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Newsletter # 77 Members & Friends of the AEHS June 15, 1994

Welcome to our 26th Year !

Our first 1994 Directors' Meeting was held at the Colburn House on May 22nd. Twelve Directors attended, as well as our indispensable Secretary, Mrs. Jannice Baker.

We are happy to report that despite the terrible winter all are in good health. Steve Sanders reported a low of - 42 degrees at Skowhegan one morning last February. Dude Wing, and Ron Gamage confirmed taking similar readings at their homes. Mabelle Haynes, Jannice Baker, and Bob Cunningham fled to Florida early in the year, but received no sympathy for their tales of suffering in unbearably hot and humid 90 degree weather in January.

The Treasurer reported that the Colburn House Restoration Escrow Fund now stands at \$ 7069. The Society checking account is reduced to only \$ 263 at the moment.

Our year started January 1st, 1994, so it is time to send in your dues, and if possible, a tax deductible contribution for the Restoration Escrow Fund. Please make separate checks, as per instructions found at the end of this letter.

Danny Warren reports that the Town of Pittston , ME, has pledged \$ 1000 to the Restoration Escrow Fund - a wonderful endorsement of our efforts to preserve this Historic House for posterity.

George Quintal has been working for several years compiling information on the 1100 Continental Army soldiers who went with Arnold on the Expedition to Quebec in 1775. He has about 1000 men listed, with whatever biographical facts are available.

He needs to borrow a Unix based computer to put all his pages into a data base. If anyone can help, his phone number is 1-207-582-4463. The next step will be to publish a booklet for distribution to the general public. This might develop more leads on unlisted participants from readers. In fact if any of our Newsletter readers had a relative go on the Expedition, please notify George at RFD # 2, Box 267, Jewett Rd., Pittston, ME 04345.

The Directors have decided to use some of the Escrow Fund to put a new roof on the Colburn House. The cedar shingles put on in 1973 are curling and cracking and starting to leak. We are working with the State to accomplish this before next winter.



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1994 AEHS Calendar

Trail Events

Sunday, July 17 -- Trail workday -- Wyman Lake to East Carry Pond -- contact Ron Gamage 1-207-474-3530 Sunday, Sept, 11 -- Trail workday -- Lost Pond -- contact Dude Wing 1-207-246-6211

<u>Colburn House</u>

Sunday, July 31 -- Work Day
Saturday, Aug 20 -- Old Colonial Days
Sunday, Aug 21 -- Celebration -- contact Danny Warren
at 1-207-582-7083

Annual Meeting

Sunday, Oct. 9 -- Dresden Inn, Rt. 27, Dresden, ME contact Jannice Baker 1-207-582-3648

We are delighted to announce that Mrs. Clare Brandt, author of the new Random House biography of Benedict Arnold, The Man in the Mirror, will be the featured speaker at our Annual Meeting and Dinner on October 9th. You will have the opportunity of purchasing autographed copies, to benefit the Restoration Fund, at that time. Please reserve this date on your personal calendar. It will be a Meeting you would hate to miss.

Kindest regards,

Robert A. Cunningham President & Treasurer



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1994 Membership Dues

This is our annual appeal and reminder that AEHS Dues are needed to carry on the conservation and preservation work of the Society. Please check off the category of membership you wish to have, and remember, it is deductible from your income tax return.

Please make check out to A.E.H.S. and mail to:

Mrs. Jannice Baker Secretary, AEHS RFD # 4, Box 7730 Gardiner, ME 04345

Family \$ 7.00 Contrb. \$ 25.00 Life \$ 100.00 Indv1. \$ 5.00 Student \$ 3.00

Colburn House Restoration Escrow Fund

Help preserve the historic Colburn House for the benefit of future generations. Send whatever you can -- it is deductible, and you know that none of the money is being used to pay telephone or other solicitors. Please make check out to:

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and mail to .: Mr. Duluth Wing Box 27 Eustis, ME 04936