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Next Meeting

Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the Library Center, 4653 South Campbell. The speaker will be Mr. Matt Matthews. His talk will be "I Have Been Running Strictly On My Virtues--The Life and Times of Major General James G. Blunt"



Matt M. Matthews joined the U.S. Army Combat Studies Institute (CSI) in July 2005 after working for 16 years as a member of the World Class Opposing Force (OPFOR) for the Battle Command Training Program at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Mr. Matthews graduated from Kansas State University in 1986 with a BS in History. He served as an Infantry enlisted man in the Regular Army from 1977 to 1981, a Cavalry officer in the US Army Reserve from 1983 to 1986, and an Armor officer in the Kansas Army National Guard from 1986 to 1991.

Mr. Matthews is the author of CSI Press publications *The Posse Comitatus Act and the United States Army: A Historical Perspective* and *Operation AL FAJR: A Study in Army and Marine Corps Joint Operations* and *The US Army on the Mexican Border: A Historical Perspective*. He has coauthored numerous scholarly articles on the Civil War in the Trans-Mississippi, including "Shot All to Pieces: The Battle of Lone Jack," "To Play a Bold Game: The Battle of Honey Springs," and "Better Off in Hell: The Evolution of the Kansas Red Legs." He is a frequent speaker at Civil War Roundtables, and he recently appeared on the History Channel as a historian for Bill Kurtis' *Investigating History*. Mr. Matthews was the mayor of Ottawa, Kansas.

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Minutes of the meeting of August 14, 2013

President Cunningham called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and welcomed everyone. There were 43 members in attendance.

President Cunningham discussed the trip to the Museum of Art in Columbia, Missouri, to tour the historical art collection on August 9, 2013, with Joan Stack. It was a very informative and interesting tour. President Cunningham announced that maps of the battle of Springfield obtained from the Museum are available for \$1.00. The detail on the maps is very good.

President Cunningham discussed a possible trip to the Bushwhacker Museum in Nevada, Missouri or a trip to Newtonia, Missouri.

President Cunningham announced that the Library Center's "Turning Points – The American Civil War in 1863" was a success and Michael Price and Brian Grubbs did a great job in organizing the event. The Civil War Round Table book sale during the event made \$623.00.

President Cunningham announced that he had purchased shirts with the Civil War Round Table of the Ozark logo and they are available for sale for \$14.50 for regular sizes and \$21.25 for XXL size.

Reports:

President Cunningham discussed the Treasury report for August as published in the Buck and Ball - The income was \$764.00. The expenses were \$959.45. The monthly ending cash balance was \$2,003.57. The Savings Account amount is \$5,003.03. Total Fiscal Assets as of August 14, 2013 was \$7,006.60. Report was approved by the membership.

Ted Hillmer, the Superintendent of Wilson's Creek National Battlefield, reported and discussed the following:

- Announced that there will be a moonlight tour of the Park on September 14, 2013 for \$7.00 per person
- The 152nd Anniversary of the Battle of Wilson's Creek on August 10, 2013 was a success
- Working on purchasing 10 acres behind the Ray house
- Partnering with Bass Pro to have an exhibit of Wilson's Creek in the Natural History Museum at the Top of the Rock in the future
- The Federal Government Budget for 2013 is 5.3% amounting to about 10% cut in the next two years for the Park

Member, Bill Piston announced that there are still books left from the book sale in July. The remaining books will be for sale to the membership at discount prices during the November or December Round Table meeting.

Bill Piston discussed the opportunity drawing for the evening. The three books are:

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- “The Battle of Pea Ridge” by William L. Shea and Earl J. Hess
- “The Civil War – the third year told by those who lived it” edited by Brooks D. Simpson from Civil War Trust
- “Civil War Women” edited by Frank McSherry, Jr. and Charles G. Wargh and Martin Greenberg

-----Break-----

Member, Connie Langum introduced the speaker and topic for the evening. Jean Kreidler presented "*The Softer Side of the 1860's*" and answered questioned from the membership.

Speaker, Jean Kreidler, had a display of items for sale.

Book opportunity drawing was opened again.

President Cunningham asked for guests to be introduced.

The book opportunity drawing was held.

The opportunity drawing amounted to \$80.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

SM, MD, LG, XL \$14.50
& XL \$21.25

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