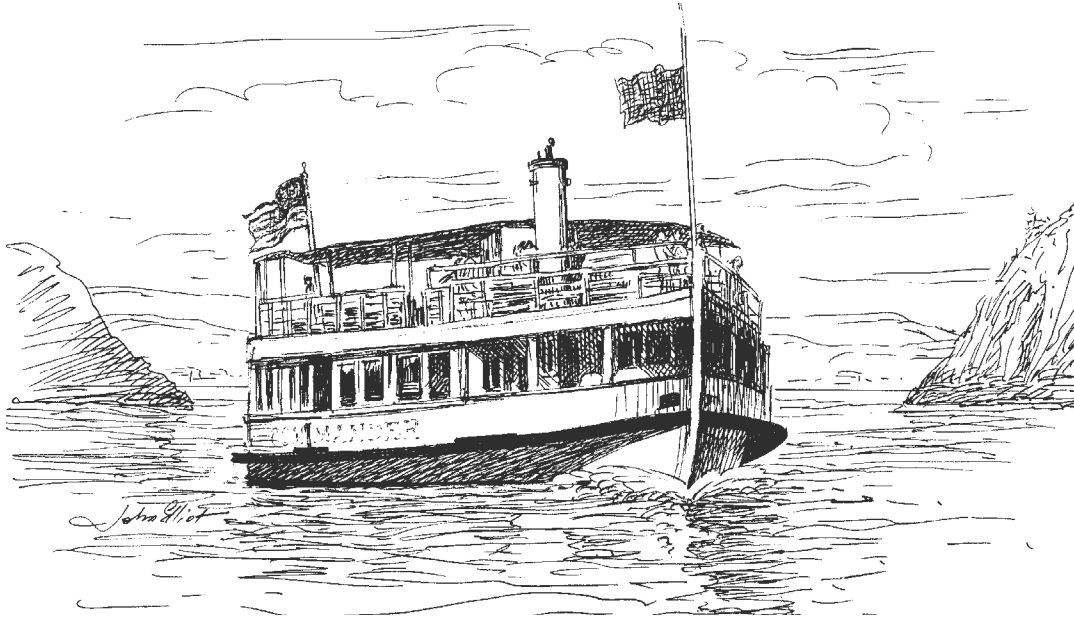


# Historical Society of the Nyacks

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## Fun • Food • Foliage Cruise the Hudson



## Let's Sail and Celebrate

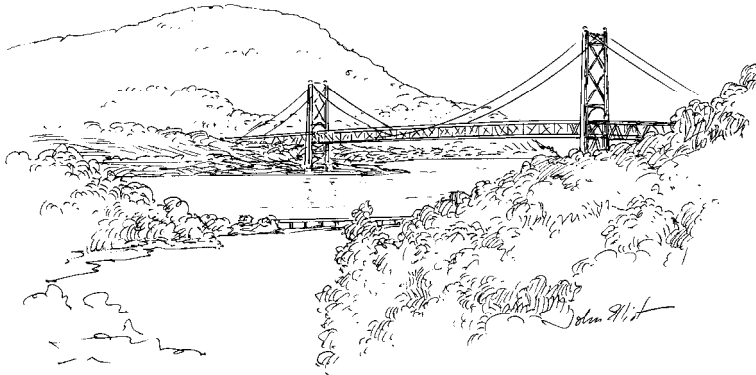
Tenth Anniversary of the  
Historical Society of the Nyacks

We will be aboard the historic M.V. Commander for a memorable cruise from Haverstraw to the Bear Mountain Bridge and back.

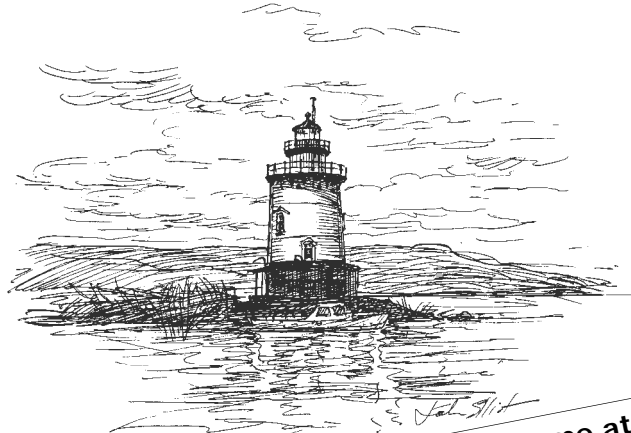
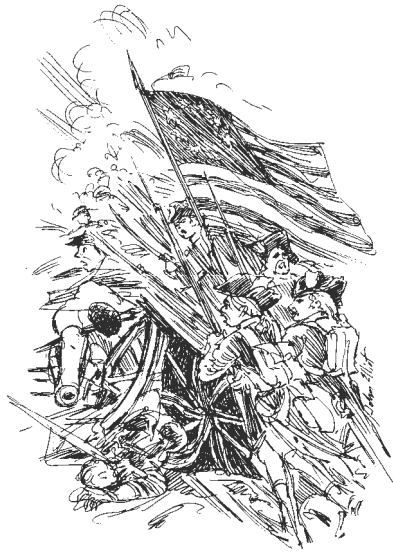
Fall sea breezes and dazzling autumn leaves will delight us as we pass by the Stony Point Lighthouse, Dunderberg, Captain Kidd's Treasure, site of the Battle of Stony Point and, we will see West Point in the distance!

Win Perry will treat us to tales of the Hudson and we will hear from strolling minstrel Peter Bannon. A tasty, light lunch will be included and we will celebrate our anniversary with cake and cider.

**Leaving from the Haverstraw Marina**  
**Sunday, October 24, 2004, Rain or Shine**  
**1 p.m. to 4 p.m.**  
**Reserve Now - Room for just 100 passengers**



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**We'll have your name at the  
gangplank.  
Leaving promptly at 1 p.m.**

**Directions to the Haverstraw Marina**

**From the south:** Take Route 9W north to West Haverstraw. Go right after Samsondale Plaza on Railroad Avenue for 1-3/4 miles. Pass sign "Haverstraw Marina," approximately 300 yards. Commander on right, large parking lot on left. [www.hudsonhighlandscruises.com/directions.htm](http://www.hudsonhighlandscruises.com/directions.htm)

**\$30 per person • Space Limited • Reservations Required**

**Mail to Historical Society of the Nyacks, P.O. Box 850, Nyack NY 10960**

More information: E-mail [rosemarymcphillips@nyackhistory.org](mailto:rosemarymcphillips@nyackhistory.org) or call (845) 358-4005

Please enclose your check for \$30 per person payable  
to Historical Society of the Nyacks.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you would like to join HSN, please include an additional  
\$25 for family/joint membership, \$15 for individual, \$10 for  
student or retired. Thanks very much!

## Ten Years of Celebrating Nyack's History - and Then What?

*From the September issue of the Nyack Villager, www.nyackvillager.com*

It has been ten years since the Historical Society of the Nyacks was organized at a public meeting in the Library of the Upper Nyack School.

Its goals were enumerated in its first flyer:

- ◆ *The Historical Society of the Nyacks is a not-for profit organization dedicated to researching, preserving and fostering appreciation of the history of the Nyack community.*
- ◆ *The Society accepts the donation of historical papers and artifacts related to the community, and will preserve them for future reference, research and exhibit use.*
- ◆ *The Society is actively seeking to acquire a museum building, ideally one of historic interest for preservation or restoration.*
- ◆ *The Society sponsors periodic meetings, programs, exhibits and trips to promote knowledge of, and interest in, local history.*

In its first decade some of the Society's plans have succeeded beyond what could have been imagined at that first meeting, while others have been slow to get off the drawing board. Two fabulously successful house tours, capitalizing on Nyack's cachet and its unique stock of outstanding homes, have established the Society's reputation and developed a faithful following awaiting their biennial return. A maiden venture in publishing, *Nyack in the 20th Century*, has virtually sold out its first printing. A half-dozen exhibits, featuring Hudson River history, old photographs, antique toys, post-cards, and the history of Van Houten's Landing have been mounted to favorable reviews and the delight of visitors. Dozens of evening programs featuring speakers and specially created visual aids have attracted a large public following. Historic markers have been erected at the Nyack Library and the Palmer Burying Ground. Society volunteers help staff the local history room at the Nyack Library and are active in recording the oral history recollections of older residents. And an outstanding web site, [www.nyackhistory.org](http://www.nyackhistory.org), has been created and is frequently updated.

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ety is inviting the community to a birthday party in the form of a Hudson River cruise on the M. V. Commander at the height of the fall foliage season.

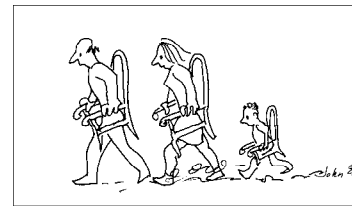
And what next? Society President Win Perry envisions this anniversary year seeing the furtherance of two objectives: increased membership participation and finally achieving proper archival storage facilities for the growing collection of historical documents, photographs and artifacts.

This year, membership cards will be issued in response to dues payment, monthly board meetings (second Thursday, 7:30 p.m., at the South Nyack Village Hall) are open to all members, and an e-mail alert system has been instituted. Members wishing to receive e-mail about current activities should send their addresses to [winperry@nyackhistory.org](mailto:winperry@nyackhistory.org).

Acquiring a headquarters and museum has been a more elusive goal. Facing the reality of the local real estate market, the Society has decided to focus on archival storage plus exhibition and work space, while still actively searching for an appropriate museum location.

### Armchair Walking Tours

The Armchair Walking Tour of Rockland Lake will feature over 100 slides depicting the history of one on Rockland's largest "vanished villages." The program will show the ice, quarrying and tourism eras, going back to pre Civil War times.



The Armchair Tour of The Tolstoy Foundation will trace the history of this world wide humanitarian organization from its founding by the youngest daughter of famed author Leo Tolstoy, and its struggle to rescue victims of the Russian Revolution to its work in recent times as an international aid organization

Both programs to be in the evening at the Valley Cottage Library. The Rockland Lake program in September and the Tolstoy Foundation program in October.

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## Coming Up at HSN

### September

- ◆ 5: HSN booth at **Nyack Street Fair**
- ◆ 9, at 7:30 p.m.: **HSN board meeting**, South Nyack Village Hall
- ◆ TBA: **Armchair Walking Tour - Old Rockland Lake** at the Valley Cottage Library

### October

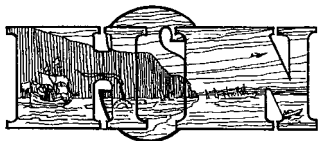
- ◆ **Liberty Street School Exhibit at the Nyack Library.** HSN has found fascinating pictures and articles in the library's files and in scrapbooks kept by the Nyack Public Schools. If you have any loanable memorabilia for this exhibit, please contact Pat Condello at 358-6285.
- ◆ 10: HSN booth at **Nyack Street Fair**
- ◆ 24: **Fun - Food - Foliage** - Cruise the Hudson.
- ◆ TBA: **Armchair Walking Tour - the Tolstoy Foundation** at the Valley Cottage Library

### December

- ◆ Likely publishing date of ***Nyack in Black & White, Race Relations over Three Centuries***. Carl Nordstrom's story is a suspenseful one, full of surprises, and extraordinarily well written. Drop us a line to reserve a copy of this important book.

Join HSN: See page 2.

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