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FU-GEL-MAN: A well-drilled soldier placed in front of a military company as a model or guide for others.

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The time of the 2nd Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association annual meeting was erroneously reported as beginning at 9:00 a.m. The actual time for the meeting to commence is 10:00 a.m. The editor hopes that no one has been inconvenienced as a result of this error.

AN ALTERNATIVE NATIONAL EVENT

As the annual Association meeting draws near, the members will be considering a national event for 2017. There has been much discussion of the upcoming Shiloh national event for 2017. The editor became aware of the event set out below from the Army of the Wabash newsletter. This is not an endorsement of either event, but only to make our members aware of the event for discussion at the annual meeting.

There was not a great deal of information on the "On To Richmond" event. This editor has provided what was available to promote discussion.

"ON TO RICHMOND"

THE 155TH ANNIVERSARY REENACTMENT OF THE SEVEN DAYS CAMPAIGN

JUNE 3-4, 2017

In the spring of 1862, the cry "On to Richmond" was echoed by Union troops moving towards the Confederate capital under General George B. McClellan. These troops hoped to end the Civil War by capturing the city. What they weren't expecting was the aggressive tactics of General Robert E. Lee, new to command of the army tasked with defending Richmond. The "Seven Days" battles produced some of the deadliest battles seen in the war up to that point and gave many soldiers their first taste of battle.

As a result of the fighting here in 1862, these two armies would continually face each other in Northern Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania for three more years in some of the most well-known battles of the war.

Now, 155 years later, the sights and sounds of these battles will come alive again as reenactors portray soldiers of both armies at Endview

Plantation and Lee Hall Mansion. This event will feature battles, living history programs, demonstrations, and historical talks.

Brought to you by the city of Newport News, Endview Plantation, Lee Hall Mansion, and Rear Rank Productions.
(http://www.endview.org/reenactment-information.php)

REGISTRATION FEES

Early registration (August - November 15): \$15 per person

Regular registration (November 16 - February 15): \$20 per person

Late registration (February 16 - May 3): \$25 per person

The following comes from the Army of the Wabash newsletter. It appears that the 3rd Pennsylvania Reserves are trying to put together a larger unit to participate in this event and had reached out to the Army of the Wabash for interest. The following is for your information.

The 3rd Pennsylvania Reserves at "On To Ricmond" will be the premiere adjunct of 2017. The event will have battle scenarios for Seven Pines, Gaines Mill, Glendale, and Malvern Hill. Our adjunct will be participating in those as well as other activities, including a NIGHT MARCH on Saturday night.

Come ready for a challenging event that will push the bounds of what can be done at a larger reenactment. The Chris Anders events are always excellent events with a high emphasis on accuracy that goes perfectly with a high-quality adjunct such as this. Come on out today!