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## **The Cape Fear Civil War Round Table**

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## Newsletter of The Cape Fear Civil War Round Table

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Our next meeting will be Thursday 13 May 2010 at St. Andrew's On-the-Sound (Airlie Rd.) Social Hour at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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Our May meeting will feature **Bill Jayne**, who will speak on the formation of the National Cemetery system and the Wilmington National Cemetery in particular. That cemetery was begun shortly after the fall of Wilmington; some Union soldiers were interred in Oakdale until the national Cemetery was opened.

Mr. William ("Bill") Jayne was born in upstate New York and has relocated to the Lower Cape Fear area in 2006. Bill is responsible for coordinating the development on new national cemeteries and expansion of the Veteran's Administration's 131 existing national cemeteries around the country.

Bill began his civil service career in 1981 in Washington, D.C. and joined the VA in 1984. He has held numerous positions at VA headquarters, including director of the State Cemetery Grants Program. Bill also served on the Department's Advisory Committee on readjustment of Vietnam Veterans prior to joining the VA. He was an early volunteer in the effort to build the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial and was a member of the Board of Advisors of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund from 1979 to 1984.

Bill served as a rifleman with the 26th Marine regiment in Vietnam and was honorably discharged in 1968. In Vietnam, he received the Purple Heart and the Presidential Unit Citation. He and his wife Randy now live in the Carolina Place neighborhood. Please join us for what will be a most informative presentation!

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