



BUGLE CALLS, FEBRUARY 2018 SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

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1* FEBRUARY 8TH MEETING:

Ron Vaughan presenting:

“An Introduction to The Trans-Mississippi Theater”

Also, Patti Spencer will speak about a Civil War Nurse.

DENNY'S RESTAURANT, 710 W. Shaw Ave, Clovis

6:00 Dinner and Social Hour

7:00 Meeting and Programs

8:00 Book Raffle

2* MOONEY GROVE CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENT

MARCH 3 & 4

MOONEY GROVE PARK, (southern Visalia on Mooney Blvd)

See CWRS website or Call Ron Vaughan for details.

**3* PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:
BY MICHAEL SPENCER**

Greetings Roundtable Members,

As January comes to a close, and the February meeting around the corner, this year is off to a slow start. At our last meeting we had a slight fiasco with Denny's (Hats off to the GM and our server Jessie) for accommodating us. Just a heads up, we went to Denny's to make sure that we're on their calendar for our meetings. Everything is ready and set in stone.

The round table Facebook page is still a work in progress. There we can add photos, stories and a link to our original webpage. It will also have info regarding this year's conference.

Editor's Note: A Facebook page would help a great deal in getting the word out about our RoundTable.

**4* AFTER ACTION REPORT, JANUARY MEETING
1/11/18:**

BY RON VAUGHAN, SECRETARY

*Eleven persons attended our meeting. President Spencer welcomed us to our first meeting of 2018. He will look into setting up a Facebook page for our Roundtable.

*Treasurer Gail Schultz reported we have \$3500 in the bank.

*V.P. Patti Spencer stated she is thinking of speaking about a CW nurse at the next meeting. Ron V. has a topic too.

*SHOW & TELL:

--Ron showed some more of the slides from his, and cousin David's Gettysburg tour with Ed Bearss. This time it was Day 2 of the battle. Ed led a 4 mile tramp from Little Round Top, Devils Den, the Wheatfield, Stony Hill, and the Peach Orchard. Then we bused over to Cemetery Hill for discussion of the dusk attack by Ewell.

--Mike Green shared 3 kepis; a framed display of many CW battlefield artifacts he had purchased over the years; CW GI Joe dolls: 7 Confederate and 5 Union.

--Wayne Scott, dressed in full Lincoln clothing, shared the story of his replica of a Lincoln watch with secret inscription inside. Also, he displayed three derringer pistols, two like the one that Lincoln was assassinated with. Finally, he distributed a copy of one of Lincoln's writings: "You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot further the brotherhood of man by encouraging class hatred. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich. You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn. You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man's initiative and independence. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves."

*Five books were raffled off.

5* CIVIL WAR HUMOR`:

FROM THE BLUE & GRAY LAUGHING

"In 1865, a contraband who came into Sheridan's lines, when questioned about the Rebels possibly arming the colored men, said, 'About half de colored men think dey would run directly over to de Yankees wid de arms in their hands, and toder half think dey would jiss stand and fire a few volleys to the rear fust, fore de run—dat's all de difference.'" (Editor's Note: So much for the idea of Black Confederates.)

6* PRESERVATION NEWS:

The Civil War Trust has a new project to create a Virginia State Park for the battlefields of Cedar Mountain and Brandy Station. They have started a call in, write in campaign for Virginians to persuade their Legislature to go head with this endeavor. Already, the Trust has acquired an additional 1,000 acres for these two battlefields.

Also, the Trust is attempting to fund raise for buying more battlefield land for three Tennessee battlefields: Franklin, Fort Donelson, and Brown's Ferry.