

The Alexander W. Doniphan Community Service Award

The Alexander W. Doniphan Community Service Award recognizes the honoree as one who exemplifies Doniphan's outstanding characteristics and personal commitments in Education, Jurisprudence, Statesmanship, Patriotism in Defense of Country, and Success in Business.



PAST RECIPIENTS

- 2008 Raymond R. Brock, Jr.
- 2007 Juarenne Hester
- 2005 John A. Dillingham
- 2003 John and Mary Pritchard
- 2002 Judge R. Kenneth Elliott

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Alexander W. Doniphan



IN 2008, ALEXANDER W. DONIPHAN WAS SELECTED FOR INCLUSION IN THE HALL OF FAMOUS MISSOURIANS AT THE MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL. DONIPHAN'S BUST WAS PLACED AMONG SOME 30 OTHERS WHICH OCCUPY THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE ROTUNDA IN THE STATE CAPITOL.

THE FIRST CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL COMMISSIONER

As a leader in education, Doniphan's name appears as trustee of a number of early schools in Missouri.

WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE HALL OF FAME

Doniphan is among honored founders, educators and philanthropists. He joined with Major Alvin Lightburne and others as founders of William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri, nearly 160 years ago.

FORT LEAVENWORTH HALL OF FAME

Alexander Doniphan is one of nine distinguished pre-Civil War honorees who share the honor of this Hall of Fame with Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gen. Colin L. Powell, and Gen. William C. Westmoreland. An American hero, Doniphan was the Brigade Commander in the Missouri State Militia, traveling more than 6,000 miles within 12 months. It was during this time (1846-1847) he fought three important battles - Brazito, Sacramento and El Paso - conquering the states of Mexico and Chihuahua.

A MISSOURI LEGISLATOR OF THE WHIG PARTY

Elected to represent Clay County in 1836, 1840 and 1854, Doniphan was instrumental in organizing Caldwell and Daviess counties. He is also credited as a leading force in facilitating the Platte Purchase.

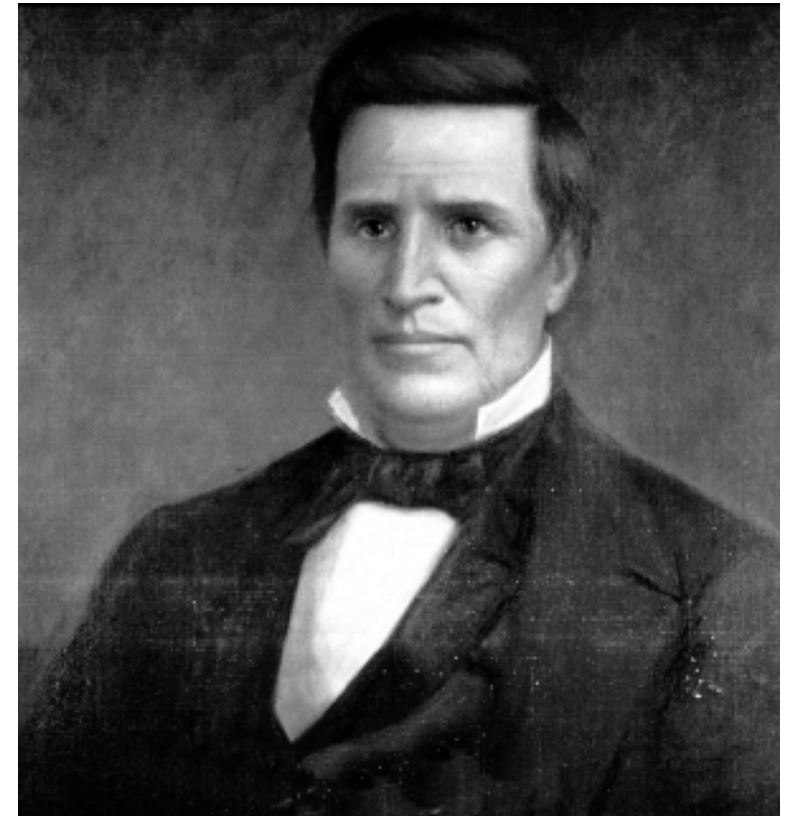
WASHINGTON PEACE CONFERENCE

Doniphan was appointed by President Abraham Lincoln as a delegate to the conference in 1861.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

In 1838, as a Brigadier General of the Missouri State Militia, he refused a direct order to execute Joseph Smith, Jr., founder of the Church. That action saved the life of Smith and other church leaders.

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**JOHN GANO MEMORIAL CHAPEL
WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE
6:00 P.M., OCTOBER 25, 2009**

The 2009 Alexander W. Doniphan Community Service Award



DR. W. CHRISTIAN SIZEMORE

The Alexander W. Doniphan Community Service Award was established to remind our community of Doniphan's lifelong service to his nation and community and to recognize those honorees who follow in his footsteps.

Dr. W. Christian Sizemore, the 2009 recipient of this award, continues Doniphan's legacy of service through leadership in higher education, health care, community development, and historical preservation and research.

He is a leader and published author in higher education and historical research.

He has served as president of three colleges, including William Jewell College, nationally recognized for superior academic excellence in the liberal arts. His commitment to leadership education and the development of advanced information science technology, along with successful capital campaigns that increased college endowments and facilities, will provide enhanced opportunities for generations of college students to meet tomorrow's challenges and opportunities as leaders.

Long involved in health care, Dr. Sizemore was responsible for nursing programs at three colleges. He also oversaw a physician's assistant program and led the development of the nation's first post baccalaureate physician assistant master's degree program. He has served on a hospital board of directors, a statewide organization of hospital board members, and a Governor's Health Initiative Advisory Panel.

Dr. Sizemore is currently the Director of Business Expansion for the Clay County Economic Development Council, where he has responsibility for retention and expansion assistance for Clay County businesses. He has also served as a member of the board of directors of the Greater Kansas City American Red Cross, as well as a number of regional chambers of commerce. He presently serves on the Immacolata Manor Board, the Salvation Army Northland Corps Advisory Council, and the North Kansas City Schools Community Partnership Advisory Board. Dr. Sizemore was co-chair of the steering committee that built Freedom House and is a member of its board of directors. He is a serving deacon at Second Baptist Church of Liberty.

His support of the preservation and promotion of area history includes service on the Clay County Millennium Historical Board and life membership in the Clay County Historical Society. He headed the successful fund drive for Liberty's 175th anniversary history book. He serves as president of the William C. Corum Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and is a member of the General Society Sons of the Revolution.

Dr. Sizemore resides in Liberty, Missouri, with his wife, Anne. They have three sons and six grandchildren.

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JOHN GANO MEMORIAL CHAPEL WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE 6:00 P.M., OCTOBER 25, 2009

Prelude	Dr. Calvin C. Permenter, Professor of Music, William Jewell College
Welcome and Introductions	Tony Sarver, Co-chair, Alexander W. Doniphan Award Selection Committee
Presentation of Colors	Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard
National Anthem	Phil Schaefer, Assistant Professor of Music, William Jewell College
Pledge of Allegiance	Alexander Doniphan Elementary School Students
Pledge of Allegiance to the State of Missouri	Carol Faye Clevenger Olson, Regent, Alexander Doniphan Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
<i>"I pledge allegiance also to the State of Missouri and to the ideals for which it stands. United with other states for the benefit of all, we march forward to a greater America."</i>	
Invocation	Dr. Harvey M. Thomas, Chaplain, William C. Corum Chapter, National Society Sons of the American Revolution
Welcome	Dr. David L. Sallee, President, William Jewell College
"Alexander Doniphan -- Community, State and National Service"	John A. Dillingham, Chairman, Clay County Millennium Historical Board
"Alexander Doniphan-- Service to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints"	George Van Komen, President, Missouri Independence Mission The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Introduction of Dr. W. Christian Sizemore 2009 Award Recipient	Detlef G. Lehnardt, President, Liberty Missouri Stake The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Presentation of Award	Detlef Lehnardt and John Dillingham
Response	Dr. W. Christian Sizemore
Proclamations	Tony Sarver, Co-chair, Alexander W. Doniphan Award Selection Committee
Introduction of "Alexander Doniphan March"	Juarenne Hester, 2007 Alexander Doniphan Community Service Award Recipient
"Alexander Doniphan March"	Dr. Calvin C. Permenter, Professor of Music, William Jewell College
Benediction	Elder Steve Nelson, Director Liberty Historic Jail Site
Retirement of Colors	Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard

Guests are invited to greet Dr. Sizemore in the Gano Assembly Room