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LG Battlefield Alliance Wins New Members, Attention

By Mirror Staff

The Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance is enjoying an unprecedented growth in membership and visibility, Alliance President John DiNuzzo said at the non-profit organization's annual meeting, held August 9 in the Fort George/Battlefield Park pavilion.

According to DiNuzzo, the Battlefield Park Visitor Center, which the Alliance manages, and the series of presentations it co-sponsored with organizations such as The French and Indian War Society at Lake George, the Warren County Historical Society and Fort Ticonderoga, were in all likelihood among the factors propelling the Alliance's growth.

DiNuzzo said the number of people entering the Visitor Center is on track to exceed that of last year, when the Center opened for its first season.

DiNuzzo attributed the Visitor Center's rising attendance figures to the popularity of its new exhibits,

including

the diorama of Abercromby's 1758 flotilla donated by Adirondack Experience, a display of Native American artifacts, fragments of an 18th Century British bateau loaned by the NY State Museum and a replica of an 18th century cannon on loan from Fort William Henry.

"It's been a terrific year for the Alliance, thanks to the volunteers who have worked behind the scenes with our board," said DiNuzzo.

New opportunities for future growth and visibility are likely to come from the reinterment in the park of 44 Continental soldiers, whose remains were found in Lake George Village in 2019 and the impending 250th anniversary commemorations of the American Revolution, DiNuzzo said.

The annual meeting's featured speaker was Phil Giltner of New York State's Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, who discussed the state's 250th anniversary commemoration plans and noted that New York State has more Revolutionary War sites than any other state.

Other business included the election of officers and board members.
