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## Next on tap: What are the consequences of a criminal record in NH?

What does it mean to have a criminal record in New Hampshire and does the punishment always fit the crime? Join us for the next program in *IDEAS ON TAP*, our quarterly series of pint-sized conversations about big ideas. On March 5th we'll explore the impact of incarceration and sentencing laws in the Granite State. Meet us at the Area 23 pub for drinks, appetizers, and a thoughtful community conversation. \$15 per person includes appetizers and one beverage (beer, wine, or non-alcoholic drink). Panelists confirmed to date are Devon Chaffee, Executive Director, ACLU of



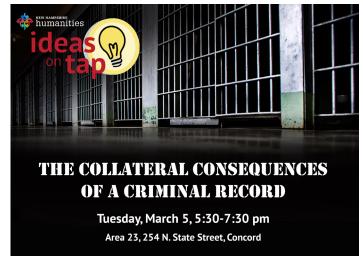
New Hampshire; and Sarah E. Warecki, Assistant County Attorney, Hillsborough County Attorney's Office. The event is hosted by Area 23 and sponsored by ACLU of New Hampshire.

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### Can we talk about this?

NHTP's Elephant in the Room Series is back this year with new play readings & conversations on the first Thursday of the month

NH Theatre Project's (NHTP) Elephant in the Room Series, supported by New Hampshire Humanities for the second season, presents play readings and community conversations about thorny subjects that are often hard to discuss. What are our attitudes about these ethical issues over time and today? How can we use the humanities to bring these issues out of the shadows and into the cultural mainstream? Join us for these upcoming programs at NH Theatre Project West, 959 Islington Street, Portsmouth on Thursdays at 7:00 pm:

MARCH 7: The Opioid Crisis & Families

APRIL 4: School Safety in the 21st Century

MAY 2: Suicide & Self Harm

After each play reading, Timothy Barretto will lead a discussion between a panel of field experts, a humanities scholar, and the audience.

"The Opioid Crisis & Families," featuring Mary-Ellen Hedrick's moving script, *A Wider Circle*, had such a powerful response in last year's Elephant in the Room Series, NHTP has brought it back in 2019 and will tour in other New Hampshire locations this spring, with support from NH State Council on the Arts:

Tuesday, April 2: Rochester Performance & Arts Center, Rochester Tuesday, April 9: NHTI - Concord's Community College, Concord Wednesday, April 10: Medallion Opera House, Gorham

Thursday, May 9: Austin 17 House, Broothy

**Thursday, May 9**: Austin17House, Brentwood

An additional presentation of Suicide & Self Harm will be held at the Exeter Town Hall (date TBD).

For more information, visit www.nhtheatreproject.org.



Cover: In January at Stark Brewing Company in Manchester, close to 75 guests participated in a community conversation with moderator Dr. Tricia Peone and panelists Sabrina Osmany and Jesse Damiani about artificial intelligence.



**New Voices: Sounds & Rhythms of Story** 

by Terry Farish, Connections Adult Literacy Program

"What a wonderful and inspiring reading and conversation we had!" Poet S Stephanie summed up New Hampshire Humanities' first reading in the "Connections New Voices" series held at the Bookery in Manchester.

In a *New Voices* reading, professional writers introduce and read with new American writers. New Hampshire Humanities created the writing and public reading initiative as an extension of the *Connections* book discussion program offered in adult ESOL classes across the state.

At the Bookery, two new Americans, Anaily Robles Ibarra from Mexico and Rusul Hassoon from Iraq, both students in Christopher O'Keefe's class at English for New Americans in Manchester, read alongside two long-time New Hampshire poets, S Stephanie of Rollinsford and Patrice Pinette of Wilton.

Patrice Pinette facilitated the *Connections* series in Christopher's ongoing English class in which students wrote in response to reading poems and short stories. "Thank you for inspiring me to write," Anaily told Patrice. Christopher noted that "The *Connections* program tapped into a new set of interests and skills for these students."

The audience filled the reading area of the Bookery and engaged in conversation with the writers during and after the reading. One attendee said a highlight was when the women translated their writing back into their first language "so the English-speaking audience could hear those sounds and rhythms."

S Stephanie, who mentored the students, said, "The women were honored that we had such a good crowd. I loved how brave and sharing they were! I hope the program continues and we have many more readings and introductions of diverse folks joining our communities."

Currently *New Voices* readings are being planned in

"Once, you are a child.
Close and open your
eyes and you are an
adult with family and
responsibilities, the
biggest, keep safe
the family."

- Anaily Robles Ibarra

West Lebanon, Concord, Keene, on the Seacoast, and in other cities. For more information, email tfarish@nhhumanities.org or visit www.nhhumanities.org/connections.

As part of the Connections program's "Year of New Voices," New Hampshire Humanities recently held its first public reading featuring two new Americans and two New Hampshire poets. If you are a writer and would like to be a mentor in the "New Voices" project, please contact tfarish@nhhumanities.org.

## Anthropologist Sara Withers on Finding Refuge

Though exact numbers vary, there are approximately 65 million people in motion around the world. These 65 million people are migrants, refugees, internally displaced people, and asylum seekers. They are fleeing crushing poverty, disease, violence, war, political threats, and environmental change. They travel alone, in caravans of thousands of people, and with their earthly possessions in a bag on their back. They go on foot, by boat, plane, train, and truck.

While many of the biggest flows of migrants today are taking place far away, New Hampshire is not immune from seeing and feeling the results of this mass human migration. Local communities know that the arrival of newcomers is nothing new for the state, as the Merrimack River valley—driven by the booming textile industry of the 19th Century—has historically drawn thousands of workers from all over the world. More recently, since the 1980s, New Hampshire has helped resettle over 7,500 refugees into communities along this same corridor—Laconia, Concord, Manchester, and Nashua. People living in New Hampshire realize, despite a world-wide move





The World Affairs Council presents *Anote's Ark*, March 20; and *Fire at Sea*, April 17, both in Concord.

away from globalism and towards nationalism, there is no denying that the world is shrinking. People from different backgrounds, places, religions, and regions need to learn to live together and to recognize their common humanity.

The World Affairs Council of New Hampshire (WACNH) seeks to shed light on this reality through three powerful films that will be shown in Concord this spring and Portsmouth in the fall. These films, which center around questions of human culture, movement, and identity, do so from three different perspectives—three perspectives which encourage

audience members to think about the impact of migration on a global, national, and local level. *Human Flow*, a stunning film by internationally renowned artist Ai Weiwei, paints a sweeping picture of the scope of human movement. The film looks at the journeys undertaken by refugees from 23 countries, and despite the gravity of the situation, sends a message of tolerance, compassion, and trust in fellow human beings, and a call for unity in the face of difference. *Anote's Ark* focuses on the plight of climate change refugees by asking, "What if your country was swallowed by the sea?" For President Anote Tong and his fellow Kiribatans, their forced migration is about survival—cultural and national—in the midst of incredible environmental upheaval. How do you maintain your sense of self and your national identity, without a country to call home? Finally, *Fire at Sea* forces the viewer to confront the impact of human migration at an intimate, local level. Within the past decade, hundreds of thousands of African migrants have temporarily landed on the Italian island of Lampedusa on their journey to mainland Europe. The native villagers, however, barely notice this constant flow of people. This reality is a stark example of how easy it is to ignore the plight of others in your own backyard. The two populations exist side by side, are joined together in life and death, but the residents are unaware of what is truly going on.

Together, these films raise timely questions about how we define and think about cultural identity and belonging, and the human meanings given to place and space. They push the viewer to recognize and remember their own migration story, as well as the ways in which they maintain a sense of self, and an attachment to their community. At their core, the films ask the viewers to embrace a sense of shared humanity in order to address the issue of global migration in their local communities. For event details, visit www.wacnh.org/eventcalendar.



Dr. Sara Withers is a Senior Lecturer in Anthropology at UNH Durham. She organized and conducted nearly 40 oral history interviews that served as the basis for the documentary *Uprooted: Heartache and Hope in New Hampshire*, giving her first-hand knowledge of the experiences of refugee and immigrant newcomers to the state. Through *Humanities to Go*, Sara is available to screen and facilitate discussions of this short documentary and immigration today.

## What do you think?

#### LOCAL LEVEL:

- To what extent is there interaction between migrant communities and native-born populations here in New Hampshire? How often do we take the time to hear the stories behind the people who are here?
- Are newly arrived people valued? How might one maintain a sense of cultural value in a place where difference might not be welcomed?
- The filmmakers call for compassion, unity, and action. Do you see this happening in New Hampshire?

#### NATIONAL LEVEL:

- What would you do if your country disappeared (or was in the midst of a famine, civil war, or economic crisis)?
- How does place connect to a sense of identity (cultural, familial, national, etc.)? How would you maintain a sense of self if your "place" was taken away?

#### **GLOBAL LEVEL:**

- What makes life meaningful? Is it having a home? A culture? Nationhood? Community? Family? A common humanity?
- Does putting a human face on the global plight of millions of people make the situation more understandable and universally applicable to the viewer? Why or why not?



by Dr. Beth Salerno, Saint Anselm College

On September 9, 1919 NH Governor John H. Bartlett called a special session of the Legislature to vote on the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. The amendment would ensure that "the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." The Legislature passed it that day, and the Governor signed it the next, making NH the 16<sup>th</sup> state of the 36 necessary to add the amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

The 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment had first been introduced in Congress in 1871. But Congress' unwillingness to pass it meant women could only vote in states that had passed woman's suffrage laws. By 1919 that had come to include 27 states, but not New Hampshire. Granite state women would have to wait for the state of Tennessee to become the 36<sup>th</sup> state to pass the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment before they could vote for President in 1920.

Over the next two years (2019 and 2020), New Hampshire Humanities, the New Hampshire Historical Society, New Hampshire Public Radio, educational institutions, and many other organizations around the state will be commemorating the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment and discussing its legacy. We will coordinate efforts though a common logo, website and hashtag. We want you to join in an exploration of the power and meaning of the vote, of how social change happens, and the unfinished business that getting the vote did not fully solve for diverse groups of women.

Saint Anselm College began its exploration in January with a discussion of black women's fight for suffrage and how issues of race and class made a unified fight for women's rights more

complicated. Next up at Saint Anselm, on March 20 at 7:30 pm, Carnegie Mellon University Professor of History Lisa Tetrault will give a talk on how our memory of the suffrage movement was carefully created by one group of suffragists after the Civil War (from her book *The Myth of Seneca Falls: Memory and the Women's Suffrage Movement, 1848-1898*). By giving the movement a common origin point, one faction in the suffrage movement could claim to be its founding mothers and control the narrative moving forward, eking out an advantage among competing suffrage factions.

Throughout March, which is Women's History month, Saint Anselm College will be encouraging students and the broader community to explore the impact of the 1848 Declaration of Sentiments, often seen (as Dr. Tetrault will explore) as the origin of the suffrage movement. Signed by 100 black and white women and men at Seneca Falls, NY, (including Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Frederick Douglass), the Declaration argued that all men and women were created equal. It laid out a series of complaints against women's rulers (men), mirroring those charges the founding fathers laid against the British king.

Readers today would recognize issues that have changed, including women's exclusion from higher education, law and medical schools, and most professions, and many that have not, including women's exclusion from the ministry in some traditions,

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## Humanities @ Work launched in the Granite State New program helps NH employers retain their most valuable asset- their employees

When we talk about our commitment to the ideals of access, elevation and innovation, what do we mean? At New Hampshire Humanities (NHH), it means finding innovative ways to deliver humanities programs to new audiences, new venues, and in new ways. *Humanities @ Work* (HAW), is the embodiment of that mission: This recently-launched initiative offers Granite State employers of all sizes the chance to bring a variety of programs into their workplaces, by selecting from our existing roster of *Humanities to Go* programs, or partnering with us to develop company-specific programs.

Launched at Amherst Label in January, HAW helps us reach and serve those who may have obstacles to participation, such as younger, working adults or communities of color, by delivering programs to where they spend a majority of their time—the workplace. Through HAW, employers bring cultural programming

into the workplace at a convenient time, such as lunch hour, and can from programs ranging from living history and musical performances to workshops on workplace happiness or recording family history.

"Humanities @ Work allows employers the ability to provide something that unites and enlightens their employees, contributing to overall job satisfaction and retaining the best workforce possible," said Ellen Scarponi, NHH Board Chair.

Now two major statewide membership organizations, Business and Industry Association of NH and NH Business Committee for the Arts, are partnering with NHH to offer HAW as a benefit to their membership. Members of these organizations will now be able to present HAW programs to their employees at a substantial discount.

For more information, contact Dr. Tricia Peone, Program Manager, at tpeone@nhhumanities.org.

(19th Amendment, continued)

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## Humanities to Go programs on women's suffrage:

Meet Lucy Stone: Enter the
Antebellum World of the Abolition
& Women's Rights Movements
PRESENTER: JUDITH BLACK

Abby Hutchinson's Sweet Freedom
Songs: Songs & Stories of the Struggle
for Abolition & Woman Suffrage
PRESENTER: DEBORAH ANNE GOSS

To book a *Humanities to Go* program in your community, visit www. nhhumanities.org/humanitiestogo.

We forget that the suffrage movement was incredibly contentious. Different groups pursued varied strategies from state-level referendums to a federal amendment. Some suffragists argued women were equal to men and thus should have equal rights. Others argued women were fundamentally different from men and both aspects of humanity – male and female, public and private, war-mongering and peace-loving – had to be represented in national votes. A few suffragists claimed the vote primarily to provide a white bulwark against the votes of Catholic immigrant or African-American men whom they thought would undermine a white, Protestant nation. And of course, millions of women (and more men) were anti-suffragists, arguing that female voting would undermine women's essential femininity and their key roles as apolitical arbiters of America's morals. New Hampshire Humanities and its partner organizations will be exploring many of these issues over the next two years, and invite you to participate as an attendee, or by applying for a grant to discuss

For more information on Saint Anselm's initiative and Dr. Tetrault's talk, visit www.anselm.edu/women100events.

these issues in ways relevant to your community.

Dr. Beth Salerno is Professor & History Department Chair at Saint Anselm College. She earned her Ph.D. in U.S. and Comparative Women's History at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Salerno previously served on New Hampshire Humanities Board of Directors and as Chair of its Program Committee.

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3/4 NASHUA | 1:00 PM New England Lighthouses and the People Who Kept Them

Nashua First Baptist Church, 121 Manchester St. Presenter: Jeremy D'Entremont Contact: Linda Trombly, 888-4466

#### 3/4 MANCHESTER | 7:00 PM

Comics in World History and Cultures
NH Institute of Art French Hall, 148 Concord St. Presenter: Marek Bennett Contact: Aline Lotter, 289-7447

3/5 PLYMOUTH | 2:00 PM Family, Memory, Place: Writing Family Stories Pease Public Library, 1 Russell Street Presenter: Maura MacNeil

Contact: Diane Lynch, 536-2616

3/5 CONCORD | 5:30 PM Ideas on Tap: The Collateral Consequences of a Criminal Record

Area 23, Smokestack Center, 254 N. State Street Contact: New Hampshire Humanities, 224-4071

### 3/5 EXETER | 7:00 PM Capital Crime of Witchcraft:

What the Primary Sources Tell Us Exeter Historical Society, 47 Front Street

Presenter: Margo Burns Contact: Laura Martin, 778-2335

3/6 DERRY | 10:00 AM
Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through Traditional Irish Music

Marion Gerrish Center, 39 West Broadway Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Contact: Meredith Hatch, 434-8673

#### 3/6 MEREDITH | 3:00 PM

The Shaker Legacy

Meredith Bay Colony Club, 21 Upper Mile Pt. Dr. Presenter: Darryl Thompson Contact: Meredith Bay Colony Club, 279-1500

## 3/7 PORTSMOUTH | 7:00 PM Elephant in the Room Series:

Opioid Crisis & Families

NH Theatre Project West, 959 Islington Street Contact: Genevieve Aichele, 431-6644

#### NASHUA | 7:15 PM

Discovering New England Stone Walls Hunt Community, 10 Allds Street Presenter: Kevin Gardner Contact: Leslie Cleaver, 589-4135

3/8 DUBLIN | 7:00 PM Moved and Seconded: Town Meeting in NH Dublin Community Church, 1125 Main Street Presenter: Rebecca Rule Contact: Dublin Archives, 563-8545

3/10 HENNIKER | 2:00 PM New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell Tucker Free Library, 31 Western Avenue Presenter: Pamela Weeks Contact: Lynn Piotrowicz, 428-3471

Contact: Phyllis Gonyer, 485-4254

3/11 ALLENSTOWN | 12:30 PM Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through Traditional Irish Music Suncook Senior Center, 8 Whitten Street Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki

3/11 LYNDEBOROUGH | 7:00 PM Moved and Seconded: Town Meeting in NH J.A. Tarbell Library, 136 Forest Street Presenter: Rebecca Rule Contact: Regina Conrad, 654-6790

#### 3/12 HAMPSTEAD | 7:00 PM

Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through Traditional Irish Music

Hampstead Public Library, 9 Mary E. Clark Dr. Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Contact: Janet Arden, 329-6411

## 3/13 SPOFFORD | 1:00 PM That Reminds Me of a Story

Spofford Fire Department, 9 Pontiac Drive Presenter: Rebecca Rule Contact: Fran Shippee, 313-6640

3/13 KENSINGTON | 7:00 PM New Hampshire Roads Taken Or Not Kensington Public Library, 126 Amesbury Road Presenter: Stephen H. Taylor Contact: Susan Gilbert, 772-5022

3/14 WAKEFIELD | 1:30 PM Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through Traditional Irish Music

First Congregational Church, 2718 Wakefield Rd. Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Contact: Carol Jeffery, 522-3189

#### 3/14 AMHERST | 7:00 PM

Wit & Wisdom: Humor in 19th-Century New England

Amherst Town Library, 14 Main Street Presenter: Jo Radner Contact: Amy Lapointe, 673-2288 x501

3/15 DURHAM | 10:15 AM Imperial Russian Fabergé Eggs Community Church of Durham, 17 Main Street Presenter: Marina Forbes

Contact: Alison Sweatt, 868-7364

#### 3/15 PETERBOROUGH | 6:30 PM

A Tribute to Sarah Josepha Hale Divine Mercy Church, 171Wilton Road Presenter: Sharon V. Wood Contact: Jan Hicks, 547-3365

#### 3/16 PORTSMOUTH | 1:00 PM

African American Submariners of World War II and Beyond

Portsmouth Public Library, 175 Parrott Avenue Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Albacore Park Museum, 436-3680

3/17 PIERMONT | 2:00 PM A Walk Back in Time: The Secrets of Cellar Holes Old Church Bldg. Meeting Room, 131 NH Rte. 10 Presenter: Adair D. Mulligan Contact: Fred Shipman, 359-9845

3/18 BOW | 1:00 PM Robert Rogers of the Rangers

Bow Mills Methodist Church, 505 South Street Presenter: George R. Morrison Contact: Maralyn Doyle, 938-5582

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The dates and towns on this list are color coded by region. For complete program descriptions, we invite you to view our online calendar at www. nhhumanities.org/ calendar-events.



#### 3/19 NEW LONDON | 6:30 PM

**Discovering New England Stone Walls** New London Historical Society, 179 Little Sunapee Rd. Presenter: Kevin Gardner Contact: Kathryn Butler, 526-6564

3/19 AUBURN | 7:00 PM Brewing in New Hampshire: An Informal History of Beer in the Granite State from Colonial Times to the Present
Griffin Free Public Library, 22 Hooksett Road Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Kathy Growney, 483-5374

3/20 LITTLETON | 6:30 PM A Walk Back in Time: The Secrets of Cellar Holes Littleton Public Library, 92 Main Street Presenter: Adair D. Mulligan Contact: Meagan Carr, 444-5741

3/20 NEWMARKET | 6:30 PM Brewing in New Hampshire: An Informal History of Beer in the Granite State from **Colonial Times to the Present** Newmarket Public Library, 1 Elm Street Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock

Contact: Lauren MacLachlan, 659-5311

3/20 CONCORD | 7:00 PM Finding Refuge Film & Discussion: Anote's Ark Red River Theatres, 11 South Main St. Presented by the World Affairs Council Contact: Tim Horgan, 314-7970

3/20 HAMPSTEAD | 7:00 PM Discovering New England Stone Walls Hampstead Public Library, 9 Mary E. Clark Drive Presenter: Kevin Gardner Contact: Eugene Handel, 329-6205

3/21 NEW BOSTON | 7:00 PM The Vietnam War: Veteran Voices Whipple Free Library, 67 Mont Vernon Road Presenter: Mark Gilbertson Contact: Rennie Timm, 487-3391

#### 3/22 GORHAM | 7:00 PM

Lights, Camera, Civics!

Gorham High School Library, 120 Main Street Presented by NH Institute for Civics Education Contact: Bryce Gauthier, bgauthier 5291@gmail.com

#### 3/26 TAMWORTH | 6:00 PM Family Stories: How and Why to Remember and Tell Them

Cook Memorial Library, 93 Main Street Presenter: Jo Radner Contact: Michelle Longley, 273-6409

## 3/26 MEREDITH | 6:30 PM Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through

Traditional Irish Music

Meredith Public Library, 91 Main Street Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Contact: Erin Apostotols, 279-4303



3/27 BEDFORD | 6:30 PM New Hampshire on High: Historic and Unusual Weathervanes of the Granite State Bedford Public Library, 3 Meetinghouse Road Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Bedford High School, 471-6336

3/27 MILFORD | 6:30 PM
The Vietnam War: Diverse Perspectives Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua Street Presenter: Bill Donoghue Contact: Susan Amann, 493-0489

3/27 GREENLAND | 6:30 PM A Visit with Abraham Lincoln Weeks Public Library, 36 Post Road Presenter: Steve A. Wood Contact: Denise Grimse, 436-8548

#### 3/28 CONCORD | 2:30 PM

**Benedict Arnold: Patriot and Traitor?** Tad's Place at Heritage Heights, 149 East Side Dr. Presenter: George R. Morrison Contact: Susan Edge, 229-1266

## 3/28 HOOKSETT | 6:30 PM New Hampshire on Skis

Hooksett Public Library, 31 Saint Mary's Way Presenter: E. John B. Allen Contact: Brian Baer, 391-2197

## 3/28 ROCHESTER | 6:30 PM Imperial Russian Fabergé Eggs

Rochester Public Library, 65 South Main Street Presenter: Marina Forbes Contact: Rochester Public Library, 332-1428

#### 3/28 ATKINSON | 6:30 PM

**Exemplary Country Estates of New Hampshire** Kimball Public Library, 5 Academy Avenue Presenter: Cristina Ashjian Contact: Lois Powers, 362-5234

#### 3/29 EPSOM | 7:00 PM

New England's Colonial Meetinghouses and Their Impact on American Society Epsom Public Library, 1606 Dover Road Presenter: Paul Wainwright Contact: Nancy Claris, 736-9920

### 3/30 WARREN | 1:00 PM That Reminds Me of a Story

Joseph Patch Library, 320 Route 25 Presenter: Rebecca Rule Contact: Veronica Mueller, 764-9072

#### 3/30 HUDSON | 2:00 PM

Discovering New England Stone Walls Rodgers Memorial Library, 194 Derry Road Presenter: Kevin Gardner Contact: Amy Friedman, 886-6030

#### 3/31 WILMOT | 2:00 PM

Returning North with the Spring: Retracing the Journey of Naturalist Edwin Way Teale Wilmot Community Association Red Barn 64 Village Road Presenter: John R. Harris Contact: Ann Davis, 526-6960

#### 3/31 PLAINFIELD | 3:00 PM

Rally Round the Flag: The American Civil War Through Folksong Plainfield Town Hall, 1077 Route 12A Presenter: Marek Bennett & Woody Pringle Contact: Jane Stephenson, 298-8834

#### 4/2 LOUDON | 6:00 PM

All Aboard the Titanic Maxfield Public Library, 8 Route 129 Presenter: Ted Zalewski Contact: Jackie Heath, 798-5153

#### 4/2 PLYMOUTH | 6:00 PM

Open Questions: Are We What We Eat? Presenter: Maria Sanders Pease Public Library, 1 Russell Street Contact: Pease Public Library, 536-2616

## 4/3 WINDHAM | 12:00 PM Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through

Traditional Irish Music Windham Town Hall, 4 North Lowell Road Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Contact: Nancy Greenberg, 537-1756

4/3 PLAISTOW | 1:00 PM
The Grand Resort Hotels of the White Mountains: Architecture, History and the **Preservation Record** First Baptist Church, 122 Main Street Presenter: Bryant F. Tolles Contact: Marjorie Wood, 382-8380

#### 4/3 BARRINGTON | 6:30 PM

Darby Field and the "First" Ascent of **Mount Washington** Barrington Public Library, 105 Ramsdell Lane

Presenter: Allen V. Koop Contact: Melissa Huette, 664-9715

#### 4/3 LOUDON | 7:00 PM

Exemplary Country Estates of New Hampshire Charlie's Barn, 29 South Village Road Presenter: Cristina Ashjian Contact: Michele York, 396-2362

4/3 LEE | 7:00 PM
New Hampshire Cemeteries and Gravestones Lee Safety Complex, 20 George Bennett Road Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Ruth Eifert, 659-2626

4/4 DURHAM | 10:00 AM
Discovering New England Stone Walls Durham Community Church Chapel, 17 Main St. Presenter: Kevin Gardner Contact: Bob Ely, 868-5582

4/4 PORTSMOUTH | 6:00 PM
Open Questions: "Are We Working Too Much?"
Portsmouth Public Library, 175 Parrott Ave. Facilitated by Dr. Josh Tepley & Dr. Kiki Berk Contact: Laura Horwood-Benton, 766-1711

## 4/4 PORTSMOUTH | 7:00 PM Elephant in the Room Series:

School Safety in the 21st Century NH Theatre Project West, 959 Islington Street Contact: Genevieve Aichele, 431-6644

#### 4/4 NEW BOSTON | 7:00 PM

The Vietnam War: Diverse Perspectives Whipple Free Library, 67 Mont Vernon Road Presenter: Suzanne H. Brown Contact: Rennie Timm, 487-3391

#### 4/5 CHESTER | 7:00 PM

**Poor Houses and Town Farms:** The Hard Row for Paupers Stevens Hall, 1 Chester Street Presenter: Stephen H. Taylor Contact: Donald Brown, 421-4922

## 4/7 HANCOCK | 2:00 PM Songs of Old New Hampshire

Hancock Historical Society, 7 Main Street Presenter: Jeff Warner Contact: Carol Domingue, 664-8877

#### 4/8 MANCHESTER | 3:00 PM

Galileo, Galilei, The Starry Messenger Birch Hill Terrace, 200 Alliance Way Presenter: Michael Francis Contact: Birch Hill Terrace, 645-6500

#### 4/8 BOSCAWEN | 6:30 PM

**Poor Houses and Town Farms:** The Hard Row for Paupers

Boscawen Public Library, 116 North Main Street Presenter: Stephen H. Taylor Contact: Bonny John, 753-8576

#### 4/8 AMHERST | 7:30 PM

From Guns to Gramophones: Civil War and the Technology that Shaped America Amherst Congregational Church, 11 Church St. Presenter: Carrie Brown Contact: Neil Benner, 617-697-6712

4/9 HOLLIS | 2:00 PM
African American Soldiers and Sailors of New Hampshire During the American Revolution Lawrence Barn, 28 Depot Road Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Anita Walker, 465-7148

#### 4/9 MADBURY | 7:00 PM

Covered Bridges of New Hampshire Madbury Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Road Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Kathy Frid, 742-8376

#### 4/9 CANTERBURY | 7:00 PM

**Benedict Arnold: Patriot and Traitor?** Elkins Public Library, 9 Center Road Presenter: George R. Morrison Contact: Susan LeClair, 783-4386

#### 4/10 MILFORD | 6:30 PM

The Capital Crime of Witchcraft: What the Primary Sources Tell Us Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua Street Presenter: Margo Burns Contact: Susan Amann, 249-0645

#### 4/10 NEWTON | 7:00 PM

New England Ouilts and the Stories They Tell Newton Town Hall, 1 Town Hall Road Presenter: Pamela Weeks Contact: Sally Woodman, 382-7574

4/10 BARTLETT | 7:00 PM Discovering New England Stone Walls Josiah Bartlett Elementary School, 1313 U.S. Rte. 302 Presenter: Kevin Gardner Contact: Norman Head, 968-6278

#### 4/11 RYE | 1:00 PM

Contra Dancing In New Hampshire: Then & Now Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Rd. Presenter: Dudley Laufman Contact: Lee Arthur, 964-6281

#### 4/11 BRENTWOOD | 6:30 PM

Imperial Russian Fabergé Eggs Mary E. Bartlett Library, 22 Dalton Road Presenter: Marina Forbes Contact: Janice Wiers, 642-3355

#### 4/11 JAFFREY | 6:30 PM

Before Peyton Place: In Search of the Real Grace Metalious Jaffrey Public Library, 38 Main Street Presenter: Robert B. Perreault Contact: Julie Perrin, 532-7301

#### 4/11 NEW IPSWICH | 7:00 PM

All Aboard the Titanic New Ipswich Library, 6 Main Street Presenter: Ted Zalewski Contact: Michelle Pelletier, 933-0897

#### 4/11 AMHERST | 7:00 PM

**Ethical Aspects of Converging Technologies** Amherst Town Library, 14 Main Street Presenter: Herman T. Tavani Contact: Amy Lapointe, 673-2288, ext. 501

4/11 BRISTOL | 7:00 PM
The Quest for Happiness
Minot-Sleeper Library, 35 Pleasant Street

Presenter: Maria A. Sanders Contact: Brittany Overton, 744-3352

## 4/13 HUDSON | 2:00 PM The Ballad Lives!

Rodgers Memorial Library, 194 Derry Road Presenter: John Perrault

Contact: Amy Friedman, 886-6030

4/14 SANDOWN | 2:00 PM All Eyes Are Upon Us: Racial Struggles in the Northeast, from Jackie Robinson to Deval Patrick Sandown Public Library, 305 Main Street

Presenter: Jason Sokol Contact: Deb Hoadley, 887-3428

4/14 RAYMOND | 2:00 PM
Putting Human Faces on the Textile Industry: The Workers of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Co. Ray-Fre Senior Center, 64 Main Street Presenter: Robert B. Perreault

Contact: Marilyn Semple, 895-4536

4/14 JACKSON | 7:00 PM

Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through Traditional Irish Music

Jackson Public Library, 52 Main Street Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Contact: Lichen Rancourt, 383-9731

4/15 CAMPTON | 7:00 PM

Rosie's Mom: Forgotten Women of the First World War

Campton Historical Soc. Museum, 529 NH Rte. 175 Presenter: Carrie Brown

Contact: Nancy Mardin, 536-3982

4/16 GILFORD | 6:30 PM

Before Peyton Place: In Search of the Real Grace Metalious

Gilford Public Library, 31 Potter Hill Road Presenter: Robert B. Perreault Contact: Kayleigh Thomas, 524-6042

4/16 BENNINGTON | 6:30 PM

Imperial Russian Fabergé Eggs Bennington Historical Society, 38 Main Street Presenter: Marina Forbes

Contact: Leslie MacGregor, 588-6595

4/16 NEW HAMPTON | 7:00 PM

Songs of Emigration: Storytelling Through Traditional Irish Music

Gordon-Nash Library, 69 Main Street Presenter: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Contact: Francis Maineri, 630-7890

4/16 MARLBOROUGH | 7:00 PM
New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell Marlborough Community House, 160 Main Street Presenter: Pamela Weeks

Contact: Richard Butler, 876-3980

4/16 MERRIMACK | 7:00 PM
The Founding Fathers: What Were They Thinking? John O'Leary Adult Community Center, 4 Church St. Presenter: Richard A. Hesse

Contact: Lynda Tomasian, 424-5207

4/17 CONCORD | 7:00 PM Finding Refuge Film & Discussion: Fire at Sea Red River Theatres, 11 South Main St. Presented by: World Affairs Council Contact: Tim Horgan, 314-7970

4/18 JAFFREY | 7:00 PM Lafayette and the Farewell Tour: An American Idol Jaffrey Civic Center, 40 Main Street Presenter: Alan R. Hoffman

Contact: Jacqueline Johnson, 532-7379

4/18 HOLLIS | 7:30 PM

Wacky Songs That Made Us Laugh Lawrence Barn, 28 Depot Road Presenter: Calvin Knickerbocker

Contact: Hollis Historical Society, 465-3935

4/20 AMHERST | 12:00 PM Imperial Russian Fabergé Eggs

Amherst Town Library, 14 Main Street Presenter: Marina Forbes Contact: Alison Vallieres, 774-3681

4/23 CANDIA | 6:30 PM Covered Bridges of New Hampshire Smyth Public Library, 55 High Street Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Heidi Deacon, 483-8245

4/24 LITCHFIELD | 7:00 PM In the Evil Day: Individual Rights, Town Government, and the Crime that Stunned the Nation

Aaron Cutler Memorial Library 269 Charles Bancroft Highway Presenter: Richard Adams Carey Contact: Alex Osterhoudt, 424-4044

4/25 ALSTEAD | 7:00 PM Songs of Old New Hampshire Third Congregational Church, 14 River Street Presenter: Jeff Warner

Contact: Bruce Bellows, 835-6751

4/25 FRANCONIA | 7:00 PM
The Guitar in Latin America: Continuities, Changes, and Bicultural Strumming Abbie Greenlead Library, 439 Main Street Presenter: José Lezcano Contact: Abbie Greenleaf Library, 823-8424

4/25 CONCORD | 7:00 PM
The Music History of French-Canadians, Franco-Americans, Acadians, and Cajuns Pierce Manse, 14 Horseshoe Pond Lane Presenter: Lucie Therrien Contact: Janet S. Anderson, 228-1049

4/26 WALPOLE | 7:00 PM

Rally Round the Flag: The American Civil War Through Folksong
Walpole Town Hall, 34 Elm Street

Presenter: Marek Bennett & Woody Pringle Contact: Bill Reed, 756-3060

4/26 LEMPSTER | 7:00 PM The Capital Crime of Witchcraft: What the Primary Sources Tell Us Lempster History Hall, 4 Second NH Turnpike Presenter: Margo Burns Contact: Linda Murgatroy, 863-1121

4/27 ANTRIM | 1:00 PM 12,000 Years Ago in the Granite State James A. Tuttle Library, 45 Main Street Presenter: Robert Goodby Contact: Cindy Jewett, 588-6786

4/28 WILMOT | 2:00 PM

**Exemplary Country Estates of New Hampshire** Wilmot Comm. Assoc. Red Barn, 64 Village Road Presenter: Cristina Ashjian Contact: Ann Davis, 526-6960

4/29 NEW LONDON | 1:00 PM Darby Field & the "First" Ascent of Mt. Washington Chapin Senior Center, 37 Pleasant Street Presenter: Allen V. Koop Contact: Karen Lester, 526-6368

4/29 CONCORD | 2:15 PM New England Lighthouses and the

People Who Kept Them
Havenwood Heritage Heights, 33 Christian Ave.
Presenter: Jeremy D'Entremont Contact: Amanda Warren, 229-1185

4/30 MADISON | 7:00 PM Returning North with the Spring: Retracing the Journey of Naturalist Edwin Way Teale

Madison Library Chick Room, 1895 Village Road Presenter: John R. Harris

Contact: Jarell Sloane, 367-8545

4/30 NASHUA | 7:30 PM
Putting Human Faces on the Textile Industry: The Workers of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Co. The Nashua Historical Society, 5 Abbott Street Presenter: Robert B. Perreault Contact: Eileen Herring, 883-0015

5/1 WILTON | 7:00 PM

**Putting Human Faces on the Textile Industry:** The Workers of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Co.
Wilton Public & Gregg Free Library, 7 Forest Rd.
Presenter: Robert B. Perreault Contact: Rebecca Brown, 654-2581

5/2 BARRINGTON | 5:30 PM

Comics in World History and Cultures Barrington Public Library, 105 Ramsdell Lane Presenter: Marek Bennett

Contact: Melissa Huette, 664-9715

5/2 PORTSMOUTH | 7:00 PM

Elephant in the Room Series: Suicide & Self Harm NH Theatre Project, 959 Islington St. Contact: Genevieve Aichele, 431-6644

5/2 ASHLAND | 7:00 PM A Soldier's Mother Tells Her Story Ashland Booster Club, 99 Main Street Presenter: Sharon V. Wood Contact: Sandra Ray, 968-7958

5/4 HAMPTON FALLS | 1:00 PM

The Shaker Legacy
Hampton Falls Free Library, 7 Drinkwater Road Presenter: Darryl Thompson Contact: Barbara Tosiano, 926-3682

5/5 LANCASTER | 2:00 PM
The Music History of French-Canadians, Franco-Americans, Acadians, and Cajuns Weeks Memorial Library, 128 Main Street Presenter: Lucie Therrien Contact: Barbara Robarts, 788-3352

5/5 PIERMONT | 2:00 PM Digging Into Native History in New Hampshire Old Church Meeting Room, 131 NH Route 10 Presenter: Robert Goodby Contact: Fred Shipman, 359-9845

5/7 PORTSMOUTH | 12:00 PM Rally Round the Flag: The American Civil War Through Folksona

Portsmouth Country Club, 80 Country Club Lane Presenter: Marek Bennett and Woody Pringle Contact: Bob Ely, 868-5582

5/7 STRATHAM | 6:00 PM A Visit With Queen Victoria Wiggin Memorial Library, 10 Bunker Hill Avenue Presenter: Sally A. Mummey Contact: Tricia Ryden, 772-4346

5/8 TAMWORTH | 7:00 PM

Exemplary Country Estates of New Hampshire Cook Memorial Library, 93 Main Street Presenter: Cristina Ashjian Contact: Amy Carter, 323-8510

5/8 JACKSON | 7:00 PM Brewing in NH: An Informal History of Beer in the Granite State from Colonial Times to the Present Jackson Public Library, 52 Main Street Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Lichen Rancourt, 383-9731

5/9 RYE | 1:00 PM

A Soldier's Mother Tells Her Story Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Rd. Presenter: Sharon V. Wood Contact: Lee Arthur, 964-6281

#### 5/9 NEWMARKET | 6:30 PM

All Eyes Are Upon Us: Racial Struggles in the Northeast, from Jackie Robinson to Deval Patrick Newmarket Public Library, 1 Elm Street Presenter: Jason Sokol Contact: Lauren Maclachlan, 659-5311

5/9 JAFFREY | 6:30 PM Uprooted: Heartache and Hope in New Hampshire Jaffrey Public Library, 38 Main Street Presenter: John Krueckeberg Contact: Friends of Jaffrey Library, 532-7301

5/9 ATKINSON | 6:30 PM

The Founding Fathers: What Were They Thinking? Kimball Public Library, 5 Academy Avenue Presenter: Richard A. Hesse Contact: Lois Powers, 362-5234

5/9 GREENFIELD 7:00 PM

Galileo, Galilei, The Starry Messenger Stephenson Memorial Library, 761 Forest Road Presenter: Michael Francis

Contact: Beverly Pietlicki, 547-2790

5/12 KEENE | 3:00 PM

"If I Am Not For Myself, Who Will Be for Me?" George Washington's Runaway Slave Congregation Ahavas Achim, 84 Hastings Avenue Presenter: Gwendolyn Quezaire-Presutti Contact: Dale Rosenberg, 917-292-4552

5/13 DERRY | 6:30 PM

Brewing in New Hampshire: An Informal History of Beer in the Granite State from **Colonial Times to the Present** Derry Public Library, 64 East Broadway Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Liz Ryan, 432-6140

5/14 HOLLIS | 2:00 PM

A Visit With Queen Victoria Lawrence Barn, 28 Depot Road Presenter: Sally A. Mummey Contact: Anita Walker, 465-7148

5/14 CANTERBURY | 7:00 PM

The Grand Resort Hotels of the White Mountains: Architecture, History and the Preservation Record Elkins Public Library, 9 Center Road Presenter: Bryant F. Tolles Contact: Jan Cote, 783-4090

5/14 BARTLETT | 7:00 PM New Hampshire's One-Room Rural Schools:

The Romance and the Reality Bartlett Elementary School, 1313 U.S. Route 302 Presenter: Stephen H. Taylor Contact: Kathy VanDeursen, 374-2755

5/14 CORNISH | 7:00 PM

New England's Colonial Meetinghouses and Their Impact on American Society Cornish Meeting House, NH Route 12A Presenter: Paul Wainwright Contact: Stuart Hodgeman, 477-2844

5/15 NOTTINGHAM | 6:30 PM Family Stories: How and Why to Remember and Tell Them Blaisdell Memorial Library, 129 Stage Road Presenter: Jo Radner Contact: Cara Marsh, 679-8484

5/15 BEDFORD | 6:30 PM

**Exemplary Country Estates of New Hampshire** Bedford Public Library, 3 Meetinghouse Road Presenter: Cristina Ashjian Contact: Ellen Muller, 472-8428

5/15 EXETER | 6:30PM Moved & Seconded: Town Meeting in NH Folsom Tavern, 164 Water Street Presenter: Rebecca Rule Contact: Victoria Su, 772-2622

5/16 ALSTEAD | 6:00 PM Civil Liberties vs. National Security Shedd-Porter Memorial Library, 3 Main Street Presenter: Richard Hesse

Contact: Shedd-Porter Memorial Library, 835-6661

5/16 FREMONT | 6:30 PM

Old Time Rules Will Prevail: The Fiddle Contest in New Hampshire and New England Fremont Public Library, 7 Jackie Bernier Drive Presenter: Adam Boyce Contact: Warren Gerety, 702-0120

5/16 NEW BOSTON | 7:00 PM

New England Lighthouses and the People Who Kept Them

Whipple Free Library, 67 Mont Vernon Road Presenter: Jeremy D'Entremont Contact: Rennie Timm, 487-3391

5/16 HOLLIS | 8:00 PM Liberty Is Our Motto! Songs and Stories of the Hutchinson Family Singers Lawrence Barn, 28 Depot Road Presenter: Steve Blunt Contact: Hollis Historical Society, 465-3935

5/18 MOULTONBOROUGH | 3:15 PM

A Visit With Queen Victoria Moultonborough Function Hall, 139 Old Rte. 109 Presenter: Sally A. Mummey Contact: Enid Burrows, 476-5152

5/19 PORTSMOUTH | 2:00 PM

Family Stories: How and Why to Remember and Tell Them Pontine Theatre, Plains School, 1 Plains Avenue Presenter: Jo Radner Contact: Marguerite Mathews, 436-6660

5/21 DUNBARTON | 6:30 PM

The Grand Resort Hotels of the White Mountains: Architecture, History and the Preservation Record Dunbarton Public Library, 1004 School Street Presenter: Bryant F. Tolles Contact: Mary Girard, 774-3546

5/21 HAVERHILL | 7:00 PM

Tangled Lives: Native People and English Settlers in Colonial New England Alumni Hall, 75 Court Street Presenter: Jo Radner Contact: Roger Warren, 787-2446

5/21 BELMONT | 7:00 PM Covered Bridges of New Hampshire

Belmont Corner Meeting House, 14 Sargent St. Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Christine Fogg, 524-8268

5/22 RINDGE | 4:00 PM

Digging Into Native History in New Hampshire Cathedral of the Pines Hilltop House 10 Hale Hill Road Presenter: Robert Goodby Contact: Elizabeth Halper, 899-6326

5/22 MILFORD | 6:30 PM

From Guns to Gramophones: Civil War and the **Technology that Shaped America** Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua Street Presenter: Carrie Brown Contact: Susan Amann, 249-0645

5/22 FRANCESTOWN | 6:30 PM

The Shaker Legacy
George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library, 52 Main St. Presenter: Darryl Thompson Contact: Carol Brock, 547-2730

5/23 NORTH HAMPTON | 6:30 PM

Stark Decency: New Hampshire's World War II German Prisoner of War Camp

North Hampton Public Library, 237A Atlantic Ave. Presenter: Allen V. Koop

Contact: Susan Grant, 964-6326

5/23 HANCOCK | 7:00 PM

Town by Town, Watershed by Watershed: **Native Americans in NH** 

Harris Center for Conservation Education 83 King's Highway Presenter: John and Donna Moody

Contact: Susie Spikol, 525-3394

5/23 BELMONT | 7:00 PM Rome and Pompeii: Discovering and Preserving the Past

Belmont Corner Meeting House, 17 Fuller Street Presenter: R. Scott Smith

Contact: Eileen Gilbert, 267-8331

5/23 CONCORD | 7:00 PM New Hampshire's One-Room Rural Schools:

The Romance and the Reality Pierce Manse, 14 Horseshoe Pond Lane Presenter: Stephen H. Taylor Contact: Janet S. Anderson, 228-1049

5/25 BATH | 2:00 PM New Hampshire Roads Taken Or Not Bath Public Library, 4 Lisbon Road Presenter: Stephen H. Taylor Contact: Bath Public Library, 747-3372

5/27 GROTON | 11:00 AM

**Benedict Arnold: Patriot and Traitor?** Groton Town House, 754 North Groton Road Presenter: George R. Morrison Contact: Kathy Sobetzer, 481-2487

5/28 DUNBARTON | 7:00 PM

**Benedict Arnold: Patriot and Traitor?** St. John's Church Parish Hall, 270 Stark Hwy. North Presenter: George R. Morrison Contact: Alison Vallieres, 774-3681

5/29 GREENFIELD | 7:00 PM New Hampshire on High: Historic and Unusual Weathervanes of the Granite State Greenfield Historical Society Museum 828 Forest Road Presenter: Glenn A. Knoblock Contact: Adele Hale, 547-3403

5/29 KENSINGTON | 7:00 PM New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell Kensington Public Library, 126 Amesbury Road Presenter: Pamela Weeks Contact: Susan Gilbert, 772-5022

5/30 ATKINSON | 6:30 PM Global Banjar: International Voices in Antebellum Bajno Music Kimball Public Library, 5 Academy Avenue Presenter: Marek Bennett & Woody Pringle Contact: Friends of Kimball Library, 362-5234

Choose a program and invite a friend! All programs are subject to change. For the most up-to-date listings and weather cancellations, check our online event calendar at www.nhhumanities.org/event-calendar.

## Major Wheelock

"When you invest in the humanities, you are raising the intellectual capacity of the entire citizenry. This principle of thought is why I continue to give to New Hampshire Humanities, despite being retired and no longer living in the state."

~ Major Wheelock

Editor's note: As many supporters as we have around the state (thousands!) we all value the humanities for different reasons. In each issue of Engage! we like to introduce you to someone who supports our work and inspires us – and may inspire you, too!

Major Wheelock has been involved in numerous state organizations to promote a happier, healthier, and well-educated community. He has served as board chair of the New Hampshire Hospital Association and New Hampshire Humanities (NHH), executive vice president and treasurer of Franklin Pierce College, and president of the NH Association for Mental Health and the NH Social Welfare Council.

## What initially motivated you to become involved with New Hampshire Humanities?

I always had a strong interest in what was happening in the community. It was forty years ago, so I don't remember who approached me about serving on the board. I did attend some programs at my library and found them interesting and beneficial. The *Humanities to Go* programming offered free of charge at libraries and other local venues is still one of the best parts of the work New Hampshire Humanities does, from my perspective.

## What are examples of your proudest accomplishments during your time at NHH?

One of the best things I had a hand in was the hiring of Charlie Bickford as executive director. He was a terrific person who led NHH to take on a much larger role within the state. He was just the perfect guy for the job.

There is also the NHH funding of one of Ken Burns' first documentaries, *The Shakers: Hands to Work, Hearts to God.*I remember he was just a spare young man, with his wife and child accompanying him. There were only a few Shaker elders left, and he felt that the opportunity to interview them might be lost in the near future. He spoke so persuasivly, despite his youthful appearance, that we were convinced and decided to fund the project.



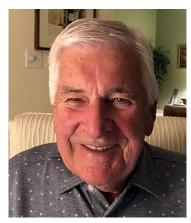
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You served on the NHH board during the 1980s. How has the organization changed since then, and how has the way we as a community relate to the humanities changed?

I feel like NHH is now a stronger force for the humanities and that there is more awareness of the humanities overall. I can remember getting calls from



people about stray animals – they thought we were the humane society! We had to explain that a couple of times.

## What is the impact of NHH's programs? What would you tell someone who was considering making a gift?

People living in Nashua or Concord have access to a whole variety of activities, but if you live in Dublin or another small town you may not have the same opportunities. New Hampshire Humanities helps the libraries in these towns satisfy the their community's thirst for knowledge. I still get your newsletter and am delighted to see the programs offered all around the state.

The more people exposed to humanities programming, the more people are excited by it and want to know more. When you invest in the humanities, you are raising the intellectual capacity of the entire citizenry. This principle of thought is why I continue to give to New Hampshire Humanities, despite being retired and no longer living in the state. I want to remember the organizations that I feel provide a worthy service, and New Hampshire Humanities is among those.

We couldn't agree more! Thank you, Major Wheelock.

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## Are We What We Eat? Tuesday, April 2, 6:00 pm

Pease Public Library, Plymouth Facilitated by Plymouth State University philosophy professor Dr. Maria Sanders

#### Do We Work Too Hard? Thursday, April 4, 6:00 pm

Portsmouth Public Library, Portsmouth Facilitated by St. Anselm College Professor Dr. Josh Tepley & SNHU Professor Dr. Kiki Berk

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