

About Kuser Mansion:

The Kusers themselves have a long and interesting history dating back to Rudolph Kuser who immigrated to the U.S. from Zurich, Switzerland around the early-mid 1800's. He and his wife Rosalie bought and operated a large farm in Hamilton Township, along what is now Kuser Road. It was across the road from this farm that their son, Fred, built a home, which is now the Kuser Farm Mansion as his summer home.

Just to give an idea of how influential the Kusers were, Anthony R. Kuser consolidated all the gas and electric companies in Trenton, NJ and became president of the South Jersey Gas and Electric Lighting Company. He served on the staffs of three governors and his wife's father, John Dryden, was a U.S. Senator and founded the Prudential Life Insurance Company. The Fox Film Company, later to merge with 20th Century, was started with a \$200,000 loan from Kuser and family members went on to become major stock holders. The Kuser legacy includes High Point State Park and the New Jersey Audubon Society.

Today, visitors can enjoy tours of the beautiful mansion. The period rooms in the mansion include the; "Theatre in the Dining Room", with its once state-of-the-art 18 foot curved Cinemascope screen. Tours of the Mansion are guided.

As a bonus to model railroad buffs, the basement of the home features the Jersey Valley Model Railroad display, a thrill for people of all ages. (Open for special events only in October and December and by appointment with the Jersey Valley Model Railroad club)

A variety of special events throughout the year gives families a reason to return again and again!