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Newsletter of the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City



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## 531st Regular Meeting Tuesday, September 28, 2021

Milburn Golf and Country Club

7501 West 69th Street, Overland Park, KS 66204

Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 p.m.

This meeting will include a plated dinner at a cost of \$32.00 per person. Reservations are required in order to attend the dinner meeting. Please note that members are asked to wear masks at this meeting. See Page 2 of this newsletter.

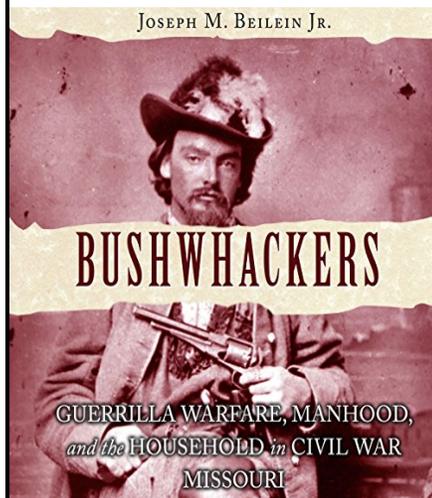
**Reservation Deadline: 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 22nd.**

**To make a reservation, please contact Susan Keipp:**

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Phone: 816-333-0025

## September Program



**Dr. Joseph M. Beilein, Jr.**, Associate Professor of History at Penn State Behrend, Erie PA, will be our speaker. He will be speaking about bushwhackers and guerrilla warfare in Missouri. Dr. Beilein is the author of the book titled: *Bushwhackers: Guerrilla Warfare, Manhood, and the Household in Civil War Missouri*.

Please join us for what should be a very interesting program.

## Important Reservation Information

The following is our Civil War Round Table's reservation policy:

- A reservation is required in order to attend the dinner meeting. Anyone who attends without a dinner reservation may not be seated, depending on the number of possible no-shows.
- Reservations are required by 12:00 noon on the Wednesday prior to the dinner meeting, in order to ensure that Milburn Country Club has an accurate count for meal preparation and staffing. **To make a reservation this month, please contact our treasurer Susan Keipp at 816-333-0025 or by e-mail at [skeipp@kc.rr.com](mailto:skeipp@kc.rr.com)**
- The cost of a dinner is \$32.00 per person. If you make a reservation, but are not able to attend the dinner meeting for any reason, you *must* contact Susan Keipp by either phone or e-mail prior to the reservation deadline to cancel. Meals are prepared based on reservations and the Round Table must pay for meals whether or not they are served. You could be responsible for your meal if you made a reservation, did not attend, and did not cancel before the deadline.

## Precautions Necessary due to COVID Variant

Please note that members are asked to wear masks as they enter the building and to wear them "unless they are actively eating or drinking." Members are also asked to put masks on after dinner and leave them on until they leave the building. There will be four place settings at each of the tables, to allow for more social distancing.

## Dinner Menu

Milburn Golf and Country Club will serve the following meal at our September dinner meeting: Chili glaze salmon, with roasted fingerling potatoes and asparagus. Dessert will be chocolate mousse.

If you have any dietary restrictions, alternative meals can be accommodated with prior notice. Please advise **Susan Keipp** regarding any dietary restrictions when making your reservation.

## Meet Our Speaker

**Dr. Joseph M. Beilein, Jr.** is a Civil War historian who specializes in guerrilla warfare, gender, material culture, and violence. He's the author of *Bushwhackers: Guerrilla Warfare, Manhood, and the Household in Civil War Missouri* (2016) and the co-editor of *The Civil War Guerrilla: Unfolding the Black Flag in History, Memory, and Myth* (2015) and several articles on the guerrilla conflict during the Civil War. His evolving

research agenda seeks to include the intersection of alcohol and manhood during the Civil War.

At Penn State Behrend, Dr. Beilein teaches courses on the Civil War, the Battle of Gettysburg, Military History, and American History. Dr. Beilein has consulted on two episodes of TLC celebrity genealogy show "Who Do You Think You Are?" with actresses Jessica Biel and Megan Mullally.



**Dr. Joseph M. Beilein, Jr.**

## Bushwhackers: Guerrilla Warfare, Manhood, and the Household in Civil War Missouri

The following is a summary of Dr. Beilein's book from the Amazon website:

*Bushwhackers: Guerrilla Warfare, Manhood, and the Household in Civil War Missouri* adds to the growing body of literature that examines the various irregular conflicts that took place during the American Civil War. Author Joseph M. Beilein Jr. looks at the ways in which several different bands of guerrillas across Missouri conducted their war in concert with their house-holds and their female kin who provided logistical support in many forms. Whether noted fighters like Frank James, William Clarke Quantrill, and "Bloody Bill" Anderson, or less well-known figures such as Clifton Holtzclaw and Jim Jackson, Beilein provides a close examination of how these warriors imagined themselves as fighters, offering a brand-new interpretation that gets us closer to seeing how the men and women who participated in the war in Missouri must have understood it.

Beilein answers some of the tough questions: Why did men fight as guerrillas? Where did their tactics come from? What were their goals? Why were they so successful? *Bushwhackers* demonstrates that the guerrilla war in Missouri was not just an opportunity to settle antebellum feuds, nor was it some collective plummet by society into a state of chaotic bloodshed. Rather, the guerrilla war was the only logical response by men and women in Missouri, and one that was more in keeping with their worldview than the conventional warfare of the day.

As guerrilla conflicts rage around the world and violence remains closely linked with masculine identity here in America, this look into the past offers timely insight into our modern world and several of its current struggles.

The book is published by The Kent State University Press.

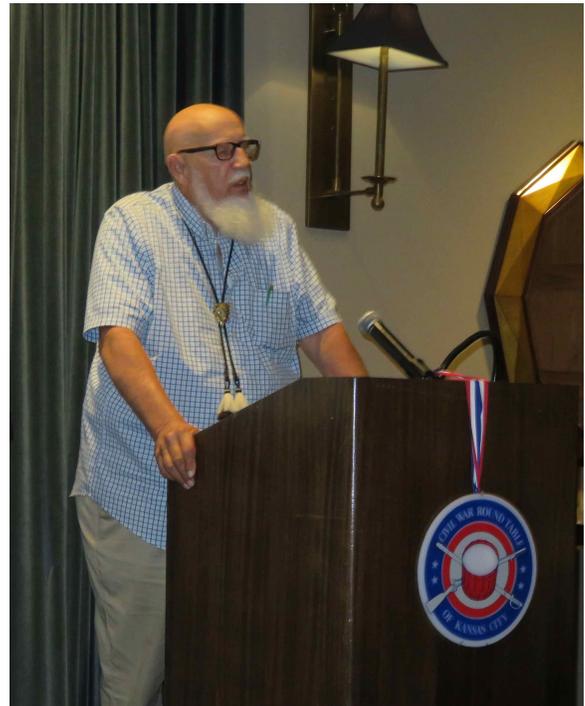
### Live Auction Book Sales

We would like to thank Round Table member **Arnold Schofield** for conducting the live auction book sales each month. The money raised helps to pay our speakers' travel costs. At the September dinner meeting, Arnold will auction the following Civil War books:

- *George B. McClellan: The Young Napoleon* by Stephen W. Sears. Published by Ticknor & Fields, New York in 1988. In mint condition, with dust jacket and mylar cover.
- *Band of Brothers: The Southern Confederates* by James Rodger Fleming. This is the story of Company C of the 9th Tennessee Volunteer Infantry. Published by White Mane Publishing Company in 1996. In mint condition with dust jacket and mylar cover.
- *Drawn with the Sword: Reflections on the American Civil War* by James M. McPherson. Published by Oxford University Press, New York, in 1996. In Mint condition with dust jacket and mylar cover.
- *Jefferson Davis and His Generals* by Stephen E. Woodworth. Published by the University of Kansas Press in 1990. In mint condition with dust jacket and mylar cover.

We would also like to thank **Don Bates, Sr.** for doing a great job of adding mylar covers on the live auction books.

### Last Month's Program



**Sergeant Major Arnold Schofield**  
(photo taken on July 27, 2021)

At our dinner meeting held on August 24, 2021, Round Table member **Arnold Schofield** gave a very interesting program titled: "Ordered to be Shot: Military Discipline and Court Martials in Kansas, Missouri, and the Indian Territory during the Civil War."

**Ms. Connie Langum**, who was originally scheduled to be our speaker in August, had to cancel in order to attend the funeral of a good friend of hers.

### Upcoming Speaker Schedule for 2021-2022

- **October 26, 2021:** **Dr. Paul Kahan** will give a program about his book titled: *The Presidency of Ulysses S. Grant*.
- **November 16, 2021:** **William Garrett Piston** will give a program about Confederate Major General John S. Marmaduke's campaign in Missouri in 1863.
- **December 14, 2021:** Round Table member **Deb Buckner** will give the program.
- **January 25, 2022:** **Dr. Harry S. Laver** with the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College will be speaking about the relationship between Union General Ulysses S. Grant and Confederate General Robert E. Lee.
- **February 22, 2022:** Round Table member **Arnold Schofield** will be speaking about the First Kansas Colored.

- **March 22, 2022: Dr. James S. Martin**, Dean of Academics at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth will give program titled: "Black Military Heroes of the Civil War."
- **April 26, 2022:** Speaker to be determined.
- **May 24, 2022:** Speaker to be determined.
- **June 28, 2022: Mr. Jeffry D. Wert** from Centerville PA will be speaking about his new book titled: *Civil War Barons*.
- **July 26, 2022:** Speaker to be determined.
- **August 23, 2022: Mr. Jeff Patrick** will give a program about the Battle of Wilson's Creek.
- **September 27, 2022: Mr. Dennis E. Frye** will give a program about Harper's Ferry.
- **October 25, 2022: Ms. Judy Cook** will give a program titled: "War on the Home Front."

### Executive Committee Meeting in October

**Dan Dooley** has scheduled a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Round Table for 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 2nd. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss programs and speakers for next year and the Round Table's current reservation policy.

The meeting will be held at the Overland Park Chamber of Commerce office building located at 9001 West 110th Street, Overland Park KS. All current members of the Round Table are invited to attend.

### Civil War Book Donations Requested

**Arnold Schofield** has requested that Round Table members donate any of their Civil War books at the dinner meetings in September, October, and November. Arnold requests that members donate hard-back books only. Please do not donate any paper-back books or magazines. Arnold will take the books home, inventory them, and sell the books at future dinner meetings, in order to raise money for the Round Table. Thank you for your support!

### Member News

We are very sorry to report that **John Dillingham's** wife Nancy passed away on August 8th at the age of 79. Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Kansas City KS on August 16th. John and his wife have two sons and five grandchildren.

We are sorry to report that **Jacque Stroud** is having some serious health issues. **Herschel Stroud** sent the following e-mail on August 3rd:

"Jacque is having a serious problem with spinal scoliosis and intense pain in her back and legs. She is now using a walker and wheelchair. August 20th she is having a Dr. appointment to anesthetize some nerves in her back to seek relief from her pain. She may be unable to even walk on the 21st.

"Things seem to be piling up for Jacque. Yesterday, Jacque saw our dermatologist who did four punch biopsies on her face. The pathology report will be available next Monday [August 9th] and will reveal if facial cancer surgery will be performed the week of August 16th."

Herschel sent the following update on September 9th:

"The last trial was not successful. We visit the Pain Specialist tomorrow morning for another Trial. Her primary problem is hip and leg pain, which limits her mobility. I came home yesterday and she was on the kitchen floor, unable to move. We are counting on a successful attempt tomorrow. Of course our friends can be privy to these comments."

We are also sorry to report that **Ken Hayob** recently fell, was injured, and suffered a stroke. **Dr. Dan Cudnik** sent the following e-mail on August 29th:

"One of our members, Ken Hayob, recently fell and suffered a number of compression fractures of his vertebrae. As he was recovering in rehab he suffered a stroke, resulting in difficulty with speech and some memory loss, but fortunately no paralysis or paresis. He is presently in St. Luke's Rehabilitation Institute 12300 Metcalf Ave room 2003. His 86th birthday was August 27th. I'm sure well wishes would be welcome by Ken and help cheer him up."

Dr. Cudnik sent the following update on September 9th:

"Ken is still in St. Luke's Rehab Center, will be discharged to his new abode on Monday, September 13, Benton House. I don't yet have an address for Benton House, but as soon as I get it, I'll forward it to you.

"Thanks [Susan] for remembering Ken."

Please keep John, Jacque, Herschel, and Ken in your prayers.

## Mine Creek Battlefield Site Administrator



**Lt. Col. Retired James F. Dick**

**James F. Dick** has served as Site Administrator at the Mine Creek Battlefield for the past three years. Prior to that, he served 24 years in the U.S. Army and Air Force. James grew up on the Wind River Indian Reservation in Wyoming and attended college at Oklahoma State University. He currently lives in Pleasanton KS. James attended our dinner meeting on July 27th as a guest of **Arnold Schofield**.

## Sergeant Major's Roar

### **Battlefield Dispatches #681 Paths and Roads**

During the Civil War, the Confederate Guerrillas or "Bushwhackers" in Missouri had a number of advantages over their enemy, the "Union" Yankees! One of the Guerrillas major advantages was the fact that they knew every pathway, road, and cattle trail in their domain or neighborhood. Because of this, whenever they had the need to escape, it was often done very easily. The following after action report describes such an escape by a Confederate guerrilla Captain who did indeed manage to get away and fight another day. This report is located in Vol. 13 of the Official Records of the War of the Rebellion on Pages 270 -272.

"[To:] Brigadier General Lewis Merrill,  
Commanding Northeastern Missouri,  
Headquarters Missouri Enrolled Militia,  
Hannibal Missouri, September 23, 1862.

Sir: In accordance with instructions received from Colonel Hayward, to join forces under his command, on the morning of the 15<sup>th</sup> of September, for a scout through the County of Ralls, I started with 30 men of my Company (C), of the Railroad Regiment, 40 men of Company D, Capt. John Meredith and 10 men of Company E, Lieutenant Kramer, all under the command of Colonel Hayward, for the neighborhood of Ogle's Mill, encamping for the night on the farm of one Spaulding.

Tuesday morning we scouted through a part of Salt River bottom; returned to the main Paris Road, which we followed as far west as Sidney. While at Sidney Colonel Hayward, who was four miles back toward Hannibal, on the main road was taken prisoner by a force of about 80 Rebels under Captain McDonald. From this time the command of the Hannibal forces devolved upon me. As soon as it was ascertained that Colonel Hayward was in the hands of our enemy, the column was at once put in motion with the view of going to the point where McDonald and his men were last heard from and giving them chase.

Two miles east of Sidney we met Captain Johnson and two companies of New London Militia.

My command was joined to his and during the remainder of the week's scout acted under his orders. Captain Johnson had about an hour before being attacked by McDonald and his advance guard was surprised and scattered. He, however, lost no men and had but 1 wounded, while McDonald had 1 man killed and 2 wounded. Johnson held the ground, while McDonald fled to the brush, and being better acquainted with the "PATHS and ROADS", succeeded in making his escape, though so closely pursued as to be obliged to leave his coat and revolver (the same that had been taken from Colonel Hayward) and private correspondence, which fell into the hands of Captain Johnson.

By Captain Johnson's order, Captain Meredith went with the New London forces a few miles to the west and scouted through that portion of the country, while I returned with 30 men to Ogle's Mill with the baggage, which was left under guard; after which we scouted through the timber in search of McDonald's trail. Tuesday night the whole force went into camp at Ogle's Mill. Wednesday the whole force was moved to Cincinnati on Salt River, camping ground selected, baggage placed under guard, and a scouting party was sent out 6 miles up Salt River.

When within 2 miles of the farm of Caleb Hurd, on Sandy Creek, we ran on the mounted picket [guard] of the enemy, who was promptly dismounted by a shot and his horse was captured. The shot fired was sufficient to alarm the camp, which was yet 2 miles distant. A charge was ordered and the camp was soon reached. Major Henry Snider was in command. He ordered his men to form in line of battle, but they would not stand.

As soon as the advance guard came up with them and discharged their muskets they broke up the hill, having had their horses already saddled.

Before the rear of the column came up, they had all disappeared without firing a gun. From 2 prisoners captured we learned that there were in camp about 120 men and besides Major Snider, formerly mentioned, the following notables: Captains Clint Burbridge of Pike County; Ben Ely of Ralls County, Knight of Lincoln County; Barnard of Adair County; Pollard of Florida and Captain White.

The place selected for an encampment was remarkably secure and could have been easily defended against 1,000 men. They left guns, blankets, and cooking utensils scattered about the ground in the greatest confusion, showing the extreme haste in which they left. I think that our men fired nearly 100 shots, with the result I am unable to state, though it has since been reported that Major Snider was killed.

Thursday night we returned to Cincinnati. Friday we moved camp to Sydney and scouted through the hollows west of Ely, where we found that there had been an encampment but twenty-four hours before. It appeared that the Rebel forces in that part of Ralls County had fled on horses and that our men being worn-out with the labor of the past five days, we resolved on Saturday afternoon to break camp and to return to Hannibal.

As a proper finale to this report, I beg to leave to say that the officers and men of my command all did their duty. We are all proud to have served under Captain Johnson, who we believe follows the bushwhackers to fight them on their own ground.

Very Respectfully,  
GEORGE H. NETTLETON,  
Captain, Commanding".

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Now then, even with the escape of Captain McDonald and the capture of Colonel Hayward, Captain Nettleton considered this "Union" scout or patrol a success. It was not known at the time of this after action report if Colonel Hayward was ever exchanged or remained a prisoner as the War Went On!

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