

# UNRAVELING ROUTES

by Dr. ROBERT SELIG

It was one of the boldest gambles of the American Revolution. In the summer of 1781, leaving behind only a few regiments to pin down the British garrison in New York City, George Washington and his French ally, the Comte de Rochambeau, led a force of 7,000 American and French soldiers in a long, grueling march south into Virginia, crossing through New Jersey along the way. The goal of the American-French force was to trap the British army of Lord Cornwallis on the Yorktown peninsula. The gamble paid off, and the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown on October 19, 1781, was the decisive moment that established the independence of the new American nation.

You are invited to hear Dr. Robert Selig, a noted authority on the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route, present to the public for the first time the results of his research into the routes through New Jersey taken by the American and French forces.

Also speaking at this event will be Dr. Jacques Bossière, the National Chairman of the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route Association, who will discuss plans for the W3R 225th Anniversary to be celebrated next year. An exciting update on the recently designated Crossroads of the American Revolution State Heritage Area will be given by the Crossroads Association President Marguerite Chandler.

Following the symposium and lunch, enjoy some Princeton history with a stroll through town led by guides from the Historical Society of Princeton and a complimentary visit to Morven Museum and Garden.

## For further information,

please call 732-721-1047

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Numbers are limited, so RSVP by October 13, 2005

**SATURDAY**  
**OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup> 2005**  
**10AM-1:30PM**

**DODDS AUDITORIUM**  
**ROBERTSON HALL**  
**WOODROW WILSON SCHOOL**  
**PRINCETON UNIVERSITY**

**\$25** (includes a box lunch and complimentary guest pass to Morven Museum and Garden)

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## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

I would like a complimentary guest pass to Morven Museum and Garden for the day.

I am interested in attending a walking tour of Princeton, immediately following the Symposium, weather permitting (additional charge of \$7, payable on day of tour).

Please send your registration form and check of \$25, payable to the Crossroads of the American Revolution Association, P.O. Box 1364, Princeton, NJ 08542.

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