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*"Lee's army will be your objective point. Wherever Lee goes, there you will go also."*

— NEWLY-APPOINTED  
 LT. GENERAL  
**ULYSSES S. GRANT**  
 GAVE THIS ORDER TO  
 GENERAL **GEORGE**  
**MEADE**, COMMANDER  
 OF THE ARMY OF THE  
 POTOMAC, UPON  
**GRANT'S ARRIVAL IN**  
**VIRGINIA IN 1864.**

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 Joe Mieczkowski (past President)



**Impending Actions**  
 Information and details about upcoming  
 Gettysburg Roundtable presentations.

**SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>**

**PORTRAYAL  
 OF  
 GEN. JOHN REYNOLDS  
 FIRST PERSON PERFORMANCE  
 BY  
 Mike Riley**

**GAR HALL – 7 P.M.**

**OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>**

**The First Presidential  
 Impeachment  
 with speaker  
 Dave Stewart**

**GAR HALL – 7 P.M.**

**Go to page 4 to read a bio on Mr. Stewart**

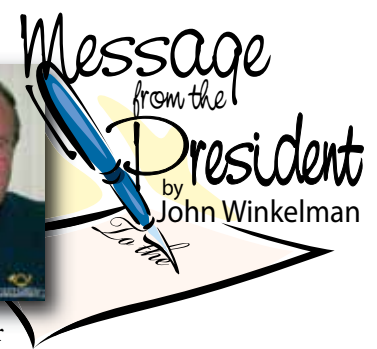
From September to May, we meet on the fourth Thursday of the month at the GAR Building, 53 East Middle Street. Light refreshments and conversation starting at 7:00 PM., and the featured program beginning at 7:30 PM.

Our June, July, and August summer meetings are in the field starting at 6:00 PM, with the meeting location announced in the bi-monthly newsletter and on the roundtable website: [www.cwrgettysburg.org](http://www.cwrgettysburg.org).

Whenever treacherous weather is predicted, the CWRT President and Vice President shall determine by Noon on that day whether the program should be cancelled or not. Announcements will be made on television station WGAL and radio station WGET 1320.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting begins at 6:30 PM on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at the Avenue Restaurant.

It's hard to believe that September is here already, this summer just seemed to fly. I hope all of our members had the opportunity to take advantage of the many programs and battlewalks that the Park offered this year and to travel and see other Civil War sites.



With the arrival of September our monthly meetings now move back to the GAR Hall. Bill Hewitt has lined up some very interesting speakers for the fall. First, in September, Mike Riley will do his portrayal of Major General John Reynolds. Next up in October Dave Stewart will discuss the First Presidential Impeachment followed in November by Ed Bonekemper who will present the Six Turning Points of the Civil War.

In December we will, of course, have our Christmas Banquet. We had a very good turn out for last year's Banquet and I hope we can do the same this year. This year we will have Steven Ball, a musician, who will play Civil War Era music. So we have an interesting and diversified lineup for our members this fall.

Also, as we return to the GAR Hall we will continue to have our short programs that proceed our main speaker. The Trivia Quiz, which everyone enjoys and the Show and Tell. Board member Al Farranto is now coordinating the Show and Tell so if you have any items or heirlooms you would like to show and tell us about please contact Al.

Dave Joswick, our newsletter editor, is always looking for interesting material to put in the newsletter. If you visited a battlefield, museum or other Civil War site and would like share your experience with our members please contact Dave. If you have photos that would be even better.

At our last two board meetings the officers and board members have been discussing what preservation projects our roundtable could get involved with. While we do have some ideas we would also like to hear from our members if they have any. If there is some project or group that you feel our roundtable can help, please contact me or any board member so we can look into it.

Enjoy the last days of summer and I'll see you at the meeting.

*John*

# BOOK Chat

by Pat Fairbairn, Book Editor

The eminent Lincoln historian, Harold Holzer, has written some of the best books on Abraham Lincoln, and one of his more recent ones, an examination of the period between Lincoln's election and his inauguration, is the subject of this month's book review by Joe Mieczkowski.

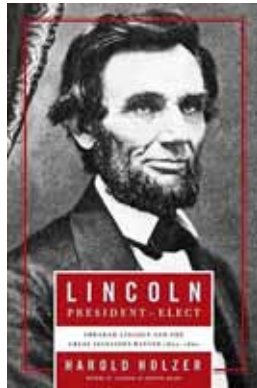
## Lincoln President-Elect:

### Abraham Lincoln and the Great Secession Winter 1860-1861

By Harold Holzer

Reviewed by Joe Mieczkowski

Between his election in November 1860 and his inauguration in March 1861, Abraham Lincoln navigated that winter with principled leadership. Reiterating his views in private letters to leaders rather than in public addresses, Lincoln exerted more "power and influence before his swearing in" than any previous president-elect, argues Harold Holzer. According to Holzer, Lincoln was great from the outset and followed his own path rather than public opinion. Lincoln handled four chief tasks: choosing his Cabinet, writing his inaugural address, re-introducing himself to the American public and getting to Washington, D.C. It seemed impossible for the president-elect to accomplish any of those tasks without outraging one side or another – white Southerners, northern Democrats, Republicans or all of the above. So Lincoln's strategy was to maintain a "confident silence." Holzer covers Cabinet selection in enough detail to generate empathy for Lincoln as he endured the process. Lincoln reassured all factions by appointing representatives of every region and political stripe. *Lincoln President-Elect* treats readers to a close reading of Lincoln's First Inaugural. Holzer portrays Lincoln laboring over the text in a dusty storeroom and a stuffy train car, and he demonstrates that the result, which argued that slavery "could be contained without compromising founding principles," amounts to a masterpiece. Holzer reconstructs Lincoln's train trip from Illinois to Washington. The story of the journey – crushing crowds, endless boring miles, panic over hotel arrangements – is worth reading. Along the way, Lincoln made over 100 impromptu speeches, which were criticized for their thin substance and inconsistent delivery. Yet Holzer insists that the speeches reintroduced "the old campaigner to his . . . public" while keeping under wraps "the official policy he planned to unveil at his swearing in."



*Lincoln President-Elect* emphasizes Lincoln's early greatness and the public's cluelessness. What some have termed Lincoln's reticence, Holzer sees as the wisdom of keeping one's mouth shut. Lincoln was a strong-minded, highly principled, and a shrewd president-elect. †☞

Published by Simon & Schuster, 2009, paperback, 640 pages, \$16.00, discounted to \$12.48 on Amazon, or Kindle it for \$9.99.

(Book Editor's Note: Some, in Lincoln's own time, like Salmon Chase, Charles Francis Adams, George McClellan, were forever blinded by snobbery, conceit, or egotism from grasping his significant intellect. Others, like Secretaries Seward and Stanton came to recognize it after a time.)



On June 24<sup>th</sup>, almost one hundred and forty seven years after the Battle, Lt. Gen. James Longstreet returned to Gettysburg in the person of living historian Ron Hawkins. Ron was born in Rome, GA about 60 miles west of Gainesville, GA where Longstreet spent

his final years and is buried. Ron has spent many years studying and is an expert on the life of General Longstreet. He conducted the tour both in character and as a living historian in order to present the historic facts and answer questions. The tour, which was a one and a half mile walk, dealt with Longstreet's counter march on July 2nd. It began with a Q & A section at the Pitzer Woods Amphitheater. The participants were then lead south on West Confederate Ave to the Millerstown Road and proceed west to its intersection with the Blackhorse Tavern Road. Ron stated that his research has disclosed that General Longstreet's HQ was located at the original Pitzer Schoolhouse, which was located on the northeast corner of the intersection. It was not at the brick home that was used by David Eisenhower which was the sight of the second Pitzer Schoolhouse. The location of the original schoolhouse is marked today by a tree growing where it had stood.

During the tour, Ron said that his research showed that Col. E. P. Alexander, Longstreet's quasi chief of artillery did not take a different route to get to Seminary Ridge from the one used by the rest of Longstreet's Corp. He also addressed the decision to allow McLaws'

Division to be the lead division during the countermarch, which was necessitated by the Union signal station located on Little Round Top. General Longstreet decision was predicated on two factors. First, it was a point of honor to be the lead division and July 2<sup>nd</sup> was the turn of McLaws' Division. Second, and somewhat more importantly Hood's Division was stretched back on the Herrs Ridge Road to the Chambersburg Road and would have had to march through a portion of McLaws' Division to take the lead.

All the tour participants were pleased with Ron's tour and gave him hardy thanks for his efforts. †☞



The tour officially ended at the Longstreet Monument with the presentation of the GCWRT Letter of Appreciation presented to Ron by VP Bill Hewitt in a frame made from the Longstreet witness tree, which Bill had carved.

## DID YOU KNOW?

At least four women gained fame or notoriety under names of their own choosing. Clarissa Harlow Barton of Oxford, MA tolerated her name while she was a school-girl. When she went to Washington to apply for a position in the U.S. Patent Office, however, she listed herself simply as Clara. Once selected, the shortened version of her name remained with her for the rest of her life. As a result, many a person who reveres the founder of the American Red Cross is not aware that, properly speaking, she should be remembered as Clarissa Barton. †☞

# Gettysburg: The Early Years

Join the Licensed Town Guides of Gettysburg for our annual symposium. This year's topic will be about the development of the town of Gettysburg from the mid-1700s to just before the Civil War. We will discuss the earliest immigrants, their interactions with their neighbors, their ambition to start a community, and the hardships that they endured to form the town that we all know and love. We look forward to sharing this fascinating chapter of Gettysburg's history with you.

**When** .....Saturday, October 9, 2010  
**Where** .....G.A.R. Building – East Middle Street, Gettysburg  
**Time**.....8:30 am – 4:30 pm  
**Cost**.....\$59 includes all lectures, a walking tour, continental breakfast, and lunch.

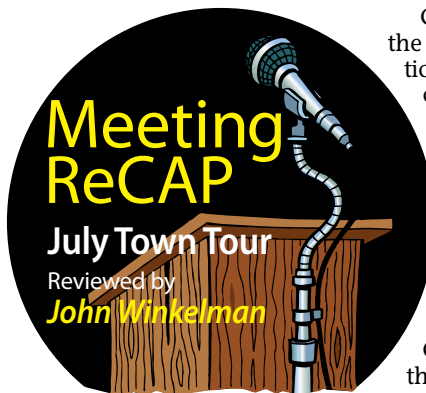
### LECTURES AND SPEAKERS

*The Push for the Frontier*.....Bob Alcorn  
*Gettysburg, A Journey Through Time*.....Joe Mieczkowski  
*The Manor of Maske and the Marsh Creek Resistance*.....Joanne Lewis  
*James Gettys' Town*.....Tim Smith  
*The William Penn Family* .....Jerry LaRussa

### Choose from one of three walking tours:

1. *The Early Civilian Experience*.....Joanne Lewis
2. *Gettysburg during the Revolutionary War Era* ....Jim Miller
3. *Gettysburg's Divine Inspiration*.....Bob Alcorn

Go to [www.gettysburgpa.org/guidedtour.htm](http://www.gettysburgpa.org/guidedtour.htm) for full descriptions of lectures and walks and the full day's agenda as well as any program changes or additions.



On July 22nd, Joe Mieczkowski, Licensed Battlefield Guide, Town Guide, and past president of the GCWRT presented his program *Gettysburg: Street Fighting*. Most programs done in the town usually center on the civilians who had to endure this event and Joe mentioned some of them but the main theme was the fighting done in town by the soldiers during the battle. First, Joe spoke of the civilians that were killed after the battle by fooling around with the weapons and ordinance left behind. One child, Eddie McPherson Woods was shot by his own brother with a musket they had found.

We met Amos Humiston of Portville, NY, a member of the 154th NY, whose body was found on Stratton St. with no identification except a small photo he was clutching of three small children. Efforts to find the identity of these children proved successful and Sgt. Amos Humiston was identified. His wife later moved to Gettysburg and ran the orphanage.

Next Joe talked about the retreat of the Union 1st and 11th Corps through town giving first hand accounts as described by the soldiers.

Heckman's and Dilger's guns sweeping the streets with canister, 4 companies on the 17th CT under Major Brady making their way to Cemetery Hill turning and firing as they went, the account of Louis Fisher who saw the Rebs raking the stone bridge south of the college with rifle fire, and Col. Charles Wainwright's account of how the 1st Corps troops went down one side of the street and the 11th on the other with the Rebs trying to shoot down the artillery horses.

Some Union troops however did not get out of town. Capt. Francis Irsch of the 45th NY who with a ragtag group on Union Soldiers barricaded themselves in houses on Chambersburg St. and held out until 5:30 PM and would eventually surrender after destroying their weapons.

Capt. Irsch would later receive the Medal of Honor for this action. Chaplain Horatio Howell of the 90th PA who was killed at Christ's Lutheran Church when he did not heed an order by a young Southern soldier to halt and raise his hands. Howell proceeded to walk forward to tell the young man that he was a chaplain and non-combatant and was promptly shot. Corporal Joseph Gutelius of the 150th PA who, as the last member of the color guard, was trying to get the flag to safety. Separated from his regiment and weak from loss of blood he paused to rest on Washington St. when he was seen by some Southern soldiers who ordered him to surrender. Refusing, Gutelius was shot dead with the colors in his arms. The captured flag of the 150th PA would be presented to Jefferson Davis and was found in his baggage when he was captured in Georgia in 1865.

We then proceeded down Washington St. where Joe talked about the heavy skirmishing and sniper activity that took place on the south end of town on July 2nd and 3rd. We saw Jacob Stock's "Swan Inn" that served as a Confederate sharpshooter position during the fighting and learned about the actions of the 55th OH around John Ziegler's barn. How James Carver of the 55th set up a sniper position at the Dobbin House and fired at the Swan Inn and then the Shriver House.

Proceeding down Steinwehr Ave. we went to the site of the old Wagon Hotel where Joe talked about the 73rd PA and other Union troops who used the Wagon Hotel as a sharpshooter position shooting at Confederate snipers in town.

The Rupp House, was specially opened for the program thanks to Chris Mieczkowski and where Joe related the story of poor Mr. Rupp who while hiding in his basement would have Union soldiers on his front porch and Confederate soldiers on his back porch firing through his house, we then proceeded to Alumni Park. Here Joe talked about the Confederate snipers in the Sweeney, Shriver, Winebrenner, and McCreary houses and John Poole of the 9th LA who was killed behind a table he was using as a gun rest in the McCreary House.

Also the account of Anna Garlic who's mother told a Confederate soldier that he could not set up a sniper position in their house as there were woman and children inside. ☪☪☪

## Gettysburg: The Early Years

### REGISTRATION FORM

Space is limited! Send form and payment of \$59 to:  
Licensed Town Guides  
571 W. Middle St.  
Gettysburg, PA 17325

Make checks payable to *Association of Licensed Town Guides*.  
Deadline for registration is October 2, 2010.

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### Walking Tour – Please indicate your 1st and 2nd choice:

1. *The Early Civilian Experience*     1st choice     2nd choice
2. *Gettysburg during the Revolutionary War Era*     1st choice     2nd choice
3. *Gettysburg's Divine Inspiration*     1st choice     2nd choice



## Lincoln in...London??

Contributed by John Winkelman

This June while vacationing in England with my wife Cheryl we had a day to ourselves to explore London. We visited the usual places, Buckingham Palace, Parliament, Trafalgar Square etc. While walking around Parliament Square and looking at the statues and monuments to British statesmen we came across a monument to Abraham Lincoln (see photo to the left). There, among Winston Churchill and Edmund Burke, stood the 16th president of the United States. Quite a tribute by our friends across the pond to the man who many believe was our greatest president. 🇺🇸

## October's Speaker

# David O. Stewart tells his story

One weekend I sat down to read James Madison's notes on the debates of the Constitutional Convention of 1787, all 500-plus pages, from cover to cover. I was angry because I thought my opponent in a lawsuit was misstating what happened in Philadelphia that summer. Once I started reading, I stopped worrying about my case. Instead, I focused on the drama, the wisdom, and the occasional depressing blunder of the fifty-five Framers who wrote the Constitution. I thought I knew a lot about the subject. I had clerked at the Supreme Court for Justice Lewis F. Powell, and had litigated many constitutional cases. But there was so much I didn't know. I decided that I wanted to tell that story, which led to *The Summer of 1787*. The book was well-reviewed in the *New York Times* and around the country, hit the *Washington Post* bestseller list for several weeks, won the *Washington Writing Award* for Best Book of 2007, and made several "best books" lists for 2007. The hardcover went through six printings and the paperback was released in spring, 2008.

In May of last year, Simon & Schuster released *Impeached: The Trial of President Andrew*

Johnson and the Fight for Lincoln's Legacy. That 1868 trial was another moment when the nation's fate hung in the balance. America's challenges after the Civil War were immense. How to bind up the nation's wounds after four years of murderous war, yet still protect four million freed slaves from the unbridled prejudices of the day? Andrew Johnson – racist, stubborn, and deaf to the views of others – was not equal to those excruciating challenges. The Radical Republicans, led by the fiercely brilliant Thaddeus Stevens of Pennsylvania, fought for two years to force the president to defend the rights of the freedmen. Stevens' iron will and sheer cussedness produced the final confrontation in the impeachment trial, from which no one emerged a winner. The book explores long-ignored evidence of bribery and corrupt influences in the final Senate vote.

My legal experience has helped with both books. As a trial

lawyer for more than 25 years, many of which have been with Ropes & Gray in Washington, DC, I have defended accused criminals, challenged government actions as unconstitutional, and argued many appeals (including two before the U.S. Supreme Court). I developed a fascination with impeachment when I served as principal defense counsel during the Senate impeachment trial of Judge Walter L. Nixon, Jr. of Mississippi. Writing also has been a big part of my life, beginning with two years as a reporter for the *Staten Island Advance*. For almost ten years, I wrote a monthly column for the *American Bar Association Journal* on the Supreme Court (five of those columns appear in *The Supreme Court and Its Justices*, issued by ABA Press). I also have written frequently on legal topics.

What's next? The western conspiracy of Aaron Burr in 1805-07, which climaxed in a treason trial before Chief Justice John Marshall. It's a powerful story that blends high adventure, political scheming, and an essential turning point in the life of the nation. My work has been supported by the Hodson Trust/John Carter Brown Library fellowship. 🇺🇸



Stewart

## September Show and Tell Civil War reproduction quilts

Chris Mieczkowski will display Civil War quilts she made. One original quilt, called "Stars and Stripes", is in the Smithsonian.



On the home front, many women supported the war effort by making flags and domestic items for the troops. Mary Rockhold Teter of Noblesville, Indiana, made this patriotic bed quilt for her soldier son using a pattern published in *Peterson's Magazine* in July 1861. 🇺🇸

## DID YOU KNOW?

Since both Fairfax Court House and Philippi were minor skirmishes, another name soon appeared on the roster of heroes in gray. Pvt. Henry L. Wyatt of Co. A, 1st North Carolina Infantry, was felled by a Federal volley as the first battle of Manassas got under way. Consequently, he became the first Confederate soldier to die in battle. 🇺🇸

# The McClellan House

*This is the fifth in a series of articles, contributed by roundtable president, John Winkelman, on the inns, hotels, taverns and stores that were in Gettysburg and the surrounding communities during the battle. –Ed.*

In 1797 James Scott will open a new tavern on the northeast side of the diamond in Gettysburg. When Scott dies in 1809 William McClellan buys the tavern and names it the “Indian Queen”. McClellan also owns the “Black Horse” tavern and will shortly buy the “Sign of the Buck” on West York Street (today’s Chambersburg Street). When William dies in 1814 John Hersh will buy the tavern but he never operates it himself, he prefers leasing it to others. He will change the name of the tavern to the “Gettysburg Hotel” and in 1816 a young attorney named Thaddeus Stevens will open his law office in the east end of the hotel.

In 1826 William McClellan Jr. will purchase the hotel from his father-in-law John Hersh and rename it the “Franklin House”.

He will own and operate the hotel until his death in 1845 when his brother George takes over. George McClellan will rename it yet again, calling it the “McClellan House”. That would be the name of the establishment during the battle.

In those days the hotel served as a stage coach stop for the Pittsburgh, Baltimore and Philadelphia stages and due to its proximity to the court house, which stood in the center of the diamond, many attorneys had their law offices in the hotel. The “McClellan House” would also be the meeting place for the Whig and Republican parties.

On July 1, 1863 McClellan will do a brisk business selling whiskey to 11th Corps troops hurrying through town to the battle until closed by Union officers. During the battle the hotel will not be occupied by soldiers and unlike the “Globe” which was actively serving food and drinks to Confederate officers the “McClellan House” saw little business. This was probably due to the fact that the “Globe” was the headquarters for the Democratic party while the “McClellan House” served the Republicans.

After the battle a small group of Sisters of Christian Charity will come to Gettysburg to tend the wounded and George McClellan will turn over the parlors of the hotel to them for their use.

On November 18, 1863 President Lincoln will come to Gettysburg for the dedication of the new soldiers cemetery. The hotel was so full of people that night that people were put up in the lobby and the bar. McClellan will also provide the horse for President Lincoln to ride to the cemetery.

George McClellan will die in 1873 and his brother John will take over. John will add a 3rd floor and extend the hotel back to Race Horse Alley. Although John will own the hotel until his death he prefers to have other managers and tavern keepers run it for him.

The most notable of these was Simon Diller, a Union Civil War veteran, who weighted over 300 lbs as did each of his 5 brothers.

When the boys got together they were referred to as “A ton of Diller’s”. Diller will buy the hotel in 1889 after John McClellan’s death and rename it “Hotel Gettysburg”. The old hotel will be demolished in 1895 to make way for a new Hotel

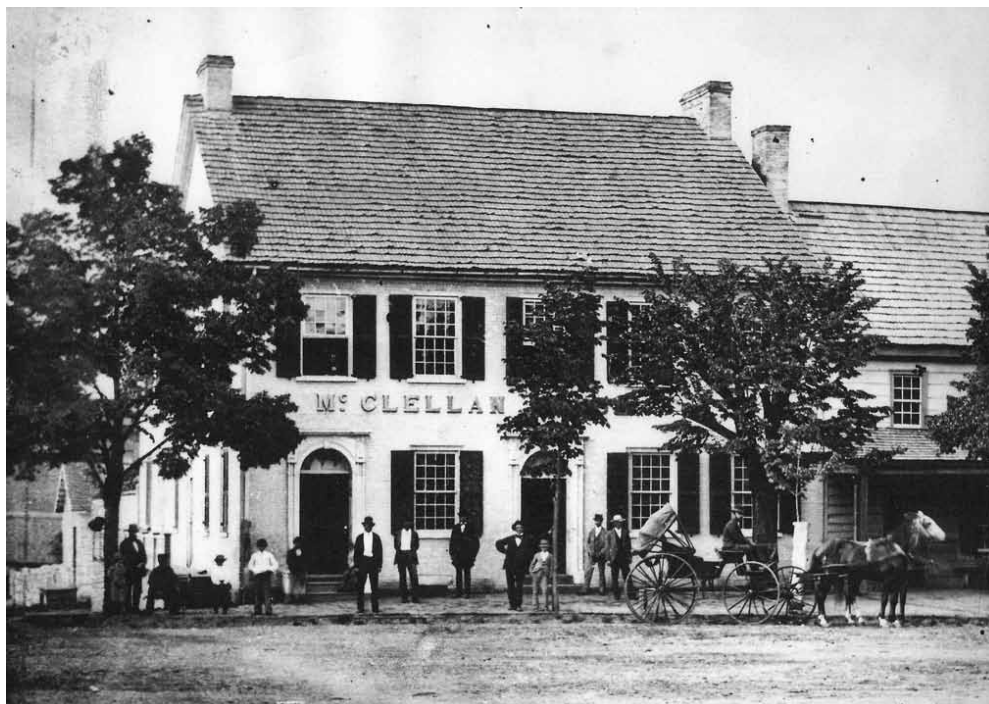
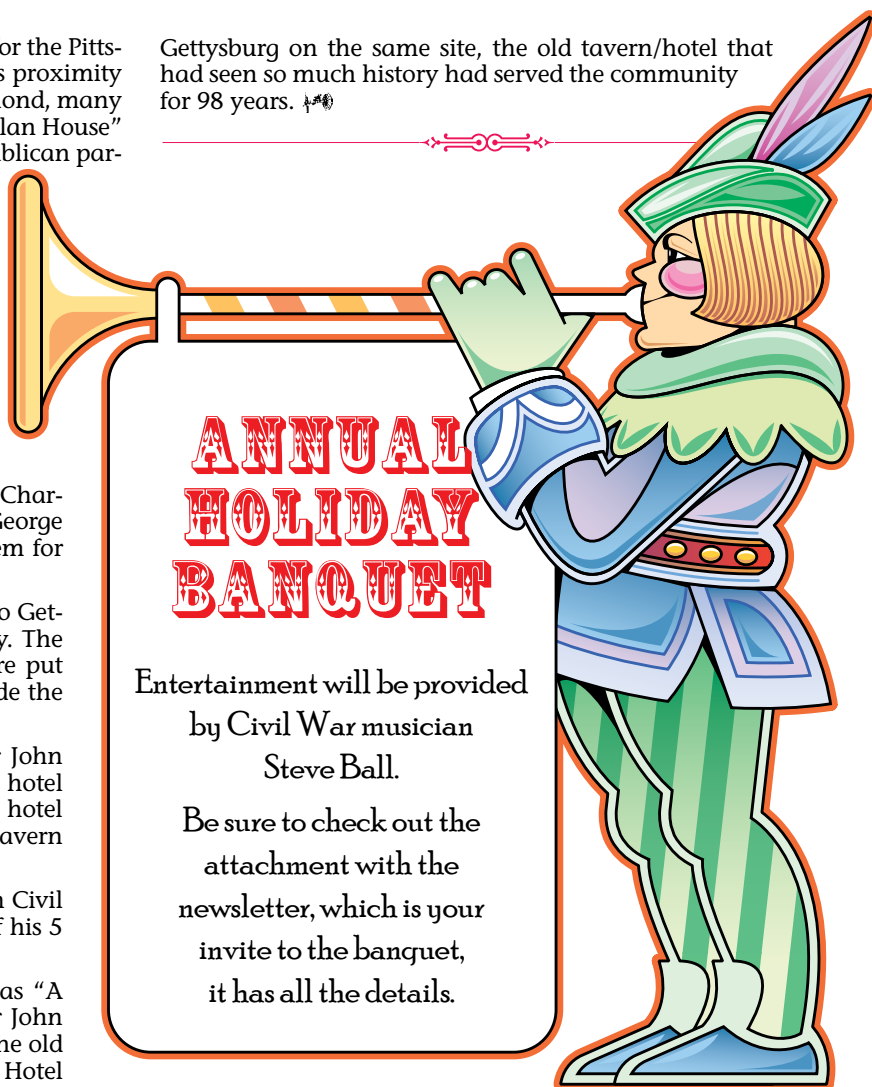


Photo courtesy Adams County Historical Society

Gettysburg on the same site, the old tavern/hotel that had seen so much history had served the community for 98 years. 🎺



## ANNUAL HOLIDAY BANQUET

Entertainment will be provided  
by Civil War musician  
Steve Ball.

Be sure to check out the  
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invite to the banquet,  
it has all the details.

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**THE NATIONAL  
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**WAR ON THE HOMEFRONT:  
 New exhibit focusing on civilians to open**

The National Civil War Museum's latest changing exhibit is set to open on Wednesday, September 15, 2010, with a preview reception on September 14, 2010. Sponsored by Wal-Mart, "War on the Homefront" will examine the impact the war had on civilian populations when the lines of battle overtook their towns. Specifically, it will highlight the stories of towns such as Athens, AL, Carlisle, PA, Chambersburg, PA, Sharpsburg, MD, Wrightsville, PA, and the Shenandoah Valley.

"This exhibit is really about what happened when the war descended unexpectedly upon towns," commented Brett Kelley, Curator of Collections at the Museum. He continued, "There were innumerable raids, sacks and burnings of towns during occupation and this will discuss how the people in these towns dealt with the upheaval."

In Chambersburg, Confederate forces burned the town after being denied a hefty ransom and in retaliation for the destruction in the Shenandoah Valley. In Athens, Alabama, Union forces sacked the town in retaliation for the townspeople taking shots at Union troops days before.

*War on the Homefront* will open to the public on September 15, 2010 and run through March 13, 2011. The National Civil War Museum will host a wine & cheese reception to preview the exhibit on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm. Admission to the reception is \$10 per person with complimentary admission

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**NEW &  
 Noteworthy**



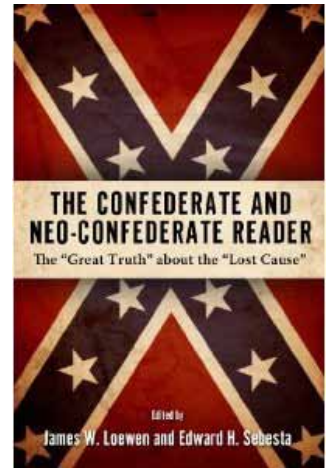
***The Confederate and Neo-Confederate Reader: The 'Great Truth' About the 'Lost Cause'***

*Published by the Univ. Press of Mississippi*

Dear Gettysburg Civil War Roundtable,

We think your members will find *The Confederate and Neo-Confederate Reader: The 'Great Truth' About the 'Lost Cause'* an interesting book for the Sesquicentennial.

The book has important, original historical texts, including many that are hard to find or forgotten, from the 1787 Constitutional Convention to the *Southern Mercury* in the 21st century. These allow readers to discover for themselves what led to the Civil War, what were the reasons for secession, what were the views of the Confederate government and individuals, and the meanings attached to the historical memory of the Confederacy from Reconstruction to the 21st century. With this book, the historian has in one place a valuable collection of important historical documents to aid in further understanding the Civil War.



The material is organized into chapters by historical periods. Each chapter has an introduction by James Loewen to put the

material in historical context. Additionally, Loewen supplies short explanatory comments for many of the individual items.

It is now available at book stores and from amazon.com. It is available in hard cover, soft cover and e-book formats.

Regards,  
 James Loewen  
 Ed Sebesta  
 Authors

***Financial Fraud and Guerrilla Violence in Missouri's Civil War, 1861-1865***

*Published by Yale University Press*

Dear Civil War Roundtable of Gettysburg

You may be interested in my new book which explores a previously unknown financial conspiracy at the start of the war. The book explains the reasons for the puzzling intensity of Missouri's guerrilla con-

**From Manassas to Appomattox:  
 James Longstreet, Civil War General**

Gainesville GA—October 9 & 10, 2010

**The Longstreet Society Sesquicentennial Seminar Series**



Expert presentations & lectures. Tour of Longstreet sites in Gainesville.  
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Featuring: **Dr. William Garrett Piston** author of *Lee's Tarnished Lieutenant: James Longstreet & His Place in Southern History*.  
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**Richard Pilcher**, President of The Longstreet Society.

Registration fee: \$155 members; \$135 Life members; \$185 new members (Includes 1 yr. mem'ship)

The seminar is headquartered at The Holiday Inn Lanier Centre Hotel, 400 E.E. Butler Parkway, Gainesville, Georgia 30501, 770-531-0907. Special hotel rate for seminar attendees, \$75. Hotel costs are not included in seminar registration fees.

Longstreet Society, P.O. Box 191, Gainesville GA 30503—www.longstreet.org  
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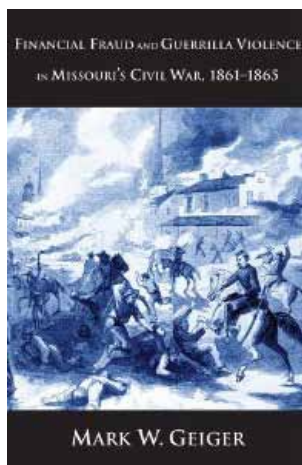
flict, and for the state's anomalous experience in Reconstruction. In the broader history of the war, the book gives the first account of an archaic form of military mobilization used in the antebellum United States.

Yale University Press's announcement of the book can be viewed at: <http://yalepress.yale.edu/yupbooks/book.asp?isbn=9780300151510>.

A video trailer on the book can be viewed at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ivXrgqOziQ>

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# MUST SEE'S AT THE NATIONAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM

IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

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for Museum members. Reservations are required and can be made by contacting Lynn Smolizer at 717.260.1861 x. 1108 or [lsmolizer@nationalcivilwarmuseum.org](mailto:lsmolizer@nationalcivilwarmuseum.org) by September 9. ☎

## Pat Williams announced as 2010 Gala speaker

The National Civil War Museum announced that Pat Williams, senior vice president of the NBA's Orlando Magic, will be this year's special guest speaker for the Blue & Gray Gala on Friday, October 1, 2010. Traditionally held on the first Friday in October, the Blue & Gray Gala has received the support of more than twenty four corporate and individual sponsors this year.

Named one of the 50 most influential people in the NBA, Pat Williams is a top motivational speaker who has addressed clients such as American Express, Disney and IBM. In the early part of his career, Williams served in the U.S. Army and spent seven years with the Philadelphia Phillies—two as a minor league catcher and five in the front office. He served as general manager for many NBA teams, such as the Philadelphia 76ers (including the 1983 World Champions). During his time with the 76ers, he traded for Julius Erving and Moses Malone, and drafted Maurice Cheeks.

Pat and his wife, Ruth, are the parents of 19 children, including 14 adopted from four nations. In his "spare" time, Pat teaches an adult Sunday school class, hosts three weekly radio shows, and has completed 56 marathons. He is a weightlifter, Civil War enthusiast, author of more than 55 books and an avid baseball fan.

This year's Gala theme will be *Pastimes of the Civil War* in honor of our speaker. The event will include a reception and a silent auction with a variety of premier items to choose from, as well as a served dinner. Reservations are available for \$125 per person & can be made by calling 717.260.1861 ext. 1108 or visiting [www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org](http://www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org) by September 22, 2010. ☎

### About The National Civil War Museum

Opened in February 2001, The National Civil War Museum is a non-profit educational institution dedicated solely to the American Civil War. It is the largest Civil War museum that addresses the war from both the Northern and Southern perspective, and from both a military and civilian perspective. The Museum protects some of the nation's treasures, including General Robert E. Lee's personal Bible, and more than 24,000 artifacts, documents and photos, worth an estimated \$20 million. The National Civil War Museum won the 2010 Simply the Best award for Museum by Harrisburg Magazine. Admission to the Museum is \$9.00 for adults, \$8.00 for seniors, and \$7.00 for students with reduced rates for children and families. The Museum offers complimentary ample parking. For more information, please call 717.260.1861, or visit the Museum's website at [www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org](http://www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org).

## and also...

Dear Gettysburg Civil War Roundtable,

I am writing from a television company in the UK called Wide Eyed Entertainment. We are working on an exciting new television series for National Geographic about the Civil War which I hope your members might be able to help me with.

We are making a three part series which tells the story of the Civil War using first hand accounts of those who fought or were involved in the war in some way such as a nurse say or a photographer. We will also cover life in the US before and after the war. Photography from the period will feature heavily in the programme in order to bring it to life.

We would like to feature people whose relatives were involved in the Civil War and have first hand accounts, such as diaries or letters, of their relative's lives from this period.

I hope you will be able to forward this email to your members who might be able to help me locate first hand accounts and possibly photographs which we might feature in the programme.

I am currently working from home today as due to unforeseen circumstances the office has had to be closed. I can currently be contacted on [Jaine@hilston.fsflife.co.uk](mailto:Jaine@hilston.fsflife.co.uk).

Many thanks in advance for your help.

Kind regards

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James A. Getty as Lincoln

Mark your calendars now

## You will not want to miss this one

Gettysburg Addresses Lincoln

November 19, 2010 at 4:00 pm

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church

This annual program on Dedication Day offers a local salute to our 16th President. This year one of the nation's finest Lincoln impersonators, our own Jim Getty, will speak on the topic, "My Life as Abraham Lincoln." This historic church is located two blocks south of the square and is where the president attended a service on the afternoon following delivery of his Gettysburg Address. This presentation is free to the public.

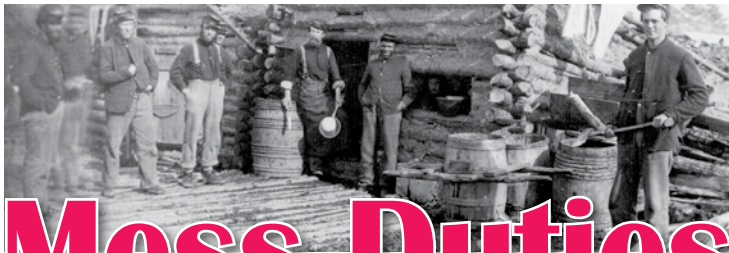
For further information contact Chuck Teague, [Gettyburg@PAonline.com](mailto:Gettyburg@PAonline.com).

# Publisher offers special subscription rate to RT members

Weider History Group, headquartered in Leesburg, Va., the world's largest publisher of history magazines is making a special offer to our membership...a one-year subscription to either *America's Civil War* or *Civil War Times* for \$19.95 (the newsstand price is \$39.95/Internet rate is \$21.95). *America's Civil War* & *Civil War Times* are among the country's best-selling historical periodicals of that era.

In addition to this special rate, Weider History Group will donate \$2.00 back to the Roundtable for each subscription from the Gettysburg CWRT members.

If interested, contact John Winkelman for a special discount code to use when ordering. ☎



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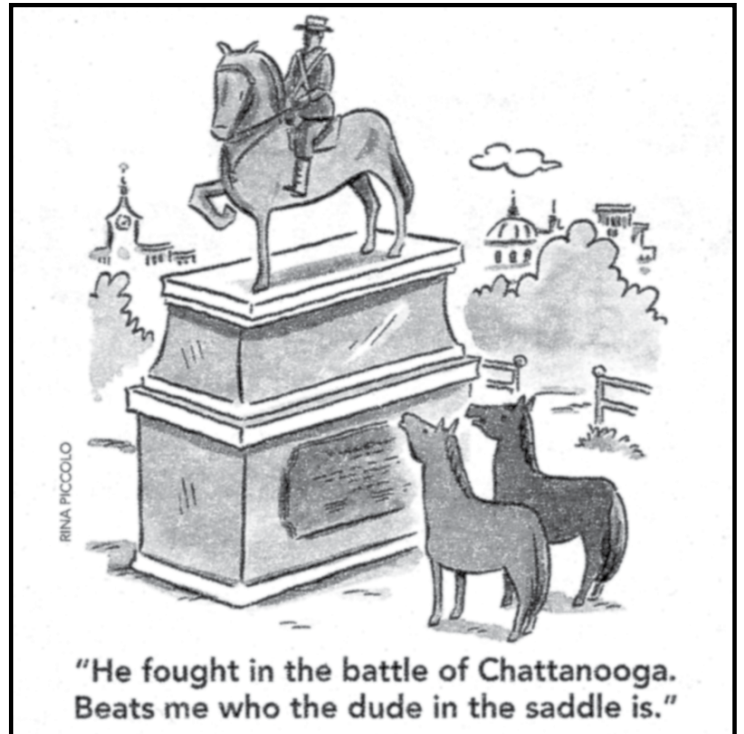
September 23 meeting..... Lynn Light

October 28 meeting..... Cindy King

## Notable Quotables from Pat Fairbairn

*"Lincoln's political philosophy is not the result of theoretical reflection and study, nor even of experience, but of innate qualities of character and mind. The qualities of his mind are as extraordinary as the quality of his character. His sheer brainpower must have exceeded that of all other presidents, Jefferson included. The manifestations are the more astounding, as Lincoln's mind was virtually untrained, his sporadic formal schooling having amounted altogether to about one year. That extraordinary intelligence revealed itself in a philosophic understanding of public issues, in a judicious concern with politically relevant detail; in a mastery of political manipulation; and in military judgment."*

*— Hans Morgenthau, one of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century's most distinguished and honored figures in the study of international politics, in explaining his choice of Abraham Lincoln as the exemplary epitome of a statesman.*



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