

ELEVENTH ANNUAL CIVIL WAR SEMINAR

THE CAVALRY: WEAPONS, LEADERS, and BATTLES



Cavalry Generals J.E.B. Stuart (CSA) and Philip Sheridan (USA)

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Schedule

Wygal Auditorium
Longwood University
Farmville, VA

- 9:00 a.m. Doors open
- 9:25 a.m. Introduction by Dr. David Coles, Associate Professor
and Chair, Department of History, Political Science, and
Philosophy, Longwood University
- 9:30 a.m. Robert Dunkerly
“Horsepower and Firepower: Weapons of the Cavalry.”
- 10:00 a.m. Eric Wittenberg
**“Little Phil: A Reassessment of the Civil War Leadership of
Gen. Philip H. Sheridan.”**
- 11:15 a.m. Jeffery Wert
““He Stood out from the Great War Canvas’: Jeb Stuart.”
- 12:30 Lunch
- 1:45 p.m. Clark “Bud” Hall
**“The Battle of Brandy Station: Attack and Defense of the Daremark
Line.”**
- 2:45 p.m. Scott C. Patchan
“Overview of cavalry operations in the 1864 Valley Campaign.”

Participants

ROBERT DUNKERLY

Bert Dunkerly is currently a park ranger at Appomattox Court House NHP, where is the park's historic weapons safety officer. He has worked at several other National Parks, including Gettysburg, Stones River, Jamestown, Kings Mountain, and Moores Creek. He has authored several articles and books on the Revolution, Civil War, and historic preservation.

CLARK B. HALL

Clark B. Hall serves as Senior Managing Director for The Fairfax Group, a premier international security and investigative firm. Mr. Hall previously served as Global Business Security Director for General Electric and also as an advisor to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Prior to service with GE, Mr. Hall enjoyed a distinguished career with the U.S. Congress as a criminal investigations manager, during which time he served as Chief Investigator for the U.S. House of Representatives Iran/Contra Committee. Prior to Congressional service, Mr. Hall spent seventeen years with the FBI, wherein he managed nationwide organized crime investigations, serving as Unit Chief, Organized Crime Section, FBI Headquarters. He has written and lectured widely on cavalry operations in the Civil War and is a co-founder and past board member of the Chantilly Battlefield Association; Association for the Preservation of Civil War Sites and the Brandy Station Foundation. Mr. Hall has been presented numerous battlefield preservation commendations, including the "Anne B. Snyder Preservation Award." He is a decorated Marine combat veteran, who served in Viet Nam as a tactical commander. Mr. Hall received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Kansas State University. He has performed graduate studies in history and law at Kansas State and the University of Virginia and now resides in Middleburg, Virginia. He is currently working on *Sabers Across the Rappahannock: The Battle of Brandy Station, June 9, 1863*.

SCOTT C. PATCHAN

Scott Patchan was born and raised in Ohio, and attended college at James Madison University. He has written dozens of articles for *Civil War Magazine* and other periodicals, is a contributing writer and historical consultant for the Time Life Series Voices of the Civil War and for the Kernstown Battlefield Association. He is a frequent lecturer on many aspects of Civil War history and is often requested as a battlefield tour guide. He is the author of *Shenandoah Summer: The 1864 Valley Campaign*. His first book *The Forgotten Fury: The Battle of Piedmont, Virginia* received critical acclaim when it was published in 1996 and is now out of print. He has a forthcoming book on the Battle of Third Winchester.

EDUCATION

JEFFRY D. WERT

Jeff Wert graduated cum laude with a B. A. History from Lock Haven University in 1968. In 1976, he completed his M. A. in History at Penn State. Wert taught at Penns Valley Area High School from 1969 to 2002 and was Pennsylvania's "Teacher of the Year" in 1999. He is now a full time author and an historian. He has written articles for *Civil War Times Illustrated*, *American History Illustrated*, *Blue & Gray Magazine*, *America's Civil War*, *Military History*, *Virginia Cavalcade*, *Pennsylvania History*, and the *Civil War*

News. Wert has contributed and edited Historical Times Illustrated's "Encyclopedia of the Civil War." He has wrote seven books including: *From Winchester to Cedar Creek: The Shenandoah Campaign 1864*; *Mosby's Rangers*; *General James Longstreet: The Confederacy's Most Controversial Soldier*; *Custer: The Controversial Life of George Armstrong Custer*; *A Brotherhood of Valor, Gettysburg—Day Three*, *The Sword of Lincoln*; and *Cavalryman of the Lost Cause: A Biography of J. E. B. Stuart*. His books have won numerous awards. Wert has appeared on the History Channel's "Civil War Journal"; C-Span 2's "Book Talk"; and PBS's "Valley of Fire." Wert is an Honorary Board of Directors for the Civil War Preservation Trust; serves on the Advisory Council for the Lincoln Award at Gettysburg College; and is on the Historical Advisory Board for the Friends of Gettysburg.

Eric J. Wittenberg

An attorney in Columbus, Ohio, Eric Wittenberg has long been a student of Civil War cavalry operations. Wittenberg has published fifteen books on Civil War history, most of them centering on Virginia. Additionally, his articles have appeared in *Gettysburg Magazine*, *North & South*, *Blue & Gray*, *Hallowed Ground*, *America's Civil War*, and *Civil War Times Illustrated*. He is very active in battlefield preservation, and serves as the vice president of the Buffington Island Battlefield Preservation Foundation and also serves on the Governor of Ohio Commission on Ohio's Civil War Sesquicentennial. He is also active with the Civil War Preservation Trust and the Trevilian Station Battlefield Foundation. He is a graduate of Dickinson College and the University of Pittsburgh School of Law.

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