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ALLATOONA PASS

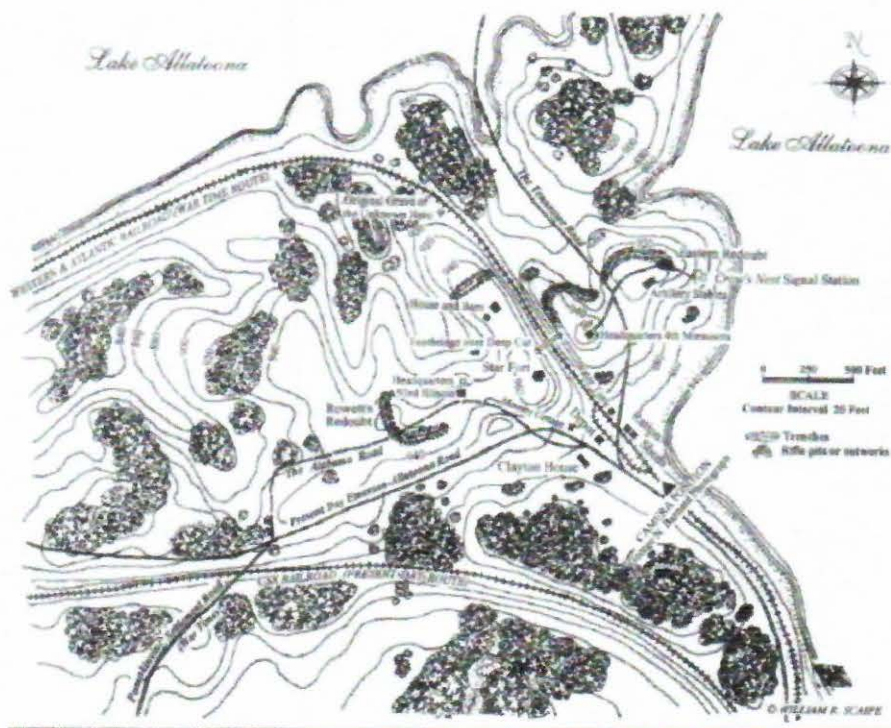


On October 5, 1864, the Battle of Allatoona Pass took place when Confederate Division, led by General Samuel French, attacked the Union garrison. Although the Confederates made repeated attacks against the fortifications and nearly over ran the Star Fort, the Union troops were able to halt the attackers.

Once a much publicized location, the battlefield was long neglected until the Etowah Valley Historical Society approached the Corp of Engineers and asked permission to renovate the Battlefield. The underbrush was cleared, trails were laid out and educational signs placed. The battlefield was maintained by

EVHS until 2007 when it was turned over to Red Top Mountain State Park who has continued to improve the site.

To honor the anniversary of the event, reenactors will perform demonstrations at the battlefield on October 5th and 6th, 2013 from approximately 10 am to 4 pm Saturday and from 11 am to 3 pm on Sunday. Attendees are welcome to tour the battlefield. All events are free and open to the public. Visitors are asked to park at the marina and ride the free shuttle bus due to limited parking spaces at the site.



FORTIFICATIONS AT ALLATOONA PASS



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LOCAL ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST TO EVHS MEMBERS

Thursday October 3rd Bartow History Museum evening lecture and the opening of the exhibition " Pieces of the Past: Bartow's Leake Site." The Exhibit will begin at 6:00 pm and the lecture will begin at 7:00 pm The quest speaker will be Scot Keith, who was an archaeologist on the site. Regular admission applies.

Saturday & Sunday, October 5th & 6th EVHS will partner with Georgia State Parks to recognize the Anniversary of the Battle of Allatoona Pass. Saturday 10 to 4 Sunday 11 to 3.

Saturday, October 5th Bartow History Museum and Stage Works will present the 10 th annual guided walking tour of Oak Hill Cemetery. Tickets must be purchased in advanced at the Bartow History Museum Gift Shop.

Friday, October 11th 6:30 pm EVHS Annual meeting at Grand Oaks Please call the EVHS office to make Reservations. \$20 per person for the meal, Dues are due in October.

Saturday, October 19th Blue grass Festival in Historic Downtown Cartersville on the Square 11 - 7.

Friday, December 6th 6:30 pm Christmas party at Roselawn Museum. Dinner will be catered by Ray Thacker of Grand Oaks, Stephen Lee will provide musical entertainment.

EVHS website evhsonline.org Use this site to keep up with your organization.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DEPARTED MEMBERS

The following EVHS members have passed. Their attendance, experience, participation and concern for our history will be sorely missed.

Charlene Gaard

Willard Eugene 'Butch' Walker

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SAMUEL GIBBS FRENCH

November 22, 1818 - April 20, 1910



Samuel G. French was born in Mullica Hill, New Jersey. His family lived in both Gloucester and Salem Counties. He graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1843. His classmates included future Civil War General Ulysses S. Grant, William B. Franklin, Roswell Ripley and Franklin Gardner. French was brevetted as a second lieutenant in the 3rd U.S. Artillery and assigned to garrison duty.

During his military service in the Mexican-American War, he was wounded at the Battles of Monterrey and Buena Vista. He was awarded a congressional award and a sword from the State of New Jersey. He rose to the rank of Captain, but resigned his commission in May 1856 to become a planter in Mississippi.

When the Civil War began, French sided with the South. On February 12, 1861, he was appointed Chief of Ordnance of the State of Mississippi, and on October 23, 1861, he was appointed Brigadier General in the provisional army of the Confederate States of America. French became a Major General on August 31, 1862.

General French commanded a brigade and subsequently a division under Gen. Daniel Harvey Hill at Petersburg, Virginia. He led a demonstration against Harrison's Landing on July 4, 1862 and one against Suffolk, Virginia on September 22, 1862. Fort French at Suffolk was named for him. In 1863, French led a division under LTG James Longstreet in the Siege of Suffolk. French's division intervened in the Battle of Suffolk (Hill's Point).

French transferred to the West, where he commanded a division at Jackson, Mississippi during Gen. Joseph D. Johnston's effort to relieve the Siege of Vicksburg. Later he served under LTG Leonidas Polk in Mississippi and under LTG Alexander P. Stewart, Gen. Johnston and Gen John Bell Hood in the Atlanta Campaign.

On October 5, 1864, after the fall of Atlanta, Hood sent French with his division to break the line of communications of Sherman's Army by capturing Allatoona Pass. The pass was held by a federal garrison under Gen. John M. Corse, who defended it in the Battle of Allatoona Pass. When Federal reinforcements arrived, General French withdrew his division to New Hope Church and rejoined the Army of Tennessee. French served in the Franklin-Nashville Campaign. Illness forced him to return home in December 1864, but he returned to service in 1865, commanding forces in Mobile Alabama to the end of the war.

After the war, he returned to his work as a southern planter and later authored the book "Two Wars" about his war experiences. French married Mary Fontaine Abercrombie January 12, 1865 at Atlanta, Georgia. She died on May 16, 1900. They had two sons and a daughter.

General French died in Pensacola, Florida in 1910 and was buried in Florida. However a memorial bust and marker of French was placed in the National Military Park in Vicksburg, Mississippi.



KSU INTERNS PUT EVHS ON THE MAP

Etowah Valley Historical Society (EVHS) Map Gallery

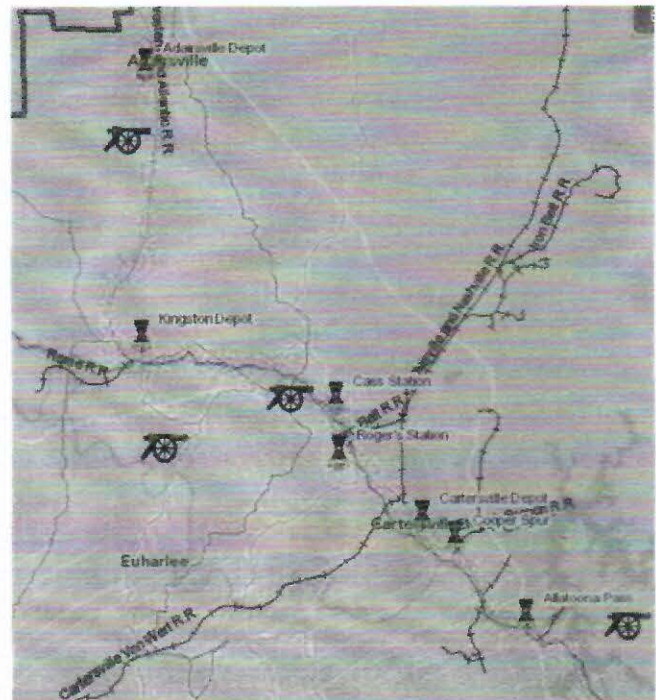
EVHS is pleased to offer a selection of interactive historical maps that are cursor sensitive to zoom, direction and text rich information for plotted points. Each county map focuses on a themed topic. ****Please remember to give maps time to load!****



The Etowah Valley Historical Society partnered with the Bartow County GIS office, Kennesaw State University Geographical Information Sciences (GIS) interns and the Bartow History Museum (BHM) to create a phenomenal digital mapping service for the EVHS web page. This partnership has digitized Bartow County History and made the EVHS web site interactive. This innovative digital mapping project may be the first of its kind and has set a new standard among historical societies. With the direction of EVHS officers, these interns developed nine

historically themed interactive maps now available on the Society's web site. (evhsonline.org)

The interactive maps were added to enhance the Bartow History Scholar program and are also available to the general public. These maps are state-of-the-art technology and illustrate Bartow history beyond photos and text.



The project began in August of 2012 and concluded May 2013. Each intern was required to log between 300 and 350 programming and research hours to complete their portion of assigned maps. More than 1200 content hours were invested to develop the map gallery with interactive features.

Topical maps include: Ores/Stone Furnaces, Civil War, Historic Communities, Native American, Geology, Manufacturing, Cooper Furnace and Cemeteries.



Historic Communities



Historic Industries in Bartow



Native Americans in Bartow

Dr. Nancy Pullen, KSU GIS department head, remarked that this was a unique project that Kennesaw State views as worthy of a continued relationship with EVHS and offered the possibility to host the EVHS maps on the KSU server.



The participants in the Mapping project were (L -R) Tim Poe, Michael Vest, Judy Morice, Dr. Nancy Pullen, Robbie Bagby, Matt Lloyd, Joe Head and not pictured Jacqueline Waits.

EVHS looks forward to continuing the development of digital maps and are hopeful for another cycle of KSU interns.

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TUMLIN FARM EVENT

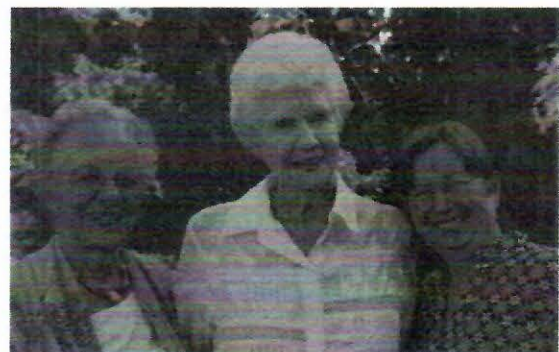


The Etowah Valley Historical Society and hosts, Susan and Lewis Tumlin, III invited EVHS members and guest for an evening of socializing, lecture, touring of the gardens and the downstairs of the historic antebellum Tumlin Home at the Tumlin Farm, Cartersville, Georgia. Originally, the farm included the Etowah Indian Mounds, purchased by Lewis Tumlin after the Sixth Georgia Land Lottery of 1830, sometimes called the Cherokee Georgia Lottery, authorized by the General Assembly. Tumlin and his

descendents served as caretakers of the mounds for 120 years. When the land was sold to the state for a park in 1953 by Henry Tumlin, he served as Superintendent of the Etowah Indian Mounds and Museum until 1981.



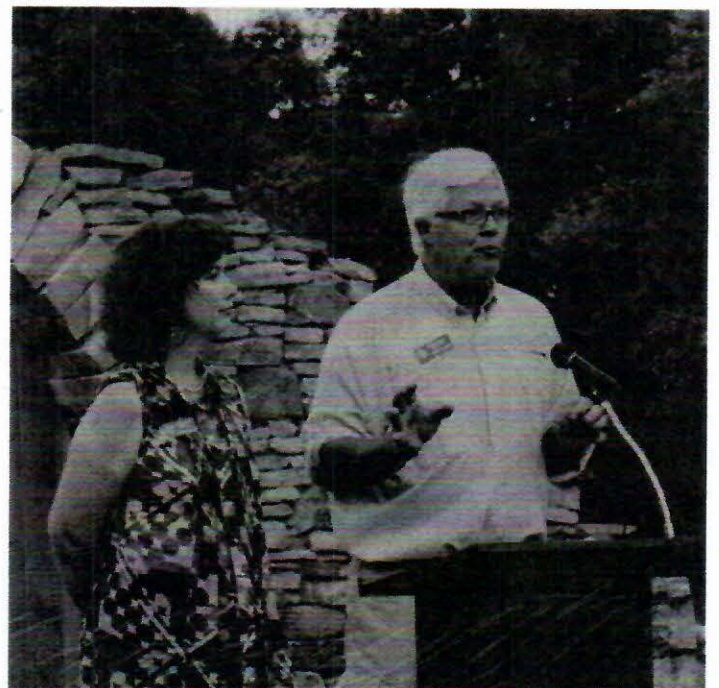
The Tumlin Farm was originally the Glencove Plantation. As described by EVHS Co- presidents JoAnn Smith and Dianne Tate, the visitors were "delighted with the family home and the beautiful gardens. The gardens have a Celtic area, Southwestern area, and Williamsburg section. The flowers were in bloom and the location couldn't be better for our summer gathering." The first floor of the historic antebellum home was prepared for a wedding but was open for touring after the lecture.



The evening began at 6:30 pm. on Saturday, August 24th, 2013, in the gardens adjacent to the historic home and new home of the owners, Lewis and Susan Tumlin. EVHS provided wine and cheese along with finger foods brought by members and guests. After refreshments and socializing in the gardens, guests assembled for a lecture by historian, Richard Wright, a popular speaker and research enthusiast who recently lectured on the Rowland Springs Resort and the History of Mining in Bartow County.



Wright's focus has been "all things up and down the Etowah River". He has found a connection between William Tecumseh Sherman, Civil War General; Lewis Tumlin, one of the county's founders in the early 1800s and Farrish Carter, for whom Cartersville was named. Wright elaborated on the life and times in Bartow County of the era and these three individuals within that setting. Guests toured the Antebellum home following the lecture.



THINGS TO REMEMBER

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Use the above website to
keep up with the activities of the
Etowah Valley Historical Society

Allatoona Pass
Annual Meeting
Christmas Party

Make sure you have paid your dues.

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