

The Brandywine Dispatch

Member Newsletter of the Brandywine Battlefield Park Associates

“Keeping the Story Alive and Interesting”

Spring 2018

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Fort Bragg Soldiers visit Brandywine



Brandywine Battlefield was honored to welcome 15 Special Forces Soldiers (Green Berets) from Fort Bragg, North Carolina this past Spring. Professor of Military History and Author, [Rick Herrera](#), led these Soldiers on a staff ride of the Philadelphia Campaign- and Brandywine Battlefield was one of their stops.

They say that there is more to be learned in defeat than in victory. And there is no denying that the Continentals were defeated at Brandywine. But seriously, the Battle of Brandywine provides a historical setting for many lessons to be learned, even in modern times.

We would like to extend a big thank you to Rick and the Soldiers in the Special Forces Warrant Officer Institute for visiting the Battlefield and giving our visitors and ourselves an exciting experience!

Thank you for your service - Huzzah!

Brandywine Battlefield offers staff rides to Military, Police, Veterans, and You! Reminder that Active Duty Military is always free. Veterans discounted. Thanks





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The President's View: Enhancing Membership

Enhancing our membership: Article II of the By-laws of the Brandywine Battlefield Park Associates sets forth requirements for our organization to establish and maintain a membership program. In this age of social media and hyper-connected global society we must be relevant and offer value. Our membership is the cornerstone and a crucial aspect of our organization, as such, we have initiated much needed enhancements to our membership. I will briefly highlight those values.

1. **Branding:** Our organization has a well-established identity in the American Revolution Community. We must share this unique and proud heritage.
2. **Education:** We must share our proud historic legacy. With the actual events long in the past, we continue to discover new aspects of "our story" which need to be told.
3. **Perks:** Yes, let there be perks! As our programs improve and expand, value returned and discounts to members must be afforded.
4. **Networking:** The opportunity to build relationships has a tremendous value. One-on-one as well as organizational partnerships have intrinsic value.
5. **Profile:** Membership offers a venue to "give something back" to the community. Being recognized in a news article or identified via social media delivers a good feeling.
6. **Recognition:** Community and Industry awards showcase our staff, volunteers and programs. Everyone loves success!

We have assembled a very hard working team led by Terry Ceulers to enhance our membership program. Additionally, we are finalizing our 2018/2019 Strategic Plan and will communicate the outcome of both projects in the next several months. In closing, I can assure you that everyone is hard at work at the Brandywine Battlefield Park.

Warm Regards,

Linn (Linnell) Trimbell, President
Brandywine Battlefield Park Associates

Upcoming Events - 2018

Summer History Camp - June - August

Wineberry Days - July - August

Remembrance Day - September 11th

Lecture Series - Fall (dates on next page)

Patriots Day - November 24th

For more information on our events visit: www.brandywinebattlefield.org/events

Remembrance Day 2018

September 11th, 2018

Join us this year at the Brandywine Battlefield Park for our annual **Remembrance Day**; where we honor those that fought at the Battle of Brandywine and those that lost their lives at the Twin Towers 9/11. Remembrance Day is free to the public and starts at 6pm at the Visitor Center.

6 PM Ceremony Starts

Events to include

- Local Government Officials
- Musket Salute by Continental Soldiers
- Dedication of Liberty Tree



**Remembrance Day is
FREE to the public**

Upcoming Lecture Series



Our Lecture Series is returning this September! Kicking it off will be renowned Author, Thomas McGuire. Some of his works include *The Philadelphia Campaign*, *Stop the Revolution*, and our very own *Brandywine Battlefield Park Guide*. Tickets required - check website for details including price.

September 18th - Thomas McGuire

October 23 - Bob Selig

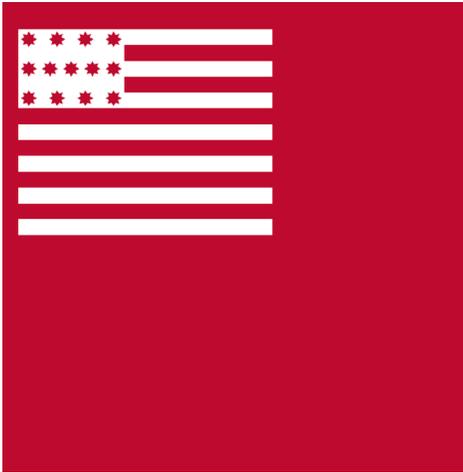
"A Stitch in Time"

"bespoke period and historic costumes"

Mistress Deborah, 30 years a seamstress and costume designer for theatre, offers her skills to create unique period costumes for the historical re-enactment enthusiast. **Contact:** 302-438-8926 or shoestring6@juno.com

Encampment Day Recap

May 12th, 2018



Our Spring Encampment Day saw a great turn out here at the Park. We were lucky to have a pleasant Spring day. We had some awesome activities for all who attended, including a special presentation on the *Brandywine Flag* by Ralph Denlinger

Special Thanks:

Noah Lewis (Ned Hector)

Ralph Denlinger

Mike Kochan (Ben Franklin)

1st Delaware Regiment

9th Pennsylvania Regiment

Heritage Dancers



Certificate of Excellence

TripAdvisor has awarded Brandywine Battlefield with a Certificate of Excellence for 2018! We could not have done it without support from our Members– Thank You!

Huzzah! Huzzah!



BRANDYWINE BATTLEFIELD



Colonial Days 2018

Brandywine Battlefield is a destination for many Schools from all over the tri-state area. So far in 2018, we have conducted field trips for over 1200 students. Teachers and students can expect a variety of different programming activities, including Life of a Soldier, Load the Cannon!, Colonial Dancing, and more. Our programming activities are well rounded and cater to students of all age groups. We also offer leadership programs for adults. Check out our [2018 Programming Guide](#) for more information!



News from the Giftshop

Our gift shop features merchandise for all age groups! From children's toys and games to novelty items and portraits, we are sure to have something that might spark your interest. The books in our shop are handpicked by our staff to ensure an interesting and informative read. Also new in the shop are American Revolution soldiers that reflect Continental militia men, British regulars, and artillery regiments. These soldiers require painting and are the perfect thing for any model soldier hobby enthusiast. We have back in stock, after many years, our Brandywine Battlefield Lapel pins. Finally we have new "Huzzah" t-shirts and Brandywine Flag t-shirts! Stop in and check out some of our many great items for sale!



Huzzah t-shirt - \$16.99

Members 10% off!



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Take Notice! Volunteers Wanted:

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer at the Brandywine Battlefield Park or know someone who might, please visit our website for more information and to fill out a registration form!

www.brandywinebattlefield.org

Contribution Form

Yes! I would like to offer additional support to the Brandywine Battlefield Park and Brandywine Battlefield Park Associates by making a tax-exempt donation!

Please send form and donation to: BBPA - P.O. Box 202 Chadds Ford, PA 19317

My Contribution is: _____ \$500 _____ \$100 _____ \$50 _____ \$25 _____ Other: _____

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