



Battle Lines

Newsletter of the Civil War Round Table of Atlanta

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February 2008

550th Meeting

William R. Scaife, Editor

February Meeting

Reservations Are Required

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

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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, February 12, 2008
Time: Cocktails 6:00 pm
Dinner 7:00 pm
Place: Ansley Golf Club
196 Montgomery Ferry Road
Price: \$28.00 per person
Program: "The USS Monitor Recovery"
Dr. Craig L. Symonds

January Meeting

Jim Getty gave a fine performance as 'Mr. Lincoln' that enthralled and entertained another large and enthusiastic Round Table audience. The pre-billing teaser 'when Jim takes the stage, Mr. Lincoln comes alive' was spot on and did not disappoint.

Our combined thanks and gratitude go to Mr. Getty for his presentation of a truly memorable Round Table program.

The U.S.S. Monitor Recovery

We are very fortunate to have Dr. Craig L. Symonds as our February speaker. Dr. Symonds is considered the nation's foremost authority on the Civil War navies. In broader terms, He is a Civil War and naval historian of the first rank. Dr. Symonds retired in 2005 as Professor of History at the United States Naval Academy after thirty years of teaching. He has also served as Professor of Strategy at the U.S Naval War College as well as taught at the Britannia Royal Naval College in Dartmouth, England. Dr. Symonds currently serves as the Chief Historian for the U.S.S. Monitor Center in Newport News, Virginia.

Dr. Symonds is the author of ten books His prize-winning works include biographies of Joseph E. Johnston (finalist, Lincoln Prize), Patrick Cleburne (winner, S.A. Cunningham Award for Literary Achievement) and Frank Buchanan (winner, John Lyman Book Award), as well as *The American Heritage History of the Battle of Gettysburg*. His most recent book is *Decision at Sea: Five Naval Battles that Shaped American History*. He is the editor of nine other books including *Charleston Blockade*, *Recollections of a Naval Officer*, and *A Year on a Monitor*. He has also contributed over eighty book chapters and articles to various works and publications.

John B. Hightower, president and CEO of The Mariners' Museum describes our speaker as "an award-winning and respected Civil War historian with an uncanny ability to capture and tell Civil War history in a way no other can."

His presentation on this interesting topic should prove very informative and enlightening before another near capacity crowd. Be sure and get your reservations in early!

Upcoming Programs

March 11, 2007 Joseph T. Glatthaar
The Army of Northern Virginia

April 8, 2008..... William C. "Jack" Davis
Jefferson Davis

May 13, 2008..... Terry Winschel
Vicksburg Campaign

June 10, 2008 Gordon Rhea
Overland Campaign and the Army of the Potomac

Upcoming Events

January 26 - September 7, 2008: A new exhibit at The Southern Museum of Civil War & Locomotive History in Kennesaw, GA, "*Liberty on the Border*" from the Cincinnati Museum Center. www.southernmuseum.org.

February 2 - 3, 2008: "*The Great Chickamauga Southern National Civil War Trade Show & Sale*", NW Georgia Trade Center, Dalton. For more information, contact: Mike Kent & Associates LLC, (770) 267-0989, mlkshows@yahoo.com; www.mikekentshows.net.

February 15 - 17, 2008: "*32nd Reenactment of the Battle of Olustee*", Olustee Battlefield Historic State Park. Lake City, FL. Saturday battle 3:30 p.m., Olustee reenactment battle Sunday 1:30. Gate fees support *Olustee Battlefield Historic State Park*. Admission \$5 adults, \$2 over age 5.

February 15 - 17, 2008: *The Southeastern Antique Arms & Collectors Association Show*, Marietta Civic Center, Marietta, Ga. 9AM - 5 PM, Sat., 9AM - 1PM Sun., See Don Armstrong for further details.

February 28, 2008: Elson Lecture—Atlanta History Center - 8PM. 'Lincoln and Douglas: The Debates that Defined America' Call 404-814-4150 for reservations and ticket pricing.

March 8, 2008: *Luminary*, Andersonville National Historic Site, 7-10 p.m. Over 13,000 luminaries depict Union prisoners and Confederate guards who died there. For more information, contact: Angela Clark, (229) 924-0343, x203, Angela_Clark@nps.gov; www.nps.gov/ande.

Quote of the Month

"Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power."

-- President Abraham Lincoln

The Civil War on the Web

Journey to the website below for a collection of wartime images from the Library of Congress:

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/cwphhtml/cwphome.html>

If anyone has other non-commercial sites of a general interest nature concerning the war they would like to share, please feel free to respond to:

ptempleman@yatesins.com

Dalton Show Excursion

The Civil War Round Table will once again carpool to "*The Great Chickamauga Southern National Civil War Trade Show & Sale*" in Dalton on Saturday, Feb. 4. We will meet at the Cracker Barrel at Exit 271 (Chastain Road) off I-75 for breakfast that morning at 7:30 am and depart at approximately 8:20 am to go to the show.

Call Terry Kingery at 770-565-5815 or email him at: tkingery2@bellsouth.com if you can go or if you have any questions.

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