

The Vermont Civil War Hemlocks



First Vermont Battery of Light Artillery O Company A, Third Vermont Volunteer Infantry



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Todd Paton  
802-661-1102

**Barre, Vermont:**

**UNVEILING OF THE MONUMENT COMMEMORATING THE 150<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF BIG BETHEL**

The Vermont Civil War Hemlocks invite you to attend the unveiling of a monument honoring Federal troops who fought in the Battle of Big Bethel, the first true battle of the Civil War, prior to its dedication at Langley Air Force Base on June 11, 2011 in celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the battle.

The event will be held at the Rock of Ages Visitors Center at  
558 Graniteville Road in Graniteville, Vermont  
on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

The Hemlocks, with generous support from the modern day 5<sup>th</sup> New York Duryee Zouaves Companies A and C as well as many Vermont veteran organizations, Sons of Union Veterans and the 18<sup>th</sup> Vermont Regiment, raised money for a seven-foot-high historical marker and commissioned Rock of Ages to fabricate it from Barre Gray granite.

Since soldiers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Vermont fought courageously at the Battle of Big Bethel, we offer this opportunity for Vermonters to view the memorial before it is shipped to the dedication site.

This free event is open to the general public.