

# Ancaster 1812 Bicentennial

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March 13, 2011

Dear Honourable Mayor Bratina and Councillors:

I am writing this letter to you on behalf of the Ancaster 1812 Bicentennial Committee.

We are busily preparing our recognition of this important event with plans to start commemoration this year during Ancaster's Heritage Days festivities and continuing with events over the next four years ending with a play about the Bloody Assizes.

This committee includes representatives from Ancaster Township Historical Society; Fieldcote Museum; Heritage Days Committee; Westfield Heritage; Ancaster Theatre; Ancaster BIA; Ancaster Optimist; Ancaster Lions; and both Rotary groups.

This year the event will be called, "Rumours of War". We are planning to have costumed civilians participating in the Heritage Day's events both in the parade and wandering through the village. Some of these civilians will also be relating stories from the year 1811.

This has become quite an exciting project as more and more people choose to support it with their time and talents. With this in mind, we would appreciate any monetary support (seed money) that the City of Hamilton could offer to us. We need to be able to supply many of these volunteers with clothing styled appropriate to the time era of the war. This clothing, although simple in design, does carry a large expense to fulfill.

We look forward to your support and hope to see all of you at this year's Heritage Days events.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Melanie Blum, Secretary

Ancaster 1812 Bicentennial Committee