



# Banner of the Blue and Gray

Newsletter of the Frederick County Civil War Roundtable Frederick, Maryland  
Founded January 30, 1989

330th Meeting, 37<sup>h</sup> Season

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**WELCOME BACK!**

**Frederick County Civil War RoundTable Members and  
Friends!**

**Opening of the Year Meeting will be a Field Trip to:**

**Rose Hill Manor Park and Museums  
1611 N. Market St.  
Frederick MD 21701**

**September 17, 2026 at 6:30pm**

**Please meet in front of the Manor for a 1 hour tour  
focused on the estate's Civil War history and a special  
first look of an important item!**

**We have a great line up of Speakers for our new Season!**

October 15 - **Kevin Pollack:** A Seared Soul - The Fall of Fitz John Porter

November 19 - **Katie Migneault:** Feeding the Army - Civil War Logistics

December 17 - **Brad Stone:** Civil War Mascots

January 21, 2027 - **Tim Snyder:** Jackson's Winter Campaign

February 18, 2027 - **Fergus Bordewich:** Klan War

March 18, 2027 - **Jake Wynn:** A Lynching in Chambersburg - A Civil War Murder and It's Forgotten Legacy

April 15, 2027 - **Kelly Whitehead:** The Quaker Abolitionists of Loudoun County, VA

May 20 - **Cory Pfarr:** The United States Signal Service in the Maryland Campaign

## Prez Sez:



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Welcome back to the Frederick County Civil War Roundtable! We have a new season and a lot of big changes happening this season. Before we jump into it, I do want to take a moment to thank board member and former vice president, Gary Dyson, for his years of hard work. Gary is leaving us for the crossroads of America, Ohio, and we look forward to hearing about his future exploits in the Buckeye State. Gary assisted me not only with developing the speaker schedule over the years, but also by running the roundtable Facebook page and even speaking several times. Thank you, Gary, it has been a pleasure.

With Gary moving on, board member Bob Smart, along with the assistance of Elizabeth Ruston, have developed a new Facebook Group for the Frederick County Civil War Roundtable. This transfer of social media has begun, and the old Facebook page will be shutdown soon. So please consider joining the new Frederick County Civil War Roundtable Group at:

[Frederick County Civil War Roundtable Facebook Group](#)

Finally, as has been our tradition the last few years, the opening of the 2026-2027 season will begin with a field trip! This year we will be touring Rose Hill Manor here in Frederick, Maryland. **Located at 1611 N. Market Street, we will meet at the manor at 6:30pm on Thursday, September 17!** Though it is the manor of Maryland's first governor, Thomas Johnson, the property does have ties to the Civil War. This is a great opportunity to tour one of Frederick's most historic sites, so invite your friends and family to join us!

*Most Sincerely,*

*Matt Borders. President. FCCWR*

## **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?>

## **Events at the NMCWM**

### **One Vast Hospital – Downtown Frederick Walking Tour**

**September 19<sup>th</sup> 10:30am – 11:30 am**

### **Alexandria's Civil War Prisons: Confinement and Justice During Union Occupation**

**September 19<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm – 3:00pm**

## **Antietam Institute Events**

**2026 Fall Conference**

**October 9-11 2026**

Check out their Facebook page at [www.antietaminstitute.org](http://www.antietaminstitute.org) for additional dates, updates and any changes to the schedule

## **Shepherd University**

### **2026 Civil War Center Fall Conference:**

**Celebrating 40 years of Save Historic Antietam Foundation and modern Battlefield preservation in the eastern Theater**

**September 25-27, 2026**

**Register at: [www..edu/civilwar/2026-fall-semina](http://www..edu/civilwar/2026-fall-semina)**

## **FCCWRT 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](mailto:mattborders@comcast.net)).**
- **Board elections were held in November, but there is always room for those who will help with our mission.**

**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, Other areas**
- **Members are encouraged to submit items for our newsletter. I'm always looking for events to add period themed events that may not be part of a battlefield schedule.**

## Book Raffle

*Please arrive a little early for our meeting and participate in our book raffle! Please consider purchasing a book from our speaker at online sites, our previous and scheduled speakers as well.*

## 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!

[Frederick County Civil War Roundtable Facebook Group](#)

is our “face” for Facebook, help us spread the word about OUR FCCWRT!!

Also visit our website at: <http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrrt.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 25-26 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.frederickcountycivilwarrrt.org/>.

## **2025-2026 Board of Directors**

**Matt Borders**, President /Webmaster

**Bob Smart**, Vice President

**Bob Kozak**, Treasurer

**Roberta Legdon**, Secretary

**Bob Smart and Elizabeth Ruston** Facebook

**Lucy Tannozzini**, At Large

**Joe Collins**, At Large

**Tom Dumm**, At Large

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**FCCWRT**

**P.O. Box 3232, Frederick MD 21705-3232**

**[www.frederickcountycivilwarrrt.org](http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrrt.org)**

# NEW *or* RENEW ANNUAL FCCWRT MEMBERSHIP



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

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STREET ADDRESS

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EMAIL ADDRESS/ADDRESSES

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BEST PHONE NUMBER TO REACH ME

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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)

**AMOUNT PAID \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I would like to volunteer to assist with registration and other tasks at our monthly meetings

☐ I am interested in helping with outreach activities

**MAIL TO:**  
**FCCWRT**  
**Box 3232**  
**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:**

**[www.frederickcountycivilwarrrt.org](http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrrt.org)**