



# THE TWILIGHT OWL

## Twilight Art Show

Saturday and Sunday, August 9- 10

### Art Show History

The first art exhibit hosted by Twilight Park, a community established in 1888, was held August 16-23, 1947. It was then exclusively for Twilight Park residents and was started as an experiment and featured 13 artists and 60 works of art. It was strictly an amateur show with no professional judges or prizes. According to Rev. Bradford Burnham, a member of the 1947 Exhibition Committee, the paintings were rather casually leaned against the walls and center columns of the Park's clubhouse for viewing. In 1948 outsiders were invited to exhibit as well, and in 1949 the Woodstock Artists Association provided a three-person Jury of Awards. Since that time a number of well known art and photography judges, including museum directors from Williams College and Skidmore College's Tang Museum of Art, have evaluated the show's entries, and currently prizes are awarded for the judges' selection of Best in Show, Awards of Excellence and Honorable Mention.

### Children's Art Show

A Children's Art Show is also part of this 61<sup>st</sup> Show and is open to children 14 years of age or younger. In 2007 twenty-six children participated as "Emerging Artists."

### The Corner Store

Additional works, framed and unframed, as well as a selection of crafts will be for sale at the "Corner Store" of the Clubhouse.

## Twilight Youngsters Take the Plunge!



Left to right: Walker Pitts, Milo Marcus, Catherine Roll, Grace Mack, Brendan Clare, Jake Maurer, A.J. Marcus.

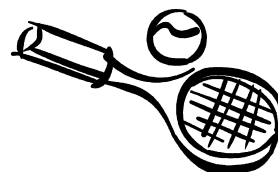
Photo courtesy of Meg Pitts.

## Owl Matches

Sunday August 3, 2008 at 1:30pm

Twilight Park Tennis Courts

Come watch Team Twilight face off against Team Onteora in this time-honored tennis event!!!!



### Team Twilight

<b>Men's Singles</b>	Dave Maurer
<b>Women's Singles</b>	Kimmy McMenamin
<b>Mixed Doubles</b>	Bob Sheridan Robin Mechlowitz
<b>Women's Doubles</b>	Judy Sheridan Paula Canning
<b>Men's Doubles</b>	Jim McMenamin Dan Maurer
<b>Junior Doubles</b>	Matt Roll Drew Sterrett

## Art Committee to Honor Pauline Lunas Lend Your Lunas Paintings for the Art Show

The Twilight Art Committee plans to honor Pauline Lunas (1908-2008), longtime member of the Art Committee and active artist for many years.

Pauline's family will be in the Park for her Memorial Service on the weekend of the Art Show. At that time, in conjunction with the Art Show, a small showing of some of Pauline's art will be featured in the TV room at the Clubhouse.

Park members who own a Lunas painting and are willing to loan it for the weekend of the show (August 8-10) should call Bruce Dayton at 589-5119.

**The deadline for the next Owl is Sunday, August 10.** Submissions may be dropped in my mailbox at the gatehouse (call to confirm that I will be there if it is time-sensitive) or e-mailed to me at [TwilightParkOwl@gmail.com](mailto:TwilightParkOwl@gmail.com).

## Linger-Not Hiking Staffs

Only two left! Complete with Linger-Not badge. A Twilight treasure for future generations.

Modest price of \$22. Call Chardie Hay at 589-5839.

## "Not Your Ordinary Potluck Dinner" To benefit the All Angels Auxiliary

Saturday, August 2 at 6:00 p.m.

We are looking forward to another successful benefit this year! I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all of my dedicated auxiliary members, donors, angels and supporters for their dedicated service to our cause -- loving care and maintenance of our beautiful All Angels Rectory!

*Karen Hulse  
All Angels Auxiliary President*

## Mountain Top Historical Society Hikes

### Saturday, August 9 – North Point

Depart 9:00 am, return 5:00 pm

- Meeting place: Historical Society Campus, Route 23A, Haines Falls
- Vertical Rise: 870 ft. Distance: 6 miles
- Difficulty: Moderate with a steep scramble
- Extensive views of the Hudson Valley and the Eastern Escarpment including classic sites that inspired the Hudson River School.

**Saturday, August 16 - To be determined by the interests of the participants.**

The Mountain Top Historical Society does not require membership for hike participation. We do, however, request that you register for each hike. For more information and to register, call Bob Gildersleeve at (518) 734-9701 or Larry Tompkins at (518) 734-4264.

An up-to-date list of hikes and other programs can be found at: <http://www.mths.org>

## Mountaintop Historical Society Annual Open House

**Saturday, August 23, from 11 – 5**

Historical Society Campus, Haines Falls.

This great event features hay rides and entertainment. The featured speaker is Dr. Kevin Avery, a curator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and an authority on the painter Sanford Gifford.

## Haines Falls Free Library Events

### **Mosaic Crafts for Children** Wednesday, August 6 from 2-4 pm

Local artist Margaret Burns shares the history and techniques of mosaic making and guides children in creating their own mosaics.

### **Women and Aviation: Dramatic Storytelling for All Ages** Wednesday, August 13 – time TBA

Join gifted storyteller Nancy Marie Payne for a journey into the world of women in aviation.

A former classroom teacher, Nancy Marie Payne honed her storytelling skills on her elementary students. "A good story keeps them coming back for more." Nancy specializes in historical characterizations from the late 19th century. Her tales of emancipation, women's suffrage, and orphaned children have been heard at numerous public libraries and historical societies. She also writes and tells stories with more traditional themes and has appeared at First Night in Albany and at the Story Sundays at the Glen Sanders Mansion series.

### **Book Sale**

Don't forget the Library's ongoing Book Sale! Plenty of paperbacks, hardcovers, fiction, non-fiction, videos and more.

### **Children's Story Time** Thursdays 10:30 – 11:00 am Haines Falls Free Library

*The Haines Falls Free Library is located on North Lake Road. All events are held at the Library unless otherwise noted.*

*Phone (518) 589-5707 for more information.*



## News of Watson Hall

I'm not sure where the deployment to Iraq rumor started, but for now Watson has been extended to stay in Korea. That could change on a moment's notice but we are grateful for now. He would love to hear from Twilight and anyone that would like to email him at [Navywat@aol.com](mailto:Navywat@aol.com) or visit him at My Space: [www.myspace.com/23134255](http://www.myspace.com/23134255).

Even though Korea is still an active duty zone he doesn't need care packages, but cards and letters are always welcome. His address is:

Pfc. Watson Hall  
HHT 4-7 CAV  
Unit # 15141  
APO AP 96224-5141

He does go into the DMZ for month-long maneuvers, and the North Koreans still shoot at them – snipers are part of the day-to-day life. CNN doesn't ever tell the world that, however. But it's better than Iraq and Afghanistan, so we are keeping our fingers crossed that he'll get to stay.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and caring. It means a lot!

*Annette Hall (from an e-mail to Amanda Fletcher)*

## Thomas Cole's "Sketch" Paintings: An Exploration of the Creative Process Through October 28, 2008

Cedar Grove Historic Site, Catskill

The 2008 exhibition opened in May and features a selection of oil sketches. The sketch paintings are relatively quick studies in oil, either completed outdoors in front of a view or in the studio to work out a



composition or detail, providing a fascinating window onto the artist's thoughts. Many of the objects are coming from private collections and therefore have rarely been seen by the public. The exhibition also includes Cole's original

paintbrushes and palettes still covered with paint, as well as examples of oil sketches by his contemporaries of the Hudson River School including Sanford Gifford and Frederic Church. The exhibition is part of a larger project to explore Thomas Cole's creative process through a site-wide interpretive exhibition.

For more information, call (518) 943-7465  
or visit [www.thomascole.org](http://www.thomascole.org).

## Regional Travelogue Overnight Trip – Shelburne Farms Shelburne, VT

Last week, Elda and I spent a most relaxing and memorable day at Shelburne Farms, which was created in 1886 by William Seward and Lila Vanderbilt Webb as a model agricultural estate. Shelburne is a scenic four-hour drive from Twilight. We stayed at the Inn, the original Seward residence, which was fully restored in 1987. There are 24 bedrooms, each decorated with original furnishings, and four lovely guest cottages; the Inn is open from May thru October.

There is so much to do and see at or near the farm – miles of beautiful hiking/running trails (the kitchen will pack a picnic lunch in a cooler), canoes and kayaks for the lake, tours of the Inn and farm buildings (where we saw day-old piglets and exhausted momma, cows being milked and cheese made from that milk!). Visit the Shelburne Museum, which exhibits 150,000 works of folk art, as well as French Impressionist and American paintings in 39 exhibit buildings. The major exhibit at present is: Mary Cassatt: Friends and Family.

Breakfast and lunch is served daily at the Inn. The dinner was fabulous, memorable not for our main courses, but rather the appetizers, desserts and amusing "in-betweens" such as a charcuterie of local sausages and salamis, pâtés and chicken livers, all made on the farm. Amuses-gueules such as cucumber and fennel cocktail, beet mousse topped with panna cotta, and baby carrots on their feathery stalks in farm fresh butter. And then a selection of ice creams, flavors such as buttermilk, peach blossom, and lavender (which smelled as wonderful as it tasted)!

Go to [www.shelburnefarms.org](http://www.shelburnefarms.org) or call (802) 985-8686 for more information.

*Jim Martocci*

## At the Mountain Cinema in Hunter For more information call 263-2002

### Sangre De Mi Sangre

Saturday, August 2 | 4:30pm, 7:30pm, 9:30pm  
Sunday, August 3 – Monday, August 4 | 7:30pm, 9:30pm  
Sunday, August 10 | 2:30pm, 4:30pm

Winner of the Best Dramatic film at the 2007 Sundance Film Festival

### Batman: The Dark Night

Friday, August 1 | 7:00pm, 9:30pm  
Saturday, August 2 – Sunday, August 3 | 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:30pm  
Monday, August 4 | 7:00pm, 9:30pm  
Wednesday, August 6 – Thursday, August 7 | 7:00pm, 9:30pm

### Edge of Heaven

Sunday, August 3 | 2:30pm, 4:30pm

### Full Grown Men

Wednesday, August 6 – Thursday, August 7 | 7:30pm, 9:30pm



## Catskill Cottage Life

**The Ideal Way in Which to Spend a Summer's Outing.**

*The New York Times*, June 4, 1893

Cottage life in the Catskills is one of the most delightful and healthful ways of spending one's Summers, and hundreds of people who a few years ago lived during the season in some mountain hotel now own cottages. These people are thoroughly independent, and know no rules but their own comfort. Since city people have learned the advantages of living in a house of their own, a number of cottage colonies have sprung up around Tannersville, and some of these have grown so rapidly that they form a little village of their own, with a Post Office, telegraph station, and every other convenience and none of the inconveniences of hotel life.

Twilight, Onteora and Elka Parks, which are perhaps the best known, have already opened their hospitable doors, and many of the cottagers have left the city and are now comfortably settled in their quaint mountain homes, far removed from any sounds save those of the birds and the breezes. In these secluded spots a person can find genuine rest and comfort, with just such people around as one desires to associate with. There is plenty of gayety and life, but those who prefer quiet have it ever at their disposal.

Twilight Park, situated near Haines Falls, within the sound of its distant roar, is almost out of the world. The view through the Kaaterskill Clove, with the glistening waters of the Hudson in plain view, and far beyond toward the rising sun the beautiful Berkshires, is one of the most delightful and refreshing in the world. This delightful spot was selected by some prominent members of the Twilight Club in New-York in 1887, when its 350 acres were bought for about \$10 an acre.

Charles F. Wingate and George W. Wingate, who is President of the *Twilight Park Association*, were among the originators of the scheme to establish the park. There are over fifty cottages and cabins, besides three clubhouses, in the settlement, which has a Summer population of more than 350 persons. All the cottages are given pretty names, and the clubhouses are known as Twilight Inn, Squirrel Inn, and the Legend Clubhouse. The Legend Clubhouse has had an addition, containing a parlor and fifteen rooms, made to it this Spring, and a dozen rooms have been added to Squirrel Inn. Families who wish to avoid housekeeping cares take their meals at the Twilight Clubhouse, which this year will be in charge of Miss Emma Ithell, Superintendent of the New-York Cooking School.



This main clubhouse is one of the most inviting buildings in the Catskills. Its rooms are fitted with large rustic fireplaces built in the stone chimneys, where whole logs are burned when the mornings are chilly. The floors are hard wood covered with rugs and skins, and everything about the building is suggestive of simplicity and comfort. As in all the parks in the mountains, the dress suit and ball gown are frowned upon, and society people, who in the city season would never dream of attending a reception in anything but the conventional dress, go to the dances in the clubhouse in outing clothes.

Mr. Matthew Reilly of Madison Avenue and Eightieth Street, New-York City, has built a cottage in the park this Spring which is the largest and finest there. It cost \$25,000. His family are now occupying it. Mr. Lum of New-York has also built two new cottages. Expensive cottages are the exception and not the rule in the park, and many of the most comfortable ones have cost not more than \$1,000. The pretty little church, which was

formerly Episcopal, is now undenominational, and the services are conducted by different clergymen, who are invited to the park. This change has been very satisfactory, for now every one has the privilege of hearing a clergyman of his or her own denomination preach at different times during the summer.

Miss Bennett has purchased the rectory of the church, and expects to occupy it this Summer. The Twilight Park Association has put up a cottage this Spring which will accommodate a dozen persons, the rooms of which have been rented. Dwellers in the park will be entertained during the Summer by musicales and readings, as well as the dances which are a feature of life there. A class in art and music will also be started soon.

Some of the persons who, with their families and friends, will soon be settled in their homes, are S.C.D. Dodd, counsel for the Standard Oil Company, W.C. Whitney, Benjamin E. Smith of the Century Dictionary Company, George W. Wingate, Ethan Allen of the Lorillard Tobacco Company, Dr. J.P. Gerau of Brooklyn, and Dr. Harriett Barkelow of the same city. Among the cottage owners are Prof. Benjamin E. Smith, the Rev. J. Howard Suydam, one of the charter members of the association, now pastor of the Reformed Church at Rhinebeck, Charles C. Whitney, Henry Hosford, S.S. Packard, Robert Moore, Miss Eugenia Apel, Henry L. Bridgeman, Dr. J.A. Gerau, Mrs Emily A. Bourquin, Dr. Arnold W. Catlin, John D. Lange, Col. John G. Cuyler, Charles F. Wingate, and Lyman D. Morse.

*(To be continued in the August 16 edition)*