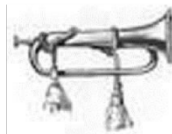




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488th Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

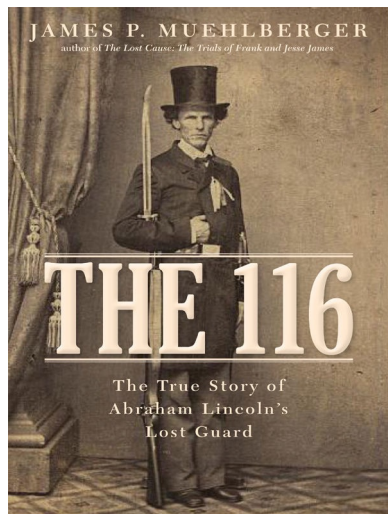
Sunset Ballroom, 8th Floor, Holiday Inn

8787 Reeder Rd., Overland Park, KS 66214

Social Hour - Cash Bar - 5:30p.m.

Dinner - 6:30p.m.

January Speaker



Round Table member Arnold Schofield will give 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.

Attendance requires a paid dinner reservation.

Please be sure **Susan Keipp** receives all reservations by **12:00 noon on Thursday, January 19, 2017** 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 12:00 noon on the Thursday before the Tuesday meeting.

Use your debit/credit card at our website, <http://www.cwrk.org>. Go to [Dinner Reservation](#) 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 that she will not miss your reservation. skeipp@kc.rr.com.

Note New Reservation Deadline!

New Reservation Deadline

Our Catering Contract with the Holiday Inn requires that we turn in our final head count 3 business days before the monthly dinner meetings so that they know how much food to order. That means that we have to turn in our final head count by the start of business on Friday morning. **Therefore, we have to change our dinner reservation deadline to 12:00 noon on the Thursday before the Tuesday dinner meeting.**

We have had a number of problems with people making late dinner reservations and expecting to be accommodated. Please be advised that we cannot accept any late dinner reservations. Also, Susan Keipp is the only person from our organization that can contact the Holiday Inn regarding dinner reservations. Do not contact the Holiday Inn directly to make a reservation.

Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

Dinner Menu

Chicken Picatta: Sautéed chicken breast in a light lemon/cream sauce. Accompanied with garlic whipped potatoes and chef's choice of vegetable. Served with a house salad, freshly baked bread with herbed butter, chef's choice of dessert, coffee, iced tea, and water.

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

Meet Our Speaker



Civil War Round Table Member Arnold Schofield

Arnold W. Schofield is a retired Public Historian with 50 years of public service. He was born and raised in the small village of Newton Upper Falls, Massachusetts, attended college on the GI Bill, and received a degree in United States History. His Public Service includes:

- 6 years in the United States Army,
- 10 years as a civilian with the Department of Defense,
- 33 years with the National Park Service, and
- 7 years with the Kansas Historical Society, as Superintendent of the Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site.

His National Park Service career included tours of duty at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, the Blue Ridge Parkway, and Fort Scott National Historic Site. While at Fort Scott he was the Site Historian and Cultural Resource Specialist.

Arnold is a recognized lecturer throughout the Midwest on Westward Expansion, the Permanent Indian Frontier, and Bleeding Kansas and the Civil War. Two of his special interests include the roles of the American Indians and African Americans in the Civil War.

Arnold has been involved with Civil War Battlefield Preservation for more than 40 years and is co-founder of the Mine Creek Battlefield Foundation, which has raised more than one million dollars, purchased 326 acres of prime battlefield land, reprinted the only book on the Battle of Mine Creek, assisted in the production of a video on the battle by Curtis Productions, and produced a brochure on Price's 1864 Campaign in Missouri and Kansas.

Arnold and his wife Clara have been married for over 26 years and have one son, named Austin. They live in Fort Scott KS. Arnold also writes a column for the Fort Scott Tribune.

The Sergeant Major's Book Auction

Arnold Schofield will auction the following books and map at the January meeting.

R. E. Lee, by Douglas Southall Freeman, 1934, 1st Edition, four (4) Volume Set, Biography, Charles Scribner & Sons, New York, Excellent Condition.

Robert E. Lee: An Album, by Emory Thomas; W. W. Norton & Co., New York & London, 2000, 1st Edition, with Dust Jacket, Mint Condition.

The Lost Papers of Confederate General John Bell Hood, by Stephen M. Hood, 2015, Savas Beatie publishing, Eldorado Hills, California, Mint Condition with Dust Jacket.

Replica: "1864 Map of Richmond, Virginia", Reproduced in 1962 from original made by the U. S.

Coastal Survey in 1864 as part of the Civil War Centennial, Excellent Condition.

Among the donations to the Round Table at our recent December meeting are some "Selected Civil War Maps" that were reproduced from the originals made by the U. S. Coast Survey between 1861 and 1865. The maps were reproduced as part of the Civil War Centennial in 1962 and include maps of Charleston Harbor SC, Richmond, VA, Vicksburg MS, Fort Fisher, NC, Chattanooga TN, the Atlanta Campaign and others. Throughout this year one or more of these maps will be offered for interested members and guests at the monthly live auction

Please Renew Your Membership in the Civil War Round Table

If you have not already done so, please renew your membership in the Civil War Round Table for 2017. The membership dues are the same as they have been for the past several years: \$30.00 per individual or \$45.00 per couple. The membership dues go to pay for the travel costs for our speakers coming in from out of town, as well as our administrative costs such as printing, mailing, post office box, website fees, etc. We have a great list of speakers scheduled for next year. Seven of the speakers will be coming in from out of town. Attached is the 2017 Civil War Round Table membership renewal form. Please submit your membership renewal form and dues to our treasurer, **Susan Keipp**. Thank you for being a member of the Round Table!

Bus Trip to Fort Leavenworth

Phil Baker has planned an exciting bus trip to Fort Leavenworth KS for Saturday, April 22, 2017. The cost of the bus trip is \$30.00 per individual. Lunch can be purchased at the Army dining facility for \$5.55 in **cash**. The bus will depart from the Johnson County Community College in Overland Park KS at 8:00 a.m. and will return at 3:30 p.m. Attached are the information sheet and the sign-up form for the bus trip. Please submit your payment to our treasurer, **Susan Keipp**. The bus trip is limited to the first 40 people that sign up and pay. Susan said she already has a large number of people that have made reservations.

We Remember, Again

The Civil War Round Table of Kansas City is soliciting articles for the book titled: *We Remember, Again* to be published in 2017. It will be a collection of articles about the Civil War ancestors of current members of the Round Table. It will be the second volume published to celebrate and memorialize the heritage that is personal for each member. This will be a limited edition publication to share with family and friends. Visit the [CWRT Website Home Page](#) for submission criteria. Members that are interested in

participating in this project need to e-mail the articles on their Civil War ancestors to Harriet Duff (hfduff@gmail.com) no later than March 1, 2017.

December Meeting Photos

[Link to an archive of Prior Meetings for more photos](#)



Dr. Ian Spurgeon spoke about the 1st Kansas Colored Infantry at our dinner meeting in December

Future Programs

Visit our website to see the list of [Scheduled Meetings](#).

2017 Speaker Schedule

February 28, 2017: Civil War Round Table member **Dan Smith** will give a program on Edward F. Winslow, who led the 4th Iowa Cavalry at the Battle of Westport. **Dick Titterington** edited the unpublished Civil War memoirs of Edward F. Winslow and published the book 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 will not be a story of battles, but rather a story of Winslow the man, kind of a Horatio Alger story.

March 28, 2017: **John Liepa**, sports editor from Des Moines IA, will be giving a program about baseball in the Civil War.

April 25, 2017: Round Table member **Lane Smith** will give a first person presentation on Confederate General Robert E. Lee.

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 2014. 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: Rich Gillespie will be speaking about Confederate cavalry officer John S. Mosby and the Mosby Heritage Foundation. Colonel Mosby was known as the "Grey Ghost" and commanded the 43d Battalion, 1st Virginia Cavalry. This unit became known as "Mosby's Rangers" or "Mosby's Raiders."

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 [Civil War Round Table of Kansas City website](#).

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

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Sergeant Major's Roar

Battlefield Dispatches #443 Tough was Tough

There is in the National Archives in Washington D. C., a special Record Group entitled "Scouts, Spies and Detectives" which contains many previously unpublished reports of individuals who for the "Union" Army conducted espionage operations behind enemy lines. Many of these reports from Kansas and Missouri will be the subject of future columns and the following is a brief definition of these classifications during the Civil War. A Scout was normally a civilian but could also have been a soldier who was very familiar with the roads and geography of an immediate area who guided the movement of troops in that part of enemy territory. They were highly paid and were often paid as much as \$1-\$5 per day or \$30 to \$150 per month compared to a private soldier's pay of \$13 per month. A spy was normally a civilian who infiltrated the enemy's territory in a city or area and would remain there for an extended period of time who would send reports back in person by a trusted courier. A detective was also a civilian who operated in towns and cities occupied by friendly forces who had the power of arrest.

The subject of this column is one Captain William Tough who was a scout and eventually the "Chief of Scouts" for various "Union" Armies and Generals in

Kansas during the Civil War. He arrived in the Kansas Territory as a young man before the Civil War during the era of "Bleeding Kansas", went to Colorado during the "Colorado Gold Rush", didn't get rich, returned to Kansas, became a Pony Express Rider, teamster, wagon boss and eventually a Kansas Red Leg commanded by the infamous Charles "Doc" Jennison who was the first commander of the 7th Ks. Vol. Cavalry or "Jennison's Jayhawkers! Tough also appreciated fine horses and like Jennison did not hesitate to steal, use and sell many very good horses from Missouri.

At various times "Tough" operated as a "Scout" from Fort Scott into Missouri and was described on two occasions in letters that are by 1st Lieut. James B. Pond of the 3rd Wisconsin Cavalry that are located in the Wisconsin Historical Society and the Kansas Historical Society. In the first, Lieut. Pond describes his first meeting with Scout Tough as follows:

"Have you got a good horse? You must be sure of that. I [Pond] thought I had a pretty reliable horse.... Tough looked him over and told me he was no good if I got into a tight place, as he [the horse] was too light and could not last... Now have you a good saddle? I brought my brass mounted McClellan regulation saddle. Tough examined it and said it was not the saddle for a man to risk his life on, but hunted around among the saddles of my company and found a girth that he declared as all right... Then he told me to change my clothes and to get some kind of butternut coat, such as the refugees and camp followers all wore. Then he examined my pistols [Colt Army Revolvers] and made me take off all the percussion caps and put fresh ones that he took from his box of water proof caps that he always wore."

Now then, this description indicates that Scout Tough was very experienced and Lieut. Pond accompanied him on a successful mission to and from Vernon County Missouri.

The second letter describes an incident in Fort Scott that occurred on July 28, 1863, which Capt. Pond witnessed in a letter to Captain Tough's brother, Lyttleton Tough, on April 4, 1901.

"Do you remember the day [Tough] shot Bill Gardner, one of the most notorious and troublesome of my men in Fort Scott? He and you [Lyttleton Tough] were grooming your horses, just from a long scout (mission). Your brother had taken off his belt and revolver and hung them on a peg. He was working on his horse when someone saw Bill Gardner riding up with a drawn revolver and shouted "Look Out Tough!" Tough looked and saw that he had not time to get his own revolvers hanging on the peg. He grabbed one from your holsters that was hanging on your hip and quicker than a flash of lightning shot Gardner dead. I witnessed the shot and decided it the greatest exhibition of presence of mind I ever saw. In 10 seconds he would have been shot.

Of course my having witnessed the scene and bad reputation of Gardner, no one thought of disturbing Capt. Tough."

Now then Captain William Tough went onto become the commanding officer of a Company of "Union" Scouts called the "Buckskin Scouts" which operated in Arkansas for the balance of the Civil War. After the war Captain Tough returned to Kansas and became a very successful horse trader which will be the subject of next month's column and of course the War Went On!

Civil War Round Table of Kansas City History



Civil War historian and Pulitzer prize winning author Bruce Catton (1899-1978) was the first recipient of the Harry S. Truman Award in 1959.

The following article appeared in the Kansas City Times on September 30, 1959:

PROBE WAR'S 'MYSTERY'

CIVIL STRUGGLE IS TOPIC FOR BRUCE CATTON.

Audience at Hotel Bellerive Hears 1954 Winner of Pulitzer Prize.

By Thorpe Menn.

(The Star's Literary Editor.)

"The Civil War begins in mystery and ends in one." Bruce Catton told 300 members and guests of the Kansas City Civil War Roundtable at the Hotel Bellerive last night. "All we can be sure about is that people came to grips with something that went far beyond their own horizon."

What divided the people a century ago matters little now, he said in concluding a speech that brought him a standing ovation. "What united them matters now and forever. It is a magnificent heritage."

A Priceless Possession.

"If anything worth winning was won, it was won for all of us," he explained. "The young men, who went out gaily under the flags to meet agony, disillusion, heartbreak, and death, proved something for all of us, once and for all - an ability to respond to a crisis. This is the most priceless possession any race can have."

Catton, 1954 Pulitzer Prizewinner for "A Stillness at Appomattox," and author of last winter's much-praised

"America Goes to War," was awarded the Roundtable's annual Harry S. Truman Award for Meritorious Service in the field of Civil War history. Former President Truman, who made the presentation, was himself honored by the Roundtable with a gold-plated honorary life membership, which carried with it the honorary presidency of the local group.

Another honored guest was Ralph Newman, Chicago bookseller and publisher, who in 1940 promoted the first Civil War roundtable. It has now become a national organization.

Turning Point in History.

Catton described the Civil War as one of the turning points in history. "Nothing quite like it ever happened anywhere else," he said.

"It was a war in which national loyalties were superseded by loyalties to ideas and ideals. The old concepts on which nations had fought previously were no longer valid. Only on the map was the Civil War a conflict between two separate nations. Basically, it was a conflict for men's minds."

He conceded that the Southern private might have been hard put to explain states' rights. The Northerner might have had trouble saying just what he meant when he said that he was fighting for the Union. But neither of them had any trouble figuring out which side he was fighting for.

"Each side was fighting for an absolute," he added. "The South wanted complete independence and the North wanted complete reunion. There was no way to harmonize or adjust those opposing desires. One or the other had to give way utterly."

Events Around Town

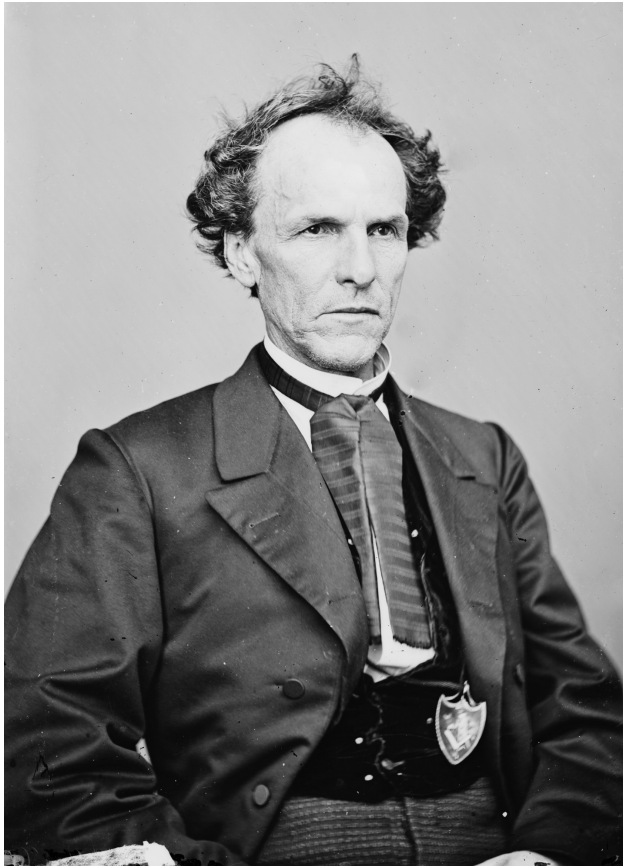
Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

The Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri will hold its February 8th meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Heights Community of Christ Church, 1009 Farview Drive, Independence MO.

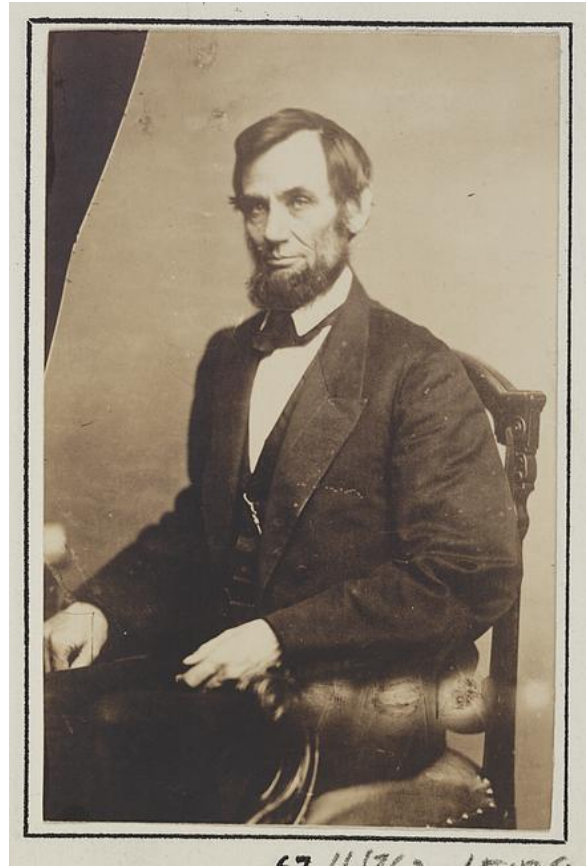
Call **Beverly Shaw** at 816 225-7944 for details. Check their Calendar (<http://www.cwrtwm.org>) to verify the date, location and find out about the next program topic. Visitors are always welcome!

Kansas City Posse of the Westerners

The Tuesday, February 14th meeting of the K.C. Westerners will feature historian Toby Giese speaking on "1880 West Point graduate John F. Blake and the 6th Cavalry Apache Campaign of the 1880s and 90s." 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.



James Lane



Abraham Lincoln

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