

## Annual Autumn Outing

Sunday, October 19, 2014

We're off to Milford!

see the back page for directions

IT'S TIME for our Autumn Outing again! This year we're headed east to Milford. Our first stop will be the **Milford Historical Society** where we will be hosted by **David Palance**, the president, and welcomed by some MHS members. **Carey House**, its headquarters at **6 Union Street**, is filled with interesting objects and displays associated with Milford's rich history. Learn about the Hutchinson Family Singers; see Milford's first fire engine, circa 1820; admire Squire Livermore's chaise. If the weather cooperates, we'll split into two groups—one starting off in Carey House and the second taking a short guided walking tour of the Oval. Then we'll switch. We should be on our way to our second stop around 3:15. ☺

<http://www.milfordhistory.com>

OUR NEXT destination is the **New Hampshire Antique Co-op**, one of the New England's first group shops. Located at 323 Elm Street (Rt. 101), it was founded in 1983 by the Hackler family. (Sam, who grew up and still lives in Jaffrey, is a member of our society.) More than 200 dealers from greater New England as well as South America, England and the western part of the United States exhibit in the shop. Each dealer shares a common passion for the old. Whether it be ancient Chinese art, sterling silver, Viennese bronze or Federal furniture, all areas of interest are covered. Sam will tell us a bit about the Co-op's history, his interest in antiques, and perhaps some recollections of growing up in Jaffrey. We'll have a sip of wine and a bit of cheese and plenty of time to wander about the place looking at all the treasures. ☺

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FOR those so inclined we'll end the day at about 5:30 with an early dinner at **The Mile Away Restaurant** at 52 Federal Hill Road in Milford. We'll be gathering in the Swiss Room if we have 20 or more in our group. Here we will enjoy a cash bar. You may choose from among the five following entrées at \$33 per person, tax & tip included: **1) Prime Rib, 2) Chicken Cordon Bleu, 3) Wienerschnitzel, 4) Baked Stuffed Shrimp, or 5) Broiled Salmon.** Included with each is an appetizer, salad, dessert (ice cream puff) and tea or coffee. Wine, etc., is extra. We need your choices at least a week ahead of time (i.e. by **Saturday, October 11th**). You may pay on the day of the Autumn Outing or send your check made out to JHS to the Society at 40 Main Street, Jaffrey, NH 03452. All questions to Rob Stephenson, 532-6066 or [rs41@comcast.net](mailto:rs41@comcast.net) ☺

<http://www.mileawayrestaurant.com>



COME to the **Jaffrey Civic Center** at **1 pm** when we'll congregate, arrange some carpooling, and head on our way to Milford. Or go on your own, arriving at the **Milford Historical Society** by 1:45 pm. Our second stop will be the **N.H. Antique Co-op**. And for those who want to have a nice dinner, we'll end up at **The Mile-Away Restaurant**. Details above and on the back page. ☺

## News of your Society

GREETINGS TO ALL,

Our Annual Meeting on August 14th was very well attended, certainly not for the annual meeting part of it but for the splendid talk by **Archie Coll, Jr.** and **Betty Royce**. The interesting history of **Coll's Poultry Farm** was the topic. The accompanying exhibit in the display cases featured poultry memorabilia from the time Archie, Sr., started the business.

I can report progress on our **Hearse House** project. An engineering and architecture course at Conval High School—taught by **Karen Fabianski** and including five Conant students—is taking on the Hearse House as a class assignment. The students, split into teams, will come up with computer generated plans for the building. If all goes well, the Building Trades Program at Conant/Conval will build the structure next year at no labor cost to the Society. We will, however, be seeking donations of money and materials. (You will find some further information at <http://www.rs41.org/jhs/hearse.htm>)

Our **Dean Murder Project** is also continuing to develop. This summer **Sean Driscoll, Sr.** created a stand-alone JHS website by expanding and revising the <http://www.jaffreyhistory.org> website that was launched a few years ago. A lot more remains to be done but it's proving an excellent start. A major focus of the site is the Dean Murder (go to the 'Dean Murder Project' tab on the homepage). Also this summer **Sean Driscoll, Jr.** scanned over 1,000 documents in the Society's collection relating to this famous unsolved murder. These scans are being entered into a database and after processing are being added to the new website. **Mark Bean** and I have met with two documentary filmmakers to discuss the feasibility of doing a Dean Murder documentary. The idea of producing a theatrical production of some sort on the murder is also percolating. So although the centenary isn't until 2018, we're well on our way seeking out appropriate ways of recognizing the anniversary. From now through 2015 most of our energies will be spent pulling together all the information sources, organizing them and adding them to the website.

The Society had its usual table on the patio of the Civic Center during **Riverfest** on July 26th.

In the last newsletter I reported that the Society's new **Facebook** page had garnered 18 "likes." The number has more than doubled to 37! Have a look at <http://www.facebook.com/jaffreyHS>.

The Society will be hosting the Fall gathering of the **Monadnock Historical Societies Forum** (a.k.a. Roundtable) on **October 16th** at the Civic Center. All members are invited to attend. The Forum meets three times a year with perhaps 30-40 people attending. Many of the historical societies in the Monadnock Region are represented. It's a good opportunity to trade information and learn what other societies are doing. It will begin at 9:30, break for a brown-bag lunch, and then continue with a program by **Barbara Rimkunas**, Curator, Exeter Historical Society, who will talk on how historical societies can get involved with kids and schools.

I look forward to seeing many of you on October 19th when we travel to Milford on our **Annual Autumn Outing**.

Rob Stephenson, *President*



Archie Coll, Jr., with his sister—Betty Royce—and wife, Helen Coll, following the presentation at the well-attended Annual Meeting. *Photo: Harvey Sawyer.*



Open House on August 16th at **Monadnock 4**, the Society's Fire Museum in Jaffrey Center. The new Fire Museum brochure was launched and hot dogs served.



The white markers indicate the proposed location for the Hearse House outside the Old Burying Ground. If all goes well, it should be up in 2015.

## Little Red Schoolhouse

Jackie Johnson, *Chair*

THANKS to all of those who served as docents this past season at the Little Red Schoolhouse:

Richard Boutwell • Sandy & Bob Chamberlain • Helen Coll Bill Driscoll • Ken Duquette • Jackie Johnson • Sandy Kallman • Susan Leach • Marcie & Joe Manning • Emily Preston • Kent Royce • Paul St. Pierre • Ann & Pete Sawyer • Travis Shattuck • Betty Shea • Debbie Stewart ☺

### Monadnock No. 4

Bill Driscoll & Dave Kemp, *Chairs*

AN OPEN HOUSE at Jaffrey's Fire Museum on Main Street was held on August 16th. Lemonade and gourmet hot dogs were served up by **Sean Driscoll** Junior and Senior. **Bill Driscoll**, **Dave Kemp** and **Joe Manning** welcomed visitors. It was a beautiful day and—thanks to **Dennis Wright**—the newly painted red doors gleamed. Visitors were given copies of the new brochure—which will be updated with new photographs taken during the Open House. The first edition may be seen at <http://www.rs41.org/jhs/monadnock4.pdf>

Once an active fire station for the western part of the town, the building features a collection of photographs, memorabilia and artifacts related to fires and firefighting from Jaffrey's earliest times to the present. The *Fire-Fly*, a rotary vein pumper dating from 1828, was rolled out, along with the still-running 1931 Seagrave *Suburbanite*. Inside, the various pieces of the early 1800 piston pumper *Contoocook* were laid out for inspection. It's presently being restored to working order. ☺

## Acquisitions & Accessions

Dick Boutwell, *Chair*

RECENT accessions include: • Jaffrey Gun Club trophy won by Charlie and E. W. Chamberlain, among others, donated by **Gordon Chamberlain** of Oxford, Maine. • A large aerial photo of W. W. Cross, donated by **Peggy Rivard**. • A folder of Jaffrey photographs, donated by **Nora Bryant**. • A variety of items relating to three generations of the **Fitzgerald** family including many papers and photographs, donated by **Paul Lavter** of New York City. • A collection of annual town and school reports, photographs, yearbooks, etc., donated by **Lorraine Parent**. • Jaffrey bi-centennial material, donated by **Francis Chamberlain**. • Nine loose-leaf binders of Jaffrey-related newspaper clippings, 1981-92, donated by **Robert Stephenson**. • Two large portfolios of drawings and plans and a box of reports and files related to the Jaffrey Mills, donated by the estate of **Rick and Duffy Monahon** of Peterborough.



(The Society accepts any Jaffrey-related items that it does not already possess and that can be stored in one of our three basement rooms.) ☺

## Membership

Marcie Manning, *Chair*

WE WELCOME the following new members: **Sallie Austermann** and **Charles Turcotte** (life member). ☺

### Officers & Committee Chairs

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*Monadnock No. 4* William Driscoll & David Kemp  
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2014-2017  
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## Upcoming Programs

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 13:** Annual Christmas Party jointly with the Civic Center. **THURSDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2015:** Potluck & Program. **THURSDAY APRIL 9 & JUNE 11:** Programs TBD. **THURSDAY AUGUST 13:** Annual Meeting, Cournoyer Funeral Home Centenary. **SUNDAY OCTOBER 18:** Annual Autumn Outing, Destination TBD. ☺

## Jaffrey Historical Society

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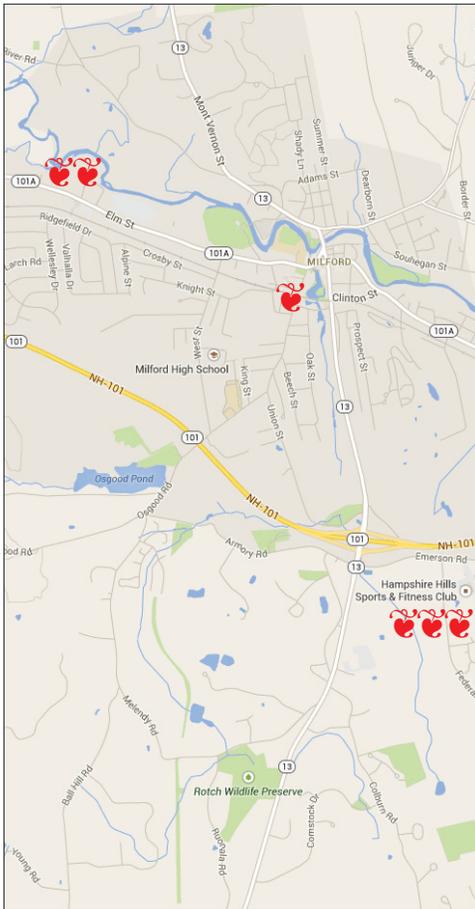
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TO:



*Carey House—the home of the Milford Historical Society and one of our destinations on our Annual Autumn Outing.*



## Milford Historical Society on the map.

THOSE who wish to carpool or go in convoy, meet at the Civic Center for a 1 pm departure. The Carey House—home of the **Milford Historical Society**—is at 6 Union Street, just south of the downtown Oval. There is ample parking on site. It is 24 miles from Jaffrey, just over half an hour's drive. This should set our arrival at Carey House at about 1:45.

<http://www.milfordhistory.com>

## NH Antique Co-op on the map.

AT AROUND 3:15 or so, we'll retrace our route to the **New Hampshire Antique Co-op** at 323 Elm Street (Rt. 101A). It's just over a mile on the right (north) side of the road. Look for the distinctive gray tower.

<http://www.nhantiquecoop.com>

## The Mile Away Restaurant on the map.

THOSE who are stopping at **The Mile Away** for an early dinner will then drive to 52 Federal Hill Road. This is just over 4 miles or 10 minutes away, driving back into Milford, taking a right on to Rt. 13 south, under the 101 by-pass, first left on to Emerson Road and first right on to Federal Hill Road.

<http://www.mileawayrestaurant.com>