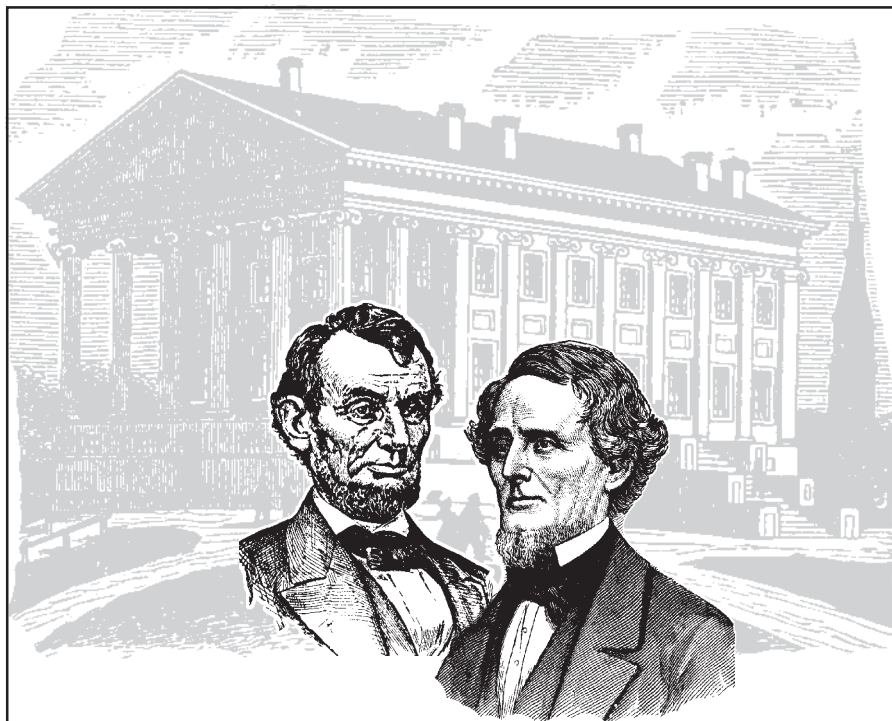


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 VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY
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Presented by
 the Virginia Center for Civil War Studies,
 the Virginia Tech Alumni Association,
 and the Division of Continuing Education

Featuring
 James I. Robertson, Jr.
 Alumni Distinguished Professor of History
 Executive Director, VCCWS
 &
 William C. Davis
 Director of Programs, VCCWS

Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center
 Otey Street & College Avenue
 Blacksburg, Virginia



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The Civil War was the defining event in American history. It was the climax to everything that had gone before in the country's development, just as it marked the beginning of all that would become the United States as we know it. Because of these and many other factors, the 1861-1865 conflict remains the most vital and popularly relived period in the American past.

Virginia Tech continues to be an increasingly influential part of that popularity. Virginia Tech produces a five-minute weekly Civil War program for WVTB and eight other public radio stations. WBRA Television in Roanoke turns out an annual, hour-long Civil War documentary that is aired by stations as far away as South Africa. Each summer for the past 23 years, Virginia Tech has sponsored a seven-day "Campaigning With Lee" seminar. Guest lecturers, all-day bus tours, and unique fellowship have made this the most popular of such summer programs. The *Annual Civil War Weekend*, another of Tech's extremely popular Civil War programs, traditionally fills quickly. Register now to reserve your space.

Coordinating all of these programs is James I. Robertson, Jr., one of the University's eight Alumni Distinguished Professors, the most sought-after speaker in the Civil War field, and the recipient of the Virginia Press Association's "Virginian of the Year 2000" Award. Assisting him is William C. Davis. A prolific writer of Civil War history and a popular lecturer in his own right, Davis moved to Virginia Tech in August, 2000, as Director of Programs for the University-sponsored Virginia Center for Civil War Studies (VCCWS). He also holds a professorship in the History Department. Adding Davis to Robertson in the VCCWS gives Virginia Tech the singular distinction of being the only university in the world with two internationally known Civil War historians.

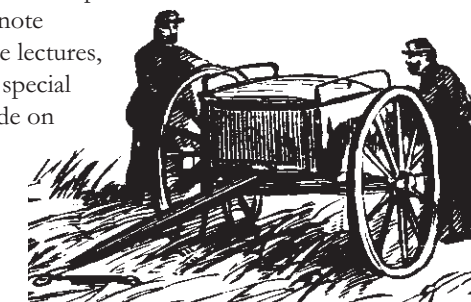
Joining Robertson and Davis will be C. Stuart McGehee of West Virginia State College and Richard McMurry, a widely recognized authority on the Civil War in the Western Theater. This combination promises to make the 2002 "Civil War Weekend" one of the most memorable programs in the series.

The 11th Annual Civil War Weekend at Virginia Tech will be held March 8-10, 2002, at **The Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center** on the Virginia Tech campus in Blacksburg. *Maximum enrollment is expected.* Registration, therefore, will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Weekend

The 11th Annual Civil War Weekend at Virginia Tech promises to be a special occasion. A record enrollment of University alumni and friends, as well as Civil War buffs from across America, seems assured. The three-day program will feature a wide variety of presentations by four leading authorities in their respective historical fields of expertise.

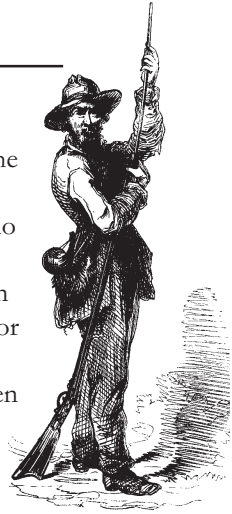
The Weekend begins Friday night with a reception and dinner. James I. Robertson, Jr., will give the keynote address. Saturday's schedule includes five lectures, a panel discussion, book-signings, and a special film-showing. The Weekend will conclude on Sunday morning with a Civil War field worship service.



The Presenters

James I. "Bud" Robertson, Jr.

Alumni Distinguished Professor and Executive Director of the Virginia Center for Civil War Studies, Robertson is a familiar figure on the Virginia Tech campus. Whether in class, on radio and television, or traveling across America for dozens of appearances each year, Robertson is widely hailed as the Dean of Civil War historians. He is currently historical consultant for the movie *Gods and Generals*. His latest book is *Standing Like a Stone Wall*, a biography of General "Stonewall" Jackson written for young readers from nine to ninety.



William C. "Jack" Davis

Jack Davis is Director of Programs for the Virginia Center for Civil War Studies and a Professor of History at Virginia Tech. A native of Missouri, Davis holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from Sonoma State University in California. He is author or editor of over 40 books, which makes him the most prolific writer on the Civil War period. Two of his newest books are *Rbett: The Turbulent Life and Times of a Fire-eater* and *Look Away: A History of the Confederate States of America*.



C. Stuart McGehee

Stuart McGehee returns to the Civil War Weekend this year by popular demand. He is a Ph.D. graduate from the University of Virginia and for several years has been Dean of the Social Science Division at West Virginia State College. McGehee is also Director of the Eastern Regional Coal Archives in Bluefield, West Virginia.

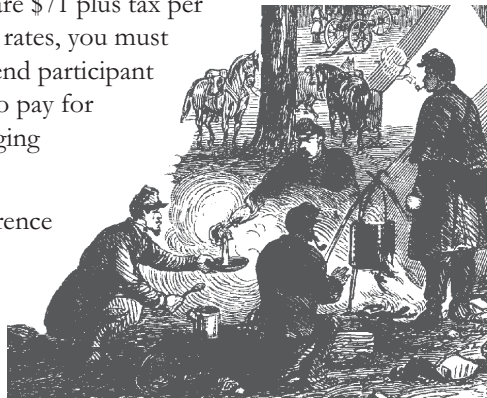
Richard McMurry

A native of Atlanta, Georgia, and graduate of the Virginia Military Institute, Richard McMurry – like Bud Robertson – was a doctoral student under Bell Irvin Wiley at Emory University. McMurry is a widely recognized authority on the Civil War in the Western theater. Among his published works are *Virginia Military Institute Alumni in the Civil War*, *Two Great Rebel Armies*, and *Atlanta, 1864*.

Lodging*

Space is limited. A prompt reply is advised! Blocks of rooms have been reserved at the Four Points by Sheraton and AmeriSuites. **For lodging reservations, please contact the Four Points at (540) 552-7001 by February 18, 2002, or AmeriSuites at (540) 552-5636 by February 15, 2002.** Rooms at the Four Points are \$85 plus tax per night. Rooms at AmeriSuites are \$71 plus tax per night. In order to obtain these special rates, you must identify yourself as a Civil War Weekend participant when making your reservation. Plan to pay for lodging on departure; do *not* send lodging payment in advance.

*Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center is currently at capacity, but cancellations may occur. Check next spring to take advantage of this possibility.



Schedule

Friday, March 8, 2002

- 4:00-6:00 p.m. **Registration**
Donaldson Brown Hotel (DBH) Lobby
- 6:00-7:00 p.m. **Reception – Host Bar**
DBH Lobby and Ambulatory
- 7:00-8:15 p.m. **Dinner**
DBH Commonwealth Dining Room
- 8:15-9:00 p.m. **Keynote Address:**
"Robert E. Lee and the Verdict of History"
James I. Robertson, Jr.

Saturday, March 9, 2002

- 7:00-8:00 a.m. **Buffet Breakfast**
DBH Commonwealth Dining Room
- 8:00-9:00 a.m. **"Wake of the Flood: Social Change in the Civil War South"**
C. Stuart McGehee
- 9:00-9:15 a.m. **Introduction of Civil War Graduate Students**
- 9:15-10:15 a.m. **"Jefferson Davis as a War Leader"**
William C. Davis
- 10:15-10:40 a.m. **Coffee Break**
- 10:40-11:30 a.m. **"Thoughts on the Atlanta Campaign"**
Richard McMurry
- 11:30-1:00 p.m. **Luncheon**
DBH Commonwealth Dining Room
- 1:00-2:00 p.m. **"The Virginia Secession Convention, 1861"**
James I. Robertson, Jr.
- 2:00-3:00 p.m. **"The Last Days of the Confederate Government"**
William C. Davis
- 3:00-3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15-4:00 p.m. **Panel Discussion and Audience Participation**
- 4:00-5:00 p.m. **Book Signings and Refreshments**
- 6:00-7:00 p.m. **Dinner**
DBH Commonwealth Dining Room
- 7:00-8:00 p.m. **Special Film**
Introduced by James I. Robertson, Jr.
DBH Auditorium

Sunday, March 10, 2002

- 7:00-8:15 a.m. **Buffet Breakfast**
DBH Commonwealth Dining Room
- 8:30-9:15 a.m. **Civil War Field Worship Service**
James I. Robertson, Jr.
DBH Auditorium

Check the VCCWS website for more details and up-to-date information:

www.civilwar.vt.edu

~ Registration ~

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Please print or type—complete a separate form for each participant.
OR ~ Register online at www.conted.vt.edu/ssl/cww.html

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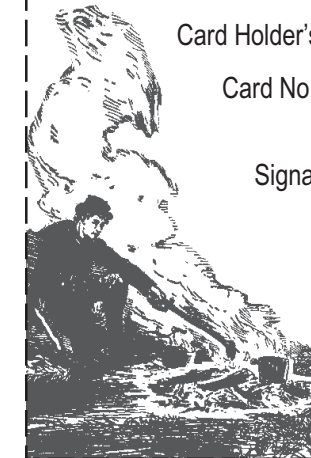
Name on nametag _____

I am a Virginia Tech alumna/alumnus. Class year _____

Registration fee: \$160 (Fee includes a \$25 donation to the Virginia Center for Civil War Studies.)
Space is available on a first-paid, first-registered basis.

Check enclosed payable to "Treasurer, Virginia Tech/CE"

Please charge to my Visa MasterCard AmEx



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Return by February 23, 2002, to

Conference Registrar—Continuing Education (CWW)
810 University City Blvd., Suite D (0272)
Blacksburg, VA 24061
(540) 231-2922
Fax (540) 231-3306

*Necessary to process a refund.

General Information

- **Registration** fee of \$160 per person includes all materials, instruction, and meals. *Space is limited. Prompt registration is encouraged!*
- **Lodging** is NOT included in the \$160 registration fee, but is available at the Four Points by Sheraton and AmeriSuites (See "Lodging" for details).
- **Refund Policy:** Refund requests are honored if received (preferably in writing) four full business days before the event. Substitutions are accepted.

Questions? Please call Donna Raines at draines@vt.edu or (540) 231-5241. If you have a disability and will require any auxiliary aids, services, or other accommodations for this program, please discuss your needs with Donna.



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