

Civil War Roundtable of North Florida



“Where Both Sides Are Heard”
Founded in 2012

**Please join us for our Next Meeting
Thursday, January 11, 2018**

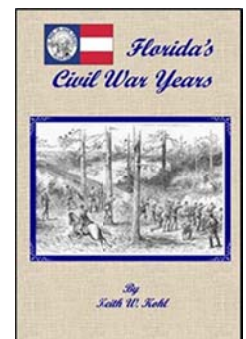
Civil War reenactor Keith Kohl will speak on the Battle of Gainesville



The battle occurred on Aug. 17, 1864 near the downtown square in Gainesville. Keith is a veteran living history reenactor of several Florida periods of history, especially Florida in the Civil War. He serves as the commander of a Civil War living history reenactor battalion, has taken part in living history reenactments all around the eastern United States, and has been involved in living



history presentations at county parks, Florida state parks, national parks, and local museums. In 1993, Keith participated as a reenactor in the filming of the movie Gettysburg. After the meeting, Keith will be selling and signing his book Florida’s Civil War Years (2011) for \$10.95.



Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

**Trinity United Methodist Church (TUMC)
4000 NW 53rd Avenue
(Room 232 in the front Education Center)
Gainesville, Florida 32653**

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**2017 Holiday Party - December 14, 2017 – Napolitano’s
Good Conversation – Good Food – Good Entertainment – Great Prizes
A Grand Time was had by All!**



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Diane Fischler Retires as President of the Civil War Roundtable of North Florida

Diane Fischler, who has pretty much single-handedly run our very successful roundtable for discussions of Civil War events since 2012 has chosen to retire from an active leadership role. She will be sorely missed!

As a very small token of our appreciation the group (knowing her love of Gettysburg) presented her with a collection of “Witness Tree” artifacts from the Gettysburg Battlefield at the Holiday Party. These are relics of trees that were alive at Gettysburg during the battle.



Diane Fischler
Thank you for your many years of arduous service
and dedication.
The Civil War Round Table of North Florida

Currently there is no replacement President, however, the advisory board will share all of what Diane did and strive to carry-on. We hope to see Diane at some future meetings.

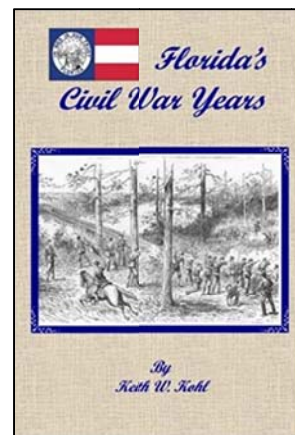
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Upcoming Meetings

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

Jan. 11, 2018:

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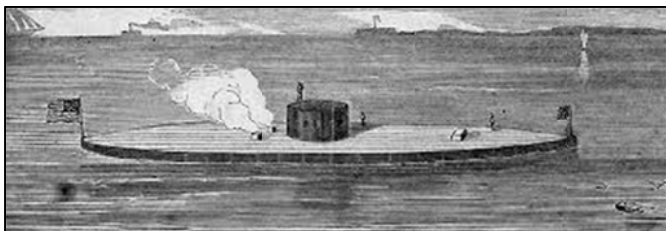
Feb. 8, 2018:



Brian Wills will give a presentation on **Nathan Bedford Forrest's Wizardry in the Saddle**. Brian is the Director of the Center for the Study of the Civil War Era and Professor of History at Kennesaw State University in Kennesaw, Georgia, after a long tenure at the University of Virginia's College at Wise. He is the author of numerous works relating to the American Civil War, including a new volume, *The River Was Dyed with Blood: Nathan Bedford Forrest and Fort Pillow*. He also wrote *A Battle from the Start: The Life of Nathan Bedford Forrest*, reprinted as *The Confederacy's Greatest Cavalryman: Nathan Bedford Forrest* (1998).

March 8, 2018:

Gayle Underwood, a retired Pensacola history teacher and Gettysburg Shriver House Museum tour guide, will discuss **Quilts and Women's Clothing in the Civil War**. As a living historian, Gayle splits her time between Pensacola and Gettysburg. She makes Civil War quilt replicas out of reproduction period fabrics and presents the history of the quilts in full authentic period dress. **Photo courtesy: Tony Giberson / Pensacola News Journal**



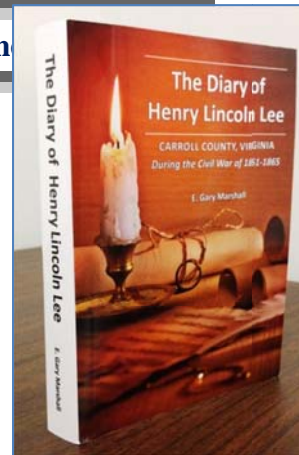
April 12, 2018:

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

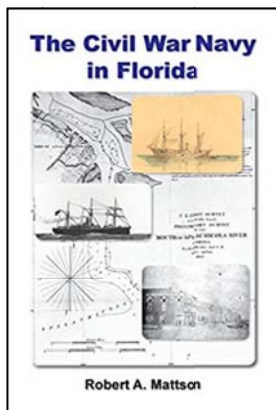
Harpers Weekly in 1862). Image courtesy: <http://www.history.navy.mil/photos/images/h58000/h58757.jpg>

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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

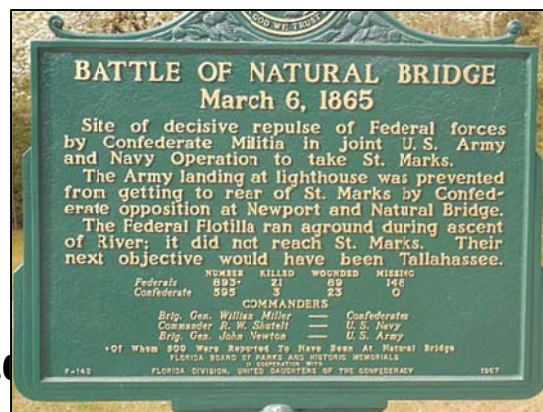
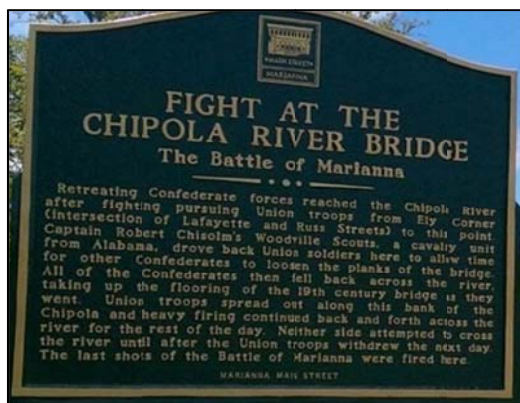
Sept. 13, 2018:

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)**.

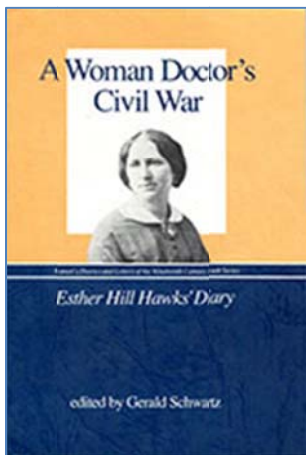
Below left: photo of Battle of Marianna plaque. Plaque courtesy: <http://twoegg.tv/tag/marianna/>

Below right: photo of Natural Bridge plaque.

Plaque courtesy: http://www.rvadventuresofgaryandmarianne.net/RV_2015_03.html



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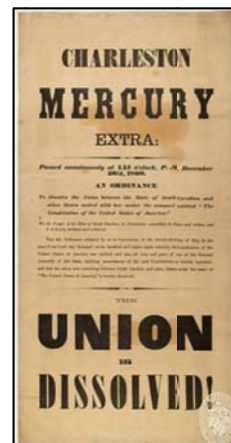
Oct 11, 2018:

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



Dec. 13, 2018: Holiday Party



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**Levy County Historical Presentations
2018 Historical Presentations
The Seminole Indian Wars**

**Cedar Key RV Resort
11960 SW Shiloh Ranch Road, Sumner FL**

Bowlegs Town - H. Dale Herring
Saturday, January 20, 2018 – 2:00 PM

Gen. Walker Armistead's War With the Seminoles in Levy County –
Christopher Kimball
Saturday, February 10, 2018 – 2:00 PM

Soldiers & Seminoles in the Swamp – Dr. Joe Knetsch
Saturday, March 17, 2018

For more information visit the Levy County Historical Society web site
<http://www.levycountyhistoricalsociety.com/seminole-indian-wars-talks-1.html>

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Upcoming Local & Regional & State Civil War Events

(events & dates subject to change; please confirm event & date before traveling)

Jan. 20-21, 2018:

Brooksville Raid reenactment, Sand Hill Boy Scout Camp, 11210 Cortez Blvd., Brooksville, FL. <http://www.brooksvilleraidreenactment.com> or <https://www.facebook.com/brooksvilleraid>

Feb. 3-4, 2018:

Battle at Townsend's Plantation reenactment, Renninger's Market, 20651 US Hwy. 441, Mt. Dora, FL. <http://townsendfirm.com/plantation.htm>

Feb. 3-4, 2018:

Living History at Fort Taylor, Fort Taylor Historic State Park, 601 Howard England Way, Key West, FL. <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Zachary-Taylor-Historic-State-Park/110194162344049>



Right: Fort Zachary Taylor State Park. Aerial photo courtesy: www.placesaroundflorida.com

Feb. 17-18, 2018:

Battle of Olustee reenactment (took place Feb. 20, 1864), Olustee Battlefield State Historic Site, 5890 Battlefield Trail Rd., Olustee, FL. <https://www.floridastateparks.org/park/Olustee-Battlefield> or <http://battleofolustee.org>

Feb. 24-25, 2018:

Battle of Ballast Point reenactment. Fort DeSoto Park, 3500 Pinellas Bayway S., St. Petersburg, FL. kayakmama@tampabay.rr.com

Feb. 24-25, 2018:

Battle of Dade City reenactment. Pioneer Florida Museum and Village, 15602 Pioneer Museum Rd., Dade City, FL. www.pioneerfloridamuseum.org



March 3-4, 2018:

Battle of Natural Bridge reenactment. Natural Bridge Battlefield Historic State Park, 7502 Natural Bridge Rd., Tallahassee, FL. <http://www.nbhscso.com> or <http://www.floridastateparks.org/naturalbridge/>

Left: Natural Bridge battlefield. Photo courtesy:

<http://www.nbhscso.com/gpage.html>

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New for 2018 - 50/50 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 50/50 raffle at the end of each meeting. The winning ticket receives 50% of the ticket sales with the remainder going to the Round Table. Several consolation prizes of books will be drawn after the Grand Prize. Please see Sue Wooley to get your tickets before the meeting.

Book sales



Please donate your “gently used” Civil War history books, history DVDs, historical maps, and/or magazines for re-sale at our monthly meetings. All proceeds go toward outside speaker fees and room rental fees.

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