Princeton Historical Society Newsletter
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Events in Our Pipeline:

• Hold an event highlighting the history of Russell Corner – mark your calendars 9/10/17 – details to follow, watch our website.
• As a fundraiser and community service, we are going to publish a town-wide directory for every household.
• Antique Appraisal
• Present an event about Wachusett Park, an amusement park on Wachusett Lake. mark your calendars 5/21/17 – details to follow, watch our website.
• Sponsor and hold a slideshow/talk entitled “Princeton Auto Museum from 1930 to 1970’s”.

Resident Research:

Len Haug, who lives on Rocky Pond Road, is working with several others to put together a book about the Scenes and Seasons of East Princeton Village. The book will have original art, photographs old and new, and writing. Please contact him if you have stories or documents that might be included.

Len has also become very interested in the Princeton artist Gamaliel Beaman. If you know of a W. G. Beaman painting, Len is trying to photograph as many as he can find.

Len can be contacted leonardahaug@gmail.com, or at 978-464-2952.
Volunteers Needed:

The Princeton Historical Society is presently seeking volunteers to assist the society in furthering the preservation of Princeton’s history. In the past volunteers have transcribed handwritten documents, accessioned items in our PastPerfect software, processed old photographs and newspaper clippings, etc.

We want YOU to join the PHS volunteer team!

Our Year In Review:

Much has been accomplished in the last six months at the PHS. We have:

• Extended our Ancestry partnership with the Princeton Public Library, through a gift from Doug and Joyce Anderson in memory of their daughter, Amy.
• Worked with the Thomas Prince third grade, and both Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts sharing some of Princeton’s rich history.
• Held a program of reminiscences with Bob Mason.
• Participated in the town-wide yard sale and thanks to your donation of goods, we generated $1423.
• Improved the organization of our digital and paper collection. Over 50 research boxes indexed and re-labeled.
• Worked with four WPI students and their facilitators Clair D. & Claire G., Princeton Arts Society, and Princeton Library staff, as they produced a Historical Tour of Princeton in both digital and paper formats.
• Mary Cadwallader made a slide show presentation at the PHS annual meeting of Mt. Wachusett photos.
• Welcomed two new volunteers.
• With the Library, presented a talk on the portraits in the Library Reading Room.

Visit our website for more details @ http://www.princetonmahistory.org

Check out our “On Exhibit” and “Did You Know” sections.
A Message From Nancy:

A major accomplishment this year has been the establishment of the Princeton Historical Society Fund with the Community Foundation of Northern Worcester County. This will provide financial stability and continuity for the society. Your dues and our fundraising pay our rent at the Princeton Center and most of our operating expenses.

We continue to receive interesting donations, to answer queries, and to catalog our collection.

We are seeking items that document the last hundred years in town. Bus schedules, sporting events, restaurant menus, ration booklets, and stories to share: we are still collecting.

We appreciate your continued support and interest. Let us know how we are doing. princetonmahistory@gmail.com

Can you identify this picture, what street and where was it taken?