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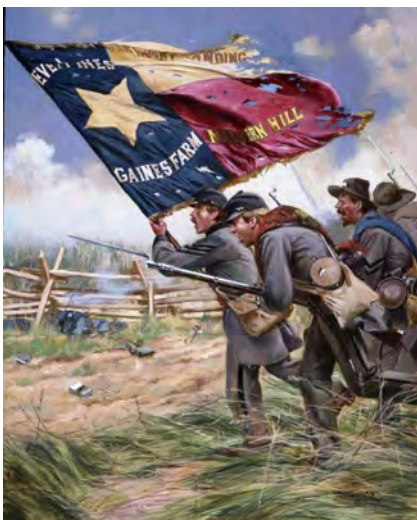
Speaker: Hamish Lutris

Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 7:15pm at the Wayne Public Library

Our Speaker this month is Hamish Lutris, who brings his expert knowledge and many years of research and study on the Civil War, including the Winning of the West and the State of Texas.

Hamish is an Associate Professor of History at Capital Community College in Hartford, Connecticut and has worked in some of America's premier natural and historical sites, leading hiking and historical programs.

He has also lectured extensively in the United States, Europe, and Canada, presenting programs on wide-ranging historical topics, including Native American history, the Civil War, Scientific History, Social and cultural history, World War I, World War II, and the American West.



Color Bearer

1st Texas Regiment - C.S.A., 1862
by Don Troiani

Please remember to pay your membership dues

Your membership is important to us and helps sustain our Phil Kearny Round Table and defer costs for our annual field trips.

*Bring your check made out to PKCWRT to the meeting or mail to:
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CIVIL WAR QUIZ

Special thanks to Dennis Buttacavoli

1. Who was the last President of the United States to have served in the Civil War
2. What New Jersey Union regiment had 400 men and its Lieutenant Colonel captured by Hood's Texans at Gaines Mill, June 27, 1862?
3. Name another Union Regiment which the majority of their men were captured also at this battle?
4. Which was the last state to join the Confederacy?
5. What popular song that was a favorite of both Union & Confederate bands later became the theme song of a popular 20th Century comedy trio?
6. Which future Corp Commander was captured in Boatswain Swamp shortly after the Battle of Gaines Mill?
7. This same officer was exchanged on August 15 1862 for which Confederate General?
8. Who were the highest-ranking Union and Confederate officers killed in action?
9. The Battle of Glendale (June 30 1862) was also known by what other names?
10. Where was Confederate General Lloyd Tilghman killed?
11. Which battle fought on May 26 1862 is considered to be the "High Tide" of McClellan's Peninsula campaign?



From left to right: Joe Truglio, Speaker Lew Taylor and Norm Dykstra after the April 2018 meeting. Lew Taylor's talk was on Virginia Military Institute Cadets during the Civil War.

Fred Fredericks Civil War Comic Strip Artist During the Centennial -Jim Madden

Recently, while researching stories about Civil War Centennial events in the 1960's, I stumbled upon a series of Civil War themed comic strips which appeared in daily and weekly newspapers during that time. I was drawn to two comics, which appeared at different times but were created by the same comic strip artist Fred Fredericks.

Fred Fredericks was a proud New Jersey native and student of history, he would later find success as the long-time artist on Mandrake the Magician. Fredericks tried at least three times to break into the regular comic strip business by leveraging his interest in American history. His first attempt in 1959 was "The New Jersey Patriots", themed around the New Jersey heroes during the American Revolution.

That strip had gotten attention as a small comic strip syndicate became interested in him, looking to capitalize on the upcoming Civil War Centennial. That comic strip, "The Late, Late War", taking it's title from the Late, Late Show, was a historical gag strip about the Civil War, being very corny and cartoony in appearance. Unfortunately, The Late, Late War was spectacularly unsuccessful since it only ran a few weeks.

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2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

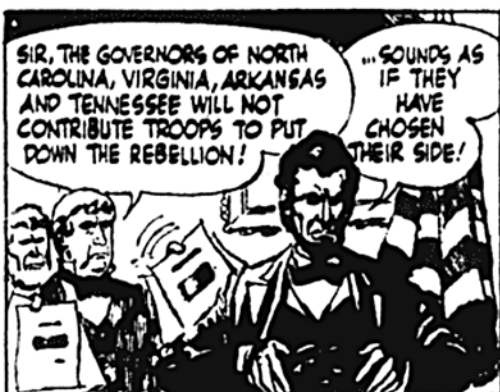
June 20th
Hamish Lutris
Texas in the Civil War

Sept 19th
Kim Kamaris
General George Armstrong Custer, USA

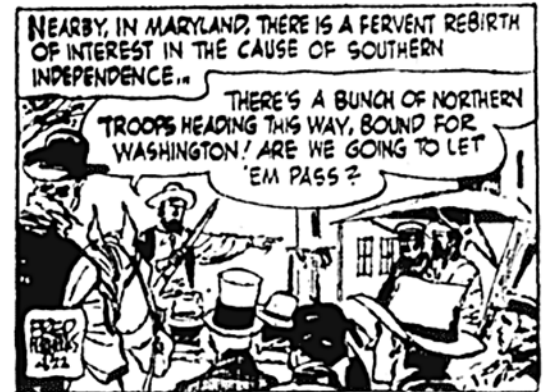
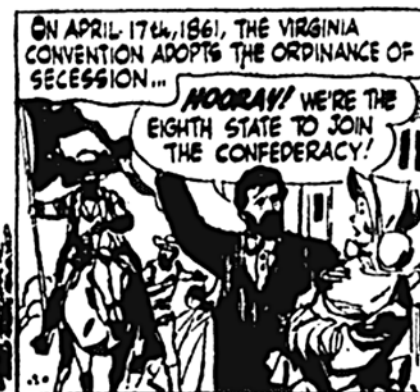
Nov 14th
Kevin Pawlak
General John S. Mosby, CSA

All Meetings are held at the
Wayne Public Library - 7:15 PM
461 Valley Road, Wayne NJ

Under The Stars and Bars



Fred Fredericks



Upcoming Local Events

UPDATE: Next NJ Civil War Flag Rotation



NJ Civil War Battle Flags To Be Unveiled

Friday, June 22nd & 3rd
- 10am

NJ State Museum - Trenton, NJ

If you have never had the opportunity to view storied New Jersey Civil War flags up close or want to see a symbol of some battle scarred NJ Regiments, this is the time to do so. While certain flags will be added to the rotation on display, these historic flags will be unveiled Friday, June 22nd at 10am at the State Museum in Trenton, with an introduction by David Martin about the history of each specific flag and a brief unit history.

If you can't make this unveiling, you can visit these flags whenever the State Museum is opened. Admission is free.

New Jersey contributed over 80,000 men to the Civil War and the New Jersey State Museum has over 100 flags carried by New Jersey's troops in the war in its collection.

These five historic battle scarred flags will be unveiled in specially designed exhibit cases in their new exhibit hall at the New Jersey State Museum, located at 205 West State Street in Trenton, at 10:00 AM on Friday, June 22, 2018.

The Civil War flags to be unveiled have not been on display for several years, include:

- 6th New Jersey Infantry National
- 15th New Jersey Infantry National
- 14th New Jersey Infantry Regimental
- 10th New Jersey Infantry Flank Marker (rare)
- 3rd New Jersey State Militia (3 months) Regimental

This event is organized by the New Jersey State Museum and the New Jersey Civil War Heritage Association, the unveiling event will feature an educational gallery lecture by flag historian Dr. David Martin, author of the award winning New Jersey at Gettysburg Guidebook. Dr. Martin is currently preparing a detailed history of the State's Civil War flags for publication. The exhibit was prepared by Nicholas Ciotola, Curator of Cultural History at the New Jersey State Museum. These flags will be shown until late December, when a new group of flags will be put on display.

ANSWERS TO THE CIVIL WAR QUIZ

1. William McKinley, who served in the 23rd Ohio Infantry
2. 4th New Jersey Infantry
3. 11th Pennsylvania Reserves, 40th Pennsylvania Infantry
4. Tennessee, June 8, 1861
5. Listen to the Mockingbird (*written 1855*), Three Stooges Theme song
6. John F Reynolds
7. Lloyd Tilghman
8. Major General John Sedgwick USA and General Albert Sidney Johnston CSA
9. Frayser's or Frazier's Farm, Nelson's Farm, Charles City Crossroads or New Market Road
10. Champion Hill, during the Vicksburg Campaign
11. Hanover Court House

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Fredericks regrouped from the failure of The Late, Late War and came up with his third American history strip, "**Under the Stars and Bars**", which was also about the Civil War. The new strip took a serious tack, relating the historic events of the war, but it also failed to ignite a lot of newspaper interest, it chronicled historic civil war events and battles through a series of three or four picture panels on a regular basis. It was slated to have gone throughout the entire Centennial, but unfortunately, Under the Stars and Bars lasted barely a year and half, with more interest coming from Southern and Western newspapers. Near the end of it's short life span, there seemed to be a rush to tell the entire Civil War story quickly as the artist may have known his comic strip was coming to a finale. Under the Stars and Bars was canceled by the end of 1962.

Some may remember these comic strips and I include both Comic Strips to compare the different styles.

THE LATE, LATE WAR

By Fred Fredericks



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