



**Annual Civil War Symposium  
Saturday, April 12, 2025, 9:00 A.M.  
Bloomington Event Center**

Sponsored by the Rochester, St. Croix Valley, Cannon Valley, Central Minnesota, Hiawatha Valley, Litchfield G.A.R., Minnesota Valley, Albert Lea, and Twin Cities Civil War Round Tables.

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- 8:30 a.m.    *Registration*
- 9:00 a.m.    *Welcome, Introductions and Announcements*, Rod Myers
- 9:10 a.m.    *Plantations Context: The Rise of Cotton and Slavery in America*, John Anfinson, Ph.D.
- 9:25 a.m.    *Minnesota Civil War Round Tables Brief Introductions*
- 9:35 a.m.    *Break* (Browse tables of books and memorabilia for sale.)
- 9:50 a.m.    *The Campaigns of 1862*, John Anfinson, Ph.D.
- 10:30 a.m.    *Unvexed to the Sea*, Terrence Winschel
- 11:30 a.m.    *Pearl Button Band*
- 11:45 a.m.    *Lunch Break*
- 12:45 p.m.    *A Tragedy of Errors: The Failures of the Confederate High Command*, Terrence Winschel
- 1:40 p.m.    *Break* (Browse tables of books and memorabilia for sale.)
- 1:55 p.m.    *Shut Up As In a Trap: The Civilian Experience*, Terrence Winschel
- 2:45 p.m.    *General Grant's Perspective on Paroling Confederate Prisoners*, Dr. Curt Fields as Ulysses S. Grant
- 3:00 p.m.    *Q and A*, John Anfinson, Ph.D. and Terrence Winschel
- 3:30 p.m.    *Closing Announcements*

The **Bloomington Event Center (Knights of Columbus Hall)**, 1114 American Blvd. W., Bloomington, MN 55420, is SE of the Highways 494 & 35W interchange. Take the Lyndale Ave. exit south from 494 and turn west at the first light onto American Blvd.

**Registration: \$20 per person. Students free.**

**Buffet lunch (prepared by the Event Center): \$15 per person**, including students. Menu: Red beans with rice, and sausage.

**To register:** Via Paypal at [tccwrt.com](http://tccwrt.com)    or    Via check payable to TCCWRT with form below to:  
Civil War Symposium, 5540 Sanibel Dr., Minnetonka, MN 55343

*Registration at door for available seating only. Lunch requires pre-registration.*

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**Registration Form – pre-registration required to guarantee admission. Registration deadline to order meal is March 18, 2025**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email or Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Registration(s) @ \$20    \_\_\_ Student registration(s) @ \$0    \_\_\_ Meal(s) @ \$15    \_\_\_ Total enclosed

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