

Van Schaick Mansion

The Van Schaick Mansion is one of the most historic homes in New York State with a rich history that is tied to both the French and Indian War & the American Revolution. Built circa 1735, the house was used as military headquarters for a number of English generals during the French and Indian War. During the American Revolution the mansion once again served as military headquarters and was inhabited by Generals Schuyler, Gates, Poor, St. Clair, Arnold, and Colonels Morgan and Gansevoort while formulating the plans for the battles of Saratoga. In the days leading up to the battles some 5,000 Continental soldiers were garrisoned around the mansion. Due to the historic significance of this venue, the Van Schaick Mansion was named to the National Register of Historic Places in 1970, the New York State Revolutionary War Heritage Trail in 2008 and in 2013 to the NYS Paths to History.

Committed to preserving and interpreting Colonial American life, we host collections, exhibits, and programs that foster a greater knowledge of the heritage and history that our community and the historic Van Schaick Mansion made in our nation's fight for independence.

TOURS: Sundays October 6 & November 3, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sunday, September 15, 2013

Author Greg Zoller (12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.) The Dark Eagle, Betrayed by his Country, A New Tale of the Life and Times of Benedict Arnold, One of our Greatest American Heroes.

Blacksmith Steven Khoury (12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.) Tours of the house.

For further information, please call (518) 235-3455.

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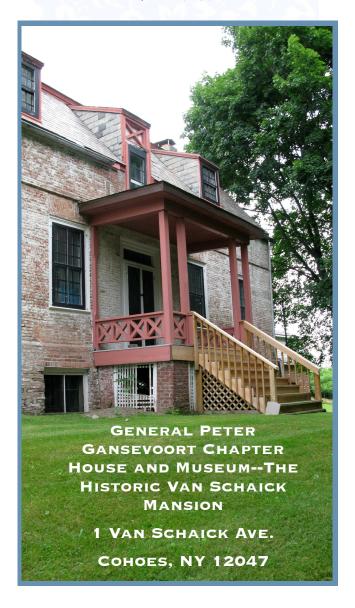
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since 1735



The Van Schaick Mansion Project 1 Van Schaick Avenue Cohoes, NY 12047



We need to raise \$12,000 for a new roof. All donations gratefully appreciated.

Please make checks payable to the Van Schaick Mansion Project and mail to Van Schaick Mansion Project Treasurer, Mrs. Sandra Zerrillo, 29 Erie Drive, Slingerlands, NY 12159-9444.



12-year Milestones

- •2001 Mansion and property acquired
- •2002 Encampment/Craft show
- •2003 Encampment/Craft show/Children's Archeological Camps
- •2004 Re-enactment Van Schaick/Gansevoort Wedding - Children's Archeological Camps
- •2005 Children's Archeological Camps
- •2006 Installation of Commemorative bricks in Walk to the Past \$5,000 furnace repair
- •2007 Organized stock gifting program,
 - Received \$10,000 (Electrical system upgraded & chimney & liner replaced)
- •2008 Energy-efficient window panels installed
 - Named to NYS Revolutionary War Heritage Trail.
- •2009 Replaced front & back staircases/upgraded electrical system
 - Workshops for middle schools
 - Quadricentennial Celebration & Dutch Weekend
 - Native American Indian Encampment
- •2010 Jean Worden Genealogical Library furnished & dedicated
 - Mansion improvements include roof repairs, slate replacements, handicap-accessible steps, window protection and winterizing to reduce heating costs
- 2011 Received \$2,000 grant from National DAR for historic preservation
 - Completed Cemetery Restoration Project
 - Cohoes Walking Trail opened view of Hudson River
- •2012 Awarded Brandon Hare Mary Desha DAR Founder's Medal for Eagle Scout Project at Van Schaick Mansion Cemetery
 - Participated in Cohoes Heritage Days Native American Indian Encampment/Storytellers
- •2013 Awarded DAR Medal for Historic Preservation to David Kehn for his 12 year project to preserve and protect the Mansion
 - Participated in Cohoes Heritage Day featuring Author Greg Zoller & Blacksmith Steve Khoury
 - Joined Blue Star Museums offering free admission to active duty military personnel and their families



Seneca Glenn Bentz Native American Indian Encampment



Chapter restores/repairs Van Schaick Cemetery stones



Alice B. Shelp Room upstairs in mansion

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