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Welcome!

Welcome to LCHIP's brand new e-newsletter! We are pleased to have an opportunity to provide you with more information about LCHIP more often through this new outreach tool. A UNH poll in the summer of 2012 showed us that although the citizens of the state are very supportive of what LCHIP does, they really don't know the program by name. We want to change that with our new communications and outreach efforts. We will be trying a monthly e-newsletter and you can now find LCHIP on Facebook. Special thanks to the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation for a grant that helps support this outreach effort and to Clearly Creative Agency in Manchester for their enthusiasm for the LCHIP mission and their expertise and ideas.



Key Dates for LCHIP Grant Round 13

Last week we sent out a [press release](#) announcing that the Board of Directors of the New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program was opening a new round of grants for land conservation and historic preservation projects.

The Grant Round 13 application form is now available on the LCHIP website (www.lchip.org). Applicants must meet LCHIP eligibility requirements and submit a Project Registration Form on the LCHIP website. LCHIP provides matching grants, so at least 50% of the total project cost must come from sources other than the LCHIP

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grant. **Requests for funding are due on June 27, 2014**

Applicants are required to attend a grant-writing workshop if they have not done so previously. This year's grant-writing workshop will be held on April 30, 2014, at New Hampshire Fish and Game headquarters in Concord. Workshop registration information can be found on the LCHIP website (www.lchip.org). **The deadline to register for the workshop is Friday, April 25, 2014. Please contact us with any questions.**

LCHIP Spotlight: Governor Hassan Visits LCHIP Property for Earth Day!



Governor Maggie Hassan chose to visit the LCHIP-assisted Merrimack Riverfront Reserve to celebrate Earth Day 2014. The 122 acre project in Hooksett is a joint venture between the town of Hooksett and the Society for the Protection of new Hampshire Forests, with funding assistance from both LCHIP and the Aquatic Resource management program at the Department of Environmental Services.

The Governor arrived to a sunny day and walked ten minutes through woods and muddy fields to reach the riverside. LCHIP's Dijit Taylor introduced the Governor to the assembled friends of the project. The Governor spoke about the importance of natural, cultural and historic resources to the state and presented an LCHIP sign to Steve Couture of the Hooksett Conservation Commission. Chris Wells, Senior Director for Policy and Strategic Projects at the Forest Society thanked the governor for her support of returning funding to LCHIP. The Governor concluded her visit with some additional walking through the riverfront fields that make up the property.

Learn more about the project at :
<http://www.hooksett.org>
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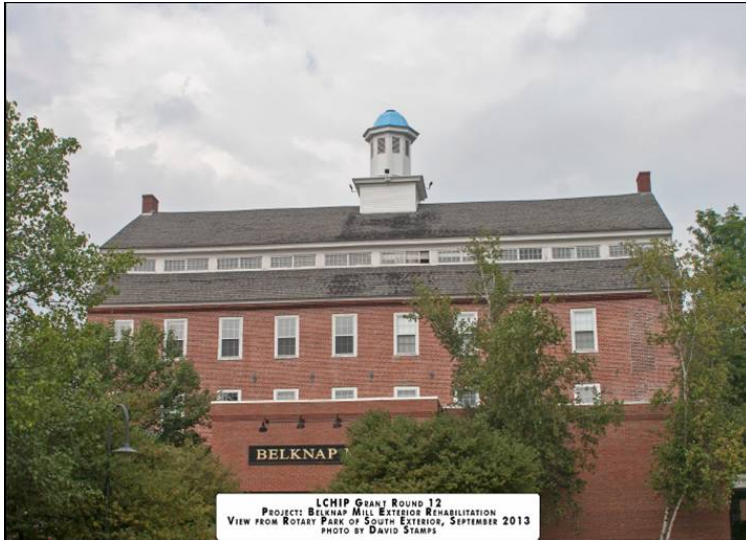
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LCHIP Spotlight: The Belknap Mill

The Belknap Mill Society recently completed repairs to the 1823 brick textile mill's cupola, for which they received a matching grant of \$12,000 from LCHIP in 2012. During the work on the cupola, extensive decay was found in the finial that holds the gilded weathervane.



Completed cupola at the Belknap Mill awaiting finial repair and replacement.

The Belknap Mill Society applied to LCHIP again in 2013 and was awarded another matching grant to rebuild the finial. Work on the finial is scheduled to be underway in Spring of 2014. [The Belknap Mill](#), situated in downtown Laconia, is the oldest unaltered textile mill in the United States and the only industrial knitting museum in the country. Aside from the museum, the building also includes a large function room available to the community plus art galleries and office space. Stay in touch with their progress and events at www.belknapmill.org.

Farewell to Jess

Natural Resource Specialist Jess Charpentier started with LCHIP in the fall of 2011, jumping into Grant Round 10 on the Review Panel day. For the past year, she has been combining her work at LCHIP with a PhD program at Antioch New England University. She has been fortunate enough to secure a grant to support her research about the impact of climate change on fire-dependent ecological communities in New Hampshire. She will be leaving LCHIP later this spring to follow academic pursuits full time. Jess has worked successfully with many applicants and has filled the position creditably. We are in the process of selecting the best candidate

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from more than 30 who applied. We hope to be able to announce the successful candidate in the May newsletter.

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