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# In Memoriam

## Stephen L. Tanenbaum

We report with great sadness that CWTS Board of Governors member and former Vice President Steve Tanenbaum was tragically killed on February 11. He was run down in Brooklyn by a stolen automobile driven by Maksim Gelman, who was fleeing after stabbing three people to death. Steve was 62 years old.

Steve was inducted into the CWTS Hall of Fame in 2004. His entry on the Hall of Fame section of our Web page states that "Steve Tanenbaum is considered by many to be the most knowledgeable active person in the field of Civil War tokens. He has been relied upon for many decades as a consultant, editor, and contributor to numerous CWT works. After beginning his CWT collecting journey in 1972, he became a full-time dealer for tokens in 1981. Steve has handled, purchased, and built some of the greatest modern-day collections, although he always considers himself a collector first. He has discovered hundreds of new varieties, previously unknown die states, and odd mint errors. Steve has been elected to eight terms on the Board of Governors, and also filled two partial terms by appointment. He has served as Vice President of the Society since 2004."

Steve had just been elected to another term on the CWTS Board of Governors. He was active in the Civil War Store Card Book revision project from its beginning in 1980. Steve had been in charge of the Hall of Fame medals program since 2003, and became the Society's Verification Officer in 2005.

The Summer 2011 issue of the *Journal* will be dedicated to Steve's memory. Please send any statements that you would like to have included in this issue to the Editor.