

Gettysburg Battle Staff Ride: Learning Leadership through Military History

A group of TEGG and Linc Service contractors learned leadership strategies based on US Military History lessons during the three-day Gettysburg Battle Staff Ride in October.

Battle Staff Rides, also known as Leadership Development Seminars, aim to teach best leadership practices learned during battles, and look at costly mistakes and how they were overcome through effective leadership. It also provides insight into how these key military events, strategies and actions are relevant today, and can be applied to challenges facing businesses.



Gettysburg Battle Staff Ride participants Missi Santillo, Melissa Baronie, Sal Greensfelder, Tom Patten, Joe Marian, Erik Lorensen, Steve Wells and Todd Greenlee stopped at a variety of monuments and battlefields to discuss how military leadership led to successes and failures during the Civil War battles at Gettysburg. Above, the group stops for a photo with the 37th Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry monument. One of Erik Lorensen's ancestors fought as a member of the regiment.

During the Battle Staff Ride, instructor Sam Doss, a recognized U.S. Army and military history expert, taught participants about how both Union and Confederate military leaders' plans led to successes and failures during the battles at Gettysburg.

The participants included ABM Franchising Group's Senior Director of Strategic Solutions Melissa Baronie, Linc Service and TEGG Area Vice President Todd Greenlee, Director of Installation Operations Sal Greensfelder of ABM Building Solutions – Baltimore, TEGG Senior Area Vice President Erik Lorensen, Service Manager Joe Marian of ABM Building Solutions – Pittsburgh, ABM Franchising Group Director of Corporate Support Missi Santillo, and Vice President and Senior Branch Manager Steve Wells of ABM Building Solutions – Baltimore.

After each day of the Battle Staff Ride, the group met with Linc Service Senior Area Vice President Tom Patten to conduct After Action Reviews to discuss how each stop is relevant to their daily business world issues. The final day of the Battle Staff Ride featured a group presentation on how the lessons learned from the battles could be applied to positively impact each participants' business.

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