

April 2016

Dear Members & Friends of the Civil War Round Table of St. Louis,

If you were not able to attend our March meeting, Mr. Doug Scott, the "Indiana Jones" of Civil War Battlefield Archaeology, gave a very informative presentation on his digs at Boonville, Wilson's Creek, Moore's Mill and Centralia.

On April 27, Mr. Tim Good, the superintendent at Ulysses S Grant Historic Site (White Haven), will present a program on the Lincoln/Douglas Debates. This is a very timely presentation because of our country's heated Democratic and Republican 2016 Presidential Debates. Mr. Good is a very enthralling speaker.

As I mentioned in my January 2016 President's Letter, this year is the centennial of the National Park Service. On August 25, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill that mandated the agency "to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and wildlife therein, and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations".

I thank all the employees of the National Park Service for carrying out the wishes of President Wilson.

Paul Hauser, President of the Civil War Round Table of St. Louis