

GATEWAY TOURS FOR 2012



The Trustees
of the
Hudson Mohawk Industrial Gateway
cordially invite you to attend
a ribbon-cutting ceremony
on September 26th, 1982
at 2 o'clock
to celebrate the opening
of the Burden Office Building,
restored as the tourism center
for the Hudson Mohawk
Urban Cultural Park.

Hudson Mohawk Industrial Gateway

Michael P. Barrett
Deputy Director and Tourism Coordinator

P. Thomas Carroll, PhD
Executive Director

Burden Iron Works Museum
One East Industrial Parkway
Troy, NY 12180-5942
518-274-5267

www.hudsonmohawkgateway.org
info@hudsonmohawkgateway.org

Shown above are selections from the invitation to the grand opening of the Burden Iron Works Museum in 1982. This was where our logo, designed by the late G. Steven Draper, made its debut. Indeed, Draper designed the entire invitation. See inside for information about the thirtieth anniversary of that opening.

Gateway Tours

- The Gateway's tours are designed to help educate the public about the rich and significant industrial heritage of the Hudson-Mohawk region, the Silicon Valley of the nineteenth century, which continues to make important technical contributions to the nation.
- Besides these public tours, the Gateway regularly schedules special tours, on topics relevant to our mission, for school groups, clubs, family outings, and such. Call or write if you are interested in arranging such an event.
- Numbered Gateway tours **require reservations**, which can be submitted by mail using the enclosed form, by telephone at 518-274-5267, or by email to info@hudsonmohawkgateway.org. Further information and directions will be provided once the reservations are confirmed.
- The Gateway reserves the right to change, cancel, or reschedule any tour if conditions require such action.
- Gateway members get a \$2 discount off the posted price of any Gateway tour. Some non-Gateway tours listed here do not qualify for this discount, as noted in their descriptions below.
- Children under 12 are free (except on bus tours) and must be accompanied by parent or guardian.

MAY

Waterford/RiverSpark Canal Fest. May 12.

9:30 am, 8½ hrs. A day long celebration of Waterford's history and waterfront attractions. Free.

#1. The Great Fire of 1862. May 12. 10:30 am, 1½ hrs. Troy's worst fire was on May 10, 1862, just over one year after the beginning of the Civil War. More than 500 buildings on 75 acres of the heart of downtown were gone in the course of an afternoon. Discover the scope and the results of this catastrophe with RCHS Curator Stacy Pomeroy Draper. Sponsored by our friends at the Rensselaer County Historical Society. \$5. No Gateway discount.

#2. The Bells of 1875. May 20. 3 pm, 1 hr. As part of NYS Heritage Weekend, and in conjunction with RCHS and the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, we will offer a lecture at RCHS about bells produced by local manufacturers in the year that the Music Hall was constructed. Suggested donation of \$5.

JUNE

Apollo Lodge Masonic Civil War Encampment. June 2-3. The premier weekend-long event commemorating the 150th anniversary of our Civil War. Authentic period reenactors, music, and exhibits (including ours) will bring to life our nation's greatest political and social strife. Free.

#3. Troy Belting & Supply Company. June 13. 10 am, 1 hr. Started in Troy in 1862, this 150-year-old firm has evolved into the premier maintenance support company in the Northeast. Originally focused on belts and industrial supplies, they now have one of the largest electromechanical repair centers in the Northeast, including a recent expansion into hydraulic repairs, adding equipment and jobs. A vintage company with new leadership looks to the future. No open-toed shoes. \$15.

#4. A Wednesday Walk-About in Downtown Troy. June 20. 5:30 pm, 2 hrs. Join P. Thomas Carroll as he leads us on a walking tour of the history and architectural splendors in downtown Troy. See why all of the out-of-state cruise boats are begging us to provide this tour for them. Co-sponsored with the Historic Albany Foundation. \$10 (\$5 for Gateway and HAF members).

JULY

#5. The USS *Monitor* Bus Trip. July 7. 9 am, 8 hrs. On July 9, 1862, President Lincoln visited

the USS *Monitor*, the most famous warship of the day, while she lay at anchor on the James River in Virginia. Join him in spirit as we flesh out the details of this area's crucial industrial and financial contributions to the birth of "the Stealth Bomber of 1862." \$69 includes tour, bus, snacks, lunch, and a copy of our own Steve Muller's *Troy, New York and the Building of the USS Monitor*.

AUGUST

National Night Out at the Burden Museum.

Aug. 7. 5 pm, 4 hrs. We will be hosting the Burden Iron Works Neighborhood Association, plus other nearby Troy NAs, at their annual public safety awareness event and cookout. Free and open to the public.

Civil War Heritage Days at Schuyler Flatts.

Aug. 18-19. Another weekend-long event commemorating the 150th anniversary of our Civil War. Authentic period reenactors, music, and exhibits will bring to life the period of our nation's greatest political and social strife. Not only will we have a display, but we will be selling signed copies of Steve Muller's *Troy, New York and the Building of the USS Monitor*. Free. See www.nycivilwar150.org for additional information.

SEPTEMBER

Saratoga Springs Civil War Encampment.

Sept. 21-23. Another weekend-long event commemorating the 150th anniversary of our Civil War. Authentic period reenactors, music, and exhibits will bring to life the period of our nation's greatest political and social strife. Not only will we have a display, but we will be

selling signed copies of our own Steve Muller's *Troy, New York and the Building of the USS Monitor*. Free. See www.nycivilwar150.org for additional information.

#6. Troy's Tiffany Treasures. Sept. 22. 9:30 am, 3 hrs. One of our most popular tours of all time. Troy may very well have more Tiffany windows per square mile than any other city in the nation. We will briefly describe the life's work of Louis Comfort Tiffany and then guide you on a walking and driving tour of the abundant Tiffany windows and interior designs in downtown Troy. **This always sells out, so be sure to register early.** \$20.

- As it is every year, our Tiffany Treasures tour is a Hudson River Valley Ramble event. For those who might want to enjoy a full day of Tiffany windows, Troy's Oakwood Cemetery will also be hosting a Ramble event on the afternoon of this same day. Their tour will highlight the Tiffany and Armstrong windows in the opulent Gardner Earl Chapel, followed by a walk through this renowned garden cemetery. If you have never seen the grandeur of this building, you should not miss the opportunity. Call 1-800-556-6273 for details and reservations. (The Gateway does not take reservations for the Oakwood tour. Sorry, no Gateway discount.)

#7. The Thirtieth Anniversary of the Burden Iron Works Museum. Sept. 26. 7 pm. On this date thirty years ago, the Burden Office Building reopened as our Museum. Come to see where we stand after three decades and over 1.5 million dollars of work, and enjoy a glimpse of where we hope to be in the future. Details will be posted on our website as the plans firm up and the new interior lighting project progresses. Light refreshments will be served. \$15.

OCTOBER

The Gateway's Annual Gala. Oct. 25. 5:30 pm, 3 hrs. This year we honor the Capital District Civil War Round Table for their extraordinary fundraising for the preservation of Civil War sites, including the Burden Museum. Our special guests will be noted actor Stephen Lang and Emmy-Award-winning filmmaker Carl Kriegeskotte, and we're holding it at the entrance to the New York State Museum's special Civil War Sesquicentennial Exhibition, which will feature Burden horseshoes and the local ties to the U.S.S. *Monitor*. Don't miss it! Call 518-274-5267 for further details.

NOVEMBER

#8. Origins of the Modern Horseshoe.

Nov. 10. 2 pm, 2 hrs. One of our most enduringly popular tours. The modern machine-made horseshoe was invented in South Troy, and the original and subsequent patents were awarded to Henry Burden. By the late 19c, this historic site was producing nearly one million horseshoes a week, powered in part by the most powerful vertical water wheel in history and, in all probability, the model for the world's first Ferris Wheel. Come and see this internationally significant spot and learn about the transition from blacksmith to farrier, including a demonstration of working models of Henry Burden's horseshoe making machines. We will have on display the original 1835 Letters Patent for a horseshoe machine issued to Burden and personally signed by President Andrew Jackson.

We will follow this two-hour session with an optional hike through the woods to the water wheel site. \$15.

2012 Reservation Form

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Daytime phone (_____) _____

Evening phone (_____) _____

Email address _____

Tour Number	# in Party	Cost per mem/non	Total Cost
-------------	------------	------------------	------------

_____ X _____ = _____

Total Cost _____

Make check payable to "The Gateway," or complete the credit card information below, and mail this panel of the brochure to the address on the first page of this document. Thank you.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Visa MasterCard Discover (circle one)
Number: _____

Expires: _____/_____

Billing name/address (if different from above):

Signature _____ o