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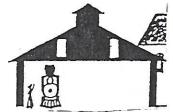
THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ESSEX COMMUNITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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From the President's Desk

This summer we were very fortunate to pull together the resources that enabled us to have the exterior of the museum painted. This was a major priority that we presented at last year's annual meeting. I would like to thank the Town of Essex for supporting the project. The Essex Classical Institute also was a contributor. Members provided support through their memberships and contributions.

I would like to thank Kathy Dodge for her efforts at staffing the museum this season. On the same note I would like to thank all the volunteers for their help.



Through their combined efforts we were able to have the museum open to the public every weekend this summer.

We have a great annual meeting planned for October 7th. I hope to see you there.

George Clapp

The following is a list of our summer volunteers:

Kay Helfrich
Kathy Dodge
Betty Tucker
Ellen Wolosinski
Russell and Elna Prior
Nancy Bartlett
Harry and Jodi Landon
Jim Overfield

Margaret Smith
George Cunningham
Dee Dee Cemel
Sherry and Hubie Norton
Judy MacDonald
Barbara Mudgett
Judy and Sally Wright
Beth Tailer
Jerry and Jean Fox
Eva Clough
George Clapp
Jane Mendicino
Dick and Lucille Allen
Diane Digennaro and
Hannah Spitz

Several of these people volunteered more than once. And some were absolutely devoted! Thank you all.

We close for the season on Sunday, October 12. Hurry in for a visit, and bring someone you want to share a little history with.

Our annual meeting is Tuesday, October 7 at 7:00 PM at Memorial Hall in Essex.

The program will be presented by The Ethan Allen Players who will reenact the wedding of Ethan And Fanny Allen. David Bryan will speak about the two Fannies in Ethan's life. Come to find out more! Our business meeting will follow the program. So will the refreshments.

In the last issue of the ECHO we included excerpts from the journal of Dr. David S. Kellogg who was born on Brigham Hill Road in 1847. Here is another dated September 5, 1893, and tells of a visit to Essex.

"Last Thursday Rob, Nello, and I went to Burlington on steamer CHATEAUGAY, taking with us a horse and buggy. We drove to Essex Center and stayed at the hotel there that night.

Early in the morning I went over to the cemetery and saw my father's, brother's, and two sister's graves, also the headstones of many other Kelloggs.

In the afternoon we went up to the Uncle John Sibley place...We went up to the 'big pond"' where we boys were not often allowed to go in swimming...

I took tea at Jennie
Nichols Greene's and Rob
stayed there all night.
Nello and I stayed at
Philo's. (Philo Pearson, a
farmhand to the doctor's
father)

....We went up on top of Brigham Hill. The view was marvelous. Then we went down and around to our old farm. One tree at the turn of the road, a red birch, stood as before. This was at the corner of the Bliss woods....We looked into the window of the brick school house which stood as I always remembered it [but]At our old house, things were changed The big barn has been replaced by a larger one. The fruit yard is all gone ... But our old view of the mountains and valleys and hills and fields remained. Was there ever a more beautiful spot on earth than old Vermont?"

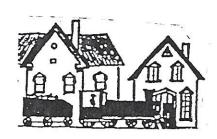
Thank you, Dr. Kellogg, for reminding us. If you would like to read the entire book, it is entitled:

A DOCTOR AT ALL HOURS
The Private Journal of
a Small-Town Doctor's
Varied Life by David S
Kellogg, MD, edited by
Allan S Everest.

Come by the museum to see a display created by Elizabeth Allen on the life of Dr.
Kellogg. Elizabeth has photos of the house and grounds on Brigham Hill where "a red birch stood as before."
If any of the names Dr.
Kellogg mentions are familiar to you, please let us know. You can telephone Kathy Dodge at 878-4272.



Dr. David S. Kellogg





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