



The Newsletter of the Bull Run Civil War Round Table — Vol. XX, Issue 2, MARCH 2013

**NOTED HISTORIAN - AUTHOR  
RALPH PETERS TO SPEAK ON THE  
"MYTHS OF GETTYSBURG AND BEYOND"  
AT MARCH MEETING**

By Mark Trbovich

Ralph Peters was born in Pottsville, Pennsylvania and grew up in nearby Schuylkill Haven, PA. He enlisted in the US Army in 1976, after attending Penn State University. Assigned to Germany, he attended Officers Candidate School and received a commission in 1980.

Ralph is the author of the critically acclaimed bestseller *Cain at Gettysburg* and a forthcoming novel on the Overland Campaign, *Hell or Richmond* (May 7, 2013). He is also the author of numerous books on strategic and military subjects, as well as of a series of prize-winning Civil War mysteries written under the pen-name Owen Parry.

A former enlisted man and now retired officer, he was the Army's lead strategic scout in the 1990s, investigating crises in the Caucasus, the Andean Ridge, Pakistan, Burma and the Balkans. As a journalist and researcher post-retirement, he covered conflicts in Israel, in Iraq and in sub-Saharan Africa. Ralph has contributed to a wide range of national newspapers and journals, as well as to professional military publications, and served as Fox News' first Strategic Analyst.

With a deep interest in the Civil War since childhood, Ralph always wanted to write about Gettysburg and the war's climactic campaigns, but felt he had to wait until he had fully honed his skills as an author in order to pay full tribute to the soldiers on both sides of the struggle whose actions decided the fate of our nation.

He is currently researching a novel which will take his series of historical novels from the Monocacy to Cedar Creek. His hope is to write

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**THURSDAY, March 14, 2013**

**7:00 P.M. Centreville Library**

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

**RALPH PETERS**

**TOPIC:**

**"MYTHS OF  
GETTYSBURG AND BEYOND"**



the most authentic and accurate novels yet published about our Civil War, and to interest a broader section of the American public to learn more about our history. Ralph has studied the Battle of Gettysburg since childhood, when his parents took him on annual pilgrimages to that hallowed ground. The combination of years of walking those fields and painstaking research brought us his book "Cain at Gettysburg."

Ralph's wife, Katherine McIntire Peters, is a reporter for Government Executive magazine.

All members are encouraged to come early to meet Ralph on March 14th at the Copper Canyon Grill (5815 Trinity Parkway in Centreville) at 5:00 p.m. for supper and great conversation. Please come early to the library to fellowship and get a good seat. Hope to see you then.



## The President's Column

### By Mark Trbovich

Bull Run Civil War Round Table Members,

March has indeed come in like a lion and I hope will go out like a lamb! Sure would like some warm Spring weather around here. Don't despair, though, because another great lecture awaits you on March 14<sup>th</sup> as we welcome world-renowned author - Fox News' first Strategic Analyst - historian Ralph Peters for his talk "Myths of Gettysburg and Beyond." You don't want to miss that date!

January saw the start of the 2013 BRCWRT membership drive and March is the 2<sup>nd</sup> to last month to join with this drive. As always, you will receive the BRCWRT through April but that will stop if you haven't renewed your membership. Don't hesitate and join today. We need to continue to grow because Civil War preservation and education is so important in this region. The BRCWRT can't operate without your yearly support. We truly appreciate your membership throughout the years and are grateful to all those who have signed up this year.

I want to again thank Al Conner for the outstanding lecture on the "*Union Army's 'Valley Forge' 1863: 93 Days That Saved America*," given at the February meeting. We heard about a great revival of military discipline and morale in the Federal Army after two previous years of bitter defeats. We also learned about the hardships suffered by the Army of the Potomac in the winter of '62-63 in Stafford County. The lecture was both informative and humorous, as Al painted a picture of a Civil War "Valley Forge" experience that began to turn the Federals around for victories in 1863. Thank you, Al, for that wonderful presentation and please come join us again. We hope to visit and tour your historic sites in Stafford County in the near future.

As I announced in February, Jim Meagher had to resign, due to illness, as our Webmaster and Audio/Visual lead for 2013. Our prayers go out for Jim for a complete recovery.

As President, I will divide these two posi-



Historian Al Conner, the February Guest Speaker.

(Photo by Janet Greentree)

tions into two BRCWRT Executive Committee positions starting in April. Dividing the two responsibilities as: Webmaster (taking control of information going on our website) and Audio/Visual (taking control of our monthly meeting audio/visual speaker's needs), I am asking for volunteers to contact me or any other Executive Committee member as soon as possible to fill these positions. You will become a part of our Executive Committee, which is called out in our by-laws and fulfills a critical role in this organization.

Also, if you know of someone who may not be a part of this organization but who could possibly volunteer, please let me know that ASAP. Again, a big thanks to Ken Jones for filling in for Jim - we truly appreciate your efforts keeping things running. On a very positive note, Nadine Mironchuk, our new Newsletter editor, produced

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**General Membership meetings** are held at 7:00 P.M. on the second Thursday of each month at the  
**Centreville Regional Library**  
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For specific meeting dates and information, please visit the Web site: <http://bullruncwrt.org>.

### NEWLETTER ARTICLE SUBMISSION DEADLINE

For the **April 2013 issue**, e-mail articles by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, March 28, to Nadine Mironchuk at: [nadinem@mindspring.com](mailto:nadinem@mindspring.com).

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**March 2013:** Ralph Peters, Historian - "*Myths of Gettysburg - and Beyond*"

**April 11, 2013:** Don Hakenson, Historian - "*John Mosby's Fairfax City Raid of March 1863, and Much More*"

**May 9, 2013:** Ed Bearss, Historian - "*Gettysburg, Day 2 - July 2, 1863*" BRCWRT 22nd Anniversary

**June 13, 2013:** Mike Block, Historian - "*Battle of Brandy Station, VA - Largest Cavalry Battle on American Soil - June 9, 1863*"

**July 11, 2013:** Matt Atkinson, National Park Service Ranger - "*Battle Of Vicksburg, Miss. - July 1863*"

**August 8, 2013:** Angela Atkinson, Author and NPS Ranger "*Battle of Chickamauga, TN - Sept. 1863*"

**September 12, 2013:** Ronald Nichols, Author and Historian "*Battle of Ft. Wagner, SC and the 54th Massachusetts* "

**October 10, 2013:** Bradley Gottfried, Author and Historian "*Battle of Bristoe Station, VA - Oct 14, 1863*"

**November 14, 2013:** Gregory Mertz, Author and NPS Historian "*Battle of Mine Run, VA - Nov. 1863*"

**December 12, 2013:** Dr. Robert Neyland, Author and Historian "*CSS Hunley - CW Submarine 1863/1864* "

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## The President's Column (con't from Page 2)

a wonderful February 2013 newsletter, and we are excited to have her onboard and working with us!

The 2013 BRCWRT Lecture Series is set and they appear here in this issue in the lecture schedule box. Again - we established a sign-up list for our anticipated June 2013 trip to Gettysburg (to see how many are interested) and full details are forthcoming - can't I can't wait for June 22-23 to arrive. Sign up at the next meeting or (hopefully) on-line soon. We can then formalize the details (cost, accommodations, etc.).

In closing, please continue to bring a friend (and also younger folks) to our meetings to increase Civil War awareness in the region and to help encourage future Civil War historians and preservationists.

As always, see you at the Copper Canyon Grill prior to every meeting this year (5815 Trinity Parkway in Centreville) at 5:00 p.m. prior to the 7:00 p.m. meeting. Come enjoy the fellowship at the library, buy some books and get ready for another excellent lecture.

The 2013 CW Sesquicentennial season is in full swing - come be a part of it!

God Bless all of you,

Mark Trbovich

## TRY OUT THESE CIVIL WAR BLOGS & SITES -

American Civil War Museum -  
Gettysburg

Blog 4 History

Circa History Guild

Civil War Books & Authors

Civil War Chaplains Museum

Civil War Courier

Civil War Gazette

Civil War News

Civil War Preservation Trust

Civil War Soldier's Museum

Civil War Videos

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Confederate Ancestor Search

Cumberland House Publishing

Dr. James Roberston Jr.'s Radio  
Programs

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Lee Chapel

Lexington Tours by Richard Williams

Lion Heart Film Works

Michael Hardy

Mosby Heritage Area

Museum of the Confederacy

My YouTube Page

Publisher Ted Savas

R. E. Lee by Freeman

Reenactor's Missions

Robert K. Krick

Shenandoah at War

Soldier Studies

Spotsylvania Civil War Blog

Stonewall Jackson House

U.S. Christian Commission

Virginia Center for CW Studies

Virtual Civil War Photography

VMI Museum

Washington Times Military History

Column

Waynesboro Heritage Foundation

## The Bull Run Civil War Round Table's Newest Recruits!

Here's a grateful "shout out" for these folks who have recently joined the BRCWRT:

♦ Randy Ferryman

♦ Barry Walrath

♦ Mary Ellen Keene

♦ Eric Fowler

♦ Homer Hodge

♦ Michele Gralak

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



*If you plan to attend an event, please verify the information given. Advance reservation and fees may apply. If you would like an event posted, please email Dale Maschino at [fsainc@netzero.net](mailto:fsainc@netzero.net).*

**28 Mar - Lecture: Pickett's Charge** - Historian Matt Atkinson from Gettysburg National Military Park will give a detailed look into the events of July 3, 1863 and the men of General George Pickett's Division that made history that day. 7:00 p.m. Free; donations accepted. Old Manassas Courthouse, 9248 Lee Ave., Manassas, VA 20109, Call 703-792-4754 for more information.

**30 Mar - Unheralded Heroines: Women in the Civil War Tours** - Many people are familiar with the hard-working, independent 'Rosie the Riveter' of World War II who forged new opportunities for women. Long forgotten are the women who either through choice or circumstance challenged and changed women's roles in Civil War-era America. In honor of Women's history month, join site staff for a guided, hands-on tour about these pathfinders for women's rights. Tours start on the hour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; \$5.00 per person, free for children under six. Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 20109; 703-367-7872.

**4 Apr - Lecture: 1st Minnesota Actions in Prince William County** - Historian James Owens will present a detailed look into the 1st Minnesota, focusing on the Battle of First Manassas in July of 1861 and the Battle of Bristoe Station in October of 1863. Old Manassas Courthouse, 9248 Lee Ave., Manassas, VA 20109. Call 703-792-4754 for more information. 7:00 p.m. Free; donations accepted.

**6 Apr - CWPT Annual Park Clean Up Day - Bristoe Station Battlefield** - Join the staff at Bristoe Station Battlefield and the Civil War Preservation Trust at History for Park Day 2013. Park Day is a nationwide event that encourages Civil War enthusiasts to help maintain, restore and preserve Civil War sites through volunteerism. Come out and join us for a fun and rewarding day of work at Bristoe Battlefield. Projects will include litter pick up, cleaning cemeteries and trail maintenance throughout the 133-acre park. Wear sturdy work shoes, bring gloves and remember sunscreen. Tools and snacks will be provided. Meet in the parking lot off Iron Brigade Avenue. Please no pets. Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park. The parking lot is located off of Iron Brigade Unit Ave., Bristow, VA 20136, (703) 366-3049. 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**11 Apr - The Gray Ghost, John S. Mosby** — Prince William County Historic Preservation Division will host Historian and author David Goetz. John S. Mosby formed the 43rd Battalion Virginia Cavalry also known as Mosby's Rangers in 1863. Mr. Goetz will present an overview of the unit's development and exploits throughout the Civil War and

Mosby's life after the war. Mr. Goetz will have copies of his latest book *Hell is Being a Republican in Virginia* available for purchase and autograph. 7:00 p.m. Free; donations accepted. Old Manassas Courthouse, 9248 Lee Ave., Manassas, VA 20109, Call 703-792-4754 for more information.

**13-14 Apr - Muster Days** - Join living historians as they interpret soldiers from the Army of Northern Virginia during the pivotal days in the spring of 1863. Join soldiers as they camp, guard against enemy reconnaissance, and witness a large company drill in person! 9am- 4pm. FREE, \$5 per person for tour of buildings, children free under six. Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre 12229 Bristow Rd., Bristow, VA, 703-365-7895

**19 Apr - Buckland During the Civil War** - Join Buckland resident David Blake for a unique opportunity to be on the grounds and learn the Civil War history of the town of Buckland. Space is limited so please call for reservations (703) 792- 4754. 7:00 p.m. Free; donations accepted.

**20 Apr - Universal Wellness 2nd Annual 5K to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project at Bristoe Station Battlefield** - Join joggers and walkers from all skill levels to get some exercise and support the Wounded Warrior Project. The Wounded Warrior Project is a nonprofit organization whose stated mission is to "honor and empower wounded warriors" of the United States Armed Forces. Race begins at 9 a.m. and proceeds benefit the Wounded Warrior Project. Contact info: Universal Wellness 8870 Rixlew Ln., Suite 101 Manassas, VA 20109. 571-379-4572 or:

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### JOIN US AT THE COPPER CANYON GRILL

Do you come directly to the monthly meeting from work and look for a place to eat, or would you just like to come early for dinner?

Join the BRCWRT board, other members, and our monthly guest speaker for good food and camaraderie.

We are currently meeting around 5:00 p.m. at the Copper Canyon Grill located just across Lee Highway from the library.

5815 Trinity Parkway, Centreville, VA  
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## CIVIL WAR TRAVELS WITH MS. REBELLE

**The Angel of Marye's Heights –  
Richard Rowland Kirkland**

By Janet Greentree

Most of us looking at the picture of Sgt. Richard Rowland Kirkland's marker in Camden, South Carolina will have a moist eye or two. It surely makes you wonder who placed the canteen on his grave and how long it has been there. Sgt. Kirkland is not a Civil War general, but he did a good humanitarian and brave act at the battle of Fredericksburg on December 13, 1862.

Ms. Rebelle is now in Camden, South Carolina visiting the Quaker Cemetery at Camden & Meeting Streets looking for the graves of Civil War Generals Joseph Brevard Kershaw, John Dolby Kennedy, and John Bordenave Villepigue. Mary Todd Lincoln's brother, Dr. George Rogers Clark Todd, is also buried there with his wife Martha Lyles. While walking around the cemetery, the grave of Sgt. Kirkland was spotted with the canteen hanging on the side of his monument. He is buried very close to General Kershaw.

The Angel of Marye's Heights was born August 20, 1843 in Flat Rock, Kershaw County, South Carolina, the fifth son of John and Mary Kirkland. He was slender but muscular at 5'8" and 150 pounds. When the Civil War began, Kirkland enlisted shortly thereafter, even before his older brothers, and was assigned to



Company E, 2<sup>nd</sup> South Carolina Volunteer Infantry under John Dolby Kennedy. He was transferred at a later date to Company G and received a promotion to sergeant. His unit was at the siege of Fort Sumter. He saw action at First Manassas, the battles of Savage Station, Maryland Heights, and at Antietam where many of his friends from Kershaw County were killed.

At the battle of Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, Kirkland's unit was at the stone wall at Marye's Heights. After the battle many of the soldiers were able to walk to the field hospital, but the severely wounded were left on the icy field at near zero temperatures in front of the stone wall. Over 8,000 Union soldiers had been shot. Many were still alive but in dire need of water and attention to their wounds. The cries of the men went on



for hours and hours. Neither North nor South ventured out onto the field for fear of being shot. During the day of December 14<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. Kirkland could stand the cries no more. He approached General Kershaw at his headquarters at the Martha Stevens house to ask permission to bring water to the wounded. General Kershaw denied the request but later granted it. Kirkland asked if he could show a white handkerchief but the general would not agree to that request.

Kirkland gathered all the canteens he could find, filled them with water, and hopped over the stone wall. At first shots rang out, but when both sides saw what Kirkland was attempting to do, the shots ceased. He crossed the stone wall back and forth several times administering to the wounded men, giving them water, encouragement, and arranging their blankets over them. It was here that he earned the sobriquet of the "Angel of Marye's Heights." After ninety minutes of this heroic deed, both sides rang out with shouts of approval.

Kirkland went on to fight at the battle of Chancellorsville and fought at Gettysburg in the Peach Orchard and the Wheatfield. During the battle of Chickamauga, charging up Snodgrass Hill on September 20, 1863, a rifle ball hit him in the chest. Knowing the wound was mortal, he said: "No, I am done for. You can do me no good."

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# Civil War Titles to Look for As We Await Spring

By Nadine Mironchuk

If you (as our Round Table president has wistfully written here) are waiting for the icy clutches of Old Man Winter to “*let go, already!*” - you can begin your mind’s escape now by planning your summer vacation reading. (Sorry, up here in Boston I can dream of a coming spring, but summer is currently beyond my greatest powers of imagining.)

And while there is always a reliable diet in the publishing of Civil War books, these 150th years have been an extra serving on the plate.

Here is a listing of just a small chronological sampling of interesting reads upcoming, from Amazon.com (Some are being released again as paperbacks or on Kindle, handy for reading and putting on the sunscreen at the same time):

- Generals in Blue and Generals in Gray by Ezra J. Warner (Apr 2, 2013)
- Florence Nightingale, Feminist by Judith Lissauer Cromwell (Apr 2, 2013)
- Freedom's Cap: The United States Capitol and the Coming of the Civil War by Guy Gugliotta (Apr 9, 2013)
- The Battle of Pickett's Mill: Along the Dead Line (Civil War Sesquicentennial) by Brad Butovich (Apr 9, 2013)
- Secession Winter: When the Union Fell Apart (The Marcus Cunliffe Lecture Series) by Robert J. Cook, William L. Barney and Elizabeth R. Varon (Apr 11, 2013)
- Whistling Dixie by Anderson Scott (Apr 15, 2013)
- Still Fighting the Civil War: The American South and Southern History by David Goldfield (Apr 15, 2013)
- Knights of the Golden Circle: Secret Empire, Southern Secession, Civil War Conflicting Worlds: New Dimensions... by David C. Keehn (Apr 15, 2013)
- Gettysburg: The Graphic History of America's Most Famous Battle and the Turning Point of The Civil War by Wayne Vansant (Apr 15, 2013)
- The Day Lincoln Was Almost Shot: The Fort Stevens Story by Benjamin Franklin, III Cooling (Apr 16, 2013)
- Curiosities of the Confederate Capital: Untold Richmond Stories of the Spectacular, Tragic and Bizarre by Brian Burns (Apr 16, 2013)
- America's Great Debate: Henry Clay, Stephen A. Douglas, and the Compromise That Preserved the Union by Fergus M. Bordewich (Apr 16, 2013)
- Dear Mark Twain: Letters from His Readers (Jumping Frogs: Undiscovered, Rediscovered, and Celebrated Writings ... by R. Kent Rasmussen (Apr 21, 2013)
- Albert Sidney Johnston: Soldier of Three Republics by Charles P. Roland (Apr 21, 2013)
- Slaves Waiting for Sale: Abolitionist Art and the American Slave Trade by Maurie D. McInnis (Apr 22, 2013)
- Grant at Vicksburg: The General and the Siege by Michael B. Ballard (Apr 22, 2013)
- Theodore Weld: Architect of Abolitionism (Voices for Freedom) by Susan Down
- Edifice of Freedom: The Civil War Amendments in Historical Perspective (Reflections on the Civil War Era) by James S. Humphreys (Apr 30, 2013)
- A SEASON OF SLAUGHTER: The Battle of Spotsylvania Court House, May 8-21, 1864 (Emerging Civil War) by Chris Mackowski and Kristopher White (May 2013)
- Lincoln's Battle with God: A President's Struggle with Faith and What It Meant for America by Stephen Mansfield (May 1, 2013)
- The Immortal 600: Surviving Civil War Charleston and Savannah by Karen Stokes (May 2013)
- CHANCELLORSVILLE'S FORGOTTEN FRONT: The Battles of Second Fredericksburg and Salem Church, May 3, 1863 by Chris Mackowski and Kristopher White (May 2013)
- CALAMITY AT CHANCELLORSVILLE: The Wounding and Death of Confederate General Stonewall Jackson by Mathew Lively (May 2013)
- Lee's Army During the Overland Campaign: A Numerical Study by Alfred C. Young (May 6, 2013)
- Blood and Daring: How Canada Fought the American Civil War and Forged a Nation by John Boyko (May 28, 2013)
- Thirteen Months at Manassas / Bull Run: The Two Battles and the Confederate Occupation by Don Johnson (Jul 15, 2013)
- Parole, Pardon, Pass and Amnesty Documents of the Civil War: An Illustrated History by John Martin, Jr. Davis, George B. Tremmel and Lawrence S. Rowland (Jul 15, 2013)
- Shenandoah Valley 1862: Stonewall Jackson outmaneuvers the Union (Campaign) by Clayton Donnell and Adam Hook (Jul 23, 2013)
- Lincoln's 90-Day Volunteers 1861: From Fort Sumter to First Bull Run (Men-at-Arms) by Ron Field (Jul 23, 2013)
- More Than Freedom: Fighting for Black Citizenship in a White Republic, 1829-1889 by Stephen Kantrowitz (Jul 30, 2013)
- Veterans North and South: The Transition from Soldier to Civilian after the American Civil War by Paul A. Cimbala (Jul 31, 2013)
- Lincoln's Citadel: The Civil War in Washington, DC by Kenneth J. Winkle (Aug 19, 2013)
- 38 Nooses: Lincoln, Little Crow, and the Beginning of the Frontier's End (Vintage Civil War Library) by Scott W. Berg (Sep 10, 2013)
- The Appomattox Generals: The Parallel Lives of Joshua L. Chamberlain, USA, and John B. Gordon, CSA, Commanders... by John W. Primomo (Sep 15, 2013)

**Well! This takes you through Labor Day!!**

## Reenlist Today!

### The Importance of Your Membership Renewal

By Rob Orrison, Vice President-Membership

It is that time again...time to renew your membership with the Bull Run Civil War Round Table! This is an exciting time to be part of one of the premier Round Tables and preservation organizations in the Mid-Atlantic region. The BRCWRT serves as the premier source in the Northern Virginia region for Civil War lectures, tours and information. Our members are able to enjoy one of the most comprehensive newsletters out there and through this newsletter, have access to up-to-date information on Civil War events and recent preservation threats and victories.

Two years ago, the BRCWRT decided to become a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, allowing us to raise money for local Civil War based charities and assist in preservation efforts. Recently, the BRCWRT has undertaken its first scholarship. This \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a local high school student pursuing a college degree in history or historic preservation. Also, the BRCWRT has some exciting tours planned for this year with the main tour being a bus trip to Gettysburg over the summer. And of course, our top notch monthly speakers and meetings at the Centreville Regional Library. We are an active Round Table indeed and making a difference in our region.

All of this cannot be done without YOU, our membership. Though our membership fees are small, (only \$20 for individual membership!), we stretch that money, and it goes a long way. Without the funds from our membership dues, many of these worthwhile endeavors could not be accomplished. You are part of a solid and well respected organization (voted Civil War Trust's Round Table of the Year in 2011), and we hope you continue your membership.

Thank you for your support as we move forward to preserve and interpret the defining moment in America's history.

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## BOTH SIDES TOUR

Civil War Sesquicentennial Event  
**GETTYSBURG: ON THE HALLOWED GROUND**

We'll cover the epic three-day battle in one day as only the Both Sides Tour can do it! The first stop will be at McPherson's Ridge to cover the fighting on the first day, July 1, 1863. Then it's on to Culp's Hill to discuss a crucial battle on the Second Day. Following lunch at General Pickett's Buffet, we'll view the exciting Cyclo-rama at the Visitor's Center, then return to the Hallowed Ground for a stop at Little Round Top for another important Day Two encounter where Brigadier General Gouverneur Warren saved the day for the Union. View the Wheat Field and the Corn Field, sites of other important battles. The final stop in the Union Lines will cover the decisive event on Cemetery Ridge where Confederate General Armistead's Brigade was stopped by a furious Union counterattack. Finally, we'll visit Seminary Ridge where the Confederates artillery barrage set the stage for the fateful Pickett's Charge on July 3, 1863 that ended the battle.

**Saturday, April 20, 2013**

**Sponsored by the Franconia Museum**

Start the day at 8 a.m. with coffee and donuts at the Franconia Museum, 6121 Franconia Road. Board a comfortable rest-room equipped motor coach for the trip to

Gettysburg. Along the way, we'll discuss the leaders and trace the routes of the two armies to Gettysburg, setting the stage for the Civil War's most decisive battle. On the way home, we'll discuss the ramifications of the battle's aftermath and position both armies for the continuation of the war. This tour will take a little longer than usual Both Sides tours. Hear vignettes along the way

### SPECIAL ADDED ATTRACTION

At the High Water Mark of the Confederacy, you'll learn the identity of some of the handful of Southerners who reached the Union lines with General Armistead and tried to turn captured cannons on their adversaries only to be stopped by the deadly assault of a determined group of Union Reserves. Armistead was mortally wounded and the others were either captured or wounded or both. Among the Confederates was a private who would become Carl Sell's great uncle.

**COST:** \$100.00 each. Includes Bus Ride, Buffet Lunch (including gratuity) and a Snack Card to spend on the way home, as well as all entrance fees.

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**Both Sides Tour**  
4708 Lillian Drive  
Franconia, VA 22310





### Ms. Rebelle (Con't from Page 6)

Save yourselves and tell Pa goodbye and I died right. I did my duty. I died at my post." He was only 23 years of age at the time.

Richard Kirkland was returned home to Camden for burial. In 1909 his remains were removed to Quaker Cemetery in Camden, South Carolina. In tribute to the bravery and humanity of Sgt. Kirkland, a statue erected by the State of South Carolina was dedicated to him and unveiled in 1965 by the artist Felix DeWeldon in front of the stone wall at Fredericksburg. The inscription reads: "At the risk of his life, this American soldier of sublime compassion, brought water to his wounded foes at Fredericksburg."

His obituary dated October 16, 1863 reads as follows: "Fell, in the battle of Chickamauga, Sergeant R.R. Kirkland, in the 23<sup>rd</sup> year of his age. In the very beginning of the war the deceased volunteered in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, and participated in every battle in which Kershaw's Brigade was engaged in Virginia, from the battle of Bull Run to the late battle of Chickamauga, where he fell mortally wounded. Many gallant heroes have fallen, but not a more generous or gallant spirit has been sacrificed on our country's altar since the beginning of the war, than that of the one for whom this is intended as a feeble tribute. He was one of those who, knowing his duty was willing to discharge it, be the consequences what they might. He shunned no hardships, he shrunk from no danger. His was a steady course, making the path of the duty the road which he was won't to travel. As a friend, as a comrade, as a soldier, as a son, his equals were rarely found; as a friend there was none more true, none more constant, in their attachment, none who would make greater sacrifices for those he relied upon as friends; as a comrade, he was kind and obliging – ever ready to share an equal part with those amongst whom he was thrown; as a soldier, he was brave, calm and collected amidst danger, ever ready to go, at a word, to the post assigned him; as a son, he was dutiful, obedient and kind. His form once animate, now lies encircled in the cold silent grave. No more will we meet his cheerful countenance, ever lit up with a smile; no more will his comrades stand side by side with him in fierce battle storm, or set around the camp fires together. Young and gallant soldier rest in peace; fate has decreed that you should not reap the reward of your toils; but your name stands recorded upon the long list of victories already sacrificed upon the altar of your country's liberty."—A Friend.

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