Save the Date for our Chapter Annual Dinner
Friday October 23, 2020
Embassy Suites by Hilton
Saratoga Springs, NY

JR Harris will present “Trail Talk from an Old Dirt Kicker.”

JR is a life long solo traveller, engaging speaker, photographer and author of “Way Out There: Adventures of a Wilderness Trekker” an account of his exploits backpacking some of the most rugged and remote places on earth. To learn more about our guest speaker check out http://jrinthewilderness.com/

We hope to be able to meet in person this fall for our Chapter Annual Dinner. A final decision will be made closer to the date, so please continue to check our website, http://www.adk-gfs.org, for the latest information and our September newsletter.

Check out our Instagram Feed
@adkglensfallssaratoga

Follow our new Instagram page for updates on the ADK Fire Tower Challenge, Chapter outings, and photos from our region.

Feel free to share photos if you’d like to be featured on our page.

Chapter Outings Status

Our chapter is working towards a policy that will allow limited outings. Our goal is to have this in place in early to mid-July, around the time when Phase 4 of New York’s reopening plan is in place.

In the meantime, we have cancelled outings through the end of June.

The DEC recently defined local to be consistent with the New York Forward phased reopening plan regions. This map will perhaps extend where you can #recreatelocal.

We look forward to when we can get back together on the trails, waterways and roads.
Chapter Chair Report ~ Kathi Noble

After spending time close to home and finding local places to recreate, hopefully, we can continue to move slowly and safely to whatever the new normal will be. During the June Executive Committee meeting there were lengthy discussions about resuming outings and to restart the Fire Tower Challenge. After much debate it was decided to wait a few more weeks. Some of the reasons for waiting were to give us more time to come up with an outings protocol that would help to keep the participants, leaders and others safe. We don’t want to contribute to the overcrowding on the trails at this time and that waiting until our area is in Phase 4 when recreational businesses can open up seemed to make the most sense. The DEC fire towers are currently still closed. Even though climbing the towers is NOT required for the challenge, it is part of the thrill of getting to the top. We are hoping to get some guidance from NYS as to procedures that need to be in place for recreation to start up again. Check the Chapter’s website and social media for updates.

In the meantime, I’m sure all of you can find plenty of local hikes, paddles and bike riding were you could avoid the crowds and practice good social distancing. Stay safe and have fun! Kathi

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Membership Update ~ by Pat Desbiens

GLENS FALLS - SARATOGA CHAPTER

NEW MEMBERS - MARCH 2020
Daniela Andrade, Glens Falls
Gwen Bizal, Ballston Lake
Megan Doblewski & Taylor Parker, Fort Edward
Ryan Hogan, Karen Long, Jack & Alexis Hogan & Farrah Long, Malta
Laura Lane, Warrensburg
Charles Lowell, Queensbury
Scott, Lauren, Heidi & Scarlett Magrath, Arlington, VT
John, Ellen, Kieran, Abigail & Nevan Salls, Ballston Lake
Maston Sansom, Ballston Lake
Marty Shopes, Lake George
Matthew Sommons, Manchester Center, Vermont
John Whipple, Sue, Kaden & Elaina Ayala, Rock City Falls

REJOINED MEMBERS - MARCH 2020
Sharon Bosford & Terry Shatraw, Corinth
Timothy Collins, Queensbury
Dale & Mary Dickinson, Fort Edward
Susan, Emily, Stephanie, Corinne, Brandon & Ryan Hare, Ballston Lake
Adam, Caera, Lila, Charlie & Kian Horwitz, Needham, MA
Thomas Meredith & Laura Wunder, Milan, NH
Laura & Phillip Mitchell, Salem
Richard, Amy, Rachel, John & Ben Molloy, Queensbury
Kendra Schieber, Corinth
Peter, Jr. & Cecile Valastro, Hudson Falls

NEW AFFILIATE - MARCH 2020
Margaret Denison, Schaghticoke

NEW MEMBERS - APRIL, 2020
Ron & Carole Abraham, Kingston, Pennsylvania
Scott Banagan, Gansevoort
Sarah Burton, Glens Falls
Brian & Rene Clements, Queensbury
John & Cynthia Coon, Lake George
Sharon Gavitt, Stillwater
Peter Kolman, Riegelsville, Pennsylvania
Danielle Passino, Hudson Falls
Megan Porpeglia, Brooklyn, New York
Sarah Ramos, Queensbury
Ronald Soron, Voorheesville
Caroline Waters-Batko & Bruno, Emma & Noah Batko, Rexford
Ashley Whittier & Daniel Herrmann, Fort Edward

REJOINED MEMBERS - APRIL 2020
Michael & Julia Cushing, Saratoga Springs
Karen, Paul, Amanda, Pauly & Nate Depew, Walden, NY
Theresa Devlin, Queensbury
Scott, Elizabeth, Sergei & Sasha Evans, New York, NY
Denise Fuoco, Ballston Spa
Courtenay, Carolyn & Isabella C. Hall, Lake George
Donald Kieffer, Middle Grove
Alexander, Lauren, Marissa, Aaron & Cailean MacKay & Annette Nadeau, Mechanicville
James Schaad, Ballston Spa
Diane Whitten, Schuylerville

Welcome

Be sure to check out our website: https://www.adk-gfs.org/ for the most up to date information about our outings and programs.

Previous newsletters and a photo gallery of recent hikes are also available for your perusal.

All members are invited and encouraged to attend our monthly meetings to see what we are all about.

ADK Fire Tower Challenge by Kathi Noble

Congratulations to the following people who have recently completed the Adirondack Mountain Club Fire Tower Challenge.

Judith Merriam, Schenectady, NY
Rita Murtagh, Duanesburg, NY
Lynn Fredericks, Amsterdam, NY
Sharon McLaughlin, Albany, NY
Denis Foley, Delmar, NY
Kate Sharlow, Delmar, NY
Bruce McLaughlin, Richmondville, NY
Erica Hayes, Lake Luzerne, NY

Erica Hayes wrote in her letter, “Climbing the fire towers gave me a sense of accomplishment, and even more importantly a peace of mind. When I was at the summit nothing else mattered. Even if it was a cold, dreary day, the best was still made of it.”
Are you moving?

If you are moving, you may call Headquarters at 518-668-4447.

The Chapter receives all its mailing labels and membership lists from the Club.

Therefore, any change of address need NOT be sent to the Chapter. One call to the Club is all you need!

Reminder: Please include your e-mail address when renewing membership!