



The Newsletter of the Bull Run Civil War Round Table — Vol. XVI, Issue 2—MARCH 2009

DR. JAMES ROBBINS TO SPEAK ON WEST POINT GOATS

By Nancy Anwyll

Our featured speaker for our 12 March 2009 general membership meeting is Dr. James S. Robbins who will tell us about the West Point Goats, who were cadets who attained fame for nearly failing the academy's requirements for graduation. He also includes stories about cadets who were in the running for class Goat. His book is [Last in Their Class, Custer, Pickett and the Goats of West Point.](#)

Academy cadets for over one and a half centuries labeled the cadet at the bottom of the ranks as the Goat of the class. In so doing, cadets expressed a degree of admiration for the Goat's ability to remain despite many difficulties. Although many Goats earned last place because those below them in class standing in the first year at the academy were forced to leave by the end of the last year, many Goats purposefully sought to achieve and maintain the status by the use of friendly schemes, practical jokes, and risky behavior.

Robbins' book describes academy life and post academy life for George Custer, George Pickett, Edgar Allan Poe, James Whistler, Henry Heth, Phillip Sheridan, James Longstreet, and several others. Most of these men went on to live productive lives of work in civilian and military service, thereby disproving the common assumption that having academic troubles at West Point meant a cadet will shirk duty when facing indescribable dangers or challenges.

In addition to favorable reviews of [Last in Their Class](#) in publications such as *The Army Magazine*, *The Civil War Times*, and *Journal of America's Military Past*, *The Civil War News* said that Robbins' book "is well written and fast paced. . . I would recommend the volume for a good read, and don't be surprised if you learn quite a bit, too." And Sterlin Homesly of the *San Antonio Express-News* wrote, "the stories of the Goats are not tales of failure but of redemption. These were men who persevered to live extraordinary lives of service and sacrifice."

Dr. James S. Robbins earned a bachelor's and a master's degree from the University of Cincinnati and later achieved a doctorate degree as well as a master of arts in law and diplomacy degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. His research interests include terrorism and national security strategy, political theory, and military history.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, March 12, 2009

7:00 P.M.

Centreville Library

GUEST SPEAKER:

Dr. James S. Robbins

TOPIC:

**Last in Their Class, Custer,
Pickett and the Goats of West
Point**

Robbins is a senior fellow in national security affairs at the American Foreign Policy Council. He is a former special assistant in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, and writes a national security column for *National Review Online*. His columns have also appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, and other publications. He appears regularly on international television and radio including BBC, Voice of America, Al Jazeera, MSNBC, and FNC among others.

His teaching experiences include the U.S. Marine Corps Command and Staff College in Quantico, VA and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy in Medford, MA. Before being appointed in 2007 the director of Trinity University's Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence, Robbins taught International Relations at the School for National Security Executive Education at the National Defense University in Washington, DC.

Robbins is married to a West Point graduate, who may or may not have been the Goat of her class in 1992. We may never know. The Academy abolished the Last Man in 1978 by listing graduates in alphabetical order. But by some unspecified means, every cadet at commencement knows who the Goat is and cheers wildly when the name is called. Please plan to attend the 12 March meeting to learn about [Last in Their Class.](#)

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 14200 St. Germain Drive
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For meeting dates and information, please visit the Web site:
<http://www.bullruncwrt.org>

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E-mail Articles By 9:00 A.M. Thurs., March 26 to
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ROUND TABLE BOOK SALES

Please remember to bring your used Civil War books to our meetings to aid in our ongoing book sales. Besides helping to raise money for the BRCWRT, these books help raise our members' understanding of the Civil War.

Thank You.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

APRIL 9

SPEAKER:

Peter Cozzens

TOPIC:

**Shenandoah 1862: Stonewall Jackson's
Valley Campaign**

MAY 14

SPEAKER:

John Hennessy

TOPIC:

Second Manassas

JUNE 11

Speaker:

Marc Leepson

TOPIC:

**Desperate Engagement:
Battle of Monocacy**

JULY 9

SPEAKER:

Doug Wicklund

TOPIC:

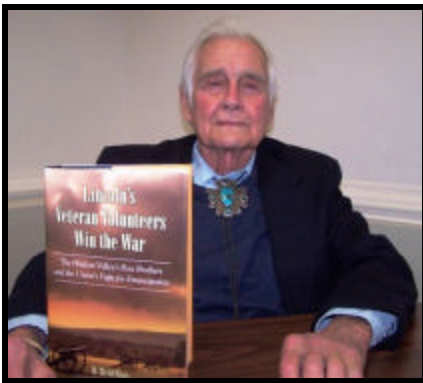
**Sharpshooters During the Civil War:
Their Weapons and Accoutrements**



The President's Column

By Nancy J. Anwyll

There were 74 people who attended our last meeting to hear D. Reid Ross speak about his ancestors and his book, Lincoln's Veteran Volunteers. Mr. Ross told us how his grandfather and two of his grandfather's brothers reenlisted in 1863 to become a part of the Veteran Volunteers while the youngest Ross brother enlisted for the first time the last year of the War. One Ross brother was killed at the Wilderness in May of 1864, another was blinded in Tenn., one went to Andersonville prison camp, and one marched with Sherman's army in the Grand Review in Washington, D.C. at war's end. Partially because the brothers were not available to help with the farming, the parents of the Ross brothers were forced to sell their farm in upstate New York. Like many families in the Civil War, the Ross family endured many hardships in order to support principles in which they firmly believed. We thank D. Reid Ross for an interesting family history.



Thank you, D. Reid Ross, our February speaker.
Photo by Janet Greentree

Although a president ordinarily would express appreciation at the end of the year for the hard work the Executive Committee has done, I would like to thank the Committee *now* for all of its current and past contributions to our organization. Most of us know what they do, but in case some don't, I'll list their names and briefly summarize what they do.

I am in awe at how well Mark Knowles collects dues and payments for tours as well as keeping accurate financial records and membership lists. Ken Jones fulfills the role of Web Master by sending out email messages that can't wait for the next newsletter. Saundra Cox composes and prints the newsletter from her company's office in Fredericksburg. John DePue, John McAnaw, and John Pearson are planning a tour for the round table in April. Kevin Anastas is upholding his reputation for excellent tours by working on a 2nd Manassas tour for May.

Ed Wenzel continually updates us on Ox Hill and often gives us great advice. In addition to Charlie Balch's helping us with public relations, he sells our

IN MEMORIAM

C. MICHAEL SCHNEIDER

1939-2009

By John McAnaw

The obituary of long time Round Table member C. Michael Schneider appeared in the 17 February 2009 edition of the Washington Post. He passed away on Saturday, 14 February.

A memorial service for Michael was held on 21 February at the Murphy Funeral Home in Falls Church. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that memorial contributions be made to the Civil War Preservation Trust, 1331 H St. NW, Suite 1001, Washington, D.C. 20005 or the American Diabetes Association, 1701 North Beauregard Street, Alexandria, VA 22311. He is survived by his wife Nancy, four children, four grandchildren and one brother, plus nieces and nephews.

My sister, Margaret, and her husband, Donald, have been friends of the Schneiders for many years. Michael was a bona fide Civil War Buff who enjoyed reading *The Stone Wall*. Margaret told me that, over the years, Michael kept her informed about the activities of the Round Table. Please remember Michael and his family in your prayers. *Requiescat in Pace.*

books at each meeting. Our past presidents continue to help us; John McAnaw keeps us updated on all preservation news and Keith Young helps with everything. Dale Maschino not only writes the minutes for each Executive Committee meeting, but he also is the official "Keeper of the Name Tags."

All Committee members have busy lives and yet give valuable time and advice to our organization. Mark, John Pearson, Kevin, Saundra, and John DePue all hold down day time jobs while all of the retired members keep extremely busy with various volunteer and family responsibilities. All have told me that they *enjoy* what they are doing for the round table. I hope you'll join me in giving them a huge THANKS.

I welcome our new members, and I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting!

CIVIL WAR TRAVELS WITH MS. REBELLE

Camp Parole – Annapolis, MD

By Janet Greentree



Before Moms worked or drove cars, before second or third cars were part of families, when your Dad took the car to work, we rode the bus. Growing up in Annapolis, Camp Parole meant the end of the local bus line and the roller rink, where as junior high kids, we would go on skating parties. Eventually Camp Parole was shortened to just Parole. Then in the 60s, the site became the Parole Shopping Center, which almost put downtown Annapolis out of business if you can believe that. Finally in 2003, a roadside historic sign was placed across the street from Camp Parole. As with most of these signs, there is nowhere to pull over to read it. If you pull into the parking lot of Value City on Solomons Island Road, Route 2, just south of West Street, you can read the sign through the chain link fence. Maybe, just maybe, if you're tall enough, you can get a picture of it without the chain link grids over top of the sign. Now at the site, the old Parole Shopping Center has been demolished and a new, fancy shopping center/office/hotel/apartment complex is being built. It looks like a small city there now.

The name Parole came from the practice of releasing a prisoner during the Civil War, his promise to return to custody at a specific time, and to cooperate. Understandably, the Army often had difficulty locating them again when they were exchanged. Camp Parole was a Union camp where many, many Union prisoners from the Southern prisons would come either for the hospital facilities or to just regroup, bathe, acquire clean clothes, and have a shave before being discharged to go back to their regiments or families. They came up the Chesapeake Bay on steamers to Annapolis. The first point of business was a bath in College Creek. The sol-



diers would throw their clothes and boots in the creek for washing. Some 30 years later, the boots were still being picked out of the mud on the bottom of the creek. The official exchange location designated by both sides on July 22, 1862 was City Point. Union soldiers were to be held in Annapolis until paroled. On the grounds of St. John's College in Annapolis, the first camp of paroled soldiers was established in 1861. At that time the camp was called College Green. By the time there were 3,000 parolees at the college, College Green became too small to hold all of them so Camp Parole was established two miles outside of town. The camp was built on a farm southwest of Annapolis most likely on the south side of Forest Drive between Greenbriar Lane and Bywater Road. In the six week period after the camp was established, there were 20,000 men there. Clara Barton was also at Camp Parole tending to the wounded and dying soldiers. Still many died from their injuries or diseases such as smallpox, ague, dysentery, consumption, and tuberculosis.

In April, 1864 General Grant suspended all parole and exchange of prisoners. The Confederates at this point were unable to care for the Union prisoners. Grant would neither send supplies to the Union prisoners

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Note: If you plan to attend an event, please verify the information given. Advance reservation and fee may apply. If you would like an event posted, please e-mail Dale Maschino at smasch1@verizon.net

6 Mar – Walking tour, “Jefferson Davis’s Richmond,” a presidential view of the Confederate capital begins at the Museum of the Confederacy. Noon. \$10. Call 804-649-1861 or link to www.moc.org.

7 Mar – Living history, “Meet Col. Robert Gould Shaw,” of USCT and Fort Wagner fame, at the Manassas Museum. 1 pm. Free with admission. Call 703-368-1873 or www.manassasmuseum.org.

7 Mar – Tour, “Politics & Society in Civil War Richmond,” a Smithsonian tour led by Ed Bearss. Leaves Washington DC at 7 am. Details and registration at “Activities” on www.civilwarstudies.org.

8 Mar – Tour, “Mr. Lincoln at Harpers Ferry & Antietam,” a Smithsonian tour led by Ed Bearss. Leaves Washington DC at 7 am. Details and registration at “Activities” on www.civilwarstudies.org.

14 Mar – Gettysburg lecture, “Did Meade Begin a Counteroffensive after Picket’s Charge?” at the National Park Visitor Center. 1:30 pm. Free. Call 717-334-1124 or www.nps.gov/gett.

14 Mar – Living history walk, “Cavaliers, Courage and Coffee,” in Atoka (4 miles west of Middleburg on U.S. 50). Civil War characters present vignettes. Sponsored by Mosby Heritage Area. 7:30 pm. \$5/adult. Call 540-687-6681 or link to www.wmosbyheritagearea.org.

14 Mar – Cedar Creek Soiree, fund-raising dinner/dance for the Cedar Creek Battlefield at the Mimslyn Inn in Luray. Reservations, more info: Call 540-869-2064, or www.cedarcreekbattlefield.org.

16 Mar – Lunch Talk, “General John Singleton Mosby” at the Manassas Museum, 12:15 pm. Free with admission. Call 703-368-1873, or www.manassasmuseum.org.

20 Mar – Lecture, “Religion in the Civil War,” at the Manassas Museum. 7 pm. \$5. Call 703-368-1873 or www.manassasmuseum.org.

20-22 Mar – Symposium, “Lincoln’s Assassination: All Things Considered,” includes talks and tours. Sponsored by the Surratt Society. Based in Clinton. For details and registration see www.surratt.org.

26 Mar – Lecture, “The Life and Times of John Singleton Mosby,” at the Old Manassas Courthouse, 9248 Lee Ave. Manassas. 7 pm. Free. 703-792-4754.

28 Mar – Tour, “Basement to Attic.” Tour of Liberia Mansion in Manassas. Behind-the-scenes visit of this

historic headquarters home. 10 am and 2 pm. \$25. Call 703-368-1873 or, www.manassasmuseum.org.

28 Mar – Symposium, “Bivouacs & Battlefields: The Civil War Landscapes of Fauquier County,” at the Fauquier High School Auditorium, 705 Waterloo Road, Warrenton. Robert K. Krick keynote, Bob Zeller’s 3-D photographs and more. 8 am. to 5:30 pm. Free. Call 540-347-8660.

28 Mar – Seminar/tour, “Breaking the Valley’s Gibraltar: The Battle of Fisher’s Hill.” Morning discussion followed by afternoon tour (carpool) of the site near Strasburg. Sponsored by the Lord Fairfax Community College. \$20. Registration call 540-868-7191.

4 Apr – Tour, Brandy Station Battlefield (Beverly Ford and St. James Church). Two-hour tour begins at 10 am. at the Graffiti House visitors center near Culpeper. \$10. www.Brandystationfoundation.com or call 540-547-4106 .



FAIRFAX STATION RAILROAD MUSEUM BENEFIT TOUR

A seven-hour bus tour will be held on Saturday, March 28, 2009 to benefit the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum. The cost is \$65.

The tour price includes:

- Luncheon at the Irish Inn at Glen Echo, Maryland,
- Tour of the Barton Home and original headquarters of the American Red Cross (a National Park Service site),
- Tour of Clara Barton’s “Missing Soldier’s Office” at 7th and E Streets NW in Washington (a location not usually open to the public),
- Admittance to a half-hour play about Clara Barton at Glen Echo Park,
- A 28 page booklet about Clara Barton and this tour.

Tour will begin at Fairfax Station Railroad Museum at 8:30 a.m. BRCWRT member, Bill Etue will be leading the tour. Bill also serves on the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum Board. Reservations should be made with Bill at his home phone (703) 620-3153. The bus is already half full and will sell out, so make your reservations soon.

The Museum is located at 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station, VA 22039.

A GRIM DAY FOR THE ARMY OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA 7 NOVEMBER 1863

By John McAnaw

Two of the scheduled stops for our tour on 4 April 2009 are the Rappahannock Station and Kelly's Ford battlefields of 7 November 1863. Union troops achieved impressive victories at both locations and sent shock waves through the redoubtable Army of Northern Virginia (ANV). Less than a month earlier, MG A. P. Hill's III Corps was bloodily repulsed by II U.S. Corps, commanded by MG G. K. Warren at Bristoe Station (14 October).

Listed below are the estimated casualties suffered by both sides at those two sites on 7 November 1862:

U.S.	<u>RAPPAHANNOCK STATION</u>			
	K	W	C/M	TOTAL
V & VI Corps	83	330	6	419
C.S.				
II Corps	6	35	1631	1672

This Union success astounded the Confederate high command who quickly sought to find the causes of the defeat. The supposedly strong *tete-de-pont* on the north side of the Rappahannock River was defended by two of the finest brigades in the ANV. Dr. Douglas S. Freeman wrote the following in Volume III of *Lee's Lieutenant's*:

"The real explanation of the reverse was one which, even after their experience at Gettysburg, the Confederates were unwilling to admit; A sound Federal plan of attack had been executed admirably by courageous men". The assault brigades, commanded by Col. Emory Upton and Peter Ellmaker of First Division, VI Corps, particularly distinguished themselves.

U.S.	<u>KELLY'S FORD</u>			TOTAL
	K	W	C/M	
III Corps	6	36	0	42
C.S.				
II Corps	5	45	309	359

As at Rappahannock Station, Confederate infantry losses in captured greatly exceeded those suffered by their adversaries. Ramseur's Brigade for example, alone lost 330 prisoners.

Summing up, Confederate losses of unwounded veteran infantrymen on that fateful date of 7 November 1863, exceeded 1900!! These losses had a very serious impact on the operational effectiveness of LTG R.S. Ewell's II Corps.



MARCHING ORDERS 4 APRIL 2009

RAPPAHANNOCK STATION AND MINE RUN BATTLEFIELDS TOUR

By John De Pue

During the past year, our battlefield tours have featured studies of the aftermath of the Battle of Gettysburg (July 1863), the Bristoe/Buckland Campaign (October 1863) and the first battle of the Overland Campaign (1-5 May 1864). Noticeably absent from our treatment of the activities of the Army of the Potomac during this time span, are the engagements that occurred during the intervening months and set the stage for the 1864 campaign. We are in the process of seeking to fill this gap by offering a tour that will encompass the actions at Rappahannock Station on 7 November 1863 and the Mine Run Campaign (26 November - 3 December 1863).

The Saturday, 4 April tour will depart the Centerville Regional Library at 7:30 a.m., and rendezvous at the Opal McDonald's, just south of Clark Brothers' Gun Store at the intersection of Routes 17 and 29 at 8:15 a.m. Members may also meet us at the Opal McDonald's. We ask, however, that participating members carpool to the maximum extent possible. Parking space will be at a premium at some tour locations, particularly the CWPT property at Payne's farm, which we hope to include in our tour.

We tentatively plan to consume the morning by visiting Rappahannock Station, Kelly's Ford, Germanna Ford, Payne's Farm and Robinson's Tavern. After a break for lunch at the Wilderness McDonald's (approximately six miles from the Robinson's Tavern site), we will resume by visiting key sites in the vicinity of Mine Run, (including remaining field works) and New Hope Church. The tour will terminate between 3:30 and 4:00 p.m.

You may anticipate some, but not extensive, walking. Please dress warmly as we will be out-of-doors for a good portion of the tour, and bring some bottled water. If McDonald's is not your gourmet preference, you may want to bring our own rations. Restaurant choices are limited in this area.

The tour is still in the planning stages and your guides, John Pearson, John McAnaw and John De Pue, need to conduct preliminary reconnaissance. We anticipate passing out the sign up sheet during the March meeting as well as sign up on the BRCWRT web site.

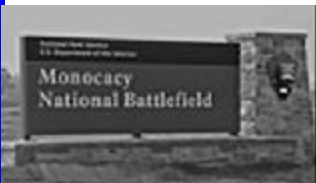
Hope to see you there!



BOTH SIDES TOUR SATURDAY, APRIL 25

**Sponsored by the
Franconia Museum**

**National Civil War Museum - Harrisburg, PA
With Stops at the new Visitor Center at
Monocacy Battlefield Park near Frederick,
MD and the World-Famous Cozy Restaurant
in Thurmont, MD for a Gourmet Buffet
Lunch**



Start the day at 8 a.m. with coffee, donuts and a tour of the Franconia Museum, located in the Franconia Governmental Center, 6121 Franconia Road. At 8:30 a.m. depart aboard a comfortable rest-room equipped motor coach for a short trip to Monocacy, site of the battle that saved Washington. Tour the new visitor's center, then continue to the Cozy for a buffet lunch and tour of the museum commemorating visits from presidents at nearby Camp David.

Then it's on to Harrisburg for the National Civil War Museum and its extensive display of artifacts from both the North and South. This museum affords a comprehensive look at the war from both sides. Estimated arrival time back at Franconia is between 7:30 and 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$100.00 includes bus, lunch at Cozy Restaurant, admission to National Civil War Museum, contribution to Monocacy National Battlefield Park and the Franconia Museum. Dinner will be at your own cost on the return from Harrisburg. Bring a snack if you like. Bottled water will be provided. *No cancellations after April 1, 2009. Tour Held Rain or Shine. All Venues inside.*

Contact Don Hakenson at 703.971.4984, dhakeson@cox.net or Gregg Dudding at 703 971 4860, wdudding@cox.net, or Carl Sell at 703-971-4716, sellcarl@aol.com

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or exchange the Confederates for them. Finally the Confederates returned the Union prisoners with no hope of receiving any of their own men back. In October, 1864, the Andersonville prisoners were released and thousands upon thousands of men streamed into Annapolis. The camp was expanded again in February, 1865. Union men continued to arrive there six weeks after the war ended. Camp Parole was closed by July, 1865.

Colonel George Sangster of the 47th New York State Militia was in charge of the camp. He was highly regarded by the prisoners. During my research I came across a letter written by Isaac W. Monfort, an Indiana Military Agent at the Camp in the Ancestry.com site. Monfort states that there were over 500 Indiana soldiers at the Camp. Most were in good spirits but really wanted to be back in Indiana or exchanged to their own regiments in the field. Monfort says that the Camp was two miles from the city of Annapolis and was the best field hospital he had ever visited. There were tents with pine doors and floors, and the place was kept very clean and orderly. The colored lithograph picture of the camp looks pretty impressive

Just down the street on West Street going back towards town is the Annapolis National Cemetery. Surprisingly, the cemetery only holds the remains of twenty-four of the Camp Parole detainees who weren't lucky enough to go back home or back to their regiments. These men either died at the Camp or nearby hospitals. President Lincoln established fourteen National Cemeteries in 1862 with Annapolis being one of them.

Annapolis had no land battles or Naval battles. Our illustrious Union General Benjamin "Beast" Butler did spend some time there. Some of the 7th New York and the 8th Massachusetts camped on the grounds of the abandoned naval school, now known as the U.S. Naval Academy. The vacant buildings were used as field hospitals. By the fall of 1863, Annapolis was a major hospital center. After the war in 1871, Admiral David Porter built a Navy hospital at the Academy with a huge anchor in front, which is still there to this day.

DUES ARE PAST DUE

Don't risk missing out on our great programs, tours and the *Stone Wall* simply by failing to re-up. If you have not paid your 2009 dues, please send a check to Treasurer Mark Knowles [see Page 10] or pay him at the March meeting .



**THE HUNTER MILL ROAD
CORRIDOR CIVIL WAR TOUR
MARCH 14, 2009 IS SOLD OUT**

For a recap of the March tour, see the
April information below.

**SIGN UP FOR THE
HUNTER MILL ROAD CORRIDOR
CIVIL WAR TOUR
APRIL 18, 2009**

Seats remaining: 13

ARRIVAL TIME: 8:30 a.m.

DEPARTURE TIME: 9:00 a.m.

DURATION: 3 1/2—4 hours

DEPARTURE LOCATION: Freeman House and Museum
in Vienna, VA, 131 Church St., N.E., Vienna, VA 22180,
Next to the W&OD Trail

RAIN OR SHINE

WALKING REQUIREMENTS: Moderate to little exer-
tion.

COST: \$15 per person (non refundable)

Join esteemed local historian and BRCWRT mem-
ber, Jim Lewis, on a narrated excursion that will enable
you to visit the locations of skirmishes, encampments,
graves and historical structures of the Civil War period.
Jim will incorporate a unique approach including the ter-
rible ordeal of the local citizenry as well as the soldiers
and raiders of the time.

The tour will begin at the historical Freeman
House and Museum in Vienna, VA and will continue up
Hunter Mill Road to Baron Cameron Avenue in Reston,
Virginia. The bus will return to the Freeman House at the
tour's conclusion.

The Round Table has reserved a small passenger
bus for the excursion. Nineteen 19 seats will be avail-
able, first come first served, based on when the Treas-
urer, Mark Knowles, has received your payment.

Tour guide books with photos will be available
for purchase at cost (\$7) prior to the tour at the March
12 meeting as well as the day of the tour.

For those who are interested, there may be a
post tour "debriefing" lunch at the Vienna Inn, a notori-
ous local landmark eatery, at approximately 1 p.m.

If you have any questions regarding the tour,
you may contact Jim Lewis (703 620-2956). For seat
reservations, contact Mark Knowles (703 787-9811).

**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY HISTORIC
PRESERVATION DIVISION LECTURE
TO FOCUS ON CIVIL WAR LEGEND
COL. JOHN S. MOSBY**

Thursday, March 26th 7:00 p.m.

You are invited to attend a free lecture titled
The Life and Times of John Singleton Mosby. The lec-
ture will be held at the Old Manassas Courthouse in Ma-
nassas, VA. David Goetz, a local historian and owner of
Mosby's Confederacy Tours, will lecture on the famous
Confederate partisan raider, John S. Mosby. Mosby's
many exploits took place throughout Northern Virginia,
including Prince William County. Mr. Goetz will present
an encompassing look at Mosby's life and some of his
most famous adventures.

The Old Manassas Courthouse is located at
9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110. The lecture is
free and open to the public. Call ahead if inclement
weather is forecasted.

For more information, please call (703) 257-
5243 or email dborn@pwcgov.org.

**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY
2010 BUDGET HEARINGS**

By Sandra Cox

If you enjoy Civil War sites and events in
Prince William County such as the one above,
please plan to attend and speak up to show sup-
port during the public time at the regular Board of
Supervisors meetings.

Coming up next month are the PWC 2010
Budget Public Hearings to be held Monday, April 6
and Thursday, April 9 at 8:30 p.m. at the Felazzo
Building on the corner of Cardinal Drive and Route
1 in Woodbridge.

If you appreciate the work being done by
the PWC Historical Preservation Division, please
attend and voice your support.



A FEW GOOD THEATERGOERS
to qualify for BRCWRT group rates for this
award-winning musical

THE CIVIL WAR

FORD'S THEATRE

Sunday, April 26, 2009
2:30 p.m.

Composer Frank Wildhorn, Lyricist Jack Murphy
Description of musical from Ford's Theatre
Web site:

"A musical landscape of the people, voices, and sentiments of the American Civil War, the show is inspired by the words of Walt Whitman, Frederick Douglas, Sejourner Truth, and Abraham Lincoln as well as the lives (as documented through letters, photographs, and journals) of ordinary people in extraordinary times."

Awards and recognition:

Nominated for Tony Award for Best Musical and
Best Original Score
Five Drama Desk nominations including Outstanding Musical
Two Outer Critics Circle Awards

TICKET COST: \$43.00 per ticket if we have twenty or more members go.

1. Ticket payment will be collected immediately when you sign up.
2. No refunds. If you cancel, you will need to find your own replacement.
3. If best seats are taken at time of sign-up, next-to-best seats will be reserved.

SIGN-UP: Contact Jill Hilliard at 703.866.0569 or jbrolling@live.com immediately.

29th Annual Spring CIVIL WAR BUS TOUR

Luxury Coach

June 20, 2009

Mosby's Confederacy Tour

Sponsored by the Stuart - Mosby Historical Society

Tour Leaders will be

**Authors Don Hakenson, Gregg Dudding
& Eric Buckland**

Tour Agenda

We will be leaving the Truro Rectory at 8:30 and will be visiting various sites in Culpeper, Orange Court House, Gordonsville & more

"Book signing by author Tom Evans at Truro Church."

**\$65 for members of
the Stuart-Mosby Historical Society**

\$75 for non-members

Sign up for the tour by contacting:

**Don Hakenson at 703-971-4984 or email him
at dhakenson@cox.net**

Or contact

Gregg Dudding at wdudding@cox.net

Or write to Don Hakenson

4708 Lillian Drive

Alexandria, Virginia 22310

Also, check out our website at

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(There will be no refunds after June 8th.)

**We will be stopping at a fast food restaurant in
Orange Court House.**

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BULL RUN CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

The Stone Wall

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2009 Bull Run Civil War Round Table — MEMBERSHIP FORM

We are delighted that you are interested in joining our organization and look forward to seeing you at our next meeting and at our upcoming events!

Annual dues are:

Individual—\$20.00. Family—\$25.00. Student (age 22 and under)—\$10.00.

Make checks payable to: BRCWRT (Bull Run Civil War Round Table). This form may be given to the Treasurer at the General Membership meeting.

Or mail it to:

Mark Knowles, Treasurer, 169 Applegate Drive, Sterling, VA 20164

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