

# The Friends of Hopewell Furnace



## America's 250: The Battle of Red Bank

In 2022, remains of Hessian soldiers were discovered at Red Bank Battlefield. Who were they?

**Wade Catts**, Archaeologist, Rowan University

**When:** Sunday, November 10, 2024, at 2pm

**Where:** Hopewell Furnace Visitor Center Theatre  
2 Mark Bird Lane, Elverson, PA 19520

**Free**



In 2022 a mass burial space was discovered as part of a public archaeology program at Red Bank Battlefield Park in Gloucester County, New Jersey. The burial space is thought to contain the remains of Hessian soldiers who lost their lives in the attack on Fort Mercer, October 22, 1777. A project team of archaeologists, forensic scientists, historians, county employees, volunteers, and university students worked tirelessly to investigate the site. Historical Archaeologist Wade Catts is the project co-director and continues to lead the team that is investigating who were these Hessians soldiers that gave their lives fighting for the British. Learn about the excavation, the process of archaeological discovery, how the analyses are progressing and are the project's goals.

*Due to capacity limitations in the park's theatre, those interested in attending are encouraged to arrive as early as possible prior to the advertised start time to ensure a seat.*