

THE MINNESOTA LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BOOK LIST ON ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND HIS PRESIDENCY

BIOGRAPHIES

David Herbert Donald: *Lincoln* (New York, Simon & Schuster, 1995)

- Widely regarded as the best biography –

Carl Sandburg, *Abraham Lincoln, The Prairie Years and the War Years, 6 vols, (New York: Harcourt, Brace & Co., 1926-1939)*

- *The long-beloved popular biography –*

Benjamin P. Thomas, *Abraham Lincoln: A Biography* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1952)

Mark E. Neely, Jr., *The Last Best Hope of Earth: Abraham Lincoln and the Promise of America* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1993)

Stephen B. Oates, *With Malice Toward None: The Life of Abraham Lincoln* New York: Harper & Row, 1977)

EARLIER POLITICAL CAREER, PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE & PRESIDENT

Don E. Fehrenbacher, *Prelude to Greatness* (Stanford, Calif.: Stanford University Press, 1962)

Doris Keams Goodwin, *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 2005)

- Multiple biography focusing on Lincoln's mastery of the men who opposed him for the Republican nomination and then served in his cabinet

## LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATES

Allen C. Guelzo, *Lincoln and Douglas: The Debates That Defined America* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 2008)

## AS WAR PRESIDENT & COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Kenneth Carley, *Minnesota in the Civil War : an illustrated history* (Saint Paul: Minnesota Historical Society Press, 2000)

James M. Mc Pherson, *Battle Cry of Freedom: The Civil War Era* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1988)

Phillip S. Paludan, *The Presidency of Abraham Lincoln* (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 1994)

## GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Garry Wills, *Lincoln at Gettysburg: The Words that Remade America* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 1992)

## DAKOTA WAR OF 1862

David A. Nichols, *Lincoln and the Indians: Civil war Policy & Politics* (University of Illinois Press, 1999)

Hank H. Cox, *Lincoln and the Sioux Uprising of 1862* (Nashville: Cumberland House, 2005)

- An account of Lincoln's most intimate relationship with Minnesota – his decision ordering the execution of 38 Sioux Indians involved in the 1862 frontier war –

## LINCOLN'S LEGACY

Merrill D. Peterson, *Lincoln in American Memory* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1994)

- Appraisal of Lincoln's role in American culture over more than a century -