

## ***2012 GDG MUSTER SCHEDULE***

***Friday, June 1, 2012***

### **Culp's Hill Monument Tour- (12:00 P.M.) Nancy Householder**

We will be examining some of the interesting monuments located on Culp's hill, learning their stories and the actions of the regiments they commemorate. We will also describe the symbols on the monuments and the rules that were created and applied to their design.

*We will meet at Spangler's Spring and walk up Culp's Hill,*

### **Louisiana Tigers' Attack on East Cemetery Hill- (3:00 P.M.) Scott L. Mingus, Sr.**

Follow in the footsteps of the First Louisiana Brigade on the ground they covered in attacking East Cemetery Hill on the evening of July 2, 1863. Famed as the "Louisiana Tigers," the brigade managed to penetrate Union lines and briefly capture a pair of artillery positions before withdrawing because of lack of support and oncoming Union reinforcements.

*Meet along Lefever Street opposite the Lincoln Elementary School / Regency Circle (at the trees in front of the hockey field). There are several dozen parking spots in front of the field. We will walk across the hockey field past the football field and up to the crest of East Cemetery Hill, ending up at Baltimore Pike before walking back down to the cars via Wainwright Avenue.*

### **Cocktail Hour and Registration- (5:00 P.M.) 1863 Inn of Gettysburg 516 Baltimore Street**

## **Discussion on the Harvest of Death Photos- (6:30 P.M.) LBGs Garry Adelman and Tim Smith**

Within days of the Battle of Gettysburg, Alexander Gardner and his crew secured more images of dead soldiers on the field than any other photographer at any other place. Most of the locations from which these views were recorded have been identified by William A. Frassanito in his body of Gettysburg work. But the location of five images of one group of Union corpses remains a mystery- one of the greatest of all Civil War photo mysteries. This grouping, generally known as the "Harvest of Death", has intrigued historians and visitors ever since Frassanito first put a structure in place in his 1975 seminal work, "*Gettysburg: A Journey in Time*".

Scores of Gettysburg enthusiasts have spent thousands of hours searching for this location and dozens of theories have been advanced, so far without success. Join Licensed Battlefield Guides Garry Adelman and Tim Smith for an overview of the photos, the pitfalls, the theories and the principles that speak to solving this mystery.

*Saturday, June 2, 2012*

## **Walking Tour: Harvest of Death Photos- (8:00 A.M.) GNMP Historian D. Scott Hartwig**

Scott will present evidence on why he believes the well known Alexander Gardner "Harvest of Death" photographs were taken on the July 1 battlefield. The tour will examine the ground occupied by the 121st Pennsylvania and 80th New York Infantry on July 1.

*Meet at Stop #1 on the auto tour, near Reynolds Avenue.*

## **GDG 2012 Official Picture- (9:00 A.M.)**

*Please meet at the "Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial" on the south side of Gettysburg in the National Cemetery Annex off Taneytown Road at the intersection with Steinwehr Avenue.*

**Breakfast- (9:00 A.M., preregistration required)**  
**Dobbin House Tavern**  
**89 Steinwehr Ave.**

Please join us for a delicious buffet breakfast at the Dobbin House. Preregistration is required for this meal, which will include sweet bread, muffins, scrambled eggs, bacon, home fried potatoes, assorted cold cereals, orange juice, coffee and tea, all for only \$7.75, including tax and gratuity.

**East Cavalry Field Driving Tour- (11:00 A.M.)**  
**J.D. Petruzzi**

Since an understanding of the July 2 skirmish at Brinkerhoff's Ridge helps to understand the July 3 East Cavalry Field battle, we'll begin by looking at the Brinkerhoff's Ridge action. We'll first gather on Hoffman Road to look at historical structures and features in the area. When we reach East Cavalry Field, we'll begin with Stuart's arrival and continue all the way around the battlefield with a narration of events beginning with the Confederate side, then the Federal side. If we have permission from Dan Hoffman, owner of the Rummel Farm, we'll be able to go onto the property there and see the war-time barn. Once we finish up with the battlefield and make our way back to the Hanover Road, we'll make the short trip to Highland Ave and see a rarely-seen monument, that of the 16th PA Cavalry of Gregg's Division, the unit that connected with the infantry skirmish line posted near Wolf's Hill

*From Lincoln Square, take Rt. 30 East (York Rd). After .2 miles, bear right at the "Y" at the Sunoco station and continue on Rt. 116 East (which becomes the Hanover Rd). After passing underneath Route 15 (about 2.2 miles), turn left onto Hoffman Road. A couple hundred yards on the left folks will see a gated entrance to a utility plant. We will park in this area (trying not to block access to the plant). We strongly urge you to arrange to carpool for this tour, as space is limited in several areas.*

**Walking Tour: "This is Where the Fight Was"- (3:00 P.M.)**  
**LBG Wayne Wachsmuth**

In an encore of 2011's "Not the GDG Winter Stomp" LBG Emeritus Wayne Wachsmuth will lead us on a battlefield tour covering the brigades of Meredith, Rowley and Stone on the afternoon of July 1, 1863.

*Meet at Stop #1 on the auto tour, near Reynolds Avenue.*

## **Annual GDG Weenie Roast Cotillion- (6:00 P.M.) GAR Hall, 53 East Middle Street**

### **Discussion on The Pipe Creek Line: The Battle Meade Intended? - (7:00 P.M. ) Chuck Teague**

Most of those, then and now, giving attention to the Gettysburg Campaign assume that Pipe Creek was a mere contingency for George Meade, one of several he might initiate depending upon developing circumstances. Meade himself chose not to mention it in his official report. Could it be that he actually had made up his mind to execute that plan of battle? And we will ponder the claims of an expert witness that, had Meade been able to lure Lee to Pipe Creek, the Army of the Potomac would have been better off than it was at Gettysburg.

*Sunday, June 3, 2012*

### **Sunday Worship Service- (9:00 A.M.) Billy Ray and Andee Wagenseller**

The Wagensellers will lead the traditional non-denominational service at the National Cemetery. This year's service is dedicated to the memory of Esteemed GDG Member Al Tulp. Al was a Korean War vet and served in the Navy at Inchon where he was in charge of an LCVP. He was a lineman for an electric company in NJ. He came to the Civil War largely through the Ken Burns documentary, "The Civil War". He became something of a fan of Chamberlain and the 20th ME, even taking a trip to see his house up in Maine. He loved Gettysburg and was an esteemed Member of the GDG since very near its beginning. He enjoyed the Annual Musters, attending regularly until ill health prevented him making the trip.

*Park in the National Cemetery lot, across the Taneytown Road from the cemetery entrance.*

## **Walking Tour: Historic Gettysburg College- (10:00 A.M.)**

**John M. Rudy**

For four years, Pennsylvania College suffered the effects of war like no other institution of higher learning in America. Perched on the border between North and South, slave and free, the college saw its students, faculty and staff torn asunder by the pressures of war. When battle descended on the campus in 1863, the pastoral landscape nearly instantly became a land transformed. Interpreter and historian John M. Rudy will introduce you to many of the students and staff of Pennsylvania College whose lives were utterly changed by the turmoil of war. We'll be crossing the campus to Washington St., heading up to the corner of Broadway and Washington, then back down into the main quad of the campus. From there we'll head south to the corner of Middle St. and Washington, then down Middle and up Baltimore to the Diamond.

*The tour will meet at the Admissions Office, near the Eisenhower Statue on the northwest corner of Carlisle and Stevens Streets. There is a visitor parking lot behind the admissions building, and on street parking along Carlisle is ample and free on Sundays.*