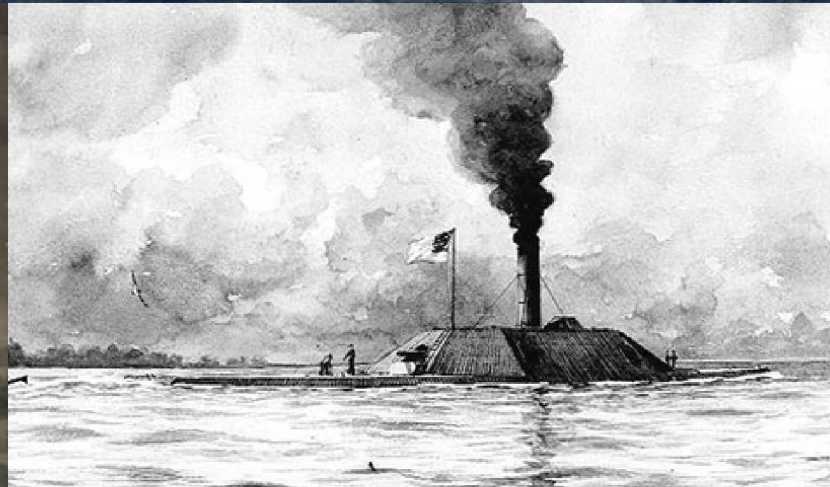

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FRIDAY EVENING DINNER SPEAKER

Hampton Newsome – The Battle of Plymouth and the Civil War in Eastern North Carolina, Spring 1864

Hampton Newsome holds degrees from Duke University, the University of Virginia School of Architecture, and the University of Virginia School of Law. He is a staff attorney for the Federal Trade Commission. He has written several books on Civil War topics, including *The Fight for the Old North State: The Civil War in North Carolina, January-May 1864*.

SATURDAY MORNING SPEAKERS

Jim McKee – The Spanish Attacks on Brunswick Town and Beaufort in the War of Jenkins Ear, 1741

Jim McKee is the Site Manager at Brunswick Town-Fort Anderson State Historic Site in Winnabow. He holds a BA from Greensboro College and an MA from Southern New Hampshire University. His previous experience includes work with the National Park Service and the North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport.

Stephen Atkinson – “In a Very Unwarlike Condition:” HMS *Cruizer* and British Naval Activity in the Lower Cape Fear Region, 1775-1776

Stephen Atkinson is an Assistant State Archaeologist in the Underwater Archaeology Branch based at Fort Fisher and is part of the Office of State Archaeology’s scientific diving program. Originally from Jensen Beach, FL, he has a BA in History from Stetson University and an MA in Historical Archaeology with a maritime focus from the University of West Florida. Prior to joining the Underwater Archaeology Branch, he served as an intern at the Warren Lasch Conservation Center working on the H.L. Hunley project, and was a conservator at the Queen Anne’s Revenge Conservation Lab.

Jim Greathouse – The War of 1812 on the Waters of North Carolina

Jim Greathouse retired from both the U.S. Air Force and the Fayetteville Area Transportation and Local History Museum where he was Senior Museum Specialist and Staff Historian. He is a graduate of Methodist College (now Methodist University) with a degree in History. His main area of interest is the military history of Napoleonic Europe and America. He is currently an independent researcher and public speaker.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SPEAKERS

Becky Sawyer – “It is the Most Grand, Sublime Scene I Ever Could Think of Seeing:” The Letters of Sidney Stockbridge, Clerk in the Paymaster’s Office, USS *Pawtuxet*. 1864-1865 Becky Sawyer is the collections manager for Fort Fisher State Historic Site in Kure Beach. A native of the St. Louis area, she holds a BS in Historic Preservation from Southeast Missouri State University and an MA in Public History from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. She has worked for the NC Division of State Historic Sites for over 25 years, at Bentonville Battlefield and Fort Fisher.

Dr. Chris E. Fonvielle, Jr. – The Exploits of US Naval Officer William B. Cushing

Dr. Chris E. Fonvielle Jr. is a Wilmington native. He earned a BA in Anthropology from UNC-Wilmington, an MA in American History from East Carolina University, and a Ph.D. in Civil War Studies from the University of South Carolina. Dr. Fonvielle is a Professor Emeritus of History at UNCW and the author of numerous books and articles on the Civil War and North Carolina, including *The Wilmington Campaign: Last Rays of Departing Hope*.