

Northfield 350th Anniversary Committee Email Update May 2023

We are now four months into our 350th year that has put us on a good path to “Reconnecting Northfield”!

Saturday April 15th's Coffee Hour about Seminary History with Peter Weis was a wonderfully informative, and even humorous talk! Thank you, Peter, and the Dickinson Library, for hosting! The next Coffee Hour is Saturday, May 20th about the Field Library with Linda Chapin from 10am to 11am at the Dickinson Library.

Gretchen Holbrook Gerzina, author of *Mr. and Mrs. Prince*, presented her talk on Abijah Prince on April 27th and there were about 100 attendees! For the third big presentation, we thank, yet again, the hardworking people at the Trinitarian Church, Dickinson Library, and BNCTV for helping us put on (and record) such a quality talk.

Recently, all the tickets, 150 of them, for the 350th Dinner Dance at the Northfield Golf Course Sept. 23rd have been sold!! They went quickly! Thank you to Corinne Fitzgerald and Bonnie L'Etoile for making this happen!

Last chance to register through the Dickinson Library (dmemlib@gmail.com) for some outdoor history events:

1. Mill Brook Trail: Early Industries Walk with Annie Chappell on Sunday May 7th at 1pm
2. King Philip's Hill Walk with Rich Holschuh of the Elnu Abenaki Tribe of Southern VT Saturday May 13th at 9am

Plus, Architecture History in Northfield with Eric Gradoia: Former Historic Preservation Director at Historic Deerfield (again, register with the Dickinson Library):

1. Saturday May 20th at 1pm
2. Saturday May 20th at 2:30pm
3. Plus a Zoom version on Wednesday May 10th at 7pm

A HUGE thank you goes out to Bob Henry for dealing with our big signs around town that *all* were damaged after a huge windstorm this winter. As of this writing, they are mostly back up!! 😊

For commemorative items, shop online as well as at our events: [350th Commemorative Merchandise - Northfield's 350th Commemoration \(northfield350.org\)](https://northfield350.org) plus at local businesses like Adria Lowry Unique Floral Design across from the IGA. We have a Doors of Northfield poster by Cate Woolner, 350th pottery by Tom White, 350th pins and magnets that were generously donated by a local resident, a 350th glass cup, hats, bags and more!

To keep MOST up-to-date on everything, again, our website is prime place for all things 350th www.northfield350.org plus our Facebook page: [\(2\) Northfield MA 350th Anniversary 2023 | Northfield MA | Facebook](#)

Although it is still 5 months away, we NEED PARADE VOLUNTEERS to start signing up!! [Volunteer - Northfield's 350th Commemoration \(northfield350.org\)](#) is our online volunteer sign up (or you can always just email us at: northfield350@gmail.com) **DEADLINE FOR FLOAT ENTRIES IS JUNE 15TH!!**

Northfield Oral History Project can now be done over the phone or as a group! If you live far away, but still want your story to be heard, please contact Joan Stoia of the Centennial House at 413-498-5921 or at northfield350news@gmail.com

Also, we are on a special lookout for a few hands to help our Entertainment Focus Group... specifically people with experience with sound equipment. Please email us! 😊

** A special reminder that our wonderful logo was designed by Mike LaCoy, and another local artist who used that logo to create the beautiful 350th A-frame sign in front of town hall, is Jesse Morgan. THANK YOU MIKE AND JESSE! **

LAST, BUT DEFINITELY NOT LEAST, PLEASE VISIT OUR SPONSORS/DONORS PAGE. WITHOUT THEIR GENEROSITY, WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO HOLD THE HIGH CALIBER EVENTS THAT WE HAVE!! [Sponsors and Individual Donors - Northfield's 350th Commemoration \(northfield350.org\)](#)

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