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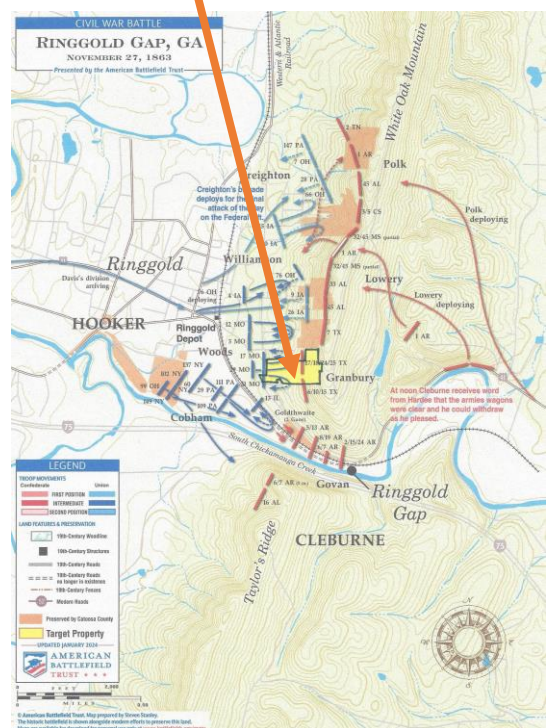
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Ringgold property purchased: More money needed to refill the coffers

The [January newsletter](#) mentioned three Georgia properties that Georgia Battlefields Association (GBA) hoped to help save. We're surprised but happy to report that [American Battlefield Trust](#) (ABT) has now purchased all three with help from GBA. The Kennesaw Mountain properties were under contract by [February](#), the Rocky Face Ridge/Mill Creek Gap property was bought by [July](#), and purchase of the Ringgold property (highlighted in yellow on map) closed on 4 August.

Although the Ringgold purchase was closed, ABT had to use some of its reserves and will seek more funds. [Georgia Civil War Commission](#) responded with a \$20,000 contribution. GBA sent \$100,000, a major expenditure, but our primary purpose is to save battlefields, and outright purchase of a site by a preservation organization is the surest way to save it. With our contributions to these recent acquisitions, we again ask for your help to "replenish our limber chests." GBA members will be receiving a mailing, crafted by Joe Gaskin, our fund-raising chairman; but here is a summary of how to help with other sites we are already working to preserve.

Your tax-deductible donations by credit card may be made via the GBA web site [membership page](#) or [donations page](#), or by check to Georgia Battlefields Association, 4203 Newpond Trail NE, Kennesaw GA 30144-1667. Alternative giving approaches (employer matching contributions, including GBA in your will, etc.) may be arranged by e-mailing the general GBA address info@georgiabattlefields.org and requesting that a Board member contact you. Be sure to include your preferred e-mail address or phone number.



Using PayPal through the Georgia Battlefields Association web site

We've had periodic problems when people try to use PayPal to donate, pay membership dues, or pay for tour registration through the GBA web site. If you already have a PayPal account, you must pay using your already established account. If you do not have a PayPal account, you should be able to pay with a credit card as a guest. In either case, if your payment is successfully completed, you should receive a confirming e-mail from PayPal within minutes. If you do not receive a confirming e-mail, please try again later. PayPal's system sometimes clogs with so many people ordering online. If you try a second time and still don't receive confirmation or if you receive an error message, contact us at info@georgiabattlefields.org and we will try to help.

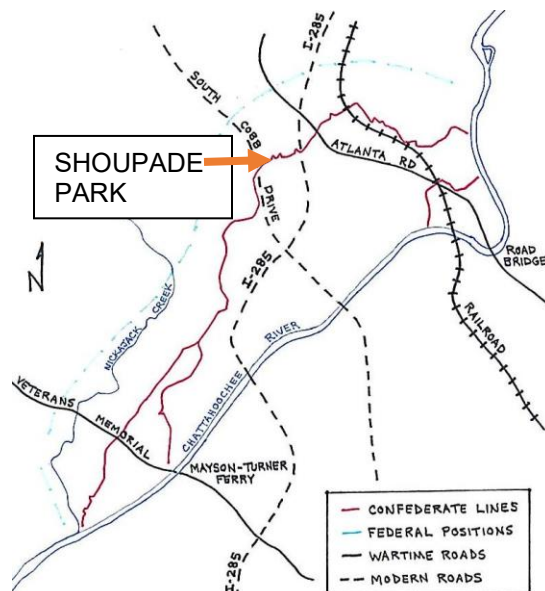
You can also use the old-time method of a written check and a stamped envelope addressed to Georgia Battlefields Association, 4203 Newpond Trail NE, Kennesaw GA 30144-1667.

Film showing will raise funds for Friends of Kennesaw Mountain

A showing of the prize winning documentary "Out There: A National Parks Story," which recounts a seven year, 10,000 mile journey through America's national parks, will raise money for [Friends of Kennesaw Mountain](#). The trailer for the film can be found [here](#), and the film's website can be found [here](#). Time is 4 to 8 p.m. on 7 September, and the venue is the Marietta Performing Arts Center, 1171 Whitlock Avenue NW, Marietta GA 30064. The audience is limited to 700. Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-atlanta-georgia-premiere-of-out-there-a-national-parks-story-tickets-1493238389219>. Filmmaker Brendan Hall will be present to introduce the film and answer questions afterward.

Work day for Shoupade Park

If you've followed Georgia Battlefields Association's preservation efforts over the last 25 years, you're probably familiar with the last Confederate defense line north of the Chattahoochee River in July 1864, logically enough known as the River Line. The River Line has its own dedicated preservation volunteers and its stalwart volunteer leader, Roberta Cook, with whom GBA has worked for 25 years. Roberta and others established the [River Line Historic Area](#) organization, which works to conserve as well as preserve the remaining fortifications by removing foliage, downed trees, and storm-caused debris. Their next work day is scheduled for 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on 7 September at Shoupade Park, which contains two of the nine remaining Shoupade remnants as well as the only reentrant angle artillery redan. The focus for this work day is clearing vegetation, specifically wisteria from the earthworks inside the fence line. This will be an ongoing battle as long as plants continue to grow back.



Shoupade Park is on the east side of Oakdale Road, not far south of Fort Drive. If you need an address for your vehicle's navigation system, try 4757 Oakdale Road, Smyrna GA 30080.

2026 GBA tour will cover opening of Atlanta Campaign

The next GBA annual tour will occur 9-12 April 2026. We plan to repeat our multi-tour treatment of the Atlanta Campaign, with our 2026 tour covering the planning for and opening of the campaign through the Battle of Resaca.

Since our 2014 tour that covered the same 1864 period, new sites have been acquired in the Dalton area, and the Resaca Battlefield Historic Site has been completed. Those who were on the 2014 tour might remember we visited the Resaca site when some construction was still underway, and there was a downpour while we were there. We still can't influence the weather, but you'll see interpretative signs that were not in place in 2014.



The October newsletter will cover more details and allow you to register for the tour.

Georgia Battlefields Association web site improvement

In mid-August, we had a problem with the GBA web site accessibility. We think the problem is resolved, but if you can't access the site, please let us know at info@georgiabattlefields.org. One benefit to the situation was that the site host issued us a security certificate during their efforts to resolve the issue. We suggest you try <https://georgiabattlefields.org> (note: no www). If you're successful, bookmark that URL and delete any previous bookmarks you had for GBA.

Note new address

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