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SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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WEDNESDAY - MAY 13, 1998
6:00 PM
GREATER HARTFORD
CHURCH OF CHRIST

POT LUCK SUPPER
(Bring your own plate & eating utensils.)

PROGRAM & GUESTS

Our Program guests this evening will be Ken and Jean Laplant, of Pittsford, Vermont. Ken will give a talk on the Town of Hartford. He is known as the homespun authority on Vermont History. Ken and Jean have travelled extensively throughout the State of Vermont as part of the 251 Club and have developed histories on various Towns.

At the meeting a sheet with various suggestions for future programs will be available for your review. We will ask that you indicate which programs are of interest to you. A blank space will be available to list other programs, so be thinking of a program you would especially like the Society to have.

SILENT AUCTION

There will be old to new items available, and new storage boxes for \$1.00 (acid neutral, not archival).

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The evening will end with the annual business meeting. Please plan to attend. You will be asked to vote for the 1998/99 officers.

NEW OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE
STARTING JUNE 4
THE GARIPAY HOUSE
WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
THE EVENING OF THE
FIRST THURSDAY
AS WELL AS THE AFTERNOON
OF THE FIRST SATURDAY

First Saturday Afternoon
from 1:30 to 4:00
First Thursday Evening
from 6 to 8

OPEN HOUSE DISPLAYS **AT THE GARIPAY HOUSE**

- The April display honored the many churches in the Town of Hartford and included Easter Cards of long ago.
- The May display will focus on the Bridges of Hartford, past and present.

PASSPORT to the PAST:

The Hartford Historical Society is participating in the brochure **PASSPORT to the PAST: A GUIDE TO HISTORY IN WOODSTOCK and BEYOND** which is sponsored by the Woodstock Historical Society in anticipation of the opening of the Marsh-Billings National Historical Park in Woodstock. Invitations to participate have been extended to historical museums and sites within a 15 mile radius of Woodstock. The brochure will be distributed to B&B's, Chamber of Commerce Information Booths, and participating sites and societies. This will be an exciting way to increase awareness of our area's history.

ARCHIVIST'S REPORT

A work crew from the Caledonia Correctional Facility in St. Johnsbury were at the Garipay House April 7-10 repairing and painting. We now have a refurbished storage room, permanent display board in the front parlor, and doors that shut tight thanks to these three young men and their supervisor, Elizabeth Rice.

I want to thank all the folks who gave their time and culinary talents to this project -- Herb Adams, Janet Blood, Jeanette Gould, Dot Jones, Priscilla Gadzinski, and Peg & David McDerment. Special thanks go to Jeanette, for without her many efforts this project would not have happened! Please stop by to see our improvements.

And, thanks to Jeanette for the donation of a wonderful paper cutter!

Your very happy Archivist,
Pat Stark

NEW ACQUISITIONS/DONATIONS

- Various deeds to The Hazen Homestead in West Hartford were donated by Gretchen Fairweather.
- Photo of The Lyman House on The Point was donated by Donna Alber.
- Embroidery of Old 494 & Station was donated by Rowena Gibson.
- Photos and copies of various documents from The Quechee Church were donated by Jeanette Gould.
- Hartford Bicentennial Envelopes (1961) were donated by Priscilla & Ken Swanson.
- Postcard of Gates & Main Streets (1925) was donated by Virginia Close.
- Copy of Photos of The Wilder Depot was donated by Herb Adams.



WISH LIST

Urgent need for electric fans for summer.

DONATIONS WELCOMED

- Restoration of 1885 map of original proprietor's properties.
- Handicapped Accessibility to the Garipay House.

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP NEWS

We now have a Morning Workshop and an Evening Workshop. In April the morning group met at the Gates Memorial Library. Librarian Bernadette DuTremble gave a three-hour lesson on using the InterNet for genealogical information. Bernadette has invited our Evening Workshop to a learning session at the Gates Library on Wednesday, May 20 from 7 to 9.

The Workshop participants have been sharing the family names they are searching, and lists of research books in their private collections for sharing.

Regular meetings are held at the Garipay House. The only exceptions would be road trips to research sites, such as the April 14 meeting at the Gates Library. In 1997, the group travelled to the Vermont Historical Society in Montpelier, the Rutland Public Library, and the Mormon Church Library in Lebanon on Route 4 across from Lake Mascoma.

If you haven't started your genealogy search, don't let that keep you from attending a meeting. You'll have lots of advice on how to begin. To her delight, Betty Mills found she shares a "Carpenter" ancestor with Rose Merriam and a "Fox" ancestor with Peggy McDerment. The search is a great patience tester, but it is also great fun and so rewarding with each new ancestor you find and the things you find out about them. Membership has grown to 28, and there is room for more.

MORNING GROUP:

Tuesday, May 12	10 to Noon
Tuesday, June 9	10 to Noon
Tuesday, July 14	10 to Noon
Tuesday, August 11	10 to Noon
Tuesday, September 8	10 to Noon
Tuesday, October 13	10 to Noon
Tuesday, November 10	10 to Noon
Tuesday, December 8	10 to Noon

EVENING GROUP:

Wednesday, May 20 GATES	7 to 9 PM
Wednesday, June 17	7 to 9 PM
Wednesday, July 21	7 to 9 PM
Wednesday, August 19	7 to 9 PM
Wednesday, September 16	7 to 9 PM
Wednesday, October 21	7 to 9 PM
Wednesday, November 18	7 to 9 PM
Wednesday, December 15	7 to 9 PM

COMING EVENTS
from the
Vermont Historical Society

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Vermont Historical Society
Vermont History Day Contest
"Migration in History"
for students grades 6-12

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2:00 PM
Green Mountain RR Station,
Bellows Falls
Riding the Rails, Vermont-style,
Vermont Historical Society's Members
Ride on
the Green Mountain Flyer
(802) 828-5670 for information.

**INTERESTED IN HELPING
YOUR HISTORICAL SOCIETY?**

We need volunteers to host an afternoon or evening OPEN HOUSE. We can't expect the few who have been hosts to always be there. We would like to put together a group so we'd be able to rotate. For instance, one person might be able to host an Open House once every three months. Attendance grows with each Open House, so you can expect to have a good time.

Also, we need people to help put together the monthly displays. This is a wonderful way to get acquainted with the collections and use your creativity at the same time. *****

**DarCORP IS COMING TO OUR
RESCUE AGAIN**

On Saturday afternoon, May 2, the Dartmouth students participating in the DarCORP volunteer program will pay us visit. They will be cleaning up the grounds, scraping the peeling paint on the back porch, and moving the part of the collection currently stored in the Quechee Library to the Garipay House for permanent storage. Our hope is to one day have the entire collection together.

MEMBERSHIP DUES
&
**how you can help save
The Historical Society
precious money**

Due to the growth in membership experienced over the years,
we have changed our method
of reminding members their dues are due.

**PLEASE NOTE THE DATE APPEARING ON YOUR
MAILING LABEL.**

Your dues are paid up until that date.

We are counting on you to take note of the date (which will change when your dues are received for the next year) and take care of the most important responsibility you have as a member.

We all aren't able to donate time and talent, but we can help furnish the funds which will keep your Historical Society functioning thus preserving our Town's history.

Please complete the Membership Application Form, noting any change in type of membership, and send it with your check covering the appropriate dues to:

Hartford Historical Society
Attn.: Treasurer
P.O. Box 547
Hartford, VT 05047-0547

This method seems to be working, and has begun to save money for the Society. THANKS!

Remember, the Members are the Historical Society.

THE HARTFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY
 At The Garipay House
 1461 Maple Street (Route 14)*
 Hartford Village, Vermont

The history of your town and village is not dull and dry!
 Be part of the fun of learning about it.

JOIN NOW!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Type of Membership (please circle):

- Individual \$15 per year
- Family (same address) \$20 per year
- Senior \$10 per year
- Senior Family (same address) \$15 per year
- Commercial/Institutional \$25 per year
- Special Gift of Support _____

Name _____

Additional Names (Family Memberships) _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone _____

Comments/Questions _____

(* 911 address.

Please send your application and check to

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ADDITIONS
 from
THE GENEALOGY
WORKSHOP

"COUSIN"

from Webster's English Dictionary:
 cousin (kuz'en)
 n. One collaterally related by descent from a common ancestor, but not a brother or sister. Children of brothers and sisters are **first** or **full** cousins to each other; children of first cousins are **second** cousins to each other. A **first cousin once removed** is the child of one's first cousin; a **first cousin twice removed** is the grandchild of one's first cousin, etc. A **second cousin once removed** is the child of one's second cousin, etc. A first cousin once removed is sometimes called a second cousin, a second cousin once removed called a third cousin, and so on.

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First Generation	you	1
Second Generation	parents	2
Third Generation	grand parents	4
Fourth Generation	great grand parents	8
Fifth Generation	great great grand parents	16
Sixth Generation	great great great grand parents	32
Seventh Generation	gr gr gr gr grand parents	64
Eighth Generation	gr gr gr gr gr grand parents	128
Ninth Generation	gr gr gr gr gr gr grand parents	256
Tenth Generation	gr gr gr gr gr gr gr grand parents	512
Eleventh Generation	gr gr gr gr gr gr gr gr grand parents	1,024