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National Park Foundation Hill Day 2024



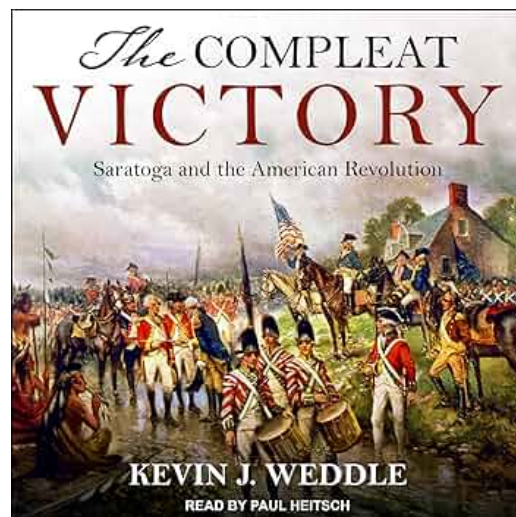
The VFPA team was proud to join the National Park Foundation on Capitol Hill last month to advocate for protecting and enhancing America's national parks, including our very own Valley Forge National Historical Park!

We were grateful to discuss the Great American Outdoors Act and other policies—which ensure all Americans can experience adventure in our national parks—with the offices of Representative Madeleine Dean, Representative Chrissy Houlahan, and Senator John Fetterman.

Lecture on Saratoga & The American Revolution, March 19

Join author, professor and VFPA board member Dr. Ricardo Herrera for a conversation with his colleague Dr. Kevin J. Weddle, a professor emeritus of military theory and strategy and the former Elihu Root Chair of Military Studies at the US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Weddle is a native Minnesotan and a graduate of the US Military Academy and served over 28 years on active duty in the US Army before retiring as a colonel. He is the author of *The Compleat Victory: Saratoga and the American Revolution*.



[Learn More and Register](#)

George Washington, Strategic Leadership, and the Decision to Enter Valley Forge, March 26



Author and Historian Dr. Ricardo A. Herrera joins Washington Memorial Heritage on Tuesday evening, March 26, at Washington Memorial Chapel to discuss “George Washington, Strategic Leadership, and the Decision to Enter Valley Forge.” The program will take place in the Chapel’s Bishop White Library (lower level; entrance in the back). Doors open at 6:00; Dr. Herrera’s talk will begin at 6:30.

Admission is \$10 and will be collected at the door. All proceeds supporting future Forum programs. For more information, contact Mark Thompson at executivedirector@wmheritage.org.

Save the Date for Bark in the Park, April 28

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SUNDAY,
APRIL 28

11:30 AM TO 1:30 PM

WASHINGTON
MEMORIAL CHAPEL
IN
VALLEY FORGE PARK

Join us for an afternoon of pup-centric activities including B.A.R.K. Ranger training and induction.

Refreshments, prizes, and more.



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Valley Creek Cleanup, April 6

Valley Forge Trout Unlimited is seeking volunteers to participate in the cleanup of Valley Creek from 9:00 AM-noon on Saturday, April 6. Volunteers are to meet at Valley Creek Park on Route 29, East Whiteland Township, Malvern, PA. The clean-up will run rain or shine unless the stream is out of its banks.

We will supply trash bags and gloves. We will assign stream segments to individuals and groups and advise where to drop off their filled bags of trash.

Please dress appropriately for the weather, walking stream side or in-stream and collecting trash. Please bring your own hydration. You should consider wearing long sleeves and sun protection. Hip boots or waders are recommended.



Questions and volunteer registrations: contact Pete Goodman at 610-655-5020 or email peteg5020@gmail.com.

'78 Mile Challenge Logo Contest - Submissions Due March 20!



Valley Forge National Historical Park is in the middle of the 3rd Annual '78 Mile Challenge Logo Design Contest and they want to see YOUR designs!

For the first few years of the '78 Mile Challenge (the challenge is running, walking, biking, or paddling 78 miles in the park between April and October), those who finished the challenge received swag with the same design. But in 2022 they changed it up, and invited people to submit their logo design ideas. Each year these logos go head-to-head in a bracket-style tournament with Facebook users like you voting for their favorites. Will your artwork join the ranks of

winning designs?

Logo submissions will be accepted from now until March 20, 2024. Then, beginning April 4th, Facebook users will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite design. The winning logo design will be announced on April 21st (the day of the Valley Forge Rev Run) and will officially kick off the 2024 '78 Mile Challenge!

Find more information and full contest rules at go.nps.gov/78milelogo
Learn more about the '78 Mile Challenge at go.nps.gov/78milechallenge

Pssst! Want your name and logo on our newsletter?

Email info@vfparkalliance.org to find out how - and you'll get a Friends Circle Membership too!

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