

Madison Historical Society

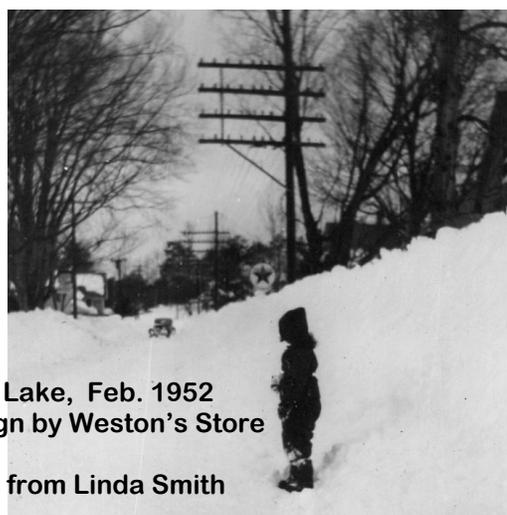
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Skating on Silver Lake, February 1955—John F. Chick mill in the background



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Silver Lake, Feb. 1952
Texaco sign by Weston's Store

Photos from Linda Smith

FROM THE CURATORS DESK

Are we ready for a great exhibit this summer? The Madison Historical Society is pleased to announce its 2018 summer exhibit:



"Quilts...Then and Now"

An exhibit featuring the quilts of our Madison residents, their friends and ancestors.

Now comes the difficult part. Like our very successful Wedding Dresses through the Decades show in 2016, we are asking our Historical Society members and residents/friends to consider a temporary loan of your quilt(s) for

this exhibit. Our building now has a fully operating alarm system to keep our collections safe; however, we do not have a sprinkler system in case of fire. Like the previous show, we will do all we can to protect your quilts. The general public will not be allowed to touch them, only our gloved docents. The exhibit will be on display from June to Labor Day, and you may remove your quilt at any time after our Gala opening fundraising event. Quilts will not be needed until mid-May; however, a photo of each one would be extremely helpful, along with other information. Details on the gala will be announced soon.

If you are interested or you need more information, please contact me via email:

karen@vinegarhillnh.com or by phone 603-733-8060.

The Board is excited to present this exhibit and we are hoping for a very successful show and fundraising gala.

Karen M. Lord, Curator

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 3RD AND 4TH GRADERS

On November 18, 2017 we hosted a visit led by retired Madison teacher Nancy Spaulding. Nancy has taught a local and colonial history unit for many years, and we were especially pleased that the Madison Historical Society once again was included in their activities. Thanks to all who braved the cold and snowy day, walking to and from school and joining us in our chilly buildings!

(view of tracks in the snow from the tool shed to the kitchen)







In the last issue we asked for information about this photo of the interior of the Madison Church with the flags at the altar. We received a very nice letter from Rachel Ward with her permission to publish it:

To
 Madison Historical Society
 P.O. Box 505
 Madison, NH 03849

Dear Members

The churches during WWII, 1941-1945, often were sending care packages all over the world to their local servicemen and often hung a service flag with each star for each serviceman.

Mail from home, newspapers, local snapshots, any news at all was treasured by those in jungles, arctic, aboard ships, in Africa desert, or any place not home. Thousands of displaced men drafted by the government ages 18th birthday to age 40 if single were "in service."

Our Epworth League of Methodist teen-agers often did addressing envelopes (with A.P.O.'s) for Ladies Aid Oldsters.

Those were nerve-wracking mail-times, so important Rachel Ward



287 The Church at Madison, N. H.



PROGRAMS SCHEDULED FOR 2018

GALA OPENING FUNDRAISING EVENT—to be announced

MAY 17, 7 pm —**VAGABOND QUAKERS**—Author Olga Morrill describes what it was like to be a Quaker in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1662.

JUNE 21, 7 pm —**HENRY FORREST MEMOIRS**—Henry Forrest & Joanne Hadlock. (more about this in the next issue)

JULY 12, 7 pm —**NEW ENGLAND QUILTS and THE STORIES THEY TELL**—a NH Humanities program by Pamela Weeks, curator of the N.E. Quilt Museum and author of "Civil War Quilts" (please note this is the 2nd Thursday instead of the usual 3rd Thursday)

OLD HOME WEEK

AUGUST 4, 9-2—**CRAFT FAIR**

AUGUST 5, 12-4—**BLUEBERRY BAKERY**

AUGUST 16, 7 pm —**ANTIQUe APPRAISAL NIGHT**—Tom Troon

AUGUST 18, 11-1—**TEDDY BEAR PICNIC**, rain date August 19

SEPTEMBER 20, 7 pm —**THE ANGELS' LAMENT**—Author MJ Pettengill follows a young girl from the farm in Ossipee to the mills in Fall River, 1872.

**MUSEUM IS OPEN TUESDAYS FROM
MEMORIAL DAY TO LABOR DAY 2-4 PM
AND BY APPOINTMENT**



From Our Cookbook

Published in late 2015, it has contributions by over 30 historical society members and friends with selections from the circa 1950 Silver Lake Woman's Club "Favorite Recipes" - The book itself is 8 ½" x 11", 66 pages, spiral bound, with mylar protective cover.—\$10 plus \$3.00 media mail postage

Here is a nice winter recipe:

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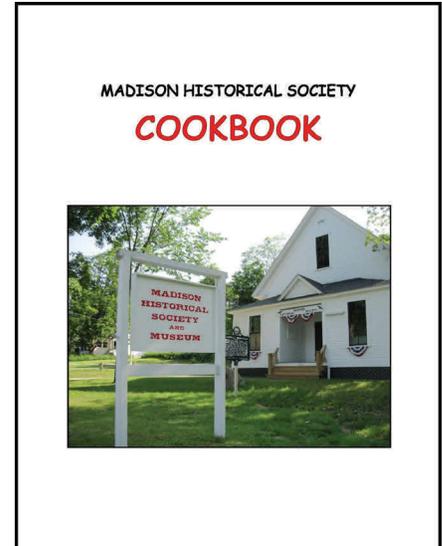
Sally Perrow

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 3 cloves of garlic, crushed
- 1 cup cooked chicken, cubed
- 8 oz can of chopped green chilis
- 2 tablespoons cumin
- 2 teaspoons oregano
- 1/8 teaspoon chili powder
- Dash pepper
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 2 cans drained white hominy
- 1 can black eyed peas (drained & mashed)
- 1 can black eyed peas (not drained)
- 1 can cannellini beans (drained & rinsed)

Directions:

- Sauté onion and garlic in olive oil.
- Add the rest of the ingredients.
- Simmer 1 hour. If you like more spice, add dash tabasco and a chopped seeded jalapeno pepper.
- Add cilantro and grated cheese when it is served.



MADISON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

President—Linda Smith

Vice President—Mary McIntosh

Secretary—Betty Fernandes

Treasurer—Penny Hathaway

Curator—Karen Lord

Directors—David Wilkins, Ann Wilkins, Linda Lovering

MADISON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

2017 ANNUAL REPORT to the Town of Madison

The Madison Historical Society is very grateful to Madison voters for their support. This year we featured our tools, cleaning out the old tool shed and bringing them inside to show off. We are particularly fortunate to have a rare 1-10 scale Bridge Truss Pattern used in the construction of covered bridges in the early 1800s.



The museum is open from 2-4 every Tuesday from Memorial Day to Labor Day and by appointment. We have a website where you can find photos, slide shows, newsletter archives and a lot of other useful information. It is www.madisonnhhistoricalsociety.org

The Society has interesting programs from May through September on the 3rd Thursday of the month. This year we had a “show and tell” tool night, Beech River Shutter Mill tour, talk on Boulder Architecture, NH Humanities presentation on Benedict Arnold and an evening learning about genealogical resources available in the area. One Sunday in July we had a Teddy Bear Picnic for the youngsters and oldsters, which was a lot of fun. During Old Home Week we had an open house and blueberry bake sale, as well as a table at the community craft fair, and in December a table at the PTO craft fair.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

NOTE: In addition to dues, we are always very grateful to receive donations in a variety of ways: cash, checks, PayPal, stocks, etc. We also have a charity eBay account where all proceeds come to us without fees. One can donate small items for sale, or, when buying on eBay, can make donations to the MHS on checkout.

SOME THINGS WE COULD USE HELP WITH:

Scraping front steps, painting front steps, help in the kitchen on the Tuesdays when we are open serving lemonade and cookies. Stay tuned for more ideas.

This newsletter is dedicated to the memory of two members who passed away recently: Edie McNair & David Crocket.

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MEMBERSHIP FORM:

_____ Single Membership - \$10.00	_____
_____ Family Membership - \$15.00	_____
_____ Junior Members (under 18) - free	_____
_____ Senior Members (over 80) - free	_____
_____ Donation	_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED	_____

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