

LATE WINTER 2023

Recent months have seen a number of fun and interesting events at the History Center; spring and summer will bring more. This update includes a humble appeal for your continued support as we complete the renovation of our three remaining upstairs rooms. See back page.

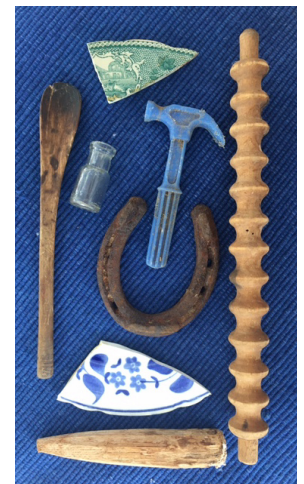
CELEBRATING CHINOOK AGAIN



On February 5 and 18, a new version of our Chinook Exhibit was enjoyed by over 100 people of all ages, and one cheerful Chinook. The February 5th event took place in conjunction with the Tamworth Outing Club's fabulous Second Annual Sled Dog Fun Day in Wonalancet.



An equestrian moment when some of these same students visited THC in September 2016 as First Graders.



Some Tamworth artifacts

TAMWORTH TRAILS AND HIKING: OUR SUMMER THEME

Tamworth Trails and Hiking will be our spring-summer-fall focus in 2023. THC will offer exhibits, activities, and events in collaboration with the Tamworth Outing Club, the Chocorua Mountain Club, the Wonalancet Out Door Club, the Tamworth Conservation Commission, Remick Farm, The Tamworth Community Nurse, and perhaps others. Stay tuned!

Chocorua trail-building drawing from The Boston Sunday Herald, July 1, 1923, kindness of John Watkins.

RE-REPAINTING UNION HALL

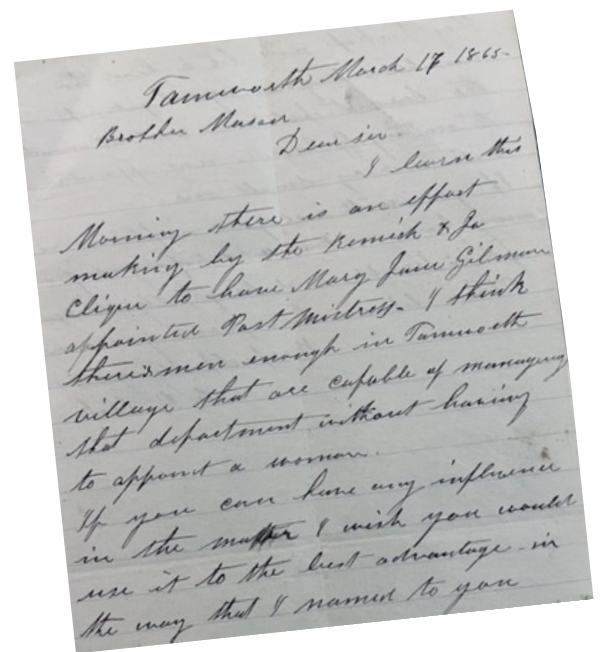
At THC's October Annual Meeting at Union Hall, South Tamworth, we recalled an earlier renovation there:



Photo: 1985, Jeff Brothers, Bob Eastwick, Ron Remick Sr., Henry Tappan, and Tom Lane (L-R), paint the west side of the building.

A new crew will repaint the building this spring. Congrats and thanks to the Union Hall Association for their dedication in bringing "The Hall" back into active use.

NEWS FROM THE PAST



In March 1865, Tamworth Village storekeeper Charles Cook wrote his brother-in-law Larkin Mason in South Tamworth to express his opinion on the idea that the Village post office might be managed by a woman! In fact, Mary Jane Gilman served for the next 40 years. This decidedly un-PC letter was kindly donated to THC out of the blue by Nancy Hess of VA, from a batch of papers she had come by somehow.

RENOVATION UPDATE AND APPEAL

Gardner Norcross and crew have embarked on the final stage of our renovation of the c. 1830 Hall-Dyer House. We are happy to be working with this all-Tamworth group. Once completed, we will have two spacious new exhibit and activity rooms on the second floor (one may become a children's activity center) along with a larger room for collection storage, work and research.

We had raised \$57,000 for this phase of the renovation. Following the Norcross team's excellent work to date, we are down to about \$41,000. With today's high prices for building materials, and the inevitable discovery of additional needed repairs, we are facing a total bill in the vicinity of \$100,000 for this project - which we need to complete by this spring. We have submitted requests for substantial grant funding from the Ham Charitable Fund in North Conway and from the Tamworth Foundation. We also rely on you, our faithful friends and supporters, to make this possible. Won't you chip in?



Gardner Norcross and board members Ron Remick Sr. and Jennifer Kelley Reed admire some of the old wide-board split lath we found. We will keep sections of it visible.

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