# LISBON AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

preserving and promoting the history of Lisbon, Lyman & Landaff, New Hampshire



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60 YEARS

### **OUR OWN DIAMOND JUBILEE**

IN 1964, on the heels of Lisbon's bicentennial in 1963, Lisbon Area Historical Society was formed. There have been many different chapters, the most recent being the fulfillment of the dream of owning our own building for operations, a public history museum with a historical resource collection for research, education, and enjoyment, and a venue for programs and events. LAHS is poised to make a positive impact through these services and by collaborating with others.

We held the Grand Opening of our new museum on June 3, 2023, after completing first floor renovations.

Funding for completion of renovations to the lower level of the museum and operational expenses

- NHCDFA \$2,500 Grant Writing Assistance Award
- NHCDFA Tax Credit Grant Award of \$322,500
- Annual donations and membership fees this last year in the amount of \$28,843.22
- Parish House Capital Campaign contributions to date in the amount of \$252,722.43

#### Programs/Events in the Last Year

- 2023 Annual Meeting/Program- Fairbanks Museum Meteorologist/Planetarium Director Mark Breen
- Program on Historic Painted Stage Curtains by Chris Hadsel, Director of Curtains Without Borders
- Lisbon Public Library Summer Reading Program visit
- Sugar Hill Historical Museum Board tour
- Lisbon High School Class of 1967 Reunion tour
- Program on Local Wildflowers and Their Historical Contexts by Sigmund and Anne Hudson
- Lisbon Lyman Landaff Conservation Commissions Program on Loons by Loon Conservation Commission
- Lisbon Regional School 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade visit
- Lisbon Historic Railroad Station and Museum promotion and tours
- Museum slide shows of Lisbon, Lyman, and Landaff topics
- Salmon Hole Cemetery inventory continuation
- Accessioning of new donations of items for our museum
- Research assistance, staffing regular museum hours and scheduled appointments
- Monthly Moments in History, regular Facebook posts of historic images, and updating our website

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Dec. 9, 2023 Annual Holiday Treats Sale (baked goods from our local cooks, LAHS t-shirts, hats, note cards, books, and more)
- Jan. 17, 2024 Annual Meeting and Program, 7pm "History of Mt. Washington Cog Railway and its People", by Tim "Jitney Jr." Lewis
- May Lisbon Lilac Festival participation
- Events TBD: Antiques Appraisal Event, 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House & Tea, DNA and Genealogy Research Program/Workshop by Dr. Sandra Murray, Cross NH Adventure Trail Ride-In, Program, Picnic

#### DONORS OF ITEMS FOR OUR MUSEUM COLLECTION SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 2022

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Colonial dress outfit made by Mary Clough, life-long resident of Lisbon, local historian, and genealogist. Mary wore this dress in the 1980s and 1990s when she volunteered at the Sugar Hill Historical Museum's former tavern room featuring artifacts from Lisbon's old Young-Cobleigh Tavern. Mary enjoyed sharing her knowledge with visitors. The tavern artifacts were returned to Lisbon and are displayed in a dedicated room in the Lisbon Area Historical Society Museum. Mary's dress was donated by her daughter, Lorna Clough Fogg.

CPL Earl C. White's WWII Uniform and Purple Heart

Earl C. White (1925-1988) was a longtime Lisbon resident who was very active in his community. Earl taught social studies and coached athletics at Lisbon High School and then went on to enjoy a long career as Production/Personnel Manager and Vice President of New England Wire Technologies. He was a Corporal in the U.S. Army Combat Infantry earning a Purple Heart from wounds he sustained in the WWII Ardennes Campaign (Battle of the Bulge). Accompanying the uniform are Army medals, pins, dog tags, patches, Soldier's Bible, sewing kit, and shaving kit. Donated by his son, Thomas White











c. 1910 Salmon Hole School souvenir booklet from teacher Fanny Conrad, age 19, who grew up across from Conrad's Mill (now a waterfall) on Lyman Road in Lisbon. Her father, Edward, and brother, Oscar, operated the mill and lumber business there. Fanny had moved to Massachusetts by the time she married in 1927 and continued teaching. Donated by Mabel Mackie.













YO-YO QUILT

**OHIO STAR QUILT** 

SQUARE IN SQUARE QUILT

**PINWHEEL QUILT** 

Warren Wetherbee (1838-1906) pictured in his Civil War uniform, was born in Lisbon to Smith and Sally Jesseman Wetherbee. He enlisted at age 24 in Co. G., 11<sup>th</sup> NH Volunteers and fought in many hard battles, including Fredericksburg, The Wilderness, Spotsylvania, and Cold Harbor. On June 17, 1864, he was severely wounded at the Assault on Petersburg and discharged due to disability in February of 1865. He returned to the family farm on Wetherbee Road (pictured above) in Lisbon, where he and his wife Carrie (Taylor) farmed and raised their family. Also pictured are images of some of the beautiful quilts made on the Wetherbee farm. Wetherbee family pictures, quilts, diaries, ledgers, and many other artifacts were donated this year by Lissa Boissonneault (great-granddaughter of Warren Wetherbee).

#### **THANK YOU!**

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