

# The Confederate Informant

the official newsletter of the Major James Morgan Utz Camp #1815

Sons of Confederate Veterans and the

Brigadier General Francis Marion Cockrell Chapter #84 of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars

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**Commander's Call...** Hope everyone had a Great Thanksgiving. It won't be long and Christmas will be here. Since we didn't have a meeting in November I hope everyone is looking forward to being together for our December 12 meeting. We will be voting on the Camp new BY-LAWS. Planning the January Banquet. A report on the Satellite Camp at Pilot Knob. And many more things. Plus the Speaker that will be there. His topic will be the Battle of Lexington, MO.

All Camp Meetings at the Community Commons/Spencer Road Library Room 240, at 1 PM. The address is 427 Spencer Road, St. Peters, MO 63376. It is just off Mexico Road and South of the new Menards Home Improvement Center. You can access Mexico Road from Interstate 70 by exiting either at Mid-Rivers Mall Drive and go south to Mexico Road, then East to Spencer Road or exit at Cave Springs and go South to Mexico Road and then West to Spencer Roads When you get to Spencer go south a few blocks to Boone Hills Drive. The Community Commons Building (427 Spencer Road) is located at the South-East corner of that intersection.

December's guest speaker..... Doug Gifford's

Doug's most recent book *Where Valor and Devotion Met: The Battle of Pilot Knob*, sells for \$15. He will have battlefield tour guides for Lexington, Pilot Knob, Shiloh, Fort Donelson, and Pea Ridge. They sell for \$10. He will also have "Proud Descendant of a Confederate Soldier" t-shirts and they sell for \$12. You can preview his books at his author page on [amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com/Douglas-L.-Gifford/e/B00MNSE9AO) at <http://www.amazon.com/Douglas-L.-Gifford/e/B00MNSE9AO>



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This will be the only tee shirts at Camp Meeting:



Bring your money or checkbook.

### Chaplains Corner....

As we enter the Christmas season, it is a special time to remember what our Southern soldiers went through at Christmas time away from their homes and families. They longed to be with their loved ones, but few were able to get furloughs to make the trip home.

At home, there were limited opportunities for food or gifts, especially as the war dragged on. Even fuel to stay warm became a hardship.

It was the joy of celebrating the birth of our Lord and Saviour... the one true gift they all could receive that was the focus of the holiday. Can't you just hear the soldiers singing carols around the campfire?

We lead a more hectic and complicated life today, but our focus for the holiday should still be the same as it was for our ancestors 150 years ago.

Duane Mayer

### MOSB Corner:

Compatriot's Chapter 84 has a number of projects for the coming year. We will host a drawing for the winning ticket for dues reimbursement for one lucky member at our Camp and Chapter meeting December 12.

We are raising money for a Veterans Marker to be placed in Calvary Cemetery at the head of 1st Lt. William T. Plumlee's grave. If you would like to donate

please forward a check payable to: Billy Ed Bowden -2182 Paige Marie Drive-  
Warrenton, MO 63383. 1st Lt Plumlee was a member of  
COMPANY A HENRY CLAY KING'S FIRST KENTUCKY BATTALION, CSA  
("King's Hell Hounds") & FIRST CONFEDERATE CAVALRY;

Also known as the Sixth Confederate Cavalry,

The Twelfth Confederate Cavalry, & Also the Sixteenth Confederate Cavalry  
COMPANY A of HENRY CLAY KING'S

FIRST KENTUCKY BATTALION, CSA ("King's Hell Hounds") Was originally organized as  
Company K, Twenty-first Tennessee Infantry, CSA

On June 13, 1861 at Jackson, TN Henry Clay King as Captain

And Were Known as the "Pillow Guards No. 2"

Plumlee, William T.: Bvt. 2 Lt./1 Lt.; enlisted 6/12/61 at Jackson, TN; appointed 1 Lt. 6/28/63 by  
order of Brig. Gen. Wharton; received \$680 pay 7/16/63; given leave 4/4/64; on May/June 1864  
Muster Roll listed as present; on Roll of POWs of Co. F, 3 & 7 KY Cavalry, CSA, commanded  
by Ed Crossland, surrendered at Citronelle, AL, by Lt. Gen. Taylor, CSA, to Maj. Gen. Canby,  
USA, 5/4/65 and paroled at Columbus, MS 5/16/65; Parole of Honor at Columbus, MS 5/16/65  
as 1 Lt., 3 & 7 Ky Reg.

Born December 20, 1836 in KY; died July 14, 1920 at St. Louis, St. Louis County, MO; buried  
Sec. 6, Lot 18, Calvary Cemetery, St. Louis, St. Louis County, MO; brother of James T. and  
Joseph H. Plumlee, and first cousin of Thomas C. Davidson, all of Co. A; son of Samuel M. &  
Vienna (Davidson) Plumlee; husband of Cecelia (Duvane) Plumlee; 1860 McCr. Co., KY,  
Census: bp. KY, age 23, clerk.

MO Pension Application # 2522, St. Louis Co., 7-15-1915; Certificate # 1709: Approved.

The General Francis Marion Cockrell Chapter 84 have for a donation

3" by 5" stickers. The cost is \$2.00 each. I have 80 Missouri

State Guard Stickers and 150 Missouri Battle Flag stickers. If you are

interested please submit a check made payable to:

Major James Morgan Utz Camp 1815 and a self - addressed stamped  
envelope. Send to Billy Ed Bowden - 2182 Paige Marie Drive - Warrenton, MO 63383

I was unable to attend the Missouri Society MOSB annual "Secession Day Dinner"  
because of our expected participation in the Florissant Veterans Day Parade. The  
Scalawag mayor of Florissant pulled his carpetbagger plug on our participation by  
announcing that we could not use our Confederate Flags in the parade.

A special thanks to Mary Hause for selling stickers at the Secession Day Dinner. By all  
that I have heard the Dinner was a great success and the speaker was outstanding.

A special thanks to Society Commander Larry Yeatmen and Commander Dale Wisemen.

I wish to thank Commander Travis Archie of the Campbell Camp 2252 for finding the  
below article about Missouri's Secession from the inglorious Union in the "Nashville Patriot".

The meeting of the Missouri State Legislature which passed the ordinance, of secession at  
Neosho the 2nd inst., was well attended a full quorum being present, including twenty three  
members of the upper, and Seventy Seven of the lower house . Nineteen of the former and  
sixty eight of the latter constitute a quorum.

The ordinance was passed unanimously, and without, a dissenting voice. It was dispatched to  
Richmond by a special messenger to the President, leaving Memphis yesterday morning en -  
route.

You can see this on the Computer at Missouri Secession- Daily Nashville patriot.. November  
21 1861.pdf. Then click on Daily Nashville patriot. (Nashville, TN) 1860-1862 you will be on  
November 21 1860 go to right above the image you will see all issues click there. On left hand

side you will see Issues for 1860 click on 1860 click on 1861 then click on November 21 1861. Click on 2<sup>nd</sup> page look at 4<sup>th</sup> column Just below Head line that says THE EMEY RETREATING NORTHWARD. The 7<sup>th</sup> paragraph down is where it begins. Most of the 4<sup>th</sup> Column is about Missouri.

## Heritage Defense...

What can I say or write about our heritage defense that we don't already know? What a year it has been, and continues. One wonders about our national government, its politics, its wars, its possible conspiracies, etc., etc., yet it's that same government who's favor we must seek as an organization. How do we handle that obvious contradiction? I can think of a couple of suggestions. (1) Voting. Be careful who you vote for, locally, statewide and nationally, and if possible, ask candidates before election - day how they stand on issues that are important to us. (2) Recruit. We've been advised that nationally there are between 50 and 80 million Americans with Confederate ancestry living today. Check not only your immediate family but also your greater, extended family, as well as friends and relations coast to coast, make them aware of our organization and of our website and encourage them to join. It's very possible that in time we could thereby form a significant voting bloc especially if we emphasize friends and relatives in key electoral - college states, such as CA, FL, TX, PA, NY, OH and IL. From the standpoint of a central, imperialist and all controlling national government, we may be in more trouble today than were our ancestors in 1860, but we may be in a better position to do something about it than they were, if we'll only try.

Bob Arnold

## Camp Calendar....

December 12<sup>th</sup> – Utz Camp Meeting 1:00 PM

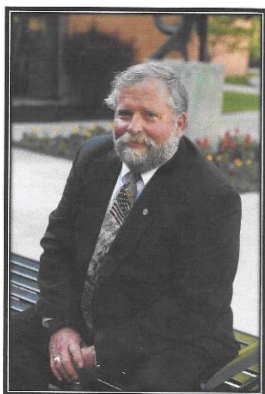
December 19<sup>th</sup> - Pilot Knob Satellite Camp Meeting Lunch at the Pasta House 12:30  
931 Valley Creek Drive Farmington MO. Meeting at 2:00 at the Farmington Fire  
Station 104 W. Harrison St. Farmington, MO. 63640.

January 9<sup>th</sup> – Camp Banquet and Camp Meeting. Time and place to be determined.

January 9. The Camp Banquet and Meeting.



**2016 Lee Jackson Dinner**  
**January 16, 2016**  
 Inn at Grand Glaize  
 Osage Beach, Missouri  
 Social Time Begins At 5:30 p.m.  
 Dinner Begins At 6:30 p.m.



**Guest Speaker**

**James Pasley**  
**Professor of History**  
**Columbia College**

**Subject Will Be:**

*The Confederate  
 Flag Controversy  
 And  
 The Battle of  
 "Monday Hollow"*

**You Won't Want To Miss This One!**



**Missouri Division**  
**Sons of Confederate Veterans**  
**2016 Lee Jackson Dinner**  
**Reservation Form**



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

Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (\$30 per person)

Please send reservation and payment to:

Paul Lawrence - Adjutant  
 Missouri Division - SCV  
 280 North West 75<sup>th</sup> Rd.  
 Centerview, MO 64019

Make checks payable to: Missouri Division - SCV

Special Room Rate for those staying at the Inn at Grand Glaize Hotel/Resort:  
 \$68.00 + tax

Inn at Grand Glaize  
 5141 Hwy. 54  
 P.O. Box 969  
 Osage Beach, MO 65065

Call the Inn at Grand Glaize direct at: 1-800-348-4731 and mention "SCV Rate".

Registration Deadline is January 10, 2016, please get reservations in early!  
 Any questions contact Darrell Maples at: (573) 635-8815  
 email: [pvtmaple@embarqmail.com](mailto:pvtmaple@embarqmail.com)

A quote that every Soldier and Compatriot should live by.

*"Do you duty in all things. You cannot do more, you should never wish to do less"*

General Robert E. Lee

*The Sons of Confederate Veterans Charge.*

*"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit the vindication of the cause for which we fought; to your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations."*

General Stephen Dill Lee

**My Confederate Ancestor....**



RICK GREY MY CONFEDERATE ANCESTOR IS ROBERT "ETHELDRED" CROSS. HE WAS BORN ON APRIL 25 1830 IN NORTH CAROLINA. HE MUSTERED IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY ON JULY 17 1861 IN ABINGADON, VIRGINIA. AS A PRIVATE IN COMPANY K 48<sup>TH</sup> REGIMENT VIRGINIA INFANTRY. ROBERT WAS APPOINTED 2<sup>ND</sup> LIEUTENANT IN COMPANY K ON APRIL 21 1862. AND LATER BECAME A 1<sup>ST</sup> LIEUTEANT. ON AUGUST 11 1862 HE WAS ADMITTED TO GENERAL HOSPITAL IN CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA FOR A GUNSHOT WOUND HE NEVER RETURNED TO ACTIVE DUTY ON SEPTEMBER 13 1862 HE WAS SENT TO THE GENERAL HOSPITAL IN LYNCHBURG VIRGINIA. ON OCTOBER 1 1863 HE TENDERED HIS RESIGNATION. IT'S BELIVED THAT HE LOST A LIMB. HE MARRIED 1<sup>ST</sup> MARGARET ANN LOCKRIDGE IN 1864. HE MARRIED ROCHELLE FRAETAS IN 1873. ROBERT PASSED AWAY JANUARY 15 1904 PORTSMOUTH, PORTSMOUTH CITY, VIRGINIA HE IS BURIED IN PORTLOCK CEMETERY IN PORTSMOUTH, PORTSMOUTH CITY, VIRGINIA.

The 48TH Virginia Infantry was organized in September, 1861 and contained units from Scott, Washington, Smyth, Russell, and Lee counties. It was mustered into Confederate service in Abingdon, Virginia on September 30. The unit was reorganized on April 21, 1861 and its term of service was extended to three years.

The 48TH Virginia Infantry participated in the following engagements:

Operations in the Valley District and against Romney, W. Va.

November 4, 1861 -- February 21, 1862 -- Operations in the Shenandoah Valley

May 15 - June 17, 1862 --Operations against Harper's Ferry, W. Va.

May 24 - May 30, 1862 -- Engagement, Middletown, Va. May 24, 1862

Action, Newtown, Va. May 24, 1862 -- Engagement, Winchester, Va.

May 25, 1862 -- Battle, Cross Keys (Union Church), Va.

June 8, 1862 --Engagement, Port Republic, Va. June 8 - June 9, 1862 -- Seven Days

Battles June 25 - July 1, 1862 -- Battle, Gaines Mill, Cold Harbor, Chickahominy June

27, 1862 -- Battle, Malvern Hill, Crew's Farm (Poindexter's Farm), Va. July 1, 1862--

Battle, Cedar Mountain, Slaughter's Mountain, Cedar Run, Southwest Mountain,

Mitchell's Station, Va. August 9, 1862 -- Campaigning in Northern Virginia (Second

Bull Run Campaign) August 16 - September 2, 1862 --Action, Centreville, Va.

August 28, 1862 -- Battle, Groveton, Va. August 29, 1862 -- Battle, Second Bull Run,

Manassas, Groveton Heights, Va. August 30, 1862 --Engagement, Chantilly (Ox Hill), Va.

September 1, 1862 -- Maryland Campaign September 6 - September 22, 1862 --

Battle, Antietam (Sharpsburg), Md. --September 16 - September 17, 1862 --

Operations in Loudon, Fauquier, and Rappahannock Counties, Va. October 26 -

November 10, 1862 -- Battle, Fredericksburg, Va. December 12 - December 15, 1862-

- Chancellorsville Campaign April 27 - May 6, 1863 -- Battle, Chancellorsville, Va.

May 1 - May 5, 1863 -- Gettysburg Campaign June 3 - August 1, 1863 --

Battle,Gettysburg, Pa. July 1 - July 3, 1863 -- Mine Run Campaign November 26 -

December 2, 1863 -- Engagement, Payne's Farm, Va. November 27, 1863 --

Wilderness Campaign May 4 - June 12, 1864 – Battle Wilderness, VA. May 5 - May 7, 1864 -- Combat, Craig's Meeting House, Va. May 5, 1864 -- Battles, Spottsylvania Court House, Laurel Hill, Ny River, Fredericksburg Road, Va.  
May 8 - May 21, 1864 -- Operations on the line of the North Anna River, Va.  
May 22 - May 26, 1864 -- Operations on the line of the Pamunkey River, Va.  
May 26 - May 28, 1864 -- Operations on the line of the Totopotomoy River, Va.  
May 28 - May 31, 1864 -- Battles about Cold Harbor, Va. June 1 - June 12, 1864 -- Battle, Bethesda Church, Va. June 1 - June 3, 1864 -- Engagement, Lynchburg, Va.  
June 17 - June 18, 1864 -- Engagement, Maryland Heights, Md. June 6 - June 7, 1864 Battle, Monocacy, Md. July 9, 1864 -- Wilderness Campaign May 4 - June 12, 1864 -- Battle, Wilderness, Va. May 5 - May 7, 1864 --Combat, Craig's Meeting House, Va. May 5, 1864 -- Battles, Spottsylvania Court House, Laurel Hill, Ny River, Fredericksburg Road, Va. May 8 - May 21, 1864 --Operations on the line of the North Anna River, Va. May 22 - May 26, 1864 -- Operations on the line of the Totopotomoy River, Va. May 28 - May 31, 1864 -- Battles about Cold Harbor, Va. June 1 - June 12, 1864 -- Action, Fort Stevens and along the Northern Defenses of Washington, DC July 11 - July 12, 1864 -- Engagement, Kernstown (Winchester), Va. July 24, 1864 -- Sheridan's Campaign in the Shenandoah Valley August 7 -November 28, 1864 -- Action, Toll Gate near White Post, Va. August 11, 1864 -- Battle, Opequan, Winchester, Va. September 19, 1864 --Battle, Fisher's Hill, Woodstock, Va. September 22, 1864 -- Battle, Cedar Creek, Middletown, Belle Grove, Va. October 19, 1864 -- Siege Operations against Petersburg and Richmond, Va. December 7, 1864 - April 2, 1865 --Battle, Dabney's Mills, Hatcher's Run, Armstrong's Mills, Rowanty Creek, and Vaughan Road, Va.  
February 5 - February 7, 1865 -- Assault, Fort Stedman, Va. March 25, 1865 Appomattox Campaign March 28 - April 9, 1865 -- Engagement, Sailor's Creek, Va. April 6, 1865 -- Engagement, Rice's Station, Va. April 6, 1865 -- Engagement, High Bridge, Va. April 7, 1865 -- Engagement, Farmville, Va. April 7, 1865-- Engagement, Clover Hill, Appomattox Court House, Va. -- Surrender, Appomattox Court House, Va. April 9, 1865.

**We are looking for a volunteer to be editor of this newsletter all interested Camp Members should contact Dave Roper at 618-304-7758 or email [daveroper166@gmail.com](mailto:daveroper166@gmail.com)**



