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(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)

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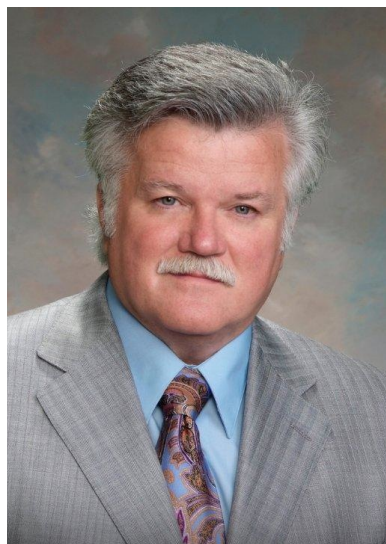
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WILLIAM C. "JACK" DAVIS

THE MAKING OF THE CONFEDERACY

MAY 20, 2014

6:40 PM

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William C. Davis, a native of Independence, Missouri, received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Sonoma State University in northern California, then spent twenty years in editorial management in the magazine and book publishing industry, before leaving in 1990 to spend the next decade working as a writer and consultant here and abroad. He is the author or editor of more than fifty books in the fields of Civil War and Southern history, as well as numerous documentary screenplays. He was the on-camera senior consultant for 52 episodes of the Arts & Entertainment Network/History Channel series *Civil War Journal*, as well as a number of other productions on commercial and Public Television, as well as for the BBC, and has acted as historical consultant for several television and film productions, including *The Blue and the Gray*, *George Washington* and *The Perfect Tribute*. Since 2000 he has been Professor of History and Director of Programs of the Virginia Center for Civil War Studies at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg. He is a three-time winner of the Jefferson Davis Award given for book-length works in Confederate History. His most recent book is *Rouge Republic: How Would-Be Patriots Waged the Shortest Revolution in American History*, published by Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt in April 2011.

EIGHTEEN YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

Dean Becraft has announced his resignation as Vice President of the Scottsdale Civil War Round Table effective May 31, 2014.

Dean's retirement culminates 18 years as an officer for our round table. From 1997 to 1999 he was our Secretary. He served as President for one year in 1999 and 14 years as Vice President from 1999 to the present. Dean was the creator of the "Grapeshot" and it's first editor and the first to write articles for the publication.

Dean has seen many changes as our roundtable expanded from less than 20 members to over 300 current members. Much of our growth is due to Dean's ideas and suggestions and his willingness to put in the extra time to help operate and promote the Scottsdale Civil War Round Table.

The good news is that Dean will remain with us as a member of the executive board and continue to attend our meetings.

Dean is originally from Missouri. His family history predates the Civil War, in Missouri. He is extremely knowledgeable in all aspects of the Civil War in Missouri and especially guerrilla warfare in Missouri.

In addition to his love of Civil War history, Dean is an expert in ancient Egyptian history including the history of the pyramid architecture and construction. He also has an astounding knowledge of the ancient Roman Empire and especially the Roman emperors. His knowledge of ancient Roman coins and how they were produced is amazing.

It seems that persons who have a love of Civil War history also have diversified interests in many other subjects and an extreme thirst for knowledge. Certainly all members of the Scottsdale Civil War Round Table fit that description. Dean Becraft is no exception. But, he is exceptional.

We wish to thank Dean Becraft for his outstanding service and dedication to the Scottsdale Civil War Round Table helping make it what it is today. Best of luck and good health.

**THANK
YOU!**

JANET & JOHN COTTON....for your idea and the funding of the hugely popular student art contest featured at the Civic Center Library during the Civil War 150 exhibit.

PAT TOFTOY...for practically single handedly setting up all of the Civil War Sesquicentennial events held at the Civic Center Library this late Winter and Spring.

HOWARD STROUSE...for making sure The Scottsdale Civil War Round Table's name is on a dedication plaque at the Sun Lakes Methodist Church war memorial.



SEE YOU NEXT SEASON
FOR THIS GREAT LINEUP
OF SPEAKERS:

- Sept 16: TOM PARSON "The Campaign and Battle of Tupelo"
 Oct 21: JAMES FRITSCH
 Nov 18: BRIAN WILLS
 Jan 20: ED BEARSS "Another Evening with Ed Bearss"
 Feb 17: WILLIAM SHEA
 Mar 17: ANN MARSHALL
 Apr 21: THOMAS CARTWRIGHT
 May 19: FRANK O'REILLY

Just a note..... *In polite consideration for our Speakers, we would ask that you remain in your seats until the meeting is adjourned.*
 THANK YOU.