



Battle Lines

Newsletter of the Civil War Round Table of Atlanta

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536th Meeting

William R. Scaife, Editor

October Meeting

Reservations Are Required

PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR DINNER
RESERVATION CHECK OF \$28.00 PER
PERSON TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

David Floyd
4696 Kellogg Drive, SW
Lilburn, GA 30047- 4408

TO REACH DAVID NO LATER THAN NOON
ON THE FRIDAY PRECEDING THE MEETING

E-mail and telephone reservations will
not be accepted

Date: Tuesday, October 10, 2006

Time: Cocktails 6:00 pm
Dinner 7:00 pm

Place: Ansley Golf Club
196 Montgomery Ferry Road

Price: \$28.00 per person

Program: Dr. R. Fred Ruhlman, "*Captain
Henry Wirtz and Andersonville
Prison: A Reappraisal*"

October Speaker

Our October speaker, **Dr. R. Fred Ruhlman**, who currently serves as an adjunct professor of history at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga will speak on **Captain Henry Wirtz**.

Upon his discharge from the U. S. Navy, Dr. Ruhlman became the youngest State Trooper in Georgia. After receiving his degree in accounting and economics, Fred served a twenty-one year career as a Special Agent with the FBI working as a criminal investigator and in foreign counter-intelligence. Upon retirement from the FBI and subsequent private enterprise endeavors, Fred, a self described "closet historian", then completed his Masters Degree and PhD in American Civil War Studies with honors at American Military University.

Fred's presentation will provide an analysis that will aid Round Table members in reaching their own conclusions about the infamous prison warden and his stint at the most notorious Confederate prison – was he a martyr or murderer?

Dues Are Due

Dues for the 2006-2007 Campaign dues are now due. Dues are \$45.00/year. The cut off date for renewing your membership will be October 31, 2006. If you have not yet sent your dues, please send your check to David Floyd today.

September Program continued...

Davis Crossroads. The brief engagements that did occur were truly Bragg's first shots at the Battle of Chickamauga occurring a week later.

September Meeting

Jim Ogden gave a riveting presentation on the events which occurred at McLemore's Cove during September 10-11, 1863. Jim explained why the Confederate opportunity to defeat Federal forces was lost through a series of miscommunications and the unexplained reluctance of Confederate General Hindman to execute what could have been a decisive action against a vulnerable Federal General Negley's division at

Upcoming Events

October 6-8, 2006. "Andersonville Battle in Andersonville, Georgia". Two battles, sutlers, antiques and crafts. Andersonville Civil War Museum and the POW Museum are nearby. <http://www.andersonvillega.freesevers.com>

October 6-8, 2006: "38th Annual Great Locomotive Chase Festival", Adairsville, GA, Arts & crafts festival in the town that witnessed the Civil War's Great Locomotive Chase, 800-733-2280

October 7-8: 2006 "Battle of Allatoona Pass", Red Top Mountain State Park, Take a guided tour of nearby Allatoona Pass Battlefield, and watch re-enactors demonstrate musket and cannon firings. \$3.00 parking. Directions to park: I-75, Exit #285, then 1-1/2 miles east. 770-975-0055, <http://gastateparks.org/info/redtop/>.

President's Column

Please remember our reservation policy: David Floyd must receive your payment before noon the Friday before our Tuesday meeting.

In conjunction with Grant Romer, our February speaker, Bob Szabo, period collodion artist will be taking 1/4 plate size tintypes during the day before our meeting. He has agreed to a special price of \$50.00 per tintype, which is 50% less than he usually charges. Period uniforms and attire will be provided and optional. Please reserve a time on the sign up sheet when you check in this month. Photos take about 20 minutes. Thanks. -- David Vaughan

New Members

Please welcome the following new members to the Civil War Round Table of Atlanta

Danforth Bearse	Michael L. McGlamry
Russell Bonds	Jack Melton, Jr.
Earl Clough	Steven Pede
Stevan Crew	Kenneth Vinson
Robert Durham	Douglas Ward
Edward Godfery	Jim Wentworth
Fleet Lester	George S. Whiteley, IV

Upcoming Meetings for the 2006-2007 Campaign Year

November 14, 2006: Lee's Real Plan at Gettysburg and Why it Failed, Tom Carhart will receive the Richard Barksdale Harwell Award of the Civil War Round Table of Atlanta for his book bearing the same name.

December 12, 2006: "The 8th Georgia Volunteer Infantry Regimental Band". Bring a friend for this lively and festive holiday program.

January 9, 2007: "The Best Photos of the Civil War", Bob Zeller will present a visual program of period stereoscopic photographs. We will view with 3-D glasses.

February 13, 2007: "Matthew Brady and 19th Century American Photographic Portraiture", Grant Romer, Museum Director for the Kodak Eastman House. Period photos to be taken by Bob Szabo

March 13, 2007: "Forensic Pathology Study of the Final Hunley Crew", Jamie Downs, MD.

April 10, 2007: "The Story the Soldiers Would Not Tell- Sex in the Civil War", Dr. Thomas Lowry.

May 8, 2007: Ed Bearss - Program TBA.

June 12, 2007: TBA

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