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## Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Civil War Round Table of the Ozarks  
Wednesday, November 8th 6:30pm

at

The Library Center

Our Featured Speaker will be Larry Peterson



Lawrence K. (Larry) Peterson graduated from the University of California, Davis, with a B.S. and obtained an M.B.A. from the University of Alaska. After brief careers as a National Park Service ranger and as a United States Air Force communications officer, he entered aviation. After serving in many organizations as a pilot, chief pilot and chief flight instructor, he was hired by United Airlines and retired as a Boeing 757/767 Standards Captain.

A student of the Civil War since grade school, he utilized this interest to research, over some 18 years, his great-great-grandfather's role in the war, culminating in the publishing of his biography *Confederate Combat Commander, the Remarkable Life of Brigadier General Alfred Jefferson Vaughan, Jr.*, by the University of Tennessee Press in October, 2013. He is president of the Rocky Mountain Civil War Round Table in Denver, Colorado. Along with his good friend and noted Civil War author Matt Spruill, he is collaborating on a series of books, *Command Decisions in America's Civil War*, describing critical decisions of the various campaigns and battles of that war, including his books to come on the critical decisions for the Battle for Chattanooga, the Atlanta Campaign, and the Kentucky Campaign of 1862. He is also a book reviewer for *Civil War News*.

He and his wife Kathleen are long-time residents of Evergreen, Colorado, and both are proud long term Brigade Color Bearers of the Civil War Trust, befitting General Vaughan.

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Here it is November—the trees have turned color, the weather is finally cooler and I am reminded that we have an all too often holiday coming up. Halloween is over and I am not talking about Thanksgiving--I am talking about Veterans Day which is November 11.

I never served in the military but I am so thankful for those who have and I want to honor a few of them today. Both of my brothers, Ronnie and Richard, served in the Air Force and Army, and my favorite brother-in-law (who is really a brother) Dale, also served in the Air Force. My adopted Dad, Dick Darnell, also served in the Air Force and my good friend Dennis Gibbons served in the Coast Guard. I have several nieces, nephews, and cousins who have also proudly served this country. While this country may or may not be what it once was, it is still the greatest country in the world and it is because of the folks who put their lives on hold and serve in our military. They protect us and our freedoms—just let that sink in for a moment. Have you ever worried about being able to worship freely? Have you ever worried about being able to protest something you think is wrong in a peaceful manner? I have never had those worries thanks to the men and women who serve—so from the bottom of this patriotic American's heart I say thank you to all those who have and are serving in our military forces!!

Our speaker this month is Larry Peterson whose ancestor fought in the Civil War. I met Larry at a Civil War Trust conference a few years ago, and I am glad he is able to be with us this month.

If you haven't signed up to come to our annual Christmas dinner next month please do so as soon as possible. You can either tell myself or Cherrie Mann at our meeting, or send myself or Jacob Scott an email. It is really fun night and you don't want to miss it.

Once again I will remind you that we will be electing new officers next month. So if you would like to serve (or nominate someone to serve) please fill out the nomination sheets that will be available at our meeting.

I look forward to seeing you all!!

Connie Langum  
CWRTO President

### **Upcoming Presentations 2017**

November--Larry Peterson, President of The Rocky Mountain Civil War Round Table

December--Christmas dinner

**Civil War Round Table of the Ozarks  
Minutes of the Meeting 10-11-17**

Pledge of the Allegiance to the flag of the United States by members of the Round Table

Invocation by Walt Hamer

Introduction of guests by President Connie Langum

Copies of the treasurers report were made available to members of the sign in table.

A banquet sign up form was passed around for dishes. The Christmas meeting is scheduled for December 13<sup>th</sup>, 5pm.

Nominations for officers were mentioned, as new officers will be elected at the December meeting

Membership report was given by Jim Scaminaci. We currently have 82 members.

Fundraising report by Dan Cunningham, who encouraged members to eat the sponsoring restaurants and be sure to tell the management that you are a member of the Round Table.

Wilson's Creek report from Supt. Ted Hilmer. Encouraged people to also join and support the Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Foundation. The moonlight tour is scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6pm. The Round Table voted in favor of giving \$150 in support of the Wilson's Creek calendars.

Dr. Piston spoke about the books for the night's book giveaway. Members were encouraged to stop by the table during the refreshments break.

Dr. Piston introduced the speaker for the evening Dr. Marlin Barber and his presentation "Yankees Wuz Comin". Following the presentation a drawing was made for the books.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacob Scott

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