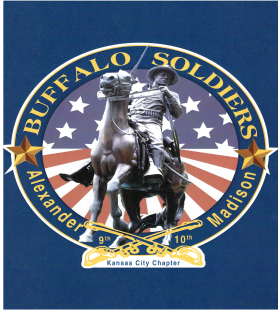


# NEWSLETTER

Alexander / Madison Chapter Kansas City Area Buffalo Soldiers



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**CSO:** Trooper Green

### Committies:

**Scholarship:** Trooper Roberson

**Fundraising:** Trooper Jones

### Schedule:

**From The President:** I was glad to see everyone last month those that could. We are already into the last of the winter months, spring is around the corner before you know it, it will be summer. Black history was quiet for us this year, the weather was probably a factor, but we getting ready to fire up for spring and summer. Lets make this one of our best years. We have inherited three new certified oral and written storytellers. In the past, 4 - 5 yrs ago, this did not happened, great job!

WE CAN WE WILL; READY AND FORWARD

### From EVP. Frontier Museum, Frontiers Old and New:

The excitement around the Frontier Museum of the U.S. Army (FMUSA) is continuing to grow. The impact at each showing is overwhelmingly positive. The Frontier Museum of the U.S. Army Foundation (FMUSAF) is excited to report it's progress to the Alexander/Madison Chapter of KC Buffalo Soldiers. It is you that has put your commitment behind the museum project and it is paying off.

The Foundation is in the final steps of closing a grant from the State of Kansas and the city of Leavenworth. This will make it possible to fund the feasibility study and other related expenses. This is a huge step toward getting the funding campaign off the ground.

Please click the attached link to view the Case Statement that has been prepared. We wish to thank you for all your support and hard work to make the Frontier Museum of the U.S. Army a reality.

Always remember... We Can, We Will!

[Case Statement Frontiers Old and New.pdf](#)

**Benevolence:** Trooper Gordon is continuing to recuperate after shoulder surgery last year, and is sending cards and flowers to our sick & shut-ins. Sympathy cards and plants for Colonel Nevels in loss of his daughter and our Chaplain & family in the loss of his father-in-law.

**Presentations: 2024** was a busy year for the chapter. The chapter had two displays at the Mid-Continent Library first quarter at 93rd & Blue Ridge Blvd. KCMO & the last quarter at Woodneath, NKCMO, both locations were pleased with the chapter's display. **October engagements:** Troopers presented Buffalo Soldiers storytelling for seniors at Friendship MBC. **Three same day engagements:** Troopers Bruce, Pettigrew, & Madison responded to different locations. **Battle of Island Mound in Bates County, MO:** Two Troopers, Robert Stevenson, and Fred Jones represented the chapter at the celebration, looking forward to 2027. **Year-end Celebration:** The chapter honored Veterans and presented Awards to Trooper of the Year, Lloyd Stevens, and two Speakers of the Hour, Ms Dorinda Nicholson, Pearl Harbor Child survivor, and our own Trooper Jonnie Cheatom (see photos online).

**Committees:** Scholarship is continuing its work on the best and most economical way to service the recipients. The golf tournament is moving forward, Save the Date, Friday, October 3, 2025. The Fishing Tournament is postponed until further notice. ***Trooper Jones is looking for volunteers, there is something you can do.***

**January & February 2025:** Chapter had booth during Kansas Day USD 207 school Celebration at Fort Leavenworth, troopers talked to children and teachers about the chapter and Buffalo Soldiers. Cathay Wm appeared at the Lee's Summit, MO Historical Society Sunday, Feb. 2. Advocacy Day: Six troopers spent a day at the capitol building in Jefferson City, MO with MO Humanities Council. Trooper Pettigrew talked to a representative about a MO Buffalo Soldier license plate. She was in agreement with Trooper Pettigrew's request. If this happens, it will take time. MO Valley College: presentation for three history classes. Five troopers made the trip to Marshall, MO.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** to our president, Trooper Bruce. He received the Author Award for his article printed in the 2024 fall Veterans' Voices.

**Trip:** The Fort Huachuca trip is set for Sept. 28th, the date that all four Buffalo Soldier Units were stationed at the fort together. If you would like to go on this trip, please let an executive board member know, the tour bus holds 56 passengers, rate is approx. \$350 roundtrip, not including two days at the fort. We are looking at places to stay. The chartered bus is Village Travel, deposit by May 1, 2025. We have time to do some fundraising to help with price of bus.

### SCHEDULE 2025

3/1, Sat., MCPL, Platte City, time: 2 pm

3/5, Wed., overnight, Cape Girardeau, MO. Presentation.

3/15, Sat., Rotary Club, Overland PK,

3/17, Mon., Claycomo MCPL, time: 6:30 pm

3/20, Thurs., Bl. Sprgs N MCPL, time: 6:30 pm

3/21, Fri., Garmin Blk. Enterprise Group TBA

3/27, Thurs., Bl. Ridge MCPL, 6:00 pm

3/26, Wed., Career Day, Anthony Elementary School, Leavenworth, KS