



## **2021 Year in Review & Future Initiatives**

### **PHS Year in Review**

- Committed to creating monthly "Then & Now" documents to maintain communication with our PHS Membership & Friends via email. Twenty emailed issues thus far.
- Committed to creating an initial 8 "Can You Find It" Locations. This historical problem-solving outdoor activity provides a summer scavenger hunt for families and small groups. Over 100 copies of the gamecard were downloaded last summer, so we will continue to provide 8 new locations for the next few summers.
- Began offering Historical Programs via Zoom.
- Converted our previous historical collection database from "Past Perfect" to "Catalogit" - an online service provider.
- Built a bookcase to better organize the Woodward Room.
- Built a storage rack to better organize the Mason Room at Post Office Place

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### **PHS Initiatives**

#### **Ongoing:**

- Continue to create monthly "Then & Now" documents to be emailed to Membership and Friends - 20 published thus far
- Continue providing "Can You Find It" activities by adding 8 new locations each July 1st. - 104 people downloaded last years' game card.
- Continue to digitalize our collection and access those appropriate items into Catalogit
- Evaluate & Access if appropriate new donated items into Catalogit.
- Continue to create and provide programs via Zoom and, when safe, programs with an audience

## **New for 2022:**

- Woodward Room:
  - Organize, label Map Cabinet – add contents to Catalogit.
  - Add Subject File Folders Titles to Catalogit
  - Add People File Folders Titles to Catalogit
  - Build/update our online PHS Website Store inventory
  - Build new shelving to house additional gray file boxes
- Mason Room:
  - Update items stored in boxes into Catalogit.

## **Future Projects That Need Additional Volunteers and Resources:**

- Begin to update our Street and House files - one street at a time
- Research and document Princeton's:
  - Farm families
  - Garages/Gas Stations
  - Restaurants
  - Businesses
- Work at Developing Previous/Potential Partnerships & Programs:
  - First Congregation Church Paul Revere Bell
  - Ice Cutting
  - Conversion of Fernside to B&B
  - Superintendents House to Mountainside Cafe & Bakery
  - Consider joining other Historical Societies to provide mutually beneficial programs; Westminster, Sterling, West Boylston, Holden, Rutland, Fitchburg.
- Find a permanent location for the PHS to call home to be able to display our collection.

**The more we work together, the more we can accomplish by making Princeton's history more engaging to our membership and friends.**