

New Windsor Cantonment & Knox's Headquarters State Historic Sites

2013 Special Event Schedule

Saturday May 25, ***Knox's Headquarters Opens for the Season***. The headquarters of Generals Nathanael Greene, Henry Knox and Horatio Gates opens for another season of tours and special events. Please call (845) 561-1765 ext. 22 for tour times.

Monday May 27, ***Honor Our Nation's Fallen Soldiers*** at the **New Windsor Cantonment**. At 2:00 PM, Continental Army soldiers perform an 18th century graveside mourning ceremony. Following the ceremony, balladeer Linda Russell performs the songs that inspired and comforted the American people when our nation was at war.

Sunday June 9, ***"Guns, Guns, Guns"*** at **Knox's Headquarters**. Part of New York's ***Path Through History*** weekends, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM, Revolutionary War cannon firings every half hour highlight this program about the 1780-81 artillery encampment at New Windsor.

Sunday June 16, ***Children's Day*** at the **New Windsor Cantonment**. Part of ***New York State Museum Week*** a fun-filled day of family entertainment on Father's Day with the Two by Two petting zoo, magician Mr. Bayly and a host of 18th century games. The program runs 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

Thursday July 4, ***Independence Day*** at **New Windsor Cantonment & Knox's Headquarters**. Celebrate the 4th at two sites hallowed by the soldiers who won our independence. At Knox's Headquarters see a small cannon fired at 1:00 & 4:00 PM. At the New Windsor Cantonment see military firing demonstrations at 2:00 PM.

Saturday July 27, ***Henry Knox's Birthday*** at **Knox's Headquarters**. From 7:00 to 9:00 PM watch the officers and soldiers of the 2nd and 3rd Continental Artillery Regiments completing the preparations for the move to Yorktown, Virginia, in 1781. The performers will interact with visitors as if they from 1781.

Saturday September 28, ***Continental Army Military Demonstration*** at New Windsor Cantonment. Part of ***Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day Live*** and ***Hudson River Valley Ramble*** at 2:00 PM see muskets and a cannon fired. Following this demonstration, at 3:00 PM, tour the nearby Knox's Headquarters, the beautiful 1754 Ellison House.

Saturday December 14 & Saturday December 21 ***Christmas with the Ellisons*** at **Knox's Headquarters**. From 4:00 to 8:00 PM each day tour by candlelight the elegant 1754 Ellison mansion decorated for the season in 18th century fashion. The house will have costumed staff in each room.

Thursday December 26, Friday December 27, Saturday December 28 & Sunday December 29 ***Open House at Knox's Headquarters***. The Ellison mansion is open for tours at 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM & 3:00 PM each day. Tour the elegant 1754 historic house decorated for the season in 18th century fashion.

All Programs are Free



New Windsor Cantonment & Knox's Headquarters State Historic Sites are part of the Palisades Interstate Park Commission. The Palisades Interstate Park Commission administers 30 park, parkways and historic sites for the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in New York as well as the Palisades Interstate Park and parkway in New Jersey. For more information about New York State parks and historic sites, please visit our website at www.nysparks.com and follow the links for historic sites

[New Windsor Cantonment State Historic Site](#) is co-located with the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor at 374 Temple Hill Road (Route 300) in New Windsor, NY, just three miles south of the intersection of I-87 and I-84. **Knox's Headquarters** is located at 289 Forge Hill Road at the intersection of Forge Hill Road and Blooming Grove Turnpike (Route 94) in Vails Gate, NY, just one mile from the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor and New Windsor Cantonment. For more information about both sites please call (845) 561-1765 ext. 22.

[New Windsor Cantonment State Historic Site](#) is closed holidays except President's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day and Veterans Day. Costumed living history demonstrations mid-April – end of October Wednesday to Saturday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM & Sunday 1:00 to 5:00 PM. The visitor center is open except for the above mentioned holidays and Mondays from January to end of March year round Monday – Saturday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Sunday 1:00 to 5:00 PM. **Knox's Headquarters State Historic Site** is open Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day Friday & Saturday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM & Sunday 1:00 to 5:00 PM. Tour, school and camp groups are welcome by advance reservation only. Dates, times, hours of operations and admission fees are subject to change. Please be sure to visit Washington Headquarters State Historic Site on Liberty Street in nearby Newburgh.



Two Soldiers on the [New Windsor Cantonment](#) Grand Parade



The 1754 Ellison House, **Knox's Headquarters**, from the Silver Stream