

Small Towns across America

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Palmyra New York

Brief History of Palmyra

The town of Palmyra was originally called "Swifts Landing" after its founder John Swift. It was founded in 1789. The name it has today was adopted in 1796 supposedly to impress a school teacher.



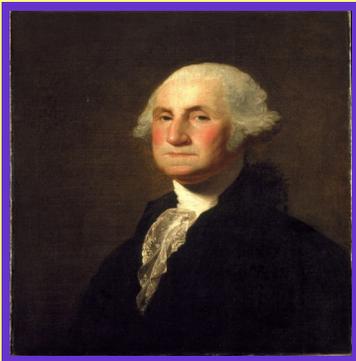
Location and Driving Directions from closest major U.S. Airport(s)

Greater Rochester National Airport - 25 miles - 30 minutes

Buffalo Niagara International Airport - 95 miles - 1 hour 30 minutes

Syracuse Hancock International Airport - 70 miles - 1 hour 15 minutes

Who was President when this town was founded? And, what was the political environment



The town of Palmyra was created at a time when America was still recovering from the revolutionary war. It was also at this time that Congress decided to move its Headquarters from New York to Philadelphia. The Republicans were more influential at this time.

Oldest Business/Attraction

One of the oldest attractions in Palmyra is the Smith Home and Farm. They were a successful family business and one of the founding families. Here on the right is a picture. You can walk around the farm and free tours are offered.





Palmyra Government

Palmyra's Government is run in this building to the left which is the town hall. It is governed by a Mayor and Board of Trustees.

Historic Attractions: Events



This beautiful building on the right is the visitor center for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Right next to it is the place where the Hill Camorra Pageant is held. There are also a few museums and antique shops.

Places to Stay in Palmyra

The Liberty Bell Inn is a delightful homey place located in the heart of Palmyra. It serves delicious home cooked meals and is a very comfortable place altogether with stately cupola, gingerbread accents and a sprawling veranda. Guests have been enjoying its services since 1997.



Why I would want to visit this Historic small town.

I want to go here to visit the museums, so I could learn more about my church history, and see where it all began. I also would love to go to the temple there! It is so beautiful!!!!



Links you may wish to visit

<https://www.lds.org/church/temples/palmyra-new-york?lang=eng>

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