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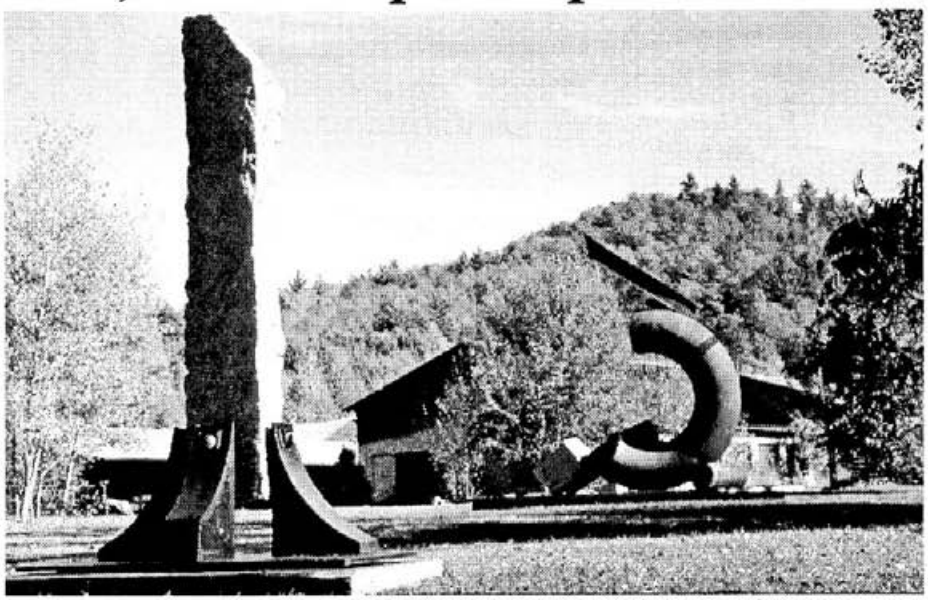
Tours, Workshops & Special Events



AARCH's tenth anniversary Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, June 30th at the home and studios of John Van Alstine and Holly Hallman in Wells. Photo by John Van Alstine.

Welcome to AARCH's most ambitious and interesting series of events ever!

Each year we put together the most exciting, informative, and unusual series of tours, workshops, and special events we can dream up and this year is no exception. Some of our new outings include the Kildare Club, two opportunities to visit two very special camps on Tupper Lake, and a look at the design work of William Coulter and Scopes & Feustmann in Saranac Lake.

We'll even take you on an archeological exploration of the Lake George Battlefield Park and will investigate the ruins of Conklingville and the dam that created the Great Sacandaga Lake. Also new for this year, AARCH is conducting the public tours of White Pine Camp between July 7th and October 7th.

And please don't miss our 10th Anniversary Annual Meeting on June 30th in Wells. NYSDEC Commissioner Erin Crotty will be our keynote speaker, we'll present a few special recognition awards, and celebrate our accomplishments with cake and comradery.

We hope you will join us!

Tours, Workshops, & Special Events

AARCH's tours and workshops, led by scholars, professionals, and knowledgeable volunteer guides, are enjoyable learning experiences and help to raise funds to support our preservation mission. In planning your outing with us, please keep in mind the following things:

- **Tours are filled on a "first-come-first-served" basis.** Our events are extremely popular and they fill quickly, so register as soon as possible. Starting this year, we will *not* be carrying the waiting list for each tour into the next year.
- **Some tours require a fair amount of walking or exertion.** Make sure you are physically able to do the outing described.
- **Our events are held rain or shine.** Dress for the variable weather conditions of the Adirondacks by wearing or bringing the proper attire for all conditions.
- **Attendance is limited and advance registration and prepayment are required.** Refunds will be given to those not able to attend an event if we are notified at least 24 hours prior to the event date. To register, send full fee to AARCH, Civic Center, Suite 37, 1790 Main Street, Keeseville, NY 12944. For more information call 518-834-9328.

The Historic Valcour Island tour explores many aspects of Valcour Island's fascinating history and includes a visit to its 1874 lighthouse. Photo by Paula Dennis

HISTORIC VALCOUR ISLAND
Saturday, June 9

The waters surrounding Valcour Island in Lake Champlain were the scene of the Battle of Valcour, an important navel battle during the Revolutionary War. Here, in October 1776, a small American colonial fleet under the command of Benedict Arnold engaged the British fleet. Although most of the American fleet was sunk or scuttled, the effort succeeded in holding off the British southern advance until the following year, thereby buying the Americans much needed time. During the 19th century, the island was briefly home to a fledgling "free love" colony. More importantly, though, a lighthouse was built there in 1874, aiding navigation on the lake. Valcour Island is now part of the Adirondack Forest Preserve and its lighthouse is being restored by the Clinton County Historical Association. This tour will include a boat ride to Valcour Island and around nearby Crab Island, a four mile walk around the island, and lunch at the lighthouse. Tour will depart from the OldeValcour Marina at 10 AM and will return about 3:30 PM. The tour fee is $40 for AARCH members/$45 for non-members.

CAMP SANTANONI: ADIRONDACK GREAT CAMP
Sunday, June 17

Explore of one the most magnificent Great Camps in the Adirondacks with Rob Engel, co-author of *Santanoni: from Japanese Temple to Life at an Adirondack Great Camp*. Built for Robert C. Pruyn, of Albany, beginning in 1892, the estate included 12,900 acres of land, known as the Santanoni Preserve. This tour will include stops at the camp's Gate Lodge, the remains of its 200-acre gentleman's farm and the Main Camp on Newcomb Lake. Participants will see restoration in progress and be able to view some of the camp's interiors. The round-trip walk is 9.8 miles on a gently sloping dirt road. Meet at 10 AM at the parking lot of the Santanoni Preserve, off Route 28N in the hamlet of Newcomb. We will return about 4 PM. The suggested donation of $10 for AARCH members/$15 for non-members supports our work at this National Historic Landmark. A limited number of seats are available on a horse-drawn wagon, for an additional $15 fee, by advance reservation only.

LITCHFIELD PARK TOUR
Saturday, June 23

This special outing takes us to visit Litchfield Park, one of the largest and grandest private estates in the region. The preserve and its buildings were created by Edward Litchfield, a New York City lawyer and land developer who first came to the Adirondacks in 1866. Donn Barber designed the fanciful chateau, which was completed around 1913. The estate includes miles of carriage roads, a working farm, and many other buildings. The tour begins at 11 AM and ends around 2 PM. Tour fee is $45 for AARCH members/$50 for non-members.

BOLTON LANDING & ENVIRONS TOUR
Sunday, June 24

AARCH board member, Ted Caldwell, will lead this fascinating boat and walking tour of Bolton Landing. We will view the magnificent Lake George landscape, see the sites of vanished hotels and estates, and visit an island cottage aboard the *de Champlain*. Then we'll disembark for a 2 mile walking tour to visit the Sembrich Opera Museum, the W.H. Bixby home, and the museum of the Historical Society of the Town of Bolton. The tour will begin at 12 noon and end around 4:30 PM. The tour fee is $40 for AARCH members/$45 for non-members.

AARCH 10th ANNIVERSARY ANNUAL MEETING & SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS
Saturday, June 30

AARCH's 2001 Annual Meeting will be held at the home and studio of John Van Alstine and Holly Hallman in Wells. Over the past five years they have restored the former Adirondack Lumber Company complex into an exceptionally fine home, with large studio and gallery spaces all on a picturesque site along the Sacandaga River. The meeting will begin at 1 PM and will feature a keynote address by Erin Crotty, the new Commissioner of the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. We will also present our first-ever Special Recognition Awards and will officially celebrate AARCH's tenth anniversary with cake and refreshments. The meeting will end around 3 PM and be following by a guided tour of complex. The celebration and meeting are a benefit of AARCH membership, guest fee is $10. You are also welcome to bring your own lunch and picnic on the grounds, arriving at noon. Advance registration is required.

RAQUETTE LAKE'S LONG POINT & ENVIRONS
Monday, July 9

AARCH will offer a very special tour this year of Raquette Lake, including The Antlers, Camp Pine Knot, and Saint William's. Pine Knot was built, beginning in late 1870's, by William West Durant, who also built Sagamore, Uncas and Kamp Kill Kare. Widely recognized as the pioneer of Adirondack rustic architecture and the camps we now call Great Camps, it was at Pine Knot that Durant first developed the features and details we now associate with this genre. The Antlers, designed by Saratoga Springs architect, R. Newton Brezee, in the 1880s, originally operated as a hotel and cottages. Durant also built St. Williams, the Shingle-style Catholic Church, on Long Point in 1890. The tour begins at The Antlers at 1 PM where we will depart to Long Point by boat to visit Pine Knot and, via a one mile walk along a wooded trail, to Saint Williams. The tour will end around 5 PM. Tour fee is $40 for AARCH members/$45 for non-members.

AARCH is now running the public tours of White Pine Camp, the 1927 Summer White House of Calvin Coolidge, near Paul Smiths.

WHITE PINE CAMP
TOUR SCHEDULE

Saturdays, July 7th to
September 1st
10 am and 1:30 pm
Sunday, October 7th at 1:30 pm

Adults $9, Seniors $8, Children $5

FOUR RUSTIC CAMPS OF WILLIAM COULTER
Wednesday, July 11

Travel by car pool and boat with Mary Hotaling, who will again lead one of our most popular tours of four turn-of-the-century Great Camps on Upper Saranac Lake, all designed by the prominent Saranac Lake architect William Coulter. These include Eagle Island, Moss Ledge, the Wawbeek, and Prospect Point. This is a rare opportunity to see some of the best rustic architecture in the region. The tour begins at 10 AM, with lunch after boating to Eagle Island. Return to the mainland to continue the tour, ending at the Wawbeek, around 4 PM. The tour fee is $40 for AARCH members/$45 for non-members.

HISTORIC MORIAH: ESSEX COUNTY MINING CENTER
Saturday, July 14

This is a fascinating tour of an Adirondack town with a long and rich iron mining history and a remarkable architectural legacy. The tour will start with a slide presentation by Jack Brennan, who worked in Moriah's iron mines for 35 years. We will then take a close look at the iron company buildings; worker's housing, church, memorial hall, and jail in Witherbee and Mineville. In Port Henry, we'll bushwack with Marcy Neville along the industrial waterfront of Lake Champlain, see the grand French Second Empire style Town Hall, the railroad depot, and the Iron Center Museum. This tour includes a considerable amount of walking, with some through rough terrain. The tour begins at 9 AM in Mineville and ends in Port Henry around 4 PM. This tour is co-sponsered by the Moriah Historical Society and the Port Henry/Moriah Economic Development Zone. The tour fee is $20 for AARCH and MHS members/$25 for non-members.

Elizabethtown: What Style Is It? will teach participants about architectural styles and explore the interesting architecture of Elizabethtown, including the Essex County Courthouse. Photo by Steven Engelhart.

CAMP SANTANONI: ADIRONDACK GREAT CAMP
Sunday, July 15

Led by our summer staff, see June 17th tour for full description.

TUPPER LAKE CAMPS TOUR
Monday, July 16

On this tour we'll visit the recently restored Men's Infirmary at the former American Legion Veterans Mountain Camp on Tupper Lake and will see one of the most remarkable, intact, and little-known rustic camp complexes in the region. This latter camp was designed by New York City architect Julian Clarence Levi in 1913 and includes many fine buildings, including "Birch Cottage," several extraordinary interiors, and a first-rate collection of rustic and Arts and Crafts furniture. The tour fee is $40 for AARCH members/$45 for non-members. It is limited to ten persons but will be offered again on Monday, July 23rd.

THE WHITEFACE VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY: AN ENGINEERING MARVEL
Wednesday, July 18

The Whiteface Veteran's Memorial Highway in Wilmington was built between 1929 and 1934 to honor those who had died during World War I. It was also built to draw the burgeoning new generation of "auto tourists" to the Adirondack region by offering easy access to a mountaintop view. The 8.5 mile highway is a marvelous work of civil engineering, as are the 426 foot tunnel and 276 foot elevator that transport some visitors to the summit. The chalet-style tollhouse, massive stone castle, and summit building are also fascinating works of architecture. This tour is led by Doug Wolfe, from the SUNY Atmospheric Science Research Center and the Whiteface Preservation and Resource Association, and will explore many aspects of the highway's man-made and natural environment. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 3:30 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/$35 for non-members.

ELIZABETHTOWN: WHAT STYLE IS IT?
Saturday, July 21

This workshop will use the historic village of Elizabethtown as an open classroom for learning about architectural styles and the language of architecture. Beginning at 10 AM, the morning will be spent in the classroom setting of the Hand House, where the group will learn about identifying architectural styles from

Steven Engelhart, AARCH's Executive Director. Following lunch, the group will walk around the village and look at several dozen historic buildings which exemplify a whole range of architectural styles from the 19th and 20th centuries. The walking tour will end around 4 PM. The workshop fee is $25 for AARCH members/ $30 for non-members.

TUPPER LAKE CAMPS TOUR
Monday, July 23

See July 16th tour for full description.

RUSTIC CAMPS OF THE SAINT REGIS LAKES
Tuesday, July 24

For the third time, we are offering a very special tour of the Saint Regis Lakes. Initially drawn to this part of the Adirondacks by the recreational opportunities and amenities at Paul Smith's hotel, many summer visitors eventually built camps along the shores of Upper and Lower Saint Regis and Spitfire Lakes beginning in the late 1870's. Many of these camps are among the finest anywhere in the region. During the day, we will visit Camp Wild Air and the Penfold Camp, Pine Tree Point, and visit a guideboat builder's shop and home. We will travel on the lakes by two "war canoes" under the guidance of Adirondack guide, Joe Hackett. Some canoeing experience is preferred and those attending should be able to sit for long periods in a canoe. Our interpreters will be Pat Willis and Jim Cameron. The tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 5 PM. The tour fee is $45 AARCH members/$50 for non-members.

LOON LAKE'S ARCHITECTURAL LEGACY
Wednesday, July 25

Visit the remarkably intact resort community originally developed in the late 19th century by Ferd and Mary Chase. This day-long tour will be led by Karl Smith III and other members of the Association for the Preservation and Revitalization in Loon Lake (APRILL). We will visit many buildings and sites including The Inn at Loon Lake, the 1895 Loon Lake Golf Course, Clubhouse, and Caddy House, as well as several private camps, cottages, and boathouses. This is a wonderful opportunity to see one of the region's most special places. The tour will begin at 10 AM, totaling about 2 miles of walking, and will end around 4 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH & APRILL members/$35 for non-members.

RESTORING WOODEN STRUCTURES WORKSHOP AT CAMP SANTANONI
Saturday, July 28

Led by Michael Frenette, master craftsman and our "builder-in-residence" during the summer, this day long workshop will provide hands-on instruction at Camp Santanoni in a variety of important areas, including hand tool use, tool sharpening, basic timber framing and log work. Participants will restore a portion of the Main Camp's porch. This is a great opportunity to learn some new techniques and participate in the restoration of this National Historic Landmark. Intermediate woodworking experience preferred. Meet at the parking area for the Santanoni Preserve at 9 AM. The workshop will end around 5 PM. A donation of $30 for AARCH members/ $35 for non-members is appreciated. Transportation into the Main Camp is provided.

The former Will Rogers Memorial Hospital in Saranac Lake is one the stops on our August 1st tour of Saranac Lake, which explores the work of Scopes and Feustmann, architects. Photo by Saranac Village at Will Rogers.

TWO ARCHITECTS OF SARANAC LAKE: WILLIAM COULTER AND SCOPES & FEUSTMANN
Wednesday, August 1

William Henry Scopes and Maurice Mayer Feustmann both came to Saranac Lake in the late 1890s, to receive treatment for tuberculosis. Creating a partnership in 1903, the firm is primarily known for designing sanatoria and the Kildare Club on Jordan Pond. Car-pool with Historic Saranac Lake's Executive Director, Mary Hotaling, as we take an in-depth look at their work at several sites in the village, including The National Vaudeville Artists Sanatorium, now known as Saranac Village at Will Rogers. The tour, co-sponsored by Historic Saranac Lake, will begin at 10 AM and end at 4 PM. Tour fee is $30 for AARCH and HSL members/$35 for non-members.

CLINTON PRISON: THE WALLS THAT BIND
Friday, August 3

The Clinton Correctional Facility in Dannemora, originally built in 1845, is the third oldest prison in New York State and is the state's largest. This unique opportunity will take us inside this maximum security prison where we will visit a cell block, modeled on the "Auburn System," the Church of the Good Thief, a chapel built entirely by inmates, the North Yard and the former Dannemora State Hospital. The history of the prison is fascinating and its architecture is most dramatic. The tour will begin at 9:30 AM and end at 3 PM. The suggested fee is donation of $30 for AARCH members/$35 for non-members.

HISTORIC TAHAWUS AND ADIRONDAC
Saturday, August 4

Town of Newcomb Supervisor, George Canon, will lead the tour, which looks at over a century of mining in the Town of Newcomb. We will see the McIntyre Furnace, the remains of the village of Adirondac, other remains of the Adirondack Iron and Steel Company operations and the 20th century mining operation at Tahawus. The McIntyre Furnace, in particular, is a very important early American industrial site, one that has been documented by the Historic American Engineering Record. Meet at the Newcomb Town Hall at 10 AM and we'll carpool to Tahawus. The tour will end about 1:30 PM. The tour fee is $20 for AARCH members/$25 for non-members.

RUSTIC ARCHITECTURE OF BIG MOOSE
Tuesday, August 7

This tour will look at a variety of distinctive rustic architecture in Big Moose, including the work of Henry Covey, Earl Covey and the Martin family. The tour will include visits to the Big Moose Chapel, Covewood Lodge, The Waldheim and to several camps on Crag Point. The tour begins at 10 AM and will end about 4 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/$35 for non-members.

THE OMEGA ENSEMBLE AT THE UPLANDS: A Chamber Music Concert to Benefit AARCH
Sunday, August 12

Thanks to the generous hospitality of Phebe Thorne and Paul Wilcox, we are able to offer members and friends of AARCH an extraordinary afternoon of music, food, and friendship at *The Uplands*, a very special Keene Valley camp. The afternoon will begin at 4 PM with an iced tea and champagne reception and will be followed by a concert by The Omega Ensemble, an exceptional chamber group. Tickets are $35 apiece and all profits benefit AARCH. For a $250 donation, event sponsors are invited to an elegant dinner at *The Uplands* after the concert. For more information, to reserve tickets, or to become a sponsor, call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.

THE KILDARE CLUB ON JORDON LAKE
Monday, August 13

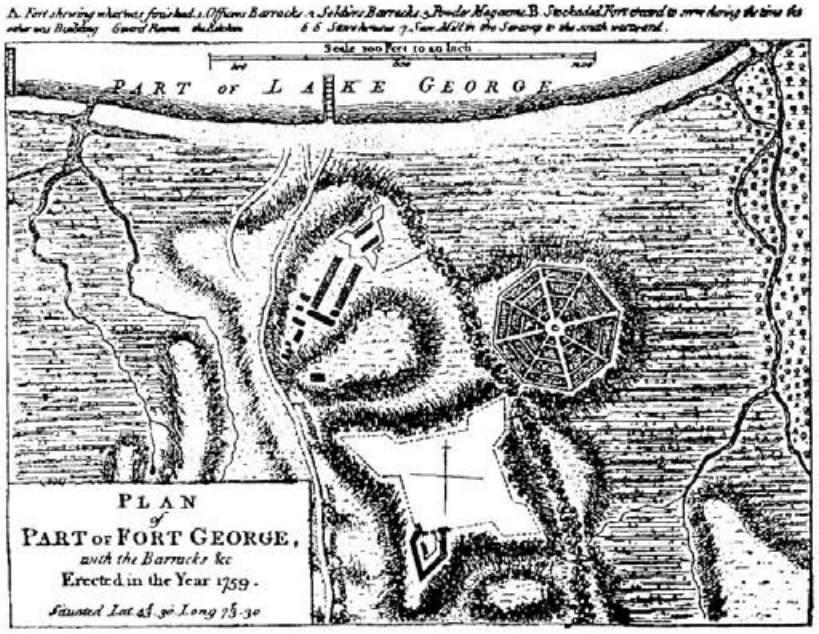
William Seward Webb and Fredrick W. Vanderbilt originally founded the Kildare Club in 1892, as a 10,000 acre hunting preserve. The Saranac Lake architectural firm of Scopes and Feustmann designed the complex in 1906, after the original lodge burned. At this site, the architects depart from the more traditional Great Camp layout of separate building units serving individual functions. Within the main lodge, the living, dining, and recreational spaces are unified within one structure. Additional family cottages, guest units, and guide house serve as additional housing. Tour this family owned preserve courtesy of the Friedman family, with Howie Kirschenbaum beginning at 10 AM and ending around 2 PM. The tour fee is $45 for AARCH members/$50 for non-members.

LAKE GEORGE ARCHAEOLOGY: FORT GEORGE & ENVIRONS
Friday, August 17

Located within the present-day Lake George Battlefield Park, the construction of the Fort George complex began in 1759, following the famous "massacre" at Fort William Henry. The site continued to be occupied through the American Revolution, serving as a major smallpox hospital. Through the Department of Environmental Conservation, a long-term archaeological survey of the historic site began in the summer of 2000 under the direction of Dr. David Starbuck, author of *The Great Warpath: British Military Sites from Albany to Crown Point*. Join us at the site, during this year's field investigation, as the team reveals more of the ruins and artifacts that guide future interpretation there. The tour will be led by Dr. Starbuck, his team and other members of the Adirondack Chapter of the New York State Archaeological Association (NYSAA) and will include a walking tour and discussion of underwater sites by Joseph Zarzynski, of Bateau Below, Inc. The tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 3 PM. The tour fee is $25 for AARCH and NYSAA members/$30 for non-members.

THE FORTS AT CROWN POINT
Saturday, August 18

Crown Point is a broad, flat peninsula of land that juts out into Lake Champlain. During the 18th century, the Champlain Valley played a major role in the hostilities between France and Britain (French and Indian Wars) and Britain and American Colonials (Revolutionary War). The French were the first to recognize the strategic importance of Crown Point and they built Fort St. Frederick there in 1734. Later, the British built "His Majesty's Fort at Crown Point." Today the ruins of both forts are part of the Crown Point State Historic Site. This tour will explore many aspects of this site, including several areas not generally accessible to the public. Tom Nesbitt, staff interpreter, will guide us through the forts' ruins, a brick kiln and stone quarry, and several redoubts. Tour begins at 10 AM at the Crown Point State Historic Site and will end around 4 PM. The tour fee is $25 for AARCH members/$30 for non-members.



This 18th century drawing shows the design and complexity of Fort George. Our tour of Fort George will look at the archeological remains of this important military site.

SARANAC LAKE: PIONEER HEALTH RESORT
Tuesday, August 21

Cosponsored by Historic Saranac Lake, this walking and car-pool tour will be led by Mary Hotaling, Executive Director of HSL. It will include many of the buildings, historic districts and sites which made Saranac Lake America's "Pioneer Health Resort." The village's late 19th and early 20th century history is closely tied to a treatment for tuberculosis developed by Edward L. Trudeau and the creation of the Trudeau Sanatorium. The tour will begin at 10 AM at the Trudeau Institute, where participants will see the first cure cottage, "Little Red." From there, we'll car pool to see the former Trudeau Sanitorium, the Saranac Laboratory, Union Depot, the Robert Louis Stevenson cottage and other historic districts in the village. The tour will end around 3 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH and HSL/$35 for non-members.

CAMP SANTANONI: ADIRONDACK GREAT CAMP
Thursday, August 23

Led by our summer staff, see June 17th tour for full description.

FIRETOWERS OF THE FOREST PRESERVE: A HADLEY VIEW
Saturday, August 25

On this outing, we will hike to the top of Hadley Mountain, in Saratoga County, with its spectacular view of the Great Sacandaga Lake The 1500-foot ascent is just under 2 miles, where we'll enjoy the view from the tower built in 1917, one of ten recently nominated to the National Register of Historic Places by AARCH. We'll be guided by Jack Freeman, Assistant Conservation Director of the Adirondack Mountain Club and author of *Views from on High: Fire Tower Trails in the Adirondacks and Catskills*. The hike begins at 10 AM and will end around 3 PM. The fee is a suggested donation of $10. A portion of the proceeds benefits the Hadley Mountain Fire Tower Committee.

BEHIND THE SCENES AT SAGAMORE
Sunday, August 26

Sagamore is considered one of William West Durant's most ambitious projects, especially when one considers the amenities behind the camp's rustic façade. Built in 1897, incorporating a gravity-fed springhouse water supply, flush toilets, central heating and acetylene gas lighting, it truly set a benchmark in rustic camp luxury. This "behind the scenes" tour is led by AARCH Board member John Friauf, Jr., who will lead us to seldom seen parts of this famous Adirondack estate. The two mile walking tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 3 PM. Tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/$35 for non-members.

The 1934 steel arch bridge over AuSable Chasm is one of thirteen historic bridges we'll visit on our Historic Bridges of the AuSable River tour on September 17th. Photo by Steven Engelhart

THE LAKE CHAMPLAIN MARITIME MUSEUM BY BOAT
Thursday, August 30

This tour will bring us to the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum in Vergennes, Vermont, a fascinating museum devoted to exploring the lake's important maritime history through twelve exhibit buildings, demonstrations at the blacksmith shop and conservation lab, and at the *Philadelphia II*, a replica of Benedict Arnold's Revolutionary War gunboat. We'll get to the museum by boarding the *Philomena D* in Westport and by traveling along a portion of the Lake Champlain shoreline while on route. Tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 3:30 PM. Fee is $40 ($35 for AARCH members).

CAMP SANTANONI: ADIRONDACK GREAT CAMP
Saturday, September 8

Led by Steven Engelhart. See June 17th for tour details. This tour of Camp Santanoni will take place during Newcomb's annual Teddy Roosevelt Days weekend and there will be lots of other activities to take part in.

HISTORIC BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE
Monday, September 10

AARCH has again organized a wonderful tour of some very interesting historic architecture and places in Blue Mountain Lake. We'll spend the morning at The Adirondack Museum, taking a close look at some of the fine buildings there, including: the 1876 Log Hotel, the cottage and studio of painter Gustave Wiegard, Sunset Cottage from Frederick Durant's Camp Cedars, the Ned Buntline Cabin, Rising Schoolhouse and the Virkler hunting camp. After lunch on the grounds of the museum, we'll visit several other historic places, including the steamboat *Tuscarora*, now a summer camp, Camp Minnowbrook, the Church of the Transfiguration and The Hedges. Tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 4 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/$35 for non-members.

A BOAT TOUR OF HISTORIC LAKE PLACID
Friday, September 14

Led by Mary Hotaling, this very special tour of Lake Placid will visit several of the lake's finest lakeside camps, including *Camp Carolina* and *Gull Rock Camp*, both designed by the Saranac Lake architect, Max Westoff, and explore the beautiful lakeshore aboard the *Lady of the Lake*. Tour starts at 11:30 AM at the Lake Placid Marina and ends around 3:30 PM. The tour fee is $40 for AARCH members/$45 for non-members.

HISTORIC KEESEVILLE AND AUSABLE CHASM
Saturday, September 15

During the 19th century, both Keeseville and AuSable Chasm grew and prospered as important industrial villages, which used water power from the AuSable River, abundant natural resources from the surrounding area, and local ingenuity to make iron products, textiles, finished wood products, and other manufactured items. In Keeseville, we'll see evidence of this industrial prosperity in the village's many fine homes, sandstone buildings, mills and historic bridges. After lunch, we'll walk around the hamlet of AuSable Chasm, visit two hydroelectric sites and take the walk and raft ride (optional) through the "Grand Canyon of the East." The tour will be led by Steven Engelhart, AARCH's Executive Director and a resident of Keeseville. Tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 4 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/ $35 for non-members.

HISTORIC BRIDGES OF THE AUSABLE RIVER
Monday, September 17

This bus tour will explore more than a dozen historic bridges which cross the AuSable River and its tributaries. The bridge historian, Richard Sanders Allen, once said "there are few watercourses in America, comparable in length to the AuSable, over which so many early bridge types remain." Among these are an 1843 stone arch bridge, the 1857 Jay Covered Bridge, an 1888 pedestrian suspension bridge, a variety of metal truss bridges, several stone-faced, reinforced concrete bridges and the 222' steel arch bridge which leaps across AuSable Chasm. All of these bridges were placed on the National Register in 1999. The tour will be led by AARCH's Steven Engelhart, author of *Crossing the River: Historic Bridges of the AuSable River*. The tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 4 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/ $35 for non-members.

NORTH CREEK AND RIPARIUS BY TRAIN
Friday, September 21

This outing will feature walking tours of both North Creek, with its distinctive Main Street and historic railroad depot, and the hamlet of Riparius, including Epworth Institute, a 19th century summer religious colony. Best of all, we'll travel between the two Hudson River villages on the recently reopened Upper Hudson River Railroad train! We will also visit the North Creek Railroad Depot Museum on our return visit. The tour will begin at 10 AM, with lunch at Riparius Station, and end in North Creek around 3 PM. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/$35 for non-members.

DAMMING THE SACANDAGA
Saturday, September 22

Tour the area around the historic Conklingville Dam in the Town of Hadley, Saratoga County, completed in 1930 to control the floodwaters of the Sacandaga and Hudson Rivers. Join us as we explore this area, including the surviving above-water ruins of the community of Conklingville, trans-burial gravesites, and several buildings moved to higher-ground during the evacuation of the valley. The tour, led by AARCH Program Director, Paula Dennis will begin at 10 AM, will include carpooling to sites along the present-day banks of the Great Sacandaga and some walking through rough terrain. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH members/$35 for non-members.

NEW YORK STATE BARN COALITION CONFERENCE AT SILVER BAY
Saturday, September 29 & Sunday September 30

Join AARCH this year as we host the 4th Annual NYS Barn Coalition Conference at Silver Bay on Lake George. Plenary sessions will include an historic overview of state and regional barns, financial incentives including the NYS grant program, panel discussions by restoration experts on repair and adaptive reuse, as well as agritourism. The first day's session concludes with the 3rd Annual NYS Barn Preservation Awards. On Sunday, tour historic barns in the Bolton Landing region, with preservation architect Carl Stearns and AARCH's Paula Dennis. For more information contact AARCH at (518) 834-9328.

CAMP SANTANONI: ADIRONDACK GREAT CAMP TOUR
Saturday, October 6

Led by AARCH Program Director, Paula Dennis. See June 17th tour for full description.

AARCH 2001 STEWARDSHIP AWARDS LUNCHEON
The Hedges, Blue Mountain Lake
Saturday, October 13th

This year, we will present our annual Adirondack Architectural Heritage Awards at a special luncheon at The Hedges in Blue Mountain Lake. The Hedges was originally built beginning in 1882 by Hiram and Chester Duryea and is a remarkable group of stone and wood buildings, with several extraordinary interiors, on the shore of Blue Mountain Lake. Since 1921 it has been a small but first-rate family-run resort. While enjoying a lovely lunch, we will recognize several exemplary preservation and stewardship projects from across the region. Please join us in this celebration at a most special place. We will also have a brief tour of the complex. The luncheon begins at 11:30 AM and will end around 2 PM. Cost is $35 per person.

2001 AARCH Slide Presentations

AARCH Executive Director, Steven Engelhart, will resume his popular series of public slide presentations this summer. If you haven't already heard the entire series, be sure to catch one of his lectures described below. For more information or to schedule additional programs call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.

There's More to Adirondack Architecture Than Great Camps

Friday, July 13th, 7:30 PM
North Creek Railroad Depot Museum, North Creek

Historic Preservation: What's It All About?

Thursday, June 7th, 7 PM
Clinton Community College, Plattsburgh

Monday, June 25th, 7 PM
Great Camp Sagamore, Raquette Lake

Monday, July 9th, 7 PM
Clinton County Historical Association, Plattsburgh

Tuesday, July 17th, 7:30 PM
Edinburg Historical Society, Edinburg

Monday, August 13th, 8 PM
Inlet Town Hall, Inlet

Historic Bridges of the Adirondacks

Monday, May 7th, 8 PM
Galway Preservation Society, Galway

Thursday, June 28th, 7:30 PM
Long Lake Town Hall, Long Lake

Camp Santanoni: Past, Present, and Future

Wednesday, July 11th, 7:30 PM
Adirondack Visitors Interpretive Center, Paul Smiths

Sunday, July 22nd, 8 PM
Beth Joseph Synagogue, Tupper Lake

Thursday, July 26th, 7:30 PM
Hadley-Luzerne Historical Society, Lake Luzerne

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