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# **The Hughes News**

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## **Artillery at the Battle of Pilot Knob, Ft. Davidson State Historic Site**

On September 28th and 29th a reenactment was held to mark the 160th Anniversary of the Battle of Pilot Knob. The original earthen walled fort is there, and the scenery is really pretty, located by Iron Mountain. The event was well attended by spectators, but all the rain from the hurricane ran off many of the reenactors. But it was still a great event, and the public really turns out for it each time it's held.



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## Message from Commander Sam Stanton

### Compatriots and Friends,

Hope all is well! Our monthly meet is coming up on October 10th, 2024 at Zarda BBQ in Blue Springs. Meeting starts at 6:30. Don't forget, if you order food, tell them you're in the back room.

I'm not sure who our speaker will be this month as of this writing, but we do have a speaker lined up for November already.

We had our booth set up at Higginsville and thanks to those that came and helped. I could not attend as I was at

The Battle of Osawatomie KS with Elliott's Scouts. I know it rained on and off all day at Higginsville and that kept the crowd from turning out. We barely sold enough to cover our \$60 entry fee, but we can't control the weather. The event organizers were very apologetic, and gave us the opportunity to register for next year for \$50, so Tim dug money out of the cash box and we're now good for next year at Higginsville.

I can't be at the meeting on Thursday as I'll be in Brownsville, NE at a Civil War Event up there.

I just recently purchased the 128 Volume set of War of the Rebellion Official records of the Union and Confederate Armies. It was put out by the National Historical Society. I am still trying to sort them out and I need a bigger book shelf! But maybe we can put those to good use.

**Sam Stanton**  
**Commander Hughes Camp 614**



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### Camp Calendar

**October 10th 6:300 PM - Camp Meeting Zarda BBQ: 214 NW Hwy 7, Blue Springs, MO 64014** Note the start time! They are back to their winter time hours so we need to be out at 8 PM Our speaker this month will be

**October 19th, 2024, Secession Day Dinner, Osage Beach, MO** Flyer and registration enclosed! If you haven't already sent your registration, hurry at this pint!



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

### What's been happening on the Western Front

#### Camp Meeting, September 12th...

In September we were desperate for a speaker (still are!) so Larry Yeatman gave us a talk on the Camp Handbook of the SCV

The Camp Handbook is available on SCV.org, under the resources tab, then select Forms and Documents, then you can scroll to select the Camp Handbook.

The Camp handbook details all the officer position and other positions a Camp can have. You don't have to fill all positions, but there's a lot of duties or positions available, to include, media relations, quartermaster, historian, all kinds of things. Hit the website and look at all those types of positions, and if any interest you, speak up! We could use a historian, someone that would document camp activities, and maybe get that info to the State Historical Society for posterity sake. For sure, we could use a Media Relations person, someone to write letters to editors, new releases, etc.

The Handbook also has example bylaws a camp can use.

It also details the hierarchy, or organization of the SCV. The SCV is actually a pretty well organized and run organization, given we are all volunteers. The organization is filled with many passionate people, who donate a ton of time to keep the ship running, from local camps clear to the top at Elm Springs. Even the Commander in Chief is an

unpaid volunteer. And they have to travel a lot. I do believe they get some travel money allotted to them, but their time is free and that position does require a ton of time.

The structure of the SCV is the same as the UCV, which is the same as the CSA Army was structured. You have:

The Army: which is the National SCV

The Army is broken up into 3 Armies:

Army of Northern Virginia

Army of Tennessee

Army of the Trans Mississippi

Those Armies consist of Divisions

The Divisions are broken up by Brigades, ie in Missouri we have the:

Eastern Brigade

Central Brigade

Western Brigade

And those Brigades consist of the Camps.

In the SCV, all the higher structures, exist to assist and help the Camps. The Camps are the backbone where all the real work happens, we are the troops on the ground, Brigades, Divisions etc, their job is to help the Camps, not the other way around. That said, Camps do help the Divisions also, it's kind of a two way street. In the end, we're all helping each other in the cause of keeping our Ancestors history alive!

*Larry Yeatman*



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2024 Sponsors Needed! Thanks to Matt Knapp, Steve Ferguson of Spring Cliff Farm, Greg Anderson, Joe Ferrara, Andy Johnson. Thanks for helping to keep the presses rolling!

### **Boyd Chapter Commander Steve Ferguson**

#### **Growing, Growing, and Growing**

I am very pleased to announce that our Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter of the MOS&B continues to grow. It was my honor to welcome Compatriot Matthew Melvin Knapp to the Boyd Chapter. Compatriot Knapp was approved on his ancestry lineage to 2nd Lieutenant Augustine W. Turner of the 10th Missouri Infantry. Compatriot Knapp was sworn in to the Boyd Chapter at our meeting in September. See the picture of Matthew being sworn in. Congratulations Matthew!!!

This month at our October meeting, we will also welcome John Michael Swartz to the Boyd Chapter. Compatriot Swartz was approved on his ancestry lineage to Major General Gustavus Woodson Smith of the Army of Northern Virginia. Welcome John and I will be honored to "swear you in" at our upcoming meeting.

It is very exciting to see our local Boyd Chapter continue to grow and as noted previously, our Missouri Society and the National Order continues to grow by adding new compatriots each month. It is an honor to serve a growing and hard-working chapter which is our Lt. Col. John R. Boyd Chapter #236.

Not all Missouri Society chapters can report that they have grown with so many new compatriots added. As you saw in one of our previous newsletters, the Boyd Chapter has added several compatriots, and we are so pleased to welcome them all into our great MOS&B chapter.

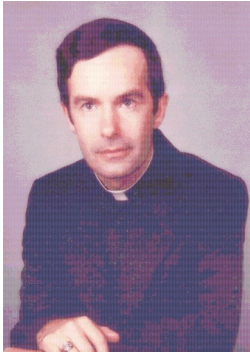
**PLEASE ATTEND** the Missouri Society MOS&B Secession Day Dinner on October 19th. It will be a wonderful time with an outstanding speaker and a great meal and with extraordinary compatriot friends from across our MO state as well as adjacent states. Read about it in the attached flier. The registration deadline is October 12, 2024. Register SOON!!

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## Hughes Camp Chaplain Emeritus Richard W Rudd



We Americans, perhaps more than all other people, place a high value on freedom. That value has been measured in blood. Our Founding Fathers fought the Revolutionary War and our Confederate ancestors fought the war of secession over freedom. Our founding document, the Declaration of Independence,

affirms that "...all men...are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable (inalienable) rights..." Christ said that "...you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (Jn. 8:32) He further clarified this by explaining, "I am the truth..." (Jn. 14:6) "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free..." (Gal. 5:1)

Freedom has limits. As much as we cherish freedom, the exercise of it over some of our most personal attributes lies beyond our purview. For example, fate, not freedom of choice, determines our name, native nationality and language, biological family, physical appearance, race, gender, and DNA. The absence of mental acuity and ignorance deny freedom of choice if we do not know all of the options available to choose from or the difference between fiction and truth. It is important that we know history, are aware of current events, and think critically. When we freely choose from among available options, we eliminate all other possibilities.

Freedom is not a license to do whatever, however, whenever we choose, as many are advocating today. Uncoupled from reason and responsibility, freedom, like a vacuum, is contrary to nature and cannot long subsist. On a personal level, failure to practice fiscal responsibility limits freedom. The result is, "The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender." (Prov. 22:7) On the corporate level, one of the most prominent examples of exaggerated abuse of freedom is the French Revolution. Unfettered freedom led to chaos, dictatorship, and the loss of freedom. In our association with other people in civilized society, freedom is experienced within the limits of certain parameters that we voluntarily place on ourselves through some form of social compact, an organized pattern of interaction for harmony and mutual benefit. When we dine with others, it is customarily expected that rules of etiquette will be observed.

When we drive in traffic, laws for our safety are enforced. When we govern ourselves as a nation, legislation enacted by our representatives organizes and guides that process.

Some choices we freely make can be reversed or canceled; others cannot. They are permanent, like choosing to join the Mafia; once you are in, you are not allowed to leave. The WBTS was fought because the South understood the US to be a voluntary union of states. The North disagreed. Today, due to uncompromising polarization, there are people so disaffected and hopelessly alienated from Washington who are again advocating secession, the legality and wisdom of which are once more being debated. The more likely prospect is civil strife, regardless of the outcome of the election and there is a fine line between rioting in the streets and civil war. Some of today's youth are confused about their biological gender. Once they submit to physically altering procedures, reversal of the damage done is impossible. Regardless of their type, addictions, entered into under the pretext of permissiveness, resist freedom of choice and seek to enslave. "Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God." (1 Pet. 2:16)

St. Peter wrote, "As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passion of your former ignorance." (1 Pet. 1:14) Christ said, "If a man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me." (Matt. 16:24) Christ does not coerce us to follow Him; He gives us freedom of choice. If we choose to follow Him, "...we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture." (Ps. 100:3) Sheep cannot be driven; they follow the shepherd. "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me..." (Jn. 10:27) Denying ourselves and living as obedient followers and servants of Christ does not jeopardize our freedom. Rather, it makes freedom possible for "...the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life." (Rom. 6:22) Without life, freedom is useless. The obedience we give to Christ is analogous to the obedience we give to a doctor who restores our health or a guide who leads us from danger to safety.

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I will finally note that there are many issues and feelings in these upcoming elections. However, I encourage that we remember to keep prime in our minds those candidates who we believe will respect and honor our Southern heritage and will fight to preserve our Confederate grave markers and monuments. Our elected officials are very important in our efforts to preserve and to promote the "True History" of the South. Vote and fight hard against the cancel culture/woke culture that wishes to wipe away the True Southern History.

***\*Vote to Promote the Southern Cause.***

\*Remember and Attend our MO Division and MO Society events.

\*Invite a friend to one of our events and meetings.

\*Remember our Past CIC statements and NET + 1

\*Let each of us commit to "Each One Teach One" and educate other individuals about our True Southern History!

God bless America.

God bless Dixie.

And God bless our families.

***Steve Ferguson,***

**Commander**

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

**Richard Rudd continued from page 4...**

As the 2024 general election approaches, Americans are confronted with dangers within our nation and from around the world. The Judaeo/Christian foundation of our nation and our freedom are on the ballot. There is only one vigilant response: VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! (as many times as they will let you). All Americans, especially patriots and Christians who are supposed to be the church militant, will respond, as each generation must, to the command of Joshua to "...choose this day who you will serve..." (Josh. 24:15) If we are to continue as a nation of free people, we will realize the source and security of our freedom and answer that "...therefore we also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." (Josh. 24:18)

***Father Richard Rudd***

**Hughes Camp Chaplain Emeritus**



## Boyd Chapter Welcomes New Member Matt Knapp!



In September Boyd Chapter swore in their latest new Member, **Matthew Knapp** (Matt Knapp)

Matt is a long time member of Hughes Camp, so not a new person to us! Matt has belonged to Hughes Camp and the SCV since 2009.

Matt joined the Military Order of the Stars and Bars and Boyd Chapter under one of his officer ancestors, **2nd Lieutenant Augustine W. Turner, 10th Missouri Infantry**. Matt has several other Officer Ancestors he could have entered under.

Matt lives in Lathrop with his Daughter, Molly Bell. Many of you know Molly Bell, she's a good trooper, shows up at Higinville with her Dad, helps us put up campaign signs, she is just a really neat kid! Matt works at Ford building fine Ford vehicles. He's been a reenactor in the past with Elliott's Scouts, and has been in the Color Guard at Memorial Day at Higinville. Matt has also helped at the Liberty Memorial Monument helping to install the plaque, camera work etc. Matt takes after Molly, he's also a good trooper!

***Congratulations to Matt and we thank him and Augustine Turner for their service to the Cause!***







# 34th Annual Missouri Society, Military Order of the Stars and Bars

## Missouri Secession Day Dinner

Saturday October 19th, 2024

### Questions or Inquiries

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### Location / Lodging

Inn at Grand Glaize  
5142 Osage Beach Pkwy.  
Osage Beach, MO 65065  
1-800-348-4731 or  
<https://innatgrandglaze.com>  
Room Rate: \$89.00+ Taxes  
Group Code: MOSB24

### Registration

Individual - \$40.00  
Couple (2 adults) -\$75.00  
Children (under 12)-\$30.  
All registrations include dinner and  
the second issue of a series of  
Secession Day challenge coins  
featuring General J. O. Shelby  
(coin pictured below)

## Keynote Presentation

*Keith Daleen-The inside story of the commitment to place  
the J.O. Shelby Statue in Waverly, MO*

Compatriot Keith Daleen is a Past Society Commander of the Missouri Society, Military Order of the Stars and Bars and Past Division Commander of the Missouri Division Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Twenty-six years of organizing, planning, and work culminated in the dedication of an equestrian statue of Kentucky-born and educated Gen. Joseph Orville Shelby. The folks of Waverly, Missouri, were determined to honor their hometown hero. They completed their long mission on Saturday, June 27, 2009 with the dedication of the first statue to honor General Shelby.

On a blistering hot Saturday afternoon, a ceremony was held to unveil the General Shelby equestrian statue. There were flags, reenactors, singing groups, boy scouts and at least thirty Shelby family members in attendance from several states.

Speeches were given by Jim Beckner, John Hinz, Col. James Shelby, Waverly Mayor Barbara Schreiman, U.S. Representative Ike Skelton, Jim England of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Missouri President of the UDC. Plan to attend to MOS&B Secession Day dinner to hear how this was accomplished and the rest of the inside story.







**Secession Day Dinner October 19, 2024**  
**Remembering the Anniversary of**  
**Missouri's**  
**Secession on October 31, 1861**  
*Hosted by the Missouri Society- Military Order*  
*of the Stars and Bars.*



**Executive Council Meeting**  
**Saturday October 19, 3:00 PM**

*An Executive Council meeting will be held beginning at 3:00 PM in the Upper Terrace Room adjacent to the hotel lounge. Chapter Commanders or a Chapter designated representative are highly encouraged to attend.*

*A meeting agenda will be sent to each Chapter at least 30 days prior to the meeting.*

Location and Lodging

Inn at Grand Glaize

5142 Osage Beach Parkway

Osage Beach, MO 65065

1-800-348-4731

We have secured a room rate of \$89 plus tax.

Room Reservation deadline is Thursday, Sept 19, 2024, so get your reservation in early. The group code is MOSB24

**5:30 PM - Doors open for Social Hour**

**6:00 PM - Introductions and greetings, dinner to be served immediately following**

**Cost is \$40 per adult or \$75 per couple, Children under 12 are \$30**

**Registration deadline is October 12, 2024. JO Shelby Challenge coin included with each registration!**

Please use the following registration form to send in your reservation! For questions, call Commander Jon Trent at 417-353-5908 or email at jtrent1@cougars.ccis.edu We hope to see you all there!

**2024 Missouri Secession Day Dinner Registration Form**

Name and Title

Guest names and titles

Total Number of Adult Individual Tickets  X \$40.00 per person = \$

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