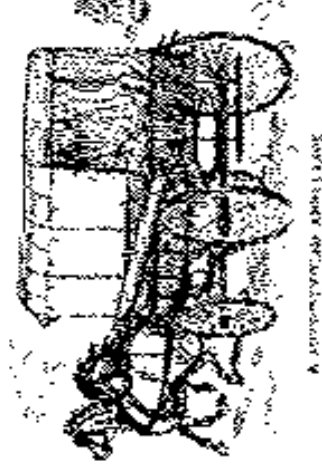


Sponsors & Hosts

- *Smithfield Community Association—a 501 c3 organization formed to preserve and promote the rich heritage of the Town of Smithfield.*
- *Town of Smithfield -*
- *The 117th NYVI Company B. A (Civil War reenacting) We are the 117th NYVI Co B, a Civil War living history unit from Madison and Oneida counties, NY. Major Wayne Waite is our commander.*



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Thank You to the Reenactors

Thank you for your support and participation. Without the Civil War Reenactors and Living Historians there would not be a Peterboro Civil War Weekend.

16th Annual Peterboro Civil War Weekend

June 14—15, 2008

**Education Day
Friday, June 13, 2008
(Is by invitation only)**

Peterboro NY is the Home of:

- Gerrit Smith Estate National Historic Landmark
- National Abolition Hall of Fame and Museum
- Heritage New York Underground Trail

Contact information:

For registration forms—<http://www.geocities.com/nyv117cob/index.htm>

Smithfield Community association - <http://www.sca-peterboro.org/>

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Purpose: Peterboro Civil War Weekend is an education and fundraising event sponsored by the Town of Smithfield and the Smithfield Community Association.

Proceeds from the event support the preservation and promotion of the heritage of the Town of Smithfield. Often matching grant money given for preservation.

Peterboro, Gerrit Smith and Abolition Hall of Fame

- The Gerrit Smith Estate National Historic Landmark site was the lifetime home and office of wealthy abolitionist Gerrit Smith. Hundreds of freedom-seekers came for safety and opportunity, and scores of abolitionists came to this site for support and rededication to the cause of antislavery. Smith was the major supporter of Frederick Douglass publications and John Brown's raid at Harpers Ferry. The Gerrit Smith Land Office, a single story brick office in the federal style, is the predominant structure on the site. Designated a National Historic Landmark in 2001. Chosen as a National Network to Freedom UGRR Site in 2002. Also, designated as a site on the New York State Underground Railroad Heritage Trail in 2004.
- The National Abolition Hall of Fame (NAHOF) has been established to honor exemplary people from three centuries that dedicated their lives, efforts, and personal wealth to gain equal rights for all. For the purposes of the Hall of Fame, abolition is recognized as both the legal ending of slavery, or the First Abolition, and the moral ending of discrimination, or the Second Abolition.

Reenactment Information

- Union and Confederate Camps with water, wood and straw provided
- Period Entertainment and Performances
- Smithfield Fire Department sponsors a fund raising Pancake Breakfast Sunday morning
- Skirmish both days 2:00 PM
- NEMDA rules and Safety regulations strictly observed
- The standard rules of camp and field are in effect. They are to be respected and obeyed. Anyone acting in an unsafe manner will be asked to leave immediately with no refund of fee.
- No participant under the age of 16 will be allowed to carry or fire any firearm or server on any cannon crew.
- No participant under the age of 12 years will be allowed on the field during the battles
- Participants 12—15 years of age must be a messenger, or a functional musician certified and assigned by the Chief of Music to be on the field.
- Participants under age 16 must have a parent or guardian who is responsible for him/her for the weekend and must be accompanied that person.

Reenactors Information

- Registration will take place in the union camp, the southwest corner of the green. Registration will be open on Friday from 2:30 pm—8:00 pm and on Saturday from 8:00 am—9:00 am
- If you plan on arriving after Saturday's registration time please note on your registration form. Please see registration before setting up camp.
- All vehicles will be out of camp and off Pleasant Valley road by 9:15 am. Parking is located behind the Community Center. Any arrivals after that time must carry their gear in.
- An authentic Union and Confederate camp will be established. No wall or fly tents will be allowed on company streets. All modern items and equipment will be kept out of public view during the event.
- All participants must be in period attire during public hours. No wristwatches. Eyewear should be as close as possible. Civilian females—no hoop skirts around the fire, no nail polish or 21st century makeup.
- All women serving in the ranks will make a determined effort to disguise the fact that they are female. This is historically accurate. Let's not insult their memories.
- Please refrain from breaking camp until 5:00 pm on Saturday and 4:00 pm on Sunday. If you have a long way to travel or special circumstances please coordinate with registration.
- Modern camping behind Community Center—no hookups
- For hotel and campground information—Madison County Tourism—<http://www.madisoncountytourism.com/>