

NEW EXHIBIT UPDATES

The History Museum opened on Saturday, May 25 with new additions in all three galleries. The Lake Placid History exhibit in the Mary MacKenzie Gallery has been expanded with two completely new additions, "Houses of Worship" and "School Days." The early transportation exhibit



Children in a school room, Lake Placid c. 1914

now has a dedicated room with more photos and artifacts on display. Our "Suffrage Centennial: Women's Place in Society" exhibit has welcomed five more women to our timeline, and we installed audio playing Women's Suffrage songs and speeches. We also installed music in the Arts & Music gallery.

Throughout the Museum you will find more objects on display and many interesting stories about our history and earlier residents of Lake Placid. Come visit us and bring your friends and family!

We invite you to please join us for our Swing into Summer! Museum Reception and fundraiser event on June 27 from 5-7 pm, \$30 donation to benefit the Lake Placid-North Elba Historical Society. RSVP appreciated but not required, please email: info@lakeplacidhistory.com or call: 518-523-3830



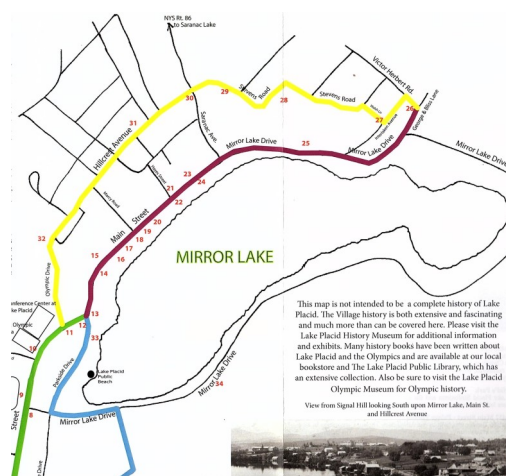
Museum Assistant, Danna, cleaning a stained glass window from Saint Agnes Church.

HISTORIC WALKING TOUR MAPS BACK IN PRINT

With a charitable donation from the Lake Placid Rotary Club the Historical Society has reprinted our popular walking tour map. The map guides one on a walking tour of some of the busy main streets and quiet side avenues of our lovely Village. The tour is just over four miles with some hills (after all, you are in the mountains!) so be prepared for some good exercise.

During your walk you will pass by many old homes and businesses, some dating back to the late 1800's and some quite new. Our Historic Walking Tour maps of Lake Placid will be available this season (for free!) at local hotels, attractions, and at The History Museum.

Thank you to the Rotary Club of Lake Placid for their support of this project.



Map from inside the Walking Tour

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

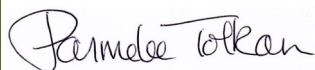
First and foremost, I want to thank all of you who made gifts to the Annual Appeal. We had a great showing and it enables us to continue with the really important work of continuing to shape our collection and to maintain our historic building.

I am so happy to see all the snow gone, because it means that summer is right around the corner. Winter for the Historical Society is a time of preparation for the coming spring and summer.

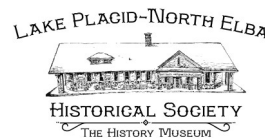
Saturday, May 11th the trustees gathered to clean and ready the Museum for the coming season. Benches were brought back outside, flower boxes filled, and new exhibits went up.

On May 25th the Museum finally comes to life again ready to welcome all our friends and visitors for summer 2019.

Drop in to see the new additions to the exhibits and enjoy the Museum which we call home.



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MEET OUR SUMMER ASSISTANT

Danna Libbey is a Lake Placid transplant, originally from southeastern Virginia. She is currently a student at SUNY Empire State College, pursuing a degree in Educational Studies with a concentration in Environmental Studies. She is a Certified Interpretive Guide through the National Association for Interpretation. She is also a Leave No Trace Master Educator, and has worked for the Adirondack Mountain Club, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and Wildlife Conservation Society. Her career goals include working in national and state parks, nature centers, and museums as an interpretive educator. When she's not working or studying, she can be found hiking, skiing, backpacking, writing or dancing. She is very excited to share her love and knowledge of Lake Placid and the Adirondacks with museum visitors this summer season!

BEV'S BITS~ NORTH ELBA CEMETERIES

A report from the Town Historian, Beverley P. Reid

The 1995 NY State Cemeteries Survey Project states that North Elba has five cemeteries. Two of these are dormant and have not been used since the late 1800's. The first one is called "Avery Family Cemetery" and is located on Averyville Road, the second is "Hinckley Family Cemetery" and is located behind Heaven Hill Farm on Bear Cub Road.

The oldest and largest of our cemeteries is the "North Elba Cemetery" located on Old Military Road. It was established in 1810 with the first burial being four-year-old Eunice Needham, daughter of Ruth and Jeremiah Needham. Meeting minutes show that a Committee was formed to secure funds \$500 from the Town budget to maintain and improve the property. Until 1961 acreage continued to be purchased from the Lake Placid Club to expand the cemetery. Early expense accounts show the digging of graves at \$3.50 each. Other expenses were for mowing and building of roads, etc.

St. Agnes Cemetery was established in 1909 on Cascade Road with property also purchased from the Lake Placid Club. Many volunteers maintained the cemetery and a Perpetual Fund for construction and maintenance was established by generous donations from the members of the parish. Several men volunteered for years for the upkeep of the cemetery. In 1961 a beautiful stone gateway was erected and paved roads established.

In 1917 1,000 pine trees were donated by the NY State Tree Conservation Nursery to the Lake Placid Women's Club which volunteers managed to plant 500 trees in each cemetery. These trees have prospered and provided needed shade and privacy through the years.

Until 1962 the Lake Placid Jewish community was served by the Tupper Lake Cemetery. However, at that time the "United Hebrew Community Cemetery" was constructed on Old Military Road under the leadership of Rabbi Guttman.

GALLERY SHOW OPENING

Echoes of Lake Placid's history are re-imaged for the modern day through artist Janet Millstein's unique multi-media printmaking. In *Imagined Reflections*, Millstein captures former residents, landscapes, and locations from Lake Placid's history and intersperses them into new original contexts. Shown side-by-side with the original historical photographs from the Lake Placid-North Elba Historical Society that inspired each work, this exhibit reflects our shared history in new and surprising ways.



Imagined Reflections opening reception is June 13, 5-7pm in the Gallery @ Lake Placid Center for the Arts (LPCA) 17 Algonquin Drive, Lake Placid. There is no admittance fee.

For more information please visit:

www.lakeplacidarts.org/gallery/upcoming-shows/imagined-reflections

To learn more about Millstein's art please visit:

www.janetmillstein.com or on Facebook @JanetMillsteinArt and on Instagram @JanetMillsteinArtist

Featured artwork: *Ghost Home* by Janet Millstein, publicity statement provided by the LPCA

AUDIO GUIDE COMING SOON

Last October 8th graders from the Lake Placid Central School visited The History Museum to explore the galleries and learn about local history. This served as the perfect opportunity for us to collect their feedback and discover what children want to see during their visit, and what improvements we could make. It was no surprise to us that students wanted more technology and interactive exhibits. Many students suggested including an audio guide in the Museum to further engage visitors. We agreed a guide in the Mary MacKenzie Gallery and the Arts & Music Gallery would be beneficial for people of all ages and a fun component in the Museum. After researching different platforms we decided the audio guide will be hosted through the free mobile app UniGuide, which can be downloaded prior, or during your visit. We expect to complete the audio guide by the end of summer! We thank the Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Program for their support with this project.

Thank you to our recent supporters!

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2019 SUMMER EVENTS

May 25—Museum Opens for the Season

Memorial Day to Mid-June:

Saturday & Sunday, 10am-4pm

Mid-June through Columbus Day:

Wednesday, 10am-6pm

Thursday-Sunday, 10am-4pm

June 13—Imagined Reflections

The opening reception is Thursday, June 13 from 5-7pm in the Gallery @ LPCA. There is no admittance fee. The exhibit will be installed through July 29. Regular Gallery @ LPCA hours are Wednesday through Saturday from 1-5 pm.

June 27—Swing into Summer! Museum Reception

Swing into summer with The History Museum! Enjoy finger foods, beverages, browse the updated exhibits, mingle with friends and listen to live music. Thursday, June 27 from 5-7pm. \$30 per person to benefit the Lake Placid-North Elba Historical Society. RSVP appreciated but not required, email: info@lakeplacidhistory.com or call: 518-523-3830

August 17—The Heritage Fair

Behind the scenes collections tours, live music, used book sale, famous bake sale, and children's activities! Fun for the whole family! If you would like to volunteer or contribute to the Heritage Fair please email: info@lakeplacidhistory.com or call: 518-523-3830

August 22—Annual Meeting

4:45 pm at The History Museum.

All members are welcome to attend.

3 September 13—Historic Fall Tour

Join us Friday, September 13 from 5-7:30pm as we explore the history of cemeteries in Lake Placid and North Elba.

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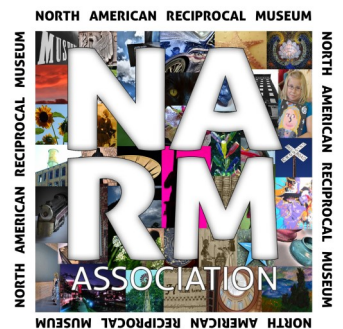
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