2023 Winter News

Fellow Friends of Camp Santanoni –

We, and all of the Santanoni Partners, are delighted to announce that after a two-year hiatus, Santanoni Winter Weekends are back! These events, which began in 2012, quickly became a favorite for skiiers and snowshoers looking for a winter destination adventure - and we look forward to welcoming you back to the Artists Studio!

Read on for more details about the event, a call for volunteers for our February and March weekends, and information about winter events at Great Camp Sagamore.

2023 Winter Weekends

January 14-16, February 18-20, March 11-12

During the three Winter Weekend events, cross-country skiers and snowshoers are able to go inside the gate lodge and main camp buildings and take interpretive tours with AARCH volunteers. The event provides a rare opportunity to explore historic buildings and meet guides during the winter months. The 10-mile round trip on gently rolling terrain will take you past the Santanoni Farm and through the Forest Preserve on a wide, old road (no vehicle access).

The Artist's Studio, a stone building near the main camp on the shores of Newcomb Lake, will be open as a warming hut. Bring your own cup (or use one of ours!) and enjoy free coffee, tea, or hot chocolate by the woodstove. The Artist's Studio will be open 10-4 on event Saturdays and Sundays and 10-3 on event Mondays.

The Adirondack Interpretive Center will provide snowshoes at the Gate Lodge for any visitors without their own. Visitors are also encouraged to take the half-mile trail that connects the Santanoni Road to the AIC'S 3.6-mile trail system. The center's buildings will be open during the weekend.

Santanoni Winter Weekends are hosted by Adirondack Architectural Heritage, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, the Town of Newcomb, and the Adirondack Interpretive Center.

NOTE: Winter conditions can change quickly in the backcountry. Be prepared with extra warm clothing and adequate supplies for your trip.

Call for Winter Weekend Volunteers!

Love Santanoni, talking with people, and don't mind some good honest work on a winter day? AARCH needs a few more volunteers for the February and March Winter Weekends! AARCH volunteers staff the Artist's Studio, which is heated with a woodstove, offer warm drinks to skiiers and snowshoers, and give tours of the main camp. Volunteers are limited to a small crew who take responsibility as

a team for operating the cabin safely, hauling water, splitting wood, serving visitors, acting as hosts, and interpreting the site. Interested in learning more? Please email **santanoni@aarch.org** to express your interest. Think snow!

Snow Days at Great Camp Sagamore
January 21, February 25

Want to have another winter great camp experience? Join our friends at Sagamore on January 21 and February 25 from 9-4PM for all day sledding, ice skating, snow croquet, and campfires! Guided snow shoe hikes and cross-country skiing sessions will also be available at 10AM and 1PM. Hot chocolate, coffee, and tea will be available. Chili will be served at noon (available until it is gone!).

FREE for Great Camp Sagamore Members and Raquette Lake year-round residents. $5 entry for all others. Please visit **Sagamore's website** for more information and to register.

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**. Ask questions, 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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