

# Newburgh, NY

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of History  
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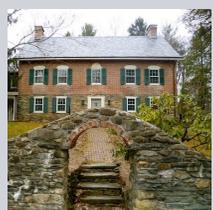


**David Crawford House Museum & Archive**  
189 Montgomery Street Newburgh, NY 12550  
[www.newburghhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.newburghhistoricalsociety.com)  
845-561-2585 Built as the home of sloop and steamboat shipper Captain David Crawford, the 1830 neo-classical mansion boasts period

furnishings and art collections, an archive of local historical documents & exhibits. Open April-Oct for programs, house tours offered Sundays 1-4 pm.



**Motorcyclepedia Museum**  
250 Lake Street Newburgh, NY 12550  
[www.motorcyclepediamuseum.org](http://www.motorcyclepediamuseum.org)  
845-569-9065 The largest collection of Indian motorcycles (one from every year of manufacture), plus over 450 rare motorcycles. Museum houses photographs, posters, memorabilia, machinery, and other things related to historic & famous bikes. Open year-round Fri, Sat, Sun 10 am-5 pm.



**Gomez Mill House**  
11 Mill House Road Marlboro, NY 12550  
[www.gomez.org](http://www.gomez.org) 845-236-3126  
Built in 1714 by Luis Moses Gomez, it is the oldest Jewish homestead in America, and the longest continuously occupied house in

Orange County. Open weekends May-Nov with house tours at 10:30 am, 1:15 pm, 2:45 pm.



**Washington's Headquarters & Museum**  
84 Liberty Street Newburgh, NY 12550  
[www.nysparks.com](http://www.nysparks.com) 845-562-1195  
Washington's Headquarters, the first publicly owned historic site in the nation, opened on July 4, 1850. General George Washington made headquarters at the Hasbrouck House from April 1782 until August 1783; the longest stay in one headquarters during the 8 1/2 year war. While here, General Washington created and awarded the Badge of Military Merit (forerunner of the Purple Heart), penned his Circular Letter to the thirteen State Governors articulating his vision for the new republic, and more. Along with the Hasbrouck House, the Tower of Victory, and a 6-acre park overlooking the Hudson River, the Museum at Washington's Headquarters displays the site's history and importance. Its newest exhibit is "Unpacked & Rediscovered: Selections from Washington's Headquarters' Collection," featuring over 1,300 objects from the collection. Spring/Summer/Fall hours: Wednesday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm & Sunday 1 pm-5 pm; Winter hours: Thursday-Saturday 10 am-3 pm.



**Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum**  
94 Broadway Newburgh, NY 12550  
[www.karpeles.com](http://www.karpeles.com) 845-569-4997  
World's largest private collection of original manuscripts & documents. It was founded in 1983 by California real estate magnates David

& Marsha Karpeles, with the goal of stimulating interest in learning. The fully-restored ornately detailed Newburgh Savings Bank building from 1923 houses rotating exhibits from their collection. Open year-round Thurs, Fri, Sat from 10 am-4 pm & Sun 12-4 pm.

## Upcoming Events for the Historical Society of Newburgh Bay and the Highlands

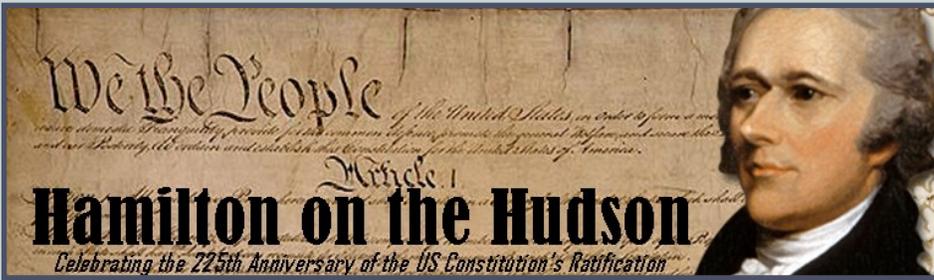
**Hamilton-on-the-Hudson** A lecture series on Alexander Hamilton & George Washington's wartime relationship with author/historian Michael Newton and AHA Society President Rand Scholet. Co-presented with the Alexander Hamilton Awareness Society. *Sunday, July 28th, 3 pm. Heritage Center, 123 Grand Street, Newburgh.*

**Croquet Tournament in Downing Park** The Historical Society challenges neighboring communities to show their local pride and enjoy historical games in the park. Co-presented with the Downing Park Planning Committee. *Sunday, August 18th, 2-6 pm. Downing Park, Newburgh.*

**Quassaick Creek History & Ecology Hike** Peter Smith and Russell Lange will lead the group through the area's industrial past & discuss plans to improve access to Newburgh's other waterfront. Co-presented with the Quassaick Creek Watershed Alliance. *Sunday, September 15th, 1 pm. Meet at the intersection of Walsh's Road & River Road, New Windsor.*

**The Battle of Newburgh: Fifty Year Retrospective** A rare showing of the NBC White Paper documentary which turned the city's welfare debate into National headlines. Co-presented by Mount Saint Mary College. *Sunday, October 6th, 1 pm. Mount Saint Mary Hudson Hall.*

**Candlelight Tour of Homes** Our much loved annual hospitality tour of Newburgh's private and rarely-seen spaces. *Sunday, December 8th, Noon-5 pm. Begins at authentically holiday decorated Crawford House, 189 Montgomery Street, Newburgh.*



225TH ANNIVERSARY OF NEW YORK RATIFYING THE US CONSTITUTION

**The Story:**

On July 26, 1788, New York officially ratified the US Constitution. However, ratification originally seemed extremely unlikely. When delegates arrived to the New York Constitutional Ratifying Convention in June, the overwhelming majority of the delegates were against ratifying the Constitution.

Alexander Hamilton was a key delegate in leading the minority of those who were in favor of ratification, and over the course of six weeks, enough delegates were convinced to secure a 30-27 vote to ratify the US Constitution. New York officially joined the union as the 11th state.

**The Celebration:**

2013 marks the 225th anniversary of this important event. To celebrate this critical point on New York's history, and Alexander Hamilton's vital role in it, The Alexander Hamilton Awareness Society (The AHA Society) is coordinating a series of events called *Hamilton on the Hudson*.

**The Program:**

In addition to celebrating Hamilton's role in the New York Ratifying Convention, *Hamilton on the Hudson* traces Alexander Hamilton's presence in the Hudson River Valley with events throughout the region.

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## Newburgh History Event

### Alexander Hamilton & George Washington's Wartime Relationship

Co-hosted by Historical Society of Newburgh and The AHA Society

Sunday, July 28th, 3 pm. 123 Grand Street, Newburgh

Michael Newton, Author: "The Friendship of Washington and Hamilton"

Rand Scholet, President, AHA Society: "Washington's Indispensable Partner"

Learn more about the relationship between George Washington and his aide-de-camp during their time in the Hudson Valley area.

### More *Hamilton on the Hudson* Events

*Hamilton on the Hudson* is hosted by The AHA Society, July 26-28th.

Note: All events are free unless otherwise noted.

#### Friday, July 26th

**12-2 pm: George Clinton Birthday**

296 Fair Street, Kingston

Celebrate at the Senate House the birthday of George Clinton, President of the New York Ratification Convention. Followed by a walking tour of historic Kingston, with a stop at Clinton's grave at the Old Dutch Church.

**4-5 pm: Remembering Ratification Leaders**

10 Market Street, Poughkeepsie

Visit Dutchess County Courthouse (site of New York Ratifying Convention). Followed by visit to Post Office (55 Mansion St) to see a mural of the convention. Our speakers will talk about Melancton Smith, leader of the Anti-Federalist delegates, and Alexander Hamilton, who led the Federalist minority, during the convention.

**7:30 pm: US Constitution Ratification**

9 Vassar Street, Poughkeepsie

To celebrate the 225th anniversary of New York ratifying the US Constitution, Professor Andrew Shankman from Rutgers University will give a talk, "The Gentleman and the Democrat: Alexander Hamilton, Melancton Smith, and the Battle over the US Constitution."

Event is at the Cunneen-Hackett Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 with advanced purchase (through Dutchess County Tourism - call 845-463-4000), or \$15 at the door.

#### Saturday, July 27th

**9 am: Society of Cincinnati at Mount Gulian**

145 Sterling Street, Beacon

Visit Mt. Gulian, General Steuben's headquarters and the site where the Society of the Cincinnati was founded in 1783.

**10 am: Denning's Point Nature Trail**

199 Dennings Ave, Beacon

Follow a nature trail through the Denning's Point Estuary, passing where Alexander Hamilton lived with his new bride Elizabeth in 1781, and where Hamilton landed on Long Dock after writing Federalist No. 1 while traveling by a sloop down the Hudson River.

**11:30 am: Benedict Arnold Escape Path**

HWY 9D, just south of Garrison Four Corners

From a historical plaque marking the Robinson House, join a narrated walk tracing Benedict Arnold's escape route/Hamilton's chase route down to the Hudson River.

**2 pm: Van Wyck House & Burial Ground**

504 Route 9, Fishkill

Tour of the Van Wyck House, which was used as headquarters for General Putnam during the Revolutionary War. Reenactor soldiers will then escort attendees to the Revolutionary War Soldiers' Burial Ground.

**4 pm: Hamiltons at Poughkeepsie Cemetery**

342 South Avenue, Poughkeepsie

Visit to Poughkeepsie Cemetery with Doug Hamilton, 5th great-grandson of Alexander Hamilton, to see graves of Alexander Hamilton's son "Little Phil" and his wife & children.

**7-9 pm: General Knox's Birthday**

289 Forge Hill Road, New Windsor

Event held by Knox's Headquarters State Historic Site to celebrate Henry Knox's birthday with living history activities.

#### Sunday, July 28th

**10 am: West Point Museum**

2110 New South Post Road, West Point

Visit of Revolutionary-era West Point and the West Point Museum, with artifacts from George Washington and Thaddeus Kosciuszko.

**1 pm: New Windsor Cantonment**

374 Temple Hill Road, New Windsor

View where Washington gave his Newburgh Address. Afterwards go inside the Purple Heart Museum to see an original Badge of Military Merit (the precursor to the Purple Heart) presented by George Washington.

**2 pm: Site of Thomas Ellison House**

84 Old Route 9W, New Windsor

Author Michael Newton speaks on the Washington/Hamilton quarrel that took place here, that led to Hamilton eventually leaving his position as Washington's aide-de-camp. Meet at historic plaque marking original location.



For program details: [The-AHA-Society.com](http://The-AHA-Society.com)