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HISTORIC SARANAC LAKE HIRES NEW ORAL HISTORY COORDINATOR

Saranac Lake, NY -- Saranac Lake, NY -- Today Historic Saranac Lake announced the addition of Kayt Gochenaur to its staff in the position of Oral History Coordinator. Ms. Gochenaur will be planning and overseeing the expansion of Historic Saranac Lake's Oral History Project as well as managing the Cure Porch on Wheels.

Born and raised in Saranac Lake, Ms. Gochenaur is a recent graduate of St. John's College, where she received her Bachelors of Liberal Arts with a focus on Classical Studies and the History of Mathematics and Science. At St. John's College, Ms. Gochenaur wrote a senior thesis on John Milton's Paradise Lost. She also interned at the Maryland General Assembly, and worked for several local businesses.

As Oral History Coordinator, Ms. Gochenaur will conduct interviews, foster collaborative projects with other organizations, manage the oral history archives at HSL, and develop new ways to share the collected histories through temporary exhibits and online sharing. Ms. Gochenaur will also lead the Cure Porch on Wheels project, which will host diverse community-building programs in partnership with local government and other arts and culture organizations, by serving as an oral history booth, mobile museum space, art gallery, music stage, and more.

Ms. Gochenaur said, "I am so honored to be a part of the Oral History Project, and to play a role in preserving the voices of the people of Saranac Lake. I look forward to overseeing the Cure Porch on Wheels as a vehicle for arts and culture programs that will strengthen the ties of our community and celebrate its history."

Anyone interested in the Oral History Project or the Cure Porch on Wheels is encouraged to contact Kayt Gochenaur at kayt@historicsaranaclake.org, or stop by the Saranac Laboratory Museum, which is open Tuesday-Friday, from 10:00-4:00.

Founded in 1980, Historic Saranac Lake is a not-for-profit architectural preservation organization that captures and presents local history from their center at the Saranac Laboratory Museum. www.historic-saranaclake.org

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