

You'll Have Some Fun,
Gain Some
Knowledge
and
Do Some
Good!



Unique Tours



We Tell The Story
No One Else Does



Probing Questions



Quality Interpretations



So Much More
Than Tours

What We've Done

- Placed over 100 interpretive signs at North Anna, Cedar Creek, South Mountain, Bermuda Hundred, Perryville and Holly Springs
- Provided matching funds for Port Republic and McDowell
- Placed over 30 sets of the Official Records in Public Libraries
- Contributed \$2,500 to the National Park Foundation's Ed Bearss Scholarship Fund
- Contributed \$2,200 to the Burial Fund for the crew of the Hunley
- Organized Preservation Conferences for Vicksburg, Price's Raid, and Mobile
- Conducted over 300+ Educational Seminars and tours visiting over 400 different battlefields
- Published 19 Monographs plus 3 books with the National Geographic Society: *Shiloh 1862* (2012) *Fields of Honor* (2006) and *Receding Tide* (2010)
- Raised Money for the Central Virginia Battlefield Trust, Friends of the Wilderness Battlefields and Friends of Vicksburg Campaign and Historic Trail, Friends of Raymond, Confederate Memorial Hall, and Adams County Historical Society
- Conducted Military Staff Rides for the British Army, National Geospatial Agency, and USAF
- Erected site signs at Port Republic
- Build a Strategic Partnership With Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, UK
- Placed the Personal Archives of Ed Bearss at the Marine Corps Quantico Research Library; items numbering over \$65,000.
- Conducted undergraduate courses for Penn State University and graduate courses for Texas Christian University
- Replaced three flags in Abraham Lincoln Box at Ford's Theater as part of the Bicentennial Celebration of Lincoln's birth
- Placed a full scale operating reproduction 12 pounder Confederate Napoleon cannon at Pamplin Historical Park's Adventure Camp and Ft. Clinch State Park, Florida
- Planned and conducted over 60 free battlefield tours for Wounded Warriors and their families undergoing rehabilitation at Walter Reed National Medical Center and Fort Belvoir
- Provided and partnered with the Medford Historical Society to provide the equipment to digitize the Samuel Crocker Lawrence photographic archive
- Conducted systematic studies of the American Revolution and the Plains Indian Wars
- Collecting Ed Bearss' Secondary Archives for addition to the primary archive Partnered with Sailor Creek State Historic Park to upgrade their interpretative presentation
- Sponsored the work and maintenance of www.lincolnarchives.us, a project to digitize and make available the full archives of the Lincoln administration
- Partnered in the restoration and display of over 14 artillery pieces at the battle of Raymond, MS
- Transcribed the BGES tours of Ed Bearss for placement in his archives, nearly 5,000 pages to date
- Working collaboratively to expand North Anna Battlefield Park by 2016

What We Are Doing

- Conducting an average of two seminars or tours a month
- Reviewing new scholarship and posting it at www.blueandgrayeducation.org.
- Looking for three to four new projects a year
- Sponsoring Graduate Student project at American Film Institute
- Planning Digitization of Ed Bearss Archive
- Partnering with National Geographic on A Guide Book to Civil War Sites

How You can help?

Join the BGES—today! Call us at 1-434-250-9921



You are invited to join

America's Premier Nonprofit,

Civil War

Educational

Organization

A Society Bonded
in Common Cause

to Ensure Our Legacy is

Remembered,

Discussed and Taught

Now and in the Future

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Our society is being

bombarded with reports decrying our historical illiteracy and with good cause. Many children and adults don't know the most basic facts about America's past. While we cannot fix the problems created by indifference or a poverty of values nor respect for the value of a quality education, we can and do provide quality information and analysis for those who expect and want a better understanding of the ramifications of our past.

Look at the milestones

in America's rich heritage—then consider how many of them had their roots in the War Between the States: the Civil Rights movement, the extension of the right to vote, the establishment of a Federal income tax, selective service (the draft), the "American Way of War", Memorial Day, evolution of weaponry, the age of ironclad ships, evolution of military tactics, improvement of medical procedures and so many other lessons. We learned lessons about character and leadership. We saw both the "Better Angels of our Nature" and the base cruelty of man's inhumanity to man. The battle-seasoned survivors of the war built us into a world economic and political power.

Perhaps the greatest

legacy is that it was an American experience—fought by Americans that were both natives and immigrants. It is our story—it is the defining experience of our existence.

Who are we?

BGES is a tax exempt, nonprofit charitable organization devoted to the study and preservation of the lessons of the American Civil War. We work at two levels—the WHAT? And the WHY? Our programs are designed at either or both levels. We have as many Yankees as Rebels—we are ideologically neutral. The educational value of what we do is our primary controlling principle. The donors are organized into "Regiments" with different giving levels. Donations are tax deductible.

What do we do?

We place historical markers at Civil War sites to help tell the story of people and significant actions that occurred there. We publish and examine scholarly materials that reveal new scholarship about lesser known or misunderstood people or events in the War between the States. We run trips to Civil War sites with expert guides to allow participants to gain a better understanding of the events that occurred there while walking the grounds. For many people, these sites have personal significance. We take on other projects that contribute to the orderly assembly of important source materials or that assist sister agencies in accomplishing their mission. We have a particular mission to help teachers maintain or gain currency in Civil War issues to improve their skills in this critical knowledge area.

Leadership Corps Levels

Company \$100 - \$175
Regimental \$176 - \$350
Brigade Division \$351 - \$600

There are additional levels, call if interested.

How to join the



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- I'm a "Volunteer" at the rate of \$75. The entire amount is tax deductible.
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