



CAMPAIGN 34 - SKIRMISH 8

**Rescheduled from our February Meeting:**

**Ward B. Nickisch, Colonel, U. S. Army Retired**

*Fallen, But Not Forgotten: The Search & Recovery of POW/MIAs from Prior Wars*

We are delighted to have been able to reschedule this very special program. **Colonel (retired) Ward B. Nickisch** will present a slide presentation on his part in the search and recovery operations to bring home the remains of service members who remain listed as MIAs.

Colonel Nickisch participated in recovery missions in Vietnam and served as a senior member of the US Delegation to the first bilateral talks with North Korea. These historically significant talks resulted in an agreement for the first Joint Recovery Operation into North Korea. He was honored to be directly involved in the events relating disinterment and identification of the remains of the Vietnam Unknown from Arlington National Cemetery in May 1998. Colonel Nickisch is very active in veterans affairs at the local, state and national levels.



He and his wife live in Gainesville, VA. The United States **NEVER** gives up on our **POW/MIAs**. The Colonel's motto is "**To honor and remember . . . It's heart work!**"

We know a lot of our members were disappointed in the canceling of our February program so we expecting a large turnout at this meeting please get your dinner reservations in early. You don't want to miss this one!

## SUPPORT OUR JUNE PRINT RAFFLE!

As you know, our print raffle is one way that we raise money for Preservation.

You have a chance to win this framed, limited edition, print *Ranger Mosby* by Don Troiani.



In the Shenandoah Valley, Ranger Mosby sits astride his horse surrounded by his staff, while two Union soldiers are being questioned for information.

While at our dinner meeting, be sure to see Jack and Jeff at the Preservation table to purchase a packet of ten tickets for only \$5.00. Tickets will remain on sale until the drawing takes place is at the June 7<sup>th</sup> dinner meeting. Purchase your tickets early and often!! In addition to the print, you will have a chance to win one of the following GREAT prizes:

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Reproduction Map, Battle of Sharpsburg, Md. Sept. 17, 1862. by Jed Hotchkiss. Stonewall Jackson's topographer.

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – American Heritage Battle Maps of the Civil War by Richard O'Shea. Introduction by Robert K. Krick.

4<sup>th</sup> Prize – Great Battlefields of the World by John Macdonald.

5<sup>th</sup> Prize – Philadelphia in the Civil War 1861-1865 by Frank H. Taylor. First Edition, 1913.

## Officers 2010-2011 Campaign Year:

**TUESDAY, April 5, 2011**

Attention to Field Orders:

All Members and guests of the Lehigh Brigade are ordered to the **Four Points by Sheraton, 3400 Airport Rd., Allentown, Pa.**, on the above date.

Sutler's Call ..... 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Mess Call ..... 6:30 p.m.

Program ..... 7:30 p.m.

Speaker: Ward B. Nicklish COL(Ret) USA

**The deadline for making dinner reservations is**

**Thursday, March 31, 2011**

Please call one of the Brigade Clerks listed below:

Jeff Stocker -610-867-5178 or

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### March Meeting Book Raffle Winners



*Photo by Jeff Heller*

The book raffle winners for the March 2011 meeting were (seated) Russell Brewer, Susan Kovacs, (standing) Kim Jacobs, Whitey Buesing and Tony Major. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone for supporting the preservation cause!

### Brigade Call-Larry Kern

We had 68 people in attendance at our March meeting to hear David W. Willmann; Capt. (Retired) U.S.Navy. He teaches at the Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

He also is a Historian and Battlefield Guide.

He explained his method of teaching his students, which includes high ranking officers and corporation leaders the principles that Civil War officers used in planning and executing their strategies in battle. The purpose of this training is for present day leaders to gain insight into mistakes that were made, as well as successes encountered, and relate these to present day conflicts.

I want to personally thank all of you who welcomed me back so warmly from my unexpected medical leave.

Thanks again for your support. Hope to see you at our April meeting.

### Regimental Commander's Report- Mike Cavanaugh:

#### CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE OF EASTERN PA,

Tuesday May 3, 2011 – E. A. (BUD) LIVINGSTON  
Author, Historian & Past President New York CWRT  
Topic: U. S. Grant and the First Year of the Civil War

Tuesday June 7, 2011 – FRANK O'REILLY  
Author, Historian & Battlefield Guide  
Topic: The Last Days of Robert E. Lee:  
From Appomattox to Lexington

## A Community Divided: A Civil War Living History Weekend April 16-17



The 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the beginning of the Civil War is almost upon us. We hope that the interest generated by the many events and programs coming our way over the next four years will have a positive impact on Round Table membership as did the Ken Burns series in the 1990's. Locally, Historic Bethlehem Partnership will be the umbrella for local programs over an 18 month period. One of the first events in this Lehigh Valley Civil War Commemoration will be "A Community Divided: Civil War Living History Weekend" on April 16 – 17, 2011. This event will be held in the Colonial Industrial Quarter right off of Main St. in downtown Bethlehem. Saturday morning at 10:00 am, join the citizens of Bethlehem in welcoming the 153<sup>rd</sup> as they parade down Main Street and set up their recruiting station in front of Hotel Bethlehem.

Round Table members Jeff Stocker, Mike Cavanaugh and Pat McAndrew will be featured speakers. Period music will be provided by Ken Purcell and Plum Run. There will also be a period fashion show and a special scavenger hunt to involve children in the event. Come and enjoy a weekend of history and family fun watching Northampton County's 153<sup>rd</sup> Pennsylvania Infantry recruit and prepare to meet the Elephant.

On Friday evening, the Hotel Bethlehem will be having a Civil War themed dinner, check their website at [www.hotelbethlehem.com](http://www.hotelbethlehem.com) and click on Civil War Living History Weekend for details. There will be a special showing of the movie GLORY on Saturday evening at 8:15 in the Sun Inn Courtyard. Please check the Historic Bethlehem website [www.historicbethlehem.org](http://www.historicbethlehem.org) for additional details.

Volunteers are needed to help Historic Bethlehem at the registration table, pass out programs and sell tickets. Information about our Round Table will also be made available to attendees. For more information, contact Neil and Kathy Coddington at [bethlehemCW150th@yahoo.com](mailto:bethlehemCW150th@yahoo.com) or (610) 837-7403 or Ed Root at [sartilly@hotmail.com](mailto:sartilly@hotmail.com) or visit [www.historicbethlehem.org](http://www.historicbethlehem.org) for other programs of interest.

## Schedule of Events for Saturday April 16, 2011

10:00am – 5:00pm

- 7:00 am - Registration opens
- 8:30 am - CLEAR CAMP OF ALL CARS
- 10:00am - Cannon firing, 153<sup>rd</sup> PA marches down Main Street
- 10:15 am – 10:45 am Recruitment Office Open
- 11:00 am - Lecture -Jeff Stocker: Portraits of a Regiment (Lyceum)
- 11:30 am - Drill new 153<sup>rd</sup> recruits (Union Camp)
- 12:30 pm - Artillery Demonstration (Artillery Camp)
- 1:00 pm - Music: Plum Run (Lyceum)
- 1:30 pm – Victorian Secrets Fashion Show (Lyceum)
- 2:00 pm – Slide Lecture -Dick Simpson – Battle of Wilson’s Creek (Luckenbach Mill)
- 3:00 pm - Relay training drill of 153<sup>rd</sup> PA (Union Camp)
- 4:30 pm - Music – Plum Run (Lyceum)
- 5:00 pm - Event Closes for the Day

**\*\*\* Ongoing displays and activities all day in the Children’s Area, Spring House, Luckenbach Mill, 1742 Waterworks, and Confederate Camp.**

## Schedule of Events for Sunday April 17, 2011

10:00am – 4:00pm

- 7:30 am Registration opens
- 10:00 am - Morning Parade (Union and Confederate) Union Camp
- 10:30 am - Medical Demonstration (Medical Camp)
- 11:00 am - Artillery Demonstration (Artillery Camp)
- 11:30 am - Lecture – Michael Cavanaugh: Emma Louise Nagle; The Last Civil War Nurse (Lyceum)
- 12:00 Noon -Music: Ken Purcell: Songs of the Immigrant Irish during the Civil War Era (Lyceum)
- 12:30 pm - Lecture – Patricia McAndrew; Bethlehem Boy (Lyceum)
- 1:00 pm - Lecture: Sol Levy: “Pennsylvania, Race and the Civil War” (Lyceum)
- 1:30 pm – Music – Ken Purcell: Songs of the Immigrant Irish during the Civil War Era (Lyceum)
- 2:00 pm. Holy Infancy Chorale (Lyceum)
- 3:00 pm – Final drill, President Lincoln reviews the troops, presentation of flag by the ladies of Bethlehem, 153<sup>rd</sup> PA departs for the train station
- 4:00 pm – Event closes

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