



The Skirmish Line

Newsletter of the Lynchburg Civil War Round Table

November 2013

Next Dinner and Meeting:

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

6:00 pm – Social hour

7:00 pm – Dinner

8:00 pm – Guest Speaker’s Presentation/Program

Place:

The Hill City House Restaurant
7001 Timberlake Road
Lynchburg, VA 24502

Annual Membership Dues:

\$35.00 family, \$25.00 individual, \$10.00 student

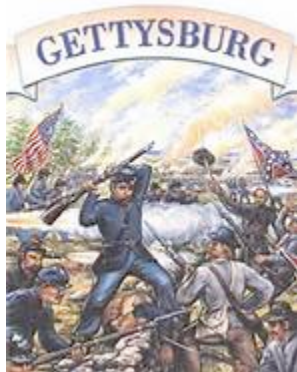
Per Meeting Cost:

\$20.00 for dinner & program

Members, attending program only, FREE!

Non-Members, attending program only, pay \$5

The November program will feature Randy Drais. Mr. Drais’ presentation is titled, ***“Exploring the Battle of Gettysburg...Off the Usual Path.”***



Randy Drais is a lifelong resident of York, Pennsylvania. Mr. Drais developed a keen interest in the Battle of Gettysburg and the Gettysburg Campaign after a 5th grade field trip to that famous Civil War battlefield. In 2008, Mr. Drais created the website www.battleofgettysburgbuff.com and soon after a “companion” website, www.battleofgettysburgbuff.net followed. Mr. Drais is a graduate of York College of Pennsylvania with a B.A. in International Studies. He has worked in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, the Pennsylvania Department of State, and currently works in the Pennsylvania Senate. Married with two daughters, Randy is looking forward to retirement, partly to be able to devote even more time to his main passion, learning more about the Battle of Gettysburg and sharing that information with others

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2013-2014 LYNCHBURG CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

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**MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
(SEPTEMBER-MAY) AT THE HILL CITY HOUSE RESTAURANT, 7001
TIMBERLAKE ROAD, LYNCHBURG, VA 24502**

THE PUBLIC IS CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND ANY OF OUR MEETINGS!

**COST: \$20 (INCLUDES BUFFET DINNER & PROGRAM); \$5 (PROGRAM
ONLY/NON-MEMBER)**

SOCIAL HOUR-6PM; DINNER-7PM; SPEAKER-8PM

**NOVEMBER 13 DINNER MENU: COUNTRY FRIED STEAK; SLICED
TURKEY WITH GRAVY; MASHED POTATOES; GREEN BEANS; ROLLS;
SALAD; ICED TEA; SODA; COFFEE; WATER.**

***DESSERT CHOICES WILL BE OFFERED FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$3**

****ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AVAILABLE AT ADDITIONAL COST**

2013-2014 MEETING SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS AND TOPICS:

**NOVEMBER 13, 2013—SPEAKER: RANDY DRAIS*, TOPIC: “EXPLORING THE
BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG...OFF THE USUAL PATH.”**

***GETTYSBURG HISTORIAN; CREATOR OF THE WEBSITE:**

WWW.BATTLEOFGETTYSBURGBUFF.COM

**DECEMBER 11, 2013—SPEAKER: SCOTT L. MINGUS, SR.*, TOPIC: “CONFEDERATE
GENERAL WILLIAM “EXTRA BILLY” SMITH: FROM VIRGINIA’S STATEHOUSE TO
GETTYSBURG SCAPEGOAT.”**

***AUTHOR; TOUR GUIDE**

JANUARY 8, 2014—SPEAKER: RICHARD G. WILLIAMS, JR.*, TOPIC: “*LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA AND THE CIVIL WAR.*”

***AUTHOR; VIRGINIA HISTORIAN SPECIALIZING IN THE HISTORY OF LEXINGTON, VA AND GENERAL THOMAS J. “STONEWALL” JACKSON**

FEBRUARY 12, 2014—SPEAKER: GORDON C. RHEA*, TOPIC: “*THE OVERLAND CAMPAIGN: THE GENERALSHIP OF LEE AND GRANT.*”

***AUTHOR; ATTORNEY**

MARCH 12, 2014—SPEAKER: BRIAN P. MUSSELWHITE*, TOPIC: “*THE BATTLE OF THE CRATER.*”

***RESEARCH ASSISTANT, VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN RICHMOND, VA**

APRIL 9, 2014—SPEAKER: BURRUS M. CARNAHAN*, TOPIC: “*LINCOLN ON TRIAL.*”

***AUTHOR; ATTORNEY; FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICER, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

MAY 14, 2014—SPEAKER: PETER COZZENS*, TOPIC: “*THE 1862 SHENANDOAH VALLEY CAMPAIGN.*”

***AUTHOR; FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

****Schedule is subject to change, based upon unforeseen circumstances and the availability of the speaker.**





2013-2014 Lynchburg Civil War Round Table President Kenny Rowlette

LCWRT Members,

I look forward to serving as your President for the upcoming season and hope that you are as excited about it as I am. We have worked hard to bring you an excellent slate of speakers, most whom have never spoken here before. I know that you will be both entertained and stimulated by what they bring to our meetings.

As we begin the new year, I would like for you to consider the following:

1. If you know of anyone who in the past has attended the LCWRT but has not done so recently, please send me their e-mail address or phone number so that I may contact them and invite them to start attending again. (This, of course, does not preclude you doing the same.) We need to let them know that we have missed them.
2. If you know of anyone who is interested in the Civil War but has never attended the LCWRT, please invite them and bring them with you to one of our meetings. (If you would prefer, send me his or her contact info, and I will invite the person(s).)
3. As you know, in the past the raffling of CW books, DVDs, etc. has been an important source of revenue for the LCWRT. So, if you have anything that you can donate, please bring the item(s) to our meetings and help us out.
4. Whenever anyone is taken sick or experiences a difficult situation, please advise me or Kevin Shroyer so that we can send him or her card. Again, we need to let our members know that we are thinking of them.
5. This year we will begin a new tradition—member reviews of our speakers. These cards will enable you to give quick and concise reactions to our speakers so that we can work hard to help you enjoy all presentations. We will only share

positive responses with our speakers, but we will use the information to provide you the best ways for our speakers to present their information to you most effectively.

5. Lastly, if you have any concerns or suggestions, please send them to me at the following address Sharpworth@yahoo.com so that I may be aware of them.

This is your organization, and we want you to know that we will be listening to you.

Kenny Rowlette
2013-2014 LCWRT President

Events & News:



**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 @ 12PM
(ARRIVE BY 11:30AM PLEASE!)
OLD CITY CEMETERY
401 TAYLOR STREET
LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA**



JONES MEMORIAL LIBRARY
2311 Memorial Avenue
Lynchburg, Virginia
*The John D. Owens Lynchburg History
Lecture Series Presents:*
***CIVIL WAR CHRISTMAS: A SNAPSHOT
OF BLUE AND GRAY***

By

Mary Kathryn McIntosh

Wednesday, November 20, 2013 @ 5pm

Free admission and open to the public!