

**Movement Order**  
**Cleveland Civil War Roundtable**  
2024 Field Trip  
**Battle of Gettysburg**  
19-22 September, 2024

We've received reports of Confederate movement into Pennsylvania and have been ordered by Maj. Gen. George G. Meade, Army of the Potomac, Commanding, to concentrate our forces on the small town of Gettysburg.

**Thursday, September 19, 2024**

**Troop movement:** Home station to bivouac site. Additional reconnaissance can be exercised on your own prior to your arrival at the bivouac site (See Appendix A – Optional Additional Reconnaissance).

**Bivouac Site:** A block of rooms has been reserved at the Comfort Suites<sup>1</sup> about a mile from the Gettysburg Museum & Visitor Center. The address is as follows:

Comfort Suites  
945 Baltimore Pike  
Gettysburg, PA 17325  
Phone: (717)334-6715  
Fax: (717)377-3344  
Check-in time: 3:00 p.m.  
Check-out time: 11:00 p.m.

**Commissary:** You're on your own for dinner this night. The trains won't arrive until Friday.

1900 - 2000 – Presentation in the ballroom of the Comfort Suites

Topic: Prelude to the Battle of Gettysburg and Buford's stand on Day 1.  
Presenter: Bob Pence

2000 - 2300 – Use of the Comfort Suites ballroom for socializing.

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<sup>1</sup> A block of 25 rooms has been reserved. Room rates are the same for single or double occupancy.

Rooms: 2 Queen Beds, No Smoking, Suite.

Group rates are as follows plus applicable state taxes:

9/19/2024	\$ 99.99
9/20/2024	\$139.99
9/21/2024	<u>\$149.99</u>
	\$389.97 plus applicable state taxes for all three nights
	<u>\$ 42.90</u> applicable state taxes
	<u>\$432.87</u> Total room charge for three nights

Reservations need to be made by August 19, 2024 to receive the group rate. Let them know you're with the Cleveland Civil War Roundtable when making your reservation.

Complimentary parking and breakfast are included with your room. Breakfast is served from 6:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. daily. We will receive complimentary use of the ballroom for our group with 20 rooms reserved.

## Friday, September 20, 2024

0745 – Depart hotel and travel to Seminary Ridge Museum and Education Center (SRM&EC).

	1 <sup>st</sup> Corps	11 <sup>th</sup> Corps	3 <sup>rd</sup> Corps
0800 - 0900	Cupola Tour	Seminary Ridge Museum	Tour Lee's HQ Trail <sup>2</sup>
0900 - 1000	Tour Lee's HQ Trail	Cupola Tour	Seminary Ridge Museum
1000 - 1100	Seminary Ridge Museum	Tour Lee's HQ Trail	Cupola Tour

1100 - 1200 – Seminary Ridge Walking Tour: **The Final Attack: July 1, 1863** (SRM&EC Guide)<sup>3</sup>

1200 - 1300 – Box lunches from Jersey Mike's<sup>4</sup>

1300 - 1800 – Day 1 battlefield tour led by Jon Thompson.

- Stop 1 – McPherson Ridge
- Stop 2 – Oak Hill (Eternal Light Peace Memorial)
- Stop 3 – Barlow Knoll
- Stop 4 – East Cemetery Hill: Days 1 and 2
- Stop 5 – Soldiers' National Cemetery

1800 - 1900 – Return to hotel to refresh for dinner

1900 - 2100 – Commissary: A group dinner at Lincoln Social Food Market next to the Comfort Suites.<sup>5</sup>

2100 - 2300 – Use of the Comfort Suites ballroom for socializing.

## Saturday, September 21, 2024

0800 - 1300 – Day 2 battlefield tour led by Jon Thompson.

- Stop 1 – Little Round Top
- Stop 2 – The Wheatfield
- Stop 3 – The Peach Orchard
- Stop 4 – 1<sup>st</sup> Minnesota Monument
- Stop 5 – Culp's Hill: Days 2 and 3

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<sup>2</sup> Lee's Headquarters trail is about a ¼ mile walk from the SRM&EC parking lot. (There is a parking lot at the headquarters, so you can also drive there.) The actual trail has 8 interpretive markers and is about 0.17 miles long and includes the Mary Thompson house, which was used by Gen. Robert E. Lee as his headquarters during the battle. The Civil War Trust acquired and restored the property as much as possible to its 1863 appearance and opened it up to the public for tours in the summer in 2016. We are working with the SRM&EC to try to have it open for our group on the field trip.

<sup>3</sup> A guided ½ mile walking tour of the first day's fighting, with a specific focus on the importance of the Seminary grounds to the battle. Learn about the Union army's defensive action, how the Confederates overcame the position, and how the fighting on July 1 set up the action for the next two days.

<sup>4</sup> The box lunches on Friday and Saturday are included in the trip fee. (See Appendix B for the order form for your lunch selection.)

<sup>5</sup> Lincoln Social Food Market, which is a short walk from our hotel, has multiple in-house food vendors including BBQ, pizza, seafood, burgers & dogs, tacos and rice bowls, cheesesteaks & wings, fruit & smoothie bowls, coffee, and ice cream as well as two bars. There is a common dining area for these restaurants. You will buy your own dinner at one of the in-house vendors and then join the group in the common dining area to eat and socialize. This dinner is not included in the trip fee.

## Saturday, September 21, 2024

1300 - 1400 – Box lunches from Jersey Mike’s

1400 - 1700 – Day 3 battlefield tour led by Jon Thompson.

Stop 1 – Virginia Memorial on Seminary Ridge (Pickett’s Charge)

Stop 2 – The Copse of trees<sup>6</sup>

**Group 1 (Pickett’s Division)** – For those who are interested in walking Pickett’s Charge, Group 1 will walk from the Virginia Memorial to the Copse of trees along with our guide.

**Group 2 (Longstreet)** – For those who prefer to drive around the flank, a route map to the Copse of trees will be provided which will point out highlights along the way.

Stop 3 – The Angle

1700 - 1800 – Return to hotel to refresh for dinner

1800 - 2200 – Commissary: A group dinner at the National Park Visitor’s Center including access to the museum, film, and cyclorama.<sup>7</sup>

1800 - 1930 – Cocktail Hour: Cash Bar<sup>8</sup>

1930 - 2100 – Plated Dinner

2100 - 2200 – Museum, Film, or Cyclorama or return to hotel.

2200 - 2300 – Use of the Comfort Suites ballroom for socializing.

## Sunday, September 22, 2024

0745 – Check out of hotel and travel to Spangler Farm.

0800 - 1000 – Tour of restored Spangler Farm, site of the 11<sup>th</sup> Corps field hospital during the Battle of Gettysburg. Guide will be Paul Semanek of the Gettysburg Foundation along with additional docents as needed based on the number of attendees.

Troop movement: Return to home station. Additional reconnaissance can be exercised on your own prior to your arrival at your home station (See Appendix A – Optional Additional Reconnaissance).

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<sup>6</sup> A couple of weeks before the field trip we will determine who wants to walk Pickett’s Charge and who wants to drive around to the Copse of trees and will coordinate drivers accordingly.

<sup>7</sup> Includes dinner in the lobby of the museum with a cash bar. Access to the museum, the film, and the cyclorama is included. This dinner is included in the trip fee.

<sup>8</sup> During the cocktail hour you will have access to the museum, film, and cyclorama. The film and cyclorama take 45 minutes, (the film is 30 minutes). You can spend as much time as you would like in the cyclorama viewing the painting. No drinks are allowed in the museum, film, or cyclorama.

**War budget:** Lodging is at your own expense. Free breakfast is included with your hotel room. Box lunches and the group dinner on Saturday are included in the trip fee. The group dinner on Friday is at your own expense. The cost for guides and any entrance fees are included in the trip fee. **The trip fee is \$230 per person based on 40 attendees and is payable to The Cleveland Civil War Roundtable. You can mail checks or cash to:**

**Bob Pence  
1419 Honeygold Lane  
Broadview Heights, OH 44147**

**If you are interested in attending, please send an email to [clecwr@gmail.com](mailto:clecwr@gmail.com) with your name, email address, and mobile number so that we can keep you updated on the trip.**

See Appendix D for suggested reading in preparation for the battle.

### **Other Attendees**

We are inviting the Cape Fear CWRT from Wilmington, North Carolina and the Bucks County CWRT from Doylestown, Pennsylvania to join us on this field trip as well as our sister Cleveland roundtables, the Northeast Ohio CWRT and Quincy Gillmore CWRT.

## Appendix A - Optional Additional Reconnaissance

1. The following sites related to the Battle of Gettysburg will not be covered on our tour but can be visited beforehand or afterwards.
  - a. **East Cavalry Field**, July 3, 1863. Lee sent Stuart with four brigades of cavalry off to guard the army's left and to be in a position to exploit a victory that the infantry might gain in its attack on Cemetery Ridge (Pickett-Trimble-Pettigrew Charge). Stuart met two brigades of Union cavalry commanded by Brig. Gen. David McM. Gregg three miles east of Gettysburg on the Rummel farm near the intersection of the Hanover Road and the Low Dutch Road.
  - b. **South Cavalry Field**, July 3, 1863. Two Union cavalry brigades, those of Brig. Gens. Elon J. Farnsworth and Wesley Merritt, harassed the infantry on the right of the Confederate line. This action climaxed with "Farnsworth's Charge," in front of Little Round Top, a foolish assault ordered by Brig. Gen. Judson Kilpatrick that resulted only in the death of Farnsworth and several of his men.
  - c. **First shot marker** on the Chambersburg Pike. Lieutenant Marcellus E. Jones of the 8<sup>th</sup> Illinois Cavalry is commemorated as firing the first shot of the Battle of Gettysburg by a stone marker located on the Chambersburg Pike, (Route 30), three miles west of Gettysburg. The monument was erected in 1886 by the veterans of the 8<sup>th</sup> Illinois Cavalry.
2. **Gettysburg Beyond the Battle Museum**. Open Thursday and Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Located at 625 Biglerville Rd., Gettysburg, PA 17325. <https://achs-pa.org/visit/beyond-the-battle-museum.html>.
3. **Presidential Sites**.
  - a. **Eisenhower National Historic Site, Gettysburg**. This site preserves the farm of General and 34<sup>th</sup> President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Adjacent to the Gettysburg battlefield, the farm served the president and first lady as a weekend retreat and as a meeting place for world leaders.
  - b. **President James Buchanan's Wheatland**. You can tour the house of the 15<sup>th</sup> President of the United States located in Lancaster, PA, (56 miles east of Gettysburg, about an hour and fifteen-minute drive). The house is closed on Sunday, so this reconnaissance would have to occur before the field trip. The museum at the house location also includes the gauntlets and sash of Major General John F. Reynolds.
    - i. President Buchanan's gravesite is also located in Lancaster, PA at Woodward Hill Cemetery.
    - ii. Major General John F. Reynolds, Commander of the Left Wing of the Army of the Potomac at the Battle of Gettysburg is also buried in Lancaster, PA at the Lancaster Cemetery. (Maj. Gen. Reynolds was killed on July 1, 1863, the first day of the battle and was buried in Lancaster Cemetery on July 4<sup>th</sup> 1863.)

**Appendix B – Box Lunch Order Form**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Box Lunches – Please email your Lunch Order Form to <a href="mailto:clecwr@gmail.com">clecwr@gmail.com</a> no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.</b>	<b>Fri 9/20</b>	<b>Sat 9/21</b>
1x Regular Chips (Choose one for each day)		
Lays Classic		
Miss Vickie’s BBQ		
Miss Vickie’s Jalapeno		
Flamin Hot Cool Ranch Doritos		
1x Regular Cookie		
Chocolate Chip Cookie	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Sandwich Option (Choose one for each day)		
#2 Jersey Shore’ Favorite – Provolone, ham and cappacuolo		
#3 Ham and Provolone – Provolone and ham		
#14 The Veggie – Swiss, provolone, & green bell peppers		
#5 The Super Sub – Provolone, ham, prosciuttini, and cappacuolo		
#7 Turkey and Provolone – Provolone and Turkey		
#10 Tuna Fish – Freshly made on premises		
#6 Roast Beef and Provolone – All natural oven roasted top rounds!		
#13 The Original Italian – Provolone, ham, prosciuttini, cappacuolo, salami, and pepperoni		
#8 Club Sub – Turkey, ham provolone, applewood smoked bacon & mayo		
#9 Club Supreme – Roast beef, turkey, swiss, applewood smoked bacon and mayo		
#1 BLT – Bacon, lettuce and tomato		
#4 The Number Four – Provolone, prosciuttini, and cappacuolo		
#11 Stickball Special – Provolone, ham and salami		
#12 Cancro Special – All natural oven roasted top rounds and provolone, perfectly complemented with a layer of pepperoni		
Bread (Choose one for each day)		
White Bread		
Wheat Bread		
Rosemary Parmesan Bread		
Gluten Free Bread		
Toppings		
Onion		
Lettuce		
Tomatoes		
Red Wine Vinegar		
Mayonnaise		
Olive Oil Blend		
Oregano		
Salt		

Jersey Mike’s Subs  
 44 Natural Springs Road  
 Gettysburg, PA 17325  
 +1 (717) 398-2527

## **Appendix C – Museum Dinner Selection**

Please email your Dinner Entrée selection to [clecwr@gmail.com](mailto:clecwr@gmail.com) no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

### **1800 - 1930 – Cocktail Hour and Museum, Film and Cyclorama Viewing.<sup>9</sup>**

There will be a cash bar.

### **1930 - 2100 – Dinner**

#### **Plated Dinner**

#### **Bread Service and Salad**

Dinner Breads with Herbed Compound Butter

House Salad – Seasonal Greens, Heirloom Tomatoes, Carrots, English Cucumbers, Red Cabbage,  
Served with Ranch Dressing and Balsamic Vinaigrette

#### **Choice of Entrée (Please select one)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Roasted Breast of Chicken  
Lemon Rosemary Potatoes, Sautéed Leeks, Roasted Red Grape Au Jus

\_\_\_\_\_ Grilled Old Bay Lemon Shrimp  
Ratatouille, Garlic Mashed Potatoes

\_\_\_\_\_ Roasted Mushroom Sweet Pea Risotto  
Topped with Shaved Parmesan

#### **Plated Dessert**

Adams County Apple Cobbler with Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee and Assorted Tazo Hot Teas

### **2100 - 2200 – Museum, Film, and Cyclorama Viewing or return to hotel.**

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<sup>9</sup> During the cocktail hour you will have access to the museum, film, and cyclorama. The film and cyclorama take 45 minutes, (the film is 30 minutes). You can spend as much time as you would like in the cyclorama viewing the painting. No drinks are allowed in the museum, film, or cyclorama.

## **Appendix D – Battle of Gettysburg Field Trip Suggested Reading**

Bibliographers estimate that perhaps over 30,000 books have been written about the Battle of Gettysburg or the Gettysburg campaign. Below are some of the top-rated books out of that group from which to choose.<sup>10</sup>

Coddington, Edwin B. *The Gettysburg Campaign: A Study in Command*. Simon and Schuster, Touchstone, 1968.

Foote, Shelby. *Stars in their Courses: The Gettysburg Campaign, June – July 1963*. Random House Publishing Group, 1994.

Frassanito, William. *Gettysburg: A Journey in Time*. Charles Scribner's Sons, 1975.

Gallagher, Gary. *The Third Day at Gettysburg & Beyond*. University of North Carolina Press, 1994.

Gottfried, Bradley M. *The Maps of Gettysburg: An Atlas of the Gettysburg Campaign, June 3 – July 13, 1863*. Savas Beatie, 2007.

Guelzo, Allen C. *Gettysburg: The Last Invasion*. Knopf, 2013.

Laino, Philip. *Gettysburg Campaign Atlas*. Gettysburg Publishing LLC, 2009. (The story of the entire campaign and battle told chronologically with 421 outstanding maps.)

Nofi, Albert A. *The Gettysburg Campaign. June – July 1863*. Da Capo Press, 1986

Petruzzi, J. David. *The Complete Gettysburg Guide: Walking and Driving Tours of the Battlefield, Town, Cemeteries, Field Hospital Sites, and Other Topics of Historical Interest*. Savas Beatie, 2009.

Pfanz, Harry. *Gettysburg: Culp's Hill and Cemetery Hill*. University of North Carolina Press, 1993.

Pfanz, Harry. *Gettysburg: The First Day*. University of North Carolina Press, 2001.

Pfanz, Harry. *Gettysburg: The Second Day*. University of North Carolina Press, 1987.

Reardon, Carol. *Pickett's Charge in History and Memory*. University of North Carolina Press, 1997

Sears, Stephen W. *Gettysburg*. Thomas Dunne Books, 2003.

Shaara, Michael. *The Killer Angels*. McKay, 1974.

Wert, Jeffrey. *Gettysburg: Day Three*. Simon & Schuster, 2002.

Wills, Garry. *Lincoln at Gettysburg: The Words that Remade America*. Simon & Schuster, 2006.

Wittenberg, Eric J. *"The Devil's to Pay": John Buford at Gettysburg; A History and Walking Guide*. Savas Beatie, 2014. (Eric has been a speaker at our Roundtable in the past.)

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<sup>10</sup> Thank you to Brian Kowell, Steve Pettyjohn, William Vodrey, and Jon Thompson for their consultation on this suggested reading list.