



Banner of the Blue and Gray

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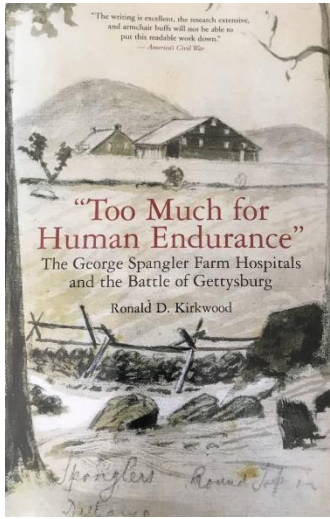
Speaker : Leon Reed

**Presentation Overview: No Greater Calamity for the Country:
North-South Conflict, Secession, and the Onset of the Civil War**

The 30 days following the surrender of Fort Sumter and Lincoln's call for 75,000 volunteers is one of the most momentous periods in US history. From a cold start, the northern states created Mr. Lincoln's 75,000-man army and successfully defended the nation's capital and other vital locations, like Fort Monroe, VA, the St. Louis Arsenal, and Forts Pickens and Taylor in Florida. Most important were the dozen or so regiments that made it to the nation's capital in the two weeks right after Lincoln's speech. This success was the result of the concerted efforts of the New York militia, a 77-year-old general NOT named Scott, a committee of the captains of Wall Street, an abolitionist governor, and the concerted efforts of a number of volunteer regiment commanders. At the same time, seven slave states who had remained loyal throughout the Secession Winter went through renewed consideration of their status in the Union. In the end, four seceded and three remained in the Union under greater or lesser degrees of coercion by the Lincoln government. This collection of decisions was without a doubt the most consequential decision of the period and perhaps the entire Civil War era. It's a story of high stakes, larger than life characters, and political skullduggery. This talk will discuss the important events of this month, in particular these two critical issues, the northern mobilization and the April-May 1861 second secession crisis.

Presenters BIO: Leon Reed is a retired US Senate aide (specializing in the Defense Production Act), defense consultant (specializing in supply chain and technology), and US History teacher. He lives in Gettysburg with his wife, where he serves on the board of Habitat for Humanity, explores the park, and volunteers at the visitor center. He has written three books about Gettysburg monuments, a children's book about Jennie Wade, and the book he is discussing tonight. He is also a co-author (with his wife) of a book on Patton's Third Army in World War II and is the editor of the quarterly magazine of the Battle of the Bulge Association.

In Case you missed it:



Ron's Presentation last month offered newly found information about Confederate Brig. Gen. Lewis A. Armistead's time at Spangler and what the Spangler family lived through while their farm was occupied along with stories of the suffering and heroism of the surgeons, nurses, wounded and mortally wounded at the two hospitals on the

Spanglers' land. Ron Kirkwood, the author of "Too Much for Human Endurance: The George Spangler Farm Hospitals and the Battle of Gettysburg," which was published in June 2019, led a large FCCWRT audience through the account both of the actions

during that fateful period in our history, and the lasting impact on the Spangler's and their descendants.





Prez Sez:

Happy Spring from the Frederick County Civil War Round Table Board! We are definitely getting into the warmer weather now and already the National Park Service sites and Maryland State Parks in the region are seeing an increase in visitation. Remember, now is a great time to visit the battlefields, just before the leaves pop as many of the sightlines that were open during the war will soon be obscured once more by greenery. The month of April is incredibly important to Civil War history as it saw both the beginning of the war with the bombardment of Fort Sumter on April 12-13, 1861, as well as the beginning of the end with the surrender of Appomattox on April 9, 1865, as well as the assassination of President Lincoln on April 14, 1865. With these dates in mind, our speaker this month is

incredibly appropriate. Leon Reed is a presenter and publisher from Gettysburg who will be speaking on the thirty days immediately following the surrender of Fort Sumter. How did the North react and raise an army? How about the South? Find out at our next meeting on April 20, 2023, at 7pm at the National Museum of Civil War Medicine!

Also at this month's meeting our Book Raffle coordinator Ken will have a number of items that we are going to offer at auction this coming May. So be sure to stop by the raffle table to check out this month's books, but also these larger and non-traditional items that are up for bid.

Those interested in bidding on something between this month and next can send their bids to the email address: FCCWRT.Raffle@gmail.com. Check it out! We look forward to seeing you all on April 20!

The Frederick County Civil War Round Table board looks forward to seeing you on March 16 and 7pm at the National Museum of Civil War Medicine!

*Very Respectfully,
Matt Borders,
President, FCCWRT*

FCCWRT 22-23 Season Remaining Session

May 19 - Speaker: Eric Wittenberg

Topic: Destined to Fail: The Johnson-Gilmor Cavalry Raid around Baltimore, July 10-13, 1864

2023 Antietam Speaker Series

Civil War Lecture Series at the Jacob Rohrbach Inn

These outdoors programs will be held at the Jacob Rohrbach Inn on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. To ensure adequate seating, please bring a chair. In case of inclement weather, lectures will be held at the Sharpsburg Christ Reformed Church of Christ. Parking is available on Main and Hall Streets. For updates and a full schedule of presenters & topics check our Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/Antietam's-Jacob-Rohrbach-Inn or our blog at: www.jacob-rohrbach-inn.com/blog/ For further information call (301) 432-5079.

JUNE 7 - Alex Rossino & Gene Thorp

Topic: The Tale Untwisted

JUNE 14 - Richard D'Ambrisi

Topic: Interpretive Themes for Experiencing Antietam National Battlefield

JUNE 21 - Joe Stahl & Matt Borders

Topic: Civil War CDV's: Clues in the Cartes de Visite

JUNE 28 - Jim Rosebrock

Topic: Antietam Artillery Battle Lines

JULY 5 - Jim Smith

Topic: The Chambersburg Raid: Jeb Stuart's October 1862 Ride Around the Army of the Potomac

JULY 12 - Steve Stotelmyer

Topic: Sugar Loaf Mountain: The Overlooked Confederate Intelligence Failure of the Maryland Campaign

JULY 19 - Darin Wipperman

Topic: “His Example Will Not be Lost”: The 30-day Civil War of Robert Hale Ives, Jr.

JULY 26 - Laura Marfut

Topic: The Battle for Maryland Heights in the Siege of Harpers Ferry

AUGUST 2 - Kevin Pawlak & Jon-Erik Gilot

Topic: John Brown’s Raid: Harpers Ferry and the Coming of the American Civil War, October 16-18, 1859

AUGUST 9 - Brad Gottfried

Topic: The Antietam Paintings of James Hope

AUGUST 16 - Sarah Kay Bierle

Topic: John Pelham: Trained at West Point but Aiming Artillery for the Confederacy

AUGUST 23 - Michael Lang

Topic: “A Perfect Purgatory”: Two Generals’ journeys from Antietam Creek to the Trans-Mississippi

AUGUST 30 - John Schildt

Topic: The Life of Henry Kyd Douglas

“Spies, Hostages & Armies on the March”

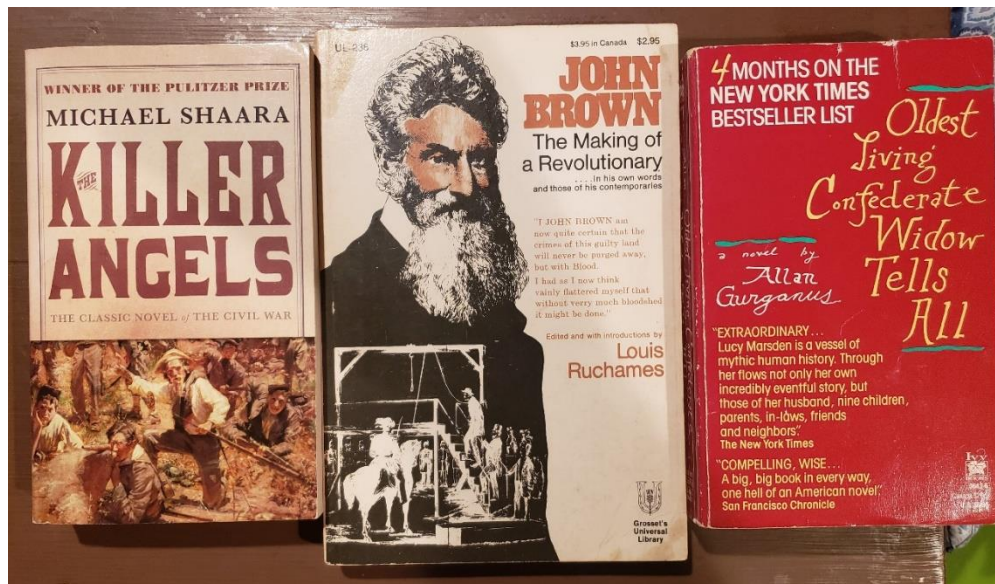
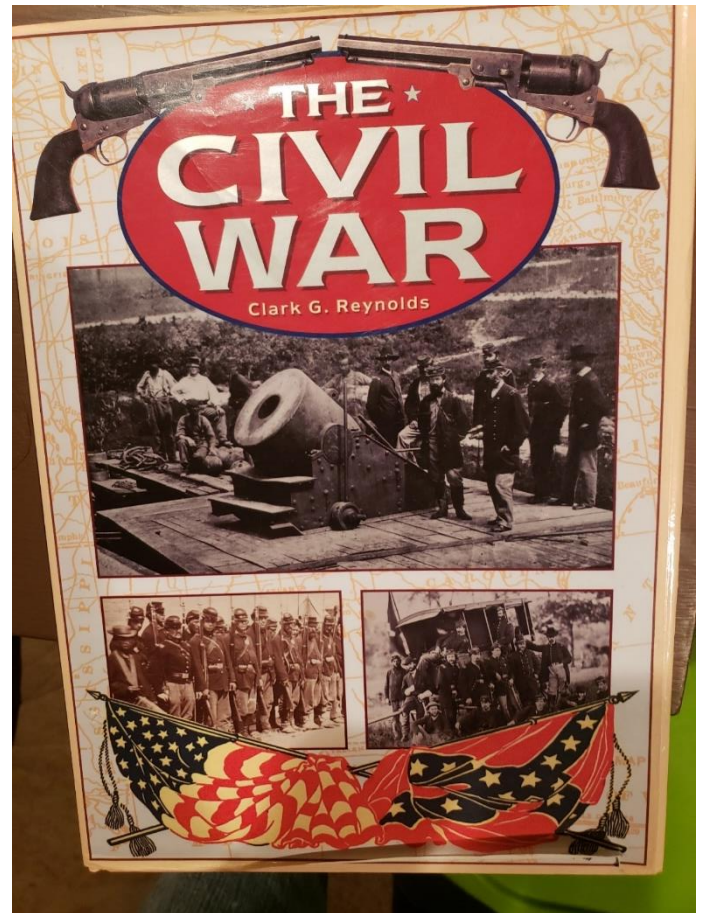
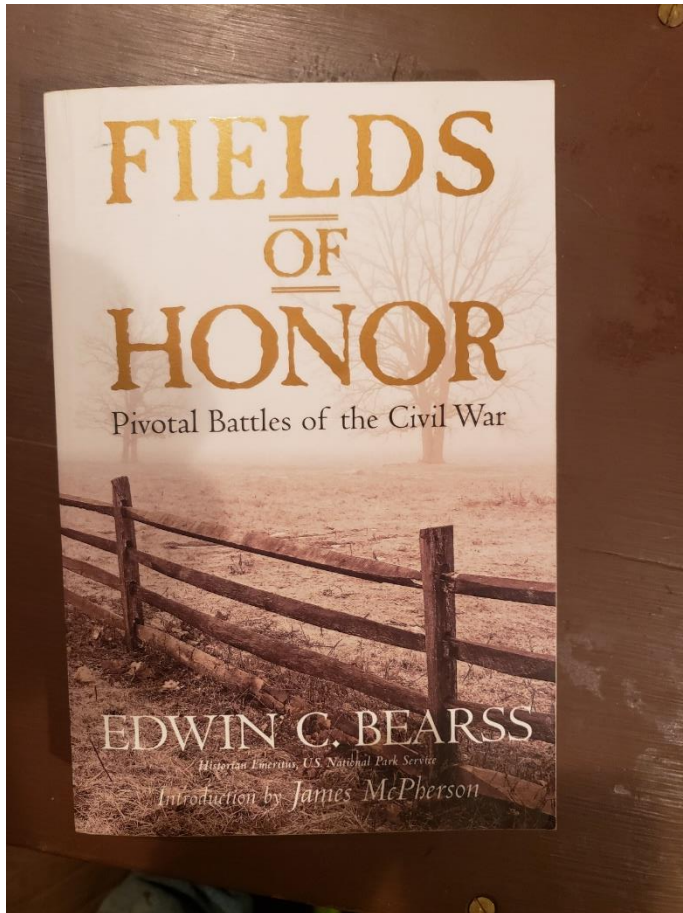
On April 27th at 1 PM, at the Woodsboro Lutheran Church on Main St, Woodsboro, Spies, Hostages & Armies on the March will be presented as part of the 237-year history of the Town of Woodsboro. The American Civil War directly impacted the Town in 1862, 1863, and 1864. This presentation will highlight those events placing the Town of Woodsboro in the broader context of the four-year conflict that divided the loyalties of the Frederick County Citizens and changed the course of a nation.

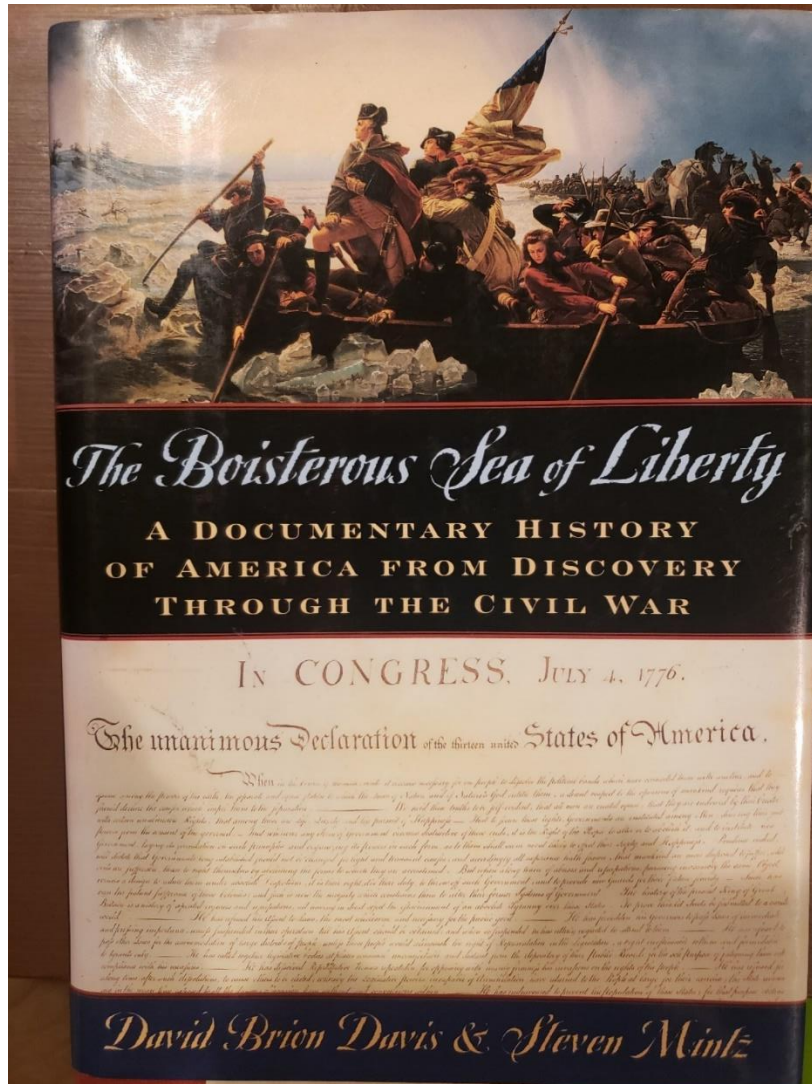
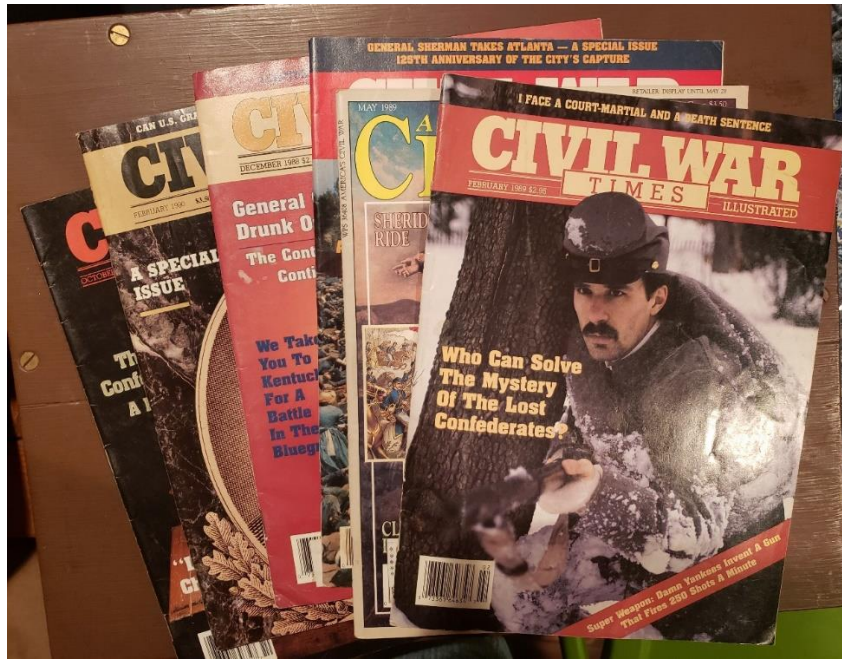
At the conclusion of the presentation the local band “Home Comfort” will perform several period pieces of bluegrass music.

Please visit: Woodsborohistoricalsociety.org
for details

April Book Raffle

(Each winner chooses a mug along with the book !)





FCWRT Special April/May Auction

The Frederick County CWRT will auction the following items during our April and May 2023 meetings. The auction will work like this.

1. The auction will be open to members and their friends only. For friends bids, the members will be responsible for arranging payment and pickup.
2. April 20, 2023- The bid items will be displayed at the meeting (by 6:30) for your inspection and to place initial bids.
3. After April 20- You can continue to bid **by e-mail at FCCWRT.Raffle@gmail.com**. The bid results will be updated and e-mailed to all members each week, so you will know if you have the winning bid or you want to bid higher. **E-mail bids will not be accepted after May 17, 2023 (the day before the May meeting).**
4. May 18, 2023-The bid items will be displayed at the meeting by 6:30 for your inspection and to bid. Bidders name and bid amount will be collected on clipboards. **Bidding will close at the start of the book raffle (7 PM).**
5. May 18, 2023- Winners will be announced after the speaker is finished. You will pay (cash or check) and collect your items at that time. If you are not present at the May meeting, arrangements can be made for local payment and pickup.
6. Send questions to FCCWRT.Raffle@gmail.com.

The items up for bid are:

1. **Vintage Civil War Centennial Commemorative Plates**

These plates commemorate the centennial of the Civil War, with the key players and locations on the front of the plate. They were made for the Civil War Centennial in Frederick and Washington Counties. They have the emblem of the Civil War Centennial Commission on the front and the stamp of Kettlesprings Kilns, Ohio on the back. The back also gives a short narrative of the events depicted. Plates measure 10 1/2 inches across and is made of ceramic in an off white with pictorials in a greenish color on the front (The plates are much greener than the attached photos). All have no chips or cracks!

There are four different plates- shown on the next pages. The plates were sponsored by Fredrick and Washington Counties- 600 sets were distributed.

Each bid must include:

- your name
- number of plates included in your bid.
- the bid amount for each plate
- the total bid amount (#plates x your bid/plate)

The minimum starting bid for each plate is \$5.00/each. Your bid does not need to include all of the plates that are available. If you want a set, you must bid on each plate: Items 1A to 1D.



Bid Item 1A: Frederick County Civil War Centennial- KG 86S

Five (5) Plates are available.

Minimum starting bid for each plate is \$5.00/each.



Bid Item 1B: Washington County Civil War Centennial- Hagerstown- KG68S

Three (3) Plates are available.

Minimum starting bid for each plate is \$5.00/each.



Bid Item 1C: Washington County Civil War Centennial- Antietam- KG79S

One (1) Plate is available.

Minimum starting bid for each plate is \$5.00/each.

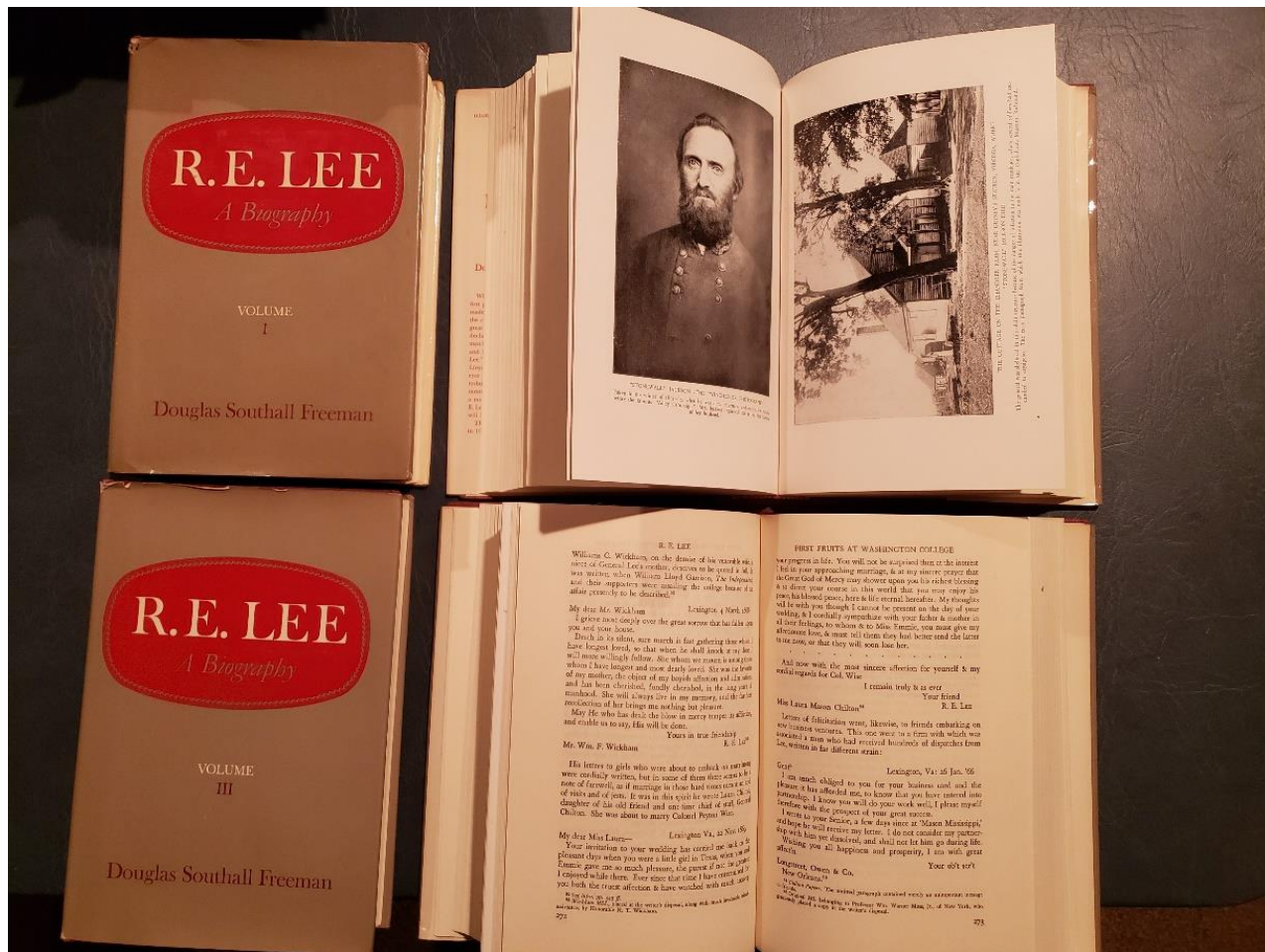


Bid Item 1D: Maryland Civil War Centennial Commission
 (All of the states that fought at Antietam are on the plate)

Three (3) Plates are available.

Minimum starting bid for each plate is \$5.00/each.

2. **R. E. Lee, A Biography: Douglas Southall Freeman, 1962, 4 Volumes**



These four hardback books were published in 1962. Dust jackets are as shown.

R. E. Lee appeared in four volumes in 1934–1935. The *New York Times* judged the work “Lee Complete for All Time,” and Freeman was awarded the 1935 Pulitzer Prize for Biography. The work established the foundation for the “Virginia School” of Civil War scholarship, marked by an emphasis on the Eastern Theater of the war and an attention to generals at the expense of fighting men. Freeman’s books showed a preference for campaigns over social and political history and a sympathy for his Confederate subjects that was greater than that of many later historians. In particular, his failure to grapple with the role of slavery in the war and his elevation of Lee to near-mythological status have been criticized as helping to fuel the mythology of the Lost Cause. (Encyclopedia Virginia)

Bid Item 2: R. E. Lee, A Biography: Douglas Southall Freeman, 1962
All 4 Volumes- the set will not be split.

Minimum starting bid for the 4-volume set is \$25.00.

3. Civil War Magazines from the Civil War Centennial



Includes: (The items will not be split)

Civil War Times: 12 Issues

- 1960- October, November, December
- 1961- January, Feb-March, April, May, June, July, Aug-Sept, October, November

Look: November 22, 1960 "If the South had Won the Civil War"

Life: January 6, 1961 "The Civil War: A Six-part Series on our Nation's Bloodiest Drama" Part 1

Frederick News Post: June 21, 1988: "The Battle of Gettysburg, 125th Anniversary"

Bid Item 3: Civil War Magazines from the Civil War Centennial

Minimum starting bid for all of the items is \$25.00.

NMCWM Partner's New Virtual Book Club

The National Museum of Civil War Medicine is happy to announce the launch of our new virtual book club--Between the Lines. Every other month from 7 PM - 8 PM we will be meeting via Zoom to discuss an assigned book.

Join us online March 14th as we celebrate Women's History Month with a discussion of Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy by Karen Abbott, with a special appearance by the author herself!

Register here: <https://www.civilwarmed.org/between-the-lines-book-club/>

FCCWRT Lectures Available

For those of you who may have missed any of the Virtual Presentations from the previous seasons of the FCCWRT, all presentations can be found on the National Museum of Civil War Medicine YouTube channel found here: <https://www.youtube.com/user/nmcwm/videos>

The Antietam Institute

The Antietam Institute is the leading member-based, educational, and philanthropic 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, dedicated to the education and scholarship of the Maryland Campaign. The Institute seeks to educate the public on the central role of the 1862 Maryland Campaign, and Battle of Antietam, as a major turning point of the Civil War that directly resulted in the issuance of the preliminary Emancipation Proclamation.

Each year the Institute makes donations to the battlefield parks, local preservation groups and other historic organizations that support the Institute's goals. As a member - based organization, the Antietam Institute needs the support of individuals interested in the 1862 Maryland Campaign. Membership levels begin as low as \$25 a year and rise to a lifetime membership of only \$1000. Each level has increasing levels of membership incentives. If you are interested in joining or learning more about the Antietam Institute, check out our website at antietaminstitute.org or email us at info@antietaminstitute.org .

Our NMCWM Partner links

National Museum of Civil War Medicine Facebook Page, offering Facebook live opportunities weekly: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/CivilWarMed/videos/>

National Museum of Civil War Medicine now offering its own YouTube Channel, tons of content available: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdGkf5-Y7aEZsXEBhRhEKjg?>

Civil War Institutes Summer Conference

CIVIL WAR INSTITUTE
SUMMER CONFERENCE
JUNE 9-14, 2023



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Featuring...

Garry Adelman, Matt Atkinson,
Peter Carmichael, Harold Holzer,
Jennifer Murray, Carol Reardon,
Jeffrey Wert, and more!



Program includes active battlefield experiences, lectures, and interactive small-group discussions with leading Civil War scholars; customizable packages available!

Be sure to inquire about our numerous discounts for military veterans, Gettysburg College alumni, members of local partnering institutions & publications, K-12 educators, public historians, students, youths, and "new attendee recruiters!"

<https://www.gettysburg.edu/civil-war-institute/summer-conference/2023-cwi-conference#schedule>

Questions? Contact civilwar@gettysburg.edu or 717-337-6590 for further information



2023 CIVIL WAR INSTITUTE

Summer Conference

JUNE 9-14, 2023

For nearly 40 years, the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College has hosted a **premiere annual summer conference** bringing leading historians and public audiences together. Sessions, lodging, and meals are held on the 200-acre college campus.

The 2023 CWI Conference will feature a wide range of topics, including **Lincoln as Commander in Chief, the Civil War in Appalachia, Harriet Tubman, John Singleton Mosby, Confederate widowhood, retaliation in the American Civil War, the Army of Tennessee**, and more.

In addition to touring the Gettysburg battlefield, participants will have the opportunity to **visit a variety of other nearby battlefields** and historic sites on tours that will explore **Antietam and Harpers Ferry**, or to **combine a half-day of focused class work with a half-day out on the battlefield**, exploring, in-depth, the actions on the **1st or 3rd day of battle at Gettysburg**. Participants who may prefer a shorter, more physically active conference experience can also choose to sign up for our **new "active track" package**, featuring a combination of Friday and Saturday morning lectures and a day and a half of walking-intensive tours of the Gettysburg battlefield on Saturday and Sunday, exploring **the First Day's battlefield and the Union Fishhook, off the beaten path!**

This conference will also continue the popular **"lunch-in" and "dine-in" small group discussions** with CWI faculty.

The 2023 conference will offer something for everyone, from longtime students of the Civil War to those who are new to Civil War history.



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Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteerism and the ability to volunteer has been interrupted by the COVID-19 circumstances we find ourselves in. We will keep members and friends informed about future volunteer opportunities.

Interested in volunteering to keep the FCCWRT running and growing? Let us know at a meeting or send an email to our President Matt Borders (mattborders@comcast.net). Areas of need are listed below. We will have board elections at the end of the season for members interested in leadership positions.

Areas in which to assist the Round Table:

Programs (help with acquiring possible speakers, field trips, etc.)

Website (maintain and update group's website)

Outreach, Marketing, Newsletter, Others

Who We Are, Where to Find Us



We are on Facebook! Please check out our page for timely updates, local events, or comments. Please read and share our posts!

<https://www.facebook.com/fccwrt> Gary Dyson is our "face" for Facebook, help us spread the word about OUR FCCWRT!! 2.4K likes and 2.5K follows !

Gary Dyson has done an amazing job with keeping up posting interesting Civil War facts and discussions. Help us spread the word about OUR FCCWRT.

Also visit our website at: <http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrt.org/>

Our MISSION

TO cultivate and preserve

Frederick County's Civil War heritage and broaden the understanding of the Civil War Era and its impact on our nation.

TO explore the many facets of the Civil War from the battlefield to first-person narratives, including guest lectures by writers and historians.

TO support historical projects and activities aimed at increasing public interest and appreciation of our Civil War history, both locally and nationally.

As President Borders stated, our membership drive for the year is ongoing! Please consider supporting the Round Table during the 22-23 season, by renewing your membership as well inviting friends to join. Your membership provides the space for our meetings, attracting well known speakers, and website and P.O. Box maintenance.

For those who remembered to renew your FCCWRT membership, thank you! Your dues make it possible for us to continue to fulfill our mission. We can't continue without your support! If we had more members, we could do more to promote our Civil War history!

As a member of our group, you'll enjoy these benefits:

- receive the current newsletter.
- receive email updates of local events related to Civil War history.
- always have a place to be on the third Thursday of the month

Our yearly dues are:

- \$30.00 for an individual (\$25.00 for current dues paying members.)
- \$50.00 for a family up to four
- \$5.00 for out of state members and members under 16 years of age

You can renew your membership at our meeting or by mail. The membership form is attached and may also be downloaded from our website at <http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrt.org/>.

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NAME (If family membership, please list all names and email addresses)

STREET ADDRESS

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NOTE: *We will protect your privacy. None of the above information will be shared.*

ANNUAL DUES: Individual - \$30; Family - \$50 (Please make check payable to FCCWRT)

AMOUNT PAID \$ _____ DATE _____

- I would like to volunteer to assist with registration and other tasks at our monthly meetings
- I am interested in helping with outreach activities

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and our roster of speakers for the season, check our website:

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