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MAJOR THOMAS J. KEY CAMP #1920
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NO JANUARY CAMP MEETING

All compatriots are reminded that there will be

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In Lieu of our camp meeting we will be hosting the **Tenth Annual Lee-Jackson Banquet**. The banquet will be held on Saturday 15 January 2011 at the Kansas State Historic Site Grinter Place. Cost is still only \$20.00 per person. We have 65 tickets available and over 25 of those have already been sold. So don't delay. Get your tickets now. We will have a catered meal, cash honor bar, a induction of a new member, live auction, guest speaker, and the Candlelight Memorial Ceremony. See the registration form and map later in this newsletter to get your tickets. Contact Adjutant Heath Roland to make reservations. See y'all there!!!

Editorial Byline and Stuff

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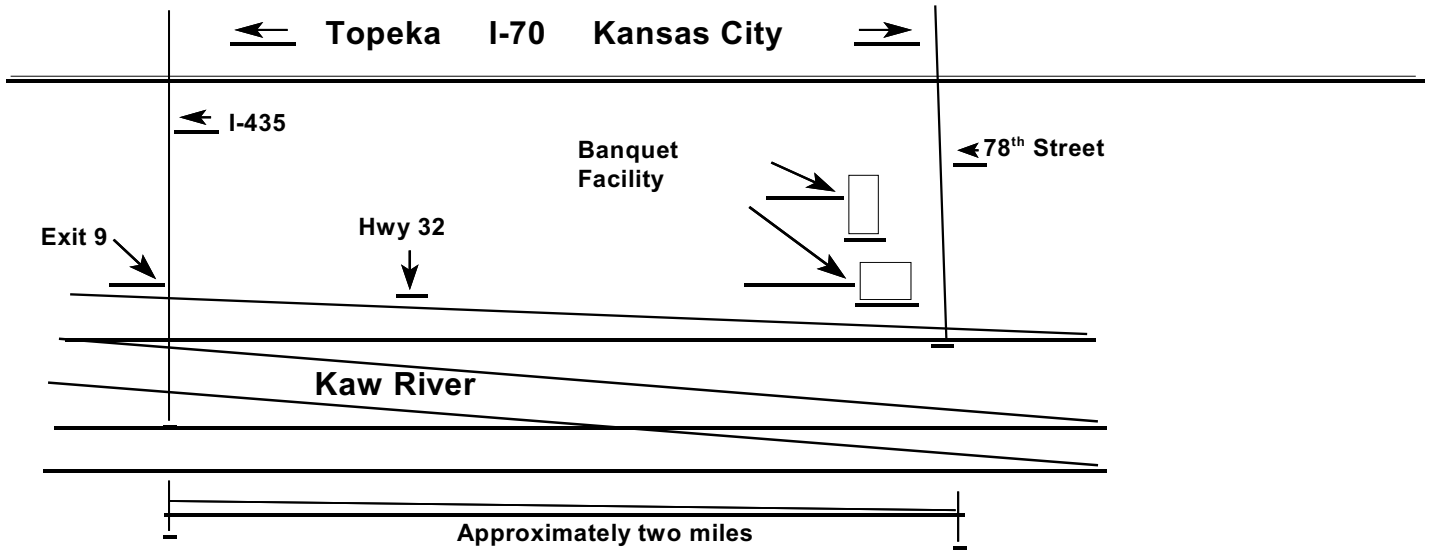
Key Camp Takes a Direct Hit

The Major Thomas J. Key Camp took a real hit in 2010 with the loss of ten members. We lost three members that died in 2010 (Loren Lundy, Melvin Freeman, and John Bullock). We lost Tom Ellis when he moved back to Virginia. We lost the Strouts (Roger, Joey and Josh) because of health issues. We also lost Steven Kirk, Roy Lafferty (a charter member), and Jacob Mirocke, all for unknown reasons. That is almost 15% of our members. While some of those losses can be explained, the others are a mystery. That is why I stress retention and recruiting at all our meetings. That is why we are constantly looking for new members. The national organization lost 4659, which sounds like a lot but it is lower than losses for the last several years. Our loss rate increased. 2010 was not a good year for us.

TENTH ANNUAL LEE-JACKSON BANQUET

**DIRECTIONS TO:
GRINTER PLACE STATE HISTORIC SITE
1420 SOUTH 78TH STREET
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS**

Overlooking the historic Delaware Crossing of the Oregon-California Trail on the Kansas River, the stately Grinter Place was home to Moses and Annie Grinter and was built in 1862. The banquet facility is directly behind the house.



Detach and mail this form with your payment

Yes, I will be attending the Major Thomas J. Key Camp #1920 Tenth Annual Lee-Jackson Banquet on Saturday January 15, 2011. Payment for the following people at \$20.00 per person is enclosed.

Names for name tags (please print)

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Mail registration form and check, payable to "Major Thomas J. Key Camp #1920", to:
Adjutant Heath Roland, 2824 N. 72nd Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66109-1739

Upcoming Event

All members are reminded that the Key Camp will be hosting a recruiting/display table at the Leavenworth Militaria Show. The show is on Saturday February 12, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It will be held at the Riverfront Community Center (same place as last year) in Leavenworth. That means you don't have to try to get onto Fort Leavenworth. I will plan to arrive before 8:00 a.m. to set up the table. If anyone would like to volunteer to help man the table, that would be awesome. It is a good show and you will get time to walk through it. You also won't have to pay the admission donation since you are "working" a table. I do need your names and times you can help so you can get in for free. Just call or e-mail me. Thanks.

Merry Christmas/Happy New Year

On behalf of Cindy and I, we would like to take a moment to wish all of you a most enjoyable and merry Christmas and a wonderful and prosperous New Year. From our family to yours - may God bless all of you.



REMINDER!!

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