

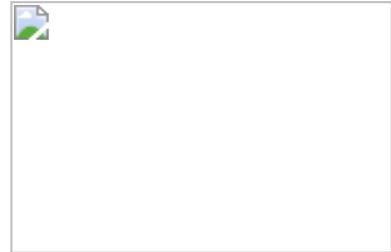
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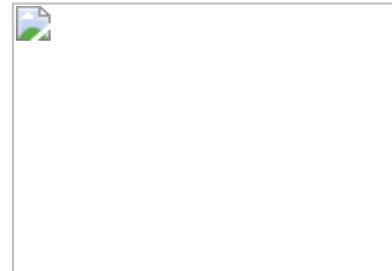
You made a difference!

Thanks to all of the Friends group representatives and park lovers who made the trip to Albany to remind New York lawmakers of the importance of our state parks and historic sites.



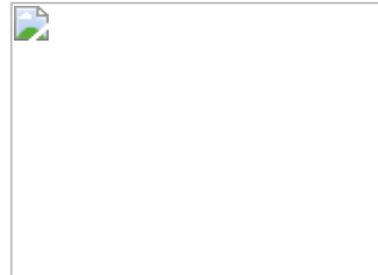
Countdown to 3rd I Love My Park Day

The third annual I Love My Park Day is just around the corner - May 3, 2014. Park and historic site friends groups are hard at work planning projects for the day.



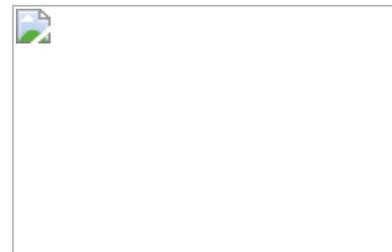
Friends of Letchworth score grants

The Friends of Letchworth have received grants to construct a butterfly garden and repair two CCC chimneys. Also, fundraising for the park's new nature center is underway- check out the video!



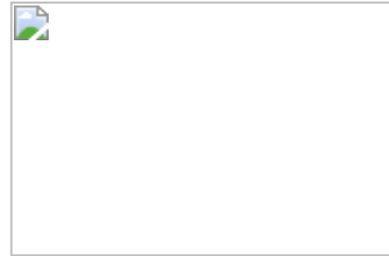
Park revitalization in the works

Over the past three years, \$175 million has been invested in New York's state parks system to rehabilitate state parks and historic sites. Several signature projects were completed in 2013.



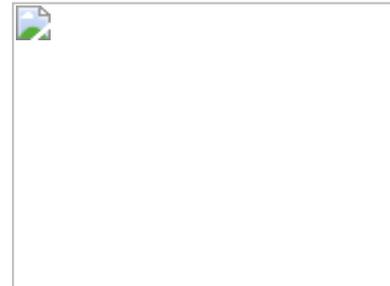
Will the viewshed be saved?

New partners have joined the "Protect the Palisades" coalition to oppose LG's proposed headquarter building behind the Palisades.



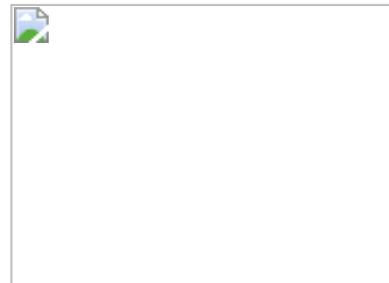
Biodiversity interpretive signs at Tallman Mountain

The Hudson River Valley Greenway awarded \$3,000 to the Palisades Parks Conservancy for interpretive signs along the Tallman Mountain State Park Biodiversity Trail.



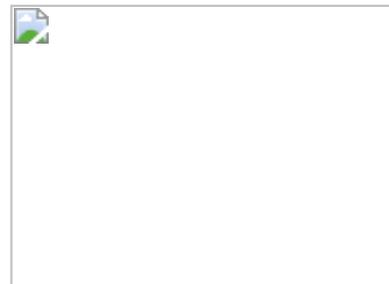
Light ahead for Rock Island

After years of neglect, Rock Island Lighthouse at Fisher's Point in the Thousand Islands Region has been restored. The Lighthouse was among the recipients of last year's New York State Historic Preservation Awards.



65 bedrooms? That's a lot of curtains!

The Planting Fields Foundation embarked on a campaign last year to refurbish the 65-bedroom Coe Hall Mansion at Planting Fields Arboretum State Historic Park on Long Island (story via the *New York Times*).



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