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*Wilton Heritage Society Museum (Methodist Episcopal Church, 1871),
to be visited during our July 13 tour of Mt. McGregor*

TOURS, WORKSHOPS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Every year we uncover new and exciting places to visit during our summer tour season, sites that reveal a wealth of history and architectural interest. This year is no exception. We will take you to a prison that was built as a tuberculosis hospital at Mt. McGregor, a 100-year-old paper mill in Newton Falls, an array of former children's camps in Paradox and Schroon Lake, Huntington Wildlife Forest, and examples of the present-day architecture of Michael Bird.

For the first time we are offering a special Mystery Tour, at a site AARCH has never visited, but you won't find out where and what it is until the day of the tour.

NOTICE

Tour Registration will begin:

MONDAY, MAY 11, 2009 - 9AM

*To make your reservations call
AARCH at: (518) 834-9328*

*Please see our registration policy
on page 2.*

The annual meeting will be held on June 13 at the Boathouse Theater in Schroon Lake. We will be hosting two benefit events this year: the annual silent auction at former Governor George Pataki's summer residence, South Farm in Essex, on August 29, and our first ever golf tournament at the Westport Country Club on September 1.

Our *What Style Is It?* Workshop, which has been very popular, will be offered in Old Forge for the first time on July 27. Also new this year will be a workshop in Saranac Lake titled, *Researching Your Historic Home*, on June 16.

The Inn at Erlowest in Lake George will be the site of our awards luncheon on October 9. This is our annual opportunity to recognize and thank the people who play a role in preserving the valuable built environment of the Adirondacks.

We hope you will join us for some of these wonderful events as we continue to explore this vast and remarkable region.

AARCH ANNUAL MEETING: Boathouse Theater, Schroon Lake Saturday, June 13

In addition to conducting AARCH business, the meeting will honor 10-year members and AARCH Executive Director Steven Engelhart will give a brief talk on the progress of the new AARCH facility in Keeseville. He will also discuss his recent trip to Slovakia, funded by the Quebec Labrador Foundation as part of an exchange program between historic preservationists in the United States and Slovakia. Guest speaker Amy Godine will present *A Lost World: Scaroon Manor and What it Meant*. There will be an optional walking tour prior to the meeting, led by a member of the Schroon-North Hudson Historical Society. The tour begins at 10 a.m. The meeting begins at 1 p.m. and ends around 3 p.m. and is free to members and guests.

The boathouse was built in 1874 as part of Bogle's Hotel, which stood nearby. Stub Bogle also operated a boat repair and rental business. In addition to serving hotel patrons, the boathouse received steamboats carrying passengers who had begun their journey in New York City. Today the building is part of an active downtown recreational area that includes the town beach and a bandstand. The theater is used for public events, concerts, and workshops.

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

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TOURS, WORKSHOPS & SPECIAL EVENTS

REGISTRATION POLICY

AARCH 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:

We will begin taking reservations on Monday, May 11, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. The best way to register is by telephone.

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 very popular and they fill up quickly, so register as soon as possible.

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 2 business days prior to the event date.

We cannot accept more than four reservations per member per tour.

Out of respect for property owners who are generous enough to allow us to tour their properties, please leave all pets at home.

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 AARCH at: (518) 834-9328.

Unless otherwise noted, you are required to bring your own lunch and beverage.

Our events are held rain or shine. Dress for the variable weather conditions by wearing or bringing proper attire.

VALCOUR ISLAND

Friday, June 5

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 4 p.m. The fee is \$40 for AARCH members and \$50 for non-members.

SARANAC LAKE: PIONEER HEALTH RESORT

Thursday, June 11

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 Little Red, the first cure cottage. 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 \$35 for AARCH and HSL members and \$45 for non-members.

NEW! WORKSHOP: RESEARCHING YOUR HISTORIC HOME

Tuesday, June 16

Join us in Saranac Lake as we learn how to research the history of houses. The morning session will include a lecture by Ellen Ryan, AARCH Community Outreach Director. She will highlight how to begin your research and note the various sources available for finding information. The afternoon will be spent looking at two private residences in Saranac Lake. Then we will conduct hands-on research at the Saranac Lake Free Library's Adirondack Research Room. We will end the day by compiling all of the information gathered pertaining to the two homes. The workshop begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH and Historic Saranac Lake members and \$45 for non-members.

KEESEVILLE AND AUSABLE CHASM

Tuesday, June 23

During the 19th century, both Keeseville and Ausable Chasm prospered as industrial villages. Early entrepreneurs used waterpower 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, and visit two hydroelectric sites, and take the walk-and-raft ride (optional) through the "Grand Canyon of the East." AARCH's Steven Engelhart will lead the tour. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. There is no fee, thanks to the Hudson-Fulton-Champlain Quadracentennial Commission.

PISECO LAKE

Wednesday, June 24

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, an 1850s addition to the residence of Gene Adams, was erected in 1892. Club cottages were added nearby and some members chose to build their own residences along the lake's eastern shore. In addition to the club's buildings, many other independent camps were built. We will visit three of

them to explore a variety of building styles and materials. The Holmes camp, Onetah (1924), was designed by architect Albert E. Price in the rustic style. Hodge Podge Lodge (1926) is also rustic, while Rose Hill, featuring an ornate interior and modern luxuries, is summer living at its best. 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 and PHS members and \$50 for non-members.

PRESERVING CAMP SANTANONI

Friday, June 26

Friday, September 25

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's Steven Engelhart, the tour will include stops at the Gate Lodge, Santanoni's 200-acre farm, and the Main Camp on Newcomb Lake where we'll see the ongoing restoration of the Main Camp complex and learn first hand about the conservation planning and restoration work.

The round-trip walk is 9.8 miles on a gently sloping carriage road. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is \$20 for AARCH and Essex County Historical Society members and \$30 for non-members. A limited number of seats are available on a horse-drawn wagon for an additional \$20 fee. Susan Arena, AARCH Program Director will lead the September 25 tour.

NEW! LAKE PLACID: MAIN STREET

Monday, June 29

Take a walk along one of the region's best known main streets with author and columnist Lee Manchester. This tour offers an inside look at some of the village's best preserved examples of commercial architecture including the Lake Placid Library (1896), the Palace Theater (1926), the Olympic Center (1932), as well as several churches. Participants will receive a copy of *Main Street, Lake Placid*, a book that explores the changing face of Main Street co-authored by Lee. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH and Essex County Historical Society members and \$45 for non-members.

NEW! HUNTINGTON WILDLIFE FOREST

Wednesday, July 1

Archer and Anna Hyatt Huntington were passionate about the arts, nature, and animals, and were no strangers to altruism. Their philanthropy created or supported numerous parks, libraries, and museums. Their largest regional contribution came between 1932 and 1939 when they donated 15,000 acres surrounding their W.W. Durant-designed, Arbutus Lake estate in Newcomb, to Syracuse University to create the Huntington Wildlife Preserve. The property was turned over to what is now the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry and is the site of its Adirondack Ecological Center.

We will tour the camp, and learn about Durant's original design, the Huntingtons, and the use by the college of the preserve for ecological research. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH and Essex County Historical Society members and \$45 for non-members.

RUSTIC ARCHITECTURE OF BIG MOOSE

Tuesday, July 7

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 \$40 for AARCH members and \$50 for non-members.

INSIDE DANNEMORA PRISON

Wednesday, July 8

Registration Deadline: June 12

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



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, July 4 to September 5
10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Adults \$10 · Children \$5
Reservations are not required

Be sure to see the restoration of the Alpine Garden, one of the earliest works of horticulturist Fred Heutte.

inmates, the North Yard, workshops, and the former Dannemora State Hospital. The history of the prison is fascinating and its architecture most dramatic. The tour begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH members and \$45 for non-members.

TUPPER LAKE CAMPS

Thursday, July 9

On this tour we will visit the recently restored Men's Infirmary at the American Legion Veterans' Mountain Camp on Tupper Lake, the Women's Infirmary, and 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 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 and Adirondack Museum members and \$50 for non-members.

TOURS, WORKSHOPS & SPECIAL EVENTS

NEW! MT. MCGREGOR

Monday, July 13

Registration Deadline: July 7

Rising above the town of Wilton, is Mt. McGregor, home to Grant's Cottage and Mt. McGregor Correctional Facility. The latter is a compound of buildings that sprawls along the mountaintop and was constructed in 1912 as a tuberculosis hospital by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company to care for afflicted employees. By the 1940s it had become a veteran's camp, followed by a center for people with developmental disabilities. After a period of vacancy, the site reopened in 1976 as a medium security prison. Part of the facility is slated for closure this year, leaving the fate of the complex unknown.

Just over the fence is a cottage, where Ulysses S. Grant spent his final months before succumbing to throat cancer in 1885. It was here at Grant Cottage, now a State Historic Site, that the former president completed his memoirs. The tour will be led by Wilton Town historian, Jeannine Woutersz, and will include a visit to the Wilton Heritage Museum. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is \$40 for AARCH and Wilton Historical Society members and \$50 for non-members.

NEW! MICHAEL BIRD: ADIRONDACK DESIGNS

Tuesday, July 21

AARCH again welcomes Lake Placid architect, Michael Bird, as he guides us through three new projects located near Tupper Lake, all designed or renovated by his firm. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 3 p.m. The fee is \$40 for AARCH members and \$50 for non-members.

NEW! OLD FORGE: WHAT STYLE IS IT?

Monday, July 27

This workshop will use historic Old Forge as a classroom for learning about architectural style and vocabulary. Beginning at 10 a.m., the morning will be spent at the North Woods Community Center where the group will learn about architectural styles from Ellen Ryan, AARCH Community Outreach Director, and Susan Arena, AARCH Program Director. After lunch, the group will walk around the village to look at buildings from the 19th and early 20th centuries. The walking tour ends around 4 p.m. The fee is \$30 for AARCH and Town of Webb Historical Association members and \$40 for non-members.

ROCKWELL KENT, ARCHITECT

Thursday, July 30

Rockwell Kent is widely known as an extraordinary 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*. The tour will begin at 10 a.m. and end around 4 p.m. The tour fee is \$35 for AARCH and Essex County Historical Society members and \$45 for non-members.

WANAKENA

Friday, July 31

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 its company housing and other facilities in Granere, Pennsylvania, moved them via railroad, and reassembled them in Wanakena. When Rich left Wanakena for Vermont in 1912,



Louis Untermeyer home, now known as Stony Water, near Elizabethtown. Modified by Rockwell Kent. Photo: Nancie Battaglia

rather than dismantling the worker's houses, they were sold to residents and tourists as summer camps. Bill Gleason will lead us on a walking tour to look at some of the original company houses. We will enjoy a barbecue lunch at the Pinecone Restaurant's lakeside pavilion and then carpool to the New York Ranger School, which has offered a forestry program since 1912 and was built on land donated by the 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 \$55 for non-members. Lunch is included.

GLENS FALLS

Saturday, August 1

Incorporated as a village in 1839, Glens Falls was granted its city charter on March 13, 1908. Growing as an industrial center, it relied heavily on the Hudson River to support its mills. Mark Frost of *The Chronicle* will lead a walking and driving tour of the downtown area. We will explore the city's industrial, economic, and architectural history over the past 135 years including the Finch, Pruyn and Company 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 \$40 for non-members.



RAQUETTE LAKE'S LONG POINT AND ENVIRONS

Monday, August 3

This boat and walking tour will include visits to Camp Pine Knot, St. William's on Long Point, and portions of The Antlers, a former hotel. 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 Catholic St. William's in 1890 to provide services for his employees. 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 \$55 for non-members.



The former Newton Falls Paper Company will be visited on August 6

NEW! NEWTON FALLS

Thursday, August 6

Tour one of the oldest and largest paper mills in the Adirondacks, recently re-opened as Newton Falls Fine Paper Company, and the community that it created. The day will include a tour of the mill where you will see all phases of production and learn the history of the mill. This will be followed by a walking tour of Newton Falls, led by a former resident, exploring this largely intact company town. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH and Adirondack Museum members and \$45 for non-members.

KEESEVILLE AND SLAVERY: A VILLAGE DIVIDED

Friday, August 7

Led by Don Papson, president of the North Country Underground Railroad Historical Association, this walking tour of Keeseville will include anti-slavery sites and "voices" from the past including: Frederick Douglass's thoughts on slave owners when he lectured in the village in 1843, former Plattsburgh slave Ben Lewis's dying wish for a suit in which to be buried, Wendell Lansing's anti-slavery resolution that divided the Baptists, and the charge "Disunionist!" that prevented black abolitionist lecturer Charles Lennox Remond from being heard in Keeseville. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. There is no fee, thanks to the Hudson-Fulton-Champlain Quadricentennial Commission.

THE CLARKS OF WILLSBORO POINT

Saturday, August 15

During the late 19th century Orrin Clark, along with sons Solomon and Lewis, operated a successful quarry on Ligonier Point in Willsboro, providing "bluestone" for a number of regional buildings, as well as the Champlain Canal and the Brooklyn Bridge. In addition to the quarry the Clarks ran a dairy farm and a shipbuilding business. This tour will visit the quarry remains; the Clarks' homestead, Old Elm; Scragwood, the quarrymaster's house; and the surrounding grounds. These buildings have remained nearly untouched since the Clarks' occupancy, providing a rare view of life at the turn of the century. You will also be able to explore the family's history through extensive documents such as business ledgers, diaries, and photographs all meticulously organized in a private collection. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH and Essex County Historical Society members and \$45 for non-members.



Old Elm Homestead, Willsboro Point

THE RUSTIC CAMPS OF WILLIAM L. COULTER

Wednesday, August 19

Travel by foot and boat with Mary Hotaling, who will lead one of our most popular tours of two turn-of-the-century Great Camps on Upper Saranac Lake, both designed by William L. Coulter (1865-1907) and his firm. The tour will include Prospect Point, Eagle Island, and a slide lecture by Mary Hotaling. 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 \$45 for AARCH members and \$55 for non-members.

LECTURES

May 28 at 7 p.m. Old Forge Arts Center "Historic Bridges of the Adirondacks" (Steven Engelhart)

June 19 at 7 p.m. Alice T. Miner Museum, Chazy "There's More to Adirondack Architecture than Great Camps" (Steven Engelhart)

June 24 at 1:30 p.m. Marcella Sembrich Opera Museum, Bolton Landing "There's More to Adirondack Architecture than Great Camps" (Steven Engelhart)

July 12 at 4 p.m. Essex County Historical Society, Elizabethtown "Architecture and Society in Essex County" (Ellen Ryan)

THE WORLD OF ARTO MONACO

Friday, August 21

Born in AuSable Forks in 1913, Arto Monaco began drawing at an early age. He attended Pratt Institute in New York City, and later, worked for MGM studios in Hollywood. During World War II, Arto designed and constructed “Annadorf,” a faux German village in the hills north of Los Angeles where American soldiers experienced, prior to going to war, the cultural ambience and the dangers of a German town. After the war, he created Santa’s Workshop on the slopes of Whiteface Mountain not far from his studio in Upper Jay. This pioneering theme park opened in 1947.

During the early 1950s, Arto built the Land of Makebelieve in Upper Jay. Everything was scaled for children who were encouraged to explore the park as their parents relaxed nearby. Join us on this behind-the-scenes tour of Santa’s Workshop and the Land of Makebelieve led by Jane Mackintosh, AARCH vice president. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is \$40 for AARCH and Essex County Historical Society members and \$50 for non-members. Lunch is included.

NEW! MYSTERY TOUR

Saturday, August 22

This is an exciting opportunity to participate in AARCH’s first ever mystery tour. We won’t tell you where we’re going, but we can promise that it is a place AARCH has never toured before. It will be exciting and we will explore wonderful architecture and history. The tour will begin at 10 a.m. and end around 3 p.m. The fee is \$40 and is open to AARCH members only.

200 YEARS OF FARMING

Tuesday, August 25

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 will collectively show how farming has changed over time. We’ll visit 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. At Clover Mead Farm, we’ll see how organic cheese is made and sample their exceptional line of farm-fresh products. Led by AARCH’s Steven Engelhart, the tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH members and \$45 for non-members.



*Mouse House (former Pump House)
Pyramid Life Center, Paradox*

NEW! CHILDREN’S CAMPS OF PARADOX & SCHROON LAKE

Friday, August 28

Rooted in the progressive movements of the late 19th and 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.

This walking and boat tour will explore the architecture and history of three sites that exhibit the evolution of camps over the past century: Pyramid Life, Southwoods, and Word of Life.

The tour will be 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 of the same title. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends around 4 p.m. The fee is \$40 for AARCH and Essex County Historical Society \$50 for non-members. Lunch is included.

WESTPORT’S DUDLEY ROAD

Wednesday, September 9

This outing will explore the extraordinary architecture, historic sites, and landscapes found along the Dudley Road in Westport. It will include: Camp Dudley, the oldest boys’ summer camp in the United States in continuous operation (founded 1885); Barber Point Lighthouse (1873); Kenjockety, a Prairie-style camp complex with extensive gardens; Skenewood, a 1904 brick colonial revival residence; an 1816 one-room, stone schoolhouse; and several farms. The tour will be led by AARCH board member Bill Johnston, and begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is \$30 and is open only to AARCH sponsors, benefactors, and patrons.

GREAT SACANDAGA LAKE

Saturday, September 26

In the early 20th century yearly flooding of the Sacandaga and Hudson Rivers caused extreme damage to the communities located in the Sacandaga Valley, which then included a significant amusement park, a rail line, and a number of cottages. In an attempt to manage the rivers, the valley was evacuated and the Conklingville Dam was built 1930, filling the valley with billions of gallons of water creating the Great Sacandaga Lake.

Local resident and AARCH member Willem Monster will tell the story of Sacandaga Park and the resort community that once was, and how the valley came to be hidden beneath the Great Sacandaga Lake. We will travel from the former Fulton, Johntown & Gloversville train station to the Conklingville Dam, exploring the use of dams to regulate water flow and the effect on the surrounding environs. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The fee is \$35 for AARCH and \$45 for non-members.

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South Farm, Essex

**AN AFTERNOON BENEFIT EVENT AT SOUTH FARM, ESSEX
SATURDAY, AUGUST 29**

Our 2009 benefit event will take place at South Farm in Essex on Saturday, August 29. Spend the afternoon socializing and relaxing, while enjoying stunning views of Lake Champlain at this 19th-century farmstead, now the summer home of former New York Governor George and Libby Pataki. The day will include food and refreshments and an opportunity to tour the grounds. Participate in our silent auction of items, including dinners, overnight stays, furniture, art, books, and other Adirondack items. The event begins at 3 p.m. and ends at 6 p.m. The cost is \$100 per person. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.



Westport Country Club

**GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT AARCH
WESTPORT COUNTRY CLUB, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

Situated on the hills above Lake Champlain, the historic Westport Country Club offers a challenging 18-hole course, an attractive 20th-century shingle style club house, and stunning views. The day will include a buffet lunch; a round of golf with cart; and the opportunity to win great prizes. The cost is \$75 per person. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call AARCH at (518) 834-9328.

BECOME A MEMBER

YES! I want to be part of AARCH's important work. Enclosed is my tax-deductible membership contribution.

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____ My company has a matching gift program. I will send a form to AARCH.
 ____ My check is enclosed, payable to "Adirondack Architectural Heritage" or "AARCH."

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2009 AARCH AWARDS LUNCHEON, THE INN AT ERLOWEST LAKE GEORGE, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9



The Inn at Erlowest, Lake George

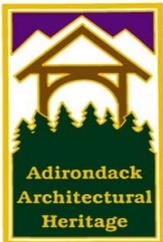
This year we are pleased to present our annual Adirondack Architectural Heritage Awards at a celebratory luncheon at the Inn at Erlowest.

Part of the historic "Millionaire's Row" on Lake George, Erlowest was built in 1898 as the summer residence of Edward Morse

Shepard, a prominent Brooklyn attorney and politician. Following Shepard's death, the property remained in the family, occupied by his sister and then his niece, until the 1960s when it was sold to an amusement park entrepreneur, Charles Wood. The current owners, David and Cheryl Kenny operate it as an inn and restaurant.

While enjoying lunch 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 \$40 per person. Please call AARCH at: (518) 834-9328 to make your reservations.



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