



Ohio Society

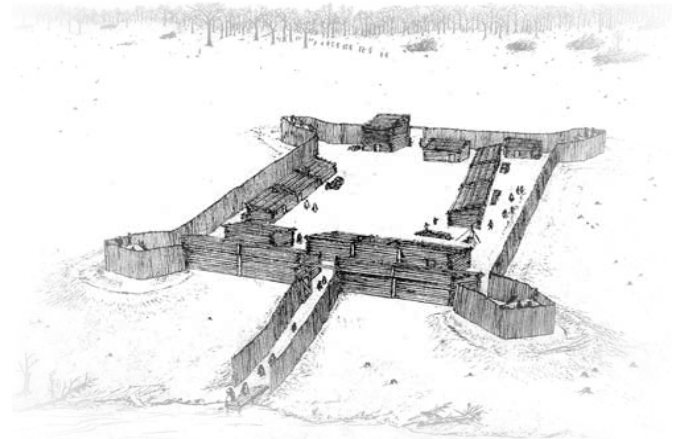
Sons of the American Revolution

FORT LAURENS MEMORIAL SERVICE

Saturday
July 25, 2015
11:15 AM

Fort Laurens State Memorial

11067 Ft. Laurens Rd. NW
Bolivar, OH 44612
40° 38' 23.48" N
81° 27' 23.61" W



Featuring

- * The Ohio Society SAR Color Guard
- * A Soldier's Remembrance Roll Call
- * Memorial Wreath Presentation
Tomb of the Unknown Patriot
- * Black Powder Musket Salute

Keynote Speaker

Mr. Bob Bowen

Past Historian General
National Society Sons of the American Revolution
Past State President
Virginia Society Sons of the American Revolution
"The Siege of Fort Laurens"

The Fort



Fort Laurens was built by General Lachlan McIntosh, in 1778, on the west bank of the Tuscarawas River. The fort was intended to be a staging point for an attack against the British garrison at Detroit. Fort Laurens was the only fort built in the Ohio Country during the Revolutionary War. On February 22, 1779, the British, with a handful of soldiers and a couple hundred Native American warriors, laid siege to the fort. The siege continued until mid-March when the British forces relented. Fort Laurens was abandoned when Fort Detroit was seen as less of a threat by the American Command of the Western Department, and Fort Laurens' troops were needed for an attack on the British in the Fort Niagara region.

FREE * OPEN TO THE PUBLIC * ON-SITE PARKING * MUSEUM OPEN TO ATTENDEES

The Sons of the American Revolution is a fraternal and civic society composed of lineal descendants of the men who wintered at Valley Forge, signed the Declaration of Independence, fought in the battles of the American Revolution, served in the Continental Congress, or otherwise supported the cause of American Independence.

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Wreath Presenters are requested to pre-register with Colonel (Ret.) Donald C. McGraw at donald.c.mcgraw@gmail.com; and SAR Color Guardsmen are requested to contact Ohio Society Color Guard Commander Wm. A. Robinson at wrobinson3@columbus.rr.com no later than July 15th. SPECIAL ATTENTION SAR MEMBERS: This event is listed in the NSSAR Color Guard Handbook as a National Color Guard Event. Participation as a SAR Color Guardsman counts towards earning the NSSAR Silver Color Guard Medal.

The Fort Laurens Historic Site is operated by the Ohio History Connection, locally managed by the Zoar Community Association, and supported by the Friends of Fort Laurens Foundation. The site is listed on the U.S. Park Service National Register of Historic Places. More information is available at www.ohiohistory.org; www.historiczooarvillage.com; and www.friendsoffortlaurens.org.