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Announcing Our 563rd Meeting

May 2022

"Abraham Lincoln, Divorce Attorney"

Will be Presented by Thomas Flagel

DATE: Saturday, May 14

Location: Big Spring Country Club

COCKTAILS: 6:00 P.M.

DINNER (\$30.00): 7:00 P.M.

PROGRAM: 8:00 P.M.

Meet our Speaker Thomas Flagel

Thomas Flagel is a professor of History at Columbia State Community College in Tennessee. He holds degrees from Loras College (B.A., History), Kansas State University (M.A., European History), Creighton University (M.A., International Relations), Middle Tennessee State University (PhD., Public History) and has studied at the University of Vienna. Author of several books and articles on the Civil War. Among the books Flagel has written are *The History Buff's Guide to the Civil War*, *The History Buff's Guide to the Presidents: Top Ten Rankings of the Best and Worst*, *The History Buff's Guide to World War II*, *The History Buff's Guide to Gettysburg*, *War, Memory, and the 1913 Gettysburg Reunion*, *Gettysburg Battle Briefings (volume 3)* *An Introduction to the Battle*. Flagel has spoken multiple times at Gettysburg, including the 150th Anniversary Commemoration. He has also worked with multiple historic preservation groups, including the American Battlefield Trust and the National Park Service. Originally from Iowa, he currently resides in Franklin, Tennessee. He has also lived in Austria and the Czech Republic. Among his ancestors are several American Civil War veterans, including a great, great, great grandfather from the 2nd Iowa Volunteer Infantry.



"Abraham Lincoln, Divorce Attorney"

During his long legal career, Abraham Lincoln presided over 140 divorce cases. These filings may appear to be purely personal matters, anecdotes long past of two people unable to form a more perfect union. Under closer inspection, nearly all reveal a society - Lincoln included - struggling with massive and unforeseen changes, including fundamental questions about human rights. To explore these cases is to see the nation at its heart, a civil union suddenly asking how, or if, its bond should endure.

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Books! Books! Books!

Thomas Flagel will be bringing some of his books to sell at the meeting.

Please Note the Price of the Buffet is now \$30!

Due to a price increase at Big Spring, the Price of the buffet is now \$30. The Round Table is paying a \$2 subsidy for the 2021-2022 season.

Reservations

RESERVATIONS: Please Note!!! If you email Bryan Winslow and **do not** receive a confirmation, you need to call Doug Krawczyk (502-592-6864) and make your reservation. Not receiving a confirmation via email means you do not have a reservation, and this is a problem for Big Spring as they need an accurate count of our reservations so they can prepare enough fried chicken for us!

RESERVATIONS: Call Doug Krawczyk (502-592-6864) to place your reservations. If you are making reservations for more than just yourself, please give the names of the others. If you leave your reservation on his answering machine, please spell out your name so he can correctly identify you. You can also make your reservation by e-mail by sending it to bryanw@macconstruction.com. If you do not receive a confirmation from Bryan, please call Doug and make your reservation. Please call or email **no later than Wednesday, May 11**, by noon. If you wish to join us just for the program, please call and make a reservation so that we can provide you with a chair. If you are only coming for the program, you can call Doug anytime up to 4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.

Reminder for Table Reservations: We can reserve tables for parties of **eight**, and we need you to provide us with the names of all the people in your party when you make the reservation. This will enable us to manage our meeting space in a more efficient manner. Thank you.

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2021 - 2022 Schedule

Saturday May 14	Thomas Flagel	"Abraham Lincoln: Divorce Attorney"
Saturday September 10	Gary Gallagher	"If the Enemy is There, We Must Attack Him: Robert E. Lee and the 2nd Day of Gettysburg"
Saturday October 8	Gordon Rhea	"TBA"
Saturday November 5	Eric Wittenberg	"TBA"
Saturday December 3	James Fuller	"TBA"

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Webmaster Wanted

The Round Table is in need of a Webmaster. This person is responsible for updating and maintaining our website. The main duties of the Webmaster are to upload the newsletter and put announcements of upcoming events on the website. This is not a time-consuming task but does require skills in handling website maintenance. If you are interested, please contact our President, Art Boerner, either at a meeting or by emailing him at abob1407@yahoo.com. Our current Webmaster, Ken Draut will provide instruction when he hands off the duties to the new person. We want to thank Ken for his service. His expertise was very helpful in setting up our zoom meetings during the worst days of the pandemic and we do appreciate his contribution as Webmaster.

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10th Annual Bourbon & BBQ June 26th!

We are happy to report that the 10th annual Bourbon & BBQ will be held on Sunday, June 26th! This year's event will be held at historic Farmington and will feature Dr. Curt Fields as General U.S. Grant and bourbon historian Mike Veach conducting our bourbon tasting. General Grant is going to set the record straight on his drinking habits giving us the real story about what went down during the Civil War. There will be BBQ and other delicious dishes, and we will have some great bourbons to sample. Reservations can be made by mailing your check to LCWRT, 9462 Brownsboro Rd. #142, Louisville, KY. 40241. The price for members is \$70.00 and for non-members is \$80.00. This includes a tour of Farmington, the bourbon tasting, and the BBQ and side dishes

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“Coffee,



Tea

or



Bourbon & BBQ”

With Gen. U.S. Grant



Michael Veatch



26th June 2022

Historic Farmington

LCWRT MEMBERS:

\$70.00*

NON-MEMBERS:

\$80.00*

**inclds. Historical & Tasting Presentations;
BBQ w. “fixins” + Farmington Home Tour*

LIMITED SEATING

*Reservations Required***

Phone: (502) 592-6864

Email: rdklou@gmail.com

***payment guarantees seating*

***non-refundable unless event is cancelled by LCWRT*



3033 BARDSTOWN RD,
LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

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Once signed into smile.amazon.com, you will be prompted to pick a charity. You will type LCWRT in the search box and then select LCWRT when prompted. Once you do that, a percentage of your purchase price on most, but not all, items will be donated to the charity of your choice. You must remember to go to smile.amazon.com each time you shop for all of this to work. Once you pick LCWRT as your charity, smile will remember this, and you do not have to select it every time you log on. There is absolutely no cost to use smile. You will pay the exact same amount for purchases as you would using regular Amazon. Your Prime account will still ship eligible Prime items free of charge.

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APRIL 2022 QUIZ:

1. What date did Richmond, Virginia fall to the Union Army?
It fell on April 3, 1865.
2. When Generals R. E. Lee and U. S. Grant met for the second time on April 10, 1865, where did they meet?
The day after the surrender meeting at the McLean house, Lee and Grant meet on horseback near the Peers house in the village of Appomattox Court House.
3. Where is the largest Civil War cemetery?
The largest cemetery is located in Vicksburg, Mississippi.
4. When General Lee departed the McLean House after the surrender meeting, a Pennsylvania regimental band waiting outside struck up a tune. What song did they play?
The Hazelton Band of the 198th Pennsylvania Infantry played Auld Lang Syne as Lee left.
5. Which Union general was NOT present at the surrender meeting on April 9, 1865?
George Meade was not present. He had been sick throughout much of the campaign, and Grant did not request his presence. Meade was roughly four miles away with the Second and Sixth Corps.

MAY 2022 QUIZ:

1. After the Union defeat at the First Battle of Manassas, a ring of defenses was constructed around Washington, D.C. By 1865, what did this ring consist of?
2. In addition to President Abraham Lincoln, who else was targeted for assassination on the evening of April 14, 1865?
3. Who led the Confederate attack on Fort Stedman outside of Petersburg, Virginia on March 25, 1865?
4. Who was the only United States Senator from a seceded state to remain loyal to the United States during the Civil War?
5. Where is Confederate General A. P. Hill buried?

The Quiz is prepared by Harriette Weatherbee

Attest:

**John Davis
Adjutant**

By Order of:

**Art Boerner
President**