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## 426<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING

**TUESDAY, January 26, 2011**

**Homestead Country Club**

6510 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas

Social Hour-Cash Bar-6:00p.m.

Dinner-6:30p.m.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

### JANUARY SPEAKER

WES FRANKLIN

### "THE FIRST BATTLE OF NEWTONIA"

Wes Franklin, is the Director of the Newton County Historical Park and Museum in Neosho, Missouri. For two years he was also resident caretaker of the 1852 Ritchey Mansion in Newtonia, Missouri. The Ritchey Mansion was utilized as a headquarters and field hospital after both battles of Newtonia, in 1862 and 1864.

"The First Battle of Newtonia" The First Battle of Newtonia took place on September 30, 1862 between the forces of Union General Frederick Salomon and Confederate Colonel Douglas Cooper. It was a Confederate victory.

*Please be sure that we have your reservation by Friday Jan. 21. Return reservation*

*In the enclosed envelope with required payment of \$25.00 per person to;*

***Paul Gault, 7118 N Congress Ave., Kansas City, MO 64152.***

If you have questions or your payment is unavoidably tardy, please contact  
Assistant Treasurer Betty Ergovich at 913 441-6462.

**Attendance requires a paid dinner reservation.**

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Tom Rafiner, our September speaker and new member will be autographing his new book, "Caught Between Three Fires," a history of Cass County during the Civil War at our January meeting. Tom will arrive around 5:30 with his books.

## SPEAKERS 2011

**Jan 25:** Wes Franklin, Director, Newton County Historical Society, "*Battle of Newtonia*"

**Feb 22:** Daniel Hadley, Vice President, Lone Jack Historical Society, "*Battle of Lone Jack*"

**Mar 22:** Patricia Moss, Patricia Moss Art and Family History Services, "*George Caleb Bingham and Order No. 11*"

**Apr 26:** Alicia Scott, Community Outreach Coordinator, Kendallwood Hospice, "*The Sultana*"

**May 24:** Joseph K Houts, Jr., Vice President, Community Development Center, Commerce Bank, St. Joseph, MO "*Medicine and the Founding of the Sanitation Commission*"

**SUMMER SESSIONS:** to be announced!

**Sep 27:** Tom A. Rafiner, Topic unknown at this time

**Oct 25:** Arnold Schofield, "*Thunder in the Valleys*"

**Nov 22:** "*Jefferson Davis*" ( see Lane Smith for presenter's name)

**Dec 27:** Dave Para and Cathy Barton Para, "*Music of the Civil War*" & Silent Book Auction

## CIVIL WAR SYMPOSIUM WITH DAVID BLIGHT

The Civil War Round Table of Kansas City, Mid-Continent Public Library, and the Brown vs. Board of Education National Historic Site are co-sponsoring a Civil War Symposium to be held in Independence, Missouri and Topeka, Kansas, in March, 2011. Look for more details and opportunities to be a part of this exciting kick-off to the Sesquicentennial at our meetings, on the website, and in the Border Bugle.

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## 2011 LOCAL AND COMING EVENTS

**January 29, 2011** – The Monnett Battle of Westport will hold their Annual Board Meeting on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011 at 9:30a.m.. The meeting will be held at Dan Smith's office at 6800 College Blvd., Suite 510, Overland Park. Please plan to attend as there are items of business as well as some exciting announcements. RSVP (913) 648-0952. Thank you, Dan.

**January 30, 2011** – Lecompton, KS. "Bleeding Kansas" series, Sundays. 2:00 p.m. Constitution Hall State Historic Site, 319 Elmore Street. "Against All Odds – the

Topeka Constitution and Rush to Statehood." First in a series which continues Feb. 6, Feb. 13, Feb. 20, and Feb. 27. Free. Refreshments served.

**January 31, 2011** – Dearborn, MO. "Frank James: Hero or Hoodlum?" Dearborn Library, 206 Maple Leaf Ave., Spend an hour with Frank James. He'll share details about his early life, the Civil War, and his outlaw days. For reservations call (816) 450-3502.

**February 1, 2011** – Excelsior Springs, MO. – "Civil War Trivia" 9:00 a.m. Excelsior Springs Library, 1460 Kearney Road. How much do you know about the Civil War? Trivia questionnaires will be available through March 15. Feel free to use the library's resources to get the answers. An answer key will be available at the front desk. Reservations at (816) 630-6721.

**February 2, 2011** – Gladstone, MO., "Living Abe Lincoln," Wednesday – 11:30 a.m. Antioch Library, 6060 N. Chestnut. Larry Greer, actor: Riveting account of the life and times of Abraham Lincoln, 16th president. Reservations at (816) 454-1306.

**February 5, 2011**- Arrow Rock, MO. "Bingham and His Art," Saturday, 10:00 a.m. Arrow Rock State Historic Site Visitors Center. Dr. Maryellen McVicker: "Bingham and His Art."

**March 12, 2011** - Ladies and Gentlemen: Greetings and salutations! I am inviting you to participate in what should be a great start to the 150's. The Fourth Missouri's Grande Ball on March 12, 2011. This will be a formal dinner and dance. Our goal is period wear but current military class 'A's or formal wear will be acceptable. Please pass on to anyone whom you deem appropriate. (If you know of a sutler that would want to have a display table at the ball, have them either call me or send me an email.) When I have more information I will post it on my web site of [www.4moinf.com](http://www.4moinf.com) I have attached a registration sheet that you can mail to: (go to website) Daniel Keith, 3893 South 117th Road, Bolivar, MO 65613, I look forward to your correspondence. Your Obedient Servant, Captain Daniel Keith, Company E, Fourth Missouri Infantry Regiment, First Missouri Battalion, Trans-Mississippi Brigade, Huckabee's Division 3893 South 117th Road, Bolivar, MO 65613, (417)777-2296

**April 30, 2011** – Bus Tour: "Battle of Carthage, Mo." More information to come in next month's Border Bugle or see Lane Smith

**May 13-15, 2011** – Carthage, Mo., Re-enactment.

**June 18-19, 2011** – Booneville, Mo., Re-enactment.

**August 12-14 2011** – Springfield, Missouri. Wilson's Creek Reenactment Planned for 2011 The Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Foundation has begun planning a maximum-effort Civil War reenactment to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Wilson's Creek. The reenactment will take place during the weekend of August 12-14, 2011.

Excitement is already building for the Civil War sesquicentennial, and as the second major battle of the war, Wilson's Creek compels a great deal of attention in the reenactment community. The Western Division of the Blue-Gray Alliance, a re-enactor organization, will help design battle scenarios and handle all military aspects of the reenactment.

Due to the high level of interest, the Blue-Gray Alliance anticipates that this will be a well-attended event, with more than 3,000 re-enactors and huge crowds of spectators. Although a location has not yet been selected, it will be held as close to Wilson's Creek National Battlefield as possible. Watch for more details and updates on the Foundation web site at [www.wilsonscreek.com](http://www.wilsonscreek.com).

**Sept. 16-18, 2011** – Lexington, Mo., Reenactment

**October 1-2, 2011** – Leasburg, Mo., Battle of Morristown near Harrisonville, Reenactment.

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## NEW MEMBERS

**Caroline Rerucha**, 11 Raintree Lane, Hilton Head Island, S.C. 29926. (843) 342-5606, [cmrkbthhi@yahoo.com](mailto:cmrkbthhi@yahoo.com)

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## LIBRARY DONATION

Recently, the KCCWRT received a donation of a large personal Civil War Library from an anonymous benefactor. Therefore we will be able to offer a small selection for a silent auction at each of our regular meetings from September – May. Members are still encouraged to bring donations of Civil War and related books to the regular large silent book auctions at the December and May meetings. If there are any questions please do not hesitate to contact Arnold Schofield, 620-223-6995.

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### *“The Sargeant Major’s Roar”*

#### *Battlefield Dispatches #71*

##### *“Hounds on the Hunt”*

The Civil War was slightly more than a year old & the “Union Hounds” in Missouri were constantly hunting the Confederate Foxes & the chase was on! The hit & run tactics of the Confederate guerrillas (Bushwhackers, if you are from Kansas or are of the “Northern

Persuasion”) were more often than not successful early in the war & they were a very elusive force that I constantly plagued the Union forces in Kansas & Missouri throughout the entire war. The following are two brief after action reports of “Union Hounds on the Hunt”! both reports are located on pages 130 & 134 in Volume 13 of the Official Records of the War of the Rebellion.

“Independence, Mo., June 23, 1862.

Sir: In compliance with your orders, I left this post with 30 men at 9:30 a.m. & proceeded to the farm of J. R. Lowe. Before arriving there I saw suspicious-looking persons, whom I supposed to be pickets. At Lowe’s farm I dismounted my men, leaving a sufficient guard with my horses. I proceeded to the bushes with the residue of my men; found a camp, two bridles, two blankets & a lariat rope. From appearances I thought the guerrillas had scattered in various directions through the woods. I deployed my men as skirmishers [a line or squad of men as on patrol]. Taking 4 men with me I proceeded along by-paths, [by splitting his command into small groups he was asking for trouble & he would find it!]

Discovering a picket [guard], we fired on him, causing him to drop his overcoat. Almost INSTANTLY WE WERE FIRED UPON BY LARGE NUMBERS IN THE BUSHES JUST AHEAD OF US, [Sounds like an excellent ambush by the “Foxes”]! After [the enemy] fired a few rounds [shots] they advanced on us! We retreated to where our horses were hitched & when our men assembled I found there was one missing. After searching for him for some time without finding him I concluded that he was killed & having received a wound in one of my legs, we returned to camp where we arrived at 7 p.m. I think we killed two of the VILLIANS – one certain.

James Breckinridge  
Capt., Comdg. Co. B, 7<sup>th</sup> Cav., Mo. Vol.”  
“Hdqrs. 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 1<sup>st</sup> Missouri Cavalry,  
Warrensburg, Mo., June 30, 1862.

Major: I have the honor to report to you that I have sent 100 men, on the 28<sup>th</sup>, at 4 o’clock a.m. under the command of Capt. Kehoe, of company C & 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut. A. Gourney, of co. d, west & north –west from these headquarters, with instructions to divide the command into three parties, to go toward Black Water & surrounding country to HUNT these BUSHWHACKERS (the country is full of them) & to SHOOT EVERY ONE OF THEM HE SHOULD MEET UNDER ARMS ON THE SPOT.

About 6 o’clock the same morning Captain Kehoe left, 2 men came to me & reported that 3 BUSHWHACKERS were seen on the evening of the 27<sup>th</sup> near their places, armed & this morning, the 28<sup>th</sup>

about 5 o'clock, the brother of one of the Union men was shot by a certain Thomas Colburn, a NOTORIOUS HORSE-THEIF & JAYHAWKER. I at once dispatched 3 privates to inform Capt. Kehoe of this though before they could reach the captain this same HORSE-THEIF had fired upon a party of Captain Kehoe's command without success. The party [of Union Hounds] dismounted & chased them through the brush & [caught the Foxes] & killed them all 3. Their names are Thomas Colburn, Haux & the other one's name I could not learn.

On the morning of the 29<sup>th</sup>, Capt. Kehoe encountered another party of BUSHWHACKERS and killed 2 more, took 2 men prisoners, captured 3 horses, 2 SHOT-GUNS & 1 pistol. The captain returned on the evening of the 29<sup>th</sup>.

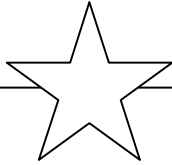
CHAS. BANZHAF

Major, 1<sup>st</sup> Mo. Cav., Commanding Post.

P.S. I have since learned the names of the last two killed – Olford & Greenwood. C.B.”

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One Hunt was successful & one was not. However, the hunts of the “Foxes & Hounds” were deadly for both sides throughout the war & the chase from both perspectives will be addressed in future columns as the accounts of the hunts are discovered and of course the War Went on!



**"Interested in the Old West?** The Kansas City Posse of the Westerners International meets monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at the Golden Ox Steak House for a delicious dinner and an Old West talk.

For more info contact Dennis Garstang at 816-569-1180 or dgarstang@kc.rr.com

Thanking you in advance, I remain  
Respectfully  
Dennis Garstang

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## NAME TAGS

Temporary name tags will be available at the registration table for visitors and for members without permanent name tags. Members who wish to order permanent name tags will find forms available at the registration desk at the January and February meetings. Cost is \$12.50 each. Name tags will be ordered after the February meeting and can be picked up at the registration desk at the March meeting.



## BOOK LIST

The Civil War Round Table is creating a list of favorite and recommended books to be posted on our website and shared with others (like museums and libraries) wishing to build a reading list for their patrons. Please send your selections, including title and author, to Alisha Cole at [amcole2@mac.com](mailto:amcole2@mac.com).

## SPEAKER'S BUREAU

With the arrival of the Civil War Sesquicentennial, the demand for speakers on the Civil War will be tremendous. Our Round Table is compiling a list of speakers, their contact information, and their topic(s) for area libraries, schools, and organizations. It will also be posted on our website. If you are interested, please send your name, information for contact and introduction, fees, and a description of your topic(s) to Alisha Cole at [amcole2@mac.com](mailto:amcole2@mac.com).



## MISSOURI STATE ARCHIVES CIVIL WAR SPEAKER SERIES

January thru November, 2011

**Open through May 31, *Divided Loyalties*:** Civil War Documents from the Missouri State archives.

**January 20**-7:00p.m.-The Border Between Them: Violence and Reconciliation on the Kansas-Missouri Line. Jeremy Neely, speaker.

**February 24** -7:00p.m.-Negroes to Hire: Slave Life and Culture on Missouri Farms. Filmmaker Gary Jenkins and other noted authors, historians and educators.

**March 24**-7:00p.m.-Confederate Women and Military Justice in the St. Louis Area. Thomas Curran, speaker.

**April 28**-7:00p.m.-Through American and Irish Wars: The Life and Times Of Thomas W. Sweeney, 1820-1892. Jack Morgan, speaker.

**May 19**-7:00p.m. Truman Building, Rooms 490/492-Guerrillas, Partisans and Bushwhackers: Rethinking the American Civil War. Daniel Sutherland, speaker.

**June 16**-7:00p.m.-Prtraits of Conflict: A Photographic History of Missouri in the Civil War. William Garret Piston and Thomas P. Sweeney, speakers.

**July 14**-7:00p.m.-General Sterling Price and the Confederacy. Robert G. Schultz, speaker.

**August 11**-7:00p.m.-Truman Building, Rooms 490/492-Missouri Germans and the Cause of Union and Freedom. Walter Kamphoefner, speaker.

**September 22**-7:00p.m.-What Archaeology Can Reveal About General Order No. 11. Ann Raab, speaker.



**October 20**-7:00p.m.-"Bloody Bill" Anderson's Raid on the Lafayette County Germans. Roberts W. Frizzell, speaker.

**November 10**-7:00p.m.-Lincoln and Citizen's Rights in Civil War Missouri: Balancing Freedom and Security. Dennis Bowman, speaker.

All speakers, speak at the Missouri State Archives except where noted in special rooms. For more information you may call (573) 751-3280 or go to: [www.sos.mo.gov/archives](http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives). The Missouri State Archives is located in Jefferson City, Mo at 600 West Main Street and the Harry S. Truman Rooms are at the Harry S. Truman Building at 301 West High Street also in Jefferson City.

## ROUND TABLE MEMBER RECEIVES HIGH HONOR AT FT. LEAVENWORTH

Col. John (Jack), M. Brooks, United States Army Retired, was the recipient of the French Legion of Honor Award, January 7, 2011. Hosted by Lieutenant. General Robert L. Caslen Jr.

John M. Brooks was born 6 May 1920, in Fort Shafter, Hawaii. He was first assigned to Company C 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry as a second lieutenant in July 1941 and remained with the 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry until 1947 participating in all 8 campaigns and the D-Day landings in North Africa, Sicily and Normandy. He commanded Anti-Tank Company and Headquarters Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion and in September 1945 became regimental S-4.

Following his return to the United States he married Ingeborg Schulz of Bamberg, Germany. They are parents of twin daughters and a son. He was integrated into the Regular Army in 1947 in the grade of major. He graduated from the University of Nebraska-Omaha and earned a master's degree from George Washington University. He commanded the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bn, 21st Infantry, 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in Korea and in Vietnam he was the Senior Advisor to the 5<sup>th</sup> Vietnamese Division. Returning to the Big Red One in 1964, he commanded the 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade. He took the Advance Plans Group of the 1<sup>st</sup> Division to Vietnam in 1965 to prepare for the reception of the division.

He is a 1955 graduate of the Command and General Staff College and graduated from the Army War College in 1964.

Decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (4 OLC), Commendation Medal (2OLC), Combat Infantry Badge with Star.

The Commanding General, 1<sup>st</sup> Division designated him a distinguished member of the 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry in 1986. Following his retirement in 1966 he joined the University of Missouri as the Associate Director of Admissions and Registrar. He retired from the University in 1982.

## THE HISTORY OF THE LEGION OF HONOR

The French National Order of the Legion of Honor was founded in 1802 by Napoleon Bonaparte to recognize service to the nation. From the beginning, it has been conferred on illustrious individuals in all walks of life—the military, as well as men and women of distinguished achievement in government, the arts and industry. It has a long history of being awarded to individuals for great deeds, achievements, bravery, sacrifice, and progress in all branches of human activities. Today it is held in high esteem by the people of France, as well as nations around the world.

The French people are very much aware of the significant contribution that American service members made to the liberation of their country from the Nazis in 1944-45. French Consul General Francois Gauthier once said "What more eminent service can we find as the one these men performed: young men, they crossed the ocean to come to a country they hardly knew and never visited, and fought to liberate it from oppression and tyranny. You liberated our people. The republic is forever grateful to you for this."

Since 2004, the French consulates have been recognizing American service members who served during the liberation of France during the Second World War. Applications are reviewed in France and only those deemed worthy are awarded the medal.



### 2011 MEMBERSHIP DUES 2011

The Membership Dues for 2011 remain the same as last year. As you are aware, it is our annual dues that cover expenses associated with obtaining quality speakers, principally for transportation and lodging, as well as for the mailing and printing costs of the Board Bugle and Annual Roster. Dues for 2011 may be paid at any time prior to December 31, 2010. Observing this deadline will insure timely distribution of our Annual Roster. You may remit these separately, or include them with your November or December dinner reservations. Please complete the form below to insure that we have the correct information for the roster.

### 2011 CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF KANSAS CITY DUES

Dues deadline is December 31, 2011  
\$30 per year (individual)\* \$45 per year (couple)  
Payable to the Civil War Round Table

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<i>Individual Name</i>	<i>spouse (if Couple Membership)</i>
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**Please circle if you wish to have the your Border Bugle sent to you via the internet and help us save cost: Yes or No**

\* Non-resident memberships are \$10, which covers receiving the Border Bugle.

**Mail to: Paul Gault, 7118 N. Congress Ave., Kansas City, MO 64152-2948**

Just a reminder, if you're not paid by the end of January, you're not in the Roster!!!

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