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Meetings

2nd Wednesday of the month - 7:00 pm Old Blake Museum - 106 E. Walnut Independence, Missouri Visitors Always Welcome!

Annual Dues

Individual 15.0	U
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The bombardment of Fort Sumter on April 12, 1861 was the opening engagement of the American Civil War. The countdown to the 150th Anniversary on April 12, 2011 is just 2099 days as of the date of our Round Table picnic on Wednesday, July 13, 2005.

I'VE SEEN THE ELEPHANT, AND... (Thoughts from Tim Cox, President)

ELEPHANT TALES

The expression "see the elephant" is an old one, perhaps dating to Hannibal and his use of elephants in battle. Of course, in 19th century America, everyone loved to see the elephants at the circus when they came to town, always the featured attraction. Gold Rush travelers used the term to refer to the remarkable sights they had seen in their adventures out west. Finally, Civil War

Calendar

CWRTWMO – July Regular Meeting/Picnic Wednesday, July 13, 7:00 p.m. PICNIC - Ripley Junction Park – Little BLUE Independence, MO

<u>CWRTWMO – July Board Meeting</u> Wednesday, July 20, 7:00 p.m. 17313 E. 51st Terr. Court, Independence, MO

<u>CWRTWMO – August Regular Meeting</u> Wednesday, August 10, 7:00 p.m. CEMETERY TOUR – Fairview Cemetery, Liberty, MO

CWRTWMO – October Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 12, 7:00 p.m.
Program: Quantrill of Missouri: The Making of a
Guerrilla Warrior by Paul Petersen
Old Blake Museum – 106 E. Walnut Street, Indep., MO

CWRTWMO July Meeting/Picnic

The annual CWRTWMO July Meeting and Picnic will be held Wednesday, July 13, 2005 starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Ripley Junction Park shelter house (see attached map for directions). This site is part of the Little BLUE Battlefield and is located at the end of Old Lexington Road, south from 24 Highway. The Round Table provides meat and drinks and members and guests are asked to bring side dishes. There is no electricity at the park so we will need to leave by nightfall.

William Clarke Quantrill Society

- ~ August 13-14 Lone Jack Reunion, Lone Jack, MO
- ~ September 17-18 Reenactment of the Battle of Centralia, Centralia, MO
- ~ September 29-October 1 James Younger Gang Annual Conference, Northfield, MN
- ~ September 30-October 1 WCQ Society Annual Banquet and Business Meeting, Harrisonville, MO

For more information, please visit the WCQ Society website at; www.geociteis.com/quantrillsoc

Battle of Athens

The August 5, 1861 Civil War Battle of Athens will be reenacted at the Battle of Athens State Historic Site, Revere, Missouri, on August 6 and 7, 2005. Other activities will include period craftsmen demonstrating and selling their wares, period musicians and various living history demonstrations. For additional information, please visit Missouri State Parks website; www.mostateparks.com.

Centralia Massacre and Battle

Reenactment of Commemorate the 141st Anniversary of the Centralia Massacre and Battle is planned for September 17 and 18, 2005. The reenactment will be held on the actual battlefield, three miles south of Centralia, Missouri. Events also include a barbeque, dance and period church service. For additional information, please visit the Centralia website: http://centralia.missouri.org/massacre/

Meeting Site

The Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri meets at the Old Blake Museum, 106 E. Walnut Street, Independence, Missouri (northeast corner of Walnut and Main). Parking for the meeting is any street parking near by and a few spaces across the street at the Plasterers' Union building, 301 S. Main. Please do not use any other private parking.

Save the Little BLUE Buttons

Just \$1.00 each



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