

October 2016 – Fall Campaign 39: Meeting on October 04, 2016

## From the Brigade Commander: Ed Root

What a wonderful way to begin our 39th Campaign. Sixty two members and guests gathered to begin our Campaign year by honoring the memory of Karl Lehr, a true gentleman and scholar who supported our Round Table in thought, word and deed. Wayne Motts and Jim Hessler did a wonderful job discussing Pickett's Charge and reminding us that diligent research continues to uncover more to a story which only heightens our interest and increases our knowledge. If you have not visited The National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg you have missed much. (http://www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org/) Do it soon, you'll be rewarded.

Our dinner meeting once again was an opportunity for folks to relax and renew old friendships and make new ones. If you have not attended the dinner portion of our meetings please consider doing so. The food and the conversation and the camaraderie are all good. You won't be disappointed.

Have you renewed your membership yet? Your support helps us continue to bring excellent speakers before you and ultimately assists in raising funds for the cause of historic preservation. Don't let Jeff Gates feel lonely at the entrance to the meeting room. He's a good fellow so stop and chat and reenlist now!

Keep in mind our local preservation effort at Nisky Hill Cemetery in Bethlehem. Look for email notification from Claire as the scheduling unfolds.

SAVE THE DATE!!!! SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017. Our CWRT will sponsor a seminar at the Holiday Inn about "Americans at War" on that date. We will have a speaker line up that you will not want to miss. More information will follow in the coming weeks, but mark your calendars NOW!!! Change the reunion or your cousin's wedding date, whatever it takes. Heck, bring your cousin to the seminar! No excuses. Please consider becoming or asking others to become a Sponsor for this event. We will provide coffee and Danish during registration and have a buffet lunch. There will also be speaker costs. We want to make a profit on this event in order to make donations to historic and veteran organization, but we also want to keep the cost for attendees as reasonable as possible. Sponsor donations at any level will be greatly appreciated.

Don't forget to frequently check our website. There is always something informative and interesting. http://www.cwrteasternpa.org/

See you on October 4th when George Franks will follow the Battle of Gettysburg to its conclusion at The Battle of Falling Waters.

Ed

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## **About Our October Topic....** "The Battle of Falling Waters:

## The End of the Gettysburg Campaign"

The story of the Gettysburg Campaign, both before and after the July 1-3, 1863, battle, has recently received increased attention from historians. The movement of the Army of Northern Virginia from Gettysburg and its pursuit by the Army of the Potomac are every bit as important to the study of the American Civil War as the events in and around the small crossroads town in Pennsylvania. Many historians agree the Gettysburg Campaign concluded with the Battle of Falling Waters, Maryland, on July 14, 1863. Although not the climactic battle of the war desired by President Abraham Lincoln, it remains a story of miscalculation, bravery, larger-than-life personalities, tragedy and a cover-up. This new book tells the story of that final battle.

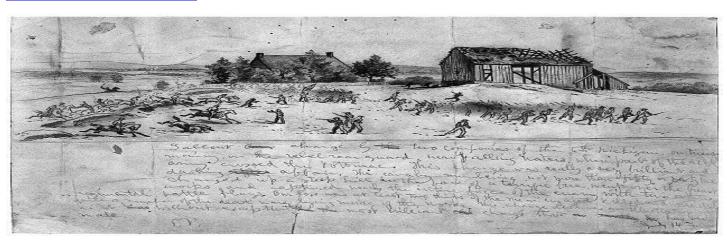
The story does not end with the battle. Included is an intriguing tale about veterans of the Battle of Falling Waters, Maryland decades after Gen. Robert E. Lee's rear guard clashed with Maj. Gen. George G. Meade's cavalry.

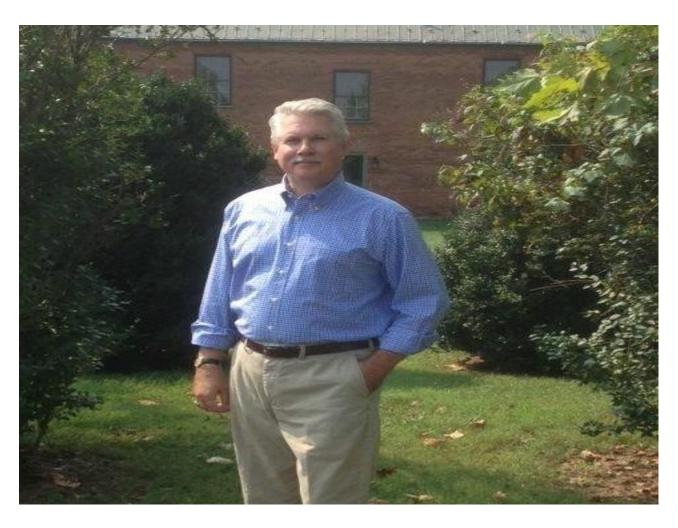
The book concludes with a detailed description of the battlefield today and efforts to preserve portions of the land for future generations. George Franks has made extensive use of first-hand accounts, detailed maps, period drawings and photographs to breathe life into the crucial yet little remembered end of the Gettysburg Campaign.

### **About Our October Speaker....**

George F. Franks, III has been passionate about the study of the American Civil War since visiting the Gettysburg battlefield with his parents in July 1963. He studied history at the U.S. Naval Academy and the University of Pittsburgh. A former telecommunications executive with extensive international experience, he is currently the President of Franks Consulting Group and the owner of CockedHats.com, a historical hat business. George is the founder and President of the Battle of Falling Waters 1863 Foundation, Inc. and a member of the Board of Directors of the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area. He is the former President of the Capitol Hill Civil War Round Table, a member of Hagerstown Civil War Round Table, Save Historic Antietam Foundation and the Civil War Trust. George is also a Governor and a former Vice President of the Company of Military Historians. He researched the July 14, 1863 battle of Falling Waters, Maryland for a decade. Melissa Cooperson and George own and live in the 1830 Daniel Donnelly House on the battlefield.

The Author can be reached via email at fallingwatersmd1863@gmail.com or on his web site www.fallingwatersmd1863.com.





Our October Speaker, George Franks. We cannot wait to hear him speak.

## **Campaign Officers 2016-2017 Campaign Year:**

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Fall 2016 & Spring 2017 PROGRAM REGISTRATION DETAILS

#### All Members and guests of the Lehigh Brigade are ordered to

Holiday Inn Conference Center Lehigh Valley in Breinigsville

7736 Adrienne Drive Breinigsville, PA 18031 Phone 610-391-1000

The deadline for accepting dinner reservations is the last Thursday, before the monthly meeting held on the first Tuesday of the month unless otherwise noted. Please note the deadline for making dinner reservations for the September meeting is September 01, 2016.

For dinner reservations and/or information: Contact any of the following:

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**Please Remember To Visit Our Website:** Our website is a treasure trove of up to date information about not only our Round Table and it' activities, but links to events of interest, research aids and other organizations of merit. Website: http://www.cwrteasternpa.org/

# In Appreciation of Jim Hessler and Wayne Mott's Terrific Presentation: September 2016



Jim and Wayne presented will well-deserved plaques.



Taking a Well Deserved Break by Hugh J Kelly at Civil War Reenactment



**Book Raffle Winners for September 2016** 



The winners of the September 2016 book Raffle are (From left to right) Sherri Miller, Bruce Rismiller, Allen Crawford, Bill Fincke and Kim Jacobs.

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone for supporting the preservation cause.

## **Campaign Print Raffle Prizes**

### Civil War Roundtable Prizes for 2015 – 2016 Campaign Season

<u>Prize</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Artist</u>
Grand	Jackson and His Archangels	Bradley Schmehl
Second	The Vicksburg Campaign	Ed Bearss
Third Fourth Fifth	The Gettysburg Papers 2 vols The Civil War - A Narrative 3 vols Mounted Artillery Artifact from Petersburg	Bandy & Freeland Shelby Foote Barry Arnold

REMEMBER, WHEN YOU SUPPORT PRESERVATION, WE ARE ALL WINNERS!!!

## Do You KNOW THE CIVIL WAR?

A brain-stretching quiz about the historic struggle between the blue and gray

Taken from The Civil War Quiz and Fact Book by Rod Gragg

Answers on Page 8

- 1. What food was Stonewall Jackson known to eat during battle?
  - a) Lemons b) Hard Tack c) Raw Onions d) Corn Cob
- 2. Which side suffered more fatalities during the Civil War?
  - a) South b) North c) They were tied in terms of fatalities
- 3. What foreign country's uniform was the inspiration for the Zouave units?
  - a) North Africa's French colonial army b) Montenegro's revolutionary uniforms
  - c) Hessians Mercenary uniforms d) Swiss uniforms

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## Civil War Reenactment: July 01- July 03, 2016 Gettysburg, PA Hugh J Kelly



The Calvary with Pistols Blazing

## ANSWERS FOR DO YOUR KNOW THE CIVIL WAR? Quiz on page 7

- 1. A) Lemons
- 2. B) North
- 3. A) North Africa's French colonial army

#### REENLISTMENT REPORT

It is re-enlistment time for the 2016-2017 campaign. Again, our numbers have decreased over the past year and the Roundtable can use your help in acquiring some new recruits. If you know of anyone who has an interest in the Civil War, please pass his or her name and address along to me. I will send them a few complimentary newsletters and an introductory letter to the Round Table. Better yet, bring them to a dinner meeting.

The dues are \$25.00 for individuals, \$10.00 for full-time students. To avoid standing in line at the meeting, please fill out the form below and mail it with your check payable to CWRT of Eastern PA, Inc. Thanks for your support. Jeff Gates (610) 966-5773 or <a href="mailto:jefgates@ptd.net">jefgates@ptd.net</a>

Name How long have you	u been a member?	
Address	How did	
you hear of this organization?		
What is your occupation/profession?		
PhoneE-mail address		
Reenactor?Unit		
Please give name and unit of ancestor who fought in the Civil War		
My major interest is:		
Would you be willing to speak to groups on some aspect of the Civ	il War?	
Would you be interested in participating in round table activities?		
public functionspolitical actionpreservationlivir	ng history	
Dues (Please make checks payable to CWRT of Eastern PA, Inc.)		
Individual (\$25.00)Full-Time Student (\$10.00)Tax Ded	luctible Donation	
Please fill out the Enlistment Form above for our next Campaign and mail FIRST CLASS to CWRT of Eastern PA, Inc., P.O. Box 333 ALLENTOWN, PA 18105		

Dues are payable now!

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