



## 2017 BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- 11a.m.      **THE BATTLE OF CULVER HILL MEMORIAL CEREMONY**      *Presented by the Town of Beekmantown*  
Culver Hill Historical Park, State Rt. 22, 2 miles north of intersection of Rte. 374 in Beekmantown  
On September 6, 1814, a large British army numbering in the thousands marched through Beekmantown on their way to occupy the Village of Plattsburgh. In an attempt to hinder that advance, a small American force consisting of regular army and militia, made a stand behind stonewalls on the rise of land known as Culver Hill. What ensued was a short but very intense skirmish that resulted in several dead and wounded, including American Corporal Stephen Partridge of the Essex County New York State Militia, and two British officers, Lt. Col. James Willington and Ensign John Chapman, of the Royal East Kent Regiment, Third Foot, also known as the Buffs.
- 12:30p.m.      **HALSEY'S CORNERS MEMORIAL CEREMONY**      *Presented by the Town of Plattsburgh*  
Corner of Halsey Court & Boynton Avenue, Plattsburgh  
In the face of the steadily advancing British column, American forces retreated towards Plattsburgh to this location where they set up two six pound field guns. The oncoming columns of Redcoats advanced straight into the maw of these guns, which were discharged repeatedly with deadly effect.
- 5p.m.      **RIVERSIDE CEMETERY MEMORIAL** *Sponsored by Abbott, Frenyea, Russell, CPA*  
Riverside Cemetery, Steltzer Road  
British fleet commander Capt. George Downie lost his life in the initial moments of the 1814 battle and was later buried in Riverside Cemetery along with several other fallen combatants from both sides. Former City of Plattsburgh Historian, John Krueger, conducts the ceremony honoring both British and American combatants killed in the war.
- 6p.m.      **HONORING THE UNKNOWNNS~** Unknown Fallen of the Battle of Plattsburgh  
Old Post Cemetery, Lake Forest Drive, Plattsburgh
- 7p.m.      **Beartracks, Strand Theater**      *Sponsored by Adirondack Bank*  
Beartracks was formed in 2004 by Dobro legend Junior Barber and his cousins, Tom Venne and Julie Venne Hogan. Currently, Julie, bass guitar and vocals, Tom, acoustic guitar and vocals and Harry Ralph, fiddle and harmony vocals, form the core of "Beartracks". They have appeared on stage throughout the US from Colorado to New England, and in Canada from Calgary to PEI. The band has released 5 CD's since 2004 with another in the works at this time. Strand Theater, 25 Brinkerhoff Street. Battle of Plattsburgh Button required for admission.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

- 11a.m.      **CRAB ISLAND MEMORIAL SERVICE, Crab Island**  
Crab Island was the site of a War of 1812 Army field hospital. It is also the final resting place for at least 150 British and American sailors who perished in the pivotal Battle of Plattsburgh. Hurriedly buried together in a series of trenches, the exact location on Crab Island of this mass grave remains unknown and unmarked to this day. Post 1619 American Legion will lay wreaths, fire a salute, and play taps at this memorial ceremony. Self transport to the island.
- 4p.m.      **FOOD COURT ON LOWER COURT STREET~SEVERAL FOOD TRUCKS WITH VARIETY OF DELICIOUS FOOD!**
- 4p.m.-8p.m.      **INFORMATION BOOTH, in front of City Hall-** Get all your weekend event information!



## 2017 BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

---

- 5p.m. **Eliza Mooers Historic District Walking Tour with Melissa Bistor-Cross**, Macdonough Monument  
*Sponsored by Americas Mattress* Button required for admission.
- 6p.m. **'From Plattsburgh To The Peace', City Hall Auditorium** *Sponsored by Irises Café & Wine Bar*  
"From Plattsburgh to the Peace" a stage play with select moments of the War of 1812, from President Madison declaring war, Albert Gallatin's and John Quincy Adams's diplomatic journeys, the destruction of Washington D.C., to Plattsburgh and how it helped achieve peace. This performance will take place on Friday September 8, at 6pm in City Hall Auditorium. Battle of Plattsburgh Button required for admission.
- 6p.m. **Ol' Dirty Ditches String Band, City Hall Steps** *Sponsored by Arnie's Restaurant*  
Be sure to catch the up & coming Ol' Dirty Ditches String Band on City Hall Steps on Friday night during this year's Commemoration. This group plays fast paced, good vibe-filled Bluegrass with a 'folk-funky feel'.
- 8p.m. **West End Blend, City Hall Steps** *Sponsored by Warren Tire*  
Funk/Soul band West End Blend has been playing their version of Funk and Soul in venues all over the Northeast. Fronted by vocalist Erica Bryan, the band pays homage to classic throwback sounds while adding their own distinct vibe and flair. Behind her, the Blend packs a four-piece horn section, two guitars, bass, keyboards and drums. From humble beginnings in an epic sweaty funky basement dance party, the Blend's goal has always been to bring that same atmosphere to every show ever since.
- 9:30p.m. **ROCKET'S RED GLARE FIREWORKS** *Sponsored by Eagles Nest Veterinary Hospital*  
**SWEET ADELINES SING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM** Macdonough Monument  
*SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF WORLD WAR II HONOR FLIGHT VETERANS*

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

- 9a.m.-2p.m. **Plattsburgh Farmers Market**
- 9a.m.-8p.m. **Lower Court Street Food Court**
- 9a.m.-4p.m. **Information/Souvenir Tent**, in front of City Hall
- 9:00a.m. **Police Pipes & Drums of Plattsburgh** *Sponsored by Berkshire Farm Center*  
Farmers Market –Durkee Street Lot  
Wearing their Black Watch kilts, the Police Pipes & Drums of Plattsburgh, NY, has been entertaining fans throughout the Adirondack Coast for over six years. Under the direction of Pipe Major James Godfrey, the band appears in numerous parades, memorial services, fund-raisers, & can be hired for special events.



## 2017 BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 9:30 a.m. **Quigley Highlander Pipes & Drums**  
*Sponsored by Best Western Plus Inn at Smithfield and Ground Round Grill and Bar*  
Macdonough Monument  
For years the Spirit of Scotland Pipes and Drums entertained Plattsburgh audiences during the BOP weekends. Now referred to as the Quigley Highlanders they return to the Battle of Plattsburgh under the direction of band leader Pipe Major Ron Graham. Headquartered in Martintown, Ontario, they play approximately 40 engagements a year throughout southeastern Ontario, western Quebec and eastern New York. Listen for their stirring music in the parade and throughout the weekend.
- 10a.m.-4p.m. **Boy Scout Booth Cachet and Stamp Cancellation, Boy Scout Booth, Trinity Park**  
The Boy Scouts are sponsoring a special Battle of Plattsburgh U.S. postal stamp cancellation (with the Plucky Rooster) and cachet envelope (Battle Reenactors). Envelopes available at Trinity.
- 10a.m.-4p.m. **Kent Delord House Museum Open.** Button required for admission.
- 10a.m.-4p.m. **1814 Grand Encampment, Kent Delord House** *Sponsored by Northern Insuring*  
Upwards of 150 reenactors from the US & Canada are expected to descend on Plattsburgh and encamp on the Kent-Delord House Museum grounds for the Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration Weekend! Stop in and see how things were done in 1814!
- 10a.m. **REENACTMENT: Tactical Demonstration between British & American Troops**  
*Sponsored by CFA Insurance Agency*  
US Oval starting on Terry Gordon Bike Path entrance off of Jay Street  
This new addition to the Commemoration schedule is a reenactment that will take place near the US Oval in Plattsburgh. This will be a depiction of the pushing back of American forces from Culver Hill up to the artillery assault on Halsey's Corners.
- 10a.m.-5p.m. **Kids Games, next to City Hall** *Sponsored by the Plattsburgh Lions Club*  
Old fashioned children's games such as the three legged race, sack races, potato races, hoop games, Jacob's ladders, stilts & more!
- 10a.m.-4p.m. **Macdonough Monument Open for Self-Guided Tours**  
*Presented by: Clinton County Historical Association*; Overlooking Plattsburgh Bay where the Battle was fought, this 135-ft. monument was built in 1926 to honor Commodore Macdonough's victory over the British fleet. Admission: Free with Admission button or \$1 donation for adults and \$.50 for children to help fund monument improvements.
- 10a.m.-4p.m. **1814 Craft Demonstrations, City Hall Place** *Sponsored by Champlain National Bank*  
Have you ever written with a quill pen, made a shingle by hand or spun wool thread? The ever popular guides from the Chateau Ramezay Museum in Montreal will be dressed in period attire and provide interactive demonstrations on a variety of skills including weaving and writing with a quill pen. Our friends from Chateau Ramezay have been a part of the Battle of Plattsburgh weekend activities since 1998 and return for their 17th appearance.
- 10:30a.m. **Sailing Masters of 1812, Kent Delord House Museum Grounds**  
*Sponsored by Dannemora Federal Credit Union*  
A period fife and drum corps based in Essex, Connecticut, the Sailing Masters of 1812 was founded in 1963 as the Essex Fife and Drum Corps to perpetuate the art of ancient fifing and drumming and to commemorate the role of Essex in the War of 1812.
- 10:30a.m. **Police Pipes & Drums of Plattsburgh, in front of City Hall**



## 2017 BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 11a.m. **The Challenge Cup Bateau Race** *Sponsored by Boire Benner Group*  
This is one of the largest historical boating reenactments in the Northeast, with as many as 15 wooden vessels, hand-built by re-enactors. The boats will start from the mouth of the Saranac River by the Champlain Monument and row to a marker buoy set several hundred yards out in the bay. They will turn around the buoy and return to the river to place First, Second and Third place. This 12<sup>th</sup> annual BOP Challenge Cup Race will be in full view of spectators standing at the Champlain Monument, with start and finish at the mouth of the Saranac River. Certificates and cash prizes will be awarded to the winners, with the First Place winning boat engraved on the Challenge Cup kept on display at the Kent-Delord House Museum.
- 11a.m. **Plattsburgh Noon Rotary BED RACES**, City Hall Place  
The Plattsburgh Noon Rotary Club presents the 7th Annual Rotary Bed Race! All five-person teams are encouraged to create and decorate their own entries and arrive in costume. The fastest bed will win \$500, with \$250 and \$100 for the second and third fastest, and one further \$150 award will go to the bed voted the best overall theme by a panel of judges. That winning team will receive the coveted Golden Bed Pan Award and bragging rights! Don't be caught napping when this exciting race takes place!
- 11:30a.m. **Quigley Highlander Pipes & Drums**, Champlain Monument
- 12p.m. **Sailing Masters of 1812**, Trinity Park
- 11:45a.m. **Kids' Muster & Parade**, around Trinity Park  
Join the Kids Militia! Children age 7-12 are invited to muster on the green near City Hall; stick around because immediately following the Muster is the Kids' ONLY parade.
- 1p.m. **BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH PARADE:** *Sponsored by La Quinta Inn & Suites*  
Starts at Elks Club to Cumberland Avenue, City Hall Place. Ends at Bridge Street Come and enjoy an old fashioned parade with bands, marching units and floats. In keeping with the tradition of a musical and marching parade, we anticipate several bands including: Her Majesty's Royal Marine Band from Cobourg, Ontario; Police Pipes & Drums, Plattsburgh, NY, The Quigley Highlanders; Sailing Masters of 1812.
- 3p.m. **BEAT RETREAT**, City Hall Place *Sponsored by Della Auto*  
Don't miss this! A wonderful & moving compilation of all of the musical entertainment you will see in the parade! Join us in front of City Hall immediately following the parade for an hour-long performance of the massed bands.
- 4p.m. **Roducky Derby**—Fundraiser for *Plattsburgh Noon Rotary*  
Immediately following the Beat Retreat performance on Saturday at Macdonough Monument, hundreds of plastic race ducks will be released on a water course and funneled through a tube. The first ducks through the tube will win major prizes. There is a "Corporate" Duck Race for local businesses that wish to participate. The ducks are available for temporary adoption from Rotarians circulating in the crowds Friday night and Saturday up until race time. For more information ask any member of the Plattsburgh Noon Rotary Club or call 563-7040.
- 4p.m. **Wagar Brothers, City Hall Steps** *Sponsored by Fesette Realty*  
The Wagar Bros. are a local string band guided by Jon and Matt Wagar, a brotherly duo from the southern Adirondacks. Rounding out the cast are Catherine Wurster, Austin Petrashune, Chad Bruce, and Ryan Casey, all North Country natives. With a mix of raucous originals, Irish jigs, and classic covers the Wagar Bros. are sure to leave no hearts unyielding.



## 2017 BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5p.m. **Eliza Mooers Historic District Walking Tour with Melissa Bistor-Cross**, Macdonough Monument  
*Sponsored by Econo Lodge* Button required for admission.
- 6p.m. **LUCID, City Hall Steps** *Sponsored by Casella*  
Lucid's popularity is most certainly due to their ability to shift through numerous musical genres. They are an all original band who shifts from rock and roll to hip-hop, blues, reggae and even country. All these genres can be heard throughout the band's 5 studio albums. The group has been evolving together for over a decade; band members are Lowell Wurster (percussion, harp and vocals), Kevin Sabourin (guitar and vocals), Jamie Armstrong (saxophone and vocals), Chris Shacklett (bass, trombone and vocals), Andrew Dellar (keyboards, accordion and vocals) and Ryan "Rippy" Trumbull on drums. The band is proud to be from Northern NY, Plattsburgh in particular, and many of the members are very active in the community. They love the lake city and strive to make it a fun and exciting place to live, helping to bring music and the arts to their beloved community.
- 7:30p.m. **Concert Band of Cobourg** *Sponsored by Community Bank, NA*  
Strand Theater, 25 Brinkerhoff Street  
One of the most sought after bands for parades and military tattoos throughout Ontario & beyond! You'll be wowed by them during the Battle of Plattsburgh Parade, but why not check out the Concert Band of Cobourg on Saturday night at the Strand Theater. Admission with Battle of Plattsburgh button.
- 8p.m. **REENACTMENT: McGlassin's Raid**— Macdonough Monument  
*Sponsored by ETS Staffing, Recruiting , Training*  
Nighttime Tactical Demonstration between British and American Troops- Macdonough Monument. This new addition to the commemoration is a depiction of when Captain George McGlassin and 50 American volunteers crossed the Saranac and routed a British artillery battery.
- 8p.m.-11p.m. **Macomb Ball**, City Hall Auditorium (second floor) *Sponsored by Fidelis Care*  
The Macomb Ball is a fancy period dress English Country Dance led by dance masters Wendy Gilchrist & Bruce Kokernot! Admission into the ball is a Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration Button!

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

- 7a.m. **The Rooster Relay** *Presented & Sponsored by Kinetic Running*  
The Rooster Relay *Presented & Sponsored by Kinetic Running*  
A new & fun race for this year's Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration. Teams of 2-6 runners will run approximately 1.20 mile route beginning and ending at the base of the Macdonough Monument. Teams participating will try to get as many of the course 'loops' completed between 7a.m.-10a.m. The race will head up the hill from the bandshell below the Macdonough Monument to take a trip down City Hall Place, left onto Bridge Street, left onto Green Street to take Heritage Trail to Dock Street and back to the Macdonough Monument. For more information email [kineticrunningllc@gmail.com](mailto:kineticrunningllc@gmail.com) or to register, go to [www.plattsburghrecreation.com](http://www.plattsburghrecreation.com). Free raffles! Fee is \$50/team. Day of race registration is \$60 team.



## 2017 BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 10a.m. **Police Pipes & Drums of Plattsburgh, US Oval**
- 10a.m.-3p.m. **1814 Craft Demonstrations, US Oval** *Sponsored by The Buzz 99.9*  
Have you ever written with a quill pen, made a shingle by hand or spun wool thread? The ever popular guides from the Chateau Ramezay Museum in Montreal will be dressed in period attire and provide interactive demonstrations on a variety of skills including weaving and writing with a quill pen. Our friends from Chateau Ramezay have been a part of the Battle of Plattsburgh weekend activities since 1998 and return for their 16th appearance.
- 10a.m.-3p.m. **Boy Scout Booth Cachet and Stamp Cancellation, US Oval**  
The Boy Scouts are sponsoring a special Battle of Plattsburgh U.S. postal stamp cancellation, designed by Jack Barrette. Cache envelopes available at the Boy Scout Booth.
- 11a.m.-3p.m. **Kent Delord House Museum Open.** Button required for admission.
- 11a.m.-3p.m. **1814 Grand Encampment, Kent Delord House**  
Upwards of 150 reenactors from the US & Canada are expected to descend on Plattsburgh and encamp on the Kent-Delord House Museum grounds for the Battle of Plattsburgh Commemoration Weekend! Stop in and see how things were done in 1814.
- 10a.m.-3p.m. **Battle of Plattsburgh Field Day, US Oval – Sponsored by Kool 105.1, Palmer Veterinary Clinic, Studley Printing & Publishing** Join us on the US Oval for a day of music, games, horse drawn carriage rides, kids activities, food, dancing & so much more! Follow the Battle of Plattsburgh event page on the City of Plattsburgh Facebook page for updates!
- 10A.M.-12:15P.M. **AUSABLE BRANCH PERFORMS! US OVAL** *Sponsored by WoodmenLife*  
Adirondack songwriters Cliff Reynolds and Heath Richman together to form "Ausable Branch". This popular local group plays a blend of original folk, rock and blues music.
- 10:30a.m.-11a.m. **Champlain Valley Irish Dancers, US Oval**
- 1P.M.-3P.M. **LIVE MUSIC ON THE OVAL....ANNIE IN THE WATER** *Sponsored by Schneider & Palcsik*  
Annie in the Water's music is a groovy combination of Reggae, Funk, Rock, Blues and Jamstyle written with a conscious dose of positive vibes, unique melodies and intelligent lyrics. With the ability to fill an entire night with original music and also render well-known covers into a signature style, fans share extraordinary experiences that can't be seen anywhere else.
- 12p.m. **REENACTMENT: Defense of Bridge Street** *Sponsored by UVM Health Network-CVPH*  
American Regulars and militia pulled up the planks of Bridge Street and successfully foiled British attempts to cross the Saranac at that point.
- 10a.m.-3p.m. **Kids Games, US Oval** *Sponsored by the Plattsburgh Lions Club*  
Old fashioned children's games such as the three legged race, sack races, potato races, hoop games, Jacob's ladders, stilts & more!



## 2017 BATTLE OF PLATTSBURGH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 11a.m. **Saratoga Replica Demonstration**, Champlain Monument  
*Sponsored by Seacomm Federal Credit Union & WIRY*  
Commodore Macdonough's flagship, the 144 ft.-long Saratoga, is represented by a 1/12 scale working model built by Tom LaMar. In addition to rudder and sail controls, the 17-ft. replica features a 250-watt sound system and 26 functional black powder firing cannons as well as a concealed motor (propeller) drive, a bow thruster to simulate the 180-degree kedge maneuver that brought to bear the fresh broadside of cannons which greatly helped win the Battle of Plattsburgh.
- 1:30p.m. **REENACTMENT: The Battle of Plattsburgh Bay** *Sponsored by Zukes Deli*  
1814 Naval Engagement on Lake Champlain, viewable from the Champlain Monument  
With Plattsburgh Bay and Cumberland Head as a back drop, for the first time the total re-enactment will take place on the lake. It will include large sailing ships as well as many smaller bateaux. Former City Historian John Krueger will narrate the military and naval details of the battle, as re-enactors demonstrate how the battle of Plattsburgh was fought. Reenactment is viewable by Champlain Monument.