

It's Official! You Will Walk Through History!

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The nearly 300 members of the Empire State Capital Volkssporters (ESCV), are absolutely delighted and excited that the 21st American Volkssport Association Biennial Convention will be held in the Great Northeast June 9-16, 2019. This is the first time a biennial convention will be held in this region, which is one filled with history, scenery and culture. The convention itself will officially take place in Albany; the exact location is in the Town of Colonie, just outside the city limits of Albany, the capital of the Empire State. A detailed description of the hotel and nearby amenities will appear in a future issue of *The American Wanderer*.

Our theme, "Walk Through History," was chosen because of the historically themed walks being planned for your enjoyment. We will highlight some of the history of New York and the New England states; the site of many historic events, beginning in the 1600's, important to the history of this country. As walkers learn about history, they will enjoy lovely scenery and learn about regional culture.

The Northeast region is home to Connecticut Valley Volkssport Club, Southern Maine Volkssport Association, Walk 'N Mass Volkssport Club, Two Town Walking Club, Niagara Frontier Volkssport Club, The Finger Lakes Volkssports Club, Volkssport Club at West Point, NH Patriot Pathfinders, Twin State Volkssport Association and, of course, the Empire State Capital Volkssporters, celebrating their 30th anniversary as this is written. We will all be proud to show off the wonderful things you will be seeing during your visit.

It is never too early to start your bucket list of walks to do, and places to see. Future issues of *The American Wanderer* will highlight outstanding features of walks that one can enjoy before, during, after or along with the pre-convention and post-convention walks!