

Sultana Downrigging Festival 2021

War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment Program Schedule

October 29 - 31, 2021

Program Overview

In conjunction with the Sultana's Downrigging Festival scheduled for October 29-31, 2021, in Chestertown, Maryland, the Starr Center for the Study of the American Experience at Washington College will be hosting a War of 1812 interpretive encampment on the rear lawn of the 18th Century Chestertown Customs House at the foot of High Street. The historical educational program will be based on Kent County's citizens and soldiers of the 21st Regiment of Maryland Militia which defended Chestertown and Kent County during the conflict with Great Britain between 1812 to 1815. Early 19th Century citizens and those who served in the militia will be portrayed by historical interpreters from across the Mid-Atlantic Region, and the daily activities of a military encampment will be demonstrated. An early 19th public memorial ceremony will also be held at the Caulk's Field Monument on Sunday morning in remembrance those who participated in the Battle of Caulk's Field during the night of August 30-31, 1814.

Program Locations

War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment ~ Chestertown Customs House, 101 South Water Street, Chestertown, MD

Caulk's Field Monument ~ 8298 Caulk's Field Road, Chestertown, MD

Friday, October 29th

04:00 p.m. War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment Opens to the Public

05:00 p.m. War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment Closes to the Public

Saturday, October 30th

10:00 a.m. War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment Opens to Public

10:30 a.m. Morning Parade Formation / Roll Call / Inspections

11:00 a.m. Camp Guard Rotation / Small Arms Manual Exercise

- 12:00 p.m. Noon Formation w/o Arms / Haversack Rations
- 01:00 p.m. Fife & Drum Field Music Performance
- 02:00 p.m. Small Arms Manual Exercise
- 03:00 p.m. Field Artillery Manual Exercise
- 04:00 p.m. Afternoon Formation / Roll Call / Retire the Colours
- 04:30 p.m. War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment Closes to the Public

Sunday, October 31st

- 09:00 a.m. Caulk's Field Monument Ceremony (Public)
- 10:30 a.m. War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment Opens to the Public
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Parade Formation / Roll Call / Inspections
- 11:30 a.m. Camp Guard Rotation
- 12:00 p.m. Noon Formation w/o Arms / Haversack Rations
- 01:00 p.m. Fife & Drum Field Music Performance
- 02:00 p.m. Afternoon Formation / Roll Call / Retire the Colours
- 03:00 p.m. War of 1812 Interpretive Encampment Closes to the Public

