# **Explore the Heart of New York**

The Onondaga Historical Association (OHA) will feature The Heart of New York Tours in July and August. The following are details of each of the tours.

#### **Evening at the Museum**

Held at 7:30 p.m, on July 2 and at 6 and 7:30 p.m. on July 9 and 10; participants will pay a visit to the OHA Museum, 321 Montgomery St., Syracuse. The museum has collected innumerable stories from Syracuse and Central New York and participants in this tour will have the opportunity to explore the past in a fun and unique way. Guest

will accompany the museum's knowledgeable night watchman to experience the exhibits in a new light and see who comes out of the woodwork to bring Salt City history to life. Cost is \$15 per person. Call 428-1864 ext. 312 for more information and to make reservations. If calling on the weekend call 428-1864 ext. 321.

### Historic Auburn Bus Trip

On July 11, head west to Auburn on a bus tour to visit the Seward House Museum and Cayuga Museum and Case Research Center. First, take in the history of William Henry Seward, one of the foremost politicians of 19th century America, and the beautiful

home where he lived during his 40-year political career. This will be followed by a relaxing lunch in Emerson Park. The tour continues to the Cayuga Museum and Case Research Center, where Theodore Case invented the process of putting sound on film in the early 1920s. The bus will then head back to Syracuse, returning by 5 p.m. Cost is \$75 for OHA members (\$85 general public) and includes transportation, admission to both muse-

ums, private tours and lunch. RSVP by July 3 by calling Jon Zella at 428-1864 ext. 315 or by email at Jon.Zella@cnyhistory.org.

#### Creekwalk Crawl with OHA's Dennis Connors

On July 18 explore the history that one can discover along Syracuse's popular Onondaga Creekwalk. The history of Franklin Square, once a major industrial district, will be explored along with the story of how the Inner Harbor came into existence and the role it played in shaping the city's Lakefront. Registration is required. Cost

## Four tours visit Syracuse, Auburn, Thousand Islands

is \$12 per person or \$10 for OHA Members. For more information and reservations call Karen at 428-1864 ext. 312. If calling for reservations on the weekend, call 428-1864 ext. 321.

#### A Tale of Two Castles Thousand Islands Boat Tour

If heading out on the water is your thing, on Aug. 8 you will get a chance to explore the Gilded Age in the Thousand Islands. Following a short and scenic cruise down the St. Lawrence River, the first disembarkation is at Boldt Castle, where we will have a private tour through the largely restored castle. A private champagne lunch will follow at the Thousand Islands Club on Wellesley Island. After lunch, cruise upriver to quiet Chippewa Bay, dominated by Singer Castle on Dark Island, where guests will enjoy drinks in the castle's formal garden. Then cruise back to the T.I. Club after a full day of river exploration. Price includes boat rental, lunch, admission to the castles and private tours, drinks and snacks. Cost is \$175 for OHA Members (\$210 general public.) RSVP by July 24 by calling OHA Director of Development Lynne Pascale at 428-1864, ext. 314, or email at lynne.pascale@cnyhistory.org.