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2022 Board Officers

President: Jamie Horan
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 Treas.: Katherine Conner

2022 Board Members

Dave Plummer
 James Crofutt
 Heidi Lechner
 Roger Harmon
 David Mallory
 Paul Tague
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 Chris Buck

Message from the President - Organization Updates

Greetings everyone!!!

Our December meeting was used to count ballots and put together the care packages for veterans.

Thank you to all who voted for me. I appreciate your confidence in me and will continue to the best of my ability to keep our organization moving forward.

January meeting, we welcomed new and old returning board members. We had one board member resign and I would like to Thank them for their time and commitment to the Association. Chris Buck has taken that position.

We also talked about the insurance quotes I had received and decided that we needed a special meeting set up to discuss this more in detail. We went over events so we can get them added to the calendar.

Since our meeting, Eric McNeal, our Vice President has resigned his post as well due to his job at this time. I want to Thank Eric for his time and commitment to the Association.

I have appointed Roger Harmon to be Interim Vice President.

Updates:
Heidi Lechner and her class

were able to donate items to Mount Vernon's Veterans Home. We were also able to donate to at least eight nursing homes in Linn, Westphalia, Vienna, and Moberly. The rest of the packages were donated to the VFW ladies auxiliary and given to home bound veterans, and taken to the St. James veterans home.

Many, many thanks go to the following sponsors who helped make this possible:

Businesses from Jefferson City- Jefferson Bank, Busch's Florist, Downtown Books, Community Health Clinic, Missouri Department of Conservation, Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce, Central Bank, Ready Popped Popcorn, and Carrie's Hallmark.

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MCWRA President Jamie Horan

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Other Supporters: Missouri Civilian Corp, Missouri Civil War Reenactors Association, Kathy & Duane Bishop,

Bishop, Jody Huff Wamhoff, Kelly Bockhorst-Nilica.

Thank you all so much for your help and generosity!! This project would not have happened without you!!



NOTICE!!!

James Country would like to send a reminder to the reenacting community that they will not be setting up at events. Their store in Liberty however is still open and they are still around to supply everyone.

They have plenty of tubes and musket caps, the usual assortment of ready to wear and custom made clothing, hats, etc.

Del is still doing repairs and is one of the finest gunsmiths around for period weapons.

Visit us on the web at

www.jamescountry.com

NOTICE!!!

The MCWRA Have T-Shirts for sale. These will be at the MCWRA meetings and available for purchase. The price has been dropped from \$15.00 per shirt to \$10.00. The sizes available are as follows: Large, X-Large, XX-Large, and XXX-Large. There are many colors to choose from.



In Memory of Those Who Have Gone On

As some of you know we lost **Todd Conner**, Kathy Conner requested that President Horan put the poem she wrote for him in the newsletter, so here it is. We also lost **Craig Stratton** this year. My heart and thoughts go out to the families of these reenactors. Please keep in mind that when a death happens, please contact me, Kathy Conner, or David Plummer, who is our chaplain.

AS THE SOLDIER RIDES AWAY

Sitting here thinking of what to write All of the things I could say

Trying to keep our hearts light

As the soldier rides away

I didn't know you as long as some

My thoughts and feelings are in such a disarray

Our paths crossed and God knew the outcome

As the soldier rides away

You were passionate about many things in life

How you would like to tell jokes and play

With your family, friends, and loving wife

As the soldier rides away

On the battlefields you were in command

Yelling out orders for your men to obey

Where your company was going to take a stand

As the soldier rides away

On the line if someone did something wrong

You would show them the right way

This helped to make the company better and strong

As the soldier rides away

Since you left, we have been seeing you everywhere

A Cardinal tried to fly into our meeting last Saturday

We knew it was you and an answer to our prayer

As the soldier rides away

Our time with you on Earth came to an end

We know it won't be easy at first, but we will be okay

God sent you to be a husband, father, and a friend

As the soldier rides away

As we gather here to celebrate your life

We know you could not stay

Now you dance to a different drum and fife

As the soldier rides away

If we close our eyes, we can paint a scene

You are riding Babe, dressed in your uniform of gray

Riding with skies so blue, over fields of grass so green

As the soldier rides away

Written by: Jamie Horan

Dedicated to: Todd Conner and Babe on January 21, 2023

Upcoming Events - See Website for More Detailed Information

These events are not sponsored by the Missouri Civil War Reenactors Association.

- March 4-5, Yale, OK – Battle of Round Mountain
- March 10-12, Spavinaw, OK – Battle of Cabin Creek
- April 15-16, Fort Scott, KS
- April 22-23, Wichita KS – Cowtown Mueum Civil War event
- May 5-6, Aurora, KY
- June 2-3, Blackjack KS
- June 2-4, Pittsfield, IL – Lincoln Days
- June 24, 2023, Beaufort, MO— Artillery School
- July 4, LaGrange, MO - 4th of July celebration
- July 29-30, Waynesville, MO – Old Settlers Days
- September 9-10, Boonville, MO
- September 16-17, Osawatomie, KS
- October 6-7, Bloomfield, MO
- October 6-8, Harrisonville, MO
- October 13-15, Winterset, IA
- October 14-15, Larned, KS
- October 20-22, Warsaw, MO
- November 3-5, Checotah, OK – Battle of Honey Springs
- December 1-3, Bentonville, AR

For a list of other living history events please visit the following link: <https://mcwra.org/schedule>

Suttler's Row

James Country Mercantile

Del and Jean Warren, Proprietors
111 N Main St, Liberty, MO 64068
(816) 781-9473
www.jamescountry.com

Store still open. Come by and see us, Get a jump on your Holiday shopping!!

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Since this is late getting this out, the MCWRA will waive the late fees for the membership renewals until May 15, 2023.

2023 Missouri Civil War Reenactor's Association Membership Form

Membership Fees Structure: (Please indicate below)

___ Life Membership \$100.00 ___ Active Military ___ New Membership: ___ Family ___ Individual ___

___ Renewal Membership (was a paid member the preceding year

___ January 1- April 15: \$10 per family/individual per year

___ April 16- December 31: \$15 per family/individual per year

___ Information Change Only

Unit Affiliation/CSA/US: _____

Member: _____

Additional Family Members: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Member Contact Phone Number: _____

Member email: _____

Unit commander: _____

Unit contact information: _____

Unit general location: _____

PLEASE READ AND SIGN: Disclaimer: You will be giving the MCWRA permission to use your information for MCWRA activities and purposes only.

If you agree to this disclaimer, please sign here:

If there is anything you do not want out i.e. phone numbers etc. Please state here: _____

Would you like to receive Western Campaigner by mail _____ or email _____

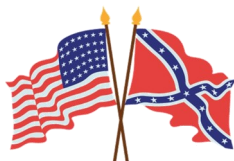
Please mail this form with a check or money order payable to the MCWRA in the appropriate amount to:
MCWRA % Conner 820 SE 700 Knob Noster, MO 65336

Contact Us

P.O. Box 296
Linn, MO 65051

We're on the Web!!!

<https://mcwra.org/>



About the MCWRA

The MCWRA (Missouri Civil War Reenactors' Association) was organized in 1981 by reenactors who saw the need to set up a structured organization in response to the growing number of reenactors portraying the history of our country from 1861-1865, and to better serve potential sponsors who host living history events.

Visit our website to learn more about us, view a schedule of events, or pick up information on how to host an event. Maybe you are looking for safety rules, or perhaps you are looking to purchase or sell gear that is related to our hobby. Our

website carries that information also.

If you are looking for information on member units and how you might contact one in order to see about joining, our website will carry everything you need to know.

Our organization is in its 41st year and is working to transition with the times and the economy while rebuilding from a rough patch.

Elections will be coming up soon. Be sure your voice is heard. If you are a member and are jaded about the past, please speak to one of our board

members and learn about the direction in which the organization is attempting to move.

We on the board are committed to making sure that the living history hobby continues to bring enjoyment and historical educational opportunities to its practitioners and its spectators for years to come!

Thank you for giving us a look!

NOTICE!!!

Next Meeting: 22 April, 2023

at the Country Store, Boonville Steam
Engine Show Grounds

24289 MO-179

Boonville, MO 65233

Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. with General
Membership from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

NOTICE!!!

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<http://www.jamescountry.com/>

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<https://fcsuttler.com/>

Adler's Dry Goods

<https://www.facebook.com/AdlersDryGoods/>

Missouri Boot and Shoe Co.

<https://www.missouribootandshoe.com/>

Graf & Sons

<https://www.grafs.com/>