



THE FLAGBEARER

May 2016 Speaker



John Foskett is our May, 2016 speaker. He earned his B.A. from Notre Dame and his J.D. from Boston College Law School. His topic? Let's assume you know the Governor of Massachusetts. Abraham Lincoln has called for 75,000 troops after Fort Sumter. The Massachusetts Governor has stopped by your home and appointed you Captain, Battery "A", 1st Mass Light. This is a newly formed Battery. What do you do next. John Foskett will be your guide. John is a well known expert on Civil War artillery tactics



Greater New Bedford Civil War Round Table

Tuesday, **April 26th, 2016, 7:00 pm**

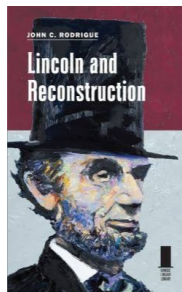
Fort Taber~Fort Rodman Military Museum



MEET THE APRIL SPEAKER, - PROFESSOR JOHN C. RODRIGUE

April, brings us Professor John C. Rodrigue, from Stonehill College. He will feature his book, Lincoln and Reconstruction. Professor Rodrigue earned his B.A., History from Rutgers University, his M.A., History from Columbia University, and his Ph.D., History from Emory University. His teaching and research interests focus on nineteenth-century United States history, specifically the Civil War and Reconstruction era, slavery and emancipation, the U.S. South, and African-American history.

Previous scholarly works touch on Lincoln and reconstruction, but they tend to speculate on what Lincoln might have done after the war had he not been assassinated or to approach his reconstruction plans merely as a means of winning the war. In this study, John C. Rodrigue offers a succinct but significant survey of fresh interpretation of



As the Civil War transformed from the fundamental social, society and of the Un-ings, Rodrigue traces tion, providing new in-

thought-provoking offers a succinct Lincoln's wartime initiatives while providing a the president's plans for postwar America.

gressed, Lincoln's definition of reconstruction mere restoration of the seceded states to a mote economic, and political reordering of the southern ion itself. Based on Lincoln's own words and writ-the evolution of Lincoln's thinking on reconstruc-sight into a downplayed aspect of his presidency.



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News from the New Bedford Civil War Round Table.....

....We certainly enjoyed March's speaker, James Conroy. His topic, the Hampton Roads Lincoln peace conference was excellent. Attendance was approx 35 members.

....We are starting to fill in the 2017 speaker schedule.

....Please mark your calendar for Saturday May 28th. It is the day we meet at Rural Cemetery for the annual Civil War Round Table Memorial Day Ceremony.

...Our May speaker promises to be very interesting. We feature John Foskett's artillery lecture.

...Our Scholarship Committee is meeting—working well.

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2016 Speakers

April 26	John Rodrigue
May 24	John Foskett
June 28	Picnic
July-Aug	Vacation
September 27	Matthew Cost
October 25	David Prentiss
November 15	Megan Kate Nelson
December 13	Holiday Dinner
Jan 24, 2017	TBA
Feb 28, 2017	David Dixon

LEARN ABOUT MAJ. MANNING MARIUS KIMMEL

I was recently listening to a lecture on You Tube; -the scapegoats of the attack at Pearl Harbor, - one of them being Rear Admiral Husband Kimmel. The lecture was given by his grandson , who mentioned the fact that the Admiral's father was a Civil War veteran. So I started doing a background check on Kimmel. Major Manning Marius Kimmel was born in Apple Creek, Perry County, Missouri on Oct 25, 1832. He graduated from West Point in 1857 with high honors. He fought for both the North and the South during the Civil War. He fought for the Union at First Manassas as a Lieutenant of the 2nd US Cavalry. He then switched sides and was an Ordnance Officer on the staff of General Ben McCulloch , and then the Assistant Adjutant General for General Earl Van Dorn , and General Ma-gruder. After the war , he spent a year in Mexico , building the Mexico and Vera Cruz railway. He returned to Henderson Kentucky and married Miss Sibella Lambert. He was employed as an engineer at the St. Bernard Coal Company at St. Charles, Ky. He settled down in Henderson , and raised his family , - 4 boys , 3 girls. He died on Feb 27, 1916, and is buried in Henderson, Fernwood Cemetery.



His son, Husband Edward Kimmel, was a four star admiral in the United States Navy. He served as Commander-in-chief, Pacific Fleet at the time of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Because of the attack, he was removed from office and reduced to his permanent two-star rank of Rear Admiral. He would subsequently retire from the Navy with that rank. His son, Manning, died when the submarine he commanded (USS Robalo SS-273) was mined near Palawan in July 1944. In 1994, Kimmel's family began an effort to have his four star rank reinstated. President Bill Clinton turned down this request, as had Ronald Reagan. On May 25, 1999, the United States Senate passed a non binding resolution exonerating Kimmel and Short, Clinton, and Bush did not act on this. President Obama is considering it.

LEGACY OF CIVIL WAR GENERALS

Have you ever wondered what some of the more well known Union Generals did after the end of the Civil War? Here are a few legacy follow ups.

General Winfield Scott Hancock—After being defeated by James A. Garfield 1880, Hancock carried on as Commander of the Division of the Atlantic. He was elected President of the NRA in 1881. He was commander-in-chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States veterans from 1879 until his death in 1886. He died of an infected carbuncle, complicated by diabetes.

General Henry Warner Slocum— Slocum ran as the Democratic candidate for Secretary of State of New York in 1865, but was defeated by fellow Gettysburg General Francis C. Barlow (Barlow's Knoll) and bother -in-law of Robert Gould Shaw (54th CT Reg). Slocum was elected to the 41st and 42nd Congress (1869-1873). He worked for the exoneration of Maj. Gen'l Fitz John Porter who was court-martialed after Second Bull Run. He later was appointed president of the Department of City Works of Brooklyn, NY and was involved in many public works, including the Brooklyn Bridge. He was again elected to the Congress (1883-1885)

General Abner Doubleday— I will skip the references to baseball. Doubleday mustered out of volunteer service in 1865 , and reverted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and became Colonel of the 35th US Infantry in 1867. He was stationed in San Francisco from 1869 through 1871 and he took out a patent for the cable car railway that still runs there, receiving a charter for its operation, but signing away his rights when he was reassigned. He published several books on the Civil War. In 1878 he lived in Mendham, New Jersey, and became a prominent member of the Theosophical Society, serving as President. Another prominent member was Thomas Edison.

Gen'l Oliver O. Howard—From May 1865 to July 1874 General Howard was commissioner of the Freedman's Bureau and played a major role in the Reconstruction. Era and had charge of integrating freedmen (freed slaves) into American society. Howard devised far-reaching programs and guidelines including social welfare in the form of rations, schooling, courts, and medical care. In 1874 he went West to fight in the Indian Wars, particularly against the Nez Perce. He was Superintendent at West Point in 1881-1882. He played a role in founding Howard University. He also founded Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tn.



The General Oliver Otis Howard House, located on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C.,

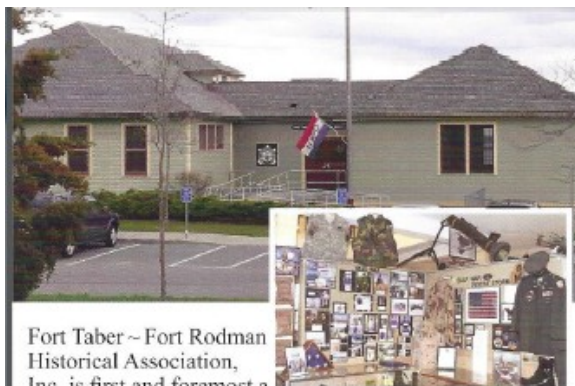
WHAT IS A ZOUAVE (zoo-ahh-vah) ?



It was the name given to native North African troops employed by the French army as fighters and mercenaries. Their dash, spirit, and heroic style of warfare caught the fancy of many military observers worldwide in the 1800's, including a young American named Elmer Ellsworth. Ellsworth organized the "US Zouave cadets". The first zouave organization in this country, and toured the north where they participated in parades and drill competitions. This type of organization caught on in other areas of the nation and it was this idea that gave birth to "zouave regiments" during the Civil War. The uniforms of these regiments were very distinctive and made them stand out in camp and on the drill field. Regrettably, their bright red trousers and sashes also made them good targets on the battlefield. Zouave uniforms were difficult to obtain in America, so manufacturers of specialty clothing were employed to make the uniforms. The uniforms slowly disappeared from the army as time passed. By the time of the Battle of Gettysburg, many of these regiments had lost or worn out their original uniforms, and adopted the standard Union uniform. There were approximately 75 Zouave regiments raised in the North , and 25 regiments in the South.

As many of you know, Ellsworth, the Colonel of the 11th New York , and a family friend of Abraham Lincoln, on the day after Virginia seceded, was ordered across the Potomac, to seize Alexandria City. The Colonel was killed by an inn keeper, as the Colonel removed the Confederate flag from the front of the inn. Ellsworth's death became a symbol of the Union cause.

DIRECTIONS TO OUR ROUND TABLE MEETING SITE @ FORT TABER~FORT RODMAN PARK, NEW BEDFORD, MA

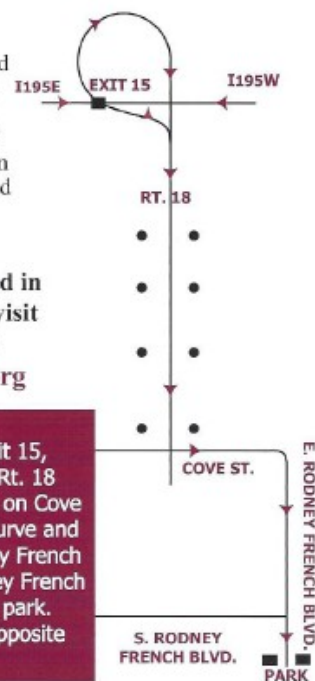


Fort Taber ~ Fort Rodman Historical Association, Inc. is first and foremost a group dedicated to communicating the history of Fort Taber and Fort Rodman as part of New Bedford's history. See the development of coastal fortification from the Revolutionary Period through the mid-20th century.

If you are interested in our organization, visit our web site at www.forttaber.org

DIRECTIONS:

From I195, take Exit 15, Downtown. Follow Rt. 18 to 4th light. Go left on Cove St. follow around curve and becomes E. Rodney French Blvd.. Follow Rodney French for 2 miles into the park. Museum building opposite the tank.



NEW BEDFORD CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

2016 MEMBERSHIP

Membership is valid from January to December. Please fill out this form, with a check made out to "**New Bedford CWRT**", and mail to **Barbara Bedell, Treasurer, New Bedford Civil War Round Table, 74 Hidden Bay Drive, South Dartmouth, MA 02748**

Annual fee is \$25.00 for individual and \$30.00 for a family

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GENERALS FROM PAGE 2



General Winfield Scott Hancock



Henry Warner Slocum

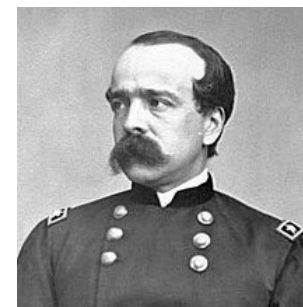
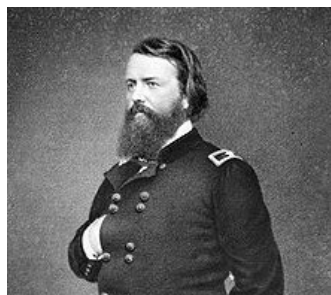
Abner Doubleday



Oliver Otis Howard



IDENTIFY THESE GENERALS



Civil War Generals Buried in New England

General Nathaniel P. Banks (Bobbin Boy Banks)

Grove Hill Cemetery Waltham Ma

General Ambrose E. Burnside (First President of NRA)

Swan Point Cemetery, Providence, RI

General Adelbert Ames (Great Grandfather of George Plimpton and John F. Kennedy)

Hildrith Family Cemetery, Lowell, Ma

General Benjamin Franklin (Spoons) Butler Father-in-Law to Adelbert Ames. Also Nicknamed "Beast Butler" Wrote Civil Rights Act of 1875 banning racial discrimination.

Hildrith Family Cemetery, Lowell, Ma

General Darius N. Couch Commander II Corps Army of the Potomac

Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Taunton, Ma

General George S. (Pap) Greene Oldest Union General at Gettysburg—age 62 At Culp's Hill, he faced Confederate General William "Extra Billy" Smith , age 65

Greene Family Cemetery, Warwick, RI

General Charles Devens Jr. His troops first to enter Richmond. Fort Devens Ma named for him

Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, Ma

Brig. Gen'l George Hull Ward. Col of 15th Mass Vol Inf, Killed on second day at Gettysburg

Rural Cemetery, Worcester, Ma

General Timothy Ingraham, Captain of New Bedford Home Guards, Captain of Company L, Third Mass Regiment, Colonel of 38th Mass Vol Inf Reg, Also commanded 1st Brigade, 3rd Div, 19th Corps, and was Provost Marshall, Washington D.C. for 2 years.

Rural Cemetery, Dartmouth St ,New Bedford Ma

Note—The New Bedford Civil War Round Table places American flag at his grave site on Memorial Day.

How many Civil War Medal of Honor recipients were from Massachusetts ? - answer (131)

Answers to quiz

John Pope	John Gibbon
John Buford	Daniel Butterfield

Civil War Generals Buried in New England— (continued)

General John Sedgwick— Highest ranking Union General to fall in Civil War. Commander of VI Corps.
“Couldn’t hit an elephant at this distance”

Cornwall Hollow Cemetery, Conn

General Oliver Otis Howard— See biography on page 2.
Known as the “Christian General”

Lake View Cemetery, Burlington, Vt

General Francis Channing Barlow—Enter the war as an enlisted man , ended it as General. Known as the “Petty Tyrant” , or , the “Boy General”

Walnut Street Cemetery, Brookline, MA

General Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain—Iconic legendary figure of Gettysburg—Medal of Honor recipient

Pine Grove Cemetery, Brunswick, Maine

General James Barnes—Commanded 18th Mass Vol Rgt—Interesting story about his actions—second day of Gettysburg at Little Round Top

Springfield Cemetery, Springfield, MA

Colonel Edward Ephraim Cross—His story is most interesting. Look him up on line. Foresaw his own death on July 2, 1863 at Gettysburg. Commanded 5th New Hampshire

Lancaster, New Hampshire

News from Friends of Gettysburg of the Gettysburg Foundation —Mark your Calendar

April 15,16, 17..... Spring Muster at the Gettysburg National Park Museum and Visitor Center

May 7 & 8Heritage Trail hike

May 21 Encounters with History- “Major John Reynolds at Gettysburg”

June 4..... Friends Volunteer Work Day

July 16.....Encounters with History -“Lliad Gettysburg—Alexander confronts McGilvery”

August 20.... Encounters with History—”Sickles Gets Away with Murder”

September 24.....Encounters with History—An Overview of the Battle of Gettysburg

October 7 & 8 Fall Muster at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center

November 19.... Dedication Day and Remembrance Day Illumination at the Soldiers’ National Cemetery

New Book Releases

The Ones They Left Behind....by Antonio Elmaleh

The Extraordinary Life of Charles Pomeroy Stone: Soldier, Surveyor, Pasha, Engineer....by Blaine Lamb

Redeeming the Great Emancipator....by Allen G. Guelzo

Heading South to Teach: The World of Susan Nye Hutchison 1815-1845....by Kim Tolley

The 116: The True Story of Abraham Lincoln’s Lost Guard....by James P. Muehlberger

Lincoln’s Bold Lion: The Life and Times of Brigadier General martin Davis Hardin...by James Huffstodt

“If I Have Got To Go and Fight, I Am Willing.: A Union Regiment Forged in the Petersburg Campaign: The 179th New York Volunteers Infantry 1864-1865....by Edwin P. Rutan II

Civil War Events For You To Consider

Through April—”Appomattox” exhibit at West Point Museum with artifacts from significant participants in the April 1865 surrender. Open free daily10:30—4:15. For information, 845-938-3590

May 6—August 28, Virginia. “Wounds Healed, Wounds Inflicted: Post Civil War Virginia” exhibit guest curated by John Hennessy at Manassas Museum in Manassas. For information , 703-368-1873

Through 2016, Pennsylvania , Vice and Virtue. “Tell Mother I’ve Been Good: Vice and Virtue in the Civil War” exhibit at the Civil War Museum, Harrisburg, Pa. Stories, images, artifacts about moral challenges faced by servicemen. www.nationalcivilwar museum.org

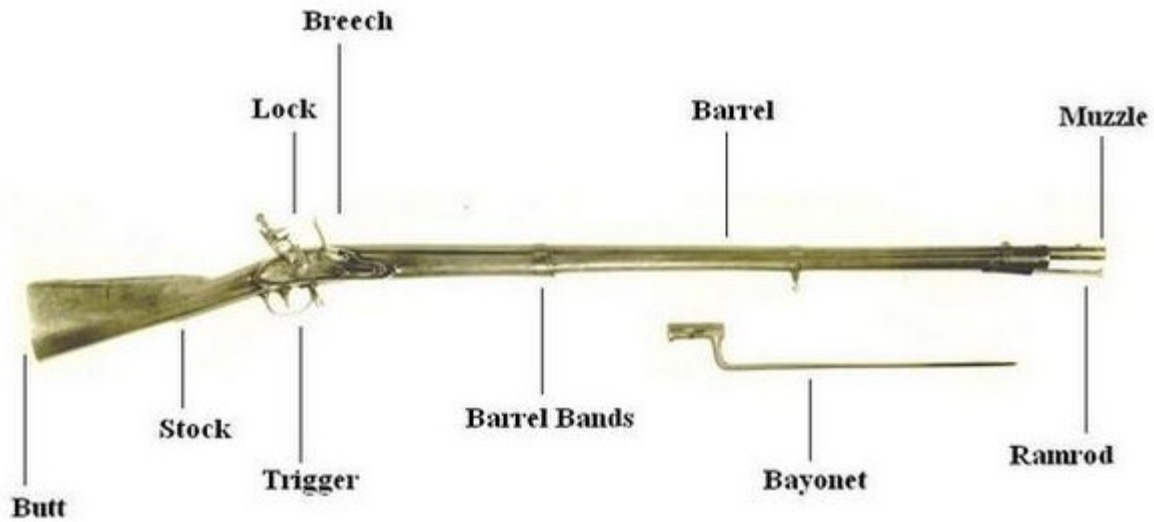
April 24, New York, Grant Ceremony. Grant’s Tomb Birthday Commemoration at General Grant national memorial, Manhattan 11 a.m. All Civil War Groups invited to join color guard. For information , 718-383-3180

April 21-24 , DC, Maryland, Virginia Tour . 11th Annual Pamplin Park Spring Tour: Defending Washington, with A. Wilson Greene and local historians to sites of campaigns that threatened Washington , from 1861-1864. Includes Manassas, Ball’s Bluff, Monocacy, Fort Stevens, Frederick Douglass House, Lincoln’s Cottage. For information 804-861-2408 www.pamplinpark.org/events

May 20-22, Virginia. N-SSA 133rd National Competition....Event held at Fort Shenandoah near Winchester, Va. Member units compete in live-fire matches with original and reproduction Civil War period muskets, carbines, breech-loading rifles, revolvers, mortars and cannons. It is the largest black powder event of it kind in the United States.

POPULAR MUSKETS OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR

Civil War guns, firearms and weapons



Popular Civil War guns and rifles



1842 Harpers Ferry



1854 Austrian Lorenz



1853 British Enfield



1853 "Short Enfield"



1861 U.S. Springfield

Widely used Civil War guns