

Buck and Ball

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Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Library Center, 4653 South Campbell.



Our feature speaker will be John Dougan, Missouri State Archivist. His lecture is entitled "The Battle of Memphis: The Civil War's Largest Naval Battle." Thousands of Memphians witnessed the Confederate River Defense Fleet of "cotton-clad" gunboats battle the James B. Eads city-class Union gunboats and a surprise attack from two Union rams. The battle was decisive, demonstrating technologies that continue to impact the ways warships are constructed even today.

President's Message

Spring has sprung and the month of May rushes past us quickly. "Tis the time of vacations. One of the things that Karen and I enjoy doing while we drive to see our children or travel to a vacation spot is to look to see if there are any Civil War sites on the route. Some of the most interesting ones have been little historic parks run by the state or a local organization that marks a battle that does not make most history books. Though the combat forces were small and the battle usually insignificant in the grand scheme of the whole conflict, these were still places where men lost their lives for the things in which they believe.

I think it would be a fun part of our monthly meetings if anyone has visited an historic Civil War location on your vacation this summer would take maybe five minutes to share with us the place they saw and tell us a little about what they learned. It might just help us to think about the price paid for the freedoms we enjoy as citizens of these United States of America.

I am looking forward to see you at this month's meeting on May 14. I hope that you are starting to finally enjoy the great outdoors of the Ozarks. The Dogwood Trees are beautiful. Have a Happy Spring time.

Walter Hamer

President

CWRTO

Civil War Round Table of the Ozarks Minutes of the meeting of April 9, 2014

President Hamer called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. There were 41 members and guests in attendance.

President Hamer asked guests to be introduced.

Kay Martin gave the Treasurer's report for April. The income was \$276.00. The expenses were \$4.65. The monthly ending cash balance was \$3,342.61. The Savings Account amount is \$5,004.04. Total Fiscal Assets as of April 9, 2014, was \$8,346.65. Report was approved by the Membership.

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

- Arts in the Park 2014—May 3 through June 14, Saturday nights at 7:00 pm
- The Ray House Jamboree is June 7 with music and barbeque dinner. There will be an admission fee with proceeds supporting the Foundation's proposed activities
- Ozark National Scenic River ways —currently a debate to have this National Park go to State control. Is this a good or bad thing? Be aware of this!
- Requested that the CWRT support one Arts in the Park program financially for \$400. Vote was taken and approved by the Membership.

Newtonia Battlefields Protection Association has requested this year when we support them financially that we specify Cemetery repairs/maintenance. A vote taken and approved by the Membership.

Membership Chairman Jim Scaminaci reported 4 new members bringing a total of 60 members.

Fundraiser Chairman Dan Cunningham reported on searching for financial support. The Village Inn and Enoch's Bar-B-Q have given their support to the CWRT.

Dan also mentioned there are still CWRT shirts available for purchase

Book Chairman, Jim Gallion discussed the books included in the drawing for the evening.

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Program Chair, Connie Langum, introduced the speaker and topic for the evening. Dr. John Marshall, Pastor of 2nd Baptist Church, Springfield, MO, presented "Same God, Same Prayers, Same Bible."

The book give away was conducted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Future Presentations for 2014

June—Bill Fisher, Historian at Fort Scott National Historic Site—"Using Censuses to Quantify Local Effects of the Civil War"

July—Dr. Tim Smith, Historian—"Battle of Champion Hill"

August—Bruce Nichols, author—"Guerrilla Warfare in Missouri"

September—Pam Sanfilippo, Historian Ulysses S Grant National Historic Site

October

November—Virginia Dyer, Park Ranger Pea Ridge National Military Park

December—Annual Christmas dinner

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