

TOUR OF SOLVAY MANSIONS, GARDENS SET FOR SATURDAY

A house, garden and history tour of Solvay is scheduled 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

The self-guided tour begins at 200 Piercefield Drive, an Arts and Crafts home built in 1902.

The next stop is 515 N. Orchard Road, a house patterned on an old English manor house. The home's garden has hundreds of species of flowers and trees from around the world.

The grounds at 150 and 160 N. Orchard Road feature gardens and a view of Onondaga Lake.

The next stop is 208 N. Orchard Road, a 1902 Victorian home with its original green slate roof.

The last stop is the Solvay

Public Library at 615 Woods Road. Several experts will give lectures on Solvay history, and the Solvay Process room, normally closed to the public, will be open.

A pre-tour breakfast at 8:30 a.m. at 200 Piercefield Drive is a fundraiser for the Onondaga Historical Association. The \$35 fee includes the tour, breakfast and a presentation about Solvay history by Dennis Connors, OHA curator of history.

The tour costs \$10, which may be paid at the first stop, 200 Piercefield Drive.

For breakfast reservations and more information, call Karen Cooney at the OHA at 428-1864, ext. 312.