

# Join us on Saturday, March 24th for a special one-day battlefield tour of the First Battle of Kernstown commemorating its 150th anniversary

The Kernstown Battlefield Association and Museum of the Shenandoah Valley are jointly sponsoring this special commemoration tour. Renowned Civil War historian Gary Ecelbarger, author of *"We Are In For It! The story of the First Battle of Kernstown,"* will take you back to that bloody day of March 23, 1862 when North and South met on the usually peaceful farms of Samuel Pritchard in Kernstown and Col. William Glass on Sandy Ridge.

Mr. Ecelbarger begins his tour atop Pritchard's Hill where 16 Union artillery pieces under the command of Col. Nathan Kimball let loose their devastation on the Confederate army of Gen. Stonewall Jackson. You will then walk the same fields of the Pritchard farm across which Jackson's men marched towards those firing cannon. From there we stop for lunch with speaker author/historian Scott Patchan. After lunch the tour continues to Sandy Ridge and the Col. Glass farm known as Rose Hill. Here the battle continued to rage on into the early evening. The tour continues on to its final stop atop another section of Sandy Ridge...an area never before seen by the public...where the final bloody assault occurred. The battle concluded in Gen. Jackson's only defeat .... but was actually a ultimate strategic victory for the Confederates and initiated Jackson's Valley campaign of 1862.



Mr. Ecelbarger is an enthralling tour guide who weaves the story around its key players and the often forgotten rank and file as well. He will take you across the fields and hills which, in many respects, remain unchanged from that cold March day in 1862. You will imagine the roar of musketry and the thunder of artillery as North and South addressed each other on that fateful afternoon.

There is plenty of outdoor walking, which at times is over rough terrain, so sturdy shoes or boots and warm coats are advisable. The tour will end at approximately 4pm when the motorcoach returns to the Pritchard farm.

## ~ A candlelight ceremony in Winchester at the Stonewall Cemetery and the National Cemetery ~

On Saturday evening, March 24th, the Kernstown Battlefield Association will sponsor this first-ever remembrance of those who perished at the First Battle of Kernstown.

7:00pm ~ Stonewall Cemetery (located within Mt. Hebron Cemetery). The Turner Ashby chapter of the Sons of Confederate Veterans will memorialize the Confederate dead

8:00pm ~ National Cemetery (just steps away). The Crowther Camp and other chapters of the Sons of Union Veterans will memorialize the Union dead

This event is not a part of the tour and open to all at no charge. Transportation on your own.

### TOUR COST: \$65 PER PERSON

Advance registration required (space is limited to 100)

The tour includes:

- ~ Motorcoach transportation between each stop commencing from and returning to the Pritchard Farm
- ~ Tour guide Gary Ecelbarger
- ~ Full buffet luncheon at the Best Western Lee Jackson Hotel
- ~ Printed booklet with battlefield maps

Not included: Evening free cemetery event

Tour begins at 9am at the Kernstown Battlefield on the Pritchard-Grim Farm. Registration begins at 8:30am.

See driving directions and map on reverse.

### Reservation deadline: March 10th

Name \_\_\_\_\_ # in Party \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please list other names in your party on reverse)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

# in Party \_\_\_\_\_ x \$65 pp = Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to KBA and mail with this form to:**  
Kernstown Battlefield Association  
P.O. Box 1327, Winchester, VA 22604

**The First Battle of Kernstown tour begins and ends at the Kernstown Battlefield on the Pritchard-Grim Farm. Below are driving directions, or on your GPS use 610 Battle Park Drive, Winchester, VA.**

Directions from the North via I-81:

Driving south, pass Winchester to Kernstown Exit 310. At the top of the exit ramp turn right onto VA 37 and after about 150 yards exit right again to Rt. 11 North. Turn right at the bottom of the ramp. \*See continuing directions below

From the South via I-81:

After passing Middletown and Stephens City, continue to Kernstown Exit 310. At the top of the ramp turn left onto VA 37 and proceed about 200 yards and exit right again to Rt. 11 North. Turn right at the bottom of the ramp. \*See continuing directions below

From Rt. 7 or Rt. 50 Westbound toward Winchester:

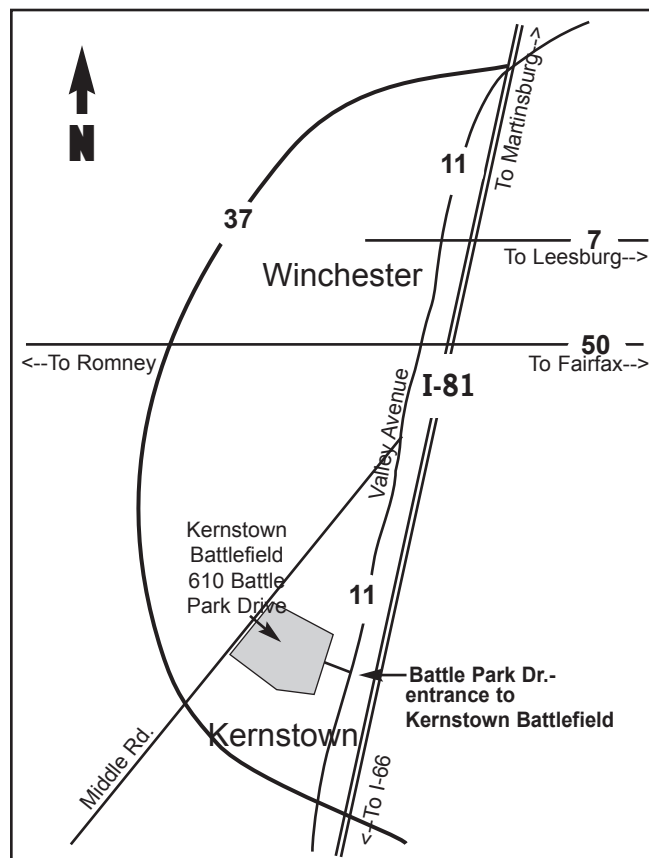
Exit onto I-81 South and proceed to Kernstown Exit 310. At the top of the exit ramp turn right onto VA 37 and after about 150 yards exit right again to Rt. 11 North. Turn right at the bottom of the ramp. \*See continuing directions below

From Winchester:

Proceed south on Rt. 11 (Valley Avenue). Turn right onto Battle Park Drive immediately after the Mazda/Subaru Dealership on the right. Proceed straight ahead for two blocks and pass through the iron gate. Follow the lane to the Visitor Center on the right.

\* Continuing Instructions:

From the Kernstown exit at Rt. 11 North, proceed 1.5 miles. After the 5th stop light prepare to turn left onto Battle Park Drive located between the Creekside Shopping Plaza and the Mazda/Subaru Dealer. Proceed straight ahead for two blocks and pass through the iron gate. Follow the lane to the Visitor Center on the right.



**Suggested Hotels in Winchester:** (Mention Kernstown Battlefield Assn. to receive our special tour rate)

Best Western Lee-Jackson Motor Inn  
711 Millwood Avenue  
Winchester, VA 22601  
540-662-4154

Rate: Dbl \$55 - Sgl \$53  
(Breakfast not included -  
Perkins Restaurant on premises)

Courtyard by Marriott  
300 Marriott Drive  
Winchester, VA 22603  
540-678-8822

Rate: Dbl or Sgl - \$75  
(Includes hot breakfast  
buffet with eggs cooked to order)

Country Inn & Suites  
141 Kernstown Commons Blvd.  
Winchester, VA 22602  
540-869-7657

Rate: Dbl or Sgl - \$65  
(Includes full  
breakfast buffet)