

# Friends of Camp Security Newsletter

A Revolutionary War Era Prison Camp



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## Grant Award

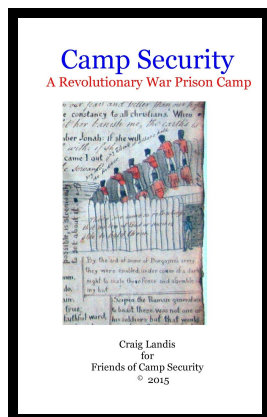
Great news! Becky Roman applied for a grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The Friends of Camp Security has been awarded a matching grant of \$5,000 to support our archaeological survey in search of Camp Security. Although this money will help with ongoing endeavors, we will still need to raise the matching share and additional funds to support the dig's annual \$21,000 budget.



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## Camp Security Lessons

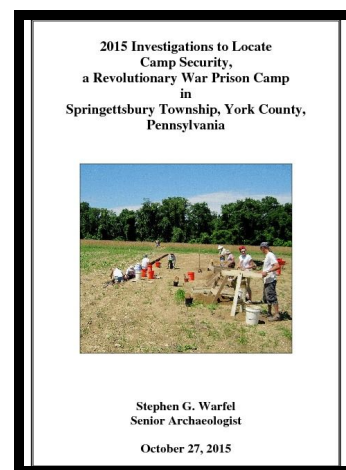
Lesson Plans and a book have been developed for fifth graders by Craig Landis. These plans have been sent to 17 public and private schools in York County. In addition, 3,523 fifth grade students have received a free book about Camp Security. We even had a surprise order from a school in England. The lesson plans are also available on the Camp Security website under the Education Tab. The book is being sold at Saratoga National Historic Park and Morristown National Historic Park. Closer to home, the book is on sale at the York Heritage Trust Museum Store for



\$2.00.

## 2015 Dig Report

What were the findings of the Spring 2015 Archaeological Dig? The archaeological report of the 2015 dig is currently available. The 2015 report, along with those describing the 1979, the 2000, and the 2014 investigations can be found on the Camp Security website. The history of archaeological research at Camp Security can be found under the Archaeology Tab.



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## Spring Dig

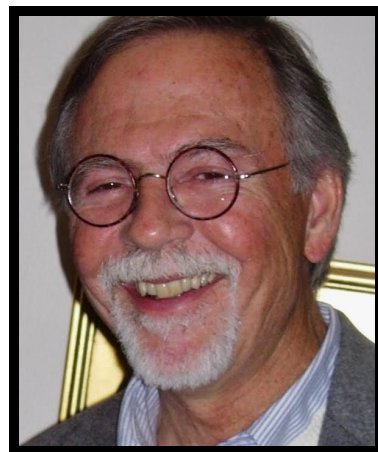


On Sunday, April 10th, a metal detecting sweep was done in preparation for the Spring 2016 Archaeological Dig. Coins, buttons, and buckles were found near terraced area associated with Camp Indulgence. Using this information, it has been decided that the 2016 dig site will be in the southwest corner of the field behind the Schultz House. The focus of the 2016 dig is to locate Camp Security, the first of two camps built in 1781. Dr. Ben Luley and five of his students from Gettysburg College will be assisting in the dig. Field work begins on May 16th.

### Steve Warfel, Camp Security Archaeologist

The most familiar face around the Camp Security Site is Stephen G. Warfel. As any volunteer knows, he is an excellent teacher, abundantly patient, always pleasant, personable, and welcoming, and ever-ready to answer questions.

Originally from York County, Steve graduated from York Suburban High School, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology from Franklin and Marshall College, and a Master of Arts degree from Brown University. In addition to teaching high school early in his career, Steve served as The State Museum of Pennsylvania's Senior Curator of Archaeology from 1980 through 2007. And, he was involved with archaeological studies throughout the state. Some notable archaeological sites where he lead programs include: the Ephrata Cloister, the Joseph Priestley House and Laboratory, Eckley Miners' Village, Fort Loudoun, and Fort Augusta. Since retiring from the State Museum, Steve has been involved with digs at Fort Morris (Shippensburg), Dill's Tavern (Dillsburg), the Samuel Blunston site near Wright's Ferry Mansion (Columbia), and the Schultz House (Springettsbury Township). Presently, he is the Camp Security Archaeologist.



Much of the success for the tremendous enthusiasm of the volunteers at the Camp Security Site can be attributed to Steve Warfel. How much we have learned from him. What a treasure the Friends of Camp Security have found in Steve!

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