



Battle Lines

Newsletter of the Civil War Round Table of Atlanta

Founded 1949

January 2009

559th Meeting

William R. Scaife, Editor

January Meeting

Reservations Are Required

PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR DINNER
RESERVATION CHECK OF **\$30.00** 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, January 13, 2008

Time: Cocktails 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:30 pm

Place: **Ansley Golf Club**
196 Montgomery Ferry Road

Price: **\$30.00** per person

Program: **"Burying the Dead - Ladies
Memorial Associations"**
Caroline Janney

Burying the Dead, But Not the Past: Ladies Memorial Associations and the Lost Cause

Immediately after the Civil War, white women across the South organized to retrieve and rebury the remains of Confederate soldiers scattered throughout the region. In Virginia alone, these Ladies' Memorial Associations (LMAs) relocated and reinterred the remains of more than 72,000 soldiers, nearly 28 percent of the 260,000 Confederate soldiers who perished in the war. Challenging the notion that southern white women were peripheral to the Lost Cause movement until the 1890s, Caroline Janney restores these women's place in the historical narrative by exploring their role as the creators and purveyors of Confederate tradition between 1865 and 1915.

Although not considered "political" or "public actors," upper- and middle-class white women carried out deeply political acts by preparing elaborate burials and holding Memorial Days in a region still occupied by northern soldiers. Janney argues that in identifying themselves as mothers and daughters in mourning, Ladies' Memorial Association members crafted a sympathetic Confederate position that Republicans, northerners, and, in some cases, southern African Americans could find palatable. Long before national groups such as the Women's Christian Temperance Union and the United Daughters of the Confederacy were established, Janney shows, local Ladies' Memorial Associations were earning sympathy for lost Confederates. Janney's exploration introduces new ways in which gender played a vital role in shaping the politics, culture, and society of the late nineteenth-century South.

Bobby Horton Performs in December

Bobby Horton, one of the foremost artists and performers in the arena of period music presented a top-shelf program in December. His talent in presenting the music and knowledge of the history of the songs made his program a truly memorable one. We look forward to having him visit us again in the future.

Remaining Programs

- February 10, 2009** Tom Cartwright
"Battle of Spring Hill - What Happened to Hood?"
- March 10, 2009**..... Catherine Deichmann
"Running for the Confederacy: Bermuda in the War"
- April 14, 2009** Peter Carmichael
"Young Virginians in Peace, War, and Reunion"
- May 12, 2009** Frank O'Reilly
"The Death of Stonewall"
- June 9, 2009**..... John Coski
"The Museum of the Confederacy"

Upcoming Events

- .January 10, 2009:** Symposium, "From Manassas to Casco, Civil War Ironclads in Construction and Combat," at the National Civil War Naval Museum at Port Columbus in Columbus. www.portcolumbus.org or 706-327-9798.
- January 10 - 11, 2009:** Civil War show, books, relics and memorabilia show and sale at the Gaillard Municipal Auditorium, 77 Calhoun St in Charleston. 9 am-5 pm Saturday, 9 am - 3 pm Sunday. Fee charged. www.mikekentshows.com.
- February 7 - 8, 2009:** Civil War show, books, relics and memorabilia show and sale at the Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center in Dalton. 9 am-5 pm Sunday, 9 am-3 pm Sunday. \$7. www.mikekentshows.com.

Dalton Civil War Show

Members of the Civil War Round Table of Atlanta will gather once again for the 9th Annual Trip to Dalton for the Civil War Show on Saturday, February 7, 2009. Will meet at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Kennesaw right off I-75 at exit 271 and leave by 8:15 am to carpool to the show. The show is one of the very best in the country with all types of relics, books, maps, uniforms, art, and just about anything related to the Civil War. Is a great time to get to know others in the Round Table. Let Terry Kingery know if you are coming at tkingery2@bellsouth.net or call him at 770-906-5635.

IN MEMORIAM

GEORGE ROBBINS

1928 - 2008

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 CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF ATLANTA

By Laws Vote in January

There will be a vote of the membership at the January meeting to amend the By-Laws of the organization. These changes focus on clarifying the status of our officers and on standardizing the nomination process. The exact wording of the changes was distributed with the November Battle Lines and will also be available for review at the January meeting.



Officers for the 2008 -2009 Campaign:

- President** Barbara Long
- First Vice President** Bruce Stewart
- Second Vice President** J.D. Humphries
- Secretary / Treasurer** David Floyd
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 2008: Rick Eiserman
 2009: Jack Melton
 2009: . Steve Morrison, Jr.
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- Battle Lines Editor** Bill Scaife