

HARDTACK



Indianapolis Civil War Round Table Newsletter <u>http://indianapoliscwrt.org/</u>

May 14, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. Meeting at Indiana History Center Auditorium 450 West Ohio Street

# *The Plan of the Day* Confederates in Indiana – Indiana and the Union Respond



Gen. Morgan the rader [e.g. raider], Library of Congress

This session will focus more on the defense mustered by the Federal Government and the State of Indiana in response to the 1863 Indiana-Ohio Raid. Of interest is an attempt to track the activities of General Lew Wallace and Governor Oliver P. Morton, General Burnside, Union Cavalry and Indiana Legion units among others. Personal and family anecdotes about Morgan's stay in Lexington, Indiana will be included. Resources include Wallace himself, the Governor's report to the General Assembly, Morton's Memoirs, a Historic Southern Indiana Audio Tape and recent books by Horowitz and Stephens, to mention two. A complete bibliography will be provided.

### JOIN US BEFORE THE MEETING AT SHAPIRO'S DELI!

All ICWRT members and guests are invited to join us at 5:30 P.M. at Shapiro's Delicatessen, 808 S. Meridian St. (just south of McCarty Street), before the meeting to enjoy dinner and fellowship.

## **Our Guest Speaker**

Presenter Jim Turley's pioneer ancestors settled in the Lexington-Nabb Indiana area during the second decade of the 19th Century. Those living in the Lexington, Indiana area in 1863, supplied family stories of their experiences during the Raid.

Jim Turley grew up in the Lexington, Indiana rural community. He is a graduate of Scottsburg High School and Purdue University. His military career began in June 1956 when Jim joined Company D, 138th Tank Bn., Indiana National Guard. He received a BS in Agriculture from Purdue and an MBA from Babson Institute. His Army commission resulted from completion of four year Army ROTC at Purdue. His service as an Army Transportation Corps officer spanned nearly twenty three years, ending in 1984 when he finished assignment as Head of the Army ROTC program at Purdue. Now a Purdue staff retiree, Jim has been involved with the Tippecanoe County Historical Association, Lafayette, Indiana Civil War Roundtable, Wabash Area Lifetime Learning Association, and military and veteran organizations, including alumni support of ROTC units at Purdue. He and wife Mary Jo are parents of three grown children.

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If you have a short article, book review, or some other item that may be of interest to our members, please submit it via email to the editor at <u>ikt60@att.net</u> by the tenth day following the preceding month's meeting.

> 2011-2012 Campaign Plans Battle of South Mountain

June 11, 2012

John Hoptak

**Hamilton County Civil War Roundtable:** The Carmel-Clay Civil War Roundtable is now the Hamilton County Civil War Roundtable. They meet at the Conner Prairie Interactive History Park located at 13400 Allisonville Road. Doors open at 7:00 p.m., and the program will start at 7:30 in the Lilly Theater on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of their main office building. We will have plenty of free parking, and people should enter through the main entrance where the ticket office is located. Camp coffee and hardtack should be available. Meetings will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, September through May, excluding December.

5/16 Norris Darrall – "The Battle of Pea Ridge / Elkhorn Tavern"

9/19 Stephen Towne – "Military Intelligence in the Northern States of Indiana, Ohio and Illinois"

10/17 Jim Goeker – "Two Men and a Photograph"
11/21 Tom Williams – "The Stonewall Brigade"
No December meeting
1/16 T.B.D.
2/20 T.B.D.
3/20 T.B.D.
4/17 Del F. Jarvis – "The Battle at Shiloh Church"

Madison County Historical Society Civil War Roundtable: They meet at 7 p.m. at the Madison County History Center, 15 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street, in Anderson. 5/21 Elise Clapp, IU East Professor – "Civil War books for Childen" 6/18 Michael Willever – "The Bohemian Brigade (News reporters and photographers)"

**Lew Wallace Study and Museum:** In honor of International Museum Day, there will be free admission to the Lew Wallace Study and Museum on May 18.

**Civil War Heritage Days:** The second annual Civil War Heritage Days will be held June 23 – 24, 2012 in Danville, Indiana. A Grand Ball will be held on Saturday evening in the Courthouse Rotunda. Two High Teas will be held at Courthouse Grounds. Music will be heard from the stage on the square throughout the festival. Civil War re-enactors will be camping at the museum, courthouse and government center. Contact Cindy, 745-2604 or Gail, 696-3129, or visit <u>www.civilwarhendricks.com</u> for more details.

**Civil War Lectures and Encampment:** The General Lew Wallace Study & Museum, at 200 Wallace Avenue in Crawfordsville, Indiana, will be holding two Civil War lectures and a Civil War Encampment in June. On Tuesday, June 26 at 7 p.m., Ginny Terpening will be speaking on Civil War medicine. On Thursday, June 28 at 7 p.m., Bernie O'Bryan from Cincinnati will be speaking on the Black Brigade used for the defense of Cincinnati in 1862. Everyone is invited to these interesting lectures. The Museum will hold a Civil War Encampment on June 30-July 1 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Everyone is invited! Travel back in time to the 1860s! Bring the family and experience 19<sup>th</sup> century medicine, communications and travel!

### Special Orders

With Hood's Texas Brigade in Virginia Earning their Reputation, 1861-1862 Sesquicentennial Tour: Join Ed Bearss, Susannah Ural and other noted historians for three days in the footsteps of the brave on June 26-29, 2012. This tour is sponsored by the Hood's Texas Brigade Association, Re-Activated (HTBAR). Membership in HTBAR is not required. Advance as Hood did at Gaines' Mill to secure Lee's first victory. Access Marine Corps Base Quantico by special permission to see the Confederate Potomac defenses. See the sites (now private property) at Elthan's Landing where Texan blood was first shed. Special memorial tour of graves of soldiers in Oakwood and Hollywood Cemeteries. View selected items not seen in over 40 years in a PRIVATE showing of the Museum of the Confederacy collections. Follow Ed Bearss on the field of Manassas and hear Mr. Bearss appraise the Texas Brigade's first year in combat in a wrap-up dinner in the Fredericksburg area. The 3+ days, including 3 lunches and 3 dinners, is only \$595. A block of rooms at Country Inns & Suites at Ashland, VA has been set aside for tour participants at \$89.99 per standard room per night. Reservations: +1(800)830-52222 or +1(804)798-7378. Deposit deadline: \$100 due May 1, 2012. Final payment deadline: due May 15, 2012. For more information or a detailed itinerary and registration packet, visit the HTBAR website: http://www.hoodstexasbrigade.org. You may also contact Ann Oppenheimer at oppenheimer.ann@gmail.com or call her at cell 210-857-6420, home 210-545-6420, or contact Martha Hartzog at 512-431-2682.

**Battle of Iuka Reenactment:** The Battle of Iuka was fought on September 19, 1862, on the highest point in Mississippi, which is known as "America's Bloodiest High Point." The reenactment battle will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, September 2, 2012. Bus tours are welcome. Other events are planned August 31 and September 1 prior to the reenactment such as illuminations, historic home tours, Civil War camps and demonstrations, relic shows, period music, etc. For more information, contact Tishomingo County Tourism Council at 800-FUN-HERE (386-4373), www.battleofiuka.com, info@tishomingo.org, or www.tishominogofunhere.org. They will be holding a quilt show on September 21-22. More information about the quilt show can be found on the last web site listed.

## Official Records

#### April attendance: 34

Alan T. Nolan Memorial Youth Scholarship Fund: The Executive Board of the Indianapolis Civil War Round Table has established this fund to provide membership dues, annual tour expenses or other worthwhile purpose for any full-time student of any age. Please see Tony Roscetti to donate to this fund.

**Facebook:** The Indianapolis Civil War Round Table is on Facebook. We invite you to join our group. Feel free to post Civil War related messages on our site.

**Charitable Sponsors:** In an effort to upgrade our speakers and programs, the board of ICWRT is asking members and organizations with which they are involved (companies

or charitable organizations) to consider sponsoring one or more speakers. This could be done as a gift now, or a person could opt to make a bequest in a will for that purpose. Because of our limited membership, we can't bring in as many national speakers as we would like to. If you are interested or want more info, call Chris Smith at 450-7430.

#### **Book Raffle:**

With Grant and Meade: From the Wilderness to Appomattox, by Theodore Lyman Sickles the Incredible, by W.A. Swanberg
Spies and Spymasters of the Civil War, by Donald E. Markle
Civil War Curiosities: Strange Stories, Oddities, Events, and Coincidences, by Webb Garrison
Bucktailed Wildcats: A Regiment of Civil War Volunteers, by Edwin A. Glover
\*Anyone wishing to donate books for upcoming raffles should either bring them to

Tony Roscetti at the May meeting or contact him to make arrangements for pick up.

Test Your Civil War Knowledge (with Trimble's Trivia)

- 1. What was Indiana Senator Jesse D. Bright's unique claim to fame?
- 2. What was U.S. Grant's first Civil War battle?
- 3. Where was the USS Monitor built?
- 4. Name the only Confederate state that did not suspend the Writ of Habeas Corpus.
- 5. Name the nurse who published, "The Great Army of the Sick"?

Answers to the April quiz:

- 1. What was Lincoln's salary as president? \*\*\* \$25,000
- 2. How many states had seceded by Lincoln's inauguration on March 4, 1861? \*\*\* 7
- 3. How did Island #10 get its name? \*\*\* 10<sup>th</sup> island south of the mouth of the Ohio River
- 4. Name the last surviving general officer from either side during the Civil War. <u>Hint</u>: He was from Maine. \*\*\* Adelbert Ames
- 5. What anthem was played at the inauguration of Jefferson Davis? \*\*\* La Marsailles

### The Soldiers Speak

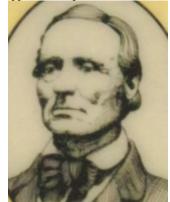
Sergeant Henry Stone (a boy from Greencastle, Indiana, who had joined Morgan's raiders, in a letter to his father, written July 8, 1863, after stepping onto Indiana soil: "Wake up old Hoosier now. We intend to live off the Yanks hereafter and let the North feel like the South has felt some of the horrors of war – horses we expect to take whenever needed, forage and provisions also. In fact it is concluded that living is cheaper in Indiana and Ohio then Tennessee…I hope I'll get close enough to pay you a visit. This will be the opportunity of the Northern people seeing Morgan and they'll see enough. I just imagine now how the women will bug their eyes out at seeing a Rebel army."

Governor Morton's state of emergency warning: "In order to provide against possible danger it is requested that all places of business in Indianapolis be closed this afternoon at three o'clock, and that all ablebodied white male citizens will form themselves into companies and arm themselves with such arms as they can procure, and endeavor to acquaint themselves with military tactics."

The response of the Darlington Home Guard to Morgan's raid: "A company of sixty men were formed in Darlington under command of Captain E.P. McClaskey....This company was called the Wallace Blues in honor of Captain Lew Wallace, Indiana's Adjutant General in charge of raising and organizing troops....In 1863, the mothers, wives, sisters and sweethearts of these men decided to present the company with a flag and chose July 4<sup>th</sup> as the most appropriate time....When the flag presentation was taking place in Darlington, General Morgan was striving to cross the Ohio river and enter Indiana. Four days after receiving the flag, the Wallace Blues were ordered to Mitchell to assist in driving Morgan from the state, and quite proudly they marched forth beneath their new banner....After this company of men returned from helping check Morgan's raid, many of them enlisted and went to the front, and through the remainder of the war served with credit to the state."

A Corydon defender stated: "...the enemy opened upon our forces with three pieces of artillery, making the shells sing the ugly kind of music over our heads....In the meantime the enemy had completely flanked the town...the fighting was very sharp for the space of twenty minutes....After the field was taken by the enemy they moved forward, and planted a battery on the hill south of town, and threw two shells into the town, both of them striking near the center of main street, one exploded but did no damage. Seeing the contest was hopeless...Col. Jordan wisely hoisted the white flag and surrendered."

Officer of the Month



Find a Grave

From the Corydon Battle Park website: "The home guard, under **Colonel Lewis Jordan**, had drawn a battle line behind a hastily thrown up barricade of logs. In a short but spirited battle, lasting less than an hour, Morgan met his first and only organized resistance in the Hoosier State. By outflanking both wings at the same time, Morgan's men completely routed the militia. Four of the guards were killed, several were wounded, 355 were captured, and the remainder escaped. The victory was not without cost to the Raiders. Eleven Raiders were killed and 40 were wounded."

SITE OF THE BATTLE OF CORYDON July 9 - 1863

Historic Site of the Month

IN.gov

From Corydon Battle Park website: "The **Battle of Corydon** was the only Civil War Battle fought on Indiana soil and occurred on July 9,1863 when 450 members of the Harrison County Home Guard attempted to delay General John Hunt Morgan's 2,400 Confederate soldiers that day, in hopes that Union reinforcements would arrive and stop Morgan's march through southern Indiana."

## Re-enlist NOW for the 2012-2013 Campaign

All ICWRT members may continue to receive the monthly newsletter, HARDTACK, via email at no additional charge. Members who prefer to receive the HARDTACK by U.S. Mail are asked to pay an additional \$12.00 to help cover printing and mailing costs.



Please bring your completed re-enlistment form (below) together with your payment to Tony Roscetti, ICWRT Treasurer, at the next Round Table meeting, or mail your re-enlistment form and payment to:

Tony Roscetti 6260 Green Leaves Road Indianapolis, Indiana 46220

Phone: (317) 475-9227 Email: <u>anthony.roscetti@nationalcity.com</u>

*Please complete and detach the form below and include with your check:* 

ICWRT Membership Enlistment for July 2012 thru June 2013

Please print legibly!

Name..... Date .....

Address.....

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Phone: (.....) ..... Email Address: ....

We must have a valid email address if you wish to receive the HARDTACK newsletter free of charge!

(please specify Membership Level):

\_\_\_\_ \$30 Individual \_\_\_\_\_ \$35 Family \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Student

I wish to receive the newsletter via U.S. Mail for an additional \$12

If someone invited you to join the ICWRT, please list his or her name below:

## **Indianapolis Civil War Round Table**

**Annual Dinner Meeting** 

Monday, June 11, 2012

at

Indian Lake Country Club \*

10502 E. 75<sup>th</sup> Street, Indianapolis, IN 46236 (317) 823-4484

#### Buffet dinner will be served starting at 6:30 PM.

#### *Cost is \$22 per person (includes tax and tip)*

Menu: Fried chicken; savory, slow simmered Swiss steak; mashed potatoes and gravy; green beans; corn; coleslaw; warm bread & butter; carrot cake; coffee/tea/soda

#### **Our Guest Speaker: John Hoptak**

\* **Directions**: From I-465: Take the 56<sup>th</sup> Street exit. Go east to Pendleton Pike and turn left. Turn left (north) on to Sunnyside Road. At the stop light at 75<sup>th</sup> Street, turn left to the entrance on your right. \*\*\* From Castleton: Come east on 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, which becomes 79<sup>th</sup> Street at Fall Creek Road. Continue east to the stoplight at Sunnyside Road. Turn right (south) to the stoplight at 75<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn right to the club entrance on your right. \*\*\* From the Southeast: Come north on German Church Road, which becomes Sunnyside Road at Pendleton Pike. Continue north to the stoplight at 75<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn left to the club entrance on your right. A round of golf could be arranged for the afternoon. Contact Jean Bly to arrange times (phone 823-6425 or cell 697-1280)

Reservation form (attached below) should be completed and submitted, along with payment, by **June 1, 2012**. Reservation form and payment can be brought to the March, April or May meeting or mailed to:

#### Tony Roscetti 6260 Green Leaves Road Indianapolis, Indiana 46220

\_\_\_\_Please detach and mail this form, along with payment, to Tony Roscetti

Individuals attending the Indianapolis Civil War Round Table, June 11, 2012 dinner meeting, including the buffet dinner:

Name	<u>Name</u>

Reservation form and payment must be received by June 1, 2012.

Cost: \$22 per person. Please make check payable to Indianapolis Civil War Round Table

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