

"The Late Unpleasantness" September 2008



South Bay Civil War Round Table

San Jose, California

September 39th Meeting
Speaker: Tom Roza, on
"John Buford at Gettysburg"

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I begin my second year as President of the SBCWRT (South Bay Civil War Round Table) I am enthusiastic about both our organization and our program year for 2008 -2009.

For those who were unable to attend our annual picnic/barbeque last month we missed you - and you missed an afternoon of good Food, Fellowship, and Fun.

My special thanks to Renee and Mary Ann Accornero for their generous hospitality in serving as our host. Our appreciation to Larry Comstock for, once again, being an "excellent chef" - and to Marillyn Comstock for her assistance in the collection of dues and fees, as well as helping to organize and coordinate all the delicious food items.

I thank each of the returning officers for their willingness to "stay the course" and remain on the board for another year - Larry Comstock, Vice-President, Renee Accornero, Treasurer, Kevin Martinez, Secretary, Bob Krauth, Newsletter Editor, Bill Noyes, Publicity, John Herberich, Preservation, Fred Rohrer, Membership, and Bob Hubbs, Past President. I look forward to continue working with each of you.

Certainly a highlight, of a most enjoyable picnic afternoon, was Jack Leather's presentation on "George Thomas - the Rock of Chickmauga". Jack is not only a prolific writer but a dynamic speaker. Jack comprehensively recounted the life of George Thomas, beginning with a vivid account of his

leadership at the Battle of Chickamauga on September 19-20, 1863 - the battle that earned him the nickname of the "Rock of Chickamauga". An outstanding job, Jack.

Our new program year "kicks off" with two exciting presentations - our own Tom Roza, speaking on "John Buford at Gettysburg" at our September meeting and Fred Bohmfalk presenting "Baseball During the Civil War" at our October meeting. These are two programs I am sure you will not want to miss.

24th ANNUAL WEST COAST
CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE
CONFERENCE

November 7 - 9, 2008

Clovis, CA

"The Civil War in the Shenandoah
Valley"

(Registration Form on page 5)



Regretfully I will be unable to attend our September meeting as I will be both out of the state and out of the country. Larry Comstock, our Vice-President will preside over the meeting in my absence. So, mark your calendars and make plans to attend the September 30th meeting at Holder's Inn. I will look forward to seeing each of you at the October meeting.

I hope your 4th of July was enjoyable, with some time for celebration, fun, and relaxation.
Gary Moore, President

Guess who? *The above print is "Morning Riders" by Mort Kunstler*

July Quiz Answers "Gettysburg" by Larry Comstock

1. What was the date of the early-morning replacement of General Hooker by General Mead as Commander of the Army of the Potomac? **July 28, 1863**
2. What general was retained as head of the left-wing of the Army of the Potomac? **John Reynolds**
3. What three Corps did this general command? **First, Eleventh, and Third**
4. What general believed he was head of the right-wing of the Army of the Potomac? **Henry Slocum**
5. What Confederate general led the Army of Northern Virginia into Pennsylvania? **James Ewell**
6. What Confederate general was the first to start the Battle of Gettysburg? **A.P. Hill**
7. Name all the Union generals that had the overall responsibility for the field of battle at Gettysburg on the first day. **Reynolds, Doubleday, Howard, and Slocum**
8. What physical feature was located at the tip of the salient in the III Corp's line on July 2? **Sherfy Peach Orchard**
9. Whose Union brigade held Little Round Top against the Confederate attack on July 3? **Strong Vincent**

10. What regiments constituted this brigade? **20th Maine, 83rd Pennsylvania, 44th New York, 16th Michigan**
11. What Union corps occupied Culp's Hill on July 2? **12 corps with some assistance from the 11th Corps**
12. What Union corps arrived last at Gettysburg on July 2? **Six Corps**
13. What Confederate general led a brigade that crossed the Emittsburg Road and almost reached the Copse of Trees on July 2? **Ambrose Wright**
14. What was the name of the river on the east side of Culp's Hill? **Rock Creek**
15. What Union Brigadier General led his brigade in the defense of Culp's Hill against a Confederate division on the evening of July 2? **George Greene**
16. What was the name of the family whose house was the center of assaults in front of Ziegler's Grove on July 3? **Bliss**
17. Who were the Confederate generals that led divisions in the assault on Cemetery Ridge on July 3? **Pickett, Pettigrew and Trimble**
18. What happened to the three Confederate generals during the assault on July 3? **Pickett and Pettigrew survived. Trimble was wounded and captured.**
19. What Union corps was at the center of the Confederate assault on July 3? **Two Corps**
20. What did George Pickett say to General Lee after the assault on July 3? **"General Lee, I have no Division" or words to that effect**

FUTURE PROGRAMS -- LOOKING AHEAD

MONTH

October
November
December

TOPIC

"Baseball during the Civil War"
"John Brown - a History and Photo Chronology"
No Meeting

SPEAKER

Fred Bohmfalk
Jean Libby

SPECIAL NOTE OF NEW WEB-SITE

Visit our new, expanded and easy-to-access Web-Site at www.sbcwrt.org. Our special thanks to **Hal Jespersen** for his time, effort and expertise in the design/format of the new web-site. Hal will also assist, as time permits, with monthly updates and related aspects of the web-site. Thanks again, Hal

SEPTEMBER QUIZ (Submitted by Gary Moore) The Civil War in Books, Movies, and Television

The Red Badge of Courage

1. Who Wrote "The Red Badge of Courage"?
2. What was the name of the young boy who was the central character of the book?
3. Who played the role of the young boy in the 1951 film?
4. Who played the role in the 1996 remake of the movie?

5. What Civil War battle was the setting for "The Red Badge of Courage"?

Gettysburg

6. The 1993 movie, "Gettysburg" was a film adaptation of what book? Who was the author of the book?

7. Who played the role of Gen. Robert E. Lee in the movie?
8. Who starred as Joshua Chamberlain?
9. Who played the role of Gen. John Buford?
10. Who starred as Gen. James Longstreet?

Gone With the Wind

11. Who wrote "Gone with the Wind"?
12. What was the name of the O'hara plantation?
13. Everyone knows that Clark Gable played Rhett Butler and Vivien Leigh played Scarlett O'Hara. Who played Ashley Wilkes and Melanie Hamilton?
14. This film, "Gone with the Wind" is notable because the first black person to win an Oscar was in it. Who was this person?

15. At what battle did Rhett Butler distinguish himself, even though this was not a scene in the film?

Movies, Television related to Abraham Lincoln

16. Who played the title role in "Abe Lincoln in Illinois"?
17. What famed actor played Abraham Lincoln in the TV miniseries "The Blue and the Gray"?
18. Who played Lincoln in the TV special "Sandburg's Lincoln"?
19. Who played the title role in "Young Mister Lincoln"?
20. Who played John Wilkes Booth in the 1977 movie entitled "The Lincoln Conspiracy"?

Not Exactly Andersonville

This print is on display at the Fine Arts

Museum in Boston with the following caption:

Union Prisoners at Salisbury

**United States (New York)
New York, 1862-63
Printed by Sarony, Major
& Knapp after a drawing
by Otto Boetticher
(American, born about
1816)**

**Hand-colored lithograph
with buff and blue tints on
paper**

**Boetticher, a captain in
the Union army during the
American Civil War, drew
this while a prisoner of
war at Salisbury.**



(just a reminder of our October topic)

24th Annual West Coast Civil War Round Table Conference
November 7-9, 2008 Clovis, California(adjacent to and northeast of Fresno)
"Civil War in the Shenandoah Valley"

Featuring:

Robert K. Krick, Jeffrey Wert, Jim Stanbery, Peter Cozzens, Evan Jones, Don and Bill Bennett, David Paul Davenport, and Emily and Olivia Moats, in a one act play based on the Civil War diaries of Laura Lee, Secessionist, and Julia Chase, a Unionist, residents of Winchester, Virginia.

The Brass Band of the Central California Chapter of the Association of the United States Army will regale registrants with music of the period on Friday the 7th before dinner.

A special showing of Shenandoah with Jimmy Stewart will be presented in the barely a year old theater/auditorium of the Veterans Memorial Building on Friday the 7th at 9 pm.

An optional tour on Saturday the 8th from 9 am to noon features a tour of the Fresno home of Dr. Meux (portrayed by Charles Baley), an assistant surgeon in the 9th Tennessee Vol. Inf. (C.S.A.) who moved to Fresno after losing his slaves and other valuables as a result of the war, and a tour to the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial and internments of Union Veterans of the War at Fresno's Mountain View Cemetery, led by G.A.R. historian Fred Bohmfalk of Elk Grove.

Bloody Shenandoah, narrated by Burgess Meredith, will be shown at approximately 9 p.m. following the Keynote Address after dinner on Saturday the 8th. Hundreds of books will be for sale, information about a tour of the Shenandoah Valley in 2009 will be available, and civil war artifacts and weaponry will be displayed.

Comfort Suites (143 Clovis Ave, 559-299-9992) and Best Western Clovis Cole (415 Clovis Ave, 559-299-1547) hotels in Old Town Clovis have reserved blocks of rooms for us at only \$109.00 for a double room. Ask for the Civil War Conference Rate. The meeting will be held at the Veteran's Memorial Building at Hughes and 6th less than two blocks from the two hotels. The registration fee of \$175.00, includes six meals (Dinner Friday the 7th, breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday the 8th, and breakfast and lunch on Sunday the 9th).

Please fill in the information below to register for the conference. Registrants should make hotel reservations by directly contacting the conference hotels.

Name _____

Street Address _____

City & Zip _____

E-mail _____

Attending Friday only, \$50.00

Attending Saturday only, \$100.00

Attending Sunday only, \$50.00

**Those who wish to go on the tour of the home of Dr. Meux
add an additional \$10.00 to the registration fee.**

Make checks for \$175.00 to SNCWRT P.O. Box 5695 Fresno, CA 93755

PRESERVATION REPORT

- STOP the WILDERNESS WALMART -



Wal-Mart is looking to build a 141,000 square foot Supercenter next to The Wilderness Battlefield in Orange County, Virginia. This big box store, and all the additional development and traffic that will come with it, will undoubtedly put The Wilderness battlefield at great risk. For more on how you can help stop this from happening please visit our website:

www.civilwar.org.

We helped stop the Gettysburg casino...the fight is never over.

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