

# Newsletter

## *Tours, Workshops & Special Events*



*Rockwell Kent's farm, Asgaard Farm, will be one of the historic sites we visit as part of our "Rockwell Kent, Architect" tour on July 24th.  
Photo by Barbara Parnass.*

### **What do Rockwell Kent, Mary Brown, J. P. Morgan, Katrina Trask, and Ben Muncil all have in common?**

They are all part of AARCH's most diverse and interesting series of tours, workshops, and special events ever!

This year, we have put together another wonderful series of events, at which people will see some of the region's most intriguing architecture, historic places, and communities. Our nine new outings will explore the architecture of Rockwell Kent, Ben Muncil, Earl Woodward's dude ranches, William West Durant's Camp Uncas, two spiritual retreats on Lake George, new Adirondack architecture,

historic Warrensburg, historic barns in Bolton, and several sites *On the Trail of John Brown*. We'll also repeat our most popular tours and offer public tours of White Pine Camp.

Don't miss our Annual Meeting on June 22nd at *The Uplands* in Keene Valley. We'll hear a special talk by Richard Longstreth, Director of the Graduate Program in Historic Preservation at George Washington University, will present a several special recognition awards, and tour a two marvelous camps.

And make sure to attend our benefit concert, Awards luncheon, and railroad conference at the Adirondack Museum this year.

**Please come and join us!**

# Tours, Workshops, & Special Events

AARCH's tours and workshops are led by scholars, professionals, and knowledgeable volunteer guides. They 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. The quickest way to register is by telephone.
- **Advance registration is required with payment due prior to event date. Attendance is limited.** Refunds will be given to those not able to attend an event if we are notified at least 48 hours prior to the event date. Send full fee to AARCH, Civic Center, Suite 37, 1790 Main Street, Keeseville, NY 12944.
- **Some tours require a fair amount of walking or exertion.** Be sure you are physically able to do the outing as described. For more information call 518-834-9328.
- **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.

## **HISTORIC VALCOUR ISLAND** **Saturday, June 15**

The waters surrounding Valcour Island in Lake Champlain were the scene of the Battle of Valcour, an important naval 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. In 1874, a lighthouse was built on the island to aid navigation on the lake. Valcour Island is now part of the Adirondack Forest Preserve and lighthouse now 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 begin at 10 AM and end at 3:30 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members/\$45 for non-members. **Note: this tour will also be repeated on July 19th.**



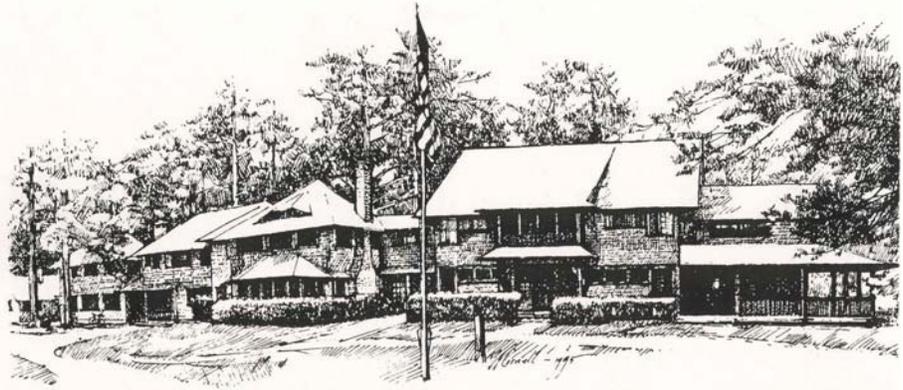
*The Historic Valcour Island tour explores many aspects of Valcour Island's fascinating history and includes a visit to its 1874 lighthouse on Bluff Point. Photo by Paula Dennis*

## **CAMP SANTANONI: Adirondack Great Camp** **Sunday, June 16**

Explore one of 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 tour fee is \$10 for AARCH members and \$15 for non-members. A limited number of seats are available on a horse-drawn wagon, for an additional \$15 fee, by advance reservation only. **Note: this tour will be repeated on July 27th, August 17th, September 7th, and October 5th.**

**ANNUAL MEETING & SPECIAL  
RECOGNITION AWARDS**  
at *The Uplands* in Keene Valley  
Saturday, June 22

AARCH's 2002 Annual Meeting will be held at *The Uplands*, a very special summer home in Keene Valley. The meeting will begin at 1 PM and will feature a keynote address by Richard Longstreth, Director of the Graduate Program in Historic Preservation at George Washington University. We will also present our Special Recognition Awards and celebrate another extraordinary year of activity and accomplishment. The meeting will end around 3 PM and be followed by a guided tour of *The Uplands* and a neighboring camp. The meeting is a benefit of AARCH membership. Guests are welcome. You are also invited to bring your own lunch and picnic on the grounds, arriving at noon.



*AARCH's Annual Meeting will be held in Keene Valley at The Uplands, a wonderful Shingle-style summer home with sumptuous porches, cool wooden interiors, and views of the High Peaks.*

**ON THE TRAIL OF JOHN BROWN: What Mary  
Brown Saw**  
Saturday, July 6

This tour will retrace a portion of the route traversed by members of the John Brown funeral procession as they journeyed from Elizabethtown to North Elba. Along the way, we'll look at historic sites and places that played a role in this 1859 journey and see them through the eyes of his widow, Mary Brown. The itinerary will include the *Dreaming of Timbuctoo* exhibit at the Adirondack History Center Museum, the Essex County Courthouse, the Deer's Head Inn, the Hand House, the Bark Eater, portions of the historic Northwest Bay Road, and the Brown's farm. Interpretation will include an impersonation by Sandra Weber. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 4 PM at the John Brown State Historic Site in North Elba. Tour fee is \$30 for AARCH, Essex County Historical Society, and *John Brown Lives!* members/\$35 for non-members.  
**Note: this tour will be repeated on August 12th.**

**WHITE PINE CAMP  
TOUR SCHEDULE**

AARCH is again offering the public tours of  
White Pine Camp, the 1926 Summer White  
House of Calvin Coolidge, near Paul Smiths.

**Saturdays, July 6<sup>th</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**10 am and 1:30 pm**

**Adults \$9, Seniors \$8, Children \$5**

**RAQUETTE LAKE'S LONG POINT & ENVIRONS**  
Sunday, July 7

This special boat and walking tour will include The Antlers, Camp Pine Knot, Kirby Camp, and St. William's on Long Point. William West Durant, who also built Sagamore, Uncas and Kamp Kill Kare, built Pine Knot beginning in the late 1870's. 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 in the 1880s by Saratoga Springs architect, R. Newton Brezee, friend of Durant, originally operated as a hotel and cottage resort. Durant also built St. Williams, the Shingle style Catholic Church, on Long Point in 1890. The tour begins at 1 PM, includes a one-mile walk along a wooded trail, and will end around 5 PM. Tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members/\$45 for non-members.

**THE KILDARE CLUB ON JORDON LAKE**  
Wednesday, July 10

William Seward Webb and Fredrick W. Vanderbilt originally founded the Kildare Club in 1892, as a private 10,000-acre hunting preserve. The Saranac Lake architectural firm of Scopes and Feustmann designed the club buildings in 1906, after the original lodge burned. Within this Great Camp complex, we'll view portions of the main lodge, where living, dining, and recreational spaces are unified within one structure. Additional structures on the tour include the main lodge, guest cottages, guide's house, artist studio, boathouse and a wealth of support structures. An optional nature walk, through old growth forest, will conclude the day. Tour this private preserve, courtesy of the Friedman family, beginning at 10 AM and ending around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$45 and is open to AARCH members only.

**HISTORIC MORIAH: Essex  
County Mining Center  
Saturday, July 13**

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 presentation and orientation 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 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. The tour begins at 9 AM in Mineville and ends in Port Henry around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH and Moriah Historical Society members/\$35 for non-members.

**SARANAC LAKE: Pioneer Health Resort  
Sunday, July 14**

Co-sponsored 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 include the Trudeau Institute, where participants will see the first cure cottage, "Little Red," the former Trudeau Sanatorium, the Saranac Laboratory, Union Depot, the Robert Louis Stevenson cottage, and *new this year, Pinehurst, courtesy of the Camp family*. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH and HSL members/\$35 for non-members.

**FROM VALLEY FLOOR TO MOUNTAIN TOP:  
Whiteface Veterans Memorial Highway & Environs  
Wednesday, July 17**

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 Toll House is the entrance to the Whiteface Veterans Memorial Highway, seen as part of our July 17th tour of Wilmington.*

*Photo by Steven Engelhart.*

The chalet-style tollhouse, massive stone castle, and summit building are fascinating works of architecture. We'll also visit some of Wilmington's most interesting buildings, including the Methodist Church, original Town Hall, library, and historic bridge over the AuSable River. The tour is led by Doug Wolfe, from the SUNY Atmospheric Science Research Center and the Whiteface Preservation and Resource Association, and will include many aspects of Wilmington'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.

**HISTORIC VALCOUR ISLAND  
Friday, July 19**

See June 15th for full tour description.

**DAY AT CAMP UNCAS  
Saturday, July 20**

Enjoy a day of education and relaxation at Camp Uncas, on Mohegan Lake. Uncas designed in the 1890s, by Grosvenor Atterbury, for William West Durant, further substantiates Durant's innovative construction genius and creative use of native materials. Durant, who also built Pine Knot, Sagamore, and Kamp Kill Kare, is widely recognized as the pioneer of Adirondack rustic architecture and the concept of camps we now call Great Camps. The day will begin at 10 AM with a morning tour of the Camp Uncas complex, led by Howie Kirschenbaum. In the afternoon participants may partake in swimming, canoeing, hiking, or simply relaxing on the grounds. The day will end around 3:30 PM. The tour fee is \$45 and is open to AARCH members only.

## **TUPPER LAKE CAMPS**

**Monday, July 22**

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 Hemlock Ledge, 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 1907 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 will begin at 1 PM and end around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$35 for AARCH members/\$40 for non-members. Note: this tour is limited to ten participants, but will be repeated on **August 26th and September 16th.**

## **ROCKWELL KENT, ARCHITECT**

**Wednesday, July 24**

Rockwell Kent is widely known as an extraordinary American artist – illustrator, painter, and decorative artist – as well as a social activist. Less well known about Kent is that he was trained as an architect, and while living at his home at Asgaard Farm near AuSable Forks, he designed and remodeled several buildings in the region. This tour will visit the farm and the four other building and remodeling projects he executed, including the Brewster and Untermeyer houses in Elizabethtown, and the Cowdin House and a barbershop in AuSable Forks. The tour will be led by Anne Mackinnon, author of "A Home to Live and Breathe: The Adirondack Architecture of Rockwell Kent," which appeared in *Adirondack Life* magazine. The tour will begin at 10 AM in Elizabethtown and end around 4 PM in AuSable Forks. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members/\$35 for non-members.

## **CAMP SANTANONI: Adirondack Great Camp**

**Saturday, July 27**

Led by our summer staff, see June 16th for full tour description.

## **RUSTIC CAMPS OF THE ST. REGIS LAKES**

**Monday, July 29**

For the fourth time, we are offering a very special tour of the St. 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 St. 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, Camp Cobblestone, Penfold Camp, and the Cameron guideboat builder's shop and home. We will travel on the lakes under the guidance of Adirondack guide, Joe

Hackett. Pat Willis and Jim Cameron will interpret the tour. The tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 5 PM. The tour fee is \$40 AARCH members/\$45 for non-members.

## **CLINTON PRISON: The Walls That Bind**

**Wednesday, July 31**

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 cellblock, 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.



*Warrensburg: What Style Is It? teaches participants to identify common architectural styles, using the fabulous architecture of Warrensburg to learn on.*

## **WARRENSBURG: What Style Is It?**

**Saturday, August 3**

This workshop will use the historic village of Warrensburg as an open classroom for learning about architectural styles and the language of architecture. Beginning at 10 AM, the morning will be spent in a classroom setting, 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. Warrensburg has more National Register listed buildings than any other in the Adirondack Park region. The walking tour will end around 4 PM. The workshop fee is \$25 for AARCH members/\$30 for non-members.



*Prospect Point on Upper Saranac Lake, designed by William Coulter for Adolph Lewisohn, will be seen on our August 20th tour.*

**RUSTIC ARCHITECTURE OF BIG MOOSE  
Tuesday, August 6**

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, the Manse, The Waldheim, Covewood Lodge, Brown Gables, and two 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.

**BEN MUNCIL: Master Builder  
Thursday, August 8**

Ben Muncil is best known as the builder of Great Camps, particularly Mrs. Majorie Merriweather Post's famed Topridge. Through his works, this tour will illustrate many aspects of Ben Muncil and his collective contribution to Adirondack architecture. From Keese Mills to Gabriels, we'll tour an early municipal water system, Muncil's former home and worker's dormitory, White Pine Camp, the Brighton Town Hall, the Church of the Assumption, a bungalow development, and Asplin Tree Farms. Howie Kirschenbaum and AARCH Program Director, Paula Dennis, will lead the tour, beginning at 10 AM, and ending around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH member/\$35 for non-members.

**TANNERIES AND TANNERY TOWNS  
Saturday, August 10**

The tanning industry spawned the settlement of many Adirondack communities. This tour will take us to a few of these communities to examine the architectural and archaeological remains of this bygone industry. Barbara McMartin, author of *Hides, Hemlocks and Adirondack History* will lead the tour. The tour will begin at the Caroga Museum, include a slide presentation, a tour of tannery sites at Wheelerville, Pinnacle, and Bleecker. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 3 PM. Tour fee is \$20 for AARCH and Caroga Historical Museum members/\$25 for non-members.

**ON THE TRAIL OF JOHN BROWN: What Mary Brown Saw  
Monday, August 12**

See July 6th for full tour description.

**HISTORIC TAHAWUS AND ADIRONDAC  
Thursday, August 15**

Look at more than a century of mining in the Town of Newcomb with Town Supervisor and former mining employee, George Canon. 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, an early blast furnace, is an important early American industrial site, one that has been documented by the Historic American Engineering Record. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 2 PM. The tour fee is \$20 for AARCH members/\$25 for non-members.

**CAMP SANTANONI: Adirondack Great Camp  
Saturday, August 17**

Led by our summer staff, see June 16th for full tour description.

**FOUR RUSTIC CAMPS OF WILLIAM COULTER  
Tuesday, August 20**

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. The tour will include Prospect Point, Eagle Island, Moss Ledge, and the Wawbeek. This is a rare opportunity to see some of the best rustic architecture in the region. The tour begins at 10 AM, ending at the Wawbeek, around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members/\$45 for non-members.

**EARL WOODWARD: Dude Ranch Entrepreneur**  
**Thursday, August 22**

Join us as we take a look at another aspect of camp culture, the dude ranch legacy of Earl Woodward. In the early 1930s Woodward amassed 1400 acres of forest, field, and stream to create a recreational haven called the Northwoods Dude Ranch. The first of its kind in the region, started a trend that would thrive for nearly thirty years. On the tour we will travel along Route 9N to visit the former Northwoods Lodge, now the Heritage Steakhouse, as well as many cabins and lodges, from this bygone era. The tour will be led by Mike Griffin and Dick Cook of the Northwoods Association and Maureen Jones of the Hadley-Luzerne Historical Society. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members/\$35 for non-members.

**TUPPER LAKE CAMPS**  
**Monday, August 26**

See July 22nd for full tour description.

**HISTORIC BRIDGES OF THE AUSABLE RIVER**  
**Wednesday, August 28**

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. AARCH's Steven Engelhart, author of *Crossing the River: Historic Bridges of the AuSable River*, will lead the tour. The tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members/\$35 for non-members.

**LITCHFIELD PARK**  
**September (Date to be confirmed)**

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 led by Pieter Litchfield, begins at 11 AM and ends around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$45 and is open to AARCH members only.

**A BOAT TOUR OF HISTORIC LAKE PLACID**  
**Friday, September 6**

Led by Mary Hotaling, this very special tour of Lake Placid will take us along the beautiful lakeshore aboard the *Lady of the Lake*. Learn about many of the lake's fine historic camps built there, with stops at *Camp Carolina* and *Gull Rock Camp*, both designed by the Saranac Lake architect, Max Westoff. The tour starts at 11:30 AM and ends around 3:30 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members/\$45 for non-members.

**CAMP SANTANONI: Adirondack Great Camp**  
**Saturday, September 7**

Led by AARCH's Steven Engelhart, see June 16th for full tour description.

**THE ARDEN TRIO AT THE UPLANDS**  
A Chamber Music Concert to Benefit AARCH  
**Saturday, August 31**

**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*, their historic Keene Valley camp. The afternoon will begin at 4 PM with an iced tea and champagne reception, followed by a concert by The Arden Trio, an exceptional piano, violin, and cello ensemble. Tickets are \$35 apiece and all profits benefit AARCH. For a \$250 per couple donation, event sponsors are invited to an elegant after-concert dinner at *The Uplands*. For more information, to reserve tickets, or to become a sponsor, call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.**

**HISTORIC BARNs OF BOLTON**  
**Sunday, September 8**

On this tour, enjoy the spectacular Lake George vistas, as we tour historic barns dating from the early 1800s with AARCH Program Director, Paula Dennis. Learn on site, how barns speak their own vernacular language, how to identify early timber framing techniques, how these techniques relate to our ethnic origins, and what we can do to preserve these vanishing artifacts. Several sites on historic Federal Hill Road will be included. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$25 for AARCH members/\$30 for non-members.



*The William K. Bixby Estate on Mohican Point, designed by Wilson Eyre, will be part of the "Bolton Landing & Environs" tour.*

**HISTORIC BLUE MOUNTAIN LAKE**  
**Tuesday, September 10**

AARCH has again organized a wonderful tour of some very interesting architecture and historic places in Blue Mountain Lake. We'll visit 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. We'll travel to several other historic places, including The Hedges, the Church of the Transfiguration, and Camp Minnowbrook. The tour begins at 10 AM and will end around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members/\$35 for non-members.

**BUILDING SPIRIT: Lake George Retreat Architecture**  
**Saturday, September 14**

Join us as we trek to the east side of Lake George to visit The Paulist Fathers' St. Mary's of the Lake and Wiawaka Holiday House. Built in the 1860s, St. Mary's dormitory stands prominently on the hillside overlooking the lake. We'll also visit the chapel, a dining hall, and walk the woodland path to the boathouse. Wiawaka, established in 1903 as a retreat for women factory workers, includes structures from several eras. Included on the tour are the 1870s Fuller House, renamed for founder Mary Wilse Fuller, and Wakonda Lodge, formerly part of Amitola, Spencer and Katrina Trasks' artists' retreat. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for members/\$35 for non-members.

**TUPPER LAKE CAMPS**  
**Monday, September 16**

See July 22nd for full tour description.

**DAMMING THE SACANDAGA**  
**Thursday, September 19**

Tour the historic Conklingville and Stewart Dams, in the Town of Hadley, Saratoga County both completed in the 1930s to regulate the floodwaters of the Sacandaga River. View many sites, along the present-day banks of the man-made Great Sacandaga Lake, including surviving above-water ruins, trans-burial gravesites, several buildings moved to higher-ground during the evacuation of the Sacandaga River valley, and the Day Historical Museum. The tour, led by AARCH Program Director, Paula Dennis will begin at 10 AM and end around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members/\$35 for non-members.

**HISTORIC KEESEVILLE AND AUSABLE CHASM**

**Saturday, September 21**

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.

**BOLTON LANDING & ENVIRONS TOUR**  
**Sunday, September 22**

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 Three Brother's Island, also known as Spencer and Katrina Trask's, Triuna Island. We'll travel aboard the historic *de Champlain*, and then disembark for a 2-mile walking tour to visit the Sembrich Opera Museum, the W. K. Bixby estate, 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.

**THE ADIRONDACK STYLE: A Perpetuating Legacy**  
**Wednesday, September 25**

This year we are excited to offer the first in a series of tours looking at new architectural work in the region. Led by regional architects and designers, we'll hear first hand, how architecture of the past influences designers of today. This year we will travel by boat to several sites on Lake Placid with Michael Bird. The tour will begin at 10 AM and end around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$45 and is open to AARCH members only.

**CAMP SANTANONI: Adirondack Great Camp**  
**Saturday, October 5**

Led by AARCH's Paula Dennis. See June 16th for full tour description.

**ALL ABOARD! ADIRONDACK RAILROAD**  
**ARCHITECTURE AND HERITAGE CONFERENCE**  
**Thursday, October 10**

Join AARCH this year as we host a wonderful day-long conference that focuses on the architecture and heritage of the region's railroads. The conference will feature an array of presenters who will talk about railroad architecture and history, the future of train service in the region, the social history of railroad works, and the bigger national context. The conference will be held at the Adirondack Museum in Blue Mountain Lake and will begin at 9 AM and end at 5 PM. Conference fee is \$60 and includes lunch, museum admission, and passes to nearby scenic railroads.

**AARCH 2002**  
**STEWARDSHIP AWARDS LUNCHEON**  
**Van Auken's Inne, Thendara**  
**Saturday, September 28th**

Our annual Adirondack Architectural Heritage Awards will be presented at a special luncheon held at Van Auken's Inne in Thendara, near Old Forge. The inn originally built in 1891, adjacent to the Thendara railroad station, once served as a boarding house for railroad workers and lumberjacks. The building completely restored in 1988, has a splendid pillared porch, and interiors replete with tin ceilings, wood floors, fireplaces, and brass chandeliers. 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. Peg Masters, the Town of Webb historian and AARCH member will host her *Historic Thendara Walking Tour*, beginning at 11 AM. The luncheon begins at 12:30 AM and will end around 3 PM. Cost is \$25 per person. Call AARCH at 518-834-9328 for reservations and choice of entrée.

**2002 AARCH Slide Presentations**

AARCH Executive Director, Steven Engelhart, will resume his popular series of public slide presentations this summer. Be sure to catch one of his lectures listed below. For more information or to schedule additional programs call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.

**Camp Santanoni: Past, Present, and Future**  
 Thursday, June 27th, 7:30 PM  
 Long Lake Town Hall, Long Lake

Friday, July 12th, 7:30 PM  
 Woodgate Community Hall, Woodgate

**There's More to Adirondack Architecture Than Great Camps**  
 Thursday, July 25th, 7:30 PM  
 North Elba Railroad Station Museum Lake Placid

**Historic Preservation: What's It All About?**  
 Saturday, July 27th, 1:30 PM  
 St. Williams on Long Point, Raquette Lake

**Historic Bridges of the Adirondacks**  
 Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM  
 North Creek Railroad Depot Museum, North Creek

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# Barbara Parnass

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We are sad to report the death of Barbara Parnass on March 16th. Barbara was a founding board member of AARCH, who was an incredible asset and helped us in numerous ways to grow and become a much more effective and mature organization. Standing out among her many contributions to AARCH, was the establishment of our photographic collection in the early 1990's. She collected slides from many sources and donated many of her own photographs to form the basis of our collection, which now numbers more than 5,000 images.

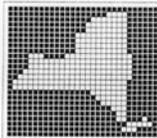


During her 30 years in the Adirondacks, Barbara was a tireless supporter of area arts, history, environmental, human service, and education causes. She was a founding member of Historic Saranac Lake, North Star Industries, and the Saranac Lake River Walk project. She served lengthy and productive terms on the boards of the Adirondack Medical Center, the Saranac Lake Free Library, River Walk Commission, and Essex County Garden Club. In 1990, she was appointed by Governor Mario Cuomo to the College Council of the State University of New York at Plattsburgh, where she served until 2001.

Her three decade career as a photographer led to many one-woman and group exhibitions throughout Northern New York. She also served as the archivist of historic photographs in the Adirondack Collection of the Saranac Lake Free Library.

She leaves her husband of 52 years, Henry W. Parnass, three sons, and six grandchildren. Barbara was a tireless advocate for the people and communities of the Adirondacks and was passionate about the natural and cultural resources of the region. She will be much missed by all.

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