# Nobleboro Historical Society

P.O. Box 122. Nobleboro. Maine 04555

September 20, 2002

Dear Members.

#### New Program for 2002-2003

Enclosed is your new program of speakers for the coming year. Your Society will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, having been organized on June 3, 1978. There will be a gala banquet on Saturday, April 12, 2003 in the new large dining room at Camp Kieve on West Neck Road. We will be remembering how we got started; the success of the *Hard Times Cookbook* and Applefest; and the many accomplishments of 25 years.

All other programs will take place at the Historical Society Building. The first meeting is on Friday, October 19th with a special presentation on local antiques by Sam Pennington, Editor of the *Maine Antique Digest*. He will speak about the value of saving local artifacts, so bring your questions. While he is not an appraiser, he will answer questions about local artifacts. The Annual Meeting will be held on May 10th in the Society Building.

#### Society Memberships

Total membership for the past year ending March 31, 2002 was 184. For this year, with the addition of 11 new members, we already have 180 members to date, including 19 Life Members and 5 Honorary Members. Our new membership Chair, Lois Green, will be happy to receive any unpaid dues at P.O. Box 10, Nobleboro, ME 04555.

One Adult Member	\$ 10.00
Junior Member (under 18)	\$ 1.00
Family Membership	\$ 15.00
Life Membership	\$100.00

# New Facelift for the Historical Center

We have been encouraged that the town would help finance the new clapboards and paint for the old school house. That was deferred for the present year, as the town is constructing a Town Office extension. The Society now has \$4078 toward the face-lift cost. This includes \$1230 from the Gloria Markewich family, \$848 from the school kids Outdoor Festival and \$2000 from Society funds.

# New Photocopier

We now have a Canon PC-940 to copy any family genealogy or other historic data that you may desire.

#### Historic Artifacts

We have a total of over 900 artifacts, valued conservatively at over \$50,000. Our thanks for your so many contributions!

## **College Scholarship Winners**

The two scholarships of \$1000 each were awarded to Emily Bickford and Benjamin Maynard.

## **History Project Winners**

At the Nobleboro Central School Education Fair, the three students with the most outstanding history projects were Jamey Courville, Brittany Oliver and Sean Oliver. Great history!

#### **Open House**

School children in grades 3, 5 and 7 visited the Historical Center in early June to learn of Nobleboro history and view selected artifacts.

The second graders who had been studying the town's history also warmly welcomed your president. What an exciting question and answer hour!

A considerable number of people throughout the year supplemented Saturday afternoon visitors at the Historical Center during July and August. These folks just "drop in" or write for a special appointment. Others write for the genealogy of their ancestors. We are glad to share.

You are receiving this letter from our new Corresponding Secretary, Andrea Feus, who lives with her husband George on Hall Point Road off West Neck Road.

Hope you are enjoying this fall weather and will join in the 25<sup>th</sup> year celebration of your Society.

George F. Dow, President