

Dutch Barn Preservation Society e-news, 10 June 2011

**A Greene County Tour
10 AM, Saturday June 18th, 2011
Meet at the Bronck House at 10 AM.**



The Bronck House
The Bronck Dutch Barn, the Polygonal barn
And possibly other delights.

We are co-sponsoring the tour with HVVA, the Society for the Preservation of Hudson Valley Vernacular Architecture. We will tour the Bronck houses, getting into some spaces not normally open to the public, and will see their Dutch Barn and their polygonal Barn.[13 sided]. The DBPS gave the Greene County Historical society a grant to do some work on the barn a number of years ago. We dedicated nearly all of the Fall 1991 DBPS newsletter to the Bronck Barn. We will meet for the tour at 10, and after touring the Bronck Barns and houses, go to the nearby Pegasus Restaurant for lunch, where the HVVA will have a Board Meeting. DBPS Members are welcome at the meeting, or they may simply have some lunch. We are still working on some other possibilities for after lunch.

The Stone Pieter Bronck house, at the left below, was built in 1663. Since the English took over New Netherland in 1664, this Bronck house may be the only truly Dutch house surviving in what was New Netherland. The brick house at right is also a Bronck house, but built a bit later, ca. 1738.





Photos by Ned Pratt

These interior views of the 1738 brick Leendert Bronck House clearly show the anchor beams, the braces, or corbels, and a Dutch door, as well as a typically steep stair. On the right is a view in the attic, showing the steeply pitched roof and the simple beam structure.

Directions to Bronck Museum

- From Thruway Exit 21B, Coxsackie: South on 9W 3¾ miles; at RED BARN turn right on Pieter Bronck Road.
- From Traffic Light at 9W and 81: South on 9W 1½ miles; at RED BARN turn right on Pieter Bronck Road.
- From Catskill: North on 9W; then left on County Rt. 42

For more information visit the Greene County Historical Society's site, <http://www.gchistory.org/barns.php>

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