

SAVE THE FRANKLIN BATTLEFIELD

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Dedicated to the Preservation, Protection, and Promotion of Civil War Sites in Williamson County, Tennessee

Dear STFB member—

For those of you who attended "In the Wake of the Storm," this past month's tour of hospitals during and after the Battle of Franklin, I hope you enjoyed yourself as much as I did. It was an incredibly informative and interesting walk back in time to the horrific, but captivating aftermath of November 30, 1864. Many thanks to all who worked on or attended this excellent event. You can look forward to another such tour in the future, as information on the hospitals at Franklin is constantly coming to light.

Many of you may have read or heard about the latest incursion of development onto the Frank-lin Battlefield, a 48-acre retail development north of Winstead Hill. Please read elsewhere in this newsletter for what you, as an STFB member, can do to prevent this from becoming a reality.

Thank you for all you have done and continue to do, by your concern, efforts, time and donations, to help Save the Franklin Battlefield.

Joe Smyth

A Call to Arms...

A Brentwood based developer is pursuing a large commercial development of 48,000 feet of retail space to include a Target, a Kroger, a gas kiosk, and several other buildings on the Franklin Battlefield. The 48-acre parcel, south of Winstead Hill (and across from the funeral home and cemetery), is currently zoned "Light Industrial," and must be re-zoned to "Commercial" before building can be approved.

STFB attended a 4-hour plus meeting of the Franklin Planning Commission this past week. Past STFB President and owner of the Harrison House Pam Lewis addressed the Commission and passed out a STFB statement prepared by Vice President David Fraley. The vote to recommend rezoning passed <u>narrowly</u> by a decisive vote of 4-3. The matter now goes for three readings (3 months' agendas) of the City of Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

After attending the Planning Commission meeting, I feel that this re-zoning request <u>can</u> be defeated. The overwhelming comments against this project by the Commissioners and the City Engineering staff concerned three things...traffic, traffic, and traffic. The City rates the traffic quality for this section of Columbia Pike today as a "D." This development will increase the traffic by 20,000 trips more per day—7,000 of these will be by Hillview Lane, a designated "Historic Lane." The traffic "flow" is being questioned also, concerning the use of double left hand turn lanes (as such never before seen in Franklin), entrance cuts and traffic lights. The developer has said that a single (rather than multiple) entrance would be a "deal breaker" for the project.

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We've Got a New Logo!

Special thanks to STFB member Pat Thompson for creating a new logo for us! She did several versions for us depending on our printing needs. It's a great new logo—Thanks Pat—we appreciate it!!!



A Day in The Garden At Collins Farm

See page 5 for details!

News In Review by Sam Gant

To Battle for God and the Right: The Civil War Letterbooks of Emerson Opdycke - The Review Appeal - 3/23/03 Archivists Glenn V. Longacre and John E. Haas undertook the daunting task of editing and arranging Opdycke's letters to his wife, Lucy - more than 300 of them written during a four-year span - in order to construct a lucid, flowing narrative of the western theater of the Civil War. Opdycke made his mark on history through his heroic yet audacious conduct at the Battle of Franklin in 1864. On Nov. 30, 1864, Opdycke led his brigade, the 125th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, into Franklin where they broke ranks 150-200 vards behind the Federal earthworks on Columbia Pike at the Carter House. When the Confederate troops breached the Union line, Opdycke immediately recognized the threat and led his brigade forward - without orders to fill the gap the Confederate army had created. His quick response restored the Union lines. To Battle for God and the Right (University of Illinois Press, 2003) brings to life the events of the Civil War and Opdycke's status as the hero of the Battle of Franklin.

Brothers Primm to deed 1833 schoolhouse to city – *The Tennessean*, "Williamson A.M." – 3/26/03 BRENTWOOD – The Boiling Springs Academy will become Brentwood city property, to be eventually restored and opened as part of a new city park on Moores Lane. Charlie and Edgar Primm will sign over ownership of the 1833 schoolhouse to the city. Montclair subdivision developer CPS Land has already donated 30 acres next to the development for a city park, a parcel that wraps around the academy's one acre and includes a Native American burial mound.

Carter House campers wanted – *The Tennessean*, "Williamson A.M." – 3/27/03 FRANKLIN – the Carter House, ground zero for the Civil War Battle of Franklin, is now taking applications for its annual Summer Military Camp for youngsters. This year's camp will be held July 25-26. Children ages 5 to 14 are invited to participate. Campers will be given a variety of lessons on subjects such as campfire cooking, drilling, uniforms, marching, farm life and music. All classes will be held on the grounds of the Carter House.

Committee is displeased with park plan – *The Tennessean*, "Williamson A.M." – 4/3/03 FRANKLIN – Members of a group charged with recommending a master plan for the old Battle Ground Academy campus criticized a battlefield park interpretation study developed by consultants earlier this year for not considering other uses for the property. The Williamson County Property and Parks & Recreation committees met Tuesday night to explore options for the old Battle Ground Academy site. Putting a museum and the county archives on the property, as well as using tho old gym for Boys and Girls Club Activities, seemed to meet general approval– Though any plan would have to be sanctioned by county commissioners–but a Civil War battlefield interpretation plan by consultants Mudpuppy & Waterdog, Inc., was roundly criticized.

If you use it, you lose it - The Tennessean, "Williamson A.M." - 4/6/03 FRANKLIN - Over a year ago, Williamson County and

the City of Franklin put into motion the beginning of something that has been talked about, and longed for by many, for years: the preservation of the ground on which the 1864 Battle of Franklin was fought. The Franklin battlefield was awarded a dubious salute last year as one of the nation's ten most endangered Civil War sites. It was great news, then, when county commissioners agreed to pursue the idea of a battlefield park on the old Battle Ground Academy campus it had purchased. Some commission members apparently suffered memory loss about what had been decided last year. The Franklin battlefield is breathing its last. The county and the city have final chance to offer emergency resuscitation. You can build an office building anywhere But you can't move an historic site, only lose it.

Franklin leaders say battlefield park was the point – *The Tennessean*, "Williamson A.M." – 4/9/03 FRANKLIN – When city of Franklin leaders were asked to contribute half of the money for a battlefield park plan, they say they knew what they were buying into. So they were a little surprised to hear last week that county commissioners were critical of the plan for not considering other uses for the property. "We were asked to be part of a battlefield preservation plan," City Administrator Jay Johnson said. "We bought into a battlefield preservation plan." Members of two county committees criticized the Mudpuppy & Waterdog plan last week, and some expressed concern of creating a "Civil War shrine" on the BGA property. Some have suggested the land be used for a tourist center, a performing arts center and community theater or government offices.

Civil War battlefield purchased – The Tennessean – 4/17/03 FRANKLIN – Land near Fort Donelson that has been called the second-most important unprotected Civil War battlefield property in the country has been purchased by the Civil War Preservation Trust and will probably be donated to the Fort Donelson National Battlefield Park. Approximately 105 acres south of Dover was purchased in three tracts by the Trust in December for about \$350,000, said Jim Campi, director of policy and communications for the preservation group based in Washington, D.C. "It was where 70% of the Union casualties occurred during the battle and where Nathan Bedford Forrest broke out of the Union lines," Campi said.

Parkway Commons advances to city board – The Review Appeal – 4/20/03 FRANKLIN – Civil War battle line new target. With a 4-3 vote, the Franklin Planning Commission has given developers of the proposed Parkway Commons shopping center the green light to drive their plans to city aldermen. But the aldermen must conduct a public hearing on whether 48.68 acres should be rezoned from and industrial classification to a commercial zone at the corner of Columbia Avenue and Hillview Lane. David Fraley, vice president of Save the Franklin Battle field, Inc., reminded planning commissioners that on Nov. 30. 1864, the Confederate Army formed for one of the bloodiest battles in the war and that their lines were drawn on the northern slopes of Winstead and Breezy hills, now eyed for commercial development.

Donation Made in Memory of Pam Cummings

The George W. Lee Civil War Roundtable has donated \$500.00 to Save The Franklin Battlefield in memory of Pam Cummings. "Pam was an avid Civil War enthusiast who believed in the preservation of Civil War Battlefields," said William A. Frank, Treasurer of the George W. Lee CWRT. "Pam passed away last summer after a battle of her own with cancer. The Round Table and Civil War preservation will sorely miss her." The donation in her memory will help preserve the Franklin Battlefield for the current and future Civil War History buffs like Pam Cummings.

In the Wake of the Storm Tour

Our second ever Battle of Franklin downtown field hospital tour, titled, "In the Wake of the Storm" was a great success! Sixty-four folks attended this walking tour on Sunday, April 13th, 2003, and four new members were added to our organization. We met at the Franklin town square, and our weather could not have been better! Those taking the tour heard personal anecdotes about such extant Franklin structures as the Williamson County Courthouse, the Hiram #7 Masonic Lodge, Shuff's Music and others and their use 138 years ago as hospitals following the terrible battle of Franklin. Many thanks to Kristin Scherrer, Lynn Dorris, Sherry Male, Louis Varnell, Trent Golden, Joe Smyth and Allen McClelland for their gracious help in portraying actual historical figures on the tour. Many thanks also to Beth Adams, and STFB board members: Kim Hoover, Sam Huffman and Sam Gant for their assistance also.

David Fralev

Collins Farm Work Day April 19

On Saturday, April 19 the second grounds work day began at 8 am. Ten Master Gardeners came with garden tools in hand to get to work on the garden to get it ready for the "Day in the Garden at Collins Farm." I would also like to thank STFB board members Sam Gant and Sam Huffman for coming out and helping. STFB member Jody Thompson came out with his riding lawn mower and got the yard mowed Friday afternoon. Members Mike Walker and Harold McMurtry came and helped clearing brush along the fence row and cleaning up in the magnolia. The weather was perfect for working outside and the grounds and garden are looking great! Thanks again to all that helped.

Kim Hoover

March was Women's History Month

In honor of Women's History month, EJ Neeley, historian and former president of STFB has written another article for us as she has for the past several years—Thanks EJ!

Louisa May Alcott was born on November 29, 1832 in Germantown, Pennsylvania. Her parents were Abigail May and Amos Bronson Alcott. The family grew and over time called Boston, Concord, Walpole New Hampshire and back to Concord home.

It would be her family that the March family of "Little Women" was model with Louisa as Jo. The Alcott girls picked strawberries for family friends. Henry David Thoreau, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Nathaniel Hawthorne.

At the age of 17 Louis became a schoolteacher. She did service work digging paths through snow, carrying well water and splitting firewood earning four dollars. She continued to work for the next twenty years as a housemaid, teacher and a seamstress to keep her family from poverty.

During the Civil War she did her part to contribute to the war effort. She began her service by helping to make clothes for the soldiers in blue and ended up on December 13, 1862, at the age of 30, becoming a nurse.

Her service on many a battlefield and the letters she wrote home where later turned into a serial that ran in the Boston Commonwealth then published, in August 1863, as a book titled Hospital Sketches "An Army Nurse's True Account of Her Experiences during the Civil War." won her acclaim. Each copy in cloth sold for 50 cents. The advertisement stated "besides paying the Author the usual copyright, the publisher has resolved to devote at least five cents for every copy sold to support of the orphans made fatherless by the war."

<u>Little Women</u> Part one was published October 1, 1868 and Part Two was published April 14, 1869.

Louisa never married. She died two days after her father on March 6, 1888, at the age of 55.

"<u>Little Women</u> brought her fame beyond anything she had dreamed of and freed her family from poverty forever."



E. J. Neeley Historian and Past President STFB (Continued from page 1)

I encourage you, as an STFB member, to write to the City of Franklin board of Mayor and Aldermen. Since (sadly) only some folks in this world are concerned with battlefield preservation, but everyone is concerned with traffic problems, I propose that we hit the traffic issuer first, and the battlefield issue second.

If you live in Franklin, or if you travel to Franklin as a tourist or on business (and identify this in your letter), let them know that you are firstly concerned that a commercial development of this size at this location will have a huge impact on traffic, and a negative impact on your quality of life (as a resident), or your ability to enjoy the historic sites of Franklin as a tourist, etc., etc.

Secondly, you have concerns over the impact from the development to historic Winstead Hill (on the National Historic Registry, the City of Franklin Winstead Hill Park, the Antebellum Trail, the Tennessee Civil War Heritage Trail, the historic Harrison House, and the southern gateway to the City and the Franklin Battlefield. Explain that as a member of STB, you are concerned about developing land that was marched and fought across by brave Americans on November 30, 1864.

Send you letter to: Board of Mayor and Aldermen City of Franklin 109 3rd Ave. South Franklin, TN 37064

Please send STFB a copy of your letter for our use to: STFB PO Box 851 Franklin, TN 37065

Thanks in advance for your efforts!

Joe Smyth



Fort Granger Tour, see page 5

COLLINS FARM MORTGAGE STATUS

The campaign to pay down the debt on Collins Farm keeps making progress. Purchased in June 2001 for \$227,000, we have paid off \$67,000 of the loan, leaving an outstanding mortgage balance at the bank of \$160,000. In Addition, the STFB Land Fund currently totals \$18,000, some of which is a bank-required escrow reserve. If we were free to apply the entire land fund reserve to the debt, which leaves us with a net mortgage amount of \$142,000.

And please note.....

For 2002 and 2003 to-date, the following Civil War Roundtables made donations the Collins Farm project in amounts up to \$1,000 each. In addition to these gifts by CWRTs, individual members of these groups have made additional donations as well.

George W Lee CWRT (twice) Brighton, MI Salt Creek CWRT Glen Ellyn, IL South Bay CWRT Mountain View, CA Austin CWRT Austin, TX Ann Arbor CWRT Ann Arbor, MI Tri-Valley CWRT Dublin, CA Orange County CWRT Garden Grove, CA Middle Tennessee CWRT Nashville, TN Northern Illinois CWRT Rolling Meadows, IL

These donations are doubly important to STFB efforts. The substantial funds raised has made a difference in the pace we have paid off the farm mortgage. But just as important is the clear message that these gifts send to our local governments. That message is that there are hundreds of Americans from across the country who feel, and financially demonstrate, that the Franklin Battlefields must be preserved for the coming generations. Plus many, many members of these CWRT's have made individual gifts, and visited and re-visited Franklin over the years. Many are good friends with STFB, Carter House, and Carnton Plantation.

These Americans from far away take seriously their responsibilities of citizenship. They work to research, document, and teach America's history, and Middle Tennessee's history in particular. They clearly see that only by studying and understanding the people, social fabric, ideas, and events that begat our current troubled times, can we divine the path to a better future for ourselves and all Americans. They know that our collective past is but the prologue to our nation's future.

And they are quite vocal about one thing, however. When they do visit Franklin, they want to see the places where this history occurred. They want us to keep and maintain those important places, and by the list above, they demonstrate they are quite willing to work with local groups and governments to do just that.

Sam Huffman - Treasurer, STFB

Tusculum Group Visits Franklin

On April 15, a young and energetic group of Seniors from Tusculum Hills Baptist Church in Nashville did the grand Civil War tour (short version) of Franklin. It had been arranged some time ago by Judy Andrews who coordinates senior activities for the church. Judy had seen the STFB web site and called to see if we could host the group for a tour of Fort Granger. We were pleased to say yes and recommended additional stops at the Carter House, Carnton Plantation, and Downtown as well. Judy thought such a trip would make a wonderful all day outing.

Apparently, the seniors group thought so too since 47 signed up to make the trip. Their bus arrived smack on time and parked at the County's old 4-H property just east of Fort Granger. By parking so close to the fort, Bill Hightower, Director for Seniors and other church activities, soon had the group ready for their 1-hour tour of this well preserved, not restored, Civil War earthen fort.

A quick show of hands indicated that for roughly a third of the group this was their first visit to Franklin. But none had ever visited Fort Granger or even knew it was there. They were very impressed with the size of the fort and with the interpretative signs placed by the Franklin Parks Department. Several said they would have to visit again when they had more than a hour.

The tour was presented by STFB Officers Joe Smyth (President), Dr. Sam Gant (Secretary), and Sam Huffman (Treasurer). The group went on to Carter House and Carnton and then had lunch in Historic Downtown Franklin where they spent the afternoon seeing the sites and shopping.

We surmise that when Judy informs the other church activities coordinators about their wonderful trip to Franklin, other Baptist Churches around Middle Tennessee will want to schedule a visit to Franklin as well. We'd be pleased to have them visit - call 615-500-6612.

Sam Huffman

"A Day in the Garden at Collins Farm"

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, May 17! We are planning our first grounds fundraiser with a daylong garden seminar. Six guest speakers are scheduled to come and talk on a variety of gardening topics. Margie Hunter, local author, will discuss native plants, she is even researching native plants of the 1860s. She will have copies of her book on hand for sale. Lark Foster and Walter Glenn have been on Talk of the Town and HGTV. Lark will talk about container gardening and her dad will discuss lawn care. They will also have a O & A session for your garden questions. They will also have copies of their books for sale. Cecil Ward a member of the Nashville Rose Society will come and discuss roses. Mr. Ward has already begun helping STFB by coming out to prune and fertilizer the roses we have at Collins Farm. Cathy Rawitt will discuss gardening with a French theme. Cathy is an avid quilter and gardener and has appeared on HGTV's Simply Quilts. Her quilts inspire her garden, and her garden inspires her quilts. Cindy Shapton former owner of Collins Farm when it was known as Hyssop Hill, will discuss medicinal herbs. We are growing different medicinal herbs in our garden at Collins Farm. Although the day is aimed for gardeners, we are going to have some period activities on site for people to see. We have a watercolorist EJ Neeley. coming out to paint in the garden. Paul and Kim Caudell will be on hand to entertain us with period songs during lunch and on breaks. Lunch will be from One Stop Café in Franklin and is included in the price. Roger Brown, a local artist has done several plein air paintings of Collins Farm, with part of the proceeds going to STFB if they are sold. There will also be a few garden vendors that have agreed to donate a portion of their sales for the day to STFB. All of the speakers have graciously agreed to speak at no cost to STFB. All of the money raised with the exception of the cost of lunch, will go towards our grounds restoration fund, which this year we hope to be able to purchase a riding lawnmower. Please come out and support this effort. Please send your registration of \$20 to Suzanne Burns, 3042 Wellesley Way, Brentwood, TN 37027. Include your name, address, and telephone number with your check and should be payable to STFB. The registration fee is not refundable, and is tax deductible! If you can't make this fundraiser, we ask for your prayers for good weather in Franklin on May 17. If you have any questions, please call STFB at 615-500-6612. Leave your name and number, and we'll get back to you. Please send in your registration by May 10.

Kim Hoover



A Soldier's Story——"The little town of Franklin is situated on a bend of the Little Harpeth River, which flows around the north side. Our line on the south completed the circle, resting the left flank on the river above, and the right flank on the river below town. The Third Brigade of Cox's Division held the extreme left, and the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth was on the right of the brigade, connecting immediately with the One Hundred and Twenty-Fourth Indiana of the Second Brigade. The line of my regiment passed

through what had once been the yard of a private residence, the house having been burned some time ago. The stone cellar was used in building the works, with from four to six feet of earth thrown against the rocks. Covering the whole front of the regiment, except the right company, there was a lot, of perhaps two acres, fenced with a heavy Osage orange hedge, which was untrimmed, and had grown up tall. The right company rested across a wide graveled road. There being two lines of the hedge, one only a few yards from my works, and the other about fifty yards, a reasonable distance for abates work, I had the closer line cut down, and the brush piled in the road on a line with a farther hedge row, so as to check an advance on my right company. So prepared, we rested, and the men got dinner. About three o' clock in the afternoon I was notified that the enemy was advancing, and every man stood to arms at the works. I should say that in our whole front there was an open field stretching nearly a mile. At a few minutes to four o' clock their columns appeared moving upon our left flank, the object being to turn the left of our line, double us up in the town, seize the railroad bridge, and prevent us from crossing the river in the case of defeat. Hood's troops came on in three lines of battle confident of victory and in splendid style. I never saw a more magnificent sight. The cannon from the fort on the north side of the river opened on them, leaving great gaps through their ranks. but they closed steadily up and moved on as firmly as if merely marching past us for review. As they came down upon the left of Wagner's Division, his men fell back hastily behind our works. The skirmishers, two companies of which were from my regiment, stood till the last moment, delivering a rapid and destructive fire. My line bent in such a way that they struck the left first, and Major Healy caused the companies of the left wing to open fire, and as they came around in full view at about one hundred yards distance, I ordered the companies of the right wing to commence firing. Still they never flinched; but defiantly moved on until they struck the hedge, where they were balked as completely as though they had run against a Chinese wall. They made desperate efforts to penetrate it without avail. Human nature couldn't stand the destructive fire that was rained upon them, and they began to move quickly by the flank so as to pass round the hedge. When they reached the road they tried to force an entrance through the brush that had been cut down. Seeing their exertions, I directed the fire of two companies full upon them right down the road, and they were compelled to flank again. Having passed the brush, they came back in one grand rush, and struck the regiment near the center, closing up rapidly along my right, and down upon the One Hundred and Twenty-Fourth. One color bearer sprang upon the works and was instantly shot. His death grasp tightened upon the flag staff and it fell outwards with his body. There was a section of artillery in my works, and the colors fell almost under the guns. At that moment both pieces were discharged, the smoke enveloped the combatants, and under its cover the colors were seized and borne away. Another color bearer was shot in front of companies A and F, in the road, and the colors fell, but were also carried off under the cover of the smoke. One daring fellow attempted to enter at the embrasure, and a battery man struck him full in the breast with a hatchet. He stayed outside. Another was attempting to climb the wall when Lieutenant Brown of company F dealt him a blow over the head with his sword, and he did not come in. Their field officers and several captains were either killed or wounded, and they broke and fled in confusion. It was a terrible assault, and most terribly it was punished. I never before saw such slaughter, nor ever heard such groans and cries as came from that field when the fight was ended. It was all over at dark on our part of the line, but continued at intervals till nine o' clock in the night. Altogether our victory was complete and decisive. I lost three captains, brave, noble men, all of them, and good officers. Captain James Bissell, company A, Captain James G. Staley, company F, and Captain Frank M. Henton, company K. The first two were shot in the head. Captain Henton was on the skirmish line, and never returned. I fear he was either killed, or too severely wounded to come in, and was taken prisoner. In other respects my loss was wonderfully small - only one enlisted man killed and three wounded. Captain Henton was taken prisoner and held about a month, when he made his escape from the Rebels, and returned to his regiment at Columbia, after Hood's retreat."

(It is assumed that this essay was written by a colonel, lieutenant colonel or a major in the 128th Indiana Infantry, though no citation exists. The source is *The Soldier of Indiana in the War for the Union*, published by Merrill and Company, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1869, though no author is given.)

Submitted by David Fraley

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Reenactment of the Battle of Franklin to Commemorate the 140th Anniversary is Planned

Save the Franklin Battlefield and the Civil War Courier have joined forces to began planning for a Reenactment of the Battle of Franklin to commemorate the 140th anniversary of the November 30,1864. The reenactment is scheduled for early October 2004. Planning is underway to make this the largest reenactment in the southeastern part of the United States and will hopefully draw reenactors from throughout the South, Northeast and the Midwest.

Save the Franklin Battlefield will be providing additional information as soon as plans are firmed up. Volunteers from within the organization and from the local community will be needed to make this event a success destined to draw national attention. Look here for more information in the coming months.

Dan Mora

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