

# TRI-CHAPTER MEETING HOSTED BY THE NORTHEAST CHAPTER

**Gettysburg,  
Pennsylvania  
September 19-22, 2019**

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GETTYSBURG – a Civil War battle that has captured the hearts and minds of Americans for decades and the site of a Presidential Address that is quoted far and wide. The fall 2019 Tri-chapter meeting, hosted by the Northeast Chapter, takes you back into the history and the stories behind the conflict that changed the USA forever.



The Battle of Gettysburg, fought from July 1 to July 3, 1863, is considered the most important engagement of the American Civil War. After a victory over Union forces at Chancellorsville, General Robert E. Lee marched his Army of Northern Virginia into Pennsylvania in late June 1863. On July 1, the advancing Confederates clashed with the Union's Army of the Potomac,



commanded by General George G. Meade, at the crossroads town of Gettysburg. The next day saw even heavier fighting, as the Confederates attacked the Federals on both left and right. On July 3, Lee ordered an attack by fewer than 15,000 troops on the enemy's center at Cemetery Ridge. The assault, known as "Pickett's Charge," managed to pierce the Union lines but eventually failed, at the cost of thousands of rebel casualties, and Lee was forced to withdraw his battered army toward Virginia on July 4.

In November 1863, President Abraham Lincoln stood at Gettysburg and began his speech, "Four score and seven years ago..." ending with "that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

## THE MEETING HOTEL

For the Tri-Chapter meeting, a family-owned and operated hotel overlooking the historic battlefields will host the fall meeting of the Northeast, Great Lakes and Dixie Chapters, FPA. This new hotel provides rooms and suites with Serta Perfect Sleeper beds, sleeper sofas and refrigerators. Included in the room rate are a complimentary hot breakfast buffet, an indoor pool and fitness center and free wi-fi. The hotel is conveniently located within walking distance of shops, restaurants, museums and famed historic sites including the Gettysburg National Military Park.

Book your hotel room early to ensure the accommodations of your choice.

Best Western Gettysburg  
301 Steinwehr Avenue  
Gettysburg, PA 17325  
717.334.1188

FPA Guest room:  
\$115 King Thursday;  
\$145 Friday/Saturday

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\$125 2-queens Thursday;  
 \$150 Friday/Saturday  
 Cut-off reservations: August 18, 2019  
 Checkout: 12 noon

**MORE ABOUT THE AREA**

In addition to the Military Park, The Shriver House Museum details the ci-



vilian experience and what the townspeople went through before, during and after the battle. The Seminary Ridge Museum focuses on the first day of battle and what led up to it.

Beyond the battlefield, the town of Gettysburg has a quaint, small-town



culture that can be experienced by strolling the streets, sampling the local flavor at the tasting rooms and restaurants and simply enjoying the picturesque town.

The Adams County countryside is dotted with idyllic farms and orchards, passionate craft beverage makers and bountiful fruit and farm markets. The Adams County Pour Tour is a craft beverage trail that takes visitors out into the countryside to experience a literal taste of Adams County through the hand-crafted wines, beers, ciders and spirits. The many markets offer experiences all their own.



**THE MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Thursday, September 19**

Evening Welcome Reception  
 Home of David and  
 Kerri Speranza

Evening Reception and  
 Dinner at the Gettysburg  
 Visitors Center  
 (includes free access to the  
 Museum)  
 AOPA speaker at dinner

**Friday, September 20**

Breakfast included in host hotel  
 Morning CME Session I  
 Afternoon bus tour of  
 Gettysburg Battlefield

**Sunday, September 22**

Breakfast included at host hotel  
 Individual departures at leisure

**Saturday, September 21**

Breakfast included in host hotel  
 Morning CME Session II  
 Afternoon free

The Northeast Chapter invites you to come and bring your family to Gettysburg for a meeting experience that all will remember.

**CHAPTER REGISTRATION CANCELLATION**

Make cancellation on or before September 7 with the FPA headquarters office: (936) 588.6505, or ahenderson@fpadrs.org. Cancellation is \$50 through September 7. Cancellation between September 7 and September 16 is \$100. NO REGISTRATION FEES WILL BE REFUNDED after September 16.