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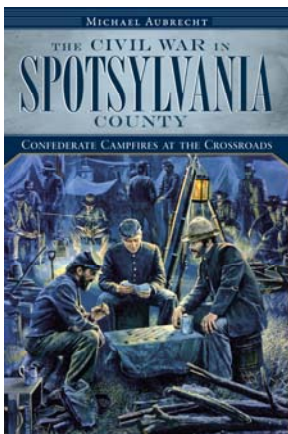
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*Local historian, Michael Aubrecht pens
The Civil War in Spotsylvania County: Confederate Campfires at the Crossroads*

From 1861 to 1865, hundreds of thousands of troops from both sides of the Civil War marched through, battled and camped in the woods and fields of Spotsylvania County, earning it the nickname “Crossroads of the Civil War.” When not engaged with the enemy or drilling, a different kind of battle occupied soldiers—boredom, hunger, disease, homesickness, harsh winters and spirits both broken and swigged. Focusing specifically on the local Confederate encampments, renowned author and historian Michael Aubrecht draws from published memoirs, diaries, letters and testimonials from those who were there to give a fascinating new look into the day-to-day experiences of camp life in the Confederate army. So huddle around the fire and discover the days when the only meal was a scrap of hardtack, temptation was mighty and a new game they called “baseball” passed the time when not playing poker or waging a snowball war on fellow compatriots.

Michael Aubrecht is a Civil War historian and author from Fredericksburg, VA. He specializes in Southern Civil War history, 19th-20th century baseball, and the positive role that Christianity played during the War Between the States. He has written one book for The History Press, *Historic Churches of Fredericksburg*. He is a long-time member of Faith Writers, co-founder of The Jackson Society, an Associate Member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Honorary Member of the John Bell Hood Historical Society and the Gettysburg Foundation, as well as a contributing writer for various newspapers and magazines, including the *Free Lance-Star* and *Civil War Historian*.



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