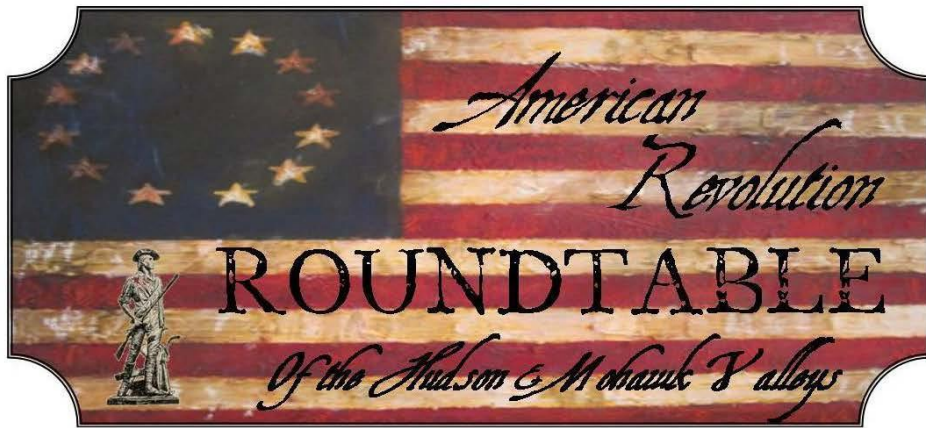


American Revolution Round Table of the Hudson and Mohawk Valleys - Joseph Brant's Attack on Canajohary



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Date/Time: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 6:30 PM

Location: Van Alstyne Homestead, located 42 Moyer St, Canajoharie, NY 13317

Description: Original accounts of the August 2nd raid began appearing in major newspapers about two weeks after the attack. A newspaper account dated September 9, 1780 stated the following: "At the fort now called fort Ransalaer (Fort Plain), Sir John Johnson and Captain Brant have burnt 51 houses, 42 barns, 17 killed, and 52 prisoners." The incursion had been more than just a raid however. Research has shown that the Mohawk Valley attacks of 1780 were part of a deliberate British strategy to depopulate the area so that the lands could be retained after the war and thus make the Mohawk the new border between the United States and Canada.

Tours of the 1730 Van Alstyne Homestead will be held after the presentation

Opportunities for Networking/Socializing and Idea Sharing

Free Admission (Donations appreciated) and Light Refreshments will be provided