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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Car Show Returns!

Rain or shine on Saturday, July 20, 2019

Bedford High School

47 Nashua Rd, Bedford, NH 03110

We would like to invite you to the revival of the annual Bedford Historical Society Car Show. We are four Bedford High School students (Kat Zimmermann, Anna Kim, Penelope van der Meer and Jasmine Kuo); for our senior CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service) project we have decided to partner with the Historical Society to bring back this classic annual event. Please come to show off your "classic" and view vehicles from all eras and backgrounds or just be a spectator at the event. We welcome all cars, trucks, motorcycles, pre-war, post-war, hot rods, muscle cars, British built, German built, American built, and everything in between! There will be prizes rewarded in six categories: *Best in Show*, *Favorite Car*, *Favorite Truck*, *Favorite Motorcycle*, *Peoples' Choice*, and *Kids' Choice*. We will have food and drinks available for sale and a scavenger hunt for the children.

All of the profits will be going to benefit the Bedford Historical Society and we hope to see lots of community involvement! The cost of the event is \$10 per car show entry and \$5 parking for spectators and it will be held rain or shine!

For updates, please follow our Facebook Page @bhscarshownh

Kat, Anna, Penelope and Jasmine

Chair Caning Workshop Returns

Mondays September 9, 16 & 23 – October 14 & 21st

Schoolhouse #7

Back by popular request, caning expert Melissa Sheldon will show you everything you need to know to restore your caned chairs to their former beauty and utility. Classes will run on Mondays September 9th, 16th, and 23rd, and October 14th and 21st from 12:30pm to 2:20pm. Class size is limited! Class fee of \$60.00 pp includes a small stool and all the necessary materials to finish the project. Bring your own chair for individual caning tips. Please call the (471-6336) or email (bhs@Bedfordhistoricalnh.org) to reserve your spot or for more information. Registration ends September 2nd.

Live Auction! Saturday September 21 Bedford Town Hall

Coming! Coming! Soon! Mark your calendars! This year's auction will once again be the Bedford Town Hall.

Viewing begins at 4:00pm and the sale begins at 6:00pm with Crown Auctions of Concord wielding the gavel. We are accepting quality items for the sale: **collectibles, good quality small pieces of furniture, antiques, artwork etc.** If you have items you'd like to donate or have any questions, please call the Historical Society (471-6336) or our Auction Queen, Gwen Broder (472-3217), for more information.

Historical Society Annual Meeting, September 25th 6:00PM

In addition to taking care of our business for the upcoming year (election of Officers) our annual meeting includes a real treat – a night at the movies with Jeff Rapsis! Jeff is a writer/editor, educator, composer and performer who specializes in creating live musical scores for silent film screenings. Mark the date on your calendar and meet us in the McAllaster Room of the Bedford Library. There'll be popcorn!

This is also the time of year when we renew our memberships. Forms will be available online, at Schoolhouse #7 and at the meeting. Consider the different ways you can help your Historical Society this coming year, there are a few suggestions on the membership form. We can always use more help!

Update from the Stevens-Buswell Community Center Project

Exciting things are happening with the development of the future Stevens-Buswell Community Center (SBCC)! With the help of a group of new advocates, we have researched nearly 20 community centers around New Hampshire and have used that information to develop a business plan for the operation of the community center. The new business plan was developed after researching uses, size, revenue sources, operating expenses, and management of these other community centers around the state.

The Friends of the SBCC will be appearing before the Town Council on Wednesday, July 17, at 7 p.m. We will be presenting an update on our progress and, most importantly, will be presenting the new business plan. It is our hope that the Town Council will grant us a new 25-year lease that will allow us to resume our fundraising campaign and reach our goal of opening the main floor of the community by the summer of 2021. The new business plan identifies income-generating uses such as meeting and special events rental space that will generate revenue to support the operation and maintenance of the SBCC. Long range, we anticipate establishing a new 501(c)(3) organization, separate from the Historical Society, that will take over running the community center.

Please consider coming to the Town Council meeting to hear more about our progress and to show your support!

SBCC Tours & Ice Cream Social

August 11, 2-4pm (Rain date August 18th)

Come take a tour and check our progress at an old-fashioned Ice Cream Social in front of the Stevens-Buswell Building!

Last, and absolutely not least... Many thanks for all your donations in memory of our dear Lois Earnshaw who passed suddenly, and unexpectedly, this April. We were also so saddened to learn just today, that our long-time member and avid support, Dave Gaudes has passed. We extend our condolences to his family. Both Lois and Dave will be greatly missed.

Historical Society Executive Board 2018-2019

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