NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 14, 2019
China Harbor, 2040 Westlake Avenue North, Seattle, Washington
Time: Social hour at 6 p.m.; Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.; Program at 7:45 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, November 12, 2019.

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

AMY KINSEL WILL DISCUSS THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT TO REMOVE CONFEDERATE MONUMENTS by considering how their removal restores as well as erases history. She won the 1993 Allan Nevins Prize for the best-written doctoral dissertation in American History for her study, “From These Honored Dead: Gettysburg in American Culture, 1863-1938.” A Professor of History at Shoreline Community College who earned her Ph.D. at Cornell University, Dr. Kinsel has spoken to the Round Table before.

IMPORTANT DISPATCHES

NOVEMBER – PRESERVATION MONTH
By Mike Movius

Over the course of the last several years, Colonel Garth Holmes and I have been passing around the oaken preservation bucket to collect donations for the Civil War Trust…now the American
Battlefield Trust. We were successful in changing the way that PSCWRT interacted with the Trust by changing our status from MEMBER to DONOR. Essentially, that entailed not receiving something in return, but knowing our donations were being applied in the best possible way to preserve battlefields from development.

In the past two years, we have upped the ante so PSCWT could become a Regimental Color Bearer. Color Bearers are those donors that donate a minimum of $1,000 per year to save American battlefields. One of the great perks is that two PSCWRT members and their guests get to go to exclusive events/tours led by prominent author/historians.

We want to continue to be a leader among CWRTs in remaining Regimental Color Bearers, but we will be approaching it differently this year. This year, the board has earmarked $250 from PSCWRT’s treasury to go to this worthwhile cause. So, if our math is correct, we need to gather an additional $750 to reach our goal.

For those PSCWRT members who support Preservation Month, we have developed specially designed name tag ribbons. The white ribbon has been reserved for those who donate $25, the orange ribbon for those who donate $50 and the bright green ribbon for $75 or more. This is an excellent opportunity to show your fellow members that you not only support battlefield preservation, but also the mission of the Puget Sound CWRT.

November Birthdays
Several members have birthdays in November and we’d like to acknowledge their special day. They are:

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**NEWS AND PROJECTS**

Civil War Book Club: Next Meeting in December 2019
Correction. In last month’s Washington Volunteer it was stated that Arthur Banner’s Civil War Book Club meets each month. Actually, it meets every other month. So, the next meeting will be December 12, 2019 at 5 p.m., just prior to the December member meeting at China Harbor. The
book title will be *The Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane. If you have any questions, contact Arthur at: banneras@comcast.net

**Photography of the Civil War Presentation Successful!**

By Jeff Rombauer

The Civil War Lecture series at the Maple Valley Library on Tuesday, October 15 was a great success. 44 people packed the room to hear PSCWRT member Ed Malles give his presentation of *Photography of the Civil War*. Several people expressed interest in joining our group. The library staff was highly pleased with the presentation and the response to the program and would recommend it to the KCLS central staff for other libraries.

Are there other groups that you would recommend we should contact for this program? Going out into the community and giving such talks will raise our profile.

Ed will be giving the same lecture in Everett in the Spring. Details will be forthcoming.

**Credit Card Advisory Survey Analysis**

By Mike Movius

You may recall that we recently forwarded to members of the Puget Sound CWRT a one-question survey asking if PSCWRT should offer credit cards as an option for paying dues and/or dinner.

The following is the result of that survey.

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Should PSCWRT offer the option of paying for dues and/or dinner with credit cards?
Answered: 38  Skipped: 0
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**Analysis**

The way that the online survey functions is that only one response is allowed per household. Thirty-eight (38) PSCWRT households responded. There is a total of 100 PSCWRT households on the latest roster. Three (3) do not have or furnish email addresses. That means that there were 97 potential household respondents. Thus, 38 of 97 respondent households results in a significant response rate was 39.2%.
Of the respondents, 71% said YES, they would like the option of paying with a credit card, 18%
said NO to credit cards and 10% were unsure saying they DIDN’T KNOW.

Thus, with a response rate pushing 40% and over 70% of respondents saying they prefer to have
the option of paying with a credit card, it seems imperative for the PSCWRT Board to find a way
forward that meets the needs and expectations of its members.

Conclusion
The PSCWRT Board of Directors should adopt the means and process to accept credit cards for
dues and dinner payments.

BREAKING NEWS- Dr. James I. “Bud” Robertson Passes Away
From CWRT Congress Facebook Post

Civil War historian, author and retired Virginia Tech professor "Bud" Robertson died Saturday, 11/2/2019,
according to an announcement from the university. Robertson was 89 years.

Dr. James I. "Bud" Robertson Jr. was a noted scholar on the American Civil War and Alumni Distinguished
Professor Emeritus at Virginia Tech. Robertson was born and raised in Danville, Virginia. Known as an excellent
public speaker, Robertson made his career teaching thousands of college students in his Civil War and
Reconstruction course at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, in Blacksburg, Virginia, as the
Alumni Distinguished Professor in History from 1967 to 2011.

Robertson was the founding executive director of the Virginia Center for Civil War Studies
research and education center. He was considered one of the preeminent scholars on Confederate
Lieutenant General "Stonewall" Jackson. Robertson authored 18 books including award-winners
General A.P. Hill, Soldiers Blue and Gray, and Civil War! America Becomes One Nation. His
biography Stonewall Jackson: The Man, The Soldier, The Legend, won eight national awards
including the American Library Association's Best Book for Young Readers Award. Robertson
also edited an additional 18 books on the Civil War.

For more details on Robertson’s life and legacy go to:
https://vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2019/11/claahs-james-bud-robertson-
memorial.html?fbclid=IwAR0LRzO2oT3XoRhKarrNEbbjgTyYF8hXaJZHte1rSn3rDCu-
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From Mark Terry:
For those of you who were members of the PSCWRT in 1998, we were blessed to have Dr.
Robertson at our September meeting that year. He spoke on Gen. Thomas “Stonewall” Jackson,
the subject of his latest book at the time. It was a great presentation. I had previously read his
biography of General A.P. Hill, who, during the war had an altercation with Jackson, who
charged Hill with a court-martial. After the meeting, I mentioned to Robertson that in his
biographies of the two, he took the side of the person who he happened to be writing about. His
response was "well, of course I did!" Pretty much shut me up- but he graciously signed my book anyway.

FEATURED ARTICLES

Off the Beaten Path: Fort McClary, Maine

Located near Kittery, Maine, Fort McClary overlooks the Piscataqua River and Portsmouth New Hampshire. Established in 1808 as part of the defenses of Portsmouth Harbor, the fort was named after a hero of the Revolution who died at the Battle of Bunker Hill, Major Andrew McClary. It had two batteries, one a lower battery of 9 or 10 guns, and an upper battery. The block house at the site, which serves as a museum, was built in 1844. During the Civil War, it saw little action, but starting in 1863, a major rebuilding and expansion was begun to create a large five sided granite fort. It was at this fort in the summer of 1864, that U.S. Vice President Hannibal Hamlin served for two months as a private in Company A, Maine State Guard, probably the only time in U.S. history that a sitting Vice-President, served in the military in war time.

Recommendations for additional reading on the Speaker’s Topic: The Monuments Controversy
By Jeff Rombauer

Since the controversial events in Charlottesville in the summer of 2017, the issue over the removal of Confederate memorials and monuments has reached a fever pitch. I know of no book which covers the controversy as well as the articles found on the internet listed below. Even the State of Washington has not avoided this issue. As the first article listed below explains, the following cities in this state have taken these actions:

- Bellingham- in 2017 changed the name of Pickett Bridge, as well as removing signs to the Pickett House.
- Blaine- in 2002, a stone marker put up in the 1930’s to name Highway 99 as Jeff Davis Highway was removed to a private park.
- Everett- in 2016 the Department of Transportation agreed to rename the Jeff Davis Highway to that of William P. Stewart, and African-American veteran of the Civil War who later settled in Snohomish, WA.
- Seattle- a tree in Ravenna with a plaque naming it for Robert E. Lee was removed in 1926.
- Vancouver- the southern marker of the Jeff Davis Highway was moved three times, starting in 1998, eventually winding up on a private lot near I-5.
- East Wenatchee- in 2018, an elementary school named for Robert E. Lee was renamed Lee Elementary.

I would recommend you read the articles. Both sides are presented we well as the views of outside observers.

11 Confederate figures whose monuments spark controversy ...

3 Angles to the Confederate Monument Controversy
https://facingtoday.facinghistory.org/3-angles-to-the-confederate-monument-controversy

POV: Controversy over Confederate Civil War Monuments | BU ...
www.bu.edu/today/2017/confederate-civil-war-monuments

Historians on the Confederate Monument Debate | AHA
https://www.historians.org/.../historians-on-the-confederate-monument-debate


The Confederate Statue Controversy Isn’t About Slavery, It ...
https://thefederalist.com/2017/09/22/confederate-statue-controversy-isnt-slavery...

Why the fuss over Confederate statues? - BBC News

The battle over Confederate statues, explained - Vox

**THE LAST WORD**

My Take
By Mark R. Terry

The topic that Amy Kinsel will be presenting this month is “The National Movement to Remove Confederate Monuments”. In the photo below, I am on the left along with Frank “Rusty” Starr, who spoke at our November, 2015 meeting.
I was there to support the rededication of the Jefferson Davis Highway marker on privately owned property near Vancouver, Washington on April 27, 2008. This is one of the monuments in Washington State remarked upon by Jeff Rombauer in his article above. The mosaic of tiles in front of the marker are personalized “bricks” that were sold to help pay for the property. Three of the tiles have names of my Confederate soldier ancestors on them:

2x Great Grandfather Pvt. William B. Tharp, Co. F, 33rd Virginia Infantry
3rd Great Uncle Pvt. George T. Bosley, Co. B, 62nd Virginia Mounted Infantry (William also served in the 62nd, promoted to Sergeant)

Both the Jefferson Davis Marker and the Confederate Monument in Lakeview Cemetery (where I’ve also been involved in ceremonies) have been vandalized in the past few years. You won’t need to guess which side of this controversy I’m on.

Newsletter Editor Position Still Open

When the November meeting is completed, we will have been three months or one-third of the way through the 2019-2020 PSCWRT Season. In May of this year I announced I would be the editor of the Washington Volunteer for one more season. So far, I’ve had one member show interest a few months ago, but I haven’t heard back from her.

While the position of VP-Editor (it’s official title) may seem a bit daunting, the actual work of putting it together is not very difficult. Much of the content is done by others, while most of the work involved is simply organizing it into a coherent form.

Please know that as the current editor, I would be very happy to help anyone get started who wants to do this. You will also get help and advice from others on the Board and work closely with Mike Movius, our VP of Social Media who is also the webmaster for our website. Every edition of the Volunteer is downloaded to our website in two formats, allowing it to be printed at home or read online.

Did I have any experience with newsletters when I started 10 years ago? Not much. What I did have was a desire for the newsletter to be standardized, informative and interesting. Whether I have succeeded in this is up to the reader. However, after May 2020 there may be no readers if there is no newsletter editor to edit the newsletter!
NOTE: PLEASE CHECK TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE PAID YOUR DUES. MANY FOLKS ON THE CURRENT ROSTER HAVE NOT PAID.

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: Chris McDonald, Treasurer, 34705 NE 14th Avenue, LaCenter, WA 98629. Call (503) 930-4940 or email: alpacamomchris@gmail.com

We welcome your article or research submissions for the newsletter, but they may be edited for space. Note that the contents of each newsletter do not necessarily reflect the views of the PSCWRT. The deadline for the December 2019 Washington Volunteer is Monday, November 25, 2019. Please have it in Mark Terry’s hands via email or snailmail by then. Thank you!

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Vintage postcard of statue of Robert E. Lee in New Orleans, LA. From Jeff Rombauer
Statue of General
Robert E. Lee, Lee Circle,
New Orleans, La.