

GENERAL ORDERS



The Newsletter of the

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



March 10, 2016

Bruce Kraig

“Why the Civil War Made Our Modern Food”

There were enormous changes in the American food systems wrought by the war and changes in our food habits. We live with the consequences today –and not only in terms of food. That is, how come most of our food comes from more than 2,000 miles away?

How many people know that what we eat today, what we buy in our supermarkets, is the result of a war fought 150 years ago?

Our February speaker, Bruce Kraig, will discuss how a war fought in the 1860's made our modern food.

War is always a catalyst for change, and of all American wars, none changed the country more than the Civil War. That war accelerated trends and currents that had just begun earlier in the Nineteenth century, from economics, to social conditions, and cultural perceptions. This was the first American war with mass mobilization of men and materiel. With it came what are now familiar effects: centralization of authority and economies into the hands of governments and large business entities; technological change and intensification of manufacturing; and plenty of other political and social ideas percolating through society. All of these have to do with food production because, as Napoleon supposedly said, an army travels on its stomach. The North won the war because it produced more food (and arms) and organized its distribution better than the South. The ultimate result of all this was massive changes in the way that Americans grew, shipped, and processed food and, of course, in what they ate. Open a can of food, eat peanuts, have turkey for Thanksgiving or even eat a hamburger from a chain restaurant, and thank (or not) what happened during the Civil War.

Bruce Kraig is Professor Emeritus in History at Roosevelt University in Chicago where he taught a wide variety of courses in history, anthropology, and popular culture. He also taught culinary subjects at the culinary school of Kendall College, Chicago. Kraig has appeared widely in the electronic media as writer and on-camera host and narrator for a multi-award winning PBS series on food and culture around the world. Publications range from books and articles in academic journals on European and world prehistory through American history. He has written hundreds of articles on food in newspapers, journals and for encyclopedia. His books about cookery and culinary history include *Mexican-American Plain Cooking*, *The Cuisines of Hidden Mexico*, *Hot Dog: A Global History*, *Man Bites Dog: Hot Dog Culture in America*, editor *Cooking Plain: Illinois Style* (2012), co-editor (with Colleen Sen) *Street Food Around the World: An Encyclopedia of Food and Culture* (2013), co-editor (with Colleen Sen and Carol Haddix) *Food City: The Encyclopedia of Chicago Food* (2016) and *America's Food* (2016, he hopes). He is the editor of the “Heartland Foodways” book series for the University of Illinois Press. Among hundreds of public talks given are the keynote address at a Pillsbury Bake-Off, Smithsonian Institutions’ Museums on Main Street projects, keynote address at the Australian Symposium on Gastronomy and addressing the Library of Congress on food history and one of his favorite topics, baseball history.

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March Meeting at a Glance

Wisconsin Club

9th and Wisconsin Avenue

[Jackets required for the dining room.]

6:15 p.m. - Registration/Social Hour

6:45 p.m. - Dinner

[\$30 by reservation, please]

Reservations are accepted until

Monday, March 7, 2016

7:30 p.m. - Program

Speaker and topic are subject to change. In case of inclement weather, listen to WTMJ or WISN for meeting status.

2015-2016 Speaker Schedule

April 7, 2016 – Greg Biggs

“Nashville: Siren’s Song of the Confederacy”

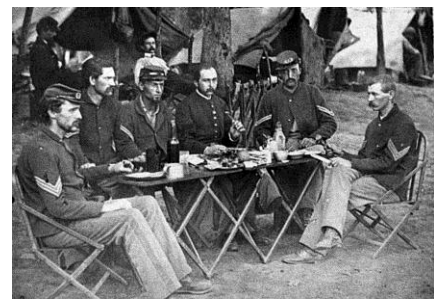
May 12, 2016 – Glenna Schroeder-Lein

“The Soldiers’ Home in Civil War America”

June 9, 2016 – Dale Phillips

“Ben Butler and the Federal Occupation of New Orleans”

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Civil War Round Table News

When Reservations are Cancelled

Please be aware that cancellations of dinner reservations within 48 hours of the meeting are subject to payment in full. The MCWRT is charged for these dinners whether they are used or not!

Your Cooperation is Appreciated

“Walk-in dinner” requests are sometimes difficult to honor. Remember, dinner reservations are to be made at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date. We are always happy to accommodate where possible, but we cannot always guarantee a dinner that evening if you have not called in or emailed your reservation. Thank you for your understanding.

Special Dietary Needs

We have quite a number of regular members who have opted for special entrees as options to the regular dinner being served. The Wisconsin Club and the Round Table will make every effort to meet any special dietary needs you may have. As a courtesy, **please give a reminder when making your reservations**, so we don't forget to serve you what you're expecting!

Iron Brigade Flags on Display

If you attend our upcoming meetings, you may notice that something is different. Our usual array of flags (the reproduction Tiffany Iron Brigade flag, the 35-star U.S. flag and Battery B, 4th U.S. artillery guidon) will not be present. The flags have been loaned to the Kenosha Civil War Museum for their new exhibit, “Faces of the Iron Brigade: A Social Network of Soldiers.” The exhibit will be on display at the museum until November 1, 2016.

A Little Extra for the Iron Brigade & the Civil War Museum

As part of the “Faces of the Iron Brigade” exhibit taking place at the Kenosha Civil War Museum, there will be an exhibit reception and program on April 23, 2016. The program will include actor Stacy Hicks portraying Mickey Sullivan (“Mickey of Company K”), as well as other events related to the Iron Brigade exhibit. The Kenosha Museum approached the Civil War Round Table about sponsoring this event, and the Board of Directors thought it logical to do so as we are the custodian of the Iron Brigade Association, founded by the veterans. Beginning at the January meeting, and continuing through March 10, the Round Table will be soliciting donations from members to sponsor this event. Think about pitching in to help the Iron Brigade!

On The Preservation Front

The Civil War Preservation Trust reports a preservation victory at Chickamauga and Chattanooga.

The Trust has successfully added 30 acres to the existing land already saved at Reed's Bridge at Chickamauga, and 12 acres at the historic Brown's Ferry site in Chattanooga.

The land saved at Brown's Ferry was the site on the Tennessee River where Union troops under Brigadier General William G. Hazen landed in the pre-dawn hours of October 27, 1863. The fighting that morning led to the opening of the "Cracker Line" and marked the beginning of the end of the siege of Chattanooga. This preservation victory makes a total of 141 acres saved at Chickamauga and 106 acres saved at Chattanooga.

The Muster Roll: NEW MEMBERS

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| | | AGE DATE BORN EDUCATION RECEIVED | | | |
| 122 | Campanella, Edward H. Jr. | 44 | San Francisco, California | University of California, Berkeley | His father, education of education, was not fully educated, because on my list. |
| | 1. Mrs. Ann P. S. | | Calif. | | |
| | 2. Mrs. Augustus S. | | Calif. | | |
| | 3. Mrs. George H. S. | | Calif. | | |
| | 4. Mrs. George H. S. | | Calif. | | |

MCWRT Annual Fund

The following members have made a generous commitment to the MCWRT by investing in that fund. This list reflects those donations made from July 1 through November 13, 2015.

Major Contributor (\$500 and above)

Patron (\$200 - \$499)

Crain Bliwas, Stephen Leopold, Robert Parrish

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Commission

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Thank You from Dan Joyce, Civil War Museum

Our Round Table presented a \$1000 check to Doug Dammann at our December meeting. The donation will help fund lectures and programs at the Civil War Museum in 2016. In his thank you letter to our organization, Director Dan Joyce wrote:

Thank you and the Round Table so much for your continued support. There are many programs that this donation supports, which brings Civil War history to life!



In March 1954 Harry T. Williams talked to the Round Table on “The Pattern of a Biographer: Douglas Southall Freeman and His Life of Robert E. Lee.”

Clyde Walton Jr. was our Round Table speaker in March 1964 speaking on “Battles by the Book.”

“The Story of John Y. Buell” was the topic of Richard D. Mudd’s presentation to the Round Table in March 1974.

Col. Roy K. Flint spoke to the Round Table in March 1984 about “Eight Minutes to Live: Defeat of the Federal Assault at Cold Harbor, 3 June 1864.”

In March 1994 Lance Herdegen and William J.K. Beaudot discussed “The Lost Memoirs of James Patrick Sullivan.”

Thomas F. Schwartz talked to the Round Table in March 2004 on “Crazy folks...Why I must only take my chances’ — Death Threats to Lincoln.”

At last year’s March meeting, Thomas Huntington spoke to our group on “Searching for George Gordon Meade.”

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Waukesha Civil War Round Table, 7 p.m.

Citizens Bank of Mukwonago Waukesha Branch

Speaker: John Kelling: A House Divided — A Reflection of the Civil War

Behind the Scenes Tour of the Civil War Museum

Tuesday, March 8, 2016, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Join curator Doug Dammann as he leads a behind the scenes tour of the different galleries and spaces of the Civil War Museum. Whether you have never been to the Museum or have been there many times before, you will learn something new on this tour. \$25/\$20 Friends of the Museum

March 14, 2016

Manitowoc Civil War Round Table, 7 p.m.

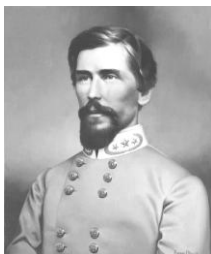
NEW LOCATION: TIME OUT BAR & GRILL
1027 North Rapids Rd., Manitowoc

March 15, 2016

Prairieville Irregulars Civil War Round Table, 7 p.m.

Citizens Bank of Mukwonago Waukesha Branch

Speaker: Mark Purnell: US Colored Troops



Happy St. Patrick’s Day
 General Patrick Ronayne Cleburne

Born March 17, 1828
 County Cork, Ireland

“Stonewall of the West”

Kenosha Civil War Museum Second Friday Lunchbox Series

The series is a free program sponsored by the Milwaukee Civil War Round Table and Iron Brigade Association.

Chicago Backs the Boys in the Civil War Friday, March 11, 2016, Noon

Presenter: Kurt Carlson

With the secession of the southern states and the start of the Civil War, a major financial crisis occurred in the emerging city of Chicago. But Chicago’s businesses were called on to back the boys in the US military, and doing so would both spur the city’s industrialization and end the financial crash.

Civil War Expo (see page 6)

Saturday, March 12, 2016 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Civil War Media Club

Tuesday, March 15, 2016, 7:00- 8:30 p.m.

A Brotherhood of Valor

Moderator: Doug Dammann

The Media Club will read and discuss Jeffrey Wert’s book, *A Brotherhood of Valor*. The book presents a narrative about the renowned Stonewall Brigade and Iron Brigade, which confronted each other at Bull Run, Fredericksburg, Antietam, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg.

\$10/\$5 Friends of the Museum

Gettysburg: The First Day’s Fighting

Sunday, March 13, 2016, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Instructor: Steve Acker

This workshop takes a detailed look at the events of July 1, 1863 by using detailed maps, troop movements, human interest stories, leadership analysis, and how the roads of Gettysburg decided the battle. Steve Acker, fresh from taking the Gettysburg licensed guide test, will be your guide through the first day’s fight at Gettysburg.

\$25/\$20 Friends of the Museum

Spring Break Family Fun Day

Thursday, March 31, 2016, 1-4 pm

History Comes to Life at the Civil War Museum

Civil War reenactors set up camp at the Museum. Learn about cannons and artillery, medical care, and the lives of soldiers through interactive displays and hands-on activities.

See page 6 for information about these Museum events:

- **CIVIL WAR EXPO**
- **FACES OF THE IRON BRIGADE DINNER**
- **THIRD ANNUAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM HOME FRONT SEMINAR**

See page 8 for information about other events:

- **CIVIL WAR MUSEUM NASHVILLE/MIDDLE TENNESSEE TOUR**
- **JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE CIVIL WAR SYMPOSIUM**



Wisconsin State Journal
Madison Wis, Friday Evening May 30, 1861

Stirring News,

Though we have no news of battles fought, as yet, the dispatches to-day are of a stirring character. The rebels at Harper's Ferry are finding the war looks so equally, they have determined to vamoose. An army is marching upon Memphis, probably under command of Gen. Fremont.

The First Wisconsin Regiment quartered in Milwaukee have received notice to be ready on the instant to march and will probably be called to join the advance on Memphis.

Camp Randall items

We were present last night at the evening parade of the Second Regiment.

Drawn up in double line, with the beams of the setting sun glancing from their muskets, they made quite an imposing appearance. The drum and fife corps, as they marched up and down in front of the line showed that under the training of Drum Major Dyker, they had made good proficiency in music.

Every company is now filled up beyond the minimum number of men under the new regulations, and about half have the maximum number, or within one or two of it. There were reported last night 963 men present, or accounted for, as follows, giving the companies in the order which they occupied.

LaCrosse Light Guards...86
Portage City Light Guard...103
Belle City Rifles, Racine...100
Fox Lake Citizen's Guard...93
Oshkosh Volunteers...95
Randall Guards, Madison...96
Grant County Greys...99
Janesville Volunteers...106
Miner's Guard, Mineral Pt...84
Wisconsin Rifles, Milwaukee...102

Though the line was so long that it was a little difficult to hear the word of command at its extremes, the companies went through the manual with a good degree of accuracy and promptness. About half the men are provided with something in way of arms, to use for drilling. The proficiency made by the men, as shown in regimental parade and company drill, which occupy about five hours a day, is very much greater than that of ordinary recruits, and is an indication of the earnestness and zeal of those who have enlisted to defend their flag and crush out rebellion, and are assiduous in their endeavors to qualify themselves to act in the most efficient manner.

Some 15 or 20 carriages, with a considerable number of ladies and citizens were out at parade last evening.

The behavior of the men gathered here as soldiers has been on the whole commendable, but among so many it could hardly fail that there should be some of the baser sort. A few rowdies have been cutting up some rascally planks - condemned as severely by their comrades as by any one else, - which has necessitated greater strictness with reference to leaving the camp. Men are now allowed to leave the camp only in charge of an officer, who is responsible for their good behavior.

A lodge of Good Templars has been organized in the Regiment, numbering now over 100, including an addition of 34 last night. There are no cases of serious sickness in camp.

Wisconsin State Journal
Madison Wis, Evening May 31, 1861
Military items.

Commissions have been issued by the Governor to Hon. John G. Clark, of Grant Co. as Assistant Commissary General, and to D. A. Raymond M.D. of Fond du Lac, as Assistant Ensign attached to the 3d Regiment.

The Ripon Rough and Ready company of volunteers tender their services and ask Commissions for C. B. Valentine as Captain, N. Crandall 1st Lieutenant, and R. R. Hargrave 2d Lieutenant. The commissions have not been issued the company not being yet filled.

A Mistake. Some of our exchanges state that an act of the recent session of the Legislature provides for paying \$5 per month in addition to the regular pay to volunteers with families and \$3 per month to volunteers without families. Such were the provisions of the bill as originally introduced, but all that related to extra pay to volunteers without families was subsequently struck out of the bill. The appropriation to volunteers with families is not paid directly to such volunteers, but is left in the Treasury subject to be drawn upon the order of the wife, or person having in charge the family of the volunteer to whom it is due.

Gen. Lee advancing on Alexandria with 25,000 men!

Herald's Special: Scouting parties reported at Headquarters to day that there were immense forces not only at the Junction, but for 15 miles this side of there.

The reports are regarded as greatly exaggerated. Gen. Scott does not believe there are more than four or five thousand soldiers at Manassas Junction, and that these are poorly armed. Tonight nearly every regiment in the city is under marching orders. Before the rebels could get within reasonable fighting distance of Alexandria, 30,000 troops could be concentrated on the heights west of the city to meet them. Since it is known that the South Carolinians are holding and commanding Manassas Junction, the Federal troops are more anxious to get hold of them, especially the Massachusetts troops.

Baltimore, May 31. Shortly after midnight last night a party of disorderly men approached the picket guard on Federal Hill. The camp guard hailed them twice, and receiving no reply, fire. One man was wounded. They arrested six of the men, four of whom after an examination this morning was discharged, while two were detained for investigation.

Extensive preparations are being made at Fort Monroe. Troops were pushed forward rapidly towards the interior, and it was thought an attack on Norfolk by a circuitous route was shortly to be made.

Geo. B. Tucker, of Baltimore, Butler's clerk at Monroe, was arrested on a charge of holding communication with the enemy. He was sent to Fort McHenry and arrived there this morning.

Col. Ellsworth's Last Letter. The following was written by Col. Ellsworth to his parents the evening before his death:

**Headquarters 1st Zouaves, Camp Lincoln,
Washington, D.C. May 23, 1861**

My dear Father and Mother— The Regiment is ordered to move across the river to-night. We have no means of knowing what reception we are to meet with. I am inclined to the opinion that our entrance to the city of Alexandria will be hotly contested, as I am just informed that a large force arrived there to-day. Should this happen, my dear parents, it may be my lot to be injured in some manner. Whatever may happen, cherish the consolation that I am engaged in the performance of a sacred duty; and to-night thinking over the probabilities of to-morrow, and the occurrences of the past, I am perfectly content to accept whatever my future may be, confident that He who noteth even the fall of a sparrow will have some purpose even the fate of one like me.

My darling and ever-loved parents, good bye.
God bless, protect and care for you,
Elmer

Last Night's Dispatches.

New York, May 30-

A special dispatch to the Evening Post says: The War Department is busily engaged in making appointments for the thirty regiments of regular troops ordered by the President in addition to the present force. These regiments when arrangements for the organization are perfected, will be very efficient, as all the commissioned officers will be men who have seen active service.

Philadelphia, May 30 – A Philadelphian who escaped recently from Memphis, has arrived here. He says there is about 8,000 troops in Memphis and about as many more encamped on the fair grounds near that city. At Randolph there are about 6,000 men, and a formidable battery of 64 pounders and mortars.

Lysander Cutler of this city, Colonel of the Sixth Regiment, has seen service sufficiently to familiarize him with military matters. He was a prominent officer in the Maine forces in the North-eastern boundary troubles some years ago, and acquitted himself in a highly creditable manner. His appointment gives satisfaction to many of our best citizens and we have no doubt will prove to be a good one.

A MILITARY MATTER

In the Case of Private Patrick Groghan

Fortress Rosecrans

April 28th, 1864

Charges and Specifications against Private Patrick Groghan Co "G" 31st Wis. Vols.

Charge 1st Sleeping on Post, whilst on duty.

Specification In this that he, the said Patrick Groghan, Pri. Co "G" 31st Wis. Vols. having been duly posted as sentinel, did take off his accoutrements, sit down, and go to sleep on his Post and was found in this condition by the "officer of the day." All this on the Picket lines, near Murfreesboro, Tenn, in or about the morning of the 28th of April 1864.

Charge 2nd Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

Specification In this, that he, the said Patrick Groghan Pri. Co "G" 31st Wis. Vols. having been duly posted as sentinel, did take off his accoutrements, sit down on his Post, whilst on duty, and did fall asleep. Much to the prejudice of military discipline – all this on the Guard lines, near Murfreesboro Tenn, in or about the morning of the 28th of April 1864.

Fortress Rosecrans

April 28 1864

Major Asa H. Fitch prefers charges against Private Patrick Groghan Co "G", 31st Wis.

HeadQrs Dist of Tenn

Nashville Tenn

June 9th

Referred for trial to the Generals Court Martial of which Col. O. F. Moore 33rd Ohio Vol Inft is President.

By Command of Major Genl Rousseau

W. C. Squire

General Court Martial

Capitol Nashville T.

August 27 1864

Resfy returned to Maj. B. H. Polk

A.A. General Dist of Tenn with the recommendation that this Prisoner be released from cust and restored to duty with his command.

The accused has been in confinement four months. The charges might be suspended dependant on future good conduct of the accused.

C. R. Miller

Capt 18 Mich Vol

J. Adv. G.C. TN

Hd Qurs Dist Tenn

Nashville August 27, 64

Respectfully referred to the Commanding Officer of the 115th Ohio Vol Inft who will release Private Patrick Groghan Co G of his regiment to restore him to duty.

By Command of

Maj Gen Rousseau

B H Polk

Maj & AAG

Hd. Qus, Dist. of Tennessee

Nashville. Sept. 13, 1864

Respectfully referred to Capt Hunter Brooke Prov. Mar. Nashville, who will release Private Patrick Groghan and forward him, accompanied by these charges, to his Regiment.

By Command of Maj. Gen. Rousseau

B H Polk

Maj & A.A.G.

*Private Patrick Groghan's story
submitted by Peter Jacobsohn*

Wanderings



When is a *Wanderings* article not a story about a trip taken by a friend of the Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee? It's when that trip has not yet taken place, but is generating some buzz in a nearby town.

Students in grades 5-8 at Waucousta Lutheran Grade School were told in October that "the Best Field Trip Ever" was being planned for April of 2016. Their teacher had secured a Field Trip Grant from the Civil War Trust to pay for transportation and some museum fees. Now the students were going to be able to walk hallowed ground at Harpers Ferry, Antietam, and Gettysburg for themselves. It's ironic that whenever these places would come up in any discussion, some student would jokingly exclaim, "That would make a great field trip. We should go." When that remark was made during a presentation on scenic spots in our national parks, their teacher was prepared. "Yup, that's why we're going there in April." Student reactions were comical, ranging from joyous disbelief to actual tears!

With a day at Harpers Ferry/Antietam and two days at Gettysburg, these students and their chaperones will have a unique opportunity to create memories and to have a real boots on the ground experience. Several teacher/historians will be presenting a Civil War Medical demonstration, another will discuss key locations at several historic spots, and world class battlefield guide and historian Garry Adelman will lead the group through events of July 2 and 3 at Gettysburg. In a future issue of **General Orders** we will hear, as Paul Harvey used to say, "the rest of the story."



CIVIL WAR EXPO

Saturday, March 12, 2016, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Living history, heritage groups, and Civil War Round Tables from around the Midwest will present samples of their programming and have informational tables set up throughout the Museum to introduce visitors to their Civil War interpretation.

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| 12:00 p.m. Songs of the Civil War Musical performance by the Old Soldier Fiddlers | 1:00 p.m. Company E of the Calico 6th David Wege presents personal stories and information about men of Co. E, 6th Wisconsin, a unit that was part of the famed Iron Brigade of the West. |
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THIRD ANNUAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM HOME FRONT SEMINAR

Saturday, April 2, 2016

Dr. Betsy Estilow: Patriots in Petticoats: Southern Women and Medical Care During the Civil War

Kristin Patterson: Extra Pay for Wisconsin Civil War Families

Dr. Margo Anderson, UW-Milwaukee: Counting Slaves and Free Persons: How the 1860 Census Affected the Civil War

Mr. Scott Wolfe: "Putting Up Packages": Ulysses S. Grant and Galena, Illinois

\$50/\$40 Friends of the Museum. Price includes catered lunch.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. the first program starting at 9:30 a.m.

Register by calling: 262-653-4140

Civil War Museum, Kenosha, WI Celebration Dinner: Faces of the Iron Brigade Saturday, April 23 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Join the Civil War Museum for an evening celebrating the opening of our new temporary exhibit *Faces of the Iron Brigade--A Social Network of Soldiers*. The event begins with a reception and behind the scenes look at the exhibit with museum staff. Following the reception, a dinner will be held after which author Lance Herdegen will set the stage for a recreation of part of the Iron Brigade Association Reunion at Lancaster, Wisconsin, in 1884. To top off the evening, a special performance of the Civil War Museum's theater program, *James P. Sullivan--Mickey of Company K*, will be held in the Fiery Trial exhibit.

5-6 pm – Reception with drinks on the 2nd floor. Informal discussions will take place in the "Faces of the Iron Brigade" exhibit.

6-7 pm – Dinner in Freedom Hall catered by Culinary Infusion. During dinner some well-placed reenactors will propose toasts and make a few rousing statements about the fine boys of the Iron Brigade. This is based on a real dinner that the members of the Iron Brigade hosted during the war.

7-8 pm – "Mickey Sullivan" Civil War Museum Theatre Performance in "The Fiery Trial." Chairs will be set up in the 1860s town and the performance will take place on the porch as his stage.

Menu:

Honey and Garlic French Breast of Chicken
Red Skin on Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans with Tarragon and Shallots
Dinner Rolls and Butter
Beer, wine, soda and dessert provided by Museum

All inclusive price (reception, dinner and program):
\$45/\$40 Friends of the Museum



James Livingstone served with Company F of the 25th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry during the later years of the Civil War. He was born in Chicopee, Massachusetts in 1843. After the war ended, Livingstone worked as an officer of Jackson County and was a loyal member of the G.A.R. and the Odd Fellows. Livingstone passed away in Black River Falls in 1923.

James Livingstone's wartime letters were brought to our attention by Round Table member John Rodahl, who had received them from Bonnie (Tollack) Rands. Bonnie had found the letters and other family information dating back to the family's 1842 emigration from Scotland. Bonnie has since donated these materials to the Kenosha Civil War Museum. Enjoy this sneak peek at Livingstone's letters, and then visit the Museum to view some more the collection!

Madison Jan 31st 64

Dear Father,

I arrived at Madison Friday night after a tough ride.

We started from Sparta in the morning before breakfast and we thought we would not stop to eat till we got at Minnesota Junction but our train was behind time and we had just set down to the table to eat our breakfast at dinner time when the engine whistled and we had to travel. We all left reluctantly but did not feel very good about it.

When we arrived at Milton Junction we got our breakfast it was then about 4 'O Clock but we thought it was better late than never. The boys thought it was rather tough soldiering to begin with but I did not mind it much.

We are in the Bull Pen at present where they put all the green chaps. But there is a lot of recruits going to leave tomorrow and if we get mustered in we will be removed. I hope so any way for it is a nasty place

To day is Sunday and it a chief day with the rowdies some are swearing some playing cards some chequers and some are making all the noise

They can take it all together it is almost impossible to write. In the other barracks playing card is not allowed on Sunday. We don't have a very nice place to sleep I have to lay with my clothes having drawn only my blanket yet. We were examined yesterday and 8 out of the ten were accepted

Jac, Bolly and another boy from Melrose were thrown out. I have seen George Hosswrite he looks healthy and growing very fast he is a little taller than me the way I came to find it out was he said he would bet that he was 5 feet 9 and I was about to take him up when we put our heads together and he was the tallest. I have James H he look like a lazy lubber I asked him to go down with us but he don't care about it

I got 10 dollars from Stilson but I thought I would take it along and paid for the tea kettle and told the man to send it to you. I seen Gus Dummick at Sparta I had a good visit with him and paid him 3 dollars I got 1 pound of tea and of sugar which I paid 2.60 and I lent a little to Jack Pally so he is to pay it to you I sent my picture and the groceries with Mr Howell I suppose you have got them before this time. Tell Mother not to fret about me for I can take care of myself I will write soon and give you all the particulars No more at present.

From your son James Livingston

Camp Randall

Madison Feb 8 64

Dear Father and Mother

I am idle at present so I thought I would write a little I have been here 4 days this makes the 5th and have not been mustered yet but I think I will very soon. As I cannot get my pay until I am. Nor clothes I cannot make myself comfortable. Sleeping in such barracks as they have here with one blanket is not what it is cracked up to be. But it has no been very cold weather since we have been here so we get along very well. I have got a pass twice since I have been here to go to Madison we are camped a mile or so from town and a high fence is around it there is a gate to go out and in but it is guarded so that I have to go too head quarters to get a pass. Sometimes they will give a fellow a pass and sometimes they will not. One of the Melrose boys has been sick 2 days but is getting slowly better. Some of the others of our squad has had the diarrhea but I guess they are all right now. Maybe you would like to know how I like soldiering I like it as well as I expected it is not very nice here but if I was with my Regt I think I would like it very well.

I have heard since I came here that the 25th is at Memphis now they are for provost guard there. They have a guard house and a dungeon here and if a person don't carry himself strait he will get into them but I think wont catch me. But they sometimes put a fellow in the guard house for a trifle if he is out after 9 O Clock at night- that is enough.

Jesse Pauley is in the dungeon because he is a deserter.

I don't know as I can say any more that will be of any interest to (you) so I will quit.

From your Affetionate Son
James Livingston

JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE CIVIL WAR SYMPOSIUM

April 30, 2016 "Legacy, Social Change, and Remembrance"

Joliet Jr College, 1215 Houbold Ave, Joliet, 60431

Registration 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Program begins at 10:00 a.m.

Don Doyle: The Cause of All Nations: International Impact of Civil War

Robert Girardi: Illinois in the Civil War

Doug Hurt: Agriculture, Food Production and the Civil War

Theodore "Ted" J. Karamanski: Chicago during the Civil War

Nicholas Sambaluk: Revolution and Use of Technology during the Civil War

Registration by April 1 - \$20 per person. After April 1, \$40 per person
For further information email
Professor Dennis Doyle:
ddoyle@jjc.edu

CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

NASHVILLE/MIDDLE TENNESSEE TOUR

OCTOBER 23-26, 2016

Early Bird Registration – Prior to April 3, 2016

Museum Member:

\$625 per person double occupancy

\$805 per person single occupancy

Non-Member:

\$670 per person double occupancy

\$850 per person single occupancy

Registrations AFTER April 3, 2016

Museum Member:

\$670 per person double occupancy

\$850 per person single occupancy

Non-Member:

\$715 per person double occupancy

\$895 per person single occupancy

Tour Cost Includes: Hotel room for Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights; all lunches and dinners; all motor coach services; Tour Guides; park admission fees; evening programs. All breakfasts are on-your-own (hotel offers a complimentary breakfast)

Tour Base Hotel: Holiday Inn Express, 1111 Airport Center Dr., Nashville, TN 37214

Transportation from home to base hotel is the responsibility of the tour attendee. Flights should be arranged through Nashville International Airport.

Reservations for the trip can be made by mail, in person at the Kenosha Public Museum, or by phone at 262-653-4140 with a credit card.

For complete details please contact the museum.

CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF MILWAUKEE

The Iron Brigade Association Henry Repeating Rifle

The **Iron Brigade**, a Civil War Union unit made up of Wisconsin, Indiana, and Michigan regiments, suffered the most casualties of any Union brigade in the Civil War.

While Henry rifles were not issued officially to soldiers of the **Iron Brigade**, members of that unit purchased their own Henrys to use in combat.

As a part of its mission, the MCWRT donates money on a regular basis to promote education and the preservation of Civil War history.

A request for assistance was made to the Henry Repeating Arms Company and their Guns for Great Causes program to help the MCWRT in support of future educational programs.

Mr. Anthony Imperato, President of the Henry Repeating Arms Company of Bayonne, NJ, (www.henryrifles.com) generously donated an Original Henry repeating rifle. This is a current production rifle based on the 1860 model Henry repeating rifle that was used by Union forces in the Civil War.

www.henryrifles.com/rifles/original-henry-rifle-iron-framed-original

The rifle will be known as the **Iron Brigade Association –Henry Repeating Rifle** and will be on display at numerous locations until 1 November 2016. In September-October of 2016 the Henry rifle will be auctioned off. Proceeds of the auction will be used to support future educational programs.

Prior to the **Iron Brigade Association–Henry Repeating Rifle** going on official auction, private offers for the rifle will be considered. The rifle will remain in the possession of the Iron Brigade Association until after 1 November 2016. After a successful auction or private purchase, the Henry rifle will be transferred to the new owner through an F.F.L. gun shop.

Van Harl

General Commanding, the Iron Brigade Association
President, Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee

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Oh, Henry!



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Would you like to receive an email reminder before each meeting? How about an email telling you about a special or upcoming Civil War event in our area? If you are interested in receiving an email reminder/notification please send your email address to Grant Johnson at: grant.johnson@responsory.com

Grant will be creating a database with email reminders set to go out a week before the scheduled event. This is a purely optional choice on each member's part. If you have any questions please talk to Grant at a Round Table meeting or email him at the listed address.

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Send submission to **Donna Agnelly, Editor**, 420 Racine St. Unit 110, Waterford, WI 53185 or email dagnelly@tds.net or donnaagnelly@gmail.com with "Civil War Round Table" in the subject line of your message. All submissions must be received by the Editor no later than the 10th of the month prior to the next issue. The Editor reserves the right to select articles and to edit submissions for style and length.

All address changes or problems receiving your *General Orders* should be directed through Membership Chairman Paul Eilbes.

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Contact Paul Eilbes for information: (262) 376-0568.

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.

Civil War Round Table Dinner Reservation for March 10, 2016

Mail your reservations by Monday, March 7, 2016 to:

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

ALSO, call in reservations to: **Paul Eilbes (262) 376-0568**

peilbes@gmail.com

Enclosed is \$ ____ (meal price \$30.00 per person) for ____ reservations for March 10, 2016, 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 _____

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What better way to show off your pride in our organization! All items are made of first-rate, quality materials, modestly embroidered with the Round Table/Iron Brigade log, along with your name or initials.

| ITEM | COST |
|---|---------|
| Hooded Sweatshirt in Northern Blue..... | \$35.00 |
| Baseball Hat..... | \$10.00 |
| Blue Brief Case..... | \$25.00 |
| Blue Light-Weight Sweatshirt..... | \$30.00 |
| Blue Izod Polo Shirt..... | \$40.00 |
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| Blue Fleece-Lined Jacket..... | \$60.00 |
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