



# ★ *The Border Star* ★

*Official Publication of the Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri*  
*"Studying the Border War and Beyond"*

THIS WEEK IN THE WAR: January 11, 1862. After considerable difficulty with the War Department's Administration, President Lincoln accepts the resignation of Simon Cameron as War Secretary. On January 13<sup>th</sup>, the President appoints Edwin Stanton. He is approved by the Senate on January 15, 1862. Stanton is an anti-slavery man and personal friend of General McClellan. From "*The Civil War, Day by Day*" loaned by Donald Moorehead.

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## The Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

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### *President's Letter*

*Please indulge me this month for repeating a president's letter I wrote in May 2006. My mentor that I wrote about passed away today December 28, 2011. Ed Chandler was 95 years young and I will miss him dearly.*

**mentor** (n) - A wise and trusted counselor or teacher.

How great it is to have a mentor in ones life. I have been lucky enough to have several. They have ranged from family members to long time friends. Sometimes they have only touched my life for a brief moment. With others, I have shared many thoughts, conversations and discussions.

I want to take a few lines today to share with you one of my mentors. His name is Ed. Ed is now 90 years old and I have had the privilege of knowing him the last 28 years. He has been and still is a voice I listen to when I have a question about early Independence and Jackson County.

Ed's family has lived in Jackson and Lafayette counties since the 1820's. He is my direct link to the Civil War. Wait a minute, sorry Ed, "The War of Northern Aggression or Southern Independence." The War is never referred to as Civil in front of Ed. We have spent many hours discussing all aspects of the war. Ed's grandmother was a young girl during the war and he talks about her recounting the story, during the Battle of Lexington, of the minie ball severing the clothes line his great-grandmother was hanging clothes on. The family home was across a ravine from the battlefield. Ed and I keep promising each other we're going to take a trip to Lexington so he can show me the home site. Time is starting to run out. He also retells his grandmother's story of standing on the Independence Courthouse square and seeing the sky turned orange by the fires of burning houses. Houses that were burning due to Order No. 11.

Ed has also expanded my library by giving, yes giving, me books on the War that were part of his father's library. He always prefaces his gift by saying the books need a good home and someone who will put them to use. I am eternally grateful and when Ed is long gone and it comes my turn to find those books a new home I will use Ed's words again as I pass them on.

If I ever want to know where something stood I go to Ed. The man still remembers to the smallest detail the location of long gone places. He demonstrated his ability a couple of weeks ago when he explained where every railroad right of way was in Independence. I have sat in his living room and listened for hours while he and a boyhood friend quizzed each other on where some business was or person lived. Not only did the quiz each other by asking the name but also by address. They never stumped each other.

We all should be as lucky as I have been and as I am. I hope that this article has reminded you of someone who has been a mentor in your life. If you can, thank them. If you are not able to be with them anymore just remember their stories, their guidance and the impact they have made on your life. One last word, you may be one of the luckiest persons in the world and be someone's mentor. It's a lot to live up to and a lot of responsibility but you can do it.

*~Mike Calvert, President, Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri*

## CWRTWM Calendar

### January 2012 Membership Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.  
Villages of Jackson Creek (lower level), 3980-A S. Jackson Drive, Independence, MO. “Open Round Table.” This is the time for members and friends to share a little of what they are reading, researching, etc. or to bring an artifact to show. Please check in with Mike Calvert so that he will know how much time to allocate. And, as an additional fundraiser we will have another silent auction. If you would like to donate a book or artifact that you no longer want, please bring it for others to bid on. The highest bid by the end of the refreshment time will be the winner.

### **Use of Keypad at Villages of Jackson Creek**

If the door is secured, use the code **1207\*** and stand directly in front of the door to activate. Please do not try to force the door open. If you have a problem, call Beverly at (816) 225-7944 for assistance.

### January 2012 Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 18, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.  
Home of Beverly Shaw, 17313 E. 51<sup>st</sup> Terr. Ct., Independence, MO.

## **Other Civil War Events**

### Civil War Lecture Series - Shepherd's Center

Friday, January 6, 2012 – 11:00 a.m.  
South Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes, Kansas City, MO. First in a series of 10 programs on the American Civil War. Jim Houk: “American Civil War – Why?” What events from 1787-1861 led to the Civil War?

### Clay County Annual Winter Banquet

Thursday, January 12, 2012 – 6:30 p.m. (Social); 7:00 p.m. (Dinner). Belvoir Winery, 1325 Odd Fellows Road, Liberty, MO. Jim Beckner: "Clay County History Ain't Boring, and Neither is the History of the Odd Fellows." \$28. Reservations to Vivie Tison at (816) 628-5032

### Civil War Lecture Series - Shepherd's Center

Friday, January 13, 2012 – 11:00 a.m.  
South Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes, Kansas City, MO. Ethan Rafuse: “General Lee before the War.”

### Darryl Levings - Saddle the Pale Horse

Tuesday, January 17, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.  
National Archives, 400 W. Pershing Road, Kansas City, MO. Darryl Levings, journalist with the Kansas City

*Star*, will discuss his new work of historical fiction that follows Price's Raid in 1864 from crossing the Arkansas border to the battles of Westport and Mine Creek. To RSVP go to [kansascity.educate@nara.gov](mailto:kansascity.educate@nara.gov) or call (816) 268-8010.

### Mark Twain and the Civil War

Wednesday, January 18, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.  
Johnson County (KS) Public Library, 9875 W. 87<sup>th</sup> Street, Overland Park, KS. Join a discussion of Mark Twain's short story “The Private History of a Campaign that Failed,” a brief fictionalized account of Twain's short and inglorious career as a Confederate irregular and deserter in eastern Missouri.

### Civil War Lecture Series - Shepherd's Center

Friday, January 20, 2012 – 11:00 a.m. South Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes, Kansas City, MO. Jim Howk: “The Crisis of Fort Sumter.”

### Civil War Round Table of Kansas City

Tuesday, January 24, 2012 – Dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
Homestead Country Club, 6510 Mission Road, Prairie Village, KS. Kendall Gott: “Ft. Henry/Ft. Donaldson. \$25 for dinner. Reservations: Call Paul Gault at (816) 741-2962.

### Confederate Reckoning – Stephanie McCurry

Thursday, January 26, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.  
Plaza Library, 4801 Main Street, Kansas City, MO. Stephanie McCurry, University of Pennsylvania historian, offers a new interpretation of the Confederacy that contends the South sowed the seeds of its demise in creating a regime that excluded white women and slaves, which together comprised a majority of the population. To RSVP call (816) 701-3481.

### Civil War Lecture Series - Shepherd's Center

Friday, January 27, 2012 – 11:00 a.m.  
South Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes, Kansas City, MO. Gregory Hospoder: “General Grant before the War.”

### Bleeding Kansas 2012 Lecture Series

Sunday, January 29, 2012 – 2:00 p.m.  
Constitution Hall State Historic Site, 319 Elmore, Lecompton, KS. Todd Mildfelt, educator and author: “The Underground Railroad on the Kansas Frontier.” Donation requested.

### Civil War Lecture Series - Shepherd's Center

Friday, February 3, 2012 – 11:00 a.m.  
South Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes Kansas City, MO. Don Gilmore: “Overview of the Civil War in Missouri and Kansas.”

### Bleeding Kansas 2012 Lecture Series

Sunday, February 5, 2012 – 2:00 p.m.

Constitution Hall State Historic Site, 319 Elmore, Lecompton, KS. Ian Spurgeon, military historian, author, and native Kansan: “A Principled Politician: James H. Lane and the Fight for Kansas and the Union.” Donation requested.

### **Civil War Exhibits**

Kansas City, MO: Central Library, 14 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, MO. Opens November 9, 2011 – January 13, 2012. “Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War.” Some scholars argue that Confederate campaigns and guerrilla activities kept the border states in constant turmoil and that this preoccupied Lincoln throughout the war. Monday – Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Sunday, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s and at 5:00 p.m. the day before each holiday.

Columbia, MO: Now through March, 2012. Boone County Historical Society, 3801 Ponderosa Street, Columbia, MO. “Civil War Exhibit” on a progressive basis. October, November and December 2011 should feature 1864 and January, February and March 2012 should feature 1865. Tuesday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Jefferson City, MO: Now through June, 2016. Missouri State Capitol Museum. 201 W. Capitol, Jefferson City, MO. “Civil War Missouri: A House Dividing.” Artifacts and documents about the stories of everyday Missourians. Daily 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. except Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year’s and Easter.

St. Louis, MO: Now through March 16, 2012. Missouri History Museum in Forest Park, 5700 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO. “The Civil War in Missouri.” Compelling artifacts, imagery, and interactive elements. Daily 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Tuesday 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

### **Dues for 2012 and Silent Auction**

Dues are now payable for 2012. You can bring your payment to the next meeting or mail it to CWRTWM, P.O. Box 3019, Independence, MO 64055. Individual dues are \$20, Family are \$30, and Student are \$5. If you want to subscribe to the Border Star only, it is \$10 for the year.

As an additional fundraiser we will have another silent auction at the January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. If you would like to donate a book or artifact that you no longer want, please bring it for others to bid on. The highest bid by the end of the refreshment time will be the winner.

### **Exciting News Regarding Lone Jack**

Alinda Miller, president of the Lone Jack Historical Society, has announced that the Society has signed a purchase agreement for the Cave Hotel property, the centermost piece of the Lone Jack Battlefield. An architectural historian from the National Park Service says that it appears to be a mid 1800s structure. A benefactor has given the Society a loan and another has made an outright donation so that there remains only \$13,000 to raise to “Save the Cave.” The Lone Jack Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) organization and can accept tax deductible donations. A new account will be set up to accept money for this project. Alinda would be glad to hear of ideas you may have for fundraisers in the next several months. You can call her at (816) 805-1815. Congratulations on this next step in preserving this piece of Civil War History.

### **Page Restoration Project**

Our long distance member, Nancy Hitt from Kentucky, is also a supporter of the Sons of Confederate Veterans European Camp 1612. It’s a small but active group which seeks to restore monuments in Europe. Their latest project is the restoration of Capt. T. J. Page’s gravesite in Rome, Italy. Confederate Navy Captain Page was the commander of the *CSS Stonewall*, the most powerful warship to ever sail the Atlantic in 1865. Unfortunately by the time it reached Cuba from Bordeaux, France, Lee had surrendered to Grant and the War was all but over. Captain Page rests in the center of Rome in the Non-Catholic Cemetery where you will also find such literary icons as Percy Shelley and John Keats. The cemetery receives about 20,000 visitors a year. The Sons of Confederate Veterans needs about \$2,500 more in order to complete the restoration. Any size contribution may be mailed to Ricky Badger, SC Division Adjutant, 201 Winding Way, Columbia, SC 29212.

### **Making a Present of the Past**

The Elves of Christmas Present have pulled off their most elaborate gift ever. Lee Hill Kavanaugh tells the heartwarming story on the front page of the *Kansas City Star* on December 26, 2011. Through their efforts and the volunteers of the Irish Brigade, a Civil War reenacting group attached to the Harris-Kearney House in Kansas City, Missouri, a 13-year-old boy named Tommy Harris who is suffering from cancer, was able to take a trip back in time and deliver a gift from Santa that was not delivered on Christmas Eve 1862 to a boy at a Civil War encampment. For three magical hours, the past was present.

## Osawatomie Visited by President Obama

You were probably treated to the mispronunciation of “Osawatomie” by eastern news anchors when President Obama made a speech in this small Kansas town in December 2011. It is said that he chose the town because of a speech made there by Theodore Roosevelt in 1910 when he was out of the White House about a year. It was called his “New Nationalism Address” and was given at the dedication of the city’s John Brown Memorial Park. Roosevelt harkened back to the Civil War in his remarks: “The essence of any struggle for healthy liberty has always been, and must always be, to take from some one man or class of men the right to enjoy power, or wealth, or position, or immunity, which has not been earned by service to his or their fellows. That is what you fought for in the Civil War, and that is what we strive for now.”

Another book has been written about John Brown, and the author, Tony Horwitz, traveled to Kansas City to discuss it at the Central Library and to be interviewed on KCUR radio. The book is called *Midnight Rising: John Brown and the Raid That Sparked the Civil War*. Horwitz admits that the raid was a failure in military terms but became a triumph because it focused attention on slavery and made him a martyr to many in the North.

## Woodneath the Site of a New Library

One of the Civil War sites in our first “Monuments” book was Woodneath, an 1850s-era home located at 8900 N. Flintlock Road in Kansas City, North. This area has grown in population and will soon be the site of a new branch of the Mid-Continent Library system. It will incorporate the antebellum home and will have a modern building attached to open by 2013.

## Sword Swiped from Lincoln’s Tomb Recovered

Those who went on the tour to Springfield, Illinois, will remember the many figures atop the tomb. Several months ago a copper sword was stolen from a statue of a Civil War soldier. In December 2011, a 16-year-old boy admitted that the sword came loose when he grabbed it and when it fell to the ground, it broke into two pieces. It is unknown whether it will be repaired. The sword was stolen once before in 1890. I guess some things never change.

## Arrow Rock Lecture Series

The Friends of Arrow Rock and the Arrow Rock State Historic Site are sponsoring a series of lectures highlighting aspects of the Civil War in recognition of the sesquicentennial observance. The 2012 First Saturday

Lecture Series will be held at the Arrow Rock State Historic Site at 10:00 a.m.

January 7: "Picturing the Battlefield: Images in Art of War Torn Missouri" by Dr. Joan Stack, Curator of Art Collections for The State Historical Society of Missouri.

February 4: "The Civil War in Arrow Rock," by Mike Dickey, Site Administrator, Arrow Rock State Historic Site

March 3: "Civil War Songs from the Western Border," by Cathy Barton and Dave Para, professional folk musicians

April 7: "The Civil War in the Boonslick," by Jim Denny, Civil War historian and author of *The Civil War's First Blood: Missouri 1854-1861*

The series is free and open to the public. It is supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities and generous donors. Unfortunately the Arrow Rock Tavern is not open in January, February and March, but you may want to try Blackwater, Missouri, another quaint nearby town for meal service.

Via I-70 east, Arrow Rock is about 1 hour and 40 minutes east of Independence by taking the MO-K N exit (I-70 Exit #89), toward Blackwater / Arrow Rock.

## News about Members and Friends

**Margaret Bardgett** sent a lovely Christmas card to Karen Wells to let us know that she is now living at the Grand Court apartments in south Kansas City. Margaret has suffered through several surgeries, and we are glad she is still able to live independently but with assistance.

Congratulations to the **Black Archives of Mid-America** for selecting **Doretha Williams** as executive director. The Archives is putting the finishing touches on its facility at 1722 E. 17<sup>th</sup> Terr., Kansas City, MO. It collects and preserves documents, photos and other materials related to the history and culture of African Americans in the Central United States and particularly the Kansas City area.

**Carol Bohl** has retired as Executive Director of the Cass County Historical Society. We extend our best wishes to her on new adventures and thank her for nine years of service. One of many accomplishments was the formation of the Missouri/Kansas Border War Network of which our Round Table is a member. As Cass County board president Larry Pfautsch said, Carol “moved us way beyond preserving local history. Her belief has always been that if we want people to understand and

appreciate our rich heritage, then we need to tell our story in an engaging way.” **Jane Wallace** is the new Executive Director and comes from a background in tourism and economic development. She and her husband live near Belton.

**Terry Elliott** was featured in Frank Haight’s column in the *Examiner* on November 18, 2011 for the publication of letters his parents wrote while his father was overseas in World War II. The compilation is called “Until I See You Again – The World War II Correspondence of Herschel and Vivian Elliott.” The Round Table knows Terry for his book and program “Damn It – Yell ‘em Across,” a story of the background of the rebel yell.

Another program the Round Table enjoyed was about the *Steamboat Arabia*. In the November 12-14, 2011 issue of the *Examiner*, Adrienne DeWeese interviewed **Florence and Bob Hawley** on the occasion of the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the museum in the River Market at 400 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

**Barbara Hughes** was able to get in and out of Colorado to visit family over the Christmas holiday in spite of massive snowfalls. Now she has to buckle down in the New Year to present her “women in history” programs to some 17 different Independence, Missouri schools in January and February.

Congratulations to the new officers and directors of the **Kansas City Round Table**: President-**Don Bates, Sr.**, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President-**Dennis Garstang**, and Preservation Director-**Arnold Schofield**. Dennis is a member of our Round Table and Arnold was our host at the Mine Creek Museum for our 2010 bus tour. **Dennis** has also been the president of the Posse of the Westerners group. **Arnold** has just retired from the Mine Creek Battlefield museum.

**John Mark Lambertson** is retiring after nearly 19 years as director of the National Frontier Trails Museum. He started out as the archivist in 1992 and then took on the additional duties of director six months later. During his tenure the museum has been certified as an interpretive center for five national historic trails – the only site in the nation to win that achievement. Best wishes to John Mark in his new endeavors; we are sure he won’t let any grass grow under his feet. He is presently serving on the board of the Union Cemetery Historical Society.

The Friends of the **National Frontier Trails Museum** sponsored a very successful “Ghosts of the Civil War” on October 30, 2011 at Woodlawn Cemetery in Independence, Missouri. The November 2011 issue of “The Trail Scout” shows pictures of some of the guides

in costume whom we recognize as being **Jim Beckner, Sharon Snyder, Jim Howk, Ralph Monaco and Mike Calvert**. **Mike** says he was the only Union soldier in costume.

Over the Christmas holiday Karen Wells passed along the message that **Charles McCorkendale** was in the hospital. Luckily he is now out of North Kansas City Hospital after suffering a gastric attack of the creeping cahoodies. Since he has not had definitive word of what caused extreme vomiting and dehydration, I guess that term is as good as any. I’m sure he is glad to be home for the New Year.

We find out all manner of news from Karen Wells’ Christmas cards and we would like to congratulate **Fran Mason** on her marriage to **Douglas Nixon** on December 10, 2011 at the First Baptist Church of Independence. They are at home on E. 29<sup>th</sup> Street in Independence, Missouri.

Congratulations to **Ralph A. Monaco, II** for being elected president of the **Jackson County Historical Society**. In the year end issue of the “Society News” Ralph tells the story of a young boy who watched a reenactment of the Battle of Lexington. After the Union forces ceremoniously surrendered to General Sterling Price, the fallen men stood and marched off the battlefield. Turning to his father with tears in his eyes he asked innocently but sincerely, “Are the soldiers going back to their graves now?” This story goes back to a cold, damp Sunday evening in September 1961 when a young Ralph had been center stage for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Lexington. Nowadays Ralph is a history buff and reenactor himself. He has played George Caleb Bingham at the Union Cemetery and also showed up at the Independence Corral reenactment in front of the Old Jail Museum at our November meeting.

Exciting news has come about the renovation of the historic Truman Courthouse on the Independence Square. The exterior has been stabilized and now the interior work begins. This is both cause for celebration for the **Jackson County Archives** and a challenge to box and relocate its collection during this time. It is estimated that this process will cost about \$30,000, and your donation will help. There is a specially designated Archives Relocation Fund being established. For further information you may call Executive Director Steve Noll at (816) 461-1897 or E-mail him at snoll@jchs.org.

**Janice Pearson** was very busy in November getting the Bingham-Wagoner House ready for its annual Christmas tours. In the *Examiner’s* “Welcome Home”

edition of November 19-20, 2011, she is pictured decorating a tree for the holidays. The Bingham-Waggoner House as well as the Marshal's Home and the Vaile Mansion are featured in a new coffee table book called *Decorating for Christmas at Historic Houses* by Patricia Hart McMillan and Katharine Kaye McMillan. On November 25<sup>th</sup> Janice represented the Bingham-Waggoner House on the Walt Bodine radio program on KCUR-FM to give details about the Christmas tours. She and **Charlotte Tindall** were honored in October by the City of Independence for 28 years of volunteer service.

Blue Springs Historical Society President **Mary Potter** was quoted in the *Examiner* on November 24, 2011, as saying, "Blue Springs has generous citizens." She went on to thank the volunteers who are giving of their time and talent to save the train depot and have it moved to Central Park. A donation of \$25,000 has been received but more funds will be needed.

We congratulate our friends at the **Raymore Historical Society** for paving the way for the historic Dean home on Missouri 58 in northern Cass County to become their headquarters.

Frank Haight's column in the *Examiner* on December 2, 2011 is called "Faith Built Second Baptist." It goes on to say that the historically black church is celebrating its sesquicentennial. Where to worship God? This was the spiritual dilemma confronting Jackson County slaves in the early 1860s as they were emancipated. **Ann Shipp Taylor** says that a small group of men and women met in November 1861 to organize the **Second Baptist Church**. Buildings have come and gone but the 200 plus congregation continues to serve at 116 E. White Oak in Independence, Missouri. **Mrs. Taylor** is also an historian who has told the story of the family who lived at the Mansion on Lee's Summit Road at programs sponsored by the Mid-Continent Library.

**Bonnie Sommerville**, our member from Higginsville, Missouri, wrote an entertaining letter about her adventures on the tour to Lexington in the fall with the Civil War Round Table of Kansas City. Since she knew the tour would end at the Confederate Home near Higginsville, she opted to drive her own car and follow the bus. She says the drive along the "river road" was beautiful with the sun shining on the autumn leaves. Even though Bonnie has taken the tour of the battlefield and the Anderson House many times before, she says the interpretation was somewhat different and she is still learning about the site.

She finished the tour of the Anderson House a little early and went back to the visitors' center where she saw some people waiting on the benches. She started to talk with them and found a topic of interest concerning the Spanish influenza pandemic of 1918 which she has recently been studying.

She got so engrossed that she missed seeing that her tour "had left the building." Fortunately it is not that easy to hide a tour bus in Lexington and she caught up with them at lunch. Bonnie says, "I had a wonderful, fun packed and very informative day, and at the end of it all I was one exhausted puppy!"

We were gratified to read that the Jackson County Historical Society will be giving the Jane Flynn Lifetime Achievement Award to **Kathleen Tuohey** posthumously on January 19, 2012 at their Annual Awards Dinner. Kathleen was the caretaker of the Pitcher Cemetery and researched local Jackson County history. She also assisted us in mapping the Lewis-Gregg Cemetery in April 2011.

We would like to thank the **Villages of Jackson Creek** for allowing the Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri to use the lower level meeting space and enjoy such comfortable surroundings.

The **Wilson's Creek National Battlefield** is getting an update for its Visitors Center and will be incorporating its museum in the same location. Many visitors have missed seeing the museum's artifacts because they are looking for one-stop shopping. Superintendent Tim Hillmer apologizes for the inconvenience during the upgrade. It takes time and money to relocate and get things built. The project is estimated to cost about \$400,000 and is set to debut in April 2013.

**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; [www.geocities.com/quantrillsoc](http://www.geocities.com/quantrillsoc) or send an E-mail to [wcqsociety@aol.com](mailto:wcqsociety@aol.com).

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## Sonny Wells Little Blue Battlefield Memorial Commission 2011 Annual Report

The only fundraising involving the Sonny Wells Little Blue Battlefield Memorial Commission during the past year was sponsoring a bus trip to historic sites in Clay County, MO on May 14, 2011 which netted \$111.56 after expenses. Thanks once again to Beverly Shaw who arranged for the bus and collected the reservations and Mike Calvert who was our tour guide.

We had to replace one panel for our low profile marker at the Ripley Junction park because of vandalism. The expense was \$116.

The income and disbursements for the Sonny Wells Little Blue Battlefield Commission are as follows:

Money Market Balance on 11/1/10		3,034.68
Income		
Profit from Clay County Tour	111.56	
Interest income	4.82	
Sale of "Save the Little Blue" pins	<u>2.00</u>	
		118.38
Disbursements		
Replacement plate at Ripley Junction	116.00	
Bank service fee	.10	
Name Tags	<u>32.27</u>	
		<u>(148.37)</u>
Money Market Balance 11/18/11		3,004.69
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**THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT THIS PAST YEAR!**

Karen Wells, Chair

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## Lewis-Gregg Cemetery Commission 2011 Annual Report

The Lewis-Gregg Cemetery Commission continued the mowing and upkeep of the cemetery with the aid of Mr. Chris Henderson who also removed some dangerous trees. The chairman, Harry Rinacke, also repaired some of the monument bases. David Jackson and Kathleen Tuohey helped map the burials and a cleanup day was held. New Round Table patches, t-shirts and hats were funded and the liability insurance policy was paid from this account. Total funds on November 18, 2011 amount to \$21,368.23.

Income came from interest earned (\$390.05) and sale of Round Table merchandise (\$81.00).

Disbursements were for embroidered patches (\$222), purchase of hats and t-shirts (\$109.30), grave mapping (\$54.54), maintenance of the cemetery (\$565), maintenance of the markers (\$29.34), memorial gift to Jackson County Archives in tribute to Kathleen Tuohey (\$50) and liability insurance (\$149).

Plans for the future include publishing a map and guide to the burials at the cemetery and having the fence painted.

Beverly Shaw, Treasurer

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## "Monuments Book" Volume Two

The Round Table has a big project coming up in 2012 for which we would solicit the help of members and friends. We received a Brownlee Grant through the Missouri Historical Society in order to produce a volume two of our "Civil War Monuments and Memorials in the Greater Kansas City Area." Our first volume from 2002 was restricted to the immediate Kansas City area, but we can branch out further for volume two. Let's use a 50 mile radius from Kansas City as a benchmark. What we would like to have from you is nominations for monuments not already in volume one. You can send nominations to Beverly Shaw's E-mail ([bevjoshaw@hotmail.com](mailto:bevjoshaw@hotmail.com)) or call her at (816) 225-7944, and our working committee will send out reporters and photographers to document the markers.

Because you may not all have a copy of volume one, I am listing what we have already documented:

GAR Memorial Circle, Olathe City Cemetery, Olathe, KS  
WRC Memorial, Monticello Union Cemetery, Monticello, KS  
GAR Memorial Circle, Bonner Springs Cemetery, Bonner Springs, KS  
Woman's Relief Corps Memorial, Maple Hill Cemetery, Kansas City, KS  
John Brown Memorial, Quindaro Area, Kansas City, KS  
Colored Defenders Memorial, Woodland Cemetery, Kansas City, KS  
"Mother" Mary Sturges Memorial, Oak Grove Cemetery, Kansas City, KS  
Confederate Memorial, Old Camden Point Cemetery, Camden Point, MO  
Platte County Courthouse Plaques, Platte City, MO  
Woodneath and Routt Houses, Liberty, MO  
Jewell Hall, William Jewell College, Liberty, MO  
The Trenches, William Jewell College, Liberty, MO  
Trench Markers, Old & New, William Jewell College, Liberty, MO  
The Mass Grave, William Jewell College, Liberty, MO  
The Mass Grave Marker, William Jewell College, Liberty, MO  
Ex-Confederate Association Memorial, Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, MO  
Order No. 11 Marker, 4th & Delaware, Kansas City, MO  
Camp Union Marker, 10th St. west of Central, Kansas City, MO  
Union Prison Collapse, 14th & Grand, Kansas City, MO  
Confederate Prisoners Memorial, Union Cemetery, Kansas City, MO  
Woman's Relief Corps Memorial Bowl, Elmwood Cemetery, Kansas City, MO  
Ladies of the GAR Battle of Westport Memorial, 63rd & Paseo, Kansas City, MO  
Battle of Westport Markers, various locations in Kansas City, MO erected by the Monnett Fund  
Battle of Westport Tablets, Loose Park, Kansas City, MO  
Battle of Westport Markers placed by the Jackson County Historical Society and the Native Sons of Kansas City  
UDC Battle of Westport Memorial, Forest Hill Cemetery, Kansas City, MO  
United Daughters of the Confederacy: Soldiers of the Confederacy Memorial, Woodlawn Cemetery,  
Independence, MO  
2nd Colorado Cavalry Memorial, Woodlawn Cemetery, Independence, MO  
1st Battle of Independence Markers, Jackson County Courthouse lawn and Turner Music Co. Building,  
Independence, MO  
Battle of the Little Blue, Day 1 of the Battle of Westport, Ripley Junction Park and 24 Hwy & Blue Mills Road,  
Independence, MO (New low profile markers will be added to volume two)  
Lawson Moore House, Blue Mills Road, Independence, MO  
Second Battle of Independence, Stops C, D, E, and F, various locations, Independence, MO  
Battle of Lone Jack Battlefield Park & Museum, Lone Jack, MO  
Lone Jack Battlefield Cemetery, Lone Jack, MO  
Six Man Massacre Burial Site and Memorial, rural Lone Jack, MO  
Order No. 11 Memorial, Old City Hall Annex, Hickman Mills, MO  
Abraham Lincoln & Tad, City Hall, Kansas City, MO  
Loyal Women of the Old South Memorial, 55th & Ward Parkway, Kansas City, MO  
Morgan Walker Farm & Cemetery, Blue Springs, MO (Morgan Walker stone inside Burr Oaks Nature  
Center to be in Volume two)