

June, 2010
President's Message

This is the annual issue you might call the "State of the Round Table."

As of June 25, 2010 we have thirty two paid up members. Our membership is holding strong and I expect we will add several new members before the year is up.

This year we again contributed \$250 to the Civil War Preservation Trust. They have sent a thank you letter and a note saying we can expect some CWPT hats to raffle.

The web site is up and running. I try to update it as time permits if something of interest warrants an update. The site has over 500 hits in the short time it has been on line. Other round tables have told me their web site has been a good source of new members. Hopefully that will be true for us. If you notice an error or you have some information you believe should be on the site, by all means let me know.

Thank the volunteers for their help when you see them at a meeting. They are:

Bill Bergin	Vice President
Pam Seekamp	Newsletter
Check Seekamp	Sergeant At Arms
Judy Lubas	Secretary

Our move to Sam's for Play appears to be acceptable by all the members. The restaurant has been very good to our group. Remember that the tip added to each bill also pays for the room. We are fortunate not to be in a situation where we must guarantee a certain number of diners.

Our annual BBQ will be held on August 21, 2010. As mentioned at the June meeting I need help for set up and take down. The consensus was to have the BBQ on Saturday to allow more time for socializing. To make this work, your cooperation in letting me know as soon as you can, if you plan you attend and what you plan to bring is helpful. Appetizers, side dishes and dessert usually cover cover the basics. Your prompt response is appreciated and will ensure the event will take place.

We do not meet in July but you are encouraged to attend the Duncans Mills Reenactment on the 17th. and 18th.

Calendar

July 17th. and 18th. 2010	Duncans Mills
August 21, 2010	BBQ
September 15, 2010	Kansas/Missouri Border Wars

October 20, 2010

The Civil War in 3D

This year was our third annual Lawrence Cook Middle School Civil War Contest. The prize money was changed in the following manner: \$100 First, \$75 Second, \$50 Third and \$25 Fourth. The competition was so intense that instead of ten semi-finalists, the judges chose fourteen. That number was reduced to the four finalists. Their photos and names are withheld at the direction of the school district. We can, however, show the winning entries. The judges final selections were:

- 1st. The Diary of Elisha Hunt Rhodes
- 2nd. The Telegraph (a working model and demonstration)
- 3rd. Harriet Tubman Portrait (material used, jelly beans)
- 4th. The Killer Threat

Thank you to the following judges:

Don VanAucker, Barney and Kitty Hays, Rebekah Thomas, Tom and Judy Lubas.

Among my favorite meetings are the student presentations and the annual "Animal, Vegetable or Mineral" members forum. This year was once again a lesson in member creativity and research.

The presentations were:

Barney Hays	The first love of Samuel Clemens
Judy Lubas	Copperopolis, CA and the Union connection
Rebekah Thomas	The War Horse and its challenges
Dean Enderlin	Quick Silver/Mercury and its properties
David Schleeter	Nuances of the conical minié ball
Don VanAucker	Silver
Vern Gullickson	Trivia test
Dr. Gospe	Andersonville and the hook worm
Wally Lowry	Georgia ghosts and the "Great Train Robbery"
Ellie Lowry	Horses and their life expectancy
Pam Seekamp	Cameos and their meanings
Bill Bergin	Observation balloons

Tom Lubas

'Crazy Bet" Van Lew's Polybius Checkerboard

Fantastic, interesting and thought provoking American Civil War knowledge.

Thank you once again for a successful year. Look for appropriate photos on the web site!

Regards,

Tom Lubas
President
North Bay Civil War Round Table

"Excuse me for not noticing you. I was thinking of a man down South."

Abraham Lincoln

"If I can deceive my own friends I can make certain of deceiving the enemy."

Stonewall Jackson