



July 2 - 3, 2022  
Monterey Pass Battlefield Park & Museum

## The Role of Cavalry in the Civil War



# Living History Weekend

## 17th PA Cavalry

### July 2nd & 3rd

### at Monterey Pass Battlefield Park

Union cavalry charge at Honey Springs, 1863

### Schedule

#### Dismounted Cavalry Drills:

Sat & Sun, 11am & 2pm

Followed by tactics and techniques talks

#### Camp Life Open to Visit:

Sat 9:30am - 5pm

Sun 9:30am - 2pm

The main advantages of Cavalry in the Civil War were speed and shock. Infantry held an advantage in fire power and accuracy. Cavalry used its mobility for reconnaissance, defensive delaying tactics, pursuit of retreating forces, offensive actions and long distance raiding. For offensive actions they deployed rapidly to key points on the battlefield, then dismounted and fought using infantry tactics.

The present 17th PA Cavalry preserves the memory of a distinguished unit organized in 1862 at Harrisburg and commanded by Colonel Josiah H. Kellogg of Erie. The unit fought at Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Third Battle of Winchester and Five Forks, and was present at Appomattox Court House. They will demonstrate dismounted tactics and procedures and share insights into cavalry life throughout the weekend.

For more information about this and other summer programs, contact us at:

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