

# Vermont Historical Society

# 186<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

Thursday, October 17, 2024



# President's Report

## Jan Albers

President, Vermont Historical Society



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# Election of Trustees

FOR A 3-YEAR TERM AS A VERMONT  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRUSTEE:

- Mollie Burke, Brattleboro (2<sup>nd</sup> term)
- Peter Gilbert, Montpelier (2<sup>nd</sup> term)
- Carl Lisman, Charlotte (3<sup>rd</sup> term)
- Melody Walker Mackin, Barre (2<sup>nd</sup> term)
- Richard McCormack, Bethel (1<sup>st</sup> term)
- Melinda Moulton, Huntington (1<sup>st</sup> term)



# Treasurer's Report

## Dawn Schneiderman

Board of Trustees Treasurer, Vermont Historical Society



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# FY 2024 Unaudited VHS FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

## Statement of Activities

### Revenue

	FY 2023	FY 2024
Contributions and Bequests	452,759	363,297
State Appropriation	1,103,192	1,540,582
Investment Income	207,986	346,795
Admissions, Fees and Earned Income	76,365	42,576
VT History Bookstore Sales	38,259	41,094
State and Federal Grants	243,191	293,830
Other Revenue	190,552	181,954
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>2,121,752</b>	<b>2,810,128</b>

### Expenses

	FY 2023	FY 2024
Public Programs	614,535	518,914
Collections	503,985	845,200
Membership	180,753	31,009
Museum	424,248	279,238
Administration & Finance	500,033	309,884
Development	157,468	400,364
VT History Bookstore/Guest Services Museum	52,285	46,292
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,362,601</b>	<b>2,430,901</b>

Depreciation of capital assets allocated across expense lines. Total depreciation for FY23 was \$268,374 and for FY24 was \$262,000.



# Balance Sheet

## Assets

	FY 2023	FY 2024
Cash	917,251	788,120
Other Current Assets	467,399	324,607
Investments	2,572,314	2,732,486
Property Plant and Equipment	5,884,850	6,100,602
Other Assets	862,723	781,054
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>10,704,537</b>	<b>10,726,869</b>

## Liabilities

	FY 2023	FY 2024
Accounts Payable	22,097	97,811
Short-term Liabilities	695,817	210,996
Mortgage Payable	977,594	930,477
Right-of-use Liability	813,228	663,228
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,462,541</b>	<b>1,902,512</b>

## Net Assets

	FY 2023	FY 2024
Beginning Net Assets	8,284,284	8,241,996
Change in Net Assets	-42,288	582,361
<b>ENDING NET ASSETS</b>	<b>10,704,537</b>	<b>10,726,869</b>



# Executive Director's Report

## Steve Perkins

Executive Director, Vermont Historical Society



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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### President:

Jan Albers, *Weybridge*

### Vice president & treasurer:

Dawn Schneiderman,

*Williston*

### Vice president:

Peter Griffin, *Danville*

### Secretary:

Stephen Perkins, *Williston*

### Elected Trustees:

Janet Ancel, *Calais*

David Austin, *South Burlington*

Allison Belisle, *Brookfield*

Randy Brock, *St. Albans*

Melody Brook Mackin, *Barre*

Mollie Burke, *Brattleboro*

Peter Gilbert, *Montpelier*

Victor Henningsen, *Thetford Center*

Penrose Jackson, *Hinesburg*

Stephen Kidder, *Swanton*

Kate Lalley, *Shelburne*

Brian Lindner, *Waterbury*

Carl Lisman, *Burlington*

Tony Marro, *Bennington*

Michael McRaith, *South Burlington*

Donald Miller, *Bennington*

Kathleen O'Connor, *Brattleboro*

Wright Preston, *Richmond*

Roger Stone, *Burlington*

### Past Presidents:

S. Crocker Bennett, II, *Hinesburg*

Barbara Mieder, *Williston*

### Ex officio:

Sarah Copeland Hanzas, *Bradford*

Catherine Delneo, *Montpelier*

### Honorary:

Sarah Dopp, *South Burlington*



# VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## STRATEGIC PLAN 2024-2029

### Mission

Vermont Historical Society believes understanding the past changes lives and builds better communities. Our purpose is to engage Vermonters and Vermonters-at-Heart with outstanding collections, state-wide outreach, and dynamic programming.

### Vision

Every person and every moment create the story of Vermont. Through sharing these collective stories, Vermonters will increase their knowledge of our state's complex past, inform our present, and understand how our unique experiences impact and shape this ongoing narrative.

### Goals

**PROVIDE** Vermonters and Vermonters-at-heart the resources to access Vermont's rich historical collections from anywhere in the world.

**RECOGNIZE** and support local history efforts; understanding that local societies are an integral part of sharing and preserving Vermont's story.

**BUILD** resilient and connected communities, so Vermonters will understand Vermont's history and its place in the broader world.

**ENRICH** guests' experience through deeper understanding of Vermont and its people.

# Research Awards

## Peter Griffin

Chair of Collections and Research Committee  
Vermont Historical Society



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# Richard O. Hathaway Award

The annual Hathaway award goes to an individual, group or organization recognized as making an outstanding contribution to the field of Vermont history. Projects may include, but are not limited to, publications, exhibits, works of art, documentary films, radio programs, websites, and dramatic works.



# Richard O. Hathaway Award

## Alice M. Evans, PhD.

*Our Suffering Brave: Waitsfield Boys and Men in the Civil War*



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# Weston A. Cate, Jr. Fellowship

The Vermont Historical Society awards this fellowship every other year to encourage research in Vermont history. The fellowship supports research for one calendar year in any aspect of Vermont history and is open to all individuals. The final product is traditionally an essay or research article.



# Weston A. Cate, Jr. Fellowship Miles McCallum

Blackface Minstrelsy in the Green Mountain State



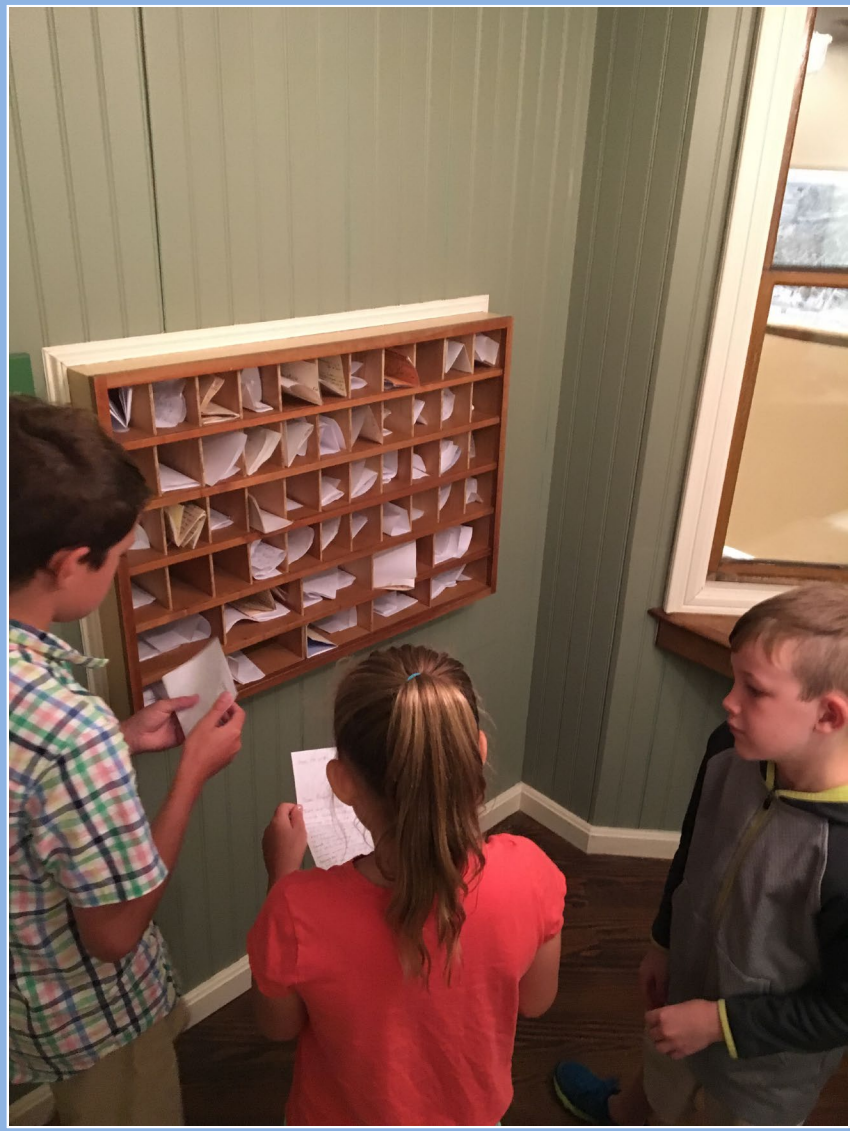
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# Outreach Activities

Eileen Corcoran, Director of Service & Outreach



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VERMONT HISTORY EXPLORER

History Explorer VHS

Search

Arts & Culture • Underrepresented Vermont History • Environment • Transportation & Industry • General Vermont History

## Transportation & Industry

VERMONT RAILROADS

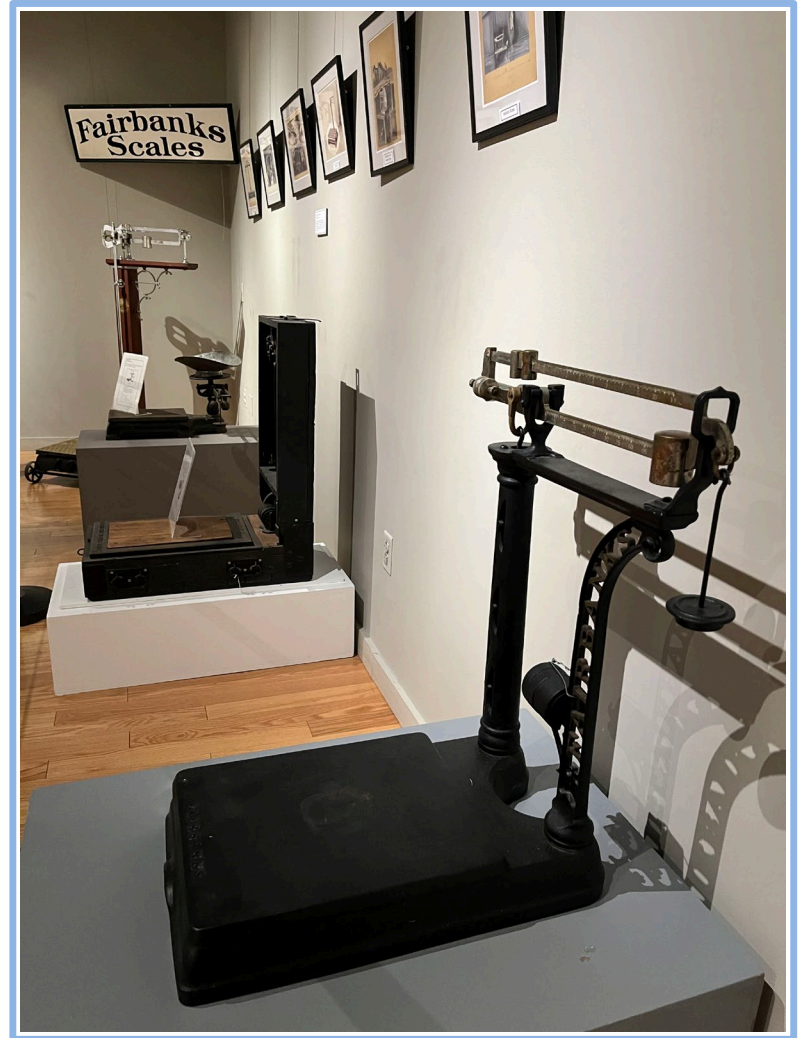
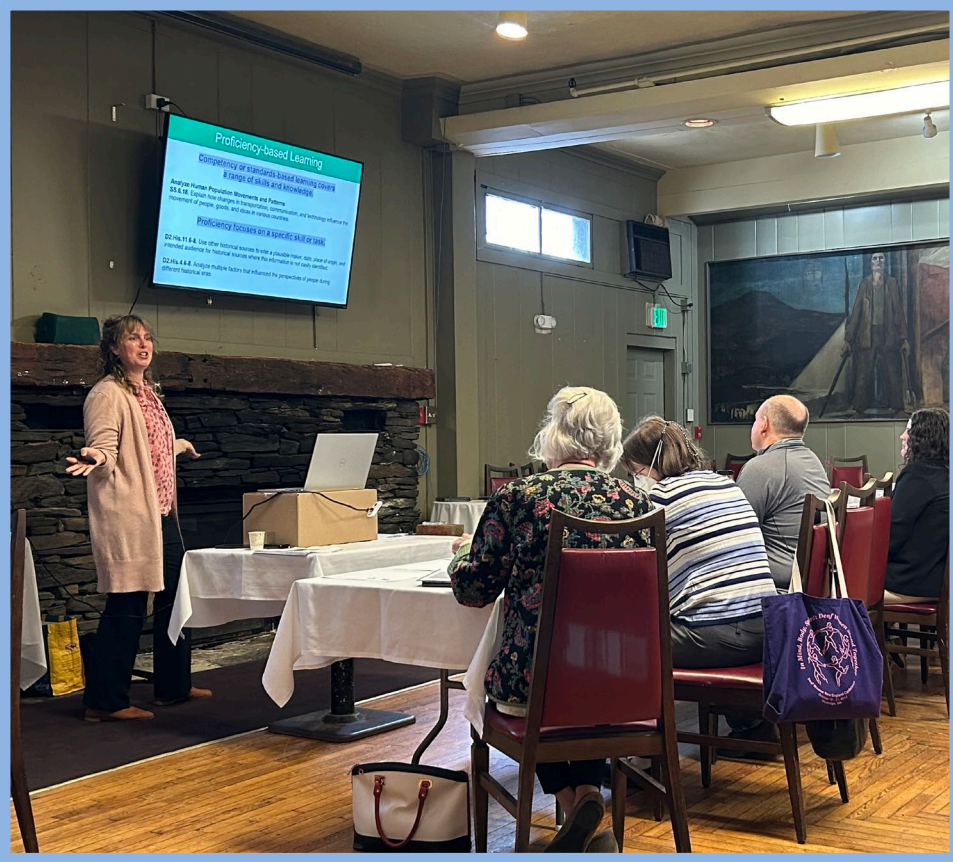
TOURISM IN VERMONT

GREEN MOUNTAIN PARKWAY





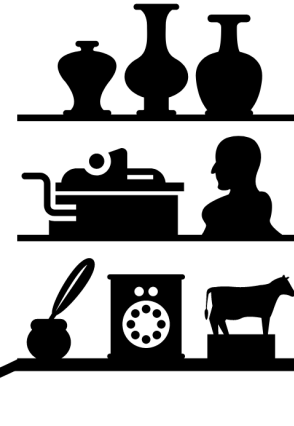






# ACTIVATING 21ST CENTURY LOCAL HISTORY

## TRAINING PROGRAM



# ALL IN VERMONT:

put **YOUR** history on the map.



# Recent Accessions to the VHS Collections

Amanda Gustin, Director of Collections & Access





2023.15.6 Victory Garden Sign





2023.16.1 Work Pants







2024.6.1 "Echo" by Larkin Mead





2024.10.1 "Farm Route 17 with Cows, Autumn" by Patsy Santo





2024.27.1 Yellow Turtle Sign





Flight Record Form ACA-1170  
 Trainee: **Devlin, Joseph Patrick**  
 Certificate No.: **S-497232**  
 Expiration No. & Date: **13134168 11/10/42**  
 Home Address: **2024 Crosby Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa**

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
 CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION  
 WASHINGTON, D. C.

Contract No. **CCA-21783**  
 Flight Contractor: **NORTHEAST AIRLINES, INC.**  
 City & State: **PILOT TRAINING DIVISION**  
 Ground Contractor: **BURLINGTON, VERMONT**  
 City & State: **15:00**

MINIMUM Hours: Dual Solo Night Dual Night Solo Link Instrument Airplane Instrument Observer Ground Instruction

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 Total Course Time: 20:15

I hereby certify that the above instruction has been received by me. *Joseph Patrick Devlin*  
 Trainee's Signature

I hereby certify that above instruction has been given in compliance with the provisions of the contract. *[Signature]*  
 Flight Contractor's Signature

I hereby certify that above instruction has been given in compliance with the provisions of the contract. *[Signature]*  
 Signature C. A. Personnel

Discontinued by Group Advisory Board action dated 1/17/44.

IMPORTANT: It is a violation of the United States Criminal Code for any Contractor, Instructor, or Trainee to sign this record form in incomplete or blank form under maximum penalty of \$10,000.00 fine or 10 years imprisonment, or both.

Joseph Devlin & Northeast Airlines Training Records, 1943





Alanson and Merritt Aseltyne, September 1862



BY HIS EXCELLENCY,

**JONAS GALUSHA, Esquire,**

CAPTAIN-GENERAL, GOVERNOR, AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF, IN AND OVER THE STATE OF VERMONT.

TO *Lovell Hibbard* ..... ESQ. GREETING.

**YOU BEING ELECTED** *a Lieut. Colonel, commandant of a regiment in the Second Brigade* of *Volunteers* of this State, And reposing special trust and confidence in your Patriotism, Valor, and good Conduct—I DO, by virtue of these Presents, in the name and by the authority of the Freemen of the State of Vermont, fully authorize and empower you, the said *Lovell Hibbard* ..... to take charge of the said *Regiment* as their *Colonel, commandant, pursuant to an act for raising a corps of volunteers, passed Nov. 6th 1812.*

**YOU WILL,** therefore, carefully and diligently discharge the said duty, by doing and performing every matter and thing thereunto relating. You will observe and follow such orders and directions as you shall from time to time, receive from the Governor of the State, for the time being, or any other your superior officer according to military discipline and the laws of this State: and all officers and soldiers under your command are to take notice hereof, and yield due obedience to your orders, as their *Colonel commandant*. in pursuance of the trust in you reposed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE CAUSED THE SEAL OF THIS STATE TO BE HEREUNTO AFFIXED.

GIVEN under my hand in council chamber, at Montpelier, this *seventh* day of *Nov.* ..... in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and *twelve* ..... and of the Independence of the United States the thirty *seventh* .....

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND.

SECRETARY.

*Al. Murray*

*Jonas Galusha*

Lovell Hibbard Commission as Lieutenant Colonel



# Vermont State Board of Health

## NOTICE OF RELEASE FROM QUARANTINE.

To Mr. F. C. Partridge,  
Proctor, Vt.

A physician's certificate having been filed in this office, the quarantine of your family is hereby terminated and you are hereby authorized to remove the placard, which should at your earliest convenience, be returned to your town clerk or nearest selectman.

Bennett ..... M. D.  
District Health Officer.

Date Jan. 6, 1919.

District No. 7

Notice of release from quarantine for the Partridge family





The Vermont  
**Emergency Forum**  
 to Assess  
**the Respiratory**  
**Hazards of Masks**

A Multi-Disciplinary Team of **OSHA, ADA, & IDEA** Specialists is  
**Coming to Vermont!**



Dr.  
Christina  
Parks



Megan  
Mansell



Tammy  
Clark



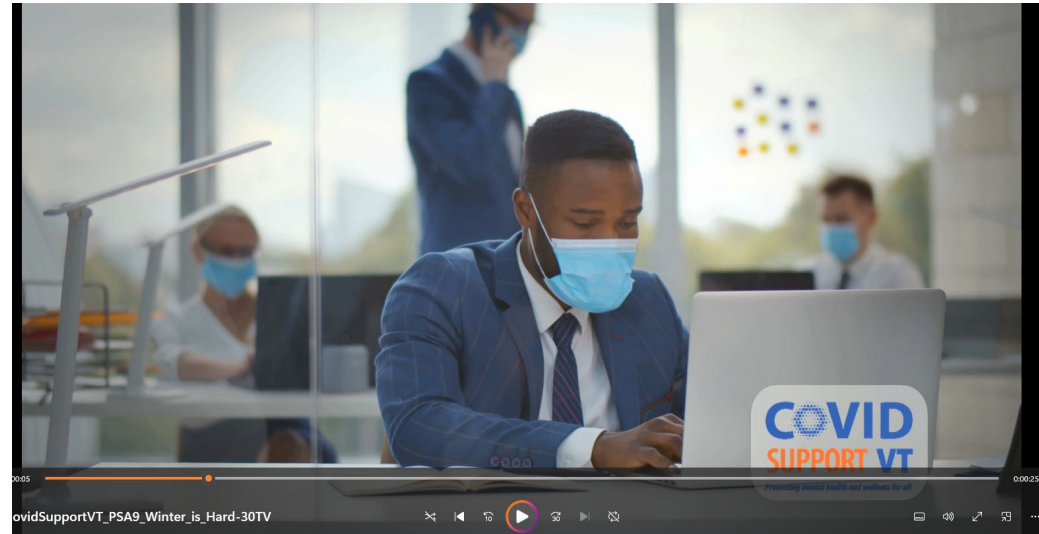
Kristen  
Meghan  
Kelly

Friday, May 12, 2023

9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Burlington City Hall- Contois Auditorium

REGISTER: [vtmasksurvey.com](http://vtmasksurvey.com)



COVID-19 Records





There was presented to the Association \$16.10  
the proceeds of the Strawberry festival held in the  
rooms of the Association by the Ladies of the village.  
After suggestions on various subjects in  
connection with the interests of the Association  
which are not matters of record. Adjourned.

Attest

W. H. Clement

Newport Vt. Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> 1876

Meeting was called to order by Bro Camp  
After prayer & singing the record of the  
last meeting was read and approved  
Report of three meetings held in out districts  
appeared upon papers and were read

Voted to ~~write~~ <sup>from 1<sup>st</sup> of these months</sup> the rule passed July 3<sup>d</sup>  
making the Sunday School Lesson of the  
morning of each Sabbath the subject of the  
3 o'clock Association meeting

Treasurer came in and reported the rent  
on the room paid to July 1<sup>st</sup> 1876

Adjourned

Attest W. H. Clement

Secy.

Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> 1876

Met at eight o'clock P.M. in our rooms.

Called to order by D. M. Camp President and  
opened by reading Scriptures prayer and singing.

The subject of sending delegates to the Convention  
of Y. M. C. A. and Churches of Vermont to be  
held in Middlebury on the 19<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> days of Sept.  
inst. came up and votes passed as follows.

Voted 1<sup>st</sup> to appoint Committee to confer and see  
who can go to the Convention.

Voted 2<sup>d</sup> to pay the expense of two delegates.

Voted 3<sup>d</sup> to refer the subject of a  
pledge of financial aid to the work for the  
year to come, to the same Committee appointed  
upon the above 1<sup>st</sup> vote.

Names of Committee

J. C. Rutherford H. R. Colburn & L. D. Field

Voted that above Committee be instructed to  
report next Saturday noon.

Bro. Field resigned his office as Treasurer  
and was excused.

Bro C. F. Ranney was then nominated and  
elected to fill the vacancy.

Attest

W. H. Clement Secy.

YMCA Chapter Records from Newport, 1875 - 1886



# Thank you!

Your support of the Vermont Historical Society ensures we can continue to carry out our mission to reach a broad audience through our outstanding collections, statewide outreach, and dynamic programming.

