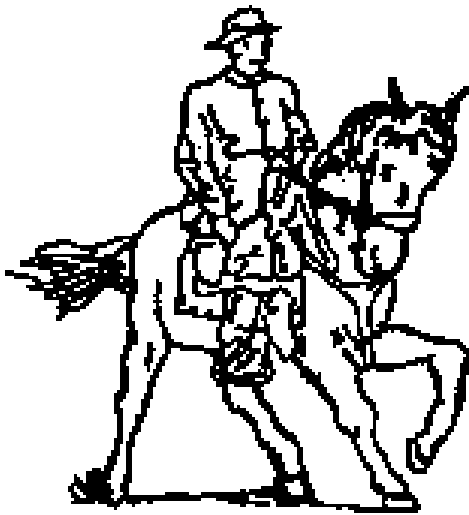


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**Christopher L. Kolakowski
“Civil War to World War: The MacArthurs and
The Bruckners”**

Join us for the next meeting of the Williamsburg Civil War Roundtable at the Williamsburg Public Library Theatre at 7 PM on Tuesday, September 24, 2019

On Tuesday September 24, 2019, Christopher L. Kolakowski will present “Civil War to World War: The MacArthurs and the Buckners”.

Douglas MacArthur and Simon Bolivar Buckner Jr. were prominent players in the Pacific War. Both men were influenced by their fathers - Arthur MacArthur, the "Boy Colonel" of the Union Army and Simon Bolivar Buckner, the last living Confederate lieutenant general. These men, and their roles in victory over Japan, thus became prominent parts of these Civil War veterans' legacies. This talk will discuss these four men, their relationships, and the marks they collectively made.

Christopher L. Kolakowski was born and raised in Fredericksburg, Va. He received his BA in History and Mass Communications from Emory & Henry College, and his MA in Public History from the State University of New York at Albany. Chris has spent his career

interpreting and preserving American military history with the National Park Service, New York State government, the Rensselaer County (NY) Historical Society, the Civil War Preservation Trust, Kentucky State Parks, and the U.S. Army. He has published two books with the History Press: *The Civil War at Perryville: Battling For the Bluegrass* and *The Stones River and Tullahoma Campaign: This Army Does Not Retreat*. In September 2016, the U.S. Army published his volume on the 1862 Virginia Campaigns as part of its sesquicentennial series on the Civil War. Chris came to Norfolk having served as Director of the General George Patton Museum and Center of Leadership in Fort Knox, KY from 2009 to 2013. He became the MacArthur Memorial Director on September 16, 2013.

Last Meeting

In May 2019, Robert M. Dunkerly presented “To the Bitter End: The Surrenders of the Confederacy”.

Appomattox is the most famous of the surrenders that ended the war, but the least representative of any of them. This talk will explore the confusing and complex events that unfolded in the four major surrenders, and a few smaller ones.

Robert M. Dunkerly is a historian, award-winning author, and speaker who is actively involved in historic preservation and research. He holds a degree in History from St. Vincent College and a Masters in Historic Preservation from Middle Tennessee State University. He has worked at nine historic sites, written twelve books and over twenty articles. His research includes archaeology, colonial life, military history, and historic commemoration. He has taught courses at Central Virginia Community College, the University of Richmond, and the Virginia Historical Society. Mr. Dunkerly is currently a Park Ranger at Richmond National Battlefield Park.

Dues for September 2019-May 2020 are \$30 for a family. Please make checks payable to WCWRT. Registration [form](#)

2019-2020 Officers of WCWRT:

President: Bill Miller	Vice-President: Lee Underwood
Secretary: Gene Danko	Treasurer: George Callis

The Executive Committee consists of the elected officers, the immediate past president and other members appointed by the incoming president. Those members include Debbie Bedosti, Tom Lamb, and Teresa Teopke.

Upcoming Meetings and Speakers

****** December, February, and March meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month

- **October 22, 2019** - Ethan Rafuse - "The Civil War in Missouri"
- **November 26, 2019** - Peggy Vogtsberger— "A Dam Failure - The Battle of Dam Number One"
- ****December 17, 2019** - Nathan Richardson — "Frederick Douglas Live"
- **January 28, 2020** - Ashley Spivey, Ph.D. — "Union Tooth and Nail: The Pamunkey Indian Tribe and the Civil War in Virginia"
- ****February 18, 2020:** - Matt Atkinson — "Vicksburg Sequel: The Siege"
- ****March 17, 2020** - Dr. Tom Clemons — "Special Order 191 — Myths, Misconceptions and Facts Related to Lee's Lost Order"
- **April 28, 2020** - Kevin Pawlak— "Water on His Front, Water in His Rear: Robert E. Lee Defends the Confederate High Water Mark at Sharpsburg"
- **May 26, 2020** - Dr. Jonathan White — "A Sequel to Abraham Lincoln's Early Life"

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Upcoming Outside Events

- **September, 2019** - Gettysburg Foundation announces special events [details](#)
- **September- December, 2019** - New MacArthur Memorial Special Exhibit Explores Asia 1898-1964 [details](#)

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The purpose of this organization shall be to promote discussion and study of the Civil War and to further stimulate interest in all aspects and phases of the Civil War period.