

EAST GRANBY HISTORICAL SOCIETY SEPTEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

Old New-Gate Talk: Sunday Sept. 22, 5:00pm
Location: New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine Guardhouse
Friends of New-Gate (FONG) and the Historical Society present:

“A Fireside Chat” with Jack Shannahan, former head of the CT Historical Commission and Bob Ravens-Seger, History professor and pres. of Friends of New-Gate.

Jack and Bob will be discussing earlier experiences at
Old New-Gate. If you have found yourself saying

“I went to New-Gate as a kid!” this is the gathering for you.

Come and share your experiences of “Newgate before the state” with others who have been a part of this period in New-Gate history. Even if you have not experienced New-Gate of yesteryear, the event promises to be fun and informative. Get to know your very vibrant local history.



*Jack Shannahan Overseeing the Digging of the
Mine Entrance, circa 1972*

EAST GRANBY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
ANNUAL MEETING Minutes
Wed. MAY 8, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Pres. Nancy Moody

*Minutes of Feb. 4 were approved as printed in the April newsletter.

*Treasurer's report was presented by Eaglemoon Raes and approved.

*Proposed 2024-'25 budget discussion/vote was presented and approved.

*Vote on proposed slate

Officers:

Pres. Nancy Moody

Treasurer: Eaglemoon Raes

V. P. John Rusnock

Secretary: VACANT

Board of Directors:

Sharon Casabella: One year in lieu of past pres. ('25)

Steve Caranchini: Two years ('26)

Phil Fontaine: Two years ('26)

Bob Ravens-Seger Three Years ('27)

VACANT: Three year term

*President's report: Nancy reviewed the year's programs and activities.

*Curator's report: Ruth Westervelt listed the artifact donations received over the past year.

*Adjournment at 7:25.

Program: "How Connecticut Thumbed Its Nose at Prohibition"

Presented by Mike Allen

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Moody, Pres. and Sec'y. Pro Tem.

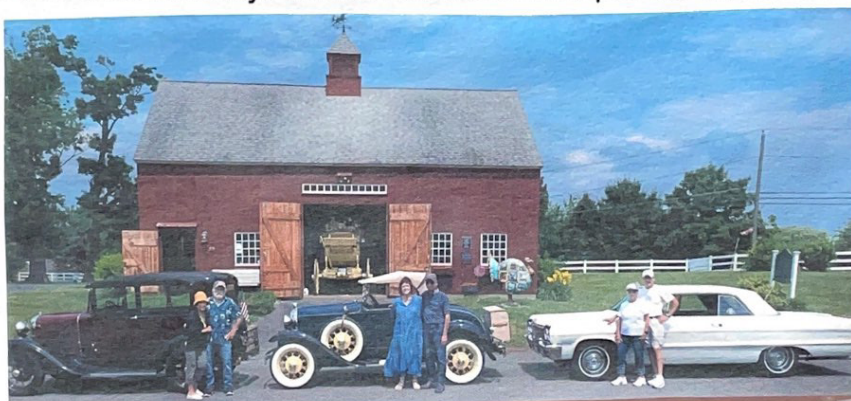
Participation in East Granby Farmers' Market and Last Blast of Summer event. As seen in the photos below we were represented at the first Farmers' Market on Aug 2, which had to be moved into the library due to weather. At the Last Blast event on Aug. 23, we brought several interactive items from the barn in addition to a table of items for sale and promotional material. We sold items and took in donations at both events. Members who made this happen: Les Boynton, Sharon Casabella, Steve Caranchini, Phil Fontaine, Nancy Moody and Ruth Westervelt.



In Memoriam: Paul Scannell was a longtime and very active member, serving on the board and the stagecoach committee during its restoration process.

Summer at the Barn: Prior to the regular season we opened the barn once again during the annual 5K Ridge Run on April 27 and many visitors came in. We've been open the usual two Sunday afternoons per month and will finish on Oct. 27, although anyone may still make an appointment beyond that date. Thanks to the following members who staffed the barn: Les Boynton, Steve Caranchini, Sharon Casabella, Jean Dakin, Phil Fontaine, Nancy Moody and Ruth Westervelt. Thanks also to Sharon for another year of garden maintenance around the barn.

One of the June Sundays welcomed these antique car visitors!



Student Awards: This year the awards committee of the society decided to give \$1,000 scholarships to two East Granby High School seniors, since it was very difficult to decide on just one when there were so many deserving students! We received nice thank-you notes from them.

Time to renew memberships which go from Sept.'24--Sept. '25.

**RENEW MEMBERSHIP: Please return form with check payable to:
East Granby Historical Society, PO Box 188, E. Granby, CT. 06026**

Single \$15 _____ Family \$25 _____ Life \$225 _____ (single or family)
 Donation _____
 Name(s) _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ email _____
