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NORTHWEST DEPARTMENT

B.A.R. SHOT

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Commander's Corner

NW Dept. Members,

I hope you all had joyous and rewarding holidays, and that you are looking forward to the activities planned by the NW Dept. Board. There is a GREAT DEAL of information in this newsletter, so I advise you to print it out, so you can re-read it. As usual, the most important information I can impart to you this time of year is the upcoming schedule, so that is where I'll start.

2023 NW Dept. Schedule

25-26 March NW Dept. Firelock Match, Log Cabin Gun Shop, Lodi, Ohio (Look elsewhere in this **BARSHOT** for event details). Event Coordinator, Bob Kashary - k9kash@roadrunner.com <https://www.logcabinshop.com/>

15-16 April, NW Dept. School, Campus Martius, Marietta, Ohio. (Look elsewhere in this **BARSHOT** for event details). Event Coordinator - Bob Kashary <https://mariettamuseums.org/campus-martius/>

6-7 May, Ohio Civil War Show, Richland County Fairgrounds, Mansfield, Ohio. Event Coordinator - Bob Cairns: robtcairns@cs.com
<https://ohiocivilwarshow.com/wp/>

17-18 June, 245th Anniversary of Monmouth Courthouse, Freehold, N.J. This event will have troops from the B.A.R., British Brigade, and Continental Line. There will be a bttn. for B.A.R. Congressional troops. This will probably be the largest event of 2023, and a good turnout of B.A.R. troops will be advantageous as we go into the 250th planning. Event coordinator—Bob Cairns <https://nj.gov/dep/parksandforests/parks/monmouthbattlefieldstatepark.html>

15-16 July, Fort Laurens Memorial, Bolivar, Ohio. This is the NW Dept's most well-attended event. I hope you ALL will attend. Event Coordinator - Bob Cairns
<https://www.fortlaurensmuseum.org/>

5-6 August, Heritage Village, Cincinnati, Ohio Last season we participated in a one-day, Timeline event, and the site management was impressed enough to invite us for a weekend of our own to interpret and present the Revolutionary War to their patrons. This is our chance to expand

interest in our period to an area that hasn't seen much of what we offer. Event Coordinator - Bob Cairns <https://heritagevillagecincinnati.org/>

24 September, Brecksville Parks Fallfest, Brecksville, Ohio A one-day, (Sunday only) event that always sees large, engaged audiences. Event Coordinator - Bill Lucas: blmj@sbcglobal.net www.clevelandmetroparks.com

13-14 October, Pioneer Village, Rogers, Ohio. Yes, **FRIDAY and SATURDAY**, VERY close to the Pa. border for our Pa. members. A new site that has some great possibilities. You can see the site by Googling

[Friends of Beaver Creek State Park.](#)

Event Coordinator - Bob Cairns

<https://ohiodnr.gov/go-and-do/plan-a-visit/find-a-property/beaver-creek-state-park>

27-28 October, Fort Steuben, Steubenville, Ohio. Yes, another **FRIDAY and SATURDAY** event. We had an outstanding event there last summer, and as in Cincinnati we were invited to have our own weekend, not connected to something already on their schedule. Event Coordinator— Bob Cairns

<https://www.oldfortsteuben.com/>

I suppose now is a good place to explain why we are doing two **FRIDAY-SATURDAY** events, when, to my recollection we have never done this before. We have a chance at both Pioneer Village and Ft. Steuben to significantly help them with much-needed revenue for their sites by holding a school day where they can have several hundred students bused in to see our presentations and learn/participate with us on Friday. Then we'll hold a regular NW Dept. event for the general public on Saturday. We can help support the site at the same time they support our activities. Of course, I will need to call on and rely on our retired members for the Friday portion of both events, but really hope you all will come out for Saturday. Both sites are period, and offer lots of opportunities for us. Both sites have period buildings for our use in case of inclement weather, and also for sleeping. Both sites offer meals for us, as well as an opportunity to cook for ourselves if we like. If you have questions regarding these events please feel free to ask me about them at any event during the summer.

I would also like to let you know that we are currently working on an event to commemorate the arrival of McIntosh's army on the Tuscarawas to build Fort Laurens. We are lucky that the actual arrival date, November 18th, is a Saturday, so we can be correct to the day. Keep watching for information in this event.

We also will be holding another Firelock Match late-August or mid-September. Watch for that date and information as well.

If you would like to help with an event already on the schedule, please contact the event coordinator. If you have ideas for events, please contact ANY NW Dept. Board member. They are always looking for ways to make our events interesting and engaging for our members. There are two Board meetings left on our winter schedule. Held at The Log Cabin Shop, Lodi, Ohio, the dates are Wednesdays, February 15th, and March 15th. Meetings begin at 10:15 AM, and you need not be invited to attend and participate.

2023 NW Dept. Election

A Nominating Committee was appointed made up of Tom Hornbrook, 8th Pa. Ft. Laurens, Tom Morris, 8th Pa., Ft. Laurens, and Bernie Borowski, 5th Va. They submitted the following slate of candidates for the following positions:

Stephanie Miller	5 th Va. Regt.	for Board Member at Large
David Graham	8 th Pa., Ft. Laurens	for Board Member at Large
Bart Hendershot	64 th Regt, of Foot	for Board Member at Large
Bill Lucas	23 rd R.W.F.	for Board Member at Large
David Weidner	Del. Regt.	for Inspector

The NW Dept. Board voted unanimously to accept these names as submitted, and thanks the Nominating Committee for their work.

Officers already on the Board and consenting to run for another term are:

Bob Cairns	8 th Pa., Ft. Laurens	Commander
Dave Miller	5 th Va.	Deputy Commander
Bob Kashary	5 th Va.	Adjutant
Ken Tischler	64 th Regt. of Foot	Paymaster
Dianne Miller	5 th Va.	Board Member at Large
Doug Wechter	1 st Jaeger Coy	Board Member at Large

Bill Lucas, our current Inspector, has decided to run for an "At-Large" seat rather than Inspector.

All these names will be on the 2023 ballot, along with any and all nominations from units.

The NW. Dept. Adj. will notify all units in good standing of the proposed slate. Those units have until 1 April 2023 to make additional nominations for candidates of **ANY** and **ALL** Board positions. It takes two units, a first and a second, to nominate a candidate. This must be done in writing to the Adj. According to the NW Dept. By-Laws:

"Any Full or Probationary member of the Department may be nominated for *any* office by any two (2) units.

In order to nominate, a unit must be qualified to vote.

Nomination must be in writing and must be sent by certified mail.

The nomination must include the nominee's name, address, and telephone number.

The nominee's permission must be secured."

(From the Brigade of the American Revolution Soldier Manual, NW. Dept. By-Laws, Election Procedure)

I would add that although not a requirement, supplying the nominee's email address would also be helpful.

You can mail your nominations to:

NW Dept. Adj. Bob Kashary
9390 Brecksville Rd.
Brecksville, Ohio 44141

Remember, these must be certified mail.

2023 B.A.R. Dues

Unit Commanders & Adjutants, it is time to get your B.A.R. dues in. Rather than make up some new verbiage, here it is straight from the National Membership Committee:

Dakota Griffin (information@brigade.org)

The Brigade of the American Revolution is so excited to start our 2023 Membership Drive! Our schedule has been finalized and can be found on the newly updated [Brigade Website!](#) This year, we hope to have a smooth rollout process and we have brought multiple members on board to ensure that this process is both easy and convenient for all our members.

At this point in time, every commander who registered for last year has been emailed with a digital roster. A paper version of the roster has also been mailed and should be arriving soon.

If you have not received anything from the Brigade by this time, please let us know at information@brigade.org

Two Options for Unit Renewal ~

Register & Pay Online	Paper Roster & Dues
<p>Units are invited to try our new online registration system to renew units and pay online!</p> <p>Go to www.brigade.org</p> <p>Log into the Members Only Section</p> <p>Refresh on the process by watching the Youtube Video - https://youtu.be/I_fHC92MccE</p> <p>Check your email for your online roster from "information@brigade.org"</p> <p>Upload your unit and pay using Paypal</p> <p>A confirmation email will be sent within 48 hours</p> <p>Please contact information@brigade.org if you have any questions or concerns!</p>	<p>Units are asked to try the online system before defaulting to paper. However, Units are welcome to use the traditional paper method to renew membership.</p> <p>Every Unit Commander & Adjutant will be sent a copy of their unit Rosters by February 15th</p> <p>Commanders and/or Adjutants will then correct their members information/add more members</p> <p>Units will then mail their check and roster to ~</p> <p>Dakota Griffin 110 Grant Ave., Pompton Lakes, NJ, 07442</p> <p>Please contact information@brigade.org if you have any questions or concerns!</p>

We encourage ALL units to use our new online system as it is much more secure than mail and much easier.

If you have any questions, please let Dakota Griffin know at information@brigade.org

We look forward to seeing you on the field this coming year!

Best,

Brigade Membership Team

As commander of the NW Department, let me just add that once you have your roster ready to send, that you email, or send by regular mail to our NW Dept. Adjutant, Bob Kashary, a copy of your roster as well as a copy of the check or Paypal receipt so that we know in real time who are members of the NW Department for 2023. Please be advised that payment should match the number of members on the roster, and only the members named on the roster are actually paid and eligible to attend B.A.R. activities.

VERY IMPORTANT. As individual members, DO NOT send your dues directly to the National Membership Team. **You are to pay dues through a unit.** If you have ANY questions, please contact The Brigade Membership team, or the NW Dept. Adjt.

To conclude my portion of this BARSHOT, I have just a few more items.

Wally Richardson, Coldstream Gds., has video of the St. Clair's Defeat event, in which many NW Dept. members participated. If you are interested in purchasing a DVD copy of this, please contact Wally at;

Wally Richardson
4730 Hayden Run Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43221
(614) 889-5624
wmrichardson@copper.net

Warren Norton, 1st Jaeger Coy., is retiring soon, and moving to India! It's going to make it a lot more difficult to get to events, but I hope you all join me in wishing him the very best for this new part of his life.

Jim Workman, 8th Pa., Ft. Laurens Det., is holding an event at his John Campbell's Tavern, that will be an evening of entertainment and refreshment that follows a dinner. Please see the flyer for that event elsewhere in this **B.A.R. SHOT**.

I hope you are all looking forward to attending the events on the schedule, and are preparing your kits for that. To close, let me say that with all the attention being given Alec Baldwin the actor, and the unfortunate accidental death due to a firearm on the movie set on which he was working, I'm left with the thought that if the B.A.R. had been in charge of that movie set, no one would have been hurt. Over the Brigade's 60 years of existence, with thousands of members firing millions of blank rounds which were roughly aimed in the direction of the "enemy" NOT ONE incidence of a live round being loaded or fired occurred at any time except firelock matches, and no one has EVER been injured, even when we fire live!! That is first a tribute to the men that wrote our firelock safety rules, and to the members, ALL the members, that follow our safety rules and procedures. The next time you are going through a safety inspection and think "we just did this", try "nobody's getting shot again today" instead.

Best wishes to you all,

Bob Cairns, 8th Pa., Ft. Laurens Det.
Commander, NW. Dept., Brigade of the American Revolution

Fall Firelock

Campbellsport Tavern, Ravenna, Ohio



David Weidner





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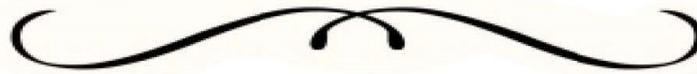
John Campbell's

IMPORTANT
TO ALL



TAKE
NOTICE

Tavern



General George Washington, eager to bring some relief to his **oppressed army** at Morristown, New Jersey, issued this general order which commemorated St. Patrick's Day on March 17, 1780. Not only was this an opportunity to give his soldiers a day off from their labors, but this order recognized the Irish people's quest for freedom from British rule.

Genl Washington's congratulations to the army March 16th, 1780 on the very interesting proceeding of the parliament of Ireland and the inhabitants of that country have been lately communicated; not only as they appear calculated to remove those heavy and tyrannical oppressions on their trade but to restore to a brave and generous people their ancient rights and freedom and by their operations to promote the cause of America.

Desirous of impressing upon the minds of the army, transactions so important on their nature, the general directs that all fatigue and working parties cease for tomorrow the seventeenth, a day held in particular regard by the people of the nation. At the same time that he orders this, he persuades himself that the celebration of the day will not be attended with the least rioting or disorder, the officers to be at their quarters in camp and the troops of the state line to keep within their own encampment.

On the 18th day of March, 2023 at the time of 1 o'clock

John Campbell's Tavern will be the presenter and lay on quite a number of entertainments and **victuals** honoring that **historic day**.

Talgayeeta, Logan, chief of The Mingos will speak of his life & times on the Ohio Frontier while wandering virtuoso performers in the **Irish** style will fill your hearing with delight, along with several Gaelic comeestibles to please the pallet by esteemed chef de cuisine, Ms. Gartland.

The number of subscriptions available are at a premium, therefore you must contact sgartland@workmanindustrial.com or John Campbell at 330.351.5271 to reserve a seat at the table at the cost of \$40 which will offset the value of your **divertissement**.

The fete will begin at 1 o'clock with the evening repast being served at 4 o'clock!

Adjutant's Freshest Advices

It is January 2023, and it is time for Brigade Renewals. Commanders: You should have received an email copy of your members for renewal. Please encourage your members to go to www.brigade.org. Look for the tab that says **Join** and follow the link to the Membership Application page. **Print the Page.** Please fill out the form completely with legible printing. Sign the document. Having your UPDATED INFORMATION is important to our organization. Please send the completed application to your Unit Commander or Adjutant along with your dues payment ASAP! Your Unit Commander or Adjutant will then send the documents and payment for dues renewal via the internet or send the 2023 roster via U.S. Mail to:

Dakota Griffin

110 Grant Ave.

Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442

If Commanders want to submit renewals on-line, they have the most up-to-date information for on-line renewals, or go to: www.brigade.org/membership-renewal and follow the prompts. **Got Questions?** Contact : Dakota.lee.griffin@gmail.com Dakota is a Computer Wiz!!! She is our Brigade Public Information Officer and future Adjutant General. You may refer to The Brigade Courier April/May 2021 page #3.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Whilst I have your attention regarding updated information, do you remember the PERSONAL MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM? Have any of your medications changed? Added? Deleted? New illnesses or infirmities? Emergency Contacts changed? Please take this opportunity to go to your cartridge box or ladies' pocket and update this form. This is YOUR private information that is to be kept on your person when at NWD Events **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY!** If you don't have the Yellow Form, please print it from this BAR Shot. By using **YELLOW**, FIRST RESPONDERS will be looking for it on your person should you go down and are unresponsive. They won't have to waste time looking at old cartridge papers or tissues stuffed in pockets, etc.

Don't forget to check: www.NWDBARShot.com for our 2023 Schedule and past issues of the NWD BAR Shot publications.

YMHS,

Bob Kashary, 5th Va. Reg't.

NWD Adjutant

Event Notice
Spring NWD Firelock Match
LOG CABIN Shop Lodi, Ohio
March 25-26 2023 10 AM

The NorthWest Dept will be hosted by the Log Cabin Shop for our Spring shoot at 8010 Lafayette Rd. Lodi, Ohio 44254 This is a rain or shine event.

All Brigade members are cordially invited. There will be individual and team matches. Period attire is required.

Overnight accommodations will be inside the Log Cabin Museum. Please bring your own bedding. What we bring in for refreshments, we remove when leaving. Sunday morning coffee will be provided.

All Brigade rules will apply including use of foil cartridges for muskets and fowlers. Rifles may use paper powder cartridges with patched round ball and a small priming horn. No loading from large powder horns. Range rods are frowned upon except in emergency situations.

No Saturday lunch will be supplied. Bring a haversack lunch if you wish and eat between relays. We will go to a local establishment for dinner.

Sunday Morning the Match will begin at 9 am and we should be complete by Noon for those commuting or wanting to get home at a reasonable hour.

If you would like to assist with this match or have target ideas or questions please contact me at: k9kash@roadrunner.com or cell: 216-538-0411.

Registration for this event is requested so we provide enough targets. Make certain that your Brigade 2023 dues are paid for insurance purposes.

More details to follow in a BLAST.

YMHS,

Bob Kashary, 5th Va. Reg't

Event Coordinator

2023 NWD School at Campus Martius

April 15-16 2023 9AM

Host: Bill Reynolds and Campus Martius Museum

At this time, we have several lecturers lined up but could always use another. As at our last School at Hale Farm, the Board will provide a hot soup for lunch on Saturday, but attendees will supply their own sack-lunch, bowl and utensils. During lunch we will start a "blanket sale" for some of those unneeded 18th C items or too small clothes. We will appreciate if nobody leaves the Museum for lunch. Lectures will resume promptly at 1PM. We must be out of the Museum by closing at 5PM.

Bill Reynolds has offered his "farm-house" for primitive sleeping for 12. You must bring your own cot and bedding. Bill will see what he can do about finding a restaurant that will accommodate our entire group for Saturday dinner (on your own) and try getting a discount at some of the local Hotels.

More information will be BLASTED as it becomes available but RESERVE THE DATES.

Bob Kashary Coordinator

216-538-0411 k9kash@roadrunner.com



David Weidner

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