



# *The Flash*

*Col's Co, RWF in America*

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## December

Ok I know I didn't have a newsletter in December. The wasn't much to report and there was some personal issues with my in laws which took up a lot of time getting them set up in care.

Otherwise the only thing to note in December was that the doodles were a little more depressed than normal. Someone pointed out to them that at Christmas, Santa wears a red coat and since they don't want red coats in their houses, well, there was a lot of coal in colonial households I'm told.

## The Year Ahead

On Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> I attended the annual meeting of the British Brigade and got the low down on events for the year ahead. Naturally there will be more details as they get nearer but this gives you a chance to start planning now.

**March 3-** St. David's Day a Dill Tavern.

**June 3-** Malvern A one day event on the Paoli battlefield site just south of King of Prussia, Pennsylvania..

**July 21-22-** Fort Ticonderoga the actual plan for the weekend is to follow the British siege of the fort in 1777 starting with assaulting their outer works of Saturday and driving the Colonials from the fort on Sunday.

Ti will be a place for most of us to escape from the heat of summer, it being much cooler up there. The major has said if people are interested he'll look into maybe renting a van to pick up people in the NY and PA areas to go up as a group so we can cut down on the driving.

**Sept 15-16-** Mount Harmon MD, the big event of the season, remember the BB is planning these for the 3rd weekend of each September so we, the members, can plan for it, at a wonderful site about an hour south of Hope Lodge. Mt. Harmon is a wonderful spot just an hour south of Hope Lodge, and will be the big event for the year. It will most likely be the late war uniforms.

**October 6-**Germantown PA

**November 3-** Hope Lodge, PA

Other items may crop up during the year. You know I'm fond of small local events, but this is what we have so far.

### **St. David's Day**

St David's day will, be held on Saturday March 3 at the Dill Tavern in Dillsburg, Pennsylvania. An authentic period tavern we had the dinner here 2 years ago and it really was a learning experience in all the best ways. Arriving before- hand several of us spent a pleasant afternoon in the tap room talking but if you left the room, getting away from the fire place. It was quite cold. The meal where we dined was lit by lamps and while the pictures were a bit dim, it was one of those cases when you really got a feel for what life was like in the 1770's.

There are beds available to sleep on site if you want, always a nice thing when you've just spent several hours drinking, but you must bring your own bedding-blankets or sleeping bags. For an understanding of what things were like in the age we portray this site has stuck in my mind as one of the most authentic I've seen.

The price is \$50/head. The check mailed to David Leslie-Hughes, PO box 73, Mechanicsville PA 18934

### **Gaiters**

Remember from here on out unless you hear otherwise is it the short gaiters for events.

### **Dues**

Just because I didn't have a newsletter in December doesn't mean dues aren't needed. We need it to cover insurance and such to keep us going. 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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