

## The WFA East Coast Branch Presents:

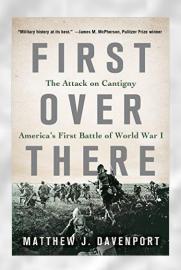
## The Fall 2015 World War I History Symposium! Saturday October 24 - York County Heritage Trust, York, PA

Join Us for an Exciting Day-Long Program That Includes the following WW1 History Presentations:



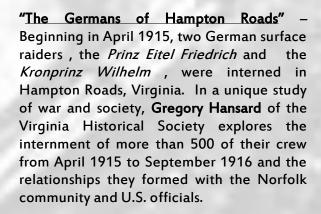
"First Over There –The Attack on Cantigny"-Facing veteran German troops, the largely untried US 1st Infantry Division carried out the first American offensive action of World War 1 capturing and holding the front-line village of Cantigny. Author Matthew J. Davenport tells the stories of the men of "The Big Red 1" who fought and died in this May 1918 battle – based on his new book from St. Martin's Press. Copies will be available for sale.

"The Life of General 'Blackjack' Pershing" – Meet America's most celebrated personality of WW1 as living history presenter Dane Coffman portrays General John J. Pershing while recounting his life story. From his early days on the American frontier and later the Spanish –American War, learn how Pershing faced trials in his Army career and tragedy in his personal life before taking on the monumental task of forging and leading an American Army in the "War to End All Wars."

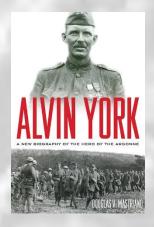




"A Yank in the RAF" – Too young to fly with the US Air Service, Baltimore native Francis Warrington Gillett made his way into Britain's Royal Air Force (formerly RFC) in 1918 where he flew Sopwith Dolphin fighters with No. 79 Squadron. Credited with 20 victories by the time of the Armistice, Gillett is second on the list of American flying aces of World War I. WFA East Coast's Paul Cora recounts his story and also outlines plans for the Branch to memorialize this little known aviator.







"Alvin York- A New Biography of the Hero of the Argonne" - Historian COL Douglas V. Mastriano of the US Army War College presents a fresh look at the unlikely hero who became an American icon of "The War to End All Wars" - based on his book from the University of Kentucky Press. Copies will be available for sale.

THE SYMPOSIUM WILL ALSO INCLUDE A <u>SPECIAL DISPLAY</u> OF WW1 AVIATION ART BY ARTIST MIKE O'NEAL, ALONG WITH BOOK SIGNINGS, DOOR PRIZES, TABLE DISPLAYS OF WW1 MEMORABILIA, A BRANCH-SPONSORED WW1 BOOK SALE AND AN OPTIONAL CATERED LUNCH!

## **General Information**

<u>WHEN:</u> Saturday 24 October 2015. Sign-in, refreshments, meet-and-greet begin at 8:30 AM with Opening Remarks at 9:30 AM.

<u>WHERE:</u> The York County Heritage Trust, 250 E. Market Street, York, PA 17403. Phone: 717.848.1587

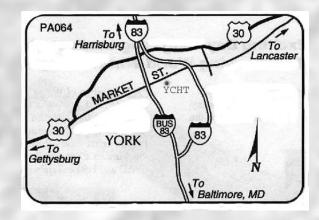
<u>Cost:</u> \$35 per person, \$15 students. YCHT members and WFA **Worldwide** members in good-standing receive 20% off registration fee (for information on joining WFA visit: <u>www.westernfrontassociation.com</u>).

<u>Display Tables:</u> There are a limited number of display tables available for WW1 artifacts/memorabilia. Please indicate on the registration form if you would like one - first come, first served.

<u>Parking:</u> Ample free street parking is available surrounding the YCHT For additional parking information: <a href="https://www.yorkcity.org/parking-garages">www.yorkcity.org/parking-garages</a>

<u>Lunch:</u> There will be an optional cold-cut buffet lunch for \$12 per person. Restaurants are also available in downtown York.

<u>Directions:</u> Please consult map resources for the best specific route to York from your locality. From Route 30 take N. George Street into downtown York. Turn left in the square of York onto E. Market Street. Go about 2 1/2 blocks and the Heritage Trust will be on your right.



Symposium Registration Form (Please print and return with your payment – mail-in deadline October 18, 2015)

Name (s):		
Primary Email:		Primary Address:
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21	I would like a display table for my \	WW1 memorabilia (one table per person)
Pleas	se make checks payable to "WFA East ( Karl Kl	Coast", and mail completed registration to:
135 Hollowbrook Road Timonium MD 21093		

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: <a href="https://www.ww1-centennial.org">www.ww1-centennial.org</a>

Mail-in deadline: October 18, 2015. Seating is limited, however, if you miss the mail-in deadline but would like to attend, please contact Karl Klusewitz: karl8@comcast.net