

**WINTER
Newsletter
2015-2016**

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**The stage is set
to run for another season!**

**Winter Museum Hours
by appointment
Call (603) 323-3359**



**Due to popular interest we plan to leave our
“Timeline of Conway History” exhibit
up through the 2016 season.**

**This will allow new visitors a chance to get on
board and catch up on our past. At the same time,
we have a special surprise changing exhibit in the
planning stages that you will find very timely to
open next year!**

**UPCOMING
CHS MEETINGS
And History Events**

January 12, 2015
**Presidents and Primaries: The
New Hampshire Connection**
Brian Wiggin

** February 9, 2015
**Trains and Snow:
Challenges and Opportunities**
Dwight Smith

March 8, 2015
**Working Woods:
Gifts of the Forest**
Curators

**Save the dates—
Conway Historical Society
monthly program
every 2nd Tuesday**

****Potluck dinner** begins at 6pm
with regular CHS meetings and
presentations at 7pm. All CHS
programs are free and open to the
public at the Salyards Center.

**80 years young! Conway Historical Society
1935-2015**

**2015
Celebrating Conway's 250th**

Our "timeline" exhibit covers 12,000 years of local history, and includes hundreds of items such as photographs, paintings, tools, firearms, trade signs, and many artifacts.

Now is a good time to consider becoming a volunteer docent. We provide training and we will need your help to open the doors for our visitors next season. We can't do it without you.

Special thanks to the Gibson Woodbury Foundation for major funding of our programs



Timeline of Conway History

Topics covered include Conway's natural landscape, Native American history, Conway's 1765 charter and early maps, settling the land and creating a community, roads, bridges and modes of transportation, working the woods, farming, the women's world, and tourism. It ends up with thoughts about plans that were not to be such as a marina at Echo Lake and speculations on the future.



Our exhibits will be open by appointment over the winter. Call 603-323-3359 for details.



We especially welcome school and community groups and can arrange special hands-on activities to share our history and gain insights into the past.



White Mountain Art

About one-half of the Salyards Center display space is set aside for changing exhibits so there will always be something new to see. Our inaugural changing exhibit focuses on White Mountain Art. Over thirty items including portraits, landscapes, artist tools and equipment, etc. can be seen. A detailed catalog is available upon request.

250
Celebrating Conway's Legacy
CONWAY, NH

Special thanks for this White Mountain Art exhibit belongs to the 250th Conway Committee, Brian Wiggin and Jill Reynolds, co-chairs, 250th art committee chair John Cannell, Janice Crawford, Mount Washington Valley Preservation Association, Marshall Wagons, Margaret and Sut Marshall, Studio of Ernest O. Brown LLC, and the KHS Alumni class of 1965,

Thanks also to the Conway Garden Club for our Christmas wreath.

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Alumni Class of 1965

Our new exhibits were only able to be presented thanks to the efforts of all the donations and loans over the last 80 years. Please think about the future of history and consider donating to the society.

2015 History Highlights

January: Conway Then and Now (Blake slides part 2), Winter Celebrations outreach at Conway Public Library, Conway Winter Carnival and Chinook Sled

February: Love on the Rocks: White Mountain Romance.

March: Maple Sugar Memories

April: Dwight Smith, Gertrude Emma Railroad "Palace" car
Bridges of Conway exhibit at Conway Public Library

May: Education Fair, Pine Tree School, Ribbon cutting Abenaki Historical Site Cemetery program with Brian Wiggin, Ken and Jane Rancourt Redstone Quarry program Steve Swenson



June: new exhibit construction and completion and the behind the scenes curator's tour. We were also all over town celebrating our 250th. Buses took guests on tours of the various villages and places of interest.



Student memberships are the perfect gift! The future of the society is with these kids!

Thanks to Brian Wiggin, Mark Hounsell, William Marvel and all the others, who gave tours in 2015



July: Carol Foord as Dolly Copp. Exhibits open at Salyards Cemetery book published



Treasures of the Henney History Room exhibit Conway Public Library



August: Kathy Somerville, BBQ and field trip Russell Colbath House and Barn

September: Bob Duncan slideshows of the past Ribbon cutting Redstone Quarry historic site

October: Conwy Wales UK, Theo and Melanie Stibbons

Oct 1, 250th commemoration, opening of new park, memorial publication of 250th commemorative booklet

November: Dwight Smith, trains and the 250th went green light for Veteran's Day Rotary Auction



December: Annual Christmas Party and Yankee Swap Festival of Trees Thank Mountain Garden Club for the wreath

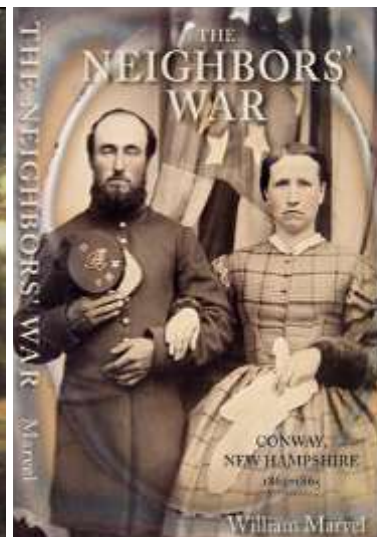
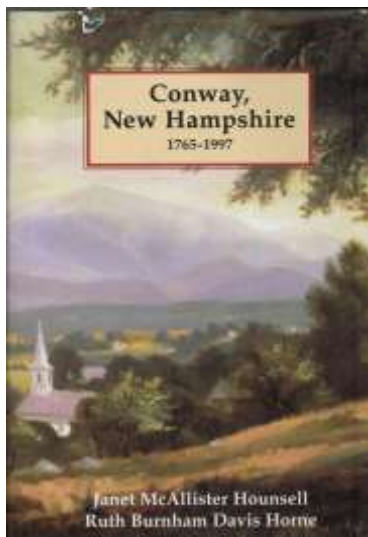
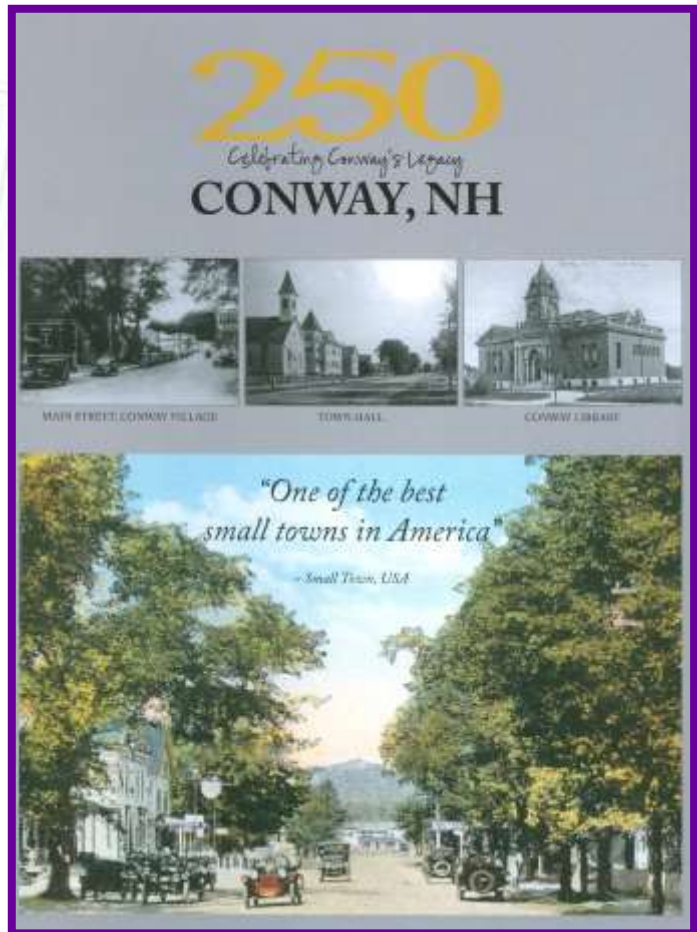
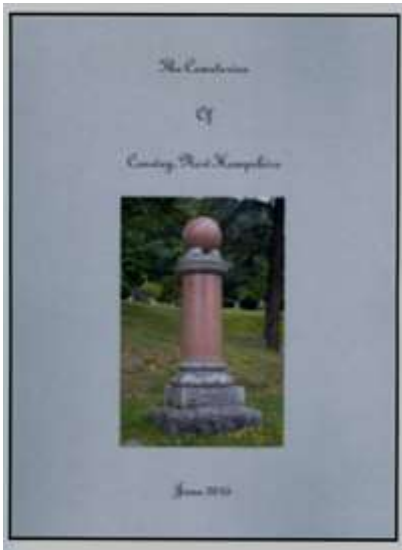


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Please consider volunteering to help _____ on one of our committees. You do not need to be a Board member to help out!

As a private 501(c)3 non-profit, we rely on your support. Donations are tax-deductible to the amount allowable by law. Please consider donating today and remember to renew your membership.

Wish List

Storage Shed for garden tools

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Share your holiday photos with us so we can add them to our collection!

A significant percentage of our income is generated through membership. Please pass your newsletter along to a friend when you are finished with it. Recycle and help the society to grow. Membership dues are payable in October and run through December of the following year.

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