



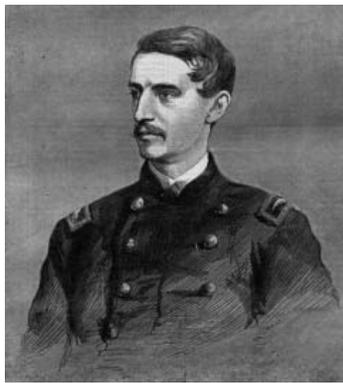
DAHLGREN'S RAID

SEPTEMBER 27 - 30, 2012

GOOCHLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Dahlgren's Soldiers Will Ride Again Through Goochland

An authentic recreation of a Union Cavalry Ride through Goochland will take place the last week-end in September. Much of the Ride will take place on private land with limited and usually no public viewing access. There are 3 locations that will provide an excellent venue for observation.



Col. Ulric Dahlgren

Brookview Farm

On Saturday, September 29th the Riders will enter Brookview Farm at 854 Dover Road and ride down to Route 6. The public is invited to attend this part of the Ride. There will be a \$5 fee for parking which will help to off set the cost of the event. Visitors are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets to sit and watch as the Soldiers ride by. All visitors must be on the grounds and parked before 2:30 pm when the soldiers are expected to arrive. No vehicles will be admitted after the soldiers begin to cross Dover Road. Space is limited to the first 50 vehicles.

Luckstone

Saturday eve., September 29th, the soldiers will camp on the grounds of Luck, Corp. on Route 6 (Patterson Ave.). There will be no facilities for a large crowd but small groups of visitors can walk through the campground and talk with the soldiers.

Tuckahoe Plantation

Come to Tuckahoe Plantation, Sunday September 30th for an up close and personal encounter with Union Soldiers on horse back and see an actual battle including cannon and period fire arms. Open to the public at 11:00 am. Again visitors are encouraged to arrive early as church traffic along River Road will be heavy. Also, River Road will become one lane once the Raid soldiers move onto it at Flag Station Road. They will ride up the lane at Tuckahoe from River Road at approximately 12:00 pm, and the re-enactment will take place at 1:00 pm. Admission price is \$5 per person. Tours of the Tuckahoe Plantation home will be available at the admission gate for an additional \$5 and will be conducted at 11:30 am, 2:00 pm, and 4:00 pm with a minimum of 5 guests per tour.



Frances Truett Remembered

A Tribute to Frances Truett

By Phyllis Silber,
Executive Director

The Society is pleased to reprint a wonderful letter about friendship by

Ann James. The letter first appeared in the Goochland Gazette. It is a tribute to Frances Truett, and reflects so well the sentiments of all those who knew and loved Frances. A long-time member of the Society, Frances served on the Goochland County Historical Society Board for several terms. She was chairman of the House Tour committee more than once. She was a mentor and close friend to this Director. Frances was always able to see the sunny side of any issue that I was facing and always gave me good counsel. She will be truly missed.

A Good Friend Remembers A Remarkable Southern Lady

By Ann James, *Special Correspondent*

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Once upon a time there lived in Goochland County a most remarkable woman named Mary Frances Lazenby Truett. The only child of Edward Jopling and Mary Mitchell Lazenby, Frances was born on January 9, 1921 in Otterville, Virginia in Bedford County. She attended one and two-room schools and because, in those days, there was no school bus transportation in Bedford, her mother drove her to school in a 1928 Ford.

Frances was educated at what is now the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg and upon her graduation, she made the trek to Goochland to begin her student teaching program, boarding in Goochland with several other young ladies. These young ladies had the run of the home in which they were living until one Earl Clifton Truett, Jr., Goochland's agriculture agent, moved in and upset their applecart. Of course, we all know how that story turned out. Frances and Earl fell in love and were married July 31, 1943. They would become the proud parents of three lovely children, Earl C. "E.C." Truett, III, Edward "Ned" Lazenby Truett and Elizabeth Mitchell Truett Greenbaum.



Obtaining her real estate license and becoming one of the first female real estate brokers in Virginia, she and her eldest son, "E.C." rapidly grew their small real estate firm into one of the most successful businesses in the area, coining the slogan, "We Know Goochland." Frances enjoyed serving on numerous civic boards in the county and was a proud founder of The Women's Bank of Richmond.

Her success in real estate enabled her countless acts of generosity. She loved her church, Grace Episcopal, where she served on various committees for over 60 years. Grace Episcopal was a recipient of her generosity and just a couple weeks before her death, when Truett Hall was dedicated.

Always proud to be Americans, Frances and Earl were constantly thinking of ways to give back to the community in which they had been so successful. Goochland American Legion Post 215, its veterans and auxiliary will always remember Frances and her veteran husband, Earl, for their dedication to the veterans who had given their service in order to preserve our freedom. Earl served on the committee to erect the Veterans' Monument on the courthouse green while Frances served on the building fund committee and various other committees.

"When the fund raising drive to build a veterans meeting home was slowing down, Frances called me and stunned me with these words, 'Floyd, how much do you need to proceed with our plans to build?'" said former Post 215 Commander, Floyd Callihan, who was the mover and shaker of the project.

Frances then informed Callihan that she and Earl would give Post 215 matching funds in order to build the Post. "What a lifesaver," said Callihan. Frances' last days were spent in healthcare in Cedarfield located in western Henrico. Her daughter, Elizabeth, said her mother wanted to be wheeled throughout the facility so that she could get donations for the Poppy Fund, as she had done for so many years in Goochland.

Proceeds from the Poppy Fund go toward helping veterans at McGuire Veterans Hospital.

Her church and American Legion Post 215 are only two of the many causes she gave to, usually anonymously. Frances passed away last month. While she is no longer in our midst, her love for all of us will forever remain in our hearts.

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History In

3-D



Michael D. Gorman

A special treat is in store for those attending the Goochland County Historical Society fall meeting on Sunday, August 26, 2012. Michael Gorman, a Richmond-based historian, currently working for the National Park Service has created a 3-D slide show of images of the American Civil War which he will share with us. He will provide each of us with a pair of those special glasses we all remember and entertaining commentary about the images. Michael is the creator and webmaster of Civil War Richmond (www.mdgorman.com), a web-based "file cabinet" of primary sources regarding the life and times of the Confederate Capital. He is widely recognized as an expert on Civil War Photography, and has published numerous articles about the Civil War. Most recently, he served as an historical advisor on the set of Stephen Spielberg's "Lincoln." The meeting will be held in the Community Room of J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, Goochland Campus.

Welcome New Members

Cheryl B. Billingsley - Manakin-Sabot, VA, James & Rebecca Blake - Mechanicsville, VA, Paul & Jean Childers - West Plains, MO, James & Barbara Sensabaugh - Crozier, VA, Dr. & Mrs. John Mills Turner, III - Farmville, VA, Diane Wessel - Providence Forge, VA

A Tribute to Frances Truett (con't.)



L - R Carol Salmon Coe, Frances Truett, Dr. James H. Bowles, Lois Henley, Eleanor Lee Turner, and Phyllis Silber



L - R Joe Scales, Frances Truett, Roselle Scales, Sharon Perdue, Betty Eads, and Temple Bayliss

Museum Vistors



The Society was pleased to welcome a group of ladies from the Senior Connections of Goochland to the Society Museum on the Court House Green. Seated (L - R): Marie Glover, Thelma Cox, Ellen Gray, and Mary Howard; Standing: Group Leader, Ruth Morris, Helena Cox, Alice Harris, Thelma Kenney, and Lenora Lane; Not pictured: Cora Smith, Carrie Bruce, Phyllis Parrish, and Joyce Jones drove the bus.

Visit the Goochland Historical Society
The Society's headquarters are located a half mile east of the Goochland Courthouse at 2875 River Road West (Route 6).

Winter hours (October - March) are:
Wednesday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall Meeting

History In **3-D**
by Michael D. Gorman

August 26, 2012 at 3:00 PM
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