

Newsletter

Tours, Workshops & Special Events



This barn was part of Heart's Delight Farm, 1903, a model farm in Chazy, which we will visit on our Legacy of William and Alice Miner tour on July 13th.

Our tours, workshops, and other special events continue to be one of the most important and exciting parts of AARCH's educational mission. We have once again put together an extremely interesting and engaging series of events that will have a look at some of the region's most intriguing architecture, historic places, and communities.

We are repeating many of our most popular outings and are offering nine new events for 2004. These include tours of Huletts Landing, Indian Lake, Fish House, Sacandaga Park, and an amazing farm and museum in Chazy. Our *What Style Is It?* workshops will explore Port Henry and Chestertown, both rich in architectural style and history. By visiting Debar Pond Lodge, we hope to draw attention to a little known Great Camp, the fate of which is uncertain.

For our annual meeting, we'll gather on June 12th at the Boathouse of the historic Valcour Conference Center, once a large estate on Lake Champlain. Three special AARCH benefit events are on tap, including a day-long outing on Raquette Lake, music and desserts at Wellscroft Lodge in Upper Jay, and an afternoon concert and reception at The Uplands in Keene Valley. Our annual awards luncheon will be held on September 25th at Friends Lake Inn in Chestertown, and we will host our third conference, *Adirondack Fire Towers: Past, Present, and Future*, at Silver Bay on Lake George on October 23rd. All of these are not to be missed.

Please come and join us!

Tours, Workshops & Special Events

AARCH's tours, workshops, and special events are led by scholars, professionals, and knowledgeable volunteers. 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:

- **Events are filled on a “first-come, first-served” basis.** Our tours are popular and they fill-up quickly, so register as soon as possible. The quickest way to register is by telephone.
- **Advance registration is required with payment due at time of registration. 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 participate in the outing as described. For more information call (518) 834-9328.
- **Our events are held rain or shine.** Dress for the variable weather conditions by wearing or bringing proper attire.



The Boathouse at Valcour Educational Conference Center, circa 1905, was originally built to accommodate Congressman Sibley's large yacht. At that time it had guest rooms on the upper floor.

ANNUAL MEETING & SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS in the Boathouse at Valcour Educational Conference Center on Lake Champlain Saturday, June 12

AARCH's 2004 Annual Meeting will be held in the turn-of-the-20th-century boathouse at Valcour Educational Conference Center on the shore of Lake Champlain. Originally the estate of Congressman Sibley, the complex is now owned by Plattsburgh State University College Auxiliary Services. The meeting begins at 1 PM and will include a feature presentation, “Boathouses of the

Adirondacks,” by Jay Higgins, vintage boat expert and AARCH board member. Our Special Recognition Awards will be presented honoring those who have significantly contributed to the growth of AARCH as an organization. New members will be introduced and ten-year members will be honored and awarded AARCH Ten-Year Member Pins. The meeting will end around 4 PM. The meeting is a benefit of AARCH membership. As with all of our events, unless otherwise noted, reservations are required.

CAMP SANTANONI: Adirondack Great Camp Sunday, June 13

Explore one of the most magnificent Great Camps with Howie Kirschenbaum, co-author of *Santanoni: from Japanese Temple to Life at an Adirondack Great Camp* and founding AARCH president. Camp Santanoni was built for Robert and Anna Pruyn of Albany, beginning in 1892, and the estate eventually included 12,900 acres of land and nearly four dozen buildings. The tour will include stops at the camp's Gate Lodge, the remains of its 200-acre 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 historic carriage road. The tour begins at 10 AM at the parking area 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. **Note: see other AARCH tours of Camp Santanoni offered on September 19th and October 2nd.**

ROCKWELL KENT, ARCHITECT
Wednesday, June 23

Rockwell Kent (1882-1971) is widely known as an American artist—illustrator, painter, and decorative artist—as well as a social activist. Less well known is that Kent 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 area. This tour will visit the farm and four other building and remodeling projects. Included will be 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 begins at 10 AM in Elizabethtown and ends around 4 PM in AuSable Forks. The tour fee is \$35 for AARCH members and \$40 for non-members.

HISTORIC VALCOUR ISLAND
Wednesday, June 30

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 and, in 1874, a lighthouse was built on the island. Valcour Island is now part of the Forest Preserve and the lighthouse is being restored by the Clinton County Historical Association. We will travel by boat to Valcour Island for a four-mile interpretive hike. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members and \$45 for non-members. **Note: this tour will be repeated on September 2nd with a special rate for children.**

SARANAC LAKE: Pioneer Health Resort
Thursday, July 8

Co-sponsored by Historic Saranac Lake (HSL), this tour will be led by Mary Hotaling, executive director of HSL. It will include many of the buildings, historic districts, and sites that made Saranac Lake America's "Pioneer Health

Resort." The village's late 19th- and early 20th-century history is closely tied to the treatment for tuberculosis developed by Dr. Edward L. Trudeau which led to the creation of the Trudeau Sanatorium. The tour will include the Trudeau Institute, where we will see the first cure cottage, Little Red, and the bronze sculpture of Trudeau by Gutzon Borglum. We visit the former Trudeau Sanatorium, Saranac Laboratory, Union Depot, the Cure Cottage Museum, and the Robert Louis Stevenson Cottage. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 3 PM. The tour includes uphill walking. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH and HSL members and \$35 for non-members.

THE LEGACY OF WILLIAM AND ALICE MINER
Tuesday, July 13

William H. Miner grew up in rural Chazy and made his fortune by inventing, patenting, and manufacturing railroad equipment. In 1903, he and his wife, Alice T. Miner, returned to the family's Chazy farm and began more than three decades of innovative philanthropic work in the region. In this outing, we will explore two of the Miners' most significant and lasting achievements—Heart's Delight Farm and the Alice T. Miner Colonial Museum. The farm was an organizational and technological marvel in its day with 300 buildings on 15,000 acres and 800 employees. It produced dairy products, meats, and produce that were shipped all over the Northeast. In the 20th century, the farm evolved into the Miner Institute, which continues the tradition of agricultural research and livestock breeding. The Miner Museum was established in 1924 in a three-story stone mansion, built to house Alice's amazing collection of art, furniture, decorative objects, and everyday items. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$35 for AARCH members and \$40 for non-members.



White Pine Camp Tour
The 1926 Summer White House

Through the generosity of its owners,
AARCH is again hosting tours of this private
Great Camp at Paul Smiths.

Saturdays, July 3rd to September 4th
10 AM and 1:30 PM
Adults \$10, Children \$5

Reservations are not required

TUPPER LAKE CAMPS

Thursday, July 15

On this tour we will visit the recently restored Men's Infirmary at the former American Legion Veterans' Mountain Camp on Tupper Lake and see Hemlock Ledge, an intact, and little known rustic camp. This latter camp was designed in 1907 by New York City architect Julian Clarence Levi and includes notable buildings, including Birch Cottage and several extraordinary interiors. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends 3 PM. The tour fee is \$35 for AARCH members and \$40 for non-members.

DEBAR POND LODGE:

Last of the Great Camps?

Monday, July 19

This is a rare opportunity to visit a marvelous, little-known camp complex in the Town of Duane, Franklin County. Debar Pond Lodge was built circa 1940 by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wheeler of Palm Beach, Florida. The 17-room, main lodge and other outbuildings were built on the site of an older and much larger estate. The surviving Wheeler buildings include a guide's house, garage, boathouse, greenhouse, chicken coop, sheds, and large barn, all of which are on a magnificent site at the end of Debar Pond. In 2004, the current lease on the property will expire and it will pass in its entirety into state ownership. The Department of Environmental Conservation is studying various options for the future of the site, one of which is the demolition of the historic buildings. This outing will include a tour of the property and time for a picnic lunch on its lakeside grounds. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 2 PM. The tour fee is \$25 for AARCH members and \$30 for non-members.

INSIDE DANNEMORA PRISON

Wednesday, July 21

The Clinton Correctional Facility at Dannemora, originally built in 1845, is the third oldest and the largest prison in New York State. 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 built entirely by inmates, the North Yard, workshops, and the former Dannemora State Hospital. The history of the prison is fascinating and its architecture is dramatic. The tour will begin at 9:30 AM and end at 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.

HISTORIC TAHAWUS AND ADIRONDAC

Friday, July 23

Look at more than a century of mining in the Town of Newcomb with George Canon, Town Supervisor and former mine employee. We will see the 1854 McIntyre Furnace, the remains of the village of Adirondac and the Adirondack Iron and Steel Company operations, and the 20th-century mining operation at Tahawus. The McIntyre Furnace is an important early American industrial site, one that has been documented by the Historic American Engineering Record. The tour begins at 10 AM and end around 2 PM. The tour fee is \$20 for AARCH members and \$25 for non-members.



Debar Pond Lodge is an impressive 17-room log building on a beautiful lakeside setting. Although in excellent condition, its fate is uncertain because of its location in the Adirondack Forest Preserve.

HISTORIC MORIAH: Essex County Mining Center

Monday, July 26

This is a tour of an Adirondack town with a long and rich iron mining history and a remarkable architectural legacy. The tour will start with an historical introduction by Dr. John Moravek, Plattsburgh State University professor of geography. In Witherbee and Mineville we take a close look at many former Witherbee, Sherman & Company buildings including workers' housing, Memorial Hall, St. Michael's Church, and the entrance to Number 21 Mine. In Port Henry, we'll see the grand French Second Empire style Town Hall, the Sherman Free Library, the railroad depot, and the Iron Center Museum. This tour includes considerable walking. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH and Moriah Historical Society members and \$35 for non-members.

CABIN AND TENT LIFE ON INDIAN LAKE **Thursday, July 29**

On this tour, we will travel to the pristine lakeshore of Indian Lake to visit two late 19th-century camps, both somewhat suspended in time. We will learn how each is traditionally linked to a celebrated backwoods philosophy or, as one family calls it, an “idea” of living in the woods. At Timberlock, David Farrington built the surviving log cabin in 1887, taking in loggers until 1899, when he then took in paying guests. Now owned by the Catlin family, there are 53 buildings of which 25 were constructed on the original tent platform sites. We’ll walk the 100-year old paths and learn how the family maintains these traditions. We will board the *Big Chief* and cruise to Back Log Camp, a remote family compound, and learn about living the “tent life.” And, we will visit the huge stone dam built in 1898 that raised the lake level by 33 feet. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends at 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.



The Dining Tent at Back Log Camp on Indian Lake, circa 1930, where we will lunch on our July 29th tour. Photograph courtesy David Borton.

CHESTERTOWN: What Style Is It? **Wednesday, August 3**

This workshop will use historic Chestertown as a 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 hamlet and look at numerous buildings, ones that exemplify a whole range of architectural styles from the early 19th and 20th centuries. The walking tour ends around 4 PM. The workshop fee is \$25 for AARCH and Town of Chester Historical Society members and \$30 for non-members.

TWO GREAT CAMPS ON OSGOOD POND **Wednesday, August 4**

Visit two turn-of-the-century Great Camps in Paul Smith's, Northbrook Lodge and White Pine Camp with Howie Kirschenbaum, White Pine Camp director. White Pine

Camp was designed by two architects, William Massarene in 1907 and later expanded by Addison Mizner in 1911, in a pre-modern eclectic style for Archibald and Olive Moore White. The camp served as the summer White House in 1926 for President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge. Northbrook Lodge, built around 1919 for Dr. Wilfrid McDougald, exhibits the signature bungalow style of master builder Ben Muncil. Muncil built both camps as well as several other notable camps and communities in the area. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.

RAQUETTE LAKE'S LONG POINT AND ENVIRONS **Thursday, August 5**

This boat and walking tour will include visits to Camp Pine Knot, St. William's on Long Point, the Church of the Good Shepherd on St. Hubert's Isle, and The Antlers. William West Durant built Pine Knot beginning in the late 1870s and it was here that Durant first developed the features and details

we now associate with Adirondack rustic architecture. The Antlers was designed in 1886 by Saratoga Springs architect, R. Newton Brezee, a friend of Durant's. It originally operated as a hotel and cottage resort. Durant is also responsible for building the Good Shepherd in 1880 and St. William's in 1890 to provide services for his employees and the expanding community. The tour begins at 10 AM, includes a one-mile walk along a wooded trail, and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$45 for AARCH members and \$50 for non-members.

FISH HOUSE AND SACANDAGA PARK **Saturday, August 7**

Sir William Johnson built his summer cottage and fishing retreat on the shores of the Sacandaga River near the mouth of the Vlaie Creek in 1762. Godfrey Shew, a German farmer settled there permanently at Johnson's urging. Others soon followed, many from New England, partaking in the abundance of wildlife and fertile farmlands. At Fish House, we'll visit the Shew house and many surviving structures from this early period. We'll travel across Great Sacandaga

Lake to Sacandaga Park and visit the newly restored railroad station and the surviving cottage community formerly part of a 19th-century, 75-acre hotel estate known as "The gem of the Adirondacks." The tour will be followed by a grand opening celebration of the Sacandaga Railroad Station. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.

RUSTIC ARCHITECTURE OF BIG MOOSE Tuesday, August 10

This tour will look at the distinctive rustic architecture on Big Moose Lake, including the work of Henry Covey, Earl Covey, and the Martin family. The tour will include visits to the Big Moose Chapel and Manse, The Waldheim, Covewood Lodge, Brown Gables, and two camps on Crag Point. Built with an adaptation of the French *poteaux sur sole* building method, many of these buildings have unique vertical half-log construction. The tour, led by AARCH's Steven Engelhart, begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$35 for AARCH members and \$40 for non-members.

FROM VALLEY FLOOR TO MOUNTAIN TOP Wednesday, August 11

The Whiteface Veterans' 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 Adirondacks 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 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. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 3:30 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.

OTIS MOUNTAIN CAMPS Tuesday, August 17

Led by author Maggie Bartley, this tour will explore several camps perched on the mountainsides overlooking the Boquet River Valley near Elizabethtown. In her *Adirondack Life* article, "With Sky for a Front Yard," she writes, "Like



The Chalet and Bittersweet, two of several cottages we will visit on our August 21st tour near Huletts Landing on Lake George.

seven reclusive sisters, the camps on Otis and Iron Mountains have remained hidden from all but their closest neighbors for more than a century." Wear your hiking shoes, and be prepared for an uphill trek, as we visit these remote camps built for and designed by women. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$35 for AARCH members and \$40 for non-members.

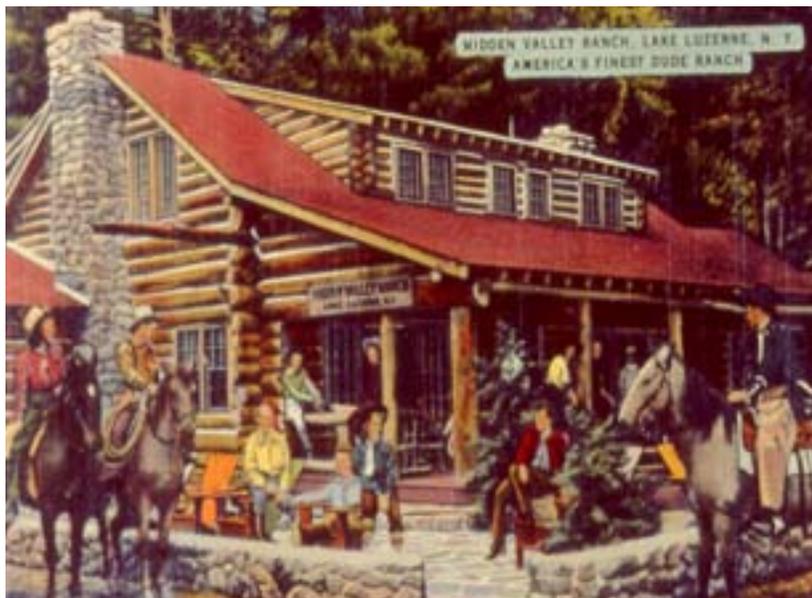
COTTAGE CULTURE AT HULETT'S LANDING Saturday, August 21

Throughout the 19th century, lakefront hotels and cottage colonies evolved from earlier subsistence settlement farmsteads. At the north end of Black Mountain on Lake George, Philander Hulett inherited his father's farmstead, soon establishing the first hotel at Huletts Landing around 1870. A fire in 1915 prompted the building of the New Hulett House on a grander scale, with the finest amenities. Flanking the hotel complex, summer cottages grew from neighboring farmsteads and family holdings. Today the hotel is gone, but many of the cottages remain, some surviving ownership over six generations. Join us as we carpool to several private cottage properties, cherished from a bygone era. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH and Friends of Hulett's Landing members and \$45 for non-members.

FOUR RUSTIC CAMPS OF WILLIAM COULTER

Tuesday, August 24

Travel by carpool 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 Saranac Lake architect William Coulter. The tour will include Prospect Point, Eagle Island, Moss Ledge, and The Wawbeek on Upper Saranac Lake. This is a rare opportunity to see some of the best rustic architecture in the region. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends at The Wawbeek around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members and \$45 for non-members.



*Hidden Valley Ranch promotional postcard, circa 1940.
Photograph courtesy Dick Cook.*

EARL WOODWARD: Dude Ranch Entrepreneur Friday, August 27

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, fields, and streams to create a recreational haven called Northwoods Dude Ranch. The first of its kind in the region, it started a trend that would thrive for nearly 30 years. Woodward's tourism vision, with its associated architecture and landscape features not only transformed the Lake Luzerne area into The Dude Ranch Trail, but his later involvement in the greater regional tourism industry effected much change in the built environment surrounding Lake George. On the tour we will visit three of his complexes, originally known as Northwoods, Rocky Ridge, and Hidden Valley

dude ranches. We will see an assemblage of log bungalows and rustic cabins, many now private homes that retain their original furnishings. At the former Hidden Valley Ranch, now Double H Hole in the Woods Ranch, we'll see many buildings from the dude ranch era as well as a mural by the late Arto Monaco, and the new C.V. Whitney Chapel complete with Tiffany stained glass. Mike Griffin and Dick Cook of the Northwoods Association and Peter Carner of Double H Hole in the Woods will lead the tour beginning with a slide presentation and ephemera display. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 3 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.



Old Elm on Willsboro Point is an early 19th-century house constructed of limestone quarried across the road on Ligonier Point. It will be seen as part of our Historic Willsboro Point tour on August 31st.

HISTORIC WILLSBORO POINT Tuesday, August 31

This tour will explore several historic places on beautiful Willsboro Point. We'll begin by spending the morning at Flat Rock Camp, the Paine family compound and the only Great Camp in the Champlain Valley. We'll also see Scragwood, Old Elm, and the remains of the Ligonier Point quarry, which supplied stone for the Brooklyn Bridge, and the Samuel Adsit Cabin, built circa 1778, which is among the oldest buildings in the region. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH and Willsboro Heritage Society members and \$45 for non-members.

HISTORIC VALCOUR ISLAND

Thursday, September 2

See June 30th for full tour description. **This tour is offered at a special rate for families**, \$40 for AARCH adult members and \$45 for adult non-members, \$10 for children 18 years and under. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Adults must provide a life-preserver for children weighing less than 100 pounds.

SPIRITUAL RETREATS ON LAKE GEORGE

Wednesday, September 8

Join us on the eastern shores of Lake George as we 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 will also visit the chapel, the dining hall, and walk the woodland path to the boathouse. Wiawaka, established in 1903 as a retreat for women factory workers, includes structures from many eras, including the 1870s Fuller House, part of the former Crosbyside Hotel, for Wiawaka founder Mary Wiltse Fuller. The complex now includes Wakonda Lodge, once a part of Amitola, Spencer and Katrina Trask's retreat for artists as well as other housing and support structures. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH and Wiawaka members and \$35 for non-members.

ON HISTORIC LAKE PLACID

Friday, September 10

Led by Mary Hotaling, this special tour of Lake Placid will take us along the beautiful lakeshore aboard the *Lady of the Lake*. As we cruise, we'll learn about many of the lake's historic camps. We will stop at four of them: Minnowbrook, Solitude, Gull Rock, and Woodsmoke Camps. The tour starts at 10 AM and ends around 3:30 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members and \$45 for non-members.

BOLTON LANDING AND ENVIRONS

Sunday, September 12

Ted Caldwell will lead this fascinating boat and walking tour of Bolton Landing. By water we will view a portion of magnificent Lake George including Three Brothers' Island, formerly known as Triuna Island built by Spencer and Katrina Trask, the Knapp Estate ruins, Sagamore Hotel, as well as many sites of now vanished hotels and estates. We'll travel aboard the historic *de Champlain*, then disembark for a two-mile walking tour of the Sembrich Opera Museum, the W. K. Bixby estate, and the Museum of the Historical Society of the Town of Bolton. The tour begins at 12 noon and ends around 4:30 PM. The tour fee is \$40 for AARCH members and \$45 for non-members.



Bring the kids for a family outing on September 2nd as we explore the lighthouse, woodland trails, fossil features, and take in the history of Valcour Island on beautiful Lake Champlain. Image courtesy the DeGolyer family.

200 YEARS OF FARMING

Monday, September 13

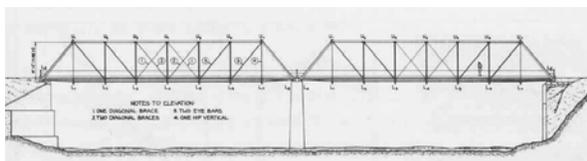
Farming has been important to the Champlain Valley for more than two centuries. On this southern Clinton County tour, we will explore a series of homesteads and farms from the early 19th century to the present day, which collectively show how farming has changed over time. From the early part of this period, we'll see the Keese Homestead, circa 1795, and Miller Homestead, 1822, built by Quaker settlers in a community called The Union. We'll also visit Forrence Orchards, one of the largest McIntosh orchards in the state, and Adirondack Farms, a modern 1300-head dairy farm. At Clover Mead Farm, we'll see how organic cheese is made and sample their exceptional line of farm-fresh products. Led by AARCH Executive Director Steven Engelhart. The tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.

DAMMING THE SACANDAGA
Friday, September 17

Tour historic Conklingville and Stewart Dams in the Town of Hadley, Saratoga County, completed in the 1930s to regulate the floodwaters of the Sacandaga River. View many sites, along the present-day shore of the man-made Great Sacandaga Lake, including ruins, trans-burial gravesites, buildings moved to higher ground during the evacuation of the river valley, and the Day Historical Museum. We will also visit Kathan Kamps, where we'll see an early Greek Revival residence, a granary, and a schoolhouse, all relocated by Dr. Kathan. The tour, led by AARCH Program Director, Paula Dennis, begins at 10 AM and ends around 3 PM. The fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.

HISTORIC BRIDGES OF THE AUSABLE RIVER
Saturday, September 18

This bus tour will explore more than a dozen historic bridges, that cross the Ausable River. Bridge historian, Richard Sanders Allen, has said "there are few watercourses in America, comparable in length to the Ausable, over which so many early bridge types remain." Among them 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-foot steel arch bridge that spans 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 and \$35 for non-members.



PRESERVING CAMP SANTANONI
Sunday, September 19

Explore the Main Camp at Camp Santanoni (see June 13th description) with architect Carl Stearns of Crawford & Stearns and master carpenter Michael Frenette. Participants will see restoration in progress and learn first hand about

the conservation planning and restoration work underway at the Main Camp complex on Newcomb Lake. The tour and discussion will include this year's progress on the Main Camp boathouse, funded through a \$92,000 New York State Environmental Protection Fund award granted to AARCH in 2003. The round-trip walk is 9.8 miles on a gently sloping historic carriage road. The tour begins at 10 AM at the Santanoni Preserve parking area in the hamlet of Newcomb. We will return about 3 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.

PORT HENRY:
What Style Is It?
Friday, September 24

This workshop will use historic Port Henry as an open classroom for learning about architectural styles and the language of architecture. Beginning at 10 AM at the Sherman Free Library the group will learn how to identify architectural styles from Steven Engelhart, AARCH's executive director. Following lunch, the group will walk around the historic waterfront village and view numerous buildings that exemplify a broad range of architectural styles from the 19th and 20th centuries. Port Henry has some of the most sophisticated architecture in the region, so don't miss this outing. The walking tour will end around 4 PM. The workshop fee is \$25 for AARCH members and \$30 for non-members.

AARCH 2004
STEWARDSHIP AWARDS LUNCHEON

Friends Lake Inn
Chestertown
Saturday, September 25th

Our annual Adirondack Architectural Heritage Awards will be presented at a special luncheon to be held at Friends Lake Inn on Friends Lake in Chestertown. Built in the 1860s, the inn was known as Murphy's Friends Lake Inn, serving as a boarding house for local tannery workers. By the time of Prohibition, the inn had become a popular summer destination with travelers disembarking from the nearby railway station at The Glen.

While enjoying a lovely lunch, we will recognize several exemplary preservation and stewardship projects from across the Adirondacks. Please join us to honor our award winners in this charming setting.

The event will begin at 11 AM with a tour of Friends Lake Inn by owner Sharon Taylor.
The luncheon will begin at 12 noon and end around 3 PM.

Luncheon and tour cost is \$30 per person.
Call AARCH at (518) 834-9328 for reservations.

2004 AARCH Slide Presentations

AARCH Executive Director, Steven Engelhart, will resume his popular series of 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.

Thursday, July 15, 7:30 PM. *There's More to Adirondack Architecture than Great Camps.* Brantingham Lake

Tuesday, July 20, 7 PM. *What Style Is It?* Edinburg Historical Society, Edinburg Town Hall

Wednesday, July 28, 1 PM. *Camp Santanoni: Past, Present, and Future.* Lake Placid Garden Club, Holiday Inn

Friday, August 6, 7:30 PM. *Historic Bridges of the Adirondacks.* Woodgate Community Hall, Woodgate

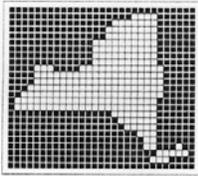
HISTORIC KEESEVILLE AND AUSABLE CHASM Tuesday, September 28

During the 19th century, both Keeseville and Ausable Chasm prospered as industrial villages. Early entrepreneurs used water power from the Ausable River, abundant local natural resources, and ingenuity to make iron products, textiles, finished wood products, and other manufactured items. In Keeseville, we'll see evidence of this 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 executive director and a resident of Keeseville. Tour begins at 10 AM and ends around 4 PM. The tour fee is \$30 for AARCH members and \$35 for non-members.

CAMP SANTANONI: Adirondack Great Camp Saturday, October 2

Led by AARCH Program Director, Paula Dennis. See June 13th for full tour description.

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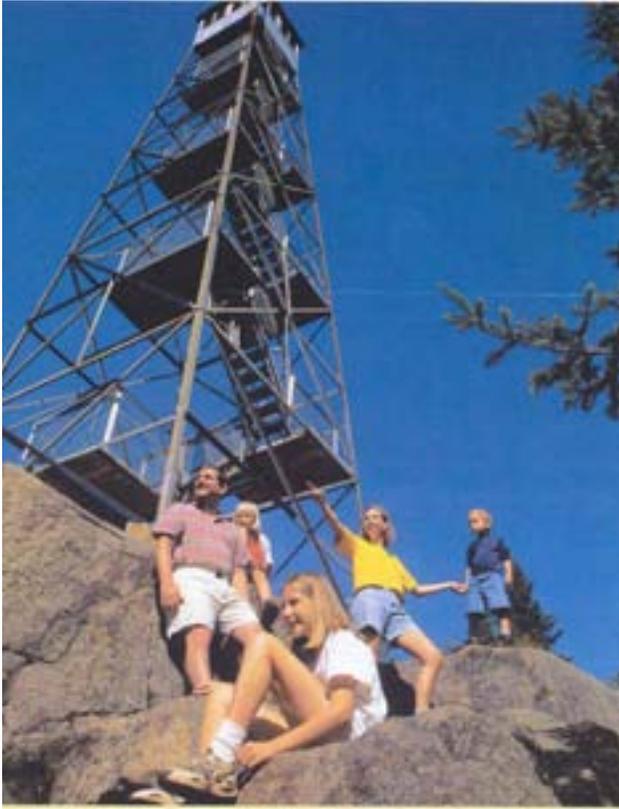
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AARCH Conference

ADIRONDACK FIRE TOWERS: Past, Present, and Future

Saturday, October 23
Silver Bay Association on Lake George

This day-long conference, AARCH's third, will bring together fire tower enthusiasts from all over the region to discuss the past, present, and future of these distinctive mountain top structures. Presentations will include history, lore, and first-hand accounts by former observers; successful strategies by NYSDEC and various "friends" organizations to adopt and restore more than 10 towers; and discussions on the long-term future of fire towers from different perspectives.

This conference is part of AARCH's on-going efforts to bring recognition to and preserve Adirondack fire towers. This work has included: placing 10 fire observation stations on the National Register of Historic Places, sponsoring four fire tower "friends" organizations, and advocating the preservation of the remaining towers in the region.

Conference fee is \$60 and includes lunch. For a complete program or more information, call (518) 834-9328.



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