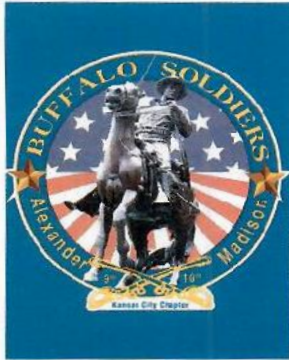


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Alexander / Madison Chapter Kansas City Area Buffalo Soldiers



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From the President: Greetings Troopers, 2024 began with a weather blast that looked like a set back. In spite of the extreme low temperatures in January, the chapter was busy with presentations that continued through February and March. The Life Membership has 18 names on the first plaque, a second plaque was donated for additions. Congratulations Trooper Daniels, who will graduate in June as a Certified Written storyteller. Troopers Jones and Trooper Roberson has joined our presentations with personal stories about the Civil War and Tuckegge Airmen. First quarter, the chapter had a display at the Mid-Continent Library on 93rd & Blue Ridge Blvd. A larger display will be at the Woodneath branch in September.



EX.VP Trooper Pettigrew: "We Can, We Will" ; "Ready and Forward" for *The Frontier Museum of the U.S. Army*. Things are moving forward, we have the cities of Leavenworth and Lansing, banks and businesses, and government officials of the state of Kansas working with the museum committee to see this project realized.

Benevolence, Trooper Gordon: Thank you for the beautiful plant. I have been released from in home therapy, and have begun out patient therapy. I'm sending cards to homebound and hospitalized troopers.

Fundraising Committee, Trooper Jones: The *hole sponsorship* is going well, and I'm working hard to get the maximum team entries, June is just around the corner, and it's important that all members do something to help. Talk to friends, neighbors, and strangers, you will be surprised at who will support this project or sign up for the golf tournament.

Presentations/Apearances Jan.-Apr.: Engagements were met and well received. On **Mar. 21**, chapter had two engagements at 9:00 am, Atonement in Overland Park, KS and a Zoom for Women's VA., congrats to chapter members who participated. Both were thumbs up. **Apr. 16** Lawrence, KS at American Legion presentation that featured *Cathay Williams* was good, the president and others attended.

March 2, Fundraising Banquet: Was a resounding success!!! Tickets were sold mostly by word of mouth. LTG Beagle's presentation was powerful & inspirational. Feedback: *"What a night of history and entertainment."*



March 3: Military Day: At Second Missionary BC, Leavenworth, KS. Garrison Command Sergeant Major CSM Erika S. Rhine-Russell was speaker for the Annual Military Day, she elegantly talked about personal experiences as a soldier of the U. S. Army. Shown in photos with CSM Erika Rhine-Russell are EVP Pettigrew, Pres. John Bruce and Miss Anjae Willoughby.



March 25: Black Archives Display of Uniforms and presentation was well attended.



Festival of Trails: Plans were made for the upcoming celebration September 14, 2024 at the Rice-Tremonti House. The Chapter will have a display at the Rice-Tremonti House with Sophie in the Cabin, and a full presentation 6:00 pm at Abiding Faith. Cave Springs is planning a walk through of the area that supported pioneers before moving west on the three trails, California, Oregon, and Santa Fe.



Apr. 20 Motown Dinner - Dance Fundraiser, The Richard Allen Cultural Center & Museum (RACC & M) held its Annual event in Leavenworth, KS. Tike and Pina and the Tikettes' appeared to entertain the crowd with one of their famous numbers. Chapter members attended in support of the RACC & M and our president who is on the board.



Apr. 27 Five chapter members: Troopers J. Bruce, G. Pettigrew, L. Stevens, L. Bruce, and D. Madison traveled to Junction City, KS in support of their dedication of three new sites to be added to the Black History Trail of Geary County — Buffalo Soldiers Monument, Pawnee Park and the Black USO. After the ceremony, we enjoyed dinner at VFW Post #8773.



Schedule 2024

- Thur., 5/16, Ft. Leavenworth, Community Tour & Lunch, \$20, Time:
- Fri. 6/7, Tonganoxie, KS Museum, children ages 8-12, grades 4-6, 9-11 am
- Sat. 6/8, Achison, KS 8:00 am, Juneteenth Parade, Lunch
- Fri., 6/14, Juneteenth Celebration, Jefferson City, Community Ctr. TBA
- Sat. 6/15, Clinton Co, Plattsburg, MO Historical Society: 4:00 pm
- Wed., 6/19th Watkins Mill MO State Park, 100 pm
- **Fri., 6/18, Time: 6:30-8:55 pm, Woodneath Mid-Continent Library, KCMO George & Pres.**
- Thurs., 7/11, Daviess, Co Library Gallatin, MO: 10:00 am, 306 W. Grand St.
- Sun., 8/4, Pennytown, MO, 11:00 am
- Sat., 9/14, Festival of Trails, Rice-Tremonti House, 67th & Blue Ridge Blvd., All Day.
Full Slave to Soldier Presentation at Abiding Faith MBC, 6:30 pm
- Sat. 10/12, Island Mound, Bates County, MO All Day.

Avoid the line @ Fort Leavenworth, get pass online, information on back of agenda. Veteran Report emergency care / ambulance to ER to VA website: <https://emercycarereportingcommunitycare.va.gov> or call (844) 724-7842