

The General Lew Wallace Study & Museum's 2009 exhibit is *Embattled: General Wallace's Leadership in the Civil War*.

"The world knows Lew Wallace as an author, and previous Wallace Study exhibits have presented him as the son and husband of very strong women and as a curious and inventive man. The *Embattled* exhibit presents Lew Wallace in one of the guises most important to him – as a military leader.

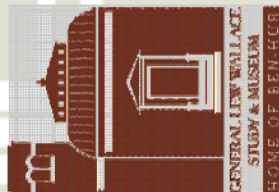
"War with its notions of courage and honor appealed to the romantic in Wallace and he embraced military service, before the Civil War in Mexico and in his Indiana militia unit, the Montgomery Guards. The Civil War presented him with the chance of a lifetime and he leapt at it. While he rose swiftly to the rank of major general in the Union army, history has generally reduced his service to his supposed failure at Shiloh and his redemption at the battle of Monocacy, which saved Washington from seizure by a Confederate army.

"Wallace has been made to seem either a failure or a victim. Neither is correct for while he was a victim of the West Point prejudice of his commanders, Wallace made many of his own bad decisions. This exhibit portrays Wallace with all his strengths and flaws."

—Gail Stephens, Author, Historian and Guest Curator of the *Embattled* exhibit

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General Lew Wallace
Study and Museum
2009 Event Calendar

April 4—Park Day. The General Lew Wallace Study and Museum partners with the Civil War Preservation Trust and the History Channel to help preserve and rejuvenate the grounds of this local Civil War heritage site. The public is invited from 9:00 a.m.--12:00 p.m. to help with a number of indoor and outdoor projects. Free refreshments and t-shirts will be available for all participants! Contact the Museum or log on to www.civilwar.org/parkday for further information.

April 10—Lew Wallace's Birthday Celebration. Come celebrate Major General Lew Wallace's 182nd birthday with a special party on the grounds of his Study. Families can enjoy free admission to the Museum, a kids' garden activity, and a free gift.

April 11—City of Crawfordsville Easter Egg Hunt, on the grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. Join the kids of Montgomery County as they hunt for treasures throughout the Study's gorgeous grounds. A spring tradition! The Easter Bunny will also be in attendance. Contact the Crawfordsville Parks & Recreation Department, 765-364-5175, for event times and details.

May 17—International Museum Day has been celebrated throughout the world since 1977. In celebration of the impact that museums have on the cultural enrichment of the community, the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum will be offering free tours of its facilities, light refreshments, and a free gift to all visitors.

June 1—The Brown Bag Book Club is back! For three months, exciting discussions will revolve around great titles chosen for their relation to this year's Museum exhibit. This month's selection is Confederates in the Attic: Dispatches from the Unfinished Civil War, the national bestseller by Tony Horwitz. All books featured in the Brown Bag Book Club will be sold at the Museum's Gift Shop at a discount. Come and join this fascinating discussion from 12:00-1:00 p.m. at the Museum, and bring your lunch!



July 6—Why do some people succeed, living remarkably productive and impactful lives, while so many more never reach their potential? This month, the **Brown Bag Book Club** will discuss Malcolm Gladwell's blockbuster Outliers: The Story of Success. All books featured in the Brown Bag Book Club will be sold at the Museum's Gift Shop at a discount. Bring your lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm and enjoy the discussion!



July 7-11—The Lew Wallace Youth Academy returns for a landmark fifth year, meeting from July 7-11 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Montgomery County's brightest middle-school students gather for General Wallace's story in a week-long history day camp focusing on the

qualities of character, leadership and lifelong learning that he embodied throughout his life. For enrollment information, call the Museum at 765-362-5769.

July 11-12—Annual Civil War Encampment Weekend will feature dozens of re-enactors from the Mid-States Living History Association, setting up camp on the beautiful grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum to recreate the conditions faced by soldiers during the tumultuous days of the Civil War. General Wallace himself will also be encamped on the grounds and receiving visitors.

August 3—In celebration of this year's Lincoln Bicentennial, the **Brown Bag Book Club** will discuss Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Doris Kearns Goodwin. All books featured in the Brown Bag Book Club will be sold at the Museum's Gift Shop at a discount. Bring your lunch from 12:00-1:00 pm and enjoy the discussion!

August 29—The third annual Taste of Montgomery

County will delight your taste buds with sumptuous delicacies from a delicious variety of local restaurants and caterers, and we'll get your feet dancing with awesome live music from three great regional bands, all on the gorgeous grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. Our first two events were blockbusters, and we just keep getting bigger and better! Contact the Museum at 765-362-5769 or visit our website at www.tasteofmontgomerycounty.com for details.



September 26—Smithsonian Museum Day. Here's a great deal for budget-minded culture lovers: the Smithsonian Magazine has arranged for free admission to hundreds of museums and cultural sites around the country as part of its Museum Day promotion, including the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. For more details, visit <http://microsite.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/index.html>.

October 4—The 6th Annual Artists in Residence

Program features some of the area's brightest local artists, showcasing their work and demonstrating their craft on the grounds of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum. The public is invited to attend this free event and watch the birth of some beautiful art; you may even get a chance to create some art of your very own! Tours of the Museum are also free during the Program.



November 7—Head honcho. Top dog. Leader of the pack. People talk about leadership in different ways, but what does it really mean to be a leader? How does it affect the people following you? Join the **Leadership Symposium** to examine the characteristics of good leadership through panel discussions and small group sessions. Refreshments will be served. Space is limited; please register in advance by calling the Museum at 765-362-5769.

December 4— The 3rd Annual Holiday High Tea & Fashion Show in support of the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum will be held in one of Crawfordsville's historic homes from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m.

December 13—The Holiday Open House and Last Day of the Season at the General Lew Wallace Study and Museum is your last chance to view this year's Museum Exhibit, *Embattled: General Wallace's Leadership in the Civil War*. The Carriage House Interpretive Center will be dressed in its holiday finery, and visitors can play games and make their own holiday crafts to take home. Refreshments will be provided.