

PRESERVATION {in brief}

A NEW HAMPSHIRE DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES NEWSLETTER



APRIL IS ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH IN NH!

This month is an opportunity to celebrate and explore our past and recognize archaeology's contributions to our society. The New Hampshire Archeological Society sponsors and organizes activities throughout the month with the help of a variety of organizations. Visit NHAS.org to check out the calendar of events for Archaeology Month 2022.

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Some Notable Archeology Month Events

- **Digging Into Native History in New Hampshire**, Robert Goodby-- Wednesday April 6, 7pm – 8pm (virtual)
- **Discovering New England Stone Walls**, Kevin Gardner -- Saturday April 9, 3pm – 4pm, Lawrence Barn, Hollis NH
- **Manchester Community College Archeology Expo** Saturday April 9, 4pm – 6pm, MCC Campus
- **NHAS Spring Meeting** -- Saturday April 16, details TBA
- **Treasure from the Isles of Shoals: How New Archaeology is Changing Old History**, J. Dennis Robinson -- Monday April 18, 6pm – 7pm, Portsmouth Public Library

UPCOMING DHR EVENTS

JUN
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Virtual office hours: Using the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Credit @ 12pm

For info & registration email amy.s.dixon@dnhr.nh.gov

NEW STATE REGISTER LISTINGS



CALLEY HOMESTEAD, PLYMOUTH



VILAS POOL PARK, ALSTEAD



WALDRON STORE & KEENEBOROUGH GRANGE
HALL, BRENTWOOD

The New Hampshire State Register of Historic Places is an honorary listing that encourages the protection of significant buildings, districts, sites, landscapes, structures or objects that are meaningful in the history, architecture, archeology, engineering, or traditions of New Hampshire residents and communities.



WEBSTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY, WENTWORTH

The **Calley Homestead** in Plymouth was built in 1800. One of several early nineteenth century buildings that still exists on Highland Street in Plymouth, the homestead has served the community as a boarding house and restaurant, then as an antique shop into the 1970s.

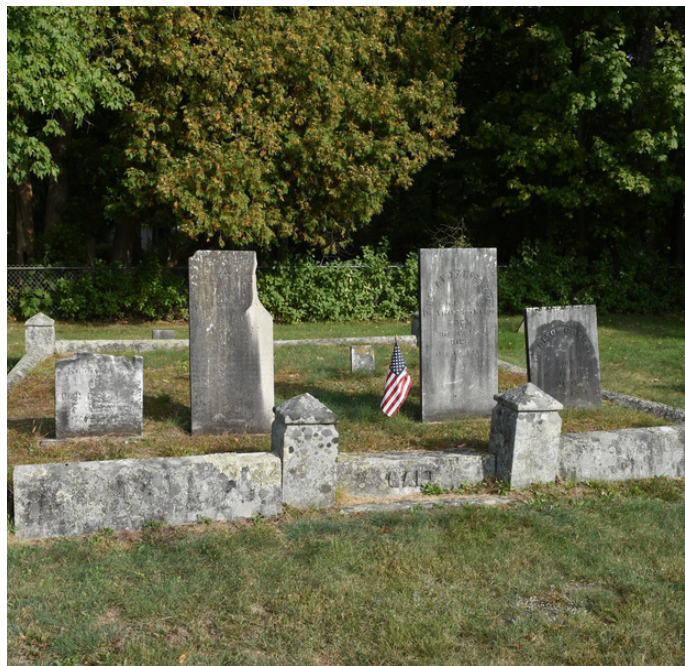
Vilas Pool Park, constructed in 1925-26, is significant both as an example of an early twentieth century recreational area and for its architecture and landscape architecture. The contains a man-made pool, pedestrian bridge, pavilion, boat house, carillon, stone tables and fireplaces, and other structures designed to enhance recreational visits.

The **Waldron Store and Keeneborough Grange Hall** was built in 1855 and has served a variety of community functions. The second floor was home to the Grange beginning in 1892 and has been the site of suppers, theater performances, games and dances, while the first floor - which has been a general store, post office and library - is now home to the Historical Society.

Webster Memorial Library, built in 1916, is one of only five libraries in NH that is classified as Arts and Crafts style. Its concrete basement houses a gymnasium where basketball games were played as late as the early 1970s. Funds to build the library were donated by Wentworth natives George and Henry Webster to honor their parents, Edward Kendall Webster and Betsy Johnson Webster.

NEW NATIONAL REGISTER LISTINGS

The National Register of Historic Places is an official list and honorary designation bestowed by the U.S. Department of the Interior. It is a coordinated effort to support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect America's historic and archaeological resources.



Above: Established circa 1725, **Plains Cemetery** was the only public cemetery in Kingston until 1857 and served as the primary town burying ground into the first quarter of the 20th century. A characteristic early 18th-century town burying ground, it is the final resting place of many descendants of Kingston's earliest families, successful local religious, military and medical leaders, lawyers, farmers, shoemakers, carpenters, mill workers and elected officials. Plains Cemetery is the final resting place of Josiah Bartlett (1729-1795), the first constitutional governor of New Hampshire and second signer of the Declaration of Independence after John Hancock.

Right: Located in Wakefield's Union Village, **Union Railroad Station** was built in 1911 and is an excellent example of a typical early-20th century Boston & Maine railroad station. A single story wood-frame building that incorporates characteristics of several late Victorian architectural styles, the station's low-pitched roof and track side eaves project well beyond the building, providing outside shelter from the elements. Built circa 1875, the Freight Shed is located across from the site of the original passenger station, which was built in 1854. A single-story building with minimal architectural details, the shed has two large elevated cargo bays that allow for the easy transfer of goods from wagons to the building's interior; corresponding openings on the track side allowed goods to be easily loaded onto trains.



UPCOMING PRESERVATION GRANT OPPORTUNITIES



MOOSE PLATE GRANT ROUNDS

Grant round opens
OPEN NOW

Letters of Intent Due
MAY 6

Full Applications due
JUNE 24

<https://www.nh.gov/nhdhr/grants/moose/>



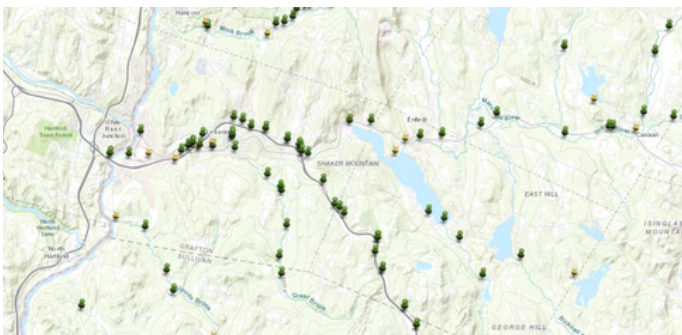
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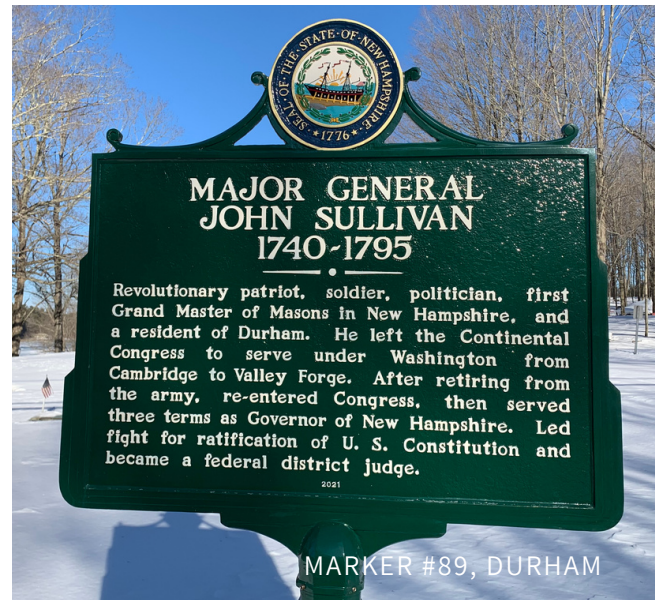
Letters of Intent Due
MAY 18

Full Applications due
JUNE 22

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NEW HISTORICAL HIGHWAY MARKER



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UPCOMING EVENTS FROM THE NH PRESERVATION ALLIANCE



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE VIRTUAL
AND IN-PERSON EVENTS, VISIT
WWW.NHPRESERVATION.ORG



APRIL 19TH, 12PM

Architect Thomas Hubka will be
speaking on his most recent book,
*How the Working-Class Home Became
Modern, 1900-1940*



MAY 3RD, 5PM

Annual preservation awards
celebration



MAY 14TH

Old Building and Trades Fair,
Sanborn Mills Farm in Loudon. This
is a chance to tour, enjoy
preservation-related demonstrations
and ask questions about your
preservation projects



JUNE 11TH

Self-guided barn tour,
Moultonborough



JUNE 18TH

Self-guided barn tour, Plainfield

**The NH Preservation Alliance
website is also offering:**

Tips that you can use in your community
from *Communities and Consequences*

Spring maintenance and planning checklist
for your old home or other historic
property.



HOW THE WORKING-CLASS HOME BECAME MODERN, 1900-1940

THOMAS C. HUBKA



Images courtesy of NHPA

NH SCRAP SUMMER FIELD SCHOOL 2022

The 2022 NH State Conservation and Rescue Archaeology Program (SCRAP) archaeology field school will take place in two sessions, each two weeks long (June 6 - 17 and June 20 - July 1). Fieldwork will take place daily on weekdays from 8 AM to 4 PM.

Both sessions will take place at Bear Brook State Park, along the Suncook River, in Allenstown, NH. Field school participants will engage in the survey of several areas exhibiting the potential to contain pre-contact deposits as well as continue to excavate a pre-contact archaeological deposit identified during the 2021 season. Work will focus on a terrace of the Suncook River within the park.

Archaeological survey and excavation techniques including artifact identification and excavation documentation will be taught.

For more information, contact the NH Division of Historical Resources at 603-271-6433 or visit our website at:

<https://www.nh.gov/nhdhr/SCRAP.htm>



For more information on any of the projects & properties mentioned in this issue, please visit [nh.gov/nhdhr/](https://www.nh.gov/nhdhr/)

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Name: Mark Doperalski

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Interests/hobbies: Hanging out with my kids, running, hiking, camping, gardening, making maple syrup, cooking, and eating.

Favorite food: Bánh mì (Vietnamese sandwich)

About me: My life revolves almost entirely around hanging out with my kids and the critters on our little family farm as well as exploring the outdoors and eating food. I'm also a huge fan of the Green Bay Packers and Milwaukee Brewers and try to tune into their games as much as my time allows. Though I'm not always successful in doing so, I try to live according to the quote, "When given the choice between being right and being kind, choose kind".



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