



Southern Aroostook Agricultural Museum

"A museum by the people, for the people"

1664 US Highway 1 Littleton, Maine

April-June 2024

By Karen Donato

"We are an equal opportunity provider"

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2024 S.A.A.M. Officers



The officers for the Southern Aroostook Agricultural Museum are from left: Paul Klein, president; Debbie Melvin, secretary and Francis Fitzpatrick, vice-president. Not pictured is Debbie Campbell, treasurer.

Tours for Eclipse Weekend

Our volunteers will be on hand Saturday, April 6 for tours at the museum from 10 a.m., until 4 p.m. If you have family and friends visiting, we hope you will bring them to the museum for an early spring tour. We will have eclipse memorabilia available. Admission for the tours will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. If you have a membership, the tour is free for you. We are looking for volunteers to help with tours or take admission at the desk. Rae and her team will be offering light refreshments, coffee and water for visitors. If you would like to help, call or text Karen Donato, 207-694-6099.



Baked ham supper on Saturday, March 23.

Serving 4:30 p.m.—6 p.m.

\$10 per person



Under the direction of Rae Johnston, the kitchen crew is ready to serve you at our upcoming supper.

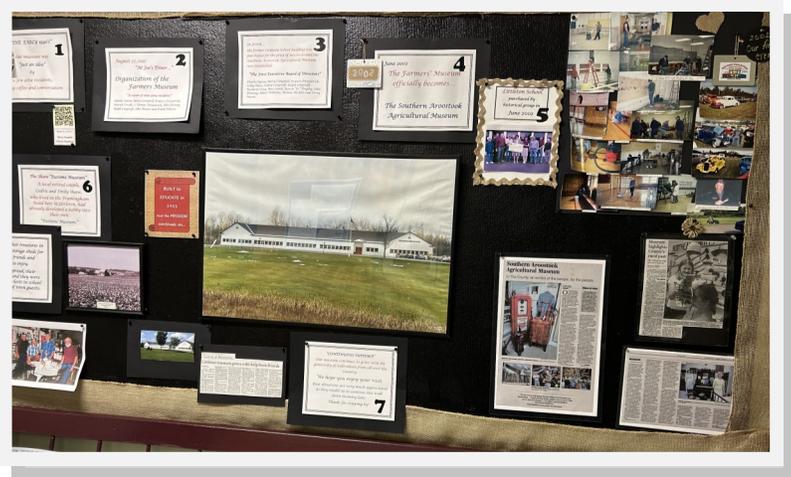
Spring raffle tickets are on sale now for our riding lawnmower.

Tickets are \$10 each and the winner will be drawn at our supper May 18. Contact any officer or buy your ticket online.



Covered Bridge Project

Nancy Wright and Francis Fitzpatrick have been coordinating with Steve Dahlk, a local carpenter and artist, Frank Sullivan to create a Covered Bridge facade in the hallway across from Our Old House. We hope the next time you visit you will take a stroll down the hall to see the progress. Dee Cote and Mac Eleiott have contributed weathered wood, and some was salvaged from the bridge itself. We will also have several paintings and photos of the covered bridge, which will be on display. One of the photographs by Bill Dunn, was donated in memory of Phyllis McBride Hovey by her husband Mel. Phyllis grew up on the hill from the bridge. She used to slide in the winter with her sisters, who are in the photo below, down toward the bridge.



We appreciate our farming communities.

We hope you will take a look at our updated bulletin boards in the hallway. Other bulletin boards have a variety of photos showing the development of the museum. There are also photos of the many volunteers through the years.





The Northland opened in November 1930 with a gala affair. The hotel became the center of community activities hosting civic groups, elegant banquets in their spacious dining room and formal dances in the ballroom. Many adults from the area had their first formal portrait done as a toddler in the mezzanine above the ballroom by Olan Mills. The hotel was torn down in 1978. Bangor Savings Bank is located in its place today. The dishes in the above photo were recently donated to the museum and used at the hotel.

Please lend a hand

We hope some of our readers will consider helping us out this summer season. We have several jobs that we need help with: be a tour guide a few hours each week or once a month. One does not need to be a seasoned tour guide, you can just pop in on the tours to see if the guests have questions and lead them in the right direction to the next building. There are random computer projects and help with cleaning items to be put on display. We also need someone to clean the kitchen and common areas before and after our events. This would be about once a month. There are several things that need to be framed and maybe some outside painting. Call Rae Johnston, 538-9402 to be added to our dessert list for suppers or to help with serving at our monthly suppers. If you are interested in any of the tasks above please contact: Nancy Wright, 538-8905, Debbie Melvin, 538-9604 or Karen Donato 694-6099.

Memory Corner

Memorial donations received recently in memory of :
Joyce Henderson, Tom Fitzpatrick, Steve London, Mabel Walton, Thelma Henderson, Susan Dow and Edna Cowperthwaite. Thank you for your donations.

Upcoming Events

April 20—Museum supper

May 18—Museum supper

4:30 to 6.....\$10 per person

April 20 & 21 Trade Show at the Millar Arena in Houlton

Please send your 2024 membership dues to:

S.A.A.M. 304 Campbell Road Littleton, ME 04730 or renew online.

Thank you for supporting our mission to preserve the past.

Bits and pieces of information:

Multi-Purpose Room: Our gym & kitchen facilities are available to rent for reunions, receptions, parties or banquets.

We are a non-smoking, alcohol free facility and handicapped accessible.

Gift Certificates are available for suppers or memberships.. Great birthday, anniversary or “just because” gifts.

Regular Museum meetings are the first and third Saturdays of the month beginning at 9 a.m. Members and guests welcome

Open for tours Thursday, Friday and Saturday..1 p.m. to 4.

June 27 through Labor Day

For private tours call Francis Fitzpatrick 538-0050 or other officers listed below.



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SAAM appreciates your support!

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Becoming a member does not obligate you to any volunteer position, but it does help us fulfill the dream of :

“Cultivating the Heritage of the County”

Please complete the form below to enjoy free admittance to the museum and help support a great cause. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, operated solely by volunteers.

- Single Membership \$20
- Family Membership \$30
- Sodbuster \$50
- Thresher \$100
- Farmer of the Year \$250
- Single Lifetime—\$500
- Couple Lifetime--\$750
- Additional donation for:

Date _____

Name _____

Business _____

Address _____

City/Town _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Send to: SAAM,304 Campbell Road
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c/o Barry Campbell

Or pay online

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OFFICERS

- PRESIDENT..Paul Klein.....521-1874
- V.PRESIDENT.....Francis Fitzpatrick..... 538-0050
- TREASURER.....Debbie Campbell.....538-9583
- SECRETARY.....Debbie Melvin.....538- 9604

COMMITTEES

- Buildings & Grounds..Colby Shaw.....694-0824*
- Paul Klein.....521 -1874.*
- EVENTS / Rae Johnston.....538-9402*
- Contact Debbie Campbell to reserve museum..... 538-9583*
- HISTORIAN /open for volunteer*
- PUBLICITY /Karen Donato..... 694-6099*
- Displays/decorating. Nancy Wright...538-8905*
- Karen Donato..694-6099*
- TRANSPORTATION OF DONATED ITEMS:**
- Francis Fitzpatrick.....538-0050*
- MUSEUM.....538-9300*

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