



# Banner of the Blue and Gray

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## 16 May 2024, 7:00 PM National Museum of Civil War Medicine 48 E. Patrick St, Frederick, Maryland

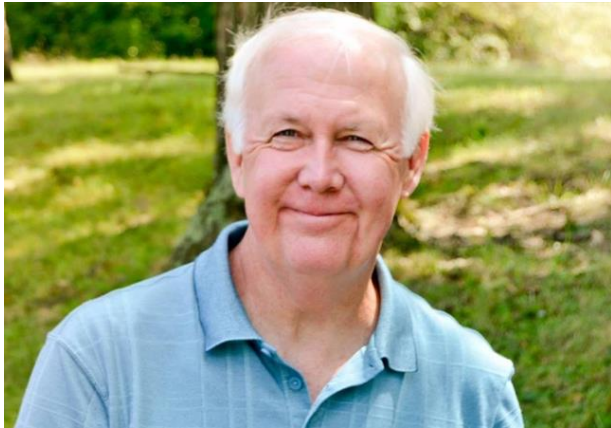


**Speaker: Sarah Kay Bierle**

**Presentation Overview: The New Market Campaign** How did the armies get to New Market for the battle on May 15, 1864? What were the objectives of the campaign? How did the campaign and battle fit into the overall strategic plans for the war in Virginia? This presentation delves deeper in the New Market Campaign and reexamines its challenges and outcomes beyond the famous battle.

**Speakers Bio:** Sarah Kay Bierle graduated from Thomas Edison State University with a BA in History, serves as managing editor at Emerging Civil War, and works in the Education Department at American Battlefield Trust. She has spent years exploring ways to share quality historical research in ways that will inform and inspire modern audiences, including school presentations, writing, and speaking engagements. Sarah has published three historical fiction books and her first nonfiction book, *Call Out The Cadets: The Battle of New Market*, is part of the Emerging Civil War series.

## In case you Missed it:



For the April presentation of the Frederick County Civil War Roundtable, Randy Drais presented one of the more unusual facets of the Gettysburg National battlefield. A lifelong amateur historian, Randy led over 20 viewers both in person and on-line through a fascinating presentation centered on the existence of many rock carvings. These carvings made by soldiers during the battle or by veterans upon their return or by civilians or tourists, rock carvings can be found on many areas of the 6,000 or so acres that encompass the Gettysburg National Military Park.

Looking for rock carvings is an extremely interesting and unusual way to explore the battlefield, but it is also an extremely interesting and unusual way to discover some of the battlefield history that is often overlooked or quickly forgotten, especially of the personal and often tragic stories of soldiers, both Union and Confederate, who left their mark, both figuratively and literally, on this hallowed ground. Join Randy Drais, amateur Civil War historian



and Battle of Gettysburg buff, for a look at many of the rock carvings on the Gettysburg battlefield and the stories behind them.



## Prez Sez:

We have made it to another end of season for the Frederick County Civil War Round Table! We have a great presentation to wrap up our 2023-2024 season, the American Battlefield Trusts' own Sarah Bierle! You likely know Sarah from her work with the Education Department of the Trust or as the Managing Editor of the Emerging Civil War. Both of these prestigious organizations benefit from her skills, and she is speaking to us about her

specialty, the New Market Campaign in 1864! Just in time for the 160th commemoration of the battle this May 15. This will no doubt be a fantastic presentation.

Speaking of the 160th cycle, there is so much going on this year as part of the Civil War commemoration. We encourage you to check out those programs occurring for the Overland Campaign, the Monocacy Campaign, the Shenandoah Valley and if you can make it out west, those campaigns too! As for the Frederick County Civil War Round Table, we will be hosting our summer event again this year, so keep an eye on your inbox for details. We will also be providing our 2024-2025 speaker list this summer as well. Currently we are waiting for confirmation from the last couple of invitations and are really excited about what we have planned for you. So, we have all that to look forward to in the next couple of months and I look forward to seeing you on Thursday, May 16 at 7pm at the National Museum of Civil War Medicine!

*Very Respectfully,  
Matt Borders,  
President, FCCWRT*

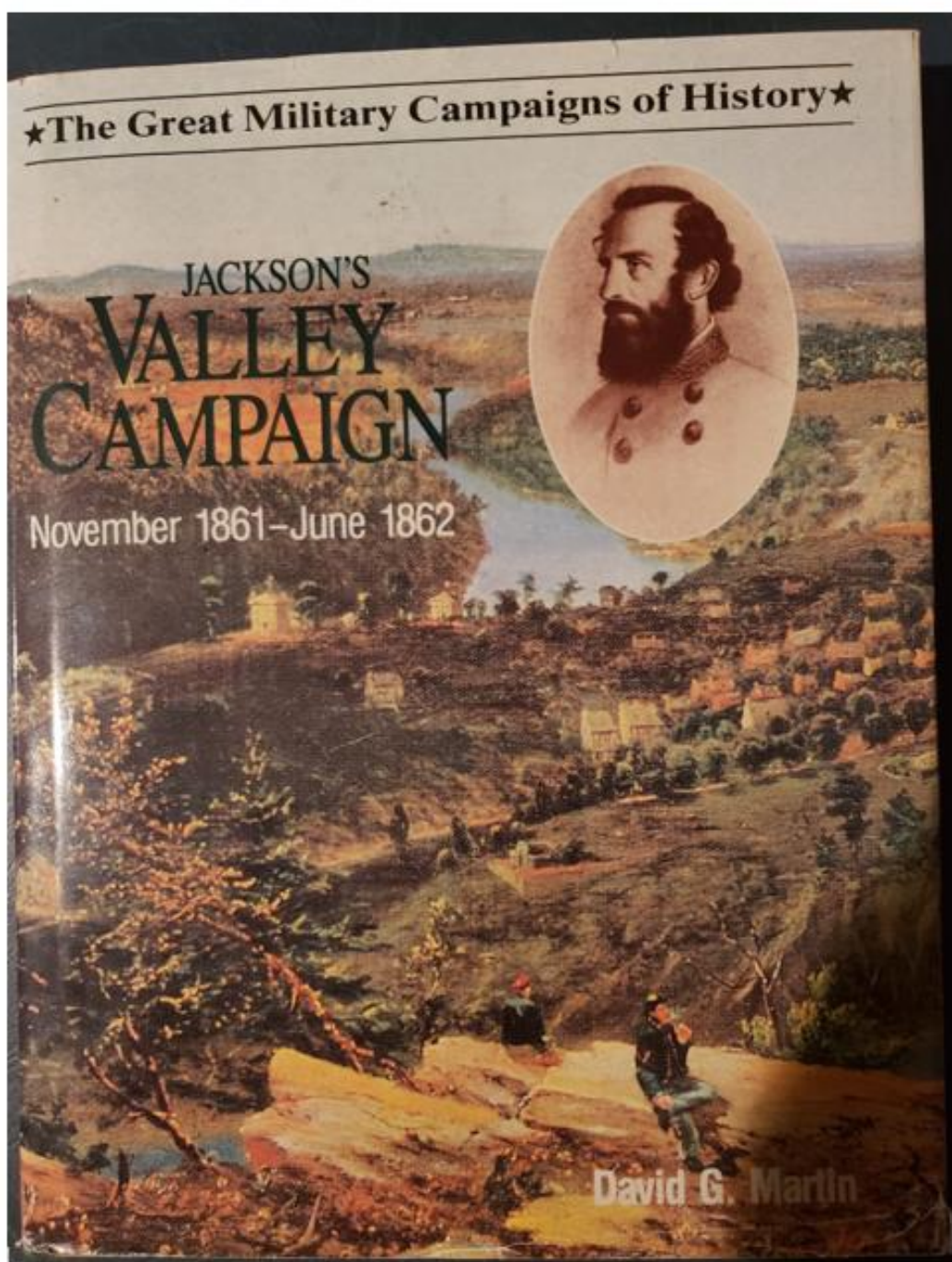


# May Book Raffle

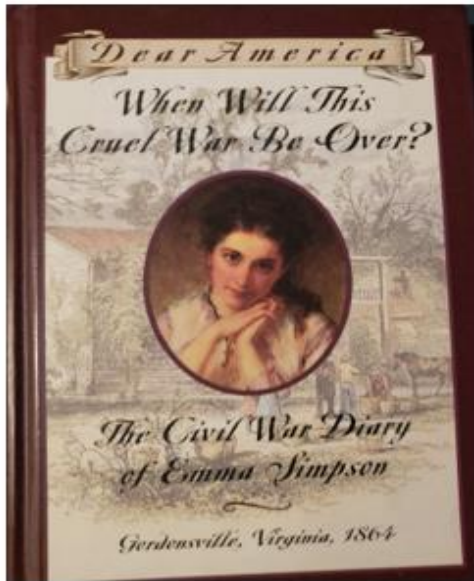
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Raffle Selections (5 winners)

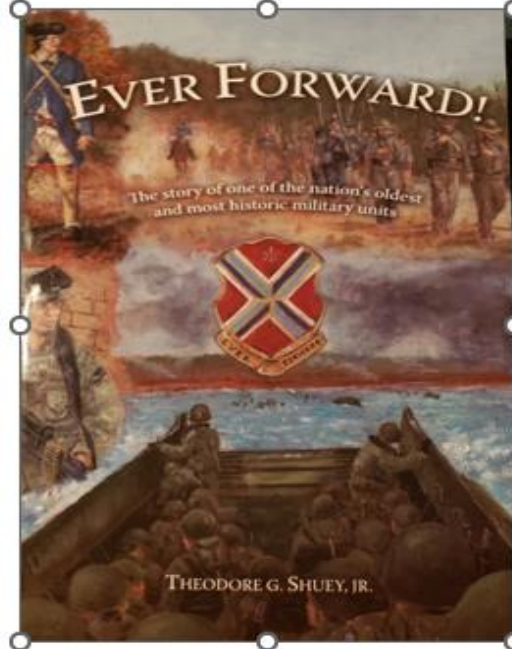
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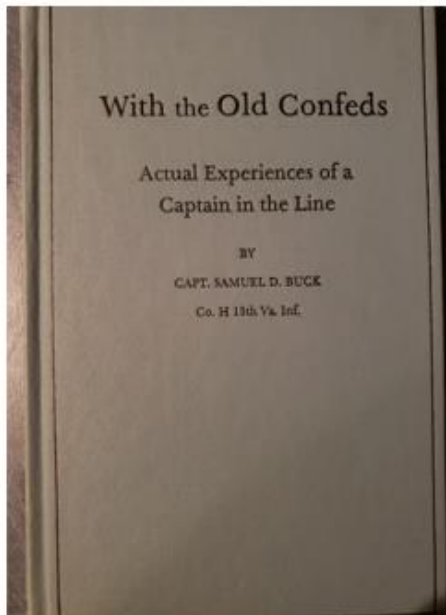
Selection 1: Jackson's Valley Campaign, Hardback, 1988



**The Civil War Dairy of Emma Simpson, Gordonsville, Virginia; Hardback, 1995**



**Ever Forward! History of the 116<sup>th</sup> Infantry (Virginia National Guard) (Stonewall Brigade), Paperback, 2008**

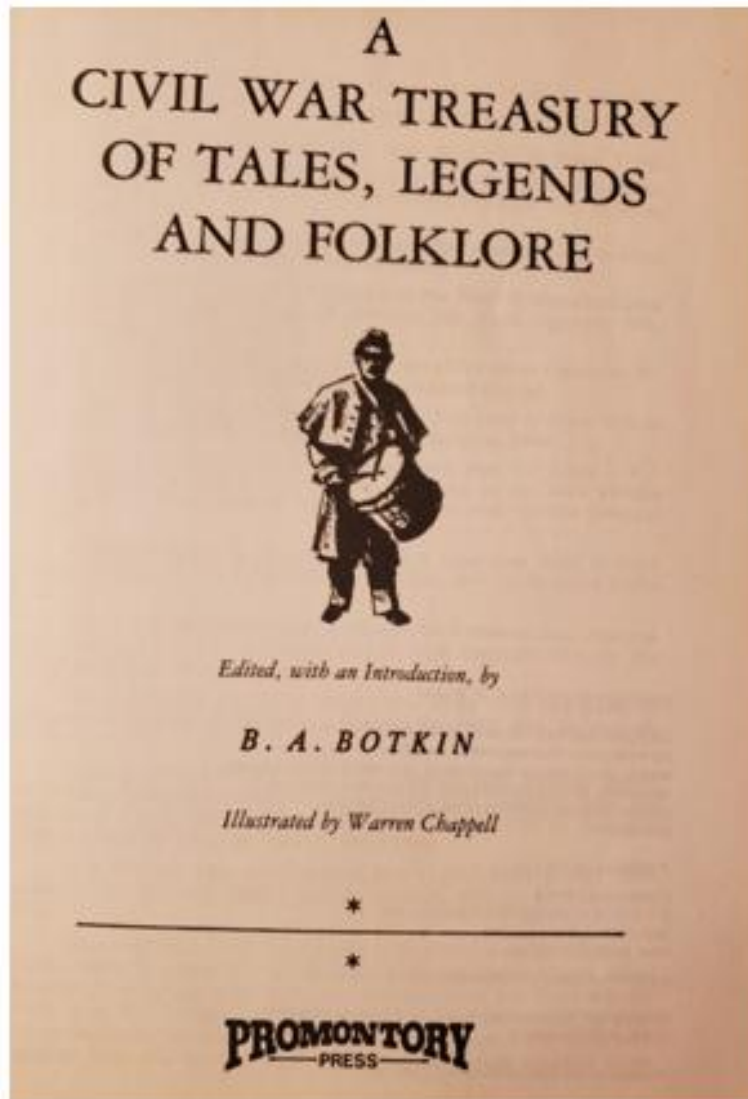


**With the Old Confeds, Capt Samuel Buck, 13<sup>th</sup> VA Inf. 1983,**



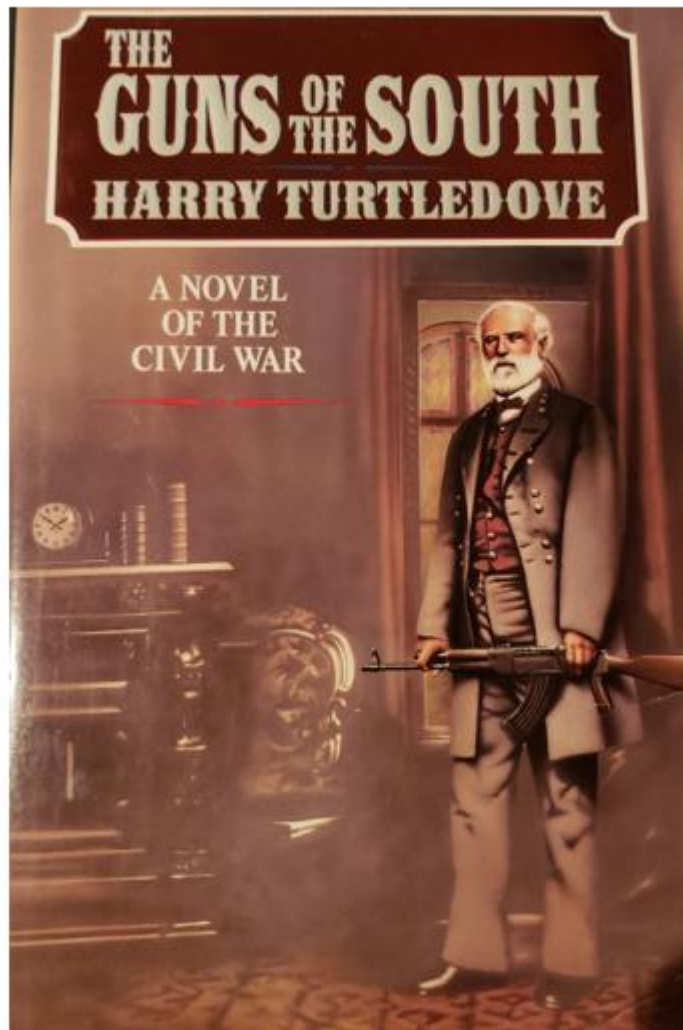
**The Public Historian (periodical), Spring, 2002**

Selection 3: (Two Books above)



Selection 4: A Civil War Treasury of Tales, Legends, and Folklore, Hardback, 1960





Selection 5: Guns of the South- Fiction, Hardback, 1992

# CWI Summer Conference



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<https://www.gettysburg.edu/civil-war-institute/summer-conference/2024-cwi-conference#schedule>

Questions? Contact [civilwar@gettysburg.edu](mailto:civilwar@gettysburg.edu) or 717-337-6590 for further information

For approximately 40 years, the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College has hosted a **premiere annual summer conference** bringing leading historians and public audiences together for **lectures, battlefield tours, small group conversations, and roundtable conversations** about the Civil War era. Sessions, lodging, and meals are held on the 200-acre college campus.

The 2024 CWI Conference will feature a wide range of topics, including:

- **lectures** on Benjamin Butler, Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain, war-time violence and the limits of destruction, the Irish in the Civil War, soldiers' experiences at Antietam, Gettysburg relics, the slave trade, political culture within the Army of the Potomac, and southeastern native communities and the American Civil War...
- **debates** on soldiers' literary representations of war...
- **roundtable discussions** on Civil War atrocities, Lincoln and race, and interpreting emancipation and race at Civil War sites...
- **full-day battlefield tours** exploring the 1864 Battle of New Market, Sharpsburg and Shepherdstown civilians during the 1862 Maryland Campaign...
- **combined classroom discussion and field experience "hybrid tours"** exploring the Union 3rd Corps, artillery, Gettysburg & its aftermath in photographs and artifacts, John Buford's cavalry, Civil War Frederick, MD & Chambersburg, PA...
- **evening battlefield tours** examining controversial and commonly overlooked moments at Gettysburg, as well as the evolution of the Gettysburg battlefield through photographs...
- **small-group dine-in discussions...**

*The 2024 conference will offer something for everyone, from long-time students of the Civil War to those who are new to Civil War history!*

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At CWI, we believe in the mission of CWRTs and are making this special offer to recognize the efforts of your organization in promoting the study of Civil War history. The Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College would like to offer the members of your Civil War Round table or organization a **15% discount** to attend the 2024 CWI Summer Conference on June 7-12, 2024.

You can explore further details about our conference on our [website](#), as well as check out our [schedule](#) for this year's event. Please let us know if you intend to make this special offer known to your membership, and feel free to use any language from this email or the attached promotional flyer for your newsletter. We are



also happy to supply any additional promotional language, fliers, or postcards for you to pass out or use to advertise.

## **2024 Civil War Lecture Series sponsored by the Jacob Rohrbach Inn**

Our 2024 Civil War Lecture Series schedule is out. We have another great lineup of guest speakers and outstanding topics. We have made a couple of changes this year, as we moved to Monday nights so we can be indoors at St. Paul's. If you are able, please post this in your newsletters or inform your members during your next meeting. We look forward to seeing you this summer.

### **Civil War Lecture Series sponsored by the Jacob Rohrbach Inn**

*This year the programs will be held indoors at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Parking is available on Main and Hall Streets. For updates and a full schedule of presenters & topics check our Facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/Antietam's-Jacob-Rohrbach-Inn](https://www.facebook.com/Antietam's-Jacob-Rohrbach-Inn) or our blog at: [www.jacob-rohrbach-inn.com/blog/](http://www.jacob-rohrbach-inn.com/blog/)  
For further information call (301) 432-5079.*

### **2024 Speaker Schedule:**

June 3 - Jim Rosebrock - The Empire State at Antietam.

June 10 – Dr. Gordon Dammann – Medicine between 1865-1914; War is still Hell

June 17 - Kevin Pawlak and Dan Welch – "Never Such a Campaign" - The Battle of Second Manassas, Aug. 28-30, 1862

June 24 - George Franks - Army of the Potomac: After Pickett's Charge

July 1 – Dr. Brad Gottfried - "At the Forefront of the Armies: The Role of the Cavalry During the Maryland Campaign"

July 8 - Sharon Murray - Dixon S. Miles Reconsidered

July 15 – D. Scott Hartwig - One Man's Experiences: Major Rufus Dawes and the Battle of Antietam

July 22 – Dr. Alex Rossino - Longstreet's March to Hagerstown and Back, Sept. 11-14, 1862

July 29 - Dana Shoaf – "Gutbusters": The Evolution of Civil War Ambulances

August 5 – Dr. Tom Clemens - Washington County's Forgotten Military Hero.

August 12 – Dr. Jim Broomall "The hills were black with spectators': Civilians on the Antietam Battlefield".

August 19 - Steve Stotemyer - The Legend of Barbara Fritchie

August 26 - John Schildt and Laura Marfut - "Roads to Antietam"

## **FCCWRT 2024-2025 Season**

We are in the process of scheduling the 24-25 Season – It will be announced soon on the Newsletter and our FB Page

### **NMCWM Partner's New Virtual Book Club**

The National Museum of Civil War Medicine is happy to announce the launch of our new virtual book club--Between the Lines. Every other month from 7 PM - 8 PM we will be meeting via Zoom to discuss an assigned book.

Join us online March 14th as we celebrate Women's History Month with a discussion of Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy by Karen Abbott, with a special appearance by the author herself!

Register here: <https://www.civilwarmed.org/between-the-lines-book-club/>

### **FCCWRT Lectures Available**

For those of you who may have missed any of the Virtual Presentations from the previous seasons of the FCCWRT, all presentations can be found on the National Museum of Civil War Medicine YouTube channel found here: <https://www.youtube.com/user/nmcwm/videos>

### **Our NMCWM Partner links**

National Museum of Civil War Medicine Facebook Page, offering Facebook live opportunities weekly: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/CivilWarMed/videos/>

National Museum of Civil War Medicine now offering its own YouTube Channel, tons of content available: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdGkf5-Y7aEZsXEBhRhEKjg?>

## Volunteer Opportunities

Interested in volunteering to keep the FCCWRT running and growing? Let us know at a meeting or send an email to our President Matt Borders (mattborders@comcast.net). Areas of need are listed below. We will have board elections at the end of the season for members interested in leadership positions.

Areas in which to assist the Round Table:

Programs (help with acquiring possible speakers, field trips, etc.)

Website (maintain and update group's website)

Outreach, Marketing, Newsletter, Others

## Who We Are, Where to Find Us



**We are on Facebook! Please check out our page for timely updates, local events, or comments. Please read and share our posts!**

<https://www.facebook.com/fccwrt> Gary Dyson is our "face" for Facebook, help us spread the word about OUR FCCWRT!! 2.6K likes and 2.7K follows !

Gary Dyson has done an amazing job with keeping up posting interesting Civil War facts and discussions. Help us spread the word about OUR FCCWRT.

Also visit our website at: <http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrt.org/>

### **Our MISSION**

**TO cultivate and preserve**

**Frederick County's Civil War heritage and broaden the understanding of the Civil War Era and its impact on our nation.**

**TO explore the many facets of the Civil War from the battlefield to first-person narratives, including guest lectures by writers and historians.**

**TO support historical projects and activities aimed at increasing public interest and appreciation of our Civil War history, both locally and nationally.**



**As President Borders stated, our membership drive for the year is ongoing! Please consider supporting the Round Table during the 23-24 season, by renewing your membership as well inviting friends to join. Your membership provides the space for our meetings, attracting well known speakers, and website and P.O. Box maintenance.**

**For those who remembered to renew your FCCWRT membership, thank you! Your dues make it possible for us to continue to fulfill our mission. We can't continue without your support! If we had more members, we could do more to promote our Civil War history!**

As a member of our group, you'll enjoy these benefits:

- receive the current newsletter.
- receive email updates of local events related to Civil War history.
- always have a place to be on the third Thursday of the month

Our yearly dues are:

- \$30.00 for an individual (\$25.00 for current dues paying members.)
- \$50.00 for a family up to four
- \$5.00 for out of state members and members under 16 years of age

You can renew your membership at our meeting or by mail. The membership form is attached and may also be downloaded from our website at <http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrt.org/>.

## **2022-2023 Board of Directors**

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# NEW *or* RENEW ANNUAL FCCWRT MEMBERSHIP



NAME (If family membership, please list all names and email addresses)

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**NOTE:** *We will protect your privacy. None of the above information will be shared.*

**ANNUAL DUES:** Individual - \$30; Family - \$50 (Please make check payable to FCCWRT)

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- I would like to volunteer to assist with registration and other tasks at our monthly meetings
- I am interested in helping with outreach activities

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Frederick, MD 21701

For additional information about the FCCWRT and to see meeting dates and times  
and our roster of speakers for the season, check our website:

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