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ADIRONDACK ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE

Tours, Workshops & Special Events

Fort Montgomery at Rouses Point. This is Bastion C as seen through a flank howitzer embrasure in the lower tier of Bastion B. We will visit the fort on Saturday, August 11. Photograph courtesy of Jim Millard.

In keeping with our mission to promote better public understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of the Adirondack Park's diverse architectural heritage, we once again offer a series of outings and events that highlight just that.

Join us this year as we travel by car, wagon, boat, and foot to explore the vast diversity of the Park, including camps, farms, ruins, and much more. While we are repeating many of our most popular outings, we are offering many new events as well. These include tours of Wanakena, Glens Falls, Northville, Fort Montgomery, new architecture of Upper Saranac Lake, churches of Essex, and children's camps on Upper Chateaugay Lake.

We will gather on June 9 at Floral Hall at the Essex County Fairgrounds in Westport for our annual meeting. Two special benefit events are planned this summer — an evening at The Uplands in Keene Valley on Saturday, August 25 and an afternoon at Mohican Point on Lake George on Saturday, September 15.

Our awards luncheon will be held at the Lake George Club on Diamond Point on Friday, October 12. Please join us as we recognize those who have been active in helping to preserve the built environment of the Adirondacks.

At Camp Santanoni on Friday, September 21 we will celebrate the completion of the boathouse restoration with a reception and ribbon cutting ceremony. And on October 13, sign up for our *Window Repair and Restoration* workshop at Camp Sagamore, where we will spend the day learning how to restore and repair historic wood windows.

Tours, Workshops & Special Events

Floral Hall, Essex County Fairgrounds, Westport.

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

- **Advance registration is required for all events unless otherwise noted.** Attendance is limited and 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.**
- **Prompt payment is appreciated.** Mail your check to AARCH, Civic Center, Suite 37, 1790 Main Street, Keeseville, NY 12944. Refunds will be given to those unable to attend an event if we are notified at least 48 hours prior to the event date.
- **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.

AARCH ANNUAL MEETING: Floral Hall at the Essex County Fairgrounds in Westport
Saturday, June 9

AARCH's 2007 Annual Meeting will be held at Floral Hall located at the Essex County Fairgrounds in Westport. The fairgrounds were constructed on its present site beginning in 1881 after having been relocated four times since 1848. Floral Hall was completed in 1885 and is used for the exhibition of local produce and handicrafts. The fairgrounds were listed on the National Register in 2004.

The agricultural fair in America was pioneered by Elkanah Watson (1758-1842), who lived in Port Kent, and they served as a gathering place for the exchange of ideas, the promotion of products and livestock, and the celebration of the agrarian family culture.

In addition to conducting AARCH business, new members will be introduced, 10-year members will be honored, and AARCH Executive Director Steven Engelhart will give a short talk on the history and architecture of the fairgrounds. There will also be an optional walking tour, led by Bill Johnston, of many of Westport's historic buildings and neighborhoods. The meeting begins at 1 p.m. and ends around 4 p.m. and is free to AARCH members and guests.

As with all of our events, unless otherwise noted, reservations are required by calling AARCH.

VALCOUR ISLAND
Monday, June 25

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 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 it. The 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 with naturalist David Thomas-Train. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 5 p.m. The fee is $40 for AARCH members and $45 for non-members.

PISECO LAKE
Wednesday, June 27

In the 1890s a group of friends and investors established the Piseco Company and Irondequoit Club Inn on over 11,000 acres of forest and lakeshore. The inn, built onto the 1850s residence of Gene Adams, was built in 1892. Club cottages were added nearby and some members chose to build their own residences along the lake's eastern shore. Two of these cottages, Camp Irondequoit (1904) and Roaten (1924), were built in a rustic style. Chanopa (1930) was built using trusses from the dismantled covered bridge in Wells. Chanopa and Roaten were designed by architect Albert E. Price. Led by members of the Piseco Historical Society, the tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is $40 for AARCH/PHS members and $45 for non-members.

CABIN AND TENT LIFE ON INDIAN LAKE
Friday, June 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 will travel by boat to Back Log Camp, a remote family compound, and learn about living the "tent life." We will also visit the huge stone dam built in 1898 that raised the lake level by 33 feet. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is $40 for AARCH members and $45 for non-members.

White Pine Camp Tours

The 1926 Summer White House of President Calvin Coolidge

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

Saturdays, June 30 to September 1
10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Adults $10, Children $5

Reservations are <u>not</u> required

Be sure to see the ongoing restoration of the Alpine Garden, one of the earliest

NORTH COUNTRY SCHOOL AND CAMP TREETOPS
Friday, July 6

At North Country School near Lake Placid, we find an unusual modern complex of buildings that were produced by one of the most prominent proponents of the mid-20th-century American architectural movement. Douglas Haskell, then editor of *Architectural Record*, designed the only known examples of his work here, within the context of a turn-of-the-century farmstead and children's summer camp. Also here, is the little known Glass House, designed by architect Harwell Hamilton Harris. On this tour, led by Richard Longstreth, professor of architectural history at George Washington University and AARCH board member, we will take an intimate look at the influences and art of the movement and view works by Ezra Stoller, architectural photographer and colleague of Haskell. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

►*NEW!* CHURCHES OF ESSEX
Friday, July 13

Join us on this walking and driving tour as we take a look at a variety of churches in the town of Essex. Led by Shirley LaForest, Essex Town Historian, and David Hislop, AARCH board president, we will visit the Essex Community Methodist Church, St. John's Episcopal Church, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, the former Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Foothills Baptist Church in Boquet. The tour will begin at 10 a.m. and ends around 3:30 p.m. The fee is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church will be visited during our Churches of Essex tour on July 13.

TUPPER LAKE CAMPS
Monday, July 16

On this tour we will visit the recently restored Men's Infirmary at the former American Legion Veterans' Mountain Camp on Tupper Lake, the Women's Infirmary, and see Hemlock Ledge, one of the most remarkable, intact, and little known camp complexes in the region. The latter was designed in 1907 by New York City architect Julian Clarence Levi and includes several buildings, including rustic Birch Cottage, and some notable interiors. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. The fee is $40 for AARCH members and $45 for non-members.

KILDARE CLUB ON JORDON LAKE
Thursday, July 19

William Seward Webb and Frederick 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 departed from the more traditional Great Camp layout where separate buildings served separate functions. Instead, the large main lodge contains living, dining, and recreational areas. Additional family cottages, guest quarters, and a guide's house serve as supplemental housing. Tour this private preserve courtesy of the Friedman family. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 2 p.m. The fee is $45 for AARCH members and $50 for non-members.

TAHAWUS AND VILLAGE OF ADIRONDAC
Saturday, July 21

Look at more than a century of mining in the Town of Newcomb with George Canon, Town Supervisor and former mine employee. Courtesy of the Open Space Institute, we will see the 1854 McIntyre Furnace, the remains of the village of Adirondac, the Adirondack Iron and Steel Company operations, and the 20th-century mining operation at Tahawus. The McIntyre Furnace is an important early industrial site that has been documented by the Historic American Engineering Record. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 3 p.m. The fee is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

INSIDE DANNEMORA PRISON
Wednesday, July 25

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 most dramatic. The tour begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. The fee is $35 for AARCH members and $40 for non-members.

THE LEGACY OF WILLIAM AND ALICE MINER
Thursday, July 26

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. In the 20th century, the farm evolved into the Miner Institute, which focuses on pioneering agricultural research and livestock breeding. The museum was established in 1924 in a three-story stone mansion, built to house Alice's collection of art and decorative objects. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is $35 for AARCH members and $40 for non-members.

►*NEW!* WANAKENA
Saturday, July 28

After relocating to the Adirondacks from Granere, Pennsylvania, the village of Wanakena was established in 1902 by the Rich Lumber Company. Having purchased 16,000 acres on the southwest side of Cranberry Lake, the company dismantled their company housing and other facilities in Granere, moved them via railroad, and reassembled them in Wanakena. When Rich left Wanakena for Vermont in 1912, rather than dismantling the company houses, they were sold to residents and tourists as summer camps. Mark Friden will lead us on a walking tour to look at some of the original company houses. We will enjoy a BBQ lunch at the Pinecone Restaurant's lakeside pavilion and then travel by boat to the New York State Ranger School, which has offered a forestry program since 1912 and was built on land donated by the Rich Lumber Company. The day will conclude with a visit to Knollwood, designed and built by Dr. Frederick R. Calkins in 1915. A complex of three summer camp buildings and a pedestrian suspension bridge, Knollwood is located at the Inlet on the Oswegatchie River. The tour begins at 10 a. m. and ends at 4 p. m. The fee is $45 for AARCH members and $50 for non-members. Lunch is included.

Pedestrian suspension footbridge at Knollwood, one of many sites to visit on our Wanakena tour, July 28.

RUSTIC ARCHITECTURE OF BIG MOOSE
Monday, July 30

This tour will look at the distinctive rustic architecture on Big Moose Lake, including the work of Henry Covey, his son Earl, 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. What makes many of these buildings unusual is their vertical half-log construction. The tour, led by AARCH's Steven Engelhart, begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is $35 for AARCH members and $40 for non-members.

SARANAC LAKE: Pioneer Health Resort
Thursday, August 2

Co-sponsored by Historic Saranac Lake (HSL), this tour will be led by Mary Hotaling, executive director of HSL. View many of the buildings 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. 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'll visit the former Trudeau Sanatorium, Saranac Laboratory, Union Depot, the Cure Cottage Museum, and the Béla Bartók Cottage. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 3 p.m. Be prepared for uphill walking. The fee is $30 for AARCH and HSL members and $35 for non-members.

HISTORIC FULTON COUNTY TANNERIES
Saturday, August 4

The tanning industry spawned the settlement of many Adirondack communities during the mid to late nineteenth century. Join us as we explore a few of these communities to examine the architectural and archaeological remains of this bygone industry. John Peck, whose great-great-great grandfather operated Peck's Tannery, will lead us on a tour of three former tannery sites including the Peck, Wheelerville, and Bleeker tanneries. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. Wear clothes and shoes suitable for walking through woods and fields. The fee is $25 for AARCH members and $30 for non-members.

RAQUETTE LAKE'S LONG POINT AND ENVIRONS
Monday, August 6

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 portions of a former hotel, The Antlers. William West Durant built Pine Knot beginning in the late 1870s and it was here that he first developed the features and details we now associate with Adirondack rustic architecture. Saratoga Springs architect R. Newton Brezee, a friend of Durant's, designed The Antlers in 1886. It originally operated as a hotel and cottage resort. Durant was also responsible for building the Good Shepherd in 1880 and St. William's in 1890 to provide services for his employees and the expanding summer community. The tour begins at 10 a.m., includes a one-mile walk along a wooded trail, and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is $45 for AARCH members and $50 for non-members.

►*NEW!* GLENS FALLS
Friday, August 10

Incorporated as a village in 1839, Glens Falls was granted its city charter on March 13, 1908. Glens Falls grew as an industrial city, relying heavily on the Hudson River to support its mills. Mark Frost of *The Chronicle* will lead us on a walking and driving tour of the downtown area. We will explore the industrial, economic and architectural history over the past 135 years of this city including the Finch, Pruyn paper mill, buildings associated with lumber baron Henry Crandall, the former Clark Brothers glove factory, the Feeder Canal, and more. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 3:30 p.m. The fee is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

Finch Pruyn & Co. Inc. Woodlands Headquarters, Glens Falls.

►*NEW!* FORT MONTGOMERY
Saturday, August 11

Located at the north end of Lake Champlain in Rouses Point, construction of Fort Montgomery began in 1844 under the direction of United States Civil Engineer Henry Brewster. Over the next 30 years this limestone and brick fort, covering approximately 2.5 acres, was built. Fort Montgomery , with five walls and bastions, never saw action nor was it ever garrisoned. In 1937 demolition of the fort began and the debris was used as fill for the Rouses Point-Alburg bridge. We will be led by Jim Millard, author of *Fort Montgomery: Through the Years* and Roger Harwood, Director, Clinton County Historical Association, as we explore the history of the fort, which is now in ruins. Wear clothes and shoes suitable for walking through the ruins. **There will be two tours: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.** The fee for this tour is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

ROCKWELL KENT, ARCHITECT
Monday, August 13

Rockwell Kent is widely known as an illustrator, painter, and decorative artist, as well as a social activist. Less well known is that Kent 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 a.m. in Elizabethtown and ends around 4 p.m. in AuSable Forks. The fee is $40 for AARCH members and $45 for non-members.

RUSTIC CAMPS OF THE ST. REGIS LAKES
Wednesday, August 15

Once again 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, some summer visitors eventually built camps along the shores of Upper and Lower St. Regis and Spitfire lakes beginning in the late 1870s. Many of these camps are among the finest in the region. We will travel by boat to visit Camp Wild Air, Pine Tree Point, High Pines, and Camp Rush and will see other camps from the water. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 5 p.m. The fee is $45 for AARCH members and $50 for non-members.

►*NEW!* NORTHVILLE'S DOWNTOWN
Saturday, August 18

In 1788, Samuel Olmstead of Connecticut established the first settlement near the present village of Northville. Increased prosperity came to the community when the Fulton, Johnstown, and Gloversville Railroad established a line linking the village to neighboring cities to the south. Tourism expanded with the building of Sacandaga Park, a recreational playground sponsored by the railroad. In Northville, much of the village's beautiful and varied historic architecture remains and illustrates this community's rich heritage. The tour will be led by members of the Town of Northampton Historic Landmark Commission and Ellen Ryan, AARCH's program director. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 3 p.m. The fee is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

Boathouse, Camp Chateaugay. This is one of the many buildings we will explore on our tour of children's camps on Upper Chateaugay Lake on August 20.

►*NEW!* CHILDREN'S CAMPS ON UPPER CHATEAUGAY LAKE
Monday, August 20

Rooted in the progressive movements of the early 20th century, children's summer camps reached their peak of development in the 1920s and 30s. Whether promoting equal opportunity for girls, experiential learning opportunities in an outdoor setting, or serving as recreational boarding schools, these camps were often a child's first introduction to the world of nature and outdoor recreation. The tour, led by Hallie Bond, curator of the Adirondack Museum's 2003 exhibit, "A Paradise for Boys and Girls: Children's Camps in the Adirondacks," and co-author of the book by the same title, will explore the architecture and camp life surviving today on Upper Chateaugay Lake. The tour begins at 9 a.m. and ends around 3:30 p.m. The fee is $40 and is open to AARCH members only.

THE RUSTIC CAMPS OF WILLIAM L. COULTER
Thursday, August 23

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 (1865-1907) and his firm. The tour will include Prospect Point, Eagle Island, The Wawbeek, and Wenonah Lodge. This is a rare opportunity to see some of the best rustic architecture in the region. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at around 4 p.m. The fee is $40 for AARCH members. and $45 for non-members.

An Evening Benefit at The Uplands on Saturday, August 25

AARCH's first summer benefit event will be held at The Uplands, a sprawling circa 1910 Shingle Style camp in a dramatic alpine setting in Keene Valley. This evening will have it all — cocktails on the camp's porches overlooking the mountains, dinner by firelight, and a square dance in its living room. There will also be dozens of silent auction items, including books, dinners, overnight stays, art, and other Adirondack items to bid on. The event begins at 5 p. m. and will end around 9 p.m. Cost is $85 per person. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.

EARL WOODWARD: Dude Ranch Entrepreneur
Sunday, August 26

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 near Lake Luzerne to create a recreational haven he called Northwoods Dude Ranch. The first of its kind in the region, it started a trend that would thrive for nearly 30 years. His vision, with its associated architecture and landscape features, transformed the area into the Dude Ranch Trail. We will visit three of his dude ranches originally known as Northwoods, Rocky Ridge, and Hidden Valley; some of these 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 C.V. Whitney Chapel. Mike Griffin and Dick Cook of the Northwoods Association will lead us. The tour begins at 10 a.m. with a slide presentation and ephemera display and ends around 3 p.m. The fee is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

FLAT ROCK CAMP AND ENVIRONS
Tuesday, August 28

Augustus G. Paine, Jr., moved to Willsboro in 1885 to take over management of the local pulp mill. With his oversight, the mill prospered and became part of the New York and Pennsylvania Paper Company, one of the country's leading paper manufacturers. Paine began assembling land on Willsboro Point just north of the Boquet River which today remains the family estate of some 1,000 acres. The property encompasses a varied and dramatic landscape, plus several residences and support structures. Begun in 1890 and constructed in stages over roughly the next 20 years, the camp was designed by A.G. Paine and was largely built by Lyman Smith and stonemason Peter Lacey. The tour , led by Peter Paine, Jr., begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 3 p.m. The fee is $40 for AARCH members and $45 for non-members.

SPIRITUAL RETREATS ON LAKE GEORGE
Thursday, August 30

Join us on the eastern shore 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 stands prominently on a hillside overlooking the lake. We will visit the chapel, dining hall, dormitory, and walk the woodland path to the boathouse. Wiawaka was established in 1903 by founder Mary Wiltse Fuller as a retreat for women factory workers. It includes the 1870s Fuller House, once part of the former Crosbyside Hotel; 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 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The tour fee is $30 for AARCH and Wiawaka members and $35 for non-members.

200 YEARS OF FARMING
Tuesday, September 4

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. 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 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is $30 for AARCH members and $35 for non-members.

►*NEW!* CAMPS AND BOATHOUSES ON UPPER SARANAC LAKE
Thursday, September 6

Nils Luderowski is a Keene Valley architect whose designs incorporate aspects of Shingle, Craftsman, Prairie, and rusticity, all while incorporating modern living requirements and current technology. He will lead this tour of four of his recent camps and boathouses on Upper Saranac Lake and we will explore how a design originates and develops, the relationships between buildings and landscapes, and other aspects of the design and building process. He will also encourage a dialogue around the issues of Adirondack style and Adirondack vernacular. The tour will begin at 10 a.m. and ends around 3:30 p.m. The fee is $35 for AARCH members and $40 for non-members.

OTIS MOUNTAIN CAMPS
Thursday, September 6

Led by author Margaret Bartley, we 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 wrote, "Like 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 several of these remote camps built for and designed by women. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 3:00 p.m. The fee is $40 for AARCH members and $45 for non-members.

2007 AARCH Slide Presentations

The Champlain Bridge, which opened in 1929, has recently been listed as a "Seven to Save" site by the Preservation League of New York. State.

AARCH's Executive Director, Steven Engelhart, will offer these popular slide presentations.

Historic Bridges of the Adirondacks
Tuesday, July 17, 7 p.m.
Saranac Lake Free Library

Great Camps and the Rustic Tradition
Monday, July 23, 7 p.m.
Darrin Freshwater Institute, Bolton Landing

Historic Bridges of the Adirondacks
Wednesday, August 22, 7 p.m.
Paradox Schoolhouse

What Style Is It?
Wednesday, August 29, 7 p.m.
Raquette Lake Library

ON HISTORIC PLACID LAKE
Friday, September 7

Led by Mary Hotaling, this tour of Placid will take us along the lakeshore aboard the historic *Lady of the Lake*. As we cruise, we'll learn about many of the lake's notable camps, old and new. We will stop at some of the earliest camps including Gull Rock designed in 1907 by the Saranac Lake firm of Coulter and Westhoff. Other camps we will visit will include Minnowbrook, Camp Carolina, Menawa and Majano. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4:00 p.m. The fee is $50 for AARCH members and $55 for non-members.

Special AARCH Benefit Event
Mohican Point
Saturday, September 15

Our second benefit event will take place at Mohican Point in Bolton Landing on Saturday, September 15. Mohican Point, the William K. Bixby estate, was designed by Wilson Eyre of Philadelphia and built in 1902. Spend the afternoon with us socializing and relaxing over food and refreshments at this Colonial Revival lakeside home. Participate in our silent auction of dozens of items, including books, dinners, overnight stays, art, and other Adirondack items to bid on. The event begins at 2 p. m. and ends at 5 p.m. The cost is $75 per person. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.

►***COME CELEBRATE!***
PRESERVING CAMP SANTANONI
Friday, September 21

Santanoni was built for Robert and Anna Pruyn of Albany beginning in 1892. The estate eventually included 12,900 acres and nearly four-dozen buildings. Led by AARCH Executive Director Steven Engelhart, the tour will include stops at the Gate Lodge, Santanoni's 200-acre farm, and the Main Camp on Newcomb Lake. We'll also see the ongoing restoration of the Main Camp complex on Newcomb Lake with master carpenter Michael Frenette and will learn first hand about all the conservation planning and restoration work underway.

The tour and discussion will feature the completed restoration of the Main Camp's boathouse, which was funded through a $92,000 New York State Environmental Protection Fund grant to AARCH. The boathouse was the most deteriorated of all of Santanoni's buildings. Join us in a ribbon cutting ceremony and reception as we celebrate this achievement.

The round-trip walk is 9.8 miles on a gently sloping historic carriage road. The tour begins at 10 a.m. at the Santanoni Preserve parking area in the hamlet of Newcomb. We will return about 4 p.m. The 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 $20 fee.

LITCHFIELD PARK
Saturday, September 22

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 H. Litchfield, a Brooklyn lawyer and land developer who first came to the Adirondacks in 1866. Donn Barber designed the fanciful chateau, which was completed around 1913. The preserve includes miles of carriage roads, a working farm, and many other buildings. The tour, led by Pieter Litchfield, begins at 11 a.m. and ends around 3 p.m. The fee is $50 and is open to AARCH members only.

Of Interest

At the **Adirondack Museum,** see ***Adirondack Rustic: Nature's Art 1876 - 1950***. This exhibit features art, architecture, and furniture from throughout the region. Photographs, documents, and ephemera enhance the story and illustrate "rustic" as an aesthetic, an architectural style, and a way of life. **Opens May 25.**

At the **Chapman Museum** in Glens Falls, see ***Outside the House: From the Front Porch to the Back Yard.*** This exhibition will explore the meaning of man-made outdoor spaces in the 19th century. Porches and gardens did more than provide decoration or escape from the summer heat, they were also settings for parties, meals, stories and music, games and sports, courtship and reunions, sleep, reading, and solitude. **Opens May 6.**

2007 AARCH Awards Luncheon

The Lake George Club
Diamond Point
Friday, October 12

This year we are pleased to present our annual Adirondack Architectural Heritage Awards at a celebratory luncheon at the Lake George Club.

Designed by architect Charles S. Peabody and built by the firm of Smith and Worden, the Lake George Club was organized and incorporated on November 16, 1908 and its doors opened on August 14, 1909. The Club was established as a place where people could engage in activities such as sailing, golf, tennis, and gather for dramatic and musical entertainment.

While enjoying lunch at the club we will recognize several exemplary preservation and stewardship projects from across our region. Please join us as we honor the accomplishments and commitment of our awardees.

The luncheon begins at 12 noon and ends around 3 p.m. The luncheon is $30 per person. Be sure to call AARCH at (518) 834-9328 to make your reservations early.

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AARCH Window Repair & Restoration Workshop

Camp Sagamore
Saturday, October 13

Would you like to learn how to restore your historic wood windows? Join us at Great Camp Sagamore for a workshop led by Jack Alvarez and Kimberly Konrad Alvarez of Landmark Consulting in Albany. The day will include a presentation followed by a hands-on demonstration, during which we will work on casement and double-hung windows.

Learn how to identify deterioration and repair needs and how to approach a window restoration project. Learn about window anatomy, energy efficiency issues, and simple do-it-yourself window repairs including: replacing a broken sash cord or a broken pane of glass, reglazing, and removing paint build-up.

We will work on windows at Sagamore or you can bring your own. The workshop begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The cost for the workshop is $45 and includes lunch. For more information or to make reservations, please call AARCH at: (518) 834-9328.

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