



# The Flash

Col's Co, RWF in America

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## Wyoming Valley

Set in north eastern Pennsylvania near Scranton the Battle of Wyoming the weekend of July 16-17 represents a British attempt to defend their Indian allies from the retributive attacks from the colonials under General Sullivan. As the colonials were destroying Native American homesteads and villages we are cast in the light of the heroes defending woman and children from harm. It will be one of two British Brigade events of the year and one of those events that if you're going to make only a couple, put this on the list. The event is hosted by the 24<sup>th</sup> Connecticut militia and the 42<sup>nd</sup> Royal Regiment of Foot.

The British Brigade site has a link to the event and pictures of the site show several potential battle fields with a low ridge between them, the camp grounds and a large lake. There will be two battles. One each day. The site will not charge visitors or attendance. Clearly they are looking to make this very accessible to the general public and encourage them to show up.

The location, so neatly between New York and Philadelphia, could be a prime recruiting opportunity for us. The members of the colonel's company are knowledgeable and articulate, we can put on a good face for the public, I do not want to see possible recruits nicked from us into joining the grenadier company. Volunteers offering to help tie up Sgt. Raby to save recruits from joining the Light Company are to apply to the RSM.

The usual arrangements will be made for the main meals in the camp. Naturally anyone who wants to contribute to this will be welcome. The sergeants will gleefully accept offers of beer.

The site is about 2 ½ hours drive from both the Philadelphia and New York City regions.

To reach the site: From Philadelphia get on to the **North East Extension** of the turnpike- 476 and follow it for about 94 miles north to **PA 315N**. Get onto **I-81N** for about 11 miles, merge onto **I-84 East** take **exit 8** toward **PA-348/Mt Cobb/Hamlin** for 3/10's of a mile. Turn left onto **PA 247**. then turn right onto **Mount Cobb Rd/PA 348**. follow this for 2 miles. Turn Left on to **Hitchcock Rd**. follow this about 2 miles to registration.

From the New York City area take either 684 N or 87N to **I-84 West** for about 56 miles past The New York State throughway. Take **exit 8** toward **PA-348/Mt Cobb/Hamlin** for 3/10's of a mile. Turn right onto **PA 247**. then turn right onto **Mount Cobb Rd/PA 348**. follow this for 2 miles. Turn Left on to **Hitchcock Rd**. follow this about 2 miles to registration.

The GPS coordinates for the more technically advanced of you are: 41.443482, -75.471053

### Old Sturbridge Village

The weekend of August 6-7 will see an event at Old Sturbridge Village. About two hours and a half from Westchester, New York. We were on this site a couple of years ago. It is a recreated colonial village that is a little cramped together, but surrounded by very nice park land with rolling hills and trees. Wonderful fields of fire with little in the way of farbie artifacts to break up the effect.

This is an invitation only event and we have been invited because of Ken Siegel's involvement with us and the site.

This will be a two day event with a battle each day so bring at least a full box of ammo for each day you plan to attend.

To get there follow either I-95 or the Hutchinson River Parkway East into Connecticut to **91 North**. Follow that up to **84E in Hartford**. Stay on 84E until just over the Massachusetts border. The signs to the site are quite literally just past the border.

## Dues

There has been a response from and a large number of names were removed from the defaulter's list but there are still some names on the list 6 months into the year. Please drop the check for either \$35 or \$60 made out to Col's company, RWFIA in the mail to me at:

Paul Astle  
1103 Oxford cir  
Lansdale, PA 19446

And I can stop writing about the darn things. Please! Have mercy on your poor sergeant and spare him the torture!

Regimental dues are \$25  
Company dues are \$10  
With optional BAR dues an additional \$25

That's a total of \$35 for the regiment, \$60 if you want the BAR too.

The 'defaulters' on dues still include John Crawford, Dave Gengo, Bob Hanley, Andrew Eberhart, and Jason Grieves.

If you're still on this list and still expect to turn out- please send in your dues.