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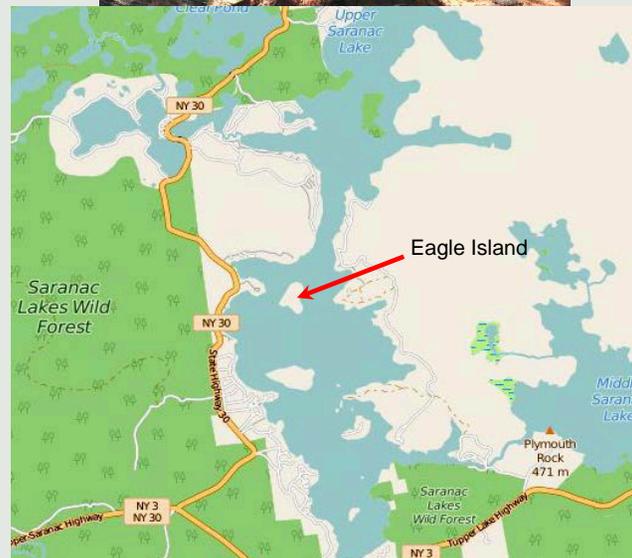
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Eagle Island Great Camp

WHERE HISTORY MEETS THE FUTURE

EAGLE ISLAND IS A 30-ACRE ISLAND LOCATED ON UPPER SARANAC LAKE, ACCESSIBLE 10 MINUTES BY BOAT FROM GILPIN BAY IN A WILD FOREST AREA OF THE ADIRONDACK PARK.

A YOUTH SUMMER CAMP AND MORE . . .

This Adirondack Great Camp is designated a

National Historic Landmark
by the National Park Service



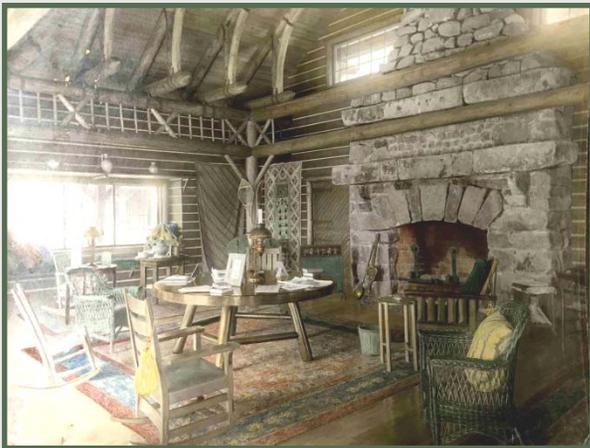
History of a Great Camp

Located in the majestic setting of Upper Saranac Lake in New York, the 30 acre property is an Adirondack Great Camp. Designated a National Historic Landmark in 2004, Eagle Island was constructed in 1903 by preeminent Adirondack architect William L. Coulter for former and United States Vice President, Levi P. Morton. From 1937-2008, the Island was home to the beloved summer camp for girls, Eagle Island Camp, owned and operated by the Girl Scouts for seventy years.

Generations of girls and young women benefitted from life-changing adventures in the wilderness with premier swimming, hiking, canoeing and sailing programs. Eagle Island pealed with laughter and song while providing children with the opportunity to develop confidence, a love of nature, good stewardship practices, and leadership skills. This fostering environment was in keeping with the wishes of financier Henry Graves, Jr. and his wife Florence, who donated the property in memory of their sons in 1937.

The Friends of Eagle Island, Inc. (FEI), formed in 2011 as a non-profit corporation with the goal to preserve this unique summer camp and historic landmark. It acquired the property in November 2015 and is working to restore the buildings and infrastructure, with the goal of reopening it as a summer camp for young people.

The mission of Friends of Eagle Island, Inc. is to provide an environmentally responsible Adirondack island camping experience for youth of diverse backgrounds with an emphasis on girls and young women, while preserving Eagle Island's natural and historic character.



Main Lodge
Adirondack Collection, Saranac Lake Library c. 1910



Youth Summer Camp

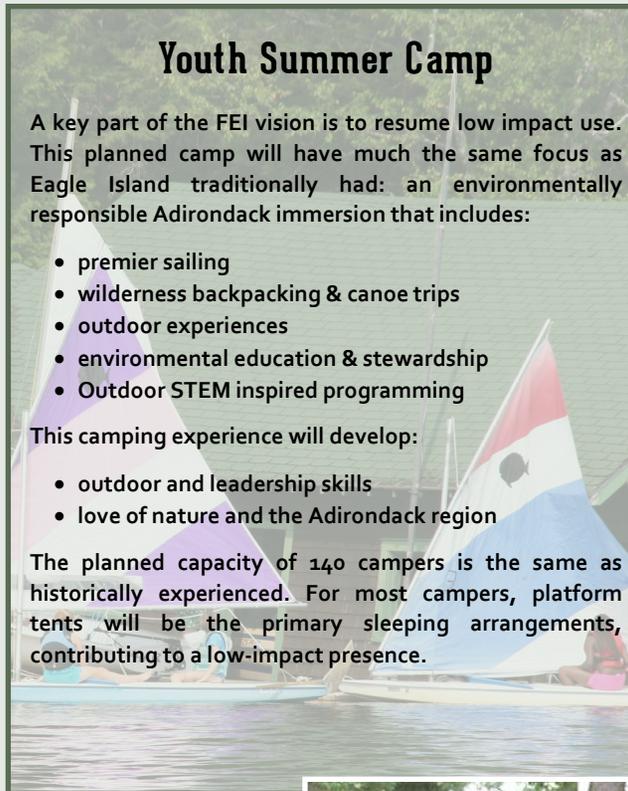
A key part of the FEI vision is to resume low impact use. This planned camp will have much the same focus as Eagle Island traditionally had: an environmentally responsible Adirondack immersion that includes:

- premier sailing
- wilderness backpacking & canoe trips
- outdoor experiences
- environmental education & stewardship
- Outdoor STEM inspired programming

This camping experience will develop:

- outdoor and leadership skills
- love of nature and the Adirondack region

The planned capacity of 140 campers is the same as historically experienced. For most campers, platform tents will be the primary sleeping arrangements, contributing to a low-impact presence.



Eagle Island's Future

Friends of Eagle Island is committed to a future that honors the past and looks forward to developing leaders who love and respect the Adirondacks while incorporating new ideas and practices to even better preserve and enrich this community asset.

Among the goals are to:

PROVIDE an environmentally responsible and economically sustainable summer camp for youth of diverse backgrounds.

CONSERVE and PRESERVE natural and historic character of the Great Camp.

EDUCATE future generations in nature appreciation and respect for the environment.

PRESERVE AND ENRICH this Community Asset by creating an ongoing Visitor's Program that promotes public understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of Adirondack heritage.

Restoration and Stabilization

The financial cost to stabilize and restore Eagle Island to operating condition is estimated at \$2.5 million. This includes required infrastructure upgrades to water supply, septic and electrical as well as restoration and renovations of historic and other buildings.

