

Lisbon Area Historical Society



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LOOKING BACK AT THE PAST YEAR....

The Lisbon Area Historical Society continued to pursue its mission to preserve and promote the heritage of Lisbon, Lyman and Landaff, New Hampshire. Our Board of Trustees, members, and friends were instrumental in keeping the museum open during the summer hours as well as continuing research, programs, and museum work throughout the year.

At our Annual Meeting on January 18, 2017, Society Trustee, former Navy nurse, and sheep farmer Dori Hamilton presented her program "Sheep to Shawl," the history of sheep and wool throughout the ages and its influence in New Hampshire. The program was very well attended.

During the summer, devoted volunteers Sigmund and Anne Hudson continued to digitize our collection. The goal is to have an online database with corresponding images from our collection.

Rarely a week goes by without a genealogy or history query from someone around the United States, and every effort is made to assist those who ask. The Society welcomed queries from NH, TX, MA, ME, WA, FL, NY, and CA. Many kind people in turn shared with us information they had on our local history, and they supported the Society with a financial donation or research fee. Museum visitors this year were from NH, RI, TX, IL, CA, VT, MD, and Mexico.

In April, Society Trustee and Historian Andrea Fitzgerald was invited to speak at the Lisbon Main Street, Inc. annual dinner meeting. She gave a slide show and history of the schools in Lisbon, Lyman, and Landaff. During Lisbon's Annual Lilac Time celebration in May, the Society held an Open House at the museum. In August, the Society joined an Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust summer hike at the Godfrey Memorial Conservation Area in Lyman to help share the history about the property and its old gold mine. In September, the Society hosted a NH Humanities Council program presented by author Glen Knoblock on historic and unusual weathervanes in New Hampshire.

We thank The Shared Ministry for allowing the Society to use its White Church on Main Street in Lisbon for our programs.

DONATIONS OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The Society is extremely grateful for the financial support that has been provided by many residents of our three towns and other friends. This past year's fundraising campaign yielded \$9,388, and it remains essential for the Society to continue to have such support to be able to meet our mission to preserve and share the histories of Lisbon, Lyman and Landaff. We are hoping to reach \$10,000 in this present campaign.

We are again pleased to express our appreciation to the following donors who responded to last year's annual appeal (since November 16, 2016):

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*In Memory of Marion Young Viasner

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***In Memory of Earl C. and Barbara
B. White

****In Memory of Lauraette Clark

DONATIONS OF ITEMS FOR OUR GROWING COLLECTION

The Society is also extremely grateful for the donations of items of historical importance for its collection. In the past year, the following have contributed items:

Anonymous	John & Andrea Fitzgerald	Judy Nichols
Bob Adams	Lorna Fogg	Barbara Andross Odell
Peter Berg	Sylvia Forge	Roger Robar
Sravani Bhattacharjee	Daphne Godfrey	Barbara Serafini
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We made a considerable effort to see that both donor lists are accurate and apologize for any errors. Please let us know of any needed corrections.

A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM THIS YEAR'S DONATIONS OF ITEMS



LISBON FRUIT STORE
J. C. Garbarino, Proprietor
Fresh Fruit, Tobacco, Cigars, Confectionary
267 Main St., Lisbon, N.H.

John Garbarino (1882-1960) was an Italian immigrant who came to Lisbon around 1917 and began business as a fruit vendor and merchant. He first opened a shop in the old Brummer Block on the west side of Main Street, then moved across the street where the fire of 1941 destroyed his store. He then built on the south corner of Main and Whitcher Streets on the site of the Advent Church which had also been destroyed by the fire. He remained in business until 1960. The store continued as White's Market and over the years housed a tack shop, law office, hair salon, and restaurants. This 9-inch tall Lisbon Fruit Store thermometer was for many years in the possession of the Berg family, formerly of Armstrong Avenue in Lisbon. Donated by Peter Berg, Bluffton, SC.



Large garden basket belonging to Mary Spencer Clough (1921-1996). One of the Society's founders, local historian, and genealogist, Mary was an avid gardener and used this old basket for flowers and vegetables. Donated by Andrea Fitzgerald, Lisbon, NH.



Lisbon Methodist Church/The Shared Ministry's White Church, framed 16"x 20" oil painting on canvas by L. Cliché Harrigan. Donated by Barbara Odell Andross, Dalton, NH.



2-foot oval wood-framed, glass-covered shadow box holding a c. 1870 hair wreath made by Eleanor Hadlock Nutter (1822-1892) of Lyman, NH. The Victorian Era custom of making art out of human hair was a way to memorialize loved ones. Hair was collected over the years or at a loved one's passing and crafted into brooches and wreaths, most depicting floral themes. Hair wreaths were left open at the top to symbolize the deceased's ascent to Heaven. Donated by the New Hampshire Historical Society.

ANNUAL MEETING AND OTHER EVENTS

The Lisbon Area Historical Society Annual Meeting will be held on January 17, 2018 at 6:30pm at The Shared Ministry's White Church in Lisbon. Everyone is welcome. There will be a free public program given by Dayton Goudie, formerly of Lisbon. He will share images and stories about local history and the Goudie and Moore families, long-time Lisbon residents and business owners. Other free public programs and events will be held throughout the coming year.

MOMENTS IN HISTORY PROJECT

If you are on the Society's email list, watch for our upcoming Moments in History emails which we will be sending periodically to share the many interesting images and stories from our collection. Our members and friends all over the United States and abroad enjoy reconnecting, through this type of reminiscing, with their hometown or area in which their ancestors once lived.

FUTURE MUSEUM LOCATION

The Society's Trustees are hopeful that there will be a permanent home for its museum in the near future, and the Facilities Committee continues to investigate options and is open to any and all suggestions.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit www.lisbonareahistory.org for more information. We are also on Facebook. The museum in the Parker Block on Lisbon Main Street is open year-round by chance or appointment and from May through October every Friday 1pm-3pm. Everyone is welcome, and admission is free.