

December 15, 2023

Dear Unit Representatives and Reenactors,

On behalf of Harrison R. Tyler and the planning committee, I would like to extend an invitation to you and your unit to participate in the 160th anniversary reenactment of the *Action at Wilson's Wharf.* With your support we will again honor the memory of those troops who fought here on May 24, 1864 by bringing the battle to life on June 1st and 2nd, 2024.

The United States Colored Troops are a very important part of our site's history and we will be waiving registration fees for USCT reenactors. Likewise, the cavalry has a key role in the fort's story and is a spectator favorite. Infantry units have a visible role reenacting the assault on the fort. A strong artillery presence is a highlight of the battles and a bounty of \$150 per gun will be paid to the first 8 full-size guns registered. Sutlers and civilian interpreters contribute to an authentic atmosphere and are, as always, welcome. There is no sutler fee. Award-winning Southern Q (Raleigh, NC) will cater a Saturday evening "Blue and Gray" dinner.

Early registration begins January 9th at a discounted rate of \$10 per person. After April 15th the registration fee will be \$20 per person. Register, reserve meal tickets and pay conveniently at <u>www.fortpocahontas.org</u>. Attendance will be capped so register early to ensure your slot. Questions may be directed to Event Commander, Joe Funk, at <u>gweitzel@prodigy.net</u>, Director, Annique Dunning, at <u>annique@fortpocahontas.org</u> or Event Coordinator, Shelly Liebler, at <u>info@fortpocahontas.org</u> or (804) 829-9722.

Your help in promoting this event to your fellow reenactors and spectators is much appreciated. I look forward to seeing you in June!

With best regards, William B. Tyler



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