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Summer 2011 History Course Offerings



Summer Sundown Gettysburg Battlefield Tours

The Gettysburg Campus offers its popular summer series of Gettysburg Battlefield tours with Licensed Battlefield Guides. All programs are walking tours, some extensive, so please dress appropriately.

"Courage & Good Conduct": Lockwood's Brigade at Gettysburg

The soldiers that Gen. Henry Lockwood led to Gettysburg were some of the least experienced in the Army of the Potomac, with little understanding of the realities of battle that awaited them. By day's end on July 3rd, they had become different men: fighting men, forged in the crucible of combat. Join us for this look at how 2,000 soldiers from Maryland and New York were transformed from rookies into veterans on the bloody slopes of Culp's Hill. **Stuart Dempsey**
Section Wed 6/1 6-9 pm \$35

"A Dreadful Buzzing of Bullets": DeTrobriand's Brigade Defends the Union Left

Among the myriad units engaged along the Federal left flank on July 2nd was the brigade commanded by the remarkable Col. Philippe Régis de Trobriand. All five of De Trobriand's regiments played important roles in the bitter contest that raged from the Peach Orchard to the Plum Run valley. We will delve into the backgrounds of these regiments and the men who led them, and will explore some of the areas where they fought on that sanguinary summer evening. (Appropriate footwear and long pants suggested). **Stuart Dempsey**
Section Wed 6/15 6-9 pm \$35

True Grit: A Battlefield Hospital Tour

Battles were fought by ordinary men, fueled by courage to endure the chaos. But after the battle, out of the hospitals came stories of another kind of courage. Wounded, perhaps dying, inflicted with pain, alone and far from home, these were the men who learned the true cost of war--the true meaning of courage. Hear the stories of soldiers, blue and gray, as we visit the "other side of the battlefield" and discover their personal struggle after the smoke of the battle cleared. **Terry Latschar**
Section Wed 6/22 6-9 pm \$35

Crisis Leadership at Gettysburg

We will examine leadership qualities and principles as exhibited by a select group of leaders during the Gettysburg battle. You will walk in the footsteps of matched sets of

Gettysburg battle leaders at critical places on the field to include: Buford and Reynolds; Lee and Ewell; Lee and Longstreet; Warren, Vincent and Chamberlain; Meade and Lee. The leadership principles exhibited in each scenario are as valid in the 21st century as they were in the 19th century and are well suited to civilian as well as military application. Limited walking at 5 stops. **Tom Vossler**
Section Wed 6/29 6-9 pm \$35

Confederate Monuments at Gettysburg



Come and take a walk along Seminary Ridge and learn about the Confederate monuments at Gettysburg. Discussion will focus on the uniquely Southern viewpoint, known as the Lost Cause and its impact on the interpretation of the Battle of Gettysburg and the Civil War. **Jim Martin**

Section Wed 7/6 6-9 pm \$35

He Proved Himself a Hero

On the afternoon of July 2, 1863, Brig. General Andrew Humphreys' division was positioned along the Emmitsburg Road. At 6 p.m. they were attacked by Confederate troops; and in less than 90 minutes, Humphreys' men had suffered in excess of 2,000 casualties. However, their stubborn defense had bought valuable time for reinforcements to secure the center of the Union line. We will examine this frequently overlooked portion of the Battle of Gettysburg and how it influenced Robert E. Lee's decision to launch Pickett's charge over the same ground one day later. Tour begins at the Peach Orchard on Rte. 30. **Rich Kohr**

Section Wed 7/13 6-9 pm \$35

View the complete noncredit schedule and register online by visiting our Web site at www.hacc.edu/noncredit

The Ridge with No Name

A strip of "high ground" running from the Codori Farm to the Peach Orchard south of Gettysburg did not appear on the maps of 1863 and remains nameless to this day. Yet, this terrain played a significant role in the fighting on July 2nd and 3rd, 1863. This tour will concentrate on the way it affected Union and Confederate battle plans, as well as shaping the combat that occurred between the more famous Seminary and Cemetery Ridge lines. **Dave Donahue**

Section Wed 7/20 6-9 pm \$35

Death of a Boy General: Farnsworth's Charge at Gettysburg

Discover intriguing new research on a hotly controversial action of July 3rd at Gettysburg. Revisit the myths surrounding the story of Farnsworth's Charge and learn how innocent mistakes by well-intentioned veterans in the 1880s have falsely influenced our modern view of this important and exciting cavalry charge of the battle. Did Farnsworth really commit suicide? Where was his body found? Did Kilpatrick recklessly dare him to make the charge despite his protests? What was the charge really intended to accomplish? Was it really the slaughter modern authors assert? Come and see if the answers to these questions surprise you. **Andrea Custer**

Section Wed 7/27 6-9 pm \$35

"The Forgotten Boy General": Wesley Merritt and the Regular Cavalry Brigade at Gettysburg



The least known of the three Union "Boy Generals" of cavalry promoted just prior to the Battle of Gettysburg, Wesley Merritt and his troopers played a key role on Day Three of the battle. Discover how Merritt's attack against Confederate infantry on the right flank diverted an entire Confederate brigade away from the main battle line and gave Meade the option to counterattack after Pickett's Charge was repulsed. **Andrea Custer**

Section Wed 8/3 6-9 pm \$35

Guns West of Gettysburg

On July 1, 1863, five batteries of artillery from the Union First Corps and one battery of horse artillery operated in the fields west of Gettysburg. They made a significant contribution to the success of the infantry and cavalry that were fighting a delaying action against superior numbers of Confederates. This tour will walk the ground they fought upon and discuss the first day's action from the perspective of those gunners.

Dave Donahue
Section Wed 8/10 5:30-8:30 pm \$35

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More History Programs of Interest

Underground Railroad Tour of Adams County

As in other parts of America before the Civil War, free African Americans and Quakers in Adams County (PA) helped to operate the local Underground Railroad, concealing escaping slaves and helping them onward to freedom. The emerging story of Underground Railroad activity in Adams County will be best understood when seen at the places where events actually occurred—in our historic Quaker Valley. Join us on a 3-hr. tour and get acquainted with those who sought freedom and those who fought for it. *Registration deadline: April 29.* **Debra McCauslin**

Section 62106 Sat 5/7 10 am-1 pm \$49

The Sacrifice of Alfred Iverson's Brigade at Gettysburg

For so long the tragic fate that befell CSA Alfred Iverson's Brigade on Oak Ridge during the opening day of the Battle of Gettysburg has been overlooked or filled with rumors. This brigade will be traced from its inception into Confederate service in 1861 to the Seven Days' Campaign, the 1862 Maryland Campaign, and culminate at the Gettysburg Campaign of 1863. Numerous key individuals from the unit and signs where trouble existed even prior to Gettysburg will be highlighted. Was Iverson drunk at Gettysburg? A coward? An inept leader? **Jason Amico**

Section 63289 Mon 5/23 7-9 pm \$25

Songs and Stories of Old Railroad Days*

Dressed in old-time railroader clothes, Matthew Dodd takes listeners on a journey through time, featuring new, old, (and even older!) railroad songs. He also tells stories of famous trains, train wrecks, engineers, brakemen, passengers, railroad builders, railroad legends and ghosts, railroad lore, jokes and superstitions, and more! Matthew sings and plays acoustic guitar, harmonica, banjo, and mandolin. **Matthew Dodd**

Section 62273 Thu 6/9 7-9 pm \$25

*Held at East Berlin Area Community Center, 405 North Ave., East Berlin, PA 17316

History of the Covered Bridges of Adams County

Learn about Adams County's covered bridge history. Once there were dozens of them and only a few remain standing today. Find out where they are now and where they once were. Learn about covered bridge terminology and myths related to covered bridges. **Debra McCauslin**

Section Thu 6/2 7-9 pm \$25

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