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**318<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

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**Date:** APRIL 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (THURSDAY) >> Next Meeting MAY 17<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** Social Half-Hour: **10:45 AM – 11:15 AM > BUFFET LINE OPENS**

**T 11:15 AM – MEETING START TIME 11:45 AM – 12:00 NOON**

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**Meal Price: \$ 20.00 (Individual) / \$ 35.00 (Couples) Courtesy Reservation REQUIRED**

**Speaker: Hilbert (Hibby) Margol**

**Subject: “President Roosevelt Intervenes + The Liberation of Dachau”**

**Mission Statement**

**We, who by our own actions, and by our heritage, know that liberty has not, is not, nor ever will be free, do in association with our friends and comrades, who believe as we do, pledge that we will meet at the call of our Commander no less than ten times a year:**

**\* To hear of the war experiences of our members and invited guests**

**\* To encourage and demonstrate pride in our country and its armed forces**

**\* To pass on to posterity our knowledge of World War II, and of the price –**

**Human and material - that was paid by our nation for the preservation of liberty in the United States and the world**

**(( Meeting Attendance For The March 2018 Meeting: 65))**

**Speaker for APRIL 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (3<sup>rd</sup> THURSDAY)– Hilbert (Hibby) Margol – ( Be Introduced By Commander Mecca )**

The April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting of the Atlanta WW II Round Table will feature WW II Veteran and member Hilbert Margol as our speaker. Hilbert was born in Jacksonville, Fla. on February 22, 1924, the eldest of identical twin boys. Both he and his brother, Howard, graduated High School in January 1942 and within two weeks, they enrolled as freshmen at the University of Florida. As participants in the ROTC program, they decided to join an Army Reserve Unit in October, 1942.

A few months later, their unit was called to active duty and they received orders to report on April 3, 1943. After 13 weeks of basic training, they were assigned to the Army Specialized Training Program. Early in 1944, the program was cancelled, he and Howard were separated. Howard was transferred to the 104th Division, Hilbert was sent to the 42nd "Rainbow" Division in Oklahoma. After about six months, their mother wrote a letter to President Roosevelt requesting that the brothers be allowed to serve together. At the time, brothers were not allowed to serve together in combat. Shortly after her request, she received a letter from the Whitehouse informing that as a 2-star mother, her request would be granted.

After a few suspenseful weeks, Howard joined Hilberts' 105MM gun Battery in Oklahoma. In December, 1944, they shipped overseas, arriving in Marseille, France in early January, 1945. In two weeks, they were engaged in combat in Wingen Sur Moder, France. They proceeded north and experienced combat action in *The Alsace & Ardennes Campaigns*, followed by *The Rhineland Campaign* in Germany. They were present, early the morning of April 29, 1945 at the liberation of the *Dachau Prisoner Camp*.

The war in the European Theatre ended on May 8, 1945, after which they entered Austria and served in *The Army of Occupation* in the Salzburg area, shipping home in March, 1946. They were discharged, with the rank of PFC, on April 9, 1946. Hilbert's brother, Howard, "went over the Rainbow" on February 9, 2017. Please welcome Hilbert (Hibby) Margol as our **APRIL 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday) speaker (318<sup>th</sup>)**

**Speaker Review for MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018– -Seymour (Sy) Goodman)- (Introduced By Deputy Commander Coyle)**

The **MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (3<sup>rd</sup> THURSDAY)** Meeting of the *Atlanta WW II Round Table* featured Professor Seymour (Sy) Goodman, as our speaker. Sy gave us an interesting presentation about Science, Technology and the siege of Atlanta in the Civil War. His presentation centered on the role of both Science and Technology in both the attack and defense of Atlanta in 1864.

Relative to communications, prior to the war Newspapers became tools of mass-communication due to the invention of the Rotary Press and the application of steam-power to printing. The development of the Telegraph in the 1840's sped the gathering and distribution of news. The melding of our nations railroads enhanced communications.

The Professor mentioned that some Technological innovations changed the direction of the Civil War including the introduction of armored ships, submerged warships, reconnaissance balloons and repeating rifles. Even on the medical-front, the thousands of men maimed by improved armaments of both Armies inspired the design and implementation of Prosthetic Limbs.

Sy is a Georgia Institute of Technology Regents' Professor, Professor of International Affairs and Computing, Adjunct Professor of History. PhD, California Institute of Technology. His most research focus is in international technological development, technology diffusion, and related public policy issues; his most recent work has been concentrated on the study of the global diffusion of the Internet, the security of national and international infrastructures, and the impact of emerging technologies on the conduct and outcomes of large-scale conflicts.

Thank-You Professor Seymour Goodman for keeping history alive with us on **MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018** and for a job well-done.

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