

The Tabard Inn
Rugby, Tennessee

This year's shirt and award features the Tabard Inn. A short history, provided by HRI and George Zepp. Picture courtesy of George Zepp. An exhibit outlining the Tabard's history is on display in the Rugby Schoolhouse, seen by visitors taking Historic Rugby's guided tour.

"By 1884, ... 65-70 graceful Victorian buildings had been constructed on the town site, and over 300 residents enjoyed the rustic yet culturally refined atmosphere of this "New Jerusalem." The grand Tabard Inn, named for the hostelry in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, soon became the social center of the colony. The Tabard Inn burned in 1884, its replacement meeting the same fate in 1900. Its foundation stones now lie in a field."





SHIRT FRONT



SHIRT BACK

Shirts can be ordered on the Show Registration Forms. If you want to order a shirt, but are not registering a vehicle, just fill out the shirt order portion of the form. Shirts may be picked up on the day of the show at the Registration Tent.