

The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House
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Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum



2017 Calendar of Events

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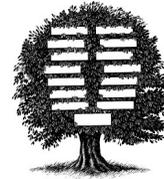
River Road Park
3055 River Road
Bedminster, New Jersey
(908) 396-6053

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February 19, Sunday Five Generals Narrated Bus Tour Tours at 10, 11, 12, 1, 2 pm

Discover five of the original Somerset County houses that served as general staff headquarters during the Revolutionary War. Historic houses include the Van Horne House in Bridgewater, the Van Veghten House in Finderne, the Abraham Staats house in South Bound Brook, the Wallace House in Somerville and the Jacobus Vanderveer House in Bedminster where visitors will be greeted by General Henry Knox, chief artillery officer of the Continental Army. The tour starts from the Van Horne House in Bridgewater and takes approximately two and a half hours. Tours are \$ 25 per person, Students \$15, Children under 6 free. For reservations call (732) 356-8856 or online at www.heritagetrail.org.



March 11, Saturday Genealogy Workshop - 1 pm "Genealogy...Get Ready, Get Set, Get Going!" with Central Jersey Genealogical Club

Genealogists Carol Scheaffer & Nancy Nelson of the Central Jersey Genealogical Club will teach participants how to organize and begin researching your family history by digging into your family archives for photos, documents, diaries, journals and oral histories to help tell your story. You will also learn how to use vital, immigration and military records; church and local records; and online sources. Pre-registration is required and registration is limited. Admission \$10 per person, Members Free, Children 12 and Under Free.



March 26, Sunday Beginner Rug Hooking Class with Cheryl Halliday - 1 to 4 pm

Have you ever wanted to learn rug hooking? Now's your chance! Cheryl Halliday, a member of the Hunterdon County Rug Artisans Guild and award-winning McGown certified instructor, will introduce participants to the art and tradition of rug hooking, and allow you to create your own masterpiece. Pre-registration by March 12 required. Age 18 or older. \$70 per person. Register directly with Therese Shick, Hunterdon County Rug Artisans Guild, at (908) 735-7985 or etshick@gmail.com.



April 9, Sunday Hamilton-Burr Duel 2 pm Morristown National Historical Park Auditorium

Without a doubt, the duel between former Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton and Vice President Aaron Burr is the most famous duel in American history. On July 11, 1804, the two political rivals met on a dueling ground in Weehawken, New Jersey. Hamilton's shot went high—perhaps deliberately, perhaps not. Burr's shot hit Hamilton in his abdomen, pierced his liver, and lodged in his spine. He died the next day. Listen as Alexander Hamilton, portrayed by Eben Kuhns, retells the story charged with political rivalry and personal animosity between the two. Admission is free, however pre-registration is required at www.jvanderveerhouse.org.



April 20, Thursday Paint & Sip 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Learn to paint with Center for Contemporary Art's Priscilla Flores as she guides you through the creative process. Relax and unwind with friends as you learn painting styles and techniques while creating your own masterful design using acrylics on canvas. Cost of the program is \$35 or Members \$25. Includes supplies for painting and sipping.



April 28, Friday Rock the Revolution Dinner Dance

Dance the night away at Fiddler's Elbow Country Club in Bedminster, New Jersey and help raise funds for our Dutch Barn project "Raising the Bar(N)". For reservations, please call (908) 396-6053 or email info@jvanderveerhouse.org.



May 3, Wednesday
Museum of the American Revolution Trip
 Bus Departs 9:30 am, Lunch 11:30 am
 Followed by Museum Tour

Visit the groundbreaking new museum opening in Philadelphia in April 2017! First, experience authentic 18th century cuisine at the historic City Tavern Restaurant established in 1773, then enjoy a journey through the remarkable story of America's founding and gain a deeper understanding of the people, events, and ideals that gave birth to our nation. \$75 per person. Includes luxury bus transportation, lunch and museum admission.



May 13-14* & 20-21
John Phillip Osborne:
An American Master
 Special Exhibition with
 J.M. Stringer Gallery

*** **May 14th - Mothers and Mimosas Tour!** ***

Join us for a special exhibition featuring the work of American master painter John Phillip Osborne. Mr. Osborne is a preeminent painter of revolutionary subjects, and his works are part of the Jacobus Vanderveer House's permanent collection. Admission \$10 per person, Members Free, Children 12 and Under Free. Visit our website for more information about the exhibition.



June 22, Thursday
Pony Tales
 1 to 4 pm

*** **For Children Ages 6 to 12** ***

Learn about the adventures of a courageous young girl, Sybil Ludington, celebrated as a heroine of the American Revolutionary War. Sybil, riding her pony named Star, became famous for her night ride on April 26, 1777 to alert militia forces of the approach of the British regular forces. Following this fascinating tale, participants will have the opportunity to ride ponies themselves and learn about horse care! Fee for this half day program is \$45. Pre-Registration required.



July 2, Sunday
Independence Day Celebration
 Museum Open 1 to 4 pm

Join The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House as we celebrate our nation's independence with a patriotic tribute, music, and family picnic. Please visit our website for more information as our plans continue to evolve.



July 12, Wednesday
Revolutionary Spirit Night @
TD Bank Ballpark

Join us at TD Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater for *Revolutionary Spirit Night*, sponsored by Somerset Patriots Baseball and Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area. Baseball fans will be transported to Colonial-era New Jersey as the Somerset Patriots celebrate New Jersey's Revolutionary War history during the All-Star Game. Enjoy Colonial activities, costumed re-enactors, a Revolutionary troop encampment and cannon demonstration. To purchase tickets, contact the Somerset Patriots box office at (908) 252-0700.

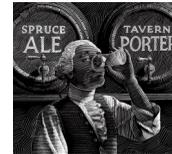


July 8-9 & 15-16 Adult Program
July 24 - 28 Youth Camp (1 to 5 pm)
Youth & Adult Archaeology Study

Enroll in either our two weekend-long **Adult Archaeology Experience** or our one week **Youth Archaeology Camp!** Both programs offer participants a unique opportunity to explore and investigate the world of archaeology as it relates to local history dating back to the American Revolution. Participants will work alongside professional archaeologists at an actual archaeological site at Bedminster's historic Jacobus Vanderveer House. They will learn to measure, plot, dig, sift, sort, wash and categorize the artifacts found. For the Youth Camp register directly with Bedminster Recreation www.bedminster.us. For the Adult Experience, please visit www.jvanderveerhouse.org for more information.

August 13, Sunday
Open House - Museum Open 1 to 4 pm
 \$10 per person, Members Free, Children 12 and Under Free

September 10, Sunday
Open House - Museum Open 1 to 4 pm
 \$10 per person, Members Free, Children 12 and Under Free



September 29, Friday
Colonial Tavern Night
 7pm

Huzzah! Learn how to create authentic fresh Colonial Cocktails. Grab a mug of ale or a colonial cocktail and join us for a night of colonial merrymaking! Sample rustic fare, play authentic tavern games, learn boisterous songs and cheerful dances in a spirited colonial tavern atmosphere. \$30 per person, advance registration is required.



October 7 & 8
Saturday & Sunday
Weekend Journey Through the Past
 Sat. 10 to 5 pm, Sun. 12 to 4 pm

Sponsored by Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission, thirty (30) of the County's significant historic sites open their doors for the weekend--many with significant Revolutionary War histories. Local historians will be on hand to share their knowledge and stories about Somerset County's history. Admission to all sites is Free.



October 14, Saturday
Bedminster Charities Fall Fest
 11 am to 5 pm
Hayrides throughout Park

Visit us at Bedminster's annual fall festival in River Road Park. Stop by the Jacobus Vanderveer House booth for Colonial games and demonstrations. Be sure to hop on the hay wagon to view the restored 1772 farmhouse. Admission to Fall Fest is \$5 per person, Children 3 and Under Free.



October 21, Saturday
Paranormal Night at the Vanderveer House
 Two Sessions: (1) 6:30 to 8 pm
 (2) 8:30 to 10 pm

(For Participants 16 years of age or older)

The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House invite you to experience an up-close and personal ghost hunt! With the help of experts, you'll use investigative tools to conduct readings inside the circa 1772 Jacobus Vanderveer House. 'Ghost hunts' are led by the expert staff of New Jersey Paranormal. Two paranormal investigations are available, from 6:30 to 8 pm and 8:30 to 10 pm. Tickets are \$15 per person, advance registration is required, Members \$5. This program is designed for participants 16 and older. Each session is limited to 25 people, so register early!



November 5, Sunday
"A Taste of Change" by Peter G. Rose
 Program 2 pm, Museum Open 1 to 4 pm

Food Historian Peter G. Rose will discuss how cookbooks can tell us more than just how a dish is made. They tell us about a family's ethnicity that transcends generations through the continuation of customs and celebrations. Participants are encouraged to bring their own inherited cookbooks and recipe boxes as we discuss the importance of saving these items for future generations. \$10 per person, Members Free, Children 12 and Under Free



November 25 & 26
December 2 & 3
15th Annual Colonial Christmas
 Tree Lighting Friday, November 24 @ 6:30 pm. House Tour 10 am to 4 pm Daily.

** **Friday, December 1st is School Group Tour Day** **

Experience A Colonial Christmas at the 1772 homestead beginning with our holiday tree lighting, on Friday, November 24 at 6:30 pm. Our annual two weekend-long celebration of the holidays will follow with festive music, period decorations, re-enactors, holiday shopping, visits from Santa and more! 10 am to 4 pm daily. Admission is \$10 per person, Members Free.