Inside the L.C. Bates Museum

Insect Kid's Kits are Now Available

Colby JanPlan Students Support Collections Research

In the cold weather, Joshua and Joe delivered boxes of Kid's Kits to students. Engaging Bird, Leaf and Insect Kid's Kits for second to fourth grade students are now available at the museum.



Volunteer Lisa has rehoused important GWH archival documents. She carefully moved them from acidic materials, cataloged them and safely housed them in acid free boxes. Thanks to volunteers, the stories and history of GWH recorded in many historic photographs and documents are preserved.



At left is a picture of papers ready to be catalogued and housed,. Below see the documents in acid –free boxes ready to be stored.



Museum Happenings

The Museum will participate in the NASA CAMP program training and offer a series of related 2022 outside astronomy programs. These will include using NISE Earth and Space kits.

February 2022

Winter View Down Easler Road



Happy Presidents Day Young visitors all recognize the presidents' in the exhibited plaster figures, including Washington.



Newsletter Nature Fact



The Museum is placing historic images of Good Will-Hinckley on the Old Pictures of Forgotten Maine site on Facebook. Check out the site to enjoy and learn about the past at GWH.

The Museum building is temporarily Closed due to Covid Safety Issues. Do come to the museum to enjoy the trails. For elementary school age children, call ahead to plan a time to receive a Bird Kid's Kit or Insect

Helpful JanPlan Projects



Cover of a new fun sea shell activity made by Colby JanPlan student Emma Baker. The activity will be available to pick up at the museum as part of Shell Science kits.

Working virtually, 4 Colby JanPlan students have researched collections and developed handouts for visitors. One student made a children's handout about climate change that will be used in the museum and included in Kid's Kits. Another student, Charlotte Maurer researched a collection of early European and Middle Eastern photographs for a future exhibition. The historic image pictured below depicts the Funicular Railroad on Mount Vesuvius in Italy. This and other historic pictures from the 1800's and early 1900's take you to a different time periods and historic locations.



Don Lemieux kindly takes pictures of objects for the museum catalog and pictures of wildlife he sees on the GWH campus. In April 2014, he photographed a Merlin, (*Falco columbarius*). Merlins are small, fierce falcons that use surprise attacks to bring down small songbirds and shorebirds. They are powerful fliers. Look for them when you go birding on the campus trails.

GWH History



Good Will Boys Ready for Winter Fun.

Snowshoeing, skating and skiing were popular with Good Will children during the long Maine winters.

.Snowtime, -1940s & '50s style Remembered by John Willey I came to Winthrop Cottage in Fall, 1944, too small & light-weight to shovel much but steps & pathways from Winthrop cottage to the Page Terrace Road. A mid Maine snow today is often a scrape-away, seldom heavy. In the '40s & early '50s, it could be waist-height on a boy, and was close to that the morning I woke up at 5:30, found the milk-pail and set out for the barns 1/4 mile NW of Page Terrace, on what the day before had been a packed path. Still snowing out, I could just see the dairy-entry light in the distance, - and waded thighdeep there and back, puffing from pushing through thigh-deep heavy snow, my feet feeling for the icy ridge of the path. - In between stumbles and falls... - and Good Will then held a January Winter Carnival.

Needed—Museum Volunteers

Museum support is needed to help with trail pickup, assembling Kid's Kits, fundraising and cataloging collections.

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Check out the educational Nature Nugget Videos at Colbycommunity/Icbates Come Take a Winter Walk on the GWH Trails with a Tree Guide in Hand



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Museum Hours and Admission Fees When We Can Reopen

April to Mid-November - Thurs., Fri. & Sat.: 10am to 4:00 pm Sun.: 1pm to 4:00 pm and other times by appointment

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