NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 13, 2018
China Harbor, 2040 Westlake Avenue North, Seattle, Washington
Time: Social hour at 6 p.m.; Dinner served at 6:45 p.m.; Program at 8 p.m.

MENU CHOICES: Mongolian Beef, Chicken, Salmon or Vegetarian
Dinner includes: salad, vegetable delight, General Tso’s chicken, fried rice and fresh fruit.
Cost: $24 for adults; $10 for minors and college students. See below for reservations. Payable at the door. Opting out of dinner? $5 fee for non-members, $1 fee for members.

To make reservations and meal choices, use one of these options (most preferred listed first):
Click on http://www.pscwrt.org/about/dinner-reservations.php
Email Steve Murphy at: steve@adaptech.us
Or lastly, call Steve Murphy at (206) 522-2268
Reservations are MANDATORY and be in by 12 NOON on Tuesday, September 11, 2018.

NOTE: Remember to turn off cell phones before the meeting so there are no distractions for the speaker. Thank you!

KENT HICKEY WILL DISCUSS THE 1865-66 TRAVELS TO APPOMATTOX AND THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH by young Northern journalist John Richard Dennett, whose essays first appeared in the Nation and were later collected in The South as It Is 1865-1866. During part of his talk Mr. Hickey will portray the journalist Dennett in character, especially in reporting on the Freedmen. Mr. Hickey will also tell what it is like to work in living history for the National Park Service, based on his volunteer service as a historical interpreter at Appomattox during summers. For the rest of the year he is the President of Seattle Prep.

WELCOME BACK TO THE PUGET SOUND CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE, 2018-2019!!! ANNUAL DUES PLEASE!
By Mark R. Terry

To all of our returning members and new members, WELCOME! This is our 34th year as an organization. Thank you for being a part of the PSCWRT, since we are only as active and strong a group when each of us gets involved and to move us forward. One of the first duties we must all perform in this regard is paying our annual DUES. Please be prompt and do so as soon as you can. Dues can be paid by mail, in
person at our meeting this month OR online through the PSCWRT website: www.pscwrt.org  THANK YOU for your attention in this matter.

**IMPORTANT DISPATCHES**

**PSCWRT BOARD ADVISORS**
One concrete way of getting involved in the growth and direction of the PSCWRT is to become a “Board Advisor”. An Advisor is a non-voting member of the Board of the PSCWRT. It’s a way to have your voice heard, to give advice and counsel regarding what the Round Table does. Obviously, any member can have a say in the running of the Round Table, but an Advisor means you have a bit more “skin in the game”. Our current Advisors are: Steve Garratt, Barbara Bruff Hemmingsen, Verlin Judd, Michael Kirschner and George Yocum. Please greet them at our meetings and let them know your thoughts and ideas. And if you are interested in becoming an Advisor, please volunteer. We’d be glad to have you on board!

**September Birthdays**
Several members have birthdays in September and we’d like to acknowledge their special day. Happy Birthday! They are:

- Rick Bonk
- Wendell Carlson
- Patrick Eakin
- Patricia Ford
- Malcolm Garber
- Henry Grenley
- Andrew Hoyal
- Verlin Judd
- Denny Luthie
- John F. “Jeff” McLaughlin
- Cheryl Nunn
- Haley Ohrt
- Tim Rensema
- Mark Terry

**NEWS AND PROJECTS**

**CALENDAR OF PSCWRT PROGRAMS, 2018-2019**

This is the list of programs, speakers and topics for this year, put together by our illustrious VP of Programs, Pat Brady. Pat works hard to contact and negotiate with local and national Civil War experts who would like to speak to us. PLEASE keep track of the dates and make note of them on your calendar so you can attend and get the most out of your membership!

**OCTOBER 11, 2018**  **Walter Stahr** will discuss his latest book, *Stanton: Lincoln’s War Secretary*. He is also the author of *Seward: Lincoln’s Indispensable Man* and *John Jay: Founding Father*. Mr. Stahr practiced international law for 25 years, including seven in Hong Kong and five with the SEC.

**NOVEMBER 8, 2018**  **Gerry L. Alexander** will discuss Abraham Lincoln and his influence on Washington Territory. His writings include “Abe Lincoln and the Pacific Northwest,” *Columbia: The Magazine of Northwest History*. Gerry Alexander’s distinguished career spans almost fifty years as an attorney and jurist in Washington, including nine years as Chief Justice of the Washington Supreme Court, making him the longest-serving Chief Justice in State history. He is now in private practice in Olympia.

**DECEMBER 13, 2018**  **Stuart Streichler** will discuss the Impeachment of Andrew Johnson. He is the author of *Justice Curtis in the Civil War Era: At the Crossroads of American Constitutionalism* (Curtis
was defense counsel for Johnson at the impeachment trial). Professor Streichler’s articles have appeared in many law reviews, newspapers, and other periodicals, and he has been interviewed by the BBC, CBC The National, Fox News, NHK, and local television news programs. He teaches at the University of Washington, Bothell, School of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences.

**JANUARY 10, 2019**  **Michael Kirschner** will discuss the 2nd Wisconsin Infantry, a regiment formed in the chaos immediately following Fort Sumter and which suffered the highest percentage of battlefield deaths of any regiment that fought on behalf of the Union. The leading regiment of the Iron Brigade, its actions at Gettysburg may have prevented that battle from being lost in the opening moments of infantry combat on July 1, 1863. A patent attorney, Mr. Kirschner is writing a book on the 2nd Wisconsin following the discovery that his wife’s and daughter’s ancestor fought for the Union in the Second Wisconsin and was the color bearer for the 2nd Wisconsin at Gettysburg.

**FEBRUARY 7, 2019**  **Richard Roland** will discuss the roles of Union Generals George H. Thomas, John M. Schofield, and others in opposing General John B. Hood’s disastrous 1864 Tennessee Campaign, as well as their postwar disputes and controversies concerning the Union high command in that campaign. A retired attorney, Mr. Roland has long been studying the campaign.  

**MEETING HELD ON THE FIRST THURSDAY INSTEAD OF THE USUAL SECOND THURSDAY, WHICH FALLS ON THE 14TH, VALENTINE’S DAY**

**MARCH 14, 2019**  **Andrew E. Masich** will present a slide lecture, profusely illustrated with period artifacts and images, on his award-winning book, *Civil War in the Southwest Borderlands, 1861-1867*, an account of the collision between three warrior cultures—Indian, Hispano, and Anglo—in civil wars indirectly related to the secession crisis. A reviewer has called the book a comprehensive and elegant study, gracefully written and splendidly detailed. Professor Masich is an Emmy-winning documentarian known for his lively lectures. He is President and CEO of the Smithsonian-affiliated Senator John Heinz History Center in Pittsburgh and teaches history at Carnegie Mellon University. He is coauthor of *Cheyenne Dog Soldiers: A Ledgerbook History* and *Halfbreed: The Remarkable True Story of George Bent,* and author of *The Civil War in Arizona: The Story of the California Volunteers, 1861-1865.*

**APRIL 11, 2019**  **Dick Miller** will resume his story (started in earlier talks to the Round Table) of John Potts Slough, the colorful commander of the 1st Colorado Volunteers at the Battle of Glorieta Pass, New Mexico. Believing that his own men had tried to kill him during the battle, Slough resigned his commission as colonel of the regiment and headed east to rejoin the war at Harper’s Ferry, Virginia. Dick will discuss the Union defense of Harper’s Ferry against Stonewall Jackson, May 28-30, 1862; Slough’s participation as a brigade commander during the defense; and the role that the May 30 battle of Harper’s Ferry played in Jackson’s Shenandoah Valley Campaign. A past president of our Round Table and our premier auctioneer, Dick Miller has written a biography of Slough.

**MAY 9, 2019**  **Richard A. Sauers** will discuss *The Boys in Blue*, an illustrated talk about humor in the ranks, from privates to generals, including fights, pranks, and just plain weird stuff that went on during the war. Dr. Sauers is the author of more than two dozen books, including *A Caspian Sea of Ink: The Meade-Sickles Controversy, Meade: Victor of Gettysburg, Advance the Colors! Pennsylvania Civil War Battle Flags, How to Do Civil War Research, The Fishing Creek Confederacy: A Story of Civil War Draft Resistance, William Francis Bartlett, The Burnside Expedition in North Carolina,* and *The National Tribune Civil War Index.* Dr. Sauers is the Executive Director of the Western Museum of Mining and Industry in Colorado Springs.

*Please Note that the list is subject to change. We will keep you informed of any changes.*
PSCWRT Speakers Bureau
By Steve Clayton

The Speakers Bureau was something we started a few years ago, but it never seemed to get off the ground. The goal of the Speakers Bureau is to have more public awareness of the PSCWRT thereby attracting more members to our organization.

We hope to accomplish this goal by having PSCWRT authors/speakers go out to venues that we can find to speak on topics they know best.

We have very talented people within the PSCWRT. Below are several of our talented members who have volunteered to participate in the PSCWRT Speakers Bureau:

Nick Adams:
Topic: Family Civil War Letters

Pat Brady:
Topic: The law practice of Abraham Lincoln
Power Point: 2 hours or less.

Ed Malles:
Topic: Photography in the Civil War
Power Point: one hour

Topic: Bridge Building in Wartime: based on Ed’s book
Power Point Presentation

Topic: Gettysburg Address: What Lincoln really said

Richard Miller:
Topic: Brigadier General John Slough
Slough, the 1st Colorado and the battles of Glorieta Pass
Slough, participation in the developing Battle of Harpers Ferry, May 1862

Jeff Mclaughlin:
Topic: Crossing Antietam
The Civil War letters of Capt. Henry A. Sand 103rd NY Volunteers on the road

Steve Murphy:
Topic: George Quimby, The Perfect Scout

Editor’s Note: We KNOW that there are others of you out there who would be interested in giving a presentation to a group. Please let us know what you’d like to speak on and hopefully we can make it happen. Of course, Pat is always looking for speakers for our Round Table as well!

Civil War Book Club
This idea was put forth at our recent PSCWRT Board Meeting by Arthur Banner, VP Memberships. The idea is still in its infancy, but the way it could work is for interested members to come together bi-monthly to discuss a book on the Civil War after reading it. Besides gaining new information, it could also serve as a stimulus to write in-depth reviews of those books for the Washington Volunteer and the
Review of Field Trip to Lakeview Cemetery, Seattle
By Mark R. Terry

You may recall that on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, our Fourth Annual Field Trip to historic Lakeview Cemetery on Capitol Hill in Seattle took place. It was organized by Rick Solomon and conducted by Jim Dimond, who along with his wife Loretta, has long been a researcher and historian of Civil War gravesites in Washington State.

The conditions for the event couldn’t have been better that morning—a sunny, but mild spring day. Perfect for a cemetery tour! Eleven PSCWRT members were there along with Jim: Jorgen Bader, Rod Cameron, Steve Garratt, Bobbi Karbowskii, Richard Kerr, Dick Miller, Jay Secord, Rick Solomon, Don Spenard, Mark Terry and George Yocum.

[Photo- at the grave of Granville Haller]

Starting near the UDC Monument, Jim led us generally in a clockwise direction around the cemetery. He stated that there were many, many graves of Civil War veterans buried in the cemetery, but that he wanted to take us to those who were the most important historically, some because of their service during the war (several were Medal of Honor recipients), others for what they did locally after the war. We stopped at each one and Jim filled us in on their service and other interesting facts. Names like Haller, Ballinger, Langley and Prosser were among them. Others were more obscure, like Gilbert S. Meem, who was a Brig. General of Virginia Militia early in the war, and likely the highest-ranking Confederate buried in the Pacific Northwest.

The tour was so interesting that the two hours allotted for it flew by. For those who were able, we had lunch at the Hopvine Pub not too far south of the cemetery. All in all, it was a very enjoyable day, getting to know the stories of some of the veterans who came west after the war and helped to build Seattle. It was also fun to spend time with the other members of the Round Table and get to know them better over lunch.

I highly recommend the next PSCWRT Field Trip—watch the newsletter for upcoming dates next spring!
EXCELLENT COLOR BEARER EVENT
American Battlefield Trust
By Mike Movius

You remember last year, we held a drawing to determine which PSCWRT members would attend the three annual Civil War Trust’s Color Bearer events. As a refresher, interested members donated $50 per ticket per event and a separate drawing was held to determine who could represent PSCWRT. (The proceeds totaled nearly the $1,000 minimum to be recognized as a Brigade Color Bearer.)

There were two winners per event…and I happened to be one of those who got the opportunity to attend the annual conference in Newport News, Virginia as your color bearer representative. Be assured that a winning ticket only allowed me to attend the color bearer event as air travel to Newport News, car rental, lodging and conference registration were NOT covered. However, it was truly unique.

First of all, the Civil War trust decided to rename itself the American Battlefield Trust. If you follow CWT, you know that it has taken on battlefield preservation of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812...most of which have long-since disappeared as urban development has taken their toll. And, this was the inaugural ABT event. As such, we (you and me) were all designated as FOUNDERS of the newly minted organization.

Secondly, we had the opportunity to bus to Yorktown, visit the wonderful American Revolution Museum, visit the battlefield on which the British surrendered and McClellan staged his siege during the Peninsula Campaign and attend a barbeque and meet with old and new friends.

Then, we were treated to a detailed tour of Fortress Monroe and vicinity by Garry Adelman. He showed 3D photographs from the 19th century fort as we visited the locations pictured. We got to see the “cell” in which Jefferson Davis spent his confinement years, the headquarters of General Ben Butler and a visit to St. John’s church yard in Hampton Roads.
Finally, it was truly wonderful to attend the dinner in honor of the most prolific donors to battlefield preservation. Historians, preservation activists, politicians and authors made presentations. But, the most impressive of all was the chance to visit with Ed Bearss. I encourage each of you to consider participating in the drawing during Preservation Month 2018.

2nd CWRT CONGRESS A SUCCESS

*National Civil War Museum*

By Mike Movius

By now, you must know that I have been working with a team of CWRT enthusiasts in developing a program to improve the governance, membership recruitment and community presence of civil war round tables around the country. The second CWRT Congress was held in Harrisburg, PA at the National Civil War Museum on August 17-19. It began with a reception on Friday evening with a behind the scenes tour of the museum, light hors d’oeuvres and an presentation by historian/author Chris Mackowski, editor-in-chief and co-founder of Emerging Civil War.

Day two began with breakfast, and the program moderated by Matt Borowick (The CWRT Handbook) that included a welcome by the president of the Harrisburg CWRT, CWRT governance by Jay Jorgensen of the R. E. Lee CWRT, the Scottsdale CWRT (450 members) experience by Dr. John Bamberl, the Brunswick CWRT (1,200 members) experience by Wally Rueckel, social media marketing by Mike Movius, PSCWRT and concluded with a panel that answered questions from the audience. That evening, we were treated by visitation by a dozen CW authors/historians who signed their many volumes and a dinner.

On Sunday, we were delighted with a three-hour tour of the first day at the Gettysburg National Battlefield Park. The tour was conducted by licensed battlefield guide Wayne Motts. Wayne is also the CEO of the National Civil War Museum. His tour was absolutely inspired!
This was the first year in which another member of PSCWT attended. Michael Kirchner said of the event, “I thought it was an excellent event. The location was excellent. The Friday night reception was excellent. I liked how there was time to talk and mingle followed by the behind the scenes tour with several very interesting items and documents exhibited. I thought the presentation by Chris Mackowski was the best one-hour presentation on a battle I’ve ever seen. He was excellent.

All of the presenters on Saturday were very interesting and informative. I really liked how the day concluded with a panel discussion and how questions were submitted to the presenters. That was an innovative practice that really worked well. The book signings and social time with authors was very interesting. I really enjoyed talking with several, most significantly Chris Mackowski, Richard Sommers and Jeffry Wert. Lastly, the Sunday Gettysburg tour was a great way to end the weekend.

We are currently negotiating with several CWRTs to host the 2019 event. If you want to be inspired to make meaningful improvements to PSCWRT, I encourage you to attend.

Recommendations for additional reading on the Speaker’s Topics: The South Immediately After the Civil War
By Jeff Rombauer

With the sudden collapse of the Confederacy in the spring of 1865 and the surrender of its armies, vast regions of the southern United States were once again open to tourists and other travelers. Northern journalists traveled south to investigate conditions in the former Confederate states. How were the former rebels accepting defeat, how were the freedmen being treated, how desolated was the southern economy? Northern politicians and army officers were sent south to report on conditions in the former Confederacy to help President Andy Johnson make decisions regarding Reconstruction. Foreign travelers sought information on economic conditions and the potential for investment. Whatever their motivation, each visitor brought their own biases on what they reported. For those interested in additional reading on the immediate post war South, the following books are recommended. Modern reprints of each title are available from Amazon.com.


A journalist for the Chicago *Tribune* and the Boston *Advertiser* Clark’s bibliography calls Andrews “one of the ablest of Northern journalists” but “he was anti-southern and on all issues he presented the Northern view” and viewed Southern society as “barbaric”.

The Gettysburg tour concluded with this photograph.

The best place to start is this useful annotated guide to travel literature on the post south era. Clark lists 245 travel accounts with critical comments that cover the period 1865 to 1880.


Dennett was hired by *The Nation* to travel throughout the former Confederacy and report on conditions in the region. This work brings together for the first time all his articles from his nine-month trip from Richmond to New Orleans.


Reid was a prominent civil war journalist and later a Republican politician. His dispatches were published first in the Cincinnati Gazette. His first trip south after the war was to accompany Salmon P. Chase on his tour of the south. According to Clark, this book “had a powerful influence on public opinion and helped to turn the tide for radical reconstruction.”


This volume brings together all the letters and reports to President Andrew Johnson from a variety of politicians, generals and reporters sent to the former rebel states. Among the observers were Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase, Generals Carl Schurz & Ulysses S. Grant as well as journalists Harvey M. Watterson and Benjamin C. Truman. The reports reflect the biases of each individual, with the more radical Chase and Schurz favoring political equality for the freedmen, and the more conservation Watterson and Truman favoring southern whites.


A well-regarded author and journalist, Trowbridge was contracted to travel the former rebel states for a book to be issued by a Hartford publisher in the summer of 1865. While Clark’s bibliography cites this as an “important work on the South during reconstruction”, Trowbridge’s “main theme is the backwardness and barbarism of the South.”

**THE LAST WORD**

New Season. Are you Ready?

By Mark R. Terry

Welcome back! I just figured it out, but this will be the 25th year that my wife Kim and I have been members of the Puget Sound Civil War Round Table! I’m looking forward to another great year of learning about the War Between the States. Being elected as the Newsletter Editor for the eighth time, I feel a responsibility to try and make the newsletter informative, interesting and instructive for you.

For the board, the year began with our summer meeting which took place on August 11, 2018. We covered some ground and made some decisions we feel will help market the Round Table to the local area by becoming more involved with other local history groups and clubs. We also want to encourage college and high school students to attend our meetings by making them free (if they do not order a meal). Tentative plans were made for a field trip in the spring, and some duties within the board were made more specific to fully maintain our non-profit status.

We will keep pounding the drum for recruitment and also supporting initiatives to try and put our Round Table in the public eye, whether with other groups and events, but also online using Facebook, Twitter and other Social Media. There’s no getting around the fact that we NEED more members and YOUNGER members. When we joined 25 years ago, I was 35 years old. By the September meeting, I will be 60! Together, let’s do all we can to let others know that the PSCWRT exists.
**REMINDER:** BRING A FRIEND TO ONE OF OUR MEETINGS. The best way to get someone to attend is to ask them in person!

**DUES & DONATIONS**
The PSCWRT season goes from September to the following May. Dues should be paid in September. Dues are payable either at the meeting or by mail: $25 per individual or for a couple. Also, donations are gratefully accepted. These will help secure speakers for our meetings. Please note that all donations are tax deductible as the PSCWRT is a 501(c)3 organization. Mail to: Stephen Pierce, Treasurer, 8008 190 Street SW, Edmonds WA 98026-6028. Call 425-773-0097 or email: horseless8@hotmail.com

We welcome your article or research submissions for the newsletter, but they may be edited for space. The deadline for the September 2018 Washington Volunteer is **Monday, September 24, 2018.** Please have it in Mark Terry’s hands via email or snailmail by then. Thank you!

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