

## Ride the Carousel Circuit 2018 Guide

Memorial Day to Labor Day Sponsored by the Susquehanna Heritage Area and Broome County

Collect an individual "I Rode the Carousel" card from each of the FIVE participating Greater Binghamton carousels: Recreation Park Carousel, C. Fred Johnson Park Carousel, George W. Johnson Park Carousel, West Endicott Park Carousel, and Highland Park Carousel. Cards are available at each site throughout the summer. PLEASE NOTE: Ross Park Carousel is temporarily closed for renovations until further notice.

After you collect one card from each carousel, present your FIVE cards to a carousel park attendant who will validate your cards and present you with a commemorative "I Rode the Carousel Circuit" button. The carousel button includes the words "Susquehanna Heritage Area" because the carousels are significant historic resources of the beautiful Susquehanna Heritage Area.

Remember when you visit the C. Fred Johnson Park carousel to take note of the restored carousel enclosure and when you visit the Recreation Park carousel to take note of the restored horses and panels.

Operating times and locations for the carousels are listed in the carousel brochure from the Greater Binghamton Convention & Visitors Bureau at: <u>http://www.visitbinghamton.org/things-to-do/carousels/</u>. Brochures are also available at Roberson Museum and Science Center (30 Front Street), Endicott Visitor Center (300 Lincoln Avenue), The Discovery Center (60 Morgan Road), Ross Park Zoo (60 Morgan Road), Binghamton City Hall (38 Hawley Street), and at each carousel when open. **Please Note: Ross Park Carousel is closed for renovation.** Please contact the City of Binghamton Parks Department 607.772-7017 for more information.

Inique carousel animals exist on our special collection of historic carousels. Every carousel animal is a "jumper"! All carousels, except C. Fred Johnson Park Carousel, include stationary chariots with seats. Always check with individual parks if you are planning a special group trip or if you have questions about the park facilities. Their phone numbers are found in the carousel brochure (see above for website link).

Seasonal hours of operation sometimes change so printed times might not be accurate. Inclement weather and mechanical problems can cause temporary closures. If this occurs and you are unable to return at a later time, your visit will be honored by the park directly or by calling one of the telephone numbers below.

Each carousel ride is **FREE** of charge and has been so since their donation by the great industrial benefactor, George F. Johnson and his family.

Learn more about "Ride the Carousel Circuit" by calling the Town of Union Parks Department at 607.786.2970, City of Binghamton Parks Department at 607.772.7017, Village of Endicott at 607.757.0856 or Village of Johnson City at 607.797.3031 during their regular business hours.

For carousel and community information go to: Roberson Museum and Science Center <u>www.roberson.org</u>; Endicott Visitor Center <u>www.endicottny.com</u>; Greater Binghamton Convention & Visitors Bureau <u>www.visitbinghamton.org</u> and Broome County <u>www.gobroomecounty.com/community/carousels</u>.

## \*\*\*SPECIAL HINTS FOR THE SERIOUS CIRCUIT RIDER\*\*\*

If you are planning a day trip to Ride the Carousel Circuit we suggest that you plan your visits around the published operating hours. See carousel brochure for carousel map at: <u>http://www.visitbinghamton.org/things-to-do/carousels/</u>. Have Fun!