

# LOTZ NOTES

LOTZ HOUSE MUSEUM

AUTUMN 2016

## Anniversary of the Battle of Franklin commemorated with battlefield walking tours, cellar tour and blood drive

*Thomas Y. Cartwright and Jamie Gillum host battlefield walking tour  
Robert Blythe conducts cellar tour*

Civil War historians Thomas Y. Cartwright and Jamie Gillum will conduct a battlefield walking tour on Saturday, Nov. 26 to commemorate the Battle of Franklin held on Nov. 30, 1864. Cartwright will also host a walking tour on Nov. 30.

"What better way to commemorate the Battle of Franklin than to walk the battlefield with two of Franklin's most renowned historians Thomas and Jamie," said Lotz House Executive Director J.T. Thompson. "This duo will recreate the dramatic conflict that killed or wounded 10,000 soldiers right in the heart of Franklin where the Lotz House was at ground zero. I

Jamie Gillum wrote a 3 volume history on the Sixteenth Tennessee Volunteer Infantry Regiment. Most recently he completed a study on the Battle of Spring Hill, entitled: "Twenty-five Hours to Tragedy" that helps reconstruct Battle of Franklin. The tour with Cartwright and Gillum is Saturday, Nov. 26 from 10 a.m. – noon and costs \$30 per person. Cartwright's second tour will be Nov. 30 from 10 a.m. – noon.





## Eagle Scout earns badge at the Lotz House



Thomas Y. Cartwright congratulates Jackson Doty who earned the ranking of Eagle Scout September 8 for building four poplar benches for the Lotz House. Jackson belongs to Troop 1913 in Franklin and is in eighth grade at Page Middle School. We are so proud he earned this ranking at such a young age. We invite you to come try out the benches.



Thank you to our military for your service to our country. Walking the battlefield with our troops is an amazing experience.

## Meet Laura A. Westbrook



Lotz House welcomes our new Director of Group Sales, Marketing and Community Relations Laura A. Westbrook.

As our new director, Westbrook will lead the Lotz House in management of group tours, promotion of the Lotz story and local business outreach and development.

Westbrook joins the Lotz House team with previous experience as real estate administrator and realtor at Bob Parks Realty, LLC. She is also an affiliate with the Williamson County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Westbrook earned her bachelor's degree from Belmont University. As a native to Franklin, she is involved in the community as a member of WCAR, volunteer at the Heritage Foundation, Williamson County CVB specialist, among others.



## Thank you to our many visitors this year for making Lotz House Trip Advisor's #1 Franklin



We enjoyed hosting Reba McEntire, John and Harrison Schuck and friends at the Lotz House. The Pattersons (upper right) from Texas had some fun with the cannon. Great tour with the 326th Engineer Battalion of the 101st Airborne Division, Air Assault from Ft. Campbell.



## Lotz House partners with American Red Cross for 4th Annual Blood Drive set for Saturday, November 26

The Lotz House is partnering with the Red Cross for the 4th annual blood drive on the battlefield. Thousands of lives were lost and the home was turned into a makeshift hospital to help the injured. To honor the memory of the lives that were lost and to help those currently in their own battle, the Red Cross team will be collecting life-saving blood at The Lotz House on Nov. 26, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

J.T. Thompson said, "By hosting the Red Cross blood drive, it brings relevance to our everyday lives and gives us a way to participate and take action to help those in need today. We encourage your participation." All donors will receive a voucher for a free tour of the historic Lotz House. To schedule your appointment, email J.T. Thompson [jtt@lotzhouse.com](mailto:jtt@lotzhouse.com).



## Gray Line hosts Christmas lights tour at Lotz House



Gray Line Tours is proud to present the ninth annual, "Twinkling Tennessee Christmas," where guests view some of Nashville and Franklin's most exquisitely-decorated holiday homes and tour the Lotz House, which is decorated to resemble a typical Christmas in the mid-1800s. Tours will run Dec. 1-30 with the exception of Dec. 24 and 25. Cost for adults is \$35 Adults, \$24 children and under 4 free. For reservations or more information please call 615-883-5555, 1-800-251-1864 or book online at [www.GrayLineTN.com](http://www.GrayLineTN.com).

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