

"Grant stood by me when I was crazy and I stood by him when he was drunk, and now we stand by each other."

– William T. Sherman, backing his friend and then President Ulysses S. Grant

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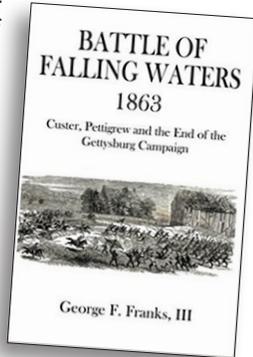
Information and details about upcoming Gettysburg Roundtable presentations.

### JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>

#### BATTLE OF FALLING WATERS 7/14/63 Last Battle of the Gettysburg Campaign in MD

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.

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.



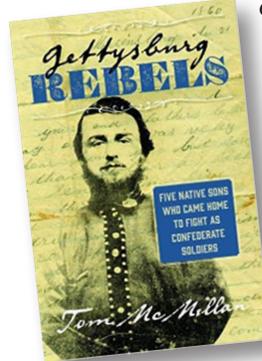
**George F. Franks, III** is the President of Franks Consulting Group, a management consulting firm, and owner of Geo. Franks, Hatter, a global e-commerce business. George is the founder and President of the Battle of Falling Waters 1863 Foundation, Inc. and a member of the Board of Directors of the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area. He was President of the Capitol Hill Civil War Round Table in Washington, D.C. and is an active member of Hagerstown Civil War Round Table, Save Historic Antietam Foundation and the Civil War Trust. George was awarded the 2015 John Frye Historical Preservation Award by the Washington County (Maryland) Commissioners. He studied history at the U.S. Naval Academy and the University of Pittsburgh where he was graduated Magna cum Laude. AT&T selected George for the executive programs in marketing and international business at University of Virginia Darden School and Emory University Goizueta Business School.



### FEBRUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>

#### GETTYSBURG CONFEDERATES

Tom McMillan's book, *Gettysburg Rebels* is the gripping true story of five young men who grew up in Gettysburg, moved south to Virginia in the 1850s, joined the Confederate army – and returned "home" as foreign invaders for the great battle in July 1863. Drawing on rarely-seen documents and family histories, as well as military service records, courthouse records, newspaper clippings and contemporary accounts, McMillan delves into the backgrounds of Wesley Culp, Henry Wentz and the little-known Hoffman brothers in a riveting tale of Civil War drama and intrigue. His discovery of a six-page, hand-written "Story of Wesley Culp," written by Wesley's niece, sheds new light on the traditional Culp story known by Gettysburg visitors.



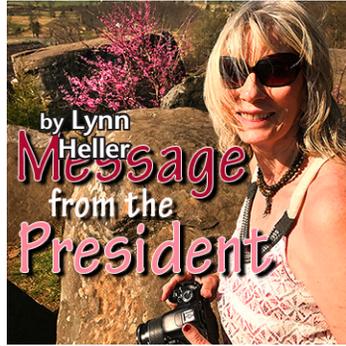
**TOM McMILLAN** works in sports but his passion is history – especially Civil War history. He serves on the board of trustees of Pittsburgh's Heinz History Center, on the board of directors of the Friends of Flight 93, and on the marketing committee of the Gettysburg Foundation. He also volunteers as a tour guide at the "Thomas Espy" Civil War Room at Carnegie Library in Carnegie, Pa, which is named for one of his ancestors. More than 31 members of his family tree served in the Union Army during the Civil War, including eight members of the 62nd Pennsylvania who fought in *The Wheatfield* at Gettysburg. McMillan's previous book was *Flight 93: The Story, The Aftermath and The Legacy of American Courage on 9/11*. His day job is vice president of communications for the Pittsburgh Penguins of the NHL. McMillan grew up near Pittsburgh and earned a journalism degree from Point Park University. He and his wife, Colleen, are regular visitors and plan to move to Gettysburg upon retirement.



# Happy New Year, Friends!

2017 was a great year for our roundtable, thanks in large part to you, our loyal members, who bring spirit and fellowship to all our meetings and events.

As i look back, it is heart-warming to know that because of your generous preservation contributions, we were able to present two donations this year. In May, we presented a check for \$500.00 to Save Historic Antietam Foundation, and in October, a \$500.00 check to the Adams County Historical Society for their capital campaign towards a new home for the society and their precious collections.



We enjoyed an excellent roster of speakers, and three outstanding "on the field" summer programs – with no rain!

In May, we spent a lovely and educational day on tour at the Antietam National Battlefield led by Tom Clemens; In September we were delighted to present Barbara Finrock with the well deserved Cal Doucette Achievement Award. Her many contributions and achievements for the Gettysburg Foundation, Gettysburg National Military Park, and the Gettysburg community have made her a Gettysburg Treasure. Our December Holiday Banquet was a huge success, with the announcement of the 2017 Annual Book Award, and the lively presentation by Pat Falci of "Behind the Scenes" of the movie *Gettysburg*.

Happily we welcomed many new members this year, indulged in the wonderful refreshments, enjoyed each other's company, marveled at the beautiful historic GAR Hall, and appreciated Hilda's leadership in the Book raffle. Al Ferranto took charge of reinstating 'Show & Tell' which has added an extra element of learning to our meetings.

Now as we look ahead to 2018, we anticipate another banner year of meetings & field tours, and of course the camaraderie that we all enjoy. The best to you all in 2018!

Honored to be your President,

*Lynn*



## Mess Duties

- January 25 ..... **Barbara and Mark West**
- February 22 ..... **Amy and Bill Miller**

## The argument for an enewsletter

We realize that not all members own a computer. With that said, if you do and currently receive your newsletter by standard mail, we ask you consider switching to a full color enewsletter, delivered right to your computer. Here's why...

**Here is the process for producing and mailing hardcopy newsletters every other month:**

1. Dave Joswick sends newsletter file to Roger's computer.
2. Roger downloads file to a flash drive.
3. Roger drops off flash drive at Staples for printing.
4. When printing is complete, Roger drives back to Staples to pick up the newsletters.
5. Secretary prints mailing labels and delivers to Lynn & Roger's house.
6. Lynn folds 30-40 newsletters and flyers (when applicable), seals them, affixes stamps and mailing labels, and drops in the mail.

### Annual expenditure to print and mail the newsletter

Printing .....	\$ 240.00
Mailing labels .....	\$ 22.00
Stamps.....	<u>\$ 102.90</u>
TOTAL .....	\$ 364.90

**Please note these numbers do not take manhours necessary to complete the project every other month into account.**

Any monies we can save in this area help us to better control costs like membership dues, Holiday banquet, field trip and other expenditures and keep them as low as possible for the membership.

If you would like to switch to an enewsletter, please contact Linda Seamon: [lseamon@aol.com](mailto:lseamon@aol.com), 717-359-7339. Leave message with your name and email address.

Thanks! ☺



## New Members Are Joining

- Zach Carter*
- Robert Cook*
- Richard Meyer*
- Kenneth Tozzi*

## Gettysburg Civil War Roundtable Financial Position - As of 11/30/2017

Account	12/31/2016 Balance	11/30/2017 Balance
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>		
Investment Fund	2,500.00	2,500.00
Operational Fund	6,249.04	9,076.36
Preservation Fund	1,680.96	2,105.96
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>10,430.00</b>	<b>13,682.32</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>10,430.00</b>	<b>13,682.32</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>10,430.00</b>	<b>13,682.32</b>

### Gettysburg Civil War Roundtable Net Income

1/1/2017 through 11/30/2017

Category	1/1/2017- 11/30/2017
<b>INCOME</b>	
Banquet Receipts	2,693.27 *
Field Trip Receipts	1,680.00
Interest Income	34.61
Membership Dues	2,830.57
Preservation Fund Receipts	2,358.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>9,596.45</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Field Trip Expenses	1,518.95
GAR Hall Rental	600.00
Gifts & Awards	164.99
Insurance	500.00
Post Office and Safe Deposit Box Rental	119.00
Preservation Fund Expenditures	1,933.00
Printing & Copying	304.43
Refreshments	120.00
Speaker Fees & Travel	1,100.00
Supplies	13.76
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>6,374.13</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>3,222.32</b>

\* Please note that this amount, even though properly listed as income as of 11/30/2017, became an expenditure with payment to the Dobbin House for the Holiday banquet the first week in December.

# NEWS from... 'round the TABLE



- All of our upcoming speakers are now published on our website: [www.cwrtgettysburg.org](http://www.cwrtgettysburg.org).
- The annual GCWRT Field Trip will be held on Saturday April 28th and will take us through the Civil War History of York County, PA. Our guide will be Scott Mingus, Sr.



We will follow the route of Confederate General Jubal Early from Gettysburg to the Susquehanna River at Wrightsville and Columbia and then the return trip Early took back to Gettysburg.

Among the stops we will make are:

- Abbottstown
- Hanover Junction
- Penn Park
- Wrightsville
- Columbia
- Big Mount

We will spend considerable time discussing and learning about the Susquehanna River Bridge from Wrightsville to Columbia, the Great Fire, and it's impact on the Gettysburg Campaign.

Mark you calendar NOW!

- NOW is the time for all good men and women to renew their memberships!

Individual..... \$30.00

Family ..... \$45.00

Membership runs the calendar year 2018.

You can renew at any meeting, with PayPal on our website at [www.cwrtgettysburg.org](http://www.cwrtgettysburg.org) by clicking the JOIN button, or mail a check payable to Gettysburg CWRT to GCWRT • P.O. Box 4236 • Gettysburg, PA 17325

- Anyone interested in presenting a short 5 minutes "show and tell" of a civil war related item you would like to share with the group, please contact Al Ferranto either by email: [2wisvol@gmail.com](mailto:2wisvol@gmail.com) or by phone: 717-334-8014.
- The Gettysburg Preservation Association is working to preserve 17 acres from development at the Camp Letterman site on York Road. They would appreciate anyone willing to write a letter in support of this effort to:  
S&A Homes, Bob Poole CEO  
2121 Old Gettysburg Road, Suite 200  
State College, PA 16803



From September to May, we meet on the fourth Thursday of the month at the GAR Building, 53 East Middle Street. Light refreshments and conversation starting at 6:30 PM, and the featured program beginning at 7:00 PM.

Our June, July, and August summer meetings are in the field starting at 6:00 PM, with the meeting location announced in the bi-monthly newsletter and on the roundtable website: [www.cwrtgettysburg.org](http://www.cwrtgettysburg.org).

Whenever severe weather is predicted, program information can be found on the roundtable website and Facebook page after 3 PM or you can call Lynn at 717-398-2072.

The next scheduled board meeting begins at 6:30 PM on Thursday, January 11, at the Perkins Restaurant on York Street, Gettysburg.



Paul Bretzger(LEFT) receiving the GCWRT Book Award for his 2016 work *Observing Hancock*, from Book Committee Chair Larry Plymire.



# HOLIDAY BANQUET CANDIDS



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