

## Capital Area Conference

August 8, 2019 9:30-2:30 PM

Frank J. Basloe Library, Waterfront Grille, Erie Canal Boat Cruises, Herkimer, NY

## Capital Area Presents: "Erie Canal: A Historical Experience"



Come explore the history and geography of the Erie Canal while experiencing both a boat cruise on the canal and using Breakout Boxes. Breakout Boxes are similar to Esscape Rooms; they use puzzles, clues, and challenges to lead participants on a learning adventure where they must use their critical thinking and collaborative skills to discove the combinatins that open a box before time runs out. Paricipants in the Eried Canal session will learn about how to use Breakout Boxes across all content areas in their classrooms, libraries, and community organizations as a fun way to build teamwork and reinforce growth mindsets. Then participants will embark on their own Breakout experiences, with an Erie Canal theme, working in teams to solve puzzles and search for clues to open their team's block. For a sneak peek at what Breakout is all about, visit <a href="https://www.breakoutedu.com">www.breakoutedu.com</a>.



Kate Elder, a member of Alpha Psi since October 2009, will be leading our Breakout Box Workshop. Kate studied civil engineering and worked as an engineeer in Boston, San Francisco, and Oakland for 8 years. In 2003 she made a career change and obtained her teaching certification, teaching in California and Oregon before returning to New York. Kate is currently providing math intervention services for grades 3-5 at Cobleskill-Richmondville, where she is also involved in STEAM enrichment activities and instructional coaching. Kate learned about BreakoutEDU at a conference at SUNY Albany and now runs an after-school Breakout club for 5<sup>th</sup> graders.



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Schedule

9:30-10:00 Frank J. Basloe Library, 245 North Main Street, Herkimer, NY 13350

Parking:

**Refreshments: Coffee and Muffins** 

10:00-11:00 Workshop Presentation

"Erie Canal: A Historical Escape" with Kate Elder, Alpha Psi

11:30-1:00 Lunch-General Herkimer's Picnic Basket



Waterfront Grille, 800 Mohawk St, Herkimer, NY 13350

1:00-2:30 Boat ride on Erie Canal

Cost for the workshops, refreshments and boat ride is \$45.00. Please RSVP by July 29, 2019. Checks should be made payable Alpha Nu Chapter. Send check and form to:

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No refunds issued after July 29, 2019

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| Address              |  |                                 |
| Phone                | email                                      |                                 |
| Menu: Assorted sand  | dwiches, ham, turkey, roast beef, macaroni | salad, brownies, and a beverage |
| Dietary restrictions |  |                                 |