



September 2014 – FALL CAMPAIGN 37

Campaign Officers 2014-2015 Campaign Year:

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September 02, 2014 PROGRAM REGISTRATION DETAILS

All Members and guests of the Lehigh Brigade are ordered to the Days Inn and Suites of Allentown, PA on September 02, 2014. The deadline for accepting dinner reservations is Thursday, August 28, 2014.

For dinner reservations and/or information: Contact any of the following:

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Brigade Call

Civil War Round Table of Eastern, PA, Inc.

Warren Beach

Hello:

I am pleased to be elected Brigade Commander for the coming year. A bit about me. I am retired from the National Park Service where I served for 38 years. I was Superintendent of El Morro National Monument in New Mexico, Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial in Indiana, Morristown National Historical Park in New Jersey, Valley Forge National Park in Pennsylvania, as well as several other parks.

My specific interest in the Civil War came when I came into possession of a diary that my Great Grandfather wrote during and after the war. He was an Indiana farm boy who signed on to the 36th Indiana Volunteer Infantry from Henry County, Indiana.

His journal tells of his trials and tribulations and successes from enlistment until the time he was badly wounded the day before his unit was a part of the assault on Kennesaw Mountain near Atlanta. I have visited several of the places he mentioned in his journal.

As we begin another year, let us remember the work and sacrifice that the soldiers on both sides went through. There are several excellent programs. I am sure you will enjoy the fellowship this year.

Remembering Karl Lehr, A legacy of honor, commitment and generosity



Karl Lehr was truly a renaissance man. He was a teacher, veteran of World War II, a preservationist and a philanthropist. During his time as a member of our Round Table he served our organization in many capacities. His commitment to historic preservation was accomplished through voice, labor and monetary contributions. Karl led a full life and his passing in 2009 at the age of 93 years generated a final gift that will continue to benefit future generations of our great land. A combination of his bequest to our Round Table and matching grants from leading Civil War preservation organizations brought \$463,000 to the cause of historic preservation in 2011. We honor Karl's memory tonight at our "Karl Lehr Memorial Dinner."



2014- 2015 CAMPAIGN SCHEDULE

Announcing an absolutely dynamite list of speakers. Please plan on attending and bring a friend.

- **Tuesday, September 2nd, 2014 – Craig Symonds Author & Historian**
Topic – Operation Neptune
- **Tuesday, October 7, 2014 – Dave Keehn**
Topic – The Knights of the Golden Circle.
- **Tuesday, November 4th, 2014 - Mike Wunsch – General Meade Society**
Topic – General Meade
- **Tuesday , December 2nd, 2014 – Kathy Coddington**
Topic – US Sanitary Commission
- **Tuesday, January 6th, 2015 – Sue Boardman**
Topic – Gettysburg Cyclorama
- **Tuesday, February 3rd, 2015 - Monsignor Mulligan**
Topic – History through Fiction – The Bloodiest Day
- **Tuesday, March 3rd, 2015 – Herb Kaufman**
Topic – Medical Treatment of our Assassinated Presidents
- **Tuesday, April 7th, 2015 – Malcolm Gross**
Topic – Thaddeus Stevens
- **Tuesday, May 5th, 2015 – Jeff Stocker**
Topic – 153rd Pennsylvania Regiment
- **Tuesday, June 2nd, 2015 – Mike Kauffman**



About our Meetings:

Location of all meetings

Days Inn and Suites of Allentown (formerly Four Points Sheraton)
3400 Airport Road, Allentown, PA 18109

Format of all meetings

Sutler's Call	6:00-6:30 pm
Mess Call	6:30 p.m.
Program	7:30 pm

Cost per meeting

Dinner and Program	\$25.00 per person (Reservation required)
Program only	\$5.00 (No reservation required)

DO YOU KNOW THE CIVIL WAR?

A Brain- Stretching Quiz About the Historic Struggle Between the Blue and Grey

1. General Ulysses S. Grant was known to be a decent artist. His favorite subject:
 - a. Children
 - b. Flags
 - c. Horses
 - d. Fruit
2. Put these five Civil War battles in chronological order, starting with the earliest.
 - a. Battle of Stones River
 - b. Battle of Chancellorsville
 - c. Battle of New Orleans
 - d. Battle of the Wilderness
 - e. First Battle of Bull Run

[Answers to the quiz on page 7](#)



**ABOUT OUR SEPTEMBER PROGRAM'S SPEAKER, CRAIG L. SYMONDS AND
HIS LATEST BOOK, OPERATION NEPTUNE: THE ALLIED INVASION OF EUROPE
AND THE D-DAY LANDINGS**

Just over seventy years ago, the lead elements of an Allied army that would eventually number more than two million landed on five beaches on the Normandy coast in German-occupied France. It was the biggest amphibious operation in history and marked the beginning of the end Of the Nazi Empire. This talk will discuss the planning, the strategic arguments, the logistical difficulties, the training, and finally the cross-Channel assault that made the invasion possible. While the story of D-Day is often told starting on the morning of June 6, 1944, this talk will provide the back story to that operation and focus especially on the Navy's role.

Craig's book will be available for sale the night of our September 02 meeting. This is a wonderful opportunity to purchase Craig's latest book at a discounted rate. Any profits the CWRT of Eastern PA Inc. make on this book sale are used to fund battlefield preservation.





ABOUT CRAIG L. SYMONDS

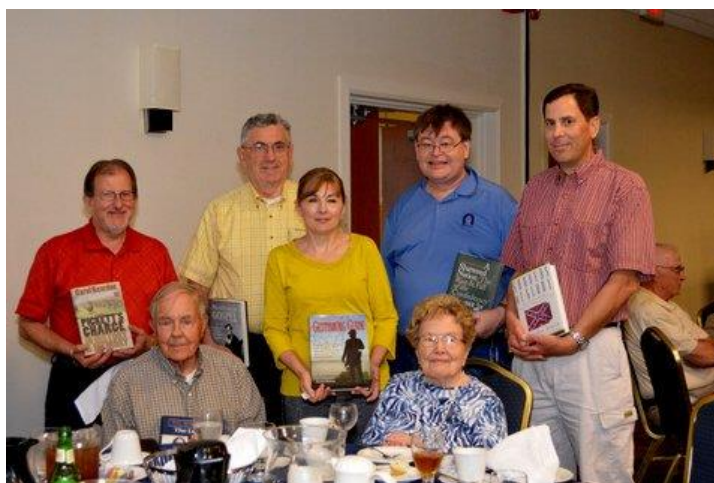
Dr. Craig L. Symonds is Professor of History Emeritus at the United States Naval Academy. The first person to win both the Naval Academy's "Excellence in Teaching" award (1988) and its "Excellence in Research" award (1998), he also served as History Department chair from 1988 to 1992, and received the Department of the Navy's Superior Civilian Service medal three times. He was Professor of Strategy at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island (1971-74) and at the Britannia Royal Naval College in Dartmouth, England (1994-95). After retirement in 2005, he returned to the Naval Academy for one year in 2011-12 to serve as "The Class of 1957 Distinguished Professor of American Naval History."

Dr. Symonds is the author or editor of twenty-six books, including prize-winning biographies of Joseph E. Johnston (1992), Patrick Cleburne (1997), and Franklin Buchanan (1999), as well as *The American Heritage History of the Battle of Gettysburg* (2001). *Decision at Sea: Five Naval Battles that Shaped American History*, (2005) won the Theodore and Franklin D. Roosevelt Prize for Naval History. His 2008 book, *Lincoln and His Admirals: Abraham Lincoln, the U.S. Navy, and the Civil War*, won the Barondess Prize, the Laney Prize, the Lyman Prize, the Lincoln Prize, and the Abraham Lincoln Institute Book Award. He also won the Nevins-Freeman Prize in 2009. His book on the Battle of Midway was published in 2011. His newest book is *NEPTUNE: The Allied Invasion of Europe and the D-Day Landings*, released in May 2014.

He and his wife Marylou live in Annapolis, Maryland; they have one son and two grandchildren.



Book Raffle Winners for June 2014



The book raffle winners for the June 2014 meeting were (seated) Roger Tice and Bunny Ashcraft; (standing – left to right) David Hohe, Edward Mulligan, Cindy Ashcraft, Bill Frankenfield and Tom Johnson. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone for supporting the preservation cause! Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone for supporting the preservation cause.

ANSWERS FOR DO YOUR KNOW THE CIVIL WAR?

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Burnside's Bridge by Don Troiani

**A SPECIAL "THANK YOU" TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED PRESERVATION WITH YOUR
PURCHASED PRINT RAFFLE TICKETS ! Contributed by Tony Major**

First prize - this valuable print, Burnside's Bridge, signed by artist Don Troiani, The framed value in the secondary market for this print is currently \$600.00. **Won by Roger Arthur**

Second prize - Official General Ulysses S. Grant Bowie Knife - "The Siege of Vicksburg" by the Franklin Mint with a Certificate of Authenticity. **Won by Dorothy Duran**

Third prize - "Illustrated History of the Civil War" - 3 volume set

Vol. 1 - "Arms and Equipment of the Union"

Vol. 2 - "Arms and Equipment of the Confederacy"

Vol. 3 - "Illustrated Atlas of the Civil War" **Won by Al Massi**

Fourth prize - "Grant and Lee" - William M. S. Rasmussen and Robert S. Tilton - Published by Virginia Historical Society - 9" X 12" **Won by Jim Duffy**

Fifth prize - Three rare pamphlets on the USS Monitor:

- "The Man Who Made the Monitor; John Ericsson, Engineer and Visionary" - American Swedish Historical Museum, Philadelphia 2003
- "Monitor Builders: A Historical Study of the Principal Firms and Individuals Involved in the Construction of the USS Monitor" - National Park Service and NOAA, 1988
- "Ironclad Captains: The Commanding Officers of the USS Monitor" - William S. Still - National Marine Sanctuary, April 1988 **Won by Kay Bagenstose - presented to Kim Jacobs**

REMEMBER, WHEN YOU SUPPORT PRESERVATION, WE ARE ALL WINNERS!!!

Please also note the first prize print for the 2014-2015 season is the framed, signed and numbered Bedlam in the Brickyard by Bradley Schmehl. More to come in the next newsletter.



REENLISTMENT REPORT

It is re-enlistment time for the 2014-2015 campaign. Again, our numbers have decreased over the past year and the Roundtable can use your help in acquiring some new recruits. If you know of anyone who has an interest in the Civil War, please pass his or her name and address along to me. I will send them a few complimentary newsletters and an introductory letter to the Round Table. Better yet, bring them to a dinner meeting.

The dues are \$25.00 for individuals, \$10.00 for full-time students. To avoid standing in line at the meeting, please fill out the form below and mail it with your check payable to CWRT of Eastern PA, Inc. Thanks for your support. Jeff Gates (610) 966-5773 or jefgates@ptd.net

Name _____ How long have you been a member? _____

Address _____ How did
you hear of this organization? _____

What is your occupation/profession? _____

Phone _____ E-mail address _____

Reenactor? ___ Unit _____

Please give name and unit of ancestor who fought in the Civil War _____

My major interest is: _____

Would you be willing to speak to groups on some aspect of the Civil War? _____

Would you be interested in participating in round table activities? _____

___public functions ___political action ___preservation ___living history

Dues (Please make checks payable to **CWRT of Eastern PA, Inc.**)

___ **Individual (\$25.00)** ___ **Full-Time Student (\$10.00)** ___ **Tax Deductible Donation**

Please fill out the Enlistment Form above for our next Campaign and mail **FIRST CLASS** to CWRT of Eastern PA, Inc., P.O. Box 333 ALLENTOWN, PA 18105

Dues are payable now!

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