Hi Everyone,

Our trip for this year is all set. We are travelling to New York again, but this time along the Hudson River. We’ll start at the Revolutionary War Headquarters of Generals Henry Knox and Horatio Gates on the west side of the Hudson River. We’ll have a guided tour of the site and then have lunch in the picnic area (or indoors if it’s raining. Memories of last year.)

Our second stop will be a visit to the New Windsor Cantonment, a Continental Army encampment, where we’ll have a tour of the army’s quarters with a special guide. We’ll then hop on the bus for a 15-minute ride to Washington’s Headquarters, where we’ll see a special program on Martha Washington. Not many know of her significant role in supporting the army during the war. We’ll then enjoy a tour of the headquarters and adjacent museum with a guide.

We’ll then board our bus for a drive to our restaurant stop for a family style dinner, with a cash bar of course. It’s about an hour and a half to the restaurant, but it will save us leaving very early on Sunday morning to make our next stop. Our hotel is just a few minutes away from the restaurant, so we’ll check in right after dinner so everyone can rest up for Sunday. If anyone feels they’ll still have energy to burn, the hotel does have an indoor pool and fitness room.

Sunday, we’ll start our day with a quick trip across to the east side of the river to visit Olana, home of famous Hudson River artist, Frederick Church. His mansion is an architectural masterpiece which overlooks the Hudson, with sweeping views as well as beautiful gardens. We’ll have time to tour both the house (guided) and the gardens (on your own.)

From there, it’s a short hop to the Clermont Mansion, home of the New York Livingston family. We’ll have lunch first, then enjoy a video on the history of the Livingston family, followed by a tour of the mansion. Clermont was one of the “America’s Treasurers” that Bob Villa restored years ago as part of his “This Old House” series.

We’ll leave from Clermont for home, with a quick stop on the highway for a light dinner. If we don’t get caught in traffic on the parkway, we should be home by 7:30. We think this will be a nice trip to some sites that you may not have visited before.

The registration form and itinerary are included with this letter. Proceeds from this year’s trip will benefit the Historical Preservation Society of Upper Township. If you have any questions, you can email us at parytell@gmail.com or call us at 609-886-8577. We hope you can join us this year.

Pary & Bruce
Bus Trip Itinerary
April 25th & 26th, 2020

Pary’s Cell Phone #  609-425-8480

Saturday, April 25th:

7:30 am  Leave Court House Acme for New Windsor
7:40 am  Second pick up at Seaville Acme
9:30  10 minute Coffee/potty stop at Cheesquake Rest Stop on Parkway
11:00 Tour of General Knox’s Headquarters followed by lunch
1:00  Tour of New Windsor Cantonment
2:30  Depart New Windsor
3:00  Tour Washington’s Headquarters
5:00  Depart for restaurant (about 1:30 hours away)
6:30  Dinner at Red’s Restaurant (family style, cash bar)
8:00  Check in at hotel

Sunday, April 26th

Breakfast at hotel
9:15 am  Bus leaves for Olana
10 to noon  Guided tour of Olana and gardens
12:00  Bus leaves for Clermont Mansion
12:15  Lunch at Clermont
1:00  Introduction video and tours of Clermont
3:00  Leave for home
5:30  Half hour dinner/potty stop at Cheesquake rest stop on parkway. This dinner at your own expense.

Arrive home approximately 7:30 pm