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The Hughes News

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Independence, Missouri***



Here you go, a photo of Terry's Texas Rangers reenactment unit this last weekend at the Battle of Honey Springs, OK. The reenactment took place on the actual battlefield, which is now an Oklahoma State Historic Site Battlefield Park. It's a very nice place, and over 9000 troops were engaged in the actual battle. Some of the troops were Cherokee Indians led by General Stand Watie. It's down in the Indian Nations, somewhere near where Josie Wales hid out and met Lone Watie, or where Rooster Cogburn was chasing Tom Chaney and Ned Pepper!



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Message from Commander Sam Stanton

Compatriots and Friends,

For those of you that were at Lone Jack, I'm sure you enjoyed it. I think it turned out really well and the spectators liked it. There were not tons of spectators though. The weather was a bit blustery and it was raining prior to the event, that might have scared off a few folks. But it turned out well. I especially enjoyed finding the right clothes and shoes to wear to portray William Gregg. Also, Alinda Miller with the historical society said they didn't lose money on the event and maybe made a few bucks. Hughes Camp did sell some things out of our booth



The Camp meeting is coming up on November 9th, hope to see you all there!

Also, for Hughes Camp Christmas Party, We will have the Zarda BBQ meeting room on our normal Thursday night this year, so that would be Dec 14th. I propose we make that night our Hughes Camp Christmas party. We'll skip any business, have Egg Nog, do White Elephant gift exchange, etc. Are you all ok with that?

Could use uniformed color guard men for Wreaths Across America at Higginsville on Dec 16th. See inside for a flyer on that event. Hope you all can come out to that! It's an excellent event and the Cemetery looks great with a wreath on all the graves.

See you November 9th!

Sam Stanton
Commander
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Camp Calendar

November 8th 6:30 PM - Camp Meeting Zarda BBQ: 214 NW Hwy 7, Blue Springs, MO 64014 Our speaker this month will be.....determined still!

October 14th 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM- Battle of Lone Jack Historical Society, Recreation of Quantrill Men Reunion. This event is being put on by the Quantrill Society and Lone Jack Historical Society. Should be a neat event! This is our last chance for the year to make some money with our booth.

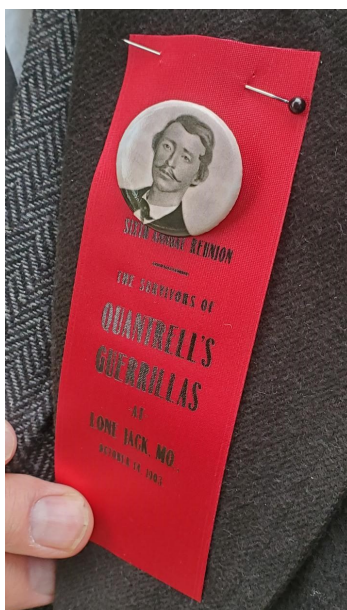
December 16th 11:00 AM Wreaths Across America, Confederate Memorial Cemetery, Higginsville MO. See inside for a flyer from the UDC.

January 20th Lee Jackson Dinner, Rolla Missouri. Save the date! Flyer enclosed!



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

What's been happening on the Western Front



Quantrill Reunion at Lone Jack, October 14th

A good time was had by all the old Vets at the Quantrill Survivors Reunion at Lone Jack on October 14th. Above left, the Old Vets had their business meeting to start the day. Above is William Gregg (portrayed by Sam Stanton). And to the left, is the Reunion Ribbon that was presented to the Vets in attendance. It was a grand time and the vets swapped many stories about dispatching Yankees during the war!



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Message from Boyd Chapter Commander Steve Ferguson

Keep Your Embers Glowing

When I was growing up, I loved hayrides. They were great fun! The weather was cool, you could throw hay around, act silly and of course, sit with your girlfriend. However, I remember one very specifically that we hosted at our farm for our church. Dad and I worked all day getting the wagon ready and building what I thought was the best wood pile for the best bonfire. It was at that particular hayride I learned a very important lesson in my life.

Sitting around the fire, I asked my favorite counselor why it was important for people to go to a church and worship with others. You see I was thinking that just because I believed it wasn't necessarily important for me to be in the pew of a congregation.

You see, I believed in church, I believed in God, I believed in Jesus, so why did I need to sit through a meeting of believers? Why did I need set through a church service?

The counselor looked at me for what seemed to be an extremely long time. He did not say a word. I was worried and very quiet myself. What had I done! Then the counselor picked up a stick and dragged some hot glowing coals away from that beautiful bonfire we had burning. He dragged the coals out away from the fire and close to where we were sitting. He sat quietly and stared at the coals for a while and as he did those embers, those hot glowing embers became darker and without their red glow and without heat. Finally, the embers became cool and stopped glowing completely!

Those embers are much like us in the SCV and MOS&B!! We will also grow cooler and finally burn ourselves out unless we surround ourselves with like-minded, hot burning individuals to help us "keep our own fires burnin' bright".

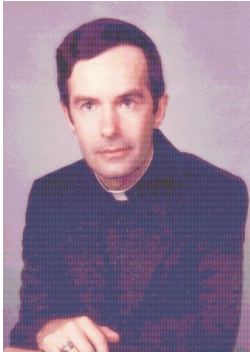
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Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



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Speaking from experience, for several years I worked in and knew people who lived in a major metropolitan inner city. Few people outside of that environment see, hear, or learn firsthand what I did. Too many white liberals and non-urban blacks form opinions on secondhand misinformation

and misconceptions.

Those who claim to be concerned about the quality of black lives should avoid certain practices. Do not concentrate on the past; the WBTS ended 158 years ago. Do not keep old wounds open. Do not wallow in self-pity or pseudo-guilt and refusal to ever be satisfied like chronic, whining crybabies. Do not reinforce hopelessness and demoralization instead of encouragement in the present and hope for the future. Do not deride successful Negro role models that have excelled in business, education, law, medicine, entertainment, the military, and government. Role models should be recognized in people like Clarence Thomas and Ben Carson, not Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton. Do not waste time, money, and effort on superficial, cosmetic pursuits like monument and flag removals. Instead, do take positive, practical, substantive actions. Deal with the issues that will make real improvement in the quality and standard of lives: disintegration of the family unit by illegitimacy and absentee fathers, a poor work ethic, unemployment, debt, welfare dependence, low graduation rates, crime, drug abuse, and violence primarily directed against each other.

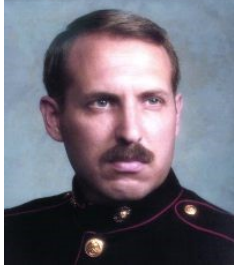
Slavery is not unique to America or Negroes. It has existed in ancient Egypt and Sub-Sahara Africa, Assyria, Babylon, Greece and Rome. Today, it is estimated that there are approximately 46 million people enslaved in such places as China, North Korea, Cambodia, Iraq, Iran, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Qatar, Sudan, and Uzbekistan. Those who are really serious about fighting against slavery need to stop refighting the WBTS from the comfort-zones of their own neighborhoods. Instead of attacking monuments, flags, and dead Confederates that cannot fight back, like Don Quixote attacking windmills, martial the backbone and your own

resources to fight against slavery where it still exists today.

The desecration and removal of Confederate monuments, flags, even Confederate bodies, and Christian symbols are just the symbolic precursor of what the secular, socialist, Neo-Nazi left plans to inflict on conservatives, Christians, Jews, and all freedom-loving Americans. Motivated by hate, fear, and fanaticism, they have already waged insurrection in some of our cities just as the brown shirts did in Germany in the 1920's and 1930's. There were people who could not imagine what the Nazis did could occur in a sophisticated culture like Germany. It did happen there and can happen here. The US has never experienced a real civil war. The WBTS was between two sovereign nations. The conflict and destruction was limited to the South. A real civil war encompasses the whole nation. We are divided, not by geography, but by polarizing ideologies based on absolute moral value systems that leave no margin for compromise. The issues we deal with have been distilled down to their basic tenets. We have reached the point where you either are or you are not. The lines and demarcation have been clearly drawn. Even if monuments and flags disappeared, we still exist, not as images carved in stone, but as living images preserving history, defending the truth, and voting accordingly.

Father Richard Rudd

Hughes Camp Chaplain



Historians Corner, Paul R Petersen

Paul is the Author of Quantrill of Missouri, Quantrill in Texas, Quantrill at Lawrence and Lost Souls of the Lost Township. Petersen is a retired U.S. Marine Corps master sergeant and a highly decorated infantry combat veteran of the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm, and Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is a member of the William Clarke Quantrill Society, the James-Younger Gang Association, the Sons of the American Revolution, and the Jackson County and Missouri State Historical Societies.

Cleaning Out Yankees from Wellington, Missouri

After the Olathe raid on September 6, 1862, Quantrill led his men to safety in the heavy timber in Lafayette County, along the banks of the Sni-A-Bar Creek just outside Wellington. On September 18, 1862, Capt. George Summers's Company I, of Colonel Neal's Seventy-first Missouri State Militia, under the command of Lt. Matthew Reid, was camped in the town of Wellington. As was their usual practice, small groups of four to five soldiers would take meals at private homes.

On this particular day another group of Federals from Wellington was patrolling the banks of the Sni-A-Bar Creek in search of guerrillas. Quantrill's camp was along the banks of the Big Sni, on the farm of Harvey Gleaves. Quantrill and a small detail were doing exactly what the Federals were doing: eating meals in small groups at private homes. While Quantrill was eating breakfast, he heard distant gunfire. The Federal patrol had discovered the camp on the Gleaves farm, and in the attack that followed, the Union horsemen had chased away the few guerrillas left in camp. The Federals captured the camp equipment and also Ol' Charly, Quantrill's favorite horse.

On hearing the Yankees firing in his camp, Quantrill immediately rode to the scene. By this time the rest of his men rejoined him, and by noon he had forty guerrillas assembled. At first Quantrill thought the Federals were part of Burris's command but soon discovered it was only a militia unit of seventy-five men from nearby Wellington. Quantrill deployed his men, and in the counterattack that followed, he drove the Federals toward the town. While the Union troops retreated through the main streets, they yelled out warnings to their comrades.

Resident C. M. Bowring reported that the guerrillas came riding down the Independence road at full speed. He remembered Quantrill leading the attack with the other guerrillas following with their reins between their teeth. He reported that their long hair was blowing behind them and that their hats, held in place by a cord around their necks,

hung down across their backs.

As soon as the guerrillas entered the town, Quantrill divided his men into two platoons and ordered each to cut off the Federal retreat. When they reached the Sni Bridge, some of the Union soldiers attempted to make a stand, but Quantrill's men attacked without making a halt and drove past the bridge, scattering the enemy in every direction and killing many of them. Quantrill's own shooting was superb; he emptied six saddles. Andy Blunt emptied five; William Haller and Cole Younger four each; David Poole, Fletcher Taylor, and George Shepherd took out three apiece; and George Todd, William Gregg, Simeon Whitsett, John Koger, Hicks George, and Ferdinand Scott each felled two. Of the seventy-five Federals, ten returned unhurt.

One guerrilla went to the home of G. C. Adamson, took a stick of burning wood and burned down the bridge over the Big Sni to keep the rest of the Federals from escaping.

Only one guerrilla, Ferdinand Scott, was wounded. David Poole and six or seven of his men dropped behind the charging column and began searching the houses in town for any trapped Federals. The first home Poole searched belonged to Peter Wolf. Three Federals were eating lunch inside when they heard the firing in town. One quick-thinking soldier managed to slip away quickly out a side door and into the nearby timber. While Poole kept guard by the front gate, he ordered two of his men to go around back to cut off any Federals left inside. As they entered the dining room, one of the Federals, George Williams, was shot and killed. The other, James Porter, attempted to escape via the front door when he ran into Poole and quietly surrendered. Poole wanted Porter desperately.

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Not long before, Porter led his gang of militia to the farm of Poole's sister and shot her husband, leaving his body in the field where he was slain. Poole made a solemn vow to avenge the wrong done his sister. As Porter stood before the guerrilla, he anticipated his fate, knowing it was useless to try to run. For a few short moments, Poole aimed his pistol at Porter. After the memories of what Porter had done to his sister had run through his mind, he finally pulled the trigger, killing Porter instantly. Ironically, Poole and his victim were schoolmates and cousins.

A few days later Quantrill discovered his horse that had been taken by the Yankees during their patrol prior to the Wellington skirmish tied up in front of the General Store outside Wellington. Quantrill tied his horse to the post outside and patiently waited for the rider to come out and mount. When the Yankee officer emerged from the store and attempted to pull himself into the saddle Quantrill shot him dead, then re-claimed Ol' Charley and calmly rode back to join his main company.

Article by Paul R. Petersen— author of *Quantrill of Missouri*, *Quantrill in Texas*, *Quantrill at Lawrence*, and *Lost Souls of the Lost Township*.

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Surround yourselves with some outstanding and "on fire" people!! Come to our camp and society meeting. Hear the speakers, participate in the state meetings, get new ideas and "keep the embers of your fire glowing!!!

Remember: May 16-19, 2024 – 87th Annual General Convention of the MOS&B in Springfield, Missouri. ALL are welcome!!! Bring a recruit!!!

Don't forget to PLANT some seeds and WATER them often!! They will sprout and grow in their own time. Speak to and encourage your younger kids, nephews, cousins, and grandkids!! Remember the next generation! We NEED them!!

Talk and live and spread your personal stories and Honor Our Ancestors.

God bless America.

God bless Dixie.

And God bless our families.

Steve Ferguson, Commander

Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter #236



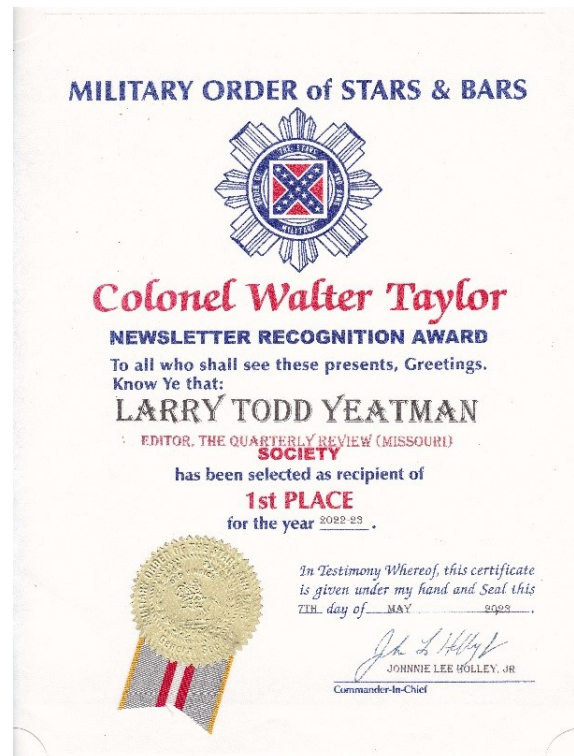
Scenes and Happenings from the Secession Day Dinner, October 21



Our own **Steve Ferguson** was given a National Award for his service to the MOS&B and to Boyd Chapter 236. It is called the **Lt. Charles S. Read Award**. It is for: "**Meritorious Service**" at the Chapter Level. This award is given in recognition to an individual member for work promoting the General Society at the Chapter level. Nominated members should have demonstrated the highest work ethic and proven themselves in promoting the Military Order of the Stars and Bars."

Good job to Steve!

Our Chapter was also presented a streamer to put on our Chapter Flag we don't have yet, but it is for 100% retention at our last renewal time. So that was cool also!



Above, **Scott George** portrays General Sterling Price. Scott is also the Camp Commander of Campbell's Company Camp around Neosho, MO I believe. He does a good first person impression of General Price.

Also, above, The Missouri Society was presented a National Award for Best Newsletter of all Societies. There must be some really lame Society Newsletters out there huh?

***Wreaths Across America at Higginsville, Dec 16th, 11:00 AM*****Wreaths Across America 2023**

Wreaths Across America Day will be held on Saturday December 16, 2023, at the Confederate Memorial State Historic Cemetery in Higginsville, MO. Our Missouri Division President, Mrs. Velma Cole, wants everyone to remember our Confederate soldiers with a wreath.

Wreaths can now be purchased online, and individual wreaths are \$17.00 and tax deductible. Checks can be mailed to this Wreaths Across America Chairman, LaDonna Scott, and I will be glad to order your wreaths for you. See address below. The sponsorship deadline is November 30th.

This year's theme is **"Serve & Succeed"**: and the mission is to REMEMBER the Fallen, HONOR those who Serve, and TEACH our children the value of Freedom.



The public is invited to participate in the wreath-laying ceremony and the placing of the wreaths that begins immediately following the ceremony.

Looking forward to another great Wreath Across America event.

LaDonna Scott
Chairman of Wreaths Across America 2023
1108 NW Aspen Ct.
Grain Valley, MO 64029



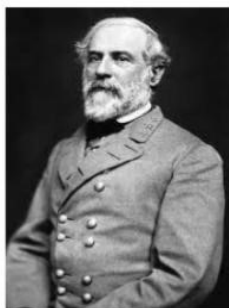
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LEE – JACKSON

DINNER

January 20, 2024

Rolla Lions Club, Lions Den



The Missouri Division Sons of Confederate Veterans are
hosting the annual Lee – Jackson Dinner
January 20th, 2024 in Rolla Missouri.

Doors open at 5:00 PM, Dinner starts at 6:00 PM
Speaker David Fraley

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Missouri Division Sons of Confederate Veterans Lee-Jackson Dinner

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Missouri Division Adjutant

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Museum Debt Retirement Challenge!

On the prior page, you read about Commander Jeff Futhey's Comments on helping Headquarters retire the debt on the Museum building at Elm Springs. He talks about avoiding a higher interest rate, but my understanding is, it's actually worse than that. In commercial lending, and even farm lending, it's much different than getting a 30 year mortgage on a house.

What typically happens is, you get what's called a balloon loan. It's usually a 5 year loan, but they amortize it over 20 years. So you make a payment based on a 20 year loan, but at the end of 5, whatever balance is left over, you have to refinance that loan. And there's no guarantees a lender will finance it for you. And that's how banks have stolen farms for 100 years. If you can't refinance it, then, the bank forecloses, Or someone else can pay off the note and now it belongs to them. Basically, our enemies could pay off that loan and own Elm Springs. So given how banking is, rising rates, tight lending practices, and woke practices in banking, banks just might say, they won't give us a loan to carry on. So the thing to do, is just get this thing paid off.

So, Hughes Camp was ahead on this, and at the August Camp meeting, I brought this up, That maybe we should use some of the money we raise at the booth etc, and send it to HQ to help with that. We have about 70 members in the camp. So we made a motion to send \$10 for each member, and I've sent a check to HQ for \$700.

Part of that motion was, we strive to have each member chip in \$10 for that. So, if you can, and would like to help with that endeavor, Send a check payable to Hughes Camp for \$10, or whatever you would like. Once we see what we collect, I would like to bring up another motion, to just send all of that to HQ versus paying back Hughes Camp. I would rather send more to HQ on that deal. The more the better. I believe this is something we can't screw around with!

So, if you'd like to send something towards that cause, **mail a check payable to Hughes Camp** for the amount of your choice to:

Larry Yeatman
5606 NE Antioch Rd
Gladstone MO 64119

But we beat Commander Futhey to the punch on his challenge! Although I had heard rumblings of this around the SCV, and that's why I brought it up in August. But it's a worthy cause, and getting that Museum loan paid off early solves all kinds of problems. For one thing, it frees up money for HQ to help fight all the lawsuits etc.

Many folks passed the hat at the August meeting, and have already kicked in dough for this, many thanks to those that have already, and to those that still can!

Many thanks!

Larry Yeatman

Adjutant- Hughes Camp 614