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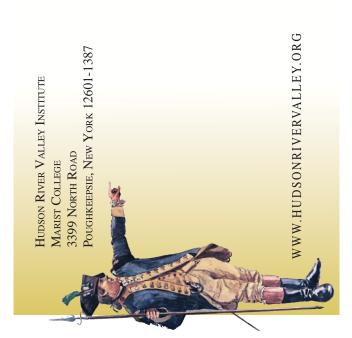
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The 225th Anniversary of the American Revolution in New York



225th Anniversary of General George Washington's Cessation of Hostilities Proclamation, April 19, 1783

Patriots' Weekend I, 2008

New Windsor Cantonment State Historic Site

APRIL 19-20, 2008

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COVER ART: "PEACE 1783" BY JOHN F. GOULD COURTESY OF THE BETHLEHEM ART GALLERY WWW.BETHLEHEMARTGALLERY.COM wo hundred twenty-five years ago, the Hudson River Valley was the major theater of the Revolutionary War, what George Washington referred to as the "Key to Victory." Each year through 2008, the region will observe Patriots' Weekend to commemorate and to celebrate the War for American Independence. Patriots' Weekend (I), 2008 will highlight the 225th anniversary of General George Washington's Cessation of Hostilities Proclamation, April 19, 1783.

# PATRIOIS' WEEKEND I, 2008 NEW WINDSOR CANTONMENT AND BRIGADE OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION'S SCHOOL OF THE SOLDIER

The New Windsor Cantonment was the last encampment made by General Washington's Continental Army before the end of the war. On October 28, 1782, a year after the American victory over the British at Yorktown, Virginia, General George Washington moved his troops to New Windsor for the winter; he had arrived at his headquarters at the Widow Hasbrouck House, home of the late Colonel Jonathan and Mrs. Trynjte Hasbrouck in Newburgh, on March 31, 1782. Some 500 women and children (camp followers) accompanied his 7,000 troops. They transformed 1,600 acres of forests and meadows into a substantial military enclave or "cantonment." By late December 1782, they had erected nearly 600 log huts. The army would remain until furloughed in June 1783. On 19 April, General Washington issued his proclamation to the Continental Army declaring a cessation of hostilities with the British at the door of the Temple. The announcement was followed later by "an illumination."



#### SATURDAY, April 19, 2008

10:00 A.M. Site opens to public; 18th century soldiers' camp and military activities all day

10:00 A.M. Dr. Robert Selig, Rochambeau's Army from the American War for Independence to the French Revolution, July 1780-September 1792 (Temple of Virtue)

11:00 A.M. Formation, Inspection, and Drill with Musick 12:00 Noon Reading of the Cessation of Hostilities Announcement

1:30 P.M. Formation, Inspection, and Tactical Weapons Demonstration

2:30 P.M. Todd Braisted, *This 'peace' brings none to my heart: Loyalists and the End of British America* (Temple of Virtue)

4:00 P.M. Henry Cooke, Roundtable Discussion *Late War Regimental Coats* (Temple of Virtue)

5:00 P.M. Retreat

6:30 P.M. COL Jim Johnson (USA, Ret.), Lighting Freedom's Flame: A Review

of the American Revolution's 225th Anniversary (Temple of Virtue) 8:00 P.M. Feu de joie, Grand Illumination, and Fireworks!! Recreation of celebration as performed 225 years ago!

#### SUNDAY, April 20, 2008

10:00 A.M. Site opens to public; 18th century soldiers' camp and military activities all day

10:30 A.M. Scott Smith, *Mapping the American Revolution* (Temple of Virtue)

1:00 P.M. John Rees, *The Pleasure of Their Numbers,*1778: Crisis, Conscription and Revolutionary
Soldiers' Recollections (Temple of Virtue)

2:00 P.M. Formation, Inspection, and Tactical Weapons
Demonstration

3:00 P.M. Paul Ackermann, West Point in Maps and Images: from Highland Fortress to Military Academy (Temple of Virtue)

4:00 P.M. Retreat

Admission to New Windsor Cantonment is \$4 adults, \$3 senior citizens, \$1 children

Publick Building and Temple U. States Army Cantonment New Windsor N.Y. 1783 Courtesy of Bethlehem Art Gallery



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