

Stony Point Battlefield State Historic Site and Stony Point Lighthouse

44 Battlefield Road, PO Box 182, Stony Point, NY 10980

Site Office Phone: 845-786-2521 (Wednesday to Sunday 9-5)

(Take Route 9W to Stony Point, turn onto Park Road and follow to our entrance on Battlefield Road.)

April 17, 2013 to October 31, 2013

Admission to the Battlefield is free.

Some special events and activities have a fee as noted below.

HOURS AND ACTIVITIES

- Museum open:** 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, 12:00 Noon to 4:30 Sunday.
Closed Mondays and Tuesdays, except for these Monday holidays – Memorial Day, Labor Day
Groups by appointment only – see below.
- Soldier's Camp open:** Our 18th century living history military history camp is open Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., staffing and weather permitting.
- Artillery drills:** An artillery demonstration and firing of the site's 6 pounder cannon is presented on Saturdays and Sundays at 3:00 p.m., weather and staffing permitting.
- Blacksmiths Forge:** Stony Point Battlefields resident blacksmiths are often found in the Soldier's Camp Wednesday through Sunday, but their schedule varies. Visit the forge for a discussion of military smithing and see how new items and repairs are made for the camp.
- Grounds open:** Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. **The site is closed and gate is locked at 5:00 p.m. daily.**
- Picnic tables:** Tables are available near the parking lot and in the picnic pavilion for our daily visitors. Large groups (15 or more,) require advance reservation and a permit, for which there is a fee. Please call site the site office for reservations at least two weeks in advance.

TOURS

- Battlefield Tours:** Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. a member of the staff will conduct a one hour walking tour of the Battlefield. Tour departs from museum patio, weather and staffing permitting. Free tour but donations are appreciated.
- Lighthouse Tours:** First and third Saturday of the month at 1:00 p.m. there will be a lighthouse tour offered by advance reservation. Children must be 6 years, or older, to climb the lighthouse. Call the site office in advance for a reservation. Tour limited to 15 people. Fee of \$3.00 per person.
- Group Tours:** Organized group tours (school, scout, organization and families larger than 10 people,) offered Wednesday through Sunday, are by advance reservation only, and limited to availability of staff and weather. Please call the site office three weeks in advance to book a tour of the Battlefield and/or the Lighthouse. Fee of \$3.00 per person.

SPECIAL SUMMER PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

Dates TBA
Wed. to Sat. 9-1 p.m.

Summer History Week program. Join in the fun and learn about life in the 18th century military with activities for children entering 5th and 6th grade in the fall. For registration information and fees, call the museum office at 845-786-2521.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday, April 27, 2013: Birding By Ear
11:00 a.m. talk, 12:00 noon walk

Have you ever wondered what bird is calling out your window? Learn about the wonders of birdsong and how to identify familiar Rockland birds by sound. This is a perfect program for beginners, but experienced birders can brush up on their identification skills, too. Rockland Audubon Society educator, Lorrie Pallent, will present a sound and slide presentation and a join us for a walk to listen for and identify birds following the talk. Free, but donations are always welcome.

Monday, May 27
2:45 p.m.

Mourn Firelocks: participate in a commemoration of fallen soldiers from all wars with a presentation of an 18th century military ceremony to honor the dead. Followed by our Artillery demonstration and firing of the 6 pounder cannon.

Sunday, May 12
8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Spring Bird Walk: with Della and Alan Wells of the Rockland Audubon Society. These experts will lead a walk through the diverse bird habitats found at the Stony Point Battlefield in search of neo-tropical birds on their spring migration. First time birders welcome, and experienced birders will enjoy exploring the location of a wonderfully accessible birders paradise. Bring binoculars, or borrow an extra pair from the group.

This program is free to the public. Site entrance gate will be open from 7:45 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. only, so please arrive on time to join the walk.

Saturday and Sunday,
June 8-9
12:00 noon – 4:00 p.m.

British Weekend :

Enjoy an afternoon of military drills and demonstrations including two cannon, muskets and rifles. Learn what the British soldiers expected to happen when they built their garrison on the Hudson at Stony Point. Play lawn games popular in the 18th century, tour the soldier's camp and participate in hands-on crafts and activities. Lamb's Artillery will demonstrate and fire a 3 and a 6 pounder cannon throughout the afternoon.

Saturday, June 22
8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Evening Battlefield Lantern Tour: Follow in the footsteps of the attacking American forces as the sounds of musket and cannon fire from the British camp echo around you. Walk with an interpreter and learn the details of the battle. By advance reservation, call 845-786-2521. Admission fee \$4.00 adults, \$3.00 children 10 and over and seniors, 62 and over.

Thursday, July 4
2:45 p.m.

Reading of the Declaration of Independence: Gather at the sites 6 pounder cannon for a reading of the document by an officer in General Washington's army, which spelled out our intentions to the British King. A firing of muskets, rifles and cannon will follow! Huzzah!

Saturday, July 13
& Sunday, July 14
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Celebrate the 234th Anniversary of the Storming of Stony Point: Visit our 18th century military encampment as we commemorate American Brigadier General Anthony Wayne's daring nighttime assault on the British fortifications at Stony Point. There will be musket, rifle and artillery demonstrations, talks presented by soldiers and women from the camp on military and domestic topics, cooking

demonstrations, blacksmithing, along with colonial games and wooden musket drills for children.

And

Saturday, August 3
8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Evening Battlefield Lantern Walking Tour: (See June 22nd for details and fee.)

Saturday, September 14
8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Rockland Audubon Bird Walk: with Della and Alan Wells of the Rockland Audubon Society. These experts will lead a walk through the diverse bird habitats found at the Stony Point Battlefield. First time birders welcome, and experienced birders will enjoy exploring the location of a wonderfully accessible birders paradise. Bring binoculars, or borrow an extra pair from the group. *This program is free to the public. Site entrance gate will be open from 7:45 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. only, so please arrive on time to join the walk.*

Saturday and Sunday,
September 14, 15
1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Hudson River Ramble: take a walk to the Lighthouse at **1:00 p.m.**, with a costumed guide and learn how the lighthouse served the economic development of New York and the nation. At **2:00 p.m.** talk a walk with a soldier and learn the detailed history of how the battle unfolded. Join the site staff for the **3:00 p.m.** firing of the 6 pounder cannon.

Saturday, September 21
12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

Lighthouse Day: Celebrate the history of lighthouses on the Hudson River. Tours of the lighthouse will be given throughout the day. 19th century maritime music and storytelling will be performed by Balladeer, Linda Russell and Storyteller Jonathan Kruk in the shadow of the lighthouse. A costumed interpreter, portraying Lighthouse Keeper, Mrs. Nancy Rose, will host a tea party for visitors.

Find us online at

www.palisadesparksconservancy.org

and

www.FaceBook.com/StonyPointBattlefieldAndLighthouse

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