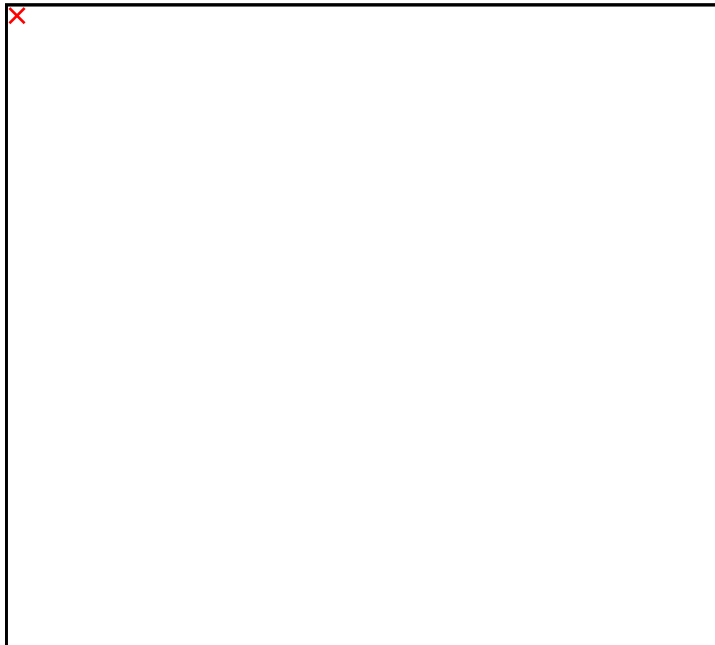


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'Washingtonburg' transports visitors to 18th century



Visitors to the "Market at Washingtonburg" talk with one of the living historians Sept. 20. More than 8,000 people came to the three-day event that showcased 18th century life. Photo by Thomas Zimmerman. [want more photos?](#)

Sept. 22, 2008 -- The Army Heritage Trail was transformed into an 18th Century market Sept. 19-21 for the "Market at Washingtonburg," a living history event that gave a glimpse at life

more than 200 years ago.

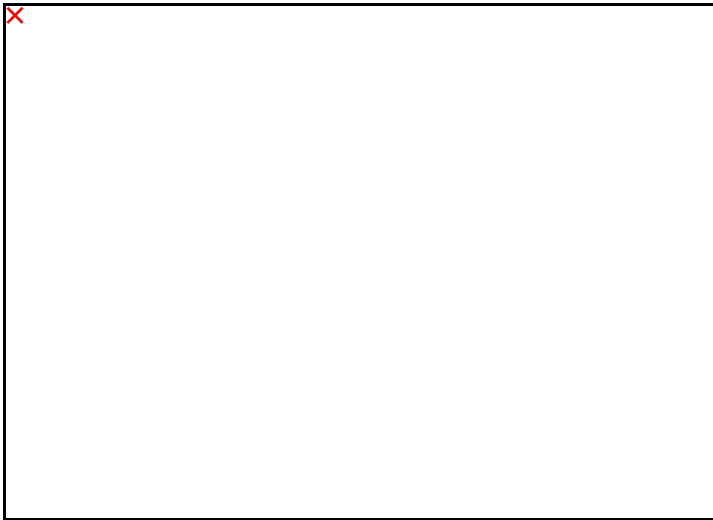
More than 300 living historians took part in the three-day Army Heritage and Education Center event, which traced the early history of Carlisle Barracks from the French and Indian War through the American Revolution when the Barracks was known as Washingtonburg. About 8,000 people attended this year's event, including more than 1,000 school children on Friday.

"They experienced firsthand the lifeways of the Eighteenth Century American Frontier," said Col. Robert Dalessandro, AHEC director.

"This is absolutely amazing," said Gina Alvarez, who came to the event from Newville, Pa. "I've been reading about this time period in class, but it's totally different seeing it live and in front of you." Alvarez is a history major at Millersville University.

Visitors were able to browse the wares brought by the sutlers, see demonstrations of 18th century

military techniques and were treated to the sounds of bagpipes by the Ceol Neamh Pipe Band, of Lancaster, Pa. The group marched onto the field and played a selection of music for the visitors.



Members of the Ceol Neamh Pipe Band, of Lancaster, Pa, march into position during the event. Photo by Thomas Zimmerman.

"My favorite part was the bagpipes," said Lindsay O'Brien of Mechanicsburg, Pa. "It brought back memories of sitting on my grandparents' floor while my grandfather

listened to records of old Irish music."

Other people came out just to enjoy the beautiful weather.

"We were just driving by and saw that this was going on," said Todd Grabow of Carlisle. "We were planning on going out to Pine Grove Furnace since it was such a beautiful day but this was much closer and we've had a lot of fun." Grabow brought his wife Kelly and their two sons Aiden and Joshua. "We'll definitely be back next year."

For more on AHEC events, visit <http://www.carlisle.army.mil/ahec/index.htm>