

### **Terrain & Presentations:**

There will be RevWar (RW) & Civil War (CW) encampments at Yowell Meadow Park. The walkway meanders through the areas. Mountain Run divides the groups. The Park is reserved for the event (save the football field). Mountain Run will divide the RW & CW portions of the event. The RW portion will be on the west side near the Culpeper Minutemen historic marker and the walkway to the DAR monument. The location is on the stream and affords a large area of open, flat ground on which to set up.

Our CW reenactors have contacted and obtained some RW reenactors, I have invited some others who are interested and there are several period "artisans" who will set up and do weaving, smithing, etc. I have invited (with Gar's assistance) the RW and War of 1812 reenactors (brothers) we know from Warrenton Days. The War of 1812 flags and materials are welcome. The RW reenactors will be given an area near the Run adequate for their needs. We will set up near-by. Shallow fires are approved for the encampment.

We are to present short lectures on the Minute Battalion, RW battles which involved Virginia troops, & information on our programs and any other appropriate materials or activities. I trust that John Sinks and Jim Bayne will fulfill this duty. This is not a closed matter so suggestions are welcome. The CMM Field Music will be there to play period F&D tunes. Blank fire is approved and I plan to have Paul and I give presentations on RW tactics and firing demonstrations with the rifle & musket. There is a safe area right there. I will bring a table and rifle rack to display the firearms and other gear separately. It is important that all Color Guard be in uniform and other CMM compatriots there to handle questions and "show the flag".

We will set up the canopy, tables, chairs and materials adjacent, but slightly removed from the RW encampment. We must have our several flags and stands to "backdrop" the SAR area. The DAR is expressly invited to "uniform", set up a display or form with our display. There are trees but shade, seating and liquids (no booze!) are your responsibility.

The event will continue on Sunday until approximately 3:00pm or whenever the crowd falls off. If the weather is obviously bad (hurricane, etc.), the event will be cancelled.

### **Access:**

Access to the area is easy in that we can enter at the western (remote) parking lot, drive down the walkway right to the area to unload. We must have the canopy and materials in position and erected early on Saturday, March 31 to clear the area of vehicles by 9:00am without fail. The remote parking lot is reserved for the SAR and the reenactors, so parking is not an issue. Police will provide

added parking for the public, as needed.

### **Parade:**

On Saturday at 10:00am sharp, there will be "military" parade of RW & CW reenactors and the SAR from the Museum to Yowell Meadow Park. The SAR will be the lead unit, War of 1812 and then the CW units. The route comes down Main, across Davis, and then (as the police determine) west to the Park. The RW & CW units will break from four abreast to double-file at the park and continue to march to their areas before disbanding. The police will afford a "rolling roadblock" all the way.

I suggest someone with a truck volunteer to "deliver" the SAR marchers to the Museum at about 9:30am before the parade as many of us are "getting a little long in the tooth" to march both ways!

### **CW encampment:**

For information, the CW reenactors will create an encampment, give firing demos and a small battle reenactment, including "a few" field guns which will also be used. The CW encampment is near the Civil War Memorial plaque.

### **Incidentals:**

The CW reenactors and Beth Bunch, Tourism Office, are handling all hand-outs and the "Welcome Table". Boy Scouts will be there for duty as needed. There will be food service arranged by the Tourism Office which will be located across the Mountain Run bridge from the main parking lot. The police will provide 24-7 security for the two-day event and handle all crowd issues and parking. There will be the main restroom facility plus several Port-a-Potty locations around the park.

This is a great chance to "show the flag" as well as fulfill a civic duty. I imagine Dom will be calling on each of us for various duties. Lon Lacey

### **April 7 - Hugh Mercer Wreath Laying Celebration,**

Fredericksburg, VA. Contact Jim Bayne for information. Color Guard and all other members of CMM invited to participate. The complete agenda and proper registration forms can be acquired from the VASSAR Internal Website identified above:

### **April 21 - Annual Multi-Chapter Luncheon Meeting,**

Graves Mountain Lodge, Syria, VA. Social Hour begins at 11:30 A.M. and the luncheon will begin at 12:00 noon. The cost, per individual, will be **\$18.00**, payable in advance. Guest can order wine individually. Reservations should be made no