

# SKIRMISH LINE

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## Monthly newsletter of the San Diego Civil War Round Table

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### September Meeting

On September 21, 1994, the SDCWRT will hold its 104th meeting at the Reuben H. Fleet Space Theatre Lecture Hall at 7:00 p.m. The presentation will be, ***Burnside - The Man, The General, The Carbine.***

Look for an informative lecture on one of the most controversial men in the Civil War by one of our own members, Phil Binks.



### August Meeting

On August 17, 1994, SDCWRT held its 103rd meeting at Reuben H. Fleet Space Theatre Lecture Hall. Dave Tooley, long respected member of our club, gave an informative, in depth analysis of little known and forgotten Civil War photographers.

Dave went beyond the two dimensional scenes depicted in the photographs by bringing the color and story of photographs and photographers to life. The talk was well received and showed good discretion in its duration.

### Tribute to Mark Carlson

This issue of the ***Skirmish Line*** will be Mark Carlson's last contribution. Mark worked as Associate Editor with Bob Hippen from August, 1992 to August, 1993; at which time he assumed full editorship.

Mark implemented a number of memorable ideas in the newsletter - Scattered Shots (trivia), review of movies, some great editorials such as "What Makes Us Tick?", and the great graphic art work, especially the ***Skirmish Line*** logo. Thanks, **Mark**, for a job well done!

### Editor's Comments

This issue is brought to you with the help of Dave Tooley and Mark Carlson.

Next Month I will be taking over editorship of this newsletter. I've got some big shoes to fill; from the first editor of the formal ***Skirmish Line***, Alan Whisman, July, 1988-September, 1989; to Rich Marcell, October, 1989-July 1992 and the aforementioned Bob Hippen and Mark Carlson.

My philosophy for this newsletter is that it should be your gateway to Civil War information - both locally and nationally.

I'm open to any suggestions or submittals you may have. I would prefer your written submittal on disk(text format) or via America On Line (AOL) - address CWDAVE. But if you want to give it to me typed, hand-written or dictated over the phone, that's OK.

Any topics dealing with Civil War are fair game and encouraged. Submit at the meeting, over the phone (272-9849) or via mail (4228 Seri St., San Diego, CA 92117).

The ***Skirmish Line*** will be as good as we all make it - I look forward to working with all of you!

**Dave Taylor**

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From the Denver Post 8/28/94

**San Diego Civil War Roundtable  
Minutes of the September 6, 1994 Executive Board Meeting**

The following items were approved by the board:

1. \$38 for the purchase of supplies for Chaplain Jordan Detzer.
2. \$100 for payment to the speaker at the March social meeting for expenses if he is from out of town.
3. \$100 for the purchase of used books for the raffle at the general meeting.
4. \$50 to purchase coffee during one of the breaks at the West Coast Conference in November.

Dave Taylor volunteered to do the newsletter if he was relived of the program chairman duties. Mike Schooling volunteered to be program chairman starting in October-the change was approved by the board.

The following items were discussed but no motions were made:

1. Since the December "Show and Tell" meeting is so popular and several M members have had to be cut off after the five minute time limit, it was suggested that a January "Short Subjects" meeting be considered. Time limit would be from 10 to 20 minutes depending on the number of speakers.
2. Since \$2,400 of unrestricted funds is in the treasury, some of this money could be put to some use. Suggestions:
  - a. purchasing a cam recorder to record the meetings.
  - b. paying for a bus trip to Drum Barracks.
  - c. reducing the dues for one year.
  - d. preservation donations.
  - e. spending \$150 to send a student to the West Coast Conference
 No action was taken on any of the above suggestions.

3. There was a discussion that any expenditures of above \$100 be approved by all the members at the monthly meeting.

Your obedient servant,

Mike Schooling,  
Secretary, San Diego CWRT



**1994 Accolades Grand Military Encampment**

Well, Folks, its that time of year again. Time to come down to Seaport Village, time to set up the tents, polish the brass, clean the muskets, dust off the uniforms and sharpen the bayonets.

The 8th Annual Grand Military Encampment will be held, October 1 and 2, this year. It promises to be a splendid show with bands, battles, demos, camps, parades, and troops of all periods, including our own 6th US Infantry commanded by Al Haun.

The SDCWRT will have its accustomed place of honor and several members have volunteered to help Bob Whiting at the booth. But we want to see you all attend this wonderful tribute to America's military forces. If you haven't been there before, you haven't seen anything yet. This is the thing to do in October. Hope to see you there!  
- Mark Carlson

On This day, **September 23, 1864**, General Nathan Forrest and cavalry attack the Federal garrison at Athens, Alabama. Forrest is part of a concentrated Confederate effort to harass Sherman's line of communications to Atlanta.

**Coming Attractions**

October 19 **Harry Thaete** will present Gettysburg-Day One.

November 16 **Bill Peck** and **Carla Schwartz** are planning a special presentation. Stay tuned for more details.

December 21 Show and Tell presentations - 5 minutes each.

January 18 10-15 minute presentations (See this month's minutes).

**10th Annual West Coast Civil War Conference**

San Joaquin Valley Civil War Round Table is sponsoring this year's CWRT West Coast Conference at Marriot's Tenaya Lodge, Fish Camp, located at the South entrance of Yosemite.

This year's theme-GETTYSBURG, is scheduled, November 4-6.

Early registration (until October 1st) is \$125, then \$140. Special Conference rate at Tenaya is \$75/night.

Call the lodge directly for reservation (800-635-5807). Get your check in the mail to the San Joaquin Valley CWRT for conference registration, payable to Wayne S. Bowen, 4885 N. Backer Ave. #120, Fresno, CA 93726-7504.

**Classifieds**

Buy your Civil War T-Shirts -\$12 see the Treasurer.

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Original Civil War Portraits (\$40 ea) Available at CWRT Meeting or contact Mark Carlson.

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**FREE Listing in the Classifieds. Contact Editor.**

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**Reminder**

**Greg** and **Pat**, your tapes which you checked out in April are past due.