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# CANTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

## **News and Updates**

In 2021, the Canton Historical Society lost a valued and dedicated member, Sally Bryant. Her family suggested that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Canton Historical Society. We were pleased and touched when many donations were received in memory of Sally.

One of the items on the Society's project list was to renovate the back hallway and stairway that have remained unfinished since we acquired the building in 2017. The Bryant Family stepped forward to volunteer to do all the work, using the donations for lumber and supplies. During the month of October, you may have noticed Sally's husband, Bob Bryant (and his pup Maggie May!) hard at work at the

building. Daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Rick Landry, son Rick Bryant, and grandson

Jackson also brought their excellent skills to the project.



They did an amazing job, and the Society is thrilled with the result. A new plaque has been mounted in memory of Sally and in gratitude for the Bryants' hard work. Thank you, Bryant Family!

### **Upcoming Events**

The Christmas Craft Fair and Open House will take place on Saturday, December 3rd. There will be a craft fair in the Hayford Hall, gift basket and 50/50 raffles, food and bake sale, and the Christmas village will once again be set up. We will also be collecting donations for Santa for Seniors for the residents at Pinnacle. We hope to see you there!

The Society will also be hosting cribbage and cornhole tournaments throughout the winter. Please follow our Facebook page for updates on these events.

The Historical Society will also have its annual meeting on Wednesday, December 14th. This meeting includes the election of the board and officers. More information about this meeting will be sent out soon.

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### Membership

As we near the end of 2022, it's time to think about renewing your memberships, or joining for the first time! Membership also makes a great gift for the holidays. What does membership mean? Becoming a member is as simple as sending in your \$10 dues to CHS, PO Box 605, Canton, ME 04221. Your dues go to supporting our mission of preserving Canton's history. If that's all you can do, that's great, but if you'd like to be more involved there are plenty of opportunities. You can attend monthly meetings, volunteer to work with the historical collection, work in the Country Store, help with events and fundraisers, or serve on the Board of Directors. More information about membership can be found on our website here: https://www.cantonmehistory.org/join-us.



#### Hall Rentals

The Hayford Hall is available for rentals year round. It is a great venue to hold any large gathering. The hall has already held a number of events including birthday parties and baby showers, and even weddings and medieval feasts! More information about the facility and usage fees can be found on our website: https://www.cantonmehistory.org/facility-rental.

### From the Collection

This Boy Scout patch for the Invitational Camporee at Canton in 1968 was recently donated to the Historical Society after it was found on eBay. No other information was available about the patch. If you know anything about this Camporee we would love to hear from you!

Are you interested in adding to the rich and diverse collection of CHS by donating an item or two? If so, and the item(s) are related to please contact u s b y Canton, email cantonmehistorical@gmail.com. We would be happy to chat with you and discuss the placement of the item(s) into the collection.



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