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THIS NEWSLETTER IS AN OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS –Please contact Rick Trimble trimblerichard2@gmail.com by mail @ 76 Wyckoff Ave, Manasquan 08736 with items of interest/concern.

WE MEET THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 7 PM September through June - Meetings will be in Bartlett Hall, NOTE: MEETINGS ARE MOVED TO ROOM 214

WE CHARGE YEARLY DUES OF \$25 per person, \$35 per family, Free for OCC students Due each September

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



Many thanks to

G. Scott Walker for speaking at our February meeting about Battle of the Wilderness

For more follow this link:

<https://www.historynet.com/battle-of-the-wilderness>

Our next meeting is March 11 7 PM

Barrett Hall

Room 214 (ROOM CHANGE)

Civil War Sound-bites II: Colorful Personalities mini-lectures by JSCWRT members

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Ocean County Historical Society is having their grand opening of the newly renovated Birdsall Room Saturday March 7, 1-4 pm. The room features, among other things, a Civil War exhibit.

MONTHLY TRIVIA QUESTION!

March Trivia Question: In what current state is the site of the Sand Creek Massacre?

Answer to the February Trivia Question: What is the name of the play President Lincoln was watching on the night he was murdered? Answer: Our American Cousin

For more on "Our American Cousin" click on this link:

<https://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/our-american-cousin-lincoln-assassination-fords-theatre-play/104907/>

What We're Reading

Barksdale's Charge by Philip Thomas Tucker is a solid addition to your Gettysburg bookshelf and the reader will come away with a deeper understanding of what Tucker feels is the true, but forgotten, "high water mark of the Confederacy". He makes the case that William Barksdale's Mississippi Brigade came closer to smashing through the Union line on Day two than Pickett's men did on day three. The book can be a bit hagiographic at times and can be best understood if one is familiar with the ground - the Peach Orchard, the Sherfy and Trostle farms, and the position of Union gun batteries. In addition, Tucker's monograph is maddeningly repetitive at times, but still a good read when all is said and read.

News and Reminders

- Our May speaker, Drew Gruber, was on television Thursday night, Jan. 2 speaking on the Battle of Williamsburg. It was broadcast as part of the Lectures in History series on C-Span. He is energetic, knowledgeable and funny. His talk is going to be a treat!
For excerpts on two of his other talks on Williamsburg click on these links:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cX8ZeFtQ788>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lbZ2fxvsJGw>
- **Thumbs up to the NJ legislature for recently passing a bill making May "Civil War Recognition Month"**
- **JSCWRT baseball caps are for sale and available at the meetings \$18.00 each.**
- **Anyone going on a long trip? The OCC Military History Institute has courses on CD from "The Great Courses" Series. Audio CD Lectures by Professor Gary Gallagher on "The American Civil War" and "Robert E. Lee and His High Command" are available by request from Rick Trimble at 732-528-5387.**

2020 Schedule

January: Allen Thompson on Samuel's Johnston's Recon Ride July 2nd at Gettysburg

February: G. Scott Walker on Battle of the Wilderness

March: Civil War Sound-bites II: Colorful Personalities mini-lectures by JSCWRT members

April: Jay Howard on the 4th NJ & the diary of Capt. Hall

May: Drew Gruber on the NJ Brigade & the Battle of Williamsburg

June: Annual Re-organization meeting

We meet the second Wednesday of every month at 7 pm from September to June. All events will be held on the OCC campus at **Bartlett Hall room 214**. Bartlett Hall is located near "parking lot one" next to the library. (Coming from lot one it will be on your right hand side). (For additional information call Richard Trimble, 732-528-5387 or email trimblerichard2@gmail.com)

In case of inclement weather, our meetings will be dependent on the college's decision to remain open, or closed.