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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- Do not guess at the information. An answer of, "Unknown," is more helpful.
- Include a photograph of each viewable side and label it with name & direction of view.

- Thank You.

Type of Memorial

Monument <i>with</i> Sculpture	Monument with Cannon	
Monument without Sculpture	X Historical Marker Plaque	

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No)M.O.L.L.U.S.
W.R.C. (Corps Name & No	Other Allied Order
SUVCW (Camp Name & No) (Please describe below)
DUVCW (Tent Name & No)
XOther: Missouri Civil War Heritage Foundation & John Payne	e Harrison Family
Original Dedication Date 2010	Please consult any/all newspaper archives for a

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Location

The Memorial is <i>currently</i> located at: Street/Road address or site location ^{Old}	Auxvasse Cem. 7700 St Charles Rd N38.95054 W91.85077
City/Village <u>Auxvasse -Calwood</u> Township	County Callaway
The front of the Memorial faces: No	orth South East $\underline{\times}$ West
Government Body, Agency, or Individual OvNameMissouri Civil War Heritage FoundationStreetAddress6332 Clayton Ave	wner (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in) Dept./Div.
City St. Louis	State MO Zip Code 63139
Contact Person Greg Wolk	Telephone ()
	list former location(s) D.9 miles east of County Rd 159, and 1.5 miles east of County

Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = $__Stone$ $\xrightarrow{\times}$ Concrete $__Metal$ $__Undetermined$ If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.)

Material of the Sculpture = StoneConcrete Metal Undetermined If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?"
Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet =
Material of Cannon =BronzeIron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm Markings on muzzle = Markings on Left Trunion Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? If so, describe
Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points Monument or Base: Height3 1/2 ftWidth3 ftDepth2 1/2 ftor Diameter Sculpture: HeightWidthDepthor Diameter
For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue and attach to this form. Please describe the "pose" of each statue and any weapons/implements involved (in case your photos become separated from this form). Thank you!
Markings/Inscriptions (on stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture) Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found
The "Dedication Text" is formed: cut into material raised up from material face
Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides) Please use additional sheet if necessary.
Environmental Setting
(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.) Type of Location
X Cemetery Park Plaza/Courtyard Town Square" Post Office School Municipal Building State Capitol Other: Not School, Courthouse College Campus Church Yard Traffic Circle Library

General Vicinity

_ _ Suburban (residential, near city) $_^{\times}$ Rural (low population, open land) Urban / Metropolitan Town

Immediate Locale (check as many as may apply)

- Industrial ____ Commercial
- X Street/Roadside within 20 feet ____ Tree Covered (overhanging branches)
- Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)
- Protected from the public (fence or other barrier) Any other significant environmental factor

Condition Information

Structural Condition (check as many as may apply)

The following section applies to Monuments with Sculpture, and Monuments without Sculpture -

including the base for Monuments with Cannon. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	Sculpture	Base
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed?		
(look for signs of exterior rust) Any evidence of structural instability?		
(look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)		
Any broken or missing parts?		
(look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)		
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes?		
(also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)		
Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)		
	Sculpture	Base
Black crusting		
White crusting		
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)		
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)		
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines) Chalky or powdery stone		— ·
Granular eroding of stone		<u> </u>
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)		_ ·
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)		
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe		

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial? Yes \times No Unable to tell

> This form may be photocopied. <

Surface Coating

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Does	there	appear	to	be	а	coating?		Yes	_X	No		Unable	to	determine
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Is the coating in good condition? ____Yes ____No ____Unable to determine

Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial? <u>X</u> Well maintained <u>Would benefit from treatment</u> In urgent need of treatment <u>Unable to determine</u> **Overall Description**

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on) .

Supplemental Background Information

In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment. Thank you.

Inspector Identification

 Date of On-site Survey
 7/19/2011

 Your Name
 Walt Busch
 US Grant Camp 68

Please send this completed form to:

Bruce B. Butgereit, PDC, Chair



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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Missouri's Civil War Old Auxvasse Cemetery

[Left Panel] Settlers' and Soldiers' Pathway

Crossing Auxvasse Creek and flanking Old Auxvasse Cemetery from the east is a rare unimproved portion of the Boone's Lick Trail. Part of what became known as the Old St. Charles Road, this was a major east-west thoroughfare during the Civil War for soldiers passing through north-central Missouri.

[Picture of large tombstone monument]

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[Aerial photo with troop movements on it]

[Center Panel]

Old Auxvasse Presbyterian is one of the oldest congregations west of the Mississippi. But this hill on which the congregation first met in 1828 in a log church earlier hosted travelers along the Trail, some of whom likely were buried here before the first noted interments.

[Logo: Missouri's Civil War 1861-1865]

There are many Southern as well as Union veterans buried in Old Auxvasse Cemetery, in addition to period leaders of regional significance. When 24-year-old John F. Cowan took over the pastorate, the community had recently interred 21-year-old William Henderson. Accidentally shot and killed at Brown's Spring, the volunteer under Col. Jefferson F. Jones was the only fatality during the standoff between Jones' Southern volunteers and Union militia resulting in the October 1861 non-invasion compromise producing the fabled "Kingdom of Callaway." Also buried here is Alexander Weant, who built an iron-banded oak cannon intended to intimidate the would-be Federal invaders. One of the community's oldest families is the Maddoxes. Sherwood and America Margaret Maddox moved here from Kentucky in 1830. Their son Jacob became a prominent mule breeder and trader before the war and is perhaps the region's strongest claimant to the title "Father of the Missouri Mule Industry."

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[Right Column] [Man's picture in oval labeled "Cowan"]

Rev. John F. Cowan

Reverend Cowan became pastor of what was then simply Auxvasse Presbyterian Church in November 1861. Finding solace in studying the Bible as well as writing poetry, he shepherded his flock for 53 years, including most of the heartbreaking War Between the States. He was a professor for 23 years at Westminster College, which awarded him a doctorate in 1881. He died of a heart attack April 5, 1915, the morning after preaching his final Sunday service and taking a spring stroll that afternoon. The photo above shows Reverend Cowan in 1861, when he arrived at the Auxvasse Presbyterian Church.

Settlers' and Soldiers' Pathway (continued)

Meanwhile, guitar brought his 9th Missouri State Militia Cavalry, a detachment of the 3rd Iowa Cavalry and a section of the 3rd Indiana artillery battery along the west bank and down the road toward Calwood. Lying in wait, Porter's dismounted cavalrymen ambushed elements of the 3rd Iowa. Soon Guitar's troops were heavily engaged. Hearing of the attack, Shaffer then reinforced Guitar's smaller force and the battle intensified.

To reach the Moore's Mill battlefield, retrace the route you took to get here, to the first intersection. Turn left, cross Interstate 70 and continue driving south to Highway Z. Continue south .7 mile after crossing Z.

[Picture of Confederate tombstone for Elijah Blankenship]

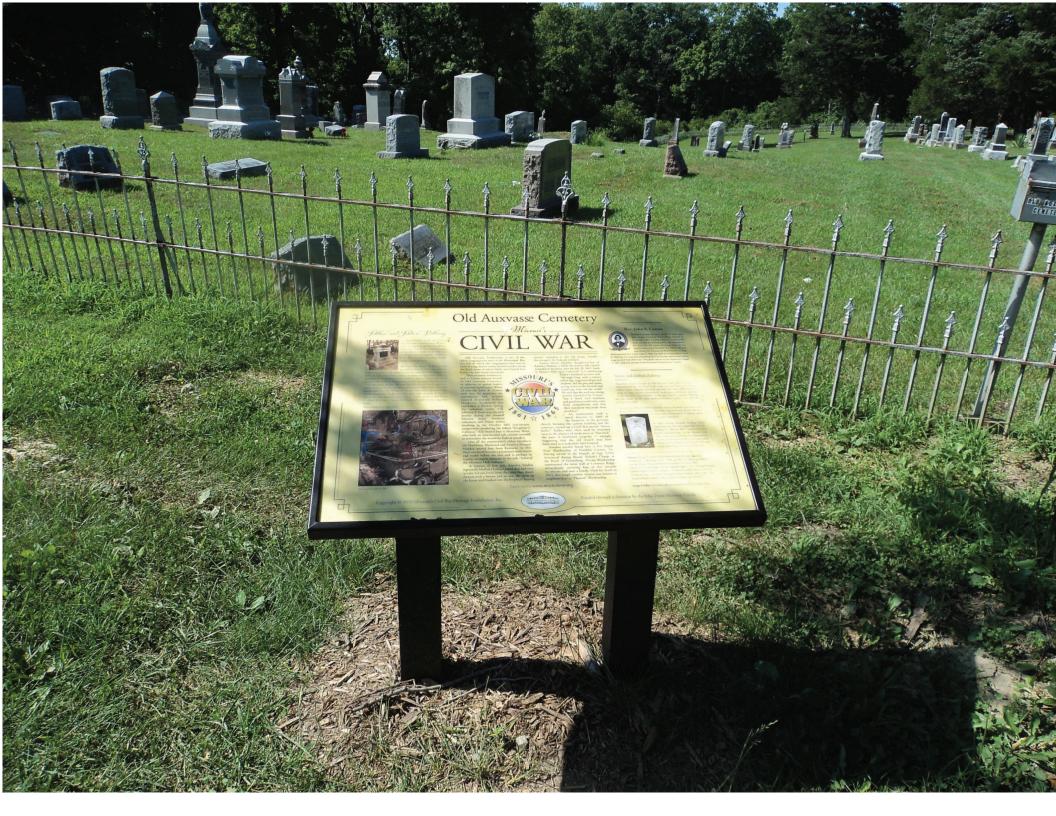
In 1864, during General Sterling Price's expedition into Missouri, guerrillas of Capt. William T. ("Bloody Bill") Anderson's band passed eastward here on the Boone's Lick Trail. Anderson's men rode into Montgomery County on October 14, 1864, burning railway depots at New Florence and High Hill, and nearly destroying the town of Danville.

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Another notable burial here is Pvt. Elijah Peter Blankenship of Franklin County, Va. Having served in the brigade of Gen. Lewis Armistead during bloody Pickett's Charge at the Battle of Gettysburg, Private Blankenship surmounted the stone wall at Cemetery Ridge, miraculously surviving four or five wounds to relocate and raise a family. Until his death in 1913, this tough combat veteran was known to neighbors here as "Pleasant" Blankenship.

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An examination with a the footprint of the previous

Rev. John F. Cowan



lovember 1861. Finding se Bible as well as writing poe his flock for 53 years, including most of heartbreaking War Between the States. He a professor for 23 years at Westminster Colleg

which awarded him a doctorate in 1881. He died of a heart attack April 5, 1915, the morning after preaching his final Sunday service and taking a spring stroll that afternoon. The photo above shows Reverend Cowar in 1861, when he arrived at the Auxvasse Presbyterian Church.

detachment of the 3rd Iowa Cavalry and a section of the 3rd Indiana artillery battery along the west bank and down the road toward Calwood. Lying in wait, Porter's dismounted cavalrymen ambushed elements

To reach the Moore's Mill battlefield, retrace the route you took to get



In 1864, during General Sterling Price's expedition into Missouri, guerrillas of Capt. William T. ("Bloody Bill") Anderson's band

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