

*Civil War Roundtable of North Florida*



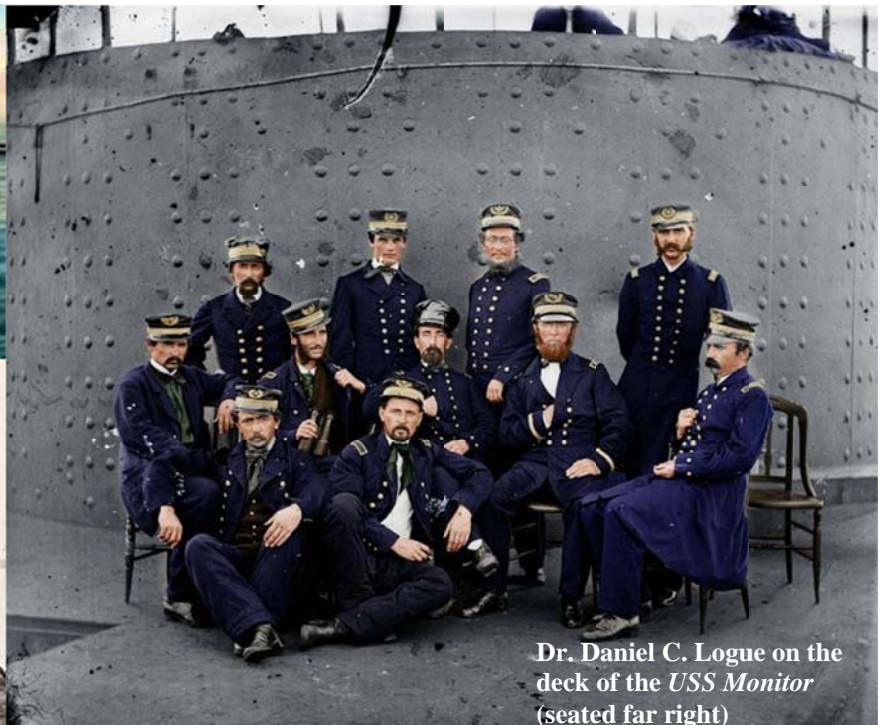
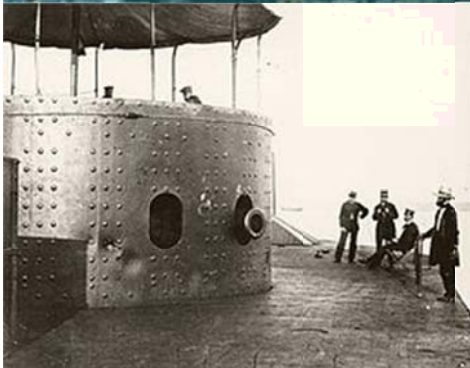
*“Where Both Sides Are Heard”*  
Founded in 2012

Please join us for our Next Meeting  
6:30 PM Thursday, April 12, 2018

**Mark Laubacher**

Will Discuss

**A Surgeon’s Life aboard the *USS Monitor***



Dr. Daniel C. Logue on the deck of the *USS Monitor* (seated far right)

Trinity United Methodist Church (TUMC)  
4000 NW 53<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32653

## Last Month's Meeting March 8, 2018

**Gayle Underwood gave a very informative and captivating look under the big hoop. As Mammy said in *Gone with the Wind*, "Mr. Rhett. You is bad," as she pulled up her skirt to reveal the petticoat.**



Well, we were a little bad and Gayle was quite accommodating in explaining to us the complexity of a fine lady's dress in the time of the Civil War. We learned about the bloomers, then the chemise, the corset and corset cover (we of, course didn't see those two parts), the underskirt or petticoat, the hoop, the over petticoat and finally the dress. Gayle's dress was a fine wool plaid (inspired by Queen Victoria) which she wore very elegantly.



We also learned about the Sanitation Commission which was a private relief agency to support the sick and wounded soldiers of the Federal Army. It raised about \$25 Million in 1865. That would be about \$400 million today. Staffed mostly by volunteers, and many of those were women, one of their projects was to make quilts. Shown on the right (made by Gayle and other ladies of Gettysburg), the quilts were just the right size to fit a hospital cot. About 250,000 were hand made by ladies volunteering for the sanitary commission during the war. Only a few remain today, in the Smithsonian Museum. What happen to the rest? Many were used as burial shrouds for the soldiers.



Gayle shared her seeming endless knowledge of fabrics and quilts.



Thank you Gayle for a very unique and interesting Civil War Round Table presentation.



## APRIL IN THE CIVIL WAR

1861

12-13<sup>th</sup> - Confederates batteries in Charleston Harbor open up on Federal occupied Ft. Sumter at 4:30 AM. Major Anderson, in command at Ft. Sumter surrenders at 2:30 PM on the 13<sup>th</sup>. No lives were lost despite 40,000 rounds being fired during the battle.

12<sup>th</sup> - US Navy lands troops on Santa Rosa Island to reinforce Ft. Pickens in Pensacola Harbor

15<sup>th</sup> Lincoln calls for 75,000 volunteers to put down the insurrection in South Carolina.

17<sup>th</sup> Jefferson Davis announces that he will accept applications for letters-of-marque from private privateers to prey on US shipping.

19<sup>th</sup> Lincoln orders a blockade of all ports in the Confederate states.

1862

2<sup>nd</sup> - Lincoln proposes compensated emancipation and receives favorable attention in the US Senate. It will never be implemented.

3<sup>rd</sup> - US Senate passes a bill to abolish slavery in the District of Columbia (Washington, DC).

6<sup>th</sup> - Battle of Shiloh in Tennessee. The first day is a victory for the Confederates, but Commander Sidney Johnston is killed. Grant received reinforcements overnight forcing Beauregard, now in command of the Confederates to retreat to Corinth, Miss.

12<sup>th</sup> - James Andrews leads a band of 21 men and seizes a Confederate Train in Big Shanty, Ga (now Kennesaw) with the intention of running it back to Chattanooga burning all the bridges behind them. They are chased by the conductor who lost his train, eventually being captured. Andrews and some of the others were hanged as spies. All received the first Congressional Medals of Honor awarded

23<sup>rd</sup> - Farragut's fleet passes the forts south of New Orleans and siezes the city the next day.

1863

2<sup>nd</sup> - Bread riot in Richmond, Va. Chief factor was hunger due to shortages and high prices.

7<sup>th</sup> - Federal Navy with nine ironclads attack Ft. Sumter doing little damage. USS Keokuk sinks.

22<sup>nd</sup> - US Navy attempts to pass the Vicksburg batteries. 11 of 18 vessels make it past.

1864

6<sup>th</sup> - A union Constitutional Convention meets in New Orleans and abolishes slavery in Louisiana

8<sup>th</sup> - US Senate passes the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment, Abolishing Slavery

8<sup>th</sup> - Conf. Gen'l Taylor attacks US Gen'l Banks and routs him in the Red River Campaign, Louisiana

17<sup>th</sup> - Grant decides to exchange no more prisoners

20<sup>th</sup> Confederates capture Plymouth, NC, first victory in the area in some time.

24<sup>th</sup> - Gen'l Nathan Bedford Forrest's cavalry capture Union City in West Tennessee.

1865

2<sup>nd</sup> - President Davis, while attending church, is informed that Richmond must be evacuated.

4<sup>th</sup> - Lincoln visits captured Richmond, Va

9<sup>th</sup> - Gen'l Lee surrenders the Army of Northern Virginia to Gen'l Grant

13<sup>th</sup> - Lincoln halts the draft

14<sup>th</sup> - Lincoln is shot while at Ford's theater and dies the next morning in the Peterson House

26<sup>th</sup> - Gen'l Johnston surrenders the Army of the Tennessee to Gen'l Sherman at Bennett Place, NC

### Upcoming Meetings

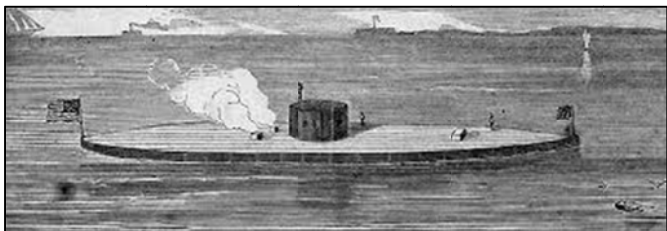
(second Thursday of each month—6:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church)  
(speakers and topics subject to change)

#### April 12, 2018:

Mark Laubacher will speak on **A Surgeon's Life Aboard USS *Monitor***. Mark will discuss Dr. Daniel C. Logue's 90-day service on this history-making Federal ironclad and the medical conditions he had to deal with while on board this warship.

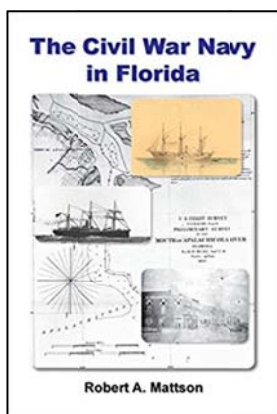
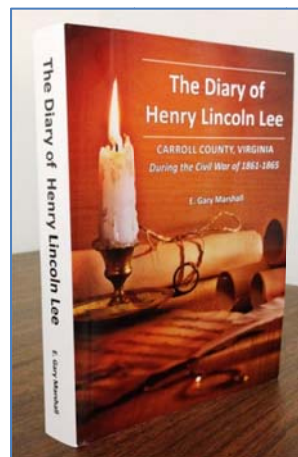
Sketch of USS *Monitor* (image originally published in

*Harpers Weekly* in 1862). Image courtesy: <http://www.history.navy.mil/photos/images/h58000/h58757.jpg>



#### May 10, 2018:

Historian Gary Marshall will speak on **Conflicted Family, Conflicted County, Conflicted Nation: The Civil War in Carroll County, Virginia**, based on his book, *The Diary of Henry Lincoln Lee: Carroll County, Virginia during the Civil War of 1861-1865*.



#### June 14, 2018:

Robert Mattson will talk about the **Naval Civil War in Florida**, based on his book by the same title (2014). His presentation will focus on men, ships, and actions. Robert is a Civil War reenactor who portrays a Union Navy seaman.

#### July 12, 2018:

Dr. Angela Zombek, history professor at St. Petersburg College (and a University of Florida graduate), will speak on **Imprisonment in the Civil War Era**. Of the approximate 3.8 million soldiers in the Civil War, about 400,000 became POWs.

**Right: Georgia's infamous Andersonville POW camp where 13,000 Union soldiers perished. Photo taken on Aug. 7, 1864, by Andrew Jackson Riddle.** Photo courtesy: Civil War Academy



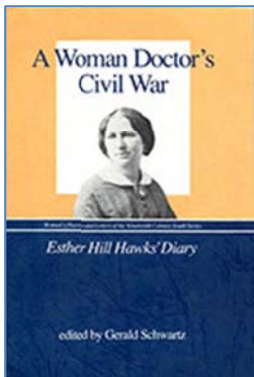
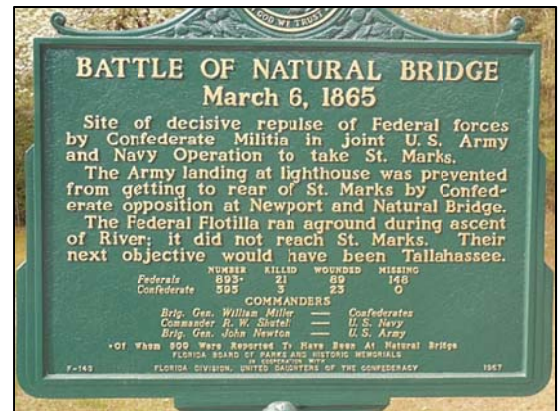
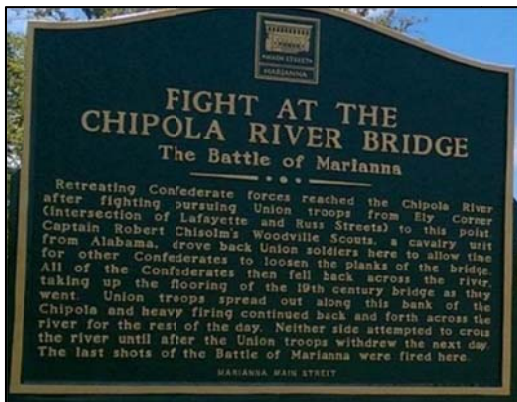
**Aug. 9, 2018: No meeting****Sept. 13, 2018:**

Author and historian **Dale Cox**, of Two Egg (in the Panhandle), Florida, will give a presentation on the **Battle of Marianna (Sept. 27, 1864) and Natural Bridge (March 6, 1865)**.

**Below left: photo of Battle of Marianna plaque.** Plaque courtesy: <http://twoegg.tv/tag/marianna/>

**Below right: photo of Natural Bridge plaque.**

Plaque courtesy: [http://www.rvadventuresofgaryandmarianne.net/RV\\_2015\\_03.html](http://www.rvadventuresofgaryandmarianne.net/RV_2015_03.html)

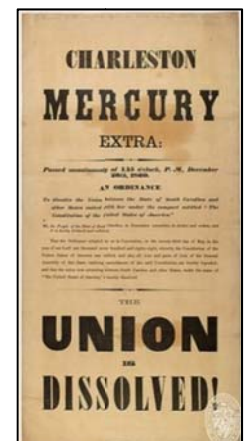
**Oct 11, 2018:**

**Peggy Macdonald**, director of the Matheson History Museum in Gainesville, will speak on **Esther Hill Hawks** and the emergence of modern medicine during the Civil War. Hawks was a physician, a Northerner, a teacher, a school administrator, a suffragist, and an abolitionist. In her diaries, she describes heading to the South after the war to care for the newly freed slaves in her capacity as both a teacher and a doctor.

**Nov. 8, 2018:**

**Donna Waller** will give a talk on **Why the Civil War Happened**. Dr. Waller is a retired Santa Fe College faculty member where her teaching focus for 30 years was on the Civil War and the history of the American presidency. In October 2014, she spoke to the CWRNF on the war with Mexico and Pres. James K. Polk.

**Right: Charleston Mercury broadside printed Dec. 20, 1860, which instigated a war resulting in more than 700,000 deaths.** Courtesy: [http://railsplitter.com/?page\\_id=218](http://railsplitter.com/?page_id=218)

**Dec. 13, 2018: Holiday Party**

**Upcoming Local, Regional, State and Nearby Civil War Events**  
(events & dates subject to change; please confirm event & date before traveling)

**April 20-22, Camp Milton Living History.** 1175 Halsema Road North, Jacksonville. Confederate soldiers will camp and defend the reconstructed earthworks, originally constructed in March of 1864. Federal soldiers will recreate the June 1864 attack on the works. Sat skirmish at 1:00 PM. The preserve is located on the norther portion of the original battlefield. The civilian camp is located at the interpretive center, the “barn”. For more information see their website: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/345104695572047/>

**May 4-6 – Federal Garrison of Fort Clinch, Fernandina Beach,** Union soldiers, sailors and marines recreate the camps in and around Ft. Clinch in May 1864. For more information see their website: <https://www.floridastateparks.org/park/Fort-Clinch>

**May 18-20 – Battle of Resaca, Georgia** Located at Chitwood Farms, Chitwood Road NE, Resaca, Georgia. Battle reenactment both days at 2:00 PM. Ladies tea at 11:30 AM Saturday. Church services and baseball game on Sunday. For more information see their website: [http://www.georgiadivision.org/bor\\_reenactment.html](http://www.georgiadivision.org/bor_reenactment.html)

**July 5-8 – Gettysburg, Pa** 155<sup>th</sup> Gettysburg National Battle Reenactment at 1085 Table Rock Road, Gettysburg. For more information 800-514-3489 or <http://www.gettysburgreenactment.com>

**New for 2018 - Raffle at the end of each Meeting**

In an effort to raise more funds for continued exciting outside speakers the board has decided to hold a raffle at the end of each meeting. A Grand Prize related to the Civil War will be raffled off. In addition, conciliation prizes of books, other Civil War related items and a few fun items will be drawn for. Please see Sue Wooley to get your tickets before the meeting.

**Book sales**



We will continue to have a sale at the back of the room of “gently used” Civil War history books, history DVDs, historical maps, and/or magazines for at our monthly meetings. All proceeds go toward outside speaker fees and room rental fees.

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