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WELCOME!

Traditionally, March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Given the oddities of this winter's weather, March may go out like a crocodile or something else totally unexpected! Enjoy a break from the weather by attending the Old House and Barn Expo on March 12 and 13. See more information about the Expo below.

The proposal to repeal LCHIP continues to wend its way through the legislative system. The House Finance Committee voted 23 to 1 to kill the proposal on February 4. The floor vote on the bill has been scheduled for March 9. This is still a great opportunity to tell your representatives how you feel about LCHIP and land conservation or historic preservation projects. Let us know if you need help finding names and contact information for your representatives.

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Dijit Taylor
Executive Director

LCHIP Spotlights

Vose Farm in Walpole
The Monadnock Conservancy was awarded $68,000 to help conserve the 22-acre Vose Farm in Walpole. A former egg farm, today a local dairy farmer harvests hay silage from the farm’s 19 acres of prime agricultural soils.

Together, Vose Farm and its neighbor Galloway Farm (already conserved) create a significant block of conserved farmland in Walpole.

*Photo: Courtesy of Stacy Grambel*

**Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church**

Built in 1825 with locally made bricks, the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church has been an icon in downtown Peterborough for almost 200 years. The Church is excellent example of the Federal architectural style. Although once thought to have been designed by noted Boston architect Charles Bulfinch, it is more likely that the Church was derived from Asher Benjamin’s American Builder’s Companion. The church’s most famous minister, Dr. Abiel Abbott, founded the first free public library in the world, located just down the street from the Church. The Peterborough UUC was awarded a $7,550 LCHIP grant for plaster and calcimine paint repairs and to rehabilitate the character defining front doors to meet modern fire codes. Click here to learn more about the history of the building.

**Hooksett Town Hall**

Built in 1828 in the popular Greek Revival style, the Old Town Hall hosted the Hooksett town meeting every year from 1828 to 1962 and was home to church services, graduations, weddings, voting and dances. In 1963 the hall was renovated to serve as a modern municipal building, which included the addition of an interior floor that separated the historically open space into two floors. This new floor cut through the large paired windows which were subsequently replaced with smaller modern windows.

In 2008 the Town Offices were relocated and the Town Hall Preservation Committee was created to develop a rehabilitation and reuse plan for the building.

LCHIP recently awarded the Town of Hooksett $19,000 to remove the 1960s floor and
replace the existing windows with reproduction windows to be based on physical and photographic evidence of the early 20th century windows.

To learn more about the Town Hall Preservation Committee, visit their website.

*Photos: Hooksett Heritage Commission*

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**LCHIP Road Trip**

*New Hampshire Preservation Alliance's Old House and Barn Expo*

Have fun and learn from the experts at this one-stop-shopping trade show that helps old house and barn owners and enthusiasts with appropriate and affordable solutions for their old buildings.

Where: NH-Radisson Hotel in Manchester
When: 9am-5pm on Sat., 3/12 and Sun., 3/13

For more information about the Expo, visit the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance's website.

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**2016 LCHIP Grant Recipients**

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