

DICK AND BOBBI BETTLE HAVE A NEW TOUR: HACKETTSTOWN TO FRENCHTOWN ON JULY 18, 2020

Tour: Leave at 10:30 am from VFW in Morris Plains.

Leave at 11:30 am from the Lowe's at 217 Mountain Avenue (Rt 57), Hackettstown

An uncluttered rural landscape of rolling hills awaits on the scenic and splendid Warren Heritage Scenic Byway. Although this ride starts in Hackettstown, it quickly becomes an uncluttered rural landscape of rolling hills. The 19-mile scenic drive follows Route 57—originally laid out in the 19th century as the Morris Turnpike—and stretches southwest from Hackettstown in Warren County to Pohatcong. Then we will head south on Route 519 to Milford, for a total of approximately 35 miles.



Along the way, we will pass the historic district of Beattystown (a sign marks the site of a Revolutionary War march and encampment),

Just off route 57, we're on to the Royal Diner, 150 State Route 31 S, Washington, for "curbside" lunch (menu will be provided so you can order before we leave Lowe's), or you can bring your own lunch. We will eat at the Washington Borough Park and Pool a few blocks away from the Diner.

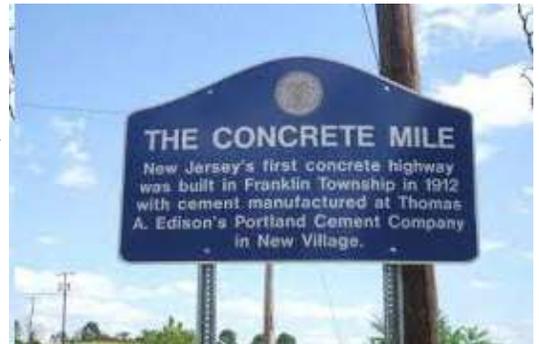


Back on Rt 57, we can gas up at

Guy's Washington Filling Station, a 1920s gas station, with its original, ornate Ionic columns still intact, and gas comes out of an actual vintage gas pump!



Around MM 4, near Stewartsville, watch for the Concrete Mile marker; the site of the first concrete highway in New Jersey and one of the first in the country. Originally done in 1912 by Thomas Edison's



New Village cement plant as an experimental road surface, most of the road has been paved over, but a portion remains.

Although Rt 57, ends around Phillipsburg, the tour continues south towards Milford & Frenchtown. Our final destination, of course, is ice cream at Jimmy's Ice Cream in Milford.

Please let us know (908.354.8236 or bobbi170b@gmail.com) if you plan to attend.

