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The Hughes News

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Wreaths Across America, Dec 16, 2023

We had a good showing of Hughes Camp Members at the Confederate Memorial State Historic Site In Higginsville for this years Wreath Across America. Left to right we have: Dwayne Holtclaw, Matt Knapp, Mollie Bell Knapp, Gieselle Fest, David Langston, Larry Yeatman, Greg Anderson, Paul Petersen, Commander Sam Stanton, James Stanton, Jeremy Hayes. A good percentage of the color guard with consist of Hughes Camp members, along with Elliott's Scouts members. Many Hughes Camp members are also members of Elliott's Scouts. Thanks to all for being there!



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Message from Commander Sam Stanton

Compatriots and Friends,

Happy New Year to All,

I hope everyone fared well and survived Christmas and the New Year. I hope I have gotten rid of the bug I had on January 1st and 2nd.

In December we had our Christmas gathering at Zarda BBQ. Thanks to everyone that came and especially Larry Yeatman for keeping it together.

Also on Dec 16th was wreaths across America nation wide and we were at Confederate cemetery at Higginsville Mo. What a great event to celebrate our loved ones



that have passed on that were in US military, Firefighters, and Police. Thanks to all who came and helped. Everyone got to put wreaths on the graves. Great speakers and great music. Had local reenactors 9th Mo Cav Elliotts Scouts and others who participated as Color Guard in the ceremony. Many of the Color Guard members are in Hughes Camp as well as Elliotts Scouts.

Our January speaker is Dwayne Holtzclaw, his subject is about Captain Theodore Duncan, please come and help support him and Hughes camp.

The Lee Jackson Dinner is January 20th 2024 in Rolla Mo. A flyer is enclosed. Hurry if you have not sent in your reservation.

The trial date on Block 174 ownership scheduled for April has been postponed, The Judge can't be there! Another victory for the monument which is still standing. They've been trying to steal it for 3 years now, to no avail.

Don't forget about helping at our booths set up in 2024 at festivals and events. There will be the 1st Saturday of June in Higginsville Mo for Confederate Memorial Day and Lone Jack Mo in Aug. Other events like Richmond, Odessa, Holden etc.

See you all at the Camp Meeting on January 11th!

Sam Stanton

Commander Hughes Camp 614

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Camp Calendar

January 11thth 6:30 PM - Camp Meeting Zarda BBQ: 214 NW Hwy 7, Blue Springs, MO 64014 Our speaker this month will be **Dwayne Holtzclaw**, and his subject will be "**Captain Theodore Duncan**"

January 20th Lee Jackson Dinner, Rolla Missouri. Hurry Hurry, if you haven't mailed your reservation in! Flyer enclosed! Come celebrate and remember our Generals!



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

What's been happening on the Western Front



Hughes Camp Christmas Party!

A Good time was had by all!

Thanks to all that were able to come to the party. It's a busy time of year with lots going on, but we pulled it off! We all enjoyed some spicy Egg Nog, then proceeded to the BBQ. After that, we did a White Elephant Gift Exchange. That's always fun, but everyone must have liked what they had, as I saw very little stealing away of others gifts. However, your lowly editor particularly likes the hand painted rocks with a Battle Flag on one, and the Missouri Battle Flag on the other. And because they were very well painted, I suspect they were done by our local Artist, Gieselle!

And that's all there is to say about that!

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Message from Boyd Chapter Commander Steve Ferguson

OK, now don't be ashamed and raise your hand high. How many of you have already broken the New Year's resolution that you made? Yes, me too!!! It took me till about January 3rd, but I did break my New Year's resolution. It seems I always do; you know. Many of us set New Year's resolutions year after year; and of course, rarely follow through with them.

have a New Year's Resolution that I would propose for each member of the MOS&B and SCV. A Resolution that each member must not break!!! This New Year's resolution would ask that each member (each and every member!) of the SCV and MOS&B to do as our Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers states: we all must - Net Plus One. We achieved the Net – Now we must Add One!!

Please make your New Year's Resolution the resolution to add a new member to SCV and MOS&B this year. If each of us could just add one member, we could double our membership, we could double our influence and we could double our ability to stand up to the "woke" culture. We could double our ability to fight poor laws and to fight for new great laws. We could double our influence at our national, state, and local levels of government.

Please Remember and Please try to attend – You will be greatly inspired and energized to be surrounded by numerous "on fire" compatriots:

Jan. 20, 2024 – Lee/Jackson Dinner at the Rolla Lions Club, Rolla, Missouri. More information is in the Hughes News!! ALL are welcome!!! Bring a recruit!!!

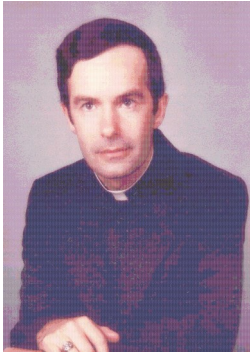
April 12-13, 2024 – Missouri Division SCV and Missouri Society MOS&B State Reunion in Sikeston, Missouri. Handout was at the November meeting and more information will be given. ALL are welcome!!! Bring a recruit!!!

May 16-19, 2024 – 87th Annual General Convention of the MOS&B in Springfield, Missouri. ALL are welcome!!! Bring a recruit!!! Registration Forms and more information to follow. Handout will be given.

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Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



David in his familiar Psalm 23 wrote, "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for Thou (God) art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me." David speaks not of actually experiencing death or defeat, but of the shadow, the imminent challenge and threat, the prospect of their reality,

that looms before us. Numerous incidents cause all of us to pass repeatedly through stressful low points of crisis and dark times of danger in our lives. Harold Kushner wrote a book entitled *When Bad Things Happen To Good People*. The incidents to which I refer are not the result of our own dereliction, but rather are imposed on us either personally or collectively by others or unavoidable circumstances.

In a global community that has become increasingly more connected since the advent of the 20th century, mankind has experienced the threats of two world wars, the dawn of the atomic age, and most recently, the Wuhan virus. As a nation, we Americans have contended with threatening situations from the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the WBTS, The Great Depression, the Viet Nam era, and the 9/11 terrorist attack. Local communities deal with natural disasters ranging from tornadoes and hurricanes to forest fires, earthquakes, and volcanos like Mt. St. Helens. Families struggle with financial burdens, spousal conflicts, difficulties raising children, illnesses and death. As individuals, we experience our own personal crises. Even if there might be those who would accompany us through such stressful times, limitations might prevent their good intentions. Ultimately, there are some issues with which only we can come to terms; we must walk through the valley of the shadow of death alone, either to find an external solution or mental resolution and peace of mind.

Throughout world history, there have existed those possessed by a tyrannical nature who are not content to co-exist peacefully with those different from themselves. They, whether the ruler of a nation, supervisor at work, or schoolyard bully, seek total emasculation or obliteration of those they victimize. Currently, we witness this being done by Russia

against the Ukraine, China against Taiwan, Iran against Israel, the secular left against conservatives and Christians, and the revived "reconstruction" of Confederate descendants.

Just because we do not win every battle does not have to mean we have lost the war. While we might be outmaneuvered, outgunned, and physically subjugated, as the CSA was by the North, we are not totally conquered until our spirit and will are broken. Physical attacks seek to conquer the body; psychological warfare seeks to conquer the mind and soul. The objective is to demoralize the victim to the point of not only losing hope and totally surrendering, but also to forget incrementally one succeeding generation at a time. Such dementia is psychological death. Thus, for practical reasons, the victim of the tyrannical bully ceases to exist.

Biblical examples of people traversing the valley of the shadow of death are numerous. In the Book of Esther, Haman, the Persian king's most powerful man, sought to destroy Mordecai and all his fellow Jews. But Mordecai and Esther persevered and Haman was hanged from the gallows he had prepared for Mordecai. In the Book of Daniel, we are told the story of Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azeriah, who were exiles in Babylon. In an effort to erase even their identity, their names were changed to Belteshazzar, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Daniel refused to stop praying to God and the three young men refused to worship a golden image. Daniel was cast into the lions' den and the others into a fiery furnace, yet all four survived. Other notable examples that also survived their trials in less miraculous ways include David attacked by King Saul (I Sam. 18), Joseph victimized by his own brothers and Potiphar's wife (Gen. 37), and of course, Job. None of them wavered in their trust in God, lost consciousness of their personal identity, or compromised their convictions. They continued to walk with confidence in the shadow of physical threats and psychological intimidation.

The trials we endure can divide or unite us, disillusion or motivate us, defeat or strengthen and steel us. How we choose to respond can determine the difference and give us some control over our circumstances. While our adversaries are motivated by irrational fanaticism, sometimes unfocused, fueled by fear and animosity, we can respond with dedication focused on a noble cause energized by courage and hope if we know with certainty what

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we believe and why we believe it. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not on your own understanding." (Prov. 3:5) This is how David in Psalm 23 could say "...I fear no evil..." This is why over the millennia of history Jews and Christians have been so resilient, so difficult to conquer and impossible to eradicate.

St. Paul suffered many trials for the purpose of disseminating the Gospel. He uses the analogy of running a race (1 Cor. 9:24), a reference to the Isthmian Games, second only to the Olympics, held in Corinth every three years. Competitors would spend ten months in intense training, exercising self-discipline and restraint in dieting and other applications of temperance and self-denial. So we must prepare ourselves for the trials we must expect in life, endeavoring to keep the flesh subject to the spirit, educating ourselves, and maintaining a holy fear of ourselves by not acquiescing to our weaknesses and negative inclinations, not falling prey to presumptuous over-confidence, and keeping focused on our target.

While it can only be fully understood in retrospect, sometimes bad things happen to good people for their own edification and the benefit of others. Trials can strengthen us in our confidence, courage, and resolve. Like pain, they can awaken our attention to greater dangers and save us from the brink of disaster. And, not all is lost if we learn from our mistakes and their consequences. This is why Joseph could tell his brothers who sold him into Egyptian slavery, "... (Y)ou meant evil against me; but God meant it for good..." (Gen. 50:20) St. Paul assures us, "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." (Rom. 8:28)

Father Richard Rudd
Hughes Camp Chaplain

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Don't forget to PLANT 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!!

Do NOT let your embers burn out and become cold – STAY IN THE FIRE!!! Attend Events and Meetings.

Thanks!

God bless America.

God bless Dixie.

And God bless our families.

Steve Ferguson, Commander



Wreaths Across America at the Confederate Memorial Cemetery



This year's Wreaths Across America, sponsored by the Missouri Division UDC, started off the day by being a bit on the wet side, and cool but not cold. But that didn't stop a decent crowd from showing up and honoring those buried there, along with paying Tribute to our modern Military Veterans.

We did not have enough wreaths this year to decorate all the graves. Next Year, let's do a better job of making sure folks know how to go online and sponsor wreaths, and get things marked correctly to get the wreaths to Higginsville. But we did have enough to cover about 1/3rd of the graves, and it did look beautiful after all the wreaths were laid!

We started off inside the Chapel, where the Color Guard posted colors, and we heard from Missouri Division President Velma Cole, along with La-Donna Scott, State Park site Administrator Chris Fritchie, Herb Turner of the Mo. Division SCV. There was also music by Hank Roberts, and of course we sang Dixie!



Above, various people represented each branch of our modern military, including the Coast Guard and Merchant Marines. They each had a wreath that they laid at the Lucerne Monument.



Below, the Color Guard has posted the colors outside,



Wreaths Across America at the Confederate Memorial Cemetery



To the left, a representative of each branch of Military had a wreath and each laid their wreath at the monument

Below, our Color Guard stood at ease after posting the Colors. We did break up to help lay wreaths at the Vets graves. Left to Right:

Sgt Greg Quirin-Elliotts Scouts, Homer Curtis of Elliott's Scouts, Everette Sitzman of the Scouts, Jeremy Hayes, Steve Harris of the Scouts, Matt Knapp, James Stanton, Larry Yeatman, Commander Sam Stanton





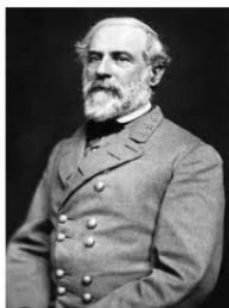
Registration Form

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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From the Desk of Missouri Division Commander Jeff Futhey January 2024

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Compatriots,

As we begin the New Year, thank you for joining the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Missouri Division, and for your continued membership. Our ancestors need our membership more now than ever. The U. S. Government has forever broken reconciliation with our people, families, and ancestors. Congress and the Department of Defense have entered the Arlington National Cemetery to remove the North and South Reconciliation Monument. I recommend you read "U.S. Army Destroys North/South Reconciliation" by Walter Donnie Kennedy, Lt Commander-in-Chief, and Ronald Kennedy, Chief of Heritage Operations. As the eradication of Confederate heritage from the U.S. Government momentum rolls on, we must weather the storm of authoritarianism here in Missouri. Although the assault is, at times, demoralizing, we know our Confederate duty must continue.

Our work as the Missouri Division will continue to erect headstones, monuments, and flagpoles and preserve the South's true history. We are continuing the three-year legal defense of our grave marker brought on by the City of Liberty, Missouri. The Lee/Jackson Supper, to be held again this year in Rolla, on January 20, will bring like-minded ancestors of our Confederate heroes from all over the state to celebrate Southern heritage. Over one hundred of us will converge in Sikeston, Missouri on April 12-13 for our annual Missouri Division SCV Reunion celebrating our Confederate heritage. Yearly, Missouri Division camps participate in "Wreaths Across America" held in Higginsville Confederate Cemetery. These ceremonies, dedications, and gatherings continue to our beloved Southern heroes because of our membership.

Seventeen Camps are the Missouri Division's assets, allowing camp members to gather monthly in their Confederate heritage. Committed to leadership, camp commanders and adjutants devote time and effort. Ask what you can do for your camp, where your talents may lend a hand to defend the heritage.

In April 2024, my first term ends as the Missouri Division, SCV Commander. I must admit the job was much larger than anticipated, with many nasty, stinking Yankee Marxists hating our people who have a different view. Working closely with Wes Franklin, Division Adjutant, Herb Turner, Chief of Staff, 1st Lt Kevin Wenzel, and the three brigade commanders, Rodney Neville, Terry Wood, Travis Archie, and Missouri Division Judge Advocate Bryan Wolford, has made the Division Commander job less demanding. All these gentlemen deserve our appreciation and should be recognized for their effort and time. A greeting, handshake, or a pat on the back can go a long way in a voluntary organization.

I wish all my Southern brothers in the Cause a Happy New Year.

Best regards,

Jeff Futhey
Commander
Missouri Division, SCV