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ANNUAL DUES

Individual 15.00 Family 22.50 Student (Under 21) 5.00

MEETINGS

The second Wednesday at 7 pm, in the Library, at Truman High School, 3301 South Noland Rd, Independence, Missouri, except July, August and December.

> Visitors Always Welcome

FROM THE PRES.....

The Christmas Party....twas indeed a festive time. Good food, good friends, good door prizes and plenty of warm smiles. **Bob Benson** has asked that an enthusiastic **Thank You** be extended to all those who helped and participated.

The clothing review was interesting and very educational. Dori Semler pointed out all the yeas and neaves of those in period dress and even snared a couple of bystanders to add to the cast. Imagine, if you can, Toby as a Rebel Officer and Charles as a Union Officer.

As previously announced and approved by the Board of Directors, the election of officers was delayed until December so as to meet the criteria of the Bylaws that the list of Nominating Committee recommendations be published in the newsletter in the issue immediately proceeding the stated date of election.

Thus an Absentee Ballot was enclosed with the December issue of *The Border Star*. A space for write in candidates was included on the ballot. One write in candidate was nominated and one nomination was received from the floor.

Charles McCorkendale and David Short were nominated to fill the open one year positions on the Board of Directors. No other nominations forthcoming a call for the vote was made and seconded. The election was carried out by the Nominating Committee with Bob Benson serving as moderator and Jeanne Carey serving as enumerator.

As usual Claudetta McCorkendale won one of the door prizes. That makes three years in a row, or is it four? David Kesinger won the set of Gettysburg posters. Daniel Carey pulled the winners names from the hat. Good job Daniel. I guess you could say he was my partner in crime. Congratulations to the winners, all 15 of them!

One dozen new CWRT Medals have arrived. The new ones are exactly like the first ones. Price is \$7.50 per item. Contact person is Toby Giese.

Our first meeting in 1997 will be on Joshua Chamberlain. During their visit to New England last year, Brad and Amy Holmes made contact with the Chamberlain Museum in Maine and arranged to use the museum's traveling program to do this special presentation for our Round Table. Notice will be put in area newspapers.

The meeting will be at the Truman Education Center, just north of the Truman Library. Use the south door close to the west parking lot of the Truman Library.

A quiz on Chamberlain is in this newsletter. If you have trouble with any of the answers bring it to the meeting. Answers should be within the presented text.

The schedule of events contains several items worth noting. First up is a tour to the Ray County Museum on Saturday, March 8th. Travel by bus. \$10 for members, \$15 for others. Plan is to visit Museum 9:00-11:30, lunch at Mickey D's. After lunch visit Bloody Bill's grave, Bob Ford's grave, the cemetery in the street and the Battle of Albany Site.

Depart at 8:30, K-Mart, 24 Hiway & 291. Return by 4 pm. Rain date April 12.

If you have not visited this very interesting and unique museum, I strongly suggest you set asside the time in your busy schedule for this tour. Bring your camera and lots of film.

Del and Jean Warren, of James Country Mercantile in Liberty, have volunteered to be co-sponsors of Max and Donna Daniels' March visit to Kansas City. The Warren's have known Max & Donna for several years and were excited to learn of the visit.

Condolances are extended to Tim's wife Kay who lost a close friend over the Holidays.

...see you at the next meeting

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 1997

Wed. 8th CWRTWMo Meeting 7 pm

on Joshua Chamberlain at Truman Education Center

Wed. 15th Board Meeting 7 pm

at Truman Education Center

February

Wed. 12th CWRTWMo Meeting 7 pm

Truman & the Civil War

at Truman High School Libr.

Wed. 19th Board Meeting 7 pm

at Truman Education Center

March

Wed. 12th CWRTWMo Meeting 7 pm

The Lincoln's of Illinois at Truman High School

Wed. 19th Board Meeting 7 pm

at Truman Education Center

Upcoming Re-enactments

None scheduled in this area until first weekend in May

Looking ahead to 1997

Possible Day Trip Dates

Sat. Mar. 8th-Ray County Museum in Richmond. A very unique place.

Sat. April 12th-Cass County Sites Pleasant Hill, Ravines Battle Site, etc.

Sat. Aug. 9th-Keytesville, Mo. Tour Sterling Price Museum

Sat. Oct. 25th-Cemetery Search Old Trail Sites East of Little Blue

Possible Two Day Trip

June 13-14, The Land of Mr. Lincoln Springfield, New Salem, the Home, the Tomb, the family Pew & more

Upcoming Programs

January 8th-Joshua Chamberlain by Brad & Amy Holmes

February 12th-Truman & the CW by NPS Speaker

March 12th-The Lincoln's of Illinois by Max & Donna Daniels

April 9th-Falling Bricks & Fallen Women by Louise Barry (Tentative)

May 14th-Open Round Table Annual Show & Tell Session

June 11th-Mystery Topic Surprise!

July 9th or 16th-Picnic '97 Site to be determined

August 13th-Cemetery Tour '97

Elmwood Cemetery

Welcome **New Member**

Paul Tate

of Kansas City

Paul's interests include the Kentucky Volunteer Cavalry and the Missouri Home Guard, USA

At the Board Meeting

The Board of Directors does not meet in December because of the impending holiday.

Incoming mail for December and January will be reviewed at the January 15th meeting.

Preserving History?

In recent years progress has destroyed the old Civil War trenches, stone marker and cannon redoubt at a local college, several mid-ninetenth Century cemeteries and family burying grounds and other historical artifacts.

Is this a new thing or has this gone on for years? Consider the following item taken from an Oct. 1992 Illinois genealogical society newsletter.

What Happened to the Mayflower?

The Mayflower made a second voyage to the New World, this time carrying slaves. In 1624, The ship was sold to a Buckinghamshire farmer named William Russell.

He paid \$384 for the hull of the ship. The hull was then placed upside down on a foundation and was used through the years as a place of shelter for the animals and storage of farm equipment and crops.

It is presently owned by the Society of Friends (Quakers) Jordans, England. ... Edited-HFW

If this is the way we preserve something as famous in the annals of History as the Mayflower, does anything else we seek to preserve really stand a chance of survival?

Joshua Chamberlain Ouiz

Submitted by Toby Giese, Edited

- 1. Born in ____, Maine A. Bangor B. Brewer C. Brunswick
- 2. Date of Birth A. 9-9-1829 B. 9-8-1830 C_9-8-1828
- 3. Attended what College? A. Ardmore B. Bowdion C. Cornell
- 4. Joined the army at what age? A. Age 31 B. Age 33 C. Age 27
- 5. Led what unit?
- 6. Unit's first battle action was at A. Antietam B. Bull Run C. Colby
- 7. Promoted to Colonel on A. 3-20-1863 B. 6-20-63 C. 5-20-63
- 8. Highest rank during the War A. Brig Gen B. Maj Gen C. Lt Gen
- 9. Job held prior to enlistment? A. Teacher B. Politics C. Writer
- 10. Elected Governor A. Once B. Twice C. three times
- 11. Who said to Chamberlain." You have the soul of a lion and the heart of a woman." A. Sickel B. Hancock C. Meade
- 12. For actions at the Battle of Gettysburg, Joshua L. Chamberlain was awarded the Medal of Honor. Citation reads..."Daring heroisn and great tenacity in holding his position on the Little Round Top against repeated assaults, and carrying the advance position on Great Round Top." Date Medal was awarded? A. 4-9-1865 B. 7-2-1865 C. 8-11-1893
- 13. What was his middle name? A. Lance B. Lawrence C. Laughton
- 14. Died on A. 2-2-1914 B. 2-24-14 C. 2-2-24
- 15. Died in
 - A. Bangor, Maine
 - B. Brunswick, Maine
 - C. Portland, Maine
- 16. Buried at
 - A. City Cemetery, Bangor, Maine
 - B. Pine Grove Ce, Brunswick, Maine
 - C. Arlington National Cemetery

Bonus Question

Name of County in which Chamberlain

(Hint-Head Nurse on MASH)