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<u>THIS MONTH IN THE WAR</u>: September 19, 1864. Trans-Mississippi. Gen. Sterling Price leads a cavalry force of 12,000 men into Missouri which will be the last offensive move by the South into Missouri to try to recover it for the Confederacy. They cross into Missouri from Indian Territory after capturing a Federal supply train near Cabin Creek and then continue their advance northward.

## September 2014

# The Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

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2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:00 p.m. Villages of Jackson Creek 3980-A S. Jackson Drive (lower level) Independence, Missouri Visitors Always Welcome!

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# Ken Draper, Guest Speaker for our September Membership Meeting

Ken Draper is a passionate Civil War historian and reenactor. His involvement began when he was doing genealogy on his own family and learned of the extensive involvement of his ancestors.

He began reenacting in Colorado and after relocating back to Kansas and Missouri formed a unit reenacting the 2nd Colorado Cavalry and McLain's Battery and has been reenacting for 12 years. His passion carries over into his portrayals of Union officers and enlisted soldiers in living history presentations and other public speaking. He has trained all of his own mounts and has helped many reenactors get started in the hobby by loaning them uniforms and other items as needed. His home and farm have become a Civil War museum to family and friends.

Ken has researched the Colorado units for over 8 years in the development of his book, *The Pike's Peakers and the Rocky Mountain Rangers*. Soldier diaries, official officer reports, newspaper articles, photographs, muster rolls, casualty lists, and personal research have been compiled into one comprehensive manuscript on all of the Colorado units. While more information is undoubtedly available, this book was printed at this time to honor the Colorado soldier during the 150th anniversaries of the engagements of these units.

Ken plans on attending as many of the events as possible during this 4-year time span. While age and physical stamina are fading, he desires to keep riding and participating and being one of a few who are still willing and able to take his mounted. He vows to continue to honor the Colorado soldiers in this endeavor.

The Round Table thanks Ken for attending the Rededication of the Second Colorado monument in Independence, Missouri on July 19, 2014.

## Use of Keypad at Villages of Jackson Creek

Our meeting room is in the Fitness Center on the lower level of the far east wing with the number "3980A" above the entrance. If the inside sliding door is secured, use the keypad on the right to enter 1207\* and stand in front of the door to activate. If there is a problem, call Beverly at (816) 225-7944 (cell). To exit the building, use the keypad to the left of the sliding door and enter 1207\*. Stand directly in front of the door to activate. Please do not try to force the door but instead call Beverly at (816) 225-7944

# **CWRTWM Calendar**

#### September 2014 Membership Meeting

Wednesday, September 10, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Villages of Jackson Creek, 3980-A S. Jackson Drive (lower level), Independence, MO. Ken Draper: "The History of the Second Colorado." Ken is a Civil War historian and reenactor who came to our rededication of the Second Colorado monument at Woodlawn Cemetery. He has written *The Pikes's Peakers and the Rocky Mountain Rangers, A History of Colorado in the Civil War* which will be available at the meeting for \$24.95 in softcover and by E-book for \$6.

#### No Board Meeting in September 2014.

October 2014 Membership Meeting Wednesday, October 8, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Mike Calvert and Harold Dellinger will tell the story of the Battle of Grinter Farm.

### Tour of the Little Blue Battlefield

Saturday, October 18, 2014 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Meet the school bus at the Blue & Grey Book Shoppe, 106 E. Walnut Street, Independence, MO. \$10 reservation to be sent to CWRTWM, P.O. Box 3019, Independence, MO.

### Second Battle of Independence Vignettes

Saturday, October 18, 2014 – 1:00 p.m. The Sermon Center Powerhouse Theater, southeast corner of Noland and Truman Roads, Independence, MO. Free. The Second Battle of Independence was a continuation of the Battle of the Little Blue and will be seen through the eves of soldiers and civilians who witnessed it.

# **Other Civil War Events and Exhibits**

<u>Shoal Creek Living History Museum First Saturday</u> Saturday, September 6, 2014 – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 7000 NE Barry Road, Kansas City, MO. Free family event with re-enactors to bring the Village to life. Features 17 authentic 19<sup>th</sup> century buildings dating from 1807-1885. Located in Robert H. Hodge Park.

### Platte Purchase Marker Dedication

Saturday, September 6, 2014 – 10:00 a.m. Liberty, MO near Exit 20 off I-35 near the Liberty Hospital. The Native Sons and Daughters of Greater Kansas City dedicate a new marker for the "Significance of the Platte Purchase" in 1837. These lands were purchased by the U. S. Government from the Iowa, Sac and Fox tribes and became the six counties in northwest Missouri, the largest addition to the existing State of Missouri. Take I-35 north to exit 20 onto Hwy. 33. Go south and turn immediately west (right) on an access road. Site is <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile at the top of the hill. Parking is available.

### Big Shoal Country Fair

Saturday, September 6, 2014 – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum, 6607 NE Antioch Road, Gladstone, MO. Free admission; nominal cost for some activities. Fun for all ages: music, dancing, crafts, petting zoo, storytellers, and a Civil War encampment. Last day of the exhibit "Life of a Re-enactor" which looks at the hobby of "recreating history."

Brady Lecture Series, Historic Truman Courthouse Saturday, September 6, 2014 – 1:00 p.m. Truman Courthouse, 112 West Lexington, Independence, MO. Pat O'Brien: *Merchants of Independence, International Trade on the Santa Fe Trail, 1827-1860.* Free. See Brian Burnes' review of this book in the August 24, 2014 Kansas City *Star* under the title "Wagonloads of money in frontier Independence."

#### Civil War in Missouri-Weston Library

Monday, September 9, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Weston Library, 18204 Library Drive, Weston, MO. Mike George discusses the Civil War and the role it played in Missouri history. See a variety of Civil War artifacts and weaponry from both Union and Confederate soldiers. To RSVP call (816) 640-2874.

### Civil War Round Table of Cass County

Tuesday, September 9, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Harrisonville Public Library, 400 E. Mechanic, Harrisonville, MO. Jim White: The Story of Archie Clements, a guerrilla from Devil's Ridge on the border between Cass and Johnson County, MO.

### Posse of the Westerners

Tuesday, September 9, 2014 – 5:00 p.m. Meet at the James Farm, 21216 James Farm Road, Kearney, MO for a tour of the restored James home and grounds. After the tour, members and guests will go to the Homestead Restaurant, 607 Missouri 92, Kearney, MO to enjoy a meal in a room decorated with Western History Possessions. Visitors welcome.

### Historic Liberty, MO Walking Tour

Saturday, September 13, 2014 – 10:00 a.m. Tour of the Dougherty Historic District. Meet at Rotary Park, corner of Franklin and Gallatin Streets, Liberty, MO. Free.

#### Battle of Westport Guided Bus Tour

Saturday, September 13, 2014 – 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Civil War Roundtable of Kansas City. Starts from the Battle of Westport Museum at the Meyer Boulevard entrance to Swope Park in Kansas City, MO. Cost is \$48 per person which includes transportation and lunch. Driving tour of the Battle of the Little Blue River, a stop at The National Frontier Trails Museum, walking and driving tour of Byram's Ford (Battle of the Big Blue), brief stop at Mockbee Farm near 7850 Holmes Rd., driving and stops at Loose Park, brief stop at the Wornall House, and driving tour of exit routes of Price's retreat. A few spaces still remain so send your reservation to Paul Gault, 7118 N. Congress Ave., Kansas City, MO 64152. Guides are Dan Smith and Ross Marshall.

#### Black Powder Shoot at the James Farm

Saturday, September 13, 2014 – 8:00 a.m. to Noon. James Farm, 21216 James Farm Road, Kearney, MO. \$15 entry fee. Cap & Ball Revolver or Cartridge Revolver; replicas O.K. Fixed sights and dueling stance only. First, second and third prizes.

#### Price's Raid, Then and Now – Westport Library

Saturday, September 13, 2014 – 2:00 p.m. Westport Library, 118 Westport Road, Kansas City, MO. Aaron Barnhart and Diane Eickhoff present a fresh look at the last great campaign of the Civil War in the Trans-Mississippi. To RSVP call (816) 701-3488.

#### Battle of Centralia Reenactment

Saturday and Sunday, September 13-14, 2014. Battlefield is three miles southeast of Centralia, MO. Both the Battle of Centralia and the Mount Zion Battle will be reenacted each day. Saturday night there will be a dance in the camp and night firing of Civil War cannons. Visit the soldier camps to observe cavalry, infantry, artillery and medical corps. One-time parking fee. Music, crafts, Civil War authors and food vendors.

#### Independence Civil War Study Group

Wednesday, September 17, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Courthouse Exchange, 113 W. Lexington, Independence, MO. Paul Kirkman: The 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Westport.

#### Third Thursday at the Clay County Museum

Thursday, September 18, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Clay County Museum, 14 N. Main Street, Liberty, MO. History of the Houses that will be on tour the first weekend of October.

Tour October 4 and 5, 2014 from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Advance ticket of \$12 (\$15 the days of the event) available at the Clay County Museum beginning September  $2^{nd}$ . Houses will be the Gittings House, 143 S. Leonard; Belle Maison House, 404 S. Leonard; Schiller House, 416 W. Leonard all in Liberty; and Three Gables House, 9940 N. E. Cookingham Drive, Kansas City, MO.

<u>Siege of Lexington – Presentation and Book Signing</u> Saturday, September 20, 2014 – 2:00 p.m. Battle of Lexington State Historic Site, 1101 Delaware, Lexington, MO. Larry Wood will give a presentation about his new book "The Siege of Lexington." He will also answer questions and sign copies.

<u>Freedom Festival – John Brown Museum State Historic</u> <u>Site</u>. Saturday and Sunday, September 20-21, 2014. Saturday – 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sunday – Noon to 6:00 p.m. John Brown Museum, 1000 Main Street, Osawatomie, KS. Civil War weapons and drill demonstrations, a reenactment of the Battle of Osawatomie and a battle between Union troops and Confederate partisans. Frontier artisans, carriage rides, and other family fun activities.

#### Civil War Round Table of Kansas City

Tuesday, September 23, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. Dinner – \$27. Meadowbrook Country Club, 9101 Nall Ave., Prairie Village, KS. Walter Busch: Battle of Pilot Knob, MO. For dinner reservations please call Paul Gault at (816) 741-2962.

#### Annual Austin Bean Eatin' Day

Saturday, September 27, 2014 – 10:30 a.m. Grounds of the Austin Baptist Church. From Highway 71 take the Archie exit, then east on Highway B blacktop. Go three miles to the Highway T blacktop and then go one mile north. Serving ham and beans, corn bread, coleslaw, homemade pie, and drinks for \$7 (adults) and \$3 (children under 12). Tour of the historical sites in Austin, music, re-enactors, horseshoe pitching, etc. Bring lawn chairs. Proceeds for the upkeep of the Austin Cemetery.

#### Battle of Pilot Knob Reenactment

Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28 2014. Fort Davidson State Historic Site, 80 miles SW of St. Louis near Ironton, MO. Saturday – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Artillery, Infantry, and Cavalry Drills. 1:00 p.m. – Running Battle to Fort. 1:30 p.m. – Main Battle Commences. 6:00 p.m. – Museum closes. 7:00 p.m. – Grand Ball begins. 8:30 p.m. – Blowing up of the Fort. Sunday-10:00 – Period Church Service. 1:30 p.m. – Main Battle Commences.

### Ghosts of the Civil War-Woodlawn Cemetery

Sunday, September 28, 2014 – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Woodlawn Cemetery, 701 S. Noland Road, Independence, MO. Presented by the Friends of the National Frontier Trails Museum. Walking tour starts every 10 minutes to hear from presenters at gravesites. \$10 for adults and \$5 for students.

6<sup>th</sup> Annual Bates County Heritage Dinner

Thursday, October 2, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. Robertson Hall, 802 Elks Drive, Butler, MO. Free will donation dinner catered by Butt-head BBQ. Call (660) 679-0134 for reservations. Guest speaker: Lee Ward, author of *Coffins, Kits and More: Stories of the Civil War Embalmer* will speak about "Jesse James, Alive Then Dead."

At 6:00 p.m. prior to the dinner there will be a dedication and ribbon cutting for the George Ann Fisher Memorial Exhibition Building on the grounds of the Bates County Museum.

### From Farmstead to Field Hospital

From September 27 through November 9, 2014. John Wornall House, 146 W. 61<sup>st</sup> Terrace, Kansas City, MO. An exhibit to commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Westport in partnership with the Metropolitan Medical Society of Greater Kansas City, the Clendening History of Medicine Museum, University of Kansas Hospital, and the Kansas City Public Library. Call (816) 444-1858 for hours.

# Second Battle of Independence Vignettes

On October 18, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. the Round Table plans to present little pictures of the Second Battle of Independence at the Sermon Center. We want these presentations to be from the viewpoint of both soldiers and civilians. Mike Calvert has provided research and Connie Roman has written dramatizations of scenes that now need the assistance of real live people to present them. You would not need to memorize a script, and we can get costumes for a period look. The props will be minimal, but we will be projecting maps and images to get us in the right mood which will be enhanced by sound effects and music. Some of the vignettes are as follows: Mrs. Hill is writing a letter to her sister describing the Battle; a mother and daughter hiding in a cellar of a home caught in the Battle; Cogswell's Mercantile store on the Square after being ransacked; burial of George Todd by Captain Dave Poole and other guerrillas; Price's retreat as witnessed by a man who was just a boy during the Battle.

If you would like to help by being a presenter, please call Beverly Shaw at (816) 225-7944 or E-mail her at bevjoshaw@hotmail.com. She will be glad to send you a copy of the script to preview before making a commitment.

# Little Blue Battlefield Tour 150th Anniversary

The Round Table in cooperation with the Quantrill Society is presenting a morning bus tour of the Little Blue Battlefield on Saturday, October 18, 2014. The tour begins at 9:00 a.m. at the Blue and Grey Book Shoppe at 106 E. Walnut, Independence, Missouri. We will be traveling by school bus to retrace the path of the battle from eastern Jackson County to the Independence Square. We will visit the various markers that have been erected to commemorate the battle and hear the story of the troops and civilians caught up in the action. The tour should end about 11:30 a.m., and we invite you to have lunch on the Square or at fast food nearby or bring a brown bag. Then please join us at 1:00 p.m. at the Sermon Center, Noland and Truman Road, to continue hearing the story through a multi-media presentation.

The morning bus tour is \$10 per person and can be reserved by sending a check to "CWRTWM, P.O. Box 3019, Independence, Missouri 64055." Please let us know the names of those taking the tour. For more information, call Beverly Shaw at (816) 225-7944.

The afternoon multi-media presentation is free, and we encourage you to bring guests.

# **News About Members and Friends**

Our sympathies go to the family of **Doris Vaughan Fulghum** who passed away on August 6, 2014. She was the widow of our late member, **Gale Fulghum.** Doris was a descendant of the earliest settlers in Jackson and Clay County and loved the family farm in the Missouri River bottoms near Atherton, MO.

It is with regret that we accept the resignation of **Chris Cooper** from the CWRTWM Board. Chris has some health issues and other commitments at the present time. We have appreciated his input on topics related to archaeology of the Civil War. In fact Chris has a question for anyone with knowledge of the Hudspeth Cemetery located at 2910 N. Six Mile Church Road, Independence, Missouri. At one time there were miscellaneous tombstones stored near a wall and now they aren't there. Does anyone know what happened to them? You can reach Chris on his cell phone at (816) 672-9826 or by E-Mail to; cooperhill1856@att.net.

Lila Aamodt, our friend from the Kansas City Round Table who went on the Ulysses S. Grant trip to St. Louis with us, did some research at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Independence near the time we rededicated the Second Colorado marker. She was researching the Magoffin family and found a Confederate veterans book at the sexton's cottage to be useful. We added to the archives there when we donated copies of the program from the rededication which show the names of the interred and the poem on one side of the obelisk which are no longer readable.

Back on June 15, 2014 Arlington National Cemetery commemorated its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It's located on the grounds of the ancestral home of Mary Custis Lee, wife of General Robert E. Lee. In July it was announced that David Rubenstein has given \$12.3 million to restore Arlington House, home of the Lees.

We wish all the best to **Carol Bohl** who has moved from Cass County to Des Moines, Iowa to be near her daughter and family. Carol contributed much to the study of Civil War history in Cass County and helped organize the Missouri-Kansas Border War Network which enabled many groups to cooperate on projects and has resulted in continuing friendships even though the organization meets just two times a year now. One such cooperative venture is the growth of the Bates County Historical Society which recently announced a new blog which shares stories from Bates County. Go to <u>www.bcmuseum.wordpress.com</u>. One of the first blogs was about Josephus Toothman, the notorious guerrilla of Island Mound, whose farm we visited on our trip to Bates County.

We miss seeing **Paul Bond** at our meetings because he has taken a night job at the Hallmark warehouse. However we thank him for donating many books from his personal library for our silent auction.

The July 27, 2014 issue of the Kansas City *Star* had a book review of *William Wells Brown, An African-American Life* by Ezra Greenspan. It's the story of a slave who was brought up in Marthasville west of St. Louis. He escaped to free territory in Ohio at age 19 and moved to England to become a celebrity as an anti-slavery crusader. He is credited with writing the first African-American travelogue (*Three Years in Europe, 1852*) and the first novel by an African-American (*Clotel,* 1853).

**Chris Rinck** says that if you receive C-Span American History, you might like to see presentations on the Civil War on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

After 151 years **1**<sup>st</sup> **Lt. Alonzo Cushing** will get his Medal of Honor for service at the Battle of Gettysburg according to a story in the Kansas City *Star* on August 27, 2014. Congratulations to the **Royal Valley schools in Mayetta and Hoyt, Kansas** for the creation of a mural showing the First Kansas Colored Infantry at the Battle of Island Mound. It is on display in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor gallery of the Watkins Museum of History, 1047 Massachusetts Street, Lawrence, Kansas. It was created with an Interpretive Grant from Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area.

**Nancy Hitt**, our long distance member from Kentucky, has advised us that another native European who ended up fighting in the American Civil War will be honored on October 12, 2014, at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Blytheville, Arkansas. He was Capt. William Antonio Ferring who ended up in the Mississippi River port town of Barfield, Arkansas. He volunteered for Confederate military service.

*The North Star News* recently announced that a new **International African American Museum** will be built in Charleston, South Carolina, on land where Gadsden's Wharf once stood. An estimated 100,000 Africans in chains arrived at the wharf during the peak of the U. S. transatlantic slave trade from 1783 through 1808.

We want to thank the **National Archives**, 400 West Pershing Road, Kansas City, MO for providing ongoing free genealogy workshops. On Saturday, September 6, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., the on-line Fold3.com, a subscription-based website that provides digital access to select military records, held in the National Archives, will be explored. To register for this free class, call (816) 268-8000 or send an E-Mail to kansascity.archives@nara.gov.

The curator of the **National Frontier Trails Museum**, Dave Aamodt, gave the Independence City Council a brief history of the museum in August. Located at 318 W. Pacific, it is approaching its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary and has had numerous studies to improve its exhibits and outreach to keep it fresh and draw people. It has expanded its education programs and partnerships, but a staff that started with nine people is now five. **Mike Calvert** serves on the board and is helping to plan the annual visit to Woodlawn Cemetery.

Recently the birth of the **American Park System** was observed in California. Even as the Civil War was raging, **President Lincoln** found time to sign a twoparagraph bill on June 30, 1864 to set aside the granite cliffs and magnificent waterfalls of Yosemite Valley as well as the ancient Sequoia Trees of the Mariposa Grove, 35 miles to the south "for public use, resort, and recreation...inalienable for all time." There are plans to break ground on a \$36 million project to remove the noise, clutter, and cars from Mariposa Grove to make it a more reverential experience and less commercial, more like it was in 1864.

Best wishes to **Kerrie Nichols**, the new Executive Director of the Wornall/Majors House Museums. Kerrie hopes to create more outdoor events to attract children. The Wornall House located at 61<sup>st</sup> Terrace and Wornall Road in Kansas City, MO was in the center of the Battle of Westport and was used as a field hospital for both Union and Confederate soldiers.

Thank you to **Jerry Reiman** of Topeka, Kansas who had cleaned nearly 900 Civil War grave markers since last year. Each one takes about 20 minutes. We know from cleaning headstones at our Lewis-Gregg Cemetery in eastern Jackson County that it also takes elbow grease.

There will soon be a "new" Richmond, VA Civil War museum in 2016. The new building, a joint enterprise of the Museum of the Confederacy and the American Civil War Center at Historic Tredegar, is to be built at the site of the Tredegar Iron Works on the James River. It will be called the **American Civil War Museum**.

Thank you to **Harry Rinacke** for his work at the Battle of the Little Blue marker at Ripley Junction. In the heat of the summer he removed the artwork panel from the dented frame slowly and surely by using a mallet and muscle. He is hoping to take the bow out of the frame and insert a new panel. If not, we have a new frame that could be erected, but given the solitary location of this marker, we are not sure it would fare any better. We want to have the panel installed by October 18<sup>th</sup> for our fall tour.

**Larry Short** has an 1851 Model H. Aston percussion pistol which he would like to sell. It is the 1842 model and is in excellent shape. He has it listed for \$1,875 but will consider reasonable offers. All parts are original and it has never been reconditioned or modified in any way. Marked on the barrel is US and WN. On the wood stock are the initials JJC and WAT (both in script). You can reach him at (816) 835-4397 or by E-Mail at ldshort@comcast.net.

The **U. S. Postal Service** has issued two collectible forever stamps honoring the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Civil War battles that occurred in 1864. One pictures the 22<sup>nd</sup> U.S. Colored Troops during the Petersburg, VA, campaign that took place between June 15, 1864 and April 3, 1865. More than 178,000 African American men served in the 175 regiments that made up the Colored Troops. The second stamp portrays the Battle of Mobile Bay, Alabama which took place August 4, 1864.

**Richard Stewart** and his family have decided to remain in Independence, Missouri despite the fact that his special project, the Quantrill Special Collections Research, is located in Bentonville, Arkansas. Richard recently posted some questions on his blog to see what direction you would like to see the collection going. His blog is located at www.josieqscr.blogspot.com. You can reach him by E-Mail at qscrnwa@gmail.com, by phone at (816) 695-2731, or by U.S. Mail at 11316 Highridge Drive, Independence, Missouri 64052. Richard posted an interesting question on the blog at the time we rededicated the Second Colorado marker. He asked, "Whose log cabin residence did George Todd visit right before the Grinter Farm fight?" The answer is the William Moore cabin which is still a residence on Ess Road between Little Blue Road and Lee's Summit Road, eight or so miles south of the Independence Square.

If you missed the Civil War Video Detectives' episode about the **sinking of the** *Sultana* on April 25, 1865, you may be able to watch it on your computer by going to <u>www.video.pbs.org/video/2365281276/</u>. Alicia Scott, a descendant of a Sultana survivor who gives programs at area libraries, says that she was irritated that Jerry Potter and Gene Saleaker were introduced as "amateur" historians. The program also did not credit the survivors group with having much sound knowledge of the event which is totally false. However, it does spread the word about the disaster which claimed more lives than the *Titanic*.

A brave Episcopal bishop by the name of **Henry B. Whipple** traveled to Washington from Minnesota to try to persuade Abraham Lincoln to make wholesale changes in the corrupt and brutal ways the Federal Government treated Native Americans. Writing for the Los Angeles Times, Gustav Niebuhr tells the story of how Lincoln granted reprieves to 265 Dakotas in 1862. He has written a book called *Lincoln's Bishop: A President, a Priest and the Fate of 300 Dakota Sioux Warriors.* 

## The William Clarke Quantrill Society

The William Clark Quantrill Society is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the study of the Civil War on the Missouri-Kansas border with emphasis on the lives of Quantrill, his men, his supporters, his adversaries and the resulting historical record. For information visit; <u>www.wcqsociety.com</u> or send an E-mail to wcqsociety@aol.com.

