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*Summer Sessions 2008 7:00pm Homestead Country Club  
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## SUMMER SESSION SPEAKERS

**June 24, 2008: In Stanley Horn's " The Boys Life of Robert E Lee"** Horn clearly states that on the morning of July 2nd, 1863, 'Lee decided to attack "as early as practicable" and so instructed Longstreet, who was getting into position on the Confederate right'. According to Horn, Longstreet's behavior "prevented him from attacking at daybreak and he attacked at 4:00 in the afternoon, by then the whole Army of the Potomac occupied Cemetery Ridge", the implication being had he attacked at "daybreak" the Union Army did not yet fully occupy the ridge and therefore could have been swept from the ridge. The implication is the defeat at Gettysburg was the fault and failure of Longstreet JVP Lane Smith will present a power point presentation that will take you "Thru the Eyes of Lee, the Gettysburg Campaign". Lee has been so successful in his early battles, what happened at these earlier five battles that did not occur at Gettysburg? This study will present a different view as to why Lee lost at Gettysburg, but also why Meade won.

**July 22, 2008:** The Civil War saw a phenomenal use of horses for all manners of military service. Not only did the cavalry use horses extensively, the field artillery, and quartermaster corps were also large users. Understanding the capabilities of horses is a "must" for military historians and serious students of the Civil War. Col (Ret) Ed Kennedy, Life Member of the U.S. Horse Cavalry Association, will present "**Cavalry War Horses 1861-1865**". This presentation will inform the non-horse student about the capabilities, shortcomings and advantages of cavalry horses in particular. How horses were fought is essential for the true understanding of how thousands of soldiers carried-out their duties during the war.

**August 26, 2008:** The year is 1904. It has been a year since Margaret Drake Griffith's husband, Alexander Blair Griffith, has passed away. Born into prosperity and married to a prosperous man, now, as an elderly lady, she is returning to Dayton, Cass Co, Mo for the first time since those horrible January days of 1862 during the Civil War when her life, as she knew it, was taken from her and her family. Mrs Griffith will tell her story of her family and the terror of those days. Her husband has joined the Confederate forces and is away at war. She must run the family business and attend to the children and her own mother. On Jan 1, 1862, the undefended community is captured by Daniel Anthony and the 2nd Ks Cav and they, well we should let Mrs Griffith tell her story.

Listen to Mrs Griffith's story and ask yourself, "does Mrs Griffith sound like a bitter woman and if you were in the same circumstances would you be bitter".

Come join us for a very entertaining performance of a first person presentation by Jackie Roberts of the Cass Co CWRT.

*No meals for the  
Summer Sessions,  
coffee, water and tea  
are provided.*

## NEW MEMBERS:

**Marvin Burkgren**, 13885 141st Terr,  
Olathe, KS 66062 - 913-440-9953.

**Loren Boline**, 4814 Pebble Beach,  
Lee's Summit, MO 64064, 816-478-  
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## TORNADO HITS NEWTONIA, MISSOURI, SITE OF TWO CIVIL WAR BATTLES

Jamie Justice, a computer services member for the Springfield-Greene County Library told me that she and her daughter were down at Carthage and Newtonia on Sunday. She commented how nice it was to visit the Carthage Museum Free of charge, so Carthage's Public Square is okay. But every street in Newtonia was blocked by National Guardsmen. Upon inquiry about the Newtonia Ritchie Mansion, one of the police said it was damaged by the tornado/storm.

## WILSON'S CREEK NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD;

### "ARTS IN THE PARK"

June 21, 2008 7:00 PM to  
8:00 PM The 135th Army Band  
(USAR), consisting of 30 members of  
the U.S. Army Reserve, will present a  
concert from 7-8 p.m. on the front  
lawn of the Visitor Center.

All events are free and open  
to the public except the entrance fee  
for the Ray House Event on June 7th.

Please bring blankets and/or  
lawn chairs for all performances.

For more information contact:

Ted Hillmer  
417-732-2662, ext. 224

Click here to email us for more  
information.

**June 21 and 22, 2008:** Living  
history program highlighting the role  
of various Union regiments in the  
Battle of Wilson's Creek, at Stop  
Number 5 on the Tour Road. Historic  
weapons firing schedule TBA.

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**July 19 and Sept. 1, 2008:** The  
artillery firing program will take place  
at Stop Number 5 on the Tour Road,  
every hour on the hour, from 11 a.m.-  
4 p.m.

**Why don't you join the Civil War  
Round Table of Western Missouri  
on their bus tour.** We still have  
plenty of space available on the bus,  
and the cost is only \$104 per person  
based on single occupancy. This  
includes transportation on a tour bus,  
meals, motel, and entrance to Wilson's  
Creek. We are looking forward to a  
wonderful weekend. Send checks  
payable to "Civil War Round Table of  
Western Missouri", 17313 E. 51 Ter.  
Ct. S., Independence, MO 64055. We  
will be starting out at 8 am Saturday  
from the Blue and Grey Book Shoppe,  
106 E. Walnut, Independence, MO  
and plan to return by 4 pm on Sunday.  
Beverly Shaw- 816 225-7944 cell.



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