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.meets @ Civic Center Library (Auditorium)

3839 N Drinkwater Blvd Scottsdale, AZ

.3rd Tuesday of the month... September  
thru May (no meeting December)

.6:40 PM - 8:45 PM

.\$35 Annual Dues (individual)

.\$45 Annual Dues (family)

EVERYONE WELCOME

## PLEASE DONATE



Calling all

“gently used history books that are just sitting on your library shelf all lonely! A new owner would be happy to turn the pages.

Please consider donating your history books and magazines to the “book table” where Henry Potosky will help them find a new home and raise money for battlefield preservation!



## GORDON RHEA

- presents -

### *Carrying the Flag:*

### *The Story of Private Charles Whilden, the Confederacy's Most Unlikely Hero*

May 7th, 2013

6:40 PM Tuesday

Civic Center Library (Auditorium)

A student of history, Gordon Rhea graduated Indiana University, summa cum laude with a B.A., Harvard University with an M.A. and from Stanford University Law School. Specializing in complex criminal cases and appeals to the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals, he then went on to Special Assistant to the Chief Counsel, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities in Washington D.C. then to prosecuting criminal cases in the Superior Court for the District of Columbia as an Assistant United States Attorney then becoming Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Virgin Islands. Mr. Rhea became a partner in the law firm of Alkon & Rhea moving on to sole practitioner co-counseling with major national firms and is now presently with Richardson, Patrick, Westbrook and Brickman handling a variety of complex civil and criminal cases with a specialty in toxic torts, groundwater and industrial pollution.

Mr. Rhea has given extensive lectures during the past several years on topics of military history at the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park and at historical societies and Civil War round tables across the country. Being a member of numerous boards of directors of historical societies and preservation organizations, including the Civil War Library and Museum in Philadelphia, he has also appeared on The History, A&E and Discovery Channels in programs related to the Civil War and has written scores of articles and books; *The Battle of the Wilderness: May 5-6, 1864*; *The Battle of Cold Harbor*, and *In the Footsteps of Grant and Lee: From the Wilderness to Cold Harbor*. Gordon Rhea is considered one of the foremost authorities on Grant's 1864 Overland Campaign. He lives in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands and in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.



**EXCITING NEW SEASON**  
**2013-2014**  
**UPCOMING ROUND TABLES**

Sept 17....**Tom Cutrer**

Oct 15....**Frank O'Reilly**

Nov 19....**Chris Kolakowski**  
*Tullahoma and Stones River:*  
*How They Impacted the Civil War*

Dec.....**Members Only Christmas Party**

Jan 21.....**Ed Bearss**

Feb 18.....**Terry Winschel**

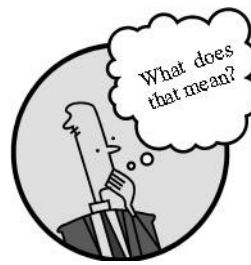
Mar 18.....**Eric Mink**  
*A Sternness to His Countenance:*  
*Stonewall Jackson in Pictures and Art*

Apr 15.....**Howard Strouse**  
*Lew Wallace: Glory in Which Arena?*

May 20....**William C. "Jack" Davis**

**LOST CIVIL WAR RING FINDS ITS WAY HOME**

John Blue, a relic hunter, found a ring at a construction site in 2005. Investigating the inscription "Co. G. , 198th P.V." and with the help of a genealogist, Blue was able to determine the ring was lost by Union soldier, Levi Schlegel, a Reading, Pennsylvania native who lost the ring more than 150 years ago at an encampment near Fredericksburg, Virginia during the Civil War AND track down Schlegel's family.... returning the ring to a distant cousin at Levi Schlegel's grave in Reading.



**Aide-de Camp:** A soldier who was appointed by an officer to be his confidential assistant. The aide wrote and delivered orders and held a position of responsibility which required him to know troop positions and where officer quarters were located. The aide-de-camp

was an officer by virtue of his position and he took orders from his commander only.

**Cap:** Essential to firing a percussion rifle-musket, a cap is a tiny brass shell that holds fulminate of mercury. The cap is placed on the gun so that when a trigger is pulled, the hammer falls on the cap. The chemical in the cap ignites and flame shoots into the chamber that holds the gunpowder. This ignites the powder and the blast shoots the bullet out of the barrel.

**Fortification:** Something that makes a defensive position stronger, like high mounds of earth to protect cannon or spiky breastworks to slow an enemy charge. Fortifications may be man-made structures or a part of the natural terrain. Man-made fortifications could be permanent (mortar or stone) or temporary (wood and soil). Natural fortifications could include waterways, forests, hills and mountains, swamps and marshes.



**AND HE SAID**

*"The art of war is simple enough. Find out where your enemy is. Get at him as soon as you can and keep moving on."*

*"I have never advocated war except as a means of peace."*

*"Labor disgraces no man; unfortunately, you occasionally find men who disgrace labor."*

*"My failures have been errors in judgment, not of intent."*

*"Let us have peace."*