

2024 NEWSLETTER

THANK YOU

Thanks to all of our visitors, volunteers and donors for another successful year at the Black River Canal Museum.

Last year was a great success with 1,233 visitors touring the complex. There were 35 visitors from 11 countries other than the US, and 276 children.



A special thanks to The Boonville Chamber of Commerce for honoring the Museum as "Business of the Month" in August, 2023!

AN UPGRADED WEBSITE

Thanks to the Kenneth and Jeannette Sawyer Fund at the Northern New York Community Foundation, the museum received \$2,000 to help fund a total upgrade of our ancient website.

Now up and running, you will find more links and pictures of Boonville and the Black River Canal, the most recent newsletter and a printable membership application. You can now also pay your membership fee online.

Check it all out at blackrivercanalmuseum.com

TOURS AND MORE

STICKERS FOR SCAVENGER HUNT WINNERS

Attention all kids... remember to pick up the scavenger hunt list at the front desk with all the things to “spot” while you tour the museum. Bring your completed list to the desk before you leave and you will receive an Award Sticker.

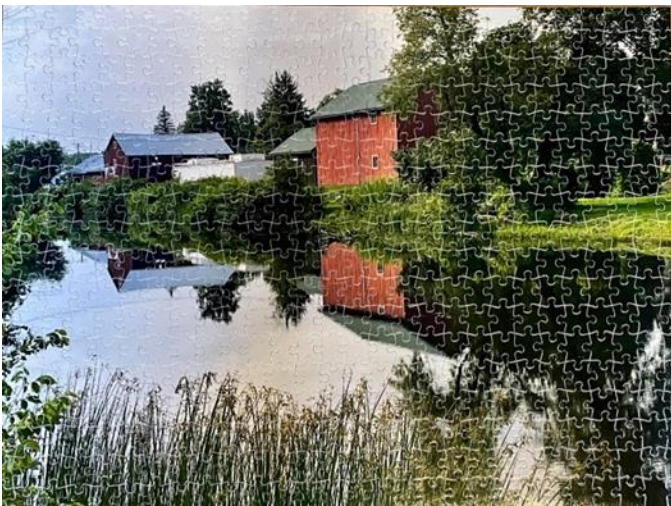


CORN HUSK DOLL KITS: After touring the museum, check out the display of the corn husk dolls in the Mercantile. Visitors ages 4-16 can pick up a kit to make your own corn husk doll at home. The kit includes instructions, corn husks and string.

COYOTE, BEAR, CHIPMUNK PUZZLES:

These three small puzzles are fun to bring to life. Each one is less than ten pieces, but not as easy as they look here. Give them a try!





500 PIECE PUZZLE: When complete, it will be this beautiful picture of our museum on the canal. Please help us make it whole by finding one or more pieces when you visit the museum. The goal is to have it finished by Labor Day.

IMPROVEMENTS UNDERWAY:

Watch for new signage as you arrive at the museum this summer. Thanks to Jodi Richards of Remsen for the restorations around the complex.

Here you see the original George Bardo blacksmith shop with its new sign



Work is underway to convert the “Log Bob” near the entrance sign into a perennial garden.

Our Paver Program honors those who we love! We are considering a new location for the pavers with possibly a raised bed. In the present location, winter plowing prevents such an improvement. Your ideas for a relocation sight are welcome.

If you are interested in purchasing a paver to support a program, honor a friend or memorialize a loved one, ask for information at the front desk.

WELCOME TO MCKENNA

We are especially grateful to the Dodge-Pratt Foundation for again sponsoring an intern for the summer. McKenna will be at the museum to greet you, guide you and answer your questions when you come to visit.

Remember, entrance to the museum is FREE to all, and we have a wonderful mercantile with clothing, books and more. Please come visit!



2024 DAYS AND HOURS OF OPERATION:

Weekends Only: Memorial Day Weekend—June

Open Daily: July—August

Weekends Only: Labor Day Weekend—Columbus Day Weekend

Hours of Operation: Monday—Saturday: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sunday (new hours): 12 noon-4 p.m.

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Facebook: Search “Black River Canal Museum”

VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME

If you would like to get involved at the museum, we would love to have you join us! Please give us a call, send us an email or leave your name and number at the front desk when you visit.