



Princeton Historical Society eNewsletter

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Events in Our Pipeline - watch our website for details:

- “Princeton Auto Museum from 1930 to 1970’s”, a presentation and antique auto show – June 9th 2018. If you have memorabilia, remembrances, and or an antiques auto to show, please [contact us](#).
- A program of Vistas and Views, Then & Now is a possibility.

PHS Annual Meeting:

- Was held this year at the home of Jim and Amanda Webb (the Wedding Cake House).
- After a brief meeting, Nancy gave a presentation on Russell Corner and Bullock Lane. It was a cooperative effort presented by Nancy with research assistance from Joyce Anderson, Bud Brooks, and Rick Bullock.
- The society two valuable board members retire last year: Joyce Anderson and Brandon Bulseco. Robin Whitney and Lisa Drexhage joined the board this summer; Nancy has asked Rick Bullock to join them. All three members were enthusiastically approved.
- The following slate of officers were elected:
 - **Co-Chairperson’s** - Bud Brooks & Robin Whitney;
 - **Treasurer** - Karen Cruise;
 - **Secretary** – Betsy Beth;
 - **Curator** – Nancy Orlando.
 - To see the names of our entire Board, please visit our [website](#).

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Over The Last 6 Months:

- We had two paintings by W.G. Beaman cleaned and restored. Another painting and an antique floor clock are in the process of restoration.
- In May, Bud Brooks presented a slideshow and talk on the picnic and camping grounds known as [Wachusett Park from 1873 to 1923](#).
- A silent auction was held, which offered a number of iconic Princeton items for bid, and we raised over \$500.00.
- With the closing of the old Princeton Center School, the majority of our efforts have centered on moving our Museum Room Collection out of the building and into storage (members barn and a temperature control warehouse).
- We had to de-accessioned some items that, although old, did not tell a Princeton story. Those items were sold at the Town Wide Yard Sale on September 30, or sent to be auction off at a later date.
- We added to the Thomas Allen diary collection as Anna Lee Frohlich continues to digitize his diaries.
- Our student volunteer, Michaela Mello, continues convert hand written and poorly typed documents into digital versions.

Fund Raising and Donations:

- The year-long project of creating a **Town Directory** was shepherded along by Karen Cruise and crew of volunteers, and it was successfully mailed to every household in Princeton and the gracious Directory sponsors and advertisers.
- **Len Haug's completed, published and sold out his book** about East Princeton.. Len made extensive use of our collection in preparing his book, and has donated a third of the profits to the historical society.
- Four very generous donations were received in the last 6 months from:
 - The Renaissance Charitable Trust
 - Two anonymous gifts for conservation & to help cover the cost of moving & storing our museum collection.
 - One from Fred & Sarah Curtis for \$250

A Message From Nancy our Curator will return in our late June eNewsletter, stay tuned!



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Do You Know The Significance of This 1954 Photo?



[Email](#) us your guess.

6/1/17 Answer of “What Has Changed In This Picture?”



Is a picture of Laporte's bus heading to East Princeton or back to his house on Merriam Rd., before the current bypass road was built from the base of Gregory Hill Rd. to Mirick Rd.

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