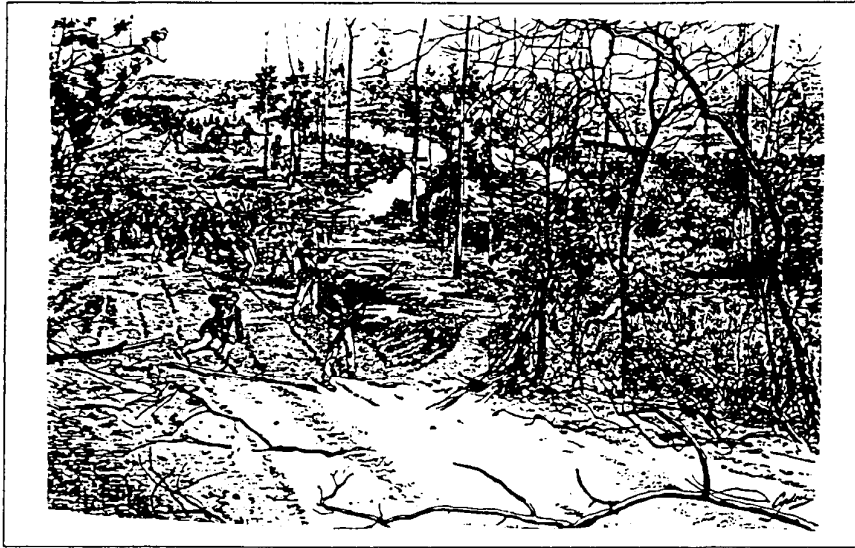


STONEWALL

MAY 1997

BULL RUN CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

SHILOH



Twenty three years ago the banks of the Tennessee witnessed a remarkable occurrence. There was a wage of battle. Heavy blows were given and received, and the challenger failed to make his cause good. But there were peculiar circumstances which distinguished the combat from other trials of strength in the rebellion: An army comprising 70 regiments of infantry, 20 batteries of artillery, and a sufficiency of cavalry, lay for two weeks and more in isolated camps, with a river in its rear and a hostile army claimed to be superior in numbers 20 miles distant in its front, while the commander made his headquarters and passed his nights 9 miles away on the opposite side of the river. It had no line or order of battle, no defensive works of any sort, no outposts, properly speaking, to give warning, or check the advance of an enemy, and no recognized head during the absence of the regular commander. On a Saturday the hostile force arrived and formed in order of battle, without detection or hindrance, within a mile and a half of the unguarded army, advanced upon it the next morning, penetrated its disconnected lines, assaulted its camps in front and flank, drove its disjointed members successively from position to position, capturing some and routing others, in spite of much heroic individual resistance, and steadily drew near the landing and depot of its supplies in the pocket between the river and an impassable creek. At the moment near the close of the day when the remnant of the retrograding army was driven to refuge in the midst of its magazines, with the triumphant enemy at half-gunshot distance, the advance division of a reinforcing army arrived on the opposite bank of the river, crossed, and took position under fire at the point of attack; the attacking force was checked, and the battle ceased for the day. The next morning at dawn the reinforcing army and a fresh division belonging to the defeated force advanced against the assailants, followed or accompanied by such of the broken columns of the previous day as had not lost all cohesion, and after ten hours of conflict drove the enemy from the captured camps and the field.

*Maj. Gen. Don Carlos Buell, U.S.V.
"Shiloh Reviewed", p 487
Battles and Leaders of the Civil War*

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Thursday, May 8,
7:30 pm

MANASSAS NATIONAL
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tlefield Park Visitor Center, 7:30.
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SPEAKER SCHEDULE

MAY 8	SHILOH	Ed Bearss
JUN 12	SPOTSYLVANIA	Gordon Rhea
JUL 10	BREAKTHROUGH AT PETERSBURG	E. Wilson Greene
AUG 14	THE WAR BETWEEN THE SHEETS	Art Candenquist

Second Thursday of each month, 7:30 pm

*Manassas National Battlefield Park
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UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

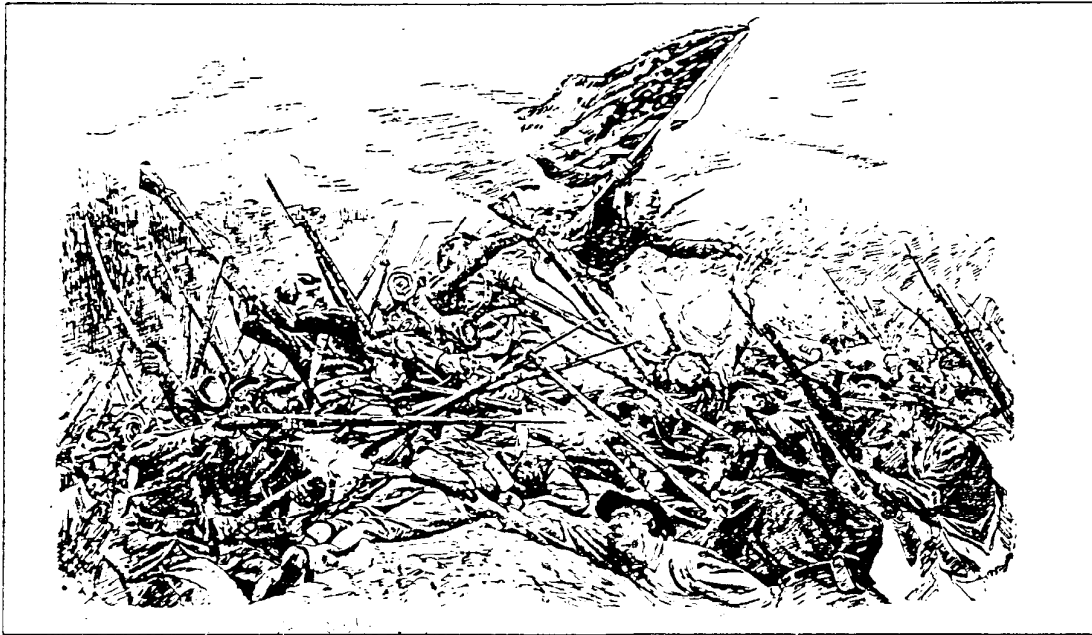
MAY 10	COLD HARBOR
JUN 14	CROSS KEYS & PORT REPUBLIC
JUL 12	NORTH ANNA
AUG 16	RESEARCH ON THE INTERNET

Field trips typically are scheduled for the Saturday following the monthly meetings. The only cost is to reimburse the drivers for gasoline; "We're cheap and we're proud."

For information: 703.698.7749

Marching Orders for May 17

PAMUNKEY RIVER TO COLD HARBOR



Bloody Angle, May 12-13, 1863

It was not only a desperate struggle, it was a hand to hand fight. Nothing but the pile dup logs or breastworks separated the combatants. Our men would reach over the logs and fire into the faces of the enemy, would stab over with their bayonets; may were shot and stabbed through the crevices and holes between the logs; men mounted the works, and, with muskets rapidly handed them, kept up a continuous fire until they were shot down, when others would take their place and continue the deadly work...It was there that the somewhat celebrated tree was cut off by bullets, there that the brush and logs were cut to pieces and whipped into basket stuff...there that the rebel ditches and cross sections were filled with dead men several deep...I was at the angle the next day. The sight was terrible and sickening, much worse than at Bloody Lane-Antietam. There a great many dead man were lying in the road and across the rails of the torn down fences, and out in the cornfield, but they were not piled up several deep and their lesh was not so torn and managed as at the angle.

*Brig. Gen. Lewis A. Grant, 2nd Brigade, 2nd Division, VI U.S. Corps, Army of the Potomac.
From Humprheys, A.A., Virginia Campaign of 1864 and 1865,
Charles Scribner's Sons, NY 1883, p 99-100.*

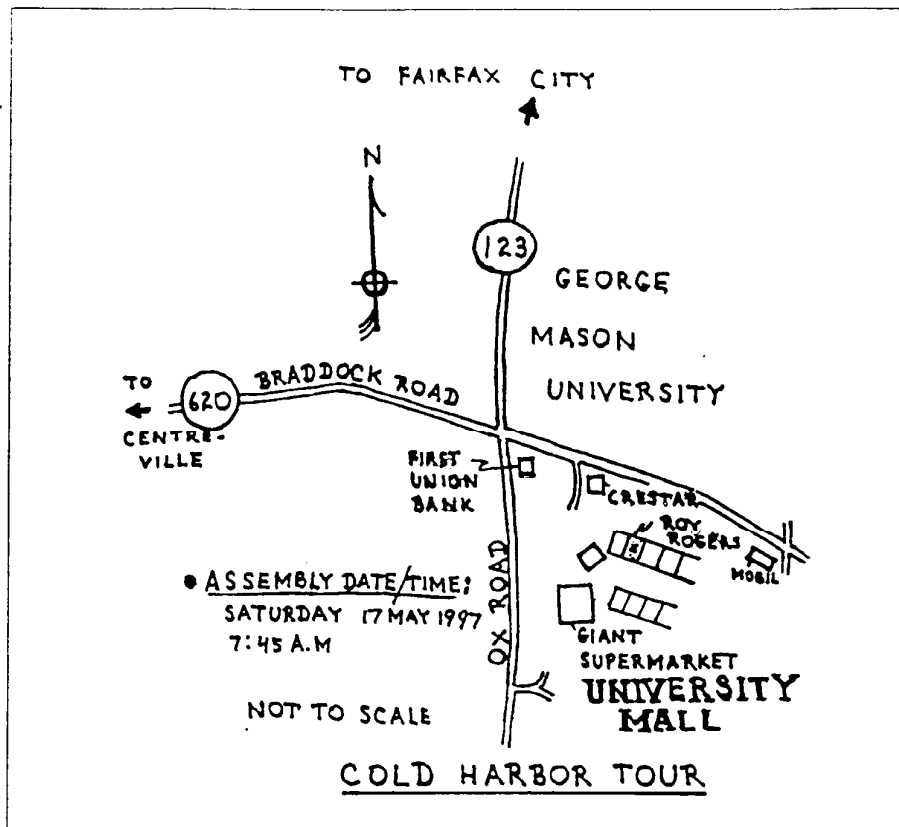
PAMUNKEY RIVER TO COLD HARBOR

This tour will be moderately paced, with stops at historic sites off the beaten track. The locations range from the Pamunkey River crossings south to Cold Harbor.

Time: 8 am - 4:20 pm

Guides: John McAnaw, Chris Custode and Dan Paterson

Assembly Point: Roy Rogers Restaurant, located in the University Mall, southeast corner of the intersection of Braddock Road and Ox Road (Rt. 123), just south of the George Mason University campus (see map). Route strip maps and map guides for the 1864 Overland Campaign will be handed out at the assembly point at 7:45 am



Route: South on Rt. 123 to I-95; then south on I-95 (toward Richmond). Exit East of State Route 30 (King's Dominion Amusement Park exit)

First Stop: 9:22 am at Burger King Restaurant opposite King's Dominion entrance (quick stop to ensure all vehicles are accounted for).

Second Stop: 10:12 a.m. Spring Hill Plantation, just west of intersection of County Rt. 605 (River Road) and County Rt. 604 (Summer Hill Road)

Lunch: Bring your own.

Final Stop: National Park Service Shelter at Cold Harbor, located off County Rt. 156 between Old Cold Harbor and New Cold Harbor.

Clothing and Equipment: Dress appropriate to weather conditions. Hiking shoes and water canteens are recommended.

Amount of Exertion Required: Light. Longest round trip from vehicles is 1.1 miles on Cold Harbor Battlefield, and this walk is optional.

Coordination: Sign up sheets at the May 8 Round Table meeting.

Contact: John McAnaw, (703) 978-3371.

Update:

THE CENTREVILLE BURIALS

Round table member Pat Gallagher and another dedicated volunteer, C. K. Gailey, have been working hard for months to determine the identity of the remains of six Civil War soldiers unearthed in January on the site of a McDonald's Restaurant in Centreville. Pat and another round table member, Bev Regeimbal, participated in the excavation of the burial site located just off U.S. Hwy. 28 next to the office building housing the Sully District Supervisor.

Key to possible identification of these soldiers is Douglas W. Owsley, a well known forensic anthropologist at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History. The remains of these soldiers are now located at the museum. Unfortunately, Dr. Owsley is a very busy individual who, due to other commitments, will not be able to study the remains until some time in June.

FYI, there is an article on the subject of these six soldiers in the March-April 1997 edition of the North South Trader. The article, written by Michael J. O'Donnell, is titled "Centreville Dead Recovered". Numerous photographs accompany the article. With surety, the identity of these soldiers have been narrowed down at this point to two possibilities: they are either Union or Confederate.

ISTEA AND CIVIL WAR PRESERVATION

In 1991 Congress passed the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) or as it is commonly called, Ice Tea, authorizing Federal funds for highways, highway safety and mass transportation, including the requirement for the states to set aside 10% of the allocated Federal funds for transportation enhancement projects, including historic preservation and conservation projects.

Thus far, ISTEA grants accompanying matching funds have generated more than \$43 million for Civil War preservation projects. Federal highway enhancement funds provided more than \$20 million, matched from other sources for projects at 50 battlefields in 12 states. ISTEA-funded projects included fee and easement purchases at endangered battlefields and a variety of other initiatives such as monument restoration on the Nashville Battlefield and landscape work for the African-American Civil War Memorial in Washington D.C.

This legislation expires in 1997. Kindly note the irony associated with ISTEA money. The act authorizes funds for highway construction, which could include widening roads through Civil War battlefields and other historic sites, while at the same time funds could be used to preserve these battlefields.

For information concerning the reauthorization of ISTEA in 1997, contact your senator or congressman, or The Civil War Trust, 2101 Wilson Blvd. Suite 1120, Arlington Va. 22201, (800) CWT-RUST. The Trust will also provide a complete list of ISTEA enhancement projects of Civil War sites. Of note, Rep. Frank Wolf is chairman of the House Transportation Committee.

AMERICAN BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION PROGRAM ANNOUNCES RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS

The spring issue of Battlefield Update, the newsletter of the American Battlefield Protection Program, announced the recipients of ABPP's 1997 cooperative agreement funds. I believe you will be pleasantly surprised by several of the recipients.

Arkansas Dept. of Parks and Tourism, \$10,000, Prairie Grove Battlefield Plans
Association for the Preservation of Civil War Sites, \$30,000, Land Acquisition
workshop
Bentonville Battleground Historical Ass. \$24,000, Bentonville Battlefield Global Positioning
System Mapping
Blue and Gray Education Society, \$9,500, Battle of Mobile Bay Preservation and
Interpretation
City of Franklin, Tenn., \$11,500, Carter House Area Preservation Plan
Civil War Trust, \$32,250, Civil War Explorer Educational Materials
Friends of Manassas National Battlefield Park, \$15,000, Stuart Hill exhibit highlight-
ing acquisition of Williams Center Tract
Friends of Moccasin Bend National Park, Inc., \$20,000, Preservation Management
Plan for Moccasin Bend National Park
Friends of the National Parks at Gettysburg, Inc., \$22,000, Reevaluation/Revision
of Gettysburg National Battlefield Historical District
Friends of the Texas Historical Commission, inc., \$15,000, Civil War in Texas Official
Map and Guide
Friends of the Wilderness Battlefield, \$9,000, Construction of three interpretive
markers for Grant's headquarters site (Grant's Knoll)
Jumonville Preservation Society, \$3,500, Braddock Road/Dunbar's Camp waysides
Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield, \$30,000, Conservation plan for remain-
ing fortifications running from Lost Mountain to Brushy Mountain, Ga.
Maury County, Tenn. Visitor's Bureau, \$15,600, Spring Hill Battlefield interpretation
Mill Springs Ky. Battlefield Assoc., \$10,000, Mill Springs Battlefield interpretation
Mississippi Dept. of Archives and History, \$15,000, Big Black River Bridge Battlefield
Preservation Plan
Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, \$10,000, Ball's Bluff Battlefield Aware-
ness Project
New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, \$15,000, Oriskany Bat-
tlefield Protection Plan
National Park Service Southwest Systems Office, \$3,200, New Mexican Hispanics in the
Civil War workshop
Partnership in Parks, \$21,700, Community Outreach in Petersburg, Va.
Rich Mountain Battlefield Foundation, Inc., \$15,800, Rich Mountain W.Va. Battle-
field Education for Preservation
Rutherford County, Tenn., \$13,150, Concensus building for unprotected areas of
the Stones River (Murfreesboro) National Battlefield
Save Historic Antietam Foundation, \$10,400, 1862 Maryland Campaign and
Preservation Initiatives

*Summing up, 22 organizations out of nearly 80 applicants received funding, to-
taling \$365,600. Congratulations to all recipients, but particularly to those close
by and dear to our hearts, such as Friends of Manassas National Battlefield
Park, Friends of the Wilderness Battlefield, and Northern Virginia Regional Park
Authority. For more information regarding ABPP funding, contact Ginger
Carter, (202) 343-1210, or write National Park Service, Heritage Preservation
Services, American Battlefield Protection Program, P.O. Box 37127, Suite 250,
Washington D.C. 20013-7127.*

Gordon RHEA

BOOK
SIGNING
& TALK

The Battles for
Spotsylvania
Court House
and
the Road to
Yellow Tavern

May 18
1-3 pm

**CLIO'S HISTORY
BOOKSHOP**

103 Loudoun Street, S.W.
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703 . 777 . 1815

THE CAMPAIGN OF SHILOH

Gen. P.G.T. Beauregard, , Battles and Leaders of the Civil War

At the first flush of dawn on the 6th, the Confederate army was promptly formed in the three lines directed in Special Orders, No. 8, except that untowardly the left of Hardee's corps, which, reinforced by Gladden's division of Bragg's corps, constituted the advance, did not rest on Owl Creek, as prescribed. Nine thousand and twenty-four men were in this line, deployed for battle, and formed, as it were, a heavy skirmish line thrown forward to embrace the whole Federal front. Five hundred yards rearward was Bragg's corps (less Gladden's division), 10,731 men, exclusive of cavalry, in a line, as far as the nature of the ground admitted, of



regiments massed in double columns at half distance - not deployed in line of battle, as some writers have stated, coupled with criticisms based thereon. General Polk's corps of 9036 men, exclusive of cavalry, came next, some 800 yards behind Bragg in a column of brigades deployed in line of battle on the left of the Pittsburg road, each brigade having its own battery, and there was cavalry protecting the left of his line. The reserve, under Breckinridge, of 7062 men, exclusive of cavalry, marched in the rear of Bragg's right or between the Pittsburg road and Lick Creek. The troops of the third line were to be thrown forward according to the exigencies of the battle. The total force thus sent forward against the Federal position numbered 40,335 rank and file, of all arms, including 4382 cavalry, more than half of whom were of no other military value except for observation or outpost service that did not involve skirmishing.

ORGANIZE YOUR OWN ARTILLERY BATTERY

In the last couple months I received two requests for information on manufacturers of reproduction Civil War cannon and carriages. The Chief Curator of the National Park Service, Ann Hitchcock listed the following firms as sources of "Red Leg" hardware:

Lebanon Pattern Shops, Inc., 504 E. Canal Street, Lebanon, Pa. 17046, (717) 272-8158
Paulson Brothers Ordnance Corp., P.O. Box 121, Clear Lake, Wis. 54005, (715) 263-3300
South Bend Replicas, Inc., 61650 Oak Road, South Bend, Ind. 46614, (219) 289-4500

For more information, contact the National Park Service, Museum Management Program, P.O. Box 37127, Suite 230, Washington D.C. 20013-7127, (202) 343-8138

Now, for the limbers, caissons, horses and ammunition!

REMEMBERING THE BATTLE OF PEA RIDGE

Friends of the National Military Park at Pea Ridge Arkansas have commissioned Carthage Missouri artist Andy Thomas to complete a painting depicting Battle of Elkhorn Tavern. Unveiling is May 24, 1997 at the Pea Ridge park. Thomas will attend to talk and sign prints. Prints Limited Edition of 900 \$50.00 ea. Artist Proofs of 50 \$100.00 ea.

For information on prints, event or artist historical commission e-mail Dina Thomas at dinart@getonthe.net

MAY BIRTHDAYS

9 William Edmondson "Grumble" Jones. Brig. Gen. C.S.A. (1824-1864). Considered the best outpost officer in the cavalry. Killed at the Battle of Piedmont.

23 Ambrose Everett Burnside. Maj. Gen. U.S.V. (1824-1881) Described by Grant as "an officer who was generally liked and respected. He was not, however, fitted to command an army. No one knew this better than himself."

31 Stephen Dodson Ramseur. Maj. Gen. C.S.A. (1837-1864), The youngest West Pointer to attain the rank of major general in the Confederate Army, on the day after his 27th birthday. Mortally wounded at the battle of Cedar Creek.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 16-18 North-South Skirmish Assoc. 95th National Competition at Fort Shenandoah near Winchester. (810) 258-9007 or <http://www.infi.net/~nssa>

May 21-25 8th Annual Shenandoah University Civil War Institute May session. Field trips to Harpers Ferry, South Mountain, Sharpsburg etc. with Charles Roland, Jeffry Wert and Brandon Beck. Call Brandon Beck, (540) 665-4587/9525.

May 24. Antietam National Battlefield, Sharpsburg, parade and ceremony at National Cemetery. (301) 432-5124. I hope everything's going well for you.

June 7-8, 133rd Anniversary: Battle of Cold Harbor, living history, artillery demonstrations, walking tours, and candlelight tour on Saturday at 8:30 p.m. Richmond National Battlefield Park. (540) 226-1981.

June 21, Canoe Trip down the Rapidan River, sponsored by the Friends of the Rappahannock and Fredericksburg CWRT. For info contact the Friends of the Wilderness Battlefield, (540) 972-9954.

June 21-22 Living History: Technology of War, volunteers dressed as soldiers demonstrate how advancing military technology influenced the war. Antietam National Battlefield Park. Includes artillery and musket firings, Sharps rifle demonstrations. (301) 432-5124.

June 21-22, Lecture: Medicine Through the Artist's Eyes, historian and artist Dennis Sherald appears as Civil War artist Alfred Waud to discuss the carnage and care giving of the Civil War as seen through the eyes of its artists. National Museum of Civil War Medicine in Frederick, MD. (301) 695-1864.

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ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Ed Bearss has been getting a lot of press recently. Check out the April edition of Southern Living Magazine which profiles Ed and the History America Tours. Also read the Civil War page of the April 26 Washington Times.

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