



# Military Encampment & 18th Century Market

Sept 29 - Oct 1, 2006  
at



## The Greenbank Mill & Philips Farm Celebrating the 225th Anniversary Of the Washington - Rochambeau March to Victory



# Washington- Rochambeau 225th Anniversary

In 1781, General Washington and French ally General Rochambeau left Rhode Island on their march to Yorktown, Virginia where they defeated the British forces and ended hostilities in the American Revolution. The allied armies with their troops, artillery, baggage train, and livestock traveled through Delaware.

During the three-day, 26-mile march through New Castle County, American and French troops interacted with teamsters, sailors, tradesmen, merchants, and residents along their route. Allied forces relied on local resources for food, transportation and hospitality. The locals welcomed the armies, especially the French who paid for everything with hard currency. The story of the “March to Victory” is a tribute to the American and French soldiers.



## African-American Teamster & Soldier talks about his life during the Revolution

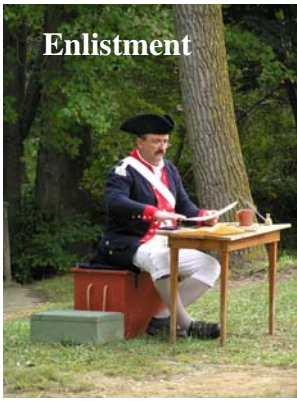


## Revolutionary Delaware Recreated

Like in 1781, soldier and civilian lives mingled at Greenbank Mill & Philips Farm. Visitors were given the opportunity to explore civilian and military life and observe how they collided.



**Militia Demonstrates Infantry & Artillery**



# The Military Experience

The three-day event offered visitors the opportunity to Experience life in 18th Century Delaware at the time the American and French forces made their march from Rhode Island to Yorktown. In 2006, over 1000 visitors joined 128 reenactors, craftsmen, historical interpreters, and musicians at Greenbank Mill & Philips Farm to celebrate our Revolutionary Heritage.



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**Delaware Continental**

Thanks to  
1st Maryland Regiment  
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**French Fifer**



**The Duc de Lauzon**



**Artillery and Military Engineering Demonstrations**

**Spectators stand in the rain to watch militia recruits drill.**



# 18th Century Market



Paper Making



Blacksmithing



Spinning & Weaving



Bowl Carving



Lace Making

Blue Hen Bakers  
 Bowl Carver Scott Gold  
 Brewer Richard Wagner  
 Common Goods & Embelishments  
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Greenbank Volunteers as:

Rope Makers  
 Poet  
 Lace Seller  
 Cooks  
 Carpenters  
 Spinners and Weavers  
 18th Century Farmers



Delaware Grown Produce



Brewing



Seamstress

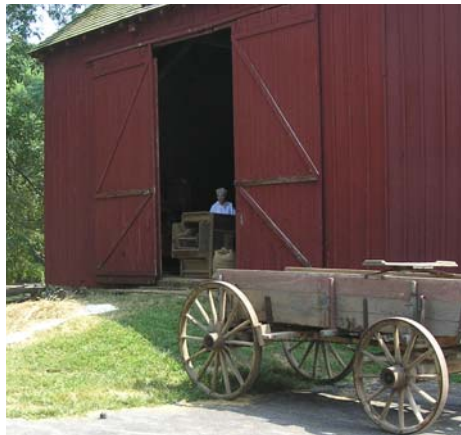


# The Philips Farm & Civilian Life



## Agricultural Heritage

Using History to Reconnect People with Where Their Food Originates.



# History



## Immersion History

Delaware Military Academy cadets enlisted in the militia and spent two days learning about army life in the 18th century.



## The Heritage Dancers

Visitors were invited to join this group and learn period dances. The Heritage Dancers offer this opportunity one weekend per month at the Mill.



## Musical Heritage

During this event Greenbank Mill & Philips Farm hosted performances by

**David & Ginger Hildebrand**  
And  
**Slight of Hand**



## Informative Lectures

Dr. Robert Selig, historian of the Washington-Rochambeau trail, discussed Delaware's role in supplying the allied armies.

## Livestock Heritage

Volunteers from DE Cooperative Extension discuss historic poultry breeds including the Blue Hen. Other animals in the market included sheep & cows.



## Girl Scout Volunteers

Members of Girl Scout Troop 604 earned about period games and then assisted visiting students seeking fun, 18th century style.

# Future Benefits For Greenbank Mill and The Community



## Market Shelters

Constructed for the craftsmen and sutlers in the market, these structures will be used to house historic trades that supported Greenbank Mills & Philips Farm. Eventually, the sheds will contain a blacksmith shop, carpentry shop, and possibly a cooperage.

## Venture Crew

During the Revolutionary War event, a group of scouts was inspired to create a venture crew focusing on living history. The group of scouts has already trained with the bake oven and is researching clothing to create what they need. The group will help with future programs at the mills and farm as historical interpreters.



## Redan Fortification

The fortification helped visitors understand the importance and experiences of allied engineers. The redan was constructed by summer interns and students who attended a summer camp and an overnight immersion program. It has been a useful educational tool and will continue to be used in the coming years.

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