

For Immediate Release – Friday, June 24, 2016

“Waterway, Women and Industry and the Seneca Falls Convention” is a program to be presented by Seneca County Historian Walter Gable on Friday, July 15, 2016, at the Wesleyan Chapel, 136 Fall Street, Seneca Falls, NY 13148. The program begins at 7:00 pm. Historian Gable will relate how developments of waterways and industry and the actions of women contributed to the convening of the first women’s rights convention in Seneca Falls in July 1848. Gable will show how the canal on the Seneca River and its connection with the Erie Canal spurred an industrial boom in Seneca Falls. This industrial boom attracted many people to Seneca Falls, most as workers, but also many would-be entrepreneurs. Gable will also trace the involvement of women in various reform efforts.

The program is the first of several formal programs to be presented as part of the annual Convention Days festivities. A complete 2016 schedule of events can be found at these websites: www.conventiondays.com and/or www.nps.gov/wori

Convention Days, Inc. celebrates Seneca Falls, New York as a cornerstone of America’s democratic tradition. We promote the region as the center for the advancement of issues relating to human rights as reflected in the first American Women’s Rights Convention of 1848. The 2016 Convention Days celebrates the 168th anniversary of the 1848 Convention. This year’s theme is “Seeing the World: A Woman’s Perspective.”

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