

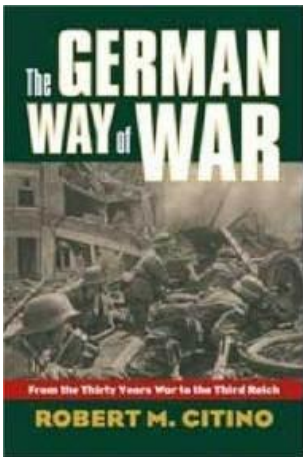
# THE WAR AND SOCIETY ROUNDTABLE

## Books, Dialogue and Debate

### "Meeting Engagements: Where Conflict and Culture Collide"

All meetings will begin at 6 p.m. and will be held at the Hattiesburg Library, located at 329 Hardy Street. Several copies of each book will be available for loan at the library before the discussion. For more information, contact Sean Farrell at the Library at 601.584.3166 or Heather Stur at The University of Southern Mississippi at 601.266.4779 or [heather.stur@usm.edu](mailto:heather.stur@usm.edu).

#### Tuesday, September 13, 2011



**Book:** *The German Way of War: From the Thirty Years' War to the Third Reich* by Robert Citino (University Press of Kansas, 2008).

**Moderator:** Robert Citino, Professor of History, University of North Texas

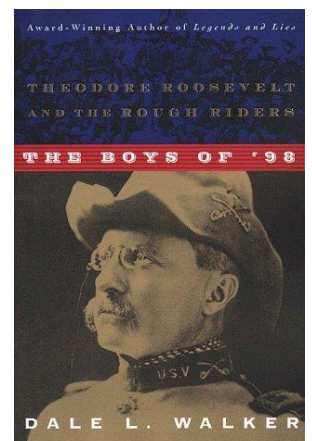
**Synopsis:** "Citino focuses on operational warfare to demonstrate continuity in German military campaigns from the time of Elector Frederick Wilhelm and his great "sleigh-drive" against the Swedes to the age of Adolf Hitler and the blitzkrieg to the gates of Moscow...He underscores the role played by the Prussian army in elevating a small, vulnerable state to the ranks of the European powers, describes how nineteenth-century victories made the German army the most respected in Europe, and reviews the lessons learned from the trenches of World War I."

#### Tuesday, October 11, 2011

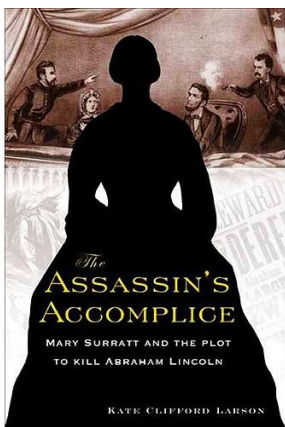
**Book:** *The Boys of '98: Theodore Roosevelt and the Rough Riders* by Dale L. Walker (Forge Books, 1999).

**Moderator:** Heather Stur, Assistant Professor of History, The University of Southern Mississippi

**Synopsis:** "This volume concentrates on the tumultuous creation and short, thrilling campaign of the volunteer regiment raised by then Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt. Walker zeroes in on the regiment of "woolly" adventurers/cowboys, frontier lawmen, New York club loungers, Harvard graduates, journalists, and wanderers whose virtue, according to Roosevelt, was their ferocity, energy, courage, and manliness."



#### Tuesday, November 8, 2011



**Book:** *The Assassin's Accomplice: Mary Surratt and the Plot to Kill Abraham Lincoln* by Kate Clifford Larson (Basic Books, 2008).

**Moderator:** Susannah Ural, Associate Professor of History, The University of Southern Mississippi

**Synopsis:** "Set against the backdrop of the Civil War, this work tells the intricate story of the Lincoln conspiracy through the eyes of its only female participant. Based on long-lost interviews, confessions, and court testimony, the text explores how Mary's actions defied nineteenth-century norms of femininity, piety, and motherhood, leaving her vulnerable to deadly punishment historically reserved for men."

**Don't Forget: Tuesday, December 12, 2011—End of the Year Social**