



The Fourth Annual Canalway Trail Celebration Saturday, June 2, 2007, National Trails Day

(Events listed by county.)

Albany County

“Canal History Walk” - 10:00 a.m.

Harmony Mills National Historic District.

A guided tour of the Historic Harmony Mill District including a visit to Lock 15, 16, 17 of the enlarged Erie Canal and a tour of Overlook Park at the Cohoes Falls.

Sponsor: City of Cohoes and the Spindle City Historical Society

Contact: Ed Tremblay, 518-233-2118 or 233-2117

etremblay@ci.cohoes.ny.us or www.cohoes.com

Erie County

“Brass Ring Thing VII - A Renaissance Faire” - 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum, 180 Thompson Street, Tonawanda.

Enjoy a family event of swashbuckling sword duels, dangerously accurate knife and axe throwers, gentle lords, beautiful ladies, medieval songsters and skillful jugglers. Games include catapults, castle bounce, dragon swing, pillow joust, rat pucking, sheep throwing, dragon spears and more. Watch Knights on horseback demonstrating their equestrian skills as well as artisan demonstrations and tray auctions.

Sponsor: Carousel Society of the Niagara Frontier, Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum & the Society for Creative Anachronism

Contact: Rae Proefrock, 716-693-1885

director@carrouselmuseum.org or www.carrouselmuseum.org

Madison County

“Archival Day - Canastota Canal Town Museum”

12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

122 North Canal Street, Canastota.

Join in Canastota's "Archival Day" where attractions, arts & culture are the focus. Staff will give free tours of the museum and scan photographs or photocopy documents related to the Erie Canal and Canastota's history.

Sponsor: Canastota Canal Town Museum

Contact: Joseph DiGiorgio, 315-697-2567

jdigiorgio@twcny.com or www.canastota.com

Monroe County

“Guided History Walk” - 10:00 a.m.

Henpeck Park, 2901 Ridgeway Avenue and Elm Grove Road, Greece.

Learn about the history of Greece, the Erie Canal and the Junction Lock. Why is it called Henpeck Park? What is a Junction Lock and why did they build it? This 2.8-mile walk will answer these and other questions about the history of the Erie Canal in Greece.

Contact: Keith Kroon, 585-225-0688

GreeceErieCanal@aol.com

“Fairport Canal Days” - 10:00 a.m - 6:00 p.m.

Fairport Junction (formerly Columbus Commons), Fairport.

Fairport's premier annual arts & crafts festival.

Sponsor: Village of Fairport

Contact: Nancy Ragus, 585-234-4323

info@fairportcanaldays.com or www.fairportcanaldays.com

“Traverse the Trail at Meridian Centre Park” – 10:00 a.m.

Meridian Centre Park, 700 Meridian Centre Blvd. Rochester.

Explore the history of the Erie Canal in Brighton. After a brief discussion led by Brighton Town Historian Mary Jo Lanphear, test your outdoor navigation skills by going on a scavenger hunt to help unlock the mysteries of your natural surroundings at Meridian Centre Park.

Sponsor: Town of Brighton

Contact: Rebecca Cotter, 585-7845276

rcotter@rochester.rr.com or www.townofbrighton.org

“Canal and River Trek Slow and Easy Bike Ride” – 9:30 a.m.

J.C.C. at 1200 Edgewood Avenue, Rochester.

16 miles of level bike riding along the Canalway Trail and the Genessee River.

Sponsor: The Rochester Bicycling Club

Contact: Richard DeSarra, 585-461-5363

rdsbike@rochester.rr.com or www.RochesterBicyclingClub.org

“Butcher, Baker, Candlestick Maker” – 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Adams Basin Inn Bed & Breakfast, 425 Washington Street, Adams Basin.

Stop by and meet the local butcher, baker and candlestick maker and shop for locally produced goods. On the inn porch, browse among the wares of Designed Elegance Pastry Shoppe, Taste of Texas Barbecue, handmade quilts by Judy Nichols, Brockport Country Treasures and other local artists.

Contact: Pat and David Haines, 585-352-3999

hainesp@hotmai.com or www.Adamsbasininn.com

Montgomery County

“Nature Walk on Canalway Trail” – 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Fort Plain (call for meeting location).

Guided springtime nature hike along the Canalway Trail

Sponsor: Fort Plain Activities Council

Contact: Fred Leiber, 518-993-3087

fmleiber@roadrunner.com

“National Trails Day Walking Tour” – 1:00 p.m.

Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site, 129 Schoharie Street, Fort Hunter.

Meet your guide at the visitor center for a walking tour along the Towpath Trails of the old Erie Canal and see the Schoharie Aqueduct, the East Guard Lock and the Empire Lock.

Contact: Tricia Shaw, 518-829-7516

tricia.shaw@oprhp.state.ny.us or www.nysparks.com

Niagara County

“Lockport Cave and Underground Boat Ride”

Hourly from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

2 Pine Street, Lockport.

An exciting historical guided tour through America’s past. Explore the historic Erie Canal Locks 67-71, constructed in 1838, view ruins from an earlier industrial age, walk through a water tunnel that was blasted out of solid rock in the 1850s, view stalactites, flow stone, various geological formations and artifacts left behind by the men who built the tunnel in the early days of the Erie Canal. Enjoy America’s longest underground boat ride as the boat glides through lifeless water, illuminated only by small, sporadically placed electric lights.

Contact: Clancy Burkwit, 716-438-0174

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Oneida County

“Discover the Erie Canalway Trail” - 10:00 a.m. Bike, 11:00 a.m. Hike, 1:00 p.m. cookout, 2:00 p.m. Kayak.

Utica to Stanwix along the trail.

A 30-mile bike ride, 6-mile hike, 6-mile kayak ride and hot dog roast at Lock 20 Pavillion in Marcy.

Sponsor: The Tramp and Trail Club of Utica

Contact: Madonna Fellows, 315-736-2564

usfellows@usadatanet.net

“French and Indian War Encampment” - Saturday, 5/26, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Sunday, 5/27, 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

Fort Stanwix National Monument, Rome.

Living historians will gather at Fort Stanwix to remember those who served there before the American Revolution. 18th-century demonstrations and re-enactments provided throughout the weekend.

Sponsor: National Park Service

Contact: William Sawyer, 315-338-7730

william_sawer@nps.gov or www.nps.gov/fost

Onondaga County

“Erie Canal Celebration” – Saturday, 7/14, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Village of Jordan.

Antique bazaar, arts & craft show, village wide garage sale, great food, live reptiles on display, live music and dance.

Contact: Maureen Dole, 315-730-7498

mjdoyle@twcny.rr.com

“Onondaga Lake Day” - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Onondaga Lake Park - Salt Museum.

Free public information and celebration day focusing upon environmental and recreational attributes of Onondaga Lake including the signature shoreline trails of Onondaga Lake Park.

Sponsor: Onondaga County Parks & the Onondaga Lake Partnership

Contact: Leiko Benson, 315-453-6712

leikobenson@ongov.net or www.lake.onondaga.ny.us

“Camillus Erie Canal Park” - 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Devoe Road, Camillus.

Celebrate opening the trail for biking, hiking and the canal for boat rides on the Erie Canal First Enlargement. View museum exhibits such as the 1845 lock shanty, the 132-year old outhouse, the 1820 lock site and Pill's Homestead foundation. Ongoing canal work parties include gardening, building, and nine mile creek aqueduct restoration planning.

Sponsor: Town of Camillus & volunteers from Erie Canal Park

Contact: David Bebee, 315-488-3409

Oswego County

“Phoenix Lock Island Craft Day” – 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Bridge House, Phoenix.

A day of food, crafts, tours of the Bridge House, and an opportunity to visit Lock 1 in operation.

Sponsor: The Bridge House Brats and the Village of Phoenix

Contact: Cathy Lee, 315-695-2710

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Saratoga County

“Hudson Crossing’s Canalway Trail Celebration” – 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Hudson Crossing Park, Schuylerville.

Pocket park beautification project that will include planting flowers, cleaning beds and boxes, repairing split rail fencing and installing picnic tables.

Sponsor: The Towns of Saratoga, Northumberland & The Turning Point Rotary Club

Contact: Marlene Bissell, 518-695-3309 or 859-1462

abissell@nycap.rr.com or www.hudsoncrossingpark.org

“Explore the Old Champlain Canal Day” – 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Waterford Canal Harbor Visitor Center, One Tugboat Alley, Waterford.

Walk the trail - free tee shirts to the first 50 registrants. Free refreshments for all registrants.

Sponsor: The Town of Waterford

Contact: Richard Hurst, 518-233-9123

wfdcanharvc@aol.com or www.town.waterford.ny.us/visitor_center.htm

“Champlain Canal Trail and Parking Lot Groundbreaking Ceremony”

10:30 a.m. - 8 Brookwood Road, Halfmoon.

Ground breaking ceremony for construction of a trail along old Champlain Canal Towpath from Brookwood Road North.

Sponsor: Town of Halfmoon & the Trails Advisory Committee

Contact: Henrietta O'Grady, 518-371-8374

hograde@nycap.rr.com or www.townofhalfmoon.org

“Celebrate National Trails Day” - 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m

Railroad Run, Saratoga Springs.

A celebration of the trail segment extension of Railroad Run into the new YMCA on West Avenue and a hike into Saratoga Spa State Park to examine the potential crossing locations at Route 50, through the park and onto the Zim Smith Trail. At discussion is gaining surface development right-of-ways with the easements acquired with the new water line project.

Sponsor: Saratoga P.L.A.N. and the City of Saratoga Springs

Contact: Jennifer Ceponis, 518-495-8178
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Schenectady County

“Revolutionary War Re-enactment and Community Day”

Saturday, 6/2, 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. & Sunday, 6/3, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Mabee Farm State Historic Site, 1080 Main Street

Rotterdam Junction.

Two-day, Revolutionary War re-enactment event celebrating life in the 1700s. Volunteers dressed in period costumes will have drill demonstrations, cannon fire, period vendors and other special events. Highlights include a period barn dance on Saturday, with a caller and live band at 7:30 p.m. and a calvary demonstration and a boat battle on the Mohawk with period bateaux and cannon fire on Sunday.

Sponsor: Schenectady County and the Mabee Farm Historic Site

Contact: Pat Barrot, 518-887-5073

mabee@nycap.rr.com or www.schist.org/mabee.htm

“Clean up of City of Schenectady Section of the Mohawk-Hudson Bike-Hike Trail” - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Seneca Street and Bike-Hike Trail, Schenectady.

Join in a trail maintenance day, from garbage clean up to trimming brush. Bring your own work gloves.

Sponsor: Schenectady Chapter of ADK, Friends of the Mohawk-Hudson Bike-Hike Trail, Eastern Mountain Sports & Mohawk Commons Stores

Contact: Howard Halstead, 518-393-0558

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Schoharie County

“National Trails Day at Landis” - 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.

The Landis Arboretum, 174 Lape Road, Esperance.

Join in a trail improvement and clean up day at the arboretum.

Sponsor: The Landis Arboretum & Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce **Contact:** Patty Redlin, 518-875-6935

landis@midtel.net or www.landisarboretum.org

Seneca County

“Walk the Trail with Your Camera” - all day

Frank J. Ludovico Sculpture Trail, Seneca Falls.

Take pictures on 6/2 and then submit photos at Visitor’s Center at 61 Ovid Street, on 6/21 between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. for display all summer.

Contact: Wilhemina Pusmuscans, 315-568-8204

“New Seneca Trail Opens” - 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge, Seneca Falls.

Hike the newly opened trail that connects the canal to the visitor’s center and observation towers, and observe nesting bald eagles.

Contact: Andrea Stewart, 315-568-5987

Andrea_Stewart@fws.gov or www.fws.gov/r5mnwr

“Waterloo in Bloom” - 10:00 a.m.
Vern’s Way, Cayuga-Seneca Trail, Waterloo.

Plant flowers along the newest section of the Cayuga-Seneca Canalway Trail. Visit new exhibits and murals in downtown Waterloo.

Contact: Darlene Duprey, 315-539-9010

Darlene@rochester.rr.com

Tompkins County

“Waterfront Trail Phase 3 Bike Walk”
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 16

Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce to Farmer’s Market, Ithaca

Community walk to highlight Phase 3 of the trail and to celebrate continued progress. Meet at Chamber and then bike or walk to Farmer’s Market.

Contact: Rick Manning, 592-4647, 607-592-4647

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Warren County

“Annual Feeder Canal Canoe and Kayak Race”
Registration 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Race begins at 12:00 p.m.
The Dam at Feeder Canal Park - Richardson Street, Queensbury.

Participate in the annual competition or just enjoy watching the 5-mile race.

Sponsor: The Feeder Canal Alliance

Contact: Jeanne Williams, 518-792-5363

info@feedercanal.com or www.feedercanal.com

Wayne County

“Hike/Bike to Our Petition” - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Proposed Erie Canal Trail, at Lauraville Landing, Clyde.

Hike and bike along the proposed Clyde portion of the Erie Canalway Trail and sign a petition to finish the Canalway Trail in Eastern Wayne County. Maps of the proposed trail will be available online, in the village offices or on-site the day of the event. The Clyde Savannah School Stage and Jazz Band will perform at 1:00 p.m. at Lauraville Landing.

Contact: Christine Lauster, 585-721-0692

plauster2@rochester.rr.com or www.Clydeny.com

“Mural and Park Dedication” - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

“Winston Dobbin’s Park” - Mural Park, next to Lock 27.

Dedication of the newly completed "Winston's Dream" mural at Lock 27 in Lyons, NY.

Sponsor: E.R.I.E. (Erie's Restoration Interests Everyone)

Contact: Mark DeCracker, 315-573-8170

videomark@gmail.com or www.lyonschamber.com and www.E-56.org

“National Trails Day Down on The Farm” - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Cracker Box Palace, 6450 Shaker Road, Alton.

Join in trail maintenance on the Farm Animal Haven property. There will be food, music, games, crafts, kids activities, hiking, geocaching, and lots of friendly animals.

Sponsor: Trail Works Inc. & the Cracker Box Palace Farm Animal Haven

Contact: Barbara DeRoo, 315-483-6936

bderoo@reliantcu.com or www.trailworks.org
www.crackerpalace.org or www.americanhiking.org

“Fourth Annual Canalway Trail celebration” – 11:00 a.m.

T. Spencer Knight Park, Newark.

One-hour concert by the Newark High School Jazz Ensemble beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Sponsor: The Village of Newark

Contact: John Trickey or Lee Mikewicz, 315-331-4770

admin@villageofnewark.com or www.villageofnewark.com

“Trail Clean Up” – 10:00 a.m.

Call for meeting place.

Clean up and beautify the Canalway Trail in Palmyra.

Sponsor: Rotary, Scouts and Adopt-a-Trail volunteers

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