# Saturday, September 11, 10:00-12:00 noon

#### "ROLLIN' ON THE RIVER" – BOAT TOUR:

A wonderful way to relax via boat ride on Waterman Center's "Susquehanna Shuttle" pontoon boat. View eagle's nests, river wildlife, Hiawatha Island, and more. Meet at the Marshland Road Riverfront Park area. (This tour is \$10 each-no senior discount.)



# Saturday, September 18, 10:00-2:00 pm

"THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD – PART II" – BUS TOUR AND LUNCH:

A little review from the August 21 tour, but then changes to include more routes and safe houses where African slaves in the 19th century fled to with the aid of abolitionists. Enjoy the tunes of more "spiritual" songs. A stop for lunch (on your own) is planned.

#### Saturday, September 25, 10 am–12:00 noon "INSIDE TIOGA'S COUNTY COURTHOUSE" – WALKING TOUR:

Judge Vincent Sgueglia will lead the group on an exclusive and unique tour inside this historic building, one of the oldest courthouses in the state, also on the National Registry of Historic Places.

#### Saturday, October 2, 10:00 am – 12 noon "NEW SCENERY-OLD STORIES" – BUS TOUR:

Slaves, Soldiers, Singers, Hero's & Shero's and the award winning "Colored" Conservation Corps Camp- Rediscover our fascinating & diverse history!

### **Saturday, October 9, 10:00-12:00 noon** "WALKING AMONG THE DEAD" – WALKING TOUR:

You'll be "dying" to find out who is actually buried here. Find where the gravestone of one of the longest epitaphs in the U.S. is located. Meet and park your car at the top of Evergreen Cemetery, Owego. Call for directions.

## Saturday, October 16, 10:00 am-12:00 noon "THE TERRIBLE TIOGA TOUR" – BUS TOUR:

Listen and see where some harried legends and tales of mishaps and mayhem occurred in Tioga County. Is it really true??? Some horrific, as well as comical stories and places of interest will be visited.

# Saturday, October 23, 10:00-12:00 noon

#### "HOW MUCH WOOD WOULD A WOODCHUCK CHUCK..." – BUS TOUR:

Visit Wagner Lumber, the largest manufacturer of hardwood lumber and largest purchaser of hardwood logs in the Northeast. Tour the facility, see a presentation and learn about this fascinating operation.





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# 2010 Tioga Journeys Schedule THEMED BUS WALKING TOURS

All guided tours begin at 10:00 am and meet at the Tourism Office Visitor Center at 80 North Avenue, Owego (unless otherwise listed). Length of tours vary. Reservations recommended as space may be limited.

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Most tours begin at 10:00 a.m. each Saturday and leave from the front of the Tioga County Tourism Visitor Center 80 North Avenue, Owego.

#### Saturday, June 5, 10:00-12:00 noon "SPRING FEST RENDEVOUS – EARLY AMERICA RECREATED" – BUS TOUR:

Have you ever wondered what life might be like in the 18th century? Travel back with our tour guide Dan Rhodes as he explains much of the history behind the Bement Billings Farmstead, along with numerous traditional living skills of the era and other interesting aspects of pioneer life. Knowledge and insights shared are those you'll most likely not gain from a general admission ticket.

## <u>Saturday, June 12, 10:00 am–1:00 pm</u>

#### "LOCAL PRODUCTS AND NATURE'S FOOD" - BUS TOUR:

A trip to the amazing Ithaca Farmer's Market to experience wines, beautiful flowers, unique gifts, specialty foods, clothing, accessories, a dazzling array of paintings, pottery, woodworking, and jewelry offered by distinguished fine artists and craftspeople from around the region. Enjoy live music and a waterfront picnic with a variety of food you can purchase.

#### Saturday, June 26, 10:00 am-2:00 pm "HOW DOES HIS GARDEN GROW?" - BUS TOUR AND LUNCH:

Tour six acres of rolling lawn and beautiful perennial beds with more than 550 different varieties of perennials. Other structures include a covered bridge, working water wheel, feed mill, fossil rock, stone sundial. A destination for discerning and enthusiastic gardeners. We'll stop for lunch (on your own) at The Bishop's Inn in Spencer.  $\Box = \frac{1}{2}$ 

#### Saturday, July 10, 10:00 am-1:30 pm "A SECRET COLLECTOR'S DREAM & BED & BREAKFAST TOUR" – BUS TOUR:

Your jaw will drop when you visit this private historic estate featuring over 50 years of collecting the most unusual and fascinating things. A bonus on this tour is an antique car ride to the Palmer House B&B, to tour this gorgeous 115 year old Victorian mansion, offering yummy light refreshments.

## Saturday, July 17, 10:00 am-12:00 noon

#### "OWEGO'S CHARM" - WALKING TOUR:

The historic homes in this quaint village boasts some of the most amazing and varied architecture in the state. Find out about the unique architecture and the noted people who lived and shaped Owego.

# Saturday, July 24, 10:00 am-1:00 pm

#### "BIRDS OF A FEATHER" - BUS TOUR:

Like bird watching? This tour heads up to visit Cornell University's Ornithology Lab in Sapsucker Woods, Ithaca. You'll have opportunity to use viewing windows, scopes and binoculars, listen to a variety of birds in the natural sound lab, see a video and explore four miles of trails, mostly self-guided.

## Saturday, July 31, 10 am-12:00 noon "USING THE BENEFITS OF NATURE" – BUS TOUR:

Visit the site of Owego's Wilderness Way School and experience the unique skills and amazing tools of an ancient lifestyle. Enjoy hands-on demonstrations and activities that include discovering wild edible and medicinal plants, creating primitive fires and stone tools, and making tanning hides. Learn how these ancient skills, and nature awareness, can enrich your modern day life.

#### Saturday, August 7, 10:00 am-1:30 pm "CORNELL PLANTATIONS TOUR" – BUS TOUR:

A trip to Cornell University's campus with a guided tour of their 50 acre botanical gardens where you'll learn about its history and variety of plant collections. (Please bring a boxed lunch if you'd like.)

## Saturday, August 14, 10:00 am-12:00 n "GUNS AND CANNONBALLS" – BUS TOUR:

What connection does Tioga County have with the Civil War? This tour will include a trip to the cemetery's Civil War plots as well as stops and stories of several other important Civil War points of interest.



# <u>Saturday, August 21, 10 am–1:00 pm</u>

#### "THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD - PART I" - BUS TOUR:

What impact did the Underground Railroad have on Tioga County? View the homes where activity occurred, follow its route on a supplied map, and hear the fascinating stories and spiritual songs that go with them. (Part II - see September 18)

# Saturday, August 28, 10:00-1:30 pm

#### "TROLLEY INTO MARK TWAIN COUNTRY" - BUS TOUR:

In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of Mark Twain's death and 175th anniversary of his birth, you'll board a historic trolley to tour a variety of related "Twain" sites and attractions in the Elmira area. Advance reservations only.