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Swashbuckling in Pirate Bay! H.M.S. Bounty at Newburgh Landing April 22-25

Pirate Weekend to Feature Other Special (Pirate and Non-Pirate) Events

Avast me hearties! On Thursday, April 22, the H.M.S. Bounty arrives at Newburgh Landing for a pirate weekend! The ship, built in Nova Scotia by Disney in 1960 for “Mutiny on the Bounty” with Marlon Brando, was in the 1989 film “Treasure Island” with Charlton Heston, and was the “Black Pearl” in the “Pirates of the Caribbean” films, and appeared in several other feature-length films and dozens of TV shows & historical documentaries. It is its first voyage EVER on the Hudson River!

The H.M.S. Bounty arrives late in the day on April 22, and will be open for tours April 23-25, Friday-Sunday, 10am-last tour 5pm, adults \$7.00, children \$5.00. The ship itself is running the tours; there are no advance sales.



Join the Pirate Contest on Saturday, April 24, sponsored by the Newburgh Free Library at Newburgh Landing. Free registration is from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., the Pirate procession past the judges starts at 1 p.m., and award announcements are at 2 p.m. Categories are for adults 16 and over, and for youth under 16: Disney’s Jack Sparrow Look-Alike, Disney’s Elizabeth Swann Look-Alike, Funniest Pirate, and Most Original Pirate. First prize books will be awarded for all categories; second prize books for the Look-Alikes.

On Sunday, April 25, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newburgh will host the 11th Annual Walk for Housing in Historic Downing Park in Newburgh. In a single day, Habitat will raise awareness of poverty housing, raise funds for future building projects and celebrate the work of the thousands of volunteers and donors who have supported this organization. Registration is at noon and the Walk begins at 1 p.m. passing several Habitat homes along the way. At 2 p.m. is the Celebration in the Park, an afternoon of live music, entertainment, fun activities and games for the whole family. For more information visit <http://habitatnewburgh.org/events/walk.htm>.

Also on Sunday, April 25, is the 4th biennial fine art auction to benefit the Historical Society of Newburgh Bay and the Highlands featuring local artists at Newburgh's recently restored historic West Shore railroad station on Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd. (River Rd.) in Newburgh. The Preview Reception is at 2 p.m, and the Live Auction is at 4pm. Tickets \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Ticket price includes chances for the Chinese Auction! For tickets and information please call 845-561-2585.