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### ANNUAL DUES

Individual 15.00 Family 22.50 Student (Under 21) 5.00

#### **MEETINGS**

The second Wednesday at 7 pm, in the Library, at Truman High School, 3301 South Noland Rd, Independence, Missouri, except July, August and December.

> Visitors Always Welcome

### FROM THE PRES.....

The first meeting of the 1997 Board of Directors was a good one. Lots of stuff to take care of and a few decisions to make. Ideas flowing from everyone. Looks to me like this is going to be a great year for our Round Table.

A committee was set up to get a hand out produced. With Joel Semler doing the art work, Dori Semler, Kathleen Tuohey and Toby Giese providing the ideas and Tim Cox helping pull everything together, this should be a nice item. Go to it, gang!

At the January meeting, Cheryl Harness gave to our book collection a copy of her newest creation on Abraham Lincoln. I am very pleased to have this new addition to the collection. It is available for checkout. I will have it with me at the next meeting.

Cheryl's next book is on The Ghosts of the White House. 'Nuff said!

All the work going into the visit of Max & Donna Daniels (Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln) has resulted in much information coming to light. Some of it very surprising.

Did you know there is a college in Leavenworth that has a collection of Lincoln items? I didn't. I was informed of the collection by the curator of the Leavenworth County Museum. Needless to say, a stop at this display has been added to the schedule.

It has also been discovered that the steps from the Planter's Hotel, from which Mr. Lincoln gave his last speech in the Kansas Territory, are still around. They are on display at the Leavenworth County Museum on 5th Avenue. Thanks to John Reichley for that data.

The February program looks to be quite unique. By researching the papers of President Truman his views of the War become very evident. It is common knowledge he had kin who were involved. Did you know one of them is buried in the old Alderson Cemetery south of Belton? Sho' nuff! Shur' tiz. Does that tell you which side he fought for?

TOURS...The proposed March 8th tour to the Ray County Museum has been set back two weeks to March 22nd. And, a change of date on a Chicago speaking engagement has made the April 12th date unavailable to me. So, I will change the Cass County Tour to a day when the Gunfighters are at Mac's. I will work that out with Dori & Joe and get back to you with a date and time. For those interested in the Land of Lincoln trip, July 18-19 has been suggested as an alternate date. Let me know if June or July is better for you.

One dozen new CWRT Medals have arrived. The new ones are exactly like the first ones. Price is \$6.50 per item. Contact person is Toby Giese. (had wrong price last month)

As usual there was a mess up on the Quiz about Joshua Chamberlain. He was elected to four one year terms as Governor. The book Toby used said three. The handout at the meeting was corrected, it was too late to correct the newsletter.

I have heard nothing but raves about the Chamberlain program put of by Brad and Amy Holmes. The story in the Lee's Summit Journal was also very nice. I was really amazed to hear how uncaring the college was and about the increased traffic at the museum.

Special Thanks goes to Carl Gillespie and the crew at Truman Campus for their assistance and co-operation. The overflow crowd was an expected pleasure.

Rumors have it that Karen and I are moving. Rumor confirmed. Our new home is in River Bend Estates about two miles dead south of Jesse's grave. Moving day is Saturday March 1st. Packing & pitching of the 18+ years accumulation of stuff has been underway for several weeks. Doing anything that day? Want to do something?

...see you at the next meeting

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

February

Wed. 12th CWRTWMo Meeting 7 pm
Truman & the Civil War

at Truman High School Libr.

Wed. 19th Board Meeting 7 pm at Truman Education Center

March

Wed. 12th CWRTWMo Meeting 7 pm
The Lincoln's of Illinois

at Truman High School

Wed. 19th Board Meeting 7 pm

at Truman Education Center

Sat. 22nd Site Tour 8:30-4 pm Ray County Museum

April

Wed. 9th CWRTWMo Meeting 7 pm

Annual Open Round Table At Truman High School

Wed. 16th **Board Meeting 7 pm** at Truman Campus

**Upcoming Re-enactments** 

None scheduled in this area until first weekend in May

# **Looking Ahead**

**Possible Day Trip Dates** 

Sat. Mar. 22nd--Ray County Museum in Richmond. A very unique place.

Sat. Aug. 9th--Keytesville, Mo.
Tour Sterling Price Museum

Sat. Oct. 25th--Cémetery Search Old Trail Sites East of Little Blue

# Possible Two Day Trip

June 13-14, or July 18-19
The Land of Mr. Lincoln
Springfield, New Salem, the Home,
the Tomb, the family Pew & more

# **Upcoming Programs**

February 12th-Truman & the CW by Dave Schafer, NPS Speaker

March 12th-The Lincoln's of Illinois by Max & Donna Daniels

April 9th-Open Round Table
Annual Show & Tell Session

May 14th-Louise Barry

June 11th-Mystery Topic Surprise!

July 9th or 16th-Picnic '97

Site to be determined

## **NEW MEMBERS**

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# WELCOME

is extended to...

Michael Calvert

of Independence

Nancy Lewis
of Blue Springs

Carl E. Gillespie
of Independence

And

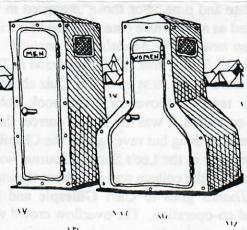
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Thank you

to the forty some who have paid

their 1997 Dues!

# Dues R Due



from Camp Chase Gazette

WARD WILLIAMS

### At the Board Meeting

The Board of Directors met one week later than usual, on the 22nd.

New Board members Charles McCorkendale and David Short were introduced and the mail for December and January was reviewed.

Newsletter.. 120 were printed, 93 mailed, cost \$.46 ea. Spent \$52.90.

Treasurers Report.....Beg. Bal. \$1,174.03, Deposits \$00.00 Paid Out \$00.00 New Bal. \$1,138.61 Deposited in Reserve Account -0-Paid out for new order of medals. Balance in Reserve Account \$174.06

Coffee Fund...Beg. Bal. \$ 53.75, Purchases \$ 19.34 In Donation Jar 1-8-97 \$20.45, New Balance \$54.86.

2nd V.P. Report...33 members and 26 visitors at last meeting.

1st V.P. Report....

Feb. 12th...HST & The Civil War Mar. 12th The Lincoln's of Illinois Apr. 9th Open Round Table

### **Old Business**

IRS has recommended we change our Tax Exempt Application to 501 (c) (3), thus having to pay an additional \$350. We are asking for a review of this recommendation.

Plans for Mr. Lincoln's visit were discussed. Need for larger room considered.

The need for a speakers bureau was discussed. Possibly by Sept. of '97

A committee was set up to come up with a brochure for the group. Tim Cox, Dori Semler, Toby Giese and Kathleen Tuohey will handle it.

### **New Business**

The bus tour to the Ray County Museum in Richmond has been postponed two weeks to March 22nd.

Tim Cox reported on two new On Line features of great interest.

The Board voted to have Claudetta McCorkendale fill the vacancy created by the moving of Cindy Golden.

The Board voted to work with the Junior Women's Symphony Alliance on the Designer Showcase home.

Toby Giese told of his actions in the ongoing Jesse James picture caper.

David Short brought the board up to date on the Multnomah situation.

Meeting dismissed at 9:33 pm