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## 435<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, January 24, 2012

**Homestead Country Club** 

6510 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas Social Hour-Cash Bar-6:00p.m. Dinner-6:30p.m.

## January Speaker Kendall D. Gott "Ft Henry/Ft Donelson"

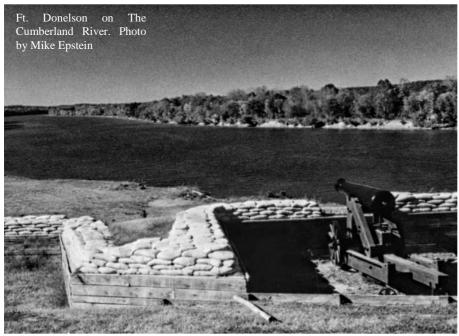
Mr. Kendall D. Gott retired from 20 years with the US Army in 2000 having served as an Armor and Military Intelligence officer. His combat experience consists of the Persian Gulf War and Operation Desert Fox. A native of Peoria, Illinois, Mr. Gott, received his BA in history from Western Illinois University, and a Masters of Military Art and Science from the US Army Command and General Staff College. Prior to returning to Leavenworth, Kansas in 2002, he was an adjunct professor of history at Augusta State University and the Georgia Military College. He is also a published author and speaker of Civil War and general military topics. He has appeared on the Battle of Mine Creek episode of Investigating History on the History Channel and is featured on the Fort Donelson film for the National Park Service. Mr. Gott joined the staff of the US Army Combat Studies Institute, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas in October 2002, where he is now the Senior Historian.

### Attendance requires a paid dinner reservation.

Please be sure our Treasurer receives all reservations by Friday, January 20, along with payment of \$25.00 per person. Mail to:

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

Homestead's deadline for reservation changes is the following Monday afternoon, so promptly report any necessary adjustments to Paul at 816-741-2962 or 816-522-8021. If unable to reach him, call Assistant Treasurer Betty Ergovich at 913 722-9411.



# A VERY BRIEF HISTORY LEADING UP TO AND INCLUDING FT. HENRY AND FT. DONELSON....

Begun in the East, the war was spreading to the West, even beyond the Mississippi where the fate of the important border state of Missouri and the chief city of the West in those days, St. Louis, hung in the balance between slaveholding and non -slaveholding elements. This, from the days of the Kansas-Nebraska troubles in the fifties, had been "dark and bloody ground" Both sides claimed Missouri and both sides needed her. In August 1861, a Union army was defeated at Wilson's Creek in southwestern Missouri and the casualties amounted to over 23 per cent of all engaged, among them the stalwart Unionist General Nathaniel Lyon. The following March came the Battle of Pea Ridge in northwestern Arkansas. This was the first clear and decisive victory gained by the North in a pitched battle west of the Mississippi River, and until 1864 the last effort of the South to carry the war into Missouri except by abortive raids. More importantly perhaps, its result made it possible for veterans of a long series of minor engagements west of the Mississippi to reinforce the armies in the mid South under Buell, Rosecrans, Sherman, and Grant. In this area the object of the Federal armies was, of course, to cut the Confederacy in half by clearing the Mississippi from St. Louis all the way to the Gulf and to stab at the heart of the Confederacy via the Tennessee and Cumberland rivers. If successful, these maneuvers would cut Texas off from the main body of the South, hold Kentucky firmly in the Union, and make it difficult for Tennessee to cooperate with her sister states.

In February 1862, Fort Henry, commanding the Tennessee River, was captured with support from

gunboats on the river by a taciturn, rumpled, cigar smoking (some said whisky-drinking) character named Ulysses Simpson Grant of Illinois. Ten days later, Fort Donelson, eleven miles away on the Cumberland River and a very much stronger position for the Confederates, followed suit. The North was beside itself, reveling in the victory and in Grant's memorable answer to Buckner, the Confederate commander who had asked for terms. "No terms except unconditional and immediate surrender can be accepted, " "I propose to move said Grant. immediately your works." upon Apparently Mr. Lincoln had at last found a fighting general Unconditional Surrender Grant.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

April 12, 1861, the Confederates starting firing on Fort Sumter and on April 14, the American flag came down and the Confederate Stars and Bars went up!

1st major battle was July 21,1861 at Manassas Junction, First Bull Run (Union) was fought with the Union troops led by General McDowell against Confederate's led by General's Beauregard & Johnston. Confederates called the battle Manassas.

Amateur's go to War!

Union had enlisted men with their 90 day term of service about to expire. 18,000 engaged on both sides, but by afternoon the northern army lost what little cohesion that it had.

Uniforms caused problems as *similar colors* used by both the Yankee's and the Rebels causing casualties.

The weapons used were primitive. Shotguns, Squirrel rifles, large caliber but smoothbore rifles such as the one referred to as pumpkin slingers.

Fleeing Union soldiers become entangled with panic stricken civilians. Some Congressmen tried to stop the wild-eyed soldiers from leaving the battlefield. This was a *Social event* that *both sides* thought would be over in a short period of time.

A much closer fought battle was fought at Wilson's Creek, August 10, 1861 and again, the confederates pulled off a tactical though close victory. The second significant battle of the Civil War had been fought and won by the South, this time out beyond the Mississippi.

General Price with 18,000 men surrounded the 3,500 man Union garrison at Lexington, Missouri and

after a nine day siege, the Union forces surrendered on September 20, 1861.

These Confederate "country boys" backwoodsmen had the edge in their fighting skills over the Northern troops in the beginning of the War.

August 20, 1861, Major-General George McClellan took command of the newly organized Department of the Army of the Potomac for the Union. During the remainder of the year, both sides set up command staffs in the different war regions.

During the middle of October Missouri State Guard pro-secessionist Jeff Thompson proclaimed that he had come to southeastern Missouri to help residents throw off the yoke of the North. He called on them to "drive the invaders from your soil or die among your native hills."

On October 21, the Battle of Ball's Bluffer Leesburg, Virginia whose repercussions far outweighed its relatively secondary strategic value was fought. It was a costly Federal defeat and a well fought Confederate victory.

The fall so far had seen no major military moves by either side. In Missouri guerilla activities were mounting. November 1, Major General George McClellan succeeded aged, obese, ailing Lieutenant General Winfield Scott.

November 18, there was fighting near Warrensburg and Palmyra, Missouri and on November 20, skirmishing occurred at Butler and Little Santa Fe, Missouri. November 28, the Southern Congress officially admitted Missouri to the Confederate States of America.

Christmas Day, 1861 was a busy day at the White House. Mr. Lincoln and his cabinet met for lengthy discussions about the British demands for release of Confederate commissioners Mason and Slidell. The Lincoln's at Christmas dinner entertained many guests. The shooting did not stop for the holiday. There was skirmishing at Cherry, western Virginia, near Fort Frederick, Maryland; a Union expedition operated near Danville, Mo. Note the continuing tread of Missouri as we weave through the first year of the War.

For many and varied reasons, the course of war was about to change in 1862, as we'll find out in the programs for 2012. One of the primary reasons was the Generalship of U.S. Grant.

DVB, Sr.

# Please be sure to update your e-mail address with Paul Gault if you want to receive your Border Bugle!!!!!

An additional comment by the editor goes out to all of those individuals, historical societies and round tables that we now send the Border Bugle to gratis, your

hard copy will also cease starting in January. We would love to share our Border Bugle with all other round tables and historical societies interested in receiving the Border Bugle and if you would send me your e-mail address to <a href="mailto:cwrtkc@att.net">cwrtkc@att.net</a>, I will make sure you still get it each month. Your address will NOT be given to anyone else for any purpose I can assure you. Thank you. Mike Epstein, Border Bugle Editor.

### SPEAKERS 2012

**February 28:** Dr. Jennifer Weber; "Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation"

March 27: Bill Piston; "Battle of Pea Ridge"

April 24: Kendall Gott; "Shiloh"

May 22: Matt Spruill "7 Days Battles"

**Summer Meetings** at the Plaza Library, 4801 Main, K.C., Mo. 7:00 p.m.

June 26: Don Bates "Missouri's Mystery Massacres"

**July 24:** Dan Smith; "Jackson County in The Civil War, Part 1"

**Aug 28:** Dan Smith; "Jackson County in The Civil War, Part 2"

**Sept 25:** Ethan Refuse; "2<sup>nd</sup> Bull Run"

Oct 23: Arnold Schofield; "Island Mound"

**Nov 27:** Dr. William Feis; "Espionage Covert Action and Military Intelligence"

Dec 18: "The Battle of Stone's River"

### MENU FOR JANUARY 2012

Tomato Basil Soup, Slicked Smoked Beef Brisket Potatoes and Gravy, Baby Carrots with Honey Glaze, Double Layer Chocolate Cake

# "The Sargeant Major's Roar" Battlefield Dispatches #300 "Remembering a Galling Fire & Heavy Fog"

We as a nation & people for the most part REMEMBER anniversaries, birthdays & other significant events in the history of our country & families some of which are MILESTONES. Mr. Webster, one of the author's best friends, defines a "milestone" "as a significant event in one's career or history." Therefore, as we, the United States, commemorate & remember the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary our Civil War from 2011 – 2015 this was indeed a significant event & milestone in our nation's history. For the author of this column, Battlefield Dispatches #300 is more of a "Wordsworthian Moment" (something that can last for a few seconds, minutes, hours or more) rather than a "milestone" because it was immediately preceded by #299 & is to be followed by #301 & with

more in the future. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the faithful readers of this column and the staff of the "Tribune" including Julie Richter, Ruth Campbell, Scott Nuzum & all the others who make this newspaper an asset of Fort Scott.

One of the most fascinating legacies of the Civil War is the memory of that cataclysmic event that remains with today. us This memory is perpetuated through historic photographs, contemporary & historic paintings & books & most of all through the written words of the participants in the form of letters, diaries, other correspondence & reports. These documents and words are, in a way, "Voices from the Past" that cannot be duplicated today and that is why, the title of this column usually consists of words or phrases that are used in an original document. The following after action reports are brief and to the point & are located on Pages 49 & 50 in Series I, Vol. 8 of the Official Records of the War of the Rebellion.

"Action at Roan's Tan-Yard, Silver Creek, Mo. Otterville, Mo. January 10, 1862.

On the 8<sup>th</sup>, at 4 o'clock p.m. Majors Torrence & Hubbard, with 450 men, attacked Poindexter, with 1,000 to 1,300 men, on Silver Creek. The enemy was totally routed, with heavy loss. Seven left dead on the field; many carried off. From 50 to 75 wounded. Our loss reported at 4 killed. The rebel camp was destroyed & a large number of horses & arms taken. A HEAVY FOG alone saved them from complete destruction. The number of prisoners is reported at 30.

JOHN M. PALMER Brigadier General."

"Headquarters La Mine Cantonment, Otterville, Mo., January 14, 1862.

Captain: Major Hubbard of the 1st Missouri Cavalry returned to this place last night. He left his command on the north side of the river opposite Boonville. Ice in the river prevented his crossing. He reports on the 8th instant, at Silver Creek, in Howard County, he attacked the rebels, 900 STRONG, under command of Colonel Poindexter. After a brisk engagement, which lasted 40 minutes, he completely routed the enemy. The enemy's loss was 40 killed & 60 wounded. His loss was 6 killed & 19 wounded. He captured about 160 horses, 60 wagons, 105 tents, 80 KEGS of GUNPOWDER, about 200 RIFLES & SHOT-GUNS & a large quantity of clothing, blankets &bedquilts. He has in his possession 160 captured horses & 28 prisoners. The wagons, powder & other property captured he was compelled to destroy for want of help to remove them. I directed him to bring the prisoners &horses here, unless he received orders to take them to some other point.

Major Hubbard is greatly in need of ammunition, as is also all the cavalry at this post. I have been informed that requisitions have been forwarded to Saint Louis for a supply, but they have not been attended to I would respectfully suggest that an Ordnance Officer be appointed for this post.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant, THOMAS J. TURNER Colonel, Commanding Cantonment."

"Camp near Fayette, Mo. January 10, 1862.

General: I have the honor to report that in compliance with your order I marched my command to Boonville & was there joined by three companies of Merrill's Horse, under Major Hunt & at the earliest day possible crossed the Missouri River & reached camp near Fayette on the evening of the 5<sup>th</sup> instant, when I was joined by four companies of the 1<sup>st</sup> Missouri, under the command of Major Hubbard & one company of the 4<sup>th</sup> Ohio, Captain Foster commanding.

All being in readiness the column moved forward rapidly, the advance guard driving the enemy's pickets & rushing to the entrance of the camp. The column followed soon after, dismounted & drew the enemy's fire. They (approximately 800) were in a strong position, being protected by ravines, thick underbrush & timber. Their volley was promptly answered by our forces pouring in "A GALLING FIRE!" Three companies of the 1st Iowa & a part of a company of Merrill's Horse were then ordered forward to charge the camp, which was promptly done. The enemy was now thrown into confusion & soon began to retreat, leaving HORSES, GUNS, together with camp & garrison equipage. It was a complete rout, as the appearance of the camp fully attested. Two companies from the rear were ordered to cut off their retreat, but darkness & "HEAVY FOG", together with the thick underbrush rendered it impossible.

Yours, most obediently, W. M. G. TORRENCE

Major, First Battalion, First Iowa Cavalry."

Now then, it appears that Brigadier General Palmer slightly increased the number of Confederates engaged in this battle, but that was not unusual because he did not participate in the engagement & had to rely on figures from the different "Union" commanders who did and of Course the War Went On!

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Civil War Round Table of KC 2011 Treasurer's Report Jan. 1, 2011 through Dec. 31, 2011

**Inflows** 

Book Sales 418.50

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	Meeting	12,025.50
To To	tal Other Inc urs	15,445.50 3,698.00
<b>Total Inflows</b>		20,097.67
Outflows		
Ba	nk Charge	12.75
Ba	nk Charges	42.75
Во	ok Sale Split	209.00
Ch	arity	65.00
Me	eeting	
	Dinners	12,820.15
	Plaques	56.50
	Speakers	886.05
To Mi	tal Meeting sc.	13,762.70
	Decorations	125.11
	Name Tag	70.00
	Office Supplies	63.70
	tal Misc. stage:	258.81
	Border Bugle	424.03
	P.O. Box Rental	85.00
	Treasurer	35.20
	tal Postage nting:	544.23
	Border Bugle	695.00
	Membership Roster	125.00
Total Printing		820.00
State Registration		50.00
То	ur Expense	3,633.39
Total Outflows		19,398.63
Net Inflows/Outflows		+699.04

## EXCITING NEWS REGARDING THE LONE JACK BATTLEFIELD

I have some fabulous news to share with you. I'm going to get right to the news and then back track to tell you how this all came about and where we go from here.

The Historical Society has signed a purchase agreement with the owner of the Cave Hotel property, the center-most piece of the battlefield, and should close

before the end of the year (next week)!! After more than 10 years, we will FINALLY be able to purchase and save the Cave Hotel!!!

Let me tell you how this came about. In July I learned that the Cave Hotel property had been sold to a young couple to open a salon. Unfortunately they were unable to keep the salon and turned it back over to the previous owner, which I discovered on the 2nd of this month. The Board of Directors met and decided we shouldn't let this opportunity go as we might never get another one. After talking to the owner he was agreeable to the Historical Society purchasing the property. At the same time, the National Park Service sent an Historic Architect to Lone Jack to look at the building to try to determine the age of the present structure. While he wasn't able to specifically pinpoint the year with his initial inspection, he was definitely able to determine that it is a mid 1800's structure. This inspection helps corroborates local history that this building is a piece of the original Cave Hotel!! As soon as we can, however, we will conduct a more thorough archaeological study as well as a research project into the courthouse records to further narrow down the structure's age. There is no doubt that whatever its age, it rests on the original foundation.

Also during this time frame, we had an anonymous benefactor come forward and offer us a loan towards the purchase of the property and another offer a generous donation. The owner has agreed to carry the remaining \$13,000 plus interest until April 1, 2012.

Our task now is to raise the remaining \$13,000 as quickly as we can to minimize the amount of interest we will have to pay. We will be launching an aggressive SAVE THE CAVE fund-raising campaign within the next week or so.

Where we go from here:

We are asking for everyone's help. If you have any ideas on fund raisers that can be held in January-March let me know. If you know of a foundation or business who donates, please let me know that as well. Spread the word!! Word of mouth is the fastest method I know of to get information out.

Don't forget that we are a 501(c)3 and as such, any donations made are tax deductible. Our philosophy is that there is no donation that is "too small". Every dollar raised will put us one dollar closer to our goal. We have several avenues to donate:

- 1. Through the website via Paypal (this is already available). I will be updating the website tomorrow.
- 2. Directly to the Historical Society
- 3. Via credit card at the Museum
- 4. I will be setting up an account at our local bank (this probably won't be until after the 1st) where donations can be made directly to the bank. Details on this later.

Any funds raised in excess of the \$13,000 will go towards making our payments on the loan and

restoration. If you have any questions, just give me a call. 816-805-1815

We will take a tour of the house during our next meeting on January 5th, 7:00pm at the Museum.

I also want to take this opportunity to welcome Kathy Smith to the Board of Directors. She has graciously agreed to fill our vacant seat until next year's election. Kathy has been a member of the Historical Society for several years and brings a lot of experience and passion to the table. She will be a wonderful asset to our organization!! WELCOME ABOARD, KATHY!!!

I will be sending out more information as it becomes available. I just wanted to share the good news!!!

Alinda M. Miller, President Lone Jack Historical Society

### THE CIVIL WAR LECTURE SERIES

Shepherd's Center's Adventures in Learning Program will present a 10 week series on the American Civil War from January 6, 2012 to March 9, 2012. These presentations will be at the South Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes, Friday mornings at 11 a.m. Presenters will include:

**January 20** Jim Howk "The Crisis of Fort Sumter" First engagement of the Civil War

**January 27** Gregory Hospoder "General Grant Before the War"

**February 3** Don Gilmore "Overview of the Civil War in Missouri and Kansas"

**February 10** Terry Beckenbaugh "Battle of Wilson Creek"

**February 17** Darryl Levings "Quantrill at Lawrence" **February 14** Paul Kirkman "Battle of Westport"

March 2 Christopher Gabel "Railroads in the War" March 9 Jim Beckner "Civil War Artifacts" Will show artifacts and discuss the personal issues soldiers experienced.

The Friends of Arrow Rock and the Arrow Rock State Historic Site are sponsoring a series of lectures highlighting aspects of the Civil War in recognition of the sesquicentennial observance.

The 2012 1st Saturday Lecture Series will be held at the Arrow Rock State Historic Site.

**February 4**: "The Civil War in Arrow Rock," by Mike Dickey, Site Administrator, Arrow Rock State Historic Site

**March 3**: "Civil War Songs from the Western Border," by Cathy Barton and Dave Para, professional folk musicians

**April 7**: "The Civil War in the Boonslick," by Jim Denny, Civil War historian and author of The Civil War's First Blood: Missouri 1854-1861

The series is free and open to the public. It is supported by and endowment funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities and generous donors.

For more information, contact Kathy Borman, at the Friends of Arrow Rock, 660-837-2321.

### NEW, FREE ON-LINE CIVIL WAR RESOURCE

Dear Sir or Madam,

As fellow historians of the Civil War, I believe you will find a new and growing resource for Civil War research both interesting and useful. One of our member crews, the U.S. Naval Landing Party, is posting weekly news reports from period papers online. Each Wednesday or Thursday, one week's worth of articles from a variety of papers (totalling about 1,000 words) is added. There is (intentionally) no specific focus in the choice of topics--meaning, while the big and familiar battles are represented, so are a very wide variety of home front, social, personal and international pieces. This is the Civil War the way the folks at home learned about it, complete with all the misinformation and "sensation reports." I've studied the war for years, and never heard about much of this--and certainly never in this way.

The papers can be accessed by visiting <a href="https://www.usnlp.org">www.usnlp.org</a> and clicking on the U.S. flag behind the words "War News!" I would encourage everyone to share this with local schools and universities. Thank you!

Regards, Chuck Veit

President, Navy & Marine Living History Association www.navyandmarine.org

### SPECIAL OFFER....

A Digitized Collection in 300 dpi on DVD-ROM Presented by http://civilwardigital.comMore than 400 images from the 1894 original edition of "Frank Leslie's Illustrated History of The Civil War."

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### MEMBER KAREN WIEDERAENDERS WRITES BOOKS, SPARKED BY GREAT, GREAT GRANDMOTHER'S SCRAPBOOK, AUGUSTA ELDRIDGE

Mike,

At the October meeting I mentioned that I have written a novel on the Civil War in Kansas and I promised to send you the link. It's out on Smashwords which you can find through Google. I wrote it in my maiden name which was Karen Horst. Here's a little something you can excerpt for the newsletter if you want to.

I got interested in the border war period when my great aunt gave me a scrapbook belonging to my great, great grandmother Augusta Eldridge. She was married to Shalor Eldridge's brother Monroe. She came to Kansas in 1854 with the Eldridge family and lived here until she died. She saw it all and she had put a lot of it in her scrapbook so it made it a little easier to do the research.

These books are historical fiction with the emphasis on history. I've written the story in three parts: Give Me Your Name concerns the abolitionist cause and the background of the Bleeding Kansas events. Freedom's Southern Line takes place in the Kansas City area during the border wars and The New Jerusalem goes from the election of Lincoln to his death. I tried to cover everything that happened: Sheriff Jones' raid, Quantrill's raid, the battle of Westport. There are

some things in the scrapbook which are not available elsewhere so you will probably find a few surprises even if you know the material well.

I'll forward a link from Smashwords. Thanks,

Karen Wiederaenders

#### MORE COMING EVENTS

Confederate Reckoning—Stephanie McCurry Thursday, January 26, 2012—6:30 pm Plaza Library, 4801 Main St., Kansas City, MO. Stephanie McCurry, University of Pennsylvania historian, offers a new interpretation of the Confederacy that contends the South sowed the seeds of its demise in creating a regime that excluded white women and slaves, which together comprised a majority of the population. To RSVP call 816 701-3481.

Bleeding Kansas 2012 Lecture Series, Sunday, January 29, 2012—2 pm, Constitution Hall State Historic Site, 319 Elmore, Lecompton, KS. Todd Mildfelt, educator and author: "The Underground Railroad on the Kansas Frontier." Donation requested.

Bleeding Kansas 2012 Lecture, Series Sunday, February 5, 2012—2 pm, Constitution Hall State Historic Site, 319 Elmore, Lecompton, KS. Ian Spurgeon, military historian, author, and native Kansan: "A Principled Politician: James H. Lane and the Fight for Kansas and the Union." Donation requested.

I'm writing to tell you about a new book by Award-winning Civil War historian William Marvel, whom Stephen Sears has called "the Civil War's master historical detective", that I thought might be of interest to members of your Civil War Roundtable. It's called TARNISHED VICTORY: FINISHING LINCOLN'S WAR (On Sale: Nov. 15), and it's the bold and thrilling conclusion to Marvel's sweeping four-part series on the Civil War—the first major re-examination in nearly fifty years.

In TARNISHED VICTORY, Marvel rejects schoolbook accounts of the war's final months, beginning with the Virginia and Atlanta campaigns in May 1864 and closing with the final surrender of Confederate forces in June 1865. In the course of that year the war grows ever more deadly, the home front is stripped to fill the armies, and the economy is crippled by debt and inflation, while the stubborn survival of the Confederacy seriously undermines support for Lincoln's war.

In the end, it seems that Lincoln's early critics, who played such a pivotal role in the beginning of the series, are proven correct. Victory did require massive bloodshed and complete conquest of the South. It also required decades of occupation to cement the achievements of 1865, and the ultimate failure of Lincoln's political heirs to carry through with that occupation squandered the most commendable of those achievements, making it ultimately a tarnished victory.

TARNISHED VICTORY raises fresh questions about the war that defined America, and about the limitations of war in changing deeply entrenched beliefs.

William Marvel's many acclaimed books in this series include The Great Task Remaining, Lincoln's Darkest Year, and Mr. Lincoln Goes to War. He has won a Lincoln Prize, the Douglas Southall Freeman Award, and the Bell Award.

Kelly Cross and Ayesha Mirza http://hmhtrade.com/williammarvel/

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### 2012 MEMBERSHIP DUES 2012

The Membership Dues for 2012 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 2012 may be paid at any time prior to December 31, 2011. 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.

### 2012 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

Individual Name	spouse (if Couple Membership)		
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