

The Sudbury Chronicle



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Leona Johnson was a careful collector of photos and news about Sudbury people and events, and is pictured here. We are very pleased that Leona's estate gave much of her collection to the Sudbury Historical Society.

With great care and attention to detail, members of the Board of Trustees and the Tuesday Ladies have sorted, described, cataloged and filed the Leona Johnson collection.

This picture was found in the **Sudbury Town Crier photo morgue** that was recently sorted and filed by the volunteers.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Sundays at Sudbury Town Hall and @2PM except where noted.

- February 7 Best Kept Sudbury Secret The Concord Review. with its Editor and Founder, Will Fitzhugh of Sudbury
- March 7 Farm Life in South Sudbury ~ Ames & Smith Families Early 20th Century with Ernie Beer
- April 11 Town Meeting Tonight ~ Note new Date! Recall the music and lyrics of the highly successful play written by Dr Bill Adelson and first presented in 1989 in celebration of Sudbury's 350th anniversary.
- Monday, April 19 Blood Drive by the Red Cross at Town Hall from 10 AM to 3PM
- May 2 The Francis Koppeis Story ~ "Innkeeper Extraordinaire" of The Wayside Inn (1959–1989)
- June 6 The Cavicchio's Family Story They are celebrating 100 years as a Sudbury business.

Our yearly programs really are unique and are created by volunteers using information from our rich Sudbury history. The program last November on "**The Gold and Treasures of Sudbury**" was hilarious,; everyone laughed where and when we hoped they would, until the DVD player went berserk, and stopped and restarted on its own! Then they really laughed! Come and enjoy our programs!

Our December "Caroling" program on the steps of the Town Hall was again successful and cold. Every year more and more families are including this in their family traditions. It is a pleasure to see so many pink cheeked children involved.

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All officer terms are for only one year.

Trustees may continue in office

Finally after years of having only the Post Office Box address, we have been able to erect a Mailbox in front of the Sudbury Town Hall, near the front entrance to the Town Clerk's office. We went thru the Town and the USPS in order to place it.

The only board we didn't have to go thru was the Design Review Board! As you can see (on page 5) it is a little quirky but readable, for a hand painted address!

The Sudbury Historical Society, Inc. raises awareness and appreciation for our heritage by the collection, preservation, and sharing of records and artifacts which document all aspects of daily life in the Town of Sudbury.

The **Sudbury Historical Society**, **Inc.** is indeed alive and well as we enter our $54^{\rm th}$ year as a non-profit, incorporated organization which strives to serve the community.

In 2009 the Society

- 1. maintained our membership and increased our volunteers
- 2. accessioned more donated items and organized current acquisitions
- 3. added to our sales items
- enjoyed the well-run monthly programs in Town Hall with a record number of attendees
- 5. made considerable progress towards complying with Archival and Museum Guidelines.

However, without the support of our members near and far, we could not have accomplished our stated goals and so we say "**THANK YOU**" to all who have contributed to the SHS in 2009 in any way.

As we are wholly dependent on our membership, sales, gifts, and program door donations for funding, we encourage you to:

- check your address label to find when your membership expires, (the year starts the day you join).
- come to our future programs
- volunteer when possible (call 978-443-3747),
- check out our sales items at our programs on our web site

(www.sudbury01776.org), fill out the order forms and send it to our

NEW ADDRESS: Sudbury Historical Society, Inc. 322 Concord Road, Sudbury, MA 01776-1850

The Officers, Trustees and Curator of the Sudbury Historical Society, Inc. wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year filled with many blessings.



BEQUESTS

Bequests are a source of great hope and trust for the Sudbury Historical Society and are an inspiration to those of us who try to carry on its mission. Such thoughtfulness is easy to accomplish. If a will is being written anyway, it doesn't incur any extra fees to add a gift to the Society.

(Remember that the <u>Sudbury Historical Society, Inc.</u> is different from the Town's Historic Commission.

- The Society is a private non-profit corporation funded mainly by memberships and donations.
- The Commission is a town committee that has responsibilities for certain town owned historic properties like the Hosmer House).

Another way to give is to name the Society as a beneficiary of an IRA, an annuity, an insurance policy,

OR a winning, unsigned lottery ticket

Make SHS the beneficiary of your life insurance policy:

Much like a bequest in your will, assigning SHS as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy is a way to make a generous future gift. You retain lifetime ownership of the policy and retain control over the right to cash it in, borrow against it, and even change the beneficiary. Because you retain ownership of the policy, you will not receive an income tax charitable deduction for the future gift or for the premium payments during your lifetime. The policy's proceeds will be included in your gross estate and your estate can take an estate tax charitable deduction.

REMEMBER US, AND YOU WILL BE REMEMBERED

Our Lincoln neighbor, Doug Stinson, auctioneer & appraiser (info@stinsonauctions.com) kindly did appraisals for two donors.

Doug is the son of famed auctioneer, Carl W. Stinson of Reading, who is still running auctions.

Remember,: according to IRS rules – it is the responsibility of the Donor (you) to put a value on any donation!

ACQUISITIONS - JANUARY 9, 2009 TO DECEMBER 31, 2009

Paula Adelson Soft cover book Birds of the Sudbury River Valley

Bill Andreas Book-Sudbury Vital Records to 1850 NEHGS 1903

Fire Ins Policy 1862 - Rev. Linus Shaw, Sudbury

Sudbury Fight April 21, 1676 (14 printed page speech delivered in Sudbury by the Society of Colonial Wars in 1897)

South Sudbury Friendship Quilt 1851 Saw-Tooth Star pattern; signed by over 50 residents. A rare sample, excellent condition.

Jacqui Bausk Photo of Wayside Inn 1896 Ruth & Joe Brown Two Bicentennial 1976 \$2 Bills

Robert Carter Pair of wool knickers suitable for colonial costume

Lewis Clark - 2 Dietz B&M Railroad Lanterns willed to SHS by Beatrice Cabot and delivered by Executor, Lewis Clark. Given to Cabot family by a Conductor

Beverly Emmons - News articles, Slides 4th of July Parade 1968, "69, "72 and 75

Dan Glueck - Files of property maps of Sudbury pinpointing Richardson houses

Beth Gray-Nix - Book- Revolutionary War Days by David C King (for children)

Two Pictures (color) mounted for display -Sudbury Minutemen Statue with description and Wayland 1st Parish Church (was E. Sudbury) with label

Chris Hoaglin - Seth Thomas mantle clock Typical shelf clock of the 1880's for Exhibits Mary Ellen Hoover - Crib - Maple, Birch & Walnut - Folding 1930s from Gardner, MA

Tupical crib of the period

Via Lynn McLean from Joe and Jacqui Bausk - Material culture- duplicate items from Hosmer House

The Season - May 1897 Supplement

1935 Sudbury HS Graduation program

Document - Joke about Palmer Writing Method

Booklet - Dedication of the Revolutionary War Monument 1896 1957 2nd Annual Senior Play ""Life of the Party"" - Great Ads! Double sided Poster of the Woman's Club Bazaar dated 3/1931

Flip side: Organ Recital Jun 13 Homemade (no year)

If you would like to correspond with Beverly Bentley, formerly of Bentley's Stationary, she now lives with her daughter at 3 Seavey Lane Rockland, Maine

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ACQUISITIONS - JANUARY 9, 2009 TO DECEMBER 31, 2009

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Kevin Kennedy Four postcards of the Wayside Inn, one of the Country Store and one of the Hood Plant and Farm. (present Raytheon site)

Deborah Kruskal 1973-1976 Heritage Park Planting plans

Miriam McDonough

Pictures and records from her late husband, Tom McDonough, Sudbury's Postmaster

 $Tom\ McDonough's\ Scrapbook\ -\ Info\ on\ the\ restored\ Wayside\ Inn\ Stage coach\ traveling\ in\ 1974\ from\ Loudon, NH$

Other printed info on History of Mail Delivery in Sudbury

Mrs. McGraw Photos (loaned - to copy) of the Ames family, their land and life on it.

Joan Meenan Original Florence Hosmer still life oil painting (16x20)

Linda Muri Copy of Civil War photo of Artillery group (with possibly John Moore in it)

John P. Neal One nail & piece of wood from Haynes Garrison House made into a Key Ring

1 cupboard knob & peg from McCann House

A couple dozen Sudbury School books used in the 1870s at Center School (now the Grange Hall)

Photo Albums of McCann family
15 Tin types of the McCann family

McCann House, off Water Row, is now called the "Tavern of the Doomed".

More McCann family 1870 school books

Phyllis Newman Silver plated tea service and Tete a Tete coffee service all engraved with "R" for the Raymond family

SHS 2008-09 Programs DVD Master copies of 7 programs

Phil Simpson 8 pages of Genealogy of members of the Thomas Richardson line

Genealogical listing of Smith Family descendents some of whom married into Richardson line.

Reproductions of Richardson genealogical information

Cathy Smith Pictures from Leona Johnson (her grandmother) wonderful evocative, interesting pictures of Sudbury life.

Terry and Mary Jo Thoman

A cast Iron "Pusher" and a piece of Iron Overhead Rail from Stearns Saw/Grist Mill (formerly called Pratt's Mill)

Weston Historical Society

(via Pam Fox) - Sudbury Postcards from a variety of dates.

The above is just a hint of the TREASURES we have acquired.

Many are waiting to be accessioned. They will be used to create future educational exhibits at the Society's headquarters at Town Hall and in other public places.

Motions of 2009

During the past year the society proposed and passed the following motions:

• June 23, 2009.

Change the mailing return address and letterhead by creating a more accurate Lantern with the

large "S" on it and deleting the Goodman Society's image of Kato, the Indian.

September 28, 2009

- 1. Support a request to the CPC for funding to restore the antique lantern from the Town Hall portico. (postponed)
- 2. Support a request to the CPC for funding for SHS to hire an Archivist (not acted on)
- 3. SHS will endeavor to help preserve King Philip's battlefield (off Pokonoket Rd).

November 23, 2009

Permission is given to Mary Ellen Hoover to coordinate with Elin Neiterman and Diane James in writing a book based on the Moore papers owned by the Society (details to be worked out at a future date).



This lovely silver plate tête-à-tête coffee service (1910)
(pictured above)
and an additional tea service were donated by
the Raymond Family (Raymond's Dept. Store)
of Raymond Road, Sudbury

SUDBURY IS RICH IN HISTORY, WE ONLY NEED TO LOOK WITHIN FOR OUR PROGRAMS, WE ARE SO FORTUNATE!

All programs at the Town Hall are videotaped and broadcast on local Channel 8 for Comcast OR 32 for Verizon.

We time bind what we do, and DVD'S are available!

Valuable Historic Quilt

Bill Andreas donated a rare Sudbury Friendship Quilt circa 1850/1. He spotted it on e-bay!

We thank Bill for his generosity!



In 2003 the Society was busy with fund raising for a year in order to pay for our first 1850 Sudbury Friendship Quilt . Some of the same folks signed this 1850 guilt as signed our first Friendship Quilt Now we need volunteers to do a comparison of names on the two guilts, and to document it.

WE LOVE MAPS! We have available four high resolution color Sudbury Town Maps – 1794, 1830, 1875, and 1967 (the latter is great for LSRHS reunions). The 16" x 20" maps cost only \$35 unframed, or \$55 framed. Due to the eagle—eyed observation of SHS member, Caroline Miller of Providence, RI, we will be adding another map to the lineup. It is the 1639–1650 map of what is now Wayland & Sudbury, as researched by Sumner Chilton Powell for his book "Puritan Village" which won the Pulitzer Prize in 1964. Caroline carefully reread the book, and noticed that Powell states the plot plan maps were at the SHS, along with a list of all the original plot owners by number. We found them (they had been attributed to Forrest Bradshaw), and now we are working on making a perfect image.

We want to thank member Ms. Perry Bent for paying for the entire Restoration/Conservation by The New England Document Conservation Center of our original large format photograph of the Rice Tavern. The payment came as a happy surprise at the September 20th Ancestor Day program honoring the Rice Family.

The Sudbury Public Schools have honored us by agreeing to fund our 'Sudbury Through Time' tours of Sudbury Center in May/June this year. Every third grade class will walk to 5 sites to meet with Colonial attired re-enactors and a Native American Chief. Over 360 students, parents and teachers participated in last year's program.

Our **ONLINE STORE** at our website, www.sudbury01776.org, has our popular Note Cards of either 1906 Sudbury Center, or Botanical Flowers by Gertrude Rice of 1915,.

Many other Sudbury items are available!

WE NEED HELP

to revise some of our publications.! If you are a retired Editor, Teacher, Historian, etc. or just have a knack for it, please call us (978–443–3747).

We are looking into paid advertising for our newsletters, programs, and our website.

Some Historical Societies have been doing it for years.!

Tell us what you think!

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AND
SHARING SUDBURY'S HISTORY

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Your Membership year end is indicated on your address label.



Gov. Saltonstall shaking hands with Albert Haynes ("Hollywood Haynes") who taught square dancing for Henry Ford, at the Wayside Inn and Dearborn, Michigan.

Jane Tufts is the lady on the right in the foreground.

The picture was taken on the steps of the Sudbury Town Hall at the celebration of the Sudbury Tercentennial ~ 1939

The picture is from the Leona Johnson Collection given by her grand-daughter, Cathy Palmer Smith.