

FW: Re-burial of Revolutionary war soldiers of Lake George

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Hello, I would love to see those remains buried at the National Cemetery in Saratoga. They fought for this country and are Military Heroes. Thank you.

Anthony Fusco
110 Locust Ct.
Ballston Spa, NY 12020
518-573-7788

FW: Burial

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Thx.

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You know this whole thing is a travesty to begin with. Bunch of white guys who were unhappy with King George for giving them a bunch of land that didn't belong to him and then trashing the native peoples that were living here already and I get a kick out of when I hear about Independence because ask a million people who had black skin about how much Independence they had. This whole revolutionary war was just pretty much a joke especially considering the amount of people that were involved and how much it certainly didn't contribute to the lofty ideals set up by 51 white guys. That supposedly all men were created equal but George Washington and Thomas Jefferson both couldn't have been playing politician and soldier without having numerous enslaved black people to do the dirty work back home! I guess I'm tired about hearing about this not well known fact about our great country. So if these peoples remains are in the State museum best they stay there and will not require tax dollars from us New York citizens to do this folly. I think we have a lot more important things to do with our tax dollars sincerely, Bob Cohen

FW: Lake George burial plans for Revolutionary War soldiers

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Fri 1/19/2024 9:43 AM

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From: Charles Eickhof <charles@eickhofcolumbaria.com>

Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2024 6:19 PM

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Hello Charles,

I've become informed of the circumstance, in Lake Geroge, concerning the Revolutionary Soldier reburial solution dilemma.

If you're open to it, I have some ideas which might interest you. Let me know if you'd like to set up a brief discussion.

Kind Regards,

Charles Eickhof | Client Guide



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Lake George Battlefield Park Plan modification-reinterment

Jeff Brozyna <jhbrozyna@gmail.com>

Sun 1/21/2024 2:39 PM

To:Vandrei, Charles (DEC) <charles.vandrei@dec.ny.gov>

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Dear Chuck,

As a year-round resident of the Town of Lake George, former Board President of the Lake George Land Conservancy and life long history buff, I enthusiastically endorse your reinterment plan for the Courtland St. Revolutionary War soldiers. Kindly add my comments to the formal DEC and APA record.

Thank you for all the work you have done on this project and for your entire career in historic preservation.

Regards,

Jeff Brozyna
34 Konci Terrace
Lake George, NY 12845

Lynda Karig Hohmann, MD, PhD, MBA
159 Whitehall Road
Albany, New Year 12209
Cell: 518 428 5501

Charles E. Vandrei
NYS DEC- Office of Indian Nation Affairs
625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233-1500

Dear Mr. Vandrei:

I am writing in support of the draft amendment to the 1981 Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park Unit Management Plan to Allow Construction of a Facility for the Interment of Revolutionary War Human Remains.

In full disclosure, I have been associated with this project from nearly the beginning. Within a short time after the discovery, I was notified that a large number of human remains were uncovered during the construction of a triplex on Courtland Street in Lake George and it appeared that these remains may be the persons who died in the Military Hospital of the Northern Campaign in 1776 during the early years of our Revolution. This hospital installation was in the environs of Lake George Battlefield Park. At that time, I was the president of the Lake George Battlefield Park (Fort George) Alliance (the friends group of Lake George Battlefield Park). One of my first concerns was that these remains should not end up in boxes on some dusty shelf in a museum, the fate of other human remains found in Lake George. I then wrote a petition to both the Town of Lake George and the Village of Lake George requesting they support the respectful reinterment of these remains in an appropriate site. These letters are attached. Both governmental entities passed these resolutions and suggested that Lake George Battlefield Park would be the most appropriate location for this respectful reinterment. This was the beginning of the strong support of the community for the appropriate care of these remains.

Approximately 100 volunteers under the leadership of Chuck Vandrei and Lisa Anderson spent hours in all kinds of weather to collect these remains. During this many months exercise, there was absolute respect for the persons whose remains were so tragically unearthed, shattered and scattered. Americans have a history of respecting our war dead and honoring them even long after they are in the ground. That respect was evident every day during this time and continues as more and more persons learn of this project and add their support to the appropriate care of these remains.

It is only appropriate that we continue this respect for these persons who died in the service of our country, far from their families and homes, and initially in graves unknown to their loved ones. They deserve what couldn't be given them during that time when the Hospital for the

Northern Campaign was dealing with hundreds of ill and dying persons—a dignified hallowed interment site. The Park is the ideal location for this as within its environs was the army hospital for that year, although its specific location is not clear. The chosen site is near the burial site of the Four Unknown Soldiers of the Battle of Lake George, 1755. The site does not appear to be archaeologically sensitive and is ideally placed near Fort George Road across from the LGBP Visitors Interpretive Center.

Please pass this amendment. Thank you

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lynda Karig Hohmann". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Lynda Karig Hohmann, MD, PhD, MBA

Dear Charles E. Volz

My name is William Farrell

I am 8 years old! I heard about the American Revolutionary soldiers on the American side who died from Smallpox Saving America! I think they should be re-buried in option #6 which is a Mausoleum! The Revolutionary War soldiers there are special! They protected America from British Tyranny. And they deserve to have a special Mausoleum. They had smallpox, they died from it, but their dream of a free nation did not die with them, but lives on forever.

William S. B. Farrell

Dear Charles F

Vandria

My name is Jackson Farrell, I am 7 years old. I heard about American Revolutionary soldiers who died of small pox in Lake George, I think how they should be re-burial is option 7 A Low profile, which is preferred. The people there are special but I dont want it to mess up what the Battle field park looks like.

Jackson Farrell

From: noreply-pc@apa.ny.gov
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Cc: buckybster@gmail.com
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Please copy "LGBBP-UMP, Alan Stone, buckybster@gmail.com" into your message for our reference.

Attn: Megan Phillips
Comments from: Alan Stone
Email from: buckybster@gmail.com
Address: 3 Oak Hill Drive NH 03820
Re: Agency Project LGBBP-UMP, NYS APA & NYS DEC

My Comments:

Good Day,
I'm writing you in support of the plans to re-interment the remains of the skeletons unearthed during construction. The plans, as submitted, are a fitting memorial to those who came and fought, died and lay unidentified for almost 250 years. This memorial fits in well with the Lake George Battlefield.

Thank you,
Alan Stone

From: [Beverly Karch](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Lake George Battlefield Park
Date: Monday, January 29, 2024 8:33:11 AM

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I am writing to express my support for the proposal to reinter the remains of the Continental soldiers who died from smallpox in 1776 serving their nascent country at the Lake George Battlefield Park. It seems to me fitting and respectful to do so. Thank you,
Beverly Karch
Lake George, NY

Sent from my iPad

From: [Robert Wilcox](#)
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Meagan Phillips: I am a Board Director with the Lake George Battlefield Alliance and write to express my strong approval of revising the Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park UMP so as to allow the proposed reinterment of the remains of the Continental soldiers found in Lake George Village in the Lake George Battlefield Park. Given the upcoming 250th anniversary of the American Revolution this reinterment is especially significant and the historical site and architectural renderings of the project are totally appropriate to create a quiet, contemplative space to offer respects to these early patriots. Our history must be preserved and this project helps accomplish this goal. I can think of no legitimate reason to deny revision of the UMP to prevent this project nor can I imagine a more appropriate location for the reinterment. Thank you.

Bob Wilcox
32 Northcrest Dr.
Clifton Park, N.Y.

From: [Connie and Lee Farrington](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
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Greetings,

I am an 83 year old widow and long ago graduate of Lake George High School. What a fantastic opportunity you have to help to bring to fruition a wonderful plan to honor some of our Revolutionary soldiers.

I urge you to do everything you can to expedite and support this worthy project for the reinterment of the 44 soldiers who are believed to have died in the smallpox hospital. The Lake George Battlefield Park is a perfect location for this burial ground.

Everyone I've talked to is in agreement that the project should be completed before 2026, in time to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the smallpox hospital.

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Thank you for providing this opportunity for input.

Connie Harris Farrington
1780 Ridge Road, Queensbury, NY 12804

From: [DAVID BANNON](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov; dec.sm.OINA; jpgdinuzzo@gmail.com
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Good Morning:

I am writing in support of the reburial of the 44 individuals (Continental Soldiers) discovered on Courtland Street in the Village of Lake George in February of 2019.

The proposed historical location, near the original smallpox hospital would be ideal for the soldiers final resting place.

I am in full support of the proposed Continental Soldiers reinterment in the Lake George Battlefield Park .

J. David Bannon, MD

Member of the LG Battlefield Park Alliance

From: [Diane Murray](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Cc: jpgdinuzzo@gmail.com
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Date: Friday, February 16, 2024 9:54:45 AM

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Dear Ms. Megan Phillips,

I am writing to you concerning the pending decision of the reinterment of the 44 Continental soldiers and individuals exhumed on Courtland Street in Lake George New York on 2/7/19. As members of the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, my husband and I are committed to, and, passionate about the preservation of local history.

These individuals sacrificed their lives for our freedom and our country. Subsequently, they deserve respect and a place of honor where they served and died. We strongly support the proposed reinterment in Lake George Battlefield Park with full military honors.

Thank you for your consideration in this momentous decision.

Sincerely,
Diane Joy-Murray
Mark Murray

From: noreply-pc@apa.ny.gov
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Cc: dlagoy@nycap.rr.com
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Attn: Megan Phillips
Comments from: Donna Lagoy
Email from: dlagoy@nycap.rr.com
Address: 416 Atateka Dr. Chestertown NY 12817-2002
Re: Agency Project LGBBP-UMP, NYS APA & NYS DEC

My Comments:

I prefer the Low Profile Columbarium Structure

From: whitestar1864@hotmail.com
To: dec.sm.OINA; SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: 1024 Northfield Drive Carlisle PA 17013 Monday, 29 January 2024 Whitestar1864@hotmail.com (315) 486-3034
Charles E. Vandrei Megan Phillips NY State Dept. of Environmental Conservation
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Monday, 29 January 2024
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Charles E. Vandrei
NY State Dept. of Environmental Conservation
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Email: OINA@dec.ny.gov
SLMP_UMP_comments@apa.ny.gov

Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency
PO Box 99
Ray Brook, NY 12977
Email:

I am writing today to express my support for a revision to the State of New York's -, necessary to facilitate the reinternment of forty-four (44) American soldiers of the Continental Army. It is my understanding that archaeological investigations have determined the identification of these soldiers. The internment is believed to have been from soldiers who died at the Continental Army Hospital established at Fort George in the summer and fall of 1776.

I am a professional Historian currently serving with the U.S. Army War College. Previously, I have written a scholarly, academic study of the American Northern Theater Army in the 1776: Douglas R. Cubbison, *The American Northern Theater Army in 1776: The Ruin and Reconstruction of the Continental Force* (McFarland and Company, Publishers: 2010). As such, I am intimately familiar with the history of the Fort George Continental Army smallpox hospital. I am also the Cultural Resources Manager for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York from 2001-2006, and as such I am intimately familiar with the importance and relevance of the regulatory requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act and similar historic, archaeological, and environmental legislation. I believe that the appropriate internment of U.S. Army soldiers, at the immediate location of the 1776 Continental Army's Smallpox Hospital, is fully appropriate.

These soldiers should be respectfully buried, with full military honors, at Lake George Battlefield Park. It is my understanding that the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance's Board of Trustees is in favor of this internment. Appropriate interpretation and educational signage should be installed so that the service and sacrifice of these American patriots is not forgotten. I am available to assist with the preparation of such signage, or with the editorial review for historical accuracy of such signage.

Douglas R. Cubbison

Former Major, U.S. Army (Afghanistan 2007)

Member, Sons of American Revolution, Washingtonburg (Pa) Camp

From: [Fred Stannard](#)
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Alternative # 7 is the more practical consideration. I would suggest next to the ruins of Fort George adjacent to the parking lot next to the ruins. Burial is not an option due to the Park being on a huge rock ledge.

From: [Gary Moon](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Reinterment of remains at Lake George Battlefield Park
Date: Monday, February 12, 2024 9:15:48 AM

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To: Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency

Ms. Philips:

I am writing to express my concern and interest that the Courtland Street remains that were discovered in 2019 should be reinterred at the Lake George Battlefield Park, in a location that is being developed specifically for respectful interment of historic Americans who died in the effort at Lake George. Nothing is more fitting than to honor these Continental soldiers by locating their final resting place at the location where they gave the last measure of their life, in pursuit of our nation's future. The planned memorial provides a peaceful place for reflection with a stunning view over the lake where they drew their last breaths, and they deserve that honor.

Thank you,

Gary Moon
Vice President
Lake George Historical Association
Past Chairman: Town of Lake George Zoning Board of Appeals
Member: Lake George Battlefield Park

From: [Greg Keefer](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Public invited to comment on plans for Revolutionary War soldiers' remains
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Hi,

I am in favor of Alternative 5. Would Alternative 7, the low-profile Columbarium, require the remains to be cremated? If so, I would not support this option.

Please advise.

Thank you,

Greg Keefer

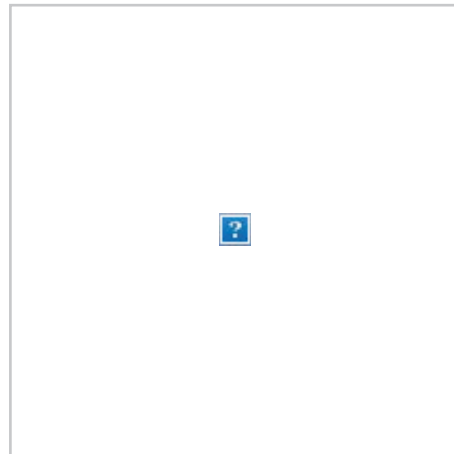
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To: <keefersva@gmail.com>



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[Hamlet of Saranac Lake](#)

By Guest Contributor on Jan 17, 2024 03:08 pm

From: [Irwin D Nathanson](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Cc: [John DiNuzzo](#)
Subject: Registering My Support of Proposed Continental Soldiers' Reinternment in Lake George Battlefield Park.
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Dear Ms. Philipps:

As you know, nearly five years ago during a residential construction project in the village of Lake George, the remains of 44 individuals were discovered and quickly protected. Since then, we have learned that these remains are primarily those of Continental soldiers who perished from smallpox at the Continental Army hospital that operated at Lake George in 1776.

As I understand, the Lake George Town Board, the Village of Lake George Board of Trustees, and community historians have all formally recommended that these remains be reinterred at Lake George Battlefield Park since this was where the 18th Century smallpox hospital was actually located. All these stakeholders believe it most appropriate that the soldiers' final resting place should be a public location near where they drew their final breaths.

As a member of the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, I have a keen interest in preserving this key aspect of American history. Therefore, I am letting DEC and the APA know of my strong support of the proposed Continental soldiers' reinternment in Lake George Battlefield Park. I agree with our Board of Trustees that our beautiful and historic site is the most appropriate reinternment location for these early American heroes.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Irwin D. Nathanson, Captain, USNR-RET
Diamond Point

From: [John Buchanan](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
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TO: Megan Phillips

Dear Ms. Philips,

As an independent military historian whose books on the Revolutionary War and early America have earned the admiration of academics and lay readers alike, I feel strongly about the issue described below.

The remains, primarily of 44 Continental soldiers, were discovered in 2019 in the village of Lake George during a construction project. The Board of Trustees of the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance want the remains buried in the Park, where the 18th century smallpox hospital was located. I agree that it would be appropriate to bury the remains in a setting visited by the public. Signage would inform visitors of the sacrifice of these patriots during the War that brought our nation into being.

I heartily recommend approval of the necessary revision of New York State's Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park Unit Management Plan in order to incorporate this addition to the Park

With Kind Regards
John Buchanan
www.jackbuchanan.net

John Gunderson
45 Philip St
Lake George, NY 12845

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ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY

FEB 16 2024

13 February 2024

Megan Phillips
Deputy Director Planning
Adirondack Park Agency
P.O.Box 99
Ray Brook, NY 12977

Dear Ms. Phillips:

This letter is in regards to the request for comments about a proposed amendment to the 1981 Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park Unit Management Plans. I feel that an amendment should be done as necessary to properly honor and contextualize the men whose remains were discovered "on the hill" in Lake George Village. I believe a "mausoleum" resembling George and Martha Washington's Mount Vernon, Virginia tomb and vault would be a most appropriate final resting place of these 18 men. The mass reburial of these Pennsylvania soldiers in such a structure would be appropriate since they served together, became sick, were sent to Lake George presumably because of sickness to be isolated from the healthy, and were buried together until discovery. Their sacrifice and lonely death were remembered possibly only by their brothers in arms and grieving families. The accidental discovery over two centuries later resulted in discovery of their remains. The discovery has created the opportunity to properly honor the death of these men in a savage wilderness. Let us go forward and do our duty to them.

Sincerely,



John Gunderson

February 2, 2024

Mr. Charles E Vandrei
NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation
625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-1500
Email: OINA@dec.ny.gov

Ms Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency
Box 99, Raybrook, NY 12077
Email: SLMP_UMP_comments@apa.ny.gov

Proposed Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park Unit Management Plan Amendment

I am writing in regards to revision of the State's Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park Unit Management Plan to permit the internment of the remains of 44 Continental soldiers, uncovered in 2019 in Lake George, in Lake George Battlefield State Park

The Lake George Town Board, the Village of Lake George Board of Trustees, and community historians have all formally recommended that these remains be reinterred at Lake George Battlefield State Park, where the 18th Century smallpox hospital was actually located.

I am writing from the perspective of a former New York State French and Indian War 250th Anniversary Commemoration Commission Commissioner.

While the Battlefield is based on its history during the French and Indian War, the site also has a Revolutionary war history.

For example, Ft Stanwix, a National Monument in Rome N.Y., is named for a French & Indian War era British Fort., but is actually interpreted by the National Park Service Park Service as Fort Schulyer, as it appeared 1777 during the Revolution.

These patriots died in service to the United States during the American Revolution, and deserve to be interred near where they died.

The proposal is an appropriate way to honor their memory, particularly as we approach the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution.

I recommend the site management plan be amended to permit their internment.

John L, Osinski

POB 788\, Middleburgh, NY 12122

Commissioner, New York State French and Indian War 250th Anniversary Commemoration
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From: [John Schroeter](#)
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Dear Ms Phillips,

I would prefer that the remains of those found at Courtland street be interred in **Low Profile Columbarium Structures at Battlrfield Park. Thank you for your attention. J.H.Schroeyter Jt. Thurman, NY**

From: [joshua sabatini](#)
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My family and I would like to comment on the proposal. We all agree to let the unknown freedom fighters lay where there are and have a memorial to them in close proximity to them. As long as there is not anything else underneath where the memorial will be.

Lake George is very important to us and all the rich history there. We look forward to a response and update on this and also the memorial itself.

God Bless The Spirit 1776,

Sincerely The Sabatini Family

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JAN 24 2024

January 21, 2024

Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency
PO Box 99
Ray Brook, New York 12977

Dear Ms. Phillips,

Re: Support for the project to establish a Revolutionary War Cemetery at the Lake George Battlefield Park.

The purpose of this letter is to urge the Adirondack Park Agency to approve the proposal to add a Revolutionary War Veteran's Cemetery to the Lake George Battlefield Park. The site is an important area in New York State history because a critical Revolutionary War facility, Fort George, was located in the park. The park will be enhanced by providing the new cemetery. I have visited the park on numerous occasions and believe that it will be enhanced when the new facility is installed for the public to enjoy.

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The Importance of Fort George

Fort George was an important asset of the Northern Department of the United States army during the Revolutionary War. The fort is located in the Village of Lake George and Fort William Henry is located nearby. The American militia seized Fort George from the British on May 11, 1775. It was an important passage way for the Americans to march to Canada later that year. American Major General Philip Schuyler arrived at Fort George on July 17, 1775. He found about 334 troops who were highly undisciplined. Schuyler issued new regulations to improve the quality of the army. He

instructed the troops to construct about 24 boats to help ship supplies north to Fort Champlain. The soldiers also made improvements to the facility.

Congress directed Schuyler to invade Canada during July of 1775 and the importance of Fort George increased at that time. The troops invading Canada camped out at the fort and numerous wagons of supplies were sent north towards Canada to help supply the invading army.⁴ Additional military activity occurred at Fort George in 1776. The fort continued to supply the troops who invaded Canada. Congress sent a delegation to Canada in February to try to persuade the Canadians to become an American colony. Benjamin Franklin was a member of the delegation which went through Fort George on their way to Canada. Also, Major General John Thomas who was an American army commander in Canada stayed at Fort George with about 1,315 troops on their way to Canada. Philip Schuyler used Fort George as his army headquarters from April 12th to June 9th of 1776. The fort became an important smallpox hospital for the American army after it retreated from Canada in 1776. American Major General Horatio Gates established the hospital to help the soldiers. Many of them died, however, and the scene has been described as one of unimaginable suffering.⁵

Fort George experienced additional military activity in 1777. Major General Philip Schuyler came to Fort George in March and ordered that naval ships be built to stop the anticipated British invasion. Fort George was abandoned by the Americans on July 16th after Fort Ticonderoga was captured. The British used Fort George and Diamond Island on Lake George as supply facilities to support Burgoyne's invasion. The Americans attacked Diamond Island but were repulsed on September 24th. Burgoyne abandoned Fort George after he was defeated in October.⁶

⁴ Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, *Lake George Battlefield Park Visitor Center* (Lake George, New York, 2022). Some of the information also comes from a display panel in the museum entitled *1775 The American Revolution Begins*.

⁵ Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, *Lake George Battlefield Park Visitor Center* (Lake George, New York, 2022). Some of the information also comes from a display panel in the museum entitled *1776 Chaos and Recovery*.

⁶ Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, *Lake George Battlefield Park Visitor Center* (Lake George, New York, 2022). Some of the information also comes from a display panel in the museum entitled *1777 British Occupation of Fort George*.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kevin M. Bronner". The signature is written in black ink and has a fluid, connected style.

Kevin M. Bronner, Ph.D.
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Loudonville, New York 12211

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25 January 2024

Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency
PO Box 99
Ray Brook, NY 12977
Email: SLMP_UMP_comments@apa.ny.gov

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Dear Ms. Phillips:

The proposed amendment to the Unit Management Plan for Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park recommends that the remains of 44 Continental soldiers who perished at Lake George in 1776 be reinterred in low-profile columbarium structures in the Lake George Battlefield Park. This recommendation by the State Department of Environmental Conservation is consistent with resolutions passed by the Village of Lake George Board of Trustees and the Lake George Town Board, and the expert opinions of regional historians. Design plans presented in the draft UMP amendment provide for a respectful and peaceful setting at which the sacrifices of these soldiers can be contemplated by the thousands of people who annually visit this historic property.

The reinterment of the remains in Lake George Battlefield Park, as described in the design incorporated into the draft UMP amendment, is the most appropriate manner for these early patriots to be remembered and permanently honored. As we approach the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, and of the passing of these early American heroes, we urge the State of New York to adopt and implement the draft UMP amendment's reinterment recommendation to pay them a fitting tribute from a grateful nation.

Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees
Lake George Historical Association
Lake George, NY

From: noreply-pc@apa.ny.gov
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Cc: mlindner1940@gmail.com
Subject: APA Project LGBBP-UMP Public Comments
Date: Sunday, January 28, 2024 12:14:33 PM

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Attn: Megan Phillips
Comments from: Margaret M Lindner
Email from: mlindner1940@gmail.com
Address: 52 Morgan Ct Lake George NY 12845
Re: Agency Project LGBBP-UMP, NYS APA & NYS DEC

My Comments:

I am completely in favor of the propose respectful reinternment of these remains to the Battleground memorial area. I was glad to see the dedicated efforts to collect and conserve artifacts that tell us our history and give recognition to the fallen. Thank you for your efforts and I hope to hear soon that the proposal is accepted and acted on soon.

Dear Sirs;

February 13, 2024

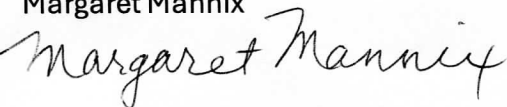
I am writing to express my support for the reinternment of the remains found on Courtland Street in the Village of Lake George in February of 2019. The State Museum of New York has identified the remains to be that of a contingent from the Pennsylvania forces sent northward to engage the British in defense of our young nation.

It is fitting that these remains be properly reinterred at the Battlefield Park, and it is my hope that they will stay near the place where they died.

The Battlefield Park interprets the history and is a venue for people to learn about the complicated and significant role the land has played in the early history of the United States.

Thank you for your time,

Margaret Mannix

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margaret Mannix". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "M".

Municipal Historian for Lake George

From: m_ellsworth
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov; [Vandrei, Charles \(DEC\)](#)
Subject: Lake George Battlefield Park Reinterments
Date: Friday, February 2, 2024 11:28:31 AM

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To: Reinterment Committee

I must first apologize for not using the form you suggested, I have a chromebook and had problems with the formatting.

I am contacting you regarding the plans for the reinterment plans for remains found in Lake George relating to the 7 Years and Revolutionary Wars.

For those of you on the committee that I may not have met - I worked at the Fort William Henry Cemetery in 1993 and 1995 with Liston and Baker. After that, I volunteered at the State Museum in 1996 and 1997. I worked on remains and artifacts relating to them that fell under NAGPRA. From 2019-2020 I was a volunteer at the Courtland St. Burying Ground. In 2019 I presented a paper at NYSAA relating to burial practices at Fort William Henry. I also worked on individual burials with Lisa Anderson here and there. Now I am working on analyzing artifacts from Courtland St.

I understand you are looking for public response to the plan to bury remains found in Lake George at Battlefield Park.

This seems like an ideal location, and as a DEC property should not be disturbed in the future by development.

However, I am not enthused by the plans. In fact I heartily dislike them. It appears that the designer did not understand the magnitude of what happened in the area. I think the plans look like an effort to provide a pretty area for visitors to sit and admire the lake, and a place for joggers rather than a serious memorial *and cemetery for veterans*. The benches don't even face the containers with the remains. And the path in front of the containers just encourages people to pass on by. In my opinion the Unknown Soldiers Monument is a more appropriate design, as it is approached by a pathway and people have to face the monument. They shouldn't be lounging around with their backs to the bones. They should stand in respect of these veterans. Put the benches someplace else.

As for the columbaria, I think the smaller one will be a target for kids to play on and people to set things on. My ancestor, Anthony Aylesworth, died at Fort George in 1756. If his are among the remains, I would prefer people not spill Coke on him. Or his companions.

The kiosk describing events is a nice idea, but where is the memorial to the dead?

And I'm afraid I'm not done yet.

The title "Repose of the Fallen" just plain offends me.

These people (men, women and children) did not die from a clean shot on the battlefield and get wafted up to heaven as, this title implies. They *died*. They died slowly and in agony. They died from smallpox (with pus oozing from the sores), tuberculosis, dysentery; laying on the ground or on dirty heaps of straw. No one changed their clothes or their bedding (there was none). There was one doctor for 1500 patients and few supplies.

If you would like more graphic accounts of how they died please feel free to contact me. I will supply them.

In short, I think this plan should present a more serious tribute to these people.

At Courtland St. Chuck once said that the *dead couldn't speak for themselves, and it was up to us to do it.*

So here I am.

I've worked with several of you, and many of you are my friends, and I salute your hard work and the number of hours you have put in on this.

I know it hasn't been easy, thank you for listening to me, even if we don't always agree!

Best,
Marie Ellen Ellsworth

Marie Ellsworth
518-792-1793
518-796-7350 (cell)

From: [Michael Barrett](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Lake George soldier reburials
Date: Thursday, January 25, 2024 1:13:08 PM

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Good afternoon, Ms. Phillips

I am writing to voice my opinion regarding the reburial of the remains of the numerous Continental soldiers who were unearthed in Lake George in 2019. I am firmly of the opinion that these men, who served and died at the Lake George site, should remain at that site in a suitable and appropriately marked memorial to their service. Removing them to any other (non-family) location would be a great disservice to their selfless service to our nation, and to the memory of their supreme sacrifice.

I am a proud member of the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, and while not an officer of that organization, I feel extremely confident in stating that allowing the LGBPA to preserve and maintain these honored remains will be done in a most respectful and solemn manner. “We” as an organization take great pride in our affiliation with the rich history of the greater site, and will most assuredly not let the memory of these honored dead be dishonored in any way.

Michael P. Barrett, Esq.
Executive Director *Emeritus*
Hudson Mohawk Industrial Gateway
Burden Iron Works Museum
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Troy, NY 12180-5942

michael@hudsonmohawkgateway.org

From: [Michael G Mulshine](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Lake George Battlefield Park Reinterment
Date: Monday, January 22, 2024 8:26:34 AM

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TO: Megan Phillips, Adirondack Park Agency

Dear Ms. Phillips,

I hope all is well. I am writing this note to express my support for the reinterment of Continental soldiers at the Lake George Battlefield Park, which is where they perished. I hope that the APA does what is necessary to make it happen.

Thanks,

Mike Mulshine

www.mulshinecompany.com

518-743-9301 Office

From: [Nancy Giard](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Reinterment at Lake George Battlefield Park
Date: Sunday, February 4, 2024 3:11:41 PM

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I would like to voice my support for the reinterment of Continental soldiers at Lake George Battlefield Park. Thank you— Nancy Giard

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From: [Peter Wuerdeman](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Reinterment at Lake George Battlefield Park
Date: Sunday, February 4, 2024 3:07:42 PM

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I would like to voice my support for the reinterment of Continental soldiers at Lake George Battlefield Park. Thank you— Peter Wuerdeman

From: [Robert Sannasardo](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Lake George Battlefield Park
Date: Sunday, January 21, 2024 2:59:37 PM

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To Whom this May Concern:

I'm writing to support the proposed Continental soldiers' reinterment in Lake George Battlefield Park.

Preserving history is vital and having Lake George Battlefield Park as the location as their final resting place will show visitors and locals alike the rich history of our area and the sacred ground we take for granted as we walk around Lake George today and in the future. Any help needed to ensure these soldiers are returned to their rightful place that being Lake George Battlefield Park please feel free to reach out to me. I look forward in continuing my support in this important matter.

Robert Sannasardo
Queensbury NY

From: noreply-pc@apa.ny.gov
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Cc: rlef99@yahoo.com
Subject: APA Project LGBBP-UMP Public Comments
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Please copy "LGBBP-UMP, Roberta VanDerzee, rlef99@yahoo.com" into your message for our reference.

Attn: Megan Phillips
Comments from: Roberta VanDerzee
Email from: rlef99@yahoo.com
Address: PO Box 386 Lake Luzerne NY 12846
Re: Agency Project LGBBP-UMP, NYS APA & NYS DEC

My Comments:

I support reinternment of the Courtland Street remains within the Lake George Battlefield Park. I have an ancestor that was at the Fort around 1776; he may be in those remains.

What I do not support is the design of the memorial. Why would it not be in line with the character of the Unknown Soldier monument for consistency. They are right next to each other. Are we doing some aesthetic landscaping at the Unknown Soldier memorial for consistencies sake as well?

The design is just too modern looking for the period during which these people would have died. The benches don't face the memorial. I am not a proponent of having columbarium structures, that at first glance, reminds me of a locker you put your shoes in at a bowling alley.

The structures do not appear to be protected from being climbed on. And, shall I dare say, from being peed on by the numerous dogs that are walked through the Park. I've walked through the Park on days when I've seen kids crawling all over the monuments, which I find very disrespectful.

I actually prefer Alternative 5 - a respectful burial of United States Veterans. This Alternative in the reinternment plan indicates there is an aesthetic issue. Too bad, this is a battlefield memorial park, not a playground. I don't think it is inappropriate to "entomb the remains in fill." My husband, a USMC officer, is buried on a hillside created by fill and it's lovely. Being buried in clean fill is better than where they were, right? A nice fenced area with reflection benches FACING the graves would allow a place for us ancestors to pay our respects.

Thank you.

From: noreply-pc@apa.ny.gov
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Cc: PUSATERI14@AOL.COM
Subject: APA Project LGBBP-UMP Public Comments
Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 6:46:13 AM

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Please copy "LGBBP-UMP, rosemary Healey pusateri, PUSATERI14@AOL.COM" into your message for our reference.

Attn: Megan Phillips
Comments from: rosemary Healey pusateri
Email from: PUSATERI14@AOL.COM
Address: PO Box 274 75 Mason Rd NY 12820
Re: Agency Project LGBBP-UMP, NYS APA & NYS DEC

My Comments:

I am in support of this plan for reinternment of the remains, very close to where they died.
It will be a fitting tribute to those brave people who served our country in 1776

From: [SueW Wilder](#)
To: SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Subject: Lake George Battlefield Park interment
Date: Monday, February 19, 2024 9:13:24 AM

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Ms. Phillips:

A hard copy of this letter of support from the Hadley-Lake Luzerne Historical Society for the interment of Continental soldiers to the Lake George Battlefield Park is in the mail.

Best Regards,

Sue Wilder, president

Hadley Lake Luzerne Historical Society



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February 16, 2024

Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency
P.O. Box 99
Ray Brook, NY 12977

Dear Ms. Phillips:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the members of the Hadley-Lake Luzerne Historical Society, I am pleased to express our strong support for the reinterment of Continental soldiers to the Lake George Battlefield Park. We are honored to respond to the Lake George Historical Society's request to submit a letter of endorsement and applaud the efforts of the Lake George Battlefield Alliance. As we approach the semiquincentennial of our nation's founding, the Hadley-Lake Luzerne Historical Society is eager to join all worthwhile efforts to commemorate the events of the American Revolution, to honor those patriots who fought for the cause, and to educate current and future generations about the enduring significance of this period. We should long remember and forever respect the service of those Continental soldiers who sacrificed so that our nation could be established.

As you may know, our community has a very special connection to the founding of our nation. In 1808, the town leaders of what was then, Fairfield, petitioned the New York State Legislature to change the town's name to Luzerne. The town's namesake was the Chevalier de La Luzerne, the French ambassador to America from 1779 to 1784. Luzerne was instrumental in securing the crucial French financial and military support that enabled America to win its independence and establish a new nation.

Sincerely,


Susan Wilder, President
Hadley-Lake Luzerne Historical Society

Working together to make our Community's past a part of its future.

From: [Tom Jarrett](mailto:Tom.Jarrett@gmail.com)
To: dec.sm.OINA; SLMP_UMP_Comments@apa.ny.gov
Cc: jpdinuzzo@gmail.com
Subject: Fwd: YOUR HELP NEEDED: An Important Message from the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance
Date: Sunday, January 21, 2024 9:09:09 PM

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Dear Charles Vandrei, NYSDEC, and Megan Phillips, APA,
I am a member of the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance, and more importantly, a member of the Lake George community as well as a supporter of historic preservation. I urge the modification of the Lake George Beach State Park "Unit Management Plan" to accommodate the reinterment of the continental soldiers in the Battlefield Park.

Thank you, Tom Jarrett

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From: John DiNuzzo <jpdinuzzo@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Jan 20, 2024 at 8:45 PM
Subject: YOUR HELP NEEDED: An Important Message from the Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance
To: <info@lakegeorgebattlefield.org>

It was on February 7, 2019—nearly five years ago—that, during a residential construction project on Courtland Street in the village of Lake George, the remains of what is now determined as 44 individuals were discovered and quickly protected. Since then, through in-depth analyses by archaeologists and anthropologists, we have learned that these remains are primarily those of Continental soldiers who perished from smallpox at the Continental Army hospital that operated at Lake George in 1776.

The Lake George Town Board, the Village of Lake George Board of Trustees, and community historians have all formally recommended that these remains be reinterred at Lake George Battlefield Park, where the 18th Century smallpox hospital was actually located. All these stakeholders believe it most appropriate that the soldiers' final resting place be a public location near where they drew their final breaths. The proposed reinterment location within the Battlefield Park is also approximately 75 feet from the burial monument of four unknown soldiers who died at Lake George during the French and Indian War.

The Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance's Board of Trustees strongly agrees that our beautiful and historic site is the most appropriate reinterment location for these early American heroes.

The architectural renderings for their reinterment at our park provide for a quiet, contemplative place where visitors can pay homage to the soldiers for the sacrifices they made for future generations. The setting will include informational signage that tells of the soldiers' plight during that pivotal year of 1776, when the United States formally came into being.

You can help ensure these early American patriots are respectfully reburied at Lake George Battlefield Park. Before construction can begin, the State's Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park Unit Management Plan must be revised to incorporate this addition to the site. A period of public

comment is currently underway, through February 19, during which citizen input to the State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) is encouraged. **We urge you, as someone with a keen interest in preserving this key aspect of American history, to let DEC and the APA know of your support of the proposed Continental soldiers' reinterment in Lake George Battlefield Park.**

Letters and emails on the proposed reinterment can be sent to:

Charles E. Vandrei
NY State Dept. of Environmental Conservation
625 Broadway
Albany, New York 12233-1500
Email: OINA@dec.ny.gov
SLMP_UMP_comments@apa.ny.gov

Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency
PO Box 99
Ray Brook, NY 12977
Email:

Additional information on the Unit Management Plan and related materials, including architectural renderings and a form for submitting comments, can be found here:

<https://apa.ny.gov/Hearings/ApaCommentPopup.cfm?ProjectNumber=LGBBP-UMP>

Thank you, as always, for your support of our history!

FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

John DiNuzzo, President
Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance
www.lakegeorgebattlefield.org

From: [Chris & Viki Anderson](#)
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We support the reinterment of the soldiers found in Lake George village in the Battlefield park
Christopher and Viki Anderson Queensbury NY



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January 23, 2024

Mr. Charles E. Vandrei
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233 – 1500

✓ Ms. Megan Phillips
Adirondack Park Agency
PO Box 99
Ray Brook, NY 12977

Dear Chuck and Megan,

On behalf of the Warren County Historical Society, I am writing to express our support for the NYS Lake George Beach and Battlefield Park Unit Management plan to be revised to include the addition of the remains of forty-four humans, including Revolutionary War soldiers, on the site of an 18th century smallpox hospital, which were discovered on February 7, 2019 during a residential development project on Cortland Street in Lake George.

Officers of the WCHS, including I and Dr. Stan Cianfarano, Co-President and Warren County Historian, were involved with the investigation and archeological examination of the remains from the time of their discovery until the present day. We have served on the commission that was formed to plan for the reinterment and honoring of the remains. Serving along with us were: Dan Barusch, Director of Planning and Zoning for the Town and Village of Lake George; State Archeologist Lisa Anderson; Chuck Vandrei (DEC); members of the Lake George Town and Village Boards and Code Enforcement; Lake George Historical Association President Alex Parrott; attorney for the developer, Mike Borgos; and, Lyn Hohmann and John DiNuzzo from the Lake George Battlefield Alliance, among others. This body has worked diligently to develop and design an appropriate reinterment location for these heroes – one that is adjacent to the burial monument of four unknown

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soldiers who died at Lake George during the French and Indian War.

Americans feel strongly about remembering and honoring our veterans. The reinterment of forty-four Revolutionary War heroes presents a unique opportunity for us to demonstrate this patriotism. Over the past five years, many organizations – governmental, not-for-profit, commercial, public, and private – as well as individuals and entities in the region, have expressed great interest in this important commemoration. It is expected that the community at large will wish to stand solidly behind this project, participating in concert with the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution (2025 – 2033) and the increasing enthusiasm in learning about our history, as evidenced by a rise in heritage and cultural tourism.

The Warren County Historical Society strongly supports preserving this significant discovery of American history and wishes to inform the DEC and APA of our desire to include this proposed Continental soldiers' reinterment in the Lake George Battlefield Park.

Sincerely,



Teri Rogers
Co-President, Warren County Historical Society

Cc: Dr. Stan Cianfarano, Co-Pres., WCHS
Don Rittner, Executive Director, WCHS
John DiNuzzo, President – Lake George Battlefield Alliance
Dan Barusch, Director of Planning and Zoning for Lake George

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Attn: Megan Phillips
Comments from: William Heinrich
Email from: mrheinrich@aol.com
Address: 14 Hudson Avenue, Apt.419 Glens Falls NY 12801
Re: Agency Project LGBBP-UMP, NYS APA & NYS DEC

My Comments:

I would like to express my wholehearted support for the preferred alternative laid out in your draft UMP amendment for the internment of the Revolutionary War soldiers' remains at the Lake George Battlefield Park, for all of the reasons set forth in that document. This treatment of those remains is clearly the most respectful alternative, and the proposed installation will at the same time provide a unique opportunity to inform visitors regarding some of the deep history of this location that reaches well beyond the 1755 Battle of Lake George through two succeeding wars. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.