

BRCWRT FALL 2022 Tour Marching Orders

Date: Saturday, October 1, 2022

Tour Guide: Gregg Mertz, retired Fredericksburg National Battlefield Park Ranger

Assembly Location/Time: Chatham, Fredericksburg National Battlefield Park (MNBP), **10:00 AM** (Chatham opens at 9:00 AM). **Directions:** From I-95, take exit 133B US-17 BUS S/Warrenton to Chatham Heights Rd to Chatham Lane.

Departure Time: 10:30 AM

Tour Duration: Tour expected to end approx. 3 PM in downtown Fredericksburg

Cost: Free to All

Mode of Transportation: Carpooling. Consolidation at Chatham will take place in order to minimize caravan size. Individuals may arrange carpool transportation from NVA to Chatham on their own.

Uniform of the Day: Dress for fall weather, wear comfortable shoes

Lunch: Lunch break is targeted for around 12:00 PM (several sub shops are nearby - everyone is on their own to bring or purchase their lunch)

Subject Matter: The Army of the Potomac's crossing of the Rappahannock River and the street fighting in Fredericksburg, December 1862

Walking distance: A little over 2 miles total

Tour Stops include:

1. Chatham (model pontoon bridge, and Union artillery position for the bombardment of the city)
2. Upper Pontoon Crossing, Michigan Alley (7th Michigan story)
3. Intersection of Hawke Street and Caroline Street (20th Massachusetts story)
4. Welford House (19th Massachusetts story)
5. Ridge along Princess Anne Street (where Lane Brandon made a stand and realized he was facing a friend from his Harvard Days)
6. Jane Beale house (her story)
7. Fanny White house (her story)
8. Middle Pontoon (crossing site)

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