

Historically Speaking

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Non-Profit Management Course

The Presque Isle Historical Society is pleased to be able to offer eight classes designed to enhance the skills and knowledge of Aroostook County's non-profit staff and volunteers being offered in partnership with Northern Maine Community College's Continuing Education Division and funded by a grant from the Aroostook County Fund of Maine Community Foundation.

The classes specifically geared to the non-profit arena include:

- 09/16 Marketing
- 10/21 Grant Writing
- 11/18 Coaching for Improved Job Performance
- 12/16 Fundraising
- 01/20 Strategic Planning
- 02/17 Leadership Development
- 03/16 Effective Use of Volunteers
- 04/20 Financial Management

Incentives for this Pilot Program are being offered as follows: the first ten to enroll in each class pay a discounted rate of only \$49 for the half-day program; any organization paying for three in one class may send a 4th at no cost; and pay for seven classes in advance and get the eighth for free. Attending six of eight earns a Certificate in Non-Profit Management.

Wine Tasting Gala & Silent Auction - October 21

The Historical Society will be holding a fundraising event for the Maysville Museum project on Friday, October 21. There will be a Silent Auction in the lobby of the Edmunds Building at Northern Maine Community College from 12 noon to 8 p.m. - no tickets necessary. Great auction items including two tickets to the Bangor Symphony Orchestra, two tickets to the Collins Center for the Performing Arts, 4 tickets to the Portland Sea Dogs, and autographed item from the Boston Red Sox, and much, much more!!

The Wine Tasting Gala begins at 7 p.m. in the Edmunds Library with a short presentation on the "proper way to 'taste' wine and what to look for". There will be a table for each type of wine - reds, whites, blushes, sparkling and dessert wines. Each table will feature hors d'oeuvres to compliment that type of wine. Tickets for the gala are ONLY \$25.00 each.

Plus, for the first 20 couples who buy tickets in advance, for an additional \$10 donation, you can be chauffeured to and from the event in an antique automobile.

The Historical Society is working to renovate the historic Maysville Town Hall, School House, and Grange Building on the corner of US 1 and the Brewer Road. The building will serve as a museum on the Aroostook War, the Faces of Maysville, the Presque Isle Granges, and as a tribute to the twenty plus one-room school houses which once served Presque Isle.

The completion of this project will have immense impact for our area. It will leverage funds for the restoration of the historic Fire Station. In addition, a proposal has been submitted to President Obama to place a national monument at the site to the Aroostook War. Should this be granted, additional tourism and federal dollars would be coming to our community!

Limited tickets available! Get yours today - don't delay!!! Send your check payable to the Presque Isle Historical Society to:

PO Box 285
Presque Isle, ME 04769

Molly is Coming!

One of the dreams of the Historical Society is to offer city-wide historic bus tours AND a "Museum Crawl" whereby we take participants to a different part of the County once a month to explore the various small museums in that area.

Wouldn't those be exciting offerings? Well, the Presque Isle Historical Society is about to have some help in making that come true! SO, keep your eyes peeled because Molly is coming to town!! Stay tuned for more info!

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Last **FREE** Guided Walking Tour of Historic Downtown for the Season will be held on Saturday, September 24 beginning at 10:00 am. at the Vera Estey House at 16 Third Street. Tour covers two miles and takes approximately two hours. Hope to see you there!

The 2012 Historical Society calendars are coming soon! The calendars, only \$10 each, are expected to be available at the end of October. This year's theme: Fires, Floods, & Fiascos! To order yours, please send your check for \$12 (including postage) to PO Box 285, Presque Isle, ME.

2011 Historical Pavilion at Northern Maine Fair a success!

The 14th annual Historical Pavilion was held August 2 - 4 in the Forum Building at the Northern Maine Fair. This year saw the largest group of exhibitors in the Pavilion's history with 40 different exhibits from museums, historical societies, and businesses all over the State. Maine Archives & Museums and the Maine Historical Society traveled the farthest to participate. Our crowds were bigger this year as well with over 600 ballots handed out. The winners of this years Superlatives were:

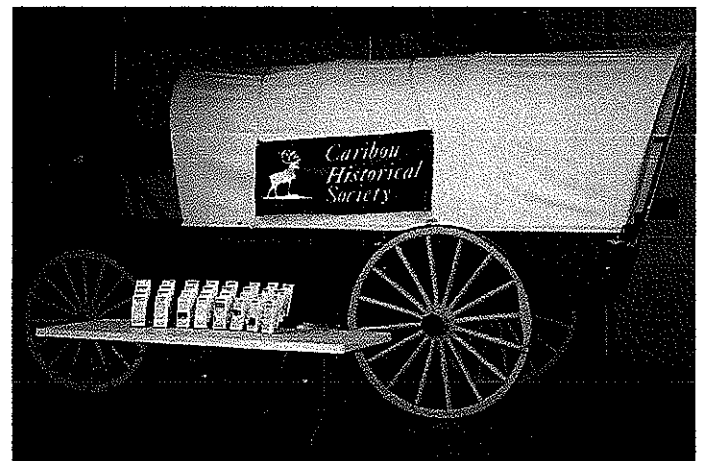
Best Display By Business: Northern Maine Community College

Most Knowledgeable Staff: Aroostook County Genealogical

Best Overall Exhibit: Southern Aroostook Agricultural Museum

Best Living History: Jeff Roberts, Civil War Soldier

Best Artifact: 1900 Carriage (Presque Isle Historical Society)



Caribou Historical Society was one of our popular exhibitors this year with their covered wagon.

Join the Presque Isle Historical Society for a **FREE** presentation on "The Aroostook War" as follows:

- Wednesday, September 7th at 5:30 p.m., Edmunds Conference Room, Northern Maine Community College, 33 Edgemont Drive, Presque Isle, OR
- Thursday, September 15th at 7:00 p.m., Nadeau Hall, University of Maine at Fort Kent