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President's Message:

Another year at Gibson Ranch has come and gone. I am grateful to all who volunteered to escort the students on Friday and once again we got through it with the crew who showed up. I suspect George Foxworth will report all the names and report on the other activities in the Battle Cry George gets there with the booth setup and spends the weekend greeting the passersby and all the folks who stroll past and know him well. He enthusiastically applauds the soldiers as they pass by and sets a good example for the rest of us. When it's time to quit he packs up the gear on his truck and stores it away for the next year. I think he is indispensable to this organization and I can only say my job is made easy because of him. Thank you, George. I also wish to thank those who gave their time to staff the booth but especially Bob Hanley who stayed Saturday and Sunday and in addition presented a talk on Abraham Lincoln. I hope he'll be willing to present the same talk to our group in the future.

Dave Davenport spared no details in his thorough description of the Second Battle of Winchester. We are indeed fortunate to have members of other round tables who are willing to drive long distances to enlighten us, prepare a detailed presentation, and return a few hundred miles the same evening, accepting only a meal in return. Some of us have returned those favors and I would encourage those of you willing to present a program to do so, not only for us, but for the other groups. Thank you, Dave, for a great job and we'll look forward to seeing you in October in Clovis.

We are planning on going forth with sponsoring the 2011 West Coast Conference here in Sacramento. Ideas and suggestions are fervently sought and members willing to serve on a planning committee are urgently needed. The tentative topic will be the events of 1861. Since that year will be the 150th anniversary of the onset of the war there are innumerable potential topics including the events leading up to the great conflict. Please get in touch with me or board members with ideas and suggestions. Obtaining speakers and choosing topics are best accomplished early and choosing an appropriate and affordable venue is of paramount importance.

Larry Tagg is our speaker for June. He is the author of *The Unpopular Mr. Lincoln* and *The Generals of Gettysburg*. He is a personable gentleman who is an ex-teacher and professional musician. I expect you will find his talk of great interest and I look forward to seeing you there at the Hofbrau June 10th. Come early for dinner and socializing with fellow members and guests.

Don Hayden, President

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Sacramento Civil War Round Table
Wednesday, May 13, 2009
Hof Brau Restaurant, Watt Avenue, Sacramento

Attendance-41

Members-35

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John Zasso
Guest-6
Dudley Albrecht
Flo Crawford
David Davenport
Jim Lane
John Moyle
Don Zajic

1. Meeting started at 7:00. President Hayden welcomed members and guest. Still needed a few volunteers for Gibson Ranch- both guides and to work in our booth.
2. Many announcements made on upcoming events:
 - “Our Union Forever- California’s Role in the Civil War” May 22-23 State Capital Museum
 - “With Malice Toward None: Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibit from The Library of Congress” June 24 - August 22 California History Museum
 - Civil War Veterans and Monuments Tour May 25 – 10 am Historic City Cemetery
 - 1897 Civil War Memorial Grove Tour May 25- 12 noon- Capital Park
 - Conference in Clovis- October 23-25
3. Dr. Dave Davenport from Fresno spoke on the “Second Battle of Winchester.” It was presented with maps and slides. Very clearly explained tactics and the personalities involved. A very interesting evening- Thanks Dave.
4. The raffle was held and meeting adjourned at 8:57.

Eddie Keister, Secretary

Treasurer’s Report

The cash balance following the May 13, 2009 meeting was \$2,728.54. Thanks to John Zasso, other members, and guests, the raffle brought in \$80.00.

George W. Foxworth, Treasurer

Coming Programs 2009		
June 10 th	Larry Tagg	The Unpopular Mr. Lincoln
July 8 th	Ray Bisio	Lee, the Trader
Aug. 12 th	Jim Stanberry	The Importance of the Shenandoah Valley
Sept. 9 th	Tim Karlberg	"The South is Right"
Oct. 14 th	Fred Bohmfalk	William Hardee
Nov. 11 th	Dennis Kohlmann	U. S. Grant
Dec. 9 th	Brad Schall	TBA

A Report on The 11th Annual Gibson Ranch Re-Enactment

By George W. Foxworth

The National Civil War Association (NCWA) continued its 2009 re-enactment season on May 15-17 at historic Gibson Ranch in Elverta, California. The theme was "Experience Lincoln, 200 Years." The NCWA is a private non-profit organization that uses "living history" to help the public to better understand the American Civil War. By portraying the manner in which the soldiers and civilians lived, worked, fought, and died during the Civil War era, the NCWA hopes to keep alive the spirit and sacrifice made by the men, women, and children of that time.

Gibson Ranch is a Sacramento County Park with rolling and grassy hills that allows excellent views of the battlefield and camps. The site accommodated the camps, horses, cannons, soldiers, civilians, and other attendees. In addition, the slight slope of the hillside gave an excellent view of the entire battlefield.

On May 15th, Friday, the NCWA and Gibson Ranch hosted approximately 2,700 students from Sacramento area schools. The Sacramento Civil War Round Table (SCWRT) served as tour guides for the school children. On May 16th and 17th, the SCWRT hosted an event booth.

The following SCWRT members participated with the school children: Joan Beitzel, Ken Berna, Roy Bishop, Walt Bittle, Courtnie Braziel, Fred Elenbaas, George W. Foxworth, Don Hayden, Chuck Hubbard, Dennis Kohlmann, Paul Ruud, Drew Van Winkle, Bob Williams, Silver Williams, and Maxine Wollen. In addition, the following SCWRT members worked in the SCWRT booth: Walt Bittle, Evan and Irene Cole, Flo Crawford, George W. Foxworth, Don Hayden, Edie Keister, Paul Ruud, Richard Sickert, and Don Zajic. Finally, Brad Friedman, Pam Hubbard, Grace Long, John Nevins, Don Schatzel, Ed Sims, and John Zasso attended. Many thanks to the volunteers and attendees.

On Saturday and Sunday, SCWRT member Bob Hanley gave an educational talk on Abraham Lincoln. The talks were excellent and well-received by the attendees. The conditions were dry and hot, in other words, excellent. In addition, summer came to Sacramento with high 90 and over 100-degree temperatures. Water was in high demand and the re-enactors were excellent. Unfortunately, there were not many public attendees.

The 2009 Gibson Ranch event was a complete success and the NCWA and Gibson Ranch are commended for their great work. We look ahead to the 2010 event.

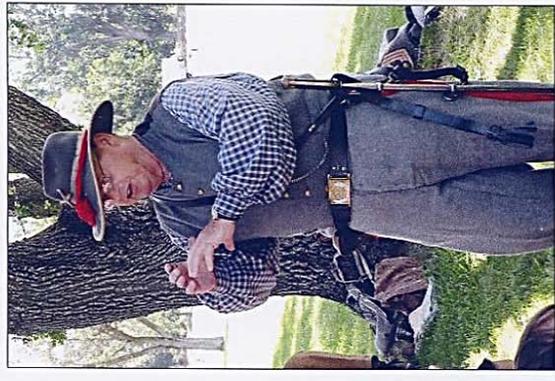
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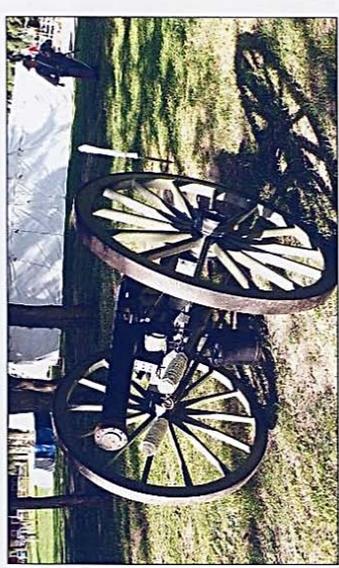
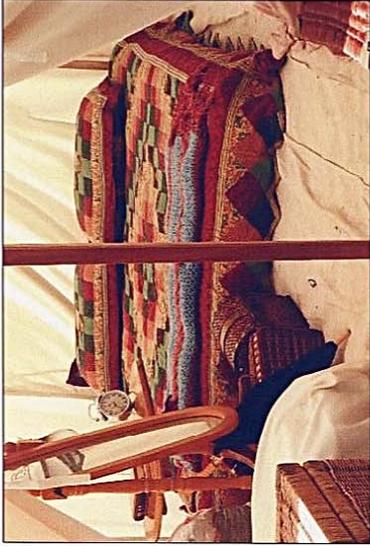


Gibson Ranch Civil War "School Day" 2009



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THE CIVIL WAR EXPERIENCE
Gibson Ranch County Park
Hon. Lincoln's 200th Birthday
SACRAMENTO CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE

Civil War Round Table Fundraising Program

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If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Hall at 916-941-6896 or tammy@savasbeatie.com. We look forward to working with you to raise money for your CWRT!

Lincoln Exhibit

The California Museum welcomes the Library of Congress' Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibition this June and is hosting a members-only preview reception on June 23. A treasure trove of priceless Lincoln artifacts from the Library's extensive collections will bring our nation's 16th president to life like never before. Among them are rarely seen period letters, documents, photographs and political cartoons. The reception will include drinks, hors d'oeuvres, musical entertainment by The Brassworks Band performing period music and opening remarks with First Lady Maria Shriver. Join The California Museum today to attend! For full membership benefits and to sign up, visit californiamuseum.org/membership or call Carrie Harrell at (916) 653-1752. The exhibition opens to the public on June 24 and continues through August 22nd.

I am happy to announce that the California State Capitol Museum in Sacramento has opened a new exhibit honoring California's Civil War heritage featuring eight rare Civil War flags from the following regiments: Second Massachusetts Cavalry; First California Cavalry; Second California Cavalry; Sixth California Infantry; Eighth California Infantry

Many of these flags have not been displayed in public in many years...be sure to see them while the opportunity lasts! The exhibit also features Civil War equipment, weapons and relics. The exhibit is open to the public from May 22, 2009 to May 23, 2010. See the Capitol Museum's webpage for further details: <http://capitolmuseum.ca.gov/>

Here are a few photos from the opening reception:

<http://s653.photobucket.com/albums/uu259/nelsse00/>

Cheers, Sebastian Nelson sebnelson@gmail.com