

## Archives Room

The Charlestown Historical Society maintains an Archives Room in the Town Hall on Summer Street. The Archives Room is open every Tuesday morning from 9 to noon, and use of its resources are free to those wishing to pursue historical or genealogical research. To schedule use of the Archives Room at another time, please contact Marge Reed, Archivist, 826-4478.

### 2015-2016 Officers

President-Joyce Higgins

Vice President-Patricia Ahern

Treasurer-Judi Baraly

Archivist/Secretary-Marge Reed

Membership Chairperson-

Board Member-at-Large-David Schumann

**Quote to Remember:** *Archives are important historical records that help us understand the past, enrich the present, and inform the future.*

*Many historical records can be found only in the archives of local historical societies, who are the keepers of their town's history.*

### Annual Craft Sale

The craft sale will be held on December 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Town Hall. Contact Marge Reed, 826-4478, to rent a space.

School District No.

8

*"The Little Red Schoolhouse"*

1774-1929

1581 Acworth Road

*N. H. State Register of Historic Places*

The schoolhouse is owned and maintained by the Charlestown Historical Society as a community historical resource. It is located 3 miles east from the intersection of Old Claremont Road and Acworth Road.

### Open House Dates -- 2015-2016

May 24, 2015    October 11, 2015    May  
29, 2016    October 9, 2016

Open from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Tours may be arranged on other dates. The schoolhouse will be opened for groups or for one or two individuals.

Teachers and their classes are invited and encouraged to use the schoolhouse as a living history resource. Teachers may reserve use of the building for one day or several days to conduct classes. There is no charge. Docents and lesson plans are available for assistance, if desired.

To schedule a tour or use of the schoolhouse, please call Marge Reed, 826-4478 or Joyce Higgins, 826-9726.

# Charlestown Historical Society 2015-2016



METCALF STORE WATERING  
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*"Preserving the past for the  
future."*

[www.usgennet.org/usa/nh/county/sullivan/  
Charlestown.htm](http://www.usgennet.org/usa/nh/county/sullivan/Charlestown.htm)

[www.charlestown-nh.gov](http://www.charlestown-nh.gov)  
Listed under Historical Information

P.O . Box 159  
Charlestown, N.H. 03603  
**PROGRAMS 2015-2016**

*The public is cordially invited to all historical society programs. Refreshments are served.*

**July - No meeting**

**August 16, 2015 Annual Picnic at Little Red Schoolhouse**, 1581 Acworth Rd., 1 p.m. Bring a dish to share and a chair. Cold drinks and watermelon provided.

**\*September 27, 2015 Slavery in Charlestown!? And Other Townspeople Who Were People of Color.** Town Hall, 2 p.m.  
**\*Note change of date.**

**\*October 18, 2015 Return to Those Thrilling Days of Yesteryear--with 2 silent movies and musical accompaniment. Presented by Jeff Rapsis.** Popcorn provided! **Community Room**, 2:00 p.m. Co-sponsored by Silsby Library.  
**\*Note change of location.**

**November 15, 2015 Herb Monroe, Chairman of the Native Tribes of New England, presents a program on Abenaki Heritage.** Not to be missed! Town Hall, 2 p.m.

**December 20, 2015 Festive Annual Christmas Potluck.** Town Hall, 2 p.m. Drinks provided. Celebrate with us! Bring a dish to share. Slides of Charlestown shown.

**January 17, 2016 Old and Recent Slides of Our National Register District Houses.**

Town Hall, 2 p.m.

**February 21, 2016 It Was Highway Robbery! George Ryan, A Little-Known, Early Town Scalawag.** What did he do? Town Hall, 2 p.m.

**March 20, 2016 Something to Remember You By. Take Home a Souvenir.** Charlestown souvenirs, past and present. Bring yours to show. Town Hall, 2 p.m.

**April 17, 2016 Hooking--Your Grandma Did It!** The history and techniques of rug hooking by the Happy Hookers of Charlestown. Town Hall, 2 p.m.

**May 15, 2016 Early Filling Stations, Garages, and Car Dealerships.** Remembering the early days of automobiling here. Town Hall, 2 p.m.

**June 19, 2016 Annual Meeting and Election of Officers.** Make your own sundaes! Town Hall, 2 p.m.

Meeting information is posted on the Town of Charlestown website under Historical Information.

**Contact Information**

For information regarding meetings, changes in the program or location, cancellations due to weather, etc., please contact Joyce

Higgins, 826-9726, or Marge Reed, 826-4478

**Monthly Raffle**

A raffle is held at every meeting with the winner bringing the next month's raffle prize.

**Dues**

*Annual Dues*  
Individual \$5    Couple \$10    Family \$12

*Supporting Dues*  
Contributing Member                    \$25  
Sustaining Member                      \$100  
Lifetime Couple Membership          \$300

*Your dues help to preserve the history of Charlestown.*

**Books & Booklets For Sale**

*History of Charlestown* \$35  
*Second History of Charlestown* \$25  
*Third History of Charlestown* \$45  
*Complete Index to the Second History* \$20  
*Walkabout Booklet* \$2.50  
*Walkabout - 2nd Time Around* \$2.50  
*The Judge's Daughter* \$20

**Postcards: District No. 8 School or Scenes of Charlestown** postcards are available from the society for \$1.00 each.