

## SCHOHARIE COUNTY



SCHOHARIE COUNTY, NEW YORK ONLY, FIRST, LAST AND MOST The only New York State Governor to come from Schoharie was its 13th, William C. Bouck, 1842-1844. He cut the executive household budget by having his wife do the cooking. Often described as New York's first farmer-governor, he was born, educated and married in Schoharie County.

The first drive-in theater in the United States was in the Village of Schoharie. In the 1930s, the movie theater was Main Street, with road traffic diverted during the shows. Mrs. Perry Taylor, Mayor of Schoharie, was New York State's first woman mayor and the state's first licensed woman

The first automobile accident in Schoharie County occurred in 1901.

The last Revolutionary War veteran in Schoharie County, Nicholas Weeder, died in

The flood plain of Vroman's land in Middleburgh is one of the richest, most fertile cornfields in the world.

Fossil trees, dating back more than 370 million years, were first found in Schoharie

#### Life for the Early Settlers

The first Schoharie German settler in 1712 ate corn meal mush at almost every meal. Early Schoharie settlers made change by cutting their coins and bills in pieces.

The Schoharie County settlers were indebted to a pregnant mare, purchased by the Palatine women of Old Schoharie. Before the mare arrived, they often had to pull the plow themselves and walked to Schenectady to grind their grain.

Hard sulfur water was prized in early Schoharie as a cure for skin disease.

In early Schoharie, water pipes were often made by drilling holes in the length of small logs. Some of these "pump logs" are believed to still be in use.

Cobleskill was purchased from the Indians on November 9, 1752, for 50 Spanishmilled silver dollars.

The village of old Gilboa (now at the bottom of the lake) was once the largest settlement in the county.

Children in Old Schoharie often did not have shoes or, to save them, they would walk barefoot to school before putting them on.

#### **During the Revolutionary War**

Nicholas Somers, the Schoharie Lutheran minister, was blind for 20 years before suddenly regaining his sight at an old age.

The population of Old Schoharie in 1776 was probably less than 200 people.

The 1778 Battle of Cobleskill was actually fought in Warnerville.

The first U.S. Continental Army commander in the Schoharie Valley in 1778 complained that the residents were all Tories.

#### The 20th Century

Until the early years of the century, a dollar a day was the common wage for a laboring man.

From the 1860s to 1930s, Schoharie County had its own railroad, the Middleburgh

and Schoharie. There was one car.

The favorite breakfast in old Schoharie in 1900 was buckwheat pancakes. Schoharie students once rode the D&H Railroad to college classes in Albany. Until less than 80 years ago, Schoharie farmers often paid their bill at the grocery store with butter and eggs.

As late as 1920, car owners in Schoharie stored their cars during the winter months, leaving the battery at the local hardware store to be kept charged.

Johan Conrad Weiser established the first Palatine settlement in the Schoharie Valley in what is now the Village of Middleburgh. The generally accepted time that this happened is the fall of 1712. Weiser's Dorf, as the settlement became known began with about forty log and mud huts running along Schoolhouse Creek from today's high school to a point opposite Memorial Park. The Palatines knew the creek as "ketch" meaning chalice or cup. Up until the Revolution the houses and outbuildings were improved from their humble beginnings. In 1732, the first Dutch Reformed church was constructed. By 1760 there were several local tradesmen although a trip to Albany or Schenectady was required for certain items. School was held either in a crude log schoolhouse or a barn with lessons taught in German, Dutch and later, English. In 1777 during the American Revolution, The Middle Fort was constructed about three quarters of a mile north of the village. The Johnson-Brant raid on October 17, 1780 destroyed the village, including the church, as its residents took refuge in the fort. Johnson's report described the village as houses on one side of the creek and orchards and fields on the other.

One of the few structures in the valley that survived the raid in the valley was the Zelie or stone house. The primary structure was heavy stone walls. The wooden parts were replaced after the war. It would serve as residence, Town Hall, and Jail until 1883 when it was torn down to make way for the Union Free School. It was located approximately where the High School Auditorium is today.

After the revolution a new Dutch Reformed Church, which still stands today, was constructed nearer to the Middle Fort. The reconstructed village grew up around it as it was also near a ford to cross the Schoharie Creek. This area was the business district during the early 1800's. Michael Borst would construct a hotel and his residence, built in 1790, would later be used as the Reformed Church house. There was a nail factory, bakery, and general Merchandise business in this area. A school was located across the present Middle Fort Road from the Reformed Church. Several buildings from this period are still there today. H. D. Wells in his recollections recalled that the people living in this area referred to it as "Hudson" for a reason that nobody seemed to know.

Between 1790 and 1810, a group of New England Yankees moved into the area of Upper Main Street today. This area was referred to as "Hardscrabble" as opposed to "Hudson". One of the most prominent of these men was Jonathan Danforth who was one of the partners that built the Loonenburgh Turnpike, today Route 145 from Athens to Canajoharie. It was along this road that cattle were driven from western New York to New York City. One of the stops on the way was the Bull's Head Inn, which had facilities for both man and beast. A blacksmith's shop, a wool carding and cloth mill, lawyer's offices, a blacksmith and general stores were also in the hardscrabble area. A school which is still there was located at the present corner of Main Street and Huntersland Road.

In 1813 a covered toll bridge was built to replace an older bridge in the general area where today's bridge is. Twelve years later, the Freemyer House was constructed



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which was the largest hotel in Middleburgh.

It is better known later as the Hotel Baker after later owners in the 1890's. This was where the current Middleburgh Public Library is today. The area from the Freemyer House to the Tollhouse of the bridge became full of stores and businesses. Some of the buildings are still there today making it the oldest part of the current village business district. On the other side of the bridge entrance where there is a park today were 3 or 4 other business buildings. This area was known as "the Dock" because it looked like one. Across the street from the Dock was the Atchinson House or White House Hotel, which was slightly smaller than the Freemyer House. Today the Red Barrel occupies that site. On the same side of the street, a Lutheran Church was built in 1825. A large fire destroyed the Church along with several buildings on the area between Sheldon Avenue and Main Street on April 1, 1855.

During the latter half of the business district of the Village of Middleburgh took on the appearance that is recognizable today. With the beginning of the M&S Railroad in 1866, Businesses sprung up around the railroad yard and down Railroad Avenue. By 1870 The Lutheran Church had been rebuilt. In 1881 the Village of Middleburgh was incorporated. The First National Bank, today the Village Hall, and Union Free High School were built during the 1880's indicating development on that side of the street during this period. In 1886 the most devastating fire in Middleburgh's history occurred. Several business and residences are burned on Main Street and Railroad Avenue. The village recovered quickly and with the completion of the Watson Block(1897) and Bauer Block(1901) most of the modern Business District was complete. By the Bicentennial of the first settlement in 1912, the Village was a bustling place. Two passenger trains and one freight train left each day. Business included were four hotels, four millinery stores, three livery stables, five blacksmith's shops, three general stores, two ice cream parlors, two bakeries, two hardware stores, three drug stores, two furniture stores, two jewelry stores, a funeral parlor, a bank, and several saloons. Professional people were five lawyers, five doctors, four barbers, and a dentist. Two locally owned utilities, M&S Power and Light and The Middleburgh Telephone Company served the vicinity. Shortly after the dirt streets of the village were paved.

The natural beauty of Schoharie County and the sparkling of the sunlight on the water are reasons enough to come here and paddle. The starting location is a reasonable drive from Amsterdam, there's a road map further down the page with more info on that. If you're a camper you can camp at one of the great campgrounds nearby. This stretch has enough mileage for an overnight trip, so go ahead and pack your camping stuff. Getting a good workout and just being out on the river for a while have a lot of people coming here. Some people prefer whitewater rafting and some kayaking, either way this is an area with plenty of places for that. The sections for whitewater rafting and kayaking here in New York are often more challenging than in other states, so don't forget that quite a few of the sections here are not easy. This stretch of Cobleskill Creek in New York is 13 miles long and is a class I-III section of whitewater according to American Whitewater. There are no other stretches to paddle along Cobleskill Creek than the Warnerville to Sidney Corners stretch.

Briefly about the general area:

Lots of rain falls at Cobleskill Creek; June is the wettest month with most rain; the driest month of the year is February. Throughout the summer at Cobleskill Creek temperatures are typically in the 70's while night lows are usually in the 50's. High temperatures throughout the winter are normally in the 20's, and overnight lows in the

#### SCHOHARIE EVENTS

#### MAY

May 28 Morning Bird Walk 6:00 to 9:00 AM

We hope to see or hear over 40 species of birds in the forest, fields, and water areas of Landis. Wear footwear appropriate for muddy conditions. Binoculars will be available. Beginners and experienced birders are welcome. Partial funding for this class provided through a grant from Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Program.

Instructor: George Steele, nature educator Location: Lower Parking Lot Registration: Members: \$5/person, \$15/family; non-members: \$15/person, \$25/family Landis Arboretum 174 Lape Rd. Esperance landisarboretum.org/events

## May 29 Lilac Harvest & Picnic

Join us for a farm tour and picnic lunch at Cherry Valley Lilac Farm. Learn about the ancient technique of Enfleurage and indulge the senses in this most magical of times at peak lilac bloom season. A picnic lunch is included with your ticket, provided by Brimstone Bakery. Beekman 1802, 6725 NY-10, Sharon Springs, NY 13459 www.beekman1802.com

#### **JUNE**

#### June 18

#### Bones, Brews and Food Festival

We are opening our barn doors once again as we celebrate your dogs on the hill. Join us for a day of beer, wine and spirits, local food vendors, and crafts. What makes this festival different?? You can bring your dog on leash. The day will include special canine products like leashes, collars, paw balms and even doggie sundaes. For a list of detailed vendors and presenters follow us on Facebook and our webpage at www.hessianhillfarm.com. Hessian Hill Farm, 576 Treadlemire Rd, Berne, NY 12023

#### **JULY**

Echoes of Tradition: Social Dancers - HAUDENOSAUNEE SINGERS AND DANCERS

The Haudenosaunee Singers & Dancers perform Iroquois social dances as practiced in their small traditional community near Syracuse. Elegant and knowledgeable, leader Sherri Waterman-Hopper has traveled internationally as an artist and cultural speaker. The Dancers feature a core group of seasoned singer/musicians and talented and dedicated young adults. Pride in the culture and adherence to the traditions are the hallmarks of this disciplined troupe. Hopper is also a respected designer and seamstress who incorporates her knowledge of the construction and significance of traditional outfits into her presentations. Iroquois Museum

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Lily Festival in the Lily Park 10 am to 3 pm

The Annual Lily Festival is held on the second Saturday of July. Although lilies bloom at different times throughout the summer, we chose this date to highlight the Tiger Lily in bloom. Our goal is to grow Schoharie's Lily Festival each year as we celebrate the beauty of the Lily Park and the Schoharie Valley. With crafters, vendors, food, music, games, and all other things associated with festivals, visitors are invited to enjoy a day in the park.

Town Of Fulton Historical Society's 1st Annual Vendor Market

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September 3 & 4

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#### ABOUT THE COUNTY

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Mohawk. British. Dutch. German. Hispanic. Irish. Italian. Polish. The people of Montgomery County are as distinct as its landscape; its cultures have merged into an intricate guilt where there is unity but also individualism and authenticity everywhere we look. We see it in the beautiful limestone architecture of the Palatine German homes. We hear it in the red hot rhythms of the annual Centro Civico Cultural Arts Festival. We taste it in the wonderful Polish pierogies handmade by the thousands in church basements. We feel it when we stop by the gift shop of the Kanatsiohareke, traditional Mohawk Tribal Community re-established next to the river. And we experience it, with a slight lilting of the heart, when we happen on an Amish barn

#### **THE RIVER**

The Erie Canal operates for navigation from early May to late November. There are a number of marinas and boat launches in Montgomery County, including the St. Johnsville Municipal Marina, Canajoharie Pavilion Landing, Schoharie Crossing, Amsterdam's South Side boat launch, and Riverlink Park, Amsterdam. There are seven locks on the Montgomery County portion of the Erie Canal, each with a park and picnic area. For more information about traveling by water, contact the New York State Canal Corporation toll-free at 1-800-4CANAL4.

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Schoharie Crossing State Historic site marks the confluence of the Mohawk River and the Schoharie Creek; there are remnants of the original Erie Canal (1825) and the Enlarged Erie Canal (1841), with its impressive stone aqueduct remains. Dedicated to preservation and interpretation of the Erie Canal, the site gives a real touch of life on the canal with a restored canal store and a historic lock from the 1850s.

The Village of St. Johnsville maintains a beautiful municipal park and marina, one of several in the county. River travelers can stop at the boat launch, fill up, have a picnic, and be treated to a summer's evening concert. If you dock, camping is nearby, along with a secluded romantic

treasure of a bed and breakfast.

#### **FUN FACTS**

The namesake of Montgomery County was Richard Montgomery, a career British Army officer who switched sides just before the Revolution to become a general for the Colonists. Montgomery was killed in the Battle of Quebec in 1775.

Irish-born Sir William Johnson, England's superintendent of all Indian affairs in the northern colonies was the most influential figure in Mohawk Valley Colonial history.

Kateri Tekakwitha was born in 1656 at Osserneon (Auriesville). She was the daughter of a Christian Algonquin woman and non-Christian Mohawk chief. Becoming orphaned during a smallpox epidemic left her with a scarred face and impaired eyesight. After the smallpox outbreak subsided, Kateri and her people built a new settlement, called Caughnawaga (Fonda), some five miles away on the north bank of the Mohawk River. Converted and baptized in 1676 by Father Jacques de Lamberville, a Jesuit missionary. She was shunned and abused by relatives for her faith. In 1679 Kateri took a vow of chastity. She is the first Native American proposed for canonization; her cause was started in 1884 under Pope Leo XIII. The Tekakwitha Conference, an international association of Native American Catholics and those in ministry with them, was named for her. Today Auriesville is the home of Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs and Fonda is the home of the National Shrine of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha.

Arkell and Smith Sack Company, 1870s manufacturer in Canajoharie produced the first paper bag. The modern type of this bag would be a flour or sugar sack.

Susan B. Anthony taught school in Canajoharie at the Canajoharie Academy prior to joining the Women's Suffrage Movement. She was principal of the girls' education. Her mother's brother, Joshua Read, lived and operated an inn in Palatine Bridge. He, along with his wife and descendants, are buried in the Palatine Bridge Cemetery.

Actor Kirk Douglas was born Issur Danielovitch, December 9, 1916 in Amsterdam.

#### **MONTGOMERY ATTRACTIONS**

#### **Erie Canal Lock 33**

www.lock33.com Dump Road, St. Johnsville

"One of the town's best kept secrets..." The original double locks of the Old Erie Canal. The site is accessible next to the bike path on Bridge Street along Dump Road which is a dirt road. Marked with a historical marker. Picnic tables on site.

This enlarged double lock is located on the Erie Canal on the south side of the barge canal across from the village of St Johnsville NY, in the town of Minden. You must travel 3/4 of a mile down Dump Road to get to it. A sign on Bridge Street marks the entrance to the road. Terry Potoczny and his team of volunteers have spent countless hours cleaning out the old lock. It is under restoration and was once filled with water and the floating cargoes that made the Erie Canal commercially successful, in November 1999 these double locks instead held tons of garbage including 125 tires, one snowmobile, a motorcycle, assorted bicycle parts, refrigerators, kitchen stoves, and a television. Like other segments of the Erie Canal across the state, these locks are being rescued and restored by local preservation groups, businesses, and governments. Connected by paths and trails, they serve as links to the past and recreational respite for the present.

The locks history, as researched by Tom Grasso. It was lengthened during the Winter-Spring of 1887-1888. The contract was awarded to Soule and Raynor of Syracuse who also lengthened Lock 32 at Fort Plain. Their bid was \$24,620.50 for Lock 33 and \$24,111.50 for Lock 32. It was lengthened at the head of the berm side instead of the foot probably because Lock 33 is located at the end of a curve and lengthening it at the foot would make the lower end of the lock



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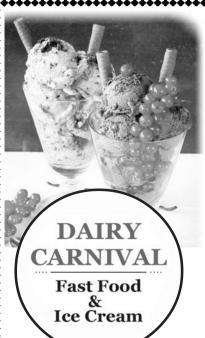
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Route 5, St. Johnsville

The 1750 fortified home of fur-trader Johannes Klock, located east of St. Johnsville, is a Colonial settlement of the French and Indian period.

The Fort Klock Historic Restoration is a National Historic Landmark which includes a 1790s

Dutch barn, blacksmith shop, and an 1825 schoolhouse. Memorial Day thru Mid-October, Tues-Sunday, 9am-5pm. Small Admission

Fort Klock has a membership program for those who wish to share their time and gifts. Members receive the Fort Klock newsletter, calendar of events, and pride knowing they are helping to preserve a Mohawk Valley Landmark. By perserving the past we share it with the future

The Fort Klock Historic Restoration is a non-profit (501-C3) organization that is very grateful for the help of private and corporate donations.

#### **National Kateri Tekakawitha Shrine and Mohawk** Caughnawaga Indian Museum

www.katerishrine.com

518-853-3646

Route 5, Fonda

The Lily of the Mohawks. Kateri Tekakwitha, was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1980. Kateri lived her teenage years at the site of her shrine, which includes a rustic chapel in an 18thcentury Dutch barn and displays of artifacts form an on-site archeological excavation of an entire Mohawk village.

Pope Benedict XVI authorized a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to the intercession of Blessed Kateri. Visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs website, www.martyr shrine.org, for more information.

#### **Old Fort Johnson**

www.oldfortjohnson.org

518-843-0300

Route 5 at the intersection of Route 67 in Fort Johnson, NY, about 1 mile west of Amsterdam,

Old Fort Johnson, the 1749 fortified limestone home of Sir William Johnson, is representative of the best of colonial architecture. No other home of a prominent New York citizen of the colonial period has survived so untouched by the changes of style and time. This National Historic Landmark is owned and operated by the Montgomery County Historical Society, a private, nonprofit organization established to collect and preserve Mohawk Valley history. It is the Society's intent to present the Fort as close to the way it was during Sir William's lifetime as can now be determined. Most furnishings are contemporary to Johnson's time, and a number of items are from the Johnson family. The Fort also houses exhibits which include a collection of Native American artifacts focusing on the Mohawk Valley; the Betsey Reynolds Voorhees room which articulates the life and times of a prominent 19th century lady; the attic which holds pieces that tell the history of Montgomery County and a rare 18th century privy.

#### **Landis Arboretum**

www.landisarboretum.org

518-875-6935

174 Lape Road, Esperance, NY 12066

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#### **FULTON ATTRACTIONS**

#### **Caroga Historical Association and Museum**

Open: July-August, Thursday-Sunday, 1:00-4:00 p.m. An outdoor museum which includes a 1905 farmhouse, an 1870 cobbler shop, general store and 130-year-old pegged barn, with displays on the county's early leather tanning and lumber industries. Large collection of Sherman's Amusement Park memorabilia.

145 London Bridge Road (County Highway 111)

Caroga Lake , NY 12032 (518) 835-4400

Contact: Shirley Holliday

#### **Great Sacandaga Lake**

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www.44lakes.com

info@fultoncountyny.org

518-725-0641 or

800-676-3858

Of Fulton County's 44 lakes, the Great Sacandaga is the largest. Six miles wide and 29 miles long, a world-record Northern Pike was caught here, weighing in at 46 pounds, 2 ounces!

#### Johnson Hall State Historic Site

Open: Memorial Day weekend Labor Day Wed - Mon 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Step back in history and discover our historic sites and markers as well as our museums and fascinating architecture. Visit State Historic Site, Johnson Hall, the former home of Sir William Johnson, the-18th century diplomat and trader who was so trusted by the Mohawk Indians that he became Superintendent of Indian Affairs during the French and Indian War. Visit homes, churches, graveyards, and shops that have been preserved or restored to protect the heritage of Fulton County and our country!

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The Drumm House, Corner of North William & Green Streets (Oldest home in the City) The Historic Marker of Elizabeth Cady Stanton's birthplace, N. Market St. The Fulton County Court-house, corner of North William & Main Streets

(This courthouse is the oldest working courthouse in the United States. Colonial Cemetery,

St. John's Episcopal Church, 1860 (3rd Church of Sir William Johnson) Final resting place of Sir William Johnson. Corner of W. Main and

N. Market Streets Johnstown, NY 12095 (518) 736-4011 Contact: City Historian

#### **Kane Mountain Trail**

A popular and easy hike of the Canada & Caroga Lake area. This 2180 foot summit has three trails and holds one of the Adirondack Park's historic fire towers. One of the trails is a half-mile long, another is 9/10 of a mile and the back trail is about 3/4 of a mile. From the mountain's peak, you can see nine bodies of water and a beautiful spread of mountains and valleys Green Lake Road off State Route 10/29A

Town of Caroga, NY 12032

(518) 835-6069

Contact: Canada Lake Store & Marine

#### Willie Marsh Trail

Explore an easy figure 8 loop on this nature trail system which explores a wetland habitat. The trail features ten interpretive stops, and three boardwalks that traverse the marsh and open water. This "habitat learning" hike takes approximately an hour and a half to two hours. Willie Road Off State Route 29A West

Gloversville, NY 12078 (518) 762-7070

Contact: Town of Johnstown

#### **MONTGOMERY/ FULTON EVENTS**

#### **MAY**

Market on the Mohawk

10 am- 2 pm

Come visit as vendors, shoppers, family, and friends gather at the Mohawk Valley Gateway Overlook located in the heart of our city to enjoy Amsterdam's Open-Air Market. At the Market you will find locally sourced produce, live music, kids crafts and vendors who produce everything they sell. All our vendors accept cash, and many also accept debit and credit cards. If you don't have cash, you can purchase market tokens using credit, debit, or EBT/SNAP cards at our booth.

Mohawk Valley Gateway Overlook Bridge, Amsterdam For more information please contact: City of Amsterdam Tourism Marketing & Recreation | (518) 841-4307

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Jun 18	Touch-A-Truck
Jul 17	Antique Car Show
Aug	Summer STEAM programs
Sep 17	Wildlife Festival
Oct 22	Festival of Frights
Nov 6, 13, 20, 27	Sunday Movies
Dec 3	Holly Jolly Party

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1378 State Route 30 North Blenheim NY 12131

Info 1-800-724-0309 nypa.gov/BGVisitorsCenter



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#### **JUNE**

#### June 4

#### Southern Adirondack Wine & Food Festival

3 pm- 8 pm

Join us for the 7th Annual Southern Adirondack Wine & Food Festival in Historic Downtown Gloversville. This event includes wineries, breweries, distilleries, food and a variety of specialty vendors.

Live music throughout the day! North Main Street, Gloversville

www.facebook.com/southernadirondackwineandfoodfestival/

#### June 10

National Trails Day

Schoharie Crossing is planning a National Trails Day event for June 4th, 2022 in collaboration with ECOS: the Environmental Clearinghouse of New York State.

Updates are coming soon! We hope you can join us.

Where: Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site, 129 Schoharie St, Fort Hunter

For more information please contact:

https://www.facebook.com/events/3197443683836053/

#### June 11

#### Dolgeville Violet Festival Parade

10 am

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If interested in being a participant in the parade please contact us at dolgevilleparades@yahoo.com or 315-527-9585

#### June 11

#### Run for the Violets

This is our annual Run/Walk, register online until 6/10/2022. The event will take place at 8:30 AM. The Kids Fun Run 1K will start at 9:30 AM. Race day registration starts @ 7:30 AM at the Dolgeville Fire Department 20 South Helmer Ave.

T-Shirt cut-off date is June 1, 2022. Shirt sizes after this date are not guaranteed. Group discount when registering 3 or more for the 5K run - \$3 off each registration! 20 South Helmer Ave.

Dolgeville, NY US 13329

#### **JULY**

#### July 3

#### Amsterdam's Independence Day Fest Sponsored by DANVANN

10 am - 10 pm

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Riverlink Park, 2 Front St, Amsterdam, NY 12010, USA

#### July 16

#### Veterans Time-to Thrive Car Show, Fundraiser and Concert!

2 pm- 6 pm

Please save the date and come support our friend and local veteran, David Mendez and his family of veterans, as his non-profit, Veterans Time-to Thrive (VT3) will host a car show on Saturday, July 16th in the heart of Amsterdam's Southside on Bridge St in Amsterdam, NY. All vehicles are welcomed! Let's help some local veterans as 100% of the proceeds from the donations are going to VT3. You may pre-register for the car show and donate on https://vt-3.org This year's car show will also honor the memory of veteran and local businessman, Vern Obrien.Enjoy DJ John Colarusso playing all of your favorite car show songs from 1-6 PM Amsterdam's Southside

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#### **AUGUST**

#### August 2

City of Amsterdam's National Night Out Sponsored by Berkshire Farm

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#### August 6

#### Amsterdam's RiverFest

1 pm - 9 pm

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For more information please contact:

https://www.facebook.com/events/741503586822352/

#### August 20

#### Knights of Columbus Feast of the Assumption Street Festival

12 pm- 6 pm

Procession of Blessed Mother at noon - live music all day - car show, FREE POPCORN FREE BOUNCE HOUSES FREE ICECREAM - superhero show, food, refreshments and games a great family event RAIN OR SHINE

193 West Main St, Amsterdam 12010

Cost: FREE

For more information please contact: Jeffrey Stark

518-339-0423



## **OTSEGO COUNTY**



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#### **OTSEGO**

#### ABOUT THE COUNTY

From humble beginnings in August, 1982 when four Oneonta residents got together to talk about starting a railroad museum, the Leatherstocking Railway Historical Society (LRHS) has grown to become one of the largest and most active railway preservation groups in New York State. We were proud to celebrate our 20th Year of Rail Preservation in 2002.

The organization was incorporated as not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) tax exempt, educational corporation by the New York State Department of Education on December 16, 1983 and became an affiliate of the National Railway Historical Society on May 7, 1983, being designated the Leatherstocking Chapter.

The Leatherstocking Railway Historical Society was created with two objectives in mind. The first was the protection and preservation of the "Little Red Caboose" in Oneonta's Neahwa Park. It was in this Caboose that the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen was organized in 1883, which became the largest rail union in the world. After raising \$10,000 a plexiglass enclosure was built around the Caboose protecting and preserving it for future generations. LRHS is still to this day the official caretaker of this historic piece of rail equipment.

The second objective of the organization was the construction of a railroad museum in the Oneonta area to document, preserve, and educate the public on the area's rich railroad heritage. After looking at several locations in the immediate Oneonta area, a location on NYS Route 7 in Cooperstown Junction was chosen in 1984 as a museum site. The property consisted of 1.5 acres of land and an 1890's Victorian style house. The site was also ideally located at the southern end of the Cooperstown & Charlotte Valley Railroad (CACV), a 16-mile shortline running from the Delaware & Hudson Railway (D&H) mainline in Cooperstown Junction to Cooperstown. The CACV had not been used for several years.

In April, 1995 the organization purchased the Milford Depot, located at the midpoint on the CACV and immediately began restoration work. On June 8, 1996 the depot, restorations complete, was dedicated and opened up to the public as a railroad museum. Also on the property is an 80' x 35' steel building constructed in the 1970's which is used as an engine house.

Many years of planning and fund raising began to pay off in June, 1995 when the organization received a \$225,000 New York State Budget Appropriation, thanks to the efforts of NYS Senator James Seward, a resident of Milford, NY. These funds were used to purchase the CACV and renovate the northern end for passenger service between Milford and

Culminating over ten years of efforts, the Leatherstocking Railway Historical Society took ownership of the Cooperstown & Charlotte Valley Railroad, built in 1869, when it closed in escrow on July 1, 1997. The actual transfer of funds took place during a press conference on September 15, 1997 at the Milford Depot. Work on clearing brush along the line began in August, 1997 and was completed in October, allowing engineers to perform inspections during the first quarter of 1998 which were necessary to prepare bid packages for contractors who worked on the CACV renovations. These renovations were completed during the spring of 1999 with rail operations beginning on Sunday, June 6, 1999 between Milford and Cooperstown, NY. An official Grand Opening was held July 10, 1999, commemorating the 130th Anniversary of the building of the Railroad.

In September, 1996 property next to the Milford Depot known as the Milford Auction Barn Property was purchased. This unique property, with 12 acres of land and a large barn, will drastically increase the parking and display capacities in Milford. In addition, a large auditorium in the barn once used for auctions will become an audio/visual center where visitors will be able to enjoy railroad oriented presentations.

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Also in September, 1996 the organization acquired through donation a foot and a half gauge, locally built railroad. With a diesel and two coaches capable of carrying a total of 30 passengers the Milford Park Railway is periodically operated for visitors on weekends during the summer months

The Milford Depot Complex, the Cooperstown Junction property, and the CACV are all parts of the Leatherstocking Railway Museum Project. When completed the Leatherstocking Railway Museum will consist of a museum facility in Cooperstown Junction, the Milford Depot Complex and a facility in the Village of Cooperstown, all connected by train rides on the CACV

The organization has collected several pieces of rail equipment since its inception. Most notable are two D&H Railway Post Office Cars, a D&H Big Hook Wreck Crane (which used to be stationed in Oneonta), a D&H Jordan Spreader, a fleet of passenger and freight cars, cabooses and a Pennyslvania Railroad GG1 Electric locomotive.

Thousands of railroad artifacts have been added to the organization's archives over the years and are used for displays at the museum facilities and/or stored in the LRHS archives for research purposes.

In addition to rail equipment and paper artifacts several railroad structures have been preserved. Delaware & Hudson signal bridges have been acquired, and FA Tower, last standing wooden interlocking tower on the D&H, was dismantled in Oneonta and moved to the Cooperstown Junction Museum Site for future assembly on that property.

From that group of four local railroad enthusiasts in 1982 LRHS has grown to 300 members

#### **OTSEGO ATTRACTIONS**

#### **Historic Main Street Cherry Valley**

Main St / St Hwy 166, Cherry Valley, NY 13320

Telephone: 607/264-3098

www.cherryvalleyny.com

Season: VR

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#### **Historic Main Street Oneonta**

Main St / St Rt 7., Oneonta, NY 13820

Telephone: 607/432-6450

www.oneonta.ny.us Season: YR

Oneonta's Main Street compliments the small town ambiance - red brick sidewalks and turn of the century style street lamps suggest the disarming feel of a simpler, more genteel era. Main Street is the heart of the retail shopping industry in the City and offers a wide range of shopping options mostly centered on locally owned and operated specialty shops.

#### **Historic Main Street Richfield Springs**

Main St / US Rt 20

Richfield Springs, NY 13439

Telephone: 315/858-1710

Season: YR

Richfield Springs was once a unique resort area with their natural sulphur springs used as a medicinal retreat. This village is now filled with antique shops, historic sites, fine dining and various eclectic shops.

#### **Cooperstown Chamber Music Festival**

Route 80, Cooperstown, NY 13326 Telephone: 607/544-1123 Toll Free: 877/666-7421 Email: info@cooperstown musicfest.org

#### www.cooperstownmusicfest.org

Classical chamber music is performed during the summer at various historic venues in the Cooperstown area.

#### **Cooperstown Concert Series**

PO Box 624

Cooperstown, NY 13326 Telephone: 607/547-1812

www.cooperstownconcertseries.org

Season: Sept.-May

This series presents a diverse schedule ranging from early music, folk, Cajun, classical and modern musical performances.

#### **Cooperstown and Charlotte Valley Railroad**

#### Route 166

136 East Main St Milford, NY 13807

Telephone: 607/432-2429

Email: LRHS@Irhs.com

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#### **Farmers' Museum**

State Hwy 80, Lake Rd Cooperstown, NY 13326 Telephone: 607/547-1450 Toll Free: 888/547-1450

Email: info@nysha.org www.farmersmuseum.com

Season: Seasonal: Apr-Mid May, Late Oct, Tue-Sat 10am-4pm; Late May-Mid Oct, daily 10am-5pm

5pm.

America's history comes alive-daily chores are carried out at the working farm while commerce flourishes at the Village Crossroad. Visitors experience the interplay among trades, village life and agriculture in New York State circa 1845. The museum, one of the oldest living history museums, features exhibits, craft demonstrations and hand-on activities that bring history to life.

#### **Fenimore Art Museum**

State Hwy 80, Lake Rd Cooperstown, NY 13326 Telephone: 607/547-1400 Toll Free: 888/547-1450 Email: info@nysha.org

www.fenimoreartmuseum.org

One of the nation's premier art institutions; home to an exceptionally rich collection of American folk art and American Indian art, as well as important holdings in American decorative arts, photography, and 20th century art. Formal gardens overlook Otsego Lake. Visitors can get a glimpse of American Indian lives at the circa 1750 Bark House on the shores of the lake

#### **Glimmerglass Festival**

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#### Gilbert Lake State Park

18 CCC Rd, Laurens, NY 13796 Telephone: 607/432-2114 Toll Free: 800/456-CAMP

www.nysparks.com

Season: YR, Camping: Seasonal, Daily

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#### Glimmerglass State Park

1527 County Hwy 31 Cooperstown, NY 13326 Telephone: 607/547-8662 Toll Free: 800/456-CAMP www.nysparks.com

Season: Mid May-Columbus Day, YR., Daily
Camping and swimming on Otsego Lake. Hiking trails. Winter sports include tubing, XC skiing, ice skating, snowshoeing, ice fishing, snowmobiling, winter hiking. Rental facilities available includes picnic pavillion, two conference rooms. Call park for details.

#### **Hyde Hall State Historic Site**

1527 County Hwy 31, Cooperstown, NY 13326 Telephone: 607/547-5098 • Toll Free: 888/472-9002

Email: info@hydehall.org www.hydehall.org

Season: May-Oct, daily

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25 Main St, Cooperstown, NY 13326

Telephone: 607/547-7200 Toll Free: 888/425-5633

Email: info@baseballhalloffame.org

www.baseballhalloffame.org

Season: YR: Mem Day-Labor Day 9am-9pm; Sep-May, 9am-5pm.
The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum is an independent, non-profit educational institution dedicated to fostering an appreciation of the historical development of baseball and its impact on our culture by collecting, preserving, exhibiting and interpreting its collections for a global audience as well as honoring those who have made outstanding contributions to our

#### **Otego Historical Society**

6 River St

Otego, NY 13825 Email: otegohistorical@gmail.com

www.otegohistoricalsociety.org
Season: YR: Wed: 1-4 and June-Aug: Sat: 10am-2pm

People are welcome to view interesting artifacts, maps, exhibits and do geneological research. The Otego Historical Society has a fairly complete cemetery file and an incomplete (but growing!) file on past and present Otego residents. Our collection includes photos, postcards, local school memorabilia, microfilm of "The Rural Times", a locally published newspaper (1906-1930's) and many other items of interest.

#### Susquehanna River Park Trail

Email: occa@wpe.com

The Susquehanna River Park Trail, located in the City of Oneonta, is the first section of the Oneonta Susquehanna Greenway to be completed. A full circuit of the loop trail offers two miles of easy, flat walking or cross-country skiing. Interpretive markers, keyed to a leaflet obtainable at the trailhead enhance the experience educational. The trail was largely built by volunteer labor recruited by the Oneonta Susquehanna Greenway Committee.

#### **Yager Museum of Art and Culture**

Hartwick College One Hartwick Dr., Oneonta, NY 13820

Telephone: 607/431-4480 Email: museums@hartwick.edu

www.hartwick.edu/museum.xml

Season: YR, Tue-Sun noon-4:30; Closed in June. July-Aug., Wed-Sun noon-4:30pm. The Yager Museum is Oneonta's only museum of arts and culture. The museum provides lifelong learning for all ages. The museum features the permanent exhibition of Willard Yager's collection of Upper Susquehanna artifacts along with exhibits of fine art, archaeology, ethnography and history in seven changing galleries.

#### OTSEGO EVENTS

#### MAY

Cherry Valley Spring into Summer Festival

The businesses of historic Cherry Valley invite you to join us in celebrating our Spring into Summer Festival. After a long upstate winter, a little dancing in the streets is in order! Our

business in and around town will putting their best foot forward to kick off the season. Shops range from the newly restored Cherry Valley Market, The Art Collective on 25 Main, the innovative classes at the Telegraph School, to garden and art at Straw House Herbs and many

The weekend will have music and live performances at the Gazebo, face painting, "fairy hair," and fun dress up in old time costumes for photos at the Star Theater. Dozens of additional street vendors will be sharing their wares and food stands will tempt you with their treats. On Monday, we remember our fallen soldiers with a Memorial Day Parade, a tribute at the Cherry Valley Cemetery followed by a chicken barbeque as we come together as a community.

The Avett Brothers at Brewery Ommegang

Let's Play Two! An Avett Brothers doubleheader at Brewery Ommegang The Avett Brothers show scheduled for Friday, May 28th, 2021 at Brewery Ommegang in Cooperstown, NY has been rescheduled for Friday, May 27, 2022.

Ticket holders are encouraged to hang on to their tickets as they will be honored for the new date. If you require a refund or have any questions or concerns, please direct them to

info@dspshows.com.
Brewery Ommegang
656 County Highway 33, Cooperstown, NY 13326
www.ommegang.com

#### May 28

#### Hyde Hall Block Party & Opening Day

10:00 AM

Join the community at Hyde Hall for a day of crafts, food, and music celebrating our area's Summer Season. Open to the public, guests can meet with community organizations, enjoy Glimmerglass State Park tours, visit the Rolling Meadows Clydesdales, learn with Utica ZooMobile, relax with Springfield Reads, and much more! Mansion tours begin operating daily at regular ticket prices for the 2022 season. Please enter using Hyde Hall's Mill Road entrance or Glimmerglass State Park (day-use/vehicle entry fee applies).

Hanzolo concert 12:00 - 2:30 http://www.hydehall.org/ (607) 547-5098 info@hydehall.org

#### **May 28**

Memorial Day Weekend

Tent by concessions: Arts and crafts 10:00 am-11:00 am Large shelter: Entertainment: International Recording artist Gary Jennings

6:30 pm-9:30 pm, Bonfire & S'mores 7:00 pm-8:00 pm Gilbert Lake State Park

18 CCC Rd, Laurens, NY www.facebook.com/GilbertLakeStatePark/

#### JUNE

#### June

#### Cooperstown Farmers' Market

10 AM to 2 PM

Saturday Market is open year-round! A great place to find unique hand crafted gifts, as well as stock up on fresh produce, meats, cheese, breads, maple syrup and more! Shop online Monday at 5 PM until Wednesday at 2 PM to pick up on Saturday:

https://cooperstownfarmersmarket.myshopify.com

(607) 547-8881 info@otsego2000.org

http://www.otsego2000.org/

#### June 4

#### Race The Lake

8:00 AM

The rolling Race the Lake Marathon starts and finishes in Glimmerglass State Park and circles Otsego Lake.

The Člark Sports Center, 124 Co Rd 52, Cooperstown, NY www.clarksportscenter.com/

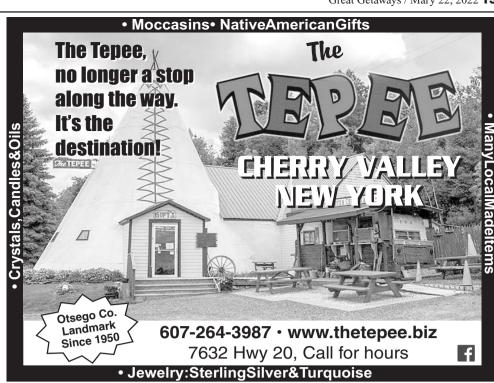
#### June 5

#### Girls on the Run Central NY 5K Fun Run

2:00 PM

At Girls on the Run we inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. Over 350 girls in grades 3-8, their families, and their coaches will participate in our season culminating 5K run. Come join the fun with our live DJ, live Zumba, food trucks, raffles, games and more! Our "race village" opens at 10:00am, the run begins at noon. 6th Ward Athletic Field (off of River St.)

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Friendship Craft Festival

9 am-3 pm Friendship Craft Festival is held in large park under maple trees in center of the village. All monies raised are given away to other non-profits. 75% of crafters return every year. Brooks' famous BBQ chicken returns; huge bake sale Spring Park, 27 E Main St, Richfield Springs, NY

June 25

Fishing Clinic Open to all ages!

9:00 AM

NO FISHING LICENSE NEEDED. DEC, NYS Park and Fisheries staff will be on hand to teach basic fishing skills. In addition to fishing, participants can learn about fish identification, fishing equipment and techniques, fisheries management, angling ethics and aquatic ecology. We will have a limited supply of equipment to loan out for the clinic and live bait will be provided to all who are registered in advance.

Please call Gilbert Lake 607-432-2114 to register! Gilbert Lake State Park, 18 CCC Rd, Laurens, NY 13796 www.facebook.com/GilbertLakeStatePark

**JULY** 

July 2

Fourth of July Weekend

Tent by concessions: Crafts 10:00am-11:00am Large shelter: Live entertainment by Lazy II, 6:30 pm- 9:30 pm They play a variety of country,

classic rock and party music Bonfire & S'mores:

Gilbert Lake State Park, 18 CCC Rd, Laurens, NY 13796

www.facebook.com/GilbertLakeStatePark

Springfield 4thof July Parade and Celebration

The Springfield 4th of July Parade is back! Join us in Springfield Center for a "Hometown 4thof July" Parade starting at 11:00 AM sharp, followed by a patriotic celebration with Brooks' BBQ Chicken, live music, historical displays, and much more at the Springfield Community Center. Then head to Glimmerglass State Park for an Evening Concert featuring The Council Rock Band starting at 7:30 PM, followed by Fireworks! Springfield... the place to be on the 4thof July! Find us on Facebook or emailspringfield.july4@gmail.comfor more information.

Independence Day Celebration

The Farmers' Museum marks Independence Day with the sounds of 1845. Starting at noon, watch as Michael Henrici delivers the Declaration of Independence on the Bump Tavern Green and take part in the 13 celebratory toasts as our Founding Fathers did, with lemonade provided by the Crossroads Café.

Sit for a traditional tintype portrait outside the Herkimer Kitchen-something you can't do with your smartphone (throughout the day, weather permitting)). \$30 per 4x5 Tintype Traditional 19th-century children's games will be provided for family play on the Bump Tavern Green. Museum artisans will demonstrate traditional blacksmithing, letterpress printing, and other trades throughout the day. At the printing office pick up a multicolor Fourth of July card. While there, you can also pick up a copy of the portable lemonade recipe that's featured in the new Farmers' Museum cookbook Sweet Treats and Good Eats. At the Lippitt Farmstead, learn about life on the farm and delight in the baby animals at the Children's Barnyard. Enjoy traditional 19th-century music performed throughout the day at Bump Tavern. You can even take a horse-drawn wagon ride through the museum grounds!

Included with museum admission.

The Farmers' Museum, 5775 State Highway 80, Cooperstown, NY 13326 www.facebook.com/farmersmuseum

Coerver Soccer Camp - Oneonta 9:00 AM

We are offering the following divisions: First Skills (4-6 year olds): 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Play Like The Stars (7-14 year olds): 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

A unique coaching program supervised by professionally qualified coaches, selected and trained to work with players of all ages and abilities. A fun step-by-step guide to improving individual techniques. Providing coaching whilst building up confidence in an enjoyable soccer environment

Wright National Soccer Campus, Stadium Drive Oneonta, NY 13820 www.facebook.com/OneontaSoccerClub

Summer Concert - Monkey And The Crowbar

Monkey and the Crowbar is an energetic group of dedicated musicians playing a foot stomping array of well-known and original tunes. They tastefully perform music from Bob Dylan, Neil Young, John Prine, Jimmy Buffett, The Grateful Dead and others with a drive that is just hard to sit still to offers a great mix of bands and performers from the past: The Grateful Dead, Neil Young, Jimmy Buffet, and more.

Pathfinder Village, 3 Chenango Road, Edmeston, NY 13335 pathfindervillage.org

**AUGUST** 

August 27

9th Annual Falling Footsteps-Road Edition

7:30 am - 11:00 am

It features a mapped-out road route-beginning and returning at the Richfield Springs Community Center.

It will feature a 5k run and one mile walk-and NO MUD!!!

Registration is from 7:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Run starts at 9:00 a.m.; Walk starts at 9:05 a.m.

Pre-registration go to www.runsignup.com/rsccroads For info/questions: e-mail bill@richfieldzone.org

A "by donation" lunch will consist of hot dogs right off the grill, chips and water

Richfield Springs Community Center, 6 Ann St, Richfield Springs, NY

**SEPTEMBER** 

September 3

Labor Day Weekend

Tent by concessions: Crafts: 10:00am-11:00am Large Shelter: Live Entertainment: 6:30pm-9:30pm Bonfire & S'mores: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Gilbert Lake State Park

18 CCC Rd, Laurens, NY 13796 www.facebook.com/GilbertLakeStatePark

September 17

The 54th Annual Glimmerglass Invitational Regatta

Otsego Sailing Club

5992 State Route 80, Cooperstown, NY 13326

https://www.otsegosailingclub.com/







## HERKIMER COUNTY



#### **HERKIMER ATTRACTIONS**

There are literally hundreds of attractions in the Mohawk Valley, covering a wide variety of aspects in the area's historic role in the settling of the country.

#### **General Herkimer State Historic Site**

The General Herkimer State Historic Site near Little Falls on Route 5S pays homage to Herkimer County's namesake and Revolutionary War hero, General Nicholas Herkimer. His home is open to visitors in the spring through the autumn and the site stages a number of Revolutionary War era-based special events throughout the season.

#### The Erie Canal

The Erie Canal, the State's oldest man-made trade route, winds through the Valley and offers numerous locks worth visiting. Lock 17 in Little Falls is considered to be one of the highest lift locks in the world. Its scenic surroundings add to the beauty of any stops along the canal.

#### **Historical Sites**

Herkimer County and the Mohawk Valley are steeped in history echoing back to the early French, English and Palatine German settlers. Many towns and valleys have historical societies and buildings including the Herkimer County Historical Society in Herkimer that preserve the past so it will not be forgotten.

Hiking
Part of the lure of Herkimer County is the ability to get out in the woods and back to nature. Miles and miles of trails crisscross the county and offer the hiker a wide variety of terrain and scenery to satisfy even the most discerning enthusiast. Just to name of few of our beautiful

Nature Trail Along the Otsquago Creek, Van Hornesville, located on Route 80. There are waterfalls, above-ground caves to explore, a wooded trail to follow, picnic tables, grills, historical remnants, wildlife and spring flowers.

Moss Island, Little Falls is located adjacent to Lock 17 on the Erie Canal System. Stop and see the lock on your way; this is the highest lift lock on the Erie Canal System. Moss Island has glacier-formed potholes that are 10+ feet deep on the edge of the island. There is a great wooded walking trail to get there from the lock.

Herkimer County Community College Nature Center Interpretive Trail is located behind the College. Discover that a forest is more than an area covered by trees. It is a community populated with an enormous variety of plants and animals – all interacting, interrelated, and interdependent.

#### MAY

#### 29 Annual Great Adirondack Garage Sale

Over 200+ miles of garage sales with treasures to behold from Old Forge to Malone, Cranberry For additional information or to sign-up, please visit www.GreatAdirondackGarageSale.com

#### **JUNE**

#### June 24 - 26

#### 17th Annual Vintage Snowmobile National Show

Saturday: 9 am - 6 pm Sunday: 9 am - 2 pm. George T. Hilterbrant Recreation Center 201 North Street, Old Forge NY All registered sleds will be under cover.

#### June 17 - Oct 7

Old Forge Farmers Market - Fridays from 1 pm - 5 pm. NEW LOCATION FOR 2022. For additional information on attending or being a vendor please call 315-369-3353. Market will be held in the parking lot adjacent to the George Hiltebrant Recreation Center @ 201 North Street, Old Forge, NY.

#### 25th Annual Father's Day Weekend Parade & Car Show

The judged show starts at 9 am with cars required on the field at the Hiltebrant Recreation Center on North Street by Noon. Trophies and prizes will be awarded at 3pm. Cash prizes for Best of Show - Antique and Best of Show - Modified. Sponsored by the Central Adirondack

#### June 19

Annual Father's Day Frog Jumping Contest
On the lakefront at Noon. Children can bring their champion frog to win prizes and fathers should wear their most outrageous tie! Largest, smallest, and longest jumper. Great family fun! Don't worry, all frogs are released unharmed. Sponsored by the Central Adirondack Association. Phone 315-369-6983 for additional information

#### **JULY**

Fourth of July Celebration Music at the Lakefront and fireworks over Old Forge Pond. Please call 315-369-6983 for additional information.

#### July 9

#### Antique Wooden Boat Show and Fulton Chain Rendezvous

Awards for best historic, antique and classic categories. Sponsored by the Adirondack Chapter of The Antique & Classic Boat Society and the Central Adirondack Association. For additional information please contact Rob Kidd at 315-635-6187

#### **AUGUST**

#### Aug 5 - 14

#### Maintain the Chain

An annual, volunteer event comprised of self-directed, environmental improvement projects to maintain the beautiful lakes and watershed of the Fulton Chain of Lakes. For additional information please visit www.MaintaintheChain.net

#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### September 4

#### Labor Day Weekend Celebration

Music, Automobile Raffle & Fireworks over the Old Forge Pond.

#### September 4 CAP-PY Duck Derby

Watch as 3,000 rubber ducks sail down the Moose River. Many great prizes from local sponsors. Sponsored by LivingADK. Please call 315-369-3553 for additional information.

#### September 8-11

#### Old Forge Marathon Weekend

www.trisignup.com/Race/NY/OldForge/OldForgeHalfMarathon5K

#### September 9 - 11

#### 90 Miler Canoe Race

www.northernforestcanoetrail.org/adirondack90miler/



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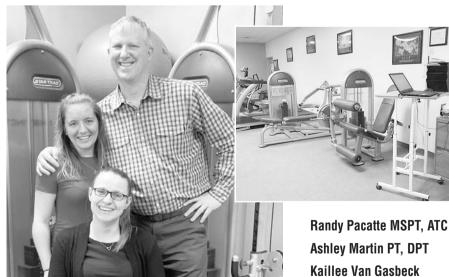
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