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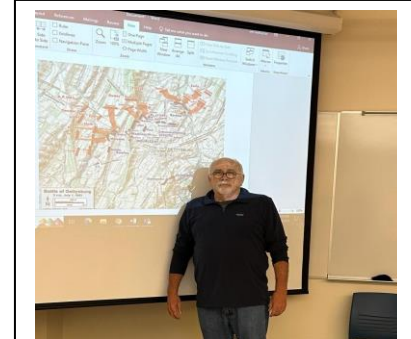
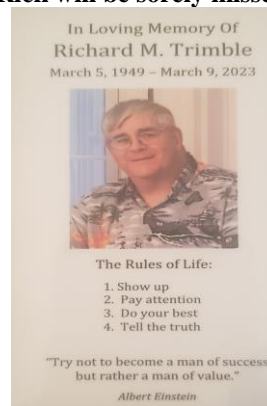
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THIS NEWSLETTER IS AN OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS —Please contact Kim Kamaris directly with inquiries or areas of concern.

This edition of our roundtable newsletter is dedicated to the memory of our founder Richard "Rick" Trimble. Rick's vast knowledge, incredible ability and unwavering willingness to share that knowledge are only surpassed by his beautiful humble spirit. Rick will be sorely missed.



Many thanks to our March speaker **Bill Trelease** for his very informative presentation on **Krzyszowski's Brigade**

Our Speaker for April is
Mike Jesberger
Mike is returning to us and will present "Comrades in Arms".

Michael Jesberger is an independent military historian who specializes in the American Revolution and Civil War time periods. He is renowned for his depth and breadth of knowledge, as well as his engaging and passionate presentation style, whether providing formal lectures, living history presentations or tours of historic sites in the Tri-state area. He is a member of numerous history based organizations and active in the reenactment community. A lifelong resident of the Philadelphia region, he is a native of Northeast Philadelphia and has relocated to Bucks and Montgomery County, PA.

The Jersey Shore Civil War Round Table was founded in 2014. We are a non-profit organization

Webpage
<http://www.iscwr.org>

MONTHLY TRIVIA QUESTION!

April Trivia Question: Who was the former ambassador to Russia who was a major general without a command and took credit for the Emancipation Proclamation? (Hint: a famous prize fighter was named after him)

Answer to March Trivia Question: Why do many Civil War battles have two names (example: Bull Run/Manassas or Stone's River/Murfreesboro)? Answer: Confederates named the battles after the nearest settlement. Union named the battles after the nearest body of water.

Thoughts of Rick Trimble from our members and friends

“It is difficult to select one of the many experiences with Prof Trimble but I will try. I needed to take U.S History as part of my program at OCC. When I asked around, the one professor that came highly recommended by everyone was Prof. Trimble. However they never told me how unique and inspiring he was. During the Gettysburg trip I learned from him how living and important history is. Because of this, history became my content major for teaching certification”.
Tony Mellilo

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“I had the pleasure of having Professor Trimble at OCC for Russian History. His old school overhead projector and TV cart and VHS player will always make me smile when I think of him. I'll never forget the day he called me in his office to ask me, ‘Jim, what's your major?’, I told him I wanted to be a high school history teacher, and his reply was, "Good, I knew from the start it was something like that. I would have encouraged you to become a teacher, but you're on your path already! I know you'll be a great teacher someday. I'm sure of it’. Here I am in my first year of teaching, thanks to some strong inspiration from a great man. May he be blessed and rest in peace. Thank you for everything Professor Trimble”.
James Cascio

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“It would be very difficult for me to isolate on one memory of Rick (My memories would fill a hundred newsletters), I was a Student, a student athlete (Coached by Rick), Coaching, Teaching Colleague and Friend for 52 years! He was a tremendous influence on my life. I still can't comprehend not having him around! I guess in relation to our Jersey Shore Civil War Roundtable the thing that sticks out is our yearly trips to Gettysburg and his guided tours of the battlefield. So many members and non-members looked forward to that trip with him and nobody was better! He was truly one of a kind”!
Kim Kamaris

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“I took a HISTORY OF RUSSIA course with Rick when I first moved to Ocean County.....by April it was terminated by covid, but in less than 10 classes rick gave me an appreciation of Russian history I could never have imagined without him.....for the rest of my life whenever I read or investigate some aspect of history I will always think of Rick Trimble.....some wise man once said ‘The greatest teacher is a student of his pupils’... that was Rick, always learning”.....During my one and only course with Rick, he asked a question about some persona that had to do with the 3rd century....I volunteered an answer but Rick immediately pointed out that my answer was a little off by about 2 centuries. He then spent about 2 minutes detailing who and what I was talking about before getting back on track.....I attended 3 colleges in my lifetime plus numerous classes and seminars about my job etc.....I have never known anyone as astute about history as Rick.....my particular historical favorite has always been the 20th century ,particularly WW 1 and the period in between and ww2 and the period after.....Rick was a gold mine of facts concerning these time periods.....i could talk for hours with him.....I greatly regret not knowing him earlier.....we talked about going to Gettysburg, Antietam and possibly Normandy someday.....maybe we will.....” Richard Delotto

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“We would like to express our sincerest condolences at the passing of Rick Trimble. He is a great loss to Civil War and Military history. With sympathy” Anthony (Andy) Waskie, Ph.D. president General Meade Society

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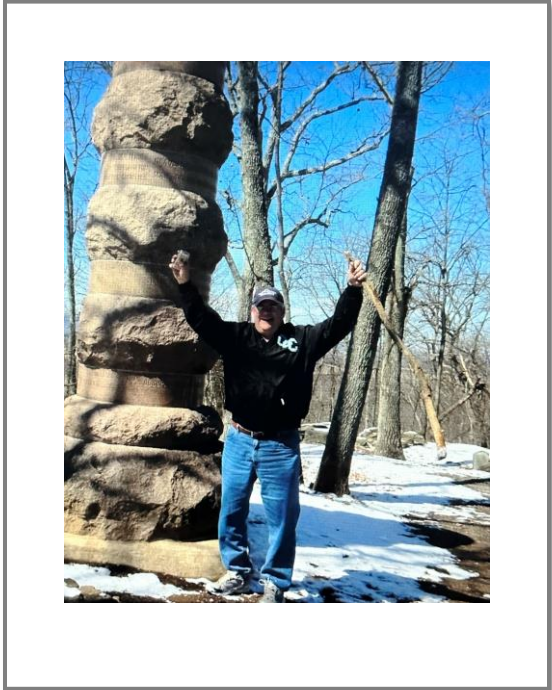
“I'll always have fond memories of Rick. He was a compassionate caring person who gave freely and selflessly of his time and himself. I knew Rick as a co-worker at OCC, a teacher who made learning fun, I was lucky to have taken a few of his classes, and a friend. His knowledge was amazing, from the classroom to his Gettysburg trips, which I was privileged to go on, to the JSCWRT which he invited me to join! He also was instrumental in procuring a piece of 9-11 steel which is on display in the OCC Library. He was an educator in every sense of the word who will be missed”.

Debbie Daley

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“I first met Professor Trimble at a Kean University Russian history class. The first thing I noticed before I even walked in was the smell of coffee! Yes, Professor Trimble rolled a coffee pot into the classroom and made fresh coffee at every class. He also rolled in his own overhead projector. (As many of you know, he has a strong aversion to computers. By the end of my second semester with him I understood: Professor Trimble doesn't need a computer; he IS the computer!) Toward the end of my first class with him, he asked the class ‘Did I give you enough information? Is everything clear?’ My reply: ‘like drinking water from a fire hose’. The first class assignment was an oral presentation. I volunteered to go first. His feedback went like this: ‘well, you didn't wow me, but you volunteered to go first so you get extra credit for that. Professor Trimble is the reason I edit this newsletter; One day he asked for help typing something up. Next thing I knew.....! I have learned so much from Professor Trimble, am incredibly thankful for the time we worked together and will always remember him”. Debra Mandio

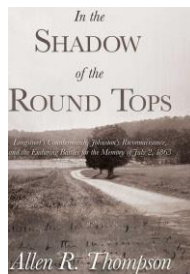
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NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

All meetings are 7 pm on the OCC Campus, 214 Bartlett Hall and simultaneously on WebEx (details on last page of this newsletter) unless otherwise noted. (we are no longer using Zoom)

- April 12 "Comrades in Arms" -Speaker Mike Jesberger.
- May 10 Jim Remsen will present his book "Embattled Freedom"
- June 14 Larry Korczyk on: "The Railroad Cut at Gettysburg and Bigelow's 9th Mass. Battery"
- **JSCWRT Member Allen R. Thompson has published a book; it will be released for sale on June 27th 2023. It can be purchased on Allen's website at : www.AllenRThompson.com**



- We will also have other books for sale at our monthly meetings as a fundraising effort.
- If you have not already done so, you can still pay your dues JSCWRT2014@gmail.com \$25.00 per person, \$30.00 per family. OCC and Kean/Ocean students are free!

***Please note: we will be using Webex again this month.
Note to all who join us on WebEx:
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE MUTED WHEN SPEAKER IS PRESENTING!!**

Constantine Kamaris is inviting you to a scheduled Webex meeting.

Meeting link:

<https://ocean.webex.com/ocean/j.php?MTID=m472e1b92d62b4e0345bfefa2ea91f8ff>

Meeting number:

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Meeting password:

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