Nobleboro Historical Society

PO Box 122, Nobleboro, Maine 04555

Spring 2007

Dear Members,

This Saturday, April 14th, the 29th Annual Potluck Dinner

6:00 PM at the Grange!

John Bottero's talk about "How Antiques are Appraised"

He will discuss methods of establishing value, purchasing opportunities, up and coming trends, as well as the cultural ties of antiques. He will illustrate his points by appraising a *limited* number of objects from the audience or from the Historical Society's collection.

So please bring something special for appraisal!

And bring your favorite dish to share, along with your place setting

See your friends and neighbors and talk about spring!

The Annual Meeting information and voting will occur at the May 11th Society meeting at the Historical Center, since I am a bit behind without George's diligent guidance! Miss him!

Mark your Calendars

Friday, May 11

"An Overview of the Lithographs of Currier & Ives" Thomas Moody will give an illustrated overview of the firm or Currier & Ives, including tales about their familiar decorative works, as well as their less familiar illustrations depicting scenes of current events – some violent events – and political satire. Tom is a print collector and an Historical Society Trustee and member of the Resources Committee. See you at the Historical Center at 7:30 p.m..

Saturday, October 6th, APPLEFEST

The AppleFest Committee suggests that AppleFest be held each year on the Saturday of Columbus Day weekend from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – so plan to join the fun on that day.

We are looking forward to more volunteers – the Committee had a great time together, so plan to volunteer to help. And tell your friends to put it on their calendar too!

AppleFest will be at the Nobleboro Central School and we hope that the 8th grade will participate again.

An AppleFest crafts group will be forming soon under the tutelage of Sally Hough – come and join us!

Oral History with Nobleboro School

We need a few more volunteers to work with the 8th grade classes on their Oral History project the week of April 23rd. It is just a commitment of about 6 hours that week – and it will be a fun chance to see what young folks are like today and for them to know what we were like as young folks!! We would like some folks who grew up in Nobleboro, but welcome anyone over 65 who wants to have a great experience!

Jo Radner, an oral historian and story teller, will provide a short workshop about how to successfully gather oral histories. Please talk with Mary Sheldon (563-5376) if you are interested.

Three Scholarship Awards

Scholarship application forms are available for the three \$1,000 scholarships – two from the Society and the third from the Eleanor Purney Scholarship, donated by the Galpin and McFadden families.

Scholarship Applications are <u>due May 5th</u>.

Eligible students are those who live in Nobleboro or they or their families are members of the society – and they will be attending postsecondary school (college or technical) during the 2007-8 school year. Contact: <u>sheldon@tidewater.net</u> or 563-5376 or www.nobleborohistoricalsociety.org

184 Members

	2006-7	2005-6	2004-5	2003-4	Dues
Family	62	60	53	60	\$15
Individual	33	30	29	39	\$10
Life	24	21	20	19	\$200
Honorary	3	4	4	5	

If every 'Family' has 2 members, the Society has about 184 members so far this year. Our new life members are Marianne and Barbara Pinkham – they have both contributed enormously to the Society!

Honorary members are Shirley Bailey, Barbara Bragg, and David Chapman.

Invite your friends and neighbors to join - it is a chance to learn about Nobleboro, preserve and enjoy the past, meet folks, and have fun.

Voting at the May 11th Meeting

Society Trustees will meet before our May 11th meeting and the nominations and other Trustee decisions will be presented at a brief business meeting before Tom Moody's Currier & Ives presentation. Voting will occur at that meeting.

There will be a summer newsletter after we vote and plan for 2007-2008.

Open House at the Historical Center - as always

The Historical Center will be open on Saturday afternoons during July and August from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., or any time by appointment. Please call Mary Sheldon, 563-5376, or write to PO Box 122, Nobleboro, ME 04555 to research your ancestors, get information about our history; or to come and enjoy the many historic artifacts on display.

Thanks to you all for your help over the past year. I know we all miss George's leadership, but the Historical Society does make a difference – and this will be another year to share our history with the community and make Nobleboro even a better place to live.

Looking forward to beginning our 30th year,

Mary Sheldon, President

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Membership Application for 2007 – 2008

□ Individual \$10.00 □ Family \$15.00

□ Student \$1.00 □ Life \$200

Please return your membership application to: Lois Green, PO Box 10, Nobleboro, ME 04555

Your name/s

Address _____

Enclosed is \$_____ for 2007 - 2008 membership