



### January 2015 – Winter Campaign 37

## ABOUT OUR January 06, 2015 PROGRAM'S TALK, History of the Gettysburg Cyclorama by Sue Boardman, LBG

### About Our Speaker

Sue Boardman, a Gettysburg Licensed Battlefield Guide since 2000, is a two-time recipient of the Superintendent's Award for Excellence in Guiding. Sue is a recognized expert of not only the Battle of Gettysburg but also the National Park's early history including its many monuments and the National Cemetery.

Beginning in 2004, Sue served as historical consultant for the Gettysburg Foundation for the new museum project as well as for the massive project to conserve and restore the Gettysburg cyclorama. She has authored a book on the history of the Cyclorama titled **"The Gettysburg Cyclorama: A History and Guide."** She has also authored **"Elizabeth Thorn: Wartime Caretaker of Gettysburg's Evergreen Cemetery."**

Sue currently serves as the Associate Director of the Gettysburg Foundation's Leadership Program. Her program, ***In the Footsteps of Leaders*** has been well-received by corporate, government, non-profit and educational groups.



### *Sue Boardman's January 06, 2015 Presentation*

This presentation will explore the history of the genre of cycloramas and in particular the history of the Battle of Gettysburg Cyclorama including a discussion of the massive multiyear conservation effort of our country's largest painting.



**Speaker, Kathy Coddington, receiving a plaque from Ed Oechsle in appreciation from the Eastern PA CWRT.**

#### **Did You Know?**

At the December 02, 2014 meeting, there were 35 members and guests on hand who braved the weather to hear Kathleen Coddington's excellent presentation on "The U.S. Sanitary Commission: Lincoln's 'Fifth Wheel'".



**Our members enjoying the speaker as well as other festivities at the December meeting.**



## **OPERATION SNOWFLAKE- Please note some changes to the procedure**



*For weather related cancellations, please visit the CWRT website - [www.cwrteasternpa.org](http://www.cwrteasternpa.org) - where any meeting change information will be posted as close to noon as possible. We will also try to send a blast e mail to notify you of any cancellations. If you still have doubts, please call Days Inn of Allentown, PA 1-610-266-1000.*

### **Campaign Officers 2014-2015 Campaign Year:**

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### **About our Meetings:      Location of all meetings**

Days Inn and Suites of Allentown (formerly Four Points Sheraton)  
3400 Airport Road, Allentown, PA 18109

#### **Format of all meetings**

Sutler's Call	<b>6:00-6:30 pm</b> Mess
Call	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
Program	<b>7:30 pm</b>

#### **Cost per meeting**

Dinner and Program	\$25.00 per person (Reservation required)
Program only	\$5.00 (No reservation required)



# January 06, 2015 PROGRAM REGISTRATION DETAILS

All Members and guests of the Lehigh Brigade are ordered to the Days Inn and Suites of Allentown, PA on January 06, 2015. **The deadline for accepting dinner reservations is Thursday, January 01, 2015.**

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

James Duffy – 610-253- 4549 [duffysocwk@aol.com](mailto:duffysocwk@aol.com)

Carol Detweiler 215-234- 4884 [cdetweiler01@comcast.net](mailto:cdetweiler01@comcast.net)

## Brigade Call

Civil War Round Table of Eastern, PA, Inc.

Warren Beach

As we leave 2014 and prepare for 2015, a year of possibilities confront us. We can look back and consider the important things that have happened in the past year. They will be different for all of us, but for members of the Civil War Round Table, the memories will certainly include dinners and speeches of our monthly meetings. There were some really great programs and learning experiences.

As we get farther in time from the Civil War, interests other than the history and stories of our “war” begin to fade. As the next generation, and those following grow up there will be many national events of perhaps great importance to consider.

I think that is our duty to keep memories and stories of the Civil War alive and vibrant for the next generations.

If any members have any ideas along this line, please feel free to contact any board members and let them know.

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## DO YOU KNOW THE CIVIL WAR? A Brain- Stretching Quiz About the Historic Struggle Between the Blue and Grey

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

1. More than a month after Lee’s surrender, when hostilities were by general agreement over, a Union force attacked a small Confederate in Texas – on two consecutive days. Both times, the Confederates pushed the attackers back. Name that battle, the last real battle of the Civil War.
2. The paddle wheeler chugged up the Mississippi, groaning and straining under the stress of its far-over-the-limit load of passengers – most of them former POWs returning home after release from Confederate prison compounds. North of Memphis, a boiler exploded and the vessel burned and sank, taking perhaps 1,700 passengers with it. The name of the steamboat?

More pictures of our members enjoying themselves at the December meeting



Some more pictures from the December 02, 2014 meeting:



Whether purchasing tickets for the Book Raffle or listening intently to the presenter (L-R) our attendees

**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.



**Book Raffle Winners for December 2014**





The book raffle winners for the December 2014 meeting were (seated) Colleen Gober; (standing – left to right) Gary Weaver, Frank Whalen and Gary Schnell Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone for supporting the preservation cause!

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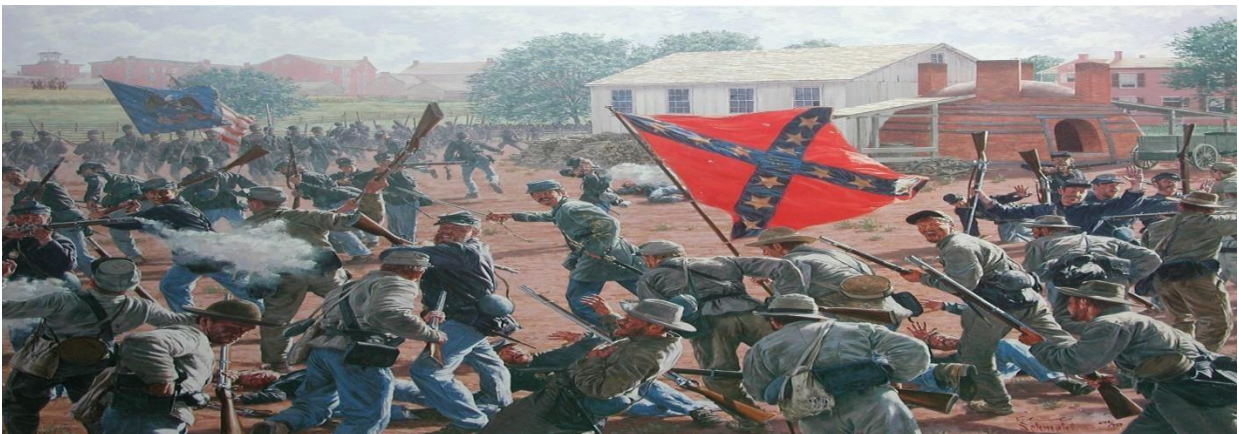
## **ANSWERS FOR DO YOU KNOW THE CIVIL WAR?**

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1. **Battle of Palmito Ranch.**
2. ***Sultana***

## **2014-2015 Campaign Print Raffle Prizes**



Bedlam in the Brickyard by Bradley Schmehl

The CWRT has a multitude of wonderful prizes that will be raffled off on the June 2015 meeting.

1. Framed Signed Print – *Bedlam in the Brickyard – Gettysburg* by Bradley Schmehl. #381/950.
  2. The Official Civil War Centennial Commission Commemorative Medallion 1961 – 1965.
  3. Framed Print Image of the Surrender at Appomattox with Surrender U. S. Centennial Postage Stamp.
  4. *Arms, Equipment and Atlas of the Civil War* – 3 Volume Boxed Set.
  5. *The Colton Letters Civil War Period 1861 – 1865*.
  6. *The Civil War: An Illustrated History* by Geoffrey C. Ward with Ric Burns and Ken Burns.
- REMEMBER, WHEN YOU SUPPORT PRESERVATION, WE ARE ALL WINNERS!!!

Remember to Check OutThe Blog of Gettysburg National Military Park

### Gettysburg Programs:

Winter's cold does not deter Gettysburg's rangers from continuing to study and develop programs on the meaning, significance, and impact of the battle of Gettysburg and the American Civil War. From January through early March, Gettysburg National Military Park will offer a series of lectures that touch on many different aspects of the Civil War in 1865 with programs expanding beyond the boundaries of the Gettysburg Campaign. The consequences of the conflict, presidents and generals, the final battles and profound decisions, the aftermath and reconstruction will all be examined. Programs are held on weekends in the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center at 1:30 PM. The lectures from January 3 to February 22 will be held in one of the theaters and the lectures on February 28, March 1, 7, and 8 will be held in the Ford Education Center. All lectures are free and open to the public.

For more information, call the Visitor Information Desk at 717-334-1124 ext. 8023

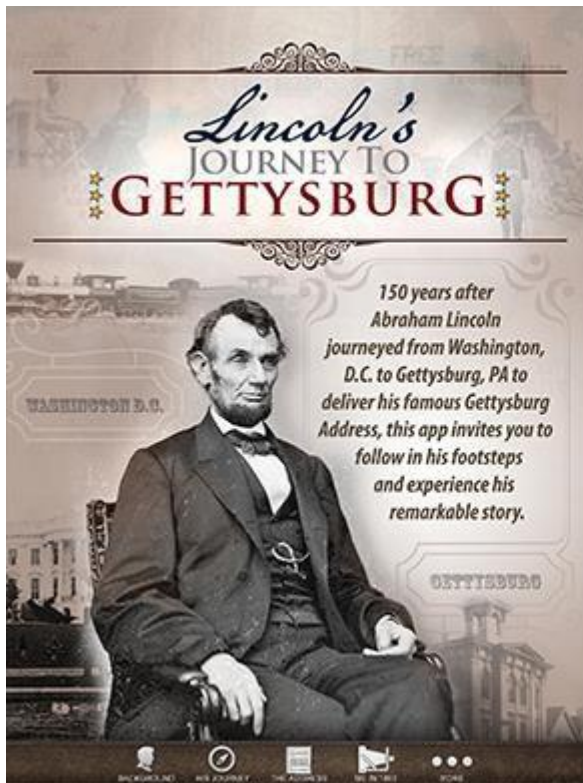
Can't make it to Gettysburg? All Winter Lectures will be filmed and made available on our park YouTube page:

[youtube.com/GettysburgNPS](https://www.youtube.com/GettysburgNPS)

# Introducing “Lincoln 1863”

A free app for iOS devices





## Lincoln 1863: Lincoln's Journey to Gettysburg

### Presented by the Gettysburg Foundation

Did you know that 2013 marked the 150th Anniversary of the Gettysburg Address?

Follow President Abraham Lincoln on his journey from Washington D.C. to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania in November 1863 to deliver his famous Gettysburg Address.

Discover the people, places and things he encountered along the way, explore the Gettysburg Address and more. This app is free!

- **New: Walk through Gettysburg on a GPS guided tour, with new videos and content to provide context to Dedication Day and the Gettysburg Address.**
- Discover more about Abraham Lincoln, the United States in 1863, what the town of Gettysburg was like during the Civil War and why Lincoln decided to travel to Gettysburg to deliver the Gettysburg Address.
- Follow Abraham Lincoln's Journey on a map from Washington D.C. to Gettysburg to deliver the Gettysburg Address.
- Find out what happened at each stop along the way. Discover the people, places and things that shaped his journey.
- Experience the Gettysburg Address by viewing a copy in Lincoln's own handwriting and listen to it being delivered by actor, Sam Waterston.
- Let trivia test your knowledge of Abraham Lincoln.

- Take a photo of yourself and friends in virtual 1860s period clothing! **New: Share the photos easily to Facebook, Twiter and more!**
- Send a virtual postcard from Gettysburg.
- Find out how to plan a visit to Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg and the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum & Visitor Center.



**Download it now at the iTunes store free.**

*This app is made possible in part through generous funding from the David Bruce Smith Education Initiative of the Robert H. Smith Family Foundation.*

### **The Battle of Galveston: Taken from Wikipedia**

Summary: The **Battle of Galveston** or the **Second Battle of Galveston** was a naval and land battle that occurred on January 1, 1863, during the American Civil War when Confederate forces under Maj. Gen. John B. Magruder attacked and expelled occupying Union troops from the city of Galveston, Texas.

The First Battle of Galveston was a naval engagement fought on October 4, 1862, during early Union attempts to blockade Galveston Harbor.

Battle: Two Confederate cottonclads, The CS Bayou City and the CS Neptune, sailed from Houston to Galveston in an effort to engage the Union Fleet in Galveston Harbor consisting of USS Clifton, USS Harriet Lane, USS Westfield, USS Owasco, USS Corypheus and USS Sachem.<sup>[1]</sup> Outnumbered six to two by the Northern ships, the Neptune was severely damaged by the Union Fleet and eventually sank. While the Neptune was quickly disabled, the Bayou City succeeded in capturing the USS Harriet Lane.<sup>[2]</sup>

During this time, the USS Westfield was grounded on a sandbar. A three-hour truce was called for by Magruder, but Union Fleet Commander William B. Renshaw, ignoring the negotiation offer, attempted to destroy the grounded Westfield with explosives rather than let it fall into enemy hands.

Renshaw and several Union troops were subsequently killed when the explosives were set off too early. Union troops on shore were convinced that their own ships were surrendering and, therefore, laid down their arms. The remaining U.S. ships did not surrender and succeeded in retreating to Union-controlled New Orleans

Aftermath: The Union blockade around the city of Galveston was lifted temporarily for four days, and Galveston remained in Confederate hands for the remainder of the war. The Confederate Congress stated this on the successful recapture of Galveston:

The bold, intrepid, and gallant conduct of Maj. Gen. J. Bankhead Magruder, Col. Thomas Green, Maj. Leon Smith and other officers, and of the Texan Rangers and soldiers engaged in the attack on, and victory achieved over, the land and naval forces of the enemy at Galveston, on the 1st of

January, 1863, eminently entitle them to the thanks of Congress and the country... This brilliant achievement, resulting, under the providence of God, in the capture of the war steamer *Harriet Lane* and the defeat and ignominious flight of the hostile fleet from the harbor, the recapture of the city and the raising of the blockade of the port of Galveston, signally evinces that superior force may be overcome by skillful conception and daring courage.

### REENLISTMENT REPORT

It is re-enlistment time for the 2014-2015 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 [jefgates@ptd.net](mailto:jefgates@ptd.net)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you been a member? \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ How did  
you hear of this organization? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your occupation/profession? \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Reenactor? \_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Please give name and unit of ancestor who fought in the Civil War \_\_\_\_\_

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My major interest is: \_\_\_\_\_



Would you be willing to speak to groups on some aspect of the Civil War? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be interested in participating in round table activities? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_public functions \_\_\_political action \_\_\_preservation \_\_\_living history

**Dues** (Please make checks payable to **CWRT of Eastern PA, Inc.**)

\_\_\_ **Individual (\$25.00)** \_\_\_ **Full-Time Student (\$10.00)** \_\_\_ **Tax Deductible 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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