



BUGLE CALLS, OCTOBER 2023

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

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1. OCTOBER 12TH MEETING

"CINCINATTI IN THE CIVIL WAR" By Ron Vaughan

DENNY'S RESTAURANT, 710 W. Shaw, Clovis

6:00 Dinner

7:00 Meeting

7:30 Program

8:30 Book Raffle

2. COMING EVENTS

***NOV. 3-5: West Coast Civil War Roundtable Conference**

Wyndham Gardens

160th Anniversary of Vicksburg Campaign

**Speakers: General Parker Hills, Dr. Curt Fields as General Grant,
Jim Stanbery**

***NOV 9th SJVCWRT MEETING: "Civil War Horses" By Spencers**

***DEC. 14TH CHRISTMAS PARTY**

***JAN. 11TH SHOW & TELL"**

3. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, none received.

4. AFTER ACTION REPORT, MEETING OF SEPT. 14TH

BY RON VAUGHAN, SECRETARY TREASURER

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance= \$3,957

Checks received from 15 Conference attendees= \$3,990 (More since)

Paid to tonight's speaker, Alan Sissenwien for gas, \$50 cash

Meeting Notes: Twelve were present for the meeting. First Beverly Kykendahl showed the cloth for the quilt she is presenting to be raffled at the CWRT Conference. The pattern sections represented symbols of the Underground Rail Road, meant to help guide escaping slaves to freedom in Canada. We are thankful for her work on this quilt and her donation. Her quilt last year raised \$600.

Our guest Speaker from South Bay CWRT, Alan Sissenwien, spoke on "The Two Worst Union Generals: McClellan & Pope." He opined that McClellan did more harm to the Union cause. He was too cautious and too egotistic to recognize his mistakes, over-estimated Confederate Army strength, and did not use wise economy of force assignments.

Pope performed well at Island #10 campaign, mostly because of greatly superior numbers. When transferred to command in Virginia, he boasted bombastically, that in the West, they were used to seeing the backs of the enemy.

This did not endear him to the Union troops in the Eastern Theater. He missed opportunity to defeat ANV by ignoring information on Longstreet's northward movements. His attack orders at 2nd Manassas were disjointed, and resulted in defeat.

5. CIVIL WAR HUMOR

FROM "The Blue & Gray Laughing"

"A member of Captain Bushnell's company in the 42nd was about to bite a cartridge when a musket ball struck the cartridge from his fingers. Cooly facing the direction from which the shot came, he took out another cartridge and exclaimed: 'You can't do that again, old fellow!'"