Summer 2022 News

Fellow Friends of Camp Santanoni –

Summer is in full swing! Our summer staff, Kevin and Leigh, have done an excellent job since their arrival in June. When you visit, check out the newly refreshed Gate Lodge visitors center and the expanded creativity station at camp. They are offering regular tours at camp daily (except for Tuesdays) at 11 am, 1 pm, and 3 pm until August 21. After that date, please plan to join one of our special events. We still have many on the calendar, including tours of the Gate Lodge, Bike Excursions, and a day-long nature drawing workshop!

The horse-drawn wagon will continue to run into Santanoni into the fall. If you would like to reserve a seat, please contact Larry Newcombe directly at 518-480-1743. The wagon leaves the parking lot at 10 am and returns at 3:30 pm. Rides are $25 a person.

2022 Special Events

This listing includes abbreviated descriptions. See **our website** for complete information.

August 6: Women of Santanoni Tours
We're excited to offer our first programs focused on the stories of Santanoni's women. Tours meet at the main camp at 12, 1, and 2. Free, no reservations required.

August 20 and September 24: **Santanoni Bike Excursions**
The Santanoni Road has always been a popular mountain bike ride – and now you can hear stories about Santanoni's history on the way! Excursions meet at the Santanoni parking lot at 9 am and will end at the Main Camp around midday. Plan to bring your own bike and lunch and return at your leisure. $20 donation requested per person. Eight-person tour maximum; advance reservations required by contacting **Santanoni@aarch.org**

September 3: Gate Lodge Tour
Join us for special tours of the Santanoni Gate Lodge. Since 1905, the Gate Lodge has welcomed visitors to Santanoni Preserve and has housed staff from that time until the present. We'll explore its landscape and architecture, hear about the people who called it home, and peek inside the building, all while enjoying a serenade from Fishing Brook. Tours meet at Gate Lodge's stone arch at 9, 11, 1 and 3. $10 donation requested. Six-person tour maximum, so advance reservations are recommended but not required.
Contact **Santanoni@aarch.org** to reserve a spot in advance.

September 10-11: Teddy Roosevelt Weekend
Visit Newcomb for **special events and programs** across Town, including **free wagon rides** into Santanoni! Contact sbodnar53@gmail.com to reserve a seat on the wagon.

September 13: Preserving Camp Santanoni Day-long Tour
Register by calling AARCH at 518-834-9328. Journey back in time on an in-depth tour of this National Historic Landmark. Enjoy a leisurely draft horse wagon ride or hike along the 9.8 mile round-trip excursion. Stop at the Gate Lodge and farm before arriving at the main camp perched masterfully on Newcomb Lake. Eat your picnic lunch under the same eaves that sheltered

Theodore Roosevelt. On this private tour, led by AARCH staff and Santanoni summer staff, walk into buildings to appreciate the workmanship, hear about families and celebrity guests who summered here, and see first-hand efforts to conserve this Park jewel. Suggested donation: $25. A limited number of seats are available on a horse-drawn wagon for an additional $30 fee. The tour begins at 9:30 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. Contact info@aarch.org or 518-834-9328 for reservations.

September 24: Drawn to Nature at Camp Santanoni with Jean Mackay
Grab your sketchbook and explore the beauty of the Santanoni Preserve with pencil, pen, and paint. This workshop will focus on multiple approaches to capturing nature-related subjects with an eye toward deepening attendees' understanding, appreciation, and connection to the places you live and visit. We will work primarily in ink and watercolor, the most portable and versatile mediums for field sketching as we explore the preserve. All skill levels welcome, though some experience with sketching and watercolor will be helpful. Artist and educator Jean Mackay has been exploring and sketching nature for more than 25 years. The workshop begins at 10 am and ends at 3:30 pm. $65 per person, includes $30 fee for wagon ride and $35 donation. Contact info@aarch.org or 518-834-9328 for reservations.

Farm Landscape Work Days

Howie Kirschenbaum will be holding farm landscape work days on **Wednesday, August 10, and Wednesday, September 14**. From 9:30 am into the afternoon, the group will work on various landscape tasks at the farm to help maintain the open, farm landscape. Be sure to bring hand tools, work clothes, and a lunch. If you're interested in volunteering at one of these events, please RSVP or reach out to Howie directly at **hkirschenb@aol.com**.

Your Feedback Matters
Please join the Friends or renew your support. We also invite you to check out our **website**, follow us on **Facebook** or **Instagram**, or email us at **Santanoni@aarch.org**. Let us know what you'd like to see from the Friends, offer your suggestions, or share a favorite story about time you've spent at Santanoni.

Happy Adventuring!

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Please consider joining us to support our important work at Santanoni

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Friends of Santanoni is a project of Adirondack Architectural Heritage with support from the Town of Newcomb and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

About Adirondack Architectural Heritage

Adirondack Architectural Heritage (AARCH) is the historic preservation non-profit organization for the Adirondack region. Since the early 1990s, Adirondack Architectural Heritage, along with NYSDEC and the Town of Newcomb, have worked to stabilize some of the major buildings at Camp Santanoni and provide interpretive services. In 1998, this partnership, along with the hundreds of others who love this special place, launched the Friends of Camp Santanoni to provide long-term financial and volunteer support for the camp.

Each summer, AARCH leads a robust series of tours across the Adirondack park of both private, public, and rarely-seen resources including great camps, prisons, islands, and hamlets. AARCH also advocates for the preservation of historic resources across the park, provides technical assistance, and helps connect owners of historic buildings to the information and resources they need, such as tax credits, grants, and local contractors. Visit AARCH.org for more information and to join us!

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