

EVENTS

The King of Prussia Inn: A Brief History

DEVON » The Tredyffrin Historic Preservation Trust will host "The King of Prussia Inn: A Brief History" from 7 to 9 p.m. on May 23 at the Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens.

The King of Prussia Inn (c. 1756), "The Sign of the King" welcomed visitors for almost 200 years, and may have been the source for the

town receiving its name. A day's ride from Philadelphia, it was a meeting place for locals and for travelers alike, where the news of the day was discussed over a drink or a hearty meal. Learn how during the winter of 1777-78, the Inn was a popular haunt for both patriots and loyalists alike.

Hear how the very loca-

tion that created its popularity would eventually lead to its demise, first in 1952, when it was decided that US Route 202 needed to be widened from two lanes to four, thus stranding the Inn on an island in the center, and again in 2000, when it was decided that the historic 550-ton structure needed to once again be spared from

the wrecking ball, and the only option would be to pick it up and moved less than ½ mile away to safety.

For tickets, visit our web site (linked above) or call (610) 647-1051.

The Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens is at 631 Berwyn Baptist Road in Devon. Tickets are available: tredyffrinhistory.org