

PERFECT WEATHER FOR SEPTEMBER'S KNOXVILLE CAMPAIGN TOUR

A group of 15 including some KCWRT members spent eight hours mimicking Union troop movements from Blairsville (Loudon) through Lenoir Station (Lenoir City) and then eastward along Kingston Road (Kingston Pike) to the November 1863 campaign's eventual conclusion in the Ft. Sanders Area.

Other tour highlights included stops where the crucial Turkey Creek engagement occurred, Bleak House for a visit to the CSA's op/sniper tower, to Ft. Dickerson and to Mt. Olive Church Cemetery where KCWRT founder and past president Norman Shaw spoke and answered questions about the Sultana Memorial located there.

There were also drive-bys past the Boyd-Harvey mansion, the Russell homes (Campbell Station), the Sherill House, the Baker-Peters House (Finn's Tavern), Knollwood Hall, the Crescent Bend mansion and the Lamar House Hotel (Bijou Theater).

The long day was beautifully capped when KSWRT Director Steve Dean climbed aboard to provide narrated direction so the mobile group could observe Third Creek, the nearby railroad bed and then all corners of the extinct Ft. Sanders.

October's Knoxville Campaign is fully subscribed, but reservations are being taken for another tour on Wednesday, November 15th. Send a message to ustresagt@aol.com, if you are interested.