



Arnold Expedition Historical Society

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Oct 13 Annual meeting New Meadows Inn, West Bath, Me

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Daniel H. Warren, Jr.

Once again, this years annual meeting is scheduled for the Sunday before Columbus Day, October 13th at the **New Meadows Inn, West Bath, ME.** 11:00 AM to 12 Noon will be registration and social time, 12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM will be lunch, 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM will be business meeting and election of officers. 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM will be a discussion about the artifacts in our collection, with display of recent acquisitions. We will also discuss recent trail activity and restoration efforts at the Colburn House.

Cost will be \$14.00 per person. Lunch will be buffet, with a selection of three entrees, rice and vegetables, haddock chowder, cake for desert, and coffee or tea. There may be some variations as we are still making arrangements.

Directions are as follows: From Rt. 1, North of Brunswick or going South from Bath, take West Bath exit and turn left (from either direction). At the first stop sign you will see the restaurant, diagonally to the right.

Please be sure to call the society headquarters by Thursday evening, Oct. 10th, and leave your names, the number of reservations, as accurate attendance plans help keep the society costs down.

MAILING LABELS

Daniel H. Warren, Jr.

Computers are wonderful, until you make just one mistake. Several of you probably noticed some errors in the mailing labels on the last mailing. My sincere apology for changing you marital status or professional designation. It was not until I was headed to the post office that I noticed this mistake. My recent comparison of the label file to the index cards should have corrected this problem. If there still are any errors, please let me know by e-mail, postal or leaving a message on the answering machine.

UPDATE ON THE COLBURN HOUSE PAINTING PROJECT

Steven Clark

Negotiations have been ongoing with the Maine Parks and Conservation Department to get permission and funding for the much needed painting of the Colburn House. Everyone agrees the house is in much need of painting. Lengthy negotiations have been in process for well over a year. Permission was actually granted early this spring, but late in the planning stage there was again concern about the presence of lead paint. However, planning continues

The painting project is divided into two sections, accomplished by a combination of professional preparation and completion of the priming and painting by volunteers:

- A) Sash, doors, storm doors and storm windows. This project involves scraping puttying, priming and final paint coats. There are approximately 31 double hung windows, 3 doors, 3-storm doors and 23 wooden storm windows. *There is a lot of puttying to be done!*
- B) Repairing clapboards, sanding, priming, and final paint coats of the house and ell. It has been determined that the sanding and scraping of the house has to be done professionally, and that volunteers will be asked to do the clapboard repairs, priming and painting. The Parks and Conservation Department is in charge of the professional preparation crew.

The most recent plans are to utilize AEHS members and local volunteers to do much of the project. Our most urgent need is to proceed on completing step A, the windows and doors, this fall. However, we are unable to proceed until we have an idea of how many individuals might be willing to help. If you have any interest in helping with this project, please contact the society at 207-582-7080. We will contact you about upcoming plans as they develop.

NEW ACQUISITIONS

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Murder or Maynem? Benedict Arnold's New London, Connecticut Raid, 1781 by Dr. Walter L. Powell

New members since the last newsletter are:

Eleanor Arnold Archer, Brewer, ME; William Colfer, Manchester, ME; Arthur L. & Jane V. Flitner, West Chester, PA; Libby Kant, New Sharon, ME; Dr. Walter Louis Powell, Gettysburg, PA; Robert & Catherine Roth, Kingston, NY; Daniel Stevens, Augusta, ME; Stephen & Nona Thompson, Hallowell, ME; Jon Walker, Topsham, ME; Mark A. York, Sunland, CA.

Membership renewals are from:

Douglas and Louise Allen, Swampscott, MA; Rusty Arsenault, Skowhegan, ME; Gregor Andersen, Rumney, NH; Peter B. Aucoin, St. Petersburg FL; Michael Audino, Albany, NY; John & Ruey Baldwin, Winn, ME; Bruce & Betty Bishoff, Mechanicsburg, PA; Thomas & Madeline Bourke, Lynn, MA; Francis Cassidy, Warren, ME; Mark Cassidy, Eddington ME; Lois C. Colburn & Peter Bacon, Hopkinton, MA; Virginia V. Colburn, Dover, MA; Robert Donovan, North Anson, ME; Friends of the Boundry Mountains, Wilton, ME; Elizabeth Getchell, Salem, NH; Charles F. Hatch, Hermon, ME; Stephen & Sue Havas, Glenfield, NY; Mabelle Haynes, Boothbay, ME; Susan Hutchins, Pittston, ME & Crisfield, MD; Michael & Doris Lailer, N. New Portland, ME; Arthur Lefkowitz, Piscataway, NJ; Kenneth E. Liberty, Bangor, ME; Carl & Joscelyn McCourtney, Gardiner, ME; Denis M. Nee, Boston, MA; Barry O'Neill, Bangor, ME; Barbara S. Rumsey, East Boothbay, ME; Sanford Shelton, Equinunk, PA; Mr. & Mrs. Howard A. Shearer, Jr. James Thomas, Mexico, ME; James & Barbara VanUden, Hampden, ME.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Robert A Cunningham

We appreciate all those individuals who have been sending in their membership renewals throughout the year. Dan tells me that there are several who have not paid their dues this year, and I would urge you to send in your dues checks at your earliest convenience. Date of last payment and expiration date are shown on the updated mailing label attached to this newsletter. It's not too early to think of sending in your renewals for 2003. The more we can collect now, the stronger the society will be for years to come.