



Demonstration at Old Fort Erie

War of 1812: Celebrating 200 Years of Peace Day Bus Tour to the Niagara Peninsula

Saturday 28 July

Gov. Simcoe & Toronto Branches

Join historian Peter Brotherhood as we celebrate 200 years of peace after the War of 1812! Learn about the significance of this war in the development of both the United States and Canada and in the Niagara area, plus visit three famous battle sites from 1814, the last year of this War.

Niagara Falls Museum, Battleground Hotel and Lundy's Lane

With a local guide from the Niagara Falls Museum, we experience the tactics used during the crucial but bloody British victory at the Battle of Lundy's Lane, at the Drummond Hill Cemetery. Here, we see the monuments and war graves of both the British-Canadian and American troops as well as the grave of the heroine of the Battle of Beaver Dams, Laura Secord. We tour the newly renovated Niagara Museum (opens July 21) to see artefacts from this famous battle and the historic Battleground Hotel (Fralick's Tavern, c 1836).

Battle of Chippewa

Along the scenic Niagara Parkway, we visit the monuments and learn about the American victory at the Battle of Chippewa.

Details

Saturday July 28, 2012

Depart: 1. Donway Covenant United Church
230 The Donway West at 7:30 am
Don Mills & Lawrence area
Parking included
2. Kipling Subway Station at 8:00 am
Taxi Stand by Kiss & Ride, North
Lot. Parking is free
3. As required, in Oakville
and/or Hamilton

Return: Kipling Subway at 7:30 pm
Don Mills at 8:00 pm.

Cost: \$100.00/person
Entrance fees and food are included.

Cheques: to "Gov. Simcoe Br. UELAC"

Information and Booking:

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Water, some drinks, snacks and fruit available on the bus during the trip to and from We will also serve a sandwich, veggie and fruit dinner on the bus during our return trip.

Old Fort Erie

In Fort Erie, with costumed docents, we tour the American portion of the fort, see the British fort in ruins plus witness a musket demonstration and learn about the disastrous Siege and Battle of Fort Erie. We visit the display of artefacts from the War and learn how the War influenced ordinary people and the military on both sides of the conflict.

Decew House

Lastly, we visit the site of the DeCew House, in ruins. This was the home of John DeCew and his family. It was here that Laura Secord terminated her famous trek and informed the British commander of the impending American attack. Her heroic action allowed the British and native allies to be victorious at the Battle of Beaver Dams.

En route, we review the causes of the War of 1812; learn about the major military leaders and several of their campaigns, plus the effects of the War on Canada, Britain and the United States.

Included:



Lundy's Lane Monument

- *Guided tour of the Drummond Hill Cemetery, the Niagara Museum, the Battlefield Hotel at Lundy's Lane, Niagara Falls*
- *Guided tour of the Battle of Chippewa*
- *Guided tour of Old Fort Erie- film, museum tour, musket demonstration, docent led tour of the American portion of Fort Erie*
- *Lunch at Betty's Restaurant, in Chippewa: entrée choice of roast beef, fish and chips or fried chicken dinner, juice, dinner roll, potato, vegetable of the day, fresh baked pie, tea/coffee or beverage*
- *Light supper during the return trip*
- *Highway Coach with washroom*
- *Services of Tour Director and historian, Peter Brotherhood of Brotherhood Tours*

Pick Up Points, and Return

The bus will depart from Donway United Church, and then to Kipling Subway Station (see details).

Cost

The cost of \$100 includes the bus, snacks on the buss, lunch at Betty's Restaurant in Chippawa, a sandwich meal during the return trip, and entrance fees to the Niagara Falls Museum and old Fort Erie.

To Register

Please contact Doug or Daryl.

Register today. Invite a friend or relative – give them an outing as a special treat!