# Old Baldy Civil War Round Table

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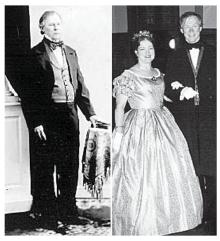
February 14, 2008, The One Hundred and Forty-Eighth Year of the Civil War

Simon Cameron - LOC

### "The Unrivaled Simon Cameron: Lincoln's First Secretary of War"



at the February meeting of Old Baldy CWRT.



Joe as the Senator, Joe and Christine Mieczkowski as Mr. and Mrs. Simon Cameron

As an ideal topic to correspond with the annual February celebration of Lincoln's birth, join us on Thursday, February 14, 2008 as Mr. **Joseph** Mieczkowski offers a great presentation in period garb and with PowerPoint. His presentation speaks to the early days of the war and Lincoln's Cabinet, focusing on the career of the verv colorful and influential Simon Cameron. While Cameron's

name has been largely forgotten, he was as influential in his day as any cabinet member. Born in Lancaster County, PA., he was first a Democrat who filled out the unexpired term of U.S. Senator James Buchanan from 1845-49. Cameron later changed parties and in 1856 was elected to the Senate as a Republican. He was a confidente' of Lincoln, and the most prominent politician of his day to come out of Pennsylvania. He was a self-made man at the center of Government during our country's greatest crisis. But Cameron's corruption was so notorious that Congressman Thaddeus Stevens, when discussing Cameron's honesty with Lincoln, told Lincoln that "...I don't think that he would steal a red-hot stove". When Cameron demanded Stevens retract this statement, Stevens told Lincoln "...I believe I told you he would not steal a red-hot stove. I will now take that

Joe Mieczkowski has a Masters in Public Administration from Penn State, and is employed by the Social Security Administration as Area Director in Harrisburg, PA, and spent 16 years as a Manager in Washington, D.C. He is currently President of the Gettysburg Civil War Roundtable, a Licensed Battlefield Guide, and a Licensed Town Guide in Gettysburg. He and wife Christine also enjoy time together as Civil War "living historians" and vintage dancers. Join us for Joe's most informative presentation on the colorful Simon Cameron and Lincoln's War Cabinet on Thursday, February 14 starting at 7:30 PM at the Civil War and Underground Railroad Museum at 1805 Pine Street in Philadelphia. If you can, join us at 5:30 at the Marathon Grille at 19th & Spruce with our guest speaker and his wife for a bite to eat before the meeting.

Harry Jenkins, Program Chairman

#### **President's Message**

As is quite often the case, my bad back woke me the other night. When it was quite apparent that I wasn't going to get back to sleep I started to channel surf and landed on the classic 1959 William Wyler film "Ben Hur." Even though it was a work night I succumbed to all good sense and sat back for a roaring good time, even though it was well before the "intermission."

I will admit that I love this movie, especially when it is shown "uninterrupted and in its entirety" as it was that night. I first saw "Hur," when I was a kid some forty-plus years ago and regret the opportunity of never having seen it as it was intended - on a large screen in a theater. This was one incredible film with more than 25,000 extras, more than 300 sets, and it was all done without computer animation! Everything about the chariot race was real (and



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despite many rumors, no animals or people were killed or seriously injured in the filming). I still think that Haya Harareet, who played Esther, is one of the most beautiful women

ever to grace the silver screen and it is a pleasure watching "Chuck" Heston chewing-up the scenery through out the film as only he could. Who could imagine anyone else as Judah Ben-Hur? (Although Burt Lancaster, Paul Newman, and Rock Hudson reportedly turned-down the role for which Heston won an academy award.)

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Don't forget 2008 Membership Dues See Page 2

Become active in your Roundtable! Come to a meeting! Enjoy an evening of education, information and fellowship!

We urge you to continue your membership and hope to see you soon! Please take a moment and write a check for your annual dues of only \$25.00 (\$35.00 for the family) payable to "Old Baldy CWRT" and send it to: Herb Kaufman. Treasurer,

2601 Bonnie Lane, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006.

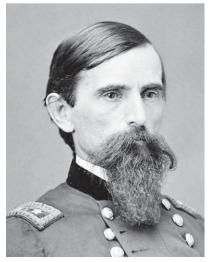
Steve Wright, President

Herb Kaufman, Treasurer

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Wyler's production of "Ben Hur" is tied for the winning the most Academy Awards in one year (11, the same number as "Titanic" in 1997). But, of course none of this would have been possible had it not been for a novel written by General Lew Wallace, of Indiana.

Wallace was born in Brookville, IN on April 10, 1827. Prior to the Civil War Wallace served as a First



Lew Wallace - LOC

Lieutenant with the 1st Indiana Infantry Regiment during the Mexican War. Upon returning to civilian life he was admitted to the Indiana bar and shortly thereafter became prosecuting attorney for the First Congressional District. Wallace married Susan Arnold Elston in 1852, with whom he had one son, and in 1856 he was elected to the State Senate.

Wallace's Civil War service was chequered, to say the least. After serving briefly as Adjutant General of Indiana troops, he was appointed Colonel of the 11th Indiana Infantry before being promoted to Brigadier General of Volunteers and being given command of a brigade. At Fort's Henry and Donelson Wallace was credited with fighting well, while at Shiloh he was criticized for nearly costing the Federals the battle. While Wallace's actions at the battle of Monocacy are often regarded as "mixed," General Ulysses Grant did write of him, "If Early had been but one day earlier, he might have entered the capital before the arrival of the reinforcements I had sent. ... General Wallace contributed on this occasion by the defeat of the troops under him, a greater benefit to the cause than often falls to the lot of a commander of an equal force to render by means of a victory."

Wallace's post-war career was actually more interesting than his wartime actions. He served on the military commission trial for the Lincoln conspirators and also served on the court-martial for Captain Henry Wirz, the Commandant of Andersonville prison. Upon resigning his commission in November 1865, he secretly assisted in the Mexican government's efforts French occupation forces from Mexico and was offered a Major General's commission in the Mexican army.

During the 1870s and 1880s he served in a number of political positions, including as Governor of New Mexico Territory, where he became involved in the Lincoln County War. With that, he offered amnesty to a number of men involved in the war, and met one Henry McCarty, who agreed to testify in return for a pardon for his "misdeeds." McCarty reneged on the deal and Wallace withdrew the amnesty offer. Later, McCarty was shot by Sheriff Par Garrett. McCarty was better known as "Billy the Kid." It was while serving as Governor that Wallace complete writing "Ben Hur," which is easily his best-known accomplishment.

Initially published November 12, 1880 by Harper & Co., "Ben Hur: A Tale of the Christ" has never been out of print and has been recreated in film four times. When published it soon became a best seller, eclipsing "Uncle Tom's Cabin," and it would not be out-sold by any other piece of fiction until that "other" Civil War novel, "Gone with the Wind" was published in 1936. The largest single printing of "Ben Hur" was in 1912 when Sears and Roebuck published 1 million copies to be sold for 39 cents apiece. Wallace said that he wrote "Hur" simply to explore and sort out his feelings about God, which he felt he had accomplished by the time he had finished the massive work.

General Wallace died on February 15, 1905. (Interestingly, Old Baldy's meeting is the day before his death anniversary!) He is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery in Crawfordsville, Indiana. While Wallace County, Kansas bears his name, it is quite easy to say that his greatest and lasting legacy is "Ben Hur."

Be well!! Steven J. Wright, President

#### From the Treasurer's Desk

Dear Members, PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT YOUR ANNUAL DUES ARE NOW DUE. We have some really great programs and discussions planned and we hope that you will remain a member of our renowned round table. Dues are still only \$25.00 (\$35.00 for the entire family). Please bring your dues to the next meeting, or mail your dues your dues **payable to "OLD BALDY CWRT"** to: Herb Kaufman, Treasurer, 2601 Bonnie Lane, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006.

Special thanks to the following members for their most gen-

erous financial support of Old Baldy CWRT: **Steve Wright**, \$150., **Don Wiles**, \$125., **Ed Komczyk**, \$100.00, **John Craft**, \$50., **Hon. Alex Bonavitacola**, \$50., **Bill Holdsworth**, \$50.

I am very excited to announce the FINAL OPPORTUNITY for the members of the OLD BALDY CWRT to purchase the **MEADE PHOTO ALBUM**. This historic album was originally printed in very small quantities by the Civil War Library and Museum and was sold for \$350.00. I have received permission from the Civil War & Underground

Railroad Museum to make these albums available to the members of the OLD BALDY CWRT for only **\$50.00**. General Meade's son was a member of the generals' staff. As such, he had access to all of the important men of the times. He collected the carte de visite (CDV) photograph of hundreds of these soldiers. All the famous officers are included as well as dozens of the lesser know men. Some of these photographs have never before been published. This is a singular and historic album! It will, I am sure, never be published again.

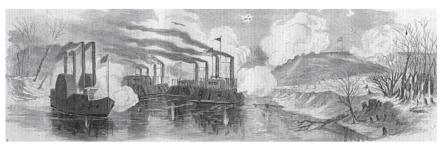
I have a very limited quantity of these albums available for **\$50.00**. If you would like an album reserved for you please let me know as soon as possible and I'll hold one for you. You can pick up an album at the museum at the Old Baldy meeting. I can also arrange another day for pick up if requested.

Please make the check payable to "**CWURR MUSEUM**." You may contact me at oldbaldy1861@yahoo.com.

We hope that everyone will come out to a meeting and join in the discussions. It's a great night out with friends who share your interests and enthusiasm for this era.

All the best, and hope to see you in February,

Herb Kaufman, Treasurer



Gun Boats at Fort Donelson - Harper's Weekly

# Today in Civil War History Friday February 14, 1862 Carondelet Continues Cumberland Combat

The Battle of Ft. Donelson continued today. Yesterday the combat had been primarily on land, as Gen. Grant's forces attacked the Confederate stronghold. Reinforcements had arrived, and the fort held. Today the attack came from the waters of the Cumberland River. The Union gunboats USS Carondelet, St. Louis, Louisville and others blasted away at the artillery protecting the river. Those guns were on a bluff some height above the water, however, and survived with little damage. The gunboats on the other hand were not so lucky. The St. Louis and Louisville both suffered damage to their steering mechanisms and had to float away downstream. Iron plating had not yet come to the vessels on the rivers.

#### Saturday February 14,1863 Red River Rumbles Remarkable

Things were not going smoothly on the Red River in Louisiana today. The Union warship Queen of the West started the day off right, capturing the Confederate vessel New Era No. 5. Alas, a few hours later she encountered some Rebel shore batteries, and was severely damaged and ran aground. The crew managed to escape by the possibly unique technique of floating to another Union

ship on cotton bales. The Queen's captain, Charles Ellet, ordered the rescue ship, DeSoto, to return to the New Era. He transferred his command to the captured ship and burned DeSoto. Ellet claimed in his report that the pilot of Queen of the West was disloyal, and had run the ship aground intentionally.

#### Sunday February 14, 1864 Meridian Made Massive Mess; Mobile Menaced

The lovely old town of Meridian Mississippi was well stocked with supplies, railroad connections and other assets at the beginning of today. By nightfall its destruction was well under way. Union troops under Gen. William T. Sherman's command didn't even have to fight their way into town–it was abandoned as Gen. Polk's Confederate forces fell back. Sherman's men had orders to reduce the town's ability to support the Southern cause, and that they did. "...10,000 men worked hard...in that work of destruction," Sherman wrote later. "Meridian, with its depots, store-houses, arsenals hospitals, offices, hotels and cantonments no longer exists." It took five days. The Confederacy's major fear was that Mobil, Alabama would be next.

# Tuesday February 14, 1865 Sultry Southern Stronghold Suffers Snub

Gen. William T. Sherman was no longer interested in toying with the Southern high command on the subject of the target of his troops next assault. The Union forces were made up of four Army corps, which marched separately along parallel courses. This had enabled Sherman to direct their routes to suggest any number of destinations. As the mass of men

crossed the Congaree River today, Sherman started steering a straight course for Columbia, South Carolina, the capital of the state. He wished to proceed, he said, "without wasting time or labor on Branchville or Charleston." Charleston, which had spent every day since the attack on Ft. Sumter expecting to be assaulted, was simply disregarded as unimportant.

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# January 10, 2008 meeting "Meet General A. A. Humphreys"

On Thursday, January 10, 2008, Mr. **Gerald "Jerry" McCormick** our guest speaker gave us in his full-uniform, first-person impression of Major General A. A. Humphreys, "the great soldier of the Army of the Potomac". A native



Philadelphian, Andrew Atkinson Humphreys (November 2, 1810 – December 27, 1883), graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1831. He was a career U.S. Army

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officer, civil engineer, and a Union general in the Civil War. Jerry's presentation started with the outbreak of the war, his service with McClellan, Burnsides, Hooker and Meade. At Gettysburg Humphreys' division was reduced to a non-fighting force because of the actions of Sickles. After the battle Meade appointed him as Chief of Staff of the AOP.

It was another excellent and enjoyable presentation by a fine gentleman.





Article Courtesy Dean Harry of Raleigh

Charles Purser of Garner kneels beside a Confederate grave in Oakwood Cemetery where a Union soldier lies buried.

### Civil War Detective Solves Grave Mix-Up

Photo by Josh Shaffer

#### Piper, a Rebel, is really Pfeiffer, a Yank

Josh Shaffer, Staff Writer
The News & Observer

RALEIGH - Jacob Pfeiffer caught a rebel's bullet on the hip at Gettysburg in 1863, a wound that took a month to kill him. That was bad enough. But then the luckless New Yorker was mistaken for a Confederate prisoner of war, boxed up and shipped to Raleigh, where he has spent 145 years resting among his foes.

His discovery last month makes him the second Yankee found reposing in the Gettysburg section of Oakwood Cemetery, a sanctuary for fallen Dixie fighters. It also notches a second mistake corrected by Charles Purser, self-appointed Civil War detective. "This poor fellow," said Purser, a retired airman and letter carrier in Garner. "He did not go with his boys." Purser's sympathy spreads to 137 others buried under a hill at Oakwood. In the early 1980s, he and a handful of others helped identify the Gettysburg dead who were transported south and buried there.

At the time, they had no markers other than numbered stones hidden by knee-deep weeds. Purser pored over muster rolls, troop rosters, cemetery records - learning each man's rank, hometown and death date. He soon found that 19th-century recordkeeping was shoddy at best, especially after a battle that left 51,000 Union and Confederate soldiers dead or wounded, and in post-battle hospitals where the amputated limbs lay in piles. Last year, Purser learned that one of the men he had identified, John Dobson of North Carolina, was actually John Dolson of Minnesota – a Yankee interloper sent south because of a clerical error. Then last month, a fellow buff in New York called with a new Gettysburg burial list unearthed from deep in government archives. The list showed a Jacob Pheiffer of New York had also been shipped south to Raleigh - his name spelled at least four ways, depending on the document. "Who's this Pheiffer?" Purser asked himself.

Mingling between Northern and Southern dead isn't so rare, said A. James Fuller, history professor at the University of Indianapolis. Sometimes, he said, Union soldiers died on their way to prison camp and were buried in the nearest cemetery, alongside the enemy. Cemeteries exclusively for Confederates were a product of post-war bitterness, he said, and they were set up as monuments to Southern culture. Raleigh's Gettysburg section was created by the Ladies Memorial Association. In 1871, it arranged for 137 bodies – all of them supposedly from North Carolina – to be reinterred. But poor record-keeping was bound to create mistakes. For example, there is no complete roster of Union dead to this day, said Harry Watson, director of the UNC Center for the Study of the American South.

The soldier now known to be Pfeiffer was originally listed as J. Tiffee, Company I of the 40th North Carolina Infantry. But when Purser checked records of the 40th Infantry, he found no Tiffee. He did, however, find a George Piper with nearly the same unit who died in the same spot on roughly the same day. And on many of Piper's rosters, he is listed as Fifer, which looks curiously like Tiffee in the elaborate 19th-century script. J. Tiffee became George Piper, the name still chiseled on the stone.

It wasn't until a call from Glen Hayes, a frequent partner in New York, that Purser heard about a soldier named Pheiffer from New York being shipped to Raleigh from Gettysburg. Raleigh's cemetery has no Pheiffer, let alone a Pheiffer from New York. Purser dug into census records, church records, hospital records and cemetery records and discovered that the only possible man was Jacob Pfeiffer, a German immigrant from the Big Apple. The date he was shot, the day he died, the company he fought for all matched the man originally thought to be Tiffee. His name is spelled three ways on three consecutive census reports – Pfeiffer, Pheiffer and Pfeifer – but Purser chose the one that occurs most often. Tiffee became Fifer became Piper became Pfeiffer.

All that remains is to change the stone, which Purser has already ordered and the federal government will provide for free. You can imagine the sullen New Yorker, dead more than a century, shooting an underground wink to the fellow Yankee further down the row.

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Josephine Rogers at the dedication of the 1st Massachusetts Infantry Regiment's monument at the site of the Roger's House.



Courtesy of Ginny Gage, The Camp Griffin Gazette

# Gettysburg Compiler January 25, 1911

#### A HEROINE OF THE BATTLE JOSEPHINE RODGERS OF THE RODGERS HOUSE PASSES AWAY

#### She Stayed at Her Home During Battle Feeding and Carrying Water for Union Soldiers

Mrs. Josephine Slyder, wife of W. J. Slyder and one of the heroines of the Battle of Gettysburg, died on Monday, Jan. 9, at Troy, Ohio. Death came after an illness of twelve years, caused by rheumatism, during which she was unable to walk. She was aged 74 years. Her maiden name was Josephine Rodgers, having been born in Adams county and during the battle she lived in the Rodgers House on the Emmitsburg road. She lived in the house during the entire battle, the struggle raging at times all about the place and within sight. She devoted herself to preparing food for the soldiers and carrying water and food to the wounded. She was ordered and advised to leave the house a number of times and replied that she couldn't leave when those wounded soldiers were crying for water. It is related that in her ministrations to the wounded she became covered with blood. The soldiers who knew her revered her as one of the bravest women of this great battle. When the monument was dedicated several years ago by the Veteran Association to whom the work of Josephine Rodgers at the battle was best known, they brought her here as the guest of honor, in her crippled condition from rheumatism. The interment of Mrs. Slyder was at Troy, Ohio. She is survived by her husband, a daughter and a son, Mrs. Rose O'Conner and Melvin Slyder of Garrett, Ind.

#### Old Baldy Welcomes New Members

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### Schedule of Old Baldy CWRT Speakers and Activities for 2008

February 14, 2008 – Thursday The Unrivaled Simon Cameron: Lincoln's First Secretary of War

Mr. Joseph Mieczkowski Gettysburg Battlefield Guide, President of the Gettysburg CWRT

March 13, 2008 - Thursday

#### C.S.A.: The Confederate States of America

What if the South had won the War?
What would the world be like now?
A Kevin Willmott film that is satirical, audacious, and hilarious.

April 5, 2008 - Saturday Old Baldy CWRT Fundraising Dinner, Williamson's Restaurant, Horsham, PA

"Curmudgeons, Drunkards, and Outright Fools: Court-Martials of the Civil War"

Dr. Thomas P. Lowry

April 10, 2008 - Thursday

#### "Appomattox / Lee's Retreat"

An overview and Power Point presentation Mr. Peter Romeika

May 8, 2008 - Thursday

#### "Forever In Our Hearts He Dwells"

The Lives and Legends of Drummer Boys in the Civil War OBCWRT Member Harry Jenkins

June 4, 2008 - Thursday

#### "The War in the West"

Mr. Terry Winschel of the National Park Service, Vicksburg, MS

July 10, 2008 - Thursday (To Be Determined; Reserve the Date)

September 4, 2008 – Thursday (Topic TBD) Mr. Gordon Rhea Historian/Author

(Other dates and topics to be determined.)

All meetings, unless otherwise noted, begin at 7:30 PM at the

Civil War and Underground Railroad Museum, 1805 Pine Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Questions to Harry Jenkins at 856-428-8773 or hj3bama@comcast.net

Members go out to a local restaurant for dinner between 5:30 & 6 P.M.

You're Welcome to Join Us!

#### **Rich's Recommended Travels**

Belle Boyd Confederate Spy LOC Belle Boyd House/Civil War Museum of the Lower Shenandoah Valley

> Article and Photos by Rich Jankowski

With all smiles, Rich's family enjoyed the tour.



Located at 126 East Race Street in Martinsburg, WV. Belle Boyd, West Virginia's best-known Civil War spy, endorsed the Confederate cause, even shooting a Yankee soldier. She supplied information to Stonewall Jackson about enemy activities and was imprisoned twice. It is a childhood home of the Confederate spy.

This Greek Revival red brick house was built in 1853. The House is operated by the Berkeley County Historical Society. The first floor has rooms featuring the Civil War in the Shenandoah Valley with local artifacts on display. On the second floor are several museums of local interest. These include a Martinsburg Room with pictures and post cards and a collection of pictures of Belle. The Corning Room displays clothing dated 1860-1920 with different handbags.

There is a Lincoln room, a World War II room, a room dedicated to other wars and a large display on Hack Wilson. There is an Herb Garden next to the house.

#### The Civil War Institute

Why not make a New Year's resolution to sign up for an Institute course – or maybe two! We have some exciting new elective courses, along with a couple of old favorites at the Civil War Institute at Manor College. And for the first time, we've scheduled a Saturday morning class, but not too early in the morning!

All classes are Act 48 approved. Class hours are 6:30 till 8:30 pm, except where noted for the Saturday morning class.

Call (215) 884-2218 to register or for an application for the certificate program. Manor College is located at 700 Fox Chase Road in Jenkintown, PA. For full course details see www.dvcwrt.org/courses.html

Certificate core courses are indicated by \*, elective courses by \*\*.

#### \*Life of the Common Soldier

- 12 hr - 1.2 CEUs - Act 48 Approved. The common soldier of the Civil War marched over dusty and often muddy roads to fight in the bloodiest battles ever seen in the Western Hemisphere. Yet they were scarcely heard publicly in their own time. But here is an examination of how they lived, what they believed and why they left home to volunteer to fight, and how they fought and died. Individual deeds, joys and hardships were recorded in thousands of letters and diaries; here is an opportunity to share their experiences.

**Date:** March 5, 12, 26; April 2, 9, 16 (No class March 19)

**Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 PM

**Fee:** \$77

Herb Kaufman will be the expert instructor for this Core Course.

#### \*\* Bull Run - Manassas Twice

 $-\ 6\ hr$  –  $0.6\ CEUs$  – Act 48 Approved. – In July 1861, the newly-formed civilian armies of the North and South face their baptism of fire at Bull Run (Manassas) in the first major battle of the war, and Thomas J. Jackson earns his nickname of "Stonewall." One year later, the veterans of these same armies meet again on this same battleground, where Jackson again comes to the fore. Learn what brought these armies here in the early days of the war, what brought them back to this place, and why survivors never forgot the name of Manassas.

Date: Mondays, February 11, 18, 25

**Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 PM

**Fee:** \$45

Pat Caldwell will lead this elective course.

#### \*\* Women in the Civil War

- 6 hr - 0.6 CEUs - Act 48 Approved. - A comprehensive look at the varied and sometimes little-known roles women played during the Civil War. Emphasis on women in the literary world as well as in medicine, politics, nursing and the military service will be explored.

Date: Thursdays, February 28; March 6, 13

**Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Fee: \$45

Sandy Kaufman and Paula Gidjunis will share instructor duties for this newly instituted course.

#### \*\* Civil War Potpourri

- 12 hr - 1.2 CEUs - Act 48 Approved. - This popular course is now on Saturdays! This course will cover a different topic each week. They will include: • The role of horses in the Civil War • Notable Civil War marriages • Spies for the Blue and Gray • How the press covered the war • The African-American experience • Heroes, Rogues and Lunatics - memorable personalities of the war

Date: Saturdays, March 8, 15, 29; April 5, 12, 19 (No Class

March 22)

**Time:** 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

Fee: \$77

Instructors will be members of the Delaware Valley Civil War Round Table.

#### \*\* Civil War Tactics and Weapons

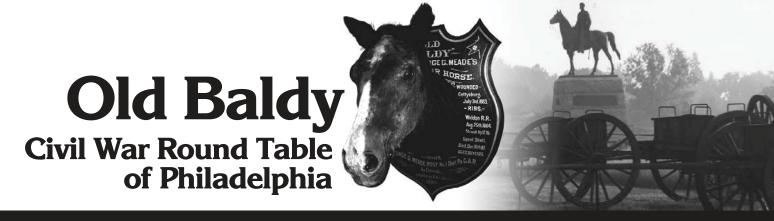
- 6 hr - 0.6 CEUs - Act 48 Approved. - This course will examine the weapons of the Civil War, and how they were utilized in combat. The course will cover the weapons and tactics of infantry, cavalry, and artillery. Students will utilize historical scenarios and Civil War artifacts to gain a greater understanding of the weapons and their impact on the war.

Date: Wednesdays, April 23, 30; May 7

**Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Fee: \$45

Andrew Coldren, also curator of the Civil War & Underground Railroad Museum, will be the instructor for this new program.



# Fund Raising Dinner For Battlefield Preservation



Court-martial of Brigadier General Fitz-John Porter

I am a member of the \_\_\_\_\_

### Saturday April 5, 2008

at

Williamson Restaurant Horsham, PA.

(one mile north of the PA. Turnpike on Rt. 611)

**Keynote Speaker** 

Dr. Thomas P. Lowry
Historian and Author of "Sex and the Civil War"

# Topic: Curmudgeons, Drunkards, and Outright Fools: Court-martials of the Civil War

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED by APRIL 2, 2008 CONTACT: (215) 735-8196 \$30.00 Per Person Cash Bar 6:30 P.M. – Dinner 7:00 P.M. Hundreds of Dollars in Door Prizes will be Awarded to those Attending

Old Baldy CWRT of Philadelphia
c/o Herb Kaufman, 2601 Bonnie Lane, Huntington Valley, PA. 19006-5413

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ tickets to the Old Baldy CWRT Fund Raising Dinner.
Enclosed find a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to the "Old Baldy CWRT."

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Menu Choice: Roast Top Sirloin of Beef \_\_\_\_ Chicken Marsala \_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_

### You are invited! On to Richmond - Seven Days Battles

On Saturday, April 19th and Sunday, April 20th the Civil War Round Table of Eastern PA. (Allentown) will tour Richmond Battlefields with Robert E. L. Krick, Richmond Battlefields Park historian. The members of the Old Baldy CWRT are invited to join. This will be a two night trip leaving on Friday evening, April 18th and returning on Sunday evening, April 20th.

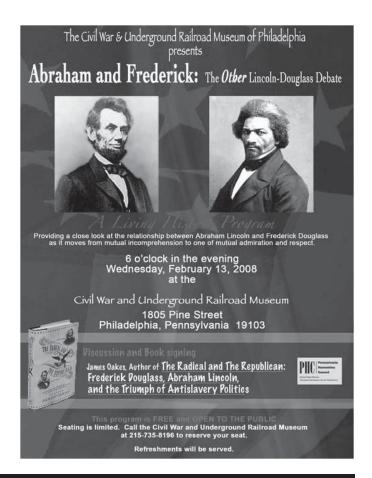
Sites to be visited will be Drewry's Bluff (site of first Medal of Honor received by a U.S. Marine), Dabbs House (Lee's Headquarters), Mechanicsville, Gaines' Mill, Savage's Station, White Oak Swamp, Glendale (we are fortunate to be the first Civil War group to visit this historic site), and Malvern Hill (final Seven Days battle).

A \$50.00 deposit is required. The total cost is \$240.00 (per person) for double occupancy and \$315.00 for single occupancy. Price includes bus, hotel, Saturday dinner, Saturday and Sunday breakfast, and a Sunday boxed lunch. Drinks and snacks will be provided by the Roundtable.

If you have any questions or need additional information, contact:

e-mail chief96pbi@rcn.com or Susan Kovacs, e-mail suziek@rcn.com

Mike Cavanaugh at (610) 867-8231,



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