

## Gettysburg Battlefield Tour Exclusive for Rotarians/Guests

The District has made special arrangements for a tour of the Gettysburg Battlefields in air-conditioned coaches with licensed guides who will narrate the tour. This will take place with pick-up at the Wyndham Gettysburg at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and return to the hotel approximately two hours later.

This is a special tour for our Rotarians at a discounted rate of \$25 per passenger, a savings of 33% off the regular tour price if you booked it individually. Having taken the tour, I assure you the guides are worth the price of admission as they share with you the perspectives of the U.S. and Confederate generals whose decisions amended the tactics of the three-day battle. You get to see how Gen. Robert E. Lee hoped to cut off the northern army and how Gen. George Meade matched him zig for zag.

The battlefields tour is a conference add on and we urge participants to sign up early. We have eighty seats on two coaches and expect they will sell out. Of course, you can arrange for this tour on your own at a higher fee, but our tour is exclusively for Rotarians and their guests. We hope you decide to take the tour.



**Battlefield Tour is part of the District Conference registration process. If you have registered for the conference and didn't register for the Battlefield Tour, go back to the online registration process and edit your registration to include the battle field tour.**

**Any questions contact Conference Registrar Ted Krisanda at [pdg7470@optonline.net](mailto:pdg7470@optonline.net) 973-452-7305**

## **Overview**

**Visit sites from the Battle of Gettysburg on a bus tour with a guide who tells you about the phases of the 3-day battle, which was a turning point in the American Civil War. You'll see Culp's Hill, McPherson Ridge, Devil's Den, Little Round Top, and the location of Pickett's charge. If you're a history or war buff, don't miss this chance to learn about a pivotal piece of the United States' past.**

## **What to Expect**

**Travel back in time to July 1863 and explore the Gettysburg Battlefield on an enclosed coach for a bus tour of the historical site that was a defining event of the American Civil War. Your expert guide will take you through the three bloody days in which thousands of Union and Confederate soldiers lost their lives.**

**Learn how the opposing troops headed toward each other along the same road. See battle landmarks including East Cemetery Hill, McPherson Ridge, the Railroad Cut, and the Eternal Light Peace Memorial, dedicated on the battle's 75th anniversary.**

**Hear how Confederate troops attacked Culp's Hill and Little Round Top but were held off by Union soldiers. See Devil's Den, a boulder-strewn ridge where some of the worst fighting occurred. Get a look at Bloody Run, the creek between Little Round Top and Devil's Den that briefly ran red with the blood of fallen soldiers, and the Wheatfield, which was said to be completely covered with the bodies of the dead.**

**Finally, pass the site of Pickett's Charge, the Confederacy's climactic assault on Union positions on Cemetery Ridge on the last day of the battle. See the farthest point reached in this attack, referred to as 'The High-Water Mark of the Confederacy,' and learn how the Confederate troops were ultimately forced to retreat.**