

The Washington Volunteer ... PUGET SOUND CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE ... OCT 2007

MEETING: OCTOBER 11, 2007

China Harbor, 2040 Westlake Avenue North, Seattle, Washington

MENU CHOICES: Mongolian Beef or Salmon

Dinners include: salad, vegetable delight, General Tao's chicken, fried rice and fresh fruit. Cost of the dinner is \$21, payable at the door. A social hour begins at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 7 p.m. The program begins at 8 p.m. Call Marty Wingate at 206-782-3941 or email her at martywin@earthlink.net to make reservations. Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, October 9.

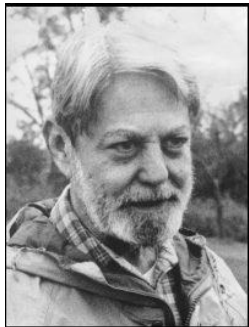
Diamond and Hoyal to Share Speaker Duties

PSCWRT veterans Jim Dimond and Andy Hoyal will present a double-header at the October 11 meeting.

Jim Dimond will discuss John W. Sprague, who led the 63rd Ohio at Corinth and a brigade in Sherman's Georgia campaign, where he won the Medal of Honor. After the war Sprague managed the Northern Pacific Railroad and was a founder of the City of Tacoma.

Andy Hoyal will talk about Shelby Foote, who took twenty years to write his three-volume *The Civil War: a Narrative*, and who later became the unofficial star of the Ken Burns documentary, shown on the Public Broadcasting System, *The Civil War, 1861-1865*. 🐼

NOTE: Remember to turn off cell phones before the meeting so there are no distractions for the speakers.

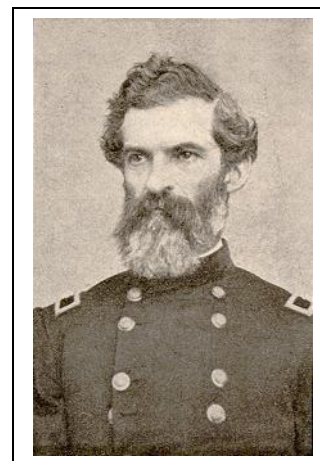


*Shelby Foote burst onto the literary scene in the 1940s and 1950s with novels that simultaneously praised and criticized his southern homeland. Veering off from his early successes, Foote soon took his career in a radical, new direction: between 1954 and 1974, he composed the three-volume, 1.2 million-word *The Civil War: A Narrative*, the work for which he is now best known. In spite of these achievements, Foote remained relatively unknown before his role in Ken Burns *The Civil War*, a Public Broadcasting System documentary series first broadcast in 1990, which made him a cultural icon. Since that event, Foote has become widely viewed as an authority on the Civil War, and more generally, as a representative of an era and region whose place continues to be central to our country's understanding of itself.*

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Major-General J. W. Sprague was born in White Creek, Washington County, New York in 1817. At the outbreak of the Civil War he raised a company of militia, was made its captain and with it joined the 7th Ohio infantry. He was rapidly promoted and in 1863 was colonel of the 63rd Ohio Infantry, brigadier-general of volunteers on July 21, 1864, and on March 13, 1865, was brevetted major-general of volunteers. He was mustered out of the service on Aug. 24, 1865. After the war he pursued a career in railroading. In 1870 he was general manager of the western division of the Northern Pacific railway and with Capt. Ainsworth established the city of Tacoma, Washington.

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MOHAI Event Tentatively Planned for February

The Board of Directors is working with representatives of the Museum of History and Industry to explore the feasibility of the PSCWRT having the February meeting at the Museum, in conjunction with a special Civil War Exhibit scheduled there. Details will be announced as they become available. 🗨

PSCWRT Membership Notes

The organization's annual roster will be updated as dues are paid this fall, and it will be printed and distributed with the December newsletter. It is important that your dues are paid if you want to be included on the roster, and if you want to continue to receive the PSCWRT Newsletter each month.

The current roster is badly out-dated, and Sylva Coppock has volunteered to serve as Membership Chair for this year, and she will be handing updates, and clearing out the names of people who no longer express an interest in the organization. Remember, if you change addresses, telephone numbers or email addresses, please let Sylva know. You can call her at 425-235-8076, or send an email to SylvaCop@comcast.net. All dues must be paid, and updates made by November 20 in order to be included in this printing.

In order to provide greater visibility for the organization, and to encourage new memberships, the PSCWRT Board of Directors has authorized expenditures for a promotional flyer to be printed and distributed to Puget Sound area libraries, and colleges and universities in the greater Seattle area. Sylva will be handling this effort.

You are urged to help with this membership drive by inviting your friends and associates to one of our meetings. Anyone can attend a meeting, without being a member, but don't forget to make dinner reservations for your guests, in advance, by calling our Reservations Coordinator, Marty Wingate. 🗨

"Jefferson Davis Highway" Marker Needs a New Home

The 70-year-old Jefferson Davis Highway marker near Vancouver, Washington, needs a home. A new and permanent home! The local UDC and SCV have obtained a parcel of land, which, with public help, will become the Jefferson Davis Park. The marker and its accompanying historical plaque will have a walkway around them made of engraved fund-raising bricks, as well as flagpoles.

You can help support the Jefferson Davis Park project by purchasing a brick for the walkway. For additional information, please go to: www.jeffersondavispark.org, or call Brent Jacobs at: 971-340-9127. 🗨

Welcome New Member: Lorraine McConaghy, 12121 NE 66th Street, Kirkland, WA 98033, phone 425-827-2927 or 206-324-1126, or email lorraine.mcconaghy@seattlehistory.org

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Puget Sound Civil War Round Table meets on the second Thursday of each month, September through May. The PSCWRT is a 501c3 organization, and as such, donations you make to the organization are tax deductible.

Membership Dues

Dues are \$20 for an individual and \$25 for a couple. You can mail your dues to the PSCWRT, c/o Stephen Pierce, 8008 190th Street SW, Edmonds, WA 98026. **Questions?** Email is horseless1@juno.com, or call him at 425-640-8808.

*Send news items for the November issue of **The Washington Volunteer** to **Sylva Coppock** (SylvaCop@comcast.net) by **Oct. 21, 2007**.*