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Newsletter of the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City



### 480<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting Tuesday, May 24, 2016

Sunset Ballroom, 8th Floor, Holiday Inn

8787 Reeder Rd., Overland Park, KS 66214 Social Hour - Cash Bar – 5:30p.m. Dinner - 6:30p.m.

#### **May Speaker**

## Dr. Ethan Rafuse will present a program titled, "Fighting Joe Hooker"

**Dr. Ethan Rafuse**, from the US Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth KS, will be will be speaking about Union General Joseph Hooker. The title of his talk is: "Fighting Joe Hooker."



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#### Attendance requires a paid dinner reservation.

Please be sure **Susan Keipp** receives all reservations by **12 noon on Friday May 20, 2016** along with payment of \$27.00 per person. Mail to:

#### Susan Keipp, 436 W. 88th Ter Kansas City, MO 64114-2912

Report any necessary adjustments to Susan at 816-333-0025 by 12 noon on the Friday before the Tuesday meeting.

Use your debit/credit card at our website, <a href="http://www.cwrtkc.org">http://www.cwrtkc.org</a>. Go to <a href="Dinner Reservation">Dinner Reservation</a> under the Meetings tab, fill out the reservation form, and then make your payment in the box to the left on that page through PayPal. If you are using this service please send **Susan** an email so she will not miss your reservation. <a href="mailto:skeipp@kc.rr.com">skeipp@kc.rr.com</a>.

# SILENT BOOK AUCTION:

BRING YOUR BOOKS!
BRING YOUR MONEY!
BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

Remember! May is one of the months for our semiannual request for donations of Civil War related books for the silent auctions.

#### A Message from Your President

How did you become interested in the Civil War? That is a question I have heard asked during dinner, at several of our Civil War Round Table meetings. I am guessing that you got interested in the Civil War because of one or more of the following reasons:

- Someone in your family encouraged you to become interested in the Civil War. You may have visited a Civil War battlefield during one of your family vacations.
- You have one or more ancestors that served during the Civil War. You may have inherited a Civil War rifle, a bayonet, or some other artifact.
- You had a high school history teacher or a college history professor that got you interested in the Civil War. Your teacher may have inspired you to learn more.
- You read one or more books about the Civil War by well-known authors such as Bruce Catton, Shelby Foote, Bell Wiley, or Douglas Southall Freeman.
- You loved movies such as *Gone with the Wind*, *The Horse Soldiers*, *Gettysburg*, or the Ken Burns series *The Civil War*.
- You have always loved American history and wanted to learn more about the Civil War.
- You lived near a Civil War battlefield, like Dan Smith did.

I became interested in the Civil War when I was in grade school, during the Civil War Centennial (1961-1965). During the Centennial, there were school plays, books, toy soldier play sets, trading cards, board games,

uniform hats and belts, toy guns, etc. all related to the Civil War. It was virtually impossible to not become interested in the Civil War. We used to divide up the boys in our class during recess and play Civil War. We would also dress up like Civil War soldiers and fight mock battles in our neighborhood after school or on weekends.

As an adult, I became re-interested in the Civil War by visiting Civil War battlefields and reading books about the Civil War. I tried to visit as many battlefields as I could during our family vacations. That generally worked, as long as I scheduled other activities that the rest of the family would enjoy.

Your love of history and your interest in the Civil War has gotten you to become a member of the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City. Someone may have invited you to attend one of our dinner meetings and encouraged you to join. Hopefully, you will invite others to attend one of our dinner meetings and join the Round Table. We have an excellent group of speakers planned for the remainder of this year and we already have some outstanding speakers lined up for next year.

Thank you for supporting the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City and sharing your love of history with us.

-- Dave Pattison

#### **Meet Our Speaker**

Dr. Ethan S. Rafuse graduated from George Mason University with a bachelors degree and a masters degree in History. He obtained a doctor of philosophy degree in history and political science from UMKC in 1999. Dr. Rafuse served as assistant professor of history at the U.S. Military Academy for three years and has served as a professor of military history at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth since 2004.

Dr. Rafuse has been a frequent speaker on Civil War related topics at the Kansas City Public Library, at the National Archives, and at our own Civil War Round Table. He has authored, edited, or co-edited eleven books including:

- McClellan's War The Failure of Moderation in the Struggle for the Union
- Robert E. Lee and the Fall of the Confederacy
- Stonewall Jackson, a Biography and
- Guide to the Richmond-Petersburg Campaign

Dr. Rafuse lives with his wife and daughter in Platte City MO.

#### The Sergeant Major's Book Auction

Arnold Schofield will auction three books at the meeting.

• Bold Dragoon, The Life of J.E.B. Stuart. Emory Thomas, Harper & Row, New York, 1986; 1st Edition, Cond. Fine +.

- Stonewall Jackson (2 Vols.). Col. G. F. R. Henderson. Longman's, Green & Co., London, 2nd Edition, 8th Printing 1913. Excellent Condition, Very Scarce & Rare.
- and a book donated by Don Bates ...

#### **Don Bates's Book Auction**

Don Bates has graciously agreed to donate one of the books from his large collection of Civil War books to be auctioned off at the meeting by Arnold Schofield. This month's selection ...

• River Run Red: The Fort Pillow Massacre by Andrew Ward, a First Edition dated 2005. On April 12, 1864, 3,000 Confederate cavalrymen under Nathan Bedford Forrest stormed the undermanned garrison. Credits on the back of the dust jacket are by Ken Burns and Nelson D. Langford, author of "Richmond Burning". The price printed on the inside of the dust jacket is \$29.95. Mint condition including dust jacket which is mylar wrapped.

#### **Dinner Menu**

**English Cut Broil:** Slices of marinated flank steak. Served with garlic mashed potatoes and steamed vegetables. Served with a house salad, freshly baked bread with herbed butter, chef's choice of dessert, coffee, iced tea & water.

The Holiday Inn & Suites has advised they can provide the following 3 options for dinner:

- The main entree meal as selected by the Civil War Round Table.
- A vegetarian meal as determined by the chef.
- A gluten-free meal as determined by the chef.

The Holiday Inn & Suites indicated they cannot provide a low-carb meal.

Check out the Round Table's website for the <u>2016</u> menu selections.

#### **Future Programs**

Visit our website to see the list of **Scheduled Meetings**.

**June 28, 2016**: **David G. Moore** will be speaking about Union General William S. Rosecrans. Mr. Moore's book titled: *William S. Rosecrans and the Union Victory* was published in 2014. He has spoken at several Civil War Round Tables and Civil War battlefields and museums.

July 26, 2016: Robert Walz, from the US Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth KS, will be our speaker. The title of his talk is: "Railroads During the Civil War." According to Mr. Walz, the north did not have that much initial advantage in railroads (especially in the areas where the war was being fought), but managed its assets far better than did the south. In many respects, the south used railroads better tactically

than the north initially (First Bull Run), but the north was far better strategically.

August 23, 2016: Civil War Round Table member Bill Quatman will discuss his book titled: A Young General and the Fall of Richmond: The Life and Career of Godfrey Weitzel.

**September 27, 2016**: Col. **Kevin Weddle**, PhD (Professor of Military Theory and Strategy at the US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks PA) will be speaking about his biography on Union Rear Admiral Samuel Francis Du Pont titled: *Lincoln's Tragic Admiral: the Life of Samuel Francis Du Pont*.

October 25, 2016: Round Table member Arnold Schofield will present a program titled: "The Frontier Guard." Arnold's talk will be based on James P. Muehlberger's book: *The 116: The True Story of Abraham Lincoln's Lost Guard*. This book was published in December of 2015 and is the definitive account of the Frontier Guard who defended President Lincoln from a kidnapping and assassination plot in the opening days of the Civil War.

**November 15, 2016: Paul Kahan** will be speaking about Abraham Lincoln's Secretary of War, Simon Cameron. Mr. Kahan's book titled: *Amiable Scoundrel: Lincoln's Scandalous Secretary of War*, will be published in July of 2016.

**December 20, 2016**: **Dr. Ian Michael Spurgeon** has been rescheduled to speak about the 1st Kansas Colored Infantry. Mr. Spurgeon's new book is titled: Soldiers in the Army of Freedom. Mr. Spurgeon lives in Washington D.C.

#### 2017 Speaker Schedule Firming Up

January 24, 2017: Speaker to be determined.

**February 28, 2017**: Civil War Round Table member **Dan Smith** will give a program on Edward F. Winslow, who led the 4th Iowa Cavalry brigade at the Battle of Westport. Dick Titterington has edited the unpublished Civil War memoirs of Edward F. Winslow and is planning to publish the book sometime in 2016. Dan wrote the foreword for the book and has done quite a bit of research on the life of Winslow. Winslow is a fascinating individual. The talk would not be a story of battles, but rather a story of Winslow the man, kind of a Horatio Alger story.

March 28, 2017: Speaker to be determined.

April 25, 2017: Speaker to be determined.

May 23, 2017: Dr. Justin S. Solonick will be discussing his book titled: Engineering Victory, The Union Siege of Vicksburg. This book was published in April of 2015 and deals with the implements and tactics that Grant's soldiers used to achieve victory. Mr. Solonick is a former adjunct instructor in the Department of History and Geography at Texas Christian University.

June 27, 2017: Dr. Timothy B. Smith will be speaking about his latest book titled: Shiloh, Conquer or Perish, that was published in 2015. Dr. Smith is a former National Park Service Ranger at Shiloh and currently teaches history at the University of Tennessee at Martin. He has written numerous books on the Civil War.

July 25, 2017: Rev. George C. Wunderlich, Assistant Director for Human Formation at Mount St.Mary's Seminary, will be speaking about the U. S. Army Medical Corps. Rev. Wunderlich previously served as Executive Director of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine in Frederick MD.

August 22, 2017: Speaker to be determined.

**September 26, 2017: John Michael Priest** will be speaking about the Battle of South Mountain, which was the prelude to Antietam. Mr. Priest is a Civil War historian/author and a tour guide at Antietam National Battlefield.

October 24, 2017: Dr. Kyle S. Sinisi, Professor of History at The Citadel, will be speaking about his book titled: The Last Hurrah, Sterling Price's Missouri Expedition of 1864 that was published in July of 2015.

**November 28, 2017: Dr. John T. Kuehn**, the William A. Stofft, Chair of Historical Research at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, will be speaking about Gideon Welles, Gus Fox, and the U.S. Naval Blockade.

December 19, 2017: Speaker to be determined.

#### **April Meeting Photos**

Link to our website for more photos from the April meeting.



Speaker Arnold Schofield. The title of Arnold's talk was "Gardens of Stone."

#### The Round Table's Website

Embedded throughout our emailed newsletter are links to the website. Just click on those links and find out what great information is available on the <u>Civil War Round</u> Table of Kansas City website.

Check out the Round Table's Facebook page, and make sure you "like" the page.

<u>Civil War Round Table of Kansas City Facebook Page</u> **Sergeant Major's Roar** 

> Battlefield Dispatches No. 449 Fiendish Guerrilla

Historically, April of 1865 is considered to be the month that the Civil War ended. This is true because the majority of the fighting between the North and South did end at that time. However, the violence that was the guerrilla war carried on for a few more years. The fighting and killing at this time was not between organized armies, but was carried on by outlaws, former guerrillas and family feuds that had originated in the Civil War. The following article was published in the *Fort Scott Monitor* on January 8, 1868 and describes the killing of a former "Quantrill" guerrilla in Granby, Missouri.

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#### The Career of another of Quantrill's Guerrillas Ended

A fellow known as "Sam" Moore, who was conspicuous as one of Quantrill's Guerrillas during the war, recently rode into the town of Granby, in Newton County on horseback, accompanied by two other men and proceeded to take possession of the place. They rode through the streets flourishing their revolvers, cursing radicals and "Union" men generally and defying the authorities to interfere with them. And it seems that there were none bold enough to resent the outrage and Moore and his Confederates, after overawing the town as long as they desired rode away.

Information was at once conveyed to Neosho and a warrant was procured for Moore's arrest, which was placed in the hands of Captains Goodykoontz and Lacey for execution. Pursuit was at once commenced and Moore was overtaken somewhere near the line between Newton and McDonald counties. His horse was observed standing near a house by the roadside and was at once recognized. After surrounding the premises with the posse that accompanied them, Goodykoontz and Lacey proceeded to the house and inquired for Moore. They were informed that he was not there, but getting a glimpse inside they saw their man and could not be put off.

They called upon him to surrender, informing him that they had a warrant for his arrest. He coolly informed them that HE WOULD NOT BE TAKEN ALIVE, and seizing a favorable moment he broke out at the door and ran for the woods. Refusing to halt and surrender, Captain Lacey commenced firing upon him. Moore returned the fire ineffectually and was brought to the ground by a ball from Captain Lacey's revolver, which struck him in one of his hips. Having exhausted the shots in his revolver, he drew another which he also emptied, firing altogether twelve shots without doing any other damage than making a few

holes in Captain Lacey's clothes. About this time a ball from the Captain's pistol ended his career and rid the country of another of the few remaining desperate characters whose blooded deeds have so often shocked the country.

The deceased was among the most FIENDISH of Quantrill's noted guerrillas. He was with General Price on his retreat through Newton County and at Newtonia, killed and scalped Lieutenant Christen. Since the war he has killed several persons in the Southwestern, Missouri counties. [From the] *Missouri Patriot*."

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Now then, it is not known for certain if Sam Moore's reputation was as accurate as described, but what is certain is that he could kill no more as he died a violent death near the McDonald and Newton County, Missouri line early in January of 1868 two and a half years after the official end of the Civil War.

#### **Events around Town**

Check out the Round Table's <u>Google Calendar of events on the website</u>.

#### 2016 History Matters Program

**Joe Louis Mattox** will speak from 2-3 pm on Thursday, June 2, 2016 at the Battle of Westport Visitor Center and Museum. His talk will be Juneteenth and the meaning of "Freedom Day" or "Free Blacks and the Mormons In Missouri"

#### Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

#### **Please Note Special June Meeting**

For the June 8 meeting the Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri having a potluck picnic at 6 p.m. at the Lone Jack Museum on Bynum Road in Lone Jack, MO. The Round Table will provide fried chicken and drinks; everyone else should bring a dish to share and a chair. Call **Beverly Shaw** at 816 225-7944 for details. Check their Calendar (<a href="http://www.cwrtwm.org">http://www.cwrtwm.org</a>) to verify the date, location and find out about the next program topic. Visitors are always welcome!

#### Independence Civil War Study Group

Meets every third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Perkins Restaurant, 3939 S. Bolger Drive, Independence, MO (across from Walmart).

Upcoming meetings:

- July 20, 2016--Laura Mielke, a professor at K.U., who will talk about antebellum and Civil War plays.
- September 21, 2016--Mary Ellen McVicker, a historian from Boonville, will speak about George Caleb Bingham, covering both his life and his art.
- December 21, 2016--We will once again enjoy the music of **Dave Para** and **Cathy Barton** for our Christmas dinner.

The other dates will be filled in later.

#### Kansas City Posse of the Westerners

June 14 Meeting: **Robert Jones**, President of the Kennesaw (Georgia) Historical Society, who will present a program on Wild Bill Hickok. The Westerners meet at the Golden Corral restaurant (near the Home Depot), 8800 NW Skyview Avenue, Kansas City, Mo. 64154. Dinner at 6 p.m. from the buffet menu. Cost is \$12 or less and non-members are welcome. For more information, see **Deborah Buckner** or **Dennis Garstang** or call (816) 569-1180.

#### Confederate Memorial Day

**Jim Beckner** encourages everyone to attend Confederate Memorial Day at the Confederate Memorial State Historic Site in Higginsville, Missouri on Saturday, June 4, 2016. Festivities begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel and conclude around 2:00 p.m.

- 10:00 am Visit Vendors, friends, look at displays, Period Music.
- 10:30 Children of the Confederacy, MO State Meeting in Chapel
- 11:00 Chapel **Tom Rafiner**
- 11:30 Chapel Quantrill Society Meeting and Program on Q's List and Waverly
- 12:15 pm Lunch bring your own lunch a group may sell sandwiches
- 12:45 All those that are part of Opening Ceremonies please move to the Cemetery
- 1:00 Confederate Memorial Day Service Parade enters
- 1:05 Color Guard presents Colors. There will also be the Pledge, Salute, & Charges
- 1:10 Welcome Jim Beckner
- 1:15 Invocation
- 1:18 Recognition of Groups
- 1:21 "Why we Gather" by **Jim Beckner**
- 1:23 3 Stories of real Confederate Heroes
- 1:35 Responsive Reading Harold Dellinger
- 1:40 Commander's Comments Missouri Division Commander
- 1:45 President's Comments Missouri UDC President
- 1:50 Children of the Confederacy Comments
- 1:54 Recognition of Confederate Ancestors everyone
- 2:00 "Dixie"
- 2:02 Closing **Jim Beckner**
- 2:04 Benediction
- 2:06 Retire Colors





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