GENERAL ORDERS No. 2 **RE: October 2026 Meeting**

Main Presentation: This month we welcome back Christopher Kolakowski. Chris Kolakowski is Director of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison, WI. Chris has spent his career interpreting and preserving American military history with the National Park Service, New York State government, the Rensselaer County (NY) Historical Society, the Civil War Preservation Trust, Kentucky State Parks, the U.S. Army, and the MacArthur Memorial. He has written and spoken on various aspects of military history from 1775 to the present, and is the author of six books on the American Civil War and World War II in the Pacific. This month Chris will be presenting "***French General Henri Navarre and the 1954 Battle of Dien Bien Phu – Vietnam".*** Come out and hear what promises to be an interesting presentation on the early days of the Vietnam conflict.

Date: October 8, 2026
Place: Hop Haus Brew Pub, 2975 Sub-Zero Pkwy, Fitchburg, WI
Social: 6:00 PM
Optional Dining: 6:15 PM. Order from the menu when you arrive. To support Hop Haus staffing, they request the number of people planning to dine. Please make your dining request by the Wednesday before the meeting via email ***Madison.history.roundtable@gmail.com***, MHRT website or by calling Rich Fronek at **608-669-0970**. Leave your name and number of those dining. DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL TO INDICATE DINING REQUESTS. ***Note; you can come to the meeting without dining.***
Business Meeting: 7:00 PM
Presentation: 7:15 PM. Free to the public. No reservations needed

Upcoming Events:

- **November 12th, 2026 – MHRT Meeting –** Stuart D. Levitan – ***"Madison: The Illustrated Sesquicentennial History, Volume 2, 1932 to 1979"***

Book Sale – We will be offering a book sale at the monthly meetings. Each book is $1, take as many as you like. You are also welcome to bring a book for sale. Proceeds go to the MHRT.

Publicity: Find out about the Madison History Roundtable at our web site ***https://www.madisonhistoryroundtable.com*** Facebook (Madison History Roundtable) and email ***madison.history.roundtable@gmail.com***. Spread the word to your friends, colleagues and co-workers.

Membership: Dues for a single person remain $30/year. If you want to sign up as a couple, dues are $50. The season runs September – May. Dues are used to cover the operating and speaker expenses of the Madison History Roundtable. You can mail your dues to the ***MHRT Treasurer – 9 Flad Circle, Madison, WI 53711***. If you have a personal PayPal account, you can send in your dues to the MHRT PayPal email address: *wsayles1950@gmail.com*. Attending meetings are free and open to the public. Guests can check us out before deciding if they want to become a member.

MHRT Website: Check out our web site at: ***https://www.madisonhistoryroundtable.com***. You can find information on the MHRT schedule, list of speakers and meeting dates amongst other information. You can also "signup" for MHRT membership. We will be periodically be updating the web site with meeting notices, upcoming events and activities. Let us know what other information you might want posted on the site.

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