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Education:

Art Institute of Pittsburgh, AST Degree. Honors Graduate: 1992.

Major: Visual Communications. Minor: Art History.

Experience:

• 10+ years as an Author, Historian, Guide, and Consultant specializing in subjects including Civil War (Southern Confederacy), Major League Baseball and 19th-Century Religion. • 13+ years as an Art Director and Senior Designer specializing in communications. Skills include print-multimedia-web design, art direction and media project management.

Employment:

- 2000-present: *Selling Power*, magazine and book publishing: Associate Art Director.
- 1994-2000: Lockheed Martin, Naval Surface Warfare Center: Media Specialist, N32 Division.

Freelance:

- 2005-present: *The Free Lance-Star* newspaper: Contributing Writer-Reviewer.
- 2000-2006: *Baseball-Almanac*: Senior Contributing MLB Historian-Writer.

Volunteer:

- 2008 -present: Civil War Life, The Soldier's Museum: Board and Scholar Team Member.
- 2006-present: Spotsylvania Presbyterian Church: Men's Ministry Group Study Leader.
- 2005-2008: *Civil War Historian* magazine: Contributing Writer.

Published Books:

- *Historical Churches of Fredericksburg: Houses of the Holy* (The History Press 2008).
- *The Southern Cross: A Civil War Devotional* (Patriot Press, 2008).
- *Onward Christian Soldier: The Spiritual Journey of Stonewall* (Publish America, 2005).
- *Onward Christian Soldier: Audio Book, 2-CD Set* (Pinstripe Press, 2007).
- *Christian Cavalier: The Spiritual Legacy of J.E.B. Stuart* (Publish America, 2005).
- *Luckiest Fans On The Face Of This Earth, eBook Edition* (Baseball-Almanac, 2004).
- *Kid's Introduction to the War Between the States, Coloring Book* (Pinstripe Press, 2005).

Published Articles:

- 2000-present: 20+ features and reviews for *The Free Lance-Star* and *Civil War Historian*.
- 2000-2005: 375+ historical studies for *Baseball-Almanac* and MLB fan publications.
- 1998-present: biographical studies for Civil War Interactive, *Cross Times*, *SPC Post*, Faith Writer's Annuals (4) and *Pop Flies*. Additional essays for MLB newsletters and fan-sites.

Art Direction and Design:

- United States Navy • Lockheed Martin Services • *Selling Power* • South River Books • Old Confederate Workshop • Lee's Lieutenants • Lee's Chapel • Waynesboro Heritage Museum • Patriot Press • Excalibur Marketing • All-Pro Sports • Dick Butkus Football Network.

Computer Skills:

- Expertise in: Photoshop, Quark, Illustrator, PowerPoint, MS Word, Adobe Acrobat.
- Fundamentals in: Past Perfect, Home-Page, MS Excel.

Awards and Accolades:

- Advisor on topic of Civil War baseball for local CW Sesquicentennial Committee.
- Citation of Merit: Board of Trustees of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.
- Citation of Merit: Sons of Confederate Veterans (Camp #1296).
- Commissioned for Limited Edition Robert E. Lee's 200th birthday booklet.
- Commissioned for Battle of Waynesboro Heritage Museum Inc. foundation booklet.
- Multiple essays quoted on ESPN Classic, and in Harvey Frommer Sports Publications.
- Commissioned for Introduction for *The Baseball Miscellany* by John White (UK).
- *Onward Christian Soldier* selected for U.S.M.C. ministry, Marine Base, Quantico.
- *Onward Christian Soldier* developed into a Good News Bible Church (NH) course.
- Jackie Mitchell essay optioned for film *Strike Out Queen* by Gretl Kruse.
- Multiple Creativity Awards (4), 2000-present: "Editorial Design" (trade publications).
- Creativity Silver Award 2007: Colin Powell feature: *Mission Critical*.

Presentations:

- Spotsylvania Presbyterian Men's Ministry • Lee's Hill '55 Club • Spotsylvania Presbyterian Community Church • Fredericksburg Civil War Roundtable • Manassas Museum • Voice America Radio: 'Championship Thinking' with Jim Meier • 89.5 Bluegrass/Gospel FM • Gathering of Eagles I-III • Historic Winchester Court House • American Civil War Chatroom.

Private Tours:

- Battlefield Blessings: Angel of Marye's Heights (Private Walking Tour).
- Footsteps of Faith Under Fire: Fredericksburg Churches (TBD Walking Tour).

Subject Specialties:

- 19th-20th century Major League Baseball.
- Role of Christianity during the War Between the States.
- Fredericksburg, Virginia's Churches in Civil War.
- Richard Rowland Kirkland (Angel of Marye's Heights).
- Faith of Thomas Jackson and J.E.B. Stuart.

Professional Memberships:

- Faith Writers • The Jackson Society • Sons of Confederate Veterans (Camp #1296) • John Bell Hood Historical Society • Gettysburg Foundation • Civil War Life Museum Board • Fredericksburg CW Roundtable (pending) • Lee's Lieutenants • Spotsylvania Presbyterian Church Men's Ministry.

References:

- Mrs. Gwen Woolf, T&C Editor, *The Free-Lance Star*: gwoolf@freelancestar.com
- Mr. John Hennessy, Chief Historian: Fredericksburg NMP: John_Hennessy@nps.gov
- Mr. Mort Kunstler, Painter. (Contact via daughter Jane): jane@mortkunstler.com
- Mr. Richard Williams Jr, Author/Historian/Producer: rgw@cfw.com

Sample Links:

- **Writing:** <http://www.pinstripepress.net/CWHBaseballFeature.pdf>
- **Design:** <http://www.pinstripepress.net/MAubrechtCWPortfolioWEB.pdf>
- **Presentation:** <http://www.pinstripepress.net/FCWRTTrans1.htm>
- **Tour:** <http://www.pinstripepress.net/BattlefieldBlessings.htm>

Additional references, design portfolio and writing samples available upon request (PDF).