

The Knapsack

Raleigh Civil War Round Table

The same rain falls on both friend and foe.

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May 9 Event Features Mary Bandy Daughtry On Confederate Cavalier W.H.F. “Rooney” Lee

Author and historian, Mary Bandy Daughtry, will speak at the Raleigh Civil War Round Table’s May 9 meeting.



Mary is a Native North Carolinian, born in Rocky Mount. She earned both her BA and MA degrees at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Mary and her husband are involved in showing horses, first American Saddlebreds, then Hackneys and Morgans. They both spend a lot of time with the horses and have won 13 national championships and countless state and regional titles. Her other interests include reading, gardening, crafting and looking after her pets which include numerous dogs and cats as well as the horses.

She also works as a photojournalist covering horse shows for “Saddle and Bridle” and “Saddle Horse Report.”

Mary’s interest in the Civil War goes back to when she was 10 years old and her father gave her the Burke Davis biography of Robert E. Lee, *Gray Fox*. Her fascination with the Lee family eventually led her to pen a biography of “Rooney” Lee, titled *Gray Cavalier: The Life and Wars of W.H.F. “Rooney” Lee*, a book that was published in 2002.

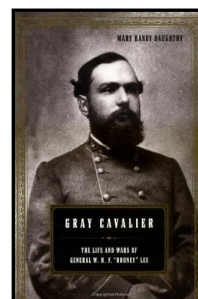
Mary lives in Goldsboro with her husband of 45 years, Harry Daughtry. Her talk at the Round Table’s May 2016 meeting will be on W.H.F. “Rooney” Lee, the subject of her book.

Copies of Mary’s books will be offered for sale at the meeting and she will be happy to sign them.

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~ Rooney Lee ~

William Henry Fitzhugh Lee was the second son of Robert E. Lee and Mary Custis and was born in 1837 at Arlington, Va.



Prior to the Civil War “Rooney,” as he was known, served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army’s 6th Infantry Regiment. After Virginia seceded, he became a captain in the 9th Virginia Cavalry and was later promoted to brigadier general. During the war, he was wounded and captured in 1863, but was exchanged and served until Appomattox.



Virginia

The States During the Civil War

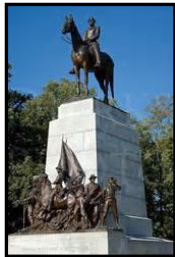


'The Old Dominion'

Virginia was one of the original Thirteen Colonies, the tenth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution. It was the eighth Southern state to secede, doing so on April 17, 1861. "The Old Dominion" was re-admitted to the Union on Jan. 16, 1870, absent its western portion, which had become its own state.

In 1860, Virginia had a population of 1,596,318. Of that total, about one-third, or 490,865, were slaves. Shortly after Virginia seceded, the capital of the Confederate states was moved from Montgomery, Ala., to Richmond. Because of this, the bulk of the battles in the war's Eastern Theater were fought in the Old Dominion.

Approximately 155,000 men from Virginia served in the Confederate forces and about 30,000 of them died during the Civil War. In addition to men, the state provided weapons, locomotives, and other supplies to the Southern cause. Another 50,000 or so Virginians served in the Union military.



Virginia Monument, Gettysburg

1860 Election Results:

John Bell (Union)	74,481 (44.6%)
John C. Breckenridge (Dem)	74,325 (44.5%)
Stephen Douglas (Dem)	16,198 (9.7%)
Abraham Lincoln (Rep)	1,887 (1.1%)

Secession Vote (5/23/61 Referendum):

For	132,201 (77.9%)
Against	37,451 (22.1%)

Governors:

John Letcher (Dem)	Jan. 1, 1860 – Jan. 1, 1864
Extra Billy Smith (Dem)	Jan. 1, 1864 – May 9, 1865

'The Stonewall Brigade'

Virginia provided some 64 infantry regiments and several other units to the Confederate cause, along with dozens of cavalry and artillery units.



The 1st Virginia, 'Richmond Grays' in late 1859

Among the notable units from Virginia was the Stonewall Brigade, a collection of five regiments of infantry and an artillery battery that was formed in April 1861. The brigade, led by Brig. Gen. Thomas J. Jackson, included the 2nd, 4th, 5th, 27th, and 33rd infantry regiments and the Rockbridge Artillery Battery, all raised in the Shenandoah Valley. The unit earned its nickname and turned the tide at First Manassas and fought in most of the major battles in the Eastern Theater of the War.

Virginia saw the most battles of any state during the Civil War. The first major battle of the Civil War was fought on July 21, 1861, at Manassas, also known as "Bull Run." Second Manassas, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville were among the other battles that were fought in the Old Dominion. Appomattox was the site of Robert E. Lee's surrender and the effective end of the Civil War.

In addition to Lee and Jackson, other Confederate generals from Virginia included A.P. Hill, Richard S. Ewell, J.E.B. Stuart, Jubal A. Early, and Joseph E. Johnston. Union generals Winfield Scott and George Henry Thomas also hailed from the state, as did Admiral David G. Farragut of the U.S. Navy. Other notable Virginians include Belle Boyd, the famed Confederate spy, and Col. John S. Mosby, the Southern cavalier.

It's Movie Time!

An independent movie about the Civil War, filmed locally, opened in theaters nationwide on April 22.



“Union Bound” is based on the actual experiences of Joseph Hoover, a Union soldier from New York who was captured at the Battle of the Wilderness in 1864. He spent time at the infamous prison camp of Andersonville before being transferred to South Carolina. He and a friend escaped and were helped by slaves to make it back to Northern territory.

It was filmed at Stagville Plantation in Durham and other North Carolina locations. For details, see <http://www.unionboundthemovie.com>.

Upcoming Events

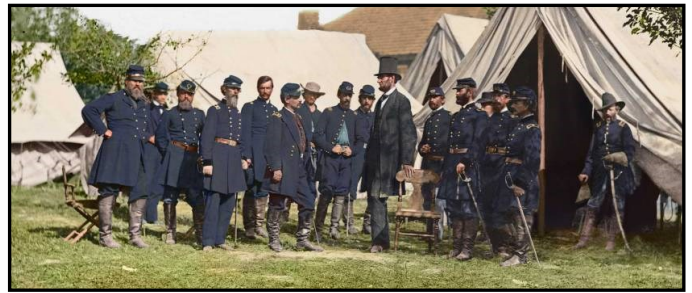
May 7. The CSS *Neuse* Civil War Interpretive Center in Kinston, N.C. offers a program on Civil War surgery and medicine. Presentations by Gary Riggs and Jerry Leggett on medical practices and procedures during the war and Wade Sokolosky will talk on North Carolina's Civil War hospitals. Free admission to museum. Go to <http://www.nchistoricsites.org/neuse/neuse.htm> or call (252) 522-2107 for more information.

May 28-29. Bennett Place Historical Site in Durham, N.C., presents a “Memorial Day Timeline Event.” The program includes living historians representing American soldiers throughout our history. Free. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. For details, go online to <http://www.bennettplacehistoricsite.com> or telephone (919) 383-4345.

June 4. The Cedar Forks Rifles holds a living history event at the historic Page House in Morrisville, N.C., to commemorate the 155th anniversary of the presentation of the Morrisville Gray's company flag. The John Paul Strain print raffle winner also will be announced. 10 a.m. Free. See <http://www.6ncst.org> for details.

In Living Color

Some of the most iconic photographs of the Civil War are now being colorized, bringing them to life.

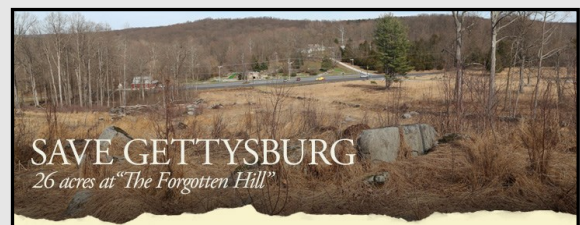


Among those giving color to such images are Sanna Dullaway, a Swedish artist who was commissioned by TIME magazine to enhance a number of historical photos such as the one above of President Lincoln meeting with Gen. George McClellan and other Union officers at Antietam, Md. in 1862.

To see dozens more of Dullaway's colorized Civil War photographs, visit TIME's website at <http://time.com/3814470/see-the-american-civil-war-in-color-photographs>.

Preservation News

The Civil War Trust is seeking to preserve important ground at the Gettysburg, Pa., battlefield.



The land targeted for preservation is 26 acres that runs along the Baltimore Pike, the primary supply route for the Federal forces during the battle, and tracts at Power's Hill, where Union artillery protected the army's right flank.

The Trust's goal in this campaign is to raise \$412,000. Donations are matched at a 4.3:1 rate!

For details, go to <http://www.civilwar.org/battlefields/gettysburg/gettysburg-2016>.

News of the RCWRT



Upcoming RCWRT Meetings

June: Mike Parker, Lee & Jackson's religion

July: Marshall Conyers, Gettysburg poetry

August: Betty Vaughn, first person

September: Susanna Lee, Sioux Uprising

October: Doug Mattox, CSA currency and stamps

November: Fitzhugh Brundage, Frederick Douglass

December: annual Holiday Party

Take a Card(s)!

The RCWRT now has its own "business card" that includes a description of our organization, meeting times, and contact and website information. They are available at our monthly meetings— take some and hand them out at history events or to prospective members or guests!



What You Missed on Facebook!

Recent posts on our Facebook page included information about Civil War authors and books, video of re-enactments at New Bern and Fort Macon, photographs of Civil War sites visited by members and links to a number of interesting websites. Join us— its free! Go to <http://www.facebook.com> and search for "Raleigh Civil War Roundtable."

Welcome New Member!

The RCWRT welcomes our newest member, Paul Clark of Durham. If you know someone who is interested in the Civil War, bring them to a meeting and encourage them to join!



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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 7:00 pm, at the N.C. Museum of History (located at 5 Edenton Street, across from the State Capitol). Members and guests are encouraged to meet for supper at K&W Cafeteria, 511 Woodburn Rd., in Cameron Village before the meeting, at 5:15 pm.

Annual membership dues are \$30 (individual and family) and \$10 for teachers. Students are free. Half-year memberships are available March through May for \$20.