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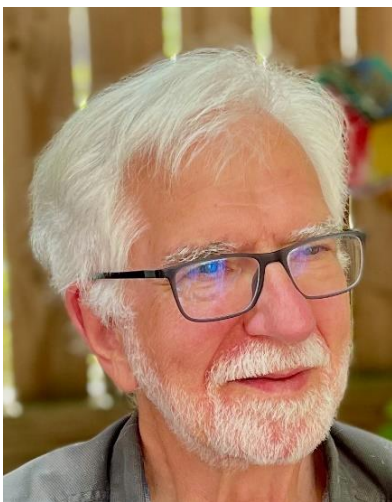
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From the President



Museum Boards of Directors, Archivists, Curators, and Librarians write their history in three ways – by their deeds, their words and their museum. Not one of these can be understood unless we read all three. Of the three, the most trustworthy one is the last: the museum.

But while history is what happened, it is also, just as important, how we think about what happened and what we unearth and choose to remember about what happened.

What's next for the Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum?

Now that the entire collection has been moved to the Lewis-Pattison House we can begin to set-up the Museum. When this is completed, we will open.

The Board of Directors thanks the many volunteers that helped us move. We are fortunate to have so many members and friends who contributed their time and energy. The Museum's continued existence is assured.

During the move we have added members and made contacts with potential contributors. The Museum's community continues to expand. Attendance at our free Zoom Programs has stayed consistent.

Researchers from around the world have been most appreciative of our efforts in answering their genealogy questions. We now have PayPal for membership payments and donations.

In the coming year we will be updating our Website with pictures of the new Museum. More publicity for the Museum is forthcoming, as we have been contacted by the reporters who are excited about our move.

Old Baldy looks happy in his new home and so do the Board of Directors, volunteers and friends.

Keep checking our website www.garmuslib.org for opening announcements.

Joe Perry
President

Saying Farewell



In January 2022 Hugh Boyle gave notice that he was stepping down from the Presidency of the Delaware Valley CWRT after 30 years as president. Hugh, of course, had also served as Executive Director and President of the GAR Museum and Library and as a Board Member. Hugh had every intention of remaining involved in the local Civil War community.

At that time, GAR Museum President Joe Perry shared these sentiments with the Del Val CWRT:

“Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality” – Abraham Lincoln. “The Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum’s success over the past 14 years is due to Hugh Boyle’s commitment. His distinguished leadership, as Board Member, Executive Director and

President, inspired cooperation and confidence. He demonstrated a strong ability to identify, analyze and solve problems. His extraordinary enthusiastic spirit motivated the volunteers. His efforts have secured the future of the Museum. We are greatly indebted to Hugh – a friend, a mentor and a teacher.”

Sadly, Hugh passed away on March 17 – St. Patrick’s Day – while at Jefferson Abington Hospital. Tributes poured in from colleagues and friends of the Museum, the Del Val Round Table, and other organizations, expressing shock and sadness.

GAR Museum Vice-President Andy Waskie and Treasurer Herb Kaufman, who are also members of the Del Val CWRT shared their thoughts on hearing of Hugh's passing:



Oh no! How sad. I am really distressed by the news. The only small thing that helps to mitigate the sorrow a bit is that Hugh passed on St. Patrick's Day. Now whenever I think of St Patrick I will be sure to remember Hugh and his wonderful work for history and his winning personality.....

Andy Waskie

It is with very heavy hearts that we mourn the passing of our President Emeritus Hugh "Reds" Boyle. Hugh was a teacher, scholar, friend and mentor. He will be greatly missed, but never forgotten. The family has asked that those who wish to make a memorial tribute to Hugh send a donation in his name to the Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum and Archive. As you know Hugh was an active volunteer and speaker, and also the president of the museum for many years. **Herb Kaufman**

It was a chilly and damp morning when we gathered to say farewell to our dear friend Reds Boyle. To me, it seemed fitting that even nature and Heaven were weeping. There was a beautiful and moving service, first at St. Ephrem Church and then at Resurrection Cemetery, both highlighted by beautiful music, comforting eulogies, a military honor guard from the SUV, the traditional bagpiper, and the military gravesite service. The vast number of people, some from the Civil War community I hadn't seen in some time, had come to pay their final respects. Several of us there remarked that it was the first time we ever witnessed the Mass of Christian Burial where the celebrant actually broke down in tears during his eulogy. A true reflection on how much Reds was loved by everyone present.



It goes without saying that Hugh Boyle will forever be in our hearts and our memories – a true leader, a true gentleman, and a true friend!

atque in perpetuum, frater, ave atque vale.

..... **Pat Caldwell, Editor**



Your support is essential to the continued survival of the only museum in the Philadelphia area solely dedicated to the history of the Civil War

KEEP HISTORY ALIVE!
Become a member of the museum

On March 17, President Emeritus Hugh “Reds” Boyle passed away. Hugh was an integral part of the museum as well as a friend and mentor to so many people over the past years. I wish to express our most sincere gratitude to so many of our members and friends who have made such generous donations in honor of the memory of Hugh. For many years, Hugh worked diligently to secure funding and advance the mission of the museum. His knowledge of history, contributions to the historic community, and outstanding character will never be forgotten.

The museum cannot continue without your financial support, and so many wonderful people have stepped to the front and have graciously made donations. We wish to express our most sincere gratitude to members of the Museum Advisory Board Dr. Gary Grove and Bob Hanrahan and the Special Gifts Program of the William Penn Foundation, and the Grady family and the Schwab Charitable Gifts for their wonderful support. We are enormously grateful for your commitment to history.

It is indeed very exciting and gratifying to note the many new members, especially those who have become Life Members of the museum. Our list of esteemed Life Members has continued to grow and we extend a gracious “Thank You” those who have made this commitment.

Our monthly Zoom programs continue to be exceedingly successful and have attracted many new members and friends of the museum. We are averaging over 50 registrants for each monthly program. This is so exciting and we are very pleased both with the response and the financial support from those who have been attending our Zoom programs.

I wish to express the sincerest appreciation of the museum board to all of our members for their continued generous support and interest in the museum. With your continued support we can assure that this historic collection remains as a central part of the Philadelphia area historical community.

Herb Kaufman
Treasurer

**GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
CIVIL WAR MUSEUM, LIBRARY &
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FIRST SUNDAY ZOOM
PROGRAMS**



**JOIN US THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
PROGRAM BEGINS AT 1:00PM**

These are FREE virtual programs online - Please RSVP to garmuslib1866@gmail.com

June 5, 2022 – 1:00 PM (DST in the US) VIA ZOOM – Video Interview on the History of the Santa Fe Trail at its 200th Anniversary – Featuring noted Historian, Author, Preservationist and Raconteur Debbie Goodrich of Oakley, Kansas and the Ft Wallace Museum
Please send a request to reserve a virtual seat for any of these outstanding presentations by e-mail to garmuslib1866@gmail.com

Requests to reserve a virtual seat that are sent the day of the Program may not arrive in time. We will make every effort to reply, but Gmail may be slow, and our volunteer may be called away. You will be sent a link with a password that will enable you to access the program within 24 hours of the start of the presentation.

As a lover of history, you know how critical it is to keep history alive, especially today! We very much appreciate your continued support for the GAR Civil War Museum.

Details and Updates on Upcoming Programs will be available on the Museum website
<https://garmuslib.org>

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY PROGRAM IN JULY.

MUSEUM PEOPLE & HAPPENINGS

Annual Membership Meeting

Our Annual Membership Meeting via Zoom was held on January 23, 2022.

Board Members Kathleen Smith, Mike Peter and Andy Waskie were reelected for another 3-year term. Tom Donnelly, Mary Ann Hartner, Herb Kaufman, Joe Perry, Fred Rosso, Mary Wible will continue to serve. The Board members are all volunteers.

Joe Perry announced that the Museum will be reopening in the Spring with a soft opening for members and a grand opening in the fall for the public.

We will be using PayPal for dues payments and donations.

We need to thank the following for their help in moving the Museum over the past few months:

The Board of Directors

Carol Ingald

John Hartner

Amy and Dan Hummel

Walt Lafty

Mary Wible

For moving Old Baldy:

Phil Candando

Don May

Ed Zongolowicz

A call for volunteers to help move will go out in March.

The Griscom Street properties are under an agreement of sale.

Zoom Programs will continue in 2022 except for the month of July.

Members were reminded to renew their memberships for 2022.

Programs

Due to the COVID-19 imposed restrictions, our regularly planned First Sunday programs continued via the Zoom platform. They have proved to be very popular with high audience participation.

Free Program Video for January 2022

'The Civil War in Story & Song' by Famous Balladeer Charlie Zahm

Pennsylvania Balladeer Charlie Zahm took us through 4 long years of Civil War through song and story, poems and reflections that illustrate the human experience – both on the battlefield and at the home front – during this most tumultuous time. The arts always reflect the personal side of tragedy and triumph, a window into the souls of those who lived it. In this presentation, Charlie shared with us some of his favorite selections from both North and South.



Several years ago, Charlie's interest in the music of the Civil War was sparked when friends in the Civil War community finally convinced him that his repertoire of Scottish, Irish and traditional American songs was a strong basis for attracting the Civil War community through his music. Charlie boasts a degree in history (one of several in his portfolio). His interest in Civil War history led him to disciplined research of the period, along with how it affected the body of music, so important to its proper understanding. He also located family connections to the war, including Col. Lewis Zahm of the 3rd Ohio Cavalry. A Michigan native, Charlie now lives in Pennsylvania.



February 6, 2022

“Volunteers, Substitutes, & Drafted Men: Enlisting in the Civil War”

by Historian Bryan Cheeseboro

Our understanding of the service of the Civil War soldier is typically limited to the man who willfully volunteered, joining the Army after Fort Sumter, and being discharged after Appomattox. While there is no question that most soldiers joined on their own accord, many means, including the first draft in history at the time, were employed. This presentation provided the story of the volunteer, as well as the other methods used by both sides to get men into uniform.

Bryan Cheeseboro works for the National Archives with the records of the Civil War. He is a reenactor with Company B, 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He has been featured on American Battlefield Trust's *Zoom Goes the History* series and Antietam Live: programs. He has written for the *Emerging Civil War* blog. His presentations to the Rock Creek, DC Civil War Round Table include the programs *Outside of Lincoln's White House: Civil War Men and Women of the DC Metro Area*; *The Grand Reviews of the Civil War*; and *The 1st United States Colored Infantry*. He is also a board member of the Alliance to Preserve the Civil War Defenses of Washington.



March 6, 2022

Women's Lifestyles of the 1860's – by renowned historian Jane Peters Estes

This program described how women lived during the Civil War era and covered everything from society matrons to female spies. Topics included fashion, health problems, career choices, and the “typical” lifestyle.

Jane Peters Estes is well known in the Civil War community as a speaker and tour leader with Starr Tours. She is the author of a number of articles published in various magazines and periodicals. In addition to being a member of the GAR Museum and Library, Jane is also a member of the Delaware Valley CWRT, the Meade Society, the 28th PA Volunteers, and numerous other historical organizations. Her repertoire of topics includes Victorian civilian life and fashions, Pets of the Past, and the Origins of Memorial Day.

April 3, 2022

“The Conspiracy and the Men Who Killed Abraham Lincoln”

The program originally scheduled for this month was canceled due to the sudden passing of our planned speaker Hugh Boyle. As the General Meade Society dedicated their History Colloquium in his memory, our members were encouraged to support their program entitled **“General George G. Meade and the Battle of Gettysburg and Campaign” – A Discussion & Commentary** – moderated by Dr. Andy Waskie, President of the Meade Society, and featuring renowned and distinguished Historians and Authors: Jennifer M. Murray and Kent Masterson Brown

May 1, 2022

“Legacy of Freedom - Highlighting the role of the newspapers, especially the *Inquirer* in the reporting of the news in the Civil War” by Ed Colimore

More than 300 years ago William Penn set out to create his “Greene Country Towne,” which would “never be burnt and always be wholesome.” He wanted the new town to be very different from the congested, disease-plagued London of his time. Penn called his city a “Holy Experiment,” a place where people could live in peace and worship freely. In the years between Penn’s time and ours, Philadelphia became more like London in its crowding and griminess but glimpses of the “Green Country Towne” are still found in its public squares and in Fairmount Park, the nation’s largest landscaped urban park. With its tolerance and hospitality, the city became the perfect backdrop for a heroic era of ideas that would change the world. This is the birthplace of freedom where the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were written and debated. The nation’s greatest leaders – George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, James Madison and Patrick Henry – walked these streets, worshipped in the churches and lived out the most dramatic period of their lives. In his talk, Ed Colimore followed the footsteps of those who gave us a legacy of freedom. He took us to neighborhoods across the city during the colonial and federal periods, the Civil War and Victorian Age.



Edward Colimore is an author and longtime journalist. He began a newspaper career in 1969 at the Baltimore News American where he was an investigative reporter and columnist. In 1982, he moved to the Philadelphia Inquirer where he was a staff writer and editor for 34 years. Ed covered the courts, police, politics, the arts and military. He also reported on stories from Afghanistan, Qatar, Germany, Colombia, Canada and military bases across the world. But whenever he could, he focused on his interest in military history and the history of Philadelphia, producing hundreds of articles and five books, including *Eyewitness Reports – The Inquirer’s Live Coverage of the American Civil War* and four editions of *The Philadelphia Inquirer’s Walking Tours of Historic Philadelphia*. The most recent edition came out last summer. Ed also has devoted himself to preserving the history of World War II combat glider pilots like his father who flew three missions. He recently created a new website called ww2gliders.com and a nonprofit 501C3 to raise funds for a bronze monument to honor the glider pilots.

Museum Members At Home, Out, and About

Many of our members attend other events, always with the intention of spreading interest in the Civil War, the GAR, the SUV, American History in general, and the men and women they represent. Even with Covid restrictions, we've been able to present ZOOM programs for other organizations and to attend events with restricted attendance.

ZOOM Programs for Other Organizations

Andy Waskie, Herb Kaufman, Jane Peters Estes and Paula Gidjunis presented programs for other historical organizations, and various round tables.

Walt Lafty, Herb Kaufman, Tom Donnelly, and Andy Waskie were among the instructors conducting classes for the Civil War Institute and History Institute offered by Manor College and the Delaware Valley CWRT throughout the year. Programs for the Summer session have been announced and will continue on the ZOOM platform for the foreseeable future. You can find the schedule in this newsletter. As lovers of history, you know how critical it is to keep history alive, especially today! The institutes and the instructors would love to have your support to keep the programs active.

In-Person Programs

While many organizations are continuing on Zoom, some events have come back to being in-person, and some with a hybrid format where the in-person is also streamed via ZOOM for participants who wish to stay home.

Jane Peters Estes has several programs scheduled for the Moorestown (NJ) Public Library – one on The History of Decoration (Memorial) Day, and the other on Wedding Customs, including during the Victorian Era. Details on the programs can be found in the Upcoming Events section on page 32.

Andy Waskie will speak on Catholic Volunteer Soldiers of the Civil War from Philadelphia for the American Catholic Historical Society in Philadelphia on May 15. Details on this program can be found in the Upcoming Events section on page 32.

Around Town

Annual General Meade Birthday Celebration



Close to 300 people attended the annual General Meade Birthday Celebration at Laurel Hill Cemetery on December 31, 2021. It was General Meade's 206th Anniversary and the 31st year of the observance organized by the General Meade Society. A number of Museum members were in attendance, including the host Andy Waskie, Albert



El, Walt Laffy, Mike Peter, Carol Neumann Waskie, and Herb Kaufman. Period music was provided by the Philadelphia Brigade Band, and a champagne toast and refreshments were provided by the General Meade Society. Photos from the General Meade Society website.

Annual Lincoln Day Celebration



A number of GAR Museum members participated in the Annual Lincoln Day celebration in Center City Philadelphia and the Union League on Friday, February 11, 2022. Andy Waskie and Albert El were among those participating. Photo from the General Meade Society.

Northeast Philadelphia History Fair

The GAR Museum was well represented at the Northeast Philadelphia History Fair held at Cannstatters Volkfest Verein on Saturday, April 30. Mary Ann & John Hartner, Herb Kaufman and Joe Perry – with assistance from Dan Cashin so they could take a break – spent their Saturday meeting and speaking with visitors and sharing information on the GAR Museum and Archive. Other members, Carol Ingald, Paula Gidjunis, Mike Wunsch, Andy Waskie, Tom Donnelly, and Amy & Dan Hummel were also in attendance supporting The General Meade Society and Delaware Valley CWRT tables. Photos shared by Mary Ann Hartner.



GAR Museum in the News

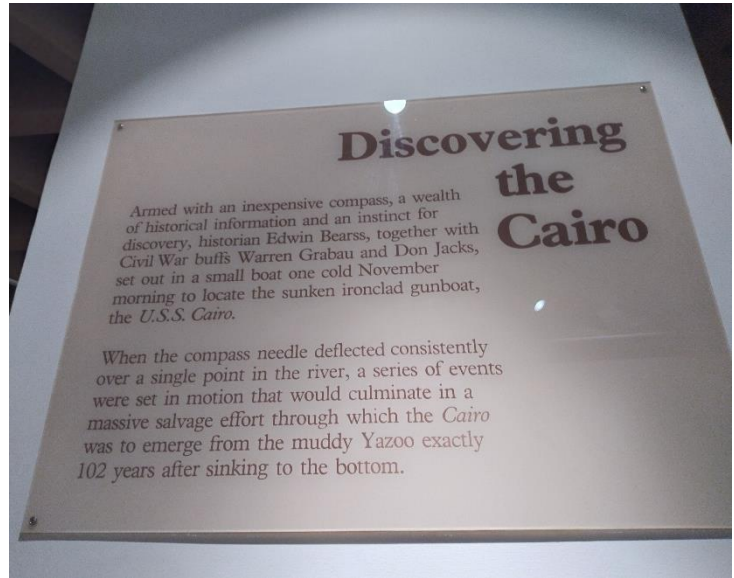
In Case You Missed it the Philadelphia Inquirer recently highlighted an article and photos about the GAR Museum. The full text of the article can be found here:

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A Mississippi River Sojourn by Mary Ann Hartner

This past April, John and I were truly fortunate to be able to cruise up the Mighty Mississippi River on a replica paddle Riverboat. We went for 9 days, a Civil War themed cruise, starting in New Orleans for one night and heading up to Natchez, Vicksburg, St Francisville, Baton Rouge, and Bayou Lafourche on the way down.



The highlight of our trip was visiting the National Battlefield at Vicksburg and of course seeing the USS *Cairo*. I was only disappointed in the fact that we did not have enough time on the field. We only stopped at two places. Our tour guide was a licensed Battlefield guide and was highly informative about the battle, and the events that led up to the actual siege and the surrender. John and I were both surprised by the terrain of the battlefield. It is very rugged!!

When we stopped at the USS *Cairo*, we were able to have a stop that allowed us to spend time enjoying and admiring the amazing USS *Cairo* and the feat of her coming to her last resting place. She was able to be raised in three pieces and was well preserved because of the cold water of the Yazoo River. Our guide said something very amusing, but so fitting and true, that only Edwin C. Bearss would find this, while we find minie balls.

I could go on and on about all the museums we toured, including one on the Lower Mississippi, and the Great Plantations we toured, but that would take up the whole newsletter. I do want to tell you about the one Plantation you need to see, if you ever go to Mississippi and that would be the classic "Oak Alley". It was amazing. You know the 250-year-old Oak trees with the Spanish moss hanging down making the amazing alley up to the porch. Yes, we did have a Mint Julep or two. OH! And on a side note, there was a kitty cat in nearly every place we toured.

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Besides all Civil War history we learned and about our unfortunate slavery years, it was amazing being on the Muddy Mississippi. It was muddy, huge in some areas and narrow in others and has changed her course over the years. We were fascinated over the amount of shipping on her and the beauty, birds, plants, sunsets, etc.

The food was good, the people we met from all over the country were friendly, and the cruise line had great entertainment at night for us to enjoy (Cajun, Creole and oldies).

We really were “rolling on the river” and “down in the Bayou”.





The Curator's Corner ... by Herb Kaufman

We are very excited to let all of our wonderful members and supporters know that we are working diligently to get our historic collection ready in our new location.

Our new building is the Lewis-Pattison House. The property was originally owned by Thomas Holme, the man for whom Holmesburg is named. He sold this parcel to Robert Lewis and his wife who built the house in 1805. The first two rooms are made of stone and date to 1805. The second part of the house is frame, and was built in 1857, prior to the Civil War. This location at 8110 Frankford Avenue has far greater accessibility for visitors and volunteers.

Our wonderful museum volunteers have worked diligently in securing and moving our historic collection to the new museum. At this time, I am very pleased to advise all our members and friends that this arduous project has been successfully completed. At this time our entire collection of relics, artifacts, photographs, paintings and other historic objects are now safely secured in our new museum.

As you can well imagine moving our vast collection to a new home is a difficult and complex undertaking. We have a wonderful core group of volunteers who have worked diligently in wrapping and packing the relics, photos and artifacts.

We are currently in the process of creating our new and exciting exhibits. We plan on bringing to life many historic objects that have not been exhibited in quite a while. We have already installed a new exhibit focusing on Civil War medicine.

We also have just completed a new exhibit on women featuring many previously unseen photographs and a beautiful mourning bodice along with a bonnet, miser's purse, spectacles, and reticule.

Of course, we will have a new exhibit focusing on the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, featuring new and historic photographs and memorabilia.

We are now working on hanging many of our historic portraits and other framed objects and we are developing new exhibit descriptions intended to make your museum visit more educational and instructive.

Our new exhibits will also directly emphasize the individual soldiers. We are exhibiting many objects of personal memorabilia that we can directly link to a specific soldier. Where possible we will feature a photograph or image of the soldier, bringing his story to life.

We look forward to the future when we can again welcome you to the G.A.R. Civil War Museum and Archive

“Where history comes alive!”



Preserving an Artifact by Joe Perry

As we began our move to our new location, we had to make a number of difficult decisions concerning some of our furniture. For many years an old table sat in the back library room. The table had previously suffered water damage and was in seriously poor condition. The wood had dried out and the center was broken away. However, museum member Dan Cashin believed that this historic table could be saved.

On May 3, Dan and Henry Connor arrived at the new museum and brought with them a truly beautiful and fully restored gaming table. This table once probably sat in the library at the Post 2 Memorial Hall.



This is a tilt-top game (or center) table designed and patented by George Hunzinger (1835-1898) in 1894. It features his patented hinge that allows the top to tilt and lock into place. One top has

an inlaid chess/checker board and the flip top is green felt for playing cards. The table sits on legs with animal claw feet.



George Hunzinger achieved numerous patents throughout his career and is known for incorporating mechanical innovations in his chairs and tables. His works are found in the permanent collections of many museums, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to Dan and Henry for their outstanding efforts in preserving this fine piece of Civil War and G. A. R. history.

We will proudly display this historical table when the museum reopens in the near future.

TAKE NOTE

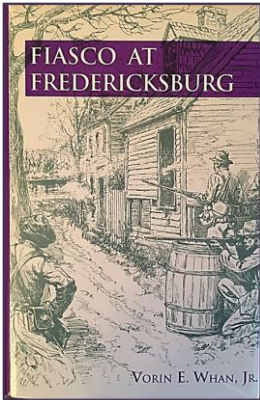
**DUE TO THE MUSEUM MOVING TO ITS NEW HOME,
THE MUSEUM IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

FROM THE MUSEUM'S BOOKSHELF *Walt Lafty*

Fiasco at Fredericksburg

By Vorin E. Whan, Jr.

Penn State University Press, 1961, 159 pages



When *Fiasco at Fredericksburg* was first published in 1961, up to that time there were only a couple of books covering the 1862 battle of Fredericksburg. As author and historian Gary W. Gallagher noted in the year 2000, “The battle of Fredericksburg awaits full scholarly treatment. The best study to date is Vorin E. Whan Jr.’s *Fiasco at Fredericksburg*.”

Since that time, a few really great books about the battle of Fredericksburg have been published. Among them are included *Fredericksburg!* *Fredericksburg!* (2002) by George Rable and *The Fredericksburg Campaign: Winter War on the Rappahannock* (2003) by Francis A. O'Reilly.

However, author Vorin E. Whan did not live to see either the comments by Mr. Gallagher or to see the award-winning books of Rable and O'Reilly. Author and U.S. Army Officer Vorin Whan died in South Vietnam in 1967.

Vorin Edwin Whan Jr. was born in 1928. He graduated from the University of Alabama (B.A.) and Penn State University (M.A.). He enlisted in the United States Army in 1950 as a 2nd Lt. and by 1967 he had risen to the rank of Lt. Colonel.

On February 7, 1967, he was serving with *MACV Advisory Team 31 on an operation in the Central Highlands of South Vietnam. The helicopter landed with LTC Whan, another MACV advisor, and a crew of four. They were ambushed and all six members killed. The helicopter was destroyed, then set on fire by the Viet Cong. All bodies were eventually recovered, and that of LTC Whan was brought home to be buried at Fredericksburg, Virginia. His remains lay in the Confederate Cemetery there as a tribute to his love of history and to his service to our Country. (*MACV is Military Assistance Command Vietnam).



His book *Fiasco at Fredericksburg* was published in 1961 by Penn State University and in recent years reprinted publications are available for a very reasonable price via any internet search. The

book is short, only 159 pages, with some maps that provide a good general overview of the situation.

While the previously mentioned books by Rable and O'Reilly are certainly more scholarly and overall better books for the person wanting to “study” the battle of Fredericksburg, *Fiasco at Fredericksburg* is one that is a very good start for the beginner. It is a very easy and quick read with a nice overall summary of the campaign. It provides information on the political and military situation leading up to the battle, covers the fight to cross the Rappahannock River on December 11th, the fighting in the town itself, and the battle on December 13th at both Marye's Heights as well as the southern end of the battlefield against “Stonewall” Jackson. The author also includes the Order of Battle for the Union and Confederate Armies, a Casualty Recapitulation, and a short tactical study from his perspective as a military officer.



GETTYSBURG NMP ANNOUNCES CLOSURES

In order to address safety concerns Gettysburg NMP will close some very popular tourist sites beginning this spring. The closures will affect Little Round Top, Devil's Den, and the Observation Towers. According to the website:

Devil's Den Closure Rehabilitation Project: “Devil's Den closed for rehabilitation work on Monday, March 21. This project will address significant erosion and safety issues in this highly visited area of the battlefield. Devil's Den will be CLOSED for approximately five to six months.

Little Round Top Rehabilitation Project: “This project is estimated to begin in late Spring '22 and will take approximately 18 months to complete. During this time, Little Round Top will be CLOSED. Overwhelmed parking areas, poor accessibility, safety hazards, and erosion will be addressed.

Observation Towers Close for Safety Inspections: “Temporary and intermittent closures of all three of the park's observation towers will take place from April 5 to 8 for safety inspections.”

For a video explaining Little Round Top at Gettysburg 12–18-month closure check out <https://www.nps.gov/gett/learn/historyculture/little-round-top.htm>

Stories of Posts of the Grand Army.....by Walt Lafty

At its heyday, there were thirty-six (36) Posts of the Grand Army in Philadelphia alone. This is part of a continuing series on GAR Posts and GAR History that will appear in the Grand Army Scout

J.K. Taylor Post 182 Bethlehem, Pennsylvania



G.A.R. Post 182 Civil War Cannon - Nisky Hill Cemetery – Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

On 25 May 1869, G.A.R. Post 182 Department of Pennsylvania was organized and named in honor of Captain Jonathan K. Taylor (1842- 1863). Captain Taylor served in Company C, 129th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry (PVI). He enlisted 5 August 1862 and died at Georgetown, Washington D.C., on 28 March 1863. His death was the result of wounds received at Fredericksburg, Virginia on 13 December 1862 while fighting at Mary's Heights.

Post 182 was active in G.A.R. affairs from 1869 thru 1929. They met at the G.A.R. Hall in the Nickums' Building at 41 S. Main Street, Bethlehem. On 19 November 1923, the Post turned over its hall, furniture, and carpet to the Captain O. A. Luckenbach Camp of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW). The Camp agreed to take care of the financial responsibilities of the hall and allowed the Post to continue to meet in the hall following the transfer. They continued to meet until June 1929 and the last meeting minutes are recorded on 7 June 1929.

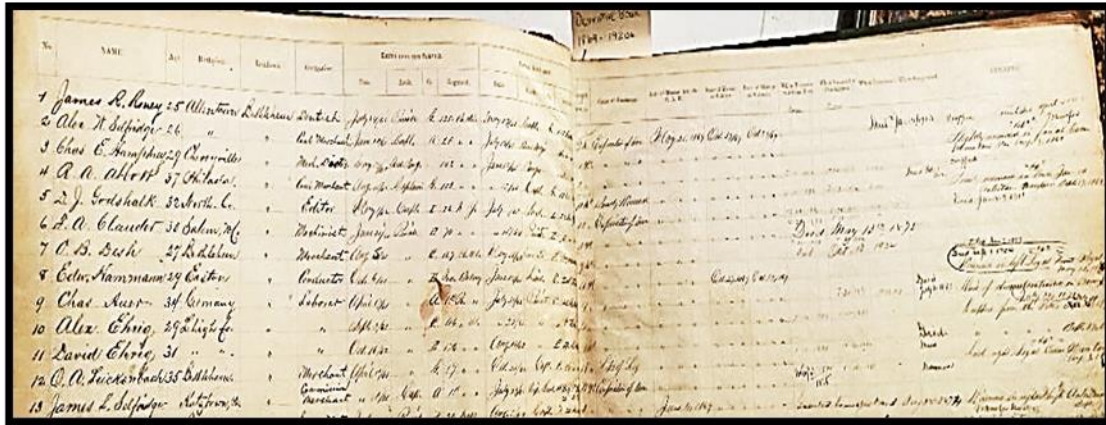
Taylor Post 182 appears to have had at least 435 members while it was in existence. One of those members was Lewis Franklin Gold who is an ancestor of G.A.R. Museum Board member Mary Wible. Lewis Gold served in Company A, 153rd Pennsylvania Infantry.

The first member registered in the Post Descriptive Book was James R. Roney. A dentist by occupation, he enlisted as a Private in the 128th PVI. He mustered into Post 182 on 25 May 1869 and remained a member until his death in 1913.

The last Commander of the Post was William H. Wohlbach who died on 6 January 1935 leaving only two surviving members of the Post. Commander Wohlbach had served in Company B, 153rd PVI.

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The G.A.R. Museum of Philadelphia is fortunate to hold a vast collection of records of the J. K. Taylor Post No. 182. Those records cover the years 1869 to 1929 and consist of thirty-five bound volumes, seven folders, and one binder. There are also a few items from the Captain O.A. Luckenbach Camp of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, dating from 1920 to 1944.

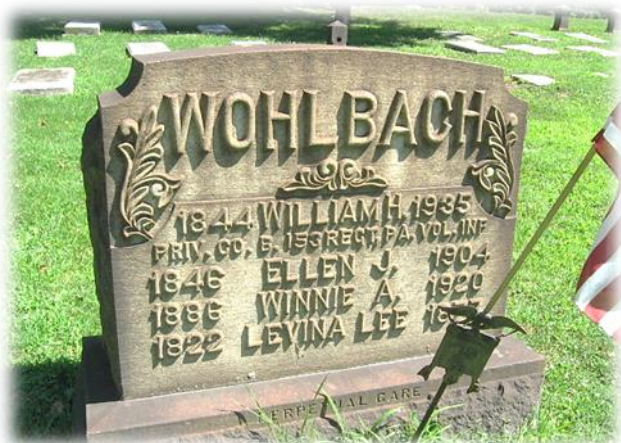


Descriptive Book J.K. Taylor Post 182

It is not known how the G.A.R. Museum and Library acquired the records or if additional records survived or exist. It is most likely they came from Post 2 in Philadelphia. Newspaper articles at the time the Camp disbanded state that the records were turned over to the Pennsylvania Department in Philadelphia. Like many GAR Post records of the time, those records and some artifacts that came into possession of the Department ultimately found their way to Post 2, and from there eventually made their way to the GAR Museum and Library of Philadelphia.

For a more detailed description of the records, visit the Philadelphia Area Archives Research Portal (PAARP) at:

http://dlc.library.upenn.edu/dla/pacscl/ead.html?fq=top_repository_facet%3A%22Grand%20Army%20of%20the%20Republic%20Civil%20War%20Museum%20and%20Library%22&id=PACSCL_SMREP_GARRG182&



William H. Wohlbach

1844-1935

Private Co., B 153rd Pennsylvania Vol. Infantry

Commander, GAR Post 182

Department of Pennsylvania

Buried at Nisky Cemetery

Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

“There’s GOLD in Them Thar Archives”

by Mary Wible

Lewis Franklin Gold - 153rd PA, Co. A, Infantry

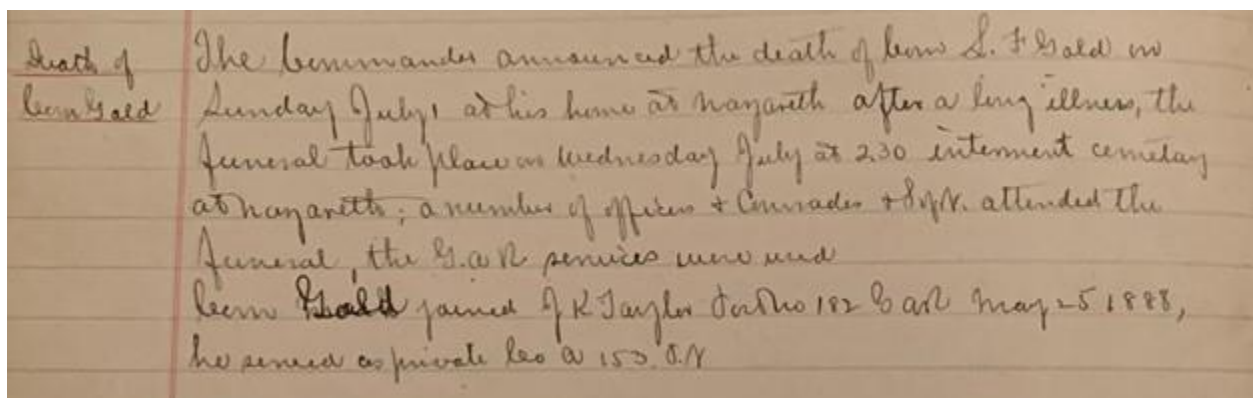
I often look for Civil War vets for family and friends. Recently I started a tree for my nephew John’s wife Gillian. It was on her mom Debra King Grady’s side that I found their ancestor Lewis Franklin Gold from Northampton County, PA.

Follow me on my GAR Civil War Museum and Archive journey for Lewis.

After finding some records on Fold 3, I turned to Walt Lafty, our researcher extraordinaire, to see if he could help. He checked the PA GAR Encampment Book for the year after Lewis died. Many of the books have a Memorial Roll in the back which lists the comrades who died the previous year. It includes their GAR Post, regiment and death date. I will be using that research tool from now on. Just know that not everyone is listed.

Lewis belonged to Post 182 which is the J. K. Taylor Post from Bethlehem. Walt then informed me that we had 12 boxes from that post in our archives. Talk about luck. I couldn’t wait to get there to research.

Day one started with terrific finds. The first was from a ledger with minutes of meetings which included the deaths of comrades who died with details of the burial. Checking the first meeting after the death date of Lewis brought me to his listing. Wow! I could not believe my luck.

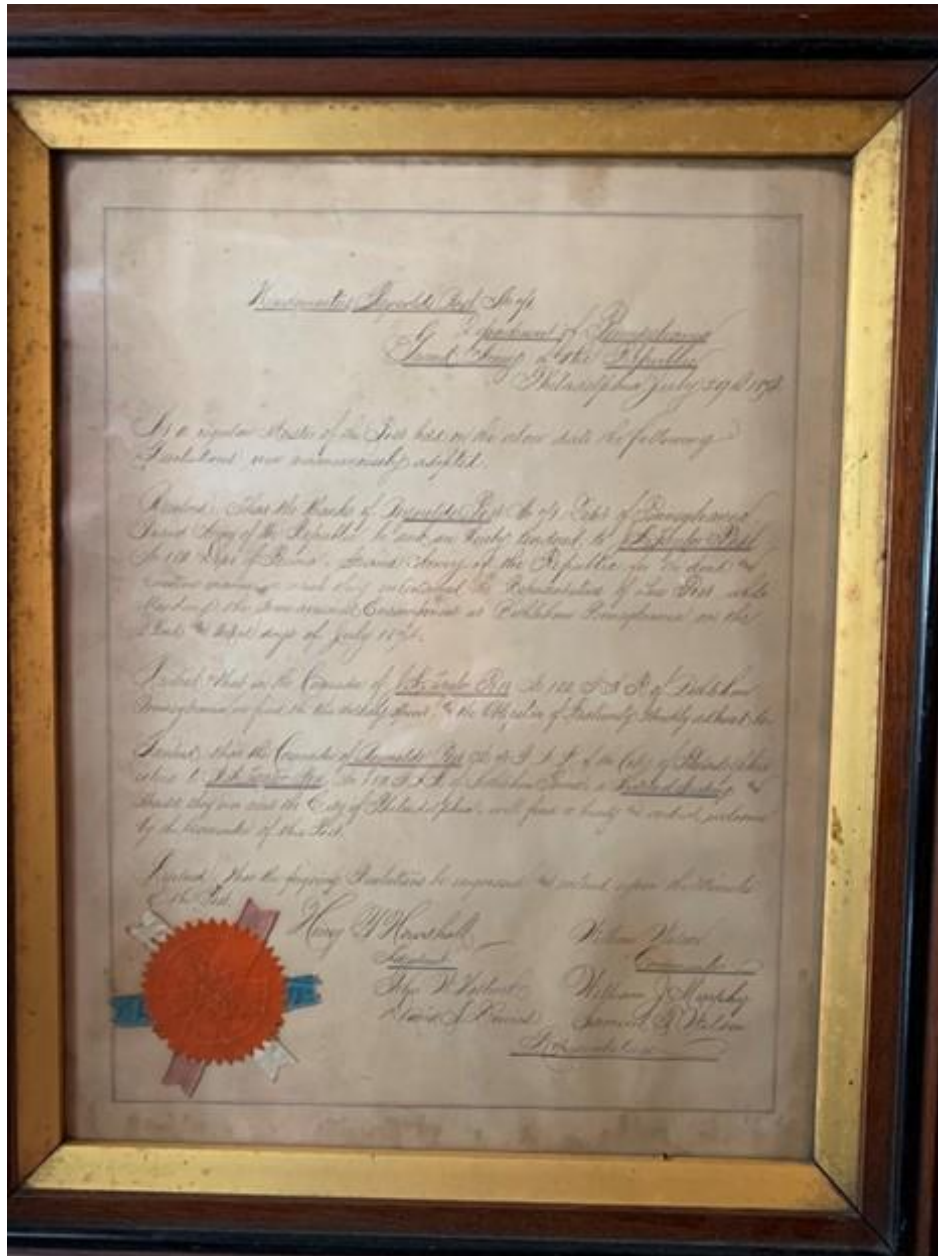


The handwritten entry is on lined paper. The left margin has the words "Death of" and "Lewis Gold" written vertically. The main text reads: "The commander announced the death of Lewis S. Gold on Sunday July 1st at his home at Nazareth after a long illness, the funeral took place on Wednesday July 3rd at 2:30 interment cemetery at Nazareth; a number of officers + comrades + Dep't attended the funeral, the G.A.R. services were read Lewis Gold joined J.K. Taylor Post 182 G.A.R. May 25 1888, he served as private Co. A 153rd P.A.

Next was a notation prior to that about him being sick. I was two for two and still had more to find.

Another book listed the dues paid by the Post members. Sure enough, Lewis F. Gold had entries. Three different kinds of documents in just the first day. I was thrilled, but it didn't end there.

As I was putting on my jacket to leave, a large, framed piece on the table that looked like a hand written charter with a seal in the bottom corner caught my attention. It was an elaborate thank you from a Philadelphia Post to the J. K. Taylor Post 182 for their hospitality. I was stunned.



Fortunately, Walt Lafty was there that day sharing in these finds with me. We were both amazed with the number of discoveries.

Another day of research brought his listing in the Record Book. Lewis and his documents continued. It was getting hard to believe my good fortune.

A subsequent trip to our archive got even better. Walt was busy researching something, while I went back to the Post 182 boxes. No luck on the first two, but the third was a winner. I was returning books to it when I noticed a file folder stuck snugly in the bottom. I opened it, saw the torn document on the top, and jumped back. Whose name was on it? You guessed it. Lewis Franklin Gold. What are the odds? Walt and I could not believe it.

This Blank is to be used by the Comrade and
 →*POST HISTORIAN*←
 In preparing the Sketch to be transcribed to the
 —RECORD BOOK.—

Give the following information clearly and plainly entire.

Your full name: *Lewis Franklin Gold*

When born? *Sept 21st 1843* When born? *Buckhill Grove Kentucky Co. Ky.*

When did you first enter the service? *Oct. 7, 1862*

Where did you first enter the service? *Camp Eastern Harpersburg Pa.*

What was your rank on entering the service? *Private*

What was your Company, Regiment, Battery, or Ship? *Company A. 153rd Inf. Penna. Infantry*

What office or rank did you hold while in the service? *Private*

State time and date of promotion.

What was your rank at close of the war? *Private*

When were you first discharged? *July 23rd 1863*

Where were you first discharged and for what reason? *at Eastern Pa. Expiration of Term*

Did you re-enlist or were you again commissioned? *No*

To what organization were you at any time transferred and when? *None*

When were you next discharged?

When were you finally discharged, and where?

By reason of what were you finally discharged?

What was the first battle in which you were engaged? *Charlottesville Pa.*

State wound, third, &c., including all engagements in which you participated.

Were you ever wounded? If so, when and where? *No.*

Were you ever confined in hospital? If so, when and where? *No.*

Were you ever taken prisoner? If so, when, where, and by whom? *Yes. At Charlottesville Pa. May 2nd 1863. By General Jackson's Men.*

In what prison, or prisons, were you confined, and from what time to what time? *In Libby Prison Pa. May 7th - 6th May 11th*

When did you leave the prison, or prisons, in which you were confined, and in what manner and under what circumstances? *About May 12th 1863. Left the Prison in a quiet & peaceful manner somewhat reduced in physical strength.*

Give the names of a few of your most intimate comrades in the service? *John H. Residder Edmund Young Robert Haas Business Ward Albert Cleveland &c.*

What do you deem the most important events in your service?

Is there any other matter or event in connection with your military or naval service? If so, state it fully but concisely?

This document was a printed, blank form with questions to be used by the Comrade and Post Historian to prepare for the Record Book. It gave me some firsthand information about his time in Libby Prison when captured at Chancellorsville.

I looked through them and found others from the 153rd PA. Each was in a different writing which made me wonder if the soldiers themselves wrote the answers. What a treasure that would be! Of course, I had no way to prove it – yet!

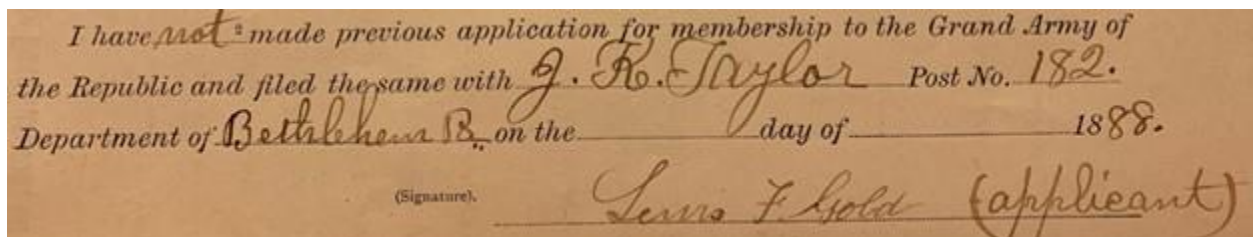
On our last day at Griscom Street, Andy Waskie came across an old photo of a GAR Post monument with a canon in a cemetery. There was no post name or cemetery name, only the number 482 or 182. Hmmm, I knew 182 was the Taylor Post. A closer look found the word Bethlehem in the corner.

Walt did a quick search on his phone to find that there was no 482 from that area. Could this be 182, and another Lewis F. Gold find?

When I got home, I found the photo online. It is Post 182, and the monument is in the Nisky Hill Cemetery in Bethlehem, PA. Unbelievable!

Herb Kaufman took it home, cleaned it up, and brought it to be framed. It looks great and will hang in our new museum. Stop by to see it.

That brings us to this final piece. Walt located the book of applications for Post 182. Sure enough, Lewis was there. This document had his signature! That is the best find of all as it personalizes things, and it brings Lewis to life for me. It also matches his name on the sheet for the Record Book, and Walt and Herb agree.



I checked three other men whose application signatures and Record Book forms match. This leads me to believe that the soldiers did actually fill in their papers themselves, although I'll never know for sure.

In addition, I found information elsewhere about Lewis in two other books which supported my research.

He had a brother, two cousins, and a brother-in-law who fought in the 153rd PA at Gettysburg. Lewis was not there after his capture at Chancellorsville.

Check out this uncanny connection. John's uncle was in the 75th PA. Gillian's was in the 153rd PA. These regiments were part of the 11th Corps and fought at Barlow's Knoll on July 1, 1863. Wow!

Gillian's mom Deb Grady is going to join the DUVCW in my tent.

Sean and Deb Grady also made a generous donation to the museum and will be life time members.

So, one never knows what one may find at the GAR Civil War Museum and Archive. For me, it was a GOLD mine.

I am not sure if I found Lewis F. Gold or if he found me. I am just happy that we found each other. Welcome to the family, Lewis, and God bless you for your service to our country.

DID YOU KNOW????????

The Museum has a Facebook Page.

Visit it at Grand Army of the Republic Museum and Library in Philadelphia.

<https://www.facebook.com/GrandArmyOfTheRepublicMuseumAndLibrary>

RESEARCHING YOUR ANCESTOR TUTORIAL VIDEOS (FREE WEBSITE)



By Walt Lafty

In recent newsletters I have provided some research tips specific to records held by this museum as well as other repositories such as the National Archives or websites such as FOLD 3 or Ancestry.com. In most of those articles the suggested sites and resources were specific tips relevant to the Civil War or the G.A.R.

This issue will be discussing free tutorial videos designed to help the novice researcher, but also the experienced researcher who might need a refresher. The videos are educational and provide general genealogical information as well as the Civil War and military research.

The information below is from the website of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (familysearch.org). This direct link from that website will show videos on explaining research tips for various worldwide records.

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/help/helpcenter/learning-center>

That link will take to you to the following screen. You can then do a word search in the box below.



Note: Example word search hits corresponds to videos as shown below.

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- Ireland 29 hits
- Germany 76 hits
- Jewish 5 hits
- French 13 hits
- Immigration 67 hits
- Military 47 hits

Some tutorial videos are dated (earlier years) e.g., 2009, but still provide basic and valuable research information. Others are more current (2021) with discussions sometimes regarding digital records.

A broad search could result in an enormous amount of hits. For instance, typing in the words genealogy records (not in quotes) renders 680 hits. To narrow down a word search, try using “quotes” as in these examples:

“Civil War” in quotes gives 5 hits (videos) and also show approximate time length of each video. Examples of those include:

- Military Records: Civil War (35 minutes)
- Civil War Genealogical Research (46 minutes)
- Finding the Slave Connection (18 minutes)

“Pension records” in quotes gives 3 hits with one example being:

- U.S. Military Pension Files (1776-1916): A Gold Mine for Family History Research (2021) 46 minutes.

The videos are presented by experienced genealogists on specific subjects and provided free. While you are required to register an account, it is simply an email address and password. There is no charge nor is personal information requested or required for an account.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints provides the FamilySearch website free to everyone regardless of religious affiliation. The main website address is <https://www.familysearch.org>

Good Luck with your Research
Walt

THE CIVIL WAR INSTITUTE & HISTORY INSTITUTE AT MANOR COLLEGE IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE DELAWARE VALLEY CWRT

While Manor College has reopened for in-person instruction, the Civil War and History Institutes will continue to present their classes virtually only via ZOOM for the foreseeable future. All of the summer session programs will be via ZOOM only. But the idea of live classroom work will be revisited in the fall.

You can register for the following classes on the Manor College Continuing Education website <https://manor.edu/academics/adult-continuing-education/history-institute/>

You will be sent a link with a password that will enable you to access the program. A reminder email will be sent again within 24 hours of the start of the class.

CIVIL WAR INSTITUTE CLASSES

“Plenty of Blame to Go Around”: Gettysburg Controversies – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – Gettysburg is the Civil War’s most studied battle Yet the actions of a number of commanders remain controversial and often contentious. This class will review four of these controversies: J.E.B. Stuart’s ride, Richard Ewell’s actions on July 1, the battle for Little Round Top, and why the Pickett-Pettigrew-Trimble charge failed.

Instructor: Herb Kaufman

Fee: \$30

Date: Thursday, May 12

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Too Outrageous to Be Fiction: Devil Dan Sickles – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – A Congressman who got away with murder. A general who lost a leg – and almost the battle – at Gettysburg. A diplomat who had an affair with the Queen of Spain. Incredible? Yes, but what’s really incredible is that these characters were all the same man – Daniel Edgar Sickles!

Instructor: Jerry Carrier

Fee: \$30

Date: Wednesday, June 22

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Stealing Lincoln's Body – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – Nearly 10 years after President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated, a band of criminals failed in an attempt to steal Lincoln's body from his tomb in Springfield, Illinois. This class focuses on the attempted theft for ransom, the debate over where the president was to be buried, and how his final resting place became a monument that is visited by thousands every year.

Instructor: Mike Jesberger

Fee: \$30

Date: Thursday, July 21

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

His Last Full Measure: The Unique Caspar Rene Gregory – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – Philadelphia native Caspar Rene Gregory was a UPenn graduate, Civil War veteran, internationally known Biblical scholar and professor at the University of Leipzig. During World War I, Gregory was shot and killed at age 71, the oldest known soldier to die in that war.

Instructor: Andy Waskie

Fee: \$30

Date: Monday, August 8

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

HISTORY INSTITUTE CLASSES

Footprints in the Snow: Washington's Army of 1776 – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – In the year America declared independence, the cause relied on the men in the ranks. Without them, independence would be a forlorn hope, and the ideals in the Declaration would be empty words. Farmers, teachers, tradesmen, and mere boys stayed the course – because their commander, General George Washington, did not quit!

Instructor: Mike Jesberger

Fee: \$30

Date: Monday, May 23

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The Deadliest Mile: The Massacre at Duffy's Cut – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – In 1832, railroad contractor Philip Duffy hired 57 Irish immigrant laborers to build Mile 59 of the Pennsylvania and Columbia railroad line near present-day Malvern. Within six weeks, all 57 laborers were dead, their bodies buried anonymously in a mass grave. It was only in the past 20 years that clues to their demise finally began to surface.

Instructor: Mike Jesberger

Fee: \$30

Date: Wednesday, June 8

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

“The Shades of Death” – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – Settlers fleeing the Wyoming Valley (PA) Massacre gave that ominous nickname to the Pocono Mountains. In addition to the massacre, this course on the early days of the Revolution on Pennsylvania’s frontier will include Lord Dunmore’s War, Sullivan’s March, and the settlement of Kentucky.

Instructor: Tom Donnelly

Fee: \$30

Date: Monday, July 11

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Women in History: Intrigue, Revenge, Courage, and Deception – NEW – 1 night (2 hrs) – An old axiom says women should be seen and not heard. However, history demonstrates that nothing could be further from the truth. This class delves into the fascinating legends, stories and facts of many often forgotten and mysterious women throughout history.

Instructor: Herb Kaufman

Fee: \$30

Date: Thursday, August 18

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Please renew your Museum membership! Keep history alive!

The Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum and Archive is the only museum in the Philadelphia area solely dedicated to preserving the history and telling the story of the Civil War. The collection is recognized for its historical importance and includes numerous artifacts of singular historical significance. We wish to thank you for your membership and financial support that has given us strength and encouragement as we move forward in our new and more accessible historic location.

Your continued membership will help maintain the legacy that has been handed down to us by the veterans who gave their last full measure of devotion to our country.

Please renew your membership for 2022:

it is solely through your generous support that we can secure the future of the Museum’s collection.

To those who have already renewed, we thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SOME ORGANIZATIONS AND VENUES MAY STILL BE CANCELLING SOME EVENTS.

***BEFORE ATTENDING ANY EVENT,
PLEASE CHECK WITH ORGANIZERS TO MAKE SURE THE EVENT IS STILL ON!!!***

Gravesite Placement of Veterans' Flags at Laurel Hill Cemetery

Sunday, May 15, 2022 – 10:00 am

Meet at the gatehouse of Laurel Hill Cemetery, 3822 Ridge Avenue, in Philadelphia

The group assembled will place US flags on the graves of veterans of all wars. As time and manpower permit, the cemeteries to be covered include Laurel Hill, Mt. Peace & St. James the Less.

Refreshments and lunch provided for volunteers. All welcome! Open to the public.

Free Parking is available.

(215) 228-8200 or online www.thelaurehillcemetery.org

FREE Program "Catholic Volunteer Soldiers of the Civil War" – American Catholic Historical Society

Sunday, May 15, 2022 – 2:00 to 3:00 pm

263 South Fourth St, Philadelphia

Presentation by Andy Waskie both in-person and livestreamed on Zoom.

FREE and open to the public, but registration is required.

In-person attendance is limited to the first 25 registrants, and all visitors to the ACHS house are required to wear a mask.

For information or to register <https://amchs.org/event/philadelphias-catholic-volunteer-soldiers-in-the-civil-war/>

In-Person Program "Lest We Forget": The Origins & Traditions of Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 – 2:00 to 3:00 pm

Moorestown (NJ) Public Library, 111 West Second Street, Moorestown, NJ.

In-person presentation. Join historian, Starr Tour Director, and costumed interpreter Jane Peters

Estes to learn about the origin of Memorial Day, originally known as Decoration Day, and its relation to the soldiers and women of the Civil War era.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Moorestown Library.

Registration is required. There are 34 seats available.

For info call 856-234-0333 <http://www.moorestownlibrary.org/>

Annual Memorial Day Observed at Historic Laurel Hill Cemetery

Sunday, May 29, 2022 – 12:00 noon

Recreating the Original G.A.R. Decoration Day Service of 1868

The traditional Decoration Day service of the Grand Army Meade Post #1 will be recreated at Historic Laurel Hill Cemetery, 3822 Ridge Avenue, in Philadelphia

Laurel Hill is the site of the first Memorial Day Observance in Philadelphia in 1868. Special bronze veterans' markers will be dedicated at the graves of veterans. Speakers, ceremonies and pageant will highlight this special ceremony. Afterwards the entourage will gather at the grave of General Meade, hero of Gettysburg, to perform the traditional service to honor all veterans who fell defending the Nation.

Refreshments served after the ceremony. Tours of the cemetery available.

Co-sponsored by the General Meade Society of Philadelphia; Friends of Laurel Hill; American Legion Post #405; MOLLUS, Union League; Sons of Union Veterans, Patriotic Order Sons of America
For information, call: 215-228-8200.

Special Memorial Day Observance at Christ Church Burial Ground

Monday, May 30, 2022 – 1:00 pm

5th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia

Observe the National Holiday at Christ Church Burial Ground, the final resting place of five (5) Signers of the Declaration of Independence, including Benjamin Franklin and many military veterans of all eras! The Benjamin Franklin American Legion Post #405 of the Union League will place a wreath representing the American Legion Post, commemorating the services of all veterans at the grave of Major Charles I. Maceuen, Major, 198th PA Volunteers (6th Union League Regiment), KIA at the Battle of Lewis Farm, VA, March 29, 1865.

Representing all veterans! ALL are welcome!

GAR Museum & Library ZOOM Sunday Program – A FREE Virtual Program online

Sunday, June 5, 2022 – 1:00 pm

Video Interview on the History of the Santa Fe Trail at its 200th Anniversary

Featuring historian, author, preservationist and raconteur Debbie Goodrich of Oakley, Kansas and the Fort Wallace Museum.

Please send a request to reserve a virtual seat by e-mail at garmuslib1866@gmail.com. You will be sent a link with a password to access the program within 24 hours of the presentation.

General Meade Society Spring Trip

A Tour of Old and Curious Cemeteries of Philadelphia

Saturday, June 11, 2022 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Trip will be led by Meade Society Board Member Alex Palma and will NOT include the usual suspects such as Laurel Hill, West Laurel Hill, or the Woodlands.

Free parking at the Cannstatter Restaurant, 9130 Academy Road.

COST: \$55 per Person, includes tour bus, driver tip, lunch at McGillin's Olde Ale House, all admissions, and refreshments on board.

For reservations/info contact Jerry McCormick gedwinmc@msn.com or 215-848-7753.

In-Person Program “Wedding Customs and Traditions”

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 – 2:00 to 3:00 pm

Moorestown (NJ) Public Library, 111 West Second Street, Moorestown, NJ.

In-person presentation. Join historian, Starr Tour Director, and costumed interpreter Jane Peters Estes to learn about “typical” wedding customs (i.e., rings, bride’s gown and veil) and highlights the Victorian era. This program does not focus on a particular religious or ethnic celebration of marriage. The accompanying display includes a collection of wedding photographs (circa 1860-1960) and bridal memorabilia. Note: Ms. Estes does not wear Victorian period attire for this program.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Moorestown Library.

Registration is required. There are 44 seats available.

For info call 856-234-0333 <http://www.moorestownlibrary.org/>

Starr Tours – Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick featuring the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo Festival (Gathering of Military Bands from Around the World)

With Jane Peters Estes

Saturday, June 25, 2022 through Sunday, July 3, 2022

Requires Valid Passport

Enjoy a vacation filled with rich heritage, scenic wonders, and historic landmarks. Experience the annual Royal Tattoo Festival, one of the world's premiere cultural and entertainment events featuring world-class Canadian and international military and civilian performers.

Register online or at 800-782-7703

Details and info at <http://www.starrtours.com/>

Ed Bearss – Celebration of Life

Sunday, June 26, 2022 – 1:00 pm

Gettysburg, PA (on land owned by the ABT adjacent to the Lutheran Seminary)

The Bearss family and American Battlefield Trust have organized a Celebration of Life for our dear friend Ed Bearss. Everyone is invited.



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Since 1985, The Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Museum has proudly presented lectures given by locally and nationally recognized historians and authors. These outstanding presentations are a significant feature of each first Sunday Open House and the annual Preservation Luncheon. This lecture series has been a hallmark of the museum.

The cost of these lectures has increased over the years to the point that we now need to ask for your help to continue bringing speakers to our museum and luncheon. A requested donation of \$100.00 is an essential part of the support that enables The GAR Civil War Museum and Library to function as a strong resource that brings informative and engaging speakers to our community.

The museum is a 501(c)3 registered non-profit and all donations to its lecture series are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

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The museum's Board of Directors thanks you for your support in helping the museum continue to fulfill its mission of preserving the heritage and history of the Civil War era through informative programs that are open to the public.

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