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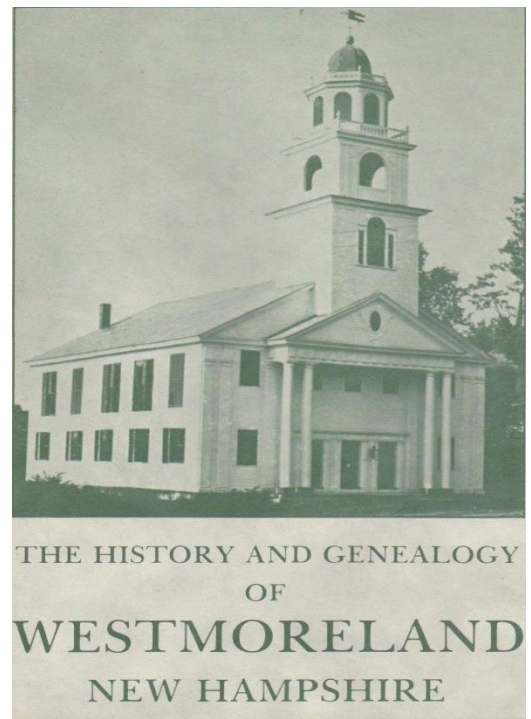
How much do you know about
our town history?

Do you want to know more about
(in)famous residents, natural
history, or infrastructure growth
of Westmoreland?

Are you interested in genealogy?

If so, please consider joining the
WPHMH&HS

www.westmorelandhistoricalsociety.org.





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Spring

2018

Friday, June 1 – 7 p.m. - Corner School – Maisie Crowther

Former Westmoreland Librarian Maisie Crowther will speak about her book “*Gathering Rocks*” (Manchester, VT, Shires Press, 2017). While on a family road trip to Wyoming in 1947, a spark of interest in rocks, minerals and earth cycles was struck. A modest collection from this trip still exists, and Maisie has added a few more from her family’s travels. Each mineral has a story to tell. It is not surprising that The Wise Mine in Westmoreland inspired several library sponsored trips. Bob Borofsky, former owner of the mine, had brought some of his extensive mineral collection to a lasagna supper event in 1998, the purpose of which was to raise money for our library children’s room addition. He subsequently invited the library to sponsor regularly scheduled excursions. Maisie’s passion for painting in watercolor, writing, and historical research combined to bring this ‘memoir’ to fruition. She will illustrate her presentation with slides and rocks of manageable size. [Books will be available for purchase]

Friday, August 3 – 6:30 p.m. - Park Hill Meetinghouse – JJ Prior & Emilia Whippie Prior

The Priors, both elementary school teachers, will speak about their recent book, “*The Patriot Papers- Behind-the-Scenes History Series*”, which they wrote in “kid speak” to interest young people in the founding documents that forged the government of the USA.

This program will be combined with our Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Dinner.

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| Annual meeting | 6:30-7PM |
| Program | 7-7:30PM |
| Pot Luck Dinner | 7:30PM |

Call for new members on the Executive Board – Jan Carpenter

The purpose of the Society founded in 1955 is to preserve and maintain the Park Hill Meeting House and the Corner School House as significant historic landmarks and to promote the use of these buildings for community activities and as museums. The Society also seeks to preserve the history of Westmoreland through the acquisition of books, papers, maps, and artefacts, to establish a genealogy and history library and to preserve Westmoreland’s historic features through historic designation and grants. Three books have been published, and the first hand written record of the town has been transcribed and fully indexed.

Lately, the Society has been a bit quiet, but we want to hear from residents and other interested stakeholders to help us re-focus and to learn what historical topics our town residents are interested in learning more about so the Society can better fulfil its mission. As a community, it’s great to share interests and interpretations of history. **Please take a few minutes to answer this on-line survey**

(https://www.surveymonkey.com/create/?sm=y5LiSxHOM95MUKO39KbHbaJpYWQIQXueZ1Y7r5m05Hs_3).

We are in serious need of new Executive Board Members, especially a new Director now that current Director Richard High has moved to NC. In the past we tried to have two Directors, each elected on alternate years. We also need a Clerk/Secretary to take notes at the meetings, schedule meetings and help with publicity.

During the years I have been a member there have been ups and downs in enthusiasm, however, currently there seems to be a feeling in town that the Westmoreland Park Hill Meetinghouse & Historical Society is “just a bunch of old people”. Until recently we provided six programs each year; the Park Hill Meetinghouse Society used to have a yearly Tag Sale. Credit must be given for these great projects to such past members as Bill Howland, Muriel Robbins, Carol Andrews, Bill Hunter, Marjorie Hudson & her sister, Anita Aldrich. Who is going to take their places and continue this valuable organization? Please...join and participate to help continue to preserve, enjoy, and interpret our community’s history!