Alstead Historical Society Annual Letter & Membership Form

February 2023



We truly appreciate all the folks who currently are, and who in the past have been, members of the Alstead Historical Society. It is through your participation that we are able to preserve Alstead's history and continue to make improvements at the museum. A special thanks to our Life Members whose dues are invested in an endowment fund which will provide income to support the Alstead Historical Society far into the future.

We opened the museum on six Sunday afternoons, as well as by appointment during the summer. We were very pleased to have a record number of visitors (206!) to our museum. This was partly due to the renovation of the second floor as well as to the great advertising on our Facebook page by Syrene Porter. The society's office, located in the town's municipal building, was open all but three or four Thursday afternoons last year.

We received many items donated this year, perhaps the most notable were the blueprints of Vilas School donated by Stephen and Donalin Ring and an 1890's wheelchair donated by Lance Willard. You never know what is in your attic or basement!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people for their dedication and service to the Alstead Historical Society. This includes their devotion to organization, record keeping, cleaning, filing, and producing our newsletter. Also conserving and cataloging our vast collection of pictures, maps, diaries, ledgers, documents and past histories of stores, schools, churches and organizations, financial records, etc. All this can be found at our records room along with the large collection of artifacts at the museum. We would not be able to function without their time and effort: David Moody, Jeanne Moody, Margaret Perry, Peg Sutcliffe, Marie Harling, Syrene Porter, Judi Bellows, Heather Gendron and Gayle Bellows, as well as wonderful volunteers, Barbara Porter and Ann Acheson, that among other tasks, helped clean the museum and serve as docents. Thank you!

To apply or renew a membership for 2023 or to make a donation, please send your check payable to Alstead Historical Society and the form below to the Alstead Historical Society at PO Box 16, Alstead, NH 03602.

Alstead Historical Society - Membership Form - 2023

| Please choose a level of support: | | |
|--|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Senior Individual (65 & over) / Student - \$15 | ☐ Individual - \$25 | ☐ Family - \$40 |
| Lifetime Membership - \$250 (One-time payment | t of \$250 for two household m | embers) |
| Name(s): | New Memb | er Returning Member |
| Address: | | |
| Phone: | Email: | |
| In addition to your membership fee or in lieu of becoming a member, if you would like to make a donation, please check a box below. All donations are greatly appreciated. | | |
| I would like to make a donation in addition to my | membership dues in the amou | nt of \$ |
| I am not paying membership dues, but I would like to send a donation in the amount of \$. | | |