



# WESTERN RESERVE CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

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Meeting	Wednesday	May 10th	Place	Colony Room, Student Union at Baldwin-Wallace College, Corner of East Grand and Tressel, Berea OH 44017 1-440-826-2081
	6:30 PM	Assemble		
	6:45 PM	Dinner		
	7:45 PM	Business		
	8:00 PM	Presentation		
Speaker	Mr. Eli Beachy		Topic	"Things You Didn't Know About Being a Civil War Re-enactor"

Our CWRT newsletter is arriving a few days later this month because of a change in our guest speaker. Originally, we had announced that Professor Mark Grimsley of Ohio State was to speak on "The Hard Hand of War". Unfortunately, Mark is unable to join us because of health reasons. We hope that we can have Mark make the I-71 drive up to Berea on some future occasion.

Thanks to Russ Grenig he has managed to line-up for us a replacement speaker. He is Eli Beachy, a confederate re-enactor. He and a fellow member of the CWRT, Dave Bartschle, were last seen involved in the Civil War skirmish that took place on Euclid Ave., the day of Playhouse Square's opening of The Civil War



Thankfully, Eli has agreed to step in and provide us with a presentation on an insider's view of being a re-enactor. For some of our CWRT members, being a re-enactor is second nature, but for many others, we only know a limited amount about the hard work and dedication that re-enactors bring to their craft.

There are a few written articles about being a re-enactor and there are even a few books that have attempted in some ways to understand the re-enactor phenomenon - Tony Horwitz's "Confederates in the Attic", a delightful book to read. I'm sure that Eli will have a number of stories as well as insights to share and perhaps, a few of our fellow CWRT re-enactor members will also contribute a few comments about life as a Civil War re-enactor. So, make sure to join us for our final meeting of the 1999-00 program year.