



---

---

# The Camp Griffin Gazette

News and Information from the Green Mountain Civil War Round Table

Vol. XXIII, No. 8 Oct. 2016

Publicity/Founding Member: Jack Anderson  
[jwahist@comcast.net](mailto:jwahist@comcast.net)

Treasurer: Gail Blake -  
[auntis@comcast.net](mailto:auntis@comcast.net)

Program Committee: Peter Sinclair – [Peter.R.Sinclair@Dartmouth.Edu](mailto:Peter.R.Sinclair@Dartmouth.Edu) ; Gail Blake – [auntis@comcast.net](mailto:auntis@comcast.net) ;  
John Mudge: [Durandpress@aol.com](mailto:Durandpress@aol.com);

Newsletter Editor:: Ginny Gage - [lewandginny1863@comcast.net](mailto:lewandginny1863@comcast.net) - Video Maven : Alan Cheever – [URFINE@aol.com](mailto:URFINE@aol.com)

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

**AND DON'T FORGET: WE'RE ON FACEBOOK!**

## “VOICES FROM THE ATTIC”

CARLETON YOUNG

TUESDAY, OCT. 11, 2016

BUGBEE SENIOR CENTER

WHITE RIVER JCT., VT

---

---

***PLEASE LET GINNY OR GAIL KNOW IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO BRING DESSERT. EITHER E-MAIL OR CALL. GAIL: 802-296-2919 – GINNY: 603-542-4664***

***Thanks to Charlie, Jeanette and Ruth for dessert, and to all those who helped set up and clean up before and after the meeting! That is a BIG help!***

### Carleton Young

Imagine clearing out your family attic in Pittsburgh and being surprised to discover an enormous collection of letters written during the Civil War by two Vermont soldiers from Williamstown. That is what happened to the author of “Voices from the Attic,” our October speaker.

The book tells the story of two brothers who witnessed and made history by fighting in the Peninsula Campaign, then at South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, and Cedar Creek. They then preserved that history through their surprisingly detailed and insightful letters.

Rediscovered after 150 years, their letters offer fascinating insight as seen through the eyes of two soldiers fighting in America’s great Civil War.

Carleton Young has undergraduate degrees in economics and English from Westminster College and Point Park University, an MA in history from Ohio University, and his PhD in the history of education from the University of Pittsburgh. For 37 years he taught a very popular AP history class at Thomas Jefferson High School in Pittsburgh. He has

6-6:15 Social Hour

6:15 Buffet Dinner

6:45 Business Meeting

7:00 Program, followed by discussion and book raffle  
Adjournment

Guaranteed dinner reservations must be made by 12 Noon, Oct. 10. **Cost per person for the meal is \$12.00. For reservations please contact Gail Blake at [auntis@comcast.net](mailto:auntis@comcast.net) or 802-296-2919.**

Cost for the meeting only for members is \$2.00, and for non-members \$5.00

### MENU

**Vegetable Au Gratin**

**Wild Rice w/Pignoli Nuts**

**Chicken Piccata**

**DESSERT**

---

---

also taught classes as an adjunct professor at the Community College of Allegheny County, the University of Pittsburgh, Eastern Gateway Community College, and in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Carnegie Mellon University.

### 2016-2017 Program Schedule

November 15 : John Mudge will be doing a Civil War trivia game – PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS ONE WEEK LATER THEN WE USUALLY MEET DUE TO ELECTION DAY  
January 14: Rolf Diamant – His new research  
February 11: Patrick Schroeder- “Zouaves: America’s Forgotten Soldiers.”  
March 11: Robert Grandchamp  
April 11: Ed Chamberlain  
May: Christine Smith - Womens’ Relief Corps.  
June: Open  
September 12: Chris Gwynn  
October 10: Hunter Lesser

### Other Round Table Meetings and Happenings

**Oct. 3 – Sugar River Civil War Round Table – 7 P.M. Presentation: “Guns in the Civil War.”**  
EARL M. BOURDON CENTER, 67 Maple Ave, Claremont, NH. Take IMMEDIATE right at green historic marker. Keeping building on your left, drive out back. Park in lot near propane tanks. Meeting room entrance nearby.  
MEETING AGENDA: Gathering & refreshments, updates on preservation projects. - Anyone with similar interests is welcome. Contact Eric at [aiyankebarber@yahoo.com](mailto:aiyankebarber@yahoo.com)

**Oct. 6 – Franklin Public Library, (upstairs) 310 Central Street, Franklin, NH – 7 p.m. - (contact Leigh Webb for more information: 603-934-8222) Woody Pringle and Marek Bennett** present an overview of the American Civil War through the lens of period music. Audience members participate and sing along as the presenters explore lyrics, documents, and visual images from sources such as the Library of Congress. Through camp songs, parlor music, hymns, battlefield rallying cries, and fiddle tunes, Pringle and Bennett examine the folksong as a means to enact living history, share perspectives, influence public perceptions of events, and simultaneously fuse and conserve cultures in times of change. Showcasing numerous instruments, the presenters challenge participants to find new connections between song, art, and politics in American history.

**Oct. 12 - NEKCWRT - 6 P.M. at the Eastside Gary Ward – “MOH Recipient at Gettysburg.”**  
For more information contact Joan Huguenin at 802-754-642 or [PoohBahToo@hotmail.com](mailto:PoohBahToo@hotmail.com)

**Oct. 21 – CWRT of NH – 7:15 P.M. – Epping Town Hall, Epping, NH – Chuck Veit – “Sea Minor: Major E. B. Hunt’s Rocket Torpedo of 1863!”**

**Oct. 23 – Unity Town Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> NH Turnpike, Unity, NH - 2 p.m. - Abraham and Mary Lincoln: The Long and the Short of It** - Distinctly different paths led Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd to Springfield, Illinois, where they met, married and began a family. The years that followed their move to the White House were filled with personal and national crises. Steve and Sharon Wood portray President and Mrs. Lincoln.  
For more information contact Bruce Kozlik - 603-863-2395.

**Nov. 5 – 11:30 a.m. – Remembrance Day – Unitarian Universalists Church, 69 Washington, St., Keene, NH. – Michael Shklar - “Real Heroes of Little Round Top.”** Free. Refreshments will be served.

### WORLD WAR I GROUP

This group meets monthly on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 1 p.m. in the Café next to the Hotel Coolidge. If you want to come or want more information, contact Peter Sinclair [802-584-3280] or David Curtin [802-633-2536].

### Treasurers Report Gail Blake

Starting Balance: \$2128.05  
Expenses:  
September Speaker expenses: \$26 (meal, maple syrup)  
Maple Street Catering: \$260.70 (meal, tax, delivery, gratuity)  
Deposit: \$314 (meals, dues, raffle, donations)  
Petty Cash: \$63  
Balance: \$2218.35

### 8<sup>th</sup> Vermont Monument Fencing

Ginny and Lew Gage visited Cedar Creek in September to look at the fencing around the 8<sup>th</sup> Vermont monument that our RT had made a donation to. Very nicely done, plus, the Park has two new hiking trails.

### HONORING OUR ANCESTORS

As we have in the past, we will be honoring our Civil War ancestors in the November issue of the Camp Griffin Gazette. If the editor already has your information from previous years, there is no need to contact me. If I don't have the information, and you're a member of the GMCWRT, please send me your ancestor(s) name, Regiment, Company, rank, and how he/they are related to you as soon as possible.

I would be more than happy to include more information if you have it available.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS LUTHER AND PENNY JOHNSON FROM WILDER, VERMONT!**

---

---

## **Civil War Monument Waitsfield, Vermont**

Over the weekend, (weekend of Sept. 24-25) driving by the town's C.W. monument which has had in front of it as long as I've been around (30 plus years), at least, an irrelevant artillery piece from WWI (or II?), I saw the cannon was gone. Very surprised, so I went into the Town Hall this a.m. to see what I could learn. Was told that a townsman had e-mailed the Town Administrator to the effect, "If anyone has noticed the cannon's not there, I have up to my barn, to be serviced" ...and something about that being done on a 15 year interval. If I weren't so pressed for time today (leaving home tomorrow for about 8 days, trip to Michigan), I'd write this up better for newsletter. But if it's not time yet for next edition, I'll tell the story at next GMCWRT.

Alice Evans

(Thank you, Alice! )

### **Weekly Union article Manchester, NH Tuesday, October 27, 1863**

Colonel Joseph H. Potter of the 12th Regiment, who was wounded and taken prisoner at Chancellorsville, has been exchanged and is now on duty at Washington, serving on a general Court Martial. The Lieut. Col. of the regiment, John F. Marsh, is also serving on a Court Martial in Washington, the regiment being under the command of Capt. John F. Langley.

### **Manchester Daily Mirror Tuesday, October 6, 1863**

Capt. Edward T. Rowell has been appointed Major of the Second Regiment of United States Sharpshooters. He is twenty-seven years of age, a native of West Concord, and a graduate of Dartmouth College of the class of 1861. On leaving Hanover he enlisted as a private in the Fifth Regiment, but was soon afterward made an officer in the New Hampshire battalion of Sharpshooters, and has since been engaged in that arm of service.

### **Tuesday, October 6, 1863 St. Albans Daily Messenger**

**THE NINTH REGIMENT.**--The following deaths of members of this Regiment occurred in the Nelson Hospital at Yorktown during the week ending Sept. 27: Tyler Tuttle, Co. A; Sidney Stowe, Co. E. The following occurred in the Regimental Hospital; Patrick Shannon, Co. E; Henry E. Morse, Co. G, shot dead by a negro soldier while outside the fortifications without permission; Lester A. Monroe, Co. B; Luke Kenney, Co. H; James O. Ward, Co. E. Mr. Ward says the Yorktown *Cavalier*, had been for sometime afflicted, with chronic diarrhea. On the day of his death he was about camp as usual, and walked to the Surgeon's tent. During the forenoon he wrote a letter. He was lying in his bunk reading the same, and attempted to raise up, when he fell back and died instantly.

--A brother of Capt. R. W. Clark, of Brattleboro, in Rosecrans' army, was mortally wounded at the late battle in Georgia.

**PROMOTION**--Dr. Job Corbin, formerly of Burlington, has been promoted to the position of Post Assistant Surgeon in the Navy.

--

**RECRUITING OFFICERS.**--Samuel G. Brown, Jr., and Henry Gilmore have been appointed additional recruiting officers for the Seventeenth regiment. The former is stationed at St. Albans and the latter at Bakersfield.

### **Friday, October 30, 1863 St. Albans Daily Messenger**

#### **FROM THE CAVALRY REGIMENT.**

We have before us a letter from Wm. A. Clapp, Co. L, 1st Vt. Cavalry, son of the Hon. Wm. Clapp of Burlington, written on the Bull Run Battle ground, Oct. 18th. We copy that portion relating to the falling back of Gen. Kilpatrick, and his engagement with the enemy in which the Green Mountain Boys took a conspicuous part:

--Gen. Kilpatrick commenced falling back one week ago to-day from Robinson river. When we got to Culpepper Court House the rebels were just making their appearance out o the woods on the other side of the town. We moved on slowly thro' the town. Kilpatrick said, "We will fight them." Our battery soon opened upon them and they returned the compliment. Kilpatrick had only one division of cavalry. Gen. Stuart had his whole force of cavalry and some infantry. I expected we would surely get cut off, as we had 12 miles to go before we reached the Rappahanock; but we cut our way thro' finally. They flanked us fairly at Brandy Station, but our brigade led by Gen. Custer, made a charge upon them, driving them and capturing a few prisoners. Co. H, of our Regiment, went into the charge with twenty-two men, and came out with seven men only. Among the missing of this Company is John Cantell. Two were wounded and two taken prisoners in our company. Capt. Beeman is also among the missing"

#### **SEPTEMBER RT MINUTES**

We had 23 for dinner and another 6 for our meeting to start off our 24<sup>th</sup> year.

Jack Anderson commented about how deserving Kay Jorgensen was to receive the Ed Bearss Award.

He also mentioned that the RT had received a nice "thank you" card from the Eagle Scout for the donation we made to his "fence building" project around the 8<sup>th</sup> Vermont monument at Cedar Creek.

Gail Blake has the RT trip in the works for May 18-22, 2017

– Stuarts Ride to Gettysburg! Chris Army, Licensed Battlefield Guide at Gettysburg, will be the main tour guide for the trip.

Edith Wheeler from Lebanon, Lu and Penny Johnson from Wilder, and Roy Black visited our RT.

Dr. Henry Duffy gave a very nice presentation on the history of the Standing Lincoln monument at Saint-Gaudens.

Susan Cutting, Whitney Maxfield, Ruth Perrinez, Alice Evans, Peter Sinclair, Vernon Bond, and yes, Jeanette Cook, won the book raffle.

I'm still looking for someone who would like to take over the job of writing up minutes for our meetings!

The *Camp Griffin Gazette* is the monthly newsletter of the Green Mountain Civil War Round Table. Editor: Ginny Gage. We encourage and welcome all contributions and suggestions. Send news and information to:

Ginny Gage  
365 East Road  
Cornish, NH 03745 or  
E-mail: [lewandginny1863@comcast.net](mailto:lewandginny1863@comcast.net)

Green Mountain Civil War Round Table  
P.O. Box 982  
White River Jct., VT 05001

**Green Mountain Civil War Round Table  
March 2016 - March 2017 Membership Rates**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Single \$20.00 (includes newsletter)

Student \$10.00 (includes newsletter)

Two Person \$35.00 (includes newsletter)

Family \$50.00 (includes newsletter)

Newsletter subscription alone – ten issues \$10.00

Is this a new membership   
renewal

**PLEASE MAIL CHECKS DIRECTLY TO GAIL  
BLAKE, 55 ORRIZONTO ROAD, WHITE RIVER  
JCT., VT 05001.**

