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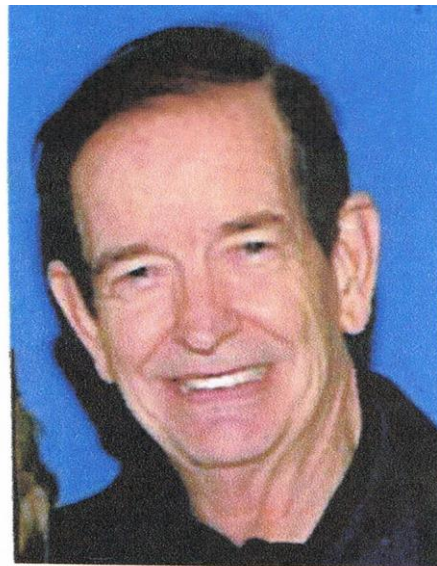
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Next Meeting

Wednesday, April 13th 2016 , 6:30 pm at the Library Center

Our speaker will be Paul D. Walker. Paul is a former political science professor, colonel of armored cavalry, and a military historian. He is also an award winning author of many highly acclaimed books including *Truman's Dilemma*, *The Cavalry Battle that Saved the Union*, *Battle Fatigue*, and *Jungle Dragoon*.



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President's Message

Here it is April already—my how the year is flying by. I am so glad I don't have to share with you a notice of another member's death. I was beginning to think I was bad luck or something like that.

Dr. Piston and I have been working on the Program schedule for the rest of this year and 2017, and we would welcome input from our members. At our meeting in June we will have our Show and Tell gathering, so be thinking about what you would like to share. We are also planning on having several items out in a silent auction so bring your checkbook and support the Roundtable

Our speaker this month is one of our own members, Paul D. Walker. He is the National Historian for the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the author of many books. I'm sure it will be an interesting presentation.

I want to thank Dr. Piston for taking care of the book raffle for us each month. We have plenty of amazing titles and the money raised certainly helps the Round Table. We have received a generous book donation from Geri Thaemlitz and her late husband Ralph. As soon as I get them sorted we will have them as a part of our book raffle.

A special thank you to Karen Hamer and Jacquelyn Faenger for the wonderful treats they bring for us each and every month. Please thank these ladies and don't forget to put some shekels in in the donation kitty—every little bit helps!!

Hope to see everyone on April 13th and bring a friend or two or twelve!!

Connie Langum
President, CWRTO

Civil War Round Table of the Ozarks
Minutes of the Meeting of March 16th, 2016

Meeting called to order by Connie Langum, President. The invocation was given by Walt Hamer, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

The treasury report was given by Janet Sing.

Membership report given by Jim Scaminaci.

Dr. Piston reported on the book raffle for the evening at which \$65.00 was raised.

Travis Archie, President of the Sons of the Confederacy, spoke about the activities his organization is involved with, which includes cemetery work and preservation. The Sons of the Confederacy meets on the third Wednesday of each month at the Republic Branch Library.

Connie discussed the textile exhibit at Wilson's Creek for the three weekends in March.

Ted Hilmer reported on the upcoming activities at Wilson's Creek National Battlefield.

Volunteer training for the park will begin the week of March 14th.

School trips to the park will begin shortly which will include visits this year in July. This summer all 4th grade students and their parents will receive free admission to all National Parks in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the National Park Service.

Arts in the Park 2016 begins April 30 for six Saturday concerts that are free and open to the public, except for the June 4 presentation of the Ray House Jamboree, where the regular tour road admission of \$7.00 per person or \$15.00 per car will apply.

April 2 "Park Day" sponsored by the Civil War Trust will include clean up and maintenance projects for volunteers.

April 16-25 Free National Park Week

Connie mentioned that a descendant of General U.S. Grant will be speaking in Marshfield on his legacy.

The speaker for the evening, Joe Brent, was introduced by Connie. His presentation for the evening was entitled "Reunited in Death: the Origins of the Confederate and National Cemeteries in Springfield" and how the two became one. It was a very interesting program

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

John Kinsley, Sec, CWRTTO

Tentative Presentations for 2016

April- Paul Walker, Author and CWRT Member

May- Dr. David Dalton, College of the Ozarks; “How Firm a Foundation? The Denominational Schisms as a Prelude to War”

June- Show and Tell

The rest of the year’s programs are under construction!!!

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Membership Renewal Reminder**

We appreciate your past participation in the CWRTO and we look forward to your involvement in the coming year.

- 2016 Couple's Membership.....\$35.00
- 2016 Individual Membership.....\$25.00
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I'm the program coordinator of Chambersburg Civil War Seminars & Tours, and we would appreciate your help in spreading the word about our 2016 Civil War tours to your Civil War Round Table group!

We believe Round Tables are extremely important in preserving our Civil War heritage, and we offer a special Civil War Round Table discount of 10% off when three or more members from the same round table register for our complete weekend package. Please contact me with any questions at (717) 264-7101 ext. 206.

Our 2016 Civil War tours are listed below and more information can be found at www.civilwarseminars.org. If you'd like more information, or would like us to send you copies of the brochures to distribute to your Round Table, please let me know!

We also just updated our online Civil War Round Table Directory to serve as a resource for anyone interested in learning more about Civil War history with local enthusiasts. We have over 125 Round Tables listed! If you don't see your Round Table, please email me the name and contact info – we'll be happy to add it! You can view the directory here: http://civilwarseminars.org/?page_id=346

Ed Bearss Symposium: Military Leadership & Combat

April 7-10 – This event features speakers and guides including Ed Bearss, Lt. Colonel Ralph Peters, Tom Clemens, Dana Shoaf, Steve Bockmiller, and others. Covering Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Civil War, WWII and bus tours of Gettysburg Day 2 and Brandywine Battlefield. Based in Chambersburg, Pa.

Stonewall Jackson in the Valley

May 19-22 - Weekend will include tours of Lexington, Va. and Jackson battle sites of 1862 in the Valley. Featuring the following speakers and guides: Ed Bearss, Dr. James "Bud" Robertson, Keven Walker, Jeff Wert, Jerry Holdsworth, and others. Based in Harrisonburg, Va.

Gettysburg Day 3 & Beyond

July 27-31 – With Ed Bearss, Jeff Wert, Carol Reardon, Eric Wittenberg, Wayne Motts, Steve French, and others. Tours of Gettysburg off the beaten path, East Cavalry Field, the Retreat, and more. Based in Chambersburg, Pa.

Lincoln at Gettysburg

Sept. 22-25 - Featuring Joe Mieczkowski, John Schildt, David T. Dixon, Ed Steers, and others. Includes bus tour following Lincoln's path to giving the Gettysburg Address, sessions on the sixteenth president, and tour of Civil War sites in Harrisburg. Based in Chambersburg, Pa.

Thank you for your help and let me know if you have any questions!

Kind regards,

Lark Plessinger

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Attention Civil War Round Table Members:

Fellow member Hal Funk would like to invite you to attend his presentation on Tuesday, May 10th, 2016, 7pm at the Library Station. His talk is entitled "The Confederate's Last Surrender: The Incredible Story of the CSS Shenandoah". The Shenandoah was the last of the Confederate sea raiders. It continued to sink Union ships for several weeks after the war was over and didn't surrender until November 6, 1865.