

# Franklin's Charge hosts third annual Symposium on the Battle of Franklin

Franklin's Charge is hosting its third annual Symposium on the Battle of Franklin, which takes place June 18-20, and focuses on the last days of the Army of Tennessee. The symposium follows General John Bell Hood's footsteps into Franklin and onward to Nashville.

The Symposium features expert guides and faculty who will provide tours and lectures addressing such

themes as the military campaigns, the costs of occupation and the promise of emancipation.

This year, the symposium is expanding to include the Battle of Nashville and the newly implemented Civil War Trails program which will be used as a tool for educating attendees about the Battle of Franklin. This is the first opportunity for battlefield enthusiasts to use

the program through the Symposium outlet. Williamson County has 14 markers in the area, and Franklin's Charge is proud to be associated with the program, which also exists in Virginia, North Carolina and Maryland.

Area educators are encouraged to attend. This symposium includes a special educators-only workshop on June 18, where

teachers will receive teaching tools about the Civil War and the Battle of Franklin to use in the classroom. The workshop will be taught by staff from the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area. Scholarships are available and may be requested by contacting Stacey Watson at 595-0636 or [info@franklin-scharge.com](mailto:info@franklin-scharge.com).

Symposium registrations can be made online by go-

ing to the newly enhanced Franklin's Charge Web site at [www.franklinscharge.com](http://www.franklinscharge.com) or by calling 595-0636. Franklin's Charge Inc. in cooperation with the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area, the Franklin Williamson County Chamber of Commerce, Historic Carrion Plantation, The

Carter House, the African American Heritage Association, The Heritage Foundation, the Williamson County Visitors Bureau, Save the Franklin Battlefield, Civil War Preservation Trust, and the Battle of Nashville Preservation Society are working together to present this Symposium.