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## American Battlefield Trust Park Days

American Battlefield Trust sponsors an annual Park Day, during which volunteers can help with maintenance of historic sites. <https://www.battlefields.org/parkday>. The date of Park Day varies.

### March 1

[Browns Ferry Tavern](#)

Greg Grant 423 821 5765 [greg-grant@utc.edu](mailto:greg-grant@utc.edu)

### April 5

[Chickamauga National Military Park](#) Will Wilson 706 966 9241 x 137 [will\\_wilson@nps.gov](mailto:will_wilson@nps.gov)

[Resaca Confederate Cemetery](#)

John Bidby 706 581 5366 [johnbidby@bellsouth.net](mailto:johnbidby@bellsouth.net)

### April 12

[Kennesaw Mountain NBP](#)

Amanda Corman 770 427 4686 [kemo\\_volunteer@nps.gov](mailto:kemo_volunteer@nps.gov)

### April 26

[Reflection Riding Nature Center](#)

Paige Powell 931 231 9919 [volunteer@reflectionriding.org](mailto:volunteer@reflectionriding.org)

[Rocky Face Ridge Park](#)

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[Prater's Mill](#)

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[Shoupade Park](#)

Roberta Cook [RiverLineGA@gmail.com](mailto:RiverLineGA@gmail.com)

### May 3

[Kettle Creek Battlefield](#)

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## Georgia Battlefields Association will again lead Phoenix Flies tours

Georgia Battlefields Association (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 8 March and again on 22 March. Online description of this year's Phoenix Flies events is at [https://issuu.com/preserveatl/docs/phoenix\\_flies\\_2025\\_a\\_celebration\\_of\\_atlanta\\_s\\_hi](https://issuu.com/preserveatl/docs/phoenix_flies_2025_a_celebration_of_atlanta_s_hi).

Registration is at <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/phoenix-flies-2025-3961083>.

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

## Return to Chickamauga: GBA annual tour is 27-30 March 2025

Chickamauga is one of two Georgia battles that the 1993 Civil War Sites Advisory Commission report characterized as decisive, its highest rating of significance. Our perception at the end of our 2013 tour focusing on the Chickamauga Campaign was we had covered important though less familiar events during the lead-up to the battle but left perhaps too little time to cover the combat of 19-20 September. Consequently, our 2025 tour will be four days instead of three. Our guide will again be National Park Service historian Jim Ogden. More details of the itinerary are in the [October Georgia Battlefields Association newsletter](#).

*Price:* As with our 2024 tour, this will be a three-and-a-half-day tour: All day Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, plus Sunday morning. On Wednesday evening (26 March), GBA representatives will be in the hotel lobby to hand out materials. Dinner on your own that evening. The **\$580** price includes bus transportation, handouts, three lunches and three dinners (Thursday through Saturday). If you can't join us for the whole tour, send an e-mail (be sure to include your phone number) to [info@georgiabattlefields.org](mailto:info@georgiabattlefields.org), and we will correspond with you about a reduced price.

*Registration:* Register online using [this link](#). Alternatively, you can mail a check to Georgia Battlefields Association at 315 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St., Griffin GA 30224-4343.

*Hotel:* TownePlace Suites, 6801 Ringgold Rd, East Ridge TN 37412, 423 933 2700.

## Georgia Battlefields Association featured in preservation magazine

American Battlefield Trust publishes a quarterly magazine called Hallowed Ground. In its Profiles in Preservation section, the [winter 2024-2025 issue of Hallowed Ground](#) featured a full page spread on Georgia Battlefields Association.

## 30 years of Georgia Battlefields Association

Georgia Battlefields Association (GBA) was established in March 1995. We hope to continue our preservation and education efforts for at least another 30 years.

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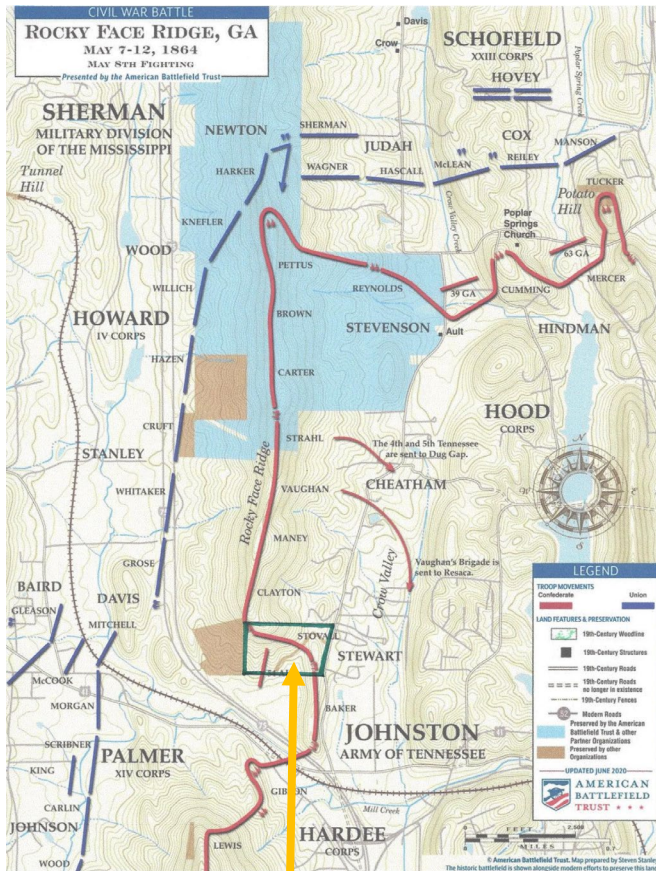
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## Jeff Wright returns as Georgia Battlefields Association trustee

Jeff Wright returns to the Georgia Battlefields Association board after previously serving as a trustee 2019-2022. With his retirement from full time work, Jeff now has more time to spend finding sites to preserve, which he has done for years. See the [June 2019 newsletter](#) for more on Jeff's background, and see him in action in the article below.

## GBA contributes towards purchase of Rocky Face Ridge property

The [January 2025 newsletter](#) mentioned a Rocky Face Ridge 61.54-acre property whose purchase is being spearheaded by [Save the Dalton Battlefields](#) and its president, Bob Jenkins, a long-time collaborator with GBA. GBA is contributing \$10,000 towards purchase of the property. GBA presented the check to Bob Jenkins on 1 February at the Dalton Civil War Show in Dalton.



Property (outlined in green) contains Confederate earthworks from winter and spring 1864.



Georgia Battlefields Association representatives present \$10,000 check to Save the Dalton Battlefields. From left, GBA member Bill Porter, GBA president Joe Trahan, GBA vice president Jim Wentworth (largely obscured), Save the Dalton Battlefields president Bob Jenkins, GBA member Mary Porter, GBA trustee Jeff Wright.

## Andrews Raid tour led by Jim Ogden is 11-13 April

Blue and Gray Education Society will sponsor a Great Locomotive Chase tour led by Jim Ogden. See the <https://blueandgrayeducation.org/tours/the-great-locomotive-chase-tour/> for details.

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