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Board Election

As we mentioned in the November Annual Meeting Issue, we need to renew the following Board members to a 3 Year Term:

Chip Huffman

Mike Walker

To cast your vote, click [Election ballot](#).

Be sure to click 'Submit' after you have entered your vote.

Dues Date Change

Traditionally, the Annual Dues Date has been based on the date on which the Member originally signed up. This is a huge logistics project for Board members, especially Treasurer Sam Huffman, to keep up with several hundred Members and individual dates. To streamline the effort, Board Members have voted to make January 31st of each year the Due Date for all members. If you have not sent in a dues payment for 2022, please do so now. Annual Membership: Individual \$20 ~ Family \$30 ~ Corporate \$50.

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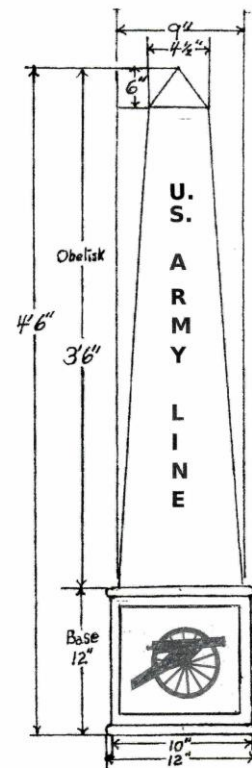
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417 Lewisburg Pike Property

Preservation Efforts have moved along at an excruciatingly slow pace for the past two years due to the Pandemic. But rest assured, Save The Franklin Battlefield has been on top of every development that effects the Franklin Battlefield. Finally, the world is coming back to some semblance of normal, and we are starting to see some projects come to the table. We are excited to announce that the purchase of the property at 417 Lewisburg Pike, near to Carnton and the Eastern Flank Battlefield is finally ready to move forward. Save The Franklin Battlefield, along with Franklin's Charge, The Battle of Franklin Trust, Friends of Franklin Parks, and the American Battlefield Trust have combined to make this purchase possible. Even though we reported this event in our December 2020 Newsletter, the Purchase has been held up in Lawyers' Offices due to multiple legal issues. We are excited to report that these issues have been resolved, and we are ready to move forward with Closing. This is a developing story, so more on this later!

Trench Line Markers

The Trench Line Marker Project in Franklin which has been pushed by Save The Franklin Battlefield for nearly 14 years, continues to wind its way through a myriad of physical, legal, and design hurdles. On the surface, it seems like such a small project, but a design had to be approved, a suitable and reasonably priced vendor had to be found to produce the markers, plotting of the exact location where the Trenchline crossed every street on its route took years of research. This has to be approved by City and State Roads Departments, and all of this then has to go before the Franklin Board of Mayor and Alderman (BOMA) for the final say. To say the least, this is a daunting task. Whether you have Confederate Ancestors and want to know exactly where they were headed, whether you have Federal Ancestors and want to know exactly where their position was anchored, or whether you are a Civil War buff or scholar and just want an accurate depiction of where the entire Trenchline was located, these Trenchline Markers will give the complete picture of what the City of Franklin looked like on that fateful day of November 30, 1864. Since we cannot yet place markers on City Property, we are pushing an idea to purchase the mold for the markers, as well as two completed markers that could be placed along Columbia Avenue on private property. This would give the citizens of Franklin and visitors to the area, an idea of what the completed project will look like. We believe that this will go a long way toward helping us push the project through to completion! We will make sure that our members are kept in the know as we continue to push this project.



Middle Tennessee Civil War Show

The 38th Annual Middle Tennessee Civil War Show was held on December 4 and 5, 2021 at the Williamson County Agricultural Exposition Center in Franklin, TN. As is our custom, Save The Franklin Battlefield set up a booth at the show and your Board Members spent the weekend talking to the many people who stopped by the booth to learn about the Battle of Franklin. We also solicited new members to help us carry on the project of preserving the battlefield and sold quite a bit of merchandise that will help us fund the work. Board member Mike Walker donated a beautifully framed Dale Gallon print for us to sell. We didn't have a buyer, so stay tuned for more information on that later! Mark your calendar for December 3 and 4, 2022. It's a really big show!



News in Review January-February 2022

Williamson DAR looks to establish headquarters, renovate historic property — Williamson Herald — 12/22/2021 — Franklin — Williamson County's Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) could soon begin the restoration process on a Civil War property they hope to use as their headquarters and a teaching space. Located on 5 acres near Carnton, the Collins Farm was the former home to plantation manager William Collins and his family. Following the 1864 Battle of Franklin, the farm was a field hospital and temporary gravesite for the dead. Though the property is a Civil War historic site, the DAR mission includes preserving all war history and sharing with the younger generations. By locating their headquarters at the Collins Farm, the DAR hopes to provide office and event space, as well as educational days for local schools.

Editorial: People of the year 2021 – Fuller Story sets worthy standard — Williamson–The Tennessean — 12/26/2021 — Franklin — This Fuller Story effort influenced conversations across the nation about how local communities reckon with their Confederate monuments. Some cities have sought to destroy them. Others have defended their presence. The Fuller Story advocates telling a comprehensive historic narrative to provide a more accurate and honest story. That is why The Tennessean Editorial Board names the Fuller Story founders and leaders as People of the Year for their historic and heroic efforts to tell a fuller story.

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