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Captain John William Koger

This Photo is courtesy of the Cantey Myers Collection. Read inside for Paul Petersen's article on Captain Koger, who fought under Quantrill. You'll read that Captain Koger had over 22 wounds on him by the end of the war. He was one tough guy!



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Message from Commander Sam Stanton

Compatriots and Friends,

I hope all are doing well! We cancelled last months meeting due to the weather forecast, but the forecast did not come exactly true as planned. We probably could gotten away with meeting in hindsight. But, better safe than sorry, and it was possible we could have all got caught in an ice storm on the way home.

So, this month, we'll have Dwayne Holtzclaw be our speaker and his subject will be Captain Theodore Duncan. And still please keep Dwayne and his



Family in your prayers due to his recent loss of his mother.

Other things that are coming up:

There will be a hearing on the Liberty Grave Marker on February 29th, 9:00 AM. This will be for the judge to hear a motion the city's attorney made, that was supposed to be in December. Everyone except the Judge showed up in December, so it did not happen then.

Also, the Missouri Division and Missouri Society Reunion is on April 12-13, in Sikeston MO. Larry has a flyer enclosed. Let's have a good showing for the annual convention.

Also, the Military Order of the Stars and Bars annual National Convention is in Springfield, MO this year. That's on May 16-19th, 2024. That's as close as it gets for us!

See you all next Thursday!

Sam Stanton
Commander Hughes Camp 614

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Camp Calendar

February 8th 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**"

April 12-13, 2024 Sikeston, MO Annual Missouri Division SCV and Missouri Society MOS&B Convention and Reunion. Registration form enclosed!

May 16-19, 2024 Springfield, MO Military Order of the Stars and Bars annual National Convention

June 1, 2024 Higginsville, MO **Confederate Memorial Day at the Confederate Memorial State Historic Site at Higginsville MO.** Mark your calendar, details to come later! Probably a 11 AM start time or so.



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

What's been happening on the Western Front

Message from Boyd Chapter Commander Steve Ferguson....

Names

When parents think about names for their baby child, sometimes they think about their family and the names of family members that have gone before them. Parents think about names given to their parents and the names of their parents, parents. And at times they name their children with family names. Also, parents may think of names that have special meaning to them from the Bible, or names that have special meaning to their family traditions. However, the names are done, it is a very important process!

When I was teaching and, in my classroom, the names of my students were extremely critical for me to remember. Students wanted to be called by their name. Students wanted to be called by their correct name. And some students wanted to be called by a nickname. However, the name that I used for that particular student was very important to that person.

A person's name is tremendously significant!!

It is extremely important that we as MOS&B and SCV members state the names of those Southern ancestors before us. It is very meaningful that we tell the personal stories of our ancestors and use their NAME to establish them as factual people. We should tell the stories often of our ancestors using their NAME and making them a known person in the history of our country. We, as members of this organization, should repeat the names often of those men and women who went before us. They laid the groundwork for our country in which we now live. Those men and women fought for the ideals of a Constitutional Republic. Those soldiers and their families fought for the ideals of states' rights and that our constitution was a constitution of a Republic.

Our family had an opportunity recently to visit again the USS Arizona Memorial. When you walk into that memorial, the names of all the men who lost their lives are on the wall in front of you. Those names are there, so the sacrifice that they made for our country will never be forgotten.

May we always remember and often RECITE the names and WRITE the names of our ancestors who died trying to continue this country as a Constitutional Republic. Who died for states' rights. May these men and women never be forgotten!! May we as the prodigy of these fine Americans never forget their sacrifices.

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Steve Ferguson continued...

A name is powerful and significant! Our ancestor's names are powerful and significant!!!!

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

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.

Don't forget to PLANT seeds and WATER them often!! They will sprout and grow in their own time.

Speak the NAMES of your ancestors!! Tell their stories often. They deserve our respect and the respect AS Patriots!!!

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

God bless America.
God bless Dixie.
And God bless our families.

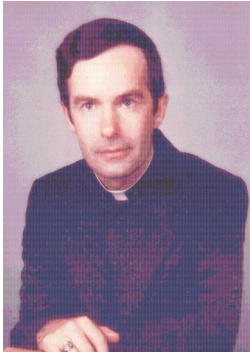
Steve Ferguson, Commander
Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter #236

MOS&B Stats

See Page 12 on Stats on Membership for the MOS&B. The Missouri Society is the 2nd largest Society, and we have the 2nd to largest Chapter with Freeman Chapter down near Joplin. We're hard on the heels of Texas, let's recruit and get em!



Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



During the 1960's, a beatnik, in a philosophical mood and probably self-induced haze, reputedly made the observation, "Hey man, everybody has to be somewhere." No doubt, his comrades intoned, "Wow man, that's deep."

From the womb to the tomb, we occupy a place in this world. God made mankind,

"...having determined...the boundaries of their habitation." (Act 17:26) "And God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth...'" (Gen. 1:28) As mortals, our place of habitation is this planet. As man continues to multiply and fill the earth, each of us must find our place within the order of civilized society according to those classifications that identify and define us, what determine the places in which "...we live, and move, and have our being..." (Epimenides, Acts 17:28), that is, the nations, regions, cities, communities and neighborhoods we inhabit. All of us have a nationality. A nation without borders ceases to be a nation. That is why resecuring the southern US border has become so crucial. Within national borders, we develop regional sectors with unique traditions, accents, and other ethnicities. The first to develop in the US was between the North and South. Within regions, we find our place in the social and economic structure. The political philosophies to which we adhere and our religious affiliations further categorize us. It is these common experiences, beliefs, and values which we discover we share with others that can form bonds stronger than blood.

However, there are two distinctions created by God among mankind that also divide us into different groups and places. The first is the origin of the different languages. Nimrod "...was a mighty hunter before the Lord..." that is, he hunted his fellow men. (Gen. 10:8) "The beginning of his kingdom was Babel (later the Babylonian Empire), Erech, and Accad, all of them in the land of Shinar (land in the Tigris-Euphrates valley). From that land he went into Assyria (later the Assyrian Empire), and built Nineveh, Rehoboth-Ir, Calah, and Resen..." (Gen. 11:4) So God intervened to "confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech...and...scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth..." (Gen. 11:7)

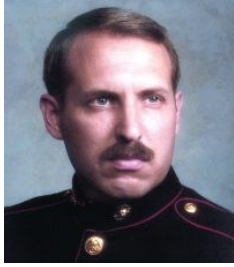
Thus, people divided and relocated themselves according to the language they shared in common with others.

The second division among men created by God is the origin of the different races. Before Noah's Flood and for some time thereafter, all men were of one language and race. It was after the Flood and Babel that God divided men into different races and further "...scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth." The record of the progenitors of these races and the areas to which they were scattered begins, "These are the generation of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: sons were born to them after the flood." (Gen. 10:1) At the conclusion of the listing of the generations of Noah's sons and their destinations, it is stated that these are "...their families, their languages, their lands, and their nations." (Gen. 10:5, 20, 31) All three lists are followed by the summation, "These are the families of the sons of Noah, according to their genealogies, in their nations; and from these the nations spread abroad on the earth after the flood." (Gen. 10:32) Ultimately, Japheth became the father of the Caucasians to the west in Europe, Shem of the Mongolians to the east in Asia, and Ham of the Negroes to the south in Africa. And God made man and woman of each race to procreate their own kind, appropriated to each their own land, and blessed them. Unlike language that can be translated and learned, race is a permanent part of our DNA. That is why, unlike different languages, miscegenation is a serious violation of God's will. It is only in recent years that mankind has begun the militant violation of this law of nature instituted by God that even the animal kingdom strictly obeys. Like man, animals are territorial and as the familiar adage states, birds of a feather flock together.

Next month's article will explain how Nimrod's spirit has taken advantage of these divisions among men to violate their lands and very existence, including that of the CSA to this very day.

Father Richard Rudd

Hughes Camp Chaplain Emeritus



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.

The Man Who Couldn't Be Killed

The first instance of Yankee raids in Jackson County, Missouri occurred before the war in December of 1860, when Federal troops stationed in Independence raided through the Blue Springs neighborhood pillaging innocent civilians' homes in the area of the Morgan Walker farm. William Clarke Quantrill who was staying in the area quickly raised a group of young men from the neighborhood and chased the Yankees back into Independence. Twenty-six-year-old John William Koger and his younger brother Edward were part of Quantrill's first recruits. They were both farmers. John Koger married Elizabeth Bowman the daughter of Reverend Hiram Bowman of Oak Grove, Missouri, who was responsible for also marrying Quantrill in 1863.

The guerrillas were soon in daily skirmishes with the Kansas Jayhawkers and Federal troops. On March 22, 1862 John Koger was with George Todd and took part in the Tate House fight where the guerrillas were surrounded but fought their way out. Eight days later John Koger was holed up in Jackson County at the Clark farm southeast of Independence when Federals came swarming into their camp. All the guerrillas made their escape through the woods. John Koger had just ridden up and was hitching his horse to the rail fence in front of Clark's house when the Federals opened fire. He was slightly wounded in the first volley. They immediately took cover and returned fire escaping before Federal reinforcements arrived.

In July Quantrill was ordered to lure the Federals out of Jackson County so Confederate Colonel Upton Hays could freely recruit unhindered. On July 11, 1862, Federals under Captain Albert P. Peabody found Quantrill's camp outside of Pleasant Hill, Mo. and attacked from both sides. Running out of ammunition all the seriously wounded guerrillas mounted on what horses could be found and made their escape while the less wounded and unwounded guerrillas made their escape on foot. Again, after being surrounded by a larger enemy force Quantrill's man successfully withdrew

their men. On July 31, 1862, John Koger's brother Ed, along with George Todd and John Little were protecting Col. Upton Hays as he recruited in Jackson County. While watering their horses in the Little Blue River eight miles south of Independence they were caught in a Federal ambush and Little and Koger were killed. Days later on August 11, Quantrill's men were ordered to lead the attack on the Union stronghold in Independence, Mo. Quantrill's men spearheaded the assault on the Federal garrison. George Todd along with John Koger and James Little who had both lost brothers a few days before searched out the men who had murdered their brothers and got their revenge during the assault on the town.

By this time John Koger had been promoted to captain. During the winter Quantrill pulled his company across the Red River into Texas. Those who remained behind were a few married men and those who were recovering from recent wounds and were staying at Cole Youngers camp along the west fork of the Little Blue River south of Independence. On February 10, 1863, Colonel William Penick mounted a patrol of eighty Federal cavalrymen and managed to surround Younger's camp, dismounting his men about two hundred yards away. Younger had two houses dug in the ground with a ridgepole to each, and rafters. Occupying them were Younger, George Todd, Tom and Wallace Talley, Otho Hinton, George Wigginton, James Morris, John Koger, John and Jabez McCorkle, Nathan Kerr, William Hulse, Ike Basham, Dr. Thomas B. Hale, Joe Hardin, and a few others. As the Federals advanced Younger alerted the other guerrillas and the fight was on. The guerrillas leaped out of the hut with a revolver in each hand, firing as they made their escape into the timber. Basham was killed just as he came out the door along with Dr. Hale. Hardin was struck and fell dead within ten feet of the entrance. John McCorkle and his cousin George Wigginton

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***Paul Petersen continued from page 5...***

managed to get away; George suffered a bullet wound to his hand. Younger, with four revolvers in his belt, tried to hold the enemy off until his men were safely away. He killed a lieutenant and another man and kept fifteen soldiers at bay. Younger managed to kill two more during the skirmish before making his escape in his stocking feet. Younger received a bullet to his shoulder. John Koger along with Jabez McCorkle, James Morris, and five others were also wounded during the skirmish..

For his continued bravery John Koger was well respected by his fellow guerrillas. Quantrill's adjutant William Gregg referred to Koger as one of the most fearless men in the band, and the man had the injuries to prove it. Quantrill always had his best men leading their column whenever they were on a mission, among them were George Todd, William Gregg, Boone Scholl, Fletcher Taylor, George Shepherd, John Koger, Simeon Whitsett, James Little, John McCorkle and George Maddox. Koger had fought in nearly every engagement with Quantrill's men along the border. He fought at the Tate House fight, the Clark House fight, the Battle of the Ravines, the First Battle of Independence, Lone Jack, White Oak Creek, the battles of Cane Hill and Prairie Grove, Arkansas, the Battle of Springfield, Hartville, Lamar, Wellington, the Lawrence raid, and Baxter Springs. At Baxter Springs in October 1863, Koger already had been shot at least five times before with five bullets still in his body. When searching the captured Federal wagons, a Federal ran up and shot him in the back. He was placed in an ambulance the rest of the ride into Texas. Koger also participated in the Wagner Fight, and the battles of Fayette and Centralia. At Centralia when Koger saw the Federals dismount he couldn't believe what he was seeing and remarked, "Why the fools are going to fight us on foot. God help them."

At one time Koger bore eight wounds after a fight and removed three of them himself with a knife. The other guerrillas looked up to Koger with awe and respect. There sprung up a superstition that the bullet or knife hadn't been molded or whetted that could kill John Koger. And still there hardly ever was a fight in which he didn't get hit. And it got to be a byword after a fight: "Where was John Koger hit this time?" Koger was wounded in at least twelve different engagements during the war and at the time of his death he still carried five bullets in his body. When the war was over Koger took a

census of his wounds one day and found twenty-two wounds. In his recollections of Koger black guerrilla fighter Henry Wilson claimed that Koger was shot twenty-one times and claimed that he died with about thirteen bullets in him.

In 1865 as Quantrill took 60 of his mostly unmarried men into Kentucky, Koger along with the rest of Quantrill's command continued on into Texas. Koger had in his pocket a .44 cal. bullet mold that made six bullets at a time belonging to Quantrill made for him by a local blacksmith from Oak Grove and given to him in 1861 and in their sad parting forgot to return it to Quantrill. After the war the bullet mold was on display in the office of the Oak Grove Banner. Koger died on July 8, 1917 in Lafayette County, Mo. and is buried in the Confederate Veterans Cemetery in Higginsville, Missouri just a few feet away from his gallant leader, Colonel William Clarke Quantrill.

Article by Paul R. Petersen

Ref: Kansas City Star December 23, 1910; Independence Examiner, September 12, 1931; The Biloxi Herald, April 9, 1899.



From the Desk of Missouri Division Commander Jeff Futhey February 2024

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2024 Missouri Division Reunion updates – April 12-13, Sikeston, MO. The base registration is only \$10. Meals are all \$15, across the board. Room rates at the host hotel, Hampton Inn, are \$149.00, which is higher than in the past. Use the “Sons of Confederate Veterans” code when booking your room. Or click [HERE](#) to do so online. The Reunion registration form is at the bottom of this email, or go to missouriscv.org to download any of the forms.

The Reunion Committee is preparing and working hard to bring the SCV and MOS&B membership an enjoyable 2024 convention. The committee finished negotiating catering all three meals for just \$45 total. You can pick which meal/program to attend on the registration form. A living history demonstration, and possibly a Confederate memorial service at a local cemetery, will fill the afternoon hours. Please try to attend and send in your registration now. There are a limited number of Reunion commemorative coins for the first 150 attendees. Camp sales tables are available.

National SCV Executive Director Adam Southern and his wife Kayla will attend. SCV Commander-in-Chief Jason Boshers and Lt. Commander-in-Chief Donnie Kennedy have also been invited, as well as other SCV National officers.

Guest speakers for the Reunion include:

- Friday evening, Rick Justice presents “The War in the Swamp.”
- Saturday afternoon, Richard Garcia, Lt Commander of the TN Division, presents “Blood on the Rio Grande: Tejano Confederates.”
- Saturday evening, speaker Donna F. Barron presents “The Man Who Carved Stone Mountain.”

Lee Jackson Supper - On January 20, the three Brigade Commanders of the Missouri Division, and Division Chief of Staff Herb Turner, provided another enjoyable Lee/Jackson Supper. The National Meritorious Service Award was presented to several members. Unfortunately, my left hip surgery prevented me from attending this fun dinner. Several who attended the dinner informed me that the speaker presented an interesting and emotional story, including modern-day soldiers living the horrors of war.

New Camp Chartering is in the works in the Doniphan, Missouri area. On January 15th, 2024, Colonel Timothy Reeves Camp application for Camp Chartering was signed. We are waiting on National’s approval. More information to follow.

National Awards - Our Division Chief of Staff, Herb Turner, needs nomination packets for the National Reunion/Recognition Awards/Merit Awards by March 15, 2024. The packet must follow the current Sons of Confederate Veterans Awards Manual and Insignia Guide found on the National SCV website under Resources in the Forms and Documents section. Ensure you complete the nomination form with a narrative of the member’s performance justifying the award. If you have any questions, contact Division Chief of Staff Turner at hminer4160@gmail.com or call 573-774-1731.



Missouri Division Notes continued...

Confederate Museum Challenge - Commanders, if your Camp accepts my challenge to raise funds for the SCV National Confederate Museum, get creative. We are six months from the National Reunion, which is still a suitable amount of time. Division Camps have already been creative in several ways. One Camp collects one dollar from each member during their Camp meetings. Another set aside a few dollars from their recruiting booths. Another holds a live auction every Camp meeting. A little at a time, using the strength of 17 Division Camps, I foresee a significant donation to the museum. All of us attending the 2024 National Reunion in South Carolina will present the Missouri donation. At the end of the fundraising period, in the first week or so of July, send your Camp's raised funds to Division Adjutant Wes Franklin, and we will present a Division check to National at the National Reunion.

MO Division Heritage & Defense - Warrenton, MO Veterans Memorial paver has been approved by the Missouri Division Executive Council. A memorial stone for unmarked Confederate POWS buried in Rolla Cemetery also has Executive Council approval. A future project, yet to be approved, is a partnership with MOS&B Missouri Society, the Samuel Hildebrand Chapter MOS&B, and the SCV MO Bradford Camp for a memorial stone to be set in the Jefferson City Cemetery dedicated to the Missouri Chaplains.

Brigade and Camp Commander reminders:

- Commanders, update camp chaplains and their email addresses to Division Adjutant Wes Franklin at modivisionadjutant@gmail.com
- Inform camp members of the Confederate Museum Division Commander's fundraising challenge.
- Silent auction items are always welcomed and needed for the State Reunion, with proceeds to go to whichever Missouri Division fund you specify, such as the Heritage Fund, the Marketing Fund, the Flag Fund, the Legal Fund, the General Fund, etc. Ask your members to bring to the Reunion, or contact me, Division Lt. Commander Kevin Wenzel, Division Chief of Staff Herb Turner, or Division Adjutant Wes Franklin beforehand to arrange pickup.

Confederate Calendar

- March 4, 2024: Confederate Flag Day
- March 11, 2024: Confederate Constitution Day
- March 27, 2024: Confederate Day of Prayer
- April: Confederate History Month



Missouri Division SCV/Missouri Society MOS&B Joint Annual Reunion and General Convention

Host Hotel: Hampton Inn Sikeston
1240 Commerce Drive
Sikeston, MO (573) 621-4100

April 12-13, 2024



Online Booking Link: [Sons of Confederate Veterans](https://www.sonsconfederateveterans.com)

Convention Registration Form

Name: _____ Title: _____

Chapter/Camp/Organization _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

*Spouse or Guest Names: _____

Registration (SCV/MOSB Members Only) @ \$10.00 X No. _____ = _____

Late Registration after March 1st @ \$20.00 X No. _____ = _____

Friday April 12th - **Dress Code is Casual**
6:00 PM - Commanders Reception (Buffet and Speaker) **Optional Meals/Events**
@ \$15.00 X No. _____ = _____

Saturday April 13th Morning - **Dress Code is Business Casual**
Missouri Society MOSB Business Meeting N/C
Missouri Division SCV Business Meeting N/C

Saturday April 12th Afternoon - **Dress Code is Business Casual** **Optional Meal/Event**
12:00 PM - MOSB Luncheon (Buffet and Speaker) You do not need to be a MOSB member to attend; all are invited!
@ \$15.00 X No. _____ = _____

Saturday Evening, April 13th - **Dress Code is Business Casual** **Optional Meal/Event**
6:00 PM SCV Award Banquet Meal and Keynote Speaker -
Ancestor Memorial (See supplemental information sheet) @ \$5.00 X No. _____ = _____

Additional Convention Coin (if available) @ \$15.00 X No. _____ = _____

Additional Convention Program (if available) @ \$10.00 X No. _____ = _____

CHECK # _____ \$ TOTAL _____

Make checks payable to: Missouri Division SCV and mail to: Wes Franklin, Adjutant,
12161 Norway RD Neosho, MO 64850

**No Meal tickets available after April 01, 2024
DEADLINE for all pre-registrations is April 01, 2024 · No Refunds**



Military Order of the Stars and Bars
87th Annual General Convention
Springfield, MO – May 16-19, 2024

Convention Schedule

All events will be held at the host hotel, Doubletree by Hilton Hotel 2431 N Glenstone Avenue
Springfield, MO 65803, (417) 831-3131.

**DRESS CODE for All Events: Men - Coat & Tie, Saturday evening banquet is formal attire.
Ladies – Business /Sunday Dress, and Cocktail or formal for Saturday evening banquet**

**** EVENT TICKET Required**

Thursday, May 16th

12:00 - 5:00 pm	Registration
1:00- 3:00 pm	MOS&B GEC Meeting
2:00 - 3:00 pm	National Society Daughters of CSA Officer Corps GEB meeting
6:00 - 8:00 pm	**Commander General's Reception

Friday, May 17th

7:30 am	**Forrest Cavalry Corps Breakfast
8:00 am - 12:00pm	Registration
9:00 am	Opening Ceremonies
9:30 am	MOS&B Business Session I
9:30 am	N.S. Daughters of CSA Officer Corps Annual Meeting (Business dress)
12:00 pm	**Awards Luncheon
2:00 - 7:00 pm	**Tour- Wilson's Creek National Battlefield tour and picnic dinner. picnic dinner will be provided.

Saturday, May 18th

7:30 am	**MOS&B Prayer Breakfast
8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Registration
9:30 am	MOS&B Business Session II
TBD	MOS&B GEC Meeting (If Necessary)
TBD	N.S. Daughters of CSA Officer Corps GEB Meeting (If Necessary)
10:30 am -3:00 PM	**Ladies Lunch and shopping
6:00 pm	**Commander General's Banquet

For questions regarding the 2024 MOS&B 87th National Convention
Contact: J. Troy Massey at: mosbcg@cox.net or at: (870) 365-9273

or

Contact:Terry Phillips at: arrebelswmol861@gmail.com: (417) 844-4173



Commander Ferguson wanted to share these stats with us!

**Missouri Society,
Military Order of the Stars & Bars
GEC Meeting
October 21st, 2023
Osage Beach, MO**

Membership Report

As of October 2023

The Order currently has 1,775 members in 75 Active Chapters- that is a net increase of 45 members from the previous year.

ATM Department – is the largest department with 31 Chapters - 544 members which is a net increase of 75 members from the previous year.

AOT Department - 28 Chapters - 419 Members

ANV Department - 17 Chapters - 265 Members

The largest local Chapters are:

Chapter #271 Brig. Gen. St. John Richardson Liddell Chapter, AL -78 Members

Chapter #184 Lawrence Sullivan Ross Chapter, TX- 65 Members

Chapter #311 Brig. Gen. Thomas Roe Freeman, MO- 59 Members

Largest Societies

Texas Society 205

Missouri Society 185 That is a net 44-member increase from the previous year.

Alabama Society 117