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"Fraternal Brothers No More: Southern Freemasons and the Civil War" A "Brown Bag" Lecture by Jason Mead

PROGRAM: "Fraternal Brothers No More: Southern Freemasons and the Civil War,"

a Brown Bag Lecture by Jason Mead

DATE: Noon, Wednesday, June 13, 2012

LOCATION: East Tennessee History Center

601 South Gay Street Knoxville, TN 37902

ADMISSION: FREE | Attendees are encouraged to bring a "brown bag" lunch

The Civil War was a time of great national division. While many are familiar with the issues that split major religious denominations into Northern and Southern wings, fewer are aware of the story of the Freemasons. Through examples from their own publications, Jason Mead will show how the Southern Freemasons viewed their Northern brethren. Mead is a Ph.D. candidate in U.S. History at the University of Tennessee.

The program is sponsored by 21st Mortgage Corp, and free and open to the public. The lecture will begin at noon at the East Tennessee History Center, 601 S. Gay Street, Knoxville. Guests are invited to bring a "Brown Bag" lunch and enjoy the lecture. Soft drinks will be available. For more information on the lecture, exhibitions, or museum hours, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at www.EastTNHistory.org.

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