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Civil War Music Program Comes to Avon Grove Library

WEST GROVE, Pa. – April 29, 2016 – What are the stories behind the best-known Civil War songs? Why have they lasted so long in the American imagination? Musician Rick Spencer will discuss these questions during his musical presentation “Greatest Hits of the Civil War” on Friday, May 6, 7 p.m. at Avon Grove Library, West Grove, PA. The program is free and no registration is required.

“Songs that were popular during that conflict give us great insight into the American spirit of the time,” says Spencer, founder of Catfeather Art & Music. Rick Spencer has been in the historical performance industry for over 25 years. He worked for 20 years as a researcher, historian, and presenter of traditional maritime songs and sea chanteys at Mystic Seaport, and has performed widely in America, Canada, and Europe.

“Rick’s concert will be an enjoyable and enlightening way to learn more about the Civil War era,” said Lori Schwabenbauer, director of Avon Grove Library. “I’m excited to bring him here. As a public library, Avon Grove is committed to providing appealing and informative events like these to enhance the lives of our customers.”

Avon Grove Library is located at 117 Rosehill Avenue in the West Grove Borough Building (610-869-2004, www.avongrovelibrary.org). The program will be held in the Public Meeting Room.

Avon Grove Library is a vital educational institution, providing equal opportunity for self-directed learning, research assistance and instruction, and enriching experiences for over 30,000 residents of all ages in southern Chester County. The library is a member of the Chester County Library System.