



The Signal Flag

BRANDYWINE VALLEY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE



Campaign # 25

Skirmish # 9

May 2012

From the Rear Ranks:

Greetings Members! I hope you all learned something about the birth of the modern postal service presented by Flo last month. This will be the final meeting of the 2011-12 campaign. I hope everything has enjoyed this past year. We still have two major events left. Those are our trip to Culp's Hill and Dennis Frye at our Banquet. Just a reminder to all those who have not sent in their money for the banquet, May 2nd is the last day that Dave Walter will accept any checks. I will share with you a post from "about" 150 years ago, sorry I could not find anything momentous on May 2, 1862 (May in 1863 is a lot more interesting....). I will leave you with a description from the New York Times on the surrender of New Orleans.

Respectively,

Chip Crowe
President,
Brandywine Valley Civil War Round Table

THE GREAT NEWS OF THE DAY

April 28, 1862

NEW-ORLEANS is repossessed! The mortar and gunboat fleet of Capt. PORTER is in front of the City.* The rebels have fled in consternation, after destroying, by military order, all the cotton in the presses and warehouses of the place, and burning all the steam craft at the wharves, except such as were required to carry off the munitions and supplies of the army, for which they would seem to have no use at home. The news comes through rebel sources, and on the point of resistance, after PORTER had successfully passed Forts Jackson and St. Philip, the dispatches are somewhat blind. But the plain inference is that more thought was taken as to how the rebel forces should make their own exit than of the way to resist PORTER's entrance. The telegraphic operator, after announcing the appearance of the fleet, the consternation of the city, the wanton destruction of property under martial rule, took his own hasty leave, and in this probably followed, rather than anticipated, the example of the rebel army of defiance. We shall, no doubt, have fuller accounts in a few days. Meanwhile let the loyal heart of the Nation rejoice that the Stars and Stripes again float over the Crescent City of the Southwest.

**Editors Note: In fact it was the squadron of David G. Farragut, and not the mortal squadron of David Dixon Porter, that ran past the river forts and compelled the surrender of New Orleans. Porter's squadron and Butler's army remained below the river forts for several more days. Porter, however, had a talent for self-promotion and managed to get his version of the events out first.*



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Unsolicited articles from our members are welcome.
Please contact Lynne!

***We are wheelchair assessable**

What is the BVCWRT all about???

We were founded in 1987. According to our by-laws, "the purpose of the Brandywine Valley Civil War Round Table shall be to provide a congenial medium through which persons having a common interest in the events of the American Civil War - its causes and effects, engagements, personages, units, armaments and other things pertaining thereto - may satisfy their interest and broaden individual knowledge through discussion, lectures, field trips and the exchange of books, paper and other data. The purposed is also to consider the preservation and protection of the battlefields, sites, landmarks, relics and collection of the period."

In plain English, we are an organization of diverse people brought together by our common interest in the American Civil War. This interest can range from the casual to the obsessive. We intend to tailor our activities and presentations to appeal to all our members, novice or expert.

Welcome New Members & Reenlistments

The Round Table welcomes our new members since our last meeting. Please welcome them and share your Civil War enthusiasm.

New Members: Welcome





Brandywine Valley Civil War Round Table
Come to our next meeting
May 2, 2012

Speaker: Ryan Conroy
Topic: "Phoenixville During the Civil War"
Time: 7:00 PM
Place: West Chester Borough Hall, Gay Street

Our speaker this month will be Ryan Conroy. Ryan will enlighten us about Phoenixville during the Civil War. Ryan was raised and currently resides in Phoenixville. He is employed by Lockheed Martin and President-Elect of the Historical Society of the Phoenixville Area. He has been studying and collecting anything related to the Civil War and military history for about 20 years. He has been working on a project interviewing and documenting WWII Veterans since 2004.

His special interests are the Civil War history in Phoenixville, Chester County, the Phoenix Iron Co.'s 3 Inch Ordinance Rifle, the PA Bucktails and PA Reserves. He has also studied textiles and military uniforms of the Civil War. He has done presentations for about 13 years to audiences such as, the Army, schools, churches, local organizations, senior retirement groups etc.

Here is a little history of Phoenixville found on Wikipedia I thought might be of interest to you:

Phoenixville is a borough in Chester County, Pennsylvania, United States, 28 miles (45 km) northwest of Philadelphia, at the junction of French Creek with the Schuylkill River. The population is 16,440 as of the 2010 Census.¹

Originally called **Manavon**, Phoenixville was settled in 1732 and incorporated as a borough in 1849. In its industrial heyday early in the twentieth century, it was an important manufacturing center and it was the site of great iron and steel mills such as the Phoenix Iron Works, boiler works, silk mill, underwear and hosiery factories, a match factory, and the famous (and now highly collectible) Etruscan majolica pottery. Like so many American towns and cities, Phoenixville owes its growth to its waterways. It is not only situated on the broad Schuylkill River, a historic thoroughfare to Native Americans and early settlers alike, but it is bisected by the fast-flowing French Creek, which was quickly harnessed for water power.

Much of the history was recognized by the creation of the Phoenixville Historic District, the largest National Register of Historic Places site in Chester County.

The Name

The first nail factory in the U.S., the French Creek Nail Works, was established in Phoenixville (then called Manavon) in 1790. In 1813, a bridge builder, Lewis Wernwag, became part owner and renamed it the Phoenix Iron Works. In 1840, new owners added a blast furnace. In 1855 a new group of owners incorporated as the Phoenix Iron Co.



Burning of the Phoenix

When the borough was incorporated in 1849, it incorporated the name of its major employer.

After several ownership changes, the plant was completely shut down in 1949 and later acquired by the Barium Steel Corp. and renamed the Phoenix Iron & Steel Company, later The Phoenix Steel Corporation. The entire plant was shut down for the last time in 1987.¹



Phoenixville, looking across the Phoenix Iron Works site and French Creek.

Meeting Room Guidelines:

The Executive Board has established the following guidelines for all meetings by the Brandywine Valley Civil War Round Table:

- No food or beverages are permitted in the Council Chambers.
- Each member is asked to be certain that NO trash or debris is left under their chairs or on the floor.
- Each member is requested to be certain that their chair is aligned correctly at the end of each meeting.
- Each member is reminded that we are all "responsible" for the condition of the Council Chambers.
- Each member is reminded that we are all good stewards and need to be responsible for all of our actions.

**BVCWRT Meeting Minutes, April 4, 2012, 7pm
Chip Crowe Presiding**

Pledge of Allegiance – Chip Crowe
Preservation Committee – Bob Sprague

The Preservation Committee recommended a donation of \$500.00 to the Central Virginia Battlefield Trust. This donation is to be used for land preservation. The motion was made, seconded and approved by the members present. Roger Arthur suggested contacting Bob Krick of the Central Virginia Battlefield Trust indicating the Round Table will be willing to make an additional contribution for preservation if he were to make a presentation to the membership. Previous efforts to recruit him as a speaker have not been successful. Book raffle tickets are 6 tickets for \$5. A single ticket is still one dollar. All book raffle and sutler monies are for preservation.

Treasurer's Report – Dave Walter

The bank balance as of 02/29/12 was \$3187.68. Receipts for the month of March totaled \$450.00. Expenses for the month of March totaled \$341.91 leaving net revenue for the month of \$108.09. The bank balance as of 03/31/2012 was \$3295.77.

Field Trip – Greg Buss

The field trip will be to Gettysburg, Culp's Hill on Saturday, May 12th. Those interested are to meet at the Visitor Center in the Park at 10 AM. A poll was taken to indicate interest in hiring a bus for the tour itself at Culp's Hill.

The response was favorable and Greg will arrange for the bus. A bus that holds 26 people will cost \$600.00. The guide, Charlie Fennel, will cost \$250.00. It is estimated that the cost for the field trip will be approximately \$35.00 to \$40.00 per participant.

Banquet – Dave Walter/Chip Crowe

The annual banquet will be held on May 15, 2012 at the Elks Lodge in West Chester. The speaker will be Dennis Frye Chief Historian of the Harpers Ferry National Park. His topic will be Antietam. The cost is \$40.00 per person. A form to sign up for the banquet can be found in the current Signal Flag and on the website.

Nominations of Officers: Vince Carosella

The slate of officers for the 2012-2013 campaign of the Round Table is:

President – Chip Crowe
Treasurer – Dave Walter

Vice President – Hank Fisher
Secretary – Ted Pawlik

Anyone interested in running for any of these offices is asked to contact Vince Carosella or any member of the Executive Committee. [Elections of officers will be held at the May meeting of the Round Table.](#)

Field Trip to Laurel Hill Cemetery: Ted Pawlik

A field trip to Laurel Hill Cemetery in Philadelphia will be held on June 9, 2012, rain or shine. This will be a walking guided tour with a focus on Civil War/Military. The cost is \$15 per person with the senior rate (age 65) at \$10.00 per person. The tour will start at 10 AM. Those driving directly to Laurel Hill are asked to get there no later than 9:45 AM. Those interested in car-pooling are to meet at the West Chester Borough Hall at 8:30 AM.

A sign up sheet was circulated at the meeting. Individuals can sign up by contacting Ted Pawlik directly at tpawlik@comcast.net or 610-384-4234. A request will be made to put a notice about the Laurel Hill field trip on the web site.

Program for the Evening: Dr. Florence Williams – Postal Service during the Civil War

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Brandywine Valley Civil War Round Table
Field Trip to Laurel Hill Cemetery
3822 Ridge Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19132
215-228-8200
www.thelaurelhillemetery.org

When: June 9, 2012 (Rain or Shine)

Tour Starts: 10 AM (suggested time of arrival at the cemetery – no later than 9:45 AM)

Cost: \$15.00 per person. Senior rate (65 and older) is \$10.00 per person. (Payable on the date of the tour at the Cemetery)

Transportation: On your own. Car-pooling is **strongly encouraged** since there is limited parking at the cemetery.

Lunch: On your own. Two restaurants nearby recommended by the Cemetery are

Epicure Café
3401 Conrad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19129
215-438-8566

Trolley Car Café
3269 S. Ferry Road (at Kelly Drive)
Philadelphia, PA 19129
267-385-6703

www.epicurecafe.net

www.trolleycarcafe.com

Saturday hours – 8 AM to 5 PM Saturday hours – 7 AM to 10 PM

This will be a walking guided tour with a focus on the Civil War/Military. It will last 1 ½ to 2 hours.

A sign up sheet will be passed around at the April and May meetings of the Round Table. If you are unable to attend either of these meetings, you can sign up by contacting Ted Pawlik at tpawlik@comcast.net or 610-384-4234. The tour is limited to 30 people. If more than 30 sign up, their attendance will be conditioned on an additional guide being available. This tour is open to members of the Round Table and their guest. Directions are available on the cemetery's web site or by contacting Ted Pawlik.

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Neshaminy State Park : On Saturday, April 28, and Sunday, April 29, the **23rd Annual Civil War Re-Enactment**. Re-enactors will portray both Union and Confederate soldiers, transforming Neshaminy State Park into Civil War battlefields and turning back the clock to 1862.

The two battles that will be re-enacted this year are the First Battle of Kernstown and the First Battle of Winchester. Both took place in 1862, 150 years ago. Last year began a barrage of tributes to the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, which will continue until 2015 the Civil War ended in 1865.

The Kernstown battle, which took place on March 23, 1862, marked the beginning of the Valley Campaign of 1862, and is known as the only battle considered a loss by Confederate General Stonewall Jackson during the campaign. There were a large number of casualties on both sides 718 for the Confederates and 590 for the Union.

The Winchester battle took place on May 25 of that year, and this time the Confederacy was victorious. It's considered a major victory, as the Union had five times as many casualties 2,019 to 400. Of that number, more than 1,700 were captured by Gen. Jackson and his troops.

Neshaminy State Park, 3401 State Road, Bensalem, PA 19020,
Saturday & Sunday, April 28 & 29,
9 a.m. ♦ 4 p.m., rain or shine.

Admission is free. Info: 610-291-0838, kqc28pvi@gmail.com or www.neshaminycwevent.org.

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Pennypacker Mills: - The Civil War Reunion Event June 2-3, free event

Saturday, June 2, 2012 – (10 am to 5 pm)

Speaker: Scott Mingus : Title: "Flames Beyond Gettysburg: The Gordon Expedition, June 1863"

Sunday, June 3, 2012 - (10 am to 4 pm)

Speaker: **John A. Marx**, Colonel, U.S. Army, Retired - Title: "The General and the Private"

There will be musical events and a battle reenactment each day. You can also tour the mansion and check out the exhibit on the Pa emergency militia units.

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Destination Gettysburg - Travel Ideas for Gettysburg Civil War Days - May 4-6

The second annual Civil War Days will take over Fairfield in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War this May 4-6. The event will commemorate the pivotal events that occurred in this small village during the Civil War, including a cavalry battle in July 1863. Activities will include presentations, demonstrations, musical performances and a historic house tour that features both Civil War-era homes and buildings in Fairfield. Highlighting the weekend will be a cavalry battle reenactment on Landis

Field behind St. John Lutheran Church, 13 E. Main Street. The re-enactment will include cannons and cavalry. Speakers will talk on the cavalry skirmish in nearby Monterey, Lee's retreat from Gettysburg and the Battle of Fairfield itself. Saturday evening, May 5, will include a bonfire with Civil War era music.

Encampments will be set up in the rear of the Fairfield Inn, which will also offer ham and bean soup, old fashioned chicken and biscuits and desserts from the Civil War era.

The **third weekend in May** is a great time to visit - with lot's of activities in and around Gettysburg.

From May 17-20, Granite Hill Camping Resort will host the 64th Annual Bluegrass Festival. Check out the details online.

May 19, the streets will be filled with treasures during the Gettysburg Outdoor Antique Show.

Discover living history on the battlefield and at the American Civil War Wax Museum on Steinwehr Avenue.

You can even take the family to the Totem Pole Playhouse FunFest.

www.gettysburg.travel

Civil War deaths much higher, analysis concludes

By Peter Mucha - Inquirer Staff Writer
Submitted by Ed Colimore to Temple website

A section of the Battle of Gettysburg Cyclorama by French artist Paul Philippoteaux. The painting, longer than a football field and four-stories tall, is on view at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center. The true death toll was probably about 750,000 - 20 percent higher than the traditionally quoted figure of 620,000 - and might have been as high as 850,000, according to J. David Hacker of New York's Binghamton University.

Even the old figure exceeded the combined U.S. death toll of all conflicts from the American Revolution through the Korean War. Hacker's conclusions, published in the December issue of the journal *Civil War History*, are "already gaining acceptance from scholars," the New York Times reported today.

The journal called the article "among the most consequential pieces" it has ever published, and Columbia historian Eric Foner told the Times the study "further elevates the significance of the Civil War" and "helps you understand, particularly in the South with a much smaller population, what a devastating experience this was."

"I have always been convinced that the consensus figure of 620,000 is too low, and especially that the figure of 260,000 Confederate dead is definitely too low," said Pulitzer Prize-winning historian James McPherson, according to a news release from the university. The old estimate assumed similar death rates from disease for Union and Confederate soldiers, even though the North probably had better medical care.

Hacker arrived at his conclusions after studying improved census data released mostly in the last decade, the news release said. After looking at reported male and female survival rates from 1850 to 1860, and from 1870 to 1880, he developed a baseline for typical death rates. Then, looking at the data from 1870 - the Census after the war - he realized a lot more men were missing than the old death estimate could explain. His new estimate suggested at least 650,000 died, and perhaps as many as 850,000.

"Roughly two out of three men who died in the war died from disease" - everything from diarrhea and measles to typhoid and malaria, Hacker said. "The war took men from all over the country and brought them all together into camps that became very filthy very quickly."

The range is wide because of several uncertainties, Hacker has admitted. After such a war, the next Census was understandably unreliable - a problem he tried to circumvent by comparing underreporting for both genders. Also, there was no way to tease out the death toll for civilians, or pin down fatalities for each side, especially since men from Border States fought on both sides.

The higher death toll also means tens of thousands more widows and orphans, Hacker pointed out to the Times.

Contact staff writer Peter Mucha at 215-854-4342 or pmucha@phillynews.com.

Lincoln & the Preliminary Emancipation Proclamation

Tax holiday inspired by freedom

By Harold Holzer

Americans are enjoying a brief tax holiday this year - filings are not due until April 17 - and credit for the postponement goes to an unexpected hero: none other than Abraham Lincoln. (Of course, Lincoln was also responsible for introducing federal income taxes in the first place, but that is another story.) The explanation for the reprieve has nothing to do with the burdens of taxation, and everything to do with the blessings of liberty. A hundred and fifty years ago, Lincoln became the first American president to sign a law - any law - restricting slavery. On April 16, 1862, he approved a measure freeing (technically buying - then the biggest government bailout in history) all slaves in Washington, D.C. The capital now marks the 16th as a holiday, with government offices shut down, the IRS included. The event that inspired this commemoration has been largely forgotten in a way understandable. Five months later, Lincoln issued his more famous and far-reaching Preliminary Emancipation Proclamation. That document promised freedom to slaves in all rebel territory unless Confederate states returned to the Union. When, to no one's surprise, the states refused, Lincoln issued his final proclamation on New Year's Day 1863, declaring, "all slaves in rebellious states then, thenceforward, and forever free."

These two landmark orders understandably overshadowed D.C. emancipation in historic importance. By 1865, the newly approved 13th Amendment to the Constitution finished the job by outlawing slavery wherever it still existed. By any analysis, the April 1862 statute whose sesquicentennial we mark this month was limited and ill-advisedly delayed. It freed Washington's slaves immediately but also compensated their owners in the amount of \$300 per person. Lincoln, who would have preferred compensated emancipation to any other approach to ending slavery - he reasoned it was cheaper for the government to buy back slaves than to wage war - also preferred that D.C. emancipation be gradual. He argued that immediate freedom would place sickly and elderly slaves in jeopardy should masters evict them from their homes.

So the future "Great Emancipator" kept the D.C. freedom bill on his desk, unsigned, for two long days - delaying, he confided, until one Kentucky congressman could spirit his own aged servants back to his home state, where slavery remained lawful. This very newspaper reported "turbulence and disorder" throughout Washington, with "slave-hunters chasing up their dark-skinned chattels, to remove them, into Maryland and Virginia" before emancipation could be approved. Yet when Lincoln finally did sign the bill, but asked Congress to consider an addendum to exclude "minors and lunatics" from its requirement that claims be filed within 90 days, *The Inquirer* praised this further caveat as "manifestly just."

For all its faults, delays, and stipulations, however, the D.C. bill earned prompt and almost universal praise. Whatever its proscriptions and morally repugnant (to modern sensibilities) offer of cash rewards for slave-owners - and despite Lincoln's hesitancy in approving it, and unreasonable fears about the imagined consequences of immediate liberty - D.C. emancipation became one of the most lavishly praised acts of his presidency. Lincoln received more unbridled editorial kudos for signing this narrow piece of legislation than he did for the Emancipation itself. The more famous measure provoked some critics to complain of Lincoln's unbridled use of executive power and others to complain it applied only to rebel states, leaving slavery in loyal Border States like Kentucky unmolested. Yet the mere fact that a Congress and a president had worked together to end generations of pro-slavery tradition somewhere resonated with breathtaking power in April 1862. No doubt the excitement owed much to the venue: the national capital. It did not seem to matter that only 3,000 were liberated in Washington while millions remained in chains nationwide. As Frederick Douglass predicted, "Kill slavery at the heart of the nation, and it will certainly die at the extremities. This looks small, but it is not so. It is a giant stride toward the grand result." The "grand result" would take three more years, and cost hundreds of thousands of lives on the battlefield. But that spring day, the tide for freedom turned irrevocably. So on Monday, April 16, when most Americans use their unexpected tax holiday merely to take one last look at their 1040 forms, it might be appropriate also to remember D.C. Emancipation - the milestone that gets too little credit for redirecting the arc of American history toward freedom.

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Find this article at: http://www.philly.com/philly/opinion/20120408_Tax_holiday_inspired_by_freedom.html

THE SECRETS OF MARY BOWSER

by Lois Leveen

THE SECRETS OF MARY BOWSER by Lois Leveen is the story of slave girl, Mary Bowser -- working in the home of one of wealthiest families in Richmond, Virginia. When the outspoken daughter of the master, Bet Van Lew, decides to send her to Philadelphia to be educated, Mary must leave her parents to seize her freedom.

Life in the North offers Mary a different kind of education than she ever expected -- leading to her joining the abolition movement to bring fugitive slaves to freedom. As the nation edges towards war, Mary defies Virginia law by returning to Richmond, vowing to care for her ailing father and to fight for emancipation. Knowing that slaves are incapable of intelligence, she poses as a slave in the Confederate White House to spy on President Jefferson Davis. Together Mary and Bet risk their lives to smuggle invaluable information to the Union commanders.

All of this is based on a true story, written with immense heart, THE SECRETS OF MARY BOWSER is an illuminating and inspiring tale of injustice and courage, friendship and war--and of one daring woman's willingness to sacrifice her own freedom to change the course of history.

youtube channel <http://www.youtube.com/user/SecretsOfMaryBowser?>

Author website www.loisleveen.com

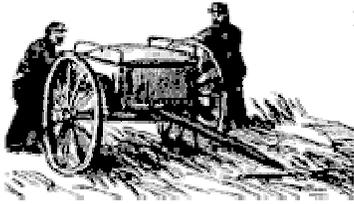
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Note from the Editor

This will be my last issue of the Signal Flag. It has been my pleasure to serve the Brandywine Civil War Round Table as Editor of this newsletter for the past 16 years. When I first was asked to take over the Signal Flag I knew nothing about setting up a newsletter. Through trial and error I found a format that seemed to work. My intent these past years has been to provide the membership with a newsletter that was more than just pictures of people, awards being received and places to go. I wanted it to become an extension of our continual learning of the Civil War. Each month I tried to bring interesting articles that I found on various sites that I thought would be of interest to the membership. I would like to hope that all have enjoyed the journey that you and I have taken these many years. It is with a sad heart that I have to step down from this duty but like all good soldiers it is time for me to lay down my rifle and go home.

I am hoping that someone in the membership will volunteer to continue our Signal Flag. I would hate to see her be retired and forgotten. I think the core of this Round Table's success has always been our ability to inform and educate our membership by the use of our ROUND TABLE TELEGRAM, our great monthly programs and our Signal Flag.

If anyone is interested in taking over the Signal Flag duties I will be more than happy to help with the transition.



2011-2012 Scheduled Speakers

- September 7, 2011 Dr. Sidney Copel "Civil War Entertainment"
- October 5, 2011 Louis Caban "Lee's Retreat"
- November 2, 2011 Dave Walter and Don Ernsberger "Battle of Ball's Bluff"
- December 7, 2011 Dan Cashin "Confederate Privateers"
- January 4, 2012 Hugh Boyle "Dan Sickles"
- February 1, 2012 Jack Lieberman, Capt USN (Ret) "Commodore Percival Drayton, USN"
- March 7, 2012 Charles Zahm "Musical Presentation" plus Annual Spring Social
- April 4, 2012 Flo Williams "The Postal Service"
- May 2, 2012 Ryan Conroy "Phoenixville and the Civil War"
- May 12, 2012 Trip to Culps Hill, Gettysburg, PA is being planned by Greg Buss
- May 15, 2012 Annual Banquet – Dennis Frye, Chief Historian, Harpers Ferry National Park "Antietam"

Additional Trips planned possibly to an Exhibit at the Union League and a guided tour of Laurel Hill Cemetery

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Brandywine Valley Civil War Round Table Membership Application

Application Type: New Renewal

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Note: Monthly newsletters are distributed by E-mail only.

Membership Type: Individual (\$25) Family (\$40): Student (\$15):

If family membership, please list other names:

Bring the completed form and a check payable to BVCWRT to a meeting or mail it to:
Dave Walter, Treasurer, 937 Thorne Drive, West Chester, PA 19382

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**ANNUAL BANQUET
BRANDYWINE VALLEY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE**

WHEN: Wednesday, May 15, 2012

- 6:00 pm: Cash Bar
- 7:00 pm: Dinner
- 8:00 pm: Guest Speaker **Dennis Frye, Chief Historian, Harper Ferry National Park “Antietam”**

WHERE: The Elks Lodge
335 West Washington Street
West Chester, PA 19381

MENU: Tossed Garden Salad
Choice of:

- **Boneless Breast of Chicken** Marsala, with sliced mushrooms and herbs in a Marsala wine sauce with roasted red bliss potatoes
 - **Virginia Baked Ham** with a Honey Mustard Glaze and roasted red bliss potatoes
 - **Pan Seared Filet of Flounder**, served with a lemon butter sauce and a side of rice
- All entrees include: Vegetable du jour, rolls and butter, coffee and tea
Dessert: Cheesecake with Strawberry Topping

Speaker: Dennis Frye, Chief Historian, Harper Ferry National Park “Antietam”

Cost: \$40.00 PER PERSON

RESERVATION DEADLINE – May 2, 2012 at 7:00 PM! - NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

Order Form: Detach, complete reservation, and send with payment to:

Dave Walter, Treasurer, 937 Thorne Drive, West Chester, PA 19382 - (610-363-8903)

Name _____ Chicken ___ Ham ___ Fish

Name _____ Chicken ___ Ham ___ Fish

Name _____ Chicken ___ Ham ___ Fish

Address _____

_____ X \$40.00 = Total Amount Due _____ **(DEADLINE – May 2, 2012 at 7:00 PM!)**

Make checks payable to: Brandywine Valley Civil War Round Table

(Cancelled checks are your receipt)

BANQUET DATE – Tuesday, May 15, 2012

**BRANDYWINE VALLEY
CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE**

*c/o Lynne Fulton
144 W. King Street
Malvern, PA 19355*

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