



# Battle Lines

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## May Meeting

Reservations Are Required

PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR DINNER  
RESERVATION CHECK OF **\$30.00** PER  
PERSON TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

**David Floyd**  
**4696 Kellogg Drive, SW**  
**Lilburn, GA 30047- 4408**

TO REACH DAVID NO LATER THAN NOON ON  
THE FRIDAY PRECEDING THE MEETING

E-mail and telephone reservations will  
not be accepted

- Date:** Tuesday, May 12, 2009  
**Time:** Cocktails 5:30 pm  
Dinner 6:30 pm  
**Place:** Ansley Golf Club  
196 Montgomery Ferry Road  
**Price:** \$30.00 per person  
**Program:** *"The Death of Stonewall"*  
Frank O'Reilly

## Wilson Greene in April

Our thanks to Wilson Greene, Executive Director of the Executive Director, Pamplin Historical Park in Petersburg, Virginia who stepped in on short notice to pinch hit for our scheduled speaker. His presentation illustrated his depth of knowledge on the events surrounding the siege and battles around Petersburg in the war's waning days.

## The Death of Stonewall" Frank O'Reilly

Our speaker for May will be Frank O'Reilly. Frank is no stranger to our organization. He has visited us before when he received the 2004 Richard B. Harwell Award for his book, *The Fredericksburg Campaign: Winter War on the Rappahannock*. Mr. O'Reilly is also the author of *"Stonewall" Jackson at Fredericksburg: The Battle of Prospect Hill, December 13, 1862 : The Fredericksburg Campaign*.

Frank O'Reilly is currently Historian of the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Battlefield Park. While the majority of Frank's expertise is the Fredericksburg Campaign, he will briefly step outside of that realm to focus on the events leading to the death of one of its leading characters, Lieutenant General Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson.

General Jackson's death followed the accidental shooting of he and members of his staff as they were returning to camp after scouting the battlefield following the battle of Chancellorsville on May 2, 1863. His group was mistaken for a Union cavalry force and fired upon by a Confederate North Carolina regiment. Several officers in the group were killed and Stonewall wounded three times. Following amputation of his left arm and his relocation to "Fairfield", the plantation of Thomas C. Chandler, Jackson died of complications from pneumonia on May 10, 1863.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear one of our past Harwell Award winners as he addresses the "The Death of Stonewall".



