



Shenandoah Valley

Civil War Tour

Stonewall to Hunter's Raid

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The Valley is often described as an avenue of invasion directed to the head of the Federal government at Washington D.C. More importantly, it was a vital (and vulnerable) granary for the Confederacy and a worrisome flank for both sides during operations around Richmond.

In 1862, the great Stonewall Jackson played the Valley's terrain like a fine-tuned instrument when his "foot cavalry" embarrassed three Federal armies sent against him. Jackson's efforts pinned down troops that might have joined Gen. George McClellan's drive against Richmond.



Confederate control over the Valley eroded in the spring, then evaporated in the fall of 1864. After deep Federal forays at New Market and Lynchburg were repulsed, Union Gen. Philip Sheridan took over and, after hard fighting at Cedar Creek, pushed Gen. Jubal Early's Confederates out of effective contention.

Join the Lancaster Civil War Round Table as they explore the Shenandoah Valley during the Civil War with an emphasis on Hunter's Raid. In addition you will have a moving tour of the National D-Day Memorial.

Greg Starbuck, your historian guide is a graduate of Virginia Tech with a B.A. in American History. In 1979 he co-founded the **Virginia Tech Civil War Roundtable** under the guidance of Dr. James I. Robertson, Jr.

From 2000-2002 he served as the first Director of Education at the **National Civil War Naval Museum** in Columbus, Georgia. During this time the museum built and then moved into a new 8 million dollar facility. He created the museum's field trip program and Teacher Resource Packet.

In 2002 he became Executive Director of the **Lynchburg Civil War Museum**, located at *Sandusky*. Recently he co-coordinated the creation of a Civil War audio driving tour of Lynchburg narrated by James I. Robertson. Over the past 15 years he has participated in numerous historical films and documentaries including working behind the scenes as a **Property Assistant** on the Turner film **Gettysburg**. Most recently he advised costume designers on the films **Gods & Generals** (2002) and **Cold Mountain** (2003) on the subject of military headgear.

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