June’s Magical History Tour: To the Bat Cave!

Wednesday, June 28th

Optional Dutch Treat Dinner at 5 p.m. in Fredericksburg

Bat Tour at 7 p.m., Old Tunnel State Park

When European settlers moved into this area in the mid-1800s, they needed a reliable way to connect nearby Fredericksburg to San Antonio. Around 100 workers dug out most of the tunnel by hand. During its construction, the tunnel became a popular tourist attraction, much like it is today. This line was used until 1941 and dismantled during WWII. But the tunnel quickly found new life when the bats moved in\*.

Join the Kendall County Historical Commission (KCHC) as we learn more about the history of the tunnel and the state’s smallest park: Old Tunnel State Park. We’ll spend time with a docent and then watch the bats takes flight.

Prior to that, we’ll be dining at Altstadt Brewery in Fredericksburg, 6120 East, US-290. After dinner, we’ll caravan to the tunnel, located at 10619 Old San Antonio Road, close to the Kendall-Gillespie county border.

RSVP by June 23 to Nalga Mebane, KCHC programs chair, at [npmebane@gvtc.com](mailto:npmebane@gvtc.com). Call Robin at the library for more information, 830-249-3053.

\*copy from Old Tunnel State Park history.

