialist. I was pretty much CONUS with one deployment in the late 90s when I was attached to an Engineer unit and we built buildings for the border patrol.

I ended as Specialist rank (E4)

I spend a lot of my time with the family and Aaron's various activities. We also attend St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Lee's Summit.

My hobbies are usually reading about my two favorite times in history in which my family was involved. The WBTS and WW2. Also, we try to spend time outside hiking during the Spring and Summer

My family is from Arkansas originally but we lived not only there but in Texas part of my life. I have known nothing but the noble cause of our ancestors when the north invaded. It was made clear at a young age where our family allegiance stood."

Many thanks to James and Private Andrew Jackson Osborn for their service! And Welcome aboard James, we're glad to have you join our Merry Band!

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

Liberty Legal Defense, Fund -The Division Judge Advocate continues dedicated personal time to working hard to ensure a positive conclusion to our fight for Block 174 in Fairview Cemetery in Liberty. As mentioned last month, the trial has been postponed, but there are other legal mechanizations at work. We all need to support this battle; any amount an individual or camp can donate to the cause will be greatly appreciated. Please send all donations to Division Adjutant Wes Franklin, 12161 Norway Road, Neosho, MO 64850. In the memo line of checks, write legal fund or Missouri Division PayPal account at <http://paypal.me/missouridivisionscv>

The Heritage Committee has completed the trifold for the membership. These tri-folds can help members explain who we are and what we do as an organization to potential members. The tri-folds can also be left behind at the office, tire shops, or other places you visit frequently. If your camp would like some of these, please email Adjutant Wes Franklin at modivisionadjutant@gmail.com. The heritage committee has finished up radio ads for use in Southeast Missouri. Missouri and the Tennessee Divisions will use the ads in the Missouri Bootheel stretching into the Dexter area. Stay tuned.

Recruiting meeting at Camdenton, MO - There were six of us in attendance, with several hours talking over various ways the Division can help bolster our camp roster. The six of each took on different categories to explore the avenues into state recruiting. Six members couldn't attend for reasons of distance or short notice on the rescheduled meeting. Twelve of us will work via Zoom meeting until further notice.

CERT - Our Confederate Emergency Response Team is working with local camps for training opportunities for cleaning and maintaining Confederate gravestones and other important work. If you would like to set up C.E.R.T. training in your camp area, contact our Chief of Staff Herb Turner at hminer4160@gmail.com or Eastern Brigade Commander Rodney Neville at rbn0174@icloud.com

National Reunion Awards nominations have been submitted to the 2023 national awards committee. Chief of Staff Herb Turner's diligent work explaining and encouraging members to nominate their outstanding camp members for awards is drawing fruit. More and more of our members are recognized for contributing to the Cause.

Confederate Memorial Day Service is June 3, 2023 at Confederate Home Memorial State Park at Higginsville, MO at the Confederate cemetery. Social time starts at 9:30 am under the trees by the cemetery. The Chapel opens at that time as well. Bring lawn chairs and non-alcoholic beverages. The ceremony will begin at 11:30 a.m. Jim Beckner (jandjrnch@hotmail.com), President of the Confederate Memorial Friends Association, is the coordinator. More information to follow.

Camp Commanders

- Please encourage your camp members to use the MO Division website (missouriscv.org) Post camp pictures and activities so others enjoy seeing what other camps do throughout the state. Send submissions to webmaster James Dixon at webmaster.scvmo@outlook.com
- All Camps should receive tri-folds for their use.
- Remind camp members of the national and state lifetime memberships. SCV dues are just two months away.
- If you will attend the National Reunion in July at Hot Springs, have your voting credentials ready for registration.

Commander Futhey's schedule for May 2023

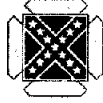
May 6 - Brunswick TN memorial service

May 7 - Brooks Camp Meeting

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Old Cowtown Museum, Wichita, KS

Commander Stanton talks about doing an event here recently. This place is very cool, it's an entire town that makes you think you've stepped back in time. It's several blocks of historic structures. Not only does it host many types of reenactment events, but many movies have been filmed here also. Most of the structures are some type of store you can shop in etc. It's worth the trip to go check it out sometime www.oldcowtown.org