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Indianapolis Civil War Round Table Newsletter

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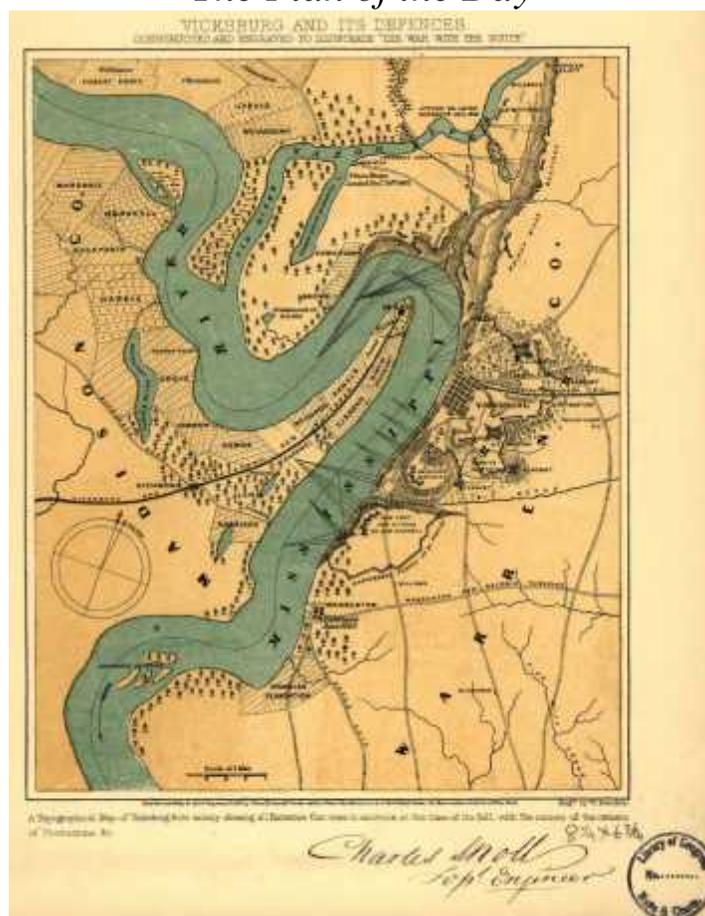



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December 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.  
 Meeting at Indiana History Center Auditorium  
 450 West Ohio Street

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## *The Plan of the Day*



“Vicksburg and its defences” map from Library of Congress

<https://www.loc.gov/item/99447426>

### ***Maps, Mapping & Mapmakers of the Civil War: A Novice Explorer’s Perspective***

Lou is Emerita Librarian Government Information, Maps and the Geo-Sciences at IU. She began studying the Civil War seriously after she retired in 2014, particularly maps and mapmaking. She will describe what she has learned about Civil War maps, mapmaking and mapmakers, but will also explore the availability of Civil War maps online and at various repositories.

## **JOIN US BEFORE THE MEETING AT SHAPIRO'S DELI!**

**All ICWRT members and guests** are invited to join us at 5:30 P.M. at Shapiro's Delicatessen, 808 S. Meridian St. (just south of McCarty Street) before the meeting to enjoy dinner and fellowship.

### *Our Guest Speaker*

**Lou Malcomb** served as a librarian for the IU Bloomington Libraries for 39 years, both as Head of Undergraduate Library Services and Head of Government Information, Maps, and Microforms and Librarian for the Geosciences. She is best known for her expertise with state and federal government information. She has also been active in the restoration and preservation of historic cemeteries through her work with our own Monroe County History Center's Cemetery Committee. She is also an active member of the Indiana Barn Foundation, the Government Documents Roundtable, and the Association of Gravestone Studies.

### *Roster of Officers and Committees for the 2016-2017 Campaign*

#### *Officers:*

President: Chris Smith

Vice President: Dave Sutherland

Secretary: Frank Bynum

Treasurer: Tony Roscetti

Immediate Past President: Peg Bertelli

#### *Committees:*

Preservation: Andy O'Donnell

Website: Ed Pope

Program Selection: Chris Smith, Jenny Thompson, Dave Klinestiver

Publicity: Peg Bertelli, Dave Sutherland & Tony Roscetti

#### *Quiz Master:*

Tony Trimble

#### *HARDTACK Newsletter:*

Editor: Jenny Thompson

**Members are encouraged to wear their badges to the meetings, so people will know who you are.**

If you have a short article, book review, or some other item that may be of interest to our members, please submit it via email to the editor at [jkt60jet@gmail.com](mailto:jkt60jet@gmail.com) by the tenth day following the preceding month's meeting.

### *2016-2017 Campaign Plans*

January 9, 2017 – Ray Boomhower – Lew Wallace's Civil War career

February 13, 2017 – Jim Floyd – Paying for the Civil War: Taxes, Internal Revenue, and Enrolled Agents

March 13, 2017 – Gary Joiner – *Mr. Lincoln's Brown Water Navy*

April 10, 2017 – Connie Hansen – A Visit with Jennie Wade's Mother

May 8, 2017 – Robert I. Girardi – The Murder of Major General William “Bull” Nelson

June 12, 2017 – Thomas Bogar – *Backstage at the Lincoln Assassination: The Untold Story of the Actors and Stagehands at Ford’s Theatre* (see \* note below)

\* June meeting will be at MCL Cafeteria – Township Line, 2370 W. 86<sup>th</sup> Street. The banquet room doors open at 6:00. The building closes at 9:00, so the meeting will begin at 6:45. **Directions:** From the North on I-465, take the Meridian St. / US 31 N exit. Keep left to take the Meridian St. ramp. Turn left (south) on N. Meridian Street. Turn right (west) on 86<sup>th</sup> St. MCL is on the right before you reach Township Line Road. From the east, travel west on 86<sup>th</sup> St., passing Meridian St., Spring Mill Rd., and Ditch Rd. MCL is on the right before you reach Township Line Road. From the South, take Meridian St. north until you reach 86<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn left (west). MCL is on the right before you reach Township Line Road. From the west, travel east on 86<sup>th</sup> St. to Township Line Rd. MCL is on the left just after you pass Township Line Road.

### *Other Camp Activities*

**Hamilton County Civil War Roundtable:** They meet at the Carmel City Hall, located at 1 Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the program will start at 7:00 in the Second Floor Counsel Room. Join them for dinner at 5:15 p.m. at Dooley O’Tools Restaurant at 160 E. Carmel Dr., Carmel, IN 46032. Meetings will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, September through May, excluding December.

Dec. – no meeting

Jan. 11, 2017 – Jenny Terpening – Civil War Medicine

Feb. 8, 2017 – Bob Houghtalen – A War Never Forgotten...How Hoosier Soldiers Were Treated When They Returned Home

March 8, 2017 – David Sutherland – Virginia Military Institute’s Civil War Legacy

April 12, 2017 – open

May 10, 2017 – open

**Madison County Historical Society Civil War Roundtable:** They meet on the third Monday each month except July, August, and December at 7 p.m. at the Madison County History Center, 15 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street, in downtown Anderson.

No meeting in December

January 16, 2017 – Show and Tell

February 20, 2017 – Emancipation Completed



### *Special Orders*

**Indiana Historical Society's Festival of Trees:** Andy O'Donnell is sponsoring a tree in the name of our Round Table, the Indiana War Memorial, and the Colonel Eli Lilly Civil War Museum Visit the Festival of Trees from November 18 - December 30 and cast your vote for your favorite trees.

**Fergus M. Bordevich's *Wall Street Journal* Book Review of *A Savage War* by Williamson Murray and Wayne Wei-siang Hsieh:** "Americans have a perhaps understandable tendency to romanticize the Civil War, a four-year 'Iliad' that remade the nation at the cost of at least 750,000 lives. Its effects still echo through our present-day controversies over the legacy of slavery, the display of Confederate symbols and even our remembrance of the war itself. For some Americans, the Civil War remains a tragic epic of 'brother against brother,' for others a triumphal crusade against slavery, for others an epic of Southerners defending their rights against a soulless Yankee war machine, and for still others simply an inspiring saga of heroic warriors slugging it out on battlefields whose names—Bull Run, Shiloh, Gettysburg—still glow with a near-sacred aura. The armies of re-enactors who bloodlessly re-fight battles over the war's once blood-soaked fields testify to the degree to which the Civil War retains its grip on our imaginations. Declaring that 'too much romanticism about the Civil War pervades the present-day view of the conflict,' the authors of this illuminating, ambitious and unsentimental history—Williamson Murray, an emeritus professor of history at Ohio State, and Wayne Wei-siang Hsieh, a history professor at the U.S. Naval Academy—aim to strip the war down to its cold essentials. This is not a grunt's eye view, it should be said: 'A Savage War' evokes little sense of battle as it was experienced by the ordinary soldier, and its descriptions of combat are serviceable rather than stirring. But it is an exceptionally lucid account of the war as it was fought by the generals, a few brilliant but most mediocre, who struggled with primitive logistical support, unreliable communications, exhausted soldiers and the 'fog of war' on battlefields that were literally befogged with gun smoke."

### *Official Records*

**November Attendance:** 40

**Alan T. Nolan Memorial Youth Scholarship Fund:** The Executive Board of the Indianapolis Civil War Round Table has established this fund to provide membership dues, annual tour expenses or other worthwhile purpose for any full-time student of any age. Please see Tony Roscetti to donate to this fund.

**Facebook:** The Indianapolis Civil War Round Table is on Facebook. We invite you to join our group. Feel free to post Civil War related messages on our site.

**Charitable Sponsors:** In an effort to upgrade our speakers and programs, the board of ICWRT is asking members and organizations with which they are involved (companies or charitable organizations) to consider sponsoring one or more speakers. This could be done as a gift now, or a person could opt to make a bequest in a will for that purpose. Because of our limited membership, we can't bring in as many national speakers as we would like to. If you are interested or want more info, call Chris Smith at 450-7430.

**Help Sponsor a Meeting:** We are accepting donations in increments of fifty dollars to help pay the cost of our monthly rental: \$50 (Brigadier General); \$100 (Major General); \$150 (Lieutenant General); and \$200 (General). Those who donate \$200 will be given the honor of leading the pledge to the flag before the meeting. Checks should be written to

the Indiana Historical Society with "ICWRT" noted in the memo line and given to treasurer Tony Roscetti, so we can keep a record of the donations.

**Book Raffle:**

*The Civil War and Reconstruction*, by J. G. Randall

*Lincoln and His Generals*, by T. Harry Williams

*The Army of the Potomac: Mr. Lincoln's Army*, by Bruce Catton

*The Army of the Potomac: Glory Road*, by Bruce Catton

*The Army of the Potomac: A Stillness at Appomattox*, by Bruce Catton

**\*Anyone wishing to donate books for upcoming raffles should either bring them to Tony Roscetti at the December meeting or contact him to make arrangements for pick up.**

*Test Your Civil War Knowledge (with Trimble's Trivia)*

Identify the Civil War personality associated with each of the nicknames below.

1. "Fighting Dick"
2. "Cally"
3. "Old Heart of Oak"
4. "Indian"
5. "Calico Colonel"

Answers to the November Quiz:

1. Who proclaimed that his army did not come to Kentucky to conquer but to free its citizens from tyranny? \*\*\* Gen. Braxton Bragg
2. In 1861, Lincoln secretly offered a commission as Brig. Gen. to someone who declined it to join the Confederacy instead. Who was this officer? \*\*\* Simon Bolivar Buckner
3. The Battle of Jonesborough was part of what campaign? \*\*\* The Atlanta Campaign
4. Who addressed a group of free Negroes saying, "But for your race among us, there could not be war...It is better for us both, therefore, to be separated."? \*\*\* Abraham Lincoln
5. During a meeting on October 17, 1863 between Grant and Sherman, Grant decided to relieve Gen. Rosecrans from command and appoint George Thomas as his replacement. Where did this meeting occur? \*\*\* Union Station, Indianapolis

*The Soldier and Commander-in-chief Speak*

Quotes from: Wright, John, ed. *The Oxford Dictionary of Civil War Quotations*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2006.

G.F.R. Henderson: "Seven miles in peace are very short. In war, in the neighborhood of the enemy, they are very long. In peace, roads are easy to find. In war, it is the exception that they are found, even when messengers are provided with good maps and the country is thickly populated; and it is from war that the soldier's trade is to be learned." (146)

Abraham Lincoln (while pointing to Vicksburg on a map): "See what a lot of land these fellows hold, of which Vicksburg is the key....The war can never be brought to a close until that key is in our pocket." (252)

### *Soldier of the Month*



Photo and information from “Jedediah Hotchkiss.” Accessed April 27, 2016.

<http://www.civilwarhome.com/hotchkissbio.html>

During the Civil War, Jedediah Hotchkiss served as mapmaker to General Garnett in western Virginia, Stonewall Jackson in the Shenandoah Valley, and Generals Ewell and Early and working for Lee’s headquarters during the Gettysburg, Mine Run, and Wilderness Campaigns. He drew most of the Confederate maps in the Official Records atlas.

### *Historic Site of the Month*

Map and information from <http://www.civilwar.org/maps/>



**Civil War Trust** provides battle maps, historical maps, satellite maps, and animated maps on their website: <http://www.civilwar.org/maps/>. The above historical map was drawn by Jed. Hotchkiss. Their animated maps, produced by Wide Awake Films in partnership with Civil War Trust, allow the viewer to see a battle unfold through video, photographs, and maps (or the entire Civil War: <http://www.civilwar.org/maps/animated-maps/civil-war-animated-map/>). The website also provides links to other Civil War map collections.

## Re-enlist NOW for the 2016-2017 Campaign

All ICWRT members may continue to receive the monthly newsletter, HARDTACK, via email at no additional charge. Members who prefer to receive the HARDTACK by U.S. Mail are asked to pay an additional \$12.00 to help cover printing and mailing costs.



Please bring your completed re-enlistment form (below) together with your payment to Indianapolis Civil War Round Table, and give it to Tony Roscetti, ICWRT Treasurer, at the next Round Table meeting, or mail your re-enlistment form and payment to:

Tony Roscetti  
6260 Green Leaves Road  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46220

Phone: (317) 475-9227  
Email: [anthony.roschetti@pnc.com](mailto:anthony.roschetti@pnc.com)

*Please complete and detach the form below and include with your check:*

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### **ICWRT Membership Enlistment for July 2016 thru June 2017**

*Please print legibly!*

Name..... Date .....

Address.....  
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Phone: (.....) ..... Email Address: .....

*We must have a valid email address if you wish to receive the HARDTACK newsletter free of charge!*

**(please specify Membership Level):**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$30 Individual** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$35 Family** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$15 Student**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I wish to receive the newsletter via U.S. Mail for an additional \$12**

In addition to my membership dues, please accept my generous gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
to the ICWRT general operating account (This donation is not tax deductible)

If someone invited you to join the ICWRT, please list his or her name below:

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