President’s Corner

The Historical Society began the year with a membership campaign on Town Meeting Election Day, Friday, March 8, 2019 at the Municipal Building. Several voters visited our table to renew their memberships or became new members. If you missed this opportunity, please pick up our 2019 brochure which lists activities, topics and presenters, along with times, dates and locations of each. An application for membership is included. These brochures are available at the Post Office, Municipal building hall table or in various stores around town.

We have a busy year ahead and hope you will be able to participate in some or all of the activities and programs planned for the community. In April our first activity was a gathering of folks to go over dozens of photographs and try to identify people and houses, in or connected to, Limerick. Next up is our annual Penny & Silent Auction on May 25th at the brick Town House. This is a major fund raiser for the society, so come on down and join the fun. Doors open 2-6, with winning tickets drawn after that.

Do NOT miss Cara Kent’s mystifying program entitled, “Funeral and Burial Customs in New England” which takes place on June 20th at the Limerick brick Town house. On Saturday June 22nd there’s an Open House at the Academy. Watch for the times of these events.

The main purpose of our society is to preserve Limerick’s history. While we take time to honor and explore the past, we also look to the future and explore possibilities for building a strong sense of community in our town. And, yes, it takes a village! Please join us. Contribute a little or a lot as you are able. The success of this important work is up to YOU!

Looking backward, but moving forward,
Martha Hamilton Smith, President
Limerick Historical Society
Historical Happenings

Buxton/Hollis Historical Society
6/18 – Window Dressers
7/20 – Googins Woods Nature Stroll

Maine Historical Society, Portland
6/6 – Treading on Dragon’s Teeth: Maine and the Slave Trade
6/18 – Beer in the Garden: Maine’s Maritime History
6/20 – Boston Bus Trip
7/16 – Beer in the Garden: The History of the Wabanaki Basket

Parsonsfield Historical Society
6/1/ History House Open
6/23 – Blazo-Leavitt House Tour
7/6 – Annual Yard and Bake Sale

Waterborough Historical Society
6/6 – Before & After Pictures
7/11 – So You Think You Know Waterboro

Limerick Historical Society
May 25- Annual Penny & Silent Auction at Brick Town House 2:00 – 6:00 PM

June 20- Funeral and Burial Customs in New England 4:50-7:00 PM at the Brick Town House

June 22- Open House at the Academy 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

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July 13- The Limerick Historical Society will Host the Maine Old Cemetery Association (MOCA) Summer Program at the Brick Town House. 8:30 AM-1:00 PM. Admission $3.00. The Public is cordially invited to attend. Learn about MOCA, Limerick History, and Mourning and Burial Customs in New England from 4:50-7:00 PM There will be a light breakfast and various exhibit booths for viewing. Lunch will be held at the Limerick Congregational Church with the Women’s Fellowship providing a summertime fare of sandwiches, salads and strawberry shortcake for a cost is $9.00 and Lunch tickets can be purchased on the morning of the event. A self-guided tour of the Congregational will be available. At the conclusion of the MOCA program or following lunch, head up to the Baptist Society Church for a brief discussion of the history of the Church and current restoration plans, as well as take a self-guided tour of the cemetery. Or head over to the Limerick Academy which will be open for viewing that day as well. There will also be maps available for a few other Limerick cemetery’s with historic value.
Limerick HS Board

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Follow Limerick Historical Society and The Sokokis on Facebook for more!

Websites of Interest
Maine Memory Network: www.mainememory.net Maine’s Statewide Digital Museum

Membership

The LHS is always on the lookout for volunteers to help with various projects throughout the year. Some projects are ongoing while others are “a one-time event” such as preparing for the upcoming Penny & Silent Auction. We can utilize folks to help with setting up/tearing down of Programs throughout the year or if you are a “behind the scenes” kind of person, to help with lawn mowing at the Academy or a local cemetery or preparing foods for Program participants. We could use volunteers to help keep the Academy open more days during the peak summer months. If you could help one day, or a couple of hours, the LHS could use your support.

Of course, we are always looking for new members to support the work of the LHS to keep “true” to our mission which is “Organized for educational purposes; to collect information and artifacts relating to the history of Limerick, Maine and surrounding areas, and to provide guidance to the town regarding the preservation and restoration of historic buildings.”

Email the LHS at info.limerick.hs@roadrunner.com for more info!
In this section we will choose a topic and share parts of it along with photos, if available, and ask our readers to do some of their own research to try and figure out what, as Paul Harvey used to say, is the rest of the story and how it is connected to Limerick or some other historical/local event. Below you have three pictures and they are connected to each other. Get busy researching and drop a line to the editor when you think you know the “rest of the story.” Next quarter we will fill in the blanks!
Limerick Word Search!

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Fun for the Family!

Limerick Historical Society's

Annual Penny Auction and Silent Auction

Saturday, May 25, 2019

at

Limerick Brick Town House on Main Street

Doors open 2 - 6pm to purchase and place your tickets and bids on a large array of items including a children's section. At 6pm winning tickets will be drawn. You or your representative must be present to win.

Water, soda, sandwiches and snacks will be available for sale.

All proceeds benefit the Limerick Historical Society
Membership Form - 2019

Name: 

Address: 

Email: 

I would like to receive the quarterly LHS newsletter via email
Yes___ No___

Student: $5.00
Individual: $15.00
Family: $30.00
Contributing: $50.00

Please make checks payable to the
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