

NW Dept. 2022 School Event Notice

Where: Hale Farm and Village, 2686 Oak Hill Rd., Bath, Ohio 44210

Website: <https://www.wrhs.org/plan-your-visit/hale-farm/>

When: Saturday & Sunday, 9-10 April 2022; start time each day is Sat.-9:30 AM/Sun. 9:45 AM. We will
Finish on Sunday by 1:00 PM

This will be a modern clothing event.

The Hale Farm & Village site is owned and operated by the Western Reserve Historical Society, and is located in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. The town of Bath is located just off Interstate 77, between Akron and Cleveland. There are several restaurants in Bath, and many more, as well as hotels at the first exit south of Bath at Route 18, Fairlawn. The B.A.R.'s NW Dept. appeared many times at Hale Farm and Village in the 1970s and 1980s, and the Grand Encampment of the B.A.R. was held there in the late 1970s. It is great that we are re-establishing our relationship with the site.

Food: coffee & donuts/cookies will be available both mornings. Since restaurants are 10-15 minutes away and a break for lunch would require 1 ½ hour or more if everyone goes out, for Saturday lunch we ask that you bring your own, and the NW Dept. will provide hot soup (including bowls & spoons) to supplement your brown bag lunch. You will be on your own for supper.

Presenters and Topics:

- **Period Tools, presented by Tom Hornbrook & Mark McFarland**

Prior to the Industrial Revolution, most goods from furniture to firearms, and even their own dwellings were manufactured by craftsmen and artisans using hand tools. Sometimes these were professional craftsmen making goods for purchase, but more often common people living on homesteads produced these items using their own hand tools.

Using documentation from primary sources, including written accounts, paintings, and frescos, the origin and use of hand tools will be discussed as an imperative and integral part of everyday life in the 18th century.

Both Tom and Mark are members of the 8th Pa. Regt., Ft. Laurens Det., Tom for 45 years, and Mark for well over 30 years. They have researched and studied this topic, as well as collecting original tools and sometimes fabricating their own reproductions.

- **Military Funerals of the Continental Army**, presented by Stephanie Miller

Stephanie will discuss from period references the funerals of both officers and enlisted men, the reality of how the bodies of officers and enlisted men were dealt with, and how History has treated these remains. She will include accounts of how the officers and enlisted men were treated separately, some bodies being disinterred and re-buried because an officer had been buried with enlisted men.

Stephanie Miller calls herself a "Brigade Brat", and has been a member of the 5th Va. Regt. since birth. Our hobby inspired her deep love of History, and motivated her to obtain a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree in History.

- **The American Revolution in Indian Country**, presented by Travis Henline

Few historical events had such a profound and devastating impact on American Indian peoples as did the American Revolution. This presentation will provide an overview of the participation, roles and historical consequences of American Indian communities involvement in the War for Independence.

Travis Henline received his MA in History from West Virginia University. He has spent His career in museums and public history, serving as an interpretive Park Ranger for the National Park Service at Fort Necessity National Battlefield, a Program Manager and the founding Coordinator of the Indian Initiative for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, a Site Director for the West Virginia Division of Culture and History at WV Independence Hall, and currently serves as the Director of Hale Farm and Village. He has also taught as a university instructor in the Native American Studies program at WVU and in the History department for West Liberty University.
- **18th Century Tailoring and Accessories**, presented by David Weidner

By looking up close at some original garments, both military and civilian, we can learn How they were constructed and apply that knowledge to making quality reproductions for use in our interpretations. An original Welch officer's uniform and an English Court suit as well as some Accessories will be displayed for your purusal and discussion.

David Weidner joined the Brigade of the American Revolution in 1976. In 1980 he was Board appointed as coordinator for the Far West Region and served in that position for 36 years. He is a member of the Delaware Regiment.
- **Early American Money-Colonial: Revolutionary: and Some Federal**, presented by Bruce Egli

As common soldiers, you don't have any, but it's nice to know what it looks like. We will Even show you how to use period credit instruments. Free samples!!

Bruce Egli, 1st Bttn. Westmoreland County Pennsylvania Militia, has been a Brigade Member since 1976. He is a past commander of the NW Department and commanded the Vth Battalion at the 1981 Yorktown Bicentennial. He is old, but was not actually in the American Revolution.
- **Making a Copy of a Period Leather Artifact**, presented by Bob Cairns

We'll take a look at the documentation for a period item, then each participant will get a Chance to make a copy, after being show some very basic techniques for sewing a leather item. Needles and thread, along with the leather, will be provided. You will need to bring the following;

 - A sharp knife. An Exacto or other craft knife are great.
 - An awl. Either round or diamond shaped.
 - A scrap piece of board, about 10" x 10". This is to protect the table on which you work as you cut and pierce the leather. Nothing fancy, & plywood will do.

Don't be concerned if you've never made anything from leather. The idea here is to learn a few Very basic leather techniques that can be applied to other projects you may want to take on.

VERY IMPORTANT

If you plan to participate in **this presentation**, PLEASE let Bob Cairns know via email, so we can be sure to have the proper amount of materials. His email is; robtcairns@cs.com

Bob joined the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment, Ft. Laurens Detachment, and the B.A.R. in 1979. He has served on the NW Dept. Board as a Member-At-Large, Inspector, Deputy Commander, and is currently Commander. He is also the Commander of the 8th Pa. As with most long-time B.A.R. members, reenacting has taken him all over U.S., Canada, and even a trip to England.

18th Century Show and Tell

After supper on Saturday, approximately 6:00-8:30 PM, we will have an 18th c. Show and Tell, where you can examine original items from the period that are displayed by B.A.R. members. If you have artifacts you would like to share, please bring them. This will be a chance to actually handle (with care and permission) items made & used in the period of which we are so fond.

We'll also use this time as an evening social. Please bring your own refreshments.

Over-Night Accommodation

There is a separate building on the property which Travis Henline will open for those of us that would like to stay over night on Saturday. It will be barrack-style, in a heated building with plumbing. No potable water is available but it will be a warm dry place.

There are also MANY hotels and restaurants less than 20 minutes away one exit south of the Ghent exit off I 77. If you go to the Rt. 18, Fairlawn exit, you will have your choice of hotels and eating establishments from fast food to fine dining. The towns of Richfield and Peninsula are also a few minutes north of Hale Farm, with dining opportunities.

If you have ANY questions, please contact event coordinator Bob Cairns, at;

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I hope to see you all at Hale Farm and Village,

Bob Cairns