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**“HONORING OUR ANCESTORS OR
ACQUAINTANCES”**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2015

BUGBEE SENIOR CENTER

WHITE RIVER JCT., VT

**PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR NOVEMBER
MEETING WILL BE LIKE OUR SEPTEMBER
AND OCTOBER MEETINGS. THERE WILL BE
NO MEAL UNLESS YOU BRING YOUR OWN.
COFFEE/TEA/PUNCH WILL BE AVAILABLE.
THERE SHOULD BE A CONTAINER THERE
FOR FOLKS TO PUT DONATIONS INTO FOR
THESE DRINKS. DOOR WILL OPEN AT
6 P.M., MEETING AT 7 P.M., AND
OUR PROGRAM AT 7:15 P.M.**

**November Remembrance Meeting -- Last call to
remember your ancestors. Please contact John
Mudge if you wish to speak about a relative,
perhaps a resident of your town, or someone else
that you would like to have remembered at the
meeting. Phone: 603-795-4350 or email
DurandPress@aol.com. Thanks.**

Notes from our October Meeting

We had 29 people attend our October meeting. Jack informed us that \$9.53 had been left for coffee, juice, etc. last month.

Jack also very proudly told us that his daughter, Bethany, completed the Chicago Marathon in 6 ½ hrs. Congratulations!

Tom Ledoux gave a very interesting presentation on the “Vermont Diaspora from a Civil War Perspective.” We certainly learned a great deal of statistics about the Vermonters during the Civil War.

PLEASE, if you haven't checked out Tom's *Vermont in the Civil War* web site on the Internet, you should! He has TONS of information on it. It is a great resource.

<http://www.vermontcivilwar.org/gmcwrt/index.html>

If you had an ancestor who had served in a Vermont unit, he will be listed there, most cemetery stones will be shown, along with any information Tom has collected over the years. AND, if you would like, Tom will put your name down as being an ancestor of your descendant(s). If you do not see your ancestor's cemetery stone, but you know where it is, please take a photo and send it to him.

Once again Peter brought along some Civil War books for sale, and our book raffle was won by Brian Smith, Alice Evans, Jeanette Cook, and Bob Coburn.

And, if anyone would like to take notes at ANY of our meetings and send them to me to include in future newsletters, I would be thrilled! I do NOT like to take notes!

DON'T FORGET!

We will be having a discussion regarding our meeting at the Bugbee Center at the November meeting. If you have any questions, concerns, etc., please let us know at the meeting or ahead

of time via e-mail or telephone. If you are not able to attend the meeting, please let Jack, Peter, Gail, John, Alan, or Ginny know. Some have mentioned concerns about:
Projector difficulties
Hearing
“Social hour”
Advanced notice of how many will attend meetings
Our “budget”
Possible catering of meals
Other thoughts?

2016 List of Speakers

Jan. 9 – Saturday – Patrick Schroeder – Historian at Appomattox National Park – “Signing of cease-fire between Generals Grant and Lee.

Feb. 13– Steve Allen – “Letters of Jesse Dewey, Co. I, 2nd New Hampshire Regiment.

March 12– Christine Smith – “Womens’ Relief Corps, the official women’s auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, recognized in 1883.

April 12 – Tuesday – Patrick Falci – “A. P. Hill at Gettysburg”

May – Open

June 14– Brian Jordan – Gettysburg College. Will talk about his new book on Union veterans and the unending effects of the war.

Also: Sometime in May or June a visit to St. Gauden’s National Park in Cornish, NH, to visit their special new 12 foot sculpture of the standing Abraham Lincoln. Look for more information next year.

Other Round Table Meetings and Happenings

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2015

Our National Thanksgiving: With Thanks to President Lincoln and Mrs. Hale, Claremont Opera House, 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, NH – 7 p.m.- Sarah Josepha Hale, a Newport, NH native, tells the story of her 30 year effort to have Thanksgiving declared a national holiday. President Abraham Lincoln enters at the end of her tale to read his 1863 Thanksgiving proclamation. Sharon Wood portrays Hale and Steve Wood portrays Lincoln in a living history presentation following background about their characters and the times.

And also at:

New London Historical Society Meetinghouse, 179 Little Sunapee Road, New London, NH – 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 7 - Fifth annual Sue Knost Memorial Conference at Hudson Valley Community College. Featured luncheon speaker is Pat Schroeder, Appomattox Court House National Historical Park historian. Additional confirmed speakers include: Patrick Falci, who will give a presentation on the “Death of A. P. Hill”.

R. L. Murray will give his annual presentation on the letters of New York Civil War soldiers in 1865 to the end of the War.

Captain John Mitton as Captain John Worden
Registration forms are available in the newsletter and on our "Conferences" page which you can get to by clicking [here](#). Since this is the final conference related to the Sesquicentennial, we hope that everyone will make an extra effort to attend and help us close out this conference series in style.

Gail and I post events that we are aware of on our Facebook page as well as interesting items from time to time. Check it out some time! You don’t need to be a “member” of Facebook in order to view these items, only to post comments to them.

FACEBOOK Page: Just go to Facebook Page and type in: Green Mountain Civil War Roundtable.

November 4 – Walt Whitman and the Civil War.

Whitman’s Civil War writings give us a dual portrait, first of the war as “a strange, unloosen’d wondrous time,” and second of the emergence of a new Whitman. UVM Professor Huck Gutman examines some of the most remarkable poems about war ever published, and looks at Whitman’s development into the man Whitman had always wanted to be. **A First Wednesdays lecture.** Hosted by the Goodrich Memorial Library, Newport, Goodrich Memorial Library, 202 Main St, 7:00 pm. Carol Nicholson, (802) 334-7902.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Gail Blake

Treasurers Report:

Starting Balance: \$2563.57

Deposits: \$165.00 (petty cash, dues, donations, and book raffle. Includes \$15.00 from Peter’s book sale. Thanks, Peter!)

Expenses: \$96.00 (travel expenses for speaker)

Balance: \$2632.57

SPRING 2016 RT TRIP

Gail Blake

“War in West Virginia: The First Campaign & Struggle for Statehood”

Hope you are all well and have had an enjoyable summer! I

am working with the folks from the Rich Mountain Battlefield in West Virginia on a tour The "First Campaign" of the Civil War which will also include political context on the creation of WV. One of our guides, Hunter Lesser, told me that the weekend of April 28-May 2 is already booked, and the next weekend is Mother's Day, and we would all prefer to avoid that. How does May 12th-May 16th sound? We never hear too much about about WV, other than Harpers Ferry and Shepherdstown, thought it might be fun to visit someplace new and learn a bit more as well. Hunter did suggest that we rent a couple of vans on day two so that we can easily access Camp Allegheny and Cheat Mountain, seldom visited sites and well worth seeing. He said the roads to these places are not really motorcoach worthy and because we love Bob and Premier so much, I think we should definitely take his suggestion under advisement!

Our primary guide will be Hunter Lesser, assisted by Rick Wolfe, on days 1 and 2, and Mike Smith on day 3 at Droop Mountain. Still working on the cost.

Please contact me if you would like a list of suggested reading.

Will keep you posted on details as they become available.

WORLD WAR I GROUP

Four people have started to meet monthly since this year is the centenary of the start of the war. We will cover topics in chronological order. At the moment, we are meeting on the 4th Monday at 1 pm in the Cafe next to the Coolidge, but this may change. If you want to come or want more information, contact Peter Sinclair [802-584-3280] or David Curtin [802-633-2536].

In Memory of Our Ancestors Who Served in the Civil War

Albion K. Goodwin

Co. I. – 4th NH
Jack Anderson's great-great grandfather

Edwin Ruthvin Mayo

Sergeant
Co. B – 21st ME
Jack Anderson's great-great grandfather

Orice Oakes

Co. I – 1st Vermont Cavalry
Jack Anderson's great-great grandfather

Hubbell Lee

Private
5th Vermont – discharged for disability
Co. A - 17th Vermont – wounded near Totopotamy Creek – died 2 days later
Gail Blake's 3rd great-grandfather

Sanford M. Whitney

Corporal
Co. B – 12th Vermont
Gail Blake's 3rd Great-Grandfather

Greenbush Strong

Private
Co. B – 12th Vermont
Gail Blake's Great-Great-uncle

Benjamin Franklin Strong

Private – promoted to Artificer
Co. H – 11th Vermont
(1st Regt. Heavy Artillery)
Died June 9, 1864 of wounds suffered at Cold Harbor
Gail Blake's Great-Great uncle

William J. Strong

Private
Co. H – 11th Vermont
(1st Regt. Heavy Artillery)
Transferred to
Veteran's Reserve Corps
March 1864
Gail Blake's Great-Great uncle

Henry B. Strong

Private
Co. H – 11th Vermont
(1st Regt. Heavy Artillery)
Gail Blake's Great-Great uncle

David Coburn

Private
Co. C - 1st Vermont Cavalry
Aug. 25, 1862 – June 21, 1865
Bob Coburn and Ruth Perrinez's ancestor

Eli Haskett

Private
Co. H – 9th Iowa
Dr. David Cross's Great-Grandfather

John Bryce Faris

Private
Co. G-47th Illinois
Wounded and missing since the
Battle of Corinth, MS
October 3, 1863
Dr. David Cross's Great-uncle

Peter Quinn

Private
Co. F - 5th NH Regiment
Born in Ireland
Lived in Stowe, VT, at the time of the Civil War
Enlisted: August 1863
Captured at Cold Harbor; survived Andersonville, Florence, Millen, and other Rebel prisons; paroled in late November, 1864; hospitalized; returned to the 5th New Hampshire in

early March 1865; participated in the final stages of the Petersburg siege and Appomattox Campaign.
David Curtin's great-great grandfather

Samuel Upton Cutting

Private
Co. C - 13th Vermont
Keith Cuttings' Great-Great Grandfather

Jonathan Dearborn Wheeler

Private
Co. I - 4th NH
Promoted to corporal then sergeant.
Susan Cutting's Great-Great Grandfather

Leonard H Wheeler

Private
Co. B - 16th NH Infantry
Re-enlisted to 18th NH - promoted to Sergeant Major
Susan Cuttings' 2nd Great Uncle

Ransom R Wheeler

Private
Co. D 1st NH - Co. I 4th NH Infantry
Co. G - 18th NH Infantry
Susan Cuttings' Great-Great Uncle

William Payson Stone

Assistant Surgeon then Promoted to Surgeon
2nd NH
Susan Cuttings' 3rd Great-Grandfather

Benjamin Perkins Stone

Private
Co. C - 12th NH Mountaineers
Discharged disabled at Falmouth, Va.
Susan Cuttings' Great-Great Grandfather

A.J. Dorough

Co. D (Livingston's) - 8th Alabama Cavalry (CSA)
Died 11/30/1864 at the Battle of Franklin, TN
Alice Evans' 3X great-grandfather

William C. Oakes

Private
Co. B - 6th CT Infantry
Ginny Gage's great-great grandfather

Robert/Frank Farvour

Private
Co. C - 17th CT Infantry
1st CT Cavalry
Corporal
Ginny Gage's great-uncle

Milton Gage

Private
Co. A - 59th New York Infantry
Lew Gage's great-uncle

William Sirrine

1st Lieutenant
Co. K - 4th Georgia Infantry
Sumpter County Guards
Lew Gage's great-great uncle

Joshua Gage

Private
Co. B - 136th New York Infantry
Died of typhoid fever
in Washington, DC, July 23, 1863
Lew Gage's great-great uncle

Augustus Bronson

Sergeant
Co. C - 17th CT Infantry
Died of wounds received at Gettysburg
July 5, 1863
Lew Gage's great-cousin

Elias Gage

Private
Co. B - 136th New York Infantry
Killed in Action at Gettysburg July 2, 1863
Buried in the Gettysburg National Cemetery
Lew Gage's great-great uncle

George Sears

Corporal
Co. C - 17th CT Infantry
Lew Gage's great-great-great grandfather

Rimmon Maxfield

Private
Co. A - 1st VT Cavalry
Discharged for disability Oct. 26, 1862
Whitney Maxfield's Great-Great-Grandfather

John H. Maxfield

(Twin brother of Rimmon Maxfield)
Private
Co. K - 5th VT Infantry
Discharged for disability Oct. 31, 1862
Whitney Maxfield's Great-Great Uncle

Daniel W. Morehouse

(Rimmon Maxfield's brother-in-law)
Private
Co. A - 1st VT Cavalry
Taken prisoner at Middletown, VA in the Shenandoah Valley on May 24, 1862 - Resident of Belle Island Prison - Paroled on Sept. 13-16, 1862
Rejoined his unit and participated in Farnsworth's Charge at Gettysburg.
Transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corp's 17th Co. of the 2nd BN on March 25, 1864 - Discharged Nov. 19, 1864
Whitney Maxfield's Great-Great Uncle

George D. Dodge
Forced into CSA Service
Deserted to Nassau on Nov. 1862
Whitney Maxfield's Great-Cousin

Ira Jennings
Private
Co. I – 11th Vermont
David Mayhew's great-uncle.

George Mason Goforth
Private
Co. H – 22nd Iowa Vol. Inf.
Tom McKenna

Lyman O. Gunn
Private
Co. G – 16th VT Infantry
Sept. 4, 1862 – Aug. 10, 1863
Ed Miville's ancestor

Sidney Kirk Richardson
Private
Co. A – 1st NH Heavy Artillery
1st NH Heavy Artillery did provost duty in fortifications
around Washington, D.C., and finally at
Ft. Constitution, NH
Nancy Miville's great-grandfather

Henry A. Wise
Brigadier-General
5-term Congressman from Virginia, Ambassador to Brazil
and then Governor of Virginia 1856-1860. Last Governor of
Virginia before the War and Governor at the time of John
Brown's Raid on Harpers Ferry and his trial and execution.
John Mudge's ancestor through Annie Jennings Wise
Hobson, one of Henry Wise's
daughters by his first marriage.
John Mudge's ancestor

Robert Nero Fulton
Private
Co. H – 2nd Vermont Infantry
From Fletcher, VT
Brian Smith's great-great grandfather

Horatio P. Fulton
Private
Co. H – 9th Vermont Infantry
From Fletcher, VT
Captured at Harper's Ferry 9/15/1862
Died of diptheria at Camp Douglas 11/2/1862
Brian Smith's great-great uncle

Samuel Wilson Sumner
Sergeant
8th Vermont
Died of Disease
Buried in the Antietam National Cemetery
Brian Smith's great-great grandfather

Horatio Gates Sanford
Private
Co. A – 124th IL Infantry
Died of his wounds near
Vicksburg in 1864
Buried at the Vicksburg National Cemetery
Susan Sanford Sellew Stacy's
Great-great uncle

Philander Alonzo Streeter
Private
Co. C – 2nd Vermont
Don Streeter's great-grandfather

Daniel Gale Streeter
Private
(younger brother of Philander above)
Co. E – 11th Vermont
(later redesignated the 1st Vermont Heavy Artillery)
later transferred to Co. L

Daniel was an apparent victim of epilepsy, a little known
disease then. When he enlisted in the 11th VT INF (1st VT
Heavy Artillery) he was stationed in battery and fort
locations in and around Washington DC. At some point, not
clear when, he was determined to be unfit for duty and
transferred to the Veterans Reserve Corps as was typical for
less wounded soldiers to help nurse the severely wounded in
hospital in DC. Apparently he could not even handle that
and was mustered out in March 1864. He returned to
Vernon VT and farming. Unfortunately, he succumbed to
his affliction in 1870 at the tender age of only 28. He is
buried next to his parents in Tyler Cemetery, Vernon, VT.
Don Streeter's Great-Grand uncle

Joseph E. Huse
Private
Promoted to Corporal June 21, 1865
Co. E – 3rd Vermont
Andy Ward's Great-Great grandfather

James Madison Jackson, Jr.
Sergeant
Co. D – 5th Vermont
Andy Ward's Great-Great uncle

Charles Ward
Master Sergeant
32nd MA Infantry
Mortally wounded at Gettysburg
Andy Ward's ancestor

Alfred H. Knowles
2nd Lieutenant
Co. A – 54th MA
Steve Wood's Great-Great grandfather

James T. Outterson
Captain
Co. G – 184th New York
Steve Wood's Great-Great grandfather

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