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BBQ and Bourbon Fund Raiser a Huge Success!

Forty-nine members and guests gathered at Art Boerner's lovely house on the banks of the Ohio River Saturday, June 9 for a wonderful afternoon of fun, food, and fellowship! Thanks to the very generous contributions of all, over \$1000 was raised that will go directly into our general fund to offset the costs of bringing the very best historians and speakers to our meetings. Those in attendance were treated to a Civil War bourbon presentation by bourbon historian Mike Veatch which featured complimentary glasses and tastings of 4 Civil War connected bourbons. This was followed by a BBQ feast with fantastic ribs prepared by Art Boerner and scrumptious pulled pork slow cooked and smoked by Marc Oca with all the side dishes and desserts you could handle. A great time was had by all!

It is Time for Membership Renewals

Patron Memberships Are a Major Boost to the Round Table

The annual membership fees of the Round Table are now due and there is good news! Once again we are not raising any of our membership fees. And even more good news, any amount you give above the basic or family membership fee is tax-deductible since the Round Table has tax-exempt status as a 501 (c) (3) organization! Following is a description of three membership options from which you can choose. Please read carefully the following explanations so that you will understand what your choices are. First, you may choose a single membership. Your membership dues will be \$30 and this will allow you and your spouse to attend all Round Table meetings and events. The second option is a family membership for \$35. Under this option, you may choose to add a spouse, son or daughter as a member. For each family member, the cost will be an additional \$5. For example, the cost for three family members would be \$40. A family is defined as anyone living in the same household. Thus, two brothers who live in the same house can join on a family membership. By choosing this option, the spouse or family member will be recognized as a member of the Round Table, will be eligible to be elected to the Board of Directors, can serve on committees appointed by the President, and will receive a name tag to wear at the meetings. The third option is a special category of membership called **Patron**, which was introduced in 1998 and has been a big success. This option allows members who so desire to make a contribution with their membership dues to the Round Table above the usual cost of membership. This is for members who want to make a financial gift because they believe the Round Table is a worthy organization and they wish to show their appreciation and insure its ongoing success. **Patron memberships start at \$55** and can include a family membership. Of course you can contribute more if you wish.

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Patron memberships provide no additional benefits to members but simply give the individuals the satisfaction of supporting our Round Table with a financial gift. The additional funds raised through this option will allow the Round Table to take a more active role in the Preservation of Civil War battlefields and sites and also help pay the costs of bringing the very best Civil War speakers to our meetings. **Note: Please send your renewal check made out to LCWRT directly to Harriette Weatherbee, 1028 Sarah Drive, Louisville, Ky., 40219. Thanks. To**

Summarize the Options:

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| Option One: Regular Membership | \$30 | Basic membership. |
| Option Two: Family Membership | \$35 | A spouse or family member living at the same address can also join +\$5 for each additional family member. |
| Option Three: Patron Membership | \$55+ | Membership with tax-deductible financial gift to LCWRT. |

We Wish to Recognize and Thank the 66 2011-2012 Patron Members!

Win Ahrens

Jerry & Sharon Armstrong

John & Mary Bellucci

Everett Bethune, Jr.

John & Faris Bilby

Art Boerner

Bob & Judy Bortner

Bob & Barbara Braverman

Katie Brophy

Doug & Barbara Brown

Jack & Donna Bruner

David & Sandra Cheatham

Denver Cornett, III

Rick Cushing

John & Joy Davis

Dave & Penny Deatrick, Jr.

Russ & Angie Ditsler

Ken & Melissa Draut

Monty & Holly Jenkins Evans

Jim & Rose Marie Fishback

Steve & Pam Fleece

Sean & Mary Fore

Dale & Donna Gettelfinger

Len Gross & Emily Durrett

Bob & Cindy Heleringer

Dave & Sue Hoffmann

Jack & Virginia Holt, Jr.

Gary & Jackie Hopkins

Tom Issac & Charlene Jones

John & Mary Jefferson

Maurice Jeffries

Al & Janet Jozik

Milt & Lisa Koger

Chris Kolakowski

Doug & Margaret Krawczyk

Doug Kremer

Tom Lively & Suzanne Givan

John & Jo Mader

Bob & Linda Marrett

Janet Marshall

Don & Peggy Meyer

Jerry & Laura Miller

Charlie & Tish Moore, Sr.

Sonny & Betty Neurath, Jr.

Jack & Marilyn Nichols

Marc & Jill Oca

Howard & Joyce Patton

Terry Pyles & Edwin Grosel

Sheldon Rein

Joe & Virginia Reinhart

Doug & Tina Rose

Kerry Short

Kurtz Simmons

Jim & Carol Simpson, III

Dick Skidmore

Robert Slaton & Mary Bradley

Speed & A.C. Stodghill

John Thomas

Noel Walker & Jack Walker

David & Mimi Ward

Harriette Weatherbee

Bob & Dianna Webb

Bryan & Cindy Doyle Winslow

Cary & Jane Wiseman

Herb Zimmerman

Life Member Betty Jobson Passes Away

The Round Table has lost Life Member Betty Jobson, a long-time member of our organization. Betty passed away on July 12 just three days short of her 90th birthday. Betty served as our secretary for many years and was the wife of Round Table member Walter Jobson who preceded her in death. Betty was born in Sewickley, Pa. and attended Atherton High School and the University of Louisville. She was a volunteer and Women's Board Member of Norton Hospital and the Episcopal Church Home, past president of the Louisville Association of Chi Omega and a former member of the Women's Club of Louisville. Betty was a lifelong Episcopalian and a member St. Matthews Episcopal Church for over 60 years. She is survived by her three sons and six grandchildren and her brother. Betty made tremendous contributions to our Round Table over several decades and was really the first woman member along with Sandy Griffin of our group. She will be missed by all of her family and friends and our heartfelt sympathies go out to all of them.

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Member Everett Bethune Passes Away

I am sad to report the passing of Everett Bethune, a long time member of the Round Table and a friend to all who made his acquaintance. Everett passed away last month at the age of 89. He had been a member of our organization since the 1960's and was a retired executive of the Brown Williamson Corporation. He was a native of North Carolina and a multi-sport star in several sports at his high school. Despite his lack of size, he was an offensive lineman on Duke University's football team in the 1940's. He took time out from Duke to serve in the US Air Corp as a member of a B-24 Bomber Crew. He was a turret gunner in the famous "Flying Tigers" and flew 32 bombing missions and received 2 Distinguished Flying Crosses and 2 Air Medals along with several other citations and medals. He was preceded in death by his wife of 41 years, Ann Bethune. Survivors include his dear friend Naomi Smith, a Round Table member who attended the meetings with Everett; a daughter and son, and eight grandchildren. There was no funeral or visitation and cremation was chosen.

Everett was the first person I met at my very first meeting at the Round Table back in 1990 and I will never forget his warm greeting and the conversation we had that evening and we were friends from then on. I last saw him at our April meeting and it was the first time I can ever remember him saying that he did not feel well. Still , we had a lively conversation and he joked and laughed about his condition and brushed it off as nothing serious. I will miss him and he will be missed by all who knew him.

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Wayne Ward Passes Away

Round Table member Dr. Wayne Ward has passed away on May 23 at the age of 90. Dr. Ward had been a member of our Round Table for several years. He is best known as a longtime professor of theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary where he taught for over 40 years. Wayne Ward was born in 1921 in Piggott, Arkansas. In his childhood, he tossed clay pigeons for Ernest Hemingway who often visited his wife's family in Arkansas. As an Air Rescue Service pilot, he survived crashes due to enemy fire during World War II and helped evacuate victims of the Atomic bombings in Japan. He studied theology under famed theologian

Karl Barth, helped Dr. Martin Luther King format his dissertation and served as pastor and friend to Arkansas governor Bill Clinton. Dr. Ward was a great teacher and personal friend who taught me (John Davis) when I attended Southern Baptist Seminary in the early 70's. He was not only a great teacher but an even greater person and he will be missed by a host of former students, friends and of course most of all, his family. Our heartfelt condolences go out to David and Mimi Ward, members of our Round Table, for their loss.

Round Table Member Greg Weigel Mother Passes Away

In addition to these losses, We want to express our condolences to Greg and Jessie Weigel on the death of his mother, Ruth Frances McKnight Weigel. She passed away on June 16.

2012 - 2013 Schedule

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| Friday | September 7 | Chris Kolakowski | "The Fall of 1862: the Union in Crisis" |
| Saturday | October 13 | Tim Smith | "The 1862 Corinth Campaign" |
| Saturday | November 10 | Michael Ballard | "U. S. Grant at Vicksburg" |
| Saturday | December 8 | James Lewis | "Stone's River: 150 Years Ago" |
| Saturday | January 19 | Mark Neely | "TBA" |
| Saturday | February 9 | Gloria Swift | "TBA" |
| Saturday | March 9 | Earl Hess | "TBA" |
| Saturday | April 13 | Bob Krick | "TBA" |
| Saturday | May 12 | Jack Davis | "TBA" |

Winners of the May Door Prizes

Congratulations to our door prize winners at the May meeting.

Army of the Potomac
Secret Missions of the Civil War
Bloody Dawn
The Confederate Reader

by Bruce Catton
by P. van Dorn Stern
by Thomas Goodrich
by Richard Harwell

won by Cindy Winslow
won by Pete Wimsatt
won by Beverly Braverman
won by Bob Heleringer

Perryville is Destination for Fall 2012 Field Trip

We will be going to Perryville sometime in October 2012 for our Fall Field Trip on the 150th anniversary of Kentucky's largest Civil War battle. The exact date, tour guide and other details will be announced soon.

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May 2012 Quiz Answers:

1. When was America's first conscription act passed and by whom?

The Confederate Congress passed the act on April 16, 1862. Northerners were drafted in 1863.

2. When drafted, prominent Northerners hired substitutes to fight for them. Who was President Lincoln's substitute and what was so unusual about this arrangement?

John S. Staples, a carpenter from Pennsylvania, agreed to substitute for the President, who was exempt from the draft and really didn't need a sub. Lincoln paid him five hundred dollars, which was at least two hundred dollars more than what other recruits were paid. Staples survived the war.

3. Who was the third corps commander of the Army of the Potomac to be killed in action?

Major General John Sedgwick, Sixth Corps, was killed at Spotsylvania Court House on May 9, 1864.

4. During the Civil War, the mother of a future U.S. president was forced to leave her home by Federal troops under the command of U.S. General Thomas Ewing. Who was she?

Twelve year old Martha Ellen Young was the future Mrs. John A. Truman and the mother of Harry S. Truman, the 33rd president.

5. Who was the second Confederate descendant of a U.S. president to be killed in action?

Brig. General Samuel Garland, Jr. was the grandnephew of James Madison and died on September 14, 1862, defending Fox's Gap at the Battle of South Mountain. He was also the brother-in-law of C.S.A. General James Longstreet.

June 2012 Quiz:

1. Who was Henry "Harry" Heth talking about when he said, "I soon discovered that my chief was as incapacitated for the work he had undertaken as I would have been to lead an Italian opera"?

2. What and when were the last battles of Stonewall Jackson's Shenandoah Valley Campaign?

3. In June 1862 a Union general and a Confederate general were promoted to command armies, and a Union general was permanently retired. Name the men and the armies.

4. Southern churches and individuals had contributed bells to be melted down and cast into cannon. What happened to those bells in the summer of 1862?

5. In Huntsville, Alabama, what did the Federal authorities do to try to discourage Confederate guerrillas from firing into trains?

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Civil War Trust Celebrates 25th Anniversary
(From Jim Lighthizer)

On the evening of July 18, 1987, about 30 people gathered in the banquet room of Arbuckle's Restaurant on Sophia Street in downtown Fredericksburg, Va. They came together through a shared interest in the plight of Civil War battlefields in the face of expanding urban development and the near-complete loss of fields like Salem Church and Chantilly. In that first membership meeting, the very nature of battlefield preservation changed forever. Today, exactly 25 years later, we should all be proud to be a part of that continuing legacy. From the meeting minutes, we know that from Day 1, this organization had five main goals — all of which we continue to live by today.

1) *Become a recognized force for preservation of Civil War sites.*

Since that time, we have built on that objective to where we can honestly say the Civil War Trust has acquired more heritage land than any other private sector organization in American history. And it started with those men that night.

2) *Raise money to achieve the organization's ends.*

In 2011 alone, we raised more than \$13 million from the private sector, numbers that even 10 years ago were unimaginable. Through the innovative use of government matching grants, we were able to leverage the generous donations of our 55,000 members by an average of 5:1 in 2011.

3) *Buy or otherwise protect military sites associated with the Civil War.*

In 25 years, we have permanently protected more than 32,000 acres of hallowed ground at 115 separate sites in 20 states.

4) *Establish solid liaison with other historical groups to further the organization's goals.*

Working in partnership with a variety of national, regional and local preservation groups (some of whom we helped establish) has become a hallmark of our success. In addition to being our partners, these organizations facilitate our advocacy efforts and even participate in fundraising projects.

5) *Eventually support a small professional staff.*

Although our staff has grown as we have expanded our reach and mission to include outstanding education initiatives, the Civil War Trust remains incredibly lean. Less than 15 percent of the money we raise goes to overhead; the rest goes to land acquisition and education programs — a ratio that earns us the highest ratings for efficiency by independent evaluators of nonprofit organizations.

May the future bring our mission an equal measure of success! - Jim

Attest:

John Davis
Adjutant

By Order of:

Charles Moore
President