# GENERAL ORDERS



#### The Newsletter of the

# Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee, Inc. and The Iron Brigade Association



#### October 8, 2020

#### Rob I. Girardi

## Abraham Lincoln and the Common Soldier

SOLDIERS-I suppose you are going home to see your families and friends. For the service you have done in this great struggle in which we are engaged I present you sincere thanks for myself and the country.

Abraham Lincoln speaking to the 166th Ohio Regiment August 22, 1864

U.S. Presidents are the commander-in-chief of the military. Historically, most have had some military experience, and several generals have risen to the office based on their wartime exploits and reputation. Although Abraham Lincoln had the flimsiest military experience, he was commander-in-chief during our most critical national emergency. There was not a day of his presidency in which Lincoln was not with or near soldiers. He interacted with them and cared deeply for their welfare. Lincoln came to be revered as "Father Abraham" by the Union Army during the Civil War.

Robert Girardi is our featured October speaker and will be discussing the process of how Lincoln attained "Father Abraham" status among the Union soldiers.

Robert I. Girardi has a Masters Degree in Public History from Loyola University. He is a lifelong student of the American Civil War and has studied all aspects of the conflict. He is a past president of the Chicago Civil War Round Table and is the author or editor of nine books, and numerous articles and book reviews.

Rob was a board member of the Illinois State Historical Society and was guest editor for the 2011-2014 Sesquicentennial of the Civil War issues of the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society*. His most recent article, "Reconsidering Major General Gouverneur K. Warren," appeared in the July 2020 issue of *North & South Magazine*. He is currently working on a military biography of Warren.

Among his other books are *The Memoirs of Brigadier General William Passmore Carlin, U.S.A.* (1999), *The New Annals of the Civil War* (2004), *Campaigning with Uncle Billy: The Memoirs of Sgt. Lyman Widney, 34th Illinois Volunteer Infantry* (2008) and *The Civil War Generals: Comrades, Peers, Rivals in Their Own Words* (2013).

Our speaker is a recipient of the Chicago Civil War Round Table's Nevins-Freeman Award (2010), and the Milwaukee Civil War Round Table Iron Brigade Association Award (2014). Rob speaks to audiences of all ages on various aspects of the Civil War. For more information his website is: <a href="https://www.robertgirardi.com">www.robertgirardi.com</a>.

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## October Meeting at a Glance The Wisconsin Club 9th and Wisconsin Avenue

[Jackets required for the dining room.]

6:15 p.m. - Registration/Social Hour 6:45 p.m. - Dinner

[\$30 by reservation, please] Reservations are accepted until Monday, October 5, 2020

7:30 p.m. - Program

Speaker and topic are subject to change. In case of inclement weather, listen to WTMJ or WISN for meeting status.

## 2020-2021 Speaker Schedule

Find the speaker schedule on page 6.

The Civil War Roundtable of Milwaukee plans to do another Facebook Live presentation of Rob Girardi's talk on October 8. You will have to be on the CWRT of Milwaukee Facebook page to watch. We will still have the HD version on our Youtube channel that now has over sixty (60) videos.

## **Civil War Round Table News**

#### When Reservations are Cancelled

Please be aware that cancellations of dinner reservations within 48 hours of the meeting are subject to payment in full. The MCWRT is charged for these dinners whether they are used or not!

### Your Cooperation is Appreciated

"Walk-in dinner" requests are sometimes difficult to honor. Remember, dinner reservations are to be made at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date. We are always happy to accommodate where possible, but we cannot always guarantee a dinner that evening if you have not called in or emailed your reservation. Thank you for your understanding.

#### **Special Dietary Needs**

We have quite a number of regular members who have opted for special entrees as options to the regular dinner being served. The Wisconsin Club and the Round Table will make every effort to meet any special dietary needs you may have. As a courtesy, please give a reminder when making your reservations, so we don't forget to serve you what you're expecting!

#### STARTING TIME FOR DINNER

Please be aware that our dinner will be served at **6:45 p.m. sharp** in order to have our members heading home at a reasonable hour. We understand that any number of events could cause a late arrival. Should that happen, please check in at the Registration Table or locate Paul Eilbes or Donna Agnelly; every effort will be made to get you promptly seated. Thank you for your understanding.

#### THANK YOU!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to express a sincere "Thank You" to those who have already returned their membership renewals. Given the circumstances of the past six months, I was very unsure what to expect, and I have been greatly impressed by both the timeliness and generosity of our members. As I write this on September 12th, over half of our members have already renewed. In addition, donations to both the Annual Fund and Speaker Enhancement Fund have exceeded expectations.

Once again, thank you to all who have renewed (and who will have renewed by the time this newsletter is published)! I am proud to be a part of this special group!

Paul Eilbes Treasurer/Membership

## MASKS REQUIRED!

A mask is required when you come to the meeting per both the City of Milwaukee mask ordinance and state mandate. The ordinance allows you to remove the mask while seated at the table. If you are not drinking in the bar area you should have your mask on while talking to other people.

## The Muster Roll: NEW MEMBERS



#### **MCWRT Annual Fund**

The following members have made a generous commitment to the MCWRT by investing in that fund. This list reflects those donations made from July 1, 2019 through March 2020.

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October 1948 found our members listening to Robert J. Kincaid presenting on "The Cumberland Gap in the Civil War."

"Hardtack and Coffee" was the topic presented by Palmer Boeger in October 1951.

At the October 1961 meeting John Patrick Hunter spoke to those assembled on "Wisconsin in the Civil War."

In October 1971 Eugene C. Murdock spoke to the Round Table on "Aspects of the Civil War Draft."

At the October 1981 meeting the topic for the evening was "Stonewall Jackson at White Oak Swamp" presented by Lowell Reidenbaugh.

The October 1991 meeting welcomed Gary Gallagher to our meeting to speak on "Jubal A. Early and the Myth of the Lost Cause."

"Stephen A. Douglas and Abraham Lincoln – Friendly Enemies?" was the topic presented by Brooks Davis at the October 2001 meeting.

At the October 2011 meeting Vernon Burton's topic was "Lincoln and the Constitution."

At last year's October meeting James Lighthizer spoke on "Historic Presentation and Place-Based Teaching: The Importance of Knowing our History and Culture in Order to Preserve our Democratic Republic."

### At The Museum

For the safety of all visitors and staff, the following changes and policies are in place until further notice at the museum:

- Temporary Hours: 10 a.m. 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Closed Saturday & Sunday
- A mask or other PPE is REQUIRED and must cover your mouth and nose
- Visitors are asked to sign in with your name and contact information
- Please practice social distancing at all time, staying 6 feet apart
- Visitors who feel ill or have a fever higher than 100.4 are asked to visit at a later date
- The museum is operating at 25% of building capacity, and there may be a wait to get in
- Some interactive exhibits and elements including the Resource Center are temporarily closed

## Kenosha Civil War Museum Second Friday Lecture Series

The series is a free program sponsored by the Milwaukee Civil War Round Table and Iron Brigade Association.

#### WATCH ON FACEBOOK

- Arming Ohio Presented by: Phil Spaugy
- The Petersburg Regiment in the Civil War: A History of the 12th Virginia Infantry from John Brown's Hanging to Appomattox, 1859-1865 Presented by: John Horn
- Medical Innovations of the Civil War Presented by: Trevor Steinbach
- The Vicksburg Campaign: Grant's Masterpiece Presented by: Dan Nettesheim
- The 29th Wisconsin at Vicksburg Presented by: Tom Arliskas
- I've Heard of Her: Jane Addams

#### WATCH ON YOU TUBE

- The War That Made Beer Famous Presented by: Lance Herdegen
- Illinois Regiments at Gettysburg: July 1863 Presented by: Dennis Doyle
- I've Heard of Her: Belle Boyd Presented by: Jenn Edginton & Samantha Machalik

For further information on topics and speakers please visit the museum website at:

https://museums.kenosha.org/civilwar/

All Civil War Museum programs and workshops are virtual presentations viewable on the museum's Facebook page. At this time, the museum is unable to host in-house programming.

If you wish to sign up for one of the workshops and are having trouble accessing the museum's website, you can register with a credit card by calling the museum between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at 262-653-4140.





## Wisconsin Daily State Journal Tuesday evening, July 2, 1861

1776 Fourth of July 1776 Grand Celebration at the State Capitol!

The Fifth and Sixth Regiments, Wisconsin Volunteers, Cols Cobb and Cutler, to participate in the Festivities; Splendid Music; Grand Cavalcade of Farmers; All the Military and Fire Companies; Civil Societies to turn out; Oration; Reading of the Declaration of Independence, &c., &c.; Target Shooting with Cannon on Fourth Lake.

Spirit of "76: Triumphant

## Read the Following Programme The Fourth of July, 1861 Madison, Wis

1st – The day will be opened with the firing of cannon and ringing of bells, to be repeated at noon and Sundown

2d - At 10 ½ o'clock a.m. the Governor and State Officers, and all the clerks of their several departments

The Judges and Officers of the U.S. District Court of

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The Judges and Officers of the Supreme, Circuit and County Courts

The Mayor and Common Council

The Chancellor and Faculty of the University

The Students of the University

The Principals and Teachers of the Common Schools

The Board of Education

The Fifth and Sixth Regiments Wisconsin Volunteers

The Dane Cavalry and all Military Companies of the County of Dane

The cavalcade of farmers

The entire Fire Department

The Butchers Association

The Turner Verein Society and all the various Civic Societies of the county

Together with the Citizens generally, will join in a Procession which will move under the direction of The Chief Marshal to the Capital Park to hear a prayer, the reading of the Declaration of Independence and an Oration.

In the afternoon, the State Gunner, Capt. McFarland will shoot 25 or 30 six pound balls at a target one and a half miles out on Fourth Lake, with the State Artillery.

Thank you, Jim Johnson, as we continue this season of insightful and delightful memories in our From the Field features!

#### Flag Raising Tomorrow

The occupants of Porter's Block, including the State Journal office, the Bank Comptroller's office, and the offices of the State superintendent of Public Instruction, the State agricultural society, and the Madison Mutual Insurance Company, have obtained a beautiful flag, with a suitable pole, which will be raised tomorrow afternoon, at 4 o'clock.

Gov. Randall is expected to be present, and run up the stars and stripes, after which there will be an opportunity for a few patriotic speeches.

The public are invited to attend and participate in the exercises.

A gun will be fired by Gunner McFarland, as a signal, when the pole is in readiness to be put in its place.

#### Return of the Military Companies

The two companies, the Prescott Guards and the Waukesha Union Guards that were sent to Milwaukee on Saturday evening, returned this afternoon, accompanied by Captain Hibbard's Milwaukee Zouaves.

These companies were under command of Lieut. Col. Atwood, and, on arriving at the depot were marched through the City previous to going to the Camp grounds. Their appearance was very fine, and the soldiers marched with true military promptness. The Prescott Company headed the column, the Zouaves next, and the Waukesha company in the rear. The regiments to which these companies belong may well be proud of them, for they are hard to beat. This march through the city was a pleasant relief to our people.

## 1861 Camp Record June 27th Hagerstown, Maryland

This is the title of a small sheet, hailing from Hagerstown, Maryland, Printed and Published by the First Regiment of Wisconsin Volunteers, "the first number of which, bearing the date June 27th, is just received. It is well printed and filled with interesting matter pertaining to the military encamped near Hagerstown. Its motto is "Head of Column, Forward!"

It starts off with brief biographical sketches of Col. Starkweather, Lt. Col. Harris, Maj. Bain, Adj't Poole, &c. All in all, it is an interesting sheet. We clip from the "Record" a few items:

#### Our Camp Life

As many of our readers may wish to know how we soldiers pass away our time, and what our duties are, we present them with the following list, from which, unless otherwise ordered, we never deviate. It is "a dull routine of life indeed."

At five o'clock a.m. the familiar voice of Harry Bingham's "Young America" awakes us – the reveille is beaten and several companies fall in for roll call.

From half past five until half past seven, we are drilled in the school of the soldier – the manual of arms.

The next step is to prepare and devour the soldier's breakfast.

At eight o'clock we have guard mounting.

The remainder of the forenoon is occupied by the men in drilling, cleaning the uniforms and accouterments, and other little duties.

At five o'clock p.m. we have our dress parade and battalion drill, which occupies two hours and a half.

At nine o'clock the roll is again called and at half past nine tattoo is beaten and lights extinguished.

#### Our Health

Not withstanding, the continued hot weather since our departure from home, and the unavoidable change in the diet, the health of our men has been remarkably good. No serious cases of illness have occurred within our knowledge.

There are, certainly, many instances of temporary disability, but even those are growing less frequent than might naturally be expected.

## Cedarburg June 28, 1861

## Traitors at Home

In the seceding States all expression of Union sentiments is suppressed. Union men are under ban. It is worth their lives to acknowledge that they still retain loyal sentiments. Thus all knowledge of the number and strength of the Union men in those States is kept undisclosed.

At the North the unanimity of the people is so great, the loyal sentiment is so strong, that we do not fear to acknowledge the existence of a small class, who are rank traitors at heart, and fully sympathize with Jeff Davis and Wigfall; and we permit them to publish newspapers, and disseminate their treasonable sentiments, upon the Jeffersonian principle, "as monuments of the safety with which error opinion may be tolerated where reason is felt free to combat it."

As a case in point, as well as to preserve it for future reference, we subjoin a letter from Fred W. Horn, which is addressed to the Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, and published by him in the *Milwaukee News*, without a word or sign of dissent. It needs no comment. It is simply the utterance of a man whose sympathies are all with the cause secession, and who would gladly embarrass and cripple the action of the loyal states in aiding the cause of the Constitution and the Union.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

Robert "Bob" Dude, Round Table member since 2009, passed away on August 23, 2020 at the age of 77.

Bob and his wife, Mary Ann, were married for 44 years. He was the devoted father of Ricky (Cathy) Dude, Dr. Annie (Dr. Michael Abern) Dude and Dr. Carolynn (Marco Rathjen) Dude. He was also the proud grandfather of Ricky (Leia Morris) Jr. Dude and Danielle Dude, Lena, Remment, Max Rathjen, Violet and Willow Abern. He was the fond great grandfather of Clara Theuerkorn, Xavier Dude and Linus Dude. He was the brother of Jeff Dude.

Visitation was held on September 1, 2020. Per Bob's wishes, the family will have an Irish Wake at a later date.



Winston Groom, Civil War author and prolific writer, passed away on September 16, 2020. Groom is best known for his book *Forrest Gump*.

Groom graduated from the University of Alabama in 1965 and then served four years in the US Army, including a tour of duty in Vietnam. After he returned stateside, he was a reporter for the *Washington Star* before focusing on writing novels, according to the University of Alabama.

Forrest Gump would be his best-selling book. Groom published a sequel titled Gump and Co. Alabama Governor Kay Ivey called him one of the state's "most gifted writers." As a Civil War author Winston Groom wrote: Vicksburg, 1862; Shiloh, 1862; and Shrouds of Glory: From Atlanta to Nashville: The Last Great Campaign of the Civil War.

His book *Conversations with the Enemy*, which followed a Marine during the Vietnam War, was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in general nonfiction in 1984.

♣ And Flights of Angels Guide Him to His Rest ♣



Please see pages 11-12 for the article about the passing of this legendary warrior, historian, and friend.

## MILWAUKEE CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE 2020-2021 SPEAKER SCHEDULE

September 10, 2020 Ted Savas

Lost and Found: The Archaeology of the Battle of Payne's Farm

October 8, 2020 Rob Girardi

Lincoln and the Common Soldier

November 12, 2020 John R. Scales

> The Battle and Campaign of General Nathan Bedford Forrest

December 10, 2020 **Dave Powell** 

> Union Command Failure in the Shenandoah: Maj. Gen. Franz Sigel and War in the Valley of Virginia, May 1864

January 7, 2021 TBA

February 11, 2021 Leslie Goddard

Presenting Clara Barton

**TBA** March 11, 2021

Topic To Be Determined

Ron Kirkwood April 8, 2021

Too Much for Human Endurance

May 13, 2021 Michael Hardy

General Lee's Immortals

June 10, 2021 A. Wilson Greene

Re-assessing Grant and Lee in the Overland Campaign

Speakers/topics remain subject to change, especially due to the fluid Covid situation. We appreciate your understanding!



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Would you like to receive an email reminder before each meeting? How about an email telling you about a special or upcoming Civil War event in our area? If you are interested in receiving an email reminder/notification please send your email address to Grant Johnson at: grant.johnson@responsory.com

Grant will be creating a database with email reminders set to go out a week before the scheduled event. This is a purely optional choice on each member's part. If you have any questions please talk to Grant at a Round Table meeting or email him at the listed email address.

peilbes@gmail.com

## Milwaukee Civil War Round Table Dinner Reservation for October 8, 2020

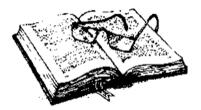
Mail your reservations by Monday, October 5 to: Call or email reservations to: **Paul Eilbes** (262) 376-0568

1809 Washington Avenue

Cedarburg, WI 53012-9730

Enclosed is \$ (meal is \$30.00 per person) for people for the October 8, 2020 meeting of the Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee. (Please make checks payable to the Civil War Round Table of Milwaukee, Inc.)

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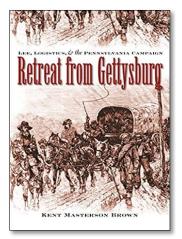


# BETWEEN THE COVERS

# Retreat from Gettysburg

Lee, Logistics, and the Pennsylvania Campaign

**Kent Masterson Brown** 



This is my fourth book on the Battle of Gettysburg. Published in 2005 by UNC Press, it covers the final actions on the battle – the retreat.

Many of us are apt to picture armies and their components as tidy blocks occupying discrete points on the maps in military histories, or as counters in the hexagons of game boards. Mr. Brown demolishes this simplistic view with intricate depictions of the vast, messy physical dimensions of a 19th century army, with its sprawling conglomeration of regiments, guns, wagons, horses, mules, scouts, foraging parties, hospitals, ambulances, couriers, and stragglers. Kent Brown sets the stage for the myriad of issues Lee had to plan for in extricating his army from the battlefield while dealing with a number of scenarios. First, Lee had to plan his retreat to protect the survival of his fighting strength. Second, he had to see to it that all his logistical train got back to Virginia soil as well as all the livestock his army had foraged from Union land. This was one of Lee's reasons for invading Union soil, to improve his army's sustenance situation. Third, he had to bring back as many of his wounded as possible.

What Lee didn't know was that as a result of the battle Meade's army was in about the same shape as Lee's army. Both forces were still armies to be reckoned with and could defeat each other given the right circumstances, but Meade's supply base was 25 or more miles from Gettysburg. His soldiers hadn't eaten in 3-4 days as he maneuvered to catch up to Lee. The troops were exhausted after 3 days of hard combat. Supply wagons did not begin to move from the temporary Union base until late in Day 2 of the fight. Cavalry horses in many cases were near the burnout point in many of the units; hard riding and fighting wore them out like their riders. I found this point very interesting, especially since neither Lincoln nor Halleck seemed to realize this point in prodding Meade to further action and were disappointed when Lee managed to escape. I found that Mr. Brown did an excellent job in pointing out that armies do truly move "on their stomach". Brown points out that Meade did, however, utilize his cavalry and infantry to attack and harass the Confederate columns with some success. Weather also hindered both sides as they attempted to move as the rain was terrific for a couple of days after the battle. What that did was to turn roads into quagmires making them near impassable by the large number of men, beasts, wagons, and artillery using the same poor roads leading to the Potomac and through limited mountain passes. It's hard to imagine a wagon train over 20 miles long in today's time, moving down roads churned to soup.

Of note is the treatment of blacks, both slave and free in the Army of Northern Virginia. This topic generates controversy but is presented in a straightforward factual manner that adds importance to the book. Much of the personnel in the Army of Northern Virginia's supply trains were black and most units had a number of slaves with them. Kent Brown tells the story of these men during the retreat without sensationalism. He makes no effort to minimize the essential services they provided to the army and their masters. Their story is woven into the very fabric of the retreat and together produces a compelling honest book.

Another important point that Mr. Brown highlights is that "Lee's campaign into Pennsylvania was a foraging expedition carried out on an immense scale and that it succeeded in bringing back to Virginia the enormous stores and herds of livestock that he did, was never understood by Southern civilians or newspaper reporters." It extended the life of Lee's army and guaranteed that Lee's men had flour and fresh meat for several months and horses and mules had fodder through the rest of summer. He also argues that the retreat from Gettysburg at a minimum turned a tactical defeat and a potential strategic disaster into a kind of victory for Lee and his army.

I liked this book quite a bit. It is a story you rarely hear about and perhaps don't realize that this might have been the key piece in the Battle of Gettysburg. I believe this is a book that any student of the Civil War has to have on their book shelf to really understand the impact of logistics and battle during this war and how retrograde operations and their detailed planning are perhaps more important than the actual result of the battle.

submitted by Bruce Klem



## BETWEEN THE COVERS

# **Lincoln's Spies**

## Their Secret War to Save the Nation

**Douglas Waller** 

This review is on a new book just published on August 6, 2020 by Simon & Schuster. The author, Douglas Waller, is a former correspondent for *Newsweek* and *Time*, covering the CIA, Pentagon, State Department, White House and Congress. He has written a number of books and this is his latest work. This particular book was sent to Round Table member and Treasurer, Paul Eilbes, as an early release for the purpose of a review and preview for our membership. I found this to be an interesting, well-written book on a topic I have not read much about.

Mr. Waller's book is focused on four of the main players in the spying and intelligence arena. The people that he develops in his book are Allen Pinkerton, Lafayette Baker, Colonel George Sharpe, and Elizabeth Van Lew. These people were all instrumental in providing information of mostly substance to Union leadership. This, while sometimes a mixed bag of vital and accurate information of their actions, provided a baseline for the use of intelligence in military operations.

Mr. Waller provides detailed information about each individual, showing their lives and how their roles became a vital source of military information to the Army of the Potomac, President Lincoln and his cabinet and General Grant. He deals with Pinkerton's relationship with McClellan and points out that despite being a great leader in the detective business he remained off base on all his estimates of Confederate strength. Waller points out though, that perhaps since McClellan's own estimates were high Pinkerton tended to have his estimates mirror McClellan's and that may have been due to developing and cementing his friendship and favor. Waller shows how Pinkerton developed his detective agency which was a very good agency for its time but perhaps he was a bit out of his element in developing military intelligence. Pinkerton used agents throughout the Confederacy to determine its' strength. Some of the data his agents sent back was useful but he never achieved numerical accuracy of strength.

Elizabeth Van Lew was a woman living in Richmond and was a strong Unionist. She maintained her stance for the Union throughout the war and established a spy ring of fellow Unionists, slaves and free blacks that provided valuable information of the condition of the South to Northern leadership. Even though under intense scrutiny by Confederate counteragents, she managed to continue operations throughout the war and even, on occasion, helping escaped Union prisoners return to the North. She survived the war and, in spite of Southern pushback, she was awarded some important positions in the postwar South. Unfortunately, Van Lew eventually fell into poverty in her last years. Hers is truly an interesting tale as detailed in this book.

Lafayette Baker not only developed his own spy ring, but also worked on counter espionage in the DC area and surrounding territory. He made efforts to clamp down on crime and corruption with somewhat mixed reviews. He eventually over- stepped his authority so often that he fell out of favor. Baker's efforts to take complete credit for the capture of John Wilkes Booth was perhaps his last over-step as he felt that he was eventually cheated out of substantial reward due to Stanton's interference.

Colonel (later General) George Sharpe was perhaps the most critical in being a forerunner in developing the acquisition, interpretation and use of military intelligence information on the battlefield. Sharpe pulled together information from all sources into valuable information for Union commanders that they could plan campaigns around. Sharpe's efforts became "the how to" for integrating information into determining how best to plan military operations by identifying an accurate picture of the enemy's situation and giving the commander the ability to plan his attack to best take advantage of the enemy's weakness. General Sharpe went on to have an excellent military career.

I found this to be a very interesting, detailed work on the Union efforts to obtain military information on the Confederacy and put it to use. This is an area that receives little press and few works on the subject, so I believe Mr. Waller's work hits the nail on the head in bringing to life Union spying operations during the Civil War. I think this is a must read for any student of the war who is looking for information on how military intelligence was developed and used during the war.

submitted by Bruce Klem

# Wanderings



Wanderings don't always have to be physical wanderings through a battlefield. Sometimes, Wanderings can be in the form of a memory. In this issue Andy Oren, a 40-year Round Table member, looks back at how he was introduced to our Round Table and shares his memories of a very special man.

## Remembering

I recently received a letter from Paul Eilbes informing me I was to be honored for my forty years of membership in the Round Table. Forty years is a long time no matter how you look at it so I wanted to take a moment here to remember a very special man, Russell Fay. It was Russ who introduced me to the Round Table and who eventually sponsored my membership. We met in 1977 at a small Civil War reenactment in Wind Lake. I was participating and Russ came out to check us out. Somehow we got talking and realized we had a mutual interest in the Civil War and especially in books on the subject.

When we met I was 22 and Russ was 51. You wouldn't think two guys 29 years apart in age could become great pals but we did. Russ, and his wife, Bev, had three sons but none of them shared Russ' interest in the Civil War so I soon became "the fourth Fay boy." Our friendship really took off when Russ retired from Allen Bradley in 1984 and he and Bev became empty nesters. By this time I was actively buying and selling Civil War books so Russ and I began traveling to Civil War shows together. For many years we did the Wheaton show and would always stay with one of Russ' old army buddies who lived nearby. We often did the Ohio show and several times we went on from there to visit Gettysburg.

It was on these long drives that I really got to know this remarkable man. Russ grew up during the depression and this left its mark on him. It gave him an appreciation for simple things. Give Russ a jar of peanut butter and he was a happy man! I knew he had served in the Field Artillery in World War II. He went into the army at 18 years old. He told me that "You just did it." You didn't need to think about it. It had to be done so you went. It was years before he told me some of what he experienced, images that would haunt him the rest of his life.

As the years went by we became closer yet. We talked at least once a week and those calls generally always opened with a joke or two. Russ loved a good clean joke. When he discovered the internet he sent them via e-mail. Russ was the president of our Round Table when he passed away unexpectedly in December of 2001. For a year or so after that I couldn't come to our meetings because everywhere I looked at the Wisconsin Club I saw Russ, usually with a martini in hand.

There are so many memories I have of our times together that I could go on and on but I'll wrap up with one of our Gettysburg stories. My son, Paul, who was 14 at the time, went along with Russ and I, something that really made that trip special to me. Paul was stunned when he saw Russ getting out of bed our first night out. Russ remains the only man I've ever known who actually wore a nightshirt to bed. When Russ passed, his wife gifted my son with that nightshirt! My son is now 40 years old and a while ago he called and said, "I just came across Russ' nightshirt...I know I'll never wear it but I just can't throw it away!"

What with these crazy Covid days I'm not sure when I'll next get to a Round Table meeting but when I do I'm going to ask for a moment of privilege and invite you all to raise a glass in memory of Russell Fay...the finest man I've ever known.

Respectfully submitted, Andy Oren

# A Loss of Giants

by General Longwind

The giants are disappearing, Alexander, Bearss, Groom, and more Who will leave us next, we ask, For that unfamiliar shore?

They have left us, yes, Gifted pens forever stilled. But, oh, we thank them for the joy, The hours their works have filled. Richer by far for what they wrote, This nation owes a debt To those who tell our story With much unwritten yet.

So, thank you, boys, for history told, For tales of blue and gray. And with your loss we humbly ask, Send more giants for today.



<u>Through the Looking Glass</u> features are intended to tell the stories of common folks of the Civil War, whether they are civilians or military personnel. If you have access to the story of an ordinary citizen of this war-torn era and are willing to share it with our Round Table, please consider submitting it to Donna Agnelly, editor of our <u>General Orders</u>. Thank you!

## **ELIZABETH VAN LEW**

I do not know how they can call me a spy serving my own country within its recognized borders...for my loyalty am I now to be branded as a spy – by my own country, for which I was willing to lay down my life? Is that honorable or honest. God knows.



Since one of our book reviews this month is on Lincoln's spies in which Elizabeth Van Lew is cited, it seems the perfect time to take a closer look at Elizabeth Van Lew through the looking glass.

Elizabeth Van Lew was born on October 12, 1818 in Richmond, Virginia to northern-born parents John Van Lew and Eliza Baker Van Lew. The family would become integrated into Richmond's high society and eventually built the family mansion in the upper-class neighborhood of Church Hill. The family also owned a farm which was worked by slaves owned by the family; this farm would become an important part in Elizabeth's Richmond spy ring during the Civil War.

Elizabeth received her education in the north where she attended a Quaker school; this may have been where her anti-slavery sentiments and Northern support took root. She would return to Richmond and be presented as a Southern "belle" but although she was

active in society she never married. She and her father never saw eye-to-eye on the issue of slavery and when he died in 1843 the first thing Elizabeth did was free the family slaves. Some would stay on with the family as paid servants but other would leave, never to be seen again.

Although Elizabeth was staunchly against slavery she did not consider herself an abolitionist. Years after the war she would write, "I was never an abolitionist. Abolitionists are fanatics who will stop at nothing to achieve their goals. I have always spoken out against slavery, for which I paid dearly in the loss of many friends. But I was never a fanatic."

At the start of the war, Elizabeth and her mother, Eliza, were asked to join the Richmond ladies in making clothing for Confederate soldiers. The pair first declined but after finding themselves victims of criticism and threats, they agreed – reluctantly – to deliver religious books to the Confederate camps.

After First Bull Run, Elizabeth started to hear stories on how bad conditions were for Federal prisoners at Libby Prison. She was able to convince General John Winder to permit herself and her mother to bring food and other provisions to the Union prisoners. The mother and daughter used these opportunities to also pass messages to and from the prison and help prisoners escape. The duo would continue to stage public outings where they were seen helping Confederate soldiers and even boarded prison warden Captain George C. Gibbs in their home to allay the suspicion that they were Union sympathizers.

In December 1863, General Benjamin Butler recruited Elizabeth as a spy for the Union army. Throughout the war she would create a spy network of at least 12 people, white and black, to help collect information from the Confederates to bring back to the Union. In addition to her spy activities, she continued to remain involved in aiding Libby prisoners. In the ill-fated Kilpatrick-Dahlgren raid to free prisoners, Dahlgren was killed and after hanging his body on display at the railroad depot it was secretly buried. Elizabeth, using her spy network, was able to locate where the body was buried, recover it and rebury it in a safe location until it could be given to the Dahlgren family at the war's conclusion.

When General Grant moved his army closer to Richmond Elizabeth was able to communicate directly with him and was able to provide him with a copy of the *Richmond Daily Dispatch* on a daily basis – her spy network was so good. General Sharpe, Grant's Chief of Secret Service would state after the war: "The greater portion of our intelligence in 1864-65 in its collection and in good measure in its transmission, we owed to the intelligence and devotion of Miss Elizabeth Van Lew."

Post-war, Grant would reward Elizabeth's wartime efforts by naming her Postmistress of Richmond; she would hold the post from 1869-1877, earning \$1,200 a year. After that period, she went to Washington and held a clerk's position in the postmaster's office. Elizabeth would return to Richmond years later and would write: "No one will walk with us (she and her invalid niece) on the street. No one will go with us anywhere; and it grows worse and worse as the years roll on." In addition to being branded a spy and traitor by the society she grew up in, she was also labeled "crazy," "eccentric," and "mad," which gave her the nickname "Crazy Bet."

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Elizabeth Van Lew died at her home, surrounded by relatives, in 1900. She is buried in Richmond's Shockoe-Hill Cemetery. Her headstone reads: "She risked everything that is dear to man – friends, fortune, comfort, health, life itself, all for the one absorbing desire of her heart – that slavery might be abolished and the Union preserved." The headstone was a gift from Boston relatives of Colonel Paul Revere, grandson of the famous Paul Revere and one of the escaped prisoners she harbored in her home during the war. The Revere family along with other wealthy Bostonians Elizabeth helped during the war, regularly gave her money in her later years – Elizabeth survived on that income until her death – still an outcast, never forgiven or accepted, in the city she grew up in.

submitted by: Donna Agnelly

# HISTORY & PRESERVATION COMMUNITY MOURNS LOSS OF LEGENDARY HISTORIAN **EDWIN COLE BEARSS**

Washington, D.C.) — Legendary military historian and preservationist Edwin Cole Bearss passed away Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020, peacefully and surrounded by family, at the age of 97. A decorated U.S. Marine veteran of the Pacific Theater of World War II, he attended college and graduate school on the GI Bill before pursuing a distinguished career in the National Park Service, ultimately rising to be chief historian of that agency in 1981. As one of the powerful voices in the Ken Burns documentary, The Civil War, he brought history alive for millions of Americans with his deep voice and evocative descriptions, a style once described by the Washington Post as nearly "Homeric monologues." Although a prolific author on topics in military history, Bearss was particularly dedicated to the importance of preserved landscapes enhance our understanding of the past. He was among the originators of the modern battlefield preservation movement and a devoted tour guide, travelling up to 200 days per year into his 90s.

"For those of us who value the preservation and perpetuation of American history, few figures are more revered than Ed Bearss. His knowledge, passion and energy were without equal, and he will be missed tremendously by so many," said American Battlefield Trust President James Lighthizer, "Ed's decades-long commitment to protecting special places and making the stories of our past come to life laid the groundwork for organizations like ours, which will embody his legacy for generations to come. The Trust — our board and staff, as well as our members and supporters — send deepest condolences to the entire Bearss family."

Bearss, born on June 26, 1923, grew up on a Montana cattle ranch just outside the Crow Indian Reservation that includes the Little Bighorn Battlefield. Although he gravitated toward history at an early age, his passion was the Civil War – he even called his favorite milk cow "Antietam." After graduating from high school in 1941, he spent the summer hitchhiking across the country to visit battlefields. Bearss returned home and, after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, followed in the footsteps of his father and Medal of Honor–recipient older cousin to enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps. He left for the South Pacific in mid-July 1942 but was severely wounded on January 2, 1944 during the Battle of Suicide Creek on the island of New Britain, injuries that limited his dexterity for the remainder of his life.

After recovery and discharge, Bearss went to college and graduate school on a version of the GI Bill for veterans with disabilities. While researching his master's thesis on Confederate Maj. Gen. Patrick Cleburne, he had an epiphany during a visit to Shiloh National Military Park. "I'd already realized from my service in the Marine Corps that if you're hit by small arms fire, they pretty well have to see you," he later recalled during an oral history project for the Trust. "I lived rather than died because I used the configuration of the terrain to get out of there." That hard-earned lesson in terrain helped him better understand how history could be gleaned from historic battlefield landscapes.

Bearss resolved to become a historian within the National Park Service, helping others understand the inherent connection between physical landscapes and history. His first posting was at Vicksburg, Miss., where he met his wife, fellow historian Margie Riddle, who passed away in 2006. His tireless research led to the discovery and raising of the ironclad USS Cairo, which is preserved within a museum that is now a fixture of Vicksburg National Military Park. In 1958, he was promoted to regional historian and played a key role in shaping the two new parks created as part of the Civil War centennial: Pea Ridge National Military Park and Wilson's Creek National Battlefield. In 1966, he was called to Washington, D.C., to join a new corps of research historians and became involved in various preservation battles.

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Bearss was named chief historian of the National Park Service in 1981, and late that decade and into the next he was a key figure in the early years of the modern battlefield preservation movement. He served on the Congressionally appointed Civil War Sites Advisory Commission and was an early board member of the Civil War Trust, a predecessor organization of the American Battlefield Trust. He retained a position on that governing body as historian emeritus until his death.

Whether acting on behalf of the Trust or other organizations, including the Smithsonian Institution, Bearss was perhaps the greatest battlefield guide to ever walk a historic landscape. Writing in Smithsonian Magazine in 2005, author Adam Goodheart described his presentation style as being a "battlefield voice, a kind of booming growl, like an ancient wax-cylinder record amplified to full volume—about the way you'd imagine William Tecumseh Sherman sounding the day he burned Atlanta, with a touch of Teddy Roosevelt charging up San Juan Hill." Tours at Trust events led by Bearss invariably booked up, often within hours, even when all options included industry-leading experts.

Bearss is the recipient of numerous awards in the fields of history and preservation; the America Battlefield Trust has named its lifetime achievement award in his honor and dedicated a monument to his achievements on Champion Hill Battlefield in Mississippi. He wrote extensively, including a three-volume history of the Vicksburg Campaign, and was a regular guest on programs for the History Channel, A&E Networks and TLC, as well as appearing throughout Ken Burns's iconic documentary The Civil War. He is also a past recipient of the Iron Brigade Association Award given by the Milwaukee Civil War Round Table and Iron Brigade Association.

At the request of the Bearss Family, in lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Ed Bearss may be made to the American Battlefield Trust. Recognizing the special place that these battlefields held in his heart, such gifts will be used to secure additional lands associated with the Vicksburg Campaign. Please visit www.battlefields.org/RememberingBearss for more information.

Ted Savas from Savas Beatie publications remembered Ed:

When he was suffering from dehydration at Gettysburg and collapsed a few years back he looked up and saw Howard's statue and in his unique way said "God, take me when you want, but my God not under the shadow of O.O. Howard! Can't I die by Hancock!" or words to that effect.

Let us hope he and Hancock are together now. If they are, Ed is pointing his walking stick this way and that, asking Hancock questions.

I was fortunate enough to work with Ed on several book projects, for which I am grateful.

Rest in Peace my friend.

Ted and all of us here at Savas Beatie

The Civil War community has lost a giant. Ed Bearrs was unique and irreplaceable. There is indeed a new vacant chair. Rest in peace Ed – we all thank you for your lifetime of service.

May flights of angels guide him to his rest.

#### ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMING FROM THE KENOSHA CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

Free Lecture Programs. No Registration Required. Friday, October 9, 2020 - Noon

The Other Civil War in Mexico

Presented by: Phil Angelo

At the same time the U.S. was torn apart by Civil War, Mexico was embroiled in its own conflict, as France took the opportunity to intervene in Mexico, setting up Maximilian, an Austrian, as the Emperor of Mexico. How the two conflicts fed off each other and influenced each other will be discussed. The Mexican-Confederate border along the Rio Grande was a key hole in the blockade. It's a story with heroic and tragic figures: Benito Juarez, who maintained Mexico's independence against great odds; the executed Maximilian, his bereaved widow Carlotta; and Porfirio Diaz who emerged to lead Mexico for a half-century. Learn how, even today, a relic from Mexico is one of the most treasured military items in France.

Friday, October 30, 2020 - Noon

Lincoln and the Presidential Campaign of 1860

**Presented by: Doug Dammann** 

What were the experiences of Abraham Lincoln as he prepared for the November 6, 1860 Presidential Election? What was he doing? How did he campaign and market himself? How did he and his running mate get along? Are there any parallels between modern campaigning and what Lincoln and his supporters did in 1860? This program will consider these questions and look at the daily and monthly actions of Abraham Lincoln to try and answer some of these questions.

## **Civil War Museum Workshops**

Please pre-register for these through the website or by calling 262-653-4140

For the virtual workshops hosted on Zoom, a meeting invite will be sent out to all registrants the day before the workshop. The evening of the program, registrants will use that invite to join the meeting.

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 - 6:30-8:30

The Iron Brigade and the Battle of Gainesville

**Presented by: Lance Herdegen** 

THIS WORKSHOP WILL BE HOSTED IN PERSON AT THE MUSEUM. THERE IS A 10 PERSON MAXIMUM

\$20/\$15 Friends of the Museum

The first major battle for the four Western regiments which would become the Iron Brigade came the late afternoon of August 28, 1862, west of the old battlefield of First Bull Run. For 90 minutes in the gathering darkness, the regiments fought elements of Stonewall Jackson's army in what would be the opening phases of Second Bull Run. The Black Hats called the fighting Gainesville, but it is known now as Brawner's Farm. It was the first of four pitched battles in a space of three weeks. Lance Herdegen examines new sources on the battle, what was learned by the brigade, and how it affected the fighting at Second Bull Run, South Mountain and Antietam.

Tuesday, October 20, 2020 - 6:30-8:00 p.m. Virtual Workshop hosted on Zoom

**Top Ten Myths of Shiloh** 

Presented by: Dr. Timothy Smith \$15/\$10 Friends of the Museum

There are a lot of misconceptions out there about Shiloh, Ulysses S. Grant himself remarking that it was the most misunderstood battle of the war. In preparation for the upcoming tour of Shiloh in 2021, we need to start with the basics and determine fact from fiction. Before we get into the real story of the battlefield itself, it is helpful to discuss some of the most prevailing misconceptions of the battle. As a result, this workshop will examine the top ten myths of Shiloh, placing them in context of when they came about and why they are faulty. Only once we have dug out the myths can we then concentrate on the real story.

Thursday, October 22 - 6:30-8:00 p.m. Virtual Workshop hosted on Zoom

**Ambrose Bierce: One of America's Greatest Horror Writers** 

Presented by: Steve Acker \$15/\$10 Friends of the Museum

The writings of Ohio native Ambrose Bierce combine the graphic descriptions of the Civil War that only a veteran can provide plus the narrative skills of one of America's great writers. Known as Bitter Bierce, his stories are often sharp satires of human folly, intense journeys into the Civil War, or horror stories sure to keep Stephen King up at night. The Civil War Museum is proud to announce a Zoom workshop on this often little known, but highly influential author. During this meeting, we will look at the man, his feelings about humanity, then some of his best short stories, in both the Civil War and horror genres. To facilitate a rich Zoom discussion, once you sign up, the instructor will send you materials.

Tuesday, October 27, 2020 - 6:30-8:00 p.m.

The Strange and the Supernatural of the Civil War

THIS WORKSHOP WILL BE HOSTED IN PERSON AT THE MUSEUM. THERE IS A 10 PERSON MAXIMUM.

Presented by: Jenn Edginton and Doug Dammann

\$15/\$10 Friends of the Museum

At this unique experience, staff will dim the lights of the Fiery Trial Gallery of the Civil War Museum to show off some of the strange and macabre aspects of the gallery. Did the bodies of deceased soldiers glow on the battlefield? Did Mary Lincoln host séances in the White House and why? Did soldiers have premonitions of their own death before battle? The tour will explore the spookier stories and artifacts from the Upper Midwest experience of the Civil War.



# NEW AMERICAN BATTLEFIELD TRUST PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED

I write to you today with some very exciting news: After conducting an eight-month nationwide executive search utilizing the services of an independent firm to find my successor, the Board of Trustees has unanimously selected David Duncan, currently the Trust's Chief Development Officer, as our new president, effective October 1, 2020. Please let me tell you why I believe this is the best possible news for our organization.

David has worked side by side with me for the past 20 years, as we have both dedicated two decades of our professional lives to this organization and to this cause. David has played a key role in many, if not most, of the organization's successes over the years, with he and his teams raising nearly \$240 million from the private sector, which has led to the preservation of more than 53,000 acres of hallowed ground. There is no one else who has worked more closely with me since March of 2000, with literally thousands of substantive discussions between us about tactics, strategy, management, mission, fundraising, board relations, personnel, advocacy, organizational structure, culture and philosophy, and dozens of other relevant topics. David already has a deep knowledge of the functions of all departments, as well as the support of his colleagues, so there is no doubt he will hit the ground running, and the organization will not miss a beat.

As he is taking the reins of the organization in the middle of global pandemic and a time of deep economic uncertainty, he faces significant challenges. But again, if you know him from our events, or from the thousands of personal handwritten notes he has penned on thank-you letters over the years, I think you will agree there are few – if any – more prepared to step into this role at this time. His relentlessly positive attitude and deep passion for this cause, along with the help and support of dedicated members like you, will help ensure our success going forward.

David believes that we are accomplishing work that is vital to the country, and through his unique combination of experience, knowledge, and skills, he understands the depth of the challenges and opportunities we face. He also understands fully how important you and your fellow members have been in making the Trust the premier historic preservation organization in America. You will be hearing more about David's vision for the organization in the coming days, but I want you to know that I support the Board's decision 100 percent, and I know he is ready to build on the success that we have already achieved. He is passionate about preservation, and as the son, husband, father, and brother of teachers, he is just as passionate about education.

As for me, I am gratified to be able to tell you that I will remain involved in the organization, first as an on-call advisor to David as he transitions into his new role over the next six months, and also as a member of the Board of Trustees with the title of President Emeritus, working on special projects from time to time. As I have said before, my health is fine, but I will be 75 years old next spring, and this is a natural time for me to transition into retirement. I am grateful beyond words for the support and encouragement I have received from members like you over the years, and I am more proud of what we have accomplished together for the good of our country than anything else I have done in my life. Now, as we all must do, it is time for me to pass on the baton, and I do so with a very glad heart.

Please join me in congratulating David as he assumes this new role, and please do me the honor supporting him as you have supported me. Our work to preserve, educate, and inspire is so important for the future of our nation – we need you now more than ever. Thank you.

In grateful appreciation,

Jim Lighthizer President American Battlefield Trust

P.S. For additional resources on this transition, please visit our website at <a href="www.battlefields.org/transition">www.battlefields.org/transition</a>, and thank you again for your dedication, generosity, and commitment to the American Battlefield Trust.

## **NEW FROM SAVAS BEATIE PUBLICATIONS**

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The Forgotten Campaign That Changed the Course of the Civil War June 23 – July 4, 1863

By: David A. Powell and Eric J. Wittenberg

• Patriots Twice

Former Confederates and the Building of America after the Civil War By: Stephen M. Hood

• Germantown

A Military History of the Battle for Philadelphia, October 4, 1777 By: Michael C. Harris

 Defending the Arteries of Rebellion Confederate Naval Operations in the Mississippi River Valley 1861-1865

By: Neil P. Chatelain

The Maps of the Cavalry in the Gettysburg Campaign
 An Atlas of Mounted Operations from Brandy Station through Falling Waters
 June 9 – July 14, 1863
 By: Bradley M. Gottfried

#### REPRINTS FROM SAVAS BEATIE PUBLICATIONS

The Maps of Chickamauga
 An Atlas of the Chickamauga Campaign Including the Tullahoma Operations
 June 22 – September 23, 1863
 By: David Powell with Cartography by: David Friedrichs

• The Maps of Antietam

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