

The Colden Preservation and Historical Society Presents

A Powerpoint presentation about a local Town of Montgomery Revolutionary War soldier who brought America's War of Independence to a thrilling conclusion.

Sunday, March 27, 2011 @ 2pm

Walkkill River School, 232 Ward St. (Rt 17K), Montgomery, NY 12549



This is the story of John Van Arsdale, who served our country throughout the war, suffered severe wounds and deprivation as a prisoner of war. On the day that the British were to depart America forever, John Van Arsdale's ingenuity and heroism brought cheers to the multitude of assembled Americans, including General George Washington. He thwarted the last act of British defiance on American soil. This is his story.

This presentation is free and open to the public.

The regular monthly meeting of the Colden Preservation and Historical Society will follow this presentation. All are welcome to attend. After a year of organization, the society is now prepared to work on projects intended to highlight the extraordinary Colden family of early America.

Discussions include research and publicity/education on projects regarding the Coldens and how to work with the Town of Montgomery regarding the construction of a possible Colden Heritage Park at the Colden Mansion site. This wonderful piece of American history is now ours to promote.