



## **BUGLE CALLS, SEPTEMBER 2018 SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE**

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1. SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> MEETING, San Joaquin Valley Civil War Round Table:

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER—DANA LOMBARDY--Historian and publisher, who has appeared on 20 History Channel programs. He will be speaking about his new book "Grant Rising" on the early campaigns of General Grant.

He will have some books for sale, and He said he will bring some books from his collection to give away, so don't miss out!

Dana is best known for his twenty TV appearances on History Channel programs. He created The First Bull Run Battlefield Guide Book, and Napoleon's Last Army. Also, he has been involved with several books about WW II tanks.

He researches, writes, and designs through Lombardy Studios. Dana was publisher of Napoleon Journal from 1996 – 2000, and currently is publisher and chief editor of World War One Illustrated Magazine.

Denny's Restaurant, 710 W. Shaw Ave. Clovis.

6:00 Dinner (Order from menu)

7:00 Meeting, 7:15 Program, 8:15 Book signing & give away.

2. UPCOMING EVENTS:

a. OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF SJVCWRT

b. OCT. 20-21, CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENT AT KEARNY PARK

c. NOV. 8<sup>th</sup>, MEETING OF SJVCWRT  
DENNIS KOLEMAN WILL SPEAK

d. NOV. 9,10,11, WEST COAST CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE  
CONFERENCE: TRANS-MISSISSIPPI THEATER  
WYDHAM GARDEN HOTEL, FRESNO @ \$99; \$200  
Conference fee.

e. DEC. SJVCWRT CHRISTMAS PARTY

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3. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE  
BY MICHAEL SPENCER

Greetings,

Once again summer is almost over, with the Fall upon us when the temperature becomes cooler. This is my favorite time of year. It was nice to have our summer potluck once again. A huge thank you to Brian and Linda for having this soirée. The food is as always (as my coworker puts it) delicious and nutritious.

The next meeting will be on 9/13/18, and our speaker is Dana Lombardi from San Francisco. In addition, we are getting closer to the West Coast CW Conference.

Also, Ken Moats will be receiving honors for his military service, which will be November 8th, 2018. More details for this event forthcoming. Pattie Spencer will attend this as a representative from the SJVCWRT in honor of Ken Moats.

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#### 4. AFTER ACTION REPORT AUGUST BARBEQUE AT SHAVER LAKE BY RON VAUGHAN

Once again Brian & Linda Clague were excellent hosts at the their beautiful "cabin". There was a nice cool breeze to enjoy on their deck, over-looking the pines.

We were sad that Gail and Johnathan were sick and could not make it. Those who did not make it to this occasion, missed a wonderful experience.

Linda barbequed delicious tri-tip, with a special seasoning. The others in attendance provided all sorts of side dishes, salads, and desserts.

I showed more slides from my April 2017 tour of Gettysburg, which had Ed Bearss as the chief guide. The subject of these pics was the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of the battle, featuring Pickett's Charge, of course, but also Custer's cavalry fight to the north-east, and Farnsworth's suicidal charge to the south. In addition, were views of a small battlefield that is not on any park map, and is on private land. Thus, it is nick-named "The Lost Avenue", but is officially "Neil's Avenue," as he was the Union Brigade commander of the regiments that fought here against the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia Regiment. Local historian Dean Schultz was the guide, for the two dozen "nuts" who got off the bus in the rain, to visit the place. Marty Gain, CW Tours Director, said it was her favorite place of all Gettysburg. Indeed, there is something special about it. Perhaps because it is so secluded from the mobs of visitors, and such a beautiful local.

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## 5. CIVIL WAR HUMOR

From "The Blue & Gray Laughing"

"A little boy in Nashville, Tenn., a vendor of pies started out with his basket, when he was accosted by a Federal on a horse. A tempting pie was purchased, when the Federal, suspicious by a deprived nature, requested the boy to taste a piece first. The boy complied, returned it, and the Federal commenced eating the pie. Understanding the fears of Uncle Sam's hireling, the boy immediately sang out. 'Don't you think I know'd which side had the p'ison?' The pie was thrown down hastily, but the boy kept the dime and the joke!"

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## 6. PRESERVATION NEWS:

In my last article about the Liberty Cemetery Centennial, I over looked one import participant: Wayne Scott was there as Abe Lincoln. I am not sure how I forgot, as he was sitting right next to me the entire time! My apologies to Wayne.

### DID YOU KNOW?

The Civil War Preservation Trust has saved more than 1,000 acres on eight battlefields: Brice's Cross Roads (1,334 acres), Brandy Station (1,860 acres), Trevilian Station (1,712 acres), Bentonville (1,662 acres), Kelly's Ford (1,192 acres), Shiloh (1,157 acres), Cool Spring (1,120 acres) and Resaca (1,044 acres).

The CWPT is now The American Battlefield Trust , dedicated to saving battlefields of the American War of Independence and the War of 1812.

The CWPT/ABT and our members have saved more than 50,000 acres in 24 states! Currently they have fund raising efforts to save land on 24 battlefields.