

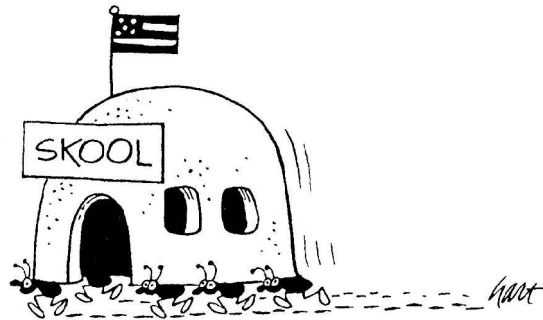
Fall 2010 Newsletter

September 2010



Tuesday, September 21, the program meeting will be given by **Betty Welch**. It will be pictures and talk about the **moving of the little School House No. 4** from East Campville Road and Cafferty Hill to our land on the point of Nanticoke Rd. and Route 26. It was quite a project!

That Sunday will be one of the regular open afternoons for all the buildings and a Celebration of the 10 years the one room school house has been in Maine



September 26, 2010 1:00-5:00 Celebration activities:

Flag Raising: The state of New York had declared that “As per executive law, article 19, flags shall be displayed daily during school hours in, on or near every school house. When this school house opened there were 27 stars on the flag.

Spelling Bee finals: Even in this day of Spell Check, learning to spell really well is a big deal.

Wagon rides will be available from the school house festivities all the way up to the Country Wagon and back.

Lemonade and goodies will be for sale all afternoon

Meet the people who donated the building, the people who got it from there to here and the Boy Scouts who repainted it in time for this celebration.

The building still needs new shingles, and visitors will be given the opportunity to sponsor a bundle of roof shingles.

Orders will be taken for tee shirts with the Johnny Hart logo. Johnny Hart was very encouraging to the people planning that outrageous undertaking, more than 10 years ago. And it is in memory of him that we proudly wear the picture of vigorous ants pulling the lumpy school house along.

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The Little Schoolhouse No. 4 has a New Coat of Paint

The little school has stood in Maine for ten years now, and like every other painted surface after ten years, it needed a lot of work. As his Eagle Scout project, Andrew Sellick organized the planning, scraping, shopping, and painting, of the school house building and shutters and the replacing of removed pieces when the paint was dry. You can see for yourselves how good it looks.

Here are the people who worked on Andrew's Eagle project:

Karl Sellick, Chris Sellick, Rita Sellick, Howard Dingman, Michael Dingman, Nate Dingman, Stephan Meschter, Tomas Meschter, Matt Rydzik, Dale Delnero, Luke Zuber, Jake Zuber, Mark Zuber, and Bryan Kisner.

Andrew and many of his workers are members of Troop 212.

Other Happenings in Maine

September 19 – buildings open 1-4 one room School, Mill, and Museum

September 19 – Get in the Game, the fall community musical
2 o'clock and 5 o'clock performances, Maine Memorial School

September 21 – September meeting, 7:00 at our museum building
Program will be given by Betty Welch, "Moving the One Room Schoolhouse"
It will be 10 years since the School House No. 4 was moved.

September 23 – work evening at J. Ralph Ingalls building

September 26 – Historical Society buildings open from one to four

September 26 – A rededication ceremony for the little No. 4 one room school house, and afternoon of activities for all. 1:00 to 5:00 at the little school building.

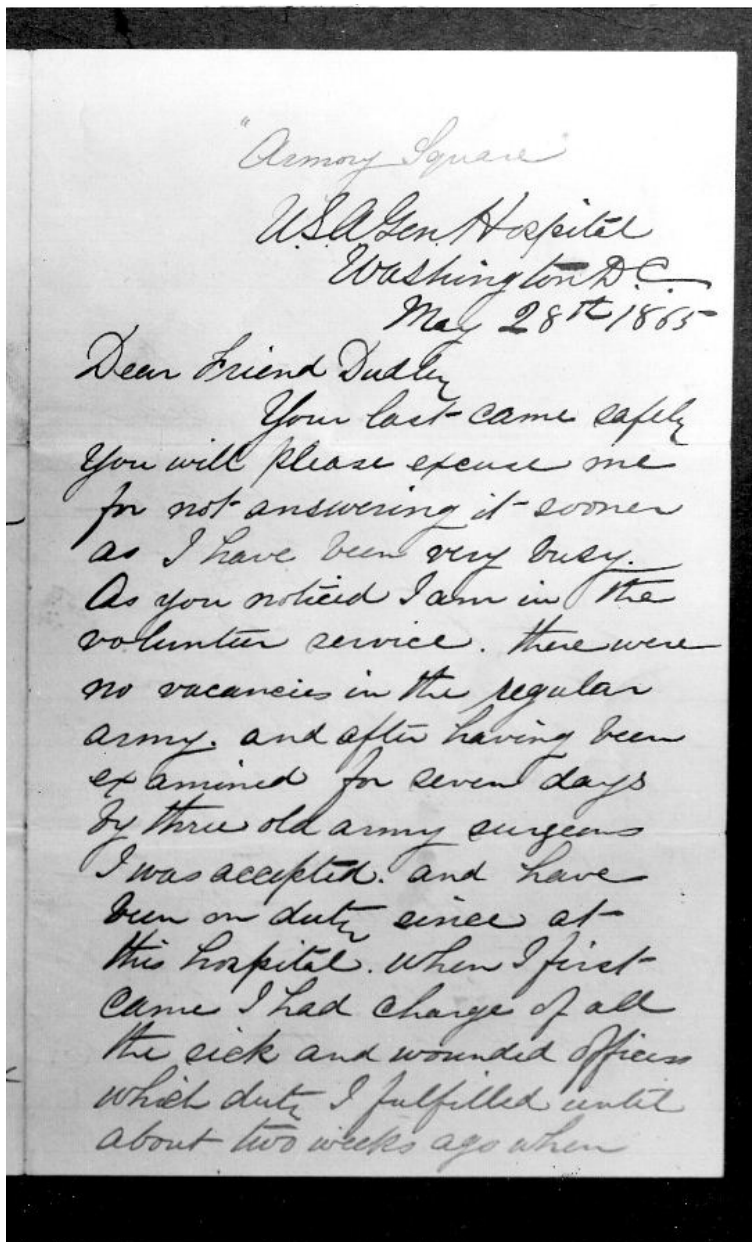
October 13 – the Doug's Seafood lunch wagon will be set up at the Country Wagon store on Rt. 26 N. 11:00 to 6:00. This is a fund raiser for the Nanticoke Valley Historical Society. .

October 19- NVHS October meeting 7:00 program by Nancy Rutkowski, Town Historian
"Rutkowski Families in Maine"

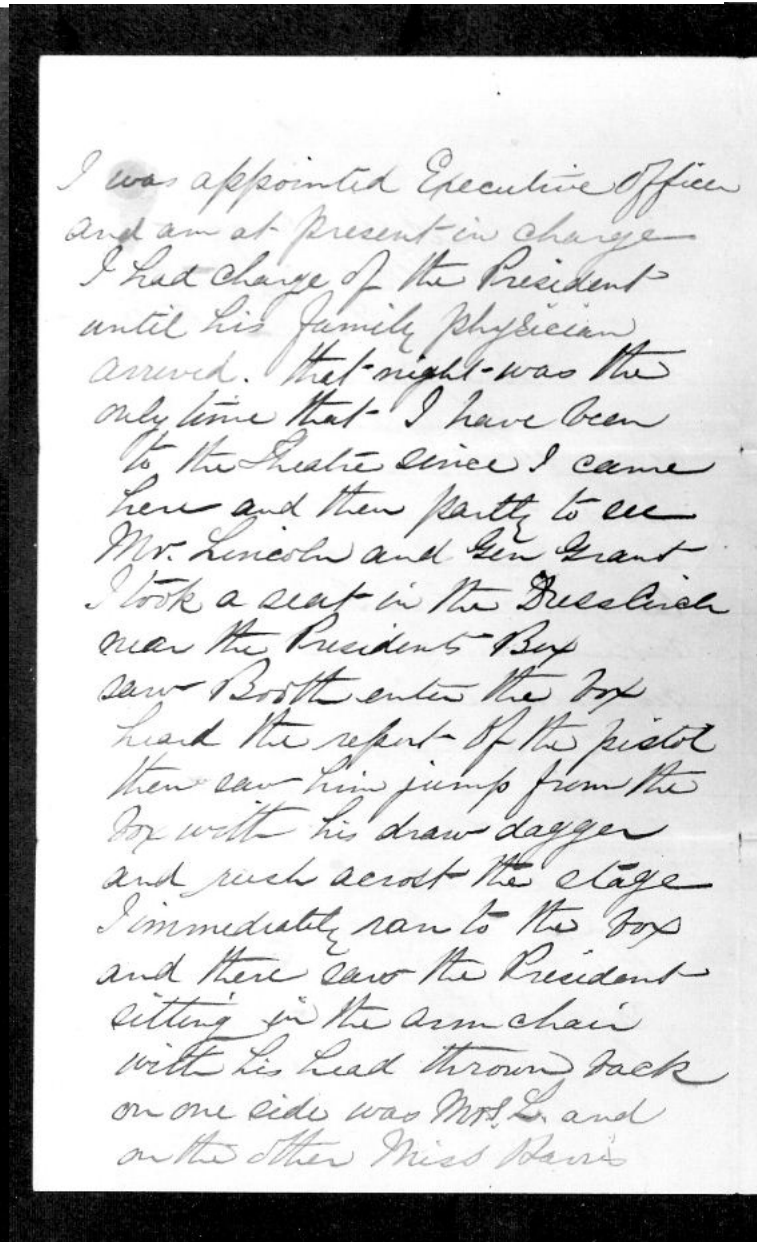
Little Known Treasures From the Archives

This begins a new item in the News Letter to be called Little Known Treasures from the Archives. The initial find is a letter from the first doctor on the scene at Lincoln's Assassination. The person to whom he is writing appears to be "our" Dr. Dudley from the glass case in the Men's Exhibit. Dudley had been working in Washington himself, before coming to Maine, New York to establish a practice and then being sent to manage the medical care in the Confederate soldier Prisoner of War camp in Elmira New York.

The date of this letter is one month after the assassination. (It brings to mind all the e-mails received from friends who had witnessed the 911 situation unfolding).



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The former was holding his head and crying bitterly for a Surgeon while the others there were standing crying for Stimulated water etc. not one going for anything. While going towards him I sent one for Brandy and another for water, then told Mrs. L. that I was a Surgeon when she asked me to do what I could. He was then in a profound Coma, pulse could not be felt: eyes closed, stertorous breathing. I immediately with assistance placed him in a recumbent position on the floor. While doing this I put my hand on a part of his coat near the left shoulder saturated with blood supposing him to have been stabbed. I looked

a person near by to cut off his clothes which he did with a jack knife, as soon as his shoulder was laid bare and no wound discovered I examined his head, and first felt a protuberance about one inch to the right of med. line and the same distance above the superior curved line of the occiput. I removed the clot and introduced the little finger of left hand completely through the cranium. I then knew it was fatal and told the bystanders that it was a mortal wound. Dr. Galt and Dr. King now came in and we removed him immediately to Pattersons house just opposite. I first intended to

have him taken immediately to the White House but I was afraid he would die while going there. Besides after he was taken out to the street his carriage was not to be found. After we put him in bed we sent for bottles of hot water to apply to his extremities before these arrived the room was completely crowded. I turned around and saw a Capt. who I asked to have the room cleared which he did, which he did all leaving except Mrs. L. and Miss Harris. I went to Mrs. L. and asked her if she would have the kindness to go to the next room for a minute so as to allow us to do all we could and examine

his wounds. She did so and several Drs then came in among them Dr. Stone, the family physician, who was introduced to me. When I asked him if he would take charge of the President he said that he would when I resigned. The Surg. Gen. Surg. Crane and others now came in. I then went to the head of the bed near his left shoulder where I remained until he breathed his last. He was completely insensible from the time that he was shot until he breathed his last. They tried to give him a small quantity of brandy but he could not swallow it. Mustard Poultices were applied

during the night.
 I had a ticket to the Grand Room
 and had the carriage next
 to the Surg. General at the
 Funeral.
 The trial of the conspirators
 is going on I went to see
 them last week at the
 Court room they are a
 very inferior looking set of
 men G. Mudd is the
 only one that has any
 intellectual expressions I hope
 that if the charges are true
 against him he will be
 unable to tell what school
 he rec'd his Dip. from
 they all look as if they
 did not have any hope
 Laughlin is very nervous
 and trembles terribly they
 are all very pale except
 the D.

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The review that took place
 here last week was the
 grandest military collection
 ever witnessed on the continent
 the soldiers were as black
 as indians and covered
 with dust.
 I had tickets sent to me for
 seats on the stand next
 to the Presidents where I saw
 very well x
 I rec'd a letter from D. Gov.
 Smith last week he is still
 at Gallie Home Capt. my
 where both of us have had fun
 Allow me to congratulate you
 on your happy prospect
 in the future.
 Please remember me to the Eggers
 G. Wey and all inquiring friends
 and believe me yours sincerely
 Chas. A. Leake

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Thanks to the People Who Showed the Buildings Mowed and Gardened And Donated Things

I want to thank everyone who helped at the Mill, Schoolhouse and Museum, this Open Sundays season. They are Ken Brady, Chris Underwood, Anita Shipway, Alice Hopkins, Sue Hoskins, Sandy Halliday, Sandy Rozek, Carla Sullivan, Nancy Berry, Dottie Wynans, Paul Riecke, and perhaps some we've missed.

I also want to thank Pat and Al Krzyzewski , Gloria Sullivan and Doris Vovente for the much appreciated gardening (on some of the hottest days).



If you came by the museum this summer, you probably saw a very old snare drum set out in the center room. It is the same one that appears in two of the old pictures of the Maine Town Band, hanging in that room. The person with it in the pictures was Charles Lincoln. The “skins” on the drums of that time are actually made of skins! They are kept taught by a lacing of light weight rope.

Charles Lincoln gave the drum to George Edwin Padbury, and eventually it was inherited by Gerald Padbury, grandson of George Edwin. It was he who thought it ought to come back to Maine and handed it over to curator Sue Lisk this summer.

~Sue Lisk curator

And, also extra thanks must go to Sue and Stan Lisk and their visiting daughter Monica who lifted, pulled and hauled to clear spaces for painters and to neaten up things for the School No. 4 ten year celebration.

editor

Please join us for Schoolhouse No. 4's "10 Years in Maine" Celebration!

Sunday, September 26, 2010 from 1:00 – 5:00 P.M.
at the one room schoolhouse in Maine

As part of the festivities, we will be taking orders for commemorative T-shirts. We will also be offering supporters the opportunity to sponsor "bundles of shingles" in honor or in memory of someone special. The money from this fundraiser will be used to purchase actual shingles that will repair the roof of Schoolhouse No. 4.

You can order at the celebration or ahead by mail using the order form below.

----- cut here and mail completed form – please print clearly! -----

Yes, I want to order!

► T-shirt with our original Johnny Hart logo with "Schoolhouse No. 4, 10 years in Maine" under it. The short-sleeved shirts will be brick red with cream-colored printing on the front. The cost is \$10.00 each. Please indicate the quantity of each size and total your order.

Youth sizes: ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large

Adult sizes: ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X-Large ___ XXLarge (add \$3 each)

► Sponsor a "Bundle of Shingles" at \$20.00 each... Your donation will be noted in a commemorative book kept on permanent display in Schoolhouse No. 4 and you will receive a signed certificate noting your specific donation.

in honor of _____

in memory of _____

Total number of shirts: ___ Total number of Bundles: ___ Total enclosed: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/email: _____

*Please mail the completed form and payment (checks to "Nanticoke Valley Historical Society") to
Joanne Weir, 551 Fredericks Road, Johnson City, NY 13790 Questions: 785-6408*

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- Each voting board position has a three year term. Three board positions are to be refilled each year, providing an ever changing but on-going board coverage.
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- Board Members Nancy Berry, Betty Welch, and Sue Hoskins will serve through 2011.
- Board members Stan Lisk, Yancy Moore, and Diane Chianis will serve through 2012.

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2010 Dues Are now due.

Check the address label to verify that your dues are up to date.

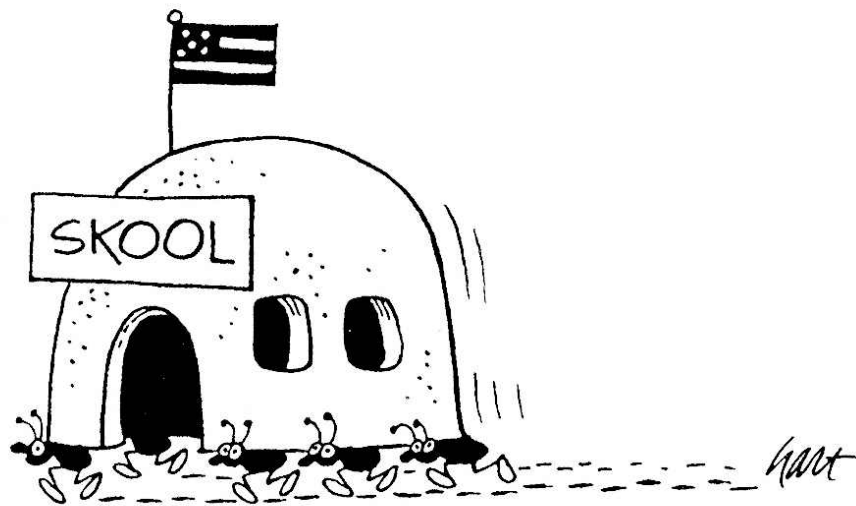
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