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It was decided at the MCWRA Board meeting in January 2024 for us to go electronic on our newsletter. Kathy Conner needs your email addresses. You can email her at 7oakfarm2@gmail.com or text her at 573-300-1914. Many of you who are lifetime members she does not have emails for. There are too many lifestimers for Kathy to call. If you want a hard copy, if you have trouble with electronic devices, you must request this personally to Kathy.

THIS IS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER YOU WILL BE GETTING IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP. As to **HARD COPIES** this will also be your last newsletter unless you contact Kathy. You will be getting 4 newsletters a year and it will also be posted on the MCWRA website. So again, if you aren't getting a newsletter contact Kathy Conner (email and phone number above).

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+ Dear Fellow Reenactors,

I would like to take a moment to share in our accomplishments and further goals for this year.

- Reenactor Insurance, a big THANK YOU to Roger Harmon, who was able to do the research and get the policy that suits our needs.
- Making necessary changes to Bylaws and Policies/Procedures, I have appointed Roger Harmon, Kathy Conner, and Charles Cunningham to a committee to go through these and make the changes we need to get these updated. So, thanks to all of you for taking care of this.
- We have a few more events. We may not list all of the events in the newsletter, so please check our website.

That is about all I have for this time.

Thanks to all of you, who are helping keep history alive. Stay safe.

Your President,
Jamie Horan

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+MCWRA Bylaws and Policies/Procedures: The committee has already started on proposals for changes. These proposal changes will be posted the beginning of March for members to review on the MCWRA website (Missouri Civil War Reenactor's Association/mcwra.org) and they will be voted on at the next meeting be April 6th. So please review and if you see any changes, you feel is needed, please notified one of the committee members, Kathy Conner 573-300-1914, Roger Harmon 816-699-8647, and Charles Cunningham 573-682-1308.

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Congratulations MCWRA members! The MCWRA has secured accident and life insurance for members while attending MCWRA sanctioned events. This insurance applies to reenactments, living histories and memorial events. MCWRA member's annual dues pay this insurance. There is no additional cost to members! Insurance specifics will be included on MCWRA website. By Vice President Roger Harmon.

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Planning for the Battle of the Mississippi at LaGrange, Missouri continues to go well. The reenactment will include a busy School Day and battles on Saturday and Sunday. Activities for ladies and children will be included. This reenactment gives you the unique opportunity to battle on the banks of the Mississippi River. Also, a generous bounty is being offered to cannons. Se you at the reenactment on September 13, 14 and 15! Please contact **Roger Harmon at 816-699-8647** if you plan to attend. The city would like to have a number as to who plans to attend for the dinner that will be provided.

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+ JAMES COUNTRY MERCANTILE:

Check out James Country Mercantile website at jamescountry.com for specials. Located at 111 North Street in Liberty, Missouri, they can be reached at 816-781-9473. Jean and Dell Warren can assist you with all your reenactment needs.

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Events for 2024:

- April 23 Bowling Green up north of St. Louis just a one-day event. At the VFW Post 5553 505 VFW Road Bowling Green MO 63334. Contact: Mandi Bryant email: mesunshine2@yahoo.com
- June 14-16 Carthage
- August 17-18 Bible Grove contact Paul Tague 660-216-0083
- Sept 5-8 Booneville Contact: Melody Bates 1 660-888-3296
- Sept 13-15 Battle of Mississippi the city of Lagrange, Missouri. Friday 13 will be a school day for regional schools. The 14 and 15 battle will take place on the banks of the Mississippi River. Contact Roger Harmon 816-699-8647

- Sept 28-29 Pilot Knob Contact Terry Cadenbach 314-520-6768 (Maximum Effort Event)
- Oct 18-20 Battle of Westport 160th Anniversary Encampment. Encampment with skirmish and weapons demonstrations. Ladies period fashion show. Would like to have medical demonstrations. Contact Lane Smith 913-207-7591.

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+APRIL 6, 2024 MCWRA Board will meet at 10am and the General Meeting is at 11:15 am. This will be at Missouri River Regional Library, 214 Adams St in Jefferson City, Missouri. **Please plan on attending.**