

NUMBER 26 CHARLESTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC., CHARLESTON, VT SPRING 2015

Charleston Historical Society 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrated in 2014



Left to right: Loren Laflam, Grace Frizzell, Carlotta Moulton, David Kelley, Audrey Frizzell and Richard Colburn, Sr.

## Greetings Members and Friends of Charleston Historical Society,

Thank you for your generous donations and continuous support. Your appreciation and enthusiasm for the preservation and collection of Charleston history inspires and encourages our volunteers!

It has been an old fashioned winter here in the NEK but our volunteers have been busy preparing for a new year by cataloging articles, arranging news clippings and organizing displays. Richard Colburn Sr. has completed the Danville Cemetery book and it is available for sale. He is in the process of transcribing early town records from the handwritten minutes.

On July 12, 2014 we celebrated our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary during our annual open house and yard sale with over 65 in attendance! Cake and punch were served. Charter members and officers Richard Colburn Sr., Audrey Frizzell and Loren Laflam were honored for their dedicated and continuing service.

The Museum season was active with many visitors and pleasant days were spent with old friends and new. Please stop in and visit us this summer. If you are unable to visit on Wednesday afternoons, feel free to call for an appointment -- we will be glad to welcome you and you will be glad you came! (That is the positive feedback we get and we like it!)

We are in the process of research and collecting information to include in the future Charleston History book. Bea Nelson is working on this and we welcome your input.

Do you have articles/memories of the village school and the one room schools? Favorite teachers? Memories of the Mad Brook Farm or Frog Run Farm communities?-Macs Party? Any information on Charleston businesses - Churches- Fire Dept and Organizations such as the Modern Woodman--Grange--4 H club--Scouts--Home Dem. --Parent Teachers groups--etc.? How about natural disaster stories--fires--wind--floods- -epic snow storms or heat waves? Do you know of any memorable characters? Note worthy events? Myths and legends? We would love to hear from you!

We continue to seek Charleston items and photos of places and people to add to the Museum collections. Many visitors are in search of their ancestors. If you have family tree information we would love to include it in our growing genealogy collection.

The CHS business meetings are held at the Museum on the first Tues of each month at 7 pm -- May through September--please attend. The Museum is open throughout the summer every Wed 2-4 and our annual open house/yard sale will be in July. If you would like to visit by appointment or have items/artifacts to donate please call 802-723-4833 or <a href="mailto:gcfrizzell@gmail.com">gcfrizzell@gmail.com</a>

On a sad note, we are grieving the sudden loss of a life member, my brother, Richard Colburn Jr. We could depend on him for moral support, advice, and to lend a helping hand with the heavy lifting. He is missed.

Grace Frizzell, President

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#### CHS Treas. Report Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2014 Receipts 17 Individual Memberships for 2014.....\$ 51.00 21 Family Memberships for 2014 ..... 147.00 46 Contributing Memberships for 2014 ..... 794.49 6 Individual Memberships for 2015 ..... 18.00 2 Family Memberships for 2015 ...... 14.00 7 Contributing Memberships for 2015 ..... 1 Individual Membership for 2016 ..... 3.00 4 Life Memberships ..... 400.00 Individual donations..... 411.75 Donation bowl ..... 85.00 Magnets ..... 12.50 Notepaper ..... 12.75 Shot glass ..... 1.50 Cemetery Catalogs ..... 235.00 Postage on Catalogs mailed ..... 18.00 Newsclipping volumes ..... 40.00 Abner Allyn to Thompson book ..... 10.00 Town Meeting volumes ..... 1.00.00 Laurinda Maxwell consignment sales ..... 23.00 Yard sale 7/12/2014 ..... 739.61 Yard sale items before and after sale ..... 113.75 For copying ..... 5.00 Life Membership CD interest ..... 64.08 In Memory and in Honor ..... 990.50 Town of Charleston ..... 500.00 Total Receipts \$4,914.93 Disbursements Electricity ..... \$ 228.60 Front Desk, copying and supplies ..... 319.85 USPS, postage ..... 222.11 David Kelley, reimb. for water test ...... 20.00 David Kelley, reimb. for thank you notice ..... 30.00 Union Mutual Insurance ..... Transfer to Memorial and Honor Fund ..... Transfer to Life Membership Fund ..... Total Disbursements \$3,369.02 Total Receipts \$4,914.93 3,369.02 Total Disbursements 1,545.91 Bal. Jan. 1, 2014 940.10 Bal. Dec. 31, 2014 \$2,486.01 Memorial and Honor Fund bal. Jan. 1, 2014 \$2,881.43 Rec'd in Memory: Roy Lewis from many friends and relatives ...... 290.00 Ken Frizzell from Grace..... 20.00 Don Griffes from Beulah ..... 25.00 Richard Colburn Jr. from many friends and relatives 592.50 Maurice Bourret from Betty ..... 50.00 Rec'd in Honor: Lillian Coutts from Jean I. Brown ....... 13.00 Interest ..... Balance Dec. 31, 2014 \$3,875.09 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Life Membership Fund bal. Jan. 1, 2014 \$2,564.12 Rec'd from Joel Hawes .....\$ 100.00 Richard Lewis 100.00 Sharon Porter 100.00 Shirley Peters ..... 100.00 400.00

Interest .....

Balance Dec. 31, 2014

We received \$10,000.00 from the Will of Harry Wheeler on May 23, 2000 and it is in a CD at the Community National Bank. We withdrew interest on July 29, 2005 in the amount of \$999.11 to pay towards foundation repair. We withdrew interest of \$2,242.91 on Sept. 6, 2007 to help with the removal and restoration of the Sweeney Barn Cupola. We withdrew interest of \$2,117.07 on Aug. 16, 2013 for the well pump. The total amount of the fund is \$10,467.30 on Dec. 31, 2014.

# Acquisitions Since Last Newsletter

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#### Mary Lahar

Book, Newspaper Clippings, Calendars, Programs and Photos pertaining to Charleston Elementary School activities; 2013-2014 School Yearbook; History: "Charleston 1825-1953 Navy 1803-1825" compiled by Esther B. Hamilton 1955; Magazines of Vermont History; Books: "We Vermonters: Perspectives on the Past," "Hand-Hewn in Old Vermont," Publications of Vermont's Northland Journal, and Round Barn info.

#### Grace Frizzell

Calendar: Burlington Mutual Fire Insurance Company G. W. D. Reed, Agent 1932; Photos: Main St., West Charleston; Charleston Tigers 1984; Baseball Helmet; Genealogy-Andrew McGaffey Family; Masonic info on Clyde Lodge No. 73 1866-1874; Copy of Act 34 altering the name of the Town of Navy to Charleston which passed Nov. 16, 1825; History of Charleston's Commodore Abraham Whipple

### Richard Colburn Sr.

Publications: Vermont's Northland Journal; Obituary of Larry Charles Chamberlin, a descendant of Abner Allyn; Programs: North Country School of Dance; A Transcription of Selectmen's Records of Navy/Charleston, VT 1865-1889 and 1806-1824; "A Catalog of Charleston, Vermont Cemeteries; A Transcription of the Record Book of the Proprietors of Navy/Charleston; Photos: Students Tour Museum 2014 and Charleston buildings; Nail Box made in 1941 at Derby Academy; Publication: "The Spirit of D. A.; Memorial Cards; Framed Handcraft done by Muriel Lemke formerly of E. Charleston; Book: "An International Legacy Revisit Memphre-Eyewitness Encounters on the Vermont USA and Quebec Canada Borders Do Not Josh the Sea Serpent Lake Memphremagog Memphre, A Living Legend As Time Goes By," written by Barbara Malloy; Calendar pictures of local scenes and misc.

#### Bea Nelson

Misc. newspaper clippings related to Charleston Town, School and its inhabitants

### Donald Taylor

Photos: Watie Foster Bullard Buck and others unidentified

#### Robert and Audrey Frizzell

Business Cards of area businesses; Church Bulletin, Liturgy of Farewell for the Reverend Richard A. Miller, Pastor 2002-2014 including Farewell Photos; Memorial Card and Service Program for Richard Alden Colburn, Jr.; List of soldiers killed in the Military/Vietnam Conflict from Caledonia, Essex and Orleans Co.; Green Mountain Trading Posts; Journal: Curtis -Britch Funeral Home "1894-2014 120th year Commemorative Edition" compiled by Jami Marie Krause, Ph.D.; Post Card: Echo Lake Club, several Obituaries and misc. items

Victoria Haselton Jadali

Grace E. Knight; Military info for John Palmer, who was in the Revolutionary War including his Pension File

Plymouth Congregational Church

Ione Fellows 90th Birthday Party 1992 and others

Maurice Cerutti

History of Life of Pvt. James Cookman, who fought in the Civil War

David Kelley

Prints of CHS Museum Building and Business Cards; Photos: Charleston Historical Society Celebrates 25 Years.

Donna Gaylor Worth

Collection of items relating to I. H. Perrier, including Deeds, Newspaper Ads, Photos and Post Cards of former residents of Town. Barton Power Dam and Plant, Echo Lake White Birch Lodge, Holton's Store, Charles Church House and Sawmill, Clyde River Hotel, Post Office, Clyde River and Plunkett Bridge, Bird's Eye View of West Charleston, Hotel Square Fire, J. B. Holton Store and Mrs. Nelson's House, Plunkett Dam, Weymouth Store; Business Card for "Barton Electric Generating Plant Fourth Longest Transmission in the World, Clyde Falls, West Charleston, J. A. Smith Station Manager; "Obituaries of local residents, including Memorial Cards; Phebe Tatro's Shoes, Town Reports

John Dudley Badger

Baseball Uniform of Vale Dudley Badger who played baseball on the Charleston Team; 1924 Certificate awarded to Vale for satisfactorily completing course of study from Grammar School which entitled him to admission to the High School, 1928 Charleston High School Diploma and a 1928 Honor Scholarship Certificate to the University of Vermont and misc.

Paul Gardner Gardner Family Newsletters.

Phyllis Page

History and Framed Photo of the U.S.S. Chickadee (AM 59) Oct. 20, 1945 Floyd W. Page, Mine Sweeper: Diary and Album of memorabilia put together by Floyd's wife Phyllis; Booklet: "The Stories We Have to Tell, A Tribute to World War II Veterans" by North Country High School Students; Genealogy: Wheeler 1575-1981; Photos: Boarding House, East Charleston; Big Little Books and misc.

George and Dorothy Kern Newspaper Clippings pertaining to Plymouth Congregational Church Activities.

Carolyn Rumbaugh Info on the Legacy Family

Marion Driver Porter

1925 Town Report; Photos of Driver and Sanderson Family; Post Card, Albums and Memorabilia belonging to Vera Driver, Poem Book, Pen, Wooden box carved by Levi Driver, Books by Ray Palmer Tracy; 1902 and 1906 Graduating Exercises Derby Academy, 1909 Program Ninth Grade Charleston Graded School and misc. items

Charleston Elementary School Desk, Cabinet, Bulletin Board, Year Books and Albums, "Learning About Geology" by the Fourth Grade Geologists 1994-1995, Mrs. Armitage, teacher; Video: 1st Republic 14th Star The WCAX-TV Bicentennial Project-Orleans County 1991 by Mount Mansfield Television, Inc.

Vicky O'Keefe

Measure Tape 100 feet enclosed in leather case and an unidentified tool

Lorraine Stoddard Tice Genealogy: Ancestors and Descendants of Thomas Nichols of Massachusetts and Vermont 1500-1991

Dexter and Pauline Bennett Harness Maker Vice

Larry Krzysko Bottle: Dr. A. C. Daniel's Liniment OSTER COCUS, A Sore Cord and Muscle Oil, Dr. A. C. Daniels, Inc. Boston, Mass, USA

Muriel Driver Gray Collection of items including Rolling Pin, Butter Print Mold, Maple Candy Mold, Post Card of Baptist Church, West Charleston; Newspaper Clipping-Merton Gray promoted to Rank of Sergeant; 1963 Eighth Grade Graduation and other misc. items

Colin H. and Evelyn M. Carter and Family Grave Flag honoring a United States Veteran, to Honor the Memories of William "Bill" O. and Bertha "Glynn" (Archer) Bosley

Sandra and Robert Porter Photo of Ernest and Eunice (Taylor) Colburn-40th Wedding Anniversary

Barbara and Harvey Levin Business Card: Hope Farm Lamb

Annie Hinton

Books: "Let Me Show You Vermont" by Charles Edward Crane, "Vermont, A History by Charles T. Morissey; "Recipe: "Charleston Coconut Pie." Photos: CHS members taken in 1990; 80th Birthday Party for Richard Colburn Sr. and 80th Birthday Party for Annie Hinton

Lorna Laflam Carty Town Reports and Photo of West Charleston High School Students c. 1923

Doris Bradford Leavens Army Hospital Nurse Uniform of Beverly Bradford's, worn in England during WW II; Framed Photos of Beverly Bradford with her horse 'Banner' and a story she wrote

Barbara Lewis Choiniere Military Photos of Kenneth Walter Page, Army World War II; Stanley Guy Page, Navy; Ronald N. Page who died while serving with the US Army in the Korean Conflict and Roy Harry Lewis, Navy

Norma Berry Williams Hinton Family info.

Barbara Buck Gridley Obituary of Robert E. Gridley

Glover Historical Society Post cards of West Charleston

Rodney Drown

Post Cards: Fire, West Charleston 1924, Lake Willoughby and "Lady of the Lake"

Barbara Malloy/Memphremagog Historical Society Photo of Covered Bridge, West Charleston and an Advertisement of Book, "Do Not Josh the Sea Serpent"

Dean Griffin Family 1945 Large framed military group Photo which includes Dean Griffin, Also Photo of PFC Walter Lamere who was in the US Army WW II; Col. James Kneeland, US Air Force; a notebook of military photos and a Regulation Army Officers Jacket

Martha Wilson Judd Family info on 'East Charleston Pioneers' Rev. Nathaniel Perkins Morse/Olive Bronson; Hannah Morse/Alonzo Stoddard; Stoddard/Wilson, Wilson/Morrill, Lawrence Stoddard/A. Goodwin; Stanley Wilson/Harriet Morrill

Lorraine Hussey Charleston Town Report 1933

Debi Colburn Veranth Framed Certificates received by Miriam J. Colburn for attaining a degree of excellence in the Palmer Method of Business Writing. Given at New York, NY 1943

Laurine Kites Colburn Genealogy



From left to right: Sumner Sanderson Myrtle Sanderson Phyllis Sanderson (Young) daughter Maud Peck, Mrs. Elliot and Inez Brown. sisters

Photo taken in 1937, possibly at the Allyn/Driver home on Crawford Hill

Given by Marion Driver Porter

2014 Individual Members Broome, Sissie Brown, Sandra Carr, Mable Davis, Steven Duke, Dawn Ford, Albert Gray, Muriel Hinton, Annie Judd, Marjorie Laflam, Loren Langenheim, Edythe Pope Leavens, Doris Mason, Dot Meleleu, Marilyn Miller, Edith Morris, Jean Moulton, Carlotta Moulton, Stephen Nielsen, Marie Parsons, George Welch, Marjorie Driver Young, Larry Young, Rodney

2014 Family Members Bowen, Melvin and Jackie Brown, Glen and Jean Collett, Reed and Audrey Craig, Joan B. Dane, Clair and Charlotte Davis, Crai, and Jean Davis, Fannie M. Frizzell, Dan and Alecia Gardner, Raymond Gilfillan, Willis and Betty Gonyaw, Madeline Jenney, William and Betty Lahar, Dave and Mary Levin, Harvey and Barbara Martin, Mark and Linda May, Beverly Mills, Edward A. Morelli, Michael and Jeannine Moulthrop, Donald and Priscilla Reilly, Owen and Carol Sherlaw, Fred and Amy Wheeler, Scott and Penny

New Members for 2015: William Bailey Joan Peterson Bertrand Sharon Biron Wayne and Janice Bowen Janice Boyko Marina Brown Maurice and Gertrude Cerutti Carolyn Clapper Robert Cleverdon Michael Conley Cheryl Demers Sue Dwelle Kevin and Jody Foster Norbert Fournier James and Donna Gray Irene Holoway Norma Locke Joyce Moulton Laura Potter Richard and Jan Sawyer Duane Spaulding Eleanor D. Trevithick Chip and Debi Veranth

2014 Contributing Members Andermills, Karen and Dorothy Anderson, R. Joseph and Katherine Bailey, Eleanor Bennett, Dean and Jeannine Bly, Harley S. Bowen, Ken and Nancy Broome, Gertrude Carbonneau, John and Elaine Carr, Sharon Carty, Tom and Lorna Colburn, Russell and Arlene Driscoll, Walter and Marcia Durose, Clive and Nancy Frizzell, Grace Frizzell, Robert and Audrey Gavin, Paul and Eleanor George, Wendell and Mary Gray, Reginald Gray, Robert and Peggy Griffes, Bealah Hill, Aldis and Lucinda Holmes, Dean S. and Irwin, Lisa Holoway, Irene Judd, Martha Kellogg, John and Colleen Kershner, Ned and Sandra Lavato, Patricia MacDonald Kelley, David and Jane Lavato, Patricia

MacDonald, Wallace and Cynthia

Hardy, Marllyn Moulton
Helenek, Raymond C.
Hopkins, Bonnie Clapper Malloy, James and Barbara Marckwardt, Diana McDonald, Allyn J. McKenny, Ron and Sandra Mills, Elise Mills, Jonathan Monette, Doris Moulthrop, Raymond and Jeanne Moulton, Marilyn Nelson, Roger and Bea Northwoods Stewardship Center Porter, Robert and Sandra Rumbaugh, Carolyn Salesky, John and Nancy Sweeney, Raymond and Betty Taft, Justin and Jamie Taylor, Donald and Hazel Topshe, Leola S. Tuohey, Philip N. Jr. Walling, Barbara Watson, Tom and Catherine Young, Darlene/ Ned Andrews

> New Life Members: Priscilla Moulthrop Melvin Bowen Jackie Bowen

Life Members Akin, John Badger, John D. Barry, Richard Bennett, Dexter Benoit, Jayson Bourret, Betty Bowen, Evelyn Buck, Blaine Chesley, Jolene Childers, Jean Choiniere, Barbara Lewis Church, Henry Clarke, Michael Colburn, Richard Jr. Colburn, Richard Sr. Colburn, Sarah Dahm, J. Herbert Davis, Victoria Duvall, Phoebe M. Frizzell, Homer R. Gardner, Paul E. Gilbert, Michael Goad, Claudia Wheeler Gray, Howard Gridley, Barbara Buck Griffin, Beth Page Hardy, Marilyn Moulton Howes, Joel Hubbard, Veleda Taylor Hunt, Reg Huseman, Candy Jensen Jadali, Victoria Haselton Johnson, Vinnie Kolar, Alan Kolar, Ronald A. Kruger, Phyllis Lougee Lewis, Richard Lewis, Roy H. Maxwell, Douglas Maxwell, Laurinda Maxwell, Marilyn Wood McHenry, Dorothy McHenry, Stuart Miller, Richard A. Miller, Rosemary Fry Mills, Elise Mills, Susan Warner Moulton, Judy Germaine Moulton, Ronald Perkins, Mary Jane Fontaine Peters, Shirley Cushman Porter, Marion Driver Porter, Sharon Eunice Robillard, Marion Sloan, Gerald Smith, Mary A. Wheeler Spaulding, Beverly Barry Stevens, H. Eric Studer, Linda Terry, Janice Church Tice, Lorraine Stoddard Vincent, Harold White, Carolyn Dane White, Sharon Wilson, Donald K.

We are sorry to report the deaths of the following members: Richard Colburn, Jr. and Bill Ming.

A gift of \$25.00 or more will put the name of a loved one on our Memorial Plaque. We also have an "In Honor Plaque" for those you may wish to honor. The names of Don Griffes and Richard A. Colburn, Jr. were added to the Memorial Plaque this year.

The Charleston Historical Society has the following items for sale:

"A Compilation of News Articles" Volumes I through IV by Grace Frizzell. "Town Meeting Records," four volumes transcribed by Richard Colburn, Sr.

In addition to the above items we have memorabilia items and Cemetery Catalogs for more than twenty-five towns for sale, the latest ones being Waterford, Albany, Troy and Danville.

2014-2015 Officers:
President - Grace Frizzell
Vice President - David Kelley
Secretary - Audrey Frizzell
Richard Colburn, Sr. - Treasurer
Auditors - Teri Gray and Darald Moulton

Board of Directors: Carlotta Moulton Loren Laflam Joel Howes



The old covered bridge at the Durgin Road in West Charleston Photo given by Barbara Malloy/Memphremagog Historical Society

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Send	to	Richard A. Colburn, P. O. Box 46	Sr., Treasurer
		East Charleston, VT	05833
Name			

Nome		
Street		
City	State Zip	
Membership \$3.00 Individual ( ) Anything over \$7.00 Contributing (	\$7.00 Family ( ) ) \$100 Life ( )	