

Mark your calendars for the Franklin Trek 2025, July 26-August 1.

The chairs have been collaborating with a Schenectady local and relatively new member John Mishanec. The 2025 Trek will highlight getting to know our new home, Union College and the city of Schenectady. John has been working with the mayor who wants to proclaim Franklin Day in Schenectady. One of the days that week the streets around City Hall will be closed for Franklin parking only. John is also working with Phillip Morris and the Proctor Theater to get a tour and



hopefully a silent movie with organ accompaniment. We are working with the school to have one of the professors give a talk about the school and its history at Nott Memorial. Of importance is

the food. Union College has a new vendor and we know this year the food will be delicious with options for those who are vegan, gluten free and with much more variety. We will be dining with students and the Irish Dance camp in the beautifully remodeled dining hall of the student union. For those who do not care to make the walk, there will be a shuttle. And of course, coffee will be at the ready in College Park Hall. One of our drives will be on well-maintained country roads to the beautiful town of Bennington, Vermont, the home of



Hemmings Motor News and the Bennington Museum. The Bennington Museum has the largest collection of Grandma Moses paintings and one of only three remaining Martin-Wasp automobiles produced in Bennington. In the town of Bennington there is the Bennington Battle Monument and the Revolutionary War era White Chapel. We

are working with our contacts to get into the car collection at Hemmings (closed since before Covid).