
Tuesday, February 3, 2025

“The Atlanta Campaign: Missed Opportunities”

Dave Powell



In the summer of 1864, Atlanta became the linchpin of the South's hopes and the North's determination. Each side was seeking victory. The city became the epicenter of a battle that became the turning point of the war, where lost opportunities and false hopes prevailed. It's a chilling saga between two very determined armies. Volumes have been written about the Atlanta Campaign, none more captivating than guest speaker and prolific author, **David A. Powell**.

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Tuesday, March 17, 2026

Dean Calbreath

**“The Sergeant: The Incredible Life of Nicholas Said:
From Central Africa Through Czarist Russia to the
Frontlines of the Civil War”**

Journalist and author **Dean Calbreath** will attend this meeting to share the forgotten history of Nickolas Said. Said’s adventures began in a thousand year-old African kingdom. He was a master of languages, a collector of knowledge, and a friend to kings and tsars. Oh, by the way, he later became a Union Army sergeant in the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida! Historians consider Dean’s book about Said as “essential reading.”



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Tuesday, April 7, 2026

Angela Zombek

“Competing Visions of the Post-War World: Military Reconstruction and Southern Resistance in NC

With the war ended, serious questions arose; like how to bring Confederate states back into the Union, treating enslaved individuals, and how the federal government can begin to heal the nation’s wounds? Returning guest speaker **Angela Zombek, Ph.D.** shares critical insights into what seemed to be impossible odds. Both sides clearly had opposing visions, but as you will learn, it would take time and patience to heal.

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Hampton Newsome

“The Fight for the Old North State: The Civil War in North Carolina January-May 1864”

Hampton Newsome returns to reveal a desperate ploy by Gen. Robert E. Lee’s Confederates during the early months of 1864. The objective was intended to gain momentum right here in eastern North Carolina. Despite all efforts, including some successes by Lee’s army and his ironclad gunboats, the Civil War was finally coming to a close.



We look forward to seeing you when our new season begins the day after Labor Day on Tuesday, September 2, 2025, Meetings are held at Hatch Auditorium on Caswell Beach. Registration begins at 6:15PM. Programs start at 7:00PM. The visitor fee is \$10, and can be applied toward the \$25 annual membership dues, which can include a spouse.

For more information, please contact President John Butler at Brunswickcwr@gmail.com, or by calling him at (404) 229-9425, or visit our website at brunswickcivilwarroundtable.com



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