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# The Dispatch

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## Newsletter of The Harrisburg Civil War Round Table

Welcome to our fellowship forum where we discuss our past, emphasizing remembrance, education & preservation.

Meetings held at The Radisson Penn-Harris Hotel—1150 Camp Hill Bypass, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania

Online: [www.HarrisburgCWRT.org](http://www.HarrisburgCWRT.org)

## April 27, 2018 Speaker—Scott Patchan Phil Sheridan and the Final Battle of Winchester

Scott C. Patchan is a graduate of James Madison University in the Shenandoah Valley. He is the author of many articles and books, including *The Forgotten Fury: The Battle of Piedmont* (1996), *Shenandoah Summer: The 1864 Valley Campaign* (2007), *Second Manassas: Longstreet's Attack and the Struggle for Chinn Ridge* (2011), *The Battle of Piedmont and Hunter's Raid on Staunton* (2011), and *The Last Battle of Winchester: Phil Sheridan, Jubal Early and the 1864 Shenandoah Valley Campaign* (2013). He has also written feature essays for *Blue and Gray Magazine* on Cool Spring, Rutherford's Farm and Second Kernstown; Third Battle of Winchester, Fisher's Hill, Cedar Creek and two volumes on Second Bull Run. He has also written extensively for *Civil War Magazine*, *North South*, *America's Civil War* and other historical publications.



Mr. Patchan has twice served as President of Bull Run Civil War Round Table, a member of the Kernstown Battlefield Association's board of directors from 2000-2014, and worked extensively on the interpretation of the Third Winchester battlefield for the Shenandoah Valley Battlefield Foundation.

He is currently editing the journal of Colonel Joseph Thoburn who commanded a regiment, brigade and division in the Army of West Virginia until he was mortally wounded at Cedar Creek. Mr. Patchan is continuing his work on the Valley Campaigns. He is also a much sought tour guide at both Civil War and Revolutionary War era sites from New York to Georgia.

### DINNER IS SERVED!

Radisson Hotel  
FRIDAY, April 27, 2018  
Governor B—Hotel

6:00 pm—St. James Punch      6:45 pm—Dinner  
7:45 pm—Meeting              8:00 pm—Talk

#### Menu Options:

(A) Mediterranean Tilapia  
(B) Traditional Stuffed Chicken

The dinner also includes  
Mixed Green Salad, Fresh Baked Rolls and Butter,  
Carrot Cake, Coffee or Tea

Cost: \$22 per person.

Dinner reservations must be made no later than 9 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 24

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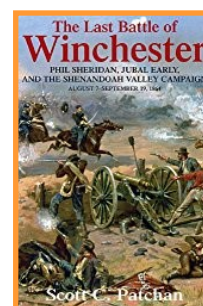
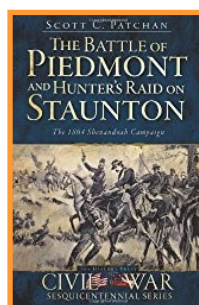
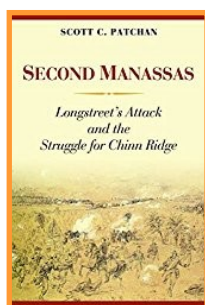
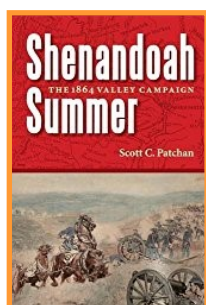
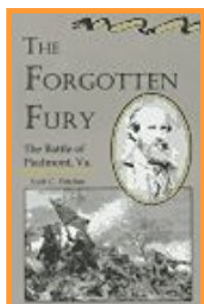
## The President's Pen

I wish to take this moment to acknowledge the passing of Jack Thomas. Jack was a long time member of the Harrisburg Civil War Round Table. He held various offices as well. He was so knowledgeable about the Civil War. I enjoyed his questions at the square tables. They always seemed so insightful. He knew so many books. Thanks, Jack, for being a friend to all in the Round Table. You will be missed.

Please plan to attend our April meeting. You will be blessed if you do. Bring a friend. They will benefit from the presentation and the fellowship.

Jim Moss

## Books by Scott Patchan



## Meeting Schedule—Campaign 59

4/27/18  
Scott Patchan, *Sheridan and the Final Battle of Winchester*  
5/18/18—Nye-Sommers Lecture  
Gordon Rhea, *Grant and Lee in the Overland Campaign*  
6/22/18  
Jim Moss, *Soldier Letters written to the Church Advocate*.  
Annual Business Meeting

### Mark Your Calendars for Campaign 60

September 28, 2018	February 22, 2019
October 26, 2018	March 22, 2019
November 16, 2018	April 26, 2019
December 14, 2018	May 17, 2019
January 25, 2019	June 7, 2019

## *In Memoriam*

We mourn the loss of Jack Collin Thomas

Jack passed away Friday, March 23. He was born in Lancaster, graduated from Hershey High School and received a BA in History from Lebanon Valley College. An ROTC cadet, he was commissioned into the U. S. Army Reserves, and served 21 years active duty, retiring as Captain, USAR Pennsylvania National Guard.

Jack was an original member of the Hershey Chocolate Civil War Club, later the Hershey Civil War Round Table.

He joined the Harrisburg Civil War Round Table in May of 1986. He acted as Treasurer in 1993, but was called to active military duty at Fort Drum, precluding his continuing in that office. He was a panelist in the June, 1999 program and a speaker twice; in December, 2000 when his topic was "The Other End of the Line: The Battle of Culp's Hill," and in February 2011 speaking on the "Lightning in the Storm: The Battle of Chantilly." Jack rarely missed a meeting or a square table. He asked insightful questions and shared his considerable knowledge with his fellow Civil War warriors.

An avid historian, Jack was also a member of the Camp Curtin Civil War Round Table from 1993, being a board member from 2004 to 2008. He was Program Director for the Hershey Civil War Round Table from 1999 to 2012 and President from 2000 to 2007. Additionally, Jack was a founding member of the Hershey/Hummelstown World War II Round Table. He raised funds for Battlefield Preservation from 2001 to 2011 and participated in the 90th Pennsylvania monument clean up at Gettysburg from 2002 to 2011.

Jack was honored with the J. Howard Wert Award of Merit for his dedication and efforts in the field of Civil War History. He also received a Certificate of Recognition from the House of Representatives, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for his significant efforts to preserve the history of the Civil War.

We will miss you, Jack. Rest in peace.





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