



The Flash

Col's Co, RWF in America

June 2017

Short Hills NJ

June 24-25. I've been looking forward to this event since I heard about it at the BB meeting in January. Located in short hills New Jersey between Philadelphia and NYC this is a great location for membership to get to. It's about an hour and a half from Hope Lodge in Pennsylvania and about an hour from Westchester county in New York.

The site is 88 acres of an abandoned golf course which means the sort of wide open areas we like to fight in BUT it is not prettily trimmed. It's been abandoned for ten years so it's gone a bit wild. And best of all, we can do what we like here. I'm not exaggerating. So long as we don't endanger life and limb they don't care what we do to the site because when we're done, they're going to bulldozer it all and make a series of athletic venues. They literally don't care what we do to the site because, let's be honest, what could we do that a bulldozer couldn't level anyway? (Just as a mental exercise I'm willing to entertain ideas.)

This will be the last big event for the high, 18 buttons a leg gaiters.

You will need two boxes of Ammo.

The address is: Oak Ridge Park, Union County, 136 Oak Ridge Rd, Clark NJ

To reach the site:

From Pennsylvania. Take the PA turnpike east to the Jersey turnpike north.

To Exit 11 Take the Garden State Parkway exit, toward Woodbridge.

Take the NJ-27 exit, EXIT 132, toward Iselin/Rahway/Metuchen.

Turn right onto Wood Ave/County Hwy-649.
Then after 2.24 miles Turn left onto Inman Ave/County Hwy-602.
Inman Ave is just past Frieda Ln
Take the 3rd right onto Feather Bed Ln.
Feather Bed Ln becomes Oak Ridge Rd.
136 OAK RIDGE RD is on the left.

from NY take the G Washington Br. To the Jersey turnpike south
Take the Oraton Pky exit, EXIT 12B-12A.
Merge onto Garden State Pkwy S (Portions toll).
Take EXIT 135 toward Westfield/Clark.
Central Ave/County Hwy-613 toward Westfield.
Turn left onto Raritan Rd/County Hwy-607. Continue to follow County Hwy-607.
136 Oak Ridge Rd, Clark, NJ 07066-2762, 136 OAK RIDGE RD is on the right.
Your destination is 0.2 miles past Woodland Rd

Old Sturbridge Village

The weekend of August 5-6 will be our regular outing to the recreated village in Massachusetts. This is usually a fun event on a great site. It is a good chance for our members in New England to turn out without having to drive too far and if I can do it from Pennsylvania each year, it can't be too difficult for other members to turn out.

Since this will be in peak of summer it will be a Late War Uniform event. That's cocked hats in place of wig and bearskin and gaitered trousers in place of breeches, stockings and gaiters..

You can encamp on the site or stay at one of the nearby hotels.

Brandywine

The big brigade event for 2016 at sandy Hollow PA where we were a few years ago. Sept 16-17.

Germantown

October 7 -our regular thrashing of the rebels in Philadelphia.

Hope Lodge

Our traditional end of season event. November 4-5

Short Gaiters

We're into the last two months for the long gaiters in general use. Make sure

you've got the short ones ready to go for the fall campaign season.

Buy the gaiters from Godwin, the buttons from Townsend and the semi-gloss latex paint from, well mine was Home Depot.

I spent an hour or so sewing on the bone buttons and these seem so much more comfortable.

Dues

Right some of you have sent in your checks to me and I really do appreciate that. For those of you who haven't please, we need this to cover our operating costs. Without insurance, we can't go out and play. It's that simple.

The dues are

Regimental	\$20
Col's company	\$10
Total	\$30

If you want to also have BAR membership for 2017 that is an additional
\$25.

For a total of \$55

Make the check out to Colonel's Company RWFIA and mail it to me at
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1103 Oxford Cir
Lansdale PA 19446

And yes it's col's company even if you're a grenadier or light bob-it's how I set up the bank account when I was the Colonel's company sergeant and that's how the checks go in.