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General Orders

Franty's Brigade

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SEPTEMBER 2016 MEETING
Thursday, September 15, 2016

The HESS Club
5430 Westheimer Rd @ Westheimer Way
6:00 Cash Bar
6:45 Dinner & Meeting

E-Mail Reservation is Preferred;
at drzuckero@sbcglobal.net
or call Don Zuckero at (281) 479-1232
by 6 PM on Monday September 12, 2016
Dinner \$30; Lecture Only \$10

***** Reservations are Required *****
FOR BOTH DINNER and LECTURE ONLY

The HCWRT Presents Wayne Motts Speaking on:

“Pickett’s Charge at Gettysburg: A Fresh Perspective”

A native of central Ohio, Wayne graduated with a B. A. in the field of military history from The Ohio State University and holds a M.A. in history from the Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania. He was one of the youngest persons to complete the examination process to be a Licensed Battlefield Guide at the Gettysburg National Military Park. He has guided parties around the battlefield for twenty-eight years. He is currently the CEO of the National Civil War Museum located in Harrisburg, PA. He has written on various subjects related to the Civil War in a variety of publications and is the author of the only published biography of Confederate General Lewis A. Armistead who fell in Pickett’s Charge. He is the co-author (with James A. Hessler) of *Pickett’s Charge at Gettysburg: A Guide to the*

Most Famous Attack in American History slated for release in the summer of 2015.

Join Wayne as he presents Pickett’s *Charge at Gettysburg: A Fresh Perspective*. This talk will focus on all the burning questions left over from the assault 153 years ago. Drawn from his work, Wayne will cover such topics as why did Lee decide to make the attack? How many soldiers participated in the assault? Who were some of the men involved that July day? Where was Pickett? What role was the artillery to play in the Confederate planning? What was the target? Who got the furthest? What were the casualties? What was the aftermath like? All of these questions and more will be answered in an attempt to unravel the history of the war’s greatest frontal assault.



Wayne E. Motts

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

By Emily Ryan

Fliers have been distributed all over town (libraries, community centers, universities) by our hard working Membership Committee (Norm Lewis, Nate Jennings, Brad York, Scott Wilkey, Judy and Fred Duncan, and Emily Ryan).

Now we are asking our membership at large to do two things: 1. Ask/tell all your contacts about our Round Table, and 2. Welcome the new members into our fold at our monthly meetings. Make them feel warm and fuzzy! Thanks on behalf of the ranks!

Hood's Brigade at Chickamauga

Hood's Texas Brigade Association, Re-activated (HTBAR) will hold its Annual Seminar on November 18-19, 2016 at Navarro College. This is the home of the Pearce Collection of Civil War Letters. We should have more details in the October newsletter. For more information, contact Martha Hartzog:

m.hartzog@mail.utexas.edu or go to <http://www.hoodstexasbrigade.org/>

COMMANDER'S CORNER

By Marsha Franty

Welcome to the 2016-17 Campaign of the Houston Civil War Round Table! We hope you will join us each month to enjoy our great speakers and the stimulating company of fellow members! Following the resignation of Brad York, the Officers and Directors elected Mike Harrington to serve as Vice President for 2016-17 and elected Jim Godlove as a Director for this campaign. Barry Brueggeman and I will both be out of town this month, so Vice President Mike Harrington will be leading the meeting and Don Zuckero will be taking care of both reservations and payments. **Please be sure to get your reservation for either the dinner and lecture or the lecture only in to Don by Monday, 12 September.** Then come early to catch up with everyone before the meeting begins at 6:45 P.M.

If you have not yet paid your dues for this new season, please do so. You may mail them to Barry Brueggeman, whose address is included in this newsletter. Please note the revised dues structure. Without your annual dues, we cannot bring our speakers to Houston.

I urge all of you to support our dedicated Membership Chair, Emily Ryan, and her committee. They have spent the summer initiating an ambitious campaign to raise awareness of our organization. If you have any suggestions of groups she might approach or locations for our flyers, please contact Emily directly. And, as always, bring a friend to one of our meetings!

The Book Raffle is a fun way to support our Round Table and to add to your library! direct sale. Please be sure to purchase raffle tickets. Thanks to Donnie Stowe for taking on this task each month.

See you in October!

HCWRT FALL FRANKLIN TRIP Franklin Symposium, Oct. 20-22

Several members will be travelling to Franklin, Tennessee next month to attend the **"The Battle of Franklin and American Memory History Symposium" on October 20-22.** Through lectures, panel discussions, and tours of the battlefield and historic homes, the symposium will offer an in-depth look at the Civil War in 1864 and the long post-war years. Attendees will learn about the events leading up to the Battle of Franklin, the battle itself, and civilian perspectives. The long path to our modern times will also be covered. This symposium will allow guests to learn about these pivotal moments in American history in a unique way. **The Battle of Franklin Trust** is sponsor of the symposium. **Co-Coordinator** Barry Brueggeman and Emily Ryan are local contacts for the Franklin Trip. If interested or if you plan to attend, contact **Emily Ryan** at [713-781-1418](tel:713-781-1418) or TRN@aol.com. For travel information or to share your travel plans, contact **Barry Brueggeman** at [281-480-1130](tel:281-480-1130) or bgbueg@aol.com. Individuals are responsible for making reservations and arrangements for

symposium registration, transportation, and hotel accommodations (the Drury Franklin is the symposium hotel). For more details, go to: <http://www.boft.org/events/symposium.htm>

2016 SHSU CONSTITUTION DAY KEYNOTE ADDRESS LINCOLN THE CONSTITUTIONALIST



Featuring New York Times Bestseller and Lincoln Prize Winning Historian ALLEN C. GUELZO. Lincoln's affection for the Declaration of Independence has been widely acknowledged, but how did the other founding document shape his presidency and the course of the Civil War? Join prize-winning historian Allen C. Guelzo, one of our nation's leading authorities on the sixteenth president, as he considers this question and more. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016 at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville in the Olson Auditorium, AB IV.

SEPTEMBER BOOK SALE *By Donnie Stowe*



Hope everyone had a wonderful summer and survived the heat as much as possible. Onward to our raffle for September, 2016. The

raffle begins with **AUTUMN of GLORY –The Army of Tennessee 1862-1865** by Thomas Lawrence Connelly. This book is heavily footnoted in Eric Jacobson's book – For Cause & For Country (Battles of Spring Hill & Franklin). Our second selection this month is from Tom Ryan – **LINCOLN and McCLELLAN –The Troubled Partnership Between A President And His General** by John C. Waugh. This book is also signed by the author. Next **MORE GENERALS IN GRAY**, by Bruce S. Allardice. This volume is also autographed by the author. The fourth selection is **LIFE IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY** by William Watson. I was unable to record a donor's name for this volume. The final volume this month is **THE CIVIL WAR READER** by Richard B. Harwell and is a donation from Ron Featherston. Please make your reservations to join us at the Hess Club this month.

SEPTEMBER QUIZ

By Jim Godlove

During the Summer Board meeting, a new format was suggested for the monthly quiz questions. There will still be a question posted in the newsletter; but, there will be only five tie-breakers allowed at the meeting. If more than one person correctly answers all the questions, their names will be taken down. After a person has correctly answered three monthly quizzes, he or she will then be awarded the "coveted" Monthly Quiz Minie Ball. This new format should save time during the meeting and encourage people to read their newsletter.



Two of the three brigadier generals in Pickett's division were killed on July 3, 1863. The third was captured after being badly wounded. Who was this Virginian who later became governor of that state?

THE HOUSTON CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE 2016 - 2017 SPEAKERS CAMPAIGN – THE HESS CLUB

- Sep. 15, 2016 Wayne Motts: *“Pickett’s Charge at Gettysburg: A Fresh Perspective”*
- Oct. 18, 2016 A. Wilson Greene: *“Civil War Petersburg”* (Note: This is a TUESDAY Night!)
- Nov. 17, 2016 Susannah J. Ural: *“Hood’s Boys: The Long Road Home”*
- Dec. 8, 2016 Donald S. Frazier:
“Blood on the Bayou: Vicksburg, Port Hudson, and the Trans-Mississippi”
- Jan. 19, 2017 Edwin C. Bearss: *“The Camden Expedition and Battle of Jenkin’s Ferry, AR”*
- Feb. 16, 2017 Edward H. Bonekemper III: *“The Myth of the Lost Cause”*
- Mar. 16, 2017 Brian Steel Wills: *“George Thomas at Nashville”*
- Apr. 20, 2017 Elizabeth R. Varon:
“Legacies of Appomattox: Lee’s Surrender in History and Memory”
- May 18, 2017 To Be Determined - Holding for 2017 Vandiver Award recipient

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