

Brenda I took a trip to Pennsylvania and New York. We left here on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 and returned on Sunday, October 9. The initial airline flights each day left at 6 AM. But we arrived on time at all destinations.

Our first evening was in Philadelphia, and we stayed in Penn's Landing at the Hilton. Penn's Landing is a waterfront area of Center City Philadelphia along the Delaware river. Its name commemorates the landing of William Penn the founder of Pennsylvania in 1682.

We drove the next morning to see the stores that sold Philadelphia Cheesesteaks. Roads are quite narrow, and we didn't have an opportunity to visit. After seeing Boathouse Row we continued to Lansdale to visit our good friend.

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We drove to Bristol in Bucks County which was instrumental in the Underground Railroad. Bristol was one of the many stops on the road to freedom and provided hiding spots for runaway slaves. The people of Bristol even purchased freedom for runaway Dick Shad who had sought refuge in Bristol after being a slave for twenty years in Virginia. Now, Bristol is full of historic buildings and locations just waiting to be discovered. Harriet Tubman has a statue at the Bristol Waterfront Park on the Lehigh Canal.

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On Friday, October 7, we drove to Scranton, Pennsylvania to see [Steamtown](#) which is a National Historic Site. There is a Big Boy steam engine on display, one of eight remaining. This Union Pacific 4012 could be restored to working order; UP in Cheyenne did restore 4015 and taken it on several excursions. This site had a running steam engine and trolley.

Another part of Steamtown is the Trolley Museum where the [John Oliver Train](#) resides.

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The next highlight of this trip was Saturday to visit Cooperstown and the Baseball Hall of Fame. But before arriving we admired the trees changing colors. Unfortunately the sun was not out.

Abner Doubleday is said to have written the rules for baseball in 1839. But Pittsfield, Massachusetts had a 1791 bylaw prohibiting anyone from playing baseball within 80 yards of the meeting house. The first real game was played in Hoboken, New Jersey in 1846.

Anyway I took many photos of the exhibits on display. Of course, I missed many of them.

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We both enjoyed the trip; food was great.