

Mill Hollow Heritage Association

Quarterly Update
July 2017

\$100,000 LCHIP GRANT MATCHED Construction to Begin



Photo by Tafi Brown

Through the generous financial contributions of individuals, foundations, and businesses, plus donations of in-kind materials such as lumber, building materials and labor, we have successfully matched [LCHIP's](#) (New Hampshire Land Community and Heritage Investment Program) \$100,000 grant. Additionally, [MHHA](#) has recently received final approval of construction plans and costs, so Phase One construction / rehabilitation efforts will begin in the next few weeks. These include foundation and masonry work to stabilize the building as well as replacing the dormers and roofing. Costs for Phase One exceed \$200,000 by approximately \$20,000, so to complete Phase One we will need to raise the additional funds. This fall, we will launch a fundraising effort to achieve this and also provide a financial base for Phase Two construction which will focus on restoring the waterworks.

Additional Grants Received

In our last newsletter we announced that MHHA had

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MHHA
P.O. Box 825 Keene,
NH 03431

To donate stock,
please contact:

[Sharon Spaulding](#)

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Keep up with Mill
events and
activities by
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Tour the Mill
Saturdays 10 - 12

Until construction
begins, the Mill is
open most
Saturdays. Bring
your friends and
stop by to see
what's happening.

Join us for Old
Woodworking Skills
Demo Aug. 26 from
10 - 12 p.m.
Skills such as:
using old molding
planes to make
moldings, how to

received a \$10,000 grant from the New York-based [Bay and Paul Foundations](#). We are happy to update that they have awarded us an additional \$15,000 for a total of \$25,000. These monies were an important part of meeting the LCHIP match.

We are also happy to report that the Manchester-based [Samuel P. Hunt Foundation](#) recently awarded MHHA a \$10,000 grant to be used towards bank stabilization behind the Mill, chimney restoration, and related efforts.

Other News

Although we are not yet able to host on-going educational events at the Mill, MHHA board members are continuing community outreach making presentations to local groups including schools and historical groups.

Look for our booth -- with working models from the Mill -- at the **Aug. 12 Acworth Sestercentennial celebration**.

Thank you to surveyor **David Mann**, who generously donated a significant portion of his labor in surveying the Mill property. This was an important step in our being "shovel ready" for construction.

Looking to the Future

We are beginning to plan and cost out Phase Two construction which will focus on restoring the water works and related machinery. We are writing grant applications to help fund this next phase and will be launching a fundraising effort this fall.

How Can You Help?

Please consider [making a recurring or one-time donation](#) of cash or stock. You can do this [online](#) or by check payable to MHHA, P.O. Box 825 / Keene, NH 03431.

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use a froe to make wooden shingles, and riving (splitting) a log to make fence rails.

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Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchases to MHHA.

Volunteers Needed

Contact Julie Stevens for details:

juliananstevens@gmail.com

or

603-209-1504

Taking over as Treasurer from Donna Sabin, [Michael Chaladoff](#) and his wife, Jennifer, (daughter of Cathy and Bill Jahos) were married in Alstead 24 years ago. They are frequent summer visitors. Welcome, Michael and Thank You, Donna, for your on-going partnership and support.

With foundation stones dating to 1767, Chase's Mill has an important story to tell about the history of community and manufacturing in New England, and serves as a nexus to spark the imagination for the future. MHHA is a 501(c)(3) working to rehabilitate the structure and reopen as a living museum and makerspace in 2020. Your donations are tax deductible.