

Old Baldy Civil War Round Table of Philadelphia



September 10, 2009, The One Hundred and Forty-Ninth Year of the Civil War

“Medicine for the Soul”

Notice!

**There was NO Round Table meeting in August.
The next meeting will be on Thursday,
September 10, 2009.**

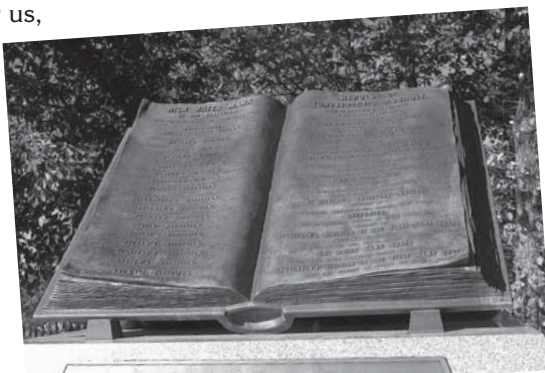
It is our misfortune to have to report that Mr. Gordon Rhea, our scheduled guest speaker for September, has had to cancel, owing to his participation in a mandatory Superior Court mediation. His presentation at Old Baldy may be re-scheduled for February 2010. We will keep you apprised.

“Medicine for the Soul”

(Inscription over the door of the Library of Thebes)

With the unfortunate cancellation of **Gordon Rhea** as our guest speaker, leave it to **Steve Wright** to come up with a perfect replacement for our September meeting. Moving the meeting back to the regular second Thursday, September 10th, we will have a “Book” discussion. It’s a “natural” for us,

considering that many of us with a keen interest in the Civil War are also bibliophiles — not only as a lover of books with a fondness for reading, but also a collector of fine and perhaps rare books. It’s probably a sure bet that most of us have quite a collection of Civil War and other history books filling our shelves. I know I often find myself perusing the shelves, fondly remembering those books I especially enjoyed reading. And there are those more for reference, which



The symbol for the High Water Mark at Gettysburg is a book.

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President's Message

Welcome back for the Fall, hope you enjoyed your month off and did something fun. Be sure to send Don some notes on what you did so we can read about it in future newsletters. It was a very informative program in July by our Vice President **Bill Brown** on art in the Civil War period. Due to a sudden conflict, **Mr. Rhea** will not be joining us this month. We will get him back soon; instead we will have a book discussion. It should be interesting. Look forward to hearing Steve Wright’s stories from his recent Pacific trip. Not sure who made it up to Manor College for the Citizen Soldier Day, but it was a great event. Thanks to **Herb Kaufman** for his presentations. We made it out to Frederick to visit the Civil War Medical Museum and thanks to suggestions from **Bob and Toni Stafford**, we rounded out the day with some events in the Thurmond area including the Municipal Slide in Rocky Ridge, the Camp David Museum and dinner at Cozy Restaurant. We will be on a Ballpark tour thru Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas the first week of September. Hope to visit the Texas Civil War Museum in Fort Worth. Need to write some of these trips and get them to Don for the newsletter. My Historiography class has been keeping me busy this summer. One month to go and I will write some reports.

Be sure to check out the Civil War institute at Manor College as they have some really good sessions scheduled this fall, including our own **Herb Kaufman** doing “Life of the Common Soldier”.

We have some super programs coming up in the next few months with the Gettysburg discussion, Railroads and Francis Samuel DuPont, be sure to invite your friends to join us for these nights. I look forward to meeting more new members at our next meeting.

Keep your comments and suggestions coming in as we continue to grow our Round Table.

Have a safe Labor Day weekend and we’ll see you on the 10th.

Rich Jankowski, President

The Old Baldy CWRT will meet at the Union League of Philadelphia at 7:30 PM, the second Thursday of the month. Members go out to a local restaurant for dinner at 6:00 PM, Applebees on 15th Street between Walnut and Locust. You’re Welcome to Join Us!

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I've used as a resource, or flipped through at my leisure. Some books that I have started, but put back, and have yet to finish. Then, too — dare I admit — many I haven't read, telling myself I will "someday".

So what is your favorite Civil War book? Or perhaps you have several, unable to pick just one. What was the first Civil War book you ever read? Did it stir your interest way back as a child?...or was it one you read in later years? What was it about that particular book that got you hooked? You probably also have a least favorite book, too! Tell us why! Bring "THE" book, or bring several, and share your thoughts with us. We'll be glad to hear about them, and may very well generate some very interesting discussion along the way. Who knows? — you might leave this meeting with plans to go to the library or bookstore to find that next good read!

So pick a book or a few from your shelf, and join us on Thursday, September 10th for what is sure to be a lively discussion on books! The meeting starts at 7:30 PM in the 2nd Floor Library (how appropriate?!) of the Union League at Broad & Sansom Streets. As always, you are welcome to join us at 6:00 at Applebee's for a bite to eat before the

Notice: Attire for Men at the Union League Jacket and tie would be preferred; otherwise collared shirts, long pants and jacket are recommended. For men and women, the following attire is never acceptable on the first or second floors of the League: jeans, denim wear, tee shirts, athletic wear, tank, halter, or jogging tops, shorts, baseball caps, sneakers, extremely casual or beach footwear. Current or historical military uniforms are appropriate.

Parking... A \$2 coupon (off of parking) is available at the Union League front desk (through the side door on Sansom Street)

meeting. It's just a block south of the Union League on 15th Street.

"...for books are more than books. They are the life, the very heart and core of ages past, the reason why men lived and worked and died, the essence and quintessence of their lives." - Amy Lowell

Harry P. Jenkins, Program Chairman

July 9th meeting "Illustrating the Civil War"

Our own **Bill Brown** (Mr. Vice President) presented an overview of the influence of illustrative art during the Civil War and into the present day. He explored the effect these illustrations have had on a popular view of the Civil War. Bill's presentation started with how military images were portrayed to the public, Even though photography was beginning, it could not show the actions of a battle and the printing of photographs had not evolved.

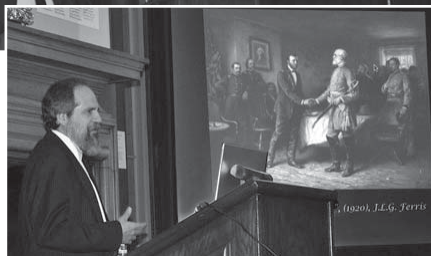
The newspapers/magazines, looking for a way to show the public the war and make money, had hired artists to go along with the armies and send their sketches and stories back to the home office to be published. Some of

those artists were Winslow Homer, Thomas Nast, Alfred Waud, Edwin Forbes. Bill also discussed how military images were portrayed through out the time of the Civil War to the present. Illustrations in the beginning had a more imaginary portrayal of the glory of the scenes and men of war. As time progressed and technology started to effect the publications, illustrations became more realistic as to the reality of war.

Bill's subject and professional presentation gave to those who attended a look into how war was presented to the public in illustration and art from 1861 to 2009. A very excellent program...



Bill Brown



"Let us then turn this government back into the channel in which the framers of the Constitution originally placed it"

Lincoln Quotes from John Bamberl

Top Civil War Books

This survey was conducted by Civil War Interactive in 2008 and is from their Web Site at...

<http://www.civilwarinteractive.com/>

Many years ago, Civil War Interactive conducted a survey of its readers in order to determine the Top 50 Civil War Books of All-Time. After almost a decade, it was time to do it again.

The newest results have now been compiled. We want to thank the hundreds of readers who took the time to help us with this. Some things about the new results that we found interesting:

There was a total of 621 entries containing 1863 votes.

Only one book remained in the exact position it held 10 years ago.

7 books which were on the last list moved up in ranking.

13 books which were on the last list moved down in ranking.

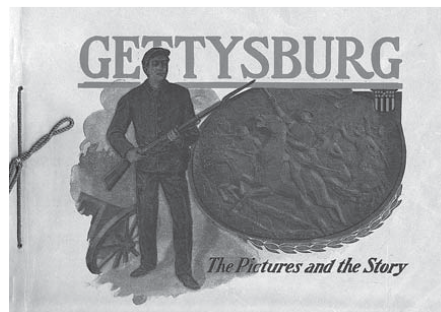
An amazing 29 books which didn't make it on the list 10 years ago made it this time.

We had voters from 8 different countries (US, Canada, England, France, Germany, Russia, Sweden and Brazil)

The books which rank 11th and 12th this year were not on the last list, and they're from the same author.

- 1 **The Civil War: A Narrative** - Shelby Foote
- 2 **Battle Cry of Freedom** - James McPherson
- 3 **Killer Angels** - Michael Shaara
- 4 **Lee's Lieutenants** - Douglas Freeman
- 5 **Stonewall Jackson: The Man, The Soldier, The Legend** - James Robertson
- 6 **The Gettysburg Campaign** - Edwin Coddington
- 7 **Co. Aytch** - Sam Watkins
- 8 **A Stillness at Appomattox** - Bruce Catton
- 9 **Confederacy's Last Hurrah/Embrace an Angry Wind** - Wiley Sword
- 10 **Fighting for the Confederacy** - E. Porter Alexander
- 11 **Landscape Turned Red** - Stephen Sears
- 12 **Gettysburg** - Stephen Sears
- 13 **American Brutus** - Michael Kauffman
- 14 **Gettysburg: 2nd Day** - Harry Pfanz
- 15 **Generals in Blue** - Ezra Warner
- 16 **Gettysburg: A Journey in Time** - William A. Frassanito
- 17 **Team of Rivals** - Doris Kearns Goodwin
- 18 **A Little Short Of Boats: The Fights at Ball's Bluff and Edward's Ferry** - James Morgan
- 19 **Centennial History of the CW** - Bruce Catton
- 20 **Harvard's Civil War: The History of the Twentieth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry** - Richard Miller
- 21 **Mosby's Rangers** - Jeffery Wert
- 22 **The Golden Book of the Civil War** - American Heritage
- 23 **Confederates in the Attic** - Tony Horwitz
- 24 **April 1865: The Month That Saved America** - Jay Winik
- 25 **This Terrible Sound. The Battle of Chickamauga** - Peter Cozzens
- 26 **Taken at the Flood: Robert E. Lee and Confederate Strategy in the Maryland Campaign of 1862** - Joseph Harsh

- 27 **Nothing but Victory: The Army of the Tennessee, 1861-1865** - Steven E. Woodworth
- 28 **The Life of Johnny Reb: The Common Soldier of the Confederacy** - Bell Irvin Wiley
- 29 **The Civil War Dictionary** - Mark Boatner
- 30 **Lee** - Douglas Freeman
- 31 **Abraham Lincoln: The Prairie Years & the War Years** - Carl Sandburg
- 32 **Red Badge of Courage** - Stephen Crane
- 33 **The Official Records of the War of the Rebellion** - Participants
- 34 **Antietam: The Soldiers' Battle** - John Priest
- 35 **The Class of 1846: From West Point to Appomattox** - John Waugh
- 36 **Stealing the General: The Great Locomotive Chase and the First Medal of Honor** - Russell S. Bonds
- 37 **Pea Ridge: Civil War Campaign in the West** - Shea & Hess
- 38 **Personal Memoirs of Ulysses S. Grant** - Ulysses S. Grant
- 39 **Hardtack & Coffee** - John Billings
- 40 **Guns at Gettysburg** - Fairfax Downey
- 41 **Gone With The Wind** - Margaret Mitchell
- 42 **Warrior Generals** - Thomas Buell
- 43 **Generals in Gray** - Ezra Warner
- 44 **Battles & Leaders** - Various
- 45 **Return to Bull Run: The Campaign and Battle of Second Manassas** - John Hennessy
- 46 **The Secret War for the Union** - Edwin C. Fishel
- 47 **Three Years in the Army of the Cumberland** - James Connolly
- 48 **Retreat from Gettysburg: Lee, Logistics, and the Pennsylvania Campaign** - Kent Masterson Brown
- 49 **Last Full Measure** - Jeff Shaara
- 50 **Plenty of Blame to Go Around: Jeb Stuart's Controversial Ride to Gettysburg** - Wittenberg & Petruzzii



**The Book
that
got me
Hooked...**

Editor's Comment

September's subject for our meeting is on CW books, ones that we feel are the best informative, or written or the ones that got us hooked on the Civil War. I guess the book that got me hooked on the Civil War was a gift from my Grandmother on one of our visits to Gettysburg. We lived in York at the time (1946) and would go to Gettysburg for picnics (on the flat rocks on top of Devil's Den). I was about 9 at the time and was fascinated with the great monuments on the field. The book "*Gettysburg - The Pictures and the Story*" was first published by Tipton in 1913 and this was the fifteenth edition. I still have that booklet and dig it out every now and then to check out photos of scenes and monuments that I may have a question about. The Battlefield has changed and the monuments have surface damage done to them by corrosion since the original photos were taken.

Join us !... At the National Guard Militia Museum Of New Jersey

By Harry P. Jenkins, Program Chairman

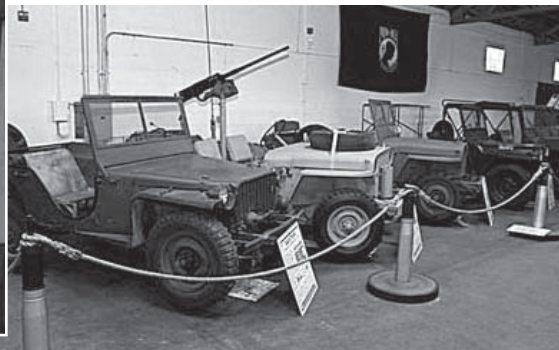
Old Baldy Members and Friends are looking forward to our October 24th trip to this unique museum where more than **300 years** of New Jersey military history are preserved. Located on the grounds of the National Guard Training Center in Sea Girt, New Jersey, we are fortunate to have **Mr. Joseph G. Bilby**, curator at the museum, as our tour guide. Mr. Bilby is the author of a number of history books and numerous articles, and is also a regular columnist for The Civil War News, writing articles that feature his vast knowledge of military weaponry and equipage. The National Guard Militia Museum also serves as the "Center for U.S. War Veterans' Oral Histories". Joe will share with us information on this new collection, the program that collects the memoirs of our living war veterans so that future generations can hear and learn from the veterans' wartime experiences. Joe is also a committee member and website editor for the New Jersey Sesquicentennial Commission, and will give us an update on the State's plans for celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War from 2010 to 2015.

Transportation to Sea Girt is by car — about 70 miles and 1 hour - 30 minutes from Philadelphia — and we encourage people to share the ride. Let's talk it up, and if anybody needs a ride, we'll help make arrangements. After the tour, those interested may want to stop for lunch at "Rod's Old Irish Tavern" right there in Sea Girt, featuring a wide selection of draft beers, including Smithwick's, Harp, Bass, & Guinness !!!

We'll ask for a show-of-hands at our September 10th & October 8th meetings to see who is going. If you can't make the meetings, you can drop me an e-mail if you're coming; hj3bama@comcast.net. More information and details will be in the October Newsletter. So put a star on you calendar for Saturday, October 24th, at the National Guard Militia Museum of New Jersey !

<http://www.state.nj.us/military//museum/index.html>

Photos from Web Site



"John brown's effort was peculiar. It was not a slave insurrection. It was an attempt by white men to get up a revolt among slaves, in which the slaves refused to participate."

Today in Civil War History

Tuesday, September 10, 1861 Confederates Counter Carnifex Conflict

Carnifex Ferry was a small water transportation system in western Virginia of negligible military significance, but it was fought over today anyway. Brig. Gen. John B. Floyd was set in a good defensive position to face the attack of the Federals under Gen. William Rosecrans. In fact, his men refused to budge despite repeated attacks. After nightfall though, Floyd determined that he was sufficiently outnumbered that he could not hold out forever, so he withdrew towards Dogwood Gap. Further west, Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston was appointed head of a Confederate department which included Tennessee, Missouri, Arkansas and Kentucky.

Wednesday, September 10, 1862 McClellan Makes Mass March

Gen. George McClellan was sure of only two things: his country was being invaded, and he had no good information as to where the invaders were. He was starting to get indications, though: reports from cavalry scouts today informed him that the Army of Northern Virginia had departed from the area of the Monocacy River, and were heading away from Frederick, Maryland. The picture was becoming clear enough that McClellan made the decision to speed up the progress of his Army of the Potomac, which up to now had been more or less milling around Washington, DC to protect the capital.

Thursday, September 10, 1863 Raleigh Rioters Run Rampant

These were tough days to be in the newspaper business in Raleigh, N.C. The editor of the Raleigh "Standard" had been printing editorials advocating peace and rejoining the Union, a stand which so angered Confederate troops that they went to his office and tore it apart. Gov. Vance spoke soothingly to them and they dispersed without burning the building. Then a mob of residents of the town decided that they were vexed with the Raleigh "Journal" for having an editor who was just as rabid in his editorials, even

Check out your memory...

Answer from last month...

What was, in the 1700s, the largest city south of Philadelphia?... Charleston, South Carolina

New Question...

During the War with Mexico, what hazardous action off the battlefield did Braxton Bragg encounter?

Answer next issue
Quiz questions from Mark Seymour



Carnifex Ferry Road

Henry Patterson House and Museum at the Battle of Carnifex Ferry Park



if they were pro-secessionist, and they went and ripped up the offices of that paper in turn. Gov. Vance was obliged to come out and speak soothingly again. Farther west, Confederate troops evacuated from Little Rock, Arkansas.

Saturday, September 10, 1864 Fawn Fiasco Forces Futile Fumbling

The Fawn was an inoffensive little boat, engaged yesterday in the hauling of mail on the Albermarle and Chesapeake Canal. Today she did so no longer, because she had been seized and burned by a force of Confederates. An extremely irate Lt. Cmdr. Earl English, of the USS Wyalusing, landed in nearby Elizabeth City, N.C., determined to locate and punish whoever had committed this act. He went to far as to round up and detain 29 leading citizens of the town for interrogation and possible detention as hostages against repetition of such misdeeds. He was reluctantly persuaded to release them when they were able to convince him that the mail boat had in fact been burned by men from the CSS Albermarle and that no resident of the town had been involved or benefited by the act.

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Membership Report

By Mike Cavanaugh

We are happy to report that twenty-nine of our members have agreed to receive their monthly newsletters by email. That is more than half of the total membership. We are hoping the remainder will get on board and agree to receive their newsletters by email and save the round table money. As we stated in the past, money we save goes to quality speakers and donations to battlefield and historic preservation. We also have eleven members that we have no email address listed. Even if you want to receive your newsletter by USPS, having your email address on in our system is good for notifications of meeting changes and situations that need to be acted on right away. If you wish to receive your newsletter by email or to add your email address to our list, contact Mike Cavanaugh at chief96pbi@rcn.com or call 484.225.3150. Thank you for your support.

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"The autocrat of all the Russians will resign his crown, and proclaim his subjects free Republicans sooner will our American masters voluntarily give up their slaves."

The United States Arsenals at Philadelphia

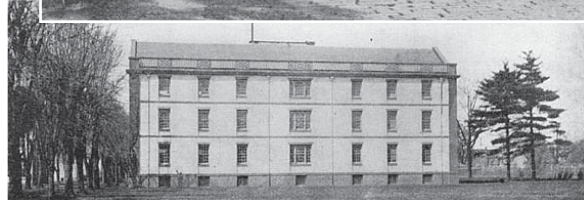
Upon April 3d, 1861, Capt. Josiah Gorgas, the commandant at the depot of military materials at Bridesburg (Frankford Arsenal), Philadelphia, who was a native of Pennsylvania, had resigned in order to cast his fortunes with the South, and had been succeeded by a loyal officer.¹

This important establishment, generally called "The Frankford Arsenal," had been a part of the Government property in this city forty-five years. The reservation covered fifty-nine acres upon the shore of the Delaware River. The principal structures were the usual barracks, two large Arsenal buildings, two store-houses, a hospital, powder magazine and work-shops. At the opening of the war the materials on hand were supposed to include about 18,000 muskets, a great amount of saltpetre and sulphur, 50,000 pounds of powder, percussion caps, primers, cartridges and general military stores, of which horse equipments were the most important. These supplies were being sent away by the new commandant to "the front" as rapidly as possible, and space was being cleared for an augmented force of workpeople to be employed in the preparation of ammunition.

A brief paragraph appeared in a Philadelphia newspaper upon January 30th, 1861, stating that, upon the preceding day twenty car-loads of rifles had been shipped from the Frankford Arsenal "to Washington." A few weeks earlier an attempt to ship munitions of war from the United States Arsenal at Pittsburgh to southern points had created a riot and the order was countermanded. It may well be doubted if that consignment of rifles from the Frankford Arsenal ever reached the national capital.²

In April, Gen. William F. Small, searching for arms for his "Washington Brigade," applied (after receipt of urgent telegrams from Washington) to the commandant of the Frankford Arsenal, and the latter replied that he had no authority to issue anything to troops not mustered, and, in any event, could only provide fifteen hundred guns, a large proportion being of doubtful value. When, in May, strenuous efforts were being made to equip and forward the 18th, 19th, 22d and 23d (three months) Regiments, the officers of those long-suffering troops protested, with one accord, against the useless, antiquated and misfit muskets offered to them from this Arsenal.

The United States Arsenal, located upon Gray's Ferry Road, between Carpenter street and Washington avenue, and commonly called "The Schuylkill Arsenal," was established in the year 1800.³ Adjoining it upon the north is the United States Naval Hospital and Naval Home. The Arsenal was, throughout the Civil War, an important depot for uniforms, blankets and equipments for the outfitting of the armies of the Republic. In addition to the large regular force employed in the several workshops and warehouses a great number of persons, chiefly from families of soldiers and sailors in the service or who had died under enlistment, were kept employed in thousands of the humble homes in this section of the city. The operations



*Photos of the
entrance and
a building at
the Frankford
Arsenal*



*Photos of
buildings at
the Schuylkill
Arsenal*



here were so constantly urgent that warehouses outside were leased by the Government. One of these "branch Arsenals" was the building adjoining the Custom House, upon the west, afterward replaced by the Post Office. Other storehouses for military clothing and equipment were created at William Gault's brew-house at Twenty-first and Spruce streets, at the old hotel building Twenty-fourth and Chestnut streets (built in 1833) and at Murphy & Allison's machine shop on the Schuylkill river north of Market street. In the "emergency" summers of 1862 and 1863 a company of the employees was recruited to assist in defending the State. At one period of the war the increase of the "contract system" in making uniforms threatened the employment of several thousand women. A committee of their number visited Washington and secured an order from President Lincoln ensuring a continuance of their means of support.

¹ Captain Gorgas was a Pennsylvanian, appointed cadet from New York. He went South, where he attained, in the Confederate service, the rank of brigadier general and chief of ordnance.

² On November 1st, 1859, there were stored at the Frankford arsenal, as set forth in an official report of that date, 19,404 muskets. In the course of the year 1860 the traitorous Secretary of War, John B. Floyd, had caused to be sent from Springfield, Watervliet and other Northern arsenals to those of the South, or had sold to the Governors of the Southern States at \$2.50 each, muskets and rifles to the number of 119,000. With his connivance, experts, some employed from abroad by the agents of the South, were openly allowed the use of models and drawings of weapons, field guns and machinery at the Northern arsenals, and were instructed in the making of shells and fuses at the Government armories. This continued to the date of Floyd's resignation at the end of the year. One of his last official acts was to telegraph to the commandant of the arsenal at Baton Rouge to deliver 5,000 guns to the Governor of Louisiana.

³ The official name of this Arsenal was changed in 1873, by order of the Government, to "Philadelphia Depot of the Quartermaster's Department, U. S. Army."

Member Notice

Starting with this September edition, the Old Baldy Newsletter will be sent to you by email.

Therefore, please provide us with your email address by sending it directly to our Newsletter Editor, Don Wiles at cwwiles@comcast.net. The Newsletter is sent in PDF format. Simply go to www.adobe.com, and download the FREE Adobe Reader.

As a service to all our members we will, at your request, continue to provide the newsletter by USPS if you desire. In this case we must ask you

to be kind enough to help subsidize the cost of printing and mailing by contributing \$10.00 annually in addition to your dues. If you wish to continue to receive the Newsletter by mail please send \$10.00 payable to "Old Baldy CWRT" to: Herb Kaufman, 2601 Bonnie Lane, Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006.

Events, Seminars, Tours, etc....

Schedule of Old Baldy CWRT Speakers and Activities for 2009

There is no meeting in August

September 10, 2009 - Thursday
(Note the change back to our regular **second** Thursday of the month)

"Medicine for the Soul"

Your top-of-the-list favorite Civil War books.

October 8, 2009 - Thursday

A good old-fashion "Round Table" Discussion

"So you think you know all about Gettysburg: But what really matters?"

Join in on the discussion, and stand up and be heard!

October 24, 2009 - Saturday

Field Trip to the National Guard Militia Museum of New Jersey

With Joseph G. Bilby, Curator/Writer/Historian
At the National Guard Training Center in Sea Girt, NJ

November 12, 2009 - Thursday

The Role of Railroads in the Civil War

By Matthew Bruce

December 3, 2009 - Thursday

(Note change to **first** Thursday of the month)

Lincoln's Tragic Admiral:

The Life of Francis Samuel DuPont

Dr. Kevin Weddle, Professor of Military Theory & Strategy,
US Army War College, Carlisle, PA,
speaking on his new book.

Looking Ahead...

February 11, 2010

(Tentative - To Be Confirmed)

Grant's Generalship During The Overland Campaign

By Historian & Author Gordon Rhea

All meetings, unless otherwise noted, begin at 7:30 PM
in the 2nd Floor Library of the UNION LEAGUE,
Broad & Sansom Streets in Philadelphia.

Questions to Harry Jenkins at 856-428-8773 or
hj3bama@comcast.net

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You're Welcome to Join Us!

September 11-13, 2009 Brigades at Gettysburg Profiles of the Famous and the Forgotten

The Association of Licensed Battlefield Guides
2009 Gettysburg Seminar: "Brigades at Gettysburg
Profiles of the Famous and the Forgotten". For additional
information or to register online, visit:

www.gettysburgtourguides.org/seminars.html
or write: ALBG Seminar, P. O. Box 4152, Gettysburg PA
17325

The Civil War Institute

Manor College has announced its program of classes for
the 2009 Fall Session. Instructors are all members of
the Delaware Valley Civil War Round Table.

Take courses independently or enroll in the Civil War
Certificate program. To earn a certificate, you must
take eight courses. Four must be core courses with the
remainder being electives. For an application and/or to
register, contact the Manor College Continuing Education
Department at (215) 884-2218. Manor College is located at
700 Fox Chase Road in Jenkintown, PA.

The Civil War Overview Series-1861-1865 - 1.2 CEUs - 12 Hours - Act 48 approved -

The Civil War Series, developed by the Delaware Valley Civil
War Round Table, is an overview of the events that led to
the war, major battles and the after-effects that still impact
our nation today. The war will be examined year by year.

Instructor: Delaware Valley Civil War Round Table
(DVCWRT)

Sessions: 6

Dates: Wednesdays, September 9 - October 14

Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Fee: \$100, Early Bird \$90

Politics of the Civil War

- 0.6 CEUs - 6 Hours - Act 48 approved -

Politics played a key role in the events leading to the outbreak
of hostilities, the war strategy, and reconstruction. Military suc-
cess and failure shaped public opinion and framed the political
response. Lincoln's war decisions such as emancipation, habe-
as corpus suspension and conscription had significant political
consequences. Survey the political elements and focus on the
political leaders who shaped the era.

Instructor: Tom Moran

Sessions: 3

Dates: Thursdays, September 10 - September 24

Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Fee: \$60, Early Bird \$50

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"Upon the subject of education, not presuming to dictate any plan or system respecting it,
I can only say that I view it as the most important subject which we as a people can engage in."

The Vicksburg Campaign.

- 0.6 CEUs - 6 Hours - Act 48 approved -

Vicksburg is considered the most important strategic location of the Civil War. Learn about the town, its people and how the geography made the occupation of Vicksburg essential to both sides. Discover how General U.S. Grant combined common sense and dogged determination to fail his way to success. The class will describe the battles of Port Gibson, Raymond, Jackson, Champion Hill and Big Black River - the 45-day siege of "The Gibraltar of the South."

Instructor: Jerry Carrier

Sessions: 3

Dates: Saturday, October 3 - October 17

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Fee: \$60, Early Bird \$50

Chickamauga and Chattanooga.

- 0.6 CEUs - 6 Hours - Act 48 approved -

From the thrill of victory (Chickamauga) to the agony of defeat (Chattanooga), this course follows the Confederate forces under Braxton Bragg and the Union army under William Rosecrans and U.S. Grant. It will trace the movements of both armies from the Battle of Stone's River through the final charge up Missionary Ridge.

Instructor: Andrew Coldren

Sessions: 3

Dates: Thursdays, October 22 - November 5

Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Fee: \$60, Early Bird \$50

Life of the Common Soldier.

- 1.2 CEUs - 12 Hours - Act 48 approved -

The common soldier of the Civil War marched the 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, and here is an opportunity to share their experiences.

Instructor: Herb Kaufman

Sessions: 6

Dates: Wednesdays, October 28 - December 9
(No class November 25)

Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Fee: \$100, Early Bird \$90

Prisons and Prisoners.

- 0.6 CEUs - 6 Hours - Act 48 approved -

This course will look at the dark side of the Civil War. It will explore many locations of the prisons to see how the combatants treated each other and finally find the answer to the question "Why?" The topics to be discussed will include: the various types of prison camps, treatment of prisoners, the parole and exchange system, prisoner numbers and deaths, and President Lincoln's problems dealing with them.

Instructor: Hugh Boyle

Sessions: 3

Dates: Mondays, November 9 - November 23

Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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