

# 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Margareta Days Festival & Craft Fair

## June 19&20, 2026



*The 251<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the First Naval Battle  
of the Revolution  
United States of America's 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday!*

**Festival Venue: Middle River Park in Machias  
Craft Fair and Parking at Lee Pellon Center**  
**FREE Admission to the Festival** - Bring the whole family!  
Handicapped Parking in the Middle River Park Lot

### Friday Evening, June 19, 2026

**6:00 pm:** Join the **Revolutionary War Reenactors of Downeast Maine** as they raise the Liberty Pole and perform a skirmish between the Patriots and the Redcoats at Middle River Park overlooking Middle River!  
MUSIC by the **Piscataqua Rangers Jr Fife & Drum Corps**. See them here:  
[Facebook.com/rangersfifeanddrum](https://www.facebook.com/rangersfifeanddrum)

### Saturday, June 20, 2026

**Visit the Festival Information Booth!**

**9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Margareta Days Craft Fair**  
Held at the **Lee Pellon Event Center** and curated by [Machias Historical Society](#) Crafters, Historical Societies and other Exhibitors

**9:00 to 3:00. Colonial Day at Middle River Park**  
Visit the **Reenactors' Encampment** featuring demonstrations of colonial era tools, skills, weaponry, clothing and food preparation. Performances by the **Piscataqua Rangers Jr Fife & Drum Corps!** The Reenactors will present skirmishes during the day. Games and demonstrations for children and adults! Food will be offered by a variety of vendors.

**9:00 am: Parade for all** in view of Middle and Machias Rivers.  
Join the Machias Historical Society Revolutionary War **Reenactors** of Downeast Maine, **Piscataqua Fife & Drum Corps**, visiting Reenactors and Community members.

Parade starts at Dunkin Donuts, moves up the Rail Trail to Middle River Park.

**9:45 am: Revolutionary War Reenactors** present a skirmish between the Patriots and the Red Coats with music provided by the **Piscataqua Rangers Jr Fife & Drum Corps**

**10:00am - 2:00 pm: Carriage Rides** by Whispering Pines Stable

**10:30 am: Welcome Ceremony**, followed by a prayer delivered by the Reverend and Mrs. James Lyon, first minister to Machias, reenacted by Ray and Patricia Estabrook

**12:00 Noon: Historic** ballads presented by Stephen Sanfilippo

**1:00 pm:** Revolutionary War Reenactors and Redcoats Skirmish with Piscataqua Rangers Fife & Drum Corps

**1:45 pm: speakers** describing historical events will add to the festivity!  
“Eddy’s Rebellion”  
“The Battle of the Margareta”  
“Life and Times of Ephraim Chase”  
“Hannah and Rebecca Weston”

### **Local Events to Enjoy!**

June 20, 2026 - Noon - 3:00 pm: Tours of the historic **Burnham Tavern Museum** by Hannah Weston Chapter DAR  
June 20, 2026 - 11:00 am to 2:00 pm: Visit the “Battle of the Margareta” exhibit at the **Gates House Museum** at 344 Port Road, Machiasport, Maine  
June, 2026 - The first of the Kitchen Summer Concert Series (tba)

**See updates to this schedule on our webpage at**  
[www.machiashistoricalsociety.com](http://www.machiashistoricalsociety.com)