

HUDSON RIVER DAY IN ROCKLAND

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BUS INFORMATION FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 7:

*Take the "HAVERSTRAW MARINA BUS" from designated
Parking Areas starting at 10:30 AM at:*

- * Stony Point - Stony Point Elementary School on 7 Gurnee Drive.*
- * Old Grand Union/Stop & Shop Parking Lot*
- * In Haverstraw at the Knights of Columbus Parking Lot on West Broad
St.
(last bus leaves Marina at 4PM)*

*Each Bus will make stops at **GAGA Arts Center, the
Haverstraw Marina** and each Parking Area. Passengers
will be dropped off and picked up at each stop. Bus
passengers will be dropped off and picked up at GAGA Arts
Center, The Haverstraw Marina and each designated parking
area.*

Friday, June 5-*The ships will launch on the evening of Friday,
June 5 and spend the night in New York Harbor. Early on June
6th (Saturday) they will make their way up river and arrive in the
Rockland/Westchester area about 5-6pm with an overnight
planned for the "Half Moon" (Piermont Pier-viewing only) and the
"Onrust" (Nyack Boat Club-public not able to board).*

Saturday, JUNE 6, 2009 IN NYACK'S MEMORIAL PARK 1-6 pm

1-2:30 - Children's Crafts, skits and music program. Children's
boat craft: skits and music on the Hudson River and its history by
students of Lanti Music Studio; and American folksongs

performed by the Rockland Camerata.

LOCATION: Front lawn of the Depew House, 50 Piermont Ave
(Behind the library) Sponsored by the Nyack Public Library

2:30-5:30 - Children's Crafts down on the lower field of Memorial Park sponsored by Brooke Smokelin, Nyack Center and Rockland Friends of Clearwater

2:15 and continuing throughout the afternoon - Music and Dance performances for young and old at the Memorial Park Gazebo. Artists include Brooke Smokelin and friends, Ciela (a cappella musical group directed by Dru Pluhowski), Mari(y)a Polishchuk & Shayna Skibinsky, violinists from the Academy of Music, John Malino, Richard Sussman and Friends (sponsored by the Rockland Jazz and Blues Society), Peter Bannon, Pat Cannon of the Early American and Foot Fiddle Dance Company - see www.friendsofthenyacks.org for schedule of performances ---

5:45 or thereabouts Parade of Children with performers from the AMAZING GRACE CIRCUS. Exhibitions: Riverkeeper Exhibit/ Paul Tappenden and Joanna Dickey's Performance Art

At HOPPER HOUSE - ART WORKSHOP: EXPLORING THE RIVER 11 am - 12:30 pm on June 6th for 6th & 7th graders.

Instructor: Mary Burke, art instructor at Nyack Middle School. Students will learn to pull the organic shapes out of the landscape and draw them on paper. \$15 members; \$17 non-members. Registration deadline June 3rd. Contact Hopper House, the event sponsor, to register at 845-358-0774

Tolling of the Church Bells in the Rockland-Westchester area-6 PM

Saturday, June 6 - IN PIERMONT

Dinner at Cornetta's Restaurant and Marina - Saturday, Jun 6, 2009, 6 pm. Celebrating the Half Moon's Captain & Crew prior to the Fireworks. 641 River Rd, Piermont.

For more information contact (845) **359-0410**
info@cornettas.com .

At 9pm, Piermont is planning a **FIREWORKS** display.

Sunday, JUNE 7 - IN HAVERSTRAW

The ships will set sail at 8 AM for a 3 hour stop over at the Haverstraw Marina (11am-2pm) after which they will sail north to river villages carving the same path that Henry Hudson sailed 400 years ago.

VIEWING OF SHIPS may be apparent from all accessible shorelines Piermont Pier, Flywheel Park and the public walkway, Nyack's Memorial Park, and Nyack Beach State Park. Parking is prohibited on North Broadway in Upper Nyack.

FOR THE HEARTY! *Park in lot #1 in Rockland Lake State Park (off Route 9W in Congers) and walk Rockland Lake Road to Landing and follow Landing down to the River Trail. It will be about 1.5 miles walk up and down steep hills. Rockland Lake Road is the road that goes around the lake. The River Trail between Rockland Lake and Nyack Beach is on the river with unobtrusive views of the water.*

The public will be able to view the ships at the Haverstraw Marina from 11AM-2PM for a three hour celebration. Although no events will take place at Haverstraw Bay Park or Bowline Park, they will be used as overflow viewing areas. The 20 person West Point Jazz Knights will perform 2-3:30 at **THE HAVERSTRW MARINA** and an exhibition of Antique Firetrucks will be held in the Marina Parking lot.

The **STONY POINT BATTLEFIELD CANON** will be heard at 12 noon, 1pm and 2pm on June 7th.

A **West Point** cannon salute will be heard as the ships pass by after 2 pm on Sunday.

WEATHER PERMITTING- An escort from the air (weather permitting) of antique bi-planes of the Rhinebeck Aerodrome commemorating the flight up the river 100 years ago by Wilber Wright!

A Cannon Welcome is planned in the form of ground cannon fire at each overnight port when the ships are first spotted each evening and when they come upon Haverstraw.

MORE EVENTS WEEKEND OF JUNE 5-7

Puerto Rican Day Parade **Sunday, June 7, 2009** **12-5pm**

Featuring an array of bands, dance groups and marchers, as well as the three women chosen to rule the court riding in a red, white and blue float. There will also be booths selling food, nonalcoholic refreshments and merchandise, as well as clowns, face painting and inflatable rides for the children. A fun family event. Begins near the entrance to Emeline Park on Main Street, continues down Broadway and ends at Haverstraw Middle School. Call for details, Tel.429-0300.

Annual Greek Festival **6/4-6/7**

Celebration of Greek heritage. Largest cultural festival in Rockland County. Foods, pastries, music, dance, handicrafts and children's activities. Fun for the whole family! Thurs. 5:30-10pm; Fri. 12 noon-12midnight; Sat. 11am-12 midnight; Sun. 12

Noon-8pm: Saints Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, Exit 7 Palisades Interstate Parkway.

Quadricentennial Lecture Series **Friday, June 5, 2009 7pm-8:30pm**

Author will also speak about Native Americans in the local area. He will sign books after the lecture. Held at the Nyack Library, 59 South Broadway, Nyack. Call to register at 845 358-3370, ext. 14.

Art Workshop-Exploring the River **Saturday, June 6, 2009 11am-12:30pm**

Instructor Mary Burke An Art Workshop for Ages 11-13 Help celebrates the Hudson-Fulton-Champlain Quadricentennial by observing the river and creating a riverscape. Working from a large panoramic photo of the river, students will focus on natural and non-linear perspective and explore the expanse of the sky, the horizon line and where it is met by the rolling hills of Westchester in the distance. Students will learn to pull the organic shapes out of the landscape and draw them on paper. Fee: \$17 (\$15 Hopper House members). Register by June 3. For more information contact (845) 358-0774. Held at Edward Hopper House Art Center, 82 N Broadway, Nyack.

**25th Annual Hudson Cove Yacht Club
Regatta** **June 6, 2009 -June 7, 2009**

The Hudson Cove Yacht Club based at the Haverstraw Marina in Haverstraw, New York will hold the 25th Annual Hudson Cove Yacht Club Regatta. The regatta will feature two sailboat races on Saturday and one sailboat race on Sunday. The regatta will consist of four fleets A, B, C and Fun Fleet. Trophies will be awarded in each fleet. Boats participating in A, B & C fleets must have a PHRF rating, but the Fun Fleet is open to all sailboats.

For more information go to www.hudsoncove.com for information and to download entry registration forms or contact Tom DiLauro at 201-825-9229.

Quadricentennial Flotilla Cruise Jun 7, 2009

2 hour narrated Hudson Highland Cruise to view the flotilla of ships celebrating the quadricentennial. Depart Haverstraw Marina at 2 p.m. - returns at 4 p.m. Cost is \$15 children (5-12), \$20 seniors (62+) and \$25 adults. Advance reservations required. Call 845-534-7245.

"High Tor"-A Staged Reading sponsored by Riverspace and Elmwood Playhouse Sunday, June 7 4pm-6pm

As part of the Hudson River Quadricentennial, Riverspace and Elmwood Playhouse join together to present the 1937, Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright and New City resident Maxwell Anderson's play, "High Tor".

The play, which opened on Broadway that year and won a New York Drama Critics Circle Award, centers on the character Van Doren's fight with the company that wanted to "chew the back right off this mountain."

Because of the play, Anderson, who lived on South Mountain Road, which runs along the base of High Tor, is largely credited with galvanizing the successful movement to save the mountain from excavation. Tickets: \$15/\$12 Riverspace and Elmwood Playhouse members. Held at Riverspace Arts Center, 119 Main Street, Nyack, NY

QUADRICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS AT GAGA ARTS CENTER

Garnerville Arts & Industrial Center, 55 West Railroad Ave.,
Garnerville, Village of West Haverstraw

Special Flotilla Weekend Hours Sat., 6/ 6 12 noon-8pm, Sun. 6/ 7 10am-6pm. Also on Sun., 6/7 - *Dutch Video Under the Stars* commencing at Dark.

Light on New Netherland: Official Holland on the Hudson Exhibition about the fascinating 55 years of the Dutch in New York thru June

14th and *Double Dutch*, a Contemporary Group Exhibition of Dutch and Dutch-Influenced Artists thru July 5, 2009.

The Town of Haverstraw and GAGA Arts Center celebrate Henry Hudson's discovery of the Hudson River with the opening – at its first stop in the Hudson Valley -- of the Official 400th Anniversary traveling exhibition, *Light on New Netherland*, sponsored by Heineken. GAGA Arts Center hosts this extraordinary exhibition, produced by the New Netherlands Institute, which traces the years the Dutch ruled in New Netherlands--from Henry Hudson's discovery in 1609 to Peter Stuyvesant's surrender of the colony to the English in 1664. The exhibition features 26 museum-quality story boards researched by noted Dutch scholar and historian Charles T. Gehring, and includes paintings by artist Len Tantillo, the foremost painter of Dutch-period artworks whose work is included in the permanent collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. There is also a fascinating 20-minute documentary about the Dutch, their adventurous sea exploration, and the creation of New Netherland.

GAGA bridges the historical Dutch past to the Dutch present with an evocative group exhibit that explores Dutch contemporary life from two perspectives – Dutch artists and international artists inspired by Dutch culture.

This perspective is presented through painting, photography, sculpture, installation, performance and a video/film program.

Gallery Hours: Fridays 4-8pm; Sat. 2-6pm and Sun.12-4.

GAGA's Official Quadricentennial Celebration-Sun. June 7th
Ever taken a **Wild Edibles Nature Walk**? GAGA's naturalist, Paul Tappenden, leads a Wild Edibles tour at GAGA from 10am-12 noon (arrive before 10 am and meet at GAGA Arts Center). **Vangeline Theatre** will present a Butoh performance inspired by Vermeer's *Girl with a Pearl Earring* at 2pm and 7:00pm. Visit **Artists' Open Studios**, walk **GAGA Creekside: Nature Walk & Sculpture Trail** and enjoy organic/free trade coffee, sponsored by Fresh Coffee Now, at the **GAGA Coffee Bar** (all day). Don't miss **Dutch Video Art Under The Stars**, an evening film/video presentation projected on the building facades (at dark).

For directions and additional information, call 845-947-7108 or visit gagaartscenter.org.

The 59 X 59 Documentary Project

A remarkable photographic distillation of a single day in the life of a diverse fifteen mile stretch of America, which chronicles the people, landscape, landmarks and lifestyle along Rockland County's "Main Street" at the Gaga Arts Center thru June 7th. See above for Gallery Hours and Contact Information.