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THE BATTLE *of* GUILFORD COURTHOUSE

*November 15-16, 2024
Greensboro, North Carolina*

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THE LEADERSHIP OF NATHANAEL GREENE AND THE PRELUDE TO GUILFORD COURTHOUSE



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2024
5:00 P.M.—8:30 P.M.

The O'Henry Hotel
624 Green Valley Rd
Greensboro, NC 2740

5:00 p.m.: Cocktail hour (Cash Bar)

6:15 p.m.: Dinner

7:00-8:15 p.m.: Lecture given by historian Dennis Conrad, Ph.D., followed by a Q&A.

8:30 p.m.: Evening concludes

MEET THE SPEAKER

Dennis Conrad is a historian whose research focuses on various aspects of the American Revolution and United States naval history. Prior to his retirement, he served as a historian for Naval History and Heritage Command. Having received his Ph.D. from Duke University, he was the contributing editor of several publications on the American Revolution, including *The Papers of Nathanael Greene*, *Naval Documents of the American Revolution Series*, and *Sea Raiders of the American Revolution: The Continental Navy in European Waters*. Dr. Conrad also served as the lead historian for a documentary highlighting the U.S. Navy in the Spanish American War in 2014. In 2021, he was awarded a fellowship by the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati to conduct research in the American Revolution Institute's library for an in-depth study of Gen. Nathanael Greene's transition from quartermaster general to commander of the Continental forces in the South during the critical year 1780. His research in our library focused on Greene's leadership of a large detachment of the Continental Army in the Northern Department, through when he became the commander of the Continental Army in the Southern Department to recapture the Deep South.



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024
8:30 A.M.—4:30 P.M.

8:30 a.m.: Bus departs the O’Henry Hotel in Greensboro, NC.

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.: Guided battlefield tour of Guilford Courthouse National Military Park and other key combat locations that encompassed the battle, led by historian John Maass, Ph.D.

The tour includes stops and discussions at the location of the initial fighting and the early stages of the battle; the

start of the British attack; the British monument and the first line of General Greene’s army; the Nathanael Greene monument; the British advance and attack on the American second line; the site of action between Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton and Lt. Col. Henry Lee on the far left of the American line; the British position before attacking the final American line; the fighting that ensued during the attack; and a walk along the route of the American retreat. Attendees will also visit the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park visitor center. The bus will return to the O’Henry Hotel at 4:30 p.m.

MEET THE GUIDE

John Maass is a military historian and educator at the National Museum of the U.S. Army at Fort Belvoir, Va. He is the author of numerous books on Revolutionary War military history, including *“That Unhappy Affair”: Horatio Gates and the Battle of Camden* (Kershaw County Historical Society, 2001), *North Carolina and the French and Indian War*, *The Spreading Flames of War* (The History Press, 2013), *The Road to Yorktown, Jefferson, Lafayette, and the British Invasion of Virginia* (The History Press, 2015), *George Washington’s Virginia* (The History Press, 2019), *The Battle of Guilford Courthouse: A Most Desperate Engagement* (The History Press, 2020), *Defending a New Nation, 1783-1811 (U.S. Army Campaigns of the War of 1812, Department of the Army, 2013)*, and *North Carolina: A Military History* (Westholme Publishing, 2022), with fellow historian Mark Bradley. He is currently working on a new book, *From Trenton to Yorktown: Turning Points of the Revolutionary War*, due out in 2025. Dr. Maass was the Society of the Cincinnati’s first research fellow, having received the Tyree-Lamb Fellowship in 2007. Throughout his time as a fellow in our library, Dr. Maass researched the Revolutionary War and state formation in North Carolina from 1776 through 1789, which contributed to the earning of his Ph.D. from Ohio State University.



REGISTRATION

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“The battle was long, obstinate, and bloody. We were obliged to give up the ground, and lost our artillery, but the enemy have been so soundly beaten that they dare not move towards us since the action... they have gained no advantage; on the contrary, they are little short of being ruined.”
- Gen. Nathanael Greene

FULL BATTLEFIELD TOUR EXPERIENCE:

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
(JULY 1-JULY 31, 2024): \$300.00**

**REGULAR REGISTRATION
(AUGUST 1-NOVEMBER 1, 2024): \$330.00**

[Click Here](#) to Register. Registration closes on Friday, November 1, 2024.

Ticket includes:

- Buffet dinner and lecture at the O’Henry Hotel given by historian Dennis Conrad, Ph.D., on Friday evening.
- A day-long guided battlefield tour of Guilford Courthouse National Military Park and other key combat locations that encompassed the battle led by historian John Maass, Ph.D., on Saturday.
- A boxed lunch for the guided battlefield tour.

Please note: Saturday’s guided tour will be outdoors and requires a fair amount of off-road walking. Proper attire and footwear for these conditions are recommended.

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LODGING



RECOMMENDED



THE O'HENRY HOTEL

624 Green Valley Rd.
Greensboro, NC 27408

***This hotel will be the bus tour pickup/drop-off location for Saturday's day-long guided battlefield tour. Rooms have been blocked for tour attendees and will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis. The discounted room rate is \$259.00 and can be obtained by using a group code. All registrants will**

receive a link and group code in their confirmation email after completing the registration process.

Tour attendees who do not wish to stay at the O'Henry Hotel in Greensboro, N.C., must make their own arrangements to meet the bus for Saturday's day-long guided tour. Parking at the O'Henry Hotel is for hotel guests only and is not available. Taxi or ride share services (Uber or Lyft) are recommended.

ADDITIONAL LODGING OPTIONS



PROXIMITY HOTEL

704 Green Valley Rd.
Greensboro, NC 27408



MARRIOTT GREENSBORO DOWNTOWN

304 N. Greene St.
Greensboro, NC 27401



HAMPTON INN & SUITES GREENSBORO DOWNTOWN

222 W. McGee St.
Greensboro, NC 27401

PERTINENT INFORMATION

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Dinner & Lecture Venue:

The O'Henry Hotel
624 Green Valley Rd.
Greensboro, NC 27408

Guided Battlefield Tour Location:

Guilford Courthouse National Military Park
2332 New Garden Rd.
Greensboro, NC 27410

Recommended Lodging (Bus Pickup & Drop-off Location):

The O'Henry Hotel
624 Green Valley Rd.
Greensboro, NC 27408

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR INQUIRIES

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