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# For Members of the Phi Delta Theta Alumni Club of Central Florida

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Our last meeting before our summer shutdown was a good one. On May 4th, 30 brothers and guests were treated to an exception recent history talk. Richard Lowry is a military historian – and an eleventh-generation American – whose ancestry dates back to Connecticut in the early 1600s.

He proudly served aboard the USS Ulysses S. Grant during the Vietnam War. Later, his career led him to participate in the development of products such as the Apache Helicopter's Night Vision System which was utilized throughout Desert Storm.

His insatiable thirst for accurate information surrounding the events of Desert Storm spawned a twelve-year research project, the product of which is a meticulously-detailed recounting of each event of

the Gulf War, the Gulf War Chronicles.

Richard's tenacity and unparalleled knowledge of the events of Desert Storm validate his success and reputation as an historian. He is currently compiling a detailed accounting of Operation Iraqi Freedom, GW II, for release in 2005.

For his new book, Richard interviewed many of the soldiers who participated in Iraqi Freedom. The Jessica Lynch incident was the subject of his talk. Richard gave us a presentation of the events of the day that turned out to be the bloodiest day of the war. 11 soldiers would die during the firefight in Nasiriyah. (To this day, it is still the bloodiest day of the war.) Using detailed maps along with a timeline, Richard explained what happened that day to the 507th Maintenance Company

convoy.

More info can be found at [www.gwchronicles.com](http://www.gwchronicles.com).



Guest speaker Richard Lowry

## Next Meeting is September 7th

We usually meet at Lee's Lakeside restaurant (downtown Orlando, off Central Ave. on Lake Eola) on the first Tuesday of each month at noon. The cost for the lunch is \$12. (\$5 for actives at UCF & Rollins.) **Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, the day after Labor Day.** This is our annual Florida college preview program. Traditionally, this has been one of our best attended luncheons. The following speakers are currently scheduled to speak.



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Kevin Carmody, Seminole booster club



Gert Garman,  
Sports Marketing  
Director



Mona Atkinson, Hurricane booster club



Jim Louk,  
Assistant  
Athletics Director  
of Sales & the  
voice of the Bulls  
on radio

## Renewal Time

It's membership renewal time again. Enclosed is a copy of your membership information that I have on file. Please correct any missing or incorrect information and send it back in with your \$30 annual dues. Or better yet, bring it with you to the September luncheon!

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