



Summer 2005 Officer Reports

Adjutant's Report – Summer 2005

Ladies & Gentlemen of the Line,

I first want to announce that the Continental Line, Inc. is in the process of owning exclusive rights to its logo. An agreement was reached between the creator, Bryant White, and the CL for an official hand-off. I was the spearhead in this effort because it is in the best interest for a company to have these exclusive rights. This will prevent individuals from selling merchandise with our logo attached (i.e. bumper stickers, etc.). The other benefit is for the CL to be able to sell its own official merchandise. I will be looking into having our own online store over the next several months. I hope to have it up by the Jan/Feb meeting.

The Continental Line Officer's Mess is now fully operational with a total of 32 participants as of August, 2005. Discussions about future events and other topics have taken place. It is beginning to look like it will become a very useful tool for the Continental Line. If you are a CL member unit and have not been sent two invitations, this means I do not have your 2005 insurance and census form in my hands.

I am still working on the updating the new web site. I launched the second phase of the site on August 15, 2005. Updates included in the second phase include adding the new look to all the newsletter articles and adding a link to the Officer's Mess. Additional changes are in the works and will be launched in the coming months. Please feel free to let me know what you think of the new site at: adjutant@continentalline.org

This brings me to the last point of my Summer 2005 report. I want to thank all the units that have submitted their 2005 insurance and census forms. Unfortunately, I am still missing many units' information. Please forward both to me ASAP.

Thank you,
Sam Ricco
Adjutant, The Continental Line, Inc.

Northern Department Report – Summer 2005

In garrison, August 1780

Honoured Sirs,

Greetings from the Northern Dept. It's hard to believe that the campaign season we all anticipating this past winter is now about half way through. Many thanks to Tallmadges Troop, 2nd Light Dragoons, and the Danvers Alarm List Company for a very successful, even if soggy, event at the Little Farm in Newbury, MA.

My personal thanks to the members of the Department who made the long march north to liberate Canada from the clutches of the ministerial army encamped around the Crysler Farm and Upper Canada Village. For my birthday, I was treated not only to the overall Continental Command, but also to an improbable victory on the first day of battle. This event is well worth the trip, so put it on your calendar for '07.

We have two more Department sanctioned events coming up to wrap up the '05/'80 campaign. "The Defense of Redway Plain" will be held on September 23-25 in Rehobeth, MA, sponsored by the 13th Continental Regiment and King's Rangers. For more information and registration, visit www.2ndmass.org/redwayplain/.

Chelmsford, MA's 350th anniversary event will be held on Columbus Day weekend, October 8th – 9th, sponsored by Knox's Artillery and the King's Rangers. Once again, if you haven't registered yet, go to www.chelmsfordbattle.com.

Also, the 225th Battle of Camden is fast approaching in a few weeks. If units are attending, please let me know, as several individuals and portions of units may want to attend and amalgamate.

Coming in November, the Northern Department annual meeting will return to the Paper City Brewery in Holyoke, MA. More details and much better directions than last year to follow.

We need to start planning now for the '06/'81 season, so if there are any events brewing for next year, please let me know so that schedules can be set.

I am looking forward to seeing you all on the field, and until then I remain, your humble servant,

Bob Balcius
ND Coordinator.

Mid-Atlantic Department Report – Summer 2005

Hello Fellow Mid-Atlantikers,

The summer season is now over and we are looking to the fall and winter seasons or what I call the Philadelphia Campaign: Brandywine - 9/25; Germantown - 10/1; Ft. Mercer - 10/16; Hope Lodge - 11/6; Ft. Mifflin - 11/12-13; and Battle of Iron Works Hill - 12/11.

Oh, by the way, there is this little event called Whitpain on October 8-10 that the Mid-Atlantic Dept. is sponsoring and has invited friends from the Northern and Southern Depts. Registration so far totals 900 overall with 21 sutlers. This looks like it's going to be a great event.

The MAD meeting this year will be held at Ft. Mifflin on Sunday, November 13 at 11:00 in the museum barracks. If anyone has any future events they would like to plan or talk about, please email me before this meeting so we can get the information out to everyone.

Also, please send your new insurance and census, if it hasn't changed from last year, to the Adjutant, Sam Ricco. Sam has been working on the CL mess site which is on Yahoo Groups. If you have been invited to participate, please do so because information can get passed on easier to all the officers of the Continental Line.

Future Events - In January 16-17, 2006, the 2nd NJ will be putting on a bus trip to Cowpens. Right now the average cost per person is between \$110 to \$130 per person. Hopefully we can pay back the Southern Dept. for what they have done for us in the past by coming up to our area. We should do the same for them.

We are also looking forward to the 225th of the Pennsylvania Mutiny at Morristown, NJ. This will be a one-day event. Morristown was very enthusiastic about what we did for them last April. Right now a date is being finalized and further information will be forthcoming.

It's been an enjoyable first year as Dept. Coordinator and I am looking forward to serving you next year.

Your humble and obedient servant,
Patrick Jordan
Mid-Atlantic Dept. Coord.