



GENERAL ORDERS



**The Newsletter of the
Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee, Inc.
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and The Iron Brigade Association**

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September, 2006

The **September 7th, 2006**, meeting is to be held at **Wisconsin Club**, Milwaukee

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Mike Kaufman on *The American Brutus*, John Wilkes Booth

Political historian Michael W. Kauffman is a well-known figure among Lincoln assassination researchers. He has written numerous articles on the subject, and has been a guide for the John Wilkes Booth Escape Route tours for more than twenty years.

His writings have been published in *Civil War Times*, *the Washington Post*, *American Heritage*, *Blue and Gray*, and the *Lincoln Herald*, among others. He has appeared on A&E, C-SPAN, The Learning Channel, the History Channel, and the Discovery Channel, and in 1995 he testified as an expert witness before the Baltimore Circuit Court in the Booth exhumation hearings.

He is the editor of Samuel B. Arnold's *Memoirs of a Lincoln Conspirator*, and more recently wrote *American Brutus: John Wilkes Booth*

and the *Lincoln Conspiracies*, winner of the Walt Whitman Award for the best Civil War-related book of the year.

Marvin Sanderman

Milwaukee Round Table member (since 1992) and Chicago Round Table Past President Marvin Sanderman died of a heart attack on June 29th. Our sympathies go out to Roslyn and the rest of his family. Marvin's sunny wit won the hearts of his many friends. He will be sorely missed.

—David Coverdale

2006-07 Schedule

Meetings are at the Wisconsin Club unless otherwise noted. *Speakers and topics are subject to change without notice.*

- October — Gordon Dammann — *Father of Battlefield Medicine*
- November — Bob O'Neil — TBA
- 10 December — Holiday ball.

- January 2007 — TBA
- February — Dan Paterson — *A Longstreet Pictorial History*
- March — Peter Cozzens — TBA
- April — Robert Krick, Jr — TBA
- May — Becky Cumins — *2nd Mississippi*

Schedule of Events

- Staff Meeting (when required;
open to all members) 5:00 PM
- Registration and Social Hour 6:15 PM
- Dinner 6:45 PM
- Program Begins 7:30 PM

Dave Eicher Book Signing

16 September

Round Table Member Dave Eicher, author of *The Longest Night* will be at the Mayfair Barnes & Noble store, 2500 North Mayfair Road in Wauwatosa, on September 16th at 2:00 pm, signing his newest book *Dixie Betrayed*. For more information call Paula Jones, Community Relations Manager at (414) 475-0386.

Civil War Symposium in Chicago

30 September

The Ninth Annual Chicago Civil War Symposium sponsored by the National Archives Chicago Branch, will be held on September 30 2006 at the First Division Museum in Wheaton IL. Further information is on the symposium can be found at <http://www.archives.gov/great-lakes/chicago/public/programs/civil-war-symposium.html>, and on the Museum at <http://www.rrmtf.org/firstdivision/geninfo.htm>. The museum is a tribute to the First Infantry Division, "the Big Red One," and worth the trip by itself.

Encampment in Greendale

30 September-1 October

The Trimborn Farm Civil War Encampment will be held at 88th and Grange in Greendale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The public is invited for a small admission fee.

The third annual event on this historic site is a perfect fit for the 1860s farmhouse, Jeremiah Curtin House, and barns. Both days will include a skirmish, medical scenario, vintage baseball demonstrations, and children's activities.

For more information, contact the Milwaukee County Historical Society at (414) 273-8288 or Patricia Lynch at (414) 427-3776.

Iron Brigade Awards

for 2006-7 Season

The Board announces the recipients of the Iron Brigade Awards for Civil War Scholarship are to be awarded this season to:

- Gordon Damman (October)
- Peter Cozzens (March)
- Robert Krick Sr. and Jr. (April)

The Iron Brigade Awards are made to scholars who have made considerable contributions to Civil War studies. Past recipients have included Ed Bearrs and James McPherson. This year will see the first posthumous award, which will be presented to the son of Robert Krick Sr. Any member wanting to nominate a scholar for the Iron Brigade award should contact the Awards and Donations Committee.

Officers of the Board of Directors, Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee, Inc., as of April 2006

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CHANGE IN MEAL CHARGE

Effective November 9, 2006, the cost of Round Table dinners at the Wisconsin Club will increase to \$23.00.

The Wisconsin Club makes every effort to hold down costs and minimize the increases it must pass along to its members and guests. The meal charge of \$20.00 has held steady since November of 2000, attesting to the success of their efforts. But rising costs have forced the club to raise the amount it charges for meals, and the Round Table must pass these costs onto its members.

Additionally, we are asking our members for assistance in holding down future meal costs. The Round Table is charged for meals based upon the count given to the Wisconsin Club on the Monday prior to the meeting. This count is derived from phone and prepaid reservations received from our members. When mem-

bers who have reserved a dinner and then do not pay for it, the Round Table must pick up the cost. These costs are reflected in the overall dinner price since dues and contributions to the Round Table must go to support our mission of education, restoration, et al.

If you have made a dinner reservation but are later unable to attend, please contact the Treasurer to cancel your reservation. To avoid incurring unwarranted costs, cancellations must be received 4 days prior to the Round Table meeting.

Please feel free to contact me, or any Board Member, if you have further questions related to meal charges or the reservation policy.

—Paul Eilbes, Treasurer

This Month in The Civil War

Dave Coverdale

- 9/11/1861: Robert E. Lee begins the 5-day Cheat Mountain Campaign, which leads to a Rebel defeat.
- 9/14/1862: McClellan pushes Rebel troops out of South Mountain and Crampton's Gap.
- 9/15/1862: Rebels capture Harper's Ferry and about 12,000 Union troops.
- 9/17/1862: The Battle of Antietam halts Lee's advance North, one of the bloodiest days of the War.
- 9/22/1862: President Lincoln issues the Emancipation Proclamation.
- 9/5/1863: Under US pressure, the English scrap plans to deliver 2 ironclads to the Rebels.
- 9/9/1863: Federal troops occupy Chattanooga, Tennessee.
- 9/20/1863: On this 2nd day of the Battle of Chickamauga, Federal Commander Rosecrans' troops retreat into Chattanooga, the retreat covered by General Thomas' troops.
- 9/1/1864: Rebel troops begin evacuating Atlanta as US General Sherman's troops continue to cut off supply routes.
- 9/4/1864: Rebel General John Hunt Morgan is killed in a Federal raid on Greeneville, TN.
- 9/7/1864: US General Sherman orders civilians to evacuate Atlanta.
- 9/19/1864: Sheridan's US troops defeat Early's Rebels at Winchester III.
- 9/30/1864: Rebel troops under General Lee fail to recover Fort Harrison, VA in the US siege of Petersburg.

Civil War Round Table Dinner Reservation for: September 8th, 2006

Mail your reservations by September 1st to:

Paul Eilbes, 1809 Washington Ave. Cedarburg, WI 53012-9730

ALSO, call in reservations to (262) 376-0568

Enclosed is \$_____ (meal price \$20.00 per person) for _____ reservations for the next meeting of the Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee. (Please make checks payable to the Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee, Inc.)

Name of Member: _____

In the Event of Inclement Weather...

Since we live in a part of the Union that has such wonderful weather, the President will decide if there is to be any change in a meeting due to weather. Listen to WTMJ or WISN radio for news of meeting cancellations if the weather turns on us.

The Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee, Inc. admits members of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges and activities of the Round Table.

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A Gentle Reminder

The Wisconsin Club and the Board of the Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee would like to remind our members that jackets are required for the Club's dining room. Please contact club management if you have any questions.

General Orders Submissions and Editorial Policy

All submissions to the *GO* are used on a space-available, date-required basis. Electronic submissions are preferred over paper. The Editor/Publisher reserves the right to edit all submissions for length, propriety, content, and house style. Submissions with a direct Civil War interest, or those that are date-sensitive, will be published first.

All submissions must be received by the Editor/Publisher at jdbeatty@amcivwar.com no later than the 10th of the month before the next *GO* (for example, submissions for the January *GO* must be received by 10 December). All address changes, or problems receiving the *GO*, are handled through the Membership Chairman.