

2012 Gettysburg Seminar “Gettysburg In History and Memory”

Guest Presenters

Dr. Benjamin Y. Dixon. Dr. Dixon is a Gettysburg native and author of *Learning the Battle of Gettysburg: A Guide to the Official Records* (Thomas Publications, 2007). He is presently a professor of geography at the State University of New York at Oneonta, and is nearing completion of a forthcoming book, *The Gettysburg Battlefield: Remembering America’s Greatest Battleground from 1863 to Today* (to be published by Johns Hopkins University Press).

Dr. Charles Fennell. Dr. Fennell has been a Licensed Battlefield Guide at Gettysburg National Military Park since 1986 and has published numerous articles in Civil War journals, Gettysburg National Military Park publications and publications of the Friends of the National Parks at Gettysburg. Charlie Fennell is also a professor of history at Harrisburg Community College in Gettysburg and has appeared on the History Channel’s “Civil War Journal”.

James Hessler. New to the Seminar lineup, Mr. Hessler is a Licensed Battlefield Guide at Gettysburg National Military Park. His book *Sickles at Gettysburg* (Savas Beatie, 2009), was awarded the R.E. Lee Civil War Round Table’s Batchelder-Coddington and the Gettysburg Civil War Round Table’s Distinguished Book awards as the most outstanding work on the Gettysburg Campaign.

From the Staff of Gettysburg National Military Park:

Angela Atkinson. Mrs. Atkinson has been a ranger at Gettysburg National Military Park since 2008. Her Park Service career has taken her to a number of sites including Independence National Historical Park, Vicksburg National Military Park and Natchez National Historical Park.

Barbara Sanders. Ms. Sanders has been Gettysburg National Military Park’s Education Specialist since 1999. She has co-written and produced the park’s award-winning satellite broadcasts that have reached millions of students across the country unable to visit the park.

Karlton Smith. Mr. Smith has been a Park Ranger Interpreter for Gettysburg NMP since 1990. Before coming here, he worked for Independence NHP in Philadelphia and has conducted historical interpretation with the National Park Service since 1986.

Matt Atkinson. Mr. Atkinson is a native of Houston, Mississippi. His previous employment includes Petersburg NB, Natchez NHP, Manassas NB and Vicksburg NMP.

Bertram Barnett. Mr. Barnett has worked at a variety of NPS battlefield and Civil War sites as a park ranger/interpreter since 1983, coming to Gettysburg NMP in 1993. Bert combines battle study with interests in artillery and in Civil War poetry. He is presently compiling material for a book on the latter topic, entitled “*Rhyme & Reasons: The Meaning and Power behind Civil War Poetry.*”

Troy Harman. Mr. Harman has been a National Park Service Ranger since 1984 and at Gettysburg NMP since 1989. His assignments have included historical interpretation at Appomattox Court House NHP, Fredericksburg & Spotsylvania NMP, Independence NHP, Valley Forge NMP, and Eisenhower NHS. He also teaches in the Gettysburg campus history department of Harrisburg Area Community College and is a Ph.D. history student at Lehigh University.

D. Scott Hartwig. Mr. Hartwig is a 30-year veteran of the National Park Service and has served as Gettysburg’s supervisory historian for the past 16 years.

John Heiser. Heiser has been employed at GNMP since 1980. A native of Raleigh, North Carolina, he graduated with a B.A. Degree in History in 1978. His NPS experience began in 1976 as a seasonal interpreter at Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania NMP in Fredericksburg, VA and he came to GNMP as a seasonal park ranger/interpreter in 1980.

Lieutenant Colonel William D. Hewitt. Col. Hewitt served in the Army for 31 years, including 6 years in intelligence and 25 years in armor and cavalry. LTC Hewitt also served at the US Army's Command and General Staff College for almost 4 years at the Center for Army Tactics. Recently he has served as a seasonal Park Ranger at Gettysburg NMP and is publishing a book on the Gettysburg Campaign.

Charles Teague. Mr. Teague received a B.A. from Gettysburg College, M.A. from Southern Baptist Seminary, and J.D. from Cornell. He is a retired Lt. Colonel from the U.S. Air Force. He has been a seasonal interpretive Ranger at GNMP since 2003.

Jacob Dinkelaker. Mr. Dinkelaker is a park ranger at President's Park and a master's student in Applied History at George Mason University. Previously, Jacob worked seasonally from 2009 to 2011 as a museum aid and a Park Ranger at Gettysburg National Military Park. He graduated with honors from The College of Wooster (OH) in May of 2011 with a BA in history and archaeology.

Daniel Welch. Mr. Welch has been a Park Ranger at Gettysburg National Military Park for the past four years. During that time he has led numerous programs on the campaign and battle for school groups, families, and visitors of all ages.

Jared Frederick. Mr. Frederick received his BA in History in 2010 from Penn State Altoona and is currently obtaining his MA in History & Public History from West Virginia University. He has been the proprietor of History Matters Publications and Artwork since 2005 and has served as a Park Ranger at Gettysburg National Military Park since 2009.

Kyle Stetz. A native of western New York State, Mr. Stetz received a degree in Education and History at the State University of New York at Fredonia. He received his MA in Public History from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He has worked as a Living Historian and Park Ranger at Gettysburg from 2006-2009 & 2011.

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