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THE 2010 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Will be held on February 20, 2010
From 10:00am to 1:00pm
The room will be open at 9:00am

First Covenant Church
4502 Rucker Ave.
Everett, WA 98203

In the Fellowship Hall Downstairs
(Directions on page 4)

Please note:

Your membership **MUST** be current to vote.

If you are planning on bringing your
Application and dues to the meeting,

it **MUST** be signed by your commander
before the meeting.

Upcoming Events...

February 20, 9am-1pm,
WCWA General Membership meeting,
First Covenant Church, Everett

March 5-7 or 12-14, School of the Soldier, Fort
Flagler, sanctioned. Contact Joe Garrett,
snojo@verizon.net

March (Date to be determined),
Living History Event, Lower Columbia Community
College, Vancouver, WA sanctioned.
Contact Erena Heino, cwmarm@juno.com

Health, Wealth & Prosperity
Although New Year's resolutions
are often the highest priority for
the first of January, many believe
if you eat black eyed peas and
cabbage on this date, you will be
lucky and prosperous in the New
Year. The black eyed peas
tradition dates back to the Civil
War, when Northern troops
destroyed crops and stored food in
the South. Black eyed peas were
considered livestock feed and "not
fit to eat" by the Northern
soldiers, so were left alone. This
circumstance helped the South
survive during major food
shortages.

Please have your Dispatch Submission into the
Editor

By the 25th of the month.
Thank you, Heidi Curnutt
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Reenacting in the United Kingdom!

Dear Sir or Madam,
My name is Laura and I am a member of the American Civil War Society in the UK, I heard of your Association and I would like to invite you to join us for an international event in 2011.

The event is taking place at Rickingham Castle near Corby in England to commemorate the start of the Civil War and we would be delighted to have you be a part for this event.

Of course there is plenty time to decide whether or not you would like to attend, if you would like some more information on the event you can contact somebody of higher authority in the society through the website: www.acws.co.uk

It would be nice to hear from you in the near future

Kindest Regards

Laura

An active reenactor of the ACWS

Booooooooooooooet

Now hear this!

Now hear this!

All reenactors muster a-mid-ships!

Put on your calendar March 12-14, 2010 for the Monroe Mountain-man Gun Show in Monroe WA at the Evergreen State Fair Grounds. The WCWA, all of us, are once again invited to present 1860 Civil War Living History and are asked to promote our hobby along side the Buck-skinners and fur traders of today. We have a lot of space to fill so make plans to join us. Please let Gunny know if you plan to attend so we can have room set aside for you. Don't make us spread out to fill the space the Show is letting us use again. Contact Gunny at yankeejim@comcast.net, 2903 B St. Forest Grove OR 97116 or 503-357-7096 for details. Come for a day or come for all of it. Come as one or come as a unit.

Recruit- Recruit- Recruit.

That is all.

Christmas in the 1860's

For enslaved African-American, the Christmas season often meant a mighty bustle of cooking, housekeeping, and other chores, 'Reward' for these efforts was a suspension of duties for a day or two and the opportunity for singing, dancing, and possible brief reunions with separated family members. Further gestures of "goodwill" by masters who saw themselves as benevolent owners were small, including the semi-annual clothing allotment.

For a nation torn by Civil War, Christmas in the 1860's was observed with conflicting emotions. Nineteenth-century Americans embraced Christmas with all the Victorian trappings that had moved the holiday from the private and religious realm to a public celebration. Christmas cards were in vogue, carol singing was common in public venues, and greenery festooned the communities north and south. But Christmas also made the heartache for lost loved ones more acute. As the Civil War dragged on, deprivation replaced bounteous repasts and familiar faces were missing from the family dinner table.

Even with all the sorrow that hangs, and will forever hang, over so many households; even while there are serious questions to be settled- ought it not be, and is it not, a merry Christmas?
Harper's Weekly, December 26, 1863

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 It will be on the right

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