



### *drama at Mill Springs*

Photographer Tim Dalton captured some of the more dramatic moments at the Sept. 29-30 National Civil War Re-enactment at Mill Springs. Artillery fire is featured in the upper photo taken at the dawn battle while Union troops advance in the lower photo. Re-enactors spent nearly seven hours in battle activities. Some 15,000 spectators attended and 4,000 re-enactors participated. It was the second consecutive year that Kentucky has hosted a national Civil War re-enactment. Perryville staged the national in October 2006.

# WKU program has Civil War image of national scope

## *Endowment gives Western Theater emphasis, focus for research, study*

By 2012, Kentucky could be well on the way to acquiring a national Civil War image.

Dr. Glenn W. LaFantasie and Western Kentucky University (WKU) are involved in an effort to make such a stature possible.

A long-time Civil War author and scholar, LaFantasie (pronounced LaFantasy) was named in August 2006 as the first Richard Frockt Family Professor of Civil War Studies. That \$1 million endowed professorship also carries with it the title of director for WKU's Center for the Study of Civil War in the West.

GLENN  
LaFANTASIE

*Major program  
in five years goal  
of WKU effort.  
Center seal is in  
column four.*



"I hope five years from now that we'll have most of the major elements of our program up and going," the Rhode Island native said.

The ambitious program seeks to establish WKU as THE major research center for the Civil War's Western Theater. Such things as scholarly seminars, public institutes, workshops for



secondary teachers, and battle-field tours are planned.

"We hope to attract people from all over the United States who are interested in the Civil War," LaFantasie continued. "We also hope to initiate fellowships so that graduate and post-graduate scholars can come to Western for a semester or two and conduct and complete research on writing projects."

From that research, the Center will facilitate publications. Scholarships also will be offered.

LaFantasie describes the Civil War Western Theater as "that area that lies west of the Appalachian Mountains." Also included will be "the old north-western tier of states - such as Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, etc. - because so many of those Union soldiers fought in the western theater."

The Center is coordinating its efforts with Western's Kentucky Library and Museum "which has a good collection of primary Civil War materials, particularly

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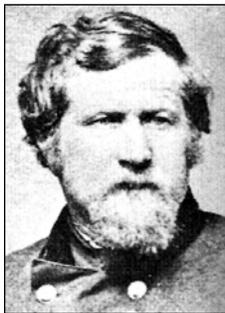
## Kentucky's Civil War leaders Politically motivated Palmer was presidential candidate

*(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the fourth in a series about Kentucky officers and battle leaders during the Civil War.)*

By PHILLIP SEYFRIT  
*Bugle Staff Writer*

JOHN  
PALMER

*Major general  
was native of  
Scott County*



Union Maj. Gen. John McCauley Palmer, an Illinois governor and senator and a presidential candidate in 1896, was born Sept. 13, 1817 in Scott County.

He attended Shurtleff College (Alton, Ill.) and settled in Carlinville, Ill., where he was admitted to the bar.

Politically motivated, Palmer was elected to the Illinois legislature as a Democrat. However, he was instrumental in the organization of the Illinois Republican party in the mid 1850s.

During the Civil War, Palmer was named a Union major general in 1863, commanded troops at New Madrid, Island No 10, Corinth, Miss., and was divisional

command at Murfreesboro, Tenn. After commanding the XIV Corps at Chattanooga and the Atlanta campaign, Palmer asked Gen. W.T. Sherman to be relieved of command. He later commanded the Department of Kentucky.

After the war, Palmer was elected governor of Illinois in 1868 and to the U.S. Senate in 1891. He ran for the U.S. presidency with former Confederate Lt. Gen. Simon B. Buckner as his vice presidential candidate.

Palmer died in Springfield, Ill., Sept. 25, 1900 and is buried in Carlinville.



Joe Brent says . . .

## We must keep Kentucky at top

*(Bugle Columnist Joseph E. Brent is vice-president of Mudpuppy and Waterdog, a historic preservation consulting firm. Contact him at [jbrent@alltel.net](mailto:jbrent@alltel.net).)*

I recently returned from a trip to West Virginia where I visited 10 battlefields. This was in connection with work I'm doing for the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) to assist them in the resurvey of the nation's 385 Civil War battlefields.

In the course of my travels, I had the opportunity to see how other states work with their Civil War sites. What I have found is that most simply don't. In West Virginia I saw battlefields that stretched across the southeastern part of the state. Two were state parks, two were in National Forests, one was owned by a private nonprofit, and the remainder were privately held.

The best interpreted was Rich Mountain, which is owned by the not-for-profit Rich Mountain Battlefield Foundation. The two state parks had pretty good interpretation, but neither superintendent was aware of the ABPP or that they were eligible for funding. I felt like Johnny Appleseed, spreading word of the battlefield program and sowing the seeds of preservation.

For many years, there was someone in Frankfort who disseminated that information. Not only that, they actually visited battlefields, saw them first-hand and helped those trying to preserve them find funding. Often, that staff person assisted with grant applications, National Register nomination preparation, and other technical assistance at no cost. This assistance helped push Kentucky to the forefront of the world of Civil War battlefield preservation. The more I see nationally, the more I come to realize that is not an idle boast on our part.

We are where we are today because the Kentucky Heritage Council took an active role in the preservation of these important cultural resources. I hate to keep beating a dead horse, but we need the military sites preservation coordinator back at the KHC. So far, hands down, the Civil War sites in Kentucky are heads and shoulders above anything I have seen, and I have seen battlefields in Virginia, Tennessee, West Virginia, Ohio, and Indiana.

There are exceptions in those other states, but they are just that. To keep our edge, we need to have a statewide coordinated program. Only by being organized and focused were we able to get where we are today. Kentucky's strength was in its organization; we have lost that and we must get it back.

## Salt pork on menu for Frankfort park cleanup

Some 100 pounds of aged pork will be served April 5 to participants at the Fort Boone Civil War Battle Site cleanup.

Re-enactors processed the meat into salt pork on Oct. 13 and will serve it in Frankfort with coffee and hardtack.



*The Perryville couple, married 17 years ago, poses in a Civil War period photo style at left. Their son, Jacob, also is an active re-enactor.*

# Civil War enthusiasm brought couple together

## *House, Greene share passion for preservation in Kentucky*

The bloodlines of Joni House and Chad Greene are thick with Civil War heritage.

That's why this Perryville couple pursues and portrays the history of America's internal conflict with such passion.

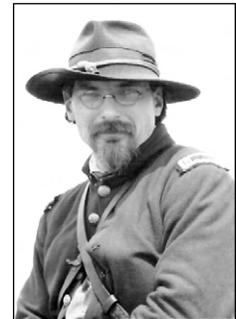
House, Preservation Specialist and Program Coordinator for the Perryville Battlefield and State Historic Site, is the great-great granddaughter of Benjamin House who fought for the Union at the Oct. 8, 1862 Battle of Perryville.

Her husband, Chad Greene, is the great-great grandson of Sanford Riley Walker, who rode with Confederate cavalry legend John Hunt Morgan.

House and Greene met 17 years ago at the Perryville battlefield and were married there. Their shared love of history not only brought them together initially, but continues to be a shared passion through Civil War re-enactments and activities.

Greene, a restoration carpenter at Shaker Village in Mercer County, portrays a major in the Union cavalry at many Kentucky re-enactments. A long-time avid reader of Civil War history, he caught the re-enactment bug after seeing a Fayette County event as a teenager.

House's father - a retired history teacher - encouraged his children to learn about their past. As a youngster, Joni and her friends played Civil War games as infantry and cavalry soldiers.



*Joni and Chad live in historic Merchant's Row in Perryville. Their 1840 residence is located next to one occupied by a physician who treated wounded at the October 1862 Battle of Perryville. Merchant's Row is an intact 19<sup>th</sup> century mercantile district.*

Joni's grandmother added to their interest by relating stories about Benjamin House and other Civil War veterans who would gather at her home and reminisce about the war.

Among Joni's accomplishments at Perryville is an education program she initiated in which fourth- and fifth-graders are taught to drill and march as the soldiers did.

Joni and Chad's teenage son, Jacob, also is a re-enactor. He portrayed Confederate soldier George Washington McGill at last October's Perryville re-enactment.

House and Greene live in historic Merchant's Row in Perryville, one of the only intact 19th century mercantile districts in the U.S. Their 1840 circa residence sits next to one once occupied by Dr. Jefferson J. Polk, a physician who treated many of the wounded at the Battle of Perryville.

### ***Sorry, Mr President***

As there was no telegraph office in the White House, Abraham Lincoln crossed the street to the War Department to obtain Civil War news.

## Perryville DVD available

*The Battle of Perryville: The Invasion of Kentucky*, is now available from the Perryville Battlefield State Historic Site bookstore at a price of \$24.95.

The DVD includes a 76-minute account about the battle, footage from the 2006 National Civil War Reenactment, an interview with descendents, a battlefield tour with historian Ed Bearss, and a short about efforts to preserve and interpret the 1862 battle.

The bookstore is open from

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday and DVDs can be ordered by calling 859-332-8631.

Other locations carrying the DVD include Elmwood Inn Fine Teas, Magnolia Cottage Gift Shoppe and the Farmers Bank branch in Perryville; Constitution Square State Historic Site in Danville; Old Fort Harrod State Park, Beaumont Inn, and J. Sampson Antiques and Books in Harrodsburg, and My Old Kentucky Home in Bardstown.

## Studies begin to save forts

Bowling Green's City Parks and Recreation staff is exploring ways in which to preserve two Civil War forts.

Fort C.F. Smith, atop Reservoir Hill, and Fort Webb, next to Bowling Green Country Club, are two of the area's most intact earthen forts and now are within city parks.

But park visitors and Civil War tourists are contributing to

their slow decline by pacing out the same paths as Union and Confederate sentries did 146 years ago.

Preservationists have suggested planting tall grasses on earthen embankments to discourage climbers. Also, the city plans to remove trees whose roots are digging into the earthworks and which could tear out chunks of dirt if they fell.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## BARBOURVILLE

Eighth Annual Battle of  
Barbourville, TBA

## BARDSTOWN

Living History, third week-  
end each month

## CAMP NELSON

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 18  
Civil War Days, Sept. 13-14

## CORNETTSVILLE

Battle of Leatherwood, Oct.  
25-26

## COLUMBUS-BELMONT

Civil War Days, Oct. 10-12

## ELKHORN CITY

Second Annual Bushwacking

at the Russell Fork, May 23-25

## FRANKFORT

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 14

## GEORGETOWN

Morgan's Raid, June 21-22

## HODGENVILLE

Abraham Lincoln 199th  
Birthday Celebration, Feb. 12

## MILL SPRINGS

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 15

## MUNFORDVILLE

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 11  
Civil War Days, Sept. 13-14

## PERRYVILLE

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 12

## RICHMOND

Elementary School Living  
History, May 8-9  
Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 10  
Fourth Annual Preservation  
Classic Celebrity Golf  
Tournament, Aug. 22  
Seventh Annual Battle of  
Richmond Re-enactment, Aug.  
23-24  
Annual Awards Celebration,  
Nov. 6

## SACRAMENTO

Battle of Sacramento Re-  
enactment, May 16-18

## SHEPHERDSVILLE

To be announced

## TEBBS BEND

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 13

## WILDCAT-LONDON

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 16

## WINCHESTER

Central Kentucky Civil War  
Trails, May 17



## Civil War photography

History buff and Civil War re-enactor Ralph Marcum plays a number of roles at Kentucky living history and re-enactment events, including one as a photographer. The Jackson County resident poses with his photography wagon at last summer's Battle of Richmond weekend.

## Candidates needed

# Mt. Zion seeking Abe Lincoln bearing a Civil War sermon

An Abraham Lincoln impersonator who can deliver a Civil War-era sermon is needed in Richmond Aug. 24.

Those who qualify should call 859-624-1248 or e-mail fordpr@mis.net as soon as possible.

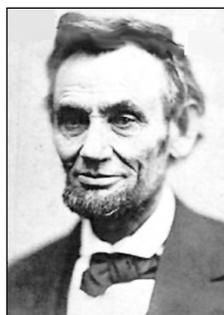
That's the call being sent by Mt. Zion Christian Church.

Such an actor/re-enactor will be featured at Mt. Zion at its authentic Civil War Sunday service scheduled as part of the Aug. 23-24 Battle of Richmond Re-enactment.

Mt. Zion, which served as a field hospital during the 1862 Battle of Richmond, conducts its authentic era service each year and is seeking a Lincoln portrayal in keeping with the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial observance.

Last year, Frederick Douglass, the nation's first civil rights leader and close friend of and

Richmond church wants a "Lincoln" who can deliver or read a sermon.



advisor to Lincoln, was featured at the 10:30 a.m. service. Douglass was portrayed by Nicholasville's Michael Crutcher.

The Lincoln service will be the fourth annual Civil War worship sponsored by Mt. Zion. The service is open to the public and all re-enactors with Civil War dress encouraged, but not required.

The service at Mt. Zion is an authentic re-creation of how worship would have been conducted in Kentucky in 1862.

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Robert Todd Lincoln is shown as a young man (left photo) and as a Chicago lawyer (right). Present at the assassinations of Garfield and McKinley, he said he had "a certain fatality about the presidential function when I am present."

## Scott County has prominent personalities

When it comes to Civil War personalities, Scott County boasts a prominent number.

The Central Kentucky county is associated with two governors and eight generals who either were born, died, lived or worked there.

Confederate Gov. George W. Johnson and Union Gov. James F. Robinson were Scott County landowners, neighbors and acquaintances.

Union generals included:

- . Brig. Gen. Jacob Ammen, who taught at Georgetown College from 1848-55;
- . Major Gen. Stephen Gano Burbridge, a native of Stamping Ground;
- . Major Gen. John M. Palmer, born in Scott County.

Confederate generals were:

- . Brig. Gen. Basil W. Duke, born in Scott County;
- . Major Gen. Bushrod Rust Johnson taught at the Western Military Academy in Georgetown from 1848-50;
- . Brig. Gen. Gustavus W. Smith, born in Georgetown;
- . Brig. Gen. Joseph H. Lewis died at Duvall Station in Scott County;
- . Brig. Gen. Richard M. Gano took part in the 1862 capture of Georgetown and later preached in Scott County as a Disciples of Christ minister.

# Besieged by assassinations

## Robert T Lincoln experienced deaths of famous father, Garfield, McKinley

Robert Todd Lincoln, the oldest child of Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln, was besieged by presidential assassinations.

The Chicago lawyer was present at the assassinations of Presidents James Garfield and William McKinley and, as a Union Army captain, experienced the shooting death of his father.

Robert was known as "Bob" and "Prince of Rails" - a nickname developed on the President-elect's trip to Washington and one which he detested. He was named after Mary Todd's father.

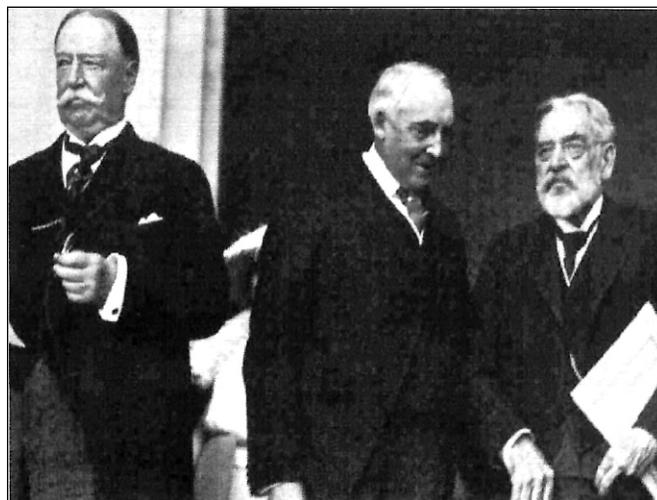
Cross-eyed as child, he developed into a reserved but determined teenager, leaving home at 16 to attend Phillips Exeter and Harvard University.

*Kentucky's Logo for the Lincoln celebration is one of many being displayed throughout the U.S.*



Robert disliked public life although he sometimes liked the public attention he received. He was emotionally distant from his father, with whom he spent less time as a child than did his brothers.

Shy, reserved and fundamentally kind, Robert labored under the shadow of his famous and more gregarious father. Unlike the warm



Robert Lincoln (at right) is shown with Presidents William Howard Taft and Warren Harding at the 1922 dedication of the Lincoln Memorial. Robert served under Presidents Garfield and Arthur as Secretary of War and later as minister to Great Britain. He died in 1926 at 83.

bond enjoyed by his younger brothers, Robert's relationship with his father was more formal. He later wrote a would-be biographer that "During my childhood and early youth he was almost constantly away from home, attending courts or making political speeches.

"In 1859 when I was 16 and when he was beginning to devote himself more to practice in his own neighborhood, and when I would have both the inclination and the means of gratifying my desire to become better acquainted with the history of his struggles, I went to New Hampshire to school and afterward to Harvard College, and he became President. Henceforth any great intimacy between us became impossible. I scarcely even had 10 minutes quiet talk with him during his Presidency, on account of his constant devotion to business."

Robert developed a sense for fashion and clothes that his father lacked and also had a sense of decorum, which both his mother and father were capable of violating - as when they invited Gen. and Mrs. Tom Thumb for a honeymoon visit to the White House in 1863.

Much criticized for not earlier entering the Union

Army, Robert interrupted Harvard law school to serve briefly on Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's staff in 1865. He was among Grant's staff who attended Gen. Lee's surrender at Appomattox.

Robert and his parents battled over his desire to serve in the Army and his failure to do so led to criticism from even the President's political allies.

When Sen. Ira Harris pressed Mary Lincoln on the question in 1863, she replied: "Robert is making his preparations now to enter the Army; he is not a shirker - if fault there be it is mine, I have insisted that he should stay in college a little longer as I think an educated man can serve his country with more intelligent purpose than an ignoramus."

Seamstress Elizabeth Keckley wrote: "Robert would come home every few months, bringing new joy to the family circle. He was very anxious to enter the army."

On the day President Lincoln was assassinated, Capt. Lincoln breakfasted with the family. After Robert showed the President a picture of Gen. Lee, Mr. Lincoln told Robert: "It is a good face; it is the face of a noble, brave man. I am glad the war is over at last."



### more from Mill Springs

Dwight Carter photographed a Union officer (left photo) directing a charge at the Mill Springs National's dawn battle. Tim Dalton caught the movement of Confederate forces at "The Fight for the Cornfield" (right photo), attended by 4,000.



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## WKU also has Civil War on microfilm

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relating to Kentucky."

Several years ago, WKU President Gary Ransdell located funds for the purchase of \$350,000 worth of microfilm relating to the Civil War.

"So, we have a fairly extensive archive already," LaFantasie said.

The goal is to provide scholars and researchers with a facility where they can accomplish their work in just one location.

The idea for the Center came from Western's history department. The reasoning was that such a specialized program could distinguish the department and WKU. LaFantasie said the idea made sense in view of the university's Bowling Green and western theater location and its access to its Civil War library-museum and microfilm collection.

And, recognizing that the Eastern Theater and Virginia has received so

much attention, "it seemed time to give more focus to the war's western activity."

"In addition to the Western Theater's military aspects, we also want to explore social and racial history and address questions about the home front," LaFantasie explained. "Then, there are the exploits of prominent Civil War personalities, including many of the theater's generals who came from Kentucky."

Another goal is to obtain sufficient funding in the next five years to begin construction of a building that would house the Center, now located in the history department.

Donations also will be sought for two additional faculty positions, plus program and publications managers.

The faculty posts would be for a full-time military expert and for a social historian (home-front history). LaFantasie would serve as "a generalist

professor," giving the Center the unusual distinction of having three full-time faculty members devoted to the Civil War.

As part of its public outreach, the Center is sponsoring its first seminar Oct. 8-11. "Lincoln at 200, the Man, the Myth and the Monument" will celebrate the bicentennial of Lincoln's birth and will include presentations by noted Lincoln biographers and scholars, a major keynote speaker and a tour to Hodgenville.

"We know we can't do this program overnight," LaFantasie concluded. "We'll have to build it brick-by-brick, but, over time, we hope this effort will have an immense impact on Civil War studies and raise understanding about what did happen in the west."

Also, it's expected to bring more Civil War visitors to Kentucky.

That, LaFantasie said, is a tourist economic goal.



## Dorsey House

*A historical highway marker noting the location of Union headquarters during the Battle of Perryville was re-erected recently on U.S. 150 in western Boyle County. The Dorsey House served as headquarters for Union Major Gen. Don Carlos Buell Oct. 8-9, 1862.*

## Seyfrit named manager of Madison County parks

A leading figure in the Battle of Richmond Association (BORA) has been named Madison County Historic Properties Director.



PHILLIP SEYFRIT

*He'll direct historic properties in Richmond.*

Phillip M. Seyfrit, who has served as a BORA board member and re-enactment registration chair, will manage a five-park system that includes Battlefield Park, the site for BORA Civil War activities and events.

He assumed his new duties Dec. 1 and is headquartered at the Rogers-Tribble House, a visitors and living history center. His responsibilities are for parks in Richmond, Waco, White Hall, Valley View and Kirksville.

A long-time Civil War historian and preservationist, Seyfrit portrays a number of military and civilian personalities at period events.

A graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, Seyfrit also has an associates degree from the Mid-America College of Funeral Services.

A licensed funeral director and embalmer, he has served with funeral homes in Richmond and LaGrange and as an advertising representative with *The Richmond Register* newspaper.

An elder at Richmond's First Presbyterian Church, Seyfrit is past master of the Richmond Masonic Lodge and active in a variety of masonic activities. He's president of the Madison County Historical Society, program chairman of the Madison County Civil War Roundtable and a member of a number of other Civil War programs and organizations.

He's also a managing partner and business manager of *The Kentucky Civil War Bugle*.

*Roundtable roundup . . .*

## Warren dismissal debate scheduled at Cincinnati

A debate concerning one of the more controversial decisions of the Civil War - the dismissal from command of Union Major Gen. Gouverneur Kemble Warren - is scheduled Jan. 17 at the Cincinnati Civil War Roundtable.

Roundtable members Thomas L. Breiner and David M. Smith will present opposing views.

Upcoming speakers for the Cincinnati CWRT are:

- Feb. 21, Dr. Robert McLaurin, "River Navies: The Forgotten Warriors"

March 20, Gary Johnson, "The CSS Hunley: A Weapon Ahead of its Time"

- April 17, Raymond Mulesky,

Evansville, Ind., "Thunder from a Clear Sky: Stovepipe Johnson's Confederate Raid on Newburgh, Ind."

- May 15, Joseph Reinhart, Louisville CWRT, "August Willich's Gallant Dutchmen: Bullets, Bayonets and Beer"

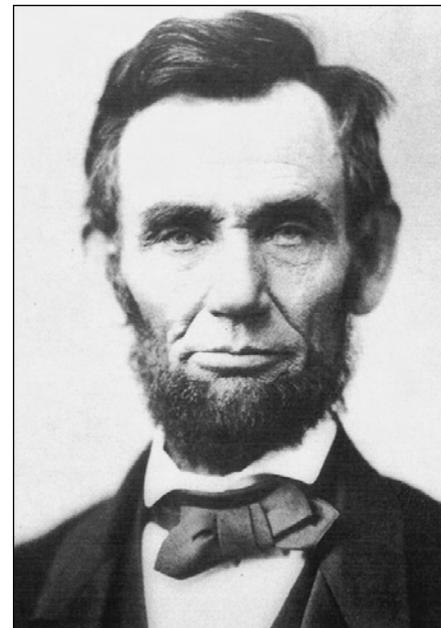
Sept. 18, John F. Marszalek, Topic to be announced.

- October 16, Roger Billings, "Lincoln at the Civil War Battlefields"

Nov. 20, Edwin C. Bearss, Arlington, Va., Topic to be announced.

Reservations can be made by e-mailing [reservations@cincinnatiCWRT.org](mailto:reservations@cincinnatiCWRT.org). see WALLACE, page 8

# WANTED



## LINCOLN IMPERSONATOR

Needed to perform, deliver sermon at Mt. Zion Christian Church, Sunday, Aug. 24. Call 859-624-1248 or e-mail [fordpr@mis.net](mailto:fordpr@mis.net).

# Roundtable roundup . . .

## Wallace portrayal set for Madison

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A portrayal of Union Gen. Lew Wallace by Ohio re-enactor Bernie O'Bryan is scheduled Jan. 18 at the Madison County Civil War Roundtable.

O'Bryan's presentation is scheduled at the Glyndon Dining Room, Woody's Restaurant, in Richmond.

The dinner meeting begins at 6:30 pm.

Other speakers scheduled for 2008 are:

- March 21, "Archaeology at Camp Nelson," Steven McBride, also at the Woody's Glyndon Dining Room.

- May 16, "The Second Battle of Fredericksburg," Chris Kolakowski, Oak Room, Boone Tavern Hotel in Berea.

- July 25, "Col. William C. Oates at Gettysburg," Dr. Glenn LaFantasie, Oak Room, Boone Tavern.

- Sept. 19, "Confederate States Marine Corps," James O'Moore, Oak Room, Boone Tavern.

- Nov. 21, "Lincoln and the Speed Family," Bryan Bush, Oak Room, Boone Tavern.

All dates are Friday evening with meetings beginning at 6:30 pm.

Contact Phillip Seyfrit, program chairman, 859-623-8979, for reservations, questions and directions. Reservations are required for dinner.

## ***Bearss to kickoff Louisville series***

Noted Civil War historian Ed Bearss will be the featured speaker at the Jan. 19 meeting of the Louisville Civil War Roundtable.

Bearss is the first of five speakers scheduled so far for the Louisville group, which meets monthly at Big Spring Country Club.

The schedule:

. Saturday, Jan. 19, Ed Bearss - TBA

. Saturday, Feb. 9, Dave Goetz - "John S. Mosby"

. Saturday, March 8, Chris Kolakowski - "The Second Battle of Fredericksburg"

. Wednesday, April 2, James McPherson - "Lee at Gettysburg"

. Saturday, May 10, Craig Symonds - TBA

Dinner meetings are \$25 each with a social hour at 6 pm, dinner at seven and the program at approximately 8 pm.

Reservations can be made by contacting John Bellucci at 502-239-9401 or Lowell Griffin at 502-423-1861.

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*State Representative Harry Moberly cuts the ribbon to officially open the Rogers-Tribble House as the Battle of Richmond Museum and Visitor's Center. He's assisted by Madison County Rep. Lonnie Napier (to Moberly's left). Other ribbon cutting luminaries are (from left) Richmond Mayor Connie Lawson, Madison County Judge Executive Kent Clark and Lexington Mayor Jim Newberry. - Bob Bagby photo*

## ***Museum, welcome facility***

# **200 attend open house for new BORA center**

Approximately 200 people were on hand in November for the open house of the Battle of Richmond Museum and Visitor's Center.

The two-story structure, donated by the U.S. Army two years ago to the Battle of Richmond Association (BORA) and Madison County Fiscal Court, will serve as the welcoming facility for those visiting Battlefield Park and the battlefield corridor.

The brick Federal-style structure was constructed around 1811 and was restored to the way it appeared during the time of the Civil War Battle of Richmond, Aug. 29-30, 1862. The building was purchased by the U.S. Army as part of its construction of the Blue Grass Army Depot in 1942 and was used as the base commandant's quarters and later as bachelor officer's quarters. Kentucky U.S. Sen. Jim



*The Battle of Richmond Museum and Visitor's Center is an 1811 circa house that has been restored to the way it appeared in 1862. - Phil Seyfrit photo*

Bunning participated in the transfer of the building - known as Quarters 29 - in August 2005.

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