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GBA to sponsor teachers and student for American Battlefield Trust

GBA has been rebuffed when it offered to teach classes or conduct field trips for students in K-12 schools, but American Battlefield Trust has bolstered its education staff and increased its teacher institutes from once a year in person to include virtual sessions based on the success of doing so when COVID prevented in-person gatherings. At the GBA trustees meeting in January, we voted to help sponsor Georgia teachers if any are selected to attend the in-person meetings. The in-person institute will be 11-14 July in New Orleans. Virtual Teacher Institute will be 22-24 July. <https://www.battlefields.org/events/national-teacher-institute-2024>
<https://www.battlefields.org/events/2024-virtual-teacher-institute>.

GBA also offered to help sponsor a Georgia student for the annual ABT [youth leadership team](#).

Georgia Battlefields Association will again lead Phoenix Flies tours

GBA will again lead a Civil War Atlanta downtown walking tour as part of Atlanta Preservation Center's Phoenix Flies program. The free tour will be held on 9 March and again on 23 March. Registration for the GBA tour is available at [this link](#), or see a listing of all events in chronological order at [this link](#). For a listing of events by location or organization, see the complete Phoenix Flies book at [this link](#) or <https://preservationatlanta.com/phoenix-flies/>.

GBA has led tours for Atlanta Preservation Center since 2004 and has led the Civil War Atlanta downtown walking tour every year since 2007.

Kennesaw State University's Annual Civil War Symposium is 16 March

Kennesaw State University's [Center for the Study of the Civil War Era](#) will hold its 21st annual Civil War Symposium from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on 16 March. Presenters will include authors [Steven Woodworth](#) and [Brian Steel Wills](#). Brian is also director of the Center. Location is Room 400, KSU Center, 3333 George Busbee Drive NW, Kennesaw GA.

Gettysburg incident presentation on 30 March in Winder

On 2 July 1863, a Georgia regiment suffered 29 casualties from a single U.S. artillery shell. Laura Elliott will present her research on "The Most Destructive Artillery Impact Documented at the Battle of Gettysburg" at 3 p.m. on 30 March in the [Rockwell Universalist Church](#), 9 Rockwell Church Rd, Winder GA 30680. Winder was the home area for many soldiers in the regiment.

American Battlefield Trust (ABT) Park Days in April

American Battlefield Trust (ABT) sponsors an annual Park Day, during which volunteers can help with maintenance of historic sites. <https://www.battlefields.org/parkday>. Date of Park Day varies by park. See below.

Registration for volunteers is done through the site managers, so continue to watch the ABT web site to see which sites will be participating.

April 6

Reflection Riding Nature Center	Paige Powell 931 231 9919 paige@reflectionriding.org
Chattanooga National Military Park	Will Wilson 706 966 9241 x 137 will_wilson@nps.gov
Dalton Confederate Cemetery	Marvin Sowder 706 278 3925 msowder@dalton.net
Jeff Davis Historic Site	John Hughes 229 831 2335 lithoet@gmail.com

April 13

Rocky Face Ridge Park	Brian Chastain 706 275 7500 bchastain@whitfieldcountyga.com
Kennesaw Mountain NBP	Donald Olds 678 362 8963 donald.olds962@gmail.com

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Shoupade Park	Roberta Cook RiverLineGA@gmail.com
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GBA annual tour, 18-21 April 2024: Chattanooga & Ringgold

Focus for the 2024 tour is the October and November 1863 fighting for Chattanooga.

Guide: Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park (CCNMP) historian Jim Ogden.

Price: Unlike our usual two-and-a-half-day tours, this will be a three-and-a-half-day tour: All day Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, plus Sunday morning. The **price of \$580** includes bus transportation, handouts, three lunches and three dinners (Thursday through Saturday). If you can't join us for whole tour, send an e-mail (be sure to include your phone number) to info@georgiabattlefields.org, and we will correspond with you about a reduced price.

Hotel: TownePlace Suites, 6801 Ringgold Rd, East Ridge TN 37412, 423 933 2700. **Note change from phone number provided in 2023 newsletters.** Hotel is just on the Tennessee side of the boundary with Georgia. Take I-75 exit 1 and go east on Ringgold Road (US 41) a little over a half mile. Hotel is on the north (left) side of the road. Hotel price includes breakfast. GBA rate for a king room is \$115 (\$135 if you include the unavoidable tax) per night. Queen double is \$125 (\$147) per night. To book online, use [this link](#). **Note that online booking will NOT be available after 17 March 2024** (one month before the tour begins).

Schedule

Wednesday (17 April): GBA representatives will be in the hotel lobby Wednesday evening to hand out maps and answer questions. Dinner on your own.

Thursday (18 April): The situation in mid-October 1863. Lookout Mountain, Bridgeport, Sequatchie Valley, Walden's Ridge, Brown's Ferry, Wauhatchie. Reception dinner at hotel.

Friday (19 April): Lookout Mountain, Cravens House. Dinner at [Sugar's Ribs](#).

Saturday (20 April): Orchard Knob, Missionary Ridge (several stops). Dinner venue is the Coolidge National [Medal of Honor Heritage Center](#).

Sunday (21 April): Ringgold.

For more details on the significance of the sites, see [October 2023 newsletter](#).

Registration: See our web site [tours page](#) and click the link to register. Use PayPal or a credit card to complete registration online, or you can mail a check payable to Georgia Battlefields Association to **315 S. 5th St., Griffin GA 30224-4343**.

If you have any trouble registering or paying online, contact us at info@georgiabattlefields.org.

Come join us for a comprehensive tour led by Jim Ogden, an unmatched guide.

Society for Women and the Civil War conference in Atlanta 26-28 July

The [Society for Women and the Civil War](#) will hold its [annual conference](#) in Atlanta in 2024. Kennesaw State University's [Center for the Study of the Civil War Era](#) is a cosponsor partner organization for the conference. Hotel will be the [Courtyard by Marriott Kennesaw](#). Georgia Battlefields Association provided input for the planning of events and tours.

The conference agenda will focus on the lives and roles of women during the Atlanta Campaign and will feature presentations on Friday (26 July) afternoon, a buffet dinner that night, and a keynote presentation after dinner. Saturday (27 July) will include a guided tour of special collections at the [Atlanta History Center](#), a boxed lunch, a tour of Roswell sites associated with the mill workers who were shipped north after U.S. cavalry occupied the town in early July 1864, a visit to the [Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History](#), and a visit to [Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park](#) for a presentation and tour. Saturday's dinner will again be a buffet, followed by a trivia contest. Sunday (28 July) morning will include three presentations, and the conference will close between noon and 1 p.m. Register for the conference [here](#).

GBA's address has changed to 315 S. 5th St., Griffin GA 30224-4343.

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