

THE POCANTICO CONFERENCE CENTER of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund is located approximately one hour north of Manhattan in the Pocantico Historic Area, the heart of the Rockefeller family estate in Westchester County, New York. The Historic Area has been a property of the National Trust for Historic Preservation since 1979, when it was willed to the National Trust by Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller. The Pocantico Conference Center includes John D. Rockefeller's home, Kykuit; the surrounding gardens and sculpture collections; and the Coach Barn (Conference Center), which houses guests on the second floor and the family's carriages and vintage automobiles on the first floor. The lower floor has been transformed into a modern meeting facility. The Pocantico Conference Center is maintained and administered by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, a private foundation, which operates the site - as a center for its philanthropic programs under an agreement with the national Trust. At Pocantico, a place of quiet serenity overlooking the Hudson River, a wide range of meetings and conferences related to the Fund's grantmaking are convened. These include gatherings of the Fund's grantees for sharing and collaboration; meetings of other funders interested in the areas of the Fund's program; and conferences that bring emerging and established leaders in the public and private sectors together with one another and with Fund grantees to explore new approaches to regional, national, and global issues.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Guests are lodged on the second floor of the Coach Barn (Conference Center) and on the third and fourth floors of Kykuit. All accommodations have a private bath, and hair dryers are also provided in each bedroom. Adapters for electric razors and hair dryers are available upon request. Electrical service is 115 volts/60 cycles.

DRESS

As a rule, daytime dress is casual at Pocantico. For dinner, jackets and ties are required for men, and women should wear comparable clothing. Appropriate national costumes are also suitable.

TELEPHONE, FACSIMILE, COMPUTERS

Each bedroom at the Coach Barn (Conference Center) and Kykuit has a private telephone number, and phone calls may be received 24 hours a day. Guest room telephone lines are compatible with laptop computers. During conference sessions messages will be taken by the center's staff at 914.524.6500. Facsimile messages may be sent during normal business hours from the Conference Center. Faxes are received 24 hours a day at 914.524.6550 and distributed as promptly as possible. Computers are available for the use of conferees in the Conference Center. The conference facility has IBM-compatible machines, as well as commonly used word-processing and spreadsheet programs. Please note, however, that computer assistance is not available. Mail is received and distributed once a day. Outgoing mail may be left at the Conference Center services desk. Special mailing needs can also be arranged at the services desk.

****Guests may not smoke indoors, either at Kykuit or in the Coach Barn (Conference Center).**

Guests are welcome to stroll the Coach Barn (Conference Center) and Kykuit grounds, including Kykuit's lovely gardens, or may go jogging on the roads outside the estate.

Temperatures at the Pocantico Conference Center vary considerably with the four seasons. Winter can be quite cold, with either rain or snowfall, while summers are often hot and humid. You may find useful the following chart of average temperatures in New York City. The weather at the Conference Center in December will be approximately 36° (2° C).