Nobleboro Historical Society 2010 Programs

Friday, March 26th The Village Weaver 7:00 Historical Center

Phyllis Leck Did you ever wonder how the early New England settlers made their cloth and clothing at home? Or the origin of the phrases "The whole nine yards" and "Cut from the same cloth"? Phyllis, a fiber artist who has created textiles for over 25 years in Maine, will weave all this together in her talk and demonstration. *Hostess: Mary Sheldon*

Saturday, April 10th "Local Digs and Shipbuilders" 31st Annual Potluck Dinner

Tim Dinsmore, our own talented local archeologist, will present slides illustrating the lives and shipyards of the shipwrights George Barstow and Nathaniel Bryant from Nobleboro and Damariscotta.

6:00 PM at the Nobleboro Grange -- This may be the last dinner in the Grange building.

Bring your favorite dish to share, along with your place setting.

See your friends and neighbors and talk about spring!

Hostesses: Sarah Birkett, Barbara Briggs, Marianne Pinkham, Mary Sheldon

Friday, May 14th "The Settlers Use of Plants that Grow Here Today" 7:00 Historical Center

Wanda Garland is a fascinating botanist with a special interest in the plants shared by the early settlers & the Native Americans. Wanda will bring local plants and describe their uses then and now. *Hostesses: Joan Gregoire & Sylvia Keene*

Fish Ladder Restoration Festival 9-4:00 each day at the fish ladder in Damariscotta Mills

May 29, 30, & 31 Memorial Day weekend watch alewives swim up their new ladder and enjoy great food, music, art, smoked alewives, and games to support the restoration of the Fish Ladder. See the website at www.damariscottamills.org. Breakfast and special lunches each day Games Music Handsome Fish Ladder Gear

Hostess/host (need 10 folks for 3-4 hour shifts) – it's a lot of fun! : Laurie McBurnie, Mary Sheldon, Henry Simmons,

Friday, June 11th "A Colonial Kitchen & the handsome decorated tin" 7:00 Historical Center

Nancy Schmehl will tell about the utensils used in colonial kitchens and display examples of painted tin 'waiters' (trays) that recorded the events of the 1700-1800s. Nancy is a member of the Historical Society of Early American Decorators. *Hostesses: Jean Thurston & Nancy Hartford*

Thursday, July 15th "Water power usage from 1730 to CMP" 7:00 Historical Center

John Hilton, long-time resident of the area, will present the 280-year story of the water power from Damariscotta Lake falling to Great Salt Bay and the Damariscotta River. There were a series of factories and mills including lumber mills and grist mills, the Centrifugal Leatherboard factory and the Diamond Match, which were the life blood of this area. Central Maine Power built their power station in the 1920s. *Hostess/host: Deb Wilson & friends*

APPLEFEST is Saturday, October 2nd 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Enjoy silent auction, crafts, lively music, great food & bakery, door prizes, Fire Department, and games for kids at the Historical Center and Nobleboro School. Tell your friends and plan to join the fun! Call Al O'Donnell (563-6488) or Henry Simmons (563-6028), co-chairs, to help or to bake. Join Sally Hough (563-3613) to make crafts for AppleFest – and change lobster claws into wonderful witches – really!

Friday, October 15th "The Moody Family of North Nobleboro since 1700s" 7:00 Historical Center

Thomas Moody, Nobleboro genealogist, will spin the stories of the many Moody families who settled Nobleboro, farmed, worked and lived here for hundreds of years. Tom tells a great story and this will be fun. *Hostess/host:*

Saturday, November 13th "Trains thru Nobleboro from the beginning to the Maine Eastern Railroad" 7:00 Historical Ctr. Wayne Anderson, conductor on Maine Eastern Railroad, will highlight the history of the railroad in this area. The conductor is the person in charge of the whole train, and, with his extensive experience working on many aspects of the railroad, Wayne will leave you with an excellent understanding of the local railroad. He will also talk about the future of the railroad in Maine. *Hostess: Sarah Houghton*

All programs are free – public is invited! Historical Center, 198 Center St. Information: 563-5376