

The Knapsack

Raleigh Civil War Round Table

The same rain falls on both friend and foe.

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December 12th, 2022, Meeting an Informal Holiday Celebration at Raleigh's Borden House in Fletcher Park

The Raleigh Civil War Round Table's Dec. 12th, 2022, meeting will have no featured speaker. Instead, join us for the 2022 Raleigh Civil War Round Table holiday gathering at 6:30 pm as we celebrate at the historic Borden House in Fletcher Park in the heart of Raleigh, North Carolina.

Bring the family and a favorite dish to be shared. We are furnishing the ham, non-alcoholic beverages, wine and beer. Guests are welcome.



Jon Stankorb

Guitarist and vocalist Jon Stankorb performs live with holiday tunes and your favorite songs. Jon is the Owner, CEO & Founder of Raleigh Guitar School and is the band leader of Signs of Life: The Essence of Pink Floyd.

Wade Sokolosky, Col. U.S. Army (Ret.), will be our featured speaker at our regular Jan. 9th, 2023, meeting, speaking on the topic **Confederate Hospitals in North Carolina**. He will also be present at our Dec. 12th holiday event to sell and sign copies of his new book **North Carolina's Confederate Hospitals, Vol. I: 1861-1863**, upon



Wade Sokolosky, Col. U.S. Army (Ret.)

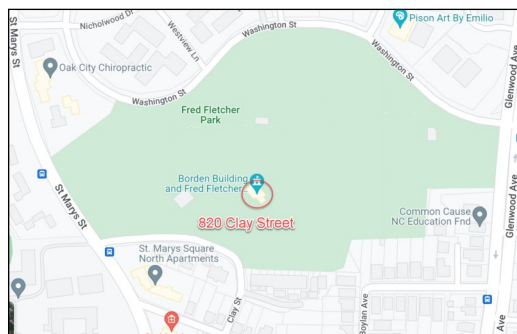
which his January presentation will be based. We would be happy to gift wrap any purchased copies of his book.

For those of you unable to attend December's gathering, and who would like a copy of Wade's book, it is available on Amazon.com by clicking [here](#). It is published by Fox Run Publishing (July 15th, 2022). ISBN-10: 1945602236; ISBN-13: 978-1945602238.



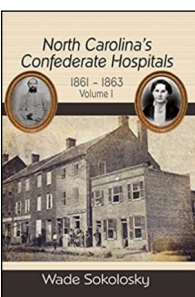
Also, if you bring a new unwrapped toy on Dec. 12th, it will be donated to the children of needy or deployed troops in coordination with the United States Veterans Corps **Toys For Lil Troops** campaign. For more information, visit website <https://myusvc.com/toysforliltroops.html>.

The festivities at the Borden House will last from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm.



The historic Borden House in Fletcher Park is located at 820 Clay Street. Fred Fletcher Park is located between Glenwood Ave. and St. Mary's St., south of Wade Ave. Turn onto Washington St. from Glenwood Ave. or onto Clay St. from St. Mary's St.

The Borden Building is one of two remaining buildings on the former campus of the Methodist Home for Children. Built in 1900, it was home to the superintendent of the orphanage and later served as home to hundreds of children. Purchased by the City of Raleigh in 1982, the house and its companion, Fred Fletcher Park, provides a wealth of history and tranquility in an urban setting. The Borden Building was extensively renovated in 1992 and is presently available for weddings, receptions, meetings and small conferences.



Note: this editor is taking time off to enjoy the holiday season; thus, the brevity of this newsletter. Happy Holidays to You and Yours!

News of the RCWRT



Upcoming 2022-3 RCWRT Meetings

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Date	Speaker(s)	Topic
Dec. 12 th , 2022	Holiday Party	The Borden House in Fletcher Park, Raleigh at 6:30 PM. Admission is free; members are invited to bring a favorite dish; guests are welcome. https://raleighnc.gov/borden-building-and-fred-fletcher-amphitheater
Jan. 9 th , 2023	Wade Sokolosky, Col. U.S. Army (Ret.)	Confederate Hospitals in North Carolina

An Ongoing Paperback Series: "Command Decisions in America's Civil War"

The following list of fifteen paperback titles denotes an ongoing series that explores the critical decisions made by Confederate and Union commanders during major campaigns and battles of the Civil War. For each title, the number in parentheses is the number of critical decisions identified by the author. Each title is linked to the Amazon.com web page where that paperback book can be purchased.

"Decisions ..." Title (#)	Publish Date
at Stones River (16)	03-16-2018
at Second Manassas (14)	03-19-2018
at Chickamauga (24)	07-25-2018
of the Atlanta Campaign (21)	02-28-2019
of the 1862 Kentucky Campaign (27)	05-14-2019
at Gettysburg (20)	09-16-2019
at The Wilderness and Spotsylvania Court House (18)	01-31-2020
at Antietam (14)	03-24-2021
of the Seven Days (16)	07-01-2021
at Fredericksburg (14)	11-22-2021
at Perryville (22)	04-11-2022
of the Maryland Campaign (14)	10-31-2022
at Shiloh (22)	02-10-2023
of the 1862 Shenandoah Valley Campaign (16)	02-20-2023
at Franklin (19)	05-18-2023



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Paying Memberships / Total Members: 136 / 167

New Members Joining the RCWRT in Nov. 2022: We welcome Mike Barber of Raleigh, NC

Christmas Then and Now - Harper's Weekly - 12-22-1860



The Raleigh Civil War Round Table was formed on March 12th, 2001 and is a 501(c)(3) "tax exempt organization."

We meet on the second Monday of each month. Annual membership dues are \$30 (individual and family) and \$10 for teachers. Student membership is free. Half-year memberships are available March through May for \$20. Dues should be submitted to Griff Bartlett, Treasurer, 908 Kinsdale Drive, Raleigh, NC 27615-1117 by Sept. 15th each year.