

**SOUTH SUBURBAN CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE
MARCH, 2017 NEWSLETTER**

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SOUTH SUBURBAN CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE MARCH SPEAKER:

Dr. Graham Peck, a history professor at St. Xavier University is our guest speaker for the upcoming Thursday March 23, 2017 round table meeting. Dr. Peck will be presenting on *Lincoln-Douglas Debates of 1858* and Dr. Peck's topic is an excellent presentation due to the central role Illinois politics influenced during the late 1850's contributed to the coming of the American Civil War. Dr. Peck's presentation will offer our Round Table another historical perspective on how numerous Illinois communities influenced the political importance of the famous 1858 Lincoln-Douglas debates that took place directly before the American Civil War.

Dr. Graham Peck is a long serving faculty member at St. Xavier and teaches specialized courses in Civil War history.

MONTHLY MEETING LOCATION:

The Smokey Barque, 20 Kansas Street, Frankfort, IL. Phone (815) 277-2502

Webpage: www.smokeybarque.com

Public Parking is located just across the street from the Smokey Barque on Kansas Street

Dinner: Orders begin at 5:30pm, SSCWRT meeting follows dinner at 7:00pm

2017 TOUR EVENT NEWS:

We are happy to report that SSCWRT has finalized our 2017 Tour Event!!!

Our 2017 Tour Event will be held on Saturday, April 22nd at the Pritzker Military Museum and Library. Address: 104 South Michigan Ave., Chicago. Phone (312) 374-9333; webpage: www.pritzkermilitary.org

The Tour Event will begin at 1:00pm and last for approximately one hour, therefore, we would ask all attending members to meet at Noon in the lobby of the Pritzker Museum.

****Fee:** There is no charge for current SSCWRT members, but for non-members, the fee is \$5.

****Parking:** Grant Park North Parking Lot: 25 North Michigan Ave. Chicago.
Webpage: www.millenniumgarages.org.

****Parking Fees:** \$16 for 3-8 hours of parking. Please pay online for the discount \$16 price at www.millenniumgarages.org

****Please refer to our tour event registration form for further information-please e-mail SSCWRT President Dennis Doyle at d2doyle68@yahoo.com for any questions you might have.**

2016-2017 SSCWRT MEMBERSHIP and DUES INFORMATION:

Yearly membership dues are \$25 per person/\$30 per family and \$5 per student. Please see our Treasurer Gordon Ramsey for the 2016-2017 membership payment.

SSCWRT NEWSLETTER-MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS:

SSCWRT will be conducting a ballot vote on Thursday March 23rd regarding the issue of continuing our yearly newsletter-magazine subscriptions. SSCWRT yearly subscribes to the following: Civil War News, Civil War Times and America's Civil War. The yearly dues average \$85-90 each year.

****Voting will be a simple yes or no ballot style paper vote. A simple majority vote will determine which (or all) SSCWRT subscriptions will continue from year to year.**

****Voting Rights: Must be a current SSCWRT dues paying member. A current member can vote by-proxy (if not able to attend the March SSCWRT meeting) by e-mailing their vote in confidence to SSCWRT President Dennis Doyle at d2doyle68@yahoo.com**

SSCWRT WEBPAGE AND FACEBOOK PAGES:

Please visit our webpage at www.southsuburbancwrt.com for updated and current information regarding SSCWRT events. Also, please like us on Facebook- as daily and weekly posts are put on FB regularly.

2016-2017 SSCWRT BOARD MEMBERS:

PRESIDENT: Dennis Doyle

VICE PRESIDENT: Phil Angelo

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FRONTLINE REPORT-BATTLEFIELD PRESERVATION NEWS:

CIVIL WAR TRUST (www.civilwar.org):

The Civil War Trust (CWT) recently spent over \$6 million dollars acquiring and rehabbing General Lee's Headquarters at the Gettysburg National Military Park this past fall, 2016. For those of our members who have visited Gettysburg NMP, we can remember when this property was privately owned (with A full gift shop

inside Lee's HQ!!!) and there was a large, national chain hotel just behind Lee's HQ.

CAMP DOUGLAS-CHICAGO ([www. Campdouglas.org](http://www.Campdouglas.org))

Dedicated to the development and operation of interpretive and educational facilities relating to the Civil War military installation Camp Douglas, IL.

ROUNDTABLE NEWS

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE:

March 17: Lincoln and the Founding of the Illinois Republican Party
Guest Speaker - Bill Kemp

CHICAGO CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE:

March 10th: Paul Kahal "Simon Cameron, Lincoln's First Secretary of War"

JOLIET AREA HISTORICAL MUSEUM:

Winter-Spring, 2017: Civil War exhibit, including display of the battle flag of the 100th Illinois (Will County)

KANKAKEE CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE:

Apr. 5th, Kankakee Valley CWRT: Phil Angelo on "U.S. Grant—
Underrated General, Underrated President"

NORTHERN ILLINOIS CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE:

Apr. 7th, Northern Illinois CWRT: Steve Fratt on "Civil War Battle Tactics"

SALT CREEK CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE:

Mar. 17th, Brian Conroy on "Military Academies the Civil War"

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE:

March 17th , Scott Adrian "Civil War Artillery"

**Contact SSCWRT President Dennis Doyle at d2doyle68@yahoo.com
for any Roundtable Updates/Current Information.

CIVIL WAR LIBRARY

Our very own SSCWRT Member Steve LaBarre published his recent book on The Fifth Massachusetts Colored Cavalry in the Civil War.

<http://www.mcfarlandbooks.com/book-2.php...>

