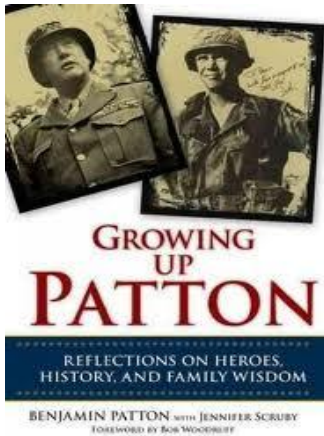


**RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)  
invites you to attend its meeting, on Wednesday, Mar. 13, 2013.  
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Pl., Greenwich.**

**BENJAMIN PATTON**

**GROWING UP PATTON. REFLECTIONS ON HEROES, HISTORY AND  
FAMILY WISDOM.**



The grandson of the legendary World War II general George S. Patton Jr., documentary filmmaker Benjamin Patton explores his family history and shares the inspirational wit and wisdom that his grandfather bestowed upon his only son and namesake. In revealing personal correspondence written between 1939 and 1945, General Patton espoused his ideals to Benjamin's father, then a cadet at West Point. Dispensing advice on duty, heroism and honor with the same candor he used ordering the Third Army across Europe, the letters show Patton to be as dynamic a parent as a military commander. Following in those famous

footsteps, Benjamin's father became a respected and decorated hero of both the Korean and Vietnam wars. Ironically, as he rose to Major General, he also proved himself just as brave, flamboyant, flawed and inspiring as his father had been.

A study of a great American original, *Growing Up Patton* features some of the pivotal figures in Benjamin's father's life, including Creighton Abrams, the WWII hero who became his greatest mentor; Manfred Rommel, the son of German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel; and Joanne Patton, the author's mother and a resourceful fighter in her own right. *Growing Up Patton* explores how the Patton cultural legacy lives on, and in the end, reveals how knowing the history of our heritage - famous or not - can lead to a deeper understanding of ourselves.

Ben is a graduate of Deerfield Academy and Georgetown University. A former New York PBS affiliate WNET producer, he now makes films at Patton Productions, based in New York City, and supports the efforts of the Wounded Warrior Project. In particular, he leads the Patton Veterans Project, offering his services to soldiers to make movies allowing them to articulate their struggles in creative and therapeutic ways to facilitate their readjustment to civilian life.

**RMA members and their guests should arrive by 9:45 AM for our full meeting. The general public should plan to arrive at 10:45 AM. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Place, Greenwich. No Charge and No Reservations are required. Questions about any of the above, call Bernard Schneider, 203-698-2558; bgsesq@gmail.com.**