

# Durant Days



**FIRST OF LANDED GENTRY**  
William West Durant, of this city, is looked upon as the promoter and developer of the Adirondacks as a place of recreation for wealthy men. He has within a decade passed title to thousands of acres of that territory, and it is said that his present holdings are fifty thousand acres. He sold a tract of wilderness to the late Collis P. Huntington, another to Levi P. Morton and a third to Alfred G. Vanderbilt, and he still has a tract on which he makes his home and hunts for game.

—W. W. Durant and guests, comprising a camping party at Raquette Lake, telegraph their late associate, John L. Barbour, who left there a few days ago, that on account of the dangers of Marquette river their route homeward will now be by the way of Long Lake to North Creek. The distance is seventy miles and they cannot reach Saratoga before Monday night.—Saratoga Journal, Saturday.

**Discover the birthplace of Great Camps!**  
**August 1st - August 3rd, 2025**

## **Friday, August 1**

Boat Cruise Luncheon & Tour of  
W.W. Durant Great Camps with  
RL Navigation. Boards 8:30am  
Call 315-354-5532 for reservations

## **Saturday, August 2**

10am/1:30pm Great Camp Sagamore  
1/2 price Tours. Reservations required.  
Must mention Durant Days at time of purchase

2pm Wide Variety Performs  
A-Capella Group - Free Concert  
at the Raquette Lake School

## **Saturday August 2nd**

6pm Boat Parade Village Dock  
Dusk Fireworks

## **Sunday, August 3rd**

10am/1:30pm  
Great Camp Sagamore  
1/2 price Tours. Reservations required.

Luncheon Great Camp Sagamore  
Must reserve in advance  
Visit [sagamore.org](http://sagamore.org)

3pm Annual Vespers Service at  
St. Huberts Church

2pm Free Boat Taxi at Village Dock  
courtesy of Burke's Marine

# **RAQUETTE LAKE**

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