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Events List:
Next two weekends

April 22-26, 2026 - Amarugia Spring Rendezvous, London Mills, Illinois 61544. Contact Larry Schatz, 309-370-1174, larryws@frontiernet.net, Facebook page. Pre-1830 event on private property.

April 23-26, 2026 - Spring Thaw Rendezvous, Ball & Arrow Primitive Weapons Club, 5190 Days Lane, New Philadelphia, Ohio. Contact Duane Winkler, 330-343-4880 or winky4@roadrunner.com, Facebook page.

April 23-26, 2026 - 18th Century Market Fair, Fort Frederick State Park, 11100 Fort Frederick Road, Big Pool, Maryland 21711. Contact info@friendsoffortfrederick.info, Facebook page.

April 24-26, 2026 - Grassy Run Heritage Rendezvous, Grassy Run Historical Arts Committee, Cook Log Cabin Heritage Center, 6707 Goshen Road, Goshen, Ohio 45122. 1760-1840 event. Contact booshway 513-520-2882, grassyrun@gmail.com, Facebook page.

April 24-26, 2026 - Phil Cravener Memorial Spring Campout, Old Westmoreland Rifles, 188 McCullough Road, Derry, Pennsylvania 15671. Contact Darryl Myers, 724-522-1729; John Kaminsky, 724-887-7265; or Duane King, 724-850-7305, www.oldwestmorelandrifles.com/schedules.html.

Prairieland Frontiersmen celebrating 50 years

In this historical photo in honor of Prairieland Frontiersmen 50th Annual Spring Rendezvous this weekend in Sullivan, Illinois, the club posted some old photos on its Facebook page. In this one, according to member Steve Rairden, Larry Brooks, Tom Fulk and Ed Jarmer enjoy their evening. "Sadly, Tom is the only one still with us," Rairden said in a comment.

More event and info websites

Please note! I'm sure the information found on these websites is as accurate as their owners can make it. However, they are not my sites so I

April 24-26, 2026 - Prairieland Frontiersmen 50th Annual Spring Rendezvous, club grounds, 1426 County Rd 800 North, Sullivan, Illinois 61951. Contact Vicki Newberry, 217-620-2281, www.prairielandfrontiersmen.com, Facebook page.

April 25-26, 2026 - Ashville Ohio Reenactment Timeline/Grove of Heroes, 165 Walnut St., Ashville, Ohio 43103. Contact Roger Bechtel, 614-214-0827, vikingfestival@gmail.com, https://ashvilleohvikingfestival.com, Facebook page.

April 25-26, 2026 - Bridgeton Rendezvous, Downtown Bridgeton, Indiana 47836. Sponsored by Bridgeton Covered Bridge Association. Contact bton1878hse@aol.com, 765-548-2093 for camping information, bridgetonindiana.com, Facebook page.

April 25-26, 2026 - Spring Rendezvous, Patoka Valley Long Rifles, 1579 E. Logtown Road, Winslow, Indiana 47598. Contact pvlr.info@gmail.com, Facebook page.

April 25-26, 2026 - Redbud Trail Rendezvous, Fulton County Historical Society, 37 E. 375 N, Rochester, Indiana 46975. Contact 574-223-4436, www.fultoncountyhistory.org/redbud-trail-rendezvous, Facebook page.

April 25-26, 2026 - Michigan Antique Arms Collectors Inc., Madison Place Events Center, 876 Horace Brown Drive, Madison Heights, Michigan 48071. Contact Greg Zemsta, 248-556-6590, mauserman98@hotmail.com, www.michiganantiquearms.com.

April 28-May 3, 2026 - Lancaster County Longrifles Rendezvous, Northern Lancaster County Game & Fish Protective Association, 180 Forest Road, Denver, Pennsylvania 17517. Contact Hudson Hughes II, 717-343-0548, pabackwoodsman@yahoo.com, or Mallory Bell, 717-566-9983, mallorybell16@gmail.com, www.lancastercountylongrifles.com, Facebook page.

April 28-May 3, 2026 - Bloody Lake Rendezvous, Black Hawk Memorial Park,

can take no responsibility for their contents. PLEASE verify an event before you plan to attend. Usually, a phone number or email address is provided as a contact. Often, advanced registration is requested. Nobody wants to drive to an event to find out it's been canceled. We do our best to keep up with schedule changes, but sometimes we don't get the messages.

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Rendezvous Ohio

America 250 calendar of events

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Reenacting Schedule

Rendezvous West Virginia

Rendezvous Women

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Woodford, Wisconsin. Contact Dave Harring, lae52@yahoo.com, or Alex Olson, olsonfamily4@tds.net, Yellowstone Flint and Cap Club, Facebook page.

April 30-May 3, 2026 - Root River Riflemen Rendezvous, Chatfield, Minnesota. Contact Chuck, 507-867-3093, or Tim, 507-421-7373, rootriverriflemen@mchsi.com.

May 1-3, 2026 - Spring Rendezvous, Greene County Fish & Game, 1538 Union Road, Xenia, Ohio 45385. Contact Brian Lavery, 937-241-8327, Facebook page.

May 1-3, 2026 - Early Ohio on the Portage, Wood County Museum, 13660 County Home Road, Bowling Green, Ohio. Timeline event, 1750-1865. Contact Annette Wells, museum@woodcountyhistory.org, https://woodcountyhistory.org, Facebook page.

May 1-3, 2026 - Traditional Bow Shoot, Ball & Arrow Primitive Weapons Club Inc., 5190 Days Lane NE, New Philadelphia (Roswell), Ohio 44663. Contact Greg Van Fossen, 330-260-0946, or Steve Cronk, 330-243-9080.

May 1-3, 2026 - Five Medals, Nappanee, Indiana. Contact Mike Judson, Five Medals Living History, Inc., fivemedals1812@gmail.com for an application, Facebook page. Juried event, 1750-1815.

May 1-3, 2026 - NMLRA Women's Muzzleloading Weekend, Friendship, Indiana. Contact Mike Eder, 317-683-5102, Facebook page.

May 2-3, 2026 - Across the Centuries timeline, Fort Loudoun Historic Site, 1720 N. Brooklyn Road, Fort Loudon, Pennsylvania 17224, Facebook page.

Click here for more details and the entire event list

News & Notes

Reenactor info online

I have removed Talking Bear's website from the list of online information available to reenactors. He has ended his website due to illness.
Several new sources of information were added. If you know about a website, blog, podcast, YouTube channel or any other digital form of communication to include on the list, please email me at **Vicki@ReenactorChronicles.com**.

Orland, Ind., seeks reenactors

Orland Area Chamber of Commerce is looking for a group to reenact pioneer life during Vermont Settlement Days, a town festival July 25-26 in Orland, Indiana. Orland is in the northeastern part of the state north of Fort Wayne, between Angola and LaGrange.
Reenactors are welcome to set up camp after noon Friday and stay through noon Sunday.
For more information, contact Kris Wheaton, chamber president, at **orlandareachamber@gmail.com**.

Send your news!

- Does your club or organization have news to share?
- Is your museum planning a timely exhibit fitting the 1700-1840 time period?
- Does your event have information to distribute quickly such as a location change or date change?

Please let me know and I'll get the word out.
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