



The Newsletter of the Bull Run Civil War Round Table — Vol. XX, Issue 7, OCTOBER 2013

## **HISTORIAN AND AUTHOR DR. BRADLEY GOTTFRIED SPEAKS ON THE "BATTLE OF BRISTOE STATION, VA, OCTOBER 14TH, 1863" AT OCTOBER MEETING**

By Mark Trbovich

The battle of Bristoe Station is one that is near to us in location, and also dear to so many of us at the BRCWRT, as we have supported the preservation of this battlefield for many, many years. We are so happy that it is now a Prince William County Historic Battlefield site, and we will continue to support it for years to come.

For our Sesquicentennial event this month, we are pleased to have Dr. Bradley Gottfried to speak at our October 10th meeting. Bradley was appointed to be the fourth president of the College of Southern Maryland in July, 2006. He holds a Ph.D. in Zoology from Miami University of Ohio, a master's in biology from Western Illinois University, and a bachelor's in biology from West Chester University. He began his college studies at Montgomery County Community College.

Associated with community colleges for more than 30 years, Bradley is also an author, having written nine books on the Civil War, primarily on the battle of Gettysburg.

He is the author of *The Battle of Gettysburg: A*

## **MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

**THURSDAY, October 10, 2013**

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

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

**HISTORIAN AND AUTHOR DR. BRADLEY GOTTFRIED**

**TOPIC:**

**"BATTLE OF BRISTOE STATION, VA, OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 1863"**

*Guided Tour* (1998); *Stopping Pickett: The History of the Philadelphia Brigade* (1999); *Roads to Gettysburg* (2002); and *Kearny's Own: The History of the First New Jersey Brigade* (2005). His latest book *"Maps of the Bristoe Station and Mine Run Campaigns"* is the focus for our lecture.

Dr. Gottfried is very active in the region, serving on many committees and board, including the Southern Maryland Civil War Round Table. This is a local battle lecture you won't want to miss!

THE COPPER CANYON GRILL is CLOSED. We will cancel the dinner gathering until November, when a new location can be found for the enjoyable pre-meeting meals we share.

As always, see you each meeting night at in fellowship prior to the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Centreville Library.

Late this September, the BRCWRT email hosting service was used to stage a spamming operation that resulted in the server being blacklisted by a number of e-mail hosting sites, including gmail.com. This was a very frustrating experience, as Mark Trbovich & Jim Lewis had time-sensitive information they wanted sent to the membership. Many of you have perhaps gone through this experience with your own e-mail hosting service.

By now, members should have received at least four & possibly six emails with this content, as the webmaster tried to get the information out. If you haven't received these emails, please check the spam folder on the computer -- they may be there.

Apropos of this, we note that Robert E. Lee found telegraphing so untrustworthy that he ordered his officers to "send no dispatches by telegraph relative to...movements, or they will become known."

- Intelligence in the Civil War, Thomas Allen, p 33.

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Please remember to bring your unwanted Civil War books to our meetings to aid in our ongoing book event. Besides raising money for the BRCWRT, these books increase our members' understanding of the Civil War. Thank you.



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**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 By Mark Trbovich

Bull Run Civil War Round Table Members,

Fall is here, and we have had such a wonderful year so far, with the 1863 Civil War Sesquicentennial Anniversary lectures continuing at the BRCWRT. Coinciding with our great lectures, October is the beginning of our election process, and we will be bringing you more information about this at this next meeting. The election for 2014 BRCWRT officers will be held at the December 2014 meeting.

This month's lecture is about a local battle so many of us have worked to sustain in memory by supporting preservation of the battlefield - the Battle of Bristoe Station. The lecture is brought to us by Dr. Bradley Gottfried. Please make every effort to make this presentation.

A huge 'thank you' is in order for our August and September presentations. In August, 'The Battle of Chickamauga' was the topic; NPS Ranger Angela Atkinson led us on a complete fact-filled journey through the entire battle, and we all received a much better understanding of this bloody western theater action.



Above, historian Ronnie Nichols.

Photo by Janet Greentree

Historian Ronnie Nichols led us on our September experience of "The Battle of Battery Wagner and the 54th Mass," which really brought home how tough the 54th Mass African-American troops were, and how they suffered in the attack on that well-defended Confederate battery/fort.

What great lectures these were; we thank you again for your efforts. We are continuing in our 2013 Sesquicentennial Anniversary event lecture series and hope to have these speakers visit us again in the future, assuring us of seeing more excellent presentations.

Again, just a reminder that we are still in recruiting mode for new members for 2013; we have gone over 225 members so far this year. Please continue to spread the word to your family and friends, and potential members (especially the youngsters), that the BRCWRT is the place to feel very welcome in a tremendous organization.

Commemoration of the Battle of Bristoe Station in October is our next big Sesquicentennial activity. The event will run October 12, 13



Above, NPS Ranger Angela Atkinson.

Photo by Janet Greentree

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# Bristoe Station Three-Day Commemoration

## Schedule of Events Saturday & Sunday

### Saturday, October 12, 2013

- 10:00am Opening Program, Trail Dedication, Special Presentation  
Introductions, The Honorable W.S. Wally Covington III  
*Brentsville District Supervisor, Prince William County*  
Keynote Speech, Dr. James "Bud" Robertson
- 11:00am Music, Carolina Fife and Drum
- 12:00pm Talk, "Road to Bristoe Station", Brad Gottfried
- 12:45pm Music, Gilmore's Light Ensemble
- 1:30pm Battle of Bristoe Station Demonstration
- 3:00pm Talk, "After Gettysburg, Before Grant", Jeff Hunt
- 4:00pm Talk, "Preservation of Bristoe Station Battlefield, a History", Jim Burgess
- 4:45pm Music, Gilmore's Light Ensemble
- 7:00pm Special Evening Civil War Musical Performance by Evergreen Shade  
Historic Brentsville Union Church, 12229 Bristow Rd., Bristow, VA 20136

Battlefield Tours ongoing on the hour from the program tent (11am-4pm)

Living history demonstrations on going in camp areas (see map)

Virginia History Mobile 11am-4pm

### Sunday, October 13, 2013

- 11:00am Tour, "Against All Odds: The 27th North Carolina at Bristoe Station",  
Bill Backus, *Historic Interpreter, Prince William County Historic Preservation Division*
- 12:00pm Talk, "Colonel Mallon & the Tammany Regiment of New York," Fred Wexler
- 1:00pm Battle of Bristoe Station Demonstration
- 2:00pm Music, Carolina Fife and Drum
- 2:30pm Tour, "With Great Courage and Gallantry: Mallon's Brigade Enters the Fight",  
Dan Welch, *Park Ranger, Gettysburg National Military Park*
- 4:00pm Program Ends

Battlefield Tours ongoing on the hour from the program tent (11am-3pm).

Living history demonstrations on going in camp areas (see map)

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## Schedule of Events Monday

### *150th Anniversary of the Battle of Bristoe Station*

Monday, October 14, 2013

- 9:00am-11am Car Caravan Tour of Bristoe Station Campaign Sites  
Tour Will Begin and end at Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage  
Park parking lot (\$25 fee per vehicle)
- 11:30am-1:30pm Bus Tour of exclusive Bristoe Station Battlefield sites off of the Park.  
Tour Will Begin and End at Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage  
Park parking lot. \$35 per person, reservations recommended.  
(Light refreshments provided)
- 3:30pm "Their Moment, Our Time" Tours – Tours of the Battle of  
Bristoe Station at the real time of the battle, 150 years later.  
Tour Will Begin at Program Tent, moderate walking, water available
- 6:00pm-6:15pm Tours End, Musical Tribute and Taps



### **"There Was a Want of Vigilance—The Battle of Bristoe Station"**

Exhibit at the Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William St., Manassas, VA  
Exhibit highlights include artifacts related to the Battle of Bristoe Station such as items  
belonging to Confederate Gen. A.P. Hill, Union 2nd Corps and other personal affects  
relating to the men who fought at Bristoe Station.

Exhibit open through October 18, 2013



## CIVIL WAR TRAVELS WITH MS. REBELLE

**Major General  
Joseph King Fenno Mansfield, USA**

**ONE OF SIX GENERALS  
KILLED AT ANTIETAM**

By Janet Greentree

Since we just passed the 151<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Antietam, Ms. Rebelle is in the very middle of Connecticut. We are at a very fittingly named town called Middletown, searching for the grave of Union General Joseph King Fenno Mansfield, whose life ended on September 18, 1862, following the battle of Antietam. Mansfield was mortally wounded on September 17, 1862 and died the next day at the George Line farm in Sharpsburg.

Six generals were killed that day – three Union and three Confederate. At Antietam Battlefield, their deaths are commemorated by mortuary cannons placed upside down in blocks of stone.



Monument to Gen. Mansfield at Antietam battlefield; the motif of cannon pointing to ground indicates death in battle.

Photos by Janet Greentree

The six killed were: Confederates Brigadier General George B. Anderson, Brigadier General William B. Starke and Brigadier General Lawrence O'Brian Branch; in

addition, Union Major General Joseph King Fenno Mansfield, Major General Israel B. Richardson and Brigadier General Isaac P. Rodman.

Also wounded on that day were:

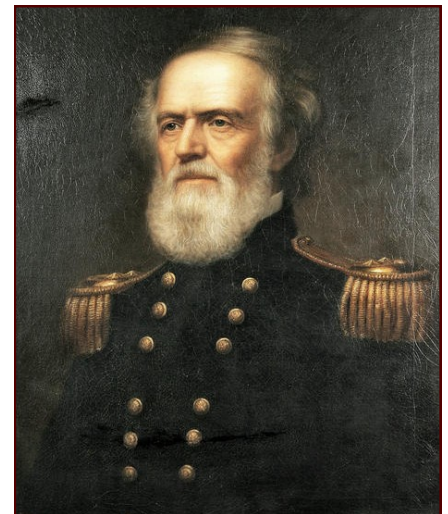
Union Generals Samuel Wiley Crawford, Napoleon J.T. Dana, George L. Hartsuff, Joseph Hooker, John Sedgwick, and Max Weber; and Confederate Generals Richard H. Anderson, Maxcy Gregg, John R. Jones, Alexander R. Lawton, Roswell S. Ripley, and Ambrose R. Wright.

Joseph K. F. Mansfield was born December 22, 1803 in New Haven, Connecticut. He entered West Point in 1817 at the young age of 14, and graduated second in the class of 1822. He spent the 24 years between graduation and the beginning of the Mexican War serving in the regular army as an engineer. Between 1822-1846, he aided in the construction of Fort Hamilton, NY, the defenses of Hampton Roads, VA, the Cumberland Road, MD, Charleston Harbor, SC, Fort Pulaski, GA, repair of the sea wall at St.

Augustine, FL, and defenses of the Savannah River, also in GA.

He served as chief engineer under General Zachary Taylor in the Mexican War, fighting at the battles of Fort Brown, Monterrey and Buena Vista. He received a leg wound at the battle of Monterrey. He was promoted to full colonel in 1853 (in position of Army Inspector General), mostly serving on the Western Frontier.

Mansfield came back to Washington



Gen. Joseph King Fenno Mansfield

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when the Civil War began, was promoted to Brigadier General on May 18, 1861, and was responsible for "Mr. Lincoln's Forts" surrounding Washington City. He spent time in Columbus, OH recruiting volunteers for the Army of the Potomac, commanded Camp Hamilton near Fortress Monroe, Newport News, VA and was engaged during the capture of Norfolk and Suffolk, Virginia. On March 9, 1862 at Hampton Roads, his coastal batteries fired against the ironclad *CSS Virginia* in her battle against the *USS Monitor*.



Monument to Mansfield at Antietam.

Photo by Janet Greentree

He was made commander of the Army of the Potomac's XII Corps on September 15, 1862, two days before the Battle of Antietam. Leaving for Washington from the Peninsula, Mansfield wrote to a friend stating: *"I am going into battle; if I fall, have my body sent to my friends in Middletown, Connecticut."* There at Antietam, Mansfield personally led his troops into the East Woods in support of General Hooker. His troops came under heavy fire, and so he rode to the rear to bring up more troops.

Riding back to the front, Mansfield encountered soldiers from the 10<sup>th</sup> Maine Infantry firing on what he erroneously thought were their own men. He rode to along the front to caution them. The 10<sup>th</sup> Maine men convinced Mansfield that it was enemy fire, and almost instantly, Mans-

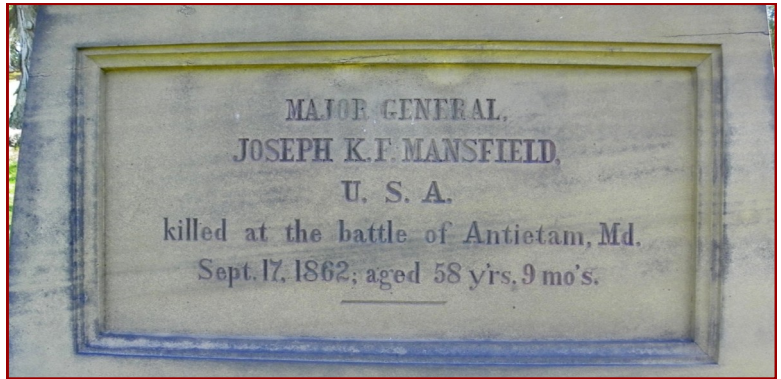
field was hit with a Minnie ball and his horse was hit with three. He was mortally wounded in the right chest. The general stayed in his saddle going towards the Smoketown Road (his mortuary cannon is placed there). Three soldiers from the 125<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania got him off his horse, formed a chair with their guns and carried him to a lone tree at the rear of their line. Mansfield remained conscious to the end, and stated, *"It is the Lord's will, and it is all right."* He was taken to the George Line farm in Sharpsburg, and died the next morning. He lived long enough to hear that Antietam was a victory for the Union. Six months after his death, he was posthumously promoted to Major General.

Mansfield's funeral was held in Middletown on September 23, 1862. All the businesses in the town closed down, were draped in mourning cloth, and the national flags along the route were also draped in crepe. A funeral cortege of 500 soldiers marched along the route. His body was taken to the North Church, where flags were formed into a marquee tent. The Mansfield Guard, acting as honor guard, received the body. A silver plate on the coffin was surrounded by a wreath of white flowers, enclosing the words: *"General Joseph K. F. Mansfield, U.S. Army, Killed in the Battle of Sharpsburg, September 18, 1862, Aged 58 years, 9 months."* His sword, sash, and the hat that he had worn in battle were placed on the coffin. Notables attending the service included Connecticut Governor William A. Buckingham, Senator James Dixon and Mary Ellen McClellan, wife of General George B. McClellan.

The general was originally buried at the Mortimer Cemetery, but was later re-interred at Indian Hill Cemetery on May

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At left and above, Mansfield grave in Middletown, CT.

Photos by Janet Greentree

30, 1867. On the top of his monument lies a flag with raised stars. Replicas of his sword and hat lie atop the flag. The blade of the sword is broken off. The hat is a formal officer's dress hat, with visors both front and back.

Fort Mansfield in Westerly, Rhode Island was named in his honor, as well as Mansfield Road (which runs in front of his monument) in the Antietam National Battlefield, and the Middletown Mansfields minor-league baseball team, in his home town of Middletown, CT. The general's home in Middletown now houses the Middlesex County Historical Society. Mansfield was also a cousin to Union General Joseph G. Totten.

Ms. Rebelle is going to the West again - to Colorado and Wyoming, in search of Civil War generals who were out there fighting the Indians, and anything else historic I encounter there, for inclusion in next month's article.

*NOTE: Ms. Rebelle's hobby is travelling the country finding and honoring the graves of our 1,008 Civil War generals. So far she has located and photographed 385....169 Confederate and 216 Union. You may contact her at [jlgrtree@erols.com](mailto:jlgrtree@erols.com).*

## The President's Column (Con't from Page 3)

and 14. We look forward to participating in that event, because our members have spent countless hours working for the preservation and improvement of that hallowed ground.

The BRCWRT is working toward dedicating a sign to honor the McLean's Ford and Auburn (Coffee Hill) action at the Bristoe campaign. We hope to have our new Facebook page up and running soon, so plenty of information about our events can be seen by our membership and friends.

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in fellowship prior to the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Centreville Library; buys some books, and get ready for another excellent lecture. The 2013 Civil War Sesquicentennial season is in full swing this fall. Come be a part of it!

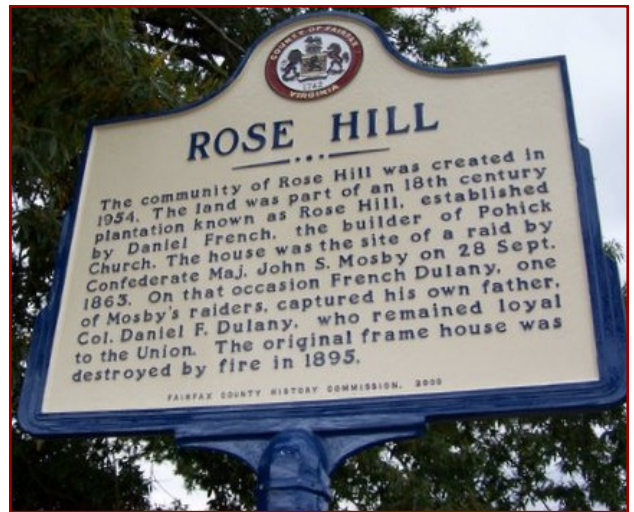


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## Mosby Rides Again in Rose Hill Raid 150th

Article & Photos by Gwen Wytenbach



At left, Col. John S. Mosby, portrayed by Jimmy Fleming. Above, historical marker commemorates raid.

On September 28, 2013, one hundred-fifty years to the day, a reenactment was staged in the community of Rose Hill, Alexandria, Virginia, of the dramatic capture of Union Colonel Daniel H. Dulany at his home named "Rose Hill." The house no longer exists, but the reenactment occurred at the exact location where it once stood - high on a bluff in the modern-day Rose Hill neighborhood, overlooking the valley leading to Mount Vernon and the Potomac River.

Mosby, emboldened by his midnight capture of Union General Stoughton in Fairfax and the Herndon  
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At left, Susan Hillier, portraying Dulany's neighbor, Anne Frobel, who kept of a diary of her friendship with Colonel Dulany. Above, The Carter Gospel Singers, who performed at the Mosby Rose Hill Raid, were simply the BEST! They sang the old negro songs that sustained and inspired the "colored" peoples of the Civil War era to endure and overcome.... May we never forget their ancestors' contributions, too, to America's history!

## Rose Hill - Con't from page 9

Raid earlier in the year, set out to capture the "Union-recognized" Governor of Virginia, Francis H. Pierpont, but learned Pierpont was overnighing in D.C.; thus Mosby changed his plans and settled instead for capturing the governor's aide, Colonel Dulany, living at nearby "Rose Hill."

This raid is unique, in that Colonel Dulany's son, "French" Dulany, was one of Mosby's Rangers and participated in this raid, assisting in capture of his own father! The Rangers entered the house, and Col. Dulany, believing the party to be Federal scouts disguised in Confederate uniforms, welcomed them until he recognized his son, French. French said something to the effect of: "*Hi Pa, happy to see you!*" As might be expected, the disgruntled father had other, uncharitable words of displeasure at seeing his son.

As Colonel Delany's hands were bound and he was being led away, he told his son that he should take a pair of old shoes sitting in the hallway with him, as the Colonel reckoned shoes "*were darn'd scarce in the Confederacy,*" whereupon French lifted his trouser leg, revealing to his father a fine pair of Union cavalry boots, and asked his father "*what he thought of that!*"

The Gray Ghost was portrayed by noted Living Historian Jimmy Fleming. Colonel Dulany was portrayed by David Hillier, whose wife, Susan, portrayed Dulany's neighbor, Anne Frobel, who kept of



Above, left, Col. Daniel H. Dulany (portrayed by David Hillier). At right is Mark Whittenton. Both are enjoying some down time in the raid, an event that was remarkable for its enduring comic farce characteristics—which stood out in the midst of a war filled with bloodshed and grief.

a diary of her friendship with Colonel Dulany. Young French Dulany was reenacted by Chris Wolfe; and Mosby's horses were "*Will's Gold*" and "*Tinker*," starring as their namesakes.

The fabulous Carter Gospel Singers ended the event with inspiring and stirring negro spirituals. BRCWRT members spotted in the crowd were: Nancy Olds, Mark Whitenton (who portrayed a Mosby Ranger), John Briar III, Kim Holien, Ben and Nancy Trittipoe, and Gwen Wytenbach.



Then, as now, the presence of Mosby and his Raiders in the (VA) town of Alexandria's Rose Hill neighborhood created quite a stir!



# CAMP LETTERMAN

By Tim Duskin

When General Robert E. Lee left Gettysburg on July 4, 1863, with the Army of Northern Virginia, he was forced to leave those of his soldiers who were too severely wounded to be moved and who lay too close to the Union lines to be retrieved behind. Estimates vary, but the wagon train of wounded which he took back to Virginia was at least fifteen miles long. Major General George G. Meade, commander of the

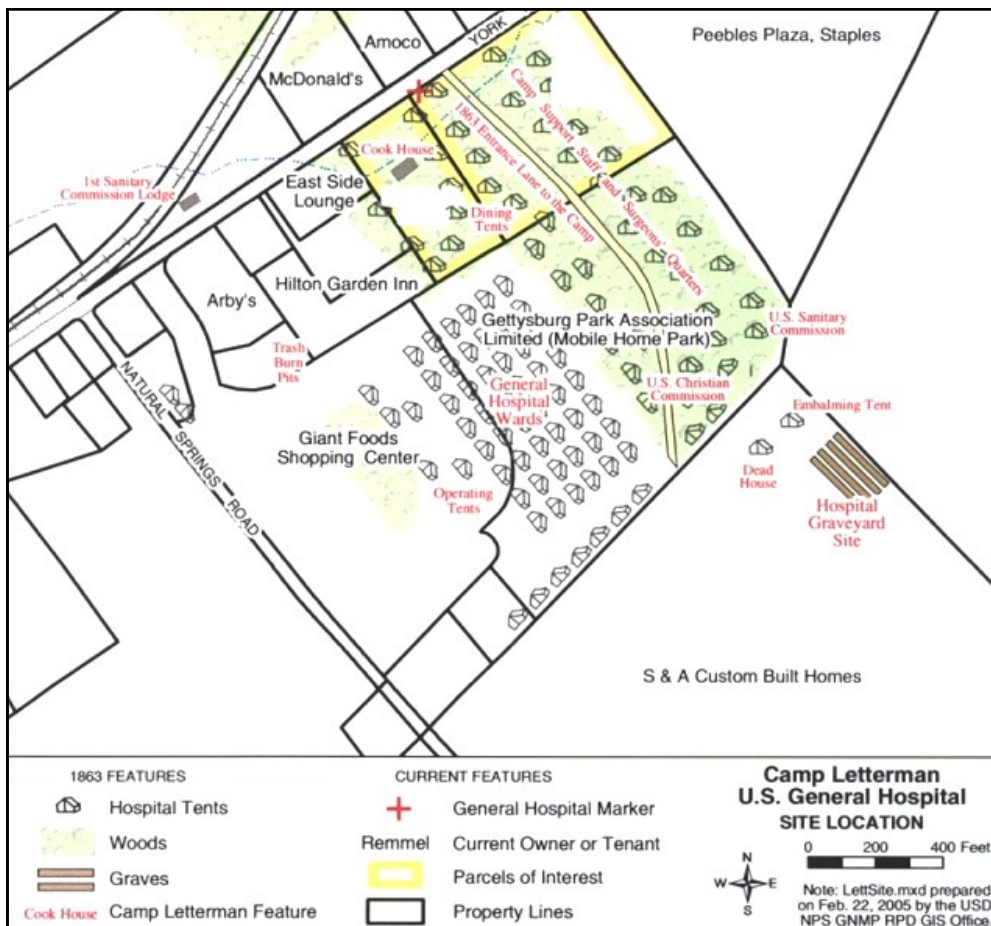
Once the railroad line into Gettysburg (damaged by Major General Jubal A. Early's raiders prior to the battle) was repaired on July 10, assistance was able to arrive. Help came from charitable organizations, foremost among which were the United States Sanitary Commission (USSC) and the United States Christian Commission (USCC), as well as individuals from the North and South. A limited number of Union surgeons were assigned to Gettysburg at this time, and there were also some Confederate surgeons who had been ordered by General Lee's medical director to stay behind. The Union wounded began being transferred to military hospitals in major cities such as Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington. The Confederate wounded were sent to prison camps, such as Point Lookout, and others.

Some were so severely wounded that they could not be moved from Gettysburg. A field hospital for them was established on July 22 at the George Wolf farm, a mile east of the town on the York Pike. It was positioned 150 yards from the railroad track so that supplies and personnel could arrive there, and so that the wounded could be evacuated,

once they recovered enough. It was named Camp Letterman, after Major Jonathan Letterman, the Medical Director of the Army of the Potomac. Dr. Henry Janes, who was the Medical Director of all hospitals around Gettysburg, placed Dr. Cyrus N. Chamberlain in charge of Camp Letterman. It was the largest field hospital in North American history and consisted of multiple rows of over 400 tents.

By August 7, all of the corps field hospitals had been closed and Camp Letterman was the only

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Army of the Potomac, was expecting another significant battle and took most of his army's medical personnel and ambulances with him. This left Gettysburg, a town of less than 2,400 people, with over 20,000 wounded Union and Confederate soldiers to care for. Every building in and around the town was turned into a hospital to help the wounded, including private residences. In addition to field hospitals all over the battlefield, some of the wounded were in woods, with only trees for covering, and some were in the open air on the field, with none.

## Camp Letterman - (con't from page 11)

hospital remaining. It had over 4,000 patients, over one-third of whom were Confederates. At this point, most of the army surgeons were relieved and volunteers took over. The USSC and the USCC each had a section of tents, and their efforts continued to be very prominent. As the cases that remained there were the most dire ones, Camp Letterman had a very high mortality rate. Careful records were kept because of the severity of these cases, and records of them were sent to the Surgeon General's office. There was also a temporary hospital cemetery established, which had about 1,200 graves. The Union dead there were later reinterred at the Soldiers' National Cemetery at Gettysburg and the Confederate dead were removed to the South.

The wounded Union and Confederate soldiers were not separated in its facilities, but were housed and treated together. A friendship developed among the soldiers of both sides there, who were all struggling for their lives. At one point, the USCC held a banquet for all of the wounded soldiers at Camp Letterman. This was the first instance of reunion at Gettysburg, which would reoccur so many times after the war.

The last soldiers were not evacuated from Camp Letterman until November 20, four-and-a-half months after the battle, and the day after the dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery. At that point, the hospital was closed and the remaining supplies were sent back to Washington. Camp Letterman existed for four months, yet, in spite of its great significance, it has been largely forgotten in the annals of the Battle of Gettysburg and the Civil War. It is also unknown to most visitors at Gettysburg today. Daniel Skelly, who was a young boy living in Gettysburg in 1863, wrote years later in 1933 of the site of Camp Letterman, "It has always been a wonder to me that the government, when it was acquiring the historic fields upon which the battle was fought and other sections now included in the reservation, did not buy these woods, one of the most historic and sacred spots on the field."

The War Department erected a monument at the site in 1914 to designate Camp Letterman. Much of the site remains undeveloped today, though a Hilton Gardens Inn and a Giant Food Store stand on a portion of it. There is also a Camp Letterman monu-

ment on the grounds of the Hilton, and there are markers about it in the parking lot of the Giant. The latter is on the site of the hospital tents. Camp Letterman was the previously-proposed first site for a casino in Gettysburg in 2006. It was also considered as a site for a Target Store. Fortunately, the Target was later built to the west of the site.

The Camp Letterman Fund Trust is currently attempting to obtain the surviving undeveloped portion of Camp Letterman and preserve it. They plan to build a Camp Letterman Visitor's Center & Museum to tell the story of Camp Letterman. There have also been attempts for years to erect a National Civil War Memorial at the site to all those who served in the war on both sides, military and civilian. This is an appropriate site for it, considering the beginnings of reunion there. Currently, there are exhibits about the wounded at Gettysburg after the battle at the Wills House.

The website of the Camp Letterman Fund Trust, telling more of the details of its plans, is at:

<http://camplettermanfundtrust.blogspot.com/>

Gettysburg Licensed Battlefield Guide Phil Lechak has an online tour of Camp Letterman at:

[http://www.gettysburgdaily.com/?page\\_id=2461](http://www.gettysburgdaily.com/?page_id=2461)

For further reading on the wounded at Gettysburg after the battle, see:

Gregory A. Coco, *A Strange and Blighted Land: Gettysburg: The Aftermath of a Battle*. 1995. Gettysburg, PA: Thomas Publications.

Gerard A. Patterson, *Debris of Battle: The Wounded of Gettysburg*. 1997. Mechanicsburg, PA: Stackpole Books.

George Sheldon, *When the Smoke Cleared at Gettysburg: The Tragic Aftermath of the Bloodiest Battle of the Civil War*. 2003. Nashville: Cumberland House.

For the field hospitals at Gettysburg, see:

Gregory A. Coco, *A Vast Sea of Misery: A History and Guide to the Union and Confederate Field Hospitals at Gettysburg, July 1-November 20, 1863*. 1988. Gettysburg, PA: Thomas Publications.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## October 2013

- Through 10/31** "There Was a Want of Vigilance" Battle of Bristoe Station exhibit at the Manassas Museum in Manassas. Rare artifacts including personal effects of A.P. Hill & other leading participants. Co-sponsored by Prince William County Historic Preservation Division. \$5 admission. For information, (703) 368-1873.
- 7-12** St. James' House Opening - An annual event featuring a delightful 18th century gentleman's cottage. This small, gambrel-roofed house is a fine example of an eighteenth-century gentleman's house. It contains a collection of period furnishings, including silver, glass, porcelain, and furniture. It was built by James Mercer, first judge of the General Court in Fredericksburg. St. James' House, 1300 Charles Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401; Phone: (540) 373-1569.
- 11** Who is buried in the Manassas Cemetery? Is it only Confederate Veterans? Come and learn who has gone before us and what they have meant to our community. Bring a flashlight; 8:00 PM-9:00 PM; Fee: \$4.50; The Manassas Museum, 9317 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110; Phone: (703) 257-8457.
- 11-12** Ghosts of Staunton is presented by the Black Raven Paranormal. Join us as we explore downtown Staunton on a 90-minute walking tour. Our tours offer many ghostly tales and experiences, along with historic facts of Staunton's past. Coffee on the Corner, 140 E. Beverly Street, Staunton, VA 24401; Phone: (540) 448-2743.
- 11-12** 18th Annual McCormick Civil War Institute, "'I think I have sufficient force': Milroy, Ewell and the Second Battle of Winchester" at Shenandoah University, Winchester. Lectures by Dr. Brandon H. Beck, Prof. Jonathan Noylas & Stephen Lee Ritchie. Friday banquet, Saturday tour. Tour \$40, students \$20; banquet & lecture \$35. For information, Sandy Snyder, (540) 535-3543, ssnyder@su.edu.
- 12** Living history, "Civil War Surgeon," at Ellwood, near the intersection of Routes 3 and 20 west of Fredericksburg. 11 am-4:30 pm. Free. [fowb.org](http://fowb.org).
- 12-13** Living history, "Reacting to the Raid" anniversary of John Brown's Raid activities at the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park. 10 am-4 pm. Free with park admission. [nps.gov/hafe](http://nps.gov/hafe).
- 12-13** Living history, "Iron Brigade Weekend," camp and demonstrations at the Antietam National Battlefield. Free with park admission. [nps.gov/anti](http://nps.gov/anti).
- 12-14** Living history, special tours and talks, "Battle of Bristoe Station 150th Commemorative Weekend" at the Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park in Bristow. 11 am-3 pm. Donations encouraged. 703-366-3049.
- 17** Lecture, "Death and Dying in Civil War Alexandria," at the Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington St., in Alexandria. 7:30 pm. Free. [historicalalexandria.org](http://historicalalexandria.org).
- 18** Car-caravan tour, "Battle of Cedar Creek," begins at the Hupp's Hill Civil War Park, 33229 Old Valley Pike, in Strasburg. 4-6 pm. Free. [nps.gov/cebe](http://nps.gov/cebe).
- 19** Living history walking tour, "Courage! The Civil War in Washington," hear the stories, see the downtown sites. Meets at 1001 Pennsylvania Ave NW. 11 am. \$12. [historicstrolls.com](http://historicstrolls.com).
- 19** Walking tour, "Civil War Annapolis," begins at the information booth at the City Dock. 10 am-noon. \$16/adult. [annapolis-tours.com](http://annapolis-tours.com).
- 19** Battlefield hikes, two-hour guided tours of the Monocacy National Battlefield near Frederick. 9 am, 11:30 am and 2 pm. Free. [nps.gov/mono](http://nps.gov/mono).
- 19** Bus tour, "John Wilkes Booth Escape Route," from DC to southern Maryland. Begins at Fort Ward Museum in Alexandria VA. 8 am-6 pm. \$95. Register by Oct. 7. 703-746-4848.
- 19** Walking tour, "The 8th Vermont at Cedar Creek" meets at 8739 Valley Pike, in Middletown. 11:30 am. Free. [nps.gov/cebe](http://nps.gov/cebe).
- 19** Living history vignettes, "Spirits, Suffering and Society: Death in Civil War Alexandria," at the Lee-Fendall House Museum, 614 Oronoco St, Alexandria. 6-9 pm. \$15. [www.leefendallhouse.org](http://www.leefendallhouse.org).
- 19** Walking tour, "Battles of Kernstown," at the Kernstown Battlefield off Route 11 south of Winchester. 11 am and 1 pm. [kernstownbattle.org](http://kernstownbattle.org).
- 19** Illumination, anniversary event at the Ball's Bluff battlefield Regional Park near Leesburg. 6:30 pm. Free. [nvrpa.org/park/balls\\_bluff](http://nvrpa.org/park/balls_bluff).
- 19** Living history, "The 17th Mississippi Regiment," camps and demonstrations at Aldie Mill, 39401 John Mosby Highway, Aldie. Noon-5 pm. Free. 703-327-9777.
- 19-20** Reenactment, "Battle of Cedar Creek," annual event on the historic battlefield south of Middletown. Camps, demonstrations and battles each day. Fee charged. [cedarcreekbattlefield.org](http://cedarcreekbattlefield.org).
- 26** Walking tour/lunch, "Battle of Belle Grove or Cedar Creek," at Belle Grove Plantation on the battlefield south of Middletown. 10 am. \$55. [www.bellegrove.org](http://www.bellegrove.org).
- 26** Seminar and tour, "At Freedom's Gate: The African American Quest for Freedom During the Civil War," at Lord Fairfax Community College in Middletown. \$20. 540-868-7021.
- 26** Bus tour, "Brandy Station & Kelly's Ford," begins 8 am at the Franconia Museum, 6121 Franconia Road, Franconia. \$100/person includes lunch. 703-971-4984.
- 26** Lantern tours, "Spirits of New Market," ghost tours at the Virginia Museum of the Civil War/New Market Battlefield State Park in New Market. 7-8:45 pm. \$10. [www.vmi.edu/newmarket](http://www.vmi.edu/newmarket).
- 26-27** "Under Fire: The Battle of Boliver Heights, 1862," at the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park. Demonstrations at 1 and 2 and 3 pm. Free with park admission. [nps.gov/hafe](http://nps.gov/hafe).
- 26-27** Living history, camps and weapons firing demonstrations at the Antietam National Battlefield. Free with park admission. [nps.gov/anti](http://nps.gov/anti).
- 27** Living history, "Eyewitness to War," tours of the Mt. Zion Church and cemetery in Aldie. 1-5 pm. Free, donations welcome.

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## **BULL RUN CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE**

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**Centreville, VA 20122**

### **2013 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, BRCWRT Treasurer, 169 Applegate Drive, Sterling, VA 20164**

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