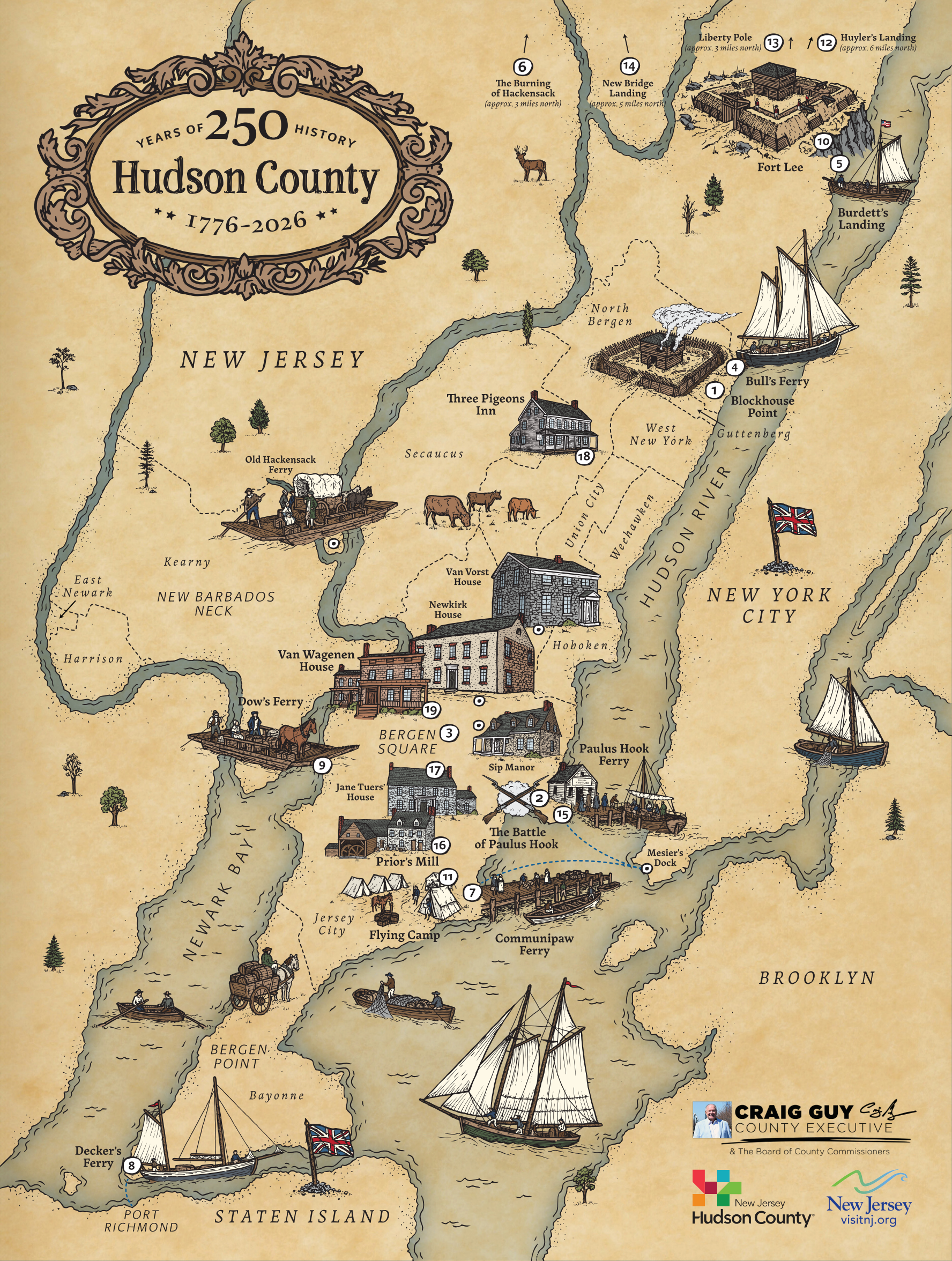


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 ** 1776-2026 **



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Bayonne

BERGEN SQUARE

Jersey City

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Newkirk House

Van Vorst House

Secaucus

Three Pigeons Inn

North Bergen

West New York

Guttenberg

Bull's Ferry

Blockhouse Point

Kearny

East Newark

Harrison

Old Hackensack Ferry

Dow's Ferry



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Points of Interest

Hudson County and the Surrounding Area

Scan the QR code to learn more about these and other exciting historical sites in Hudson County!

1. Battle of the Blockhouse (Blockhouse Point)

74th Street and JFK Boulevard, North Bergen

On July 20th, 1780, two Pennsylvania brigades under the command of Brig. Gen. Anthony Wayne attacked a party of Loyalist Americans led by Thomas Ward while they were defending the blockhouse near Bull's Ferry.

2. The Battle of Paulus Hook

Took place in present-day downtown Jersey City, specifically around the intersection of Washington and Grand Streets

The Battle of Paulus Hook was fought on August 19th, 1779, between the Continental Army and the British occupiers of what used to be one of Washington's Flying Camps. Led by Maj. Henry "Light-Horse Harry" Lee.

3. Bergen Square

Bergen Avenue and Academy Street

Established in 1660 by Dutch settlers under Petrus Stuyvesant, Bergen Square is considered the oldest municipality and first permanent European settlement in New Jersey.

4. Bull's Ferry

Just north of Weehawken Port Imperial, North Bergen

An area along the Hudson River just north of Weehawken Port Imperial. It gets its name from a pre-Revolutionary settlement belonging to the Bull family, who operated a row-and-sail ferry to the burgeoning city of New York across the river.

5. Burdett's Landing

Fort Lee Park, 183 Main Street, Fort Lee

Burdett's Landing, also called Burdett's Ferry, is located in Edgewater. In the Revolutionary War it played a role in the movement of American supplies and soldiers.

6. The Burning of Hackensack

Bergen County Historical Society, 1201 Main Street, River Edge

Destruction of the original Bergen County Courthouse and jail. Hessian troops attached to the mission, engaged in petty looting and full-scale plundering as well as taking prisoners.

7. Communipaw Ferry

Near present-day Liberty State Park, Jersey City

The Communipaw Ferry (1661-1783) operated between the Communipaw Terminal in Jersey City and the Liberty Street Ferry Terminal in Lower Manhattan.

8. Decker's Ferry

Tip of Bergen Point (Bayonne) running to Port Richmond (Staten Island)

Isaac Decker started the ferry and inn around 1774. It was one of only two ferry lines officially recognized by the British military during the war.

9. Dow's Ferry

Just north of present day of Newark Avenue and Westside Avenue

A flatboat ferry service that traversed the Hackensack River just north of Newark Avenue. Maj. Lee arranged for boats to take his men across the river after attacking Paulus Hook.

10. Fort Lee

Fort Lee Park, 183 Main Street, Fort Lee

Gen. William Howe ordered Lt. Gen. Charles Cornwallis to capture Fort Lee by removing the Continental Army's defenses along the Lower

(10. Fort Lee, cont.)

Hudson River. On November 20, 1776, Cornwallis' force crossed the Hudson River and landed north of Fort Lee. Maj. Gen. Nathanael Greene heard of the approaching British Army. Unable to withstand the attack, Greene ordered the abandonment of Fort Lee.

11. George Washington's Flying Camps

*Jersey City – Paulus Hook, 226 Washington Street
Bayonne – Mercer Park, 34 Ruby Brown Terrace
Burdett's Landing – plaque at Fort Lee Historic Park*

Flying camps were small earthwork fortifications along the Hudson River. Mercer Park in Bayonne, Paulus Hook in Jersey City, and Burdett's Landing in Edgewater are three examples.

12. Huyler's Landing, Alpine

Located on the Hudson River, within Palisades Interstate Park

On the night of November 19-20, 1776, British and Hessian troops under the command of Gen. Cornwallis crossed the Hudson River from New York City, causing the American troops to abandon their encampment at Fort Lee and begin a retreat across New Jersey.

13. Liberty Pole, Englewood

Intersection of Lafayette Avenue, West Palisades Avenue, and Tenafly Road

An area that was part of Englewood where in 1766 a liberty pole was erected in response to the Tea Tax and to commemorate the repeal of the Stamp Act.

14. New Bridge Landing

Bergen County Historical Society, 1201 Main St, River Edge

The site of a strategic bridge crossing the Hackensack River, where Gen. George Washington led his troops in retreat from British forces November 20, 1776. Ten other engagements took place here throughout the Revolution.

15. Paulus Hook Ferry

End of Sussex Street at the Hudson River

In July 1764, a ferry began operating from Paulus Hook to Mesier's dock which was located at the foot of Courtland Street, it was owned and operated by Cornelison Van Vorst, owner of Paulus Hook.

16. Prior's Mill

Present-day Freemont Avenue and Wayne Street

A colonial-period flour mill located just west of Paulus Hook.

17. Site of Jane Teurs' House

790 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City

Jane Teurs, a farmer, was given secret intelligence by Samuel Fraunces the NYC tavern keeper, that Benedict Arnold planned to surrender West Point to the British.

18. Site of the Three Pigeons Inn

4200 Bergen Turnpike, North Bergen

Built ca. 1712, the Inn was considered a directional landmark for people traveling through the county. During the Revolution, it was the rendezvous spot for Maj. Henry "Light-Horse Harry" Lee who met guides to take him to Paulus Hook where he attacked the British on August 19th, 1779. On July 20th, 1780, as part of the military assault at Blockhouse Point near Bull's Ferry, the Inn was also surveilled by the Irish Catholic turned patriot Col. Stephan Moylan, while acting on orders from Gen. Anthony Wayne to capture the cattle herd belonging to the British garrison at New York. This he accomplished and then drove them north to Liberty Pole, present day Englewood.

19. Van Wagenen House/Apple Tree House

298 Academy Street, Jersey City

Gen. George Washington and Marquis de Lafayette planned Revolutionary War strategy under an apple tree in 1780.