

# The Knapsack

Raleigh Civil War Round Table

The same rain falls on both friend and foe.

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Our 216th Meeting



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## Feb. 11 Event Features Dr. Susanna Michele Lee Speaking on “Motivations of the Civil War Soldier”

Our upcoming meeting will be on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the NC Museum of History in Raleigh and will feature Dr. Susanna Michele Lee speaking on Motivations of the Civil War Soldier. This will be preceded at 6:30 pm by a social "half-hour".

**NOTE:** Due to required maintenance, the meeting will **not** be held in Daniels Auditorium. Instead, it will be held in the Longleaf Room in the SECU Education Center on the R level (two floors below the main level of the Museum where we normally meet). The Longleaf Room is adjacent to Pharaoh's Restaurant and can be accessed by entering the Museum from Jones Street across from the Legislative Building. This is the North entrance.



Susanna is an associate professor in the History Department at North Carolina State University. She teaches classes on the history of Civil War and Reconstruction as well as on the American South and nineteenth-century United States. She has taught at the University of Virginia, the University of NC at Greensboro,

Wake Forest University, and Duke University.

Her publications include the following:

- *Claiming the Union: Loyal Citizenship in the Post-Civil War South*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014.
- *Citizens and Traitors: Determining Loyalty in the Post-Civil War South*. In *Citizenship and Identity in the 19th-Century South*, edited by William A. Link and David Brown. Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2013.
- *Reconciliation in Reconstruction Virginia*. In *Crucible of the Civil War*, edited by Edward L. Ayers and Andrew Torget. Charlottesville: University Press of Virginia, 2006.

- *Contested Unionism: William Pattie and the Southern Claims Commission*. In *Virginia's Civil War*, edited by Peter Wallenstein and Bertram Wyatt-Brown. Charlottesville: Univ. Press of VA, 2005

Dr. Lee is currently working on two book manuscripts: one on the U.S.-Dakota War and one on civilians in central Virginia during the Civil War.

Susanna also works in digital humanities, teaches a digital history class, and served as a project manager of the Valley of the Shadow: Two Communities in the American Civil War at the Virginia Center for Digital History. She received both her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in U.S. History from the University of Virginia.

### Other References on Motivations of the Civil War Soldier

Fact: even after three years of bloody battles, more than half of the Union soldiers reenlisted voluntarily. The following sources address the question “Why?” for both North and South soldiers.

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# North Carolina Museum of History - Current Exhibits in the Civil War Gallery



By Charlie Knight, Curator of Military History

## William H. S. Burgwyn

Most North Carolina Civil War aficionados are familiar with Col. Henry King Burgwyn, Jr., of the 26th North Carolina, the “Boy Colonel,” who was killed while leading his regiment at Gettysburg. Lesser known is his younger brother, William Hyslop Sumner Burgwyn, who had a very profound impact on North Carolina after the war.

The younger Burgwyn was born July 23, 1845, in his mother’s hometown of Boston. He grew up in Northampton County and was extremely well-educated. He briefly attended the University of North Carolina before prolonged illness caused his departure.



He was attending Hillsborough Military Academy when the war broke out and was soon sent to the camp of instruction outside Raleigh as a drill instructor. He was subsequently assigned to the 22nd North Carolina, spending some time at the front in the fortifications along the Potomac in northern Virginia. In 1862, family friend Col. Matt Ransom secured Burgwyn’s services as a

lieutenant in Co. H, 35th North Carolina. The 35th saw time with Lee’s Army of Northern Virginia in 1862, including at Sharpsburg and Fredericksburg, before being transferred back to its home state in 1863.

Burgwyn and the 35th participated in minor fighting in North Carolina before returning to Virginia in 1864 to join P. G. T. Beauregard’s force at Drewry’s Bluff in May 1864. Burgwyn was wounded at Cold Harbor in June and then captured in the attempt to retake Fort Harrison outside Richmond in September. He spent almost the rest of the war in captivity; he was paroled in March 1865 but not exchanged, and his war experience ended for good with the surrender of Joe Johnston’s forces in April.

After the war, he graduated from UNC in 1868, Harvard Law in 1869, and topped it off with a medical degree from Washington Medical University in Baltimore in 1876. He practiced law in Baltimore for several years and served in the Maryland militia. In the early 1880s he returned to his home state and founded what became the Bank of Henderson, while also creating the municipal electric and water systems in Henderson. An attempt to enter the tobacco business failed, but he was one of the founders of NC State University.

In 1898 the United States went to war with Spain, and North Carolina contributed three volunteer regiments to

the war effort (although none of them saw any combat). Burgwyn was appointed Colonel of the 2nd North Carolina, and he proposed that the unit be comprised of at least



in part of Confederate veterans. Rather than being sent to Cuba or the Philippines, the 2nd was broken up and its companies assigned garrison duty in the Deep South. The war over, in late 1898 the unit was returned to Raleigh and mustered out.

He resumed his banking interests after hanging up his uniform for the last time, but he was very active in Confederate veterans organizations and also contributed the chapter on the 35th in Walter Clark’s 5-volume *Histories of the Several Regiments and Battalions from North Carolina in the Great War, 1861-1865*.

He died January 3, 1913, in Richmond and is buried in Raleigh Cemetery next to his older brother. His Civil War diary and letters reside at the State Archives and were published 25 years ago by Dr. Herbert Schiller as *A Captain’s War*.



Seen below, the NC Museum of History has in its collection Burgwyn’s United Confederate Veterans uniform (l.) as well as his Spanish-American War uniform coat (r.).



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## Upcoming Events

**Feb. 9, 2019. 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Civil War Discoveries: Twentieth Annual Civil War Seminar at Longwood University**

Jarman Auditorium, Longwood University, High St. near Griffin Blvd., Farmville, NC 23909.

Twenty years and still going strong! Appomattox Court House National Historical Park and Longwood University host their annual Civil War on Saturday, Feb. 9. This program has a reputation for delivering quality speakers. It is free and open to the public. Parking is available on Wheeler Lot, at the corner of High Street and Griffin Boulevard.

No reservations necessary. Signs will be posted on the Longwood University Campus. For directions to the campus, go to <http://www.longwood.edu>. To see the brochure for the event, go to <http://www.longwood.edu/media/history-political-science-and-philosophy/solomon/2019-Civil-War-Brochure.pdf>. For more information, contact Dr. David Coles at (434) 395-2220 or Patrick Schroeder at (434) 352-8987, Ext. 232.

This year's speakers and topics:

- John Quarstein: The Ship that Saved the Nation: The Monitor's Recovery and Conservation
- Jake Wynn: Discovering Clara Barton's Missing Soldiers Office
- Edwin C. Bearss: Recovering the U.S.S. Cairo from the Yazoo
- Caroline Janney: We Were Not Surrendered: Paroling Lee's Army After Appomattox
- Brandon Bies: Unprecedented Discovery at Manassas National Battlefield Park: Field Hospital Burials Unearthed

**Feb. 15, 2019. 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Gettysburg Address Recitation Contest for 5th Grade Students: Judges Needed**

Fuller Elementary School, 806 Calloway Dr, Raleigh, NC 27610.



February is the month of Lincoln's birthday and the month when fifth graders normally study Civil War history on the Raleigh, NC public school curriculum timeline. As part of this, Fuller Elementary School students can participate in a Gettysburg Address Recitation

Contest. This year's event is being held Friday, February 15th from noon to 1:00 p.m.

Anyone interested in serving as a judge for this contest can contact the organizer, Wayne Shore, by email at [dshore@wcpss.net](mailto:dshore@wcpss.net) or by phone at (919) 412-3232.

Fuller Elementary School is a highly-rated public magnet school with 575 students in grades K-5 and a student-teacher ratio of 14 to 1.

**Engineering a Fort: The 154th Anniversary of the Fall of Fort Anderson at Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson**

**Feb. 16, 2019: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson State Historic Site. 5035, 8884 St Phillips Rd SE, Winnabow, NC 28479.**

Join the occasion marking the 154th anniversary of the fall of Fort Anderson by exploring the ins and outs of the Cape Fear Defense System and its open gorge seacoast earthen fortifications. The event will feature lectures, artillery demos, and hands on activities for the entire family. Artillery demos to be held at 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:00 p.m., and 3:30 p.m.



This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Shannon Walker at (910) 371-6613 or email her at [shannon.walker@ncdcr.gov](mailto:shannon.walker@ncdcr.gov).

**A Fighting Chance for Life: 154th Anniversary at Bentonville Battlefield**

**Mar. 16-17, 2019: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (day events, with the site closing at 5:00 p.m.). On Sat., Mar. 16th only, the site reopens at 7:00 p.m. for night tours which start every 15 minutes with the last tour at 10:15 p.m. Bentonville Battlefield, 5466 Harper House Rd, Four Oaks, NC 27524.**

The Harper House and grounds will be transformed back in time to the XIV Corps field hospital as it may have looked on March 19, 1865. Speakers will include Chris Grimes on **Jonathan Letterman, Father of Battlefield Medicine** and Col. (Ret.) Wade Sokolosky on **North Carolina Confederate Hospitals 1861-1865**.



Concessions will be provided by the Bentonville Volunteer Fire Department. This event open to the public and the daytime events are free.

On the evening of Sat., Mar. 16th only, there will also be hospital tours which start every 15 minutes beginning at 7:00 p.m., with the last tour at 10:15 p.m. **Purchased tickets for the night tours are required, are extremely limited, cost \$15 each, and will go on sale March 1 at 9:00 a.m. They are anticipated to sell out quickly.**

Tickets can be purchased online at <https://squareup.com/store/fobb> or by calling (910) 594-0789. All proceeds benefit The Friends of Bentonville Battlefield, Inc.

**\*\*Warning: The evening program will simulate combat trauma, and may not be suitable for all audiences.\*\***

For more info, contact Amanda Brantley at (910) 594-0789 x203 or email her at [amanda.brantley@ncdcr.gov](mailto:amanda.brantley@ncdcr.gov).

## Upcoming Events (continued)

### **Apr. 5-7, 2019. "Two Weeks of Fury" Carolinas Campaign Tour and Symposium**

Monroe's Crossroads, Averasboro, Bentonville, and, optionally, Wise's Forks and the CSS Neuse Museum in Kinston, NC.

Sponsored by Friends of the Bentonville Battlefield, the "Two Weeks of Fury" Carolinas Campaign Tour and Symposium will begin with an optional half-day on Friday, April 5, at Wise's Forks and the CSS Neuse Museum in Kinston, NC. Friday evening will include a key-note lecture with dinner at The Barn at Broadslab. Saturday's tours begin with a rare trip to Monroe's Crossroads battlefield and a guided tour of Civil War Fayetteville and Averasboro. Saturday will wrap-up with an intimate meet and greet at Bentonville Battlefield featuring heavy hors d'oeuvre and drinks. Sunday will conclude with a guided tour of Bentonville Battlefield.

Tickets include two meals, snacks, water, soda, and Saturday evening hors d'oeuvre and drinks. Your price includes venue admissions and a copy of Mark Moore's Historical Guide to Bentonville, an excellent map guidebook of the Carolinas Campaign. The price for the event will be \$350 or \$395 if you include the Kinston trip on Friday afternoon.

Please note: Only 100 tickets will be sold for the main tours (Monroe's Crossroads, Averasboro, and Bentonville) and symposium, which run from the evening of April 5th to midday on April 7. Only 25 tickets will be sold for the optional tours of Wise's Forks battlefield and the CSS Neuse Museum in Kinston, NC on the afternoon of April 5th. **As of Jan. 30th, only 15 tickets remain for the main tours/symposium and only 5 tickets remain for the optional Friday April 5th Wise's Forks and Kinston events.**

For more information, visit the website <https://historicsites.nc.gov/events/two-weeks-fury-tour-and-symposium-bentonville-battlefield>, contact Amanda Brantley at (910) 594-0789, or email her at [amanda.brantley@ncdcr.gov](mailto:amanda.brantley@ncdcr.gov).

### **Apr. 6, 2019: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bennett Place: Civil War Park Day**

Bennett Place State Historic Site, 4409 Bennett Memorial Road, Durham, NC 27705.

This national workday for volunteers is a cooperative effort between the Civil War Preservation Trust and Civil War historic sites across the United States. Come out and support your local Civil War site.



Projects this year include:

replacing and updating the split rail fence in the picnic area, landscaping the picnic area and clearing the Bennett family cemetery. Projects are subject to change.

This is a great family event and open to all ages and abilities. This event begins at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude approximately by 2:00 p.m. Those interested in coming out to help are requested to bring rakes, gloves and headgear. The Bennett Place Support Fund, will provide light snacks and water for all participants. Meet at the visitor center at 10:00 a.m.



For more information, visit the website at <https://historicsites.nc.gov/all-sites/bennett-place>, or contact the staff at (919) 383-4345 or by email to [bennett@ncdcr.gov](mailto:bennett@ncdcr.gov).

### **Apr. 6, 2019: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Fort Fisher: American Battlefield Trust Park Day**

Fort Fisher, 1610 Fort Fisher Blvd South, Kure Beach, NC 28443.

Calling all volunteers! On Sat., April 6, 2019, Fort Fisher State Historic Site will host Park Day, an annual hands-on event sponsored by the American Battlefield Trust, which brings history enthusiasts together with staff members to help preserve our nation's heritage sites. Fort Fisher welcomes volunteers of all ages and skill levels.



This year's activities will include painting the numerous artillery guns and carriages around the site. Groups will also be needed to assist in cleaning up brush, leaves, and debris from around the site. Volunteers are asked to register in advance by calling (910) 251-7342 and are asked to assemble in the parking lot by 8:30 a.m. on the day of the event. Tools and gloves will be provided. Volunteers will receive a free Park Day T-shirt and lunch provided by the Friends of Fort Fisher, the support group that supports the site and all its programming.

This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, visit the website at <http://www.nchistoricsites.org/fisher>, or contact John Moseley at (910) 251-7342 or by email to [john.moseley@ncdcr.gov](mailto:john.moseley@ncdcr.gov).

## Upcoming Events (continued)

**Apr. 27, 2019: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Bennett Place: 154th Anniversary Surrender Commemoration Event**

**Bennett Place State Historic Site, 4409 Bennett Memorial Road, Durham, NC 27705.**

Join in remembering the events that occurred inside the home of James and Nancy Bennett 154 years ago. This



year there will be a focus on the U.S. colored troops and how their role changed during the course of the war. There will also be special guided tours that will take the visitor inside the home to

learn about the negotiations that took place in the parlor. Guest speakers this year are Earl Ijames from the NC Museum of History and author David Silknat.

This event is open to the public. Admission is \$3.00 per adult and \$2.00 per child.

For more information, visit the website at <https://www.bennettplacehistoricsite.com>, or contact the staff at (919) 383-4345 or by email to [bennett@ncdcr.gov](mailto:bennett@ncdcr.gov).

**Apr. 27-28, 2019: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Port o' Plymouth Museum: Living History Weekend**

**The Port o' Plymouth Museum, 302 East Water Street, Plymouth, NC 27962.**

Now celebrating its 29th year, the Washington County Historical Society's annual Living History Weekend is one

of North Carolina's premier Civil War events. Known for its intimate feel and beautiful riverfront setting, the weekend-long event features two battle reenactments, an evening "Fireside Feast", "Duelling Narrators" debate, children's recruiting station, period music, troop encampment, book signers, and more!



This event is open to the public and entrance to the museum is free.

For more information, visit the website at <http://www.portplymouthmuseum.org/events>, or contact the museum staff at (252) 793-1377 or by email to [admin@portplymouthmuseum.org](mailto:admin@portplymouthmuseum.org).

**May 1-5, 2019: National Ed Bearss Symposium and Tours: Military Leadership and Combat**

**Symposium based at the Hampton Inn, 955 Leshar Road, Chambersburg, PA 17201.**

Featuring Larry Alexander, Ted Alexander, Scott Anderson, Steve Bockmiller, Steve French, Col. Douglas Mastriano, David Moore, Thomas J. Ryan, Dr. Richard

Sommers and Martin West. Special guest Edwin Bearss!

Exploring American military history! Tours of the following: Civil War sites in southern Pennsylvania including Monterey Pass; military history sites in Washington County, Maryland including the Hagerstown Aviation Museum; the Forbes Campaign of 1758 featuring stops at Fort Ligonier, Bushy Run Battlefield and more. Talks also given by the historians listed above.



Deluxe continental breakfast for Hampton Inn guests each morning. Each participant will receive a packet of tactical maps and a name badge.

For full itinerary and pricing, go to [http://civilwarseminars.org/?page\\_id=398](http://civilwarseminars.org/?page_id=398).

Chambersburg Civil War Seminars & Tours has been hosting Civil War Tours for more than 28 years. Experience a guided battlefield tour led by the experts including Eric Wittenberg, Edwin Bearss, Dennis Frye, Carol Reardon, John Schildt, Daniel Toomey, Ed Steers, Joad Chaconas, J.D. Petruzzi, Jeffrey Wert, Steve French, Ted Alexander, and others to deliver an unforgettable experience. **Special discounts are available for Civil War Round Table members.**

For more information, visit the Chambersburg Civil War Seminars & Tours website at <http://www.civilwarseminars.org>, or contact Lark Plessinger by phone at (717) 264-7101 ext.

**July 23-28: Antietam: The Bloodiest Day -- Civil War History Conference and Tours**

**Symposium based at the Ramada Plaza Hotel, 1718 Underpass Way, Hagerstown, MD 17201.**

Featuring Tom Clemens, Dennis Frye, Kevin Pawlak, Wayne Motts, Carol Reardon, John Priest and many others at the LARGEST Antietam Conference ever held!



More than 25 of the top historians and tour guides in the Civil War history field will cover diverse topics such as the opposing forces, medical care, photography, the historic Dunker Church and more. In addition, you will have the opportunity to engage in micro tactical tours of

the battlefield, and the campaign led by expert guides.

**Early Bird Pricing – Save \$30 when you register for a Generals or Complete Weekend Package by April 1, 2019. Use code EARLY30 when registering online.**

## Upcoming Events (continued)

### July 23-28, 2019: Antietam: The Bloodiest Day -- Civil War History Conference and Tours (continued)

Note: All participants are responsible for arranging hotel accommodations at [www.wyndhamhotels.com](http://www.wyndhamhotels.com) for the seminar, which is not included in tour price. \$110/night double occupancy plus tax. **Special pricing for participants based on room availability. When making hotel reservations, mention Chambersburg Civil War Seminars / Lark Kennedy. Use code 072319LAR.**

For full itinerary and pricing, go to [http://civilwarseminars.org/?page\\_id=29](http://civilwarseminars.org/?page_id=29). Register online at <http://business.chambersburg.org/events/details/antietam-the-bloodiest-day-27802>.

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### August 24, 2019: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Life on Campaign: Summer Living History at Bentonville Battlefield

Bentonville Battlefield, 5466 Harper House Rd, Four Oaks, NC 27524.

Hear the roar of cannon fire! Learn how artillery regiments loaded and fired during the Civil War. Infantry dis-



plays by the 27th NC Co. D will showcase a common soldier's daily life. Demonstrations will occur throughout the day. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Amanda Brantley at (910) 594-0789 or email her at [amanda.brantley@ncdcr.gov](mailto:amanda.brantley@ncdcr.gov).

### October 18 @ 9:00 a.m. to October 20 @ 5:00 p.m. 23rd Annual Civil War Symposium: Small Battles, Big Results!

The 23rd Annual Civil War Symposium at Pamplin Historical Park presents some of the nation's greatest Civil War scholars as they talk about Small Battles, Big Results. The authors and topics are as follows:

- Mr. Peter Cozzens: *Battle of Iuka*
- Mr. Jerry Desmond: *Battle of Ringgold*
- Mr. Rod Gragg: *Battle of Fort Fisher*
- Mr. Jeff Hunt: *Battle of Mine Run*

### October 18 to 20: 23rd Annual Civil War Symposium: Small Battles, Big Results! (continued)

- Mr. James Morgan: *Battle of Ball's Bluff*
- Dr. Timothy Smith: *Battle of Champion Hill*
- Dr. Brian Steel Wills: *Battle of Fort Pillow*

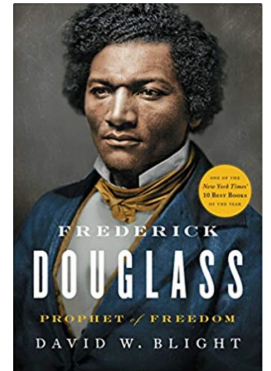
**Space is limited and pre-registration and payment is required for the Symposium.** A letter of confirmation will be sent to all registrants. Call (804) 861-2408 or visit <http://www.pamplinpark.org> for more information and to register today. The registration form can be found at <https://pamplinpark.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/symp19-flyerfinal2full.pdf>

## February is Black History Month

The celebration of Black History Month began as "Negro History Week," which was created in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, a noted African American historian, scholar, educator, and publisher. Among those remembered are African-American leaders like Frederick Douglass, Sojourner Truth, and Harriett Tubman, all of whom fought to end slavery in the U.S. It became a month-long celebration in 1976. The month of February was chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln.

Speaking of Frederick Douglass, a new hardcover book entitled *Frederick Douglass: Prophet of Freedom*, authored by David W. Blight, was recently published. It has been named a New York Times, Wall Street Journal, and Time top 10 book of the year.

It has been called the definitive, dramatic biography of the most important African American of the nineteenth century: Frederick Douglass, the escaped slave who became the greatest orator of his day and one of the leading abolitionists and writers of the era.



In this remarkable biography, David Blight has drawn on new information held in a private collection that few other historians have consulted, as well as recently discovered issues of Douglass's newspapers. Blight tells the fascinating story of Douglass's two marriages and his complex extended family. Douglass was not only an astonishing man of words, but a thinker steeped in Biblical story and theology. There has not been a major biography of Douglass in a quarter century. David Blight's *Frederick Douglass: Prophet of Freedom* affords this important American the distinguished biography he deserves.

This hardcover edition is 912 pages in length.

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# News of the RCWRT



## Upcoming 2019 RCWRT Meetings

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Feb. 11	Susanna Lee	Motivations of the Civil War Soldier
Mar. 11	Harold Knudsen	Modern War Methods of General Longstreet
Apr. 8	Bruce Venter	The Kilpatrick-Dahlgren Raid on Richmond



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photos, events, & articles for publication to  
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## Dr. Chris Fonvielle Named 2019 Gatton Award Recipient

At our January meeting, Dr. Chris Fonvielle received the 2019 T. Harry Gatton Award. Chris, who spoke at our September 2018 meeting on Confederate General Braxton Bragg, was selected by the Raleigh CWRT Board in recognition of his accomplishments related to the preservation of American Civil War history, research, and teaching, especially as it relates to North Carolina, the Lower Cape Fear, and Southern history.



Chris is a longtime friend of NC Civil War Round Tables and has addressed both the Raleigh and NC CWRTs.

Chris has pursued a life-long interest in the American Civil War, North Carolina, the Lower Cape Fear, and Southern history. His in-depth research focuses on Civil War coastal operations and defenses, blockade running, and the navies. He has published numerous books including: *To Forge a Thunderbolt: Fort Anderson and the Battle for Wilmington*; *Faces of Fort Fisher 1861-1864*; *Louis Froelich: Arms-Maker to the Confederacy*; and *Fort Fisher 1865: The Photographs of T.H. O'Sullivan*.

The Raleigh Civil War Round Table was formed on March 12, 2001 and is a 501(c)(3) "tax exempt organization."

We meet on the second Monday of most months at 6:30 pm, at the N.C. Museum of History (located at 5 Edenton Street, across from the State Capitol). The programs begin at 7:00 p.m. Check the RCWRT website (<http://www.raleighcwrt.org>) for program dates and timing.

Annual membership dues are \$30 (individual and family) and \$10 for teachers. Student membership is free. Half-year memberships are available March through May for \$20. Dues should be submitted to the Treasurer by **September 15** each year.

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## Funding Effort Toward Conservation of Our "Adopted" 30th NC Infantry Regiment's State Flag

As of February 1, thanks to proceeds from sales of Andrew Ballard's documentary DVD covering the end of the Civil War in North Carolina, plus generous donations from the Raleigh CWRT Board and others, and including proceeds from the raffle at our November meeting, the amount raised remains at \$6,580 (plus one outstanding pledge of \$250) toward the estimated \$7,500 - \$8,000 conservation cost!

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