

# Welcome to Mount Harmon Plantation's

## "1813: Attack upon George and Frederick's Towns"

*Experience America's Second War for Independence!*



On the early morning of May 6, 1813, the men of the 49th Regiment of Maryland Militia anxiously awaited the attack of 400 heavily armed British Royal Marines and Seamen from their small earthwork known as Fort Duffy. Despite overwhelming numbers and the "terrible noise" of a barrage of British "grape, canister, slugs, rockets, and musketry", these local citizen-soldiers bravely defended access to George and Frederick's Towns located just up the Sassafras River.

Come experience the sights, sounds and smells of America's War of 1812, our "Second War of Independence", as we recreate that fateful morning of May 6, 1813 along the Sassafras River at Mount Harmon Plantation.

At the Manor House, meet your friends and neighbors who are gathered to serve in the Maryland Militia, and preparing to defend their families, homes and businesses from the

largest naval force in the World. Hear the thunder of musketry and artillery, and feel the ground shake under the hooves of the mounted dragoons as they practice for impending battle.

Down by the River, encounter the confident British Royal Marines as they prepare to attack and burn the villages of George and Frederick Towns upriver. Step onto the River Docks and come across British Royal Seamen and their boats, ready to launch an amphibious assault on Fort Duffy and the two towns.

At the Tobacco Prize House, be an eyewitness the British amphibious attack from the Sassafra River, and the courage of Cecil County's citizen-soldiers as they once again defend Fort Duffy along the River shores against overwhelming odds...

Living history volunteers from the following organizations will be interpreting the men, women, and children caught up in the crossfire of the Chesapeake Campaign of America's War of 1812:

- Chesapeake Independent Blues
- Fort McHenry Guard
- Maryland Light Dragoons
- Ship's Company - War of 1812
- The Veteran Volunteers
- 1st Company 2nd Battalion Royal Marines

