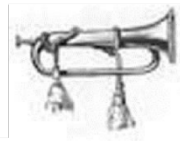




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504th Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

Sunset Ballroom, 8th Floor, Holiday Inn & Suites

8787 Reeder Rd., Overland Park, KS 66214

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

Dinner - 6:30p.m.



May Speaker

Dr. Phillip R. Kemmerly, Professor Emeritus and geologist will be giving a program titled: "Shiloh Controversies." Dr. Kemmerly will discuss three controversies about Shiloh, all related to the effects of the flood on the Tennessee River at the time of the battle.

This should be a very interesting program, so bring a friend and enjoy the evening.

Attendance requires a paid dinner reservation.

Please be sure that **Susan Keipp** receives all reservations by **12:00 noon on Thursday, May 17, 2018** along with payment of **\$28.00 per person**. Mail to:

Susan Keipp, 436 W 88th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64114

Report any necessary adjustments by calling Susan at 816-333-0025 or e-mailing her at: skeipp@kc.rr.com by 12:00 noon on the Thursday before the dinner meeting.

Use your debit/credit card at our website, <http://www.cwrtkc.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 he will not miss your reservation. <mailto:skeipp@kc.rr.com>

Reservation Deadline: 12:00 noon, May 17th

Make Your Dinner Reservations Early

Our treasurer, **Susan Keipp**, does an outstanding job handling all of the dinner reservations, paying our bills, coordinating with the Holiday Inn, etc. Most of our members also do a great job of making dinner reservations. For the April 24th dinner meeting, Susan reported that 53 people made reservations by the deadline. However, Susan is sorry to report that she had to turn away seven people who tried to make a reservation after the deadline.

Please note that dinner reservations are due by 12:00 noon on Thursday, May 17th. Late reservations will not be accepted. By contract, we must turn in our headcount three business days prior to the dinner meeting. The Holiday Inn has to order and prepare enough food and set the tables based on our headcount. Please do your part to make Susan's job go as smoothly as possible. Thank you!

Dinner Menu

Chicken Supreme – Baked chicken breast with a mushroom/cream sauce, served with steamed white rice and chef's choice of vegetable, salad, bread, chef's choice of dessert, coffee, iced tea, and water.

The Holiday Inn has advised they can provide the following three 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

Dr. Phillip R. Kemmerly is Professor Emeritus of Geology in the Department of Geosciences at Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, Tennessee. Professor Kemmerly retired in 2011 and completed his post-retirement teaching in hydrogeology and Environmental Geology in May 2015.

Dr. Kemmerly did his bachelor's and master's degrees at Kansas State University in chemistry and earth science. Phil completed his doctoral work in environmental geology at Oklahoma State University in 1973. He taught geology for thirty-nine years of which twelve years he served as department chair. He holds professional geologist licenses to practice in both Tennessee and Kentucky.

Dr. Kemmerly has been a geological consultant for more than thirty-five years to corporations, law firms, local, state, and national government specializing in sinkholes and ground-water problems in limestone terrains. Phil authored two monographs on karst

processes and more than fifty refereed papers in national and international publications. He led field trips dealing with karst topography in Tennessee and Kentucky for national and international geologists as well as geotechnical engineers. He served for many years as an instructor of in-service workshops for the National Association of Ground-water Scientists. He was a member of the Karst Geomorphological Research Group at Oxford University for his entire career at APSU. Dr. Kemmerly published three papers with the Karst Geomorphological Research Group, the last of which was published in 2010. He also has co-authored two papers in a Slovakian geological journal in both English and Slovak.

Dr. Kemmerly's interest in history goes back to his high school years when he won the Daughters of the American Revolution American History Award given to the outstanding American history student in Kansas based upon a standardized state-wide examination. He has read military history in his leisure time since high school. His favorite period is the Civil War. In retirement, Dr. Kemmerly has applied hydrology, geology, meteorology, physics, soil mechanics, statistics, and mathematics to problems of Civil War combat in Tennessee. He has given talks to several Middle Tennessee Civil War Round Table Groups since retirement.



Dr. Phil Kemmerly (second from left) stands next to a monument with his name engraved on it at the Fort Defiance Interpretive Center in Clarksville TN.

Dr. Kemmerly's Civil War articles include:

- "Into the Muck and Mire: Mud, Soils, and Sediments of Shiloh" published in the Spring 2014 issue of the *Tennessee Historical Quarterly* 2014.
- "Fighting and Dying in A Frozen Hell: The Impact of Ice, Snow, Fog, and Frozen-hard Ground on the Battle of Nashville" in the Summer 2015 issue of the *Tennessee Historical Quarterly*.

- “Lew Wallace’s Controversial March to Shiloh: A Time-Distance-Rate Analysis” in the Winter 2016 issue of the *Tennessee Historical Quarterly*.
- “Environment and the Course of Battle: Flooding at Shiloh (April 6-7, 1862)” in the October 2015 issue of the *Journal of Military History*.
- “Defending the Final Line at Shiloh,” in the August 2017 issue of *Naval History*. The *Naval History* article recognizes for the first time in the historical literature the unrecognized role played by the *USS Lexington* and *USS Tyler* in saving General Ulysses S. Grant’s army on the first day at Shiloh.
- “Dead Animals, Starving Men, and Treacherous Anderson Road: 1863 Siege of Chattanooga” in the 2018 summer issue of the *Tennessee Historical Quarterly*. This project deals with the role geology, soil mechanics, meteorology, and geomorphology played in complicating Federal efforts to feed themselves and break the fall 1863 siege of Chattanooga.

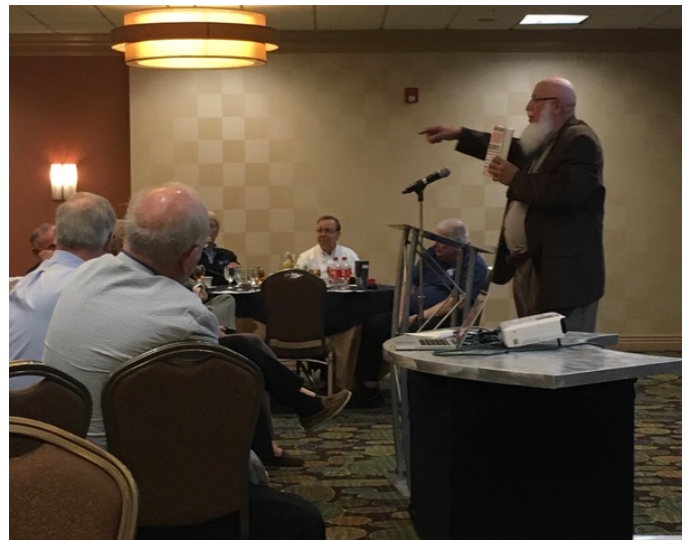
Dr. Kemmerly currently has in review an article dealing with how acoustic shadow effects explain John Bell Hood’s debacle at Spring Hill, Tennessee in late 1864. Historians have speculated for one hundred and fifty years how General John M. Schofield’s IV Corps of the Army of the Cumberland and XXIII Corps of the Army of the Ohio escaped entrapment by Hood’s Army of Tennessee along Franklin Pike during the night of November 29-30, 1864.

The Sergeant Major’s Book Sales and Auction

We would like to thank **Arnold Schofield** for doing an outstanding job of raising money for the Round Table through his live auction and silent auction book sales. Arnold will auction the following books at the May dinner meeting:

- *Yankee Dutchman: The Life of Franz Sigel* by Stephen D. Engle; University of Arkansas Press, Fayetteville AR; 1993, 1st edition, with dust jacket, and in excellent condition.
- *All for the Union: Diary & Letters of Elisha Hunt Rhodes*; Edited by Robert H. Rhodes; Orion Books Publishers, New York, 1985; 1st edition, with dust jacket, and in excellent condition.
- *Sherman’s Civil War: Selected Correspondence 1860 – 1865*; Edited by B. D. Simpson & Jean V. Berlin; University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, 1999; 1st edition, with dust jacket, and in excellent condition.

- *Writing & Fighting from the Army of Northern Virginia; Collection of Confed. Soldier Correspondence*; Edited by William B. Styple; Belle Grove Publishing Company, 2003; signed 1st edition and in excellent condition.



Sergeant Major Arnold Schofield conducting live auction of Civil War books at the Round Table dinner meeting held on April 24, 2018.

Civil War Round Table's Book Sale

May is one of the months when we encourage all members of the Round Table to donate books for the silent auction. The money raised helps to pay for the travel costs for our speakers who come in from out of town. Please go through your Civil War libraries and bring any books that you wish to donate for the silent auction. Thank you for your support of the Round Table!

Last Month's Program

At our dinner meeting on April 24th, Civil War Round Table member **Hibberd Kline** gave a very interesting program about the Confederate Navy. Some of the key points that Hibberd made are as follows:

- The Confederate States Secretary of the Navy, Stephen R. Mallory (1812-1873) served throughout the Civil War. Mallory favored steam-powered, iron-clad vessels and the latest in naval technologies, such as mines, submarines, and the Brooke rifle naval cannon.
- The 7-inch Brooke rifle was a muzzle-loaded cannon that was manufactured at the Tredegar Iron Works in Richmond VA and the Selma Naval Ordnance Works in Selma AL.
- The Confederate iron-clads utilized a barn roof shape design with sloping sides, because the

Confederate iron works could not roll plate required to build turrets. Green lumber was used to support the iron plates on the sloping sides.

- The C.S.S. Virginia was the first iron-clad vessel to sink a wooden warship in battle. At the battle of Hampton Roads on March 8, 1862, the C.S.S. Virginia sank the U.S.S. Cumberland and destroyed the U.S.S. Congress. The next day, the C.S.S. Virginia battled the U.S.S. Monitor to a draw in the first engagement of iron-clad vessels.
- The iron-clad C.S.S. Albemarle was commissioned on April 17, 1864 and went into action on the Roanoke River. The C.S.S. Albemarle was later sunk by a spar torpedo on October 27, 1864.
- The Confederate commerce raiders C.S.S. Alabama, C.S.S. Florida, and C.S.S. Shenandoah were built in Great Britain. However, in order for Great Britain to remain neutral during the Civil War, the commerce raiders had to be outfitted and armed elsewhere.
- The Confederate cabinet thought the Navy was too expensive and of minimal value to the success of the Confederacy.
- The Confederate Navy was not as important to the general population because not that many men served in the Confederate Navy.



Speaker Hibberd V. B. Kline III

Upcoming Speaker Schedule

June 26, 2018: Dr. Clay Mountcastle will speak on the topic of "Punitive War." This was the subject of his book by that title, published by the University of Kansas Press in 2009, as part of its modern military series. The talk will focus on the interplay of the Confederate insurgency and guerilla operations in the several theaters of the war and the Federal response to the insurgency.

July 24, 2018: Bill McFarland, who lives near Topeka KS, will be speaking about his new book titled: *Keep the Flag to the Front: The Story of the Eighth Kansas Volunteer Infantry*.

August 28, 2018: Dr. Leo Oliva will give a program about soldiers on the Santa Fe Trail in the Civil War and Fort Larned KS.

September 25, 2018: Dennis E. Frye, Chief Historian at Harpers Ferry National Historic Park, will be giving a program titled: "McClellan and Lee: A New Perspective."

October 23, 2018: Matt Spruill will be speaking about his new book titled: *Decisions at Stones River: The Sixteen Critical Decisions that Define the Battle*.

November 27, 2018: Thomas Bogar will give a program titled: "Backstage at the Lincoln Assassination."

December 18, 2018: Aaron Barnhart and Diane Eickhoff will be giving a program about women soldiers in the Civil War. This program was originally scheduled for March of 2018 and had to be rescheduled.

Member News

Civil War Round Table president **Chip Buckner** will not be able to attend the dinner meeting on May 22nd. Chip will be going with his father, **Bill Buckner**, to attend the 70th anniversary of his father's graduation from West Point. The Round Table's senior vice-president, **Ron Basel**, will lead the dinner meeting in May.

Long-time Round Table member **Betty Ergovich** is in hospice care in the Alzheimer's unit at Villa St. Francis, 16600 West 126th Street, Olathe KS 66062 (913-829-5201). Betty's grandson Coleman Marshall said Betty may be unaware of visitors but the family appreciates people coming to see her.

We need someone to take **Betty Ergovich's** place as historian for the Round Table. If anyone is interested, please let **Chip Buckner** know. All of the Round Table records that Betty kept have already been turned over to the Missouri Valley Room at the Kansas City MO Public Library. The editors of the *We Remember, 60th Anniversary Edition* book would like to turn the book files over to the new historian.

Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the Civil War Round Table will meet at **10:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 30, 2018**. The meeting will be held at Don Bates' office, located at 7600 State Line Road, Prairie Village KS 66208. All current members of the Round Table are invited to attend. One of the main items on the agenda will be programs and speakers for 2019.

Civil War Bus Trip to Glasgow MO

The Civil War Round Table of Kansas City has planned a bus trip to Glasgow MO. The date is Saturday, May 12th. There are still some seats available on the bus, if you are interested in going.

Glasgow is the site of a Civil War battle in 1864 when Confederate troops bombarded the Union forces holding the town. The Union force was outnumbered and eventually forced to surrender.

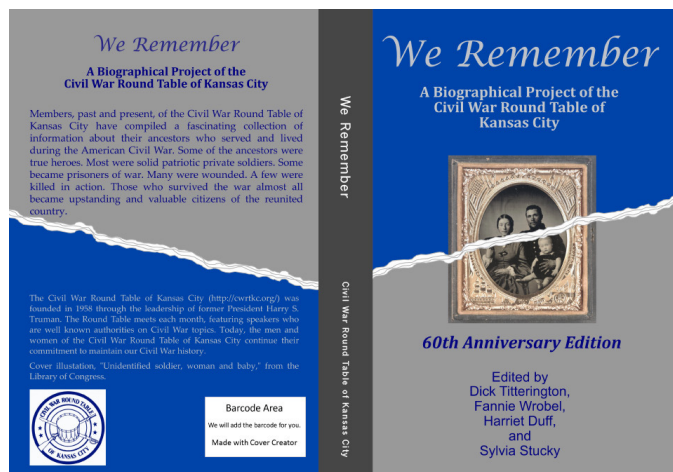
J. Y. Miller of Glasgow MO will be our tour guide. You may remember that J. Y. was the speaker at our dinner meeting in October of 2016 and gave an excellent program about the Battle of Glasgow MO.

The bus will leave from the southeast parking lot of the Johnson County Community College parking lot at 8:30 a.m. sharp and return at approximately 5:00 p.m. The cost of the bus trip is \$45.00 per person, including lunch. Lunch will be at a local Glasgow church. The bus trip is limited to the first 40 people that sign up and pay.

If you have already signed up or would like to go on this bus trip, please mail your check to **Susan Keipp** at 436 W 88th Terrace, Kansas City MO 64114. If you have any questions, please contact **Gary Nevius** at: <mailto:gnevius@dlrgroup.com>

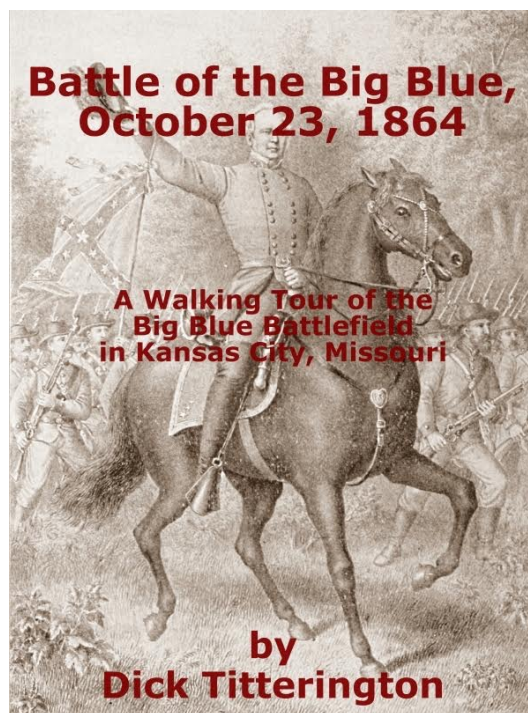
We Remember, 60th Anniversary Edition

The following is an update on the *We Remember, 60th Anniversary Edition* from Round Table member **Sylvia Stucky**: The book is almost ready for publication! The final volume, which includes the out-of-print 1996 edition, along with stories from current Round Table members, is over 400 pages and includes many photographs. We hope to have a sample copy available at the May 22nd dinner meeting and distribute pre-ordered copies at the June 26th dinner meeting. The pre-order price is \$10.00 per copy, payable when you get your book. To order, please e-mail **Dennis Garstang** at <mailto:dgarstang@kc.rr.com> or call at 816-569-1180 no later than May 22nd. After that, copies can be ordered through Amazon at \$25.00 each.



Battle of the Big Blue, October 23, 1864

Dick Titterington has recently published a new book, *Battle of the Big Blue, October 23, 1864: A Walking Tour of the Big Blue Battlefield in Kansas City, Missouri*. This walking tour is a self-guided tour of the Big Blue Battlefield near Swope Park. The walking tour is broken into two geographical areas separated by the Blue River. You will drive to the first stop in each area, which is a starting point for a number of walking tour stops. There are a total of 22 tour stops in the tour. The book sells for \$15. Dick will bring a number of copies to the May 22nd meeting. The book is also for sale at the Battle of Westport Museum and as a paperback or Kindle eBook through Amazon. If you buy the book at the dinner meeting or the museum, every single dollar goes to help continued efforts to restore the Big Blue Battlefield.



Battlefield Dispatches #514

A Half-Famished Army & Cooking Rations

There is an old saying that "An Army Marches on its Stomach" which was true during the Civil War or for that matter any war. What this simply means is that an army should be well fed, if it is expected to do well in battle. Here for the most part in the western theatre of operations supply lines were very many miles long. Consider that a Union campaign in northwestern Arkansas was between 125-150 miles south of Fort Scott and that it would take 10-12 days for a supply train loaded with food rations to reach the troops. Therefore, when the troop's rations became low or short, they would often be put on reduced or half rations until the next supply train arrived. Then of course, but not always, some of the rations such as bacon had to be cooked. The following description of a Commissary Supply train is by Corporal Albert R. Greene, which was included in his memoir that was published in Vol. XIV of the 1915-1918 Kansas Collections.

"December 4, [1862]; at the little village of Cincinnati, [in northwest Arkansas], in the roughest part of the Boston Mountains, we met Major foreman, commanding a battalion that was escorting an ambulance train to Fort Scott with the wounded from the Battle of Cane Hill [November 30, 1862], also a train of two hundred empty wagons going up for supplies and ammunition. When the vehicles turned out of the road and stopped to let our loaded wagons pass, some of the wounded soldiers peeped out and in answer to our inquiries made light of their sufferings and expressed a hope that they could get into the game again shortly. That night we reached Rhea's Mills and found our brigade camped there. General Blunt and the rest of the army were at Cane Hill, seven miles further south.

Rhea's Mill was a beautiful spot. A gently sloping hillside facing the east, with a scattering of great oaks loaded with mistletoe, a sparkling rivulet issuing from a ledge of moss grown rocks, trained to the flume of an overshot water wheel thirty feet high; a weather beaten mill with a sagging roof, the cottage of the miller hard by, with a trailing vine over the door; another gray brown shack which served the purpose of the post office, country store and loafers' headquarters combined and you have the hamlet as it was when our regiment first saw it and doubtless as other men first saw it many decades before that time. Thus it was and thus it is now.

Our arrival was hailed with shouts all along the line; not because we had come through many trials, scrapes and snares with safety, but because we had brought "GRUB" to "A HALF-FAMISHED ARMY!" They had been subsisting on hard-tack, [a very hard, flat, square biscuit] and scenery and wanted a change of diet. If ever tired men slept, we slept that night. After old Lanterwasser [his horse that drinks "lots-of-water"] had been watered, fed and groomed and blanketed for the night, I know I just fell down in a pile and was oblivious to war's alarms in a minute. I think that was the experience of nine hundred who had shed their duds for the first time since leaving Fort Scott, nearly two weeks before.

On December 5 at ten o'clock in the morning, Captain Tough, chief of Scouts, came racing into camp and a few minutes later the "General Call" was sounded and the troops fell in with their arms. Presently the forage train came in with the teams on a run and the wildest excitement prevailed. We stood in line, holding our horses by their bridles until dark and then the order came to unpack a few cooking utensils, get supper and immediately pack up again without further orders. We did so and then laid down and held our horses by the bridle rein all night. In the morning the call sounded before breakfast was over and we stood there holding our horses and waited all day. We finally learned that the scare was occasioned by a large force of the enemy's cavalry driving our pickets [guards] at Cane Hill. Captain Tough came to our mess fire to get a cup of coffee and told us that we would have all the fight that we wanted in a day or two. He greatly mistook my inclination if he thought that I wanted to fight at all. I wanted to turn "Lanterwasser" into a blue-grass pasture and then lie down and sleep for a month.

"Cooking Rations"

The 7th of December, 1862, was Sunday. Probably I wouldn't have known it if it had not been for a pocket memorandum book which stated the fact. It seemed more like Saturday afternoon with everyone hurrying to get their work done. Also, it was about the longest day I ever saw. Shortly after midnight on the morning of the 7th the Orderly Sergeant came around and waked us by gently kicking us in the ribs. He gave us orders to cook TWO DAYS RATIONS and be ready to march at three o'clock. "Cook" is good! It is a figure of speech frequently used in the army. The process consists of laying a side of BACON, profanely called, "SOWBELLY", flat on the ground and eliminating by a dexterous use of the knife (which serves all purposes from eradicating the stopper of a flask to paring corns), a full-length slice of the viand for every almost meal contemplated; then the canteen is filled with coffee,

which has been boiling in the camp kettle day and night since the day before yesterday. Lastly, all the hardtack saddle pockets, blouse pockets and bootlegs will hold is stored away. This in short, the actual and literal fulfillment of the injunction to "COOK" rations for a march. Nor is the food so prepared unacceptable as might be appear to an epicure.

To begin with, the coffee is un-ground and the whole beans require more cooking than when they are ground. To cook it less would leave much of the flavor in the bean and occasion a surprise thereby to the natives to whom we were wont to "SELL" the "GROUNDS" for a dollar a pound. As for the RAW BACON, the full benefit of the meat is obtained uncooked, whereas by cooking, the juice, the essence and virtue of the article, is lost and cast to the dogs or converted into that brindle liquid termed GRAVEY. Therefore, the proper way to eat bacon is to EAT IT RAW! Hard-tack is an implement of war which has been traduced and caricatured. However, it is not without its defenders - even admirers. Someone, more enthusiastic than eloquent, has said that hard-tack and mules put down the rebellion. But that is an unjust discrimination against the humble bean. Hard-tack properly constructed is good food and immensely nutritious. Eaten with moderation, it is almost as appetizing as that imported mystery we called "consecrated vegetables" of which we had more than enough in the Army.

By the time we had finished our "cooking" it was three o'clock and the column was set in motion. Now came the customary injunction of "No talking in ranks," and it was added with a chuckle, "No whispering in ranks." This was important. We had an esteemed comrade who was endowed with a mild screech, which by accumulative force might gather volume into a roar and apprise the enemy of our coming - for they were only seven miles away."

Now then, for the most part, today's military is supplied with its rations very quickly and often hot meals are prepared for the troops that are on campaign. However, as described it was a very different story in the Civil War and with or without rations, the War Went On!

Civil War Round Table of Kansas City History

Long-time Civil War Round Table member Jack Brooks is a true American hero. Colonel Brooks served in the U.S. Army during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. The following article appeared in the Kansas City Star on January 27, 1994:

After Long Career in Army, Colonel Turns Attention to Military History

By Sherri Armel

Jack Mahan Brooks considers himself an amateur military historian. To hear him talk, he sounds anything but amateur.

Brooks, 73, speaks on military topics at clubs, organizational meetings and elementary schools. "I have an interest in the American Revolution, particularly in controversial people," said the Leawood man, who is a retired Army officer.

He once presented a talk on Benedict Arnold at a meeting of the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City, of which he is a member and past president. Next month, he will talk about Major General Charles Lee, whom he calls "Washington's dilemma at the Battle of Monmouth." Brooks became interested in the American Revolution when he was a child living in New York.

"I lived 15 miles from the Saratoga battlefield," he said, "and the Hessians marched through what was once my hometown." He comes from a long line of military men. His great-grandfather Dennis Hart Mahan was a professor of civil and military engineering and the art of war at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

"He trained generals on both sides of the Civil War," Brooks said.

Brooks' great uncle was Admiral Alfred Thayer Mahan, whom he described as "probably one of the foremost naval historians and strategists this country has produced." Brooks served in the 16th Infantry of the 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley KS, commonly known as the Big Red One. He served in the Korean and Vietnam wars and took part in a historic landing during World War II.

"We were the first regiment ashore on Omaha Beach in Normandy on D-Day," Brooks said.

He described that famous landing 50 years ago June 6: climbing down the side of the transport ship, hand over hand on scramble nets, and trying to jump into small boats being tossed by the waves.

"The seas were very rough and delayed the landing by one day," Brooks recalled. "The principal problem was getting off the boat before you ever made it to the beach."

Brooks met the woman who would become his wife, Ingeborg, at the end of the war when he was a part of the force that occupied her hometown in Germany. He said the couple fell in love even though her family and friends viewed him as the enemy.

They were married in 1947 and raised twin daughters and a son. Brooks retired as a colonel in 1966, and then became associate director of admissions and registrar for the University of Missouri-Kansas City, retiring in 1982.

He and his wife plan on traveling to Normandy in May to commemorate the 50th anniversary of D-Day. "This is what I call the last hurrah," Brooks said of the upcoming trip. "We'll go to London and France, and we're making a tour through major battle sites." In the meantime, Brooks will continue to share his vast wealth of military knowledge with the community.

Colonel Brooks gave a presentation about his World War II experiences at the Trailside Center in Kansas City MO on June 7, 2013. During the question and answer session, Colonel Brooks was asked what he was thinking as they landed at Omaha Beach on D-Day. Colonel Brooks said: "I wished I was somewhere else." He recommended reading the book titled: *Guns at Last Light: The War in Western Europe 1944-1945* by Rick Atkinson.

When Colonel Brooks brought his fiancé to the United States, he had to post a \$500 bond stating that he would marry her within 60 days. Colonel Brooks said he didn't want to lose the \$500, so he married her.

Colonel Brooks served as president of the Civil War Round Table in 1987 and 1990. He was honored with the Valiant Service Award in 1989 and the Steve Treaster Civil War Preservation Award in 2012.

Events Around Town

Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

The next Membership meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9, 2018. The meeting will be held at the Village Heights Community of Christ Fellowship Hall, 1009 Farview Drive, Independence MO. Gregg Higginbotham and Dave Bears will present the "Frank James and Cole Younger Wild West Show." If you have any questions, call **Beverly Shaw** at 816-225-7944.

Kansas City Posse of the Westerners

The Kansas City Posse of the Westerners will meet on Tuesday May 8, 2018. The meeting will be held at the Golden Corral restaurant (near the Home Depot), 8800 NW Skyview Avenue, Kansas City MO 64154. Sam Gill will give a presentation titled: "The Rip-Roaring Fur Trade." Dinner is at 6:00 p.m. from the buffet menu. Cost is \$12.00 or less and non-members are welcome. For more information, call **Deb Buckner** at 913-338-5689 or **Dennis Garstang** at 816-569-1180.

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