



Bugle Call Echoes

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From the President's Desk:

We are watching a historic event in our lifetime as Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton vie for their party's nomination for President. This was something unheard of in the 1960s, unlikely in the 1990's, but a reality today. And one of them may reach that lofty goal as our next president!

The legacy of America's most deadly conflict - The American Civil War- was an unprecedented choice for Americans and their belief systems, their political

ideologies, and their life styles. Those who fought that war could never know their belief systems, their political ideologies, and their life styles how great a legacy they were leaving. We owe them our gratitude for their sacrifices.

Let us remember that as we listen and watch this month's talk by Bryce Kuykendall, as he takes us back to some of the battlefields of that War. Like always, please RSVP with our Secretary Bryce at 559-787-3632 or e-mail him at bryce.kuykendall@gmail.com if you are attending our dinner meeting on Thurs., Feb. 29th, at the Fresno Ramada at 41 and Shaw.

Brian Clague

Round Table Memberships Now Overdue for 2008

Your 2008 membership year began in January. If you have not already renewed your membership in the San Joaquin Valley Civil War Round Table please use the form printed in this newsletter to do so. Please keep in mind that the cost of membership is now \$30 for an individual or family.

Your membership allows us to bring in speakers from a distance, support Civil War battlefield preservation, and sponsor our web site (SJVCWRT.ORG).

We would like to begin dispatching the **Bugle Call Echoes** using email, unless you specify otherwise on your membership form.

Civil War Humor

from Blue & Grey Laughing

General O. O. Howards's right arm was shattered by a ball in one of the battles before Richmond, and it was amputated above the elbow. While he was being borne on a litter he met General Phil Kearney, who had lost his left arm in Mexico.

"I want to make a bargain with you General," said Howard, "that hereafter we buy our gloves together."

2008 SJVCW Round Table Membership Form

Please begin/renew my membership in the San Joaquin Valley Civil War Round Table, an organization dedicated to informing the public about the Civil War in general and about the need for preservation of Civil War sites. As a member of the SJVCWRT, I will receive *Bugle Call Echoes*, our monthly newsletter, either electronically or on paper; regular invitations to meetings; and free tickets to the annual Civil War re-enactment at Kearney Park if I agree to work for two hours at our informational booth.

NAME _____

E-Mail address _____

Regular mail address _____

YES ___ Please send *Bugle Call Echoes* to my regular mailing address.

An E-Mail from former club secretary Phyllis Mann

I had some good news today. An editor from the *Angels on Earth* magazine called to apologize that an article I submitted in 2005, and which he had earlier told me was going to be published in the January, February 2008 issue, had been omitted from that issue in error. The magazine now plans to publish it in the May, June 2008 issue.

He was most pleasant to talk with, and told me about visiting in the office of his friend, Ray Bradbury, and noting that the walls were papered with rejection slips. So even someone of that note gets rejection slips! I hope you're all doing well.

Best regards,
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2008 SJV Civil War Round Table Meeting and Speaker Schedule

February 28: Bryce Kuykendall "Reflections of Visiting Battlefields in 2007"

March 27: Evan Jones "Soldiers in Shock and Disbelief"

April 24: Brian Clague "It weren't the cuttin' what killed 'um, it were the disease"

May 29: Dr. Joe Wagner "The Crater: a great plan, poorly executed".

Saturday, June 28: Annual picnic at Clague's "cabin" at Shaver Lake.

September 25: TBA Kearney Park Civil War Re-enactment (late September?, early October?)

October 30: TBA

November 7-9: 24th Annual West Coast Conference of Civil War Round Tables. "War in the Shenandoah Valley" featuring Jeffrey Wert, Robert K. Krick, Robert E. L. Krick, Jim Stanbery, David Davenport, and the Moats (not Ken and Barb, but Emily and Olivia, performing an as yet unwritten play by David Davenport called "Two Women of Winchester" — based on the diaries of two women, one Unionist and one Secessionist, who lived in Winchester, Virginia, throughout the war). Clovis Memorial Building. Likely registration fee \$175.00 includes two dinners, two lunches, and two breakfasts. .

Saturday, December 6 or December 13: Annual Christmas party.