



The Border Star

Official Publication of the Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri
"Studying the Border War and Beyond"

THIS WEEK IN THE WAR: On June 11, 1861, a meeting was held at the Planter's House hotel between Missouri Gov. Claiborne F. Jackson, Gen. Sterling Price, Nathaniel Lyon, and Frank Blair. When told he would not be allowed to enlist troops in Missouri, Lyons concluded by saying, "This means war. In an hour one of my officers will call for you and conduct you out of my lines."

June 2011

The Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

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2nd Wednesday of each month
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Villages of Jackson Creek
3980-A S. Jackson Drive
(lower level)
Independence, Missouri

Visitors Always Welcome!

Annual Dues

Individual ----- 15.00
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www.CWRTWM.org

President's Letter

Every once in a while I begin to question why I worry about, spend so much time on, get so frustrated with and sometimes just want to give up on the preservation of the Little Blue Battlefield. Then I read the following quote from Ed Bearss.

"Battlefields are special places, where ordinary people become extraordinary. They don't ask for the attention, and most are motivated to serve by the most basic of instincts – patriotic love and respect for their country. Soldiers serve and move on; their contributions often remembered by nothing more than a certificate or a mass-produced medal. They move on to other things, some physically scarred and mentally scarred. None know but them and their families. All we have to remind us of their often nameless sacrifice is the battlefield and the interpretation of it."

It then becomes clear again, the why. Long after a soldier has left us, we often have only two tangible pieces of evidence that reminds of the sacrifice that was made...the battlefield and the graveyard. I go to battlefields and I am transported in my mind back to the time that made this piece of ground important. I see the human struggle.

Preservation of battlefields must never be done to glorify the acts of destruction that took place. I agree with Ed Bearss; we must preserve the battlefield as a suitable memorial to the human struggle that took place there. Battlefields are our link to understanding the greater struggle of ideals, our link to the very human sacrifice that a soldier offers to their comrades in arms and to us the recipients of their valor and sacrifice.

Sunday morning I was watching a program on the manufacture of military headstones. I began to think about the many unknown soldiers that have fallen in our nations battles and in particular the unknowns of the Civil War. What do we remember of them? We don't know their name, unit, death date, which side, hometown or if they had a family. We only know that they died on a battlefield. They died fighting for a cause. The only tangible remembrance we possess besides a tombstone inscribed "Unknown" is the hallowed ground they died on. That is why we preserve battlefields. Not just to study troop movements, but to remember those who died there. I will never understand a battlefield in the same manner a soldier does. I do understand the sacrifice made there. I do know the importance of preserving that battlefield so that future generations can look upon it and remember the soldiers that fought there.

~Mike Calvert, President, Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

Use of Code for Entrance and Exit at the Villages of Jackson Creek

Our meeting place is very generously provided by the Villages of Jackson Creek, an Independence assisted living and nursing care facility. We meet in the eastern wing of the building which is occupied by the assisted living clients. In the evening the front doors are secured and can only be accessed by the keypad with the code **1207***. When you leave after the meeting, please be sure to utilize the keypad rather than forcing the doors open. Once you have entered **1207***, you will need to stand directly in front of the doors to activate them. If you have a problem, you can call Beverly on her cell phone number (816) 225-7944 to ask for assistance.

CWRTWM Calendar

June 2011 Membership Meeting

Wednesday, June 8, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Villages of Jackson Creek (lower level),
3980-A S. Jackson Drive, Independence, MO
Jim Beckner: “The Importance of Missouri in the
Civil War in 1861.”

June 2011 Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 15, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Home of Beverly Shaw, 17313 E. 51st Terr. Court,
Independence, MO.

Battle of Blue Mills Landing

Saturday, June 11, 2011 – 11:00 a.m. Truman
Library, 500 W. U.S. 24 Highway, Independence,
MO. Jay Jackson, local historian and reenactor
shares the story of the battle south of Liberty which
lasted only one hour but saw 126 casualties and
solidified the Confederate influence in northwestern
Missouri. The program will include a display of
Civil War uniforms, guns, and other clothing of the
period. The Round Table is sponsoring this
“Talkin’ Truman” program so we appreciate your
attendance. Admission to the Library is \$8 for
adults, \$7 for seniors 65 and older, \$3 for children
6-15 and free for children 5 and under. You will also
have an opportunity to see the original George
Caleb Bingham painting of “Order No. 11” on loan
from the State Historical Society of Missouri.

Other Civil War Events

Civil War Medical and Undertaker Demonstrations

Friday, June 3, 2011 – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Wornall
House, 146 W. 61st Terr., Kansas City, MO. Dr.
Mike Monoco will describe common medical
techniques and practices and Lee Ward will talk
about undertaking of the period. Wine and Cheese.
Free. RSVP to (816) 444-1858.

History Channel Civil War Programs

Saturday, June 4, 2011 – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. – “Lee
and Grant”; 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – “Gettysburg-A New
Look at the Civil War.”

Civil War Medical Reenactment Day

Saturday, June 4, 2011 – 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.,
Wornall House, 146 W. 61st Terr., Kansas City,
MO. The Wornall House was used as a hospital for
both sides during the Battle of Westport. Come see

actors portraying doctors, nurses, civilians, and
soldiers. Medically themed exhibits throughout the
mansion and the grounds. Free.

Confederate Memorial Day

Saturday, June 4, 2011 – 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Memorial
Service. Confederate Veterans Home Park and
Cemetery north of Higginsville, MO where 800
Americans are buried. Morning activities include a
program in the chapel at 11:00 a.m. about the 1911
Confederate Reunion in Lexington, MO, a walk in
the cemetery at 11:30 am with first person histories
and BBQ lunch at 12:15 p.m. or bring your own.

Historic Walking Tour of Liberty, Missouri

Saturday, June 4, 2011 – 10:00 a.m. Meet at the
parking lot at the corner of Franklin and Lightburne
St. A walking tour of the Jewell and Lightburne
Historic Districts led by Chris Harris.

Rolla, Missouri Sesquicentennial

Saturday, June 4, 2011 – Morning activities will
include a parade and official ceremonies at the
festival band shelter near City Hall. In the
afternoon there will be a Civil War reenactment at
the Old Courthouse featuring the secession debate
in the circuit courtroom, living history displays, and
the arrival of Union troops to occupy the strategic
railhead.

Medicine in the American Civil War

Sunday, June 5, 2011 – 3:30 p.m. - Reception, 4:00
p.m. - Program Plaza Library, 4801 Main Street,
Kansas City, MO. David Meyers is a member of the
Society of Civil War Surgeons and examines
surgical techniques as well as the predominance of
disease as a cause of death. RSVP to (816) 701-
3407.

Abraham Lincoln, Vampire Hunter

Monday, June 6, 2011 – 5:00 p.m., Trails West
Library, 11401 E. 23rd Street, Independence, MO.
Seth Grahame-Smith’s take on Abraham Lincoln.
Book club discussion. RSVP to (816) 701-3483.

Kansas Women in the Civil War

Thursday, June 9, 2011 – 7:30 p.m. Mahaffie
Stagecoach Stop and Farm, 1200 E. Kansas City
Road, Olathe, KS. Diane Eickhoff examines the
role of women as nurses, cooks, clerks and factory
workers as well as soldiers and spies. Using

historical photographs and editorial cartoons, she challenges the stereotypical role of women in the war popularized by books such as *Gone with the Wind*.

Breakfast on the Trails

Saturday, June 11, 2011 – 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.
Bingham-Waggoner Estate, 313 W. Pacific Ave., Independence, MO. Hearty breakfast served from a real chuck wagon. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for youth 10 and under. Advance reservations are required by calling (816) 461-3491.

John Brown Visits Bushwhacker Museum

Saturday, June 11, 2011 – 2:00 p.m. Bushwhacker Museum on the Square at Nevada, Missouri. Come question John Brown's methods of ending slavery. Zerelda James will also make an appearance just before John Brown.

Hulston Mill Civil War Days

Saturday and Sunday, June 11-12, 2011. Hours are 9:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. on Sunday. Hulston Mill is off U.S. 160 between Everton and Greenfield. Admission: \$5 for adults. Children K-12 free with adult admission.

Mary Lobb Visits Blue Springs, Missouri

Sunday, June 12, 2011 – 2:00 p.m. Dillingham-Lewis Museum, 101 SW 15th Street, Blue Springs, MO. Barbara Hughes presents Mary Lobb in first person with PowerPoint and music. Mary Lobb experienced the Border Wars and Order No. 11.

Annual Clay County Picnic at Mt. Gilead Church

Sunday, June 12, 2011 – 11:00 a.m. Historic Mt. Gilead Church located west of Kearney on Highway 92 and north on Plattsburg Road. Annual picnic of the Clay County Historical Society. BBQ lunch on the grounds for \$15 (children under 12 free). Cash or check only. Program in air conditioned church after lunch. Mark Kelly will speak about the Dougherty family.

Robert E. Lee Before the Civil War

Tuesday, June 14, 2011 – 6:30 p.m. National Archives, 400 W. Pershing Road, Kansas City, MO. Dr. Ethan Rafuse: "Robert E. Lee before the Civil War." Rafuse is a professor of military history at the U. S. Army Command and General Staff College. To register for this free event, call (816) 268-8010

or visit www.kansascity.educate@nara.gov.

Reception at 6:00 p.m. preceding the lecture.

Missouri/Kansas Border War Network

Wednesday, June 15, 2011 – 6:30 p.m. Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop and Farm, 1200 E. Kansas City Road, Olathe, KS.

Wild Edibles

Thursday, June 16, 2011 – 9:00 a.m. Ripley Junction Park on E. Lexington Road, Independence, MO. Ted Stillwell will be talking about the Battle of the Little Blue at the site of our battlefield marker. After his talk the group will go for a guided walk to discover "wild edibles." Sponsored by the Burr Oak Conservation Center.

Freedom's Frontier Partners Meeting

Thursday, June 16, 2011 – 10:00 a.m. Carnegie Building, Lawrence, KS (new home of Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area).

Portraits of Conflict

Thursday, June 16, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. Missouri State Archives, 600 W. Main Street, Jefferson City, MO. William Piston and Thomas Sweeney tie period photographs to an overall narrative of the Civil War in Missouri.

Who Lived Here? (Friday Night Family Fun)

Friday, June 17, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. Plaza Library, 4801 Main Street, Kansas City, MO. Program about the reasons Chinese, African and Mexican people immigrated to Missouri in the mid-1800s and found themselves in the midst of a Civil War. Program includes games from the era and ends with a craft. Sponsored by the John Wornall House. RSVP to (816) 701-3407.

Antebellum Homes of Kansas City

Sunday, June 19, 2011 – 2:00 p.m. Plaza Library, 4801 Main Street, Kansas City, MO. Eric Bushnell: History of the Nathan Scarritt Home, the oldest frame house still standing in the Westport area at 4038 Central Street. RSVP to (816) 701-3407.

Women in Missouri During the Civil War

Tuesday, June 21, 2011 – 10:00 a.m. Midwest Genealogy Center, 3440 S. Lee's Summit Road, Independence, MO. Barbara Hughes portrays Laura

Flanery, a woman forced out of her home who walked to Texas. First person vignette, PowerPoint, music and historic replicas. RSVP to (816) 252-7228.

Jo Shelby Wedding Reenactment-Waverly, MO
Friday-Sunday, June 24-26, 2011 – See schedule.
Saturday, June 25, at 11:00 a.m. the wedding is reenacted at the Warren House with historical background by Jim Beckner and a reception following on the lawn.

Antebellum Homes of Kansas City
Sunday, June 26, 2011 – 2:00 p.m., Plaza Library, 4801 Main Street, Kansas City, MO. Tom Taylor reviews the history of the Alexander Majors House and the John B. Wornall House. RSVP to (816) 701-3407.

Civil War Stories
Tuesday, June 28, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. North Oak Library, 8700 N. Oak Street Trafficway, Kansas City, MO. A presentation of short genealogical stories along with personal photos which illustrate the Civil War era. RSVP to (816) 436-4385.

Civil War Round Table of Kansas City
Tuesday, June 28, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. (no dinner)
Plaza Library, 4801 Main Street, Kansas City, MO. John Hilmer, superintendent of Wilson's Creek National Battlefield, speaks of the upcoming reenactment in August 2011.

Preview of Coming Events

Annual Round Table Picnic
Wednesday, July 13, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. Lawn of the Lawson Moore House on Blue Mills Road. The Round Table provides fried chicken and beverages; others bring a potluck dish to share. John and Dianne Lehman will be playing Civil War era music. A special guest will be Rose Ann Findlen, author of *Missouri Star*, a new biography of Mattie Lykins Bingham and *Borderland Families*.

Tour to Lexington, Missouri
Saturday, October 8, 2011. The Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri and the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City are presenting a guided bus tour to Lexington, MO.

Missouri History Museum Solicits Civil War Stories

The Missouri History Museum in St. Louis, Missouri, is collecting stories related to the Civil War in Missouri. Stories will appear on the new website, www.civilwarmo.org. The story that you can submit can be about a battle or skirmish, the presence or absence of slavery in the community, response to emancipation, a contested local election, a visit by a noted politician, or a local event to raise money for relief. They would like your stories about a specific event related to the Civil War in Missouri. Please include the date, place, names of people involved, outcome of the event, and any other information you would like to see on the interactive online map that visitors to the website can explore.

Everyone who submits a story will receive two tickets to the upcoming exhibition, The Civil War in Missouri, opening in November 2011. You can submit stories on line by creating a Word document and send by E-mail to tgold@mohistory.org. If you don't have a computer, you can mail it to Missouri History Museum, Attn: Tami Goldman, P.O. Box 11940, St. Louis, MO 63112.

News About Members and Friends

We were sorry to learn of the death of **Marvin VanGilder**, our step-on guide for our trip to Carthage several years ago. We also recently read Brent Schondelmeyer's tribute to historian **Paul Nagel** who died on May 22, 2011 in Edina, MN. He wrote about the life of George Caleb Bingham and the Adams and Lee families.

Liz Murphy was honored on May 10th by the KC Convention and Visitors Association for a Gold Star award for her work with the James Farm. She has also been branching out to speak to senior citizen and civic groups about Clay County history.

The City of Independence is developing a new walking trail brochure on African-American history. The research committee of volunteer citizens and historians Included **Bill and Annette Curtis and Mike Calvert**.

The Round Table received a kind thank you dated May 16, 2011 from the George Historic Cemetery for the assistance **Mike Calvert** gave them in arranging a ground penetrating radar (GPR) study of their cemetery similar to what was done at the Jabez Smith Slave Cemetery.

CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY 2011
112th Anniversary of Supporting our Confederate Veterans
“Gone but never forgotten”

WHEN: Saturday, June 4, 2011, one day before Jefferson Davis' Birthday. Let's make the old Veterans proud. 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There will be Barbecue and drinks for sale or you may bring your own lunch. You will need to eat a little earlier than usual. Lightning, fierce rain or a tornado will be the only reasons to move into the Chapel.

WHAT: The annual Missouri Confederate Memorial Day observance, with emphasis on the 800 souls who are buried in the Higginsville Confederate Memorial State Site. Plus this year we will also be emphasizing the observance of the 100 year anniversary of the 1911 Lexington reunion. If you know of any relatives of those men let us know immediately. We have a list of those who registered. A man from Springfield, MO will share with us his reunion badge and picture collection.

WHERE: Just north of Higginsville, MO at the Confederate Memorial State Site. From I-70 go north on Highway 13, through Higginsville to AA and turn right (east). This site is under the control of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”). Allow extra time to see the new National Veterans Cemetery adjoining this site.

WHO MAY ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE: Any man, woman, or child who wishes to sincerely pay their respects to the 800 Confederates and their families that are buried here. These Southerners represent all those who participated in the “late, great unpleasantness.” They all suffered and sacrificed a great deal. The Memorial is open to all races, genders, creeds, religions, and residents from all states. It is respectfully requested that Northern state flags not be used. The American flag and all Southern flags, including the misused and misunderstood “Battle Flag” may be used. The more flags the better. We have had a great response from those wishing to participate but we want YOU so please call the coordinator as soon as possible. If you know of any children who might be interested in joining the Children of the Confederacy, call Raylene Cornine, (660) 859-2554. Everyone in attendance will be given a flower in memory of their ancestor.

WHY: Memorial Day is meant to be more than a three day weekend. The State of Missouri does not have an official Confederate Memorial date. The men at the Home tried to use the Sunday closest to Jefferson Davis' birthday on June 5th. We are trying to carry on that tradition. The Sons and the Daughters of Confederate Veterans are charged with “NOT FORGETTING.” Our Missouri site, which is in the top three in the country, is unique, special, and better preserved than most in the United States. Let's take advantage of this great facility. The 800 souls here deserve one day of our attention. If those of us with Southern heritage do not care, WHO WILL?

RULES:

1. All final decisions will be made by Jim Rehard, Director of Western Missouri DNR.
2. This is a MEMORIAL SERVICE not a forum for politics or political correctness.
3. The DNR does not allow black powder, modern weapons or ammunition of any kind on these grounds. ALL weapons are subject to inspection by Jim Beckner or any DNR employee. Do not let children of any age under 16 handle any kind of weapon. Cannons are welcome but can not be fired so do not bring the ammunition.

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PROGRAM

9:00 a.m. - Children of the Confederacy, MO State Meeting in Married Couple's Home

10:00 - Need a meeting time? Visit Vendors, friends, look at displays, Period Music.

10:30 - Chapel - Quantrill Society Meeting/Anyone else need half hour meeting time?

11:00 - Chapel - See and hear about the 1911 Confederate Reunion in Lexington, MO

11:30 - Walk through the Cemetery and hear first person accounts from nine of the people who are buried here

12:15 P.M. - Lunch - CMFA Barbeque or bring your own lunch

12:45 - Parade to the Cemetery

1:00 - Confederate Memorial Day Service - Parade enters

1:05 - Color Guard presents Colors, Pledge, Salute and Charges

1:10 - Welcome

1:15 - Invocation

1:18 - Recognition of Groups

1:21 - “Why we Gather”

1:23 - 3 Stories of real Confederate Heroes

1:35 - Responsive Reading

1:40 - Commander's Comments

1:45 - President's Comments

1:50 - Children of the Confederacy Comments

1:54 - Recognition of Confederate Ancestors - everyone

2:00 - “Dixie”

2:02 - Closing

2:04 - Benediction

2:06 - Retire Colors

STAY AS LONG AS YOU WANT AND PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY GOING HOME!

Hulston Mill Civil War Days '11

Historical Reenactment

Website: www.hulstonmillcivilwardays.com



**Skirmishes for the control of the Mill & Cabins
between the Union and Confederate forces.**

June 11 & 12, 2011



Photos by: Backlight Studios

**Near Hwy. 160 between Everton & Greenfield
(Watch for large sign and follow directions on signs.)**

Saturday 9:00 a.m. til 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. til 2:30 p.m.

**Tours of the Historic Grain Mill.
Battles throughout the day.
Civil War Period Lifestyle Demonstrations.
Civil War Period Sutler (Mercantile).**

Admission: \$5.00 for Adults Kids (K-12) Free with an Adult Admission.

THE BOONVILLE CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENT MESSENGER

First Battle of Boonville — Fought June 17, 1861



Harper's Weekly, Saturday, July 13, 1861 edition.

The Battle of Boonville, Missouri, sketched by Orlando C. Richardson

RE-ENACTMENT OF THE 150TH COMMEMORATION OF THE 1ST BATTLE OF BOONVILLE SCHEDULED

The Boonville Civil War Commemorative Commission, established by the Boonville City Council to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the 1st Battle of Boonville, has announced plans to conduct a re-enactment of that battle the weekend of June 17-19, 2011. The site of the re-enactment battle will be the Dr. Willard Avery farm on Rochepoint Road, just east of the Boonville City limits, and the location of the original Civil War battle. This turning point battle, although short in duration, ensured that the state of Missouri and the Missouri River would remain under Union control. It also provided that valuable human, agricultural and mineral resources would not come under the control of the Confederacy. The Boonville re-enactment will include exhibits,

authentic crafts, blacksmith, medical and cooking demonstrations, as well as Civil War period music and a Sunday church service. An education day for school children is scheduled for the afternoon of June 17th.

On Saturday, June 18th, Dr. Doug Scott, archaeologist from the University of Nebraska, will conduct a one-hour seminar, "Archaeological and Historical Investigations of the First Battle of Boonville". Other presentations will be made by Mr. William Berry and Mr. David Chuber. Authentic re-enactments of the First Battle of Boonville, plus cavalry battle demonstrations will occur during the afternoons of June 18th and 19th. Characters representing Generals Lyon and Marmaduke, as well as others, will also appear. The crowning event of the weekend will be a "night firing" demonstration on Saturday, June 18th. The event is being hosted by Collins

"Battery B" (C.S.). Major funding and assistance have been provided by the Boonville City Government and the Boonville

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Tourism Commission. A year-long schedule of monthly events, that began with the dedication of the first Civil War information panel on June 17, 2010, are preceding the June 2011 re-enactment.

For more information, contact Commission Co-chairs Barbara Holtzclaw (660-537-3776), Deborah Marshall (660-882-5335), Dr. Maryellen McVicker (660-621-2105), or Site Commander, John Holtzclaw (660-537-4000).

WEBSITES: GoBoonville.com or BoonvilleDailyNews.com

MCWRA VOTES BOONVILLE RE-ENACTMENT TO BE A “MAXIMUM EFFORT” EVENT

Members of the Boonville Civil War Commemorative Commission, including Co-chairs Barbara Holtzclaw, Deborah Marshall, and Dr. Maryellen McVicker, plus Site Commander, John Holtzclaw, made a presentation to the Missouri Civil War Re-enactors Association (MCWRA) during their semi-annual meeting August 21, 2010, seeking “Maximum Effort” status for the 150th Anniversary Commemoration of the 1st Battle of Boonville Re-enactment to be held June 17-19, 2011 on the Dr. Willard Avery farm on Rocheport Road, just east of Boonville.

The association voted unanimously to grant “Maximum Effort” status for this event, and the president-elect, Jim England, stated that the 1st Battle of Boonville Re-enactment should be the premier Missouri re-enactment event for 2011.

The MCWRA was organized in 1961 by re-enactors, who saw the need to set up a structured organization in response to the growing number of re-enactors portraying the history of our country from 1861-1865, and to better serve potential sponsors wanting to have living history events. Since its inception, MCWRA has been incorporated in the state of Missouri as a non-profit corporation. The association is guided by a set of rules and by-laws and is governed by a Board of Directors, and policies are voted upon by its general membership. Hosting the Boonville Civil War Re-enactment will be Collins “Battery B” (C.S.) of Jefferson City, MO.

To participate as a re-enactor in this event, contact Dick Peerson (573-659-6989).

IMPORTANCE OF MISSOURI IN THE CIVIL WAR

Missouri’s crucial importance to both the Union and the Confederacy at the outset of the Civil War was evident. At that time, Missouri had strategic control of the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers, and to some extent the mouth of the Ohio River. In addition, the nation’s major western lines of communication and transportation began in Missouri (Pony Express and the Califor-

nia, Oregon and Santa Fe Trails). Missouri was also rich in agricultural resources for food production and raw materials needed for manufacturing and fighting the war; especially lead for bullets and iron for cannonballs. And, according to the 1860 U.S. census, Missouri ranked eighth in population, making it an excellent manpower resource for either the Union or Confederate armies.

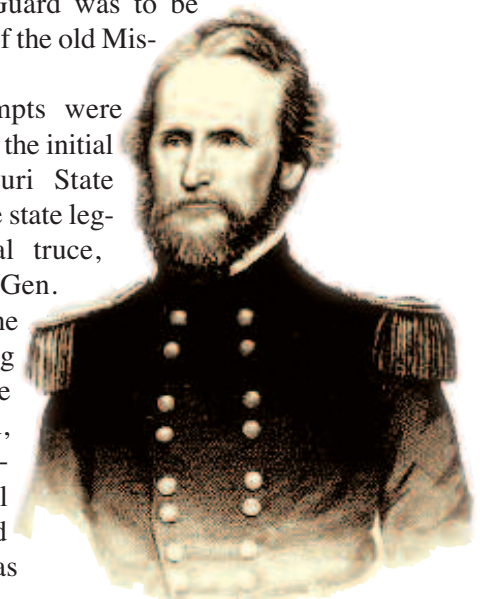
BACKGROUND TO MISSOURI’S CIVIL WAR

Like many border states at the beginning of the Civil War, Missouri was deeply divided between pro-Union and pro-Secessionist supporters. Claiborne F. Jackson, the state’s pro-Southern governor, wanted Missouri to secede from the Union and join the Confederacy, but the elected State Convention did not pass a secession ordinance in March 1861. However, pro-secessionists were still determined to have Missouri secede from the Union. On April 20, 1861, southern sympathizers seized the small Federal armory in Liberty, Missouri, and were planning to confiscate a much larger supply of weapons at the St. Louis Arsenal. The plot was thwarted by Captain Nathaniel Lyon, a young, energetic officer, who had allied himself with local pro-Union politicians and anti-slavery German immigrants in St. Louis, and secured the arsenal for the Union on April 29th. After Lyon and mostly German Union militia groups captured the Missouri State Guard as they drilled at nearby Camp Jackson on May 10, 1861, a deadly riot erupted as Lyon marched the prisoners through the streets of St. Louis. With pro-southern sentiments inflamed, the Missouri Legislature promptly passed a bill on May 11th creating the Missouri State Guard, with Sterling Price as its major general. The Guard was to be formed from elements of the old Missouri State Militia.

Reconciliation attempts were made by both sides, and the initial call-up of the Missouri State Guard was halted by the state legislature. An informal truce, signed May 30th by Gen. William S. Harney of the U.S. Army and Sterling Price, commander of the Missouri State Guard, was disrupted after Lincoln removed General Harney and appointed Nathaniel Lyon as brigadier general and head of all U.S. troops in Missouri.

Lyon’s angry vow to kill every man, woman and child in the state before compromising his right to operate against Missouri Rebels as he saw fit inflamed pro-secessionists.

From St. Louis, Governor Jackson and General Price fled to-



Brig. General Nathaniel Lyon (U.S.)

ward the capital at Jefferson City, arriving there on June 12, 1861. Hoping to seize the capital and disperse the State Guard, General Lyon, with a company of U.S. regulars, two Federal volunteer regiments (approx.. 1,700 men) and a battery of artillery, pursued Jackson, Price and the State Guard by steamboat.

After reaching Jefferson City and concluding that the state capital was too pro-Union to defend, Gov. Jackson and Gen. Price ordered their volunteers to muster at either Boonville or Lexington. They departed for Boonville on the 13th where they hoped to gain time to amass and train an army capable of holding Missouri for the Confederacy. Price planned to withdraw from Boonville if Lyon approached.

State Guard Colonel, John S. Marmaduke, began organizing his unit at Boonville, while Brig. Gen. Mosby M. Parsons was instructed to take up a position twenty miles to the south in Tipton.

Due to illness, Sterling Price left Boonville to join the forces assembling at Lexington. This left Governor Jackson, a politician, in charge of Boonville forces. He feared political repercussions if another de-

cision to withdraw against Union forces was made. Many of his men were eager to face the enemy, but were poorly equipped and lacked sufficient training. Col. Marmaduke was opposed to making a stand against Union forces at Boonville, but he reluctantly assumed command of the state forces.

Meanwhile, General Lyon reached Jefferson City on June 16th. Learning that Jackson, Price and the Missouri State Guard had retreated to Boonville, he left 300 Federal troops to secure the capital and resumed steamboat pursuit of the pro-secessionists. On June 17th, he landed about eight miles below Boonville. Jackson, learning of Lyon's approach, attempted to call up Parson's troops from Tipton, but they failed to arrive in time.

THE FIRST BATTLE OF BOONVILLE — JUNE 17, 1861

The First Battle of Boonville took place on June 17, 1861. It was the first land battle of the Civil War to take place in the U.S. and Missouri. Nicknamed "The Boonville Races," this small battle, or skirmish, was the first battle to be fought west of the Allegheny Mountains. It occurred before the 1st Battle of Bull Run, the first major land battle of the Civil War, fought near Manassas Virginia (July 21, 1861).

Fearing that enemy artillery was emplaced on the bluffs near Boonville, Lyon disembarked his troops around 7:00 a.m. on June 17, 1861. Lyon's troops marched two miles along the flood plain on the Rocheport Road where the road began a gradual rise into

the surrounding river hills. As Lyon's forces started to ascend the hills, they encounter MO State Guard pickets, who opened fire. Lyon deployed skirmishers and continued to push his men forward rapidly.

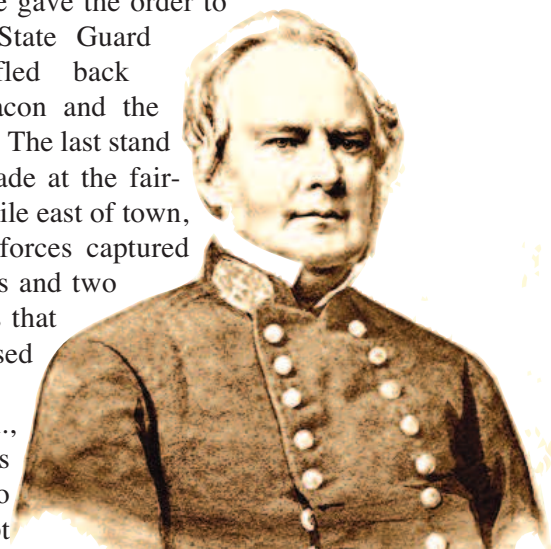
About a mile to the west, 400 to 500 ill-equipped and untrained State Guardsmen, under the command of Col. John S. Marmaduke and with no artillery support, awaited Lyon's approach. Governor Jackson, along with Captain Kelly's best organized unit, watched from a mile or so away and would take no part in the battle. Marmaduke had urged Gov. Jackson to move his forces farther south and make a stand at Warsaw, where battle with the Union forces would be more favorable to the Southerners, and they could launch a campaign to drive the Federals from the state. Jackson, however, wanted to offer resistance and refused to depart from Boonville.

The main portion of the battle occurred at approximately 8:00 a.m. Southern troops were stationed along a lane that intersected with Rocheport Rd., about a mile west of where the pickets first fired on the Union troops. On the northeast corner of this intersection was the Adam's house, a two-story, brick structure, behind which was a wheat field. Concealing themselves behind the house, its outbuildings and fences and in a thicket of woods, the state forces hoped to easily pour fire into the exposed ranks of the Federal troops. However, a brisk shelling of the pro-southern troops by Lyon's artillery, under the command of Capt. Totten, quickly displaced sharpshooters stationed in the Adams house, while Union infantry closed with the line of guardsmen. They fired several volleys into them, causing them to fall back across the fences and through the wheat field and onto a ridge. Attempts to rally and resist the Federal advance collapsed when a Union company, supported by a siege howitzer on one of Lyon's riverboats, flanked the Guard's line.

The fighting had lasted barely 20 minutes.

Col. Marmaduke gave the order to retreat, and the State Guard troops hastily fled back through Camp Bacon and the town of Boonville. The last stand of defense was made at the fairgrounds, about a mile east of town, where the Union forces captured two artillery pieces and two six-pound cannons that had never been used in the battle.

By 11:00 a.m., General Lyon was riding into Boonville to accept the surrender of the town from a local delegation of citizens. At the same time, Gov. Jackson was exiting the other end of town and heading to southwest Missouri to link up with Gen. Price and his troops, who were evacuating Lexington



Maj. Gen. Sterling Price (MSG)

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at the same time.

During the short-lived battle, three Missouri Guardsmen were killed, and five to nine were wounded, while the federal toll came to five killed and seven wounded. Total captured were 81 (US 31; MSG 50). Lyon's victory denied Jackson and Price control of the state and the chance that Missouri would easily be brought into the Southern Confederacy. Jackson's was now a government in exile, fleeing towards the Arkansas border. Control of the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers remained in Union hands.

OTHER BOONVILLE BATTLES

Following the June 17, 1861 battle, Boonville served as the site for three other Civil War engagements--none as significant as the first battle. These were the:

SECOND BATTLE OF BOONVILLE — Fought on Sep-


tember 13, 1861, when Colonel William Brown of the Missouri State Guard led 800 men in an attack on 140 pro-Union Boonville Home Guardsmen while the Union soldiers were eating breakfast. Due to rain, the Confederates wrapped their flags in black sheathing, which the Home Guard mistook as a sign of no quarter. Spurred on by their fear of death, the Home Guardsmen managed to defeat the State Guard troops, killing Colonel Brown in the process.

THIRD BATTLE OF BOONVILLE — Fought on October 11, 1863, during Shelby's Great Raid. It saw General Joseph Shelby's troops engage Union forces in the town. When Federal reinforcements arrived the next day, the Confederates retreated westward.

FOURTH BATTLE OF BOONVILLE — Fought October 11, 1864, between Unionists and elements of General Sterling Price's Army of Missouri, who had occupied the town. This skirmish resulted in a Confederate victory, although Price's forces abandoned the town the following day.



Departure of General Lyon and his command from Boonville for the Arkansas border. Harper's Weekly illustration by O.C Richardson, July 27, 1861 issue,



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

150th Anniversary Commemoration

First Battle of Boonville Civil War

Re-Enactment June 17-19, 2011

THURSDAY, JUNE 16TH

8:00-10:00 PM Media Event/Open to the Public
On-Site Reception, Mayor's Welcome,
Military/Maneuvers/Drills, Night Firing

FRIDAY, JUNE 17TH

9:00AM-10:00 PM Registration and Camp Set Up/Dr. Avery
Farm Battle Site

11:00AM-NOON Opening Ceremonies/Mayor's Proclama-
tion — 150th Anniversary Commemora-
tion 1st Battle of Boonville/Hain House
Garden

NOON-1:00 PM "Brown Bag" Lunch/Hain House Garden
— Sanford Lee's "The Great American
Medicine Show" Entertainment

1:00-4:00 PM On-Site Education Program for Students
(Living History Demonstrations, Presen-
tations & Performances)

6:00-10:00 PM Coffee, Tea and Dessert for
the Re-enactors

7:30-9:00 PM Chris Edwards' Multimedia Presentation
on the Life of "Bloody Bill" Anderson.
Program Includes Narration, Contempo-
rary and Traditional Music, Plus Visu-
als/Thespian Hall

SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH

7:00 AM Reveille in Campsites

8:00 AM All Vehicles Out of Camp

9:00 AM Registration Closed for Re-enactors
Officers Call — Collins "Battery B"
Camp

9:00 AM-5:00 PM Camps Open to the Public. Sutlers Open
for Business.

9:00-10:00 AM Mr. William Berry "Missouri at the
Opening of the Civil War"

9:00 AM-NOON Regimental Cavalry, Infantry and Ar-
tillery Drills

10:00 AM Living History Exhibits Open
(Demonstrations by Blacksmith, Medical
Units, Crafters, Period Cooks, Photogra-
phers, Etc.)

10:00 AM-NOON Children's Games/Activities

10:00-11:00 AM Mr. David Chuber "Civil War Medicine"

10:30-11:30 AM Ladies' Tea and Social

11:00 AM-NOON Dr. Doug Scott "Archaeological and His-
torical Investigations of the 1st Battle of
Boonville

NOON-1:00 PM Lunch Break: Food Available from Vari-
ous Vendors/Open 10:00 A.M. to Closing

NOON-1:00 PM Sanford Lee's "The Great American
Medicine Show" Entertainment
Presentations and Exhibits at the
Events' Tent

12:45-1:00 PM Welcome/Description of the 1st Battle of
Boonville by Generals Nathaniel Lyon
(US) and J.S. Marmaduke (MSG)

1:00-1:30 PM Units Form for Inspection and Presenta-
tion of Colors

1:30-2:00 PM 1st Battle of Boonville Re-enactment
(Historically Presented)

2:00-3:00 PM Cavalry Demonstrations and Civil War
Battle

3:00-3:30 PM "Pass and Review" Parade

3:30-4:00 PM Meet the Re-enactors

4:00-5:00 PM	Officers' Reception/Collins "Battery B" Camp
5:00 PM	Barbecue for Re-enactors
5:00 PM-CLOSING	Food Vendors Open to Public
5:00-7:00 PM	Civil War Music/Dave and Cathy Barton Para
7:00-9:30 PM	Civil War Music and Dance/Musical Group TBD
9:30-10:00 PM	"Night Firing" Event/Cannon Demonstrations
10:00-11:00 PM	Civil War Music and Dance Continues
MIDNIGHT	Lights Out/Quiet Time

SUNDAY, JUNE 19TH

7:00 AM	Reveille in Campsites
9:00 AM-3:00 PM	Camps Open to Public
9:00 AM	Officers' Call/Collins "Battery B" Camp
9:00 AM-10:00 AM	Period Church Service/Open to Public
10:00 AM-NOON	Living History Exhibits, Medical Demonstrations, Children's Activities, Sutlers' Wares

11:30 AM-NOON	Regimental Drills
NOON-1:00 PM	Lunch Break/Food Vendors Open 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Sanford Lee's "The Great American Medicine Show"
12:30-1:00 PM	Re-enactors Prepare for Battle
12:45-1:00 PM	Welcome/ Description of the 1st Battle of Boonville by Generals Lyon and Mar-maduke
1:00-1:30 PM	1st Battle of Boonville Re-enactment (Historically Presented)
1:30-2:30 PM	Cavalry Demonstrations and Civil War Battle
2:30-3:00 PM	"Pass and Review" Parade
3:00 PM	Break Camp and Clean Up of Areas Before Leaving

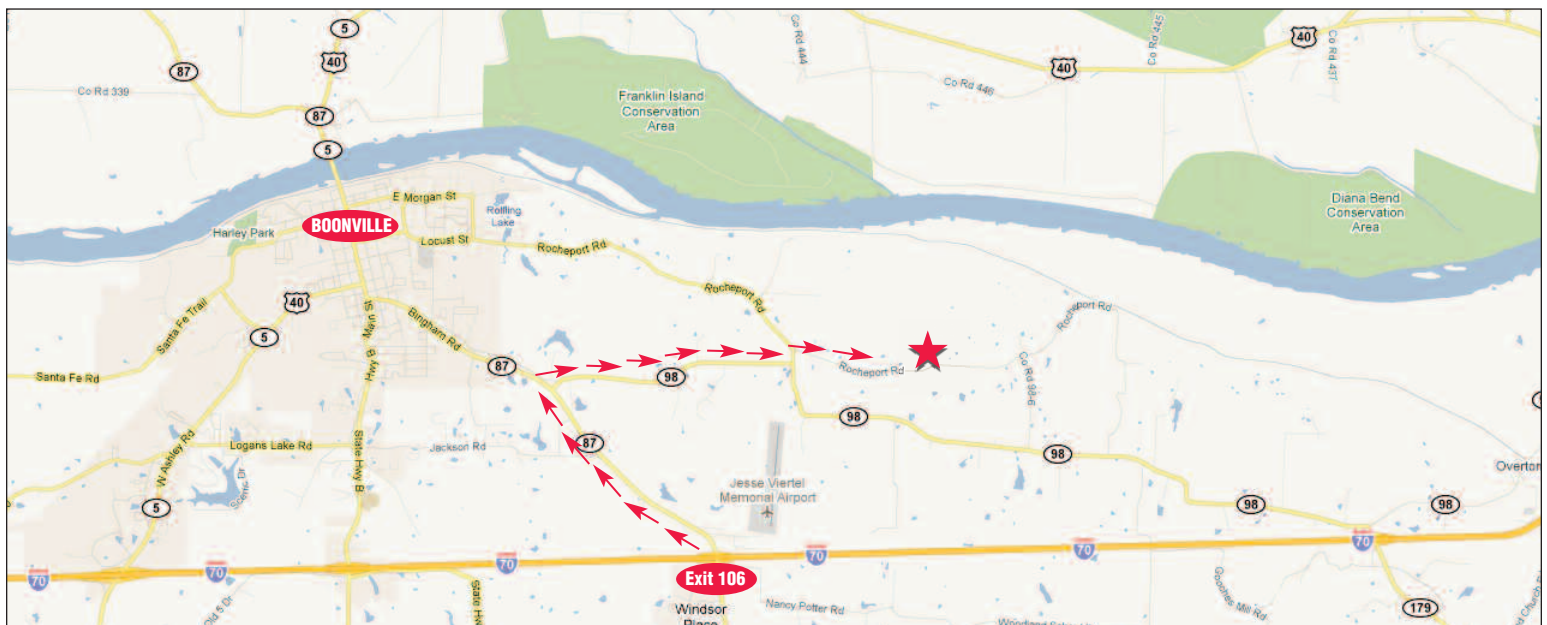
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WEBSITES

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DIRECTIONS TO BATTLE SITE: From I-70, Hwy 87, exit 106, travel north 1.7 miles to Hwy 98. Turn right at Potter Transport & proceed 1.9 miles to Orchard Dr. Turn left and go 1/10 of a mile to Rocheport Rd. Turn right & travel 9/10 of a mile to re-enactment battle site, located at the Dr. Avery Farm.



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I-70 & Hwy 5 (Exit 101) • 660-882-5317
2. **DAYS INN**
2401 Pioneer (Exit 103) • 660-882-8624
3. **HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS**
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660-882-6882
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501 East High St. (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-2828
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100 Isle of Capri Blvd. (Exits 101, 103, 106)
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3. **HANNAH COLE COTTAGE**
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660-846-3061
4. **HIGH STREET VICTORIAN B&B**
519 High Street • 660-882-7107
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101 Main St., Blackwater • (660)846-2011
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127 County Road 463 (Exits 101, 103, 106)
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1338 Ashley Road (Exits 101) • 660-882-6420
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3. **KATY ROUNDHOUSE CAMPGROUND**
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4. **MISSOURI RIVER VALLEY
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1. **A & W RESTAURANT**
320 Ashley Rd. (Exits 101, 103) • 660-882-7407
2. **ARBY'S**
2421 Mid-America Industrial Dr. (Exit 101)
660-882-6913
3. **BLIND REF TAVERN**
315 Main St. (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-0088
4. **BOBBER CAFÉ**
I-70 & Hwy B (Exit 103) • 660-882-6334
5. **BOONVILLE SUBWAY**
2431 Pioneer St. (Exit 103) • 660-882-8000
6. **BREADEAUX PIZZA**
513 Main St. (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-3401
7. **CALYPO'S /ISLE OF CAPRI**
100 Isle Of Capri Blvd. (Exits 101, 103, 106)
800-843-4573
8. **CARRIE LYN'S ICE CREAM PARLOR**
745 Main Street (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-9955
9. **CHINA GARDEN**
412 Ashley Road (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-8168
10. **COOPER'S OAK WINERY**
327 Main St. (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-0111
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14. **FARRADDAY'S/ISLE OF CAPRI**
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23. **MAGGIE'S BAR & GRILL**
416 Main St. (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-7242
24. **PALACE RESTAURANT**
225 Main St. (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-5866
25. **PIZZA HUT**
1931 Boone Village Plz. (Exit 103) • 660-882-5354
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28. **SETTLERS INN**
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29. **SONIC DRIVE-IN**
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421 Main St. (Exits 101, 103, 106) • 660-882-9934
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