



The Western Campaigner: The Journal of the  
Missouri Civil War Reenactors Association

August – December 2025

From the President:

Thank God the weather has finally cooled off. Reenacting without the fear of heat stroke is a big deal. I hope you all have had a great season so far and your fall events go well.

Some of the things that your MCWRA officials are working on are:

1. The ability to vote online
2. Medical cards, these can be made and kept with you at all times, when you are on the field and contain important information for the Medical teams who are trying to help you in case of an emergency. THEY DO WORK, AND CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE!
3. "Zoom Meetings"
4. New Events, and much more
5. We are looking into social media for new recruits and fun places young people can learn about our history and hobby

Please think about becoming a board member within the MCWRA and be a part of a great organization.

See you on the field,

Dave Plummer, MCWRA President

**Medical cards**, I have a form that either you can fill out and carry with you or you can email me your information with a note saying I have your permission to make the card for you (HIPPA). If you want me to do the card, I will make it and send the form and cards back to you. I usually make 2 cards, one to carry with you at all times and one to put in your gear. The cards have your name, home address, any medical problems you may have, medications, and allergies you may have. The reason I am hoping that everyone will fill out this form, as it can SAVE YOUR LIFE! For more information, contact Jamie Horan: 573-508-2378, or email: [cwhistory1861@gmail.com](mailto:cwhistory1861@gmail.com).

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

### **September 26-28, 2025 - Hermann, MO: MCWRA Sponsored Event**

The Battles at Hermann at the Dierberg Farm

Hermann is on the MO river about an hour west of St. Louis

Reenactor info:

- Friday school day 150-200 Kids.
- 2 battles with various skirmishes
- Saturday night dance
- Bounties paid: \$150 for cannons and \$25 per horse
- Sponsored by the 8th Mo cavalry. To register email [Rafterjpranch@msn.com](mailto:Rafterjpranch@msn.com)
- For more info text David Plummer at 417-773-1457

### **October 3-5, 2025 - Harrisonville, MO**

- Reenactment cancelled due to construction in the area to remediate recent flooding

### **October 17-19, 2025 - Jerome, MO**

- Assault on Pigeon Hill (Atlanta campaign)
- Location: Jerome is between Rolla & St. Robert north of the Gasconade
- Infantry and artillery only (artillery is full)
- Event details & registration info at <https://croakermess.com/assault-on-pigeon-hill>
- **Non-Spectator event**

### **November 7-9, 2025 - Rentiesville, OK**

- Reenactment of 1863 Battle of Honey Springs on part of original battlefield
- Rentiesville is on US-69, about 5 miles north of Checotah/I-40
- Details TBA

### **December 5-7, 2025 - Washburn, MO**

- Reenactment of 1862 Battle of Pea Ridge (Elkhorn) on prepared site
- Washburn is in SW MO on MO-37 just north of AR line
- Reenactor contact: Benton Schwarz 417-365-6449

We have been invited to help with a camporee, in Union, MO, on the weekend of October

4, 2025. We can camp all weekend if we want, they are wanting to do a "Time Traveler Theme". They are thinking they may have 150-200 kids come through. It is 9am to 4 pm. They want different stations for the kids to visit for 30 minutes or so and then move to the next one. If anyone is available to help, please contact Jamie Horan at [cwhistory1861@gmail.com](mailto:cwhistory1861@gmail.com), and I will send you more information. This good be a good way to get history out there.

**\*\*Next Board/Membership meeting is December 13, 2025 @ Library in Jefferson City, MO.**

Events for 2026:

Camden County Historical Society and the City of Linn Creek, MO, are planning to present a Living History week-end, June 26-28, 2026, to observe the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States.

October 1861 saw a small skirmish in the old town of Linn Creek on the Osage River in Camden County. They are asking for help from the MCWRA members. They are wanting to do a skirmish, and a shoot- out on main street.

Contact Camden County Historical Society & Museum

573-879-2990, [crmdaj@gmail.com](mailto:crmdaj@gmail.com).

Please continue to check our website for new events.

**Missouri Civil War Reenactors Association**

**2026 MCWRA Board Member Election Ballot**

The MCWRA General Membership annually elects three board members and one Executive Board member (President or Vice-President). Board Members serve for three year. The President and Vice-President serve for two years. They are elected in alternating years to ensure continuity of the Association Management. Nominations have been solicited and received by the board.

The nominees for this year's election are as follows:

| <b><u>Position</u></b> | <b><u>Nominee's Name</u></b> | <b>Select one (1)</b> |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Vice President         | Charles Cunningham           | _____                 |

| <b><u>Position</u></b> | <b><u>Nominee's Name</u></b> | <b><u>Select three (3)</u></b> |
|------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Board Member           | Heidi Lechner                | _____                          |
| Board Member           | Bill Wayne                   | _____                          |
| Board Member           | Roger Harmon                 | _____                          |
| Board Member           | Eric McNeal                  | _____                          |

\*Please mail your completed ballots in a sealed envelope with "BALLOT" and your "NAME" written on the envelope and mail to MCWRA Treasurer/Secretary c/o Jamie Horan at P O BOX 296, Linn, MO 65051.

Ballots must be received on or before December 11, 2025

Missouri Civil War Reenactors Association Membership Form

20\_\_\_\_\_ Membership & Dues

Membership cost: \$15 per member/family \$150 for New Lifetime Members

Membership type: \_\_\_\_Active Military \_\_\_\_New Member/Family

\_\_\_\_ Member/Family Renewal \_\_\_\_ New Lifetime Member \_\_\_\_ Information Change

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Commander: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Affiliation(s): \_\_\_\_Union \_\_\_\_Confederate \_\_\_\_Civilian/Medical \_\_\_\_Independent

Would you like newsletter: \_\_\_\_Emailed \_\_\_\_ Mailed

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Treasurer's use only:

Membership paid: date\_\_\_\_\_ cash or check #\_\_\_\_\_

Added to roster: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

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**Mail to: MCWRA, Treasurer: Jamie Horan, P O BOX 296, Linn, MO 65051**

**Can also pay online. Here's the link to do that: <https://mcwra.org/join>.**

