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Bowling Green Civil War Round Table Initial Announcement

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The first meeting of the Bowling Green Civil War Round Table will take place on Thursday evening, March 17, at 6:30 p.m., in Room 125 of Cherry Hall on the campus of Western Kentucky University (WKU). Sponsored by the Department of History and the Institute for Civil War Studies at WKU, the group will resemble thousands of other Civil War Round Tables around the nation and will meet monthly, the third Thursday of every month except June, July, and August. This first meeting will begin with the election of officers – president, vice president, and secretary – and a program chairman for the coming year. The creation of the Bowling Green Civil War Round Table is one component of WKU’s commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial, 2011-2015.

For its inaugural meeting, a program entitled “Nashville – Siren’s Song of the Confederacy” will also be presented by Greg Biggs, president of the Clarkesville (TN) Civil War Round Table and an accomplished Civil War historian and tour guide. Mr. Biggs will describe how the Confederates tried five times, either directly or indirectly, to retake Nashville after Union forces captured the city in February 1862.

Annual membership dues for the Bowling Green Civil War Round Table are $20 for individuals, $30 for families, and $10 for students. Membership is open to all residents of Bowling Green and everyone else within driving distance of the WKU campus. The organization will be the first Civil War Round Table ever established in Bowling Green, a city that played a significant and strategic role during the war.

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