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JACOBUS VANDERVEER HOUSE & MUSEUM
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News From The Friends of The Jacobus Vanderveer House

Bus Trip to Fraunces Tavern Museum - April 6

Visit New York City's historic Fraunces Tavern Museum, site of General George Washington's farewell to his officers at the conclusion of the American Revolution.

A luxury bus departs from the Jacobus Vanderveer House at 9:30 a.m. and returns at approximately 3:00 p.m.

The day features a private tour of the museum -- including the Lafayette Exhibit, Defining Lines (maps from the 1700s and early 1800s), the John Ward Dunsmore Exhibit, the Flag Gallery, the Long Room and the Clinton Room -- followed by lunch in the Colonial American Fraunces Tavern, in operation since 1762.

\$75 per person (includes luxury bus transportation, admission to the museum and lunch)

Pre-registration is required. Visit www.jvanderveerhouse.org or phone (908) 396-6053.



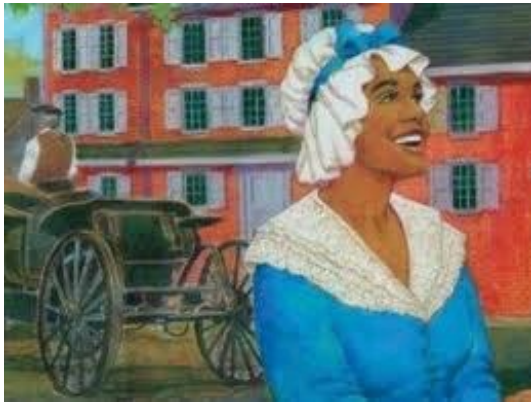
Sunday, April 10 - Open House - 1-4 p.m.

Learn more about the distinguished Dutch-American Vanderveer Family; General Henry Knox, who used the Vanderveer House as his home and headquarters during 1778-79; and America's first military training academy. Docents are available for guided tours and informational materials are provided in every period-decorated room. Visit our website and download our [Visitors Guide](#) before you come! Admission \$10 (Members and Children 12 and under, free)

Sunday, April 17 - Oney Judge on "Taking Liberty" Presentation at 2 p.m. Museum open 1-4 p.m.

Oney Judge was a dowager slave who worked for George and Martha Washington. Oney, portrayed by actress Cathy Simpson, will share stories about her life with the Washingtons, her experience as a slave, and her escape to the north, where she lived as a fugitive until her death.

Admission \$10 (Members and Children 12 and under, free).



**May
7-8 &
May
14-15
John**



Phillip Osborne: An American Master

Special Exhibition with the J.M. Stringer Gallery

***Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8
Mothers & Mimosas Tour!***

We are proud to present a special exhibition and sale of works by American master painter John Phillip Osborne with the J. M. Stringer Gallery. The collection includes approximately 30 oil paintings and pen and ink drawings.

Mr. Osborne is a pre-eminent painter of landscapes, still lifes, and Revolutionary War-era subjects. His works have been exhibited internationally, and several are part of the Jacobus Vanderveer House's permanent collection. The exhibition runs May 7-8 and May 14-15 (Saturdays 12-5 p.m. and Sundays 1-5 p.m.)

Admission \$10 (Members and Children 12 and under, free). For more information about John Phillip Osborne, visit jmstringergallery.com and johnphilliposborne.com

Save The Date - First Ladies of Liberty Luncheon Friday, May 20 - Fiddler's Elbow Country Club



Join the Friends for fabulous boutique shopping, a deliciously prepared lunch, and a lively interactive program featuring First Ladies Martha Washington and Abigail Adams. Together, they bring to life the extraordinary personalities and accomplishments of the women that helped shape our nation. \$150 per person.

More information to come. Proudly sponsored by Glenmede.

Welcome New Trustee - Carol Tiffany

Carol Tiffany, of the Pottersville section of Tewksbury, has been appointed to The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House Board of Trustees.

A graduate of Sarah Lawrence College, Mrs. Tiffany has spent much of her career in the publishing field. She has been a freelance writer and editor in the areas of food, travel and fiction. She also taught

creative writing in the GED program at Columbia University and was chair of Music Theatre Group in New York. Now retired, Mrs. Tiffany continues to write creatively and devote time to her small farm and community service interests. In addition to serving as a trustee with the Jacobus Vanderveer House, she is on the board of the Raritan Headwaters Association in Bedminster.

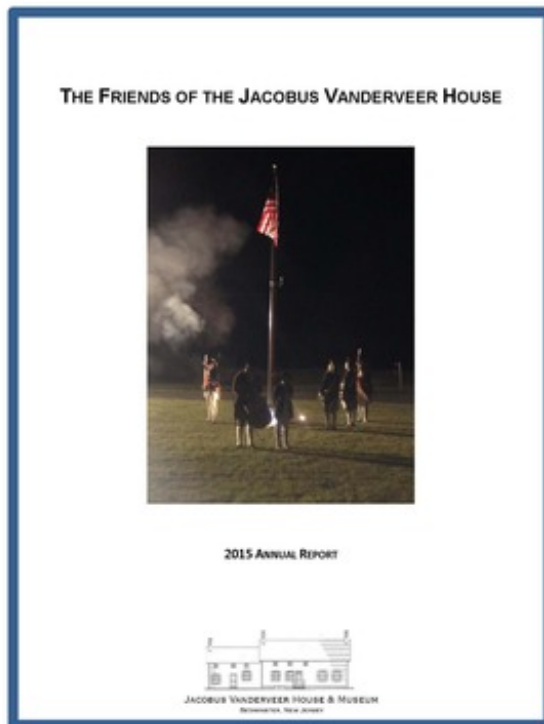


Welcome Knox's Circle Members

Mr. Geoffrey M. Connor
Gates and Mary Ellen Hawn
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Read Our 2015 Annual Report



Learn more about The Friends' organization, our programs and our many supporters.

Visit www.jvanderveerhouse.org and download a copy of our 2015 Annual Report.

Volunteer: *If you love history as much as we do, why not help out at our upcoming events? We'll provide all the training you need. Contact us today!*

Help Us Grow!

Capital Campaign To Develop
Jacobus Vanderveer House Farmstead

The Jacobus Vanderveer House was part of a 500-acre working farm. In the coming years, the Friends hope to recreate the late 18th Century/early-19th Century farmstead, a critical next step in fulfilling



An acrylic on canvas interpretation of the kitchen garden, historic walkways, and outbuildings of the Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum by artist Kate Kelly.



Using Computer Aided Design technology, Summit resident Robert Weeks, developed renderings (above) of the hay barrack, kitchen garden and a bird's-eye view of the proposed Jacobus Vanderveer House Farmstead.

the Friends' mission to establish a small, but important museum complex with outbuildings and walkways to complement the restored c. 1772 house. The goal is to provide visitors with a more meaningful experience and further interpret the contributions of General Knox, the Vanderveers, Colonial life and the Jacobus Vanderveer House as a key site in the Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area.

The proposed project would include several 18th Century-style structures, such as a large Dutch Colonial barn (to provide much-needed space for our rapidly growing education and leadership programs), wagon house, hay barrack, smoke house, privy, and well house along with traditional landscape features, such as a kitchen garden, historic walkways and an orchard.



The plan builds upon earlier research commissioned by the Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House, including the 2006-2008 Historic Landscape Report and Site Master Plan, headed by historian Dennis Bertland and generously supported by the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission.

In 2015, The Friends made strides toward the realization of the Master Plan. A generous lead gift from the Peter R. and Cynthia K. Kellogg Foundation in late 2014, made possible the installation of the historic walkways during the summer of 2015. Proceeds from the May 2015 French Alliance Ball also supported the future development of the Jacobus Vanderveer Farmstead.

To learn how you can support the Friends' plans to develop the Jacobus Vanderveer House Farmstead, contact President Robin Ray at r.ray@verizon.net.

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Become a Member of

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Enjoy free unlimited visits to our open houses and lively educational programs.

Your support helps restore, develop and operate The Jacobus Vanderveer House, significant in United States military history, as a nationally important historic site, museum and community resource.

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