About Us

Chartered in 1978, the Nobleboro Historical Society has a membership of about 200. Programs of special interest are presented during the year.

Each year school children come to the Historical Center to view the exhibits and learn about Nobleboro history.

Two college scholarships of \$1000 each are awarded annually, supported by income from memorial and scholarship funds. A third \$1000 scholarship in memory of Eleanor Purney will be given annually through 2009.

Everyone is welcome at our programs, which are free. All programs, with the exception of the Annual Meeting, are held at the Historical Center located at 198 Center Street

The fall "AppleFest" is back. It will be held October 14th at the Nobleboro Central School for community fun and to raise money for the Society and the School. An Oral History project is being planned with the Nobleboro 8th grade students for Spring 2007. Over the next few years, the Society and the Town Cemetery Committee will gather information for a Nobleboro Cemetery Book – as suggested by Dr. George Dow.

For more information, please contact Mary Sheldon, President, 207-563-5376 sheldon@tidewater.net Address of Nobleboro Historical Society P.O. Box 122, Nobleboro, ME 04555

Officers and Chair Persons

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Annual Membership Dues		
\$ 10.00		
\$ 1.00		
\$ 15.00		
\$200.00		

Publications for Sale		
"Nobleboro Maine ~ A History"		
(298 pages, published in 1988)	\$15.00	
"Nobleboro's War Time Involvement"	\$10.00	
Softcover supplement to History Book		
"Hard Times Cookbook"		
(355 pages, in 8 th edition, over 11,000	\$10.00	
copies sold since 1976)		
"A Bicentennial History ~ The First		
Baptist Church of Nobleboro, Maine	\$ 5.00	
1773 to 1993"		
Cemetery Map of Nobleboro	\$ 5.00	
1813 Map of Nobleboro	\$ 5.00	
1857 Map of Nobleboro	\$ 5.00	
Shipping and handling costs	\$ 2.50	
Each map measures approximately 18 x 24" and is		
suitable for framing		

Nobleboro Historical Society

Nobleboro, Maine

www.nobleborohistoricalsociety.org

2006 - 2007 Programs

7:30 P.M.

Friday, September 22, 2006

"Growing Up on East Neck Road"

Eleanor O'Donnell, Joyce Brown, and Grayce Studley will share their personal experiences of growing up as a kid – spring, summer, fall, winter and the war years -- in Nobleboro during the 1930's and 1940's. Other East Neck 'kids' are invited to participate.

Hostesses: Willa Stevens and Patty Stevens

Saturday, October 7, 2006 7:30 P.M. **"Heirloom Seed Project"**

Neil has been collecting heirloom seeds for many years and to date has over 700 varieties. His talk will include information on the project, plants specific to Nobleboro, as well as recent efforts to bring back the American chestnut tree.

Presented by Neil Lash

Hostesses: Barbara Briggs and Marianne Pinkham

Friday, November 3, 2006 7:30 P.M.

"History and Stories of Moody's Diner"

Percy B. Moody was born in North Nobleboro in 1900. "P.B." started Moody's Diner in 1927. His son, Harvey, will present many interesting and humorous stories about Waldoboro's famous landmark.

Presented by Harvey Moody Hostesses: Ada Duncan and Mona Whitaker

Saturday, April 14, 2007

6:00 P.M.

7:30 P.M.

ANNUAL MEETING AND POTLUCK DINNER

at the Nobleboro Grange Hall Back Meadow Road (Nobleboro Center)

"How Antiques are Appraised"

John Bottero owns the Nobleboro Antique Exchange, a multi-dealer antique mall on Route One in Nobleboro. He is also the Vice-President of Thomaston Place Auction Galleries. Treasures may be brought for informal appraisals.

Hostesses/Host: Shirley Bailey, Sarah Houghton, Gary Lawless

Friday, May 11, 2007

"An Overview of the Lithographs of Currier & Ives"

Tom, an Historical Society board member and print collector, will give an illustrated overview of the firm of Currier & Ives. He will include tales about their familiar decorative works, as well as their less familiar illustrations depicting scenes of current events -- some violent events -- and political satire. C&I was in business from 1835-1907 and in New England their competitors included companies like Haskell & Allen, Kellogg and Baillie, which will also be highlighted briefly.

Presented by Thomas Moody

Hostesses: Flora Gray and Jean Thurston

Program Committee		
Sonia Clime	Janet Peck	
Judy Linker	Mary Sheldon	
Thomas Moody	Alice Scott	
For program information, please contact		
Sonia Clime, Program Chair, 207-563-8168		

About Our Society Building

The Society has a fine collection of memorabilia and maintains records related to Nobleboro and its people. These are preserved at the Historical Center.

The Center is one of Nobleboro's 12 original one-room schoolhouses. The restored 1818 building, formerly known as the Hawthorne School was moved to its present site in 1978 to house the Historical Society's collections. The former woodshed and "two-holer" bathroom have become the Center's office. In the basement a fire proof, humiditycontrolled vault stores early town documents dating from 1788, invaluable resources for ancestor finding. Detailed genealogies, maps of home locations (1857) and land ownerships (1813), locations of 84 burial grounds, vital records ~ all are available by appointment for study.

In the schoolroom itself contains varied displays of artifacts reflecting the life and times of Nobleboro families. Prized exhibits include a 1765 German Bible, woodcarvings of oxen, Indian relics; a floral wreath made of human hair, a large U.S. flag of 13 stars, an organ made in Nobleboro, and a ship model. Early items from the farm, sawmill, shipyard, general store, school; church and railroad are among the many intriguing displays.

The Center is open Saturdays in July and August from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and all year long by appointment. Admission is free. Donations are welcome.