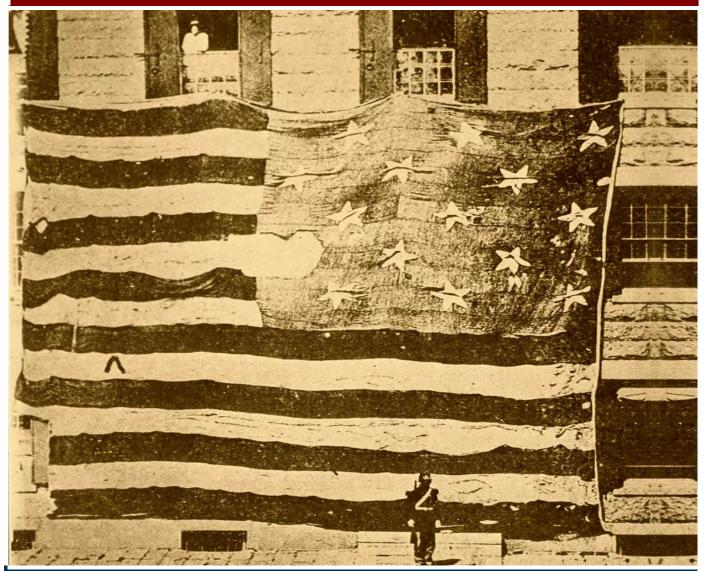
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APRIL 4-8 IN CHAMBERSBURG, PA



Exploring American military history with the legendary Edwin C. Bearss, Alan Huffines, Jim Schmick, Wayne Motts, others.



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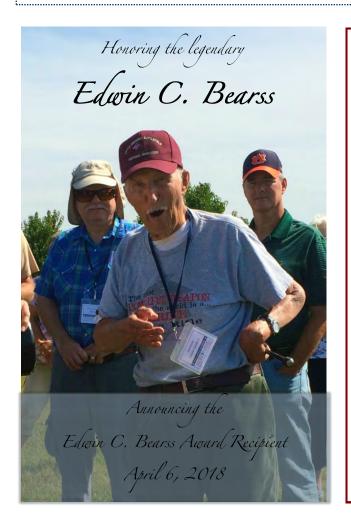
Hi Folks,

Welcome to our Ed Bearss Seminar for 2018. This event promises to be one of the most diverse and interesting national events to date. The subject matter will cover everything from the colonial wars through and including WWI. The tours we have scheduled will take us to many sites never before viewed at our event or any other historical seminars conducted by other groups.

This year we are introducing a **Scholar in Residence**, Texas historian Allen Huffines. Of course, Ed Bearss is on board with an examination of the Battle of Belleau Wood and a tour of the 1814 Battle of Baltimore. Also, please remember at this seminar we will raise money for the Ed Bearss award. We are looking forward to seeing you as we travel through time and explore the military heritage of America.

Sincerely,

Ted Alexander, Co-Founder



Registration includes:

- Packet of maps with itinerary and tour memorabilia
- Name badge and participant contact info
- Beverages during bus tours & sessions
- Meals as described
- Civil War & More book vendor during Wednesday, Thursday & Friday sessions

BATTLEFIELD PRESERVATION

Chambersburg's Civil War Seminars & Tours has raised over \$200,000 for preservation since our founding. A portion of the proceeds from this event will be donated to nonprofit organizations associated with our tour.

Please support our raffles and silent auctions as all funds raised from these efforts are donated to preservation.

Interested in supporting battlefield preservation through gifts or monetary donations? Please contact Lark at 717-264-7101 or lplessinger@chambersburg.org.

OUR SPEAKERS/GUIDES

Scott Anderson has been co-coordinator for Chambersburg Civil War Seminars & Tours for more than 15 years. He is the author of a number of articles on the Civil War for publications such as The Washington Times. Currently, he is a part-time lecturer at Shepherd University.

Ted Alexander is the co-founder and host of our seminars. He is the author, editor, or contributor to 10 books on the Civil War and other aspects of American history, and more than 200 book reviews and articles for publications such as Civil War Times and The Washington Times. He recently retired as the Chief Historian at Antietam National Battlefield.

George Anikis is a graduate of Johns Hopkins School of Engineering. He retired from NASA in 1994. He is a member of the Antietam Battlefield Advisory Committee and the Washington County Historical Committee.

Ed Bearss is America's premier battlefield tour guide. Bearss is a former Marine who served in the Pacific in WWII and is the Chief Historian Emeritus of the National Park Service. Author of more than 20 books and numerous articles on the Civil War, he has been a featured commentator on Ken Burns' PBS documentary "The Civil War," History Channel and C-Span. Bearss has been a mainstay of the Chambersburg Civil War Seminars & Tours since our founding in 1989.

Steve Bockmiller is a planner for the city of Hagerstown and the author of several books including "Hagerstown in the Civil War." He is also a member of the U.S.S. Constellation Museum Advisory Board.

Matt Borders is currently a historian for the National Park Service's American Battlefield Protection Program, a certified battlefield guide at Antietam National Battlefield and a ranger at Monocacy National Battlefield.

Bert M. Dunkerly is a historian, award-winning author, and speaker who is actively involved in historic preservation and research. He has worked at nine historic sites, written seven books and over 20 articles. His research includes archaeology, colonial life, military history and historic commemoration. Dunkerly is currently a Park Ranger at Richmond National Battlefield Park.

Steve French is a West Virginia native and author of the award-winning "Imboden's Brigade in the Gettysburg Campaign along with Rebel Chronicles: Raiders, Scouts and Train Robbers of the Upper-Potomac," and the recently released "Phantoms of the South Fork: Captain McNeill and his Rangers." His articles have appeared in numerous publications including The Washington Times. French's awards include the 2009 Gettysburg Civil War Round Table Book Award, the 2016 Henry Kyd Douglas Award, and others.

Alan C. Huffines is this year's Scholar in Residence at the Symposium. He is an active duty field grade combat arms officer and received the Bronze Star Medal in the Persian Gulf War. He is the author of the acclaimed "Blood of Noble Men: The Alamo Siege and Battle, an Illustrated Chronology", and "A Pilgrim Shadow" as well as several articles on the Texas Revolution. He has provided historical consulting work on feature films and documentaries.

Dr. Christian B. Keller is a professor of history in the Dept. of National Security and Strategy at the U.S. Army War College. In April 2017 he was named the General Dwight D. Eisenhower Chair of National Security. Keller has taught at numerous institutions including the Army Command and General Staff College and Gettysburg College. He is the author of "Chancellorsville and the Germans: Nativism, Ethnicity, and Civil War Memory" as well as other works.

Ross M. Kimmel is the retired Chief Historian for the Maryland Park Service. Mr. Kimmel has also been actively involved in living history for more than 40 years designing

and implementing programs at sites such as Antietam National Battlefield. He is the co-author of "I'm Busy Drawing Pictures': The Civil War Art & Letters of Private John Jacob Omenhausser, CSA."

Wayne Motts is the CEO of the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg. A licensed battlefield guide at Gettysburg National Military Park, he is the former Adams County Historical Society director and is the author of several works including a new study of Pickett's Charge.

Mike Musick is a retired military documents specialist from the U.S. National Archives. He holds a masters degree in American history from Emory University, where he studied under Bell Wiley. He is the co author, with Ross Kimmel of "I'm Busy Drawing Pictures': The Civil War Art & Letters of Private John Jacob Omenhausser, CSA."

Irving Moy is the author of "An American Journey- My Father, Lincoln, Joseph Pierce and Me." He served on the advisory committee for the National Park Service for the book, "Asians and Pacific Islanders in the Civil War" that was released in January 2015.

Stephen Recker is a collector of rare Antietam artifacts and photos. Parts of his collection are on display at the Antietam N.B. visitor center museum. He is the author of the book "Rare Images of Antietam" and editor of "The Simon Whistler Diary." Recker is a licensed guide at Antietam and lectures frequently before Civil War Round Tables and other historical groups.

Jim Schmick is the co-founder of The Camp Curtin Historical Society and served on the Cumberland County / 150 Civil War Anniversary Committee. Schmick is the coauthor of the book, "Civil War Harrisburg." He has been recognized by the Pennsylvania Senate and House for his preservation efforts and has been named Historian of the Year by the Cumberland County Historical Society. Schmick was also appointed to the board of the Gettysburg PA Monuments Project Committee.

Roger Schwartz is a professor at Hagerstown Community College. He is a leading authority on the Colonial Wars and lectures frequently for historical groups.

David Ward founded the Connecticut Civil War Round Table in 1989. He owned and operated Civil War Tours from 2000 to 2015 and has published several works including "The 96th Pennsylvania Volunteers in the Civil War." Ward also served as a historical consultant for the movie "Lincoln" directed by Steven Spielberg.



Seminar based at Hampton Inn at 955 Lesher Road, Chambersburg, PA 17201.

Deluxe continental breakfast for Hampton Inn guests each morning. Each participant will receive a packet of tactical maps and a name badge.

Wednesday, April 4

Breakfast at Hampton Inn (avail. 6 - 10 a.m.) 8 a.m. - 4:30p.m. "Colonial War Sites of the Lower Cumberland Valley" bus & walking tour led by Ted Alexander and Roger Schwartz

Bus leaves from Hampton Inn

• Delicious Lunch at Mrs. Gibble's Restaurant

• Dinner on your own

Bus Tour Description:

The southern Cumberland Valley was the scene of numerous incidents in the 18th century from the French & Indian and Pontiac Wars up to the Whiskey Rebellion. Incidents include Indian massacres and colonial revolts against the authorities. We will visit the site of the massacre of 10 school children near Greencastle attacked by Pontiac warriors.

Sites to visit:

- Fort Chambers
- Fort McCord Memorial
- Fort Loudoun
- Enoch Brown Massacre Park
- And more!

Dinner on your own

7 p.m. Evening Sessions at Hampton Inn

• Welcome to the Seminar - Ted Alexander

 "Shadowing Grant: The Reminiscences of Simon Whistler" - Steve Recker

After serving at Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville with the 130th Pennsylvania, Simon Whistler was commissioned Acting Assistant Surgeon to serve on the hospital ship Connecticut. Whistler kept a detailed diary of his service, which will be examined.

• "Custer's Last Stand" - Steve French

◊ June 25, 2018 marks the 142nd anniversary
of the Battle of the Little Bighorn where overwhelming numbers of Sioux and Northern
Cheyenne warriors soundly defeated the celebrated 7th United States Cavalry, led by Union
Civil War hero Lt. Col. George Armstrong
Custer. The illustrated talk will examine the
background of the battle, the fight, its aftermath and its role in popular culture.
This is a presentation not to be missed.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

Breakfast at Hampton Inn (avail. 6 - 10 a.m.)

8 a.m. - 6 p.m. "Civil War Harrisburg" bus & walking tour led by Jim Schmick and Wayne Motts

• Bus leaves from Hampton Inn

• Lunch at Camp Curtin Memorial Church

• Dinner on your own

Bus Tour Description:

Join us as we discover the historic state capitol of Pennsylvania's role in the turbulent 1860s. Sites visited are Camp Curtin State Park, Harrisburg Cemetery, the final resting place of both Blue and Gray, and the National Civil War Museum where we will have a behind-the-scenes tour led by museum president Wayne Motts. The day will conclude with a tour of the U.S. Army Heritage Center in Carlisle, Pa.

Sites to visit:

Lincoln Sites in Harrisburg

• Camp Curtin Park & Church—site of the largest training grounds of the Civil War

• Behind-the-scenes tour of the National Civil War Museum led by Wayne Motts

- Allied Expeditionary Force Trenches exhibit at the U.S. Army Heritage & Education Center (temporary exhibit)
- And more!

6 p.m. Dinner on your own 8 p.m. Evening Session

- "WWI: Battle of Belleau Wood" Ed Bearss
- ♦ A former marine will present the story of one of the Marine Corps most famous battles.
- "Highlights of the Southern Campaign of the American Revolution" - Bert Dunkerly
- The Southern Campaign was Britain's last attempt to end the war, and we will see why it failed.

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

Breakfast at Hampton Inn (avail. 6 - 10 a.m.) 8 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Sessions at Hampton Inn

- Sessions at Hampton Inn
- Lunch included
- Dinner on your own

Topics to discuss include:

• "The Battle of the Alamo" - Alan Huffines

◊ Don't miss hearing a leading authority of
the Alamo discuss the importance and impact of the Alamo in American history.

• "Forgotten Name, Forgotten Deeds: The Ringgold Legacy" - George Anikis

♦ Examines the life of Maj. Samuel Ringgold, "Father of modern artillery." In 1846, he lost his life at the Battle of Palo Alto. Ringgold's tactics and bravery at that battle were a major factor to the American victory. • "The First Air War: The Men and Flying Machines of World War One" - Matt Borders

♦ The Great War saw the rapid development and deployment of new and fascinating technologies, arguably the most

obvious being the airplane.

• "Asians in the Civil War" - Irving Moy ♦ Although the Civil War has been viewed mainly as a clash among white Anglo Saxon Protestants, a diverse array of ethnic groups could be found in the ranks. Among them: more than 400 Asians, mostly Chinese. Hear the little known story of Asians in the War.

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch included 1:30 - 6 p.m. Sessions Cont.

 "The Great Partnership: Lee, Jackson, and Confederate Prospects for Victory." - Dr.

Christian Keller

- ♦ This talk examines the multi-faceted Lee & Jackson strategic-level relationship and explains how Stonewall's death was viewed as a turning point in the war at the time.
- "I Am Busy Drawing Pictures": The Civil War Art and Letters of Pvt. John Jacob Omen**hausser, CSA. -** Ross Kimmel, Mike Musick
- Our speakers have solved the mystery of who was the artist that rendered a body of 400 Civil War pieces of folk art depicting the life of Confederate prisoners of war at Point Lookout, Maryland.
- "The Opposing Forces in the Texas Revo**lution**" - Alan Huffines
- ♦ Examining the uniforms, equipment and weapons of the Mexican & Republic of Texas armies.
- "Conquistadors to Pancho Villa: The Military History of the Southwest" Panel Discussion with Ed Bearss, Alan Huffines and others

6 p.m. Dinner on your own 8 p.m. Evening Session

 "Standing at Gettysburg: The Crossroads of History and Hollywood" - David Ward

 This lecture tells the story of Ward's day at Gettysburg in 2011 with Daniel Day Lewis and Steven Spielberg as they prepared to produce the film *Lincoln*. The story also involves Ed Bearss. Ed was offered a screen test and wardrobe fitting...This is a little-known Bearss story and one of his most interesting and entertaining escapades.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

Breakfast at Hampton Inn (avail. 6 - 10 a.m.)

8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. "By the Dawn's Early Light: **The Battle of Baltimore 1814**" bus & walking tour led by Ed Bearss and Steve Bockmiller

Bus leaves from Hampton Inn

Lunch included

- Screening Life of Ed Bearss DVD on bus
- Dinner on your own

Bus Tour Description:

The Battle of Baltimore, Sept. 12-15, 1814, was one of the major and decisive battles of the War of 1812. It was also an American victory over the British. Join us as we view sites, many of them off the beaten path, associated with the battle that inspired Francis Scott Key to write the national anthem. We'll also visit the final resting place buried in the shadows of the Catoctin Mountains.

Sites to visit:

- Fort Howard
- North Point State Battlefield
- Fort McHenry
- Francis Scott Key Grave
- And more!

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

Breakfast at Hampton Inn (avail. 6 - 10 a.m.) 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. "Civil War Shepherdstown" bus & walking tour led by Scott Anderson

- Bus leaves from Hampton Inn
- Lunch included
- Dinner on your own

Bus Tour Description:

Shepherdstown is the oldest town in West Virginia. Because of its location on the Potomac River, it changed hands numerous times during the Civil War. It was also the home of a number of Civil War personalities, among them—Henry Kyd Douglas. After the battle of Antietam, it was the site of the bloodiest battle in the state. Join us as we are guided by an authority on the history of the area as we view the historic architecture and Civil War sites in the town and surrounding area.

Sites to visit:

- Elmwood Confederate Cemetery
- Ferry Hill Plantation—boyhood home of Henry Kyd Douglas
- Shepherdstown Battlefield
- And more
- ** Please note: Bus driver compensation included.

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2018 CALENDAR

July 24-29, 2018 – Roads to Gettysburg

We will follow the Blue and Gray on their roads to Gettysburg. Tour the decisive battle ground of Brandy Station, where J.E.B. Stuart and his horsemen battled the Yankees in the largest cavalry action in North America. Also touring the newly restored Second Winchester battlefield where Confederates opened the gates of the great Valley for the invasion of Pennsylvania. Bonus tours will include Aldie, Upperville, Middleburg, and Mosby's Confederacy. Conference based in Chambersburg, Pa. Led by Eric Wittenberg, J.D. Petruzzi, Jerry Holsworth, Steve French, Jeffry Wert and others. Based in Chambersburg, Pa.

October 10-14, 2018 – Lincoln: Mr. Lincoln's Washington & John Wilkes Booth Escape Tour.

Featuring Joan Chaconas, Ed Steers, & others based in Frederick, Md. Tours of Mr. Lincoln's Washington, John Wilkes Booth Escape Route and historic Frederick, Maryland. Sites include Ford's Theatre, Lincoln Memorial, Old Soldiers' Home where Lincoln visited, Surratt Tavern, Dr. Mudd House, and more. Bonus tours will include "In the Footsteps of the Presidents" seeing unique sites associated with Lincoln, Buchanan and Eisenhower at Gettysburg, Antietam, and the Cumberland Valley.

Programs include tours, lectures, meals, tactical maps, book vendor, etc.

Payment Policy: Full payment is due prior to seminar.

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