

## Confirmed Authors for the Civil War Roundtable Congress

Book Signings and Meet and Greet on of 18 August 2018

### Ted Alexander



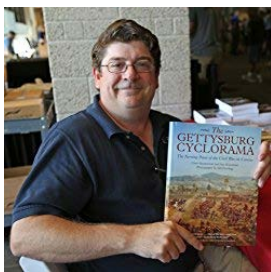
Ted is the retired chief historian of the Antietam National Battlefield. He is the author, editor, and/or contributor of 10 books on the Civil War and other aspects of American history. He also authored more than 200 book reviews and articles for publications like "Civil War Times," "Blue & Gray Magazine," and "The Washington Times." He is the co-founder of the Chambersburg Civil War Seminars with the Chambersburg Chamber of Commerce and contributed as the lead historian on the development of the Chambersburg Heritage Center.

### Susan Boardman



Sue is a native of Danville, Pa. She graduated with honors from Geisinger Medical Center School of Nursing and Pennsylvania State University. Sue worked as an emergency department nurse for 23 years. In 2000, she became a Licensed Battlefield Guide and received the Superintendent's Award for Excellence in Guiding in 2005 and 2006. From 2005 to 2008, Sue served as research historian for the Gettysburg Cyclorama conservation project. She authored the book *The Battle of Gettysburg Cyclorama: A History and Guide* and *The Gettysburg Cyclorama: The Turning Point of the Civil War on Canvas*. She is the co-author (with Chris Brenneman) of *The Gettysburg Cyclorama: The Turning Point of the Civil War on Canvas*. Sue has also published the book *Elizabeth Thorn: Wartime Caretaker of Gettysburg's Evergreen Cemetery* and several articles on the history of the American Civil War cycloramas. Sue is currently the leadership program director at the Gettysburg Foundation.

### Christopher Brenneman



Chris graduated in 1992 from the University of Delaware with a BA in psychology. Chris has been a Licensed Battlefield Guide at the Gettysburg National Military Park since 2009. He is also an employee of the Gettysburg Foundation, the non-profit group that oversees the Visitors Center and Museum at the park. Chris is the co-author (with Susan Boardman) of *The Gettysburg Cyclorama: The Turning Point of the Civil War on Canvas*.



### Dennis Frye

Dennis E. Frye is the former Chief Historian at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park and past president of a national battlefield preservation organization that is today's Civil War Preservation Trust. Dennis was raised only a few miles from Harper's Ferry and Antietam, and he grew up in the shadow of South Mountain.

Dennis has written over 50 articles and four books on the war, including *September*

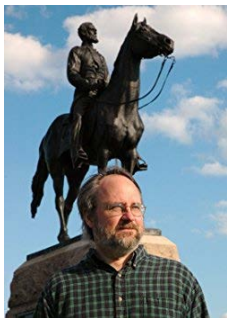
*Suspense: Lincoln's Union in Peril and Antietam Revealed*. He has served as a battlefield guide for National Geographic.

### James Hessler



Jim has been a Licensed Battlefield Guide at Gettysburg National Military Park since 2003. His book *Sickles at Gettysburg* was awarded the prestigious Bachelder Coddington Award and the Gettysburg Civil War Round Table's Distinguished Book Award as the most outstanding work on the Gettysburg Campaign. He co-authored (with Wayne Motts), and maps by Civil War Trust cartographer Steve Stanley, *Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg*, the first battlefield guide to the legendary final attack at Gettysburg.

### Tom Huntington



As the editor of the late, lamented *Historic Traveler* magazine, Tom Huntington developed a love for writing that merged stories from the past with journeys of discovery in the present. That was an approach he took with his first two books, *Ben Franklin's Philadelphia and Pennsylvania Civil War Trails*. His next book, *Searching for George Gordon Meade: The Forgotten Victor of Gettysburg* (Stackpole Books, February 2013), continued that tradition. In *Guide to Gettysburg Battlefield Monuments*, Huntington provided a handy pocket-sized reference to the memorials of the Civil War's biggest battle. His latest book, *Maine Roads to Gettysburg* (May 2018), tells the stories of the soldiers from the Pine Tree State who fought at the July 1863 battle. Huntington's many magazine articles have appeared in *American Heritage*, *Smithsonian*, *Air & Space*, *British Heritage*, *America in WWII*, *Civil War Times*, *America's Civil War*, *Invention & Technology* and many other publications. He lives in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, with his wife, Beth Ann, and his children, Katie and Sam.

### Dr. Christopher Mackowski



Chris Mackowski, Ph.D., is the editor-in-chief and co-founder of *Emerging Civil War*. He is the series editor of the award-winning *Emerging Civil War Series*, published by Savas Beatie, and the forthcoming "Engaging the Civil War" Series, published in partnership with Southern Illinois University Press. Chris is a professor of journalism and mass communication at St. Bonaventure University in Allegany, NY, and historian-in-residence at Stevenson Ridge, a historic property on the Spotsylvania battlefield in central Virginia. He has also worked as a historian for the National Park Service at Fredericksburg & Spotsylvania National Military Park, where he gives tours at four major Civil War battlefields (Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Wilderness, and Spotsylvania), as well as at the building where Stonewall Jackson died. Chris has authored or co-authored a dozen books on the Civil War, and his articles have appeared in all the major Civil War magazines. Chris serves on the national advisory board for the Civil War Chaplains Museum in Lynchburg, Virginia.

### Tom McMillan



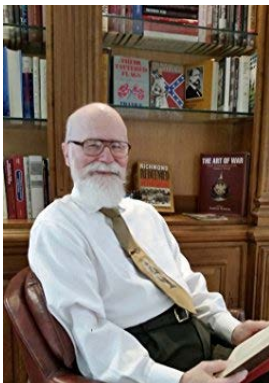
Tom McMillan works in sports but his passion is history – especially Civil War history. He serves on the board of trustees of Pittsburgh’s Heinz History Center, on the board of directors of the Friends of Flight 93, and on the marketing committee of the Gettysburg Foundation. He also volunteers as a tour guide at the Civil War Room at Carnegie Library in Carnegie, Pa. More than 31 members of his family tree served in the Union Army during the Civil War, including eight members of the 62nd Pennsylvania who fought in The Wheatfield at Gettysburg. McMillan’s previous book was *Flight 93: The Story, The Aftermath and The Legacy of American Courage on 9/11*. His day job is vice president of communications for the Pittsburgh Penguins of the NHL. McMillan grew up near Pittsburgh and earned a journalism degree from Point Park University. He and his wife, Colleen, are regular visitors to the Gettysburg battlefield.

### Dr. Carol Reardon



Carol Reardon is the George Winfree Professor of American History emerita at Pennsylvania State University. She is the author or co-author of at least six books. Her military expertise is wide ranging and includes not only the American Civil War but also the Vietnam War. Among her Civil War titles are *A Field Guide to Gettysburg: Experiencing the Battlefield through Its History, Places, and People* (with Tom Vossler) and *A Field Guide to Antietam: Experiencing the Battlefield through Its History, Places, and People* (Also with Tom Vossler). Dr. Reardon has taught at West Point and the U.S. Army War College, and she leads staff rides and tours of Gettysburg for many military and civilian groups.

### Dr. Richard J. Sommers



Dr. Sommers served for 43+ years at the U.S. Army Military History Institute/U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center. Even after nominally “retiring” as the Senior Historian of the Center in January of 2014, he continues teaching in the U.S. Army War College, writing about the Civil War, and speaking to Civil War groups across the nation. He has published over 100 books, articles, chapters, entries, and reviews on the Civil War. His most recent book – the expanded, revised, 150th Anniversary edition of *Richmond Redeemed: the Siege at Petersburg* – was published by Savas-Beatie in September, 2014. A graduate of Carleton College with a doctorate from Rice University, he was born and raised in suburban Chicagoland. He and his wife, Tracy, reside in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

### Jeffry D. Wert



Jeffry D. Wert is the author of nine books on Civil War topics, most recently *Cavalryman of the Lost Cause* and *The Sword of Lincoln*. His articles and essays on the Civil War have appeared in many publications, including *Civil War Times Illustrated*, *American History Illustrated*, and *Blue and Gray*. A former history teacher at Penns Valley High School, he lives in Centre Hall, Pennsylvania, slightly more than one hour from the battlefield at Gettysburg.