

FEBRUARY 2017

“To Garrison the Fort...”

Feb. 25th & 26th

Experience life in the winter at the fort during the French and Indian War as members of the recreated Joshua Beall's Maryland Company garrison the fort. Highlights of the event include musket firing presentations, hearth cooking demonstrations, a uniform and clothing talk and military drills. Hours are 11 am to 3pm Saturday, and 11 am to 2pm Sunday. Park entrance fees apply.

MARCH 2017

“To Garrison the Fort...”

March 25th & 26th

Experience life at the fort during the French and Indian War as members of the recreated 17th Virginia Company “Gist's Scouts” garrison the fort. Highlights of the event include musket firing presentations, hearth cooking demonstrations, a uniform and clothing talk and military drills. Hours are 11 am to 3pm Saturday, and 11 am to 2pm Sunday. Park entrance fees apply.

APRIL 2017

18th Century Market Fair

April 27th to 30th

Now in its 23rd year, the Market Fair features the best artisans, craftspeople, and sutlers together with an 18th century encampment. Hours are 9 am to 5 pm Thu, Fri, Sat and 9 am to 3 pm Sun. Sponsored by the Friends of Fort Frederick State Park. Admission Fee Charged.

MAY 2017

“To Garrison the Fort...”

May 13th & 14th

Experience life at the fort during the French and Indian War as members of the recreated Joshua Beall's and Alexander Beall's Maryland Companies garrison the fort. Highlights of the event include musket firing presentations, hearth cooking demonstrations, a uniform and clothing talk and military drills. Hours are 10 am to 4 pm Saturday, and 10 am to 3 pm Sunday. Park entrance fees apply.

JUNE 2017

Colonial Children's Day; Fun and Games

June 3rd

Children ages 8 to 12 will be transported back in time as they take part in a day of hands-on 18th century fun and games. Participants will experience the how children entertained themselves during the colonial period, with games such as blind man's bluff and trap ball, and activities like kite making and musical entertainment just to name a few. Hours are 10 am to 3 pm. Lunch is included. There is a fee and *advanced registration is required and limited*. Registration is limited to 20 children.

“To Garrison the Fort...”

June 24th & 25th

Experience life during the American Revolutionary War as members of the recreated Maryland Independent Rifles garrison the fort. Highlights of the event include musket firing presentations, hearth cooking demonstrations, a uniform and clothing talk and military drills. Hours are 10 am to 4 pm Saturday, and 10 am to 3 pm Sunday. Park entrance fees apply.

JULY 2017

“The Fort is Pretty Full” Fort Frederick during the American Revolution

July 1st to 4th

Join park staff in celebrating America's birthday by learning about Fort Frederick role as a Prisoner of War Camp during the American Revolution. Highlights of the event include talks on the fort in the Revolution, musket firing demonstrations, hearth cooking demonstrations, a uniform and clothing talk and military drills. Programs will be held daily from 10 am to 5 pm. Entrance fees may apply.

AUGUST 2017

The American Soldier Through the Ages

Aug. 5th & 6th

The military history of Fort Frederick spans the 18th and 19th centuries. Building upon that legacy, the park will be hosting a “Soldier Through the Centuries” program. With “hands-on” displays of weapons, uniforms and military gear from the 1600's colonial militia, Revolutionary War, Civil War, and World War II, historical interpreters from the Fort will be describing how soldiering changed over time while maintaining certain common elements. The visiting public will be given a rare opportunity to come in close contact with antiques from our military past. Hours are 10 am to 4 pm. Park entrance fees apply.

French & Indian War Muster

Aug. 26th & 27th

French, British, and American Indian reenactors assemble for three days of 18th century living history demonstrations and battle reenactments. Period crafts and food vendor will also be available. Hours are 9 am to 4 pm Saturday and 9 am to 3 pm Sunday. Park entrance fees apply.

SEPTEMBER 2017

One Fort: Three Wars

Sept. 16th & 17th

Through living history demonstrations discover the part Fort Frederick played during the French and Indian War, American Revolution and Civil War. Hours are 10 am to 4 pm. Park entrance fees apply.

OCTOBER 2017

Fort Frederick in the Civil War

Oct. 7th & 8th

To commemorate Fort Frederick's role in the American Civil War, reenactors will assemble for a weekend of living history demonstrations and tactics demonstrations. Hours are 10 am to 3 pm.

A Pleasant Diversion

Oct. 21st & 22nd

Experience pleasant diversions from military life at the fort during the French and Indian War as members of the recreated Maryland Troops garrison the fort. Highlights of the event include musket firing demonstrations, colonial toys and games and other fun activities from the time. Hours are 10 am to 4 pm Saturday; Saturday at 7pm will be campfire program celebrating Guy Fawkes/Bonfire night. Sunday 10 am to 3 pm. Park entrance fees apply.

NOVEMBER 2017

American Indian Heritage Month Program; Cherokee at Fort Frederick

Nov. 4th & 5th

This hour long presentation will examine the story of the Cherokee who fought on the side of Maryland during the French and Indian War. The presentation will be held in the park's Visitor Center at 11 am and 2 pm, both Saturday and Sunday. Park entrance fees apply.