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“Mr. B”

By Nelson Fogg

Philippe Bouthillier came to the Hartford community to teach Science in 1966—he never left. He and his young bride, Mona, purchased a plot of land on top of “Rogers Hill” and together they built plentiful gardens and their dream home. There was a great deal of pride in that hand-built family home, and Phil and Mona often opened it to community members. Throughout the ’70s and early ’80s, they hosted substance-free après-Prom parties. Friends were always welcome – no invitation or advance warning required. Phil and Mona’s door was always open! Along the way, Phil and Mona raised three sons: Paul, David and Gary.

Small Vermont towns can, at times, look unfavorably toward those who “come from elsewhere.” But, Mr. “B,” as he was forever known, brought with him the qualities that all towns appreciate – he was hard working, goal driven, caring toward our youth and passionate about athletics, specifically ice hockey. Philippe and Mona Bouthillier had found their home. Generations of Hartford students would work their way through his chemistry classes where he delighted, even after retirement, in teaching students how and why things explode, change color or texture, or take on new properties. Phil was a demanding teacher



Phil’s other passion was teaching chemistry to scores of Hartford High students. He received numerous awards over the years, including Outstanding Chemistry Teacher of the Year from the American Chemical Society, Certificate of Excellence in Science Education from Miami University of Ohio, Vermont’s Outstanding Teacher Recognition Award from the University of Vermont, Secondary School Chemistry Teacher Award from the New England Institute of Chemists and Hartford High School’s Employee of the Year Award.

with a quick sense of humor, and failure in his class was not an option. If a student needed to work harder, Phil was right there beside him or her. He met students in the early morning (often coming straight in from a night of flooding the tennis court ice surface), came in on weekends, and went to students’ homes to speak with their parents. In the last years of his life, Phil came into Hartford High School at the invitation of former student-turned-Science-teacher, Martha Campbell, and shared his love of all-things chemistry with her young students. He never disappointed and always left with a smile.

Phil was a natural teacher. My introduction to Phil Bouthillier came, like so many others, through ice hockey. Truth be told, I did not really have an interest in hockey, but my brother did. When my father signed him up, he decided to do the same for me. While I am too young to remember playing hockey on the Frost Park rink that Phil created, I did skate there throughout my youth. Later in life, I have enjoyed speaking with Phil’s former players who were part of hockey’s inception at Hartford. Phil often spoke of those days, always with a spark in his eyes.

Frost Park remains a local skating option to this day, not as grand, but still a place to skate nonetheless.

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UPCOMING PROGRAM: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 – Gateway Motors

Allen Hall will present the history of Gateway Motors, founded by local businessman Buster Pippin. He will also provide a sketch of the evolution of the automobile industry in the Upper Valley Area and will entertain us with stories about colorful Gateway customers over the years. 7:00 p.m. at the Greater Hartford United Church of Christ; 1721 Maple Street; Hartford Village. Refreshments will follow.

From the Chair . . .

Our annual business meeting will be held at the Garipay House on Saturday, May 31, 2014, from noon to 3:00 p.m. (See full page announcement in this newsletter). Board member Brent Knapp will fire up the grill and delight us with his famous sizzling hot dogs. Refreshing cold drinks will be provided. The rest is up to you! We're making it pot luck again this year and are looking forward to a good variety of side dishes and desserts. However, if cooking is not your forte, that is not a problem. What we need most is your presence!

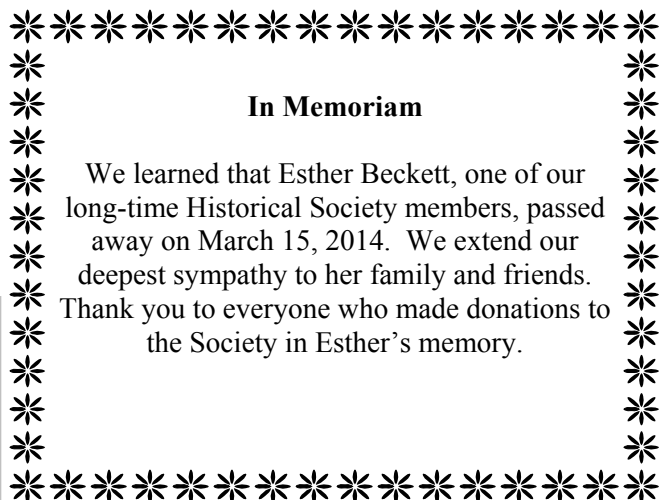
Our business agenda will include the election of board members and officers, reports from the President, Secretary and Treasurer, the announcement of this year's Historical Society Honor Roll inductees, voting on revisions to the Society's bylaws (please review the proposed changes as printed in this newsletter), a summary of plans and ideas for the coming year and an opportunity for comments from you, our valued members.

If you haven't visited the Garipay House lately, this is your chance to enjoy our current displays and to see for yourself the significant improvements to the building that have taken place over the past year.

We hope that you will mark your calendars now and join us for an afternoon of good eats and joyful camaraderie. To assist us with the planning, please call or email the Garipay House to let us know that you will be attending.

See you, rain or shine, on May 31st.

Mary Nadeau,
Chairman of the Board



In Memoriam

We learned that Esther Beckett, one of our long-time Historical Society members, passed away on March 15, 2014. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and friends. Thank you to everyone who made donations to the Society in Esther's memory.



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*The Mission Statement of the
 Hartford Historical Society: To
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 formation and artifacts related to
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 community.*

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Phil Bouthillier had played hockey throughout his life. He played semi-professionally and his love for the sport was infectious. The early days of hockey at Hartford were built on that infectious spirit; nothing about the sport was easy. Where there was no rink, Phil built one, including the first boards which he and his long-time friend Art Nadeau constructed. Where there was no youth program, Phil and Mona created one (complete with an end-of-the-season banquet). Phil and Mona also developed the “Friends of Hartford Hockey” to support the growth of hockey in Hartford. Where there was no high school team, Phil shaped and coached one. Phil was always supported by Mona. She was a woman who knew nothing about hockey prior to meeting Phil, yet in time she would become an accomplished official (Phil always allowed that Mona had a better eye as an official than he did).

By the time I showed up, the rink was located on the town tennis courts. Mother Nature took care of the refrigeration, and Phil did the rest. There was something magical about an outdoor rink, especially at night. Lit from above, snow mounded against the boards, wisps of powder falling, the sound of blades on ice, and Phil’s ever-present encouragement and tireless energy.

I was in need of that encouragement, as I had never skated – one look at my frame and limited skating ability, and it was determined that I would be a goaltender. As I look back on my hockey experiences, I am in awe of what Phil was able to do. He recruited positive, enthusiastic youth coaches (my first coaches were Dan Crowe and Bill Pogar) and found sponsors for jerseys (I was a “Jet”). He and Mona hosted an end-of-year spaghetti dinner banquet at which every participant received an individual “trophy” fashioned from a puck (a tradition he would continue for years with the Hartford High School girls program, souvenirs he created to be given to players at career milestones), built and maintained a rink, and coached the high school program he conceived.

Phil never took a day off and never gave anything less than his best – in the classroom or the hockey program. It should be noted that during the early ’70s,



Mr. B (foreground) conducts a practice session on the outdoor rink located near the Middle School. Players, fans and the ice itself were continually subjected to the whims of Mother Nature.

Phil’s time was also spent behind-the-scenes (Phil was always more comfortable “behind-the-scenes”) in the development of a new facility, the BOR (today known as the Wendell A. Barwood Arena). Phil’s vision and hard work had succeeded in moving the town from having no place to skate to the creation of rinks at the Frost Park and tennis court locations. Ultimately, his

guidance and partnerships with a number of other civic-minded hockey enthusiasts, including former Town Manager Ralph Lehman and local business man Wendell Barwood, ensured that the community had a rink in which skating could occur in an enclosed facility. Years later, Phil would be instrumental in guiding facility improvements that ranged from closing in the walls, replacing the wire fencing with hockey glass, installing a refrigeration system and purchasing a real Zamboni.

Phil Bouthillier’s shadow warmly envelops the current high school hockey programs. Phil was a fixture with the Hartford Girls Program, providing on-ice coaching and off-ice support. He laid the foundation from which our highly successful boys program could grow. Hartford’s current boys’

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Mr. B and Mrs. B were a dynamic duo as hockey refs. As her “day job”, Mona worked as an administrative assistant at the Dothan Brook Elementary School for 19 years.

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coach, Todd Bebeau, and I were coached by Phil's successor, Howard "Butch" Lovering. With a facility in place and a young family eager to play, Phil stepped aside as Hartford's coach in a gracious facilitation of succession. "Butch" would coach the Bouthillier boys, allowing Phil and Mona to be supportive parents, and, together, assume game-day rink management responsibilities. My high school career spanned this transition – ninth grade playing for Phil with early season and late-night practices at Hanover's Davis Rink. Once ice could be made naturally, which is to say only after Phil could get water to freeze on the courts through late night "flooding", we skated on the tennis courts. Many of those practices began with shoveling snow off the rink. Our home games were played at Norwich University's rink in Northfield, VT. By tenth grade, we were ready to play in the BOR, where Phil, "Butch" and Jim Carsley (Phil's long-time Assistant Coach) were my coaches.

There are currently plans for some long-needed upgrades to Hartford's skating facility. Phil would have, undoubtedly, had an opinion and a plan. Phil's voice in the hockey community remains through those he touched as a teacher, coach, and mentor. Mona and their son, David, now provide game day rink management. During his almost 50 years in the town of Hartford, Mr. "B" became a fixture, one of those people everyone knew and cared about. Hockey was his passion, teaching was his calling, and Hartford was his home.



The Bouthillier sons, Gary, Paul and David, learned to skate as toddlers and later became Hartford hockey stars. All three carried their love of the sport into adulthood and play on teams in their local areas.

Notes from the Genealogy Center

By Carole Haehnel

I thought I would write a few notes about our filing system to help visitors maneuver around our research files. We have two filing cabinets which are labeled "Family Names" and "Newspaper Clippings."

In the "Family Names" file contain many Hartford family names. Sometimes these files contain genealogy research that has been done on a name, and other times they contain notes on where further information can be found.

Under "Newspaper Clippings", obituaries, community events, weddings and other events, items have been filed alphabetically, using the last name. There are original clippings and copies of clippings inside. For the most part, these are recent clippings, but the information may go back into the 20th Century.

I hope to encourage anyone who is doing research to stop by and visit us at the Hartford Library on Mondays from 2-4 where we would be happy to assist you with your family research projects.

The Haunts and Habitants of the Jericho One-Room Schoolhouse

By Leo R. and Patricia I. Zacharski

[Second of 3 Installments]



Jericho in early spring.

was timber-framed by Philemon Hazen in 1789 and enlarged by son, Julius, upon his marriage in 1823. The home to the left of the road in the photo, built by Philemon after the turn of the nineteenth century, commanded the field in the foreground once occupied by countless apple trees (of which only four remain) qualifying Philemon for the title “Cider Monger of Jericho”, or manager of the area cider conglomerate. Convenience to the schoolhouse connected Philemon and kin to the business of education. Philemon recorded the first entry in the schoolhouse ledger on Christmas Eve, 1814, signed with an antique flourish as School Committee Moderator, a post held for several years. The house nearer the school boarded the teacher and provided firewood storage. Preoccupation in the schoolhouse ledger with firewood signaled proper respect for the predictable temperature plunge. Eugene and Lita Lyman farmed here in the first half of the twentieth century. Eugene provided practical service by starting the fire in the locomotive-scale Smith Systems Model 322 stove and generally overseeing operations. Their daughter, Alberta (“Bunny”) and her husband, Charlie Parker, farmed after Eugene’s death and continued to serve the school. Charlie’s capacious “jeep” transported students to the Middle School building after the Jericho school closed in 1947.

Interpreting the school as an artifact from the past overlooks its vibrant accommodation of life for almost two centuries. “If walls could talk”, what would we hear at school from Thomas Hazen’s descendants about immigrating from Connecticut “civilization” to the wilderness? Vermont Statehood existed for a half-century by the time the current (second) schoolhouse was erected in 1849. Imagine hearing first hand of Thomas’ exploits ransoming Vermont from New York and New Hampshire.

The second photo, from 1914, shows eleven students of varied ages in holiday finery (note garlands and wreath) facing the blackboard as they “froze” for the photographer. The charming girl in the front row on the right is Glenna Miller (later Mrs. Avison Lyman). The handsome young man behind her in the second row on the right is Merton “Jim” Nott as a tall 8 year old. Who are the others and what happened to them? Can you spot architectural changes in the school since this picture was taken?

We wish in vain for “talking walls”, but do not lack for personal accounts from Jericho school kids: Ethel, “Effie”, Luce Harriman (interviewed by Sandra Miller Audsley), Harris Lyman, Raymond Miller and Nancy Nott Covell, who attended the Jericho school prior to its closing in 1947. All attest to its centrality to life in the hamlet. Here were celebrated the cycles of annual holidays (with piano enhancement), and community games of Military Whist. Here were held the holiday meetings of the Ten Cent Club founded in 1935, as you might guess because of the Depression; the club continues to this day. The Centerville Social Club (Centerville is the area near Kelton’s) was the base of operations for monthly meetings of

The Jericho one-room schoolhouse may be viewed by driving north on Jericho Road and pausing at the crest of the hill. Situated a dignified distance from surrounding structures, space was afforded for a swing with one seat for boys and one for girls, a slide and teeter totter, and an access lane for team or tractor to fields and pastures beyond. The proximity of two farmsteads (to the right of the school in the first photograph) contrasts with open fields and hills in which nestle the 28 or so late eighteenth and early nineteenth century homes and support structures of the Jericho Rural Historic District. The farmhouse to the right of the road



c. 1914: Glenna Miller, seated with hands folded, is in the front row on the right. Merton “Jim” Nott, age 8 in suit and tie, is in the second row on the right.

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the Home Dem Club, an arm, along with 4H, of the Agricultural Extension Service intended to serve homemakers. Jennifer Hall's cooking classes are well



The Home Dem Club. c. 1954: Back row: Dorothy Robinson, Marian Gauthier, Margaret-----, Erminie Nott, Glenna Miller Lyman, Lita Lyman. Front row: Joyce Miller, Winona Lyman, Ruth Lyman.

remembered. Can anyone identify mirthful Margaret, third from the left in the back row of the third photo?

Grades one through eight met from 9AM to 3:30 PM and began with the pledge to the flag. An early-arriving student walked to "Bunny" Parker's house to fill a two-quart pitcher with water from a kitchen barrel for the day's "necessities". The school had boys' and girls' "rooms" (why were these not "privies"?), but no running water. Subjects included the "ABC's", numbers, geography and reading. An art class met on Friday. Mildred Whitcomb taught music (vocal and piano), and Tony Adams, athletic director at the high school, taught physical education each twice monthly. In cold weather, children's desks encircled the stove until driven back by the heat. Students sometimes carried lunch but often walked home for their mid-day meal that, for some, was the main family meal of the day. To avoid treks home in cold weather, teacher Erminie Nott encouraged parents to take turns occasion-

ally providing hot lunch picked up and delivered to the school by "Bunny" Parker.

Fitting appellation received due attention. The three boys in the left foreground of the fourth photograph, Gordon Parker, Harris Lyman and Raymond Miller, were the "Three Musketeers of Jericho". The "Musketeers" got along famously unless arm wrestling to win the boys' swing seat. Nancy, peeking from behind on the right, had no competition for the girls' swing seat. Community women were "aunt" and men "uncle". Teachers were usually single women addressed as "Miss" unless they became married (Mrs.) or pregnant in which case teaching duties soon ended. Teachers remembered fondly included Mandy Mason, Marion Drown, Virginia Gordey, Margaret Rising, Gracia Exley, Virginia Renehan and Erminie Nott. Erminie, an accomplished teacher and neighbor, taught for three years after her predecessor entered her fourth month of pregnancy. Erminie negotiated successfully with the Superintendent of Schools for the privilege of being called "Aunt Erminie" instead of Mrs. Nott because she was first a neighbor (and "mom", to Nancy). Erminie was famous for her spring field trips.

Effie Luce Harriman, born last of eighteen pregnancies, attended the Jericho school for first grade in 1938-39 after her parents moved to the Lincoln farm on Miller Road in 1937. Effie walked to school via the road rather than directly through the orchard because she did not want anyone to think she had "snitched" apples on the way. She recalls being comforted by her teacher, Virginia Exley, after falling from the swing.

Harris Lyman, youngest of six children of Dewey and Lois Lyman, attended the Jericho school for six years, ending the last year classes were held. He was challenged to reconcile academics with unrelenting farm chores, tending chickens and calves, that occasionally resulted in his being marked "tardy". Softball games and standing on the snow roller behind the school playing "king-of-the-hill" mitigated the rigors of academic life. He recalls one of "Aunt Erminie's" spring field trips to the Union Village Dam under construction by the Army Corps of Engineers.

Raymond Miller attended 6 years and walked to school, lunch in hand. He was too young for chores on the farm of his father, Chet, who used horses until getting their first tractor in 1946. He recalls the schoolyard being used to collect scrap metal for the war effort and farmers donating stone fences to the Work Projects Administration (WPA) to elevate roadbeds. He also helped collect "fuzz" from milkweed pods used as filler for life jackets during World War II. He and Gordon Parker survived a February swimming

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session in the brook.

Nancy Nott Covell attended grades one through eight, the last being the year the school closed. She recalls rare "short days" ending at 1:30 PM, such as the first day of fishing season. Children of migrant workers sometimes attended the school. She has fond memories of her teachers. She recalls one of mother Erminie's special plans for the last day of school - an unaccompanied train ride departing White River Junction, destination Lebanon. The kids were impressed by being trusted while on their own.

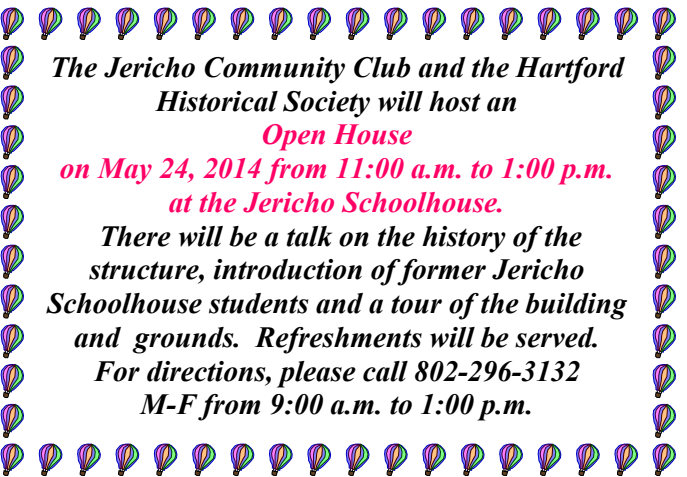
The Jericho one room schoolhouse has stood for two centuries as a symbol of stability and community. Here were taught the priceless skills of living faithfully in each other's presence and of balancing individual liberty with the common good. The white building became red in the late 1950's, apparently in deference to "Little Red Schoolhouse" symbolism. This rich legacy has inspired Jericho Community Club (JCC) member-owners to preserve the schoolhouse now anticipating its third century. It hosts JCC meetings and potlucks, and is a Valley Quest Visit Site. It may be reserved for weddings, funerals, birthday and anniversary celebrations, tourist visits, yard sales, Halloween parties and meetings of the Hurricane Riders Snow Mobile Club, Trout Unlimited and Ducks Unlimited. General maintenance is by volunteers and donations.

This treasured landmark is now threatened by a crumbling foundation, flaking lead-based paint and window grout, and a toppled over stone fence that is largely invisible. The task of preservation is beyond the capacity of JCC volunteers. Thankfully, the Hartford Historical Society has established a fund that is currently receiving tax deductible gifts dedicated to restoration. Thus far, \$12,560 has been raised toward achieving the first priority, repairing the foundation. Hopefully restoration of the stone fence will soon follow. This is a great start but remains short of the total

needed. You are cordially invited to share the vision for schoolhouse preservation. Contributors should make checks payable to the Hartford Historical Society, with Jericho Schoolhouse Project in the subject line. Address the envelope to: Jericho Schoolhouse Project, c/o Hartford Historical Society, PO Box 547, Hartford, Vermont 05047-0547.



Students, c. 1947: Gordon Parker, Harris Lyman, Fred Williams, Raymond Miller, Mildred Whitcomb (music teacher), Joyce Ilsley, Dorothy Ilsley, Nancy Nott



The Jericho Community Club and the Hartford Historical Society will host an
Open House
on May 24, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
at the Jericho Schoolhouse.
There will be a talk on the history of the structure, introduction of former Jericho Schoolhouse students and a tour of the building and grounds. Refreshments will be served.
For directions, please call 802-296-3132
M-F from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Commercial/Institutional Members:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baker Pottery CEMMS Family Painting Charlie Brown's Outdoor Equipment Faith Bible Bookstore/WVFA Radio Geobarns Hartford High School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hartford Middle School Kibby Equipment Main Street Museum Meeting House Furniture Restoration New England Transportation Institute and Museum
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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE GARIPAY HOUSE?

By Martha Knapp

I took a leave of absence from my duties at the Garipay House February 19-March 10 to enjoy a vacation in Florida with my husband, thanks to the Society's board members who stepped in to take my place and keep things running smoothly. When I returned, I heard good news from staff members Kristy and Jim about the many things that happened while I was away.

The first thing that I saw, of course, was all the snow I kept hearing about that had fallen while I was away. It was neatly piled up around the yard, thanks to Art Peale, who faithfully kept the driveway and parking areas open for business. All the walkways were



Snow jobs. Wow!

well tended by Jim Hewitt. I could tell those two men didn't get much time off from snow-removal duty during my absence. The next thing I saw as I entered the museum area was the new base pedestal for our display cabinet. Art Nadeau had been working on this piece for us, and here it was, in situ. We needed to have the cabinet raised up off the floor so that our visitors could better see the objects in the lower cabinet shelf areas. I was stunned by how wonderful it looked and the difference it made in the viewing comfort level. We have wonderful objects in this cabinet on all of the shelves, and now they can be better appreciated.



Gorgeous new pedestal with added storage—a huge bonus.

As I looked around further in the dining room I saw that our "crazy" quilt was almost finished.

A few of us had taken lessons from Sandra Palmer on how to repair the damaged silk areas so that our quilt would last longer, but we still had much to do because not many people had time to work on it. Judy Barwood decided that on the days she was filling in for me, she would spend time repairing the quilt. I wished that someone had taken her photo, but I decided to spend a couple of hours on it myself, and here's a photo of that.



Our crazy quilt 95% finished.

Another thing I learned was that Kristy O'Meara was going to be with us for at least an additional month, and selfishly hope her time with us will be extended as long as possible. I had left thinking we would only have one more week together before she was moving north to be closer to her family. We all will surely miss her as she is very talented, weaving rugs on the barn loom, helping with the exhibits, doing an inventory of the doctor's office and so much more. We certainly wish her all the best of luck in her future endeavors.



Kristy O'Meara getting the inventory ready for our new Museum Archival Program.



Original Headlamp from Engine #494.

We also received some new artifacts from the Municipal Building brought over by Tad Nunez and crew. One of the objects is the original headlight from Old Engine #494. I think it is a very neat artifact, and we're happy to have it here. It came complete with a bird's nest! We hope to get everything museum-ready for display soon.

Thanks to one of our members, Clementina Filosa Morton, the Hartford Historical Society now has a utility sink in the basement area for us to do clean-up after painting jobs and other things that would be awkward to do in the kitchen sink. Brent Knapp will purchase the rest of the plumbing supplies needed to tie the sink into our water system in the basement area. Our Society is very fortunate to have so many members generously supporting our efforts and talented volunteers who enable us to make needed improvements while staying within our budget.



Brent and our new utility sink.

We hope you will find time to visit us as we have great new things to share in our upcoming spring and summer exhibits. Stay tuned.



THE HARTFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY
INVITES YOU TO ITS

2014
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING

INCLUDING:

- ELECTION OF OFFICERS & DIRECTORS
- HONOR ROLL NOMINATION
- HEAR ABOUT UPCOMING PROJECTS & EVENTS
- TOURS OF THE GARIPAY HOUSE—
SEE ALL THE PROGRESS WE'RE MAKING!

Join us for a BBQ with all the Fixin's!
Hot Dogs and Beverages provided
Pot Luck Side Dishes

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2014
NOON - 3 P.M.

Hurry
on
over!



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Below are the proposed revisions to the Society's ByLaws to be voted on at the annual meeting in May. Please take time to review them before coming to the meeting.

Hartford Historical Society – Bylaws

Effective June 2014

Article I: Corporation

Section One: The name of the Corporation is Hartford Historical Society, hereafter referred to as the "Society".

Section Two: The principal office of the Society shall be located in Hartford Township, Windsor County, State of Vermont. The registered office of the Society required by the Vermont Business Corporation Act to be maintained in the State of Vermont may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office of the Society. The address of the registered office may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Section Three: The fiscal year of the Society shall *co-incide* with the calendar year.

Article II: Purpose

Section One: The purpose of the Society shall be acquiring, identifying and preserving information and artifacts related to Hartford's past and communicating knowledge of local history through programs, publications, and other interaction with the community.

Article III: Membership and Dues

Section One: Membership in the Society shall be open to any person or entity interested in the history of Hartford Township.

Section Two: There shall be three classes of membership: active individual (voting), commercial/institutional (nonvoting), and honorary (nonvoting). "Family" memberships are to be limited to not more than two votes. "Honorary" membership shall be granted at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Section Three: The dues structure of the Society shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Article IV: Schedule for Meetings, Quorum for Meetings, and Amendments to Bylaws

Section One: Regular meetings of the Society shall be held at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Section Two: Special Meetings of the Society may be called by the President.

Section Three: The Board of Directors shall meet a minimum of six times each calendar year.

Section Four: Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chair of the Board.

Section Five: Meetings of the Board of Directors shall require a majority of the Board to constitute a quorum.

Section Six: Email/phone votes may be taken of Board Members between regularly scheduled meetings at the discretion of the Board Chair.

Section Seven: All proposed amendments shall be submitted to the Board in writing.

Section Eight: An annual meeting for the purpose of soliciting input from the general membership, for reporting on the past activities and future plans for the direction of the Society and election of officers shall be held at a time and place determined by the Board.

Section Nine: Bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds majority of *members present and* voting, providing full notice was published at least 30 (thirty) days in advance.

Article V: Duties of the Officers and Directors

Section One: The President shall have executive supervision over the activities of the Society within the scope of its Bylaws. He/She shall preside at [all] meetings of the Society. He/She shall report annually on the activities of the Society *for the Town Report and at the Society's Annual Meeting.*

Section Two: The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in the event of absence, incapacity, or resignation of the President [and shall be responsible for the logistics involved with regular and special meeting of the Society].

Section Three: The Recording Secretary shall keep and distribute in a timely fashion, the minutes of meetings of the Society, and of the Board of Directors, and shall render an annual report each calendar year *of the activities of the Board.* The Correspondence Secretary shall be responsible for all formal correspondence of the Society. *These positions may be held by one or two persons at the discretion of the Board.*

Section Four: The Treasurer shall be responsible for the safekeeping of Society funds and maintain ade-

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quate financial records. He/She shall *record and* deposit all monies received by the Society in a reliable bank in the name of the Hartford Historical Society and sign checks for expenditures [– with limits set by the Board of Directors] *as approved by the Board of Directors. He/she shall make all records available for audit as directed by the Board of Directors.* The Treasurer shall *collect dues* and shall render an annual report each calendar year *for the Town Report and the Society's Annual Meeting.*

Section Five: The Board of Directors shall consist of up to twenty-five individuals serving rotating three-year terms. The Board shall have the power to conduct all affairs of the Society and decide questions of policy that for any reason cannot be acted upon at a meeting of the Society and perform such other functions as designated in the Bylaws.

Item 1: The Board shall elect its own chair and appoint a Nominating Committee.

Item 2: *The Chair of the Board shall conduct all meetings of the board, and shall cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie vote of the board.*

[*Item 3:* The Board shall – through its Chair –render an annual report at each annual meeting.]

Item 3: *The Board of Directors shall oversee the selection and performance of auditors on a regular basis as determined by the Board. There shall be an additional audit whenever a new Treasurer assumes the office.*

Item 4: *The Board may designate an Assistant Treasurer to assist the Treasurer.*

Item 5: Any Director or Officer of the Society who fails to attend three consecutive meetings, or a total of four in one calendar year, of the Board of Directors without excuse accepted as satisfactory by the Board, shall be deemed to have resigned and the vacancy will be filled by the Board.

Item 6: In the case of any resignation or other vacancy, the Board of Directors may elect a successor to fill the unexpired term and to serve until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified.

Item 7: The Board may confer emeritus board membership to persons at its discretion.

Item 8: Further description of duties of officers shall be established by the Board of the Society.

Article VI: Committees and Appointed Officials

Section One: The Society shall have the following standing committees:

Item 1: The Fundraising Committee: shall oversee all Fundraising for the Society.

Item 2: The Nominating Committee: shall seek qualified officers and board members for the Society

Item 3: The Building Committee: shall monitor building maintenance and property concerns related to the Garipay House buildings and grounds.

Item 4: The Program committee shall seek suggestions and solicit speakers for programs of the Society.

Item 5: *The Newsletter committee shall oversee the publication of the Society's newsletters.*

Item 6: *Each of the aforementioned committees shall give a report of its activities at each Board meeting.*

Section Two: It is recommended that the Board appoint the following officials *who shall give a report of activities at each meeting of the Board:*

Item 1: The Curator and/or Archivist: shall oversee the acquisition, cataloging, archiving, conservation, and de-accessioning of the Society's collections.

Item 2: The Membership Secretary shall keep a complete list of all members, active and inactive, of the Society, shall notify members of past-due memberships; and shall send acknowledgment of memberships in the Society.

Section Three: Other committees, standing or special, and/or officials may be appointed by the Board of Directors.

Article VII: Parliamentary Authority

Section One: The rules contained in Robert's "Rules of Order" shall govern the proceedings of the Society, as determined by the board of Directors.

Article VIII: Dissolution Clause

Section One: Upon the dissolution of the Society, assets shall be distributed in accordance with Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, to an organization or entity at the Board's discretion. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of Windsor County, Vermont, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

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HHS Calendar

Upcoming Programs, Meetings and Events

OPEN HOUSE at the Garipay House

(excepting Holidays and inclement weather) M-F 9—1 pm. or by appointment. To be sure we are open, check for the flag outside the building or contact us mornings at 296-3132 or email us at hartfordhistoricalsociety@myfairpoint.net For an appointment, call or email us or contact Pat Stark at 295-3077 M-F from 9—4 p.m.

Special Summer Hours, beginning in May: 1st Tuesday of the month 6—8 p.m., 2nd Sunday of the month 2—4 p.m.

MONTHLY MEETINGS open to the public

2nd Wednesday – **Hartford Historic Preservation Commission** meeting at the Municipal Offices, 171 Bridge Street, White River Junction at 4:30 p.m.

4th Thursday – **HHS Board of Directors Meeting** – at the Garipay House, 6:30 p.m. (Please check for exact date.) For more information, contact Mary Nadeau at 295-2123.

Wednesday, April 9, 2014 – Rachel Loseby and Conor Joyce will discuss the life of a Vermont Civil War soldier and give a snapshot of life during the decade of the 1860s. 7 p.m., Greater Hartford United Church of Christ; 1721 Maple Street; Hartford Village.

Sunday, April 27, 2014 – **Open House 2-4 p.m. featuring display honoring Phil Bouthillier**

Saturday, May 24, 2014 – **Open House at Jericho Schoolhouse 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Saturday, May 31, 2014 – **Annual Meeting** (look for additional information inside this newsletter)

Wednesday, June 11, 2014 – Allen Hall will offer a comprehensive **History of Hartford Motors** and will discuss the effects of the **Evolution of the American Automobile Industry** on this local business. 7 p.m. at the Greater Hartford United Church of Christ; 1721 Maple Street; Hartford Village. Refreshments will follow.

Saturday, June 28, 2014 – **Hartford Alumni Day**

June 21–22, 2014 – **Vermont History Expo at the Tunbridge Fairgrounds.**

Saturday, August 9, 2014 – **4th Annual Welcome Abenaki Day** at Lyman Point Park