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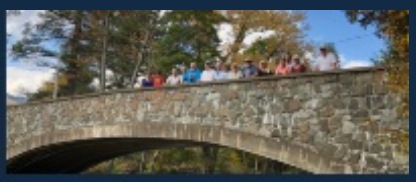

AARCH MATTERS

Your Preservation News for the Adirondack Region.

Image above: the beauty and quiet of the Camp Santanoni farm awaits.

Dear Friends,

We hope this finds you, your family, circle of friends, and community safe and well in these difficult times. We can't remember a time when so much of life was upended and when there was such deep uncertainty about the near future.

But if there's any good news in all this, it seems that we are increasingly realizing what is truly important to us – our health, our families and friends, our economic security, and the vitality and sustainability of our communities. It is heartening to see so many working towards the common good and to see so much generosity and cooperation at every level of society.

We are optimistic that, if we all work together, we will get through this.

Stay safe, be well.

Steven and the AARCH Staff and Board of Directors

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THE NEW SHAPE OF ADVENTURE

So much of life seems to be on hold right now, as we all do our part to stop this pandemic. In a normal year, we would be getting ready to launch a full calendar of summer and fall events, we would be looking forward to the arrival of our Camp Santanoni summer staff, we would be starting the construction of a new riverfront park in Keeseville, and we would be out all across the region speaking and working with people to encourage and support their community work. But for now we mostly wait. We don't know just how far this will go or how long it will last but we do know that the impacts are already huge and that this will touch us at AARCH, too.

In the meantime, a great deal of our work *does* go on, as the staff works from home to complete National Register nominations, develop more online programs, plan for a big restoration project at Santanoni, and answer preservation questions from the public. We've moved almost all of our planned June programs into September and October, in anticipation that conditions will allow us to safely and responsibly offer these marvelous experiences later this year. Stay tuned here for more information about any changes to our summer and fall season of activities.

The image above is Christine Bush, our Preservation Services Director, working from home to complete five new National Register nominations, create new online educational offerings, and answer your preservation questions.

International Tour Updates

We can say that Coronavirus and related travel concerns have caused us to postpone the 11 day AARCH adventure to the **Baltics and St. Petersburg** until September 2021. We do still have spaces on this outing and, hard as it might be to think about international travel right now, please let us know if you might be interested. Our trip to **Guatemala** for February and March 2021 is, for the moment, still planned. We also have some spaces on this outing, if you are interested.

These outings help to support AARCH and its work in a huge way, as well bring our members and friends with us to experience other marvelous parts of the world and learn from the historic preservation efforts of others.

For more, **CLICK HERE** to see the tour page on our website, registration information, and full itineraries of both 2021 international tours.

LEARN

We are excited to be ramping up our online communications and educational offerings this spring. To keep abreast of this, please:

Like us on Facebook (@adkaarch), and follow us on Instagram (@adkarch) and Twitter (@AARCH_NY).

And read the occasional blog post on *The AARCHer* on our website.

Image: the Richard Keese II house in Keeseville, just one of the dozens of architectural gems you will discover when you explore this beautiful and historic village by using one of the self-guided walking tours available at: https://www.aarch.org/adventure/walking-tours/

You'll find two new regular social media features each week, including *Oscar's Observations* on Tuesdays and *Hometown Adventures* on Fridays. The first explores various preservation and building related issues and the second takes you, virtually or using walking tour guides, through a dozen Adirondack communities.

We hope YOU will send "Oscar" your preservation questions and concerns, and please share with us a bit about what places in YOUR hometown are important to you.

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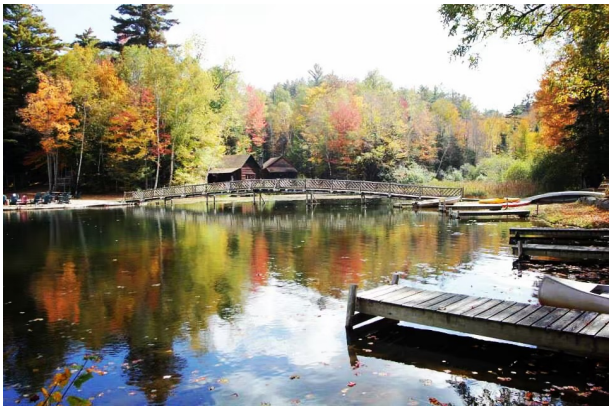

Support AARCH through our Annual Raffle

The annual AARCH raffle is on! Thanks to the generosity of several area businesses and organizations, you have the chance to win one of these ten fantastic prizes:

Two Nights Lodging at **White Pine Camp**
Three Nights Lodging at the **46er Chalet**
Two Nights Lodging at **Morningside Camps & Cottages** (left)
A Bread Making Class for four at the **Carriage House Cooking School**
Two Admission Passes to the **Adirondack Experience** (2021 season)
Two 18-hole Rounds of Golf with cart at the **High Peaks Golf Course** (2 prizes)
Two Nights Lodging at The Hedges in Blue Mountain Lake
A **$100 Gift Certificate** to **Ward Lumbar**
A **$25 Gift Certificate** to **North Country Creamery**
Dinner for Six at a **Private Camp** on Lake Adirondack, Indian Lake

Tickets are $10 each or 5 for $45. For more information on these prizes and how to support this important fundraiser, **VISIT OUR WEBSITE.**

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Preserving the architecture and communities of the Adirondack region through education, advocacy, and action

THANK YOU

To This Important Business Supporter

Keeseville Pharmacy
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Keeseville, NY 12944
518.834.6090

It's hard to fully sing all the praises of Dan Bosley and the great staff at Keeseville Pharmacy. In normal times, they provide great personal service to this community and are great supporters of many local and regional nonprofits. In 2018, they partnered with ADKAction to create an innovative "Farmacy" within the pharmacy, to provide fresh, locally-grown, fruits, vegetable, meats, dairy products, and other healthy foods to the community. This concept has now caught the attention of pharmacy owners all over the country.

Now, in these more difficult times, they are making sure that their customers have what they need through curbside service and home deliveries. Thank you for all your great service and support!.

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