

New Book!

John T. Cunningham:

***The Uncertain Revolution: Washington
& the Continental Army at Morristown***

Tuesday, July 8, 2008 at 12:30 PM

Without New Jersey's Watchung Mountains and the towns around Morristown, would the American Revolution have succeeded? Would George Washington's army have survived? New Jersey's esteemed historian John T. Cunningham explores the harsh circumstances and geography of this region during the War of Independence in an account of American history that has been overlooked and overshadowed until now. This "geological fortress" – Washington and the Continental Army's winter quarters for four years – may well be the place where America survived. **Free with Museum Admission.**

James Kaplan: *Highlights from the July 4th Candlelight Walking Tour*

Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at 12:30 PM

Once again, for those non-night owls who always wanted to take our July 4th all-night walking tour, but cannot stay up that late. In the cool Davis Flag Gallery, Jim Kaplan will give us a condensed armchair version of his widely acclaimed walking tour of Lower Manhattan in the Revolutionary War. **Free with Museum Admission.**

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Nancy Rubin Stuart

The Muse of the Revolution:

***The Secret Pen of Mercy Otis Warren
and the Founding of a Nation***

Thursday, June 19, 2008 at 6:30 PM

Mercy Otis Warren (1728-1814) was America's first female playwright and the first woman to write a history of the American Revolution and early Federal period from a republican-democratic perspective. While best remembered for her 1805 *History of the Rise, Progress and Termination of the American Revolutionary*, Mrs. Warren's critique of the U.S. Constitution was widely circulated in New York State under the byline "The Columbian Patriot." Key features of that treatise later appeared in the Bill of Rights. Mrs. Warren's insistence upon the patriotic values honoring the rights of the ordinary man was not only more liberal than the U.S. Constitution and the intent of the Founding Fathers, but an extraordinary exception to the silence surrounding the lives of 18th century American women. **Fee: \$6 (FTM Members free) includes museum admission and refreshments.**

Candlelight Walking Tour of Revolutionary War New York

Begins at 2 AM on Friday, July 4th and ends at 6 AM at Fraunces Tavern.

For the sixth year in a row, join veteran walking tour guide James S. Kaplan and learn little known facts about important Revolutionary War heroes buried in Lower Manhattan, and experience what life was like for colonists living in New York during the period by visiting important Revolutionary War sites.

Tickets are required: \$20 (\$15 for members). Mail your check made out to "Sons of the Revolution in the State of NY" to July 4th Walking Tour, Fraunces Tavern Museum, 54 Pearl Street, NY, NY 10004, or log on to www.FrauncesTavernMuseum.org to buy your tickets online!

INDEPENDENCE DAY OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, July 4, 2007 12 PM – 5 PM Free admission all day!

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Anthony C. Wood

Preserving New York: Winning the Right to Protect a City's Landmarks

July 24, 2008 at 6:30 PM

Anthony C. Wood, a preservation activist, historian, teacher and grant maker, has published *PRESERVING NEW YORK: Winning the Right to Protect a City's Landmarks* (Routledge Press, October 2007.) Wood, Executive Director of the Ittleson Foundation in New York City and the recipient of both the Historic District Council's Landmarks Lion Award and the Fine Art Federation's Bronze Medal, tells the story of the people and places, the buildings and battles, and the policies and politics that led to the creation, in 1965, of a legal mechanism to protect the city's cherished landmarks. **Fee: \$6 (FTM Members free) includes museum admission and refreshments.**

Battle Week Lecture!

Michael Callahan:

***The King's Men: The British Army
Fights the Battle of Brooklyn***

Tuesday, August 19, 2008 at 12:30 PM

National Park Service Ranger Michael Callahan returns to Fraunces Tavern Museum for this program discussing both the British Army and the German Auxiliary forces who fought during the New York Campaign of 1776. Recruitment, training, uniforms, weapons and the backgrounds of both the officers and men will be discussed as well as the soldiers' views on the colonists' rebellion itself. The reasons for the British victory will also be explored. **Free with Museum Admission.**

Battle Week Lecture!

William J. Parry:

The Strange Case of “Baron” Herman Zedwitz: Genius, Traitor of Madman?

Thursday, August 21, 2008 at 6:30 PM

During the Revolutionary War Battle of Brooklyn, thirteen senior American commanders were absent from their posts, because they were serving as the jury in a treason trial. This sensational trial of Colonel Herman Zedwitz was the leading news of the day, overshadowing the battle. Yet it is entirely forgotten today. Was Zedwitz a cowardly traitor, a misunderstood genius, an opportunistic con-man, or a deluded lunatic? How did such a character become a Colonel in the Continental Army, and how did the Congress cover up this embarrassment after the trial? **Fee: \$6 (FTM Members free) includes museum admission and refreshments.**