


[CWRTGettysburg] January Meeting

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JANUARY MEETING ONLINE

Thursday, January 28, 7:00 pm

Pete Miele: W.W. KEEN'S CIVIL WAR



Our first Civil War Round Table speaker of 2021 is our own Pete Miele. A New Jersey native, with degrees from Ramapo College (NJ) and Shippensburg University (PA), Pete has been part of the Seminary Ridge Museum and Education Center since its opening in 2013 and was elected Executive Director in May of last year. As the museum is housed in Schmucker Hall, which in 1863 was pressed into service as Gettysburg's largest field hospital, it's appropriate that Pete will be speaking to the experience of a Civil War-era physician. In a preview, Pete tells us: "W.W. Keen was a young medical student when the Civil War erupted in 1861. Untested and untrained, he was thrown into treating suffering soldiers at the First Battle of Bull Run. Four years later, he emerged from the crucible of war as a pioneer in treating injuries of the nervous system. By the dawn of the 20th century, he was considered one of the most capable and learned surgeons in the United States."

Join us this Thursday evening, January 28, 7:00 via links on our Facebook page or website (cwrgettysburg.org). Some have found it easier to go direct to the Zoom Room. Here's that link.

<https://zoom.us/j/97160481678?pwd=R3RrU0tYdVdqUTZmaStUc0dvSDI4Zz09>



One of the most consequential figures in the history of our Round Table has passed away. Barbara MacBeth Angstadt was first elected secretary in 1976 and held that office for more than twenty years. Barbara herself led programs, organized field trips and our December holiday events, and kept colorful minutes. At the time of her death, December 27, she was 83 years old.



The coronavirus, of course, played havoc with our 2020 elections. Our by-laws stipulate that a Nominations Committee is to present a slate of officers at the March meeting, with elections held in April. We plan to stick to that schedule, using an electronic format similar to what we patched together last fall. The by-laws give the president responsibility for appointing the committee. Richard Mancini, Linda Seamon and Michele Hessler have each agreed to serve this year, with Richard operating as chairperson. Be looking for an election-special mailing in coming weeks.

Finally, while we continue to hold our own financially, all membership renewals are deeply appreciated. As of the most recent meeting of the Board of Directors, we're hoping to spend summer on the battlefield and return to the G.A.R. this fall. We will continue to livestream and archive all our programs.

As you ever have questions, concerns or suggestions, don't hesitate to contact me at brdgettyburg@gmail.com.
Bruce Davis, President.

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